

Council Service Territory Volunteer Leadership Newsletter



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*The Council Service Territory Volunteer Leadership Newsletter is an official weekly digest of information for key local council and council service territory volunteers from multiple official Scouting America sources. Learn more about the items that may be important to you and **please share appropriate content with other Scouters.***

Service Territory Maps

Check [here](#) for council service territory maps (and more.) Some have been updated this month, including the overall map.

“Culture of Growth” Conference

You can develop personalized membership growth plans – and more - at our Growing Scouting “Culture of Growth” conferences at Philmont Training Center the week of *June 14-20, 2026*. We invite both new and experienced membership volunteers and professionals to join us in learning how to build highly effective growth teams, engage today’s families, and implement recruitment and retention strategies that work. Register [here](#).

Order of the Arrow Induction Ceremony

Watch a discussion on the history of Order of the Arrow ceremonies, the Induction process, and a behind the scenes look at the thorough process that went into the new Induction Weekend [here](#).

Updated Fundraising Activities Policy for Council Owned or Managed Ranges

Updated guidance is now available for councils conducting fundraising activities utilizing range and target activity facilities. This policy establishes required standards to ensure safety, compliance, and alignment with National Camping Standards. See more [here](#).

Commissioner Newsletter

The *April 27* Commissioner Newsletter is available [here](#).

Safeguarding Youth Training (SYT) Refresher

2026 Fall Recruitment Marketing and Membership Preview

Registration System Improvement

Updates to Scoutbook Plus

2026 Messengers of Peace Scout Build in the Dominican Republic

Reminder: IMPACT 365 - Scouts Trash the Trash Day, May 2

Reminder: Scouts Read Sacred Text, May 7

Reminder: Commissioner Week at Philmont Training Center, June 7 – 13

Get Your Daily Dose of Scouting Online

We're Your Go To for Answers
Ask A Commissioner

Back Issues of the Volunteer Leadership Newsletter

We have created a repository of the most recent back issues of the *Newsletter*. Find them [here](#). Be sure to check them out if you are new to this newsletter and/or to review earlier issues.

Reminders from Previous Newsletters

Read Sacred Texts Event - *May 7* - Learn more [here](#)
Safeguarding Youth Refresher Training Launched - [here](#)
2026 National Annual Meeting – *May 11–15* – Dallas - [here](#)
2026 Silver Buffalo and Silver Antelope Recipients - [here](#)
2026 National Jamboree Day Visitor Tickets - [here](#)
2026 National Jamboree VIP Experience - [here](#)
Camp Collaborative at Philmont – *September 27-October 2* - [here](#)
Exploring Training and Live Hour - [here](#)
Family Adventure Camp at High Adventure Bases - [here](#)
Distinguished Eagle Scout Award Application Cycle - *April 1 through July 31* - [here](#)

Program Livecasts

Cub Chat Live (every Friday at 3 pm Eastern) - [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)
Troop Talk Live (second Wednesday of each month at 2 pm Central) - [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)
Leading our Adventures (every other Friday at 4 pm Mountain) - [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)
Trek on Tuesday (Tuesdays at Noon Pacific) - [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)
Exploring Live Hour (second Wednesday at 1:00 pm Central – Schedule and registration [here](#))

Webinars

Scouts BSA Advancement Demystified Series – *8:00 pm Eastern* - Recordings may be found [here](#) and the links to the webinars may be found [here](#)

Merit Badge Counseling - Moving from Good to Great - *Wednesday, May 5*

Monthly Membership Rally - Future Rallies *May (in-person at the National Annual Meeting), June 18, July 16, August 20, September 17, October 15, and November 12* – Register [here](#)

Alumni Webinars - 3:30 PM Pacific – Read more [here](#)

How to Create an Eagle Scout Mentoring Program – *June 7* - Register [here](#)

Monthly Finance and Fund Development Webinar – *Third Wednesday at 2:00 pm Central* - See recordings [here](#)

National Jamboree - Register for upcoming and view past webinars [here](#)

Venturing – See recordings of program webinars [here](#)

Newsletters/Blogs/Podcasts

Scouting Safety - [here](#)

Aaron on Scouting - [here](#)

Marketing – Subscribe [here](#)

Scouting in the Boardroom - [here](#)

Commissioner Newsletter - [here](#)

Trail To Adventure - [here](#)

Scouting Alumni - [here](#)
Training Times - [here](#)
Abilities Digest - [here](#)
Scouting Wire - [here](#)

Important Links

Youth Safety - [here](#)
Incident Reporting - [here](#)
Health and Safety - [here](#)
Safety Moments - [here](#)
Scouting America Brand Guidelines and Materials - [here](#)
Language of Scouting - [here](#)
Training Resources - [here](#)
Merit Badges - [here](#)
Online Registration Information - [here](#)
Scouting America Membership Standards - [here](#)
Philmont Training Center Conferences - [here](#)
National Council Videos - [here](#)
High Adventure Bases - [here](#)
National Jamboree - [here](#)
Scouting Forms - [here](#)
2027 World Scout Jamboree - [here](#)
Council Support - [here](#)
National Eagle Scout Association - [here](#)
National Camping Schools - [here](#)
Scouting Forums - [here](#)
Order of the Arrow - [here](#)
Commissioners - [here](#)
Program Updates - [here](#)
Summer Camp Staff Jobs - [here](#)
Awards Central - [here](#)
Marketing and Recruitment Resources - [here](#)
Scouting Newsroom - [here](#)
Scouting Emergency Assistance Fund - [here](#)
Brand Center - [here](#)
America250 Visual Identity Guidelines - [here](#)
America250 Generic and Local Council Logos - [here](#)

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