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Los Padres Council, Boy Scouts of America
Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo Counties **August 2016**



Council Executive Message

Los Padres Council Scouters, leaders and supporters,

This past summer an array of adventures took place on our Scouting trail. I thank you for all the support you have given to our young people thus far this year. With the last half of 2016 upon us we look forward to helping you provide our youth positive experiences and adventures of a lifetime. There are several things that we are looking forward to in Scouting for the rest of 2016.



New Scout member recruitment is a big focus for Los Padres Council this fall. In efforts to not only give more youth the opportunity to have a Scouting adventure, but also to help Packs, Troops and Crews stay healthy we have organized a strategic membership recruitment campaign. We know that in order for units to stay healthy quality leaders are the key, and the path to more leaders is more kids in the program. Just remember that once you have the Scout, ask each parent to get involved in something. The responsibility or task can be simple and easy at first, to get them involved and comfortable, but make sure each parent has one. New parents expect to be asked to do something. More information and material on recruitment will be available at our district roundtables and at the University of Scouting.

The Lion Cub program is finally here! This pilot program will allow us to give young families a taste of the Scouting adventure with an age appropriate fun program that is not overly demanding on a young families' schedule, but still gets their young boy excited while teaching him basic skills of life.

Our new climbing wall is up and ready for your unit and Scouts at Rancho Alegre! Thanks to a generous donation made by Mr. Richard Berti to Los Padres Council we have a new state of the art climbing wall and added COPE course elements at Rancho Alegre. If you would like to be among the first people to use it call Rancho Alegre **(805) 686-5167** to schedule a visit. The COPE course, including the wall, is also available for outside group use, just call Rancho Alegre for details.

The Exploring Explosion was set off in 2016. In efforts to keep improving the way we serve our young people and help them reach their goals our Exploring program has been updated and revamped. Exploring is a career identification program where any youth ages 13-20 can have hands-on experience with any career of interest, from a peace officer or EMT to a pilot or engineer and anything in between. If you would like to learn more, visit our exploring website at www.exploring.org.

POPCORN is here! Popcorn is an easy way for your unit to fundraise its entire budget for a calendar year in 1 month while



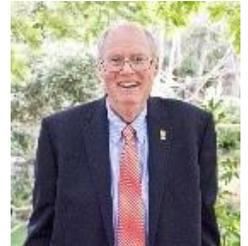
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Boy Scouts can work on their salesmanship Merit Badge. We have changed popcorn companies this year to Camp Master's popcorn in order to provide better quality, customer service and healthier choices. Please call your local DE or contact Popcorn staff advisor April Wright (april.wright@scouting.org) for details about your local kickoff information and materials, and to find out how to increase your unit's return.

With the end of the year coming up very quickly we are trying to ensure that we accomplish the goals we set out to do this year. Thank you to those of you who have already financially supported our Scouts. There are still some projects to be taken on for which funding is needed. You still have time to support those projects and improve Scouting in our communities. In addition, we are aggressively asking local businesses to support you and our Scouts by conducting a community campaign. There are a couple of ways you can get involved with minimal effort.

1. If you work for a company that does matching gifts or matches volunteer time, please let us know so we can work with you on getting those funds in. Your employee website should have details. Some companies not only match your contribution \$ for \$, but also donate \$ on your behalf for volunteer time. Some of those companies include PG&E, Wells Fargo, B of A, Albertson's, Southern California Edison, Pepsi Co, Coca-Cola and Frito Lay. That is basically free money that is sitting there waiting for us to collect it, help us collect it so we can invest it in our Scouts.
2. If you own your own company, your vendor's are a good source of support. You spend lots of money with your vendors. A simple letter to them asking them to support something that you believe in will create interest in them as they like to keep your business. Sample letters are available; just contact your local DE. We will even mail from a service center to save you postage.

Lastly, Los Padres Council, Boy Scouts of America is proud to announce that Mr. Richard Block, Santa Barbara Zoo CEO (see photo to the right), and California State Assembly Member Mr. Katcho Achadjian will be honored as the 2016 recipients of the "Good Scout Award." Los Padres Council has been serving the youth of Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo County since 1914 and would be unable to fulfill the mission of our council without the leadership of committed volunteers and supports like Richard Block and Katcho Achadjian. Los Padres Council's "Good Scouter Award" recognizes a leader of our community who sets a positive example for others to follow - through living in accordance with the Scout Oath and Law; while also demonstrating exceptional involvement in the community. Los Padres Council will formally recognize Mr. Block during its annual "Scouting, A Celebration of Youth" event held on the evening of Thursday, October 20, 2016 at the historical Santa Barbara Club located in downtown Santa Barbara. Los Padres Council will formally recognize Mr. Achadjian during its annual "Major Member" event held on the evening of Wednesday, December 7, 2016 at the beautiful Cliffs Resort located in Pismo Beach.



Thank you for your continued support and leadership and remember to like us and share your adventure with us on Facebook www.facebook/lpcbasa.com, visit our website www.lpcbasa.org or text BSA to 384-70. Keep the adventure going, see you on the trail.

Yours in Scouting,
Carlos Cortez, Scout Executive/CEO

Results Show That Scouting Works-Tufts Study: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6XXZaLmQi18>
How Explorers Are Blazing The Trail For The Next Generation: http://scoutingnewsroom.org/blog/explorers-blazing-trail-next-generation/?utm_source=Newsroom&utm_campaign=cd7abfd0f6-Newsroom_Newsletter_7_22_20167_21_2016&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6cfef6bcfd-cd7abfd0f6-206598297

Council President Musings

Dear Scouts, Scout Leaders and Families,

The summer has begun with a bang of new and exciting activities. Some of OA and Scout Brothers headed to "Northern Tier", Emerald Bay, Rancho Alegre, as well as, other training and planning treks. I am proud to be able to still participate with the multitude of fun adventures, learning many new things from our Scouts. My knees may have taken some damage from years of playing basketball but I soon forget the pain when I'm on the trail.

I know I say this from time to time but take a moment this summer to reach out and see how your fellow Scout or Scout Leader is doing. Maybe you can join them on a new adventure and make some new friends in the process. All you need to do is ask!

I am proud to let you all know that our Los Padres Council and its current leadership has put us on a better financial path than ever before. All we need to do is keep working on Friends of Scouting (FOS) and we'll be fine. I believe in the past we lost track of why we do FOS for our Council, it's to provide a better future of our movement. Please ask people you know to support your interests by making a small financial contribution to FOS as it can make for a better future for all our Scouts.

Something New:

We have the Lions Cub program coming this fall that should give us a membership boost and begin to repopulate our Cub Packs. There is no better way to make a person come alive better than introducing them to Scouting. Many of our members over the past year or two would often ask me how they and their younger family members could participate more to Scouting. Lions Cub is a way to do this!

Finally, I'm going to bring up the "T" word for Training. We have many new leaders who



have yet to be leader specific trained as well as even YPT. It is critical we provide a trained leader for our Scouts as they truly deserve it.

Something to note:

Wood Badge WE4-53-16 is coming up on September 2-4th and September 22nd thru 24th. I am on staff and there is still space available for more participants. Just think you can have a great time with other Scout Leaders while hanging out with me! I would love to meet you and tell your friends and we'll change the Scouting world together.

Have a great rest of your summer and hopefully I'll see you soon..

Yours in Scouting,

Randal Moos, Council President

Order of The Arrow

Coming off a successful week during summer camp, Chumash Lodge is preparing for the upcoming Summer Ordeal on August 26-28 at Rancho Alegre. The OA service projects during the Ordeal will include additional work on the fence around the COPE and Climbing Wall area and some trail work. Cost is \$50 for Ordeal Candidates; \$48 for Brotherhood candidates, and \$28 for General Members. One can register online at the Council website - www.lpcbsa.org.

In other news, 3 Ordeal members went through a special Brotherhood ceremony during Summer Camp at Rancho Alegre. There was a great crowd of OA members in camp - both from within the attendees as well as others who came up on Tuesday evening for the Rededication Ceremony.

The Section Conclave will take place on September 16-18 at Camp Three Falls (near Frazier Park). Registration Fee is \$45 with a special \$35 rate for those making their Ordeal within the past twelve months. These rates will be discounted if registration and fee is paid prior to August 20, 2016. Registration takes place on the Los Padres Council website (registration may NOT be paid or taken at any of the Council Scout Stores). For more information go to the Section Conclave website at sectionw4n.org. [Wayne Rascati]

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Upcoming Events: Council [please refer to the calendar at lpcbsa.org to sign up for classes and events]

1-6 Aug., National Youth Leadership Training

3 Aug., Unit Popcorn Chairman Training

19-20 Aug., Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills & Outdoor Leadership Skills for Webelos Leaders

20 Aug., Order of the Arrow Council of Chiefs Meeting, Section W4N

26 -28 Aug., Order of the Arrow Summer Ordeal

30 Aug., "Show and Sell" Popcorn orders due

1 Sep., Charter Renewal Distribution

1 Sep., Membership Recruitment Fall Drive Kick-Off

3-5 Sep., Wood Badge weekend 1, Rancho Alegre

16-17 Sep., Webelos Woods

16-18 Sep., Order of the Arrow Section Conclave

17 Sep., "Show and Sell" Popcorn order pickup

20 Sep., Executive Board Meeting

22 Sep., District Operations Meeting, 7 pm

22-24 Sep., Wood Badge weekend 2, Camp Three Falls

1 Oct. Wilderness First Aid, session 1 of 2

8 Oct. University of Scouting, 8 am

15 Oct. Wilderness First Aid, session 2 of 2

14-16 Oct. Jamboree on the Air and Jamboree on the Internet

16 Oct. Railroad Merit Badge Seminar, San Luis Obispo

22 Oct. PG&E Merit Badge Day, Avila Beach

22 Oct., Catholic Scouting Retreat, 7 am, Simi Valley

24 Oct., Popcorn sales end

28-29 Oct., Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills & Outdoor Leadership Skills for Webelos Leaders, Rancho Alegre

19-28 Jul. 2017 National Scout Jamboree, information at www.bsajamboree.org. LPC will be organizing a troop and a crew to attend.

Upcoming Events: Cachuma District

2 Aug., Tue., District Committee meeting, 7 pm, and District Membership Training

6 Sep., Tue., District Committee meeting, 7 pm

4 Oct., Tue., District Committee meeting, 7 pm

Upcoming Events: Camino Real District

10 Aug., OA Chapter Meeting

11 Aug., Thu., 6:30 to 7:30 pm, District Committee Meeting

24 Aug., Wed., 7 to 8 pm, Roundtable, Unit Commissioner Meeting, and District Membership Training

14 Sep., OA Chapter Meeting

15 Sep., Thu., 6:30 to 7:30 pm, District Committee Meeting

28 Sep., Wed., 7 to 8 pm, Roundtable, Unit Commissioner Meeting

12 Oct., OA Chapter Meeting

13 Oct., Thu., 6:30 to 7:30 pm, District Committee Meeting

26 Oct., Wed., 7 to 8 pm, Roundtable, Unit Commissioner Meeting

Upcoming Events: Del Norte District

4 Aug., Order of the Arrow CEC Meeting, 6 pm

4 Aug., Thu., 7 pm, Roundtables

11 Aug., Thu., Del Norte District Membership Kick-Off and District Membership Training

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18 Aug., Thu., District Committee Meeting and Unit Commissioner meeting, 7:00 to 8:00 pm

1 Sep., Order of the Arrow CEC Meeting, 6 pm

1 Sep., Thu., 7 pm, Roundtables

10 Sep., Scoutmaster Position Training

15 Sep., Thu., District Committee Meeting and Unit Commissioner meeting, 7:00 to 8:00 pm

6 Oct., Order of the Arrow CEC Meeting, 6 pm

6 Oct., Thu., 7 pm, Roundtables

20 Oct., Thu., District Committee Meeting and Unit Commissioner meeting, 7:00 to 8:00 pm

Upcoming Events: Live Oak District

18 Aug., Roundtable (Lompoc)

25 Aug., District Committee Meeting

15 Sep., Roundtable (Lompoc)

22 Sep., District Committee Meeting

5 Oct., Charter Renewal Orientation

20 Aug., Roundtable (Lompoc)

27 Aug., District Committee Meeting

Upcoming Events: South Coast District

1 Aug., Merit Badge Counselor Training, Council Office, 5:45 to 7:00 pm

11 Aug., Thu., 5:30 to 7:00 pm, District Committee Meeting

11 Aug., Roundtables, 7:00 to 8:30 pm

24 Aug., District Commissioner Staff Meeting, 5:35 pm to 6:40 pm

5 Sep., Merit Badge Counselor Training, Council Office, 5:45 to 7:00 pm

8 Sep., Thu., 5:30 to 7:00 pm, District Committee Meeting

8 Sep., Roundtables, 7:00 to 8:30 pm

10 Sep., Cub Scout Leader Position Training

17 Sep., Scoutmaster Position Training

28 Sep., District Commissioner Staff Meeting, 5:35 pm to 6:40 pm

3 Oct., Merit Badge Counselor Training, Council Office, 5:45 to 7:00 pm

13 Oct., Thu., 5:30 to 7:00 pm, District Committee Meeting

13 Oct., Roundtables, 7:00 to 8:30 pm

20 Oct., Scouting: A Celebration of Youth

22 Oct., Scouting Celebration

26 Oct., District Commissioner Staff Meeting, 5:35 pm to 6:40 pm

2017 National Scout Jamboree

Boy Scouts, Venturers, and adult leaders who are interested in participating in the 2017 National Scout Jamboree at the Bechtel Summit Reserve in West Virginia are encouraged let us know of their interest by signing into the Jamboree website at:

<http://www.summitbsa.org/events/jamboree/overview/>

The Jamboree will run from July 19 to 28, 2017. The trip for our contingent will also include a tour of major sites on the east coast, starting in the Philadelphia area. We anticipate that the total cost will be approximately \$3,500, the same as the last Jamboree.

Our steering committee has just completed the selection of leaders for our council contingent Several Scouts have now been selected. The interview and selection process will continue over the next few months as we work to form a contingent consisting of a Scout troop of 36 Scouts and a coed Venture patrol of 8 youth.

More details will be available soon on our council website and through our local council service centers. [submitted by Scott Oldenburg]

Trainer's Corner
Dr. Larry Basham
Council Training Chair



ALL REGISTERED LEADERS MUST BE TRAINED — YES - this means YOU!!!

1. All leaders must complete required training in 2016 to re-charter for 2017
 2. Classroom and/or online and outdoor training as required for your position
 3. Youth protection training must be renewed every year
- If you are a Cubmaster/Asst. Cubmaster, Den Leader/Asst. Den Leader, or Pack Committee Member you **MUST** complete the online training (all modules) for your position. My.Scouting.org
 - If you are a Scoutmaster/Asst. SM, Varsity Coach/ Asst. Coach or Venture Advisor/Asst. Adv., you **MUST** complete the Position-Specific training for your position AND Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Training (IOLS)



(Please see the policy outline on the Council website lpcbsa.org for a complete explanation and schedule of training courses. Click on the blue "Training" Tab on the homepage left hand column for a drop down list of training courses and the council training policy.)

UPCOMING COUNCIL TRAINING EVENTS:

Aug. 19-20 IOLS/OLS-WL - Rancho Alegre, 6:30pm Friday to 6 pm Saturday

Oct. 1 & 15 Wilderness First Aid

Oct. 8 University of Scouting 8:30am to 5 pm Santa Maria

Oct. 28-29 IOLS/OLS-WL - Rancho Alegre, 6:30pm Friday to 6 pm Saturday

Nov 11-12 IOLS/OLS-WL - Rancho Alegre, 6:30pm Friday to 6 pm Saturday



Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS)

Space is Limited!

****ONLY THREE COURSES LEFT THIS YEAR ****

Required training for Scoutmasters, ASMs, Varsity Leaders & Venture Advisors whose crews camp - take it early, classes are limited to 20 participants. There are 3 more IOLS courses scheduled for 2016 and 65 leaders need to take it. **Don't be left out**, register now at lpcbsa.org "Training Tab" or go to the Calendar.

ONLINE TRAINING UPDATES:

The BSA Learn Center has added three new programs to its online training:

- Venturing (includes Crew Advisor Specific & Venture Committee Member training)
- Sea Scouts (Adult Leader Basic Training)
- Commissioner Tools Training & LDS Commissioner Orientation

Access the training modules by logging onto my.Scouting.org > Learn Center

Online **Safe Swim Defense** Training has been updated and it's excellent! Be sure to take it if your unit is planning any water events this summer! Access: my.Scouting.org >Home>Dashboard>Training Center

WOOD BADGE 2016 ADULT LEADERSHIP TRAINING "Growing Stronger Units"

Last Chance to Register !!

Sept. 3-5th (Sat. thru Monday) at Rancho Alegre
Sept. 22-24th (Thur. thru Sat.) at Camp Three Falls

This year Los Padres Council is excited to be partnering with Ventura County Council and Southern Sierra Council to host the premier adult leadership training course, Wood Badge. Scoutmaster/Course Director, Joe Bauer, attended the Leadership Training Conference for Wood Badge Course Directors and came home excited to make this year's course the best ever. For all the information and to download a course flier, go to the training tab at the council website: www.lpcbsa.org or contact Joe Bauer at joebauer2@yahoo.com



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Save the Date: Oct. 8th is The University of Scouting!

A Day of FUN & Learning - the BIGGEST training event of the year – Over 40 Classes for Scouts & Adults !



Here are just a few classes for Scouts:

- Leadership Skills for Troop Youth Leaders (ILST) (Scoutmasters – bring your troop leaders for this training and build your boy-led troop)
- Life to Eagle
- Let's Go Backpacking
- Making Air Rockets
- Using GPS & Geocaching.

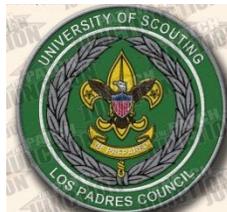
Adult Required Position-Specific Classes:

- Scoutmaster
- Cubmaster
- Den Leader
- Varsity Coach
- Venture Crew Advisor
- Committee
- Youth Protection

Adult Elective Classes (sample)

- Keeping Older Scouts Engaged
- Planning a High Adventure Trek
- Fun Crafts for Cubs
- Outdoor Cooking with Scouts
- STEM & Nova
- Webelos Transition

See the full class schedule and register online at the council website, lpcbsa.org
Adults \$15 and Scouts \$5



Earn a University of Scouting Degree patch!

Philmont Training Center

The 2016 course brochure is available online or at your local Council Service Center. Check out all the great courses available **this fall**, next summer and



throughout the year! There are activities for the entire family while you do training. Check it out at

philmontscoutranch.org/PTC.aspx

Roundtable – Our BEST Kept Secret

If you're looking to network and fellowship with other leaders, find out what activities they do or where they go hiking and camping, or you want to learn about program themes and much, much, more, then you should be attending your district Roundtable meetings.



Del Norte District – 1st Thursday of the month 7PM at Atascadero Lake Pavilion Scout Hall

Camino Real District – 4th Wednesday of the month 7PM at the Elks Lodge in San Luis Obispo

South Coast District – 2nd Thursday of the month 7PM at the LDS Church 2107 Santa Barbara St.

Your Training Chairs

Del Norte District – position open
Camino Real District

George Brown, kf6pbl@hotmail.com

Live Oak District – position open
Cachuma District

Brad Ross, rossbrada@gmail.com

South Coast District

Zea Bauer, zbauer13s@gmail.com

Council Training Chair

Larry Basham, DrBuzz2@aol.com

ONLINE TRAINING & RESOURCES

There are very helpful resources such as the **Den & Pack and Troop Resource Guides** and **Troop Program Features**.



These are full of great meeting plans and ideas for having exciting activities. If you haven't checked it out, take a few minutes to do so. You'll be glad you did.

scouting.org There are many online training

courses and resources available on the BSA Learning Center.

If you are new to Scouting, you will want to take the orientation courses such as, "Fast Start" and "This Is Scouting" for your particular program just to get on-track. Of course **Youth Protection Training** for each program level is online and NOW **required to renew every year**, as well as Safe Swim Defense, Safety Afloat, Weather Hazards, Trek Safely, Climb on Safely and Troop Committee Challenge.

Pertinent Program Proclamations

Summer is winding down, our minds are starting to think more about the fun we had this summer rather than the great times we are going to have. I would suggest that now's the time to take a breath and ensure that everything is progressing.

I look at our Council's Journey to Excellence Dashboard and I see a few things that we can congratulate ourselves on. We have increased the number of Council volunteers, from my part of the Committee, that's due to Jim Bartlett agreeing to be our Council Advancement Chair. I am grateful frankly that he is going to retain his position on the South Coast District Committee. He does a great job there being the District Advancement Chair, his knowledge and attitude will be a real resource to the rest of the Council as he implements his vision of Advancement across Los Padres Council. Our Council dashboard also reflects increases in Cub Scout and Boy Scout advancement. I'm not so sure that new advancement rates are happening. I am very confident that we are now more completely reporting that advancement. That reporting is a direct result of your efforts, thank you for that.

I see the needles are moving when we talk about Cub Scout and Boy Scout camping. That is also happening because we are reporting those items now. Again, thanks for doing that.

An area where I'm concerned and where you can also have an impact is on growing the District Committee. We need to pick up a few more District Committee people. In reality if we

were able to add about eight (8) that would make a real difference around the Council. When you think about eight volunteers, that's only two per committee for Del Norte, Camino Real, Live Oak & South Coast. I'm sure we can pick up a couple more people in your district. Please give it a real try in August and September. It is fun, when you get to do something you enjoy. There are plenty of jobs to go around, and there are all sorts of different interests in the volunteers that make the Council so full of wonderful units. Are there people you know, that have sons that have aged out of your program? Just invite them to get involved. We'll train them; we'll help them have fun.

Program wise, it's time to get serious about Cub Scout Roundup, and Venture Open Houses. Let's see if we can grow this program just a little bit. There are enough people around that could honestly use the program to help their boys and girls. We have a treasure on the Central Coast; we can help shape the lives of the young people of our areas.

I have a story I want to share. I recently had a little fender bender and took my car in to be repaired. The young man looked at me and smiled, I of course thought nothing of it. He didn't look that familiar. He wrote my name down on the bid, and asked for a number. We looked all over the car and he got busy writing. When he was done he handed me a bill that was considerable less than what I was expecting. Some of you know that I have a greeting to start out various events. I asked him if he was sure that this was the correct amount? He smiled at me and whispered, "Today, will be a great day." I have no idea who this young man is, he knows me. How many others can have a similar impact on our youth.

If you want to do that, but don't know how, stick around, we'll get you trained, just like I got trained. We'll pump you up and help you be positive, just like me. I am no big deal, I just love Scouts and Scouting, and am looking forward to where we go next.

[submitted by Lynn Johnson]

Uniforms Needed

Do you have uniforms in your closet that can no longer be worn? There are many disadvantaged Scouts in our communities who could use them. Check to see if your unit has a special locker for old uniforms; otherwise we would ask that you donate these items at any one of the three Scout Service Centers in Santa Barbara, Santa Maria, or Atascadero.

There is a special need for Venturing uniforms for Summer Camp Staff. Venturing items can be sent to Rancho Alegre or left at one of the Service Centers with instructions to be sent to the camp.

Before sending your uniforms to any one of these locations, please remove any special rank pins, knots, or patches on the uniform as these are personal items.

On behalf of the Scouts who will benefit by your donation, we extend a thank you for your contribution.

Wayne Rascati
Summer Camp Program Director

Dates For 2017 Summer Camping At Rancho Alegre

We welcome all our Council units during the 2017 Summer Camp season. Here are the dates for camp for 2017:

- Boy Scout Summer Camp - July 9 July 15
- Cub Scout and Family Resident Camp - July 5 - July 8
- Lifeguard Academy - June 11-17
- NYLT - June 11-17

Summer Camp Staff Training will be held June 26 to June 30. Applications will be available on the Council website by January 1st.

For more information on any one of these events, contact Council Program Director Scott Oldenburg at scott.oldenburg@scouting.org. Information on each activity will be posted on the Council website in the Fall of 2016.

Lion Cub Pilot Program

Los Padres Council is participating in the Lion Cub Pilot Program for kindergarten age boys and their adult partner. In the winter of 2015 the BSA presented the opportunity for Councils across the US to participate in a new program for boys just entering kindergarten. This program is designed to be an introduction to Cub Scouts so that boys and their adult partner can see the fun and excitement available to them in Cub Scouting.

The Lion Cub Pilot Program Coordinator for the Council is **Harry Holden**. Packs requesting to participate are Packs 65 and 93 in Del Norte District, Packs 13, 214, 322, 425 in Camino Real District, Pack 2103 in Live Oak District, Pack 42 in Cachuma District and Packs 26 and 50 in South Coast District. Lion Cubs will wear a blue t-shirt with a Lion Cub emblem on the front. Adult partners can wear a Pack activity shirt or an official Scout Leader uniform. Lion Guides can wear an official dark blue Lion Guide polo style shirt.

This is a Pilot Program to evaluate and improve Lion Cubs before it is rolled out to all of the Cub Packs across the United States. Los Padres Council had to apply and be accepted to participate. National chose to give us spaces in the program to allow ten Cub Scout Packs to host a Lion Cub Den during the 2016 – 2017 Scout year. Each of our five Districts has one or more Packs hosting a Lion Cub Den. Cubmasters, Lion Guides and Parents will be asked to evaluate the new program four times during the year.

The Lion Cub Program is designed to be a recruiting tool to capture boys and their parents as soon as they start school. Each Lion Cub Den has a Lion Guide who coordinates the Lion Cub Den Adventures and supports the adult partners as they take turns leading meetings and outings. Because each adult partner will be responsible to lead two to three adventures during the Cub Scout year they will join Tiger Cubs as experienced leaders and parents. The Lion Cubs graduate to Tigers in the spring and can attend Cub Day Camp at that time.

Community Service Projects

Over the past few months, Scouts & Scouters have provided nearly 400 hours of service in 68 different projects to their local communities. Live Oak district has led the way with 171 hours, closely followed by South Coast with 144 hours for projects completed and reported since April. Outstanding in their efforts are Troop 2103 from Live Oak with 2 major projects in the month of May, one with the American Cancer Society Relay for Life and the other assisting at a Disaster Relief CERT training. In South Coast, Pack 122 worked with the City of Goleta on community beautification thru a litter cleanup project, while Troop 26 had 24 volunteers painting at Peabody school one weekend, followed by 10 more scouts & scouters assisting at the Relay for Life. Up in Camino Real, Pack 425 worked with the local Foodbank distributing food, while Troop 489 put in 65 hours at the annual Tri-tip Dinner for their sponsoring organization, the Optimist Club of Arroyo Grande. The entire troop turned out in uniform to set up, serve & clean-up for this daylong event.

In addition there have been 18 Eagle Projects completed during the same period, totaling over 2100 hours! In Cachuma, 2 Eagles logged a total of 282 hours. Troop 42's Zach Gundry built a Baseball tractor shed, while Troop 41's Zach Houston built a custom wood bench as a bus stop for the Atterdag retirement community. Camino Real District boasts 4 Eagle projects from Troops 413, 308, 214 & 6. Two of these Scouts have completed their Eagles. Joseph Malone, Troop 413, built and placed a drop box for US Flags to be retired. Erik Kardel, and volunteers from Troop 308, worked on a Trees of Remembrance project. All the way up in Del Norte, Troop 434 has had 2 Eagle projects completed and Troop 123 has one for a total of 291 hours. Live Oak had 3 Eagle projects completed, one each from Troop 103, Crew 86, and Crew 324. Six troops in South Coast have Scouts working on completing their Eagles who finished their projects recently for a grand total of 672 hours.

Continue to report your unit's Service Hours for JTE throughout the year. Service hours are an essential part of the Journey to Excellence program as well as being a significant part of what we do in Scouting. Any service project which members of your unit perform should be reported to the Boy Scouts of America at:

<https://servicehours.scouting.org/UI/Security/Login.aspx>

Remember, only the total number of hours for Eagle Projects are added through the Eagle application process so the unit should log in to update the report as to the number of people involved, value of materials, and the organization benefitting from the project.

[submitted by Zea Bauer, Council Registrar]

Rancho Alegre News

New Climbing Tower

We are pleased to announce that our new climbing tower has been completed at Rancho Alegre! A work crew from Signature Research completed construction of the tower during the week of July 24. The new tower is 32 feet high and has three sides. It will accommodate climbing and rappelling activities. As such, it is an excellent addition to our Boy Scout summer camp program for older Scouts. The tower will also be available on a scheduled basis for some weekend activity use.

It is located right near the main entrance to camp and is adjacent to our COPE course. During the tower construction process, a fourth pole was sunk into the ground to allow for expansion of our high COPE offerings. It's all part of planning for the future!

Photos of the new tower and the construction process are viewable on the home page of our Los Padres Council website at www.lpcbsa.org.

We are particularly grateful to our main donor, Mr. Richard Berti. Without his financial support, the climbing tower would not have become a reality.

Rancho Alegre Summer Camp Accreditation

Rancho Alegre just concluded another great summer camp season as a fully accredited Boy Scout and Cub Scout resident camp. Packs and troops from all around our council joined in this year's challenging program. Our summer camp served over 150 adult and youth participants.

This year's camp was headed by Scott Oldenburg, camp director, and Wayne Rascati, program director. We know that many troops are already making summer plans for next year. For that reason, unit applications for next year's Boy Scout summer camp are already available and can be accessed using the following link:

<http://lpcbsa.doubleknot.com/document/2017-unit-form/164145>

National Camping School Returns to Rancho Alegre

We have been advised that the Boy Scouts of America has selected Rancho Alegre to be the site for the "early school" of the Western Region during the final week of March 2017. As such, we will be training council resident camp directors, program directors, and rangers from all around our region and, in some cases, from other parts of the country at our facility. There is also a possibility that additional

program sections of National Camping School may be offered at Rancho Alegre. We are honored that the National Council recognizes the quality of our local council camp and its staff by making this selection.

Service Projects at BSA Facilities

It is true that Eagle Scout service projects are not to be conducted at BSA facilities. However, all other unit and Scout projects can be conducted on BSA council properties.

Editor's Soapbox

The Los Padres Press is published bi-monthly and distributed **by request** to registered Scout leaders in the Los Padres Council. To be added to the distribution list, please send your email address to Wayne Rascati at wrascati@cox.net. Apparently only about 50% of the eligible Scouters receive the LPP at this time.

The intent of the Los Padres Press is to promote communication within the council. If you have information to share, either occasionally or on a regular basis, please let me know. Start-Stop-Continue feedback is welcome. Contact Brad Ross, Editor, rossbrada@gmail.com, 805-688-4849 (evenings)

**Cub
Scout
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WILDERNESS FIRST AID CLASS OFFERED!

The Los Padres Council is pleased to once again offer a Wilderness First Aid Course. This course is now required for all units that attend one of the National High Adventure Base Programs (Philmont, Sea Base, Northern Tier). It is also a great course to take for all units that are going on a backcountry trip.

Wilderness First Aid is invaluable to you, the unit or trek leader, as it goes well beyond your basic first aid. When you are hours from available

emergency medical services, you will be really thankful that you took this course! This course is 16 hours in length, but invaluable in the resources you will learn to use.

The course will be held at the San Luis Obispo Elks Club, 322 Elks Lane on SAT 01 OCT and SAT 15 OCT 2016, from 8:00 to 5:00 both days

No meals will be provided.

A pre-requisite for the course is current certification in Adult CPR and AED (automatic external defibrillator). You will need to bring a copy of your card to the course. ALL participants must be at least 16 years of age and bring a current BSA

Costs for the Wilderness First Aid course: Los Padres Council Scouters \$105.00 per person; Non Los Padres Council Scouters \$135.00; Non-scout community members \$155. Costs include the course, course materials, supplies, and

PLEASE NOTE THE MINIMUM AGE FOR THE COURSE IS 16.

PRIORITY WILL BE GIVEN TO LOS PADRES COUNCIL SCOUTERS FIRST, THEN OTHER COUNCIL SCOUTERS, THEN NON-SCOUT COMMUNITY MEMBERS

REGISTRATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRI 02 SEPTEMBER 2016

You must attend all course sessions and participate fully - this is a physically demanding course.

To sign up, go to the council website, www.lpcbsa.org and click on the link to the Wilderness First Aid Course.

For more information, e-mail George Brown at kf6pbl@hotmail.com or call him at 805 459 4225.



Pack Resources Online

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/CubScoutMeetingGuide/PDF/Appendix/511-817.pdf> Pack Overnighter Form

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/510-299.pdf> Outdoor Activities

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/13-273.pdf> Pack Budget Form (available in Excel format)

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/510-237.pdf> So You are a New Cubmaster

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/510-247.pdf> So You are a New Webelos Den Leader

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/510-233.pdf> So You are a New Tiger Den Leader

http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/512-735_WEB.pdf Parent Guide

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/510-239.pdf> So You are a New Den Leader

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/510-240.pdf> So You are a New Pack Committee Member

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/510-631.pdf> Pack Program Guide

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/510-273.pdf> Planning your annual Plan

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/CubScoutMeetingGuide/PDF/Appendix/511-815.pdf> Meeting Guide

http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/34416_insert_Web.pdf Age Appropriate Guidelines

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/19-673.pdf> Activity Consent Form

http://www.scouting.org/filestore/CubScoutMeetingGuide/PDF/33748_WB.pdf Summertime Pack Award

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/CubScoutMeetingGuide/PDF/Appendix/33826.pdf> Meeting Guide

[submitted by Paul Bradley, District Director]



**WEBELOS WOODS
2016 RANCHO ALEGRE
September 16-17, 2016**

\$75.00 one Webelos Scout and one adult partner, (\$35 per adult, \$40 per Webelos) includes event patch for first 100 participants

One of the most popular events of the year is coming up this Fall at Rancho Alegre. Rancho Alegre is located near Lake Cachuma on Highway 154. Please register early; as we need to plan food, patrol and campsite assignments, and remember, this very popular campout is limited to 100 boy and adult partners.

This event is a Council sponsored outdoor experience for all Webelos and their adult partners. Scouts participate in events including field sports, hiking, and camp craft activities. Check-in begins at 4 PM Friday at the dining hall. Each Webelos Scout and his adult partner should register together. Dinner will be served in the Dining Hall at 6:15 PM. After dinner, a campfire will be held at the Bowl (or in the dining hall if it rains!) The Boy Scouts of America is a uniformed organization. Accordingly, all Webelos Scouts, leaders and staff should wear uniforms.

After check-in, and before dinner, you will need to set up in your assigned camping area and meet the other members of your Patrol. Saturday will be activity day with each patrol rotating through activities. Breakfast and lunch will be served in the dining hall. A closing ceremony at 5:00 PM will conclude the weekend's events. Please complete the information on this form and the enclosed **AUTHORIZATION AND CONSENT FOR MINOR, and your Shooting Sports Permission Form.** Send with your check to: Los Padres Council, BSA 2680 West Highway 154 Santa Barbara, CA 93105 You may also FAX your reservation to (805) 686-5175 To Register online, go to <http://www.lpbsa.org/> and follow the link to Webelos Woods.

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Webelos Woods at Rancho Alegre September 16-17, 2016

District: _____ Pack # _____ Webelos I ____ Webelos II ____

Webelos Scout Name: _____

Adult Partner Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Special needs: _____

Address: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Amount paid: \$ _____

(\$75 for one Webelos Scout and one adult partner or \$40 per Webelos, and \$35 per adult partner (includes patch, meals & programs, and more.) **No Refunds after September 9, 2016.**

Job Posting

Position: District Executive Position

Position location: **San Luis Obispo County-Morro Bay to Nipomo**

Council Website: www.lpcbsa.org

Since 1910, Scouting has helped mold the future leaders of this country by combining educational activities and lifelong values with fun. The Boy Scouts of America believes and understands that helping youth puts us on a path towards a more conscientious, responsible, and productive society.

Today's professional Scouters are a diverse group of men and women sharing a dynamic career offering independence, achievement, and stability. This is work that makes a difference, work that calls one to continual learning and challenge, work that offers solid compensation, benefits and advancement.

The District Executive selected will:

- Work with a volunteer board of directors and other community and business leaders to identify, recruit, train, guide, and inspire them to become involved in youth programs.
- Achieve progress towards specific goals and objectives which include: program development through collaborative relationships, volunteer recruitment and training, fundraising, membership recruitment and retention.
- Be responsible for extending programs to religious, civic, fraternal, educational, and other community-based organizations through volunteers.
- Secure adequate financial support for programs in assigned area. Achieve net income and participation objectives for assigned camps and activities.
- Recruit leadership for finance campaign efforts to meet the financial needs of the organization.
- Ensure that all program sites are served through volunteers, regular leader meetings, training events and activities.
- Collaborate with adult volunteers and oversee achievement of training for their respective role.
- Be a good role model and recognize the importance of working relationships with other professionals and volunteers. The executive must have communication skills and be able to explain the program's goals and objectives to the public.
- Provide quality service through timely communication, regular meetings, training events and activities.
- Have a willingness and ability to devote long and irregular hours to achieve council and district objectives.

Desired Skills:

- Strong marketing, fund-raising and program development background is highly desired.
- Non-profit, fundraising or sales experience is a plus.
- Must be comfortable with public speaking and interacting with diverse audiences. Excellent people skills, enthusiastic, punctual, responsible and creative.
- Self-motivated individual with solid time management skills and strong organizational skills in management, budgeting, and planning.
- Committed to personal and professional productivity, while maintaining high ethical and professional working standards.

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Requirements:

- Must subscribe to the Scout Oath and Law.
- Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university (transcript with the date degree conferred stated is required for employment).
- Attained 21 years of age or older unless prohibited by any applicable law.
- Ability to work varied hours when necessary, evening activities and weekend and evening work is frequently required to achieve positive objectives.
- Ability to travel for training at least once a year for one to two weeks.
- A Scouting background is helpful but not required for employment.
- Ability to effectively communicate in Spanish.
- Valid CA driver's license.
- Offers for employment are subject to criminal, reference and motor vehicle background checks.

Compensation:

All councils are equal opportunity employers. In addition to offering a competitive salary, Professional Scouting offers benefits to include major medical, prescription coverage, dental, vision, life-insurance, long-term disability, accidental death, a defined benefit retirement plan, plus compensation for authorized and approved business related expenses to include phone and mileage reimbursement. We also offer generous vacation policy and ten holiday observances.

How to apply:

Qualified candidates must submit cover letter and resume with to carlos.cortez@scouting.org

Additional information on a career as a District Executive can be found at this links:

<http://www.scouting.org/Careers/WorkingWithUs/EssentialSkills.aspx>

<http://www.scouting.org/jobs/dayinthelife.aspx>