

Los Padres Press

News You Can Use for members of the Los Padres Council, Boy Scouts of America Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo Counties **December 2016**



Council Executive Message

Los Padres Council Scouters, leaders and supporters,

Season's greetings from Los Padres Council staff. We hope you all have a peaceful and loving holiday



season with your friends and family. As we move closer toward 2017 we like to share a few 2016 highlights with you. While we have had some challenges in 2016 we have also had many things to celebrate that have positions us towards a bright and progressive future.

Thanks to a few wonderful donors we were able to provide a life lasting experience to five young man from needy families. These young man were able to attend the Jamboree site, The Summit, in West Virginia at no cost to them or their families. Our five Scouts came home with a much better perspective of life and the importance of doing good turns. Due to the kindness of other donors we have a new climbing wall at Rancho Alegre and were able to take care of some very needy maintenance on the road into camp and the medic lodge.

Due to the hard work of our young people many recognize the impact the Boy Scouts of America have on our local community and got more involved than ever before. This gave us the opportunity to not only recognize our young people, but some very deserving volunteers as well. In January our Council President, Randal Moos, was awarded the Silver Beaver from Los Padres Council due to his high level of

commitment in the success of our council fulling its mission. That same evening Del Norte District Commissioner, Bob Putney, also received the Silver Beaver for his dedication to support in our Scouts efforts in the Northern region of San Luis Obispo County.

In the month of October Los Padres Council also recognized Santa Barbara CEO, Rich Block, with the "2016 Good Scout Award". Rich has supported our community youth by providing growth programs at the zoo for many years. Coming up on December 7th we will have the privilege of recognizing Assembly Member Katcho Achadjian with the "2016 Good Scout Award" and our own Rick TerBorch with the National Eagle Scout Association "Outstanding Eagle Scout Award". We invite you to join us, room is limited but a few still available. Visit our website to sign up www.lpc.org

We are also proud to announce that Mr. John Brinker, currently serving as the South Coast District Chair, has accepted the nomination to be Los Padres Council President for the 2017 and 2018 years. John is retired from the Navy and an Eagle Scout and has served on the council board and as a district chair for the last 2 years. The nomination ballots are in the mail to all the council member at large and Charter Organization Representatives for their review and approval of our incoming slate of officers.

All of this and much more have set us up for a progressive 2017. Your leadership and efforts will make an even bigger impact in this coming year as the community will be looking towards us to lead change in how nonprofits in our communities serve youth. Now more than

ever you will be needed as we diversify our programs with new Lion Cub Dens and Explorer Post that will expose young people to new technologies, activities, service opportunities and adventures. Now is the time to help our young people to "PREPARE.FOR LIFE"

Thank you for your dedication and support, have a wonderful holiday season and great start to the 2017 year.

Yours in Scouting,
Carlos Cortez, Scout Executive/CEO

Staff Updates

As a nonprofit organization we constantly have to do more with limited resources. One of the most important resources we have are people. Our staff responsibilities and opportunities are always changing while keeping our mission in mind.

It is with mixed emotions that I like to share that South Coast District Executive Peter McClintock and Atascadero Service Center Store Manager Tricia Von Dohlen have resigned from their staff positions. I am proud to say that they are both leaving us for greater opportunities and will stay involved as volunteers. I like to thank them both for their committed service over the past few years and congratulate them on their new endeavors.

This change will cause a vacancy that we are immediately looking to fill. If you know of someone that would like to be involved as a professional Scouter in the District Executive position and make an impact in the lives of young people, please have them contact carlos.cortez@scouting.org for further details

Rancho Alegre News

Rancho Alegre looks forward to hosting a council Cub Scout Shooting Sports Day on Saturday, February 25. More information on this event is included in the following article.

In addition to this Cub Scout event, our camp will be hosting a large number of weekend activities this winter and spring that

range from youth retreats to Boy Scout district camporees. There is plenty of availability, though, for weekend pack, troop, team, and crew camping at the ranch. Interested unit leaders should call Dana Mendoza at (805) 686-5167 to make a reservation.

Plans for Cub Scout and Boy Scout resident camps are now being developed. Boy Scout troops can sign up for camp by completing a site reservation form and paying a \$150 "hold a site" deposit fee. Individual application forms for Cub Scout camp and for Boy Scout provisional campers will be available in January.

One important date change that has been made to our summer program is that National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) has been moved to the week of June 18-24. This is one week later than had originally been planned to avoid a conflict with some school district calendars.

Cub Scout Shooting Sports Day

Cub Scouts are invited to sign-up for Cub Scouts Shooting Sports Day on Saturday, February 25, at Rancho Alegre. There will be both a morning session (9 to Noon) and afternoon session (1 to 4 pm). Activities will consist of bb guns, archery, and sling shots. There is a maximum of 40 Cub Scouts for each session. Cost is \$12.00. Scouts can sign up either individually or as a unit (pack or den). Registration begins one-half hour before the start time above. Registration must be done online at the Council website: www.lpcbsa.org.

Participating Scouts must have a California required Shooting Sports Permission Form which is available online. Scouts attending without a parent or guardian in attendance will need to have the form with them. Otherwise, the parent can complete the form upon arrival at Rancho Alegre.

Parent and leaders -- Please make sure that you do not have a conflict with Little League, Soccer, etc. when signing up for this event.

Some units like to make a day of it incorporating this activity with outdoor advancement requirements. Some units will even come for an overnigher. If you are interested in doing either of these, the leader can contact Dana Mendoza, Administrative Assistant, at either 686-5167 or alegre@hughes.net.

Morning Session Registration

<http://lpcbsa.doubleknot.com/event/cub-scout-shooting-sports-day-morning-session/1929492>

Afternoon Session Registration

<http://lpcbsa.doubleknot.com/event/cub-scout-shooting-sports-day-afternoon-session/1929491>

Permission to Shoot Form

<http://lpcbsa.doubleknot.com/document/permission-to-shoot-form/61137>

Council President Musings

Season's Greetings to My Friends of the Los Padres Council:

As we prepare for the end of 2016, we should take time to reflect on all the wonderful experiences we've all had this year. We have accomplished so many of our goals and continue to see a very positive future for our Los Padres Council. Though challenging times exist, we lead by example and show ourselves and others how to persevere. We never quit!

I have enjoyed working closely with so many of you, learning how we can make our Council the best it can be. Though the key leadership responsibilities can be irksome and weighty, I always wanted to make sure I never let anyone forget about our youngest Scouts. We all need to think about what led us to Scouting in the first place and what has kept us going -- our love for helping others and making our Scouts the best they can be!



Even when we face issues and challenges which appear to be at times really tough, just think of how important it is to show our Scouts how to work through them. In the future, when our Scouts grow up they will remember time on the trail, summer camp experiences, unit activities or helping a fellow Scout and the enduring friendships they created. They will be the best memories of their lives! I guarantee it as I'm living proof it can happen.

As Mr. Cortez our CEO/Scout Executive mentioned in his message, Mr. John Brinker currently our South Coast District Chairman has accepted the nomination for Council President beginning in January 2017. I have served my term, accomplished many of my and the Council's strategic goals and now look forward to my new position as Council Chairman of the Board, supporting Mr. Brinker during the transition. Additionally, I will refocus my attention on my other critical Scout responsibility as a Del Norte District Unit Commissioner.

Therefore, I want to say "Thank You" for allowing me to become a better person in the eyes of God, my family, my job and my life. Scouting is a privilege, not a right, let's keep it that way. I wish everyone a wonderful Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Yours in Brotherhood,
Randal R. Moos
Council President

2017 District Camporees

Camino Real District: March 31-April 2 at Camp French

Live Oak/Cachuma Districts April 21-23 at VAFB Halvorson Woods

South Coast District: April 20-22 at Rancho Alegre

Del Norte District: April 28-30 at TBD

2017 Cub Scout Day Camps

Camino Real District - June 19-23

Del Norte District - June 19-23

Live Oak District -

Santa Maria - June 26-30

Lompoc - July 10-14

South Coast District - June 21-23

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

- 1 Dec.** Charter Renewals Due
- 1 Dec.** 2017 Friends of Scouting Kick-off
- 1 Dec.** Popcorn Unit Reconciliation
- 1 Dec.** Silver Beaver Nomination Application Deadline
- 7 Dec.** Major Member Dinner
- 9 Dec.** Unit Friends of Scouting Chairman Recruited
- 12 Dec.** Unit Friends of Scouting Chairman Recruitment Deadline
- 13 Dec.** Council Commissioner Cabinet Meeting
- 15 Dec.** Order of the Arrow Charter Renewal Submission Deadline
- 20 Dec.** Executive Committee Meeting
- 30 Dec.** Deadline for Setting Friends of Scouting Unit Presentation Dates
- 9 Jan.** Friends of Scouting Family Campaign Kickoff
- 17 Jan.** Council Annual Business Meeting
- 22 Jan.** Railroading Merit Badge
- 29 Jan.** LDS Friends of Scouting Kickoffs
- 3-4 Feb.** Order of the Arrow Section W4N Retreat
- 3-4 Feb.** Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS) and Webelos Leader Outdoor Training
- 5 Feb.** Scout Sunday
- 11 Feb.** Council and District Leader Training
- 11 Feb.** Council Annual Dinner and Adult Award Ceremony
- 11 Feb.** Order of the Arrow Lodge Executive Committee
- 25 Feb** Cub Scouts Shooting Sports Day

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

- 6 Dec.**, Tue., District Committee meeting, 7 pm
- 3 Jan.**, Tue., District Committee meeting, 7 pm
- 7 Feb.**, Tue., District Committee meeting, 7 pm
- 8 Feb.**, Wed., District Court of Honor, 7 pm

Upcoming Events: Camino Real District

- 1 Dec.**, District Award of Merit Nominations Deadline
- 14 Dec.**, OA Chapter Meeting
- 15 Dec.**, Thu., 6:30 to 7:30 pm, District Committee Meeting
- 11 Jan.**, OA Chapter Meeting
- 12 Jan.**, Thu., 6:30 to 7:30 pm, District Committee Meeting
- 25 Jan.**, Wed., 7 to 8 pm, Roundtable, Unit Commissioner Meeting
- 8 Feb.**, OA Chapter Meeting
- 9 Feb.**, Thu., 6:30 to 7:30 pm, District Committee Meeting
- 22 Feb.**, Wed., 7 to 8 pm, Roundtable, Unit Commissioner Meeting

Upcoming Events: Del Norte District

- 1 Dec.**, Order of the Arrow CEC Meeting, 6 pm
- 1 Dec.**, Thu., 7 pm, Roundtables
- 15 Dec.**, Thu., District Committee Meeting and Unit Commissioner meeting
- 5 Jan.**, Order of the Arrow CEC Meeting, 6 pm
- 5 Jan.**, Thu., 7 pm, Roundtables
- 19 Jan.**, Thu., District Committee Meeting and Unit Commissioner meeting

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- 28 Jan.** Del Norte District Dinner, 6 pm
- 2 Feb.**, Order of the Arrow CEC Meeting, 6 pm
- 2 Feb.**, Thu., 7 pm, Roundtables
- 16 Feb.**, Thu., District Committee Meeting and Unit Commissioner meeting
- 18 Feb.** Merit Badge Pow-Wow

Upcoming Events: Live Oak District

- 3 Dec.**, Santa Maria Parade of Lights
- 8 Dec.**, District Committee Meeting
- 10 Dec.**, Old Orcutt Christmas Parade
- 15 Dec.**, Roundtable (Lompoc)
- 19 Jan.**, Roundtable (Lompoc)
- 26 Jan.**, District Committee Meeting
- 28 Jan.**, Scouting for Food
- 16 Feb.**, Roundtable (Lompoc)
- 23 Feb.**, District Committee Meeting
- 24 Feb.**, Pinewood Derby District Competition

Upcoming Events: South Coast District

- 8 Dec.**, Thu., 5:30 to 7:00 pm, District Committee Meeting
- 8 Dec.**, Roundtables, 7:00 to 8:30 pm
- 10 Dec.**, Den Chief Training, 8:30 am
- 12 Dec.**, Merit Badge Counselor Training, Council Office, 5:45 to 7:00 pm
- 21 Dec.**, District Commissioner Staff Meeting, 5:35 pm to 6:40 pm
- 2 Jan.**, Merit Badge Counselor Training, Council Office, 5:45 to 7:00 pm
- 12 Jan.**, Thu., 5:30 to 7:00 pm, District Committee Meeting
- 12 Jan.**, Roundtables, 7:00 to 8:30 pm

- 25 Jan.**, Unit Commissioner Meeting, 5:35 pm to 6:40 pm
- 28 Jan.**, Test Pinewood Derby Cars on District Track
- 4 Feb.**, District Pinewood Derby
- 6 Feb.**, Merit Badge Counselor Training, Council Office, 5:45 to 7:00 pm
- 9 Feb.**, Thu., 5:30 to 7:00 pm, District Committee Meeting
- 9 Feb.**, Roundtables, 7:00 to 8:30 pm
- 10 Feb.**, District Award of Merit Nominations Due
- 22 Feb.**, District Commissioner Staff Meeting, 5:35 pm to 6:40 pm
- 25 Feb., Scouting for Food, 8:30 am
- 28 Feb., Pack Pinewood Derby

2017 Council Annual Dinner

Mark your calendar! Our council annual recognition dinner will be held on Saturday, February 11 from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. at the Santa Maria Country Club (505 W. Waller Lane in Santa Maria).

This event honors all of our great adult volunteers and, in particular, provides an opportunity to recognize two dedicated Scouters with the Silver Beaver Award, the top national award that can be presented by a local council.

Our new council leaders for 2017 will be formally installed that evening and council and district accomplishments over the last year will be highlighted.

The projected cost is \$40 per person and registrations will be open soon through our council website and our local Scout stores.

Summer Camp 2017

Rancho Alegre is the gem of the Los Padres Council. There is plenty to do at this camp



at one of the most reasonable prices in all of California. In fact, our basic prices had a modest \$10 increase from last year. This summer there will be three programs occurring at the camp.

LIFE GUARD ACADEMY: Our Life Guard Academy is a great program for older youth (need to be at least 15, but we train adults as well and you don't even need to be registered in Scouting.) It is a weeklong intensive program that prepares Life Guards for camps, community pools, and special programs. Participants stay in our dormitories and have nutritious, delicious food prepared by our Dining Hall Staff. Dates are June 11-17. Cost is only \$350 (\$325 if registered and paid in full by April 30, 2017.)

BOY SCOUT SUMMER CAMP: Boy Scout Summer Camp opens on Sunday, July 9, and ends on Saturday, July 15. For Scouts attending with their unit, cost is \$385.00 per youth. Adult leadership is \$230.00 each, however based on the number of youth attendees, there is sliding scale on no charge payments for some adults.



Provisional Scouts (attendees not attending with their unit and under the supervision of our provided Scoutmaster) are charged \$410. We also have a special rate for Day Campers of only \$355. These Scouts are dropped off each morning and picked up by 5 pm. Breakfast and Lunch provided; and they can stay late on one evening for dinner and program.

Rancho Alegre has a wide variety of programs that cater to the new Scout (Trail to First Class) and Merit Badges in Aquatics, Shooting Sports, Nature, Scoutcraft, Physical Fitness, Health and Safety, and Handicraft. In addition, there is our new Climbing Tower (with Climbing Merit Badge) and COPE Course.

If the drought leaves us with an adequate source of water, we will again offer the Canoeing, Kayaking, and Rowing Merit Badges. Our Trail to First Class program has been redesigned to be in compliance with the new requirements which become mandatory on January 1, 2017.

CUB SCOUT RESIDENT CAMP: Our third program is Cub Scouts and Family Resident Camp which runs July 5-8. Rates for this program are \$295 for one adult and one child or \$350 for the entire immediate family. Older siblings needing to work on rank requirements can schedule time in Scoutcraft to demonstrate and get signed off.

Our offering of activities include bb guns, archery, handicrafts, and swimming. Utilizing the current Cub Scout rank advancement requirements, our friendly camp staff will work with Scouts to complete a number of the outdoor activity each of the different ranks. This is a great way for a family to get a mini vacation. And speaking of vacation, our camp theme this year is **Wild, Wild West**.

For more information about Summer Camping contact Council Program Director Scott Oldenburg at 686-5167 or scott.oldenburg@scouting.org. Our website will be up and running shortly with all this information and forms. [submitted by Wayne Rascati]

TRAINER'S CORNER – Dr.
**Larry Basham, Council
Training Chair**



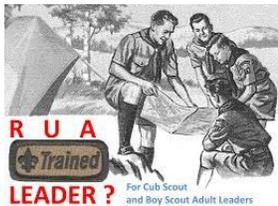
The University of Scouting

Over 100 Scouters & Scouts attended the second annual Univ. of Scouting. Many attendees took their required position training and other elective classes! It was a great day of FUN and Learning.



Reserve the date of Oct. 14th, 2017 for next year.

**ALL REGISTERED LEADERS
MUST BE TRAINED by Dec.
2016!**



If you missed out, check the online training to see what's available.

- 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. www.My.Scouting.org
 - Venture Crew Advisor, Asst. Advisor & Crew Committee training is now online
 - 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 Training Policy on the Council website www.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.)

ONLINE TRAINING UPDATES:



The BSA Learn Center

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 www.my.Scouting.org > Learn Center

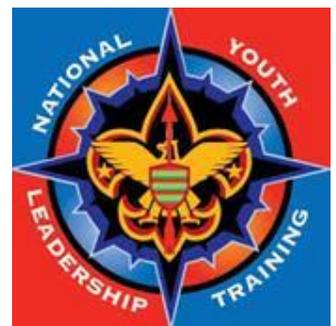
UPCOMING COUNCIL TRAINING EVENTS:

Check the council website calendar for training in your district

Feb. 3-4 Intro. to Outdoor Leader Skills & Outdoor Skills for Webelos Leaders at Rancho Alegre 6pm Friday evening to 6:30pm Saturday.

Feb. 11 Council/District Leaders Workshop (Time & place TBD)

Applications NOW Being Accepted for National Youth Leadership Training



Plans are moving along for the 2017 NYLT course which will be held June 19-24th, 2017 at Rancho Alegre. Applications for STAFF and PARTICIPANTS are available online at the council website: www.LPCBSA.org. Go to the calendar date, June 19 and click on "NYLT" to access the course flier and download an application. Staff meetings will begin in February, so don't wait.

Your District Training Chairs

Del Norte District – Sean Tashma,
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Camino Real District – George Brown,
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Live Oak District – Alan Munch,
munchfmy@gmail.com

Cachuma District – Brad Ross,
rossbrada@gmail.com

South Coast District – Zea Baue
zbauer13s@gmail.com

Council Training Chair – Larry B
DrBuzz2@aol.com



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.

Philmont Training Center – 2017 Class

Schedule Coming Soon



The new 2017 course brochure will be available online or at your local Council Service Center. Check out all the great courses available next summer and throughout the year! There are

activities for the entire family while you do training. Check It out at www.philmontscoutranch.org.

<http://philmontscoutranch.org/PTC.aspx>

Philmont Trek Reservations Available

If you're Troop hasn't been to Philmont, now's your chance.

Los Padres Council has two crew reservations for the summer of 2018. Contact Larry Basham (DrBuzz2@aol.com) for details



Railroading Merit Badge Class –

Sunday, January 22nd

Scouts will participate in various activities to fulfill the Railroading Merit Badge. Requirements including learning signals, model railroading display, AMTRAK history, and a whistle demonstration. SLO Railroad Museum 12:30pm – 4pm \$25 Fee 1940 Santa Barbara Ave.

San Luis Obispo

Contact Saphya Lotery to register

RRMeritBadge@SLORRM.com



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 12-17

Summer Camp Staff Training will be held June 25 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.

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.

The interview and selection process is now being completed, but we could still use a few Scouts to fill out a contingent Scout troop of 36 Scouts. Due to the small number of Venture Scouts who are available for consideration, a decision has been made to not field a separate Venture patrol as part of our contingent. Those who would like to get more details are welcome to contact Scott Oldenburg, our Jamboree staff advisor, at 686-5167. [submitted by Scott Oldenburg]

Pertinent Program Proclamations

It's the holidays, I don't know if you celebrate Christmas or Chanukah or Kwanza, but however you plan on spending time with your family in December, I hope that things are well with you. In Scouting circles, we are busy getting Unit Calendars full (don't forget to check the Council Calendar on www.lpcbsa.org) of fun things to do. We at the Council try to stay out of your way with things that interfere with the plans of your Packs, Troop, Teams & Crews.

This year we have a new program from National that's really pretty cool. In each of our three stores you will find an "Ethan Giving Tree". This is a place where Scouts can help those that need a little bit of help with Scouting Essentials, whether it's a shirt or a book, or maybe a pocket knife or a pair of socks. The unit leaders should be asked by now if they have young people in their unit that could

benefit from some help. Then those that can spare a little could go to the store check out the giving tree and see what they can do to help. If your store doesn't have Ethan's Tree in it, please ask about it. This could be a great way to be helpful this time of year.

A few things you should be aware of. By now your registration for 2017 should be wrapping up. Your needs for new training should be apparent and we are here to help make those events a reality. If you still need help with things, please talk with your Unit Commissioner, he/she is your best source of finding when or where the next trainings that you need are occurring. They can also carry the message back that we need to worry about certain trainings to ensure we are delivering what you want to better assist your units.

If you need help with Advancement, we can also help you find the answers or help you implement plans to help your unit achieve what their goals are. We are trying to ensure that all youth in the Council have everything they need to advance to their next rank. If you come across something that needs to be resolved, please let us know. We'll do what we can to ensure those situations are handled peacefully, politely and helpfully.

Now let's turn our attention to the Calendar. This newsletter has been distributed after the deadline for Silver Beaver Awards. (For those that don't know, a Silver Beaver Award is given to recognize registered Scouters of exceptional character who have provided distinguished service within a council.) People are nominated for this award, and so it's up to us to ensure that folks that have performed distinguished service are recognized. The application is on the Council website. Applications are due on December 1 of each year. If you are reading this after the first part of December and after the deadline, please consider nominating someone any way, we'll just hold on the application until next year. They can be directed into your service centers.

For District and Council Volunteers, we are going to put together a Workshop for you on February 11. Please clear your calendar so you can attend if you are either involved in District or Council leadership, or if you would like to be considered for District or Council leadership. Also on February 11 is our annual Council Dinner. Among other things this is where we announce this year's Silver Beaver recipients. The dinner will be at the Santa Maria Country Club, and more information will be on the Council Website soon.

Again, have a great holiday season, have some fun serving the young people you serve in this great council. I hope to see you down the trail soon.

We'll be talking soon. Happy Trails!
[submitted by Lynn Johnson]

A Word from the Area Retail Manager Scouters,

The holidays are upon us! Come in to your local Trading Post to check out all of our Holiday goodies! We have a wide selection of ornaments, village pieces, nutcrackers, and stocking stuffers. With the holidays comes Pinewood Derby! Cub Scout families, stop in to pick up all of the essentials to make the coolest and fastest car!

At the Trading Post, we are here to serve the volunteers. I would also like to send a big "Thank you" to Tricia von Dohlen, Trading Post Representative, for everything that she has done in the Atascadero Trading Post over the last two years. While you might not see her in the Trading Post anymore, she will still be around. Tricia is very active in her volunteer role with Troop 60 as well as the Catholic Scouting Program. She will be greatly missed. Michael Ormsby will continue to serve in the Atascadero Trading Post. Their hours are Tuesday 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Wednesday 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM, and Thursday 12:30 PM to 6:00 PM.

Thank you all for your continued support in Scouting. [submitted by Rebecca Paulson | Area Retail Manager]

LPC Service to the Community, July to October 2016

The Fall months are always a busy time for Scouts and Scouters, but a number of units still found time to complete a number of service projects throughout the Council. As reported on the JTE website, 12 units invested a total of nearly 1,000 hours! Del Norte & South Coast districts each had 4 involved units to lead the way. Pack 122 worked 76 hours in August. Conservation was popular, with both Troop 1 & 4 in South Coast putting in nearly 200 hours in that area alone. Cachuma district had Troop 41 & 42 working on Eagle Projects for over 300 hours, plus 8 other service projects completed by Troop 42 for an additional 82 hours! Live Oak was represented by Troop 2103 supporting our military with a 9 hour project plus 4 different Eagle projects totaling 661 hours from Troops 93, 394, 87, & Crew 66. In Camino Real Troops 413 & 26 completed 3 projects each in their local communities. Del Norte had 2 Eagles from Troop 60 and one from Troop 51 finishing their projects. Down in South Coast, Troop 105 had 2 Eagle Scout projects completed for over 600 hours, while Troop 26 also had 2 for an additional 550 hours. Troop 4 scouts assisted their Eagle with over 130 hours. Grand total of hours recorded was very close to 3,500. Some of the Eagle project hours have not yet been posted, as that happens after their Boards of Review are completed. I believe there are probably at least another 1,000 hours in the wings- so to speak...

If you haven't yet put in your unit's service projects that have been completed during this year please be sure to do so as 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

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log in to update the report as to number of people involved, value of materials and the organization benefitting from the project.
[submitted by Zea Bauer, Council Registrar]

Editor's Soapbox

This issue marks the start of the 3rd year of the Los Padres Press. Many thanks to the contributors of articles and photos. Our ongoing goals are to provide clear and concise information, expand the distribution, and have more Scouters contribute information to the Los Padres Press.

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 RanchoAlegre@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)

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#WeAreTheBSA #GivingTuesday



Happy Holidays! In the coming weeks, it will be hard to focus on the real meaning of the season with so many events, messages-and yes, appeals-bombarding us. Before we become overwhelmed, today is the perfect time to take a breath and consider what's most important.

"Giving Tuesday" is a movement started in recent years as a response to the commercialization and consumerism of the post-Thanksgiving shopping bonanza beginning with Black Friday and Cyber Monday. Everybody loves a bargain, but with so much attention focused buying, it's hard to remember the spirit of giving that's at the heart of the holiday season.

Investing in the Los Padres Council, Boy Scouts of America creates opportunities for youth to gain memorable experiences and be instilled with values, principles, and skills that will help them develop into the future leaders of our nation. By contributing to Scouting, you will have a profound impact on America and our local community. More youth will experience the program that will further instill values and character in their moral fiber.

Support provided to local councils is used for scholarships, program supplies for youth activities, volunteer training, and camp and service centers maintenance. ***Most importantly, with your help this year the Los Padres Council was able to provide a special adventure to five Scouts to go the National Scout Camp "The Summit" in West Virginia at no cost to them. One of those scouts, Emanuel, lives with his mother who is a single parent of very limited means. Even buying a scout uniform was a challenge. Due to the positive experience Emanuel had at camp, he is now diligently working on advancing toward Eagle Scout rank and participating in fundraising in order to pay his own way to his next camp adventure at the 2017 National Jamboree. This young man is an example of fortitude and an embodiment of the Scout Oath & Law that your donation helps provide.***

Follow this link to make a contribution to support Scouting today.

<http://lpcbsa.doubleknot.com/OpenRosters/ViewOrgPageLink.aspx?LinkKey=28226&orgkey=1643>

Through your support of Scouting and Los Padres Council on this Giving Tuesday, you help young people grow to become citizens who are trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent. To support the Live Oak District specifically, please select Live Oak from the district option. Giving Tuesday 2016 is on November 29.

Take a look at this video to see the impact that Scouting has on a young person:

<https://scouting.webdamdb.com/bp/#/folder/1384439#38508577>



**The
Silver
Beaver
Award
Nomination Form**



The Silver Beaver Award was introduced in 1931 and is a council-level distinguished service award of the Boy Scouts of America. Recipients of this award are registered Scouters who have made an impact on the lives of youth through service given to the council. To prevent embarrassment, the candidate should not be notified of this nomination.

This nomination form must be sent to the local council.

Name _____ Spouse's name _____

Home address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Country _____ Home phone _____ Mobile phone _____

Company name _____ Professional title _____

Scouting position _____ Unit type and No. _____ District name _____

The nominee is registered in Scouting as _____ and holds a membership certificate expiring _____. (If Scouter is currently unit-connected, give unit number: _____)

If the award is granted, we plan to present it on _____
(This date is required, as it is recorded on the certificate.)

I confirm that the nominee lives by the principles of the Scout Oath and Scout Law in word and deed, and is exemplary in his/her personal, family, and professional activities.

Confirmation by person submitting nomination: _____
(Printed name)

Scouting position _____
(Signature)

Home phone _____ Mobile phone _____ Email _____

Silver Beaver Award committee chair signature

Scout executive signature

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RECORD OF SERVICE IN THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Please list registered adult positions in the Boy Scouts of America with dates listed chronologically. Indicate unit number, chartered organization, and district where appropriate.

Position	Unit No.	District	Council	From – To	Total Years
Chartered organization representative					
Committee chair					
Committee member					
Cubmaster					
Assistant Cubmaster					
Tiger Cub Coach					
Den leader					
Assistant den leader					
Webelos den leader					
Assistant Webelos den leader					
Scoutmaster					
Assistant Scoutmaster					
Crew Advisor					
Assistant crew Advisor					
Varsity Coach					
Assistant Varsity Coach					
Skipper					
Mate					
District chair					
District vice chair					
District committee member					
District commissioner					
Assistant district commissioner					
Unit commissioner					
Cub Scout roundtable commissioner					
Cub Scout roundtable staff					
Boy Scout roundtable commissioner					
Boy Scout roundtable staff					
Merit badge counselor					
Order of the Arrow chapter advisor					
Venturing roundtable commissioner					
Council board chair					
Council commissioner					
Assistant council commissioner					
Council board of directors member					
Council committee chair					
Council committee member					
Member-at-large					
Honorary life member					

Total number of years as a registered adult volunteer: _____

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TRAINING COURSES

Please indicate which training courses the nominee participated in and/or staffed with year completed.

Training Courses	Participant	Staff/Faculty
Florida Sea Base Conference		
Kodiak or Kodiak X		
National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)		
National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE)		
National Camping School		
National Junior Leader Instructor Camp (NJLIC)		
Philmont Leadership Challenge		
Philmont Training Center Conference		
Powder Horn		
Seabadge		
Wood Badge		
Other BSA Training Courses	Staff/Faculty	

SCOUTING RECOGNITION

Scouting Honors					
Type	Year	Type	Year	Type	Year
Eagle Scout		National Eagle Scout Association		Distinguished Eagle Scout	
Scouter's Key		Scouter's Training Award		Arrow of Light	
Order of the Arrow member		Order of the Arrow Vigil Honor		Arrowhead Honor	
God and Country		God and Service		Silver Award	
Unit Leader Award of Merit		Scoutmaster Award of Merit		District Award of Merit	
Whitney M. Young Jr. Service Award		Distinguished Commissioner Service Award		James E. West Society Fellowship Award	
Other Scouting Awards					
Type	Year	Type	Year	Type	Year

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NOTEWORTHY SERVICE OF EXCEPTIONAL CHARACTER TO YOUTH OUTSIDE OF SCOUTING

Please list organization, position held, recognition received and year(s) involved or awarded.

Organization	Position/Recognition	Year(s)

Additional noteworthy comments on service of character to youth outside of Scouting:

STATEMENT OF NOMINEE'S STANDING IN THE COMMUNITY

Information covering the nominee's standing in the community, citing activities in which he/she is most active in business, professional, civic, religious, educational, fraternal, veterans, and other non-Scouting areas.

Organization	Positions Held	Years Served	Accomplishments

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Give the full name and titles (if any) of the nominee exactly as you want them to appear on the certificate.
2. Furnish as much information as possible for each section.
3. Long-established policy limits the award of the Silver Beaver to adults 21 and older who are registered with the Boy Scouts of America as volunteer Scouters. Explorer leaders are eligible to be awarded the William H. Spurgeon III Award.
4. Nominations will not be considered for current or former professional Scouters within five (5) years of their leaving employment with the BSA. Other council employees (part time or full time) are eligible to receive the Silver Beaver Award based on their volunteer service, not employed service.
5. Nominations cannot be considered for posthumous awards.
6. Order Silver Beaver insignia using the regular Supply order form from the Supply Group distribution center.

RULES AND REGULATIONS of the BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Article X, Section 6, Clause 3 Silver Beaver Award

The Boy Scouts of America, acting through the National Court of Honor, may award the Silver Beaver for distinguished service to youth upon the following basis and procedure:

- a) Each local council may process their own annual allotment of Silver Beaver awards and shall send a list of Silver Beaver recipients presented each calendar year to the National Court of Honor no later than January 31 of the following year.
- b) The award is made for noteworthy service of exceptional character to youth by registered Scouters, Cub Scouters, Varsity Scouters, and Venturing leaders within the territory under the jurisdiction of a local council.
- c) As evidence of the award there shall be presented: a suitable certificate, duly authenticated by the Boy Scouts of America, pursuant to the action of the National Court of Honor; and a miniature Silver Beaver suspended by a blue, white, and blue ribbon to be worn around the neck.
- d) It shall be a general policy that no public announcements shall be made by the local council in advance of action by the National Court of Honor with reference to names presented for consideration.
- e) These awards shall be made to the recipients by the local council concerned in connection with its annual meeting or other public location.
- f) Each duly chartered local council shall be entitled to one nomination. Councils having more than 60 units shall be entitled to further nominations on the basis of one for each additional 60 units or fraction thereof in their territory, as of December 31 preceding the nomination, according to the records of the national office.
- g) Councils not using their full allotment in any year may accumulate the unused portion for use in any subsequent year.
- h) In extraordinary cases, the Silver Beaver Award may be made by the National Court of Honor to a Scouter upon the recommendation of the duly constituted Scouting authorities having supervision of one or more units of the Boy Scouts of America, located outside of the United States and not under the jurisdiction of a local council.

Job Posting

Position: District Executive Position

Position location: Santa Barbara Area

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>