



# ROUNDTABLE MATTERS

January 17, 2012

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## CHECK US OUT!

VIRTUALLY ALL INFO IS AVAILABLE ONLINE: EVENTS, DATES, FLIERS, CONTACTS, PHONES, ETC.

DISTRICT web site: [PacificaBSA.org](http://PacificaBSA.org).

COUNCIL web site: <http://www.boyscoutsla.org>.

**FLAG CEREMONY:** At 7:30 sharp! Sign up YOUR boys to do flags! Tonight Pack 211 of Torrance will present the colors. Thank You. Reserve your spot for the future NOW with Liz Dye!

In keeping a 'DUTY TO GOD', we will be adding an opening invocation to each Roundtable. Persons of different faiths will be asked each month to lead us. Thank you tonight to Roger Ponsonby of the LDS Stake.

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**ROUNDTABLE MATTERS DEADLINE** for February 2012 submissions: **February 15, 2012.**

**BREAKOUTS:** If you have ideas, or would like to lead one, contact Rick Willson and we can share what works.

**THIS MONTH:** The NEW EAGLE Project Book, What's NEW, What's DIFFERENT, and What's EXPECTED!

We'll offer Youth Protection Training.

**VENTURING CREW ADVISERS AND PRESIDENTS:** A continuing monthly event. Mr. Vaughn Wendelstadt  
[vaughn\\_wendelstadt@toyota.com](mailto:vaughn_wendelstadt@toyota.com)

**BUYING SCOUT SUPPLIES?:** Remember the Scout Shops for the best assortment of **GENUINE** Scout supplies and the good advice the trained experts can share.

**CAMPING:** Boy Scout sites filling up *fast* at Forest Lawn Scout Reservation. Scott Affa is our District Chair:  
[Camping@PacificaBSA.org](mailto:Camping@PacificaBSA.org)

**DISTRICT DINNER:** The date is February 16<sup>th</sup>. Liz Dye...

**DUTY TO GOD HIKE:** It's looking like May, some details yet to be confirmed. Kathie Wood at  
[ascoutisreverent@yahoo.com](mailto:ascoutisreverent@yahoo.com) or Kurt Stenzel, [kurt.stenzel@pacificabsa.org](mailto:kurt.stenzel@pacificabsa.org).

**FINANCE:** The 2012 campaign of FRIENDS OF SCOUTING has already started, and pledges have already been turned in. Schedule your unit for an FOS presentation. Finance questions? Need **NEW** FOS forms? David White,  
[david.white@pacificabsa.org](mailto:david.white@pacificabsa.org)

**PAY-IT-FORWARD:** If your unit participated last year, GREAT! Not too early to start planning for 2012. If you still need to arrange delivery of your collection, [BSApayitforward@gmail.com](mailto:BSApayitforward@gmail.com) (Liz Dye)

**SCOUT SUNDAY:** It's usually the first Sunday in February. A Scout is Reverent: Scout Sunday Observance, Kathie Wood at [ascoutisreverent@yahoo.com](mailto:ascoutisreverent@yahoo.com) How will you (and your church) mark this date?

**SCOUTING FOR FOOD:** Time to turn in those counts. Priscilla Atwell asks that we all bring a can of food to each Roundtable to help this LDS Stake Center's food bank. (310) 487-1201 or [fibrfac@gte.net](mailto:fibrfac@gte.net).

**SERVICE OPPORTUNITY:** Sponsored by the LDS Church, once again Helping Hands will be providing support in the community on April 28, 2012.

**TOUR PLANS:** There is usually a TOUR PLAN signer at Roundtable, and we ask that you drop them off before the announcements start, and collect the completed form after announcements. Other options include: The Cabrillo Youth Center in San Pedro, and there are also several other Plan signers available, the list is on the district website.

**TRAINING: UPCOMING: BALOO**, March 17, and possibly Outdoor Leader Training in April. **Are you a trained leader?** For more information on training in general, or to turn in KNOT applications, contact the District Training Chair, Julio Catzalco, at [training@pacificaBSA.org](mailto:training@pacificaBSA.org).

**WOOD BADGE 2012 (Yes, 2012!)**: Save the dates of May 4-6 and June 1-3 for course 1, or the week of August 20-25 for course 2. More details in the months to come...

**YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING: FOR ALL REGISTERED ADULTS**, regardless of position! For more information, contact Susan Griego at [susan.griego@pacificascoutersassociation.org](mailto:susan.griego@pacificascoutersassociation.org) or the District Training Chair at [training@pacificaBSA.org](mailto:training@pacificaBSA.org).

## **CUB SCOUTS:**

**SOAP BOX DERBY**, July 7. Ron Campbell will have details in the months to come.

**WEBELOS TO SCOUT TRANSITION**: Need some help? You don't have to guess at it. Ask Gary Sisson, he's more than willing to help with the task. [Pacificawebelos2scout@yahoo.com](mailto:Pacificawebelos2scout@yahoo.com).

**WEBELOS WOODS 2012**: Tentative date is September 21-23.

## **BOY SCOUTS:**

**ADVANCEMENT**: Spring 2012 Merit Badge Days, tentatively March 3 and 17<sup>th</sup>. For merit badge info, Internet Advancement, and Eagle Leadership Project approval information contact **Bob Harada** here at Roundtable or at [rbt\\_harada@yahoo.com](mailto:rbt_harada@yahoo.com) or (310) 532-6947. For merit badge classes at Cabrillo Beach, call (310) 831-1984 or go to <http://www.cabrilloyouthcamp.org>. They can fill up FAST!

**ARROW, ORDER OF THE**: Tim Affa is the Chapter Advisor, [Taffa@pacbell.net](mailto:Taffa@pacbell.net). Lakota Chapter Chief Brian Major is the youth representative: [Brio04@sbcglobal.com](mailto:Brio04@sbcglobal.com) (310) 539-4126.

**SPRING CAMPOREE**: Wayne Torrey says April 13-15, and details are forthcoming.

**NATIONAL JAMBOREE 2013**: Start planning now...<https://summit.scouting.org/en/Jamboree2013> Kathie Wood [Jamboree2013@aol.com](mailto:Jamboree2013@aol.com)

**HAT (HIGH ADVENTURE TEAM) TRAINING**: A couple of useful sites: [www.LAAC-HAT.com](http://www.LAAC-HAT.com) and <http://www.merkurencyclopedia.com/HAT/index.html> Email labsahat@gmail.com to receive monthly HAT HiLites. All the contact information you'll want is there. HAT HiLites may also be attached to the **ROUNDTABLE MATTERS** on the district website. BJ Lee [bjlee2000@yahoo.com](mailto:bjlee2000@yahoo.com) and Russ Bower.

**SHOTGUN OPPORTUNITIES**: A couple of venues are available, keep checking, new dates open regularly. [www.dochollyday.com](http://www.dochollyday.com)

## **VENTURING:**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**: Contact Vaughan Wendelstadt at [wendelstadt@earthlink.net](mailto:wendelstadt@earthlink.net), 714-814-7144.

## **CONTACTS:**

**AWARD OF MERIT & SILVER BEAVER AWARD**:

**CAMPMASTER**: Gary Sisson: [Pacificawebelos2scout@yahoo.com](mailto:Pacificawebelos2scout@yahoo.com).

**INTERNET ADVANCEMENT**: Bob Harada at (310) 532-6947 or [rbt\\_harada@yahoo.com](mailto:rbt_harada@yahoo.com)

**LUTHER'S ATTIC**: A way to help the boys who may be financially and uniform challenged. [www.luthersattic.com](http://www.luthersattic.com)

**EVENT TICKET INFO**: AEGTickets.com or e-mail to [groups@events.aegtickets.com](mailto:groups@events.aegtickets.com)

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# HAT HiLites

Los Angeles Area Council

January 2012

Boy Scouts of America

- ❖ Adult leader backpack training will be held on February 17th to 19th. There will also be an outing in the local mountains. See the attached flyer for details. Registration by February 10th is required. To register call 213-413-4400 and ask for the Camping Department (x344).
- ❖ Junior leader backpack training will be held March 10 (class room session) and March 23-25 (field outing). The course will focus on Scouts learning the skills to be part of planning High Adventure outings for both yearly calendar plan and specific trips. Leadership skills and techniques will be taught/experienced throughout the course. The field outing will begin with a night hike on the evening of March 23rd.
- ❖ Los Angeles Area Council still has two contingent crews going to Philmont this year. One is a crew of Boy Scouts and the other is a coed crew of Venturers. The dates are July 6 to July 21, 2012. For more information please call Cindy Farber at 213-369-7742 or email at her at CLFarber@hotmail.com.
- ❖ Interested in Climbing Merit Badge? A portable climbing wall is available. We bring the mountain to your troop. Contact William Consterdine, at 562/686-1020.

**HAT Websites:** <<http://www.laac-hat.com>>, <<http://www.boyscoutsla.org>> & click Scouting Links

## Future Events

Jul 6 - Jul 22	Provisional contingent to Philmont Scout Ranch	Council-Camping
Jul 21 - Jul 28	Provisional contingent to Log Cabin	Council-HAT

## 3-Month Calendar

Jan 9	Cross Country Ski/Snowshoe Seminar	
Jan 14	Cross Country Ski Field Experience	(If conditions permit)
Jan 21	Ice Axe Field Experience	
Jan 28	Winter Camp Outing	
Feb 7	HAT Meeting	
Feb 17-19	Adult Leader Backpack Training**	See attached flyer
TBD**	Adult Leader Weekend Outing	
Mar 6	HAT Meeting*	
Mar 10	Junior Leader Backpack Training	See attached flyer
Mar 20	Climbing Instructor Class	
Mar 23-25	Junior Leader Weekend Outing	Includes a night hike
Mar 31	Mountain Oriented Accident Response	

\* HAT meetings are open to all registered adults, 7:30 p.m., LAAC Service Center, 2333 Scout Way, Los Angeles.

\*\* Weekend field experience to be scheduled at the seminar.

## HAT Contacts

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## Forest Service Contacts

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LA River Ranger District	Little Tujunga Station	818-899-1900	

HAT HiLites is published monthly by the LAAC High Adventure Team to inform Scout Leaders of specific program, service, and other High Adventure activities and opportunities available in the coming months. For additional information about a specific entry, please call or email the appropriate HAT contact.

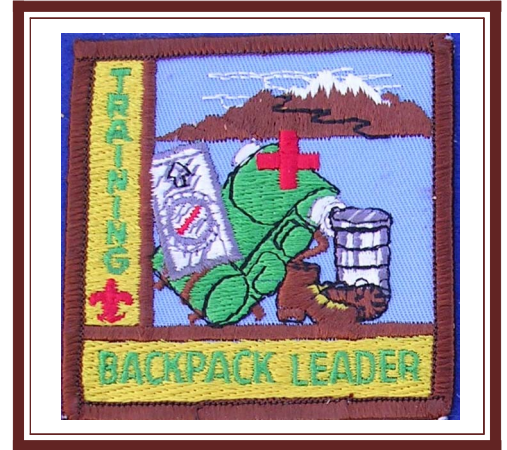
# Adult Leaders Backpack Training-2012

The Los Angeles Area Council-High Adventure Team will conduct its 46<sup>th</sup> annual backpack training program for Scouters and other adults on Feb. 17-19, 2012, with a backpack outing to be arranged. Its objectives are:

- ❖ to acquaint you with a basic understanding of how to plan and conduct outdoor activities;
- ❖ to stimulate your participation and leadership in a High Adventure Program at the Unit level; and,
- ❖ to inform you of the many programs and activities of the LAAC-HAT.

The training provides an overview of the basics: leadership; planning & preparation; equipment & clothing; menus & cooking; mountain navigation & travel; conservation; risk & safety; and program awards & procedures – the necessities for safe and enjoyable outings. The importance of training and transferring leadership to your Scouts is stressed. While the emphasis is on backpacking, it is generally applicable to all types of outdoor activity. This is the next step beyond the campcraft skills that are covered in Outdoor Leadership Skills (OLS).

The seminar is conducted at Cabrillo Beach Youth Waterfront Sports Center, 3000 Shoshonean Road, San Pedro (310-831-1984). Registration begins at 6:30pm, Friday, and the program will end by 1:00 pm, Sunday. You will be asked to select and take a weekend backpack trip (5-7 miles, roundtrip, in the local mountains) from among several to be offered in March and April and led by the LAAC-HAT Staff. An Adventure Pass for your vehicle is required at many of these locations.



Registration fee: \$50.00, when received at LAAC-Camping by Feb. 10; \$60.00, after that date. **Early registration is mandatory to ensure sufficient meals, snacks, and course materials. This class is limited to 45 participants.** Persons whose registration is received by the 10<sup>th</sup> will be sent a confirmation, map of location, and other details. Participants may bring their gear and camp (free) at the facility. Also, please bring a compass, paper and pencil – everything else is provided. Completion of this training is recognized by the award of a special patch. It is required to earn the High Adventure Leader Award. A syllabus that covers the materials discussed will be given to each participant.

Hike Aid 3, "Full Dimension High Adventure Training", has a complete discussion of the training programs of the LAAC-HAT. It may be purchase at the Scout Shop or downloaded from the Council website. Questions about any of them are to be directed to Pete Matthews; Vice Chair-Training: 424-224-7746; e-mail, [matthews\\_peter@msn.com](mailto:matthews_peter@msn.com)

## Training Bulletin

LAAC-HAT

October 2011

----- Detach and include with your check -----

### **Adult Leaders Backpack Training-2012**

Please register me for attendance at this LAAC-HAT training program. A check for \$50.00, payable to the Boy Scouts of America-LAAC, is enclosed (\$60.00, after Feb.10). I understand that I may incur other nominal expenses in order to complete it.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (Res.): \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit No.: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Los Angeles Area Council-BSA  
2333 Scout Way  
Los Angeles, CA 90026  
**Attn: Camping Department**

# Junior Leaders Backpack Training-2012

Camping and hiking are fun; developing the skills and learning safe and courteous practices are a necessary part of these activities. This most effectively occurs when it is the junior leadership in the Unit that provides the instruction.

The objectives of this training program are:

- to acquaint Scouts and Venturers with a basic understanding of how to plan and conduct outdoor activities.
- to give them information that they can use to teach other Scouts and Venturers safe and effective backcountry practices.
- to stimulate their participation and leadership in a High Adventure Program.

While the emphasis is on backpacking, it is generally applicable to all types of outdoor activity.

This High Adventure training involves a seminar and a weekend backpack trip (5-7 miles, roundtrip) to be taken in the local mountains and led by the LAAC-HAT.



- ❖ When: Saturday, March 10, 8:00 a.m. to about 4:00 p.m.
- ❖ Where: Cushman Watt Service Center
- ❖ Weekend trip: March 23 – 25, 2012. Each Scout and Venturer is responsible for obtaining the clothing, equipment, and food for it.

The training provides an overview of the basics: leadership; planning & preparation; equipment & clothing; menus & cooking; mountain navigation & travel; risk & safety; and winter camping – the necessities for safe and enjoyable outings.

The Scouts and Venturers that you list below for registration **must be 13 years old and have attained the rank of First Class or the Venturer equivalent.** A maximum of **four** Scouts or Venturers per Unit is permitted, unless prior approval is obtained. A fee of \$10.00 per Scout and Venturer is

charged for this training. **Registration is required by February 25.** Please have the Scouts and Venturers come with a compass, paper and pencil, and lunch – everything else is provided. Completion of this training is recognized by the award of a special patch. A syllabus that covers the materials discussed will be given to each participant.

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LAAC-HAT

## Training Bulletin

October 2011

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### Junior Leaders Backpack Training-2012

Please register the \_\_\_ Scouts and Venturers identified below for attendance at this LAAC-HAT training program. A check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ (at \$10.00 per Scout), payable to the Boy Scouts of America, is enclosed.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone (Res.): \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Unit No.: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_  
Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Scout's Name/Age/Rank:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Mail to:

Los Angeles Area Council-BSA  
2333 Scout Way  
Los Angeles, CA 90026  
Attn: Camping Department

# *Philmont Scout Ranch - 2012*

The Los Angeles Area Council has a reservation for a two Crew contingent to attend Philmont Scout Ranch in 2012. This means that twenty-four Scouts and adults will participate in an outstanding High Adventure experience in the Sangre de Cristo Range of the Rocky Mountains, located in New Mexico. Philmont provides not only a premier backpacking experience at elevations in the 8,000 – 12,000 foot range, but also a unique, Western-theme program at many backcountry camps.

- ◆ Date: July 6 – July 21, 2012. These dates include AMTRAK transportation time.
- ◆ Participants must be 14 years of age OR completed the 8<sup>th</sup> grade and be at least 13 years of age prior to participation. Participants 18 through 20 years of age may be counted as youth or adult crew members. Each crew is required to have a majority of youth participants, and the maximum number of adults (over 21) is four (4) per crew.
- ◆ All participants must provide BSA Form 680-001, Annual Health and Medical Record (available at [boyscoutsla.org/health](http://boyscoutsla.org/health) and medical forms), which must be within a year prior to July 2012. All participants must be current as to a tetanus shot and pass an in-camp medical check. A participant's weight must fall below the maximum limit for his/her height as listed on Form 680-001. Note, the Philmont Health and Medical Record must be used for Philmont. This form will be provided in January 2012 to each participant.
- ◆ Participants must provide all personal backpack clothing and personal equipment, especially quality boots. Participants will coordinate crew equipment such as tents, backpack stoves, cook sets, etc. What is not available among crew members, may be rented from Philmont. There will be a pack inspection at base camp by the Philmont staff.
- ◆ Crew assignments will be made on a District or Unit basis, or where possible, participants' preference.
- ◆ Backpack mileage will be in the range of 50 – 100 miles, over 12 days – including one or two layover days, depending on the itinerary selected by each crew.
- ◆ Participants and alternates are required to take several backpack trips with their Philmont crew in the local mountains, beginning no later than January 2012 to demonstrate hiking and camping skills and physical condition. This is also conducive to developing teamwork and checking out the durability of personal and crew equipment.
- ◆ The cost is approximately \$1,200 per participant, depending on the cost of transportation, LAAC Philmont shirts, hats and neckerchiefs and miscellaneous expenses.
- ◆ Reservations are on a first-come basis. A \$100 non-refundable deposit is required with the application (see reverse side). Balance of fee is to be paid by February 1, 2012.
- ◆ Additional information about the Philmont 2012 contingent can be obtained by contacting the Camping Department at the LAAC Service Center (213) 413-4400 ext. 344.



## *Program Announcement 23*

**Philmont Scout Ranch – 2012**  
**Application to Participate**

LAAC-BSA Provisional Contingent to Philmont Scout Ranch, Cimarron, New Mexico. Depart from Los Angeles on July 6, 2012, arrive at Philmont on July 7, 2012 for 12 days of High Adventure. Depart Philmont on July 20, 2012 and arrive in Los Angeles on July 21, 2012. Transportation to and from Philmont will be on AMTRAK.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Troop/Crew: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Person's email: \_\_\_\_\_

- ◆ I agree to live the Scout Oath and Law, to follow the directions of the Philmont 2012 Trek Advisors, to fulfill my responsibilities as a member of the contingent, to participate in the preliminary training as may be required, and to wear my Scout uniform as requested.
- ◆ I certify that I will be 14 years of age OR completed the 8<sup>th</sup> grade and be at least 13 years of age prior to participation.
- ◆ I agree to submit evidence of fitness to make this trek on BSA form 680-001, signed by a licensed health-care practitioner, and to obtain the immunization(s) required.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Approval of Parents or Guardians**

On behalf of my child and myself, I (we) hereby approve and agree to all of the terms and conditions of this application, and certify that the applicant can meet the health and physical requirements of Philmont 2012 and will be examined by a health-care practitioner. I (we) have read, and agree to, the above provisions for participation in the LAAC-sponsored contingent trek of July 2012.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**In case of emergency, the following person is to be notified:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

This application must be submitted to the Los Angeles Area Council Boy Scouts of America by April 1, 2011 with a \$100 non-refundable reservation fee. All checks are to be payable to the Boy Scouts of America. Write Philmont 2012 on the check.

Mail application and check to:  
 Los Angeles Area Council – Camping  
 2333 Scout Way  
 Los Angeles, CA 90026