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Inaugural Class of Female Eagle Scouts



These Young Woman are Among Hundreds in the Inaugural Class of Female Eagle Scouts

We are proud of all of our Eagle Scouts. What Sonia and Anneke have accomplished as part of our first class of female Eagle Scouts is special as they join a unique group of trailblazers in the BSA. We are honored by their dedication to our community and by the leadership they have demonstrated while in Scouting. Both of them, along with all the young ladies that are in our inaugural class, serve as example for all the young women that will come after her. Congratulations Sonia and Anneke.



“I think the most important thing for me earning the Eagle is to set an example for any other girls to come, but I also get to prove that I am a leader and I get to have a lot of fun as well.”- Sonia Wasserman

For her Eagle Project, Sonia got together a handful of scouts and volunteers to dedicate more than 100 hours of community service by way of restoring an exterior wall of Orcutt’s American Legion Post 534 headquarters building.

“Scouts BSA is such a wonderful opportunity for girls to gain leadership experience, enjoy high adventure outdoor activities like backpacking, rock climbing and white-water rafting, as well as earn the Eagle Scout rank which has historically only been awarded to boys.”

-Anneke Talke

For her Eagle Project, Anneke designed and planted a native plant hedge to act as a windbreak for City Farm SLO’s outdoor classroom. City Farm SLO is a non-profit that teaches school children how and where food is grown in a hands-on manner. The native plant hedge will help provide protection from the wind, while allowing the kids to feel connected to nature in their outdoor classroom. The project also provides much-needed habitat for native bees and butterflies, especially monarchs.



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Service Centers Covid Update

Due to California's [Blueprint for a Safer Economy](#) (updated January 26, 2021) and [Los Padres Council's COVID-19 procedures](#), our local staff is severely limited, as is access to 4000 Modoc Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93110.

Our San Luis Obispo location remains temporarily closed.

We ask that business be conducted via phone or email during office hours, Monday – Friday 10:00 am – 4:00 pm.

We are closed for lunch from 12:00 N – 1:30 pm.

Documents can be delivered by mail or deposited directly through our mail slot.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Los Padres Council, BSA
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Council President Views

You know that old saying, “*There’s a new Sheriff in Town*”

Well, that is somewhat of a dramatic overstatement. Even though I am the new President for LPC, like you, I have been one of the deputies as Pacific Coast District Chair and LPC board member for many years. I have a deep love and admiration for the Scouting movement and the positive outcomes Scouting has had for my own sons and so many other Scouts. I am also in awe of the generational legacy Scouting has on families and the community.

My vision for Scouting is for every youth to have a positive experience with a Scout and Scout Leader and to visit a Scout Camp. This one interaction with Scouting will boost membership not only for the good experience but the fear of missing out on all these Scouting activities if they don’t join.

I will say that Trey and other Council Presidents before us have some really-big shoes to fill. Their hard work and dedication make my tenure so much easier. Each past President had their own issues like when the Whitter Fire destroyed Rancho Alegre. Then the following President was tasked, working on the fundraising and rebuilding in a COVID lockdown environment.

In the near future, we have yet a new and unprecedented challenge that all of us must own and unite to overcome. There are no euphemisms that make it easier to overcome or exit unscathed. I believe that Scouting is in a fight for its very existence, and this is a defining moment of our future in Scouting.

Don’t get me wrong, one case of child abuse, is one too many. However, I am proud of how the BSA is stepping up and being accountable to victims and atoning for past actions. The bankruptcy will have devastating effects for decades, not only less resources for programs but a tarnished brand for past transgressions. Accordingly, this presents a financial setback which we can weather standing shoulder to shoulder with the other 200 plus Councils across the US and our dedicated leaders like yourself.

An ironic but positive discussion from bankruptcy was making the BSA Youth Protection Training (YPT) available to all youth programs without charge. This tells me that we have made huge strides in getting it right and why it is important for all our leaders to have YPT.

My dad would always ask me if I was part of the problem or part of the solution? Each and every one of us as Scouting leaders can be part of the solution. They way through this paradigm brings me back to our strengths and core Scouting values. We need to have conversations to others about the virtues and good that Scouting has given to us. Share a positive scouting experience with a friend, family, or work mate. Rally and challenge other scouting families to do likewise. Invite youth and parents to Scouting via a meeting, activity or event. Don’t talk of scouting in the past tense but the present and future. Change someone’s negative or non-opinion of Scouting and what they do now, and how our youth are better for it. Give to Scouting. Be a part of Friends of Scouting and keep it on your charitable radar as a proper and worthy home for your donations. This helps us remain viable and provide for the programs we offer. These small acts by each of us, together, will build a Scouting legacy that we can be proud of for future generations. So, I will ask again, are you part of the problem or part of the solution?

Yours in Scouting,

David Brown
Council President

Council Commissioner Update



Scouts and Scouters,

Thank-you all for your tireless perseverance during this COVID pandemic. I know the restrictions on our Scouting programs have been brutal to our Units activities and have caused us to lose Scouts. We are not alone. Almost every Council in the US has observed a decline in predominantly our Cub Scout ranks. Many of these parents and Units deciding not to re-charter are awaiting the lifting of COVID restrictions on Scouting to rejoin. So, I ask that every leader in our Council ensure you are up to date on your required training, so that when we can expand Unit meetings and outings as well as camping, you are ready to go. In that way your Unit and your Scouts are not waiting for you to complete your required training. If you need help or guidance in this area reach out to your Commissioner or to our Training Team. We still have a few Units that need to complete their re-charter process. Please know that our Commissioner team is here to help. Just let us know how we can do that! I am hopeful as we move forward that we are on the precipice of lessening restrictions and rollbacks of requirements that will allow us to put the meetings and Outings back in Scouting. Our motto is **Be Prepared**, and all of you have demonstrated and lived that! We owe it to our youth to make the best we can of this remaining year for our Scouting youth! Look for updates to our Los Padres Council COVID guidelines and program requirements for our Scouting units.

Commissioner Corps

Our Los Padres Council Commissioners are always here to help. Have you attended one of our Pacific Coast and Cuesta District RoundTables to help you in all aspects of our Scouting programs? Especially now that we have fewer Scouting professional staff, your Commissioners are the fastest and best way to get answers to questions and or issues you have. If your Unit does not have an assigned Commissioner, please contact either Sandra Shove or Tom Lebens, your District Commissioners or me. We will do our best to get the answers or the help or direction that you need.

We are always looking for Scouters who would like to serve a Unit as a Commissioner. We have had three new Unit Commissioners join our ranks. What about you?

Summer is fast approaching, and we are all hopeful for a fun Scouting summer. So, let's all work together to do everything we can to get the Outing back into Scouting!

See you on the trail soon!

Bob Putney

Council Commissioner

Order of the Arrow



As we look forward, we see tremendous opportunities to once again gather with your fellow Arrowmen this year. It's not too late to pay your 2021 dues! Go to <http://www.chumashlodge90.net> and follow the Dues link.

The LEC met in March and made the decision to postpone our May Ordeal, so that we can have a better chance to properly plan the event and have it occur as planned. While we don't control the state, county, or Los Padres Council guidelines, we do anticipate that we'll be able to hold events this year. To that end, we ask you to reserve the following dates for Order of the Arrow events or Ordeal weekends:

- June 26
- July 10
- August 6-8 (Ordeal #1)
- September 17-19 (Section Conclave at Hubert Eaton Scout Reservation)
- October 15-17 (Ordeal #2)
- November 20 (LLD Training and Annual banquet)

Once we have more certainty we will confirm the events, but we wanted to share these dates with you and hope we'll be able to hold these events.

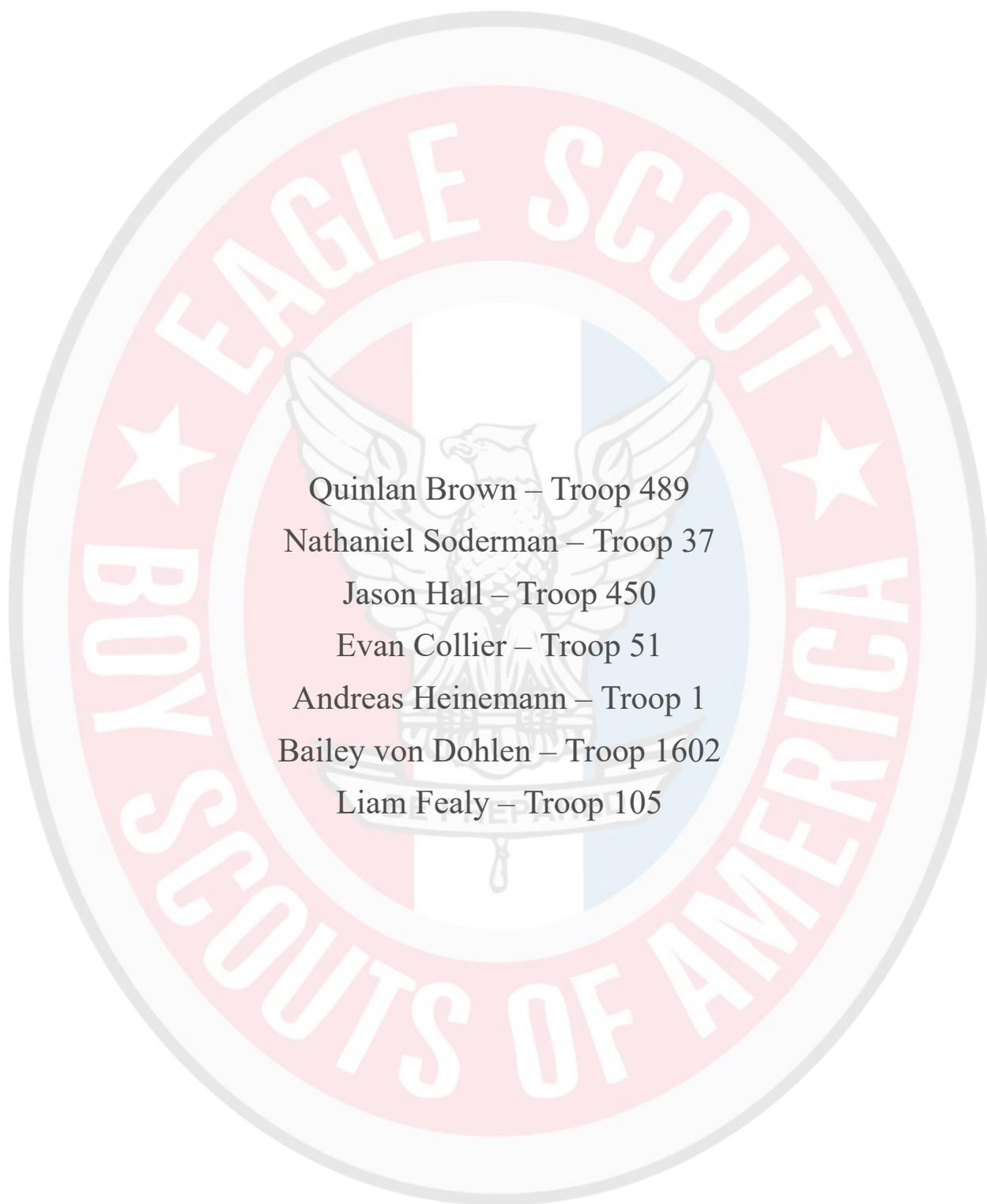
Unit elections for Troops and Crews are underway. If your Troop has not yet held or arranged to hold an election, contact elections@chumashlodge90.net to schedule your election.

Also as we look forward to resuming in-person activities, we are looking to fill positions of leadership in the local chapters. Contact your local leaders, or your Lodge Chief Joey M. or Lodge Adviser Brian Hascall for information. Youth positions including Chapter Chief, Chapter Vice Chief, and Chapter Recorder are open in many of our chapters, and Chapter Adviser or Associate Chapter Adviser roles are available for adults in a few of our Chapters. In addition, we are always looking for more members to help shoulder the burden and help your fellow Arrowmen in Cheerful Service.

Len Kamlet

Associate Lodge Adviser

Los Padres Council is proud to congratulate the following Scouts in achieving the highest rank in Scouting, The Eagle Rank. These young people committed to becoming the best versions of themselves and strive to be examples to others as they lead the path forward. In achieving this rank, they have just begun their journey of leading progress that will improve the life of many and change our world for the better.



Quinlan Brown – Troop 489

Nathaniel Soderman – Troop 37

Jason Hall – Troop 450

Evan Collier – Troop 51

Andreas Heinemann – Troop 1

Bailey von Dohlen – Troop 1602

Liam Fealy – Troop 105

Boots & Bling BBQ Fundraiser

On August 13th, 2021, Los Padres Council, BSA is happy to announce that we will be holding our first annual *Boots & Bling* BBQ fundraiser! This fundraiser is a fun event designed not only to give people an opportunity to come together for fun, food, and drink, but also to recognize leaders in our community who have helped build character and leadership in the youth of San Luis Obispo County. We are proud to announce this year's event will recognize Farm Supply and past CEO Jim Brabeck who will be honored with Los Padres Council's Legacy Award. Additionally, local Scouter and public servant Brian Hascall will be honored with the National Outstanding Eagle Scout Award for all of his work to keep our communities healthy and our local youth safe and thriving.

Of the over 7,000 young people who have participated annually in our local Scouting, Exploring, and The Outdoor School programs, some will become your neighbor or employee, some will lead our country, and some will pass on the legacy of Scouting to the next generation; but all will make a positive impact on their communities.

On behalf of the Planning Committee we invite you to join us on Thursday, August 13, 2021 at the Santa Margarita Ranch Barn in celebration of Brian Hascall, and Farm Supply's Jim Brabeck for their support of youth programs in our communities.

Check our website at www.lpcbsa.org to reserve your spot today!

As always, thank you for your ongoing support of Scouting!



Jim Brabeck



Brian Hascall

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Individual tickets \$75

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For more information please contact to Erica.mundell-mcgilvray@scouting.org.

District Operations

We are busily supporting our District Committees as they do the best they can for the units. We held a very successful and animated discussion on the evening of March 25. There are some neat things coming, and ways to help spread the word about how to safely and successfully Scout was discussed.

If you haven't already heard about Camp Coupon Sales, this is going to be a great addition for our unit's fundraising opportunities. Check the Council Website for more information. I saw what focused sale of Camp Cards can do, and I really believe this new program could sell even better.

We are gearing up for some GREAT events that the program team are pulling together, keep an eye out for more information about these great events.

We will continue to help those that help Unit Leaders. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to us on this committee.

Happy Trails,

Lynn Johnson

Council Vice President, District Operations

Cuesta District Highlights

Last week on March 18th, the Cuesta District held its annual District Recognition Event. This event has been known in the past as our District Recognition Dinner, but ... well ... you know, COVID. While we held our event virtually last year at the beginning of the pandemic, because we had been planning one – I don't think anyone would have batted an eye if we had decided not to hold the event this year.

However, Scouts are resilient, and many of our Scouts have found ways to continue meeting and advancing – whether it is virtual or socially distant in small groups. And we felt we could not let this year go without acknowledging those who have been noticed doing good things, especially within this last year.

At the Recognition Event, it was acknowledged that those who were presented with recognition did not just simply win an award. Those selected to receive awards were chosen from a slate of nominees. In other words, you cannot get one of these awards without being nominated. In order to be nominated, someone else must have noticed your actions. I would like to take the opportunity to congratulate all of those Scouters who were honored during this year's District Recognition Event.

Cub Scout of the Year

Connor Genereux - Pack 51
Lincoln Caddy - Pack 92

Scout BSA of the Year

Cassidy Gard - Troop 1602
Grant Komm - Troop 60

Adult Scouter Recognition

Rookie of the Year

Lauri Graham - Pack 51

Scout BSA Leader

Alexander Holthaus - Troop 308

Scoutmaster

Sean Tashma - Troop 123
Rosemary Fryer
Kimberly Nico - Pack 6

Chartered Organization

Santa Margarita Lions

Cub Leader

Erika Horn - Pack 425

Cubmaster

Eric Neblett - Pack 92

Commissioner of the Year

Bob Putney

Trailblazers

Rob Connelly - Pack 6
Greg Mickey - Troop 51
Hans Fairchild - Troop 60
Nathan Ecret - Troop 123
Eric Neblett - Pack 92

Cuesta District Award of Merit recipients:

Mike Britton
Josh Hoggatt
Amanda Lamar
Tom Lebens

Hopefully we can do this next year - in person. But know that whatever happens, we will again acknowledge those who are advancing or representing the best that Scouting has to offer.

Michael Britton

Cuesta District Chairman

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- Go to: <https://fundraising.entertainment.com/boy-scouts-of-america-los-padres-council-053>

For more information contact: Glen Goddard, Program Director Email: glen.goddard@scouting.org



Pacific Coast District Highlights

As my first submission to this newsletter, I'd like to introduce myself. Having rejoined Scouting in February after almost a 20-year absence, I am pleased and honored to have been elected to serve as the District Chair of Pacific Coast District! With approximately 38 years of Scouting behind me -- as a Scout and Explorer, an Eagle Scout, a Silver Beaver recipient, and as an adult leader at many Scouting volunteer levels -- I feel that I have "returned home" to the program that served me well throughout most of my youth and adult life. Scouting taught me the outdoor and leadership skills I still use today. It also provided me multiple opportunities to guide a number of Scouts in my various units over the years to achieve the coveted Eagle Scout rank. My son, Todd, was one of them. He is a Notre Dame graduate, was a Top Gun who flew F-14 Tomcat fighter jets in the Navy for 12 years, eventually became a Navy ER Doctor, and led a Navy Special Ops medical team in combat. Since his retirement from the military in 2014, he has continued as an ER Doctor and is also a Scoutmaster for my grandson's troop in Virginia, who is also well along the path to Eagle. Three of my wife's grandsons are also Eagle Scouts. Scouting is in our blood!

As some of you already know, our district also has two recent Eagle Scouts – one male and one female – both of whom have just been notified of receiving Congressional appointments – one to the USAF Academy, and one to West Point! These are just two examples of the value of our Scouting programs and achieving Eagle Scout status.

A bit more about me, I spent 24 years in the FBI, and as an organization, the FBI encouraged and trained its Special Agents to pursue innovative ideas and visionary approaches in their investigations. With those experiences deeply embedded in my own psyche, I have applied the lessons learned to most aspects of my life. Now that I am "back home" in Scouting, and serving as your new District Chair, we are reorganizing our District Leadership Team with a major focus on innovation and visionary leadership. Indeed, each one of our new District Vice Chairs was chosen for their ability to think and act "outside the box". I am convinced they will help guide our District and our Council to new heights locally and in Scouting overall. The operable vision is that our District will become an "incubator" for new ideas and methods in fulfilling the basic principles of Scouting within the long-established Scouting traditions. Our team, however, needs the help of all Scouters, Scouts, Advisors, Chartered Organizations, and our community supporters to achieve those goals. **It can be done, and I am asking each of you for that help.** We will be working diligently over the next several months to meet each and every one of you and to see the great work that you are doing for our youth members and for Scouting.

As you may have heard, Scouting has established a new program dealing with Diversity and Inclusion. I take that program very seriously, and have recruited a former Scout as a new District Vice Chairman for Diversity and Inclusion. He is **William Benton**, the president of the NAACP in Santa Barbara. We have already started reaching out to various minority communities and organizations within our District to introduce them to Scouting and to encourage them to consider starting new Scouting units. The first contacts have been met with enthusiastic interest!

Our new District Team also includes **Edward Quiñonez** - District Vice Chair for the north county area, **Dr. Glenn Miller** - District Vice Chair for Health and Safety, and **Robert Tucker** - District Vice Chair for Innovation and Visionary Leadership, and **Sandra Shove** - District Commissioner. You will be hearing more about, and from, all of them in the coming weeks and months. And, of course, our team also includes our multi-talented and exceptionally-dedicated District Executive, **April Wright**. We will be in a meet-up and listening mode for the next few months to hear directly from each adult unit leader at every level, and even your senior youth leaders – the SPLs, ASPLs, Team leaders, Order of the Arrow members, Venture advisors and officers, etc., to learn what your needs are, how the District and the Council can better serve you, your own ideas for innovation and visionary leadership, any additional training or program needs --- and that list goes on and on.

I have been a strong advocate for the re-opening of Scouting in our district as soon as possible under the applicable State and County Guidelines, and am convinced that unit meetings and outdoor activities are about to re-appear. It's going to be an exciting year and we look forward to personally meeting and working with you and your units to create the best Scouting program this District and our Council have ever experienced!

Tom Parker

Pacific Coast District Chairman



Spring 2021 Virtual Merit Badge Pow-Wow

Classes Start April 12th and run weekly until May 27th



Classes offered:



American Business

Electricity

Inventing

Art

Emergency Preparedness

Law

Automotive Maintenance

Entrepreneurship

Personal Management

Chemistry

Environmental Science

Pets

Citizenship in the World

Family Life

Programming

Communications

Fish & Wildlife Management

Signs, Signals & Codes

Digital Technology

First Aid

Sustainability

Disabilities Awareness

Geocaching

Textile



Cost: \$5.00 per Scout

Contact Jeanne Gard for more details at (805) 238-0175 or butterfly313@sbcglobal.net



Click the link below to register today!

<https://lpcbsa.doubleknot.com/event/space-available/2021-virtual-merit-badge-pow-wow/70551>

Class times vary. Please see the schedule on the registration page for details.



Rancho Alegre Update

As an update to the rebuilding of Camp Rancho Alegre, Los Padres Council has acquired over \$13 million of the \$18 million needed for The Outdoor School to become operational. Though we have raised 73% of the needed funds we still have a way to go. Consequently, the Los Padres Council is investing an additional \$650,000 into the building project.

This new investment will allow for the assembly of 5 seasonal staff house/lodge units. The fire safe construction of the new buildings is built with Structural Insulated Panels (SIPs), which are prefabricated, high performance building system. Building with SIPs have saved us time, money, and labor. Assembling the 5 lodges are currently underway.

In addition, three permanent staff lodges and one dorm have been completed. Our four largest buildings are dorms that have been assembled with the interiors needing to be constructed. A very complex and environmentally friendly infrastructure system including sewer, water and electrical has been installed. And finally, after completing the buildings, the camp roads will be widened to meet emergency and final permitting requirements.

The goal is to begin receiving Outdoor School reservations as early as this fall. A video tour of this amazing project can be seen online at <https://www.campranchoalegre.com/>

Any donation to the Rancho Alegre Phoenix Campaign is considered a restricted gift and is used for the sole purpose of rebuilding Camp Rancho Alegre. With your support, the Council will be able to not only rebuild, but update and improve the camp for children, youth, and their families for an additional 50 years! To witness the scale of the rebuild is simply...inspiring! Please let us know if you would like a safe physical distancing tour by contacting Ken Miles at 805-835-9456.



Construction is now underway for the three staff houses (2 bedrooms no garage) adjacent to the Frank Lodge. The Phoenix Committee has been meeting regularly to monitor building progress and is working to find more donors to help continuing to build.

The camp water system was recently signed off by Santa Barbara County Environmental Health. We currently monitor the water system weekly with certified Water Treatment and Distribution Operator for the State of California from Aquatex Inc. The water system is tested monthly for coliform and e. coli and weekly for chlorine residual levels and maintenance issues. The camp water is now considered drinkable.

January's river of stormwater brought 6 inches of rain to camp. As a result, there was some road damage. The largest whole blocking the dirt road from Frank Lodge to Larsen Meadow has been filled. More repairs will be needed once the rainy season has ended.

Larsen Meadow has seen an upswing in requests for use in weekend camping and day use. If your Pack or Troop are interested in putting on a program at the meadow please contact Glen Goddard, glen.goddard@scouting.org for more details.



Program Updates

March 20 marked the Spring Equinox, a time when the light and dark times are equal, but marking the passing into that portion of our year where we see lightness overtaking the dark. Just as we enter Spring, we also see for our Scouting program a time when there is more and more light present, and we at the Council and District levels are working hard to prepare for the lighter days ahead.

TRAINING:

As we look forward to getting back outdoors, it's important that we get our leaders the training they need. Look for announcements for online training classes for Committee Members, Den Leaders, and more over the next few months, and as soon as we are able we will look to hold BALOO and IOLS trainings to ensure trained leaders for overnight camping for our Cub Packs and Scouts BSA Troops. If your unit does not currently have any leaders trained in BALOO (Cub Scouting) or IOLS (Scouts BSA), contact me at kamlet@gmail.com so that we can make sure your units will be ready and able to hold events as soon as we are cleared to do so.

If you are a trained leader and looking for an excellent training course, plan to attend Wood Badge! While our council will not be hosting a Wood Badge course this year, there are a number being offered nearby. Two of our local leaders plan to help staff a course with Western Los Angeles County Council, being held at Camp Josepho. The dates of this course are October 1-3, and October 16-17. Hold these dates, and contact me for more information about this or other courses being offered.

If your unit is planning to attend a BSA High Adventure Camp this summer, and has members who need to complete Wilderness First Aid training, contact me or Glen Goddard (glen.goddard@scouting.org). With the continued uncertainty from our state guidance we don't yet know when our council trainers will be able to lead this training, but we do wish to understand the number of our council members who need this training so we can try to prioritize our efforts.

CAMPING:

While we have chosen to prepare to hold our first summer camp back at Rancho Alegre in 2022, our local Cub Scout Day Camp leaders are starting to plan for camp this summer. Like so many other events, the state and its delayed guidance are not making this easy for us, but our dedicated leaders are hopeful that we will soon get the green light to hold these camps in person, and we will let you know as soon as we have official word. Stay tuned for more information!

For our Scouts BSA units, we are hoping to host a Camporall (combined Camporee for both Districts), likely sometime this fall. Our Council Camping Committee is working with our Districts to identify dates, times, and leaders to help. If interested in helping contact me or your District camping chair.

AWARDS:

The Los Padres Council is pleased to announce our newest Silver Beaver Award winners! The Council Advancement Team selected two honorees. Congratulations to Len Kamlet and Sean Tashma for all they do for Scouting! We look forward to honoring them at a Council event as soon as we're able to get together to celebrate these and other accomplishments.



Cuesta District also recently held their awards virtually. Four leaders (Michael Britton, Joshua Hoggatt, Amanda Lamar, and Thomas Lebens) received District Awards of Merit, and the district recognized a number of other deserving leaders and scouts for their accomplishments. The Pacific Coast District opted to postpone their awards ceremony in hopes of getting together in person; stay tuned!

If you have celebrated a multiple of 5 years of membership in Scouting (5, 10, 15, ...) you are eligible to receive a Veteran Award. Download and complete the form at <https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/membership/pdf/524-701.pdf>, and submit it to the Council office or your local council staff member and we can recognize you for this accomplishment. (And to answer your question, 2020 only counts as one year regardless of how many years it felt like....)

ADVANCEMENT:

Scouts continue to make progress on their Advancement. We continue to see Scouts achieving the rank of Eagle, Webelos/Arrow of Light Scouts earn their AOL, and more.

Jeanne Gard, our District Advancement Chair for Cuesta District, is once again organizing an online Merit Badge PowWow. Scouts BSA Scouts can choose from 24 classes, and work to merit badges including Automotive Maintenance, Law, Art, First Aid, and more! The last day to register is April 3, so go to <http://lpcbsa.doubleknot.com/event/2796067> now and register!

SERVICE:

Instead of talking about any specific service activities, I want to take another moment to thank all of our leaders and volunteers for your service to our youth, support for our units, and willingness to give generously of your time to enable our Scouting program to continue through these past dark months, and leading us into brighter days.

Yours in Scouting,

Len Kamlet

Council Vice President, Program

2021 BSA Sporting Clay and Steel Challenge Competitions

Sporting Clay Individual & Team Registration *Steel Shooting Individual & Team Registration* *Sponsorship Opportunities*



Meet 3-Time World Speed Shooting
Champion Trent Mitsuoka!

Date: June 5, 2021 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM (Check-in begins at 8:00 am)

Where: SLO Sportsmen's Association Inc.
3270 Gilardi Rd., San Luis Obispo, CA 93405
805-541-4867 www.slosa.org



What: A fun-filled day of competition, shooting, friends, great food, auction, and prizes.

Participation: Teams/Squads of five or individual shooters. Put your team of five shooters together or come out and be matched up with other individual shooters to form your own team the day of the event. You will shoot with your team at all stations. Individual scores will be kept as well as team scores.

Sponsorships: Corporate and Business sponsorships available at many different levels. Be a sponsor for the event, a shooting station, Beverage breaks, or lunch sponsor. For further details contact Ken at kenneth.miles@scouting.org or at 805-835-9456.

Donation: \$125 per individual shooter includes lunch
\$625 per team of five includes lunch

To Register: Shooters and Sponsors register at <https://www.lpcbsa.org/> or contact Ken Miles

Questions: kenneth.miles@scouting.org or call Ken at 805-835-9456

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Council Executive Message

Dust Off Your Tent and Air Out Your Sleeping Bags - Summer is Coming!

I hope this finds you and your loved ones safe and healthy. The safety of our community is our top priority. Both physical and mental health are a major part of scouting.

Thank you to all our fearless, volunteer leaders for sharing their dynamic and innovative ways to keep Scouting available to our youth. Los Padres Council and the BSA is only successful in fulfilling its Mission, to prepare young people for the future, because of your dedication and sacrifices. Everyone from our parent committees, unit leaders, district committees, merit badge counselors, council committees, and board of directors has had a direct impact in our youth and communities, these past 12 months. During a time when we were all challenged, we found ways to give back and do good turns. THANK YOU!

This was in display in March during Cuesta District's annual recognition ceremony. Los Padres Council, BSA thanks and congratulates all the Cuesta District honorees:

Cub Scout of the Year

Connor Genereux - Pack 51
Lincoln Caddy - Pack 92

Scout BSA of the Year

Cassidy Gard - Troop 1602
Grant Komm - Troop 60

Adult Scouter Recognition

Rookie of the Year

Lauri Graham - Pack 51

Cub Leader

Erika Horn - Pack 425

Scout BSA Leader

Alexander Holthaus - Troop 308

Cubmaster

Eric Neblett - Pack 92

Scoutmaster

Sean Tashma - Troop 123

Rosemary Fryer

Kimberly Nico - Pack 6

Chartered Organization of the Year

Santa Margarita Lions

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Bob Putney

Trailblazers

Rob Connelly - Pack 6

Greg Mickey - Troop 51

Hans Fairchild - Troop 60

Nathan Ecret - Troop 123

Eric Neblett - Pack 92

A special congratulations to our Cuesta District Award of Merit recipients:

Mike Britton

Josh Hoggatt

Amanda Lamar

Tom Lebens

Your continued commitment to supporting our youth inspires the rest of us to keep scouting while building character in our youth.

As the world keeps changing and we keep adapting to better serve our communities we will "Be Prepared" to lead change for the better. We are confident that with your leadership, our council is up to the task.

As the pandemic gets under control and things open, we must remember that we have a duty to lead by example and protect those around us. Summer and day camp activities should be open this year, but they will look different, and we will all do our best to assure it is still a positive experience of growth for our scouts.

Thank you all for your support, leadership, and commitment. We look forward to working alongside you to assure all the youth in our communities have the opportunity to grow, lead, and enhance in a safe, inclusive, and welcoming environment.

Yours in Scouting,

Carlos Cortez

Scout Leader/Scout Executive