

# HAT HiLites

Greater Los Angeles Area Council

January 2019

Boy Scouts of America

- ❖ Your California fire permit just expired. Get a new one at <http://www.preventwildfireca.org/Campfire-Permit/>.
- ❖ There will be no admission fees at National Parks or at Bureau of Land Management areas on Martin Luther King Jr. Day (January 21). The Bureau of Land Management will also waive day-use fees on Presidents' Day (February 8).
- ❖ Adult Leader Backpack Training will be held on February 22nd to 24th. The training provides an overview of high adventure basics: leadership; planning and preparation; equipment and clothing; menus and cooking; mountain navigation and travel; conservation; risk and safety; and program awards. There will also be an overnight outing in the local mountains. See the attached flyer for details. The class size is limited to 45 participants so register early to ensure a spot. We cannot guarantee a spot for walk-ins. Register online at <http://glaac-hat.org/register/> or call 626-351-8815 and ask for the Camping Department (x241).
- ❖ Want to become a climbing instructor? Level I classes will be held March 15-17. Contact Stephen Dodson (818-967-1323, [sedodson1@roadrunner.com](mailto:sedodson1@roadrunner.com)) for more information.
- ❖ The GLAAC-HAT is hosting a 2-day Wilderness and Remote First Aid certification on March 30-31. To sign up, register online at <http://glaac-hat.org/register/> or call 626-351-8815 and ask for the Camping Department (x241).
- ❖ To schedule a forest conservation project, call David Ledford at 310-373-2111 or email [gdledford@verizon.net](mailto:gdledford@verizon.net).
- ❖ If your unit is participating in winter sports activities, make sure everyone has a buddy. There have been a few instances of Scouts that were separated from their units.

HAT Website: <<http://glaac-hat.org>>

## 3-Month Calendar

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| Jan 12           | Cross Country Ski Experience                       |                    |
| Jan 19           | Snow and Ice Travel Field Experience               |                    |
| Jan 26           | Snow Shoeing Field Experience                      |                    |
| Feb 5            | HAT Meeting *                                      |                    |
| Feb 9&10         | Winter Camping and Travel Field Experience         |                    |
| Feb 22-24        | Adult Leader Backpack Training Seminar **          | See attached flyer |
| <del>Mar 2</del> | <del>Scout Leaders Backpack Training Seminar</del> |                    |
| Mar 5            | HAT Meeting *                                      |                    |
| Mar 15-17        | B.S.A. Level I Climbing Instructor Course          | See attached flyer |
| Mar 30&31        | Wilderness and Remote First Aid                    | See attached flyer |

\* HAT meetings are open to all registered adults, the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m., Cushman Watt Scout Center, 2333 Scout Way, Los Angeles.

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

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HAT HiLites is published monthly by the GLAAC 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.

## Greater Los Angeles Area High Adventure Team 54<sup>th</sup> Adult Leaders Backpack Training-2019

### PURPOSE:

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



DATE: Friday, Saturday, Sunday 22 through 24 February 2019  
Weekend backpack outing to be arranged during the training sessions.

TIME: Friday 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.  
Saturday 7:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.  
Sunday 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Cabrillo Youth Center, San Pedro.

COST: \$115 before February 15, \$125 after that.

REGISTRATION: **Online registration** with check, paypal or credit card is available at <http://glaac-hat.org/register>. **Early registration is mandatory to ensure sufficient meals, snacks, and course materials.** Persons whose registration is received by the 9 February will be sent a confirmation, map of location, and other details. For help with registration contact Danette at the Smiser Scout Service Center, (626)351-8815 X241 or e-mail: [danette.verdugo@scouting.org](mailto:danette.verdugo@scouting.org)

MEALS: Cracker barrel Friday, breakfast, lunch, dinner Saturday, breakfast Sunday.

EQUIPMENT: Compass, paper and pencil.  
Participants may bring their gear and camp (free) at the facility.

MAXIMUM SIZE: 45 students

OVERVIEW: Basics of the necessities for safe and enjoyable outings

- leadership
- planning & preparation
- equipment & clothing
- menus & cooking
- orienteering
- route finding and mountain travel
- conservation
- risk & safety
- program awards & procedures
- the importance of training and transferring leadership to your Scouts is stressed.

QUESTIONS: David Behenna, Course Director, at (310) 351-7914; e-mail: [tigerbay@att.net](mailto:tigerbay@att.net)

The emphasis is on backpacking but it is generally applicable to all types of outdoor activity. This is the next step beyond the camp-craft skills that are covered in Outdoor Leadership Skills (OLS).

You will be need to select and take a weekend backpack trip (5-7 miles, round-trip, in the local mountains) from among several to be offered in March and April and led by the GLAAC-HAT Staff. Each person is responsible for providing his/her own clothing and equipment. An Adventure Pass for your vehicle is required at many of these locations.

Completion of this training is recognized by the award of a special patch.

Hike Aid 3, "Full Dimension High Adventure Training", has a complete discussion of the training programs of the GLAAC-HAT. It may be downloaded from the Council High Adventure website at <http://glaac-hat.org/HikeAids.html>. Questions about any of them are to be directed to Michael Schlaifer; Vice Chair Training: (213)247-8808 (C); e-mail, [michael@schlaifer.com](mailto:michael@schlaifer.com).

## **B. S. A. Climbing Level 1 Spring 2019**

- PURPOSE:** Provide training for people who are interested in teaching Scouts how to climb and rappel at the Unit, District or Council level. This group might include those interested in becoming Climbing Merit Badge Counselors, Camp Staff and Scouters. ***Scouters who work with troops and teach climbing are required to be "Qualified Instructors" prior to teaching any climbing / rappelling activities.***
- DATE:** Friday evening, Saturday and Sunday 15 – 17 March 2019.
- TIME:** 8:00 p.m. Friday through 5:30 p.m. Sunday
- LOCATION:** Hubert Eaton Scout Reservation
- COST:** \$125.00 for (textbook, meals and camping fees included).
- REGISTRATION:** **Online registration** with check, paypal or credit card is available at <http://glaac-hat.org/register> by 1 March 2019. For help with registration contact Danette at the Smiser Scout Service Center, (626)351-8815 X241 or e-mail: [danette.verdugo@scouting.org](mailto:danette.verdugo@scouting.org).
- EQUIPMENT:** Climbing gear will be provided by the Directors (ropes, anchors, carabineers, etc.) You will be sleeping indoors in a Troop Lodge and will need to provide your own sleeping bag or linens as well as your regular gear for a weekend outing.
- OVERVIEW:** This course is very intense and will work into the late hours of the night. We will cover B.S.A. current National Policies associated with all climbing/rappelling activities, at the Unit, Council and District levels, as outlined in the pamphlet entitled "Climb on Safely," and the National Camp Accreditation Program. Textbook is B.S.A. publication entitled "Belay On" (provided).  
This course will be conducted over a weekend (starting Friday night). Meals will be provided Saturday and Sunday, but please bring take out or have dinner before you arrive Friday night.
- REQUIREMENTS:**
- Current registration with Boy Scouts of America
  - 18 years old
  - Current successful completion of B.S.A.'s "Youth Protection Guidelines" training
  - Current B.S.A. Annual Health and Medical Record
  - Completed the online [Climb on Safely Training](#)
- MAXIMUM SIZE:** 12 students, minimum of 6 students.
- QUESTIONS:** Contact Steve Dodson Cell: (818) 967-1323 email: [sedodson1@roadrunner.com](mailto:sedodson1@roadrunner.com)

All persons interested must be mature, capable of instructing, safety conscious, able to exercise good judgment, be dependable, relate well to youth and adults, and be familiar in the techniques of climbing, rappelling, belaying, and spotting. B.S.A. Level I Climbing Instructor Qualification Certification is good for 1 year upon successful completion of this class.

Help keep climbing/rappelling as part of Scouting's activities by becoming a qualified BSA Climbing Instructor for your Unit, District, or Council.

A copy of "Belay On" will be given to each participant.

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## Wilderness and Remote First Aid Spring 2019



**American  
Red Cross**

- PURPOSE:** Extend Scout Leaders knowledge of First Aid to those situations where professional response may not be immediately available. This training is geared towards Adult Scout Leaders and those Scout parents going to a Scout High Adventure Base activity or Scout wilderness activity.
- DATE:** Saturday and Sunday 30 & 31 March 2019
- TIME:** 8:00 a.m. to about 4:00 p.m.
- LOCATION:** Cushman-Watt Service Center, 2333 Scout Way, Los Angeles
- COST:** \$75.00 (\$21.50 online and \$53.50 at the door).
- REGISTRATION:** Pay \$21.50 at online registration (<http://glaac-hat.org/register>) and then \$53.50 at the door either in cash or by check made out to Rick Reeley. For help with registration contact Danette at the Smiser Scout Service Center, (626)351-8815 X241 or e-mail: [danette.verdugo@scouting.org](mailto:danette.verdugo@scouting.org).
- EQUIPMENT:** None needed.
- MEALS:** All meals are the responsibility of the participants. Time will be allotted to go out or you can bring your own snacks, lunch and refreshments.
- OVERVIEW:** Course includes printed materials as well as AED demonstration using an AED trainer and use of CPR manikins. Successful completion of the course earns a certification valid for two years.
- REQUIREMENTS:** For Wilderness and Remote First Aid Certification, current certification in Adult CPR & AED  
For First Aid Basics – have knowledge of Tenderfoot, Second Class & First Class First Aid skills, and completion of the online trainings in Weather Hazards, Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat.
- QUESTIONS:** Rick Reeley course instructor at [reeley@troop849.org](mailto:reeley@troop849.org)

A CD with all printed material on it will be given to each participant.

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