

THE TRAILHEAD

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TRAINING CALENDAR 2018

HAT Meeting	X-C	2 Jan
Ski/Snowshoe Seminar		8 Jan
Cross-Country Ski Field Experience		13 Jan
Ice Axe Field Experience		20 Jan
Snowshoe Field Experience		27 Jan
HAT Meeting		6 Feb
Winter Camp Field Experience		10-11 Feb
Adult Ldr Backpack Training		23-25 Feb
ALBT Weekend Outing		TBD
Scout/Leader Backpack Class		3 Mar
HAT Meeting		6 Mar
Area HAT @ SDIC		9 Mar
Junior BP Weekend Outing		17-18 Mar
Level I Climbing Instructor		16-18 Mar
Wilderness First Aid		25-26 Mar
Rock, Rope, Rescue Seminar		9 Apr
CA Trails Day/Trail Boss		14 Apr
Level II Climbing Instructor		21-22 Apr

HAT Meeting	1 May
Trail Boss (Advanced)	5 May
Rock & Rope Field Experience	5-6 May
Nat'l Trails Day/Trail Boss	2 Jun
HAT Meeting	5 Jun
Area HAT @ WLACC	9 Jun
Philmont Provisional	6-21 Jul
Log Cabin Provisional	TBD
Trail Boss (Advanced)	1 Sep
HAT Meeting	4 Sep
Area HAT @ CIEC	8 Sep
Desert Camping Seminar	8 Sep
Desert Weekend Outing	TBD
Adult Ldr Backpack Training Seminar	TBD
HAT Meeting	2 Oct
Level I Climbing Instructor	19-21 Oct
Wilderness First Aid	7-228 Oct
Winter Camping/Ice Axe Seminar	3 Nov
HAT Meeting	6 Nov
Navigation & Orienteering	10 Nov
Level II Climbing Instructor	17-18 Nov
HAT Meeting	4 Dec
Area HAT @ OCC	8 Dec

For updates to the training calendar, see: <http://glaac-hat.org/>

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HAT MEETING NOVEMBER

Adult leader registration is coming soon. Remember that GLAAC requires that your Youth Protection Training must be renewed every year.

HAT HiLites: Cline circulated the latest draft for mark-up. It subsequently disappeared. HiLites will be distributed with minimum changes.

Equipment: Bower reviewed information on the Steripen, UV water treatment. REI in Manhattan Beach has redone their floor plan for a more efficient use of space. So if you can't find what you're looking for, it's there someplace.

Training: The Fall ALBT class at Trask was completed on September 30. The field experience trips were completed in October with 32 of 34 students attending (see the class photo in Trailhead #239).

Thirty-four students signed up (all spots filled). Full speed ahead for next year!

The Winter Camp and Ice Axe classes had 10 students attend. The Ice Axe outing is scheduled for January 20 and the winter camp outing for February 10-11.

Navigation and Orienteering has 13 students signed up and registration is closed. The class will run as scheduled on November 18.

So far no sign-ups for Cross-Country Ski and snowshoe.

Forest & Trail: The latest reorganization of the Forest Service is settling out. According to the Forest Service news release, "The restructuring changes involve the creation of the Los Angeles Gateway ranger district and the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument District. The Los Angeles River Ranger District, Santa Clara Mojave Rivers Ranger District, and the San Gabriel River Ranger District no longer exist." For more information visit their website at www.fs.usda.gov/angeles.

Ledford is currently supervising four Eagle projects on track to finish this year. One project is in the Charlton Flats area of the Silver Moccasin Trail, one involves installing bear boxes at Little Jimmy, one at Chilao, and one will be re-roofing the outhouses at Buckhorn Campground. Another project for repairing the guardrails at red box was postponed due to the Mt. Wilson fire.

University of Scouting: To be held December 2. All HAT classes have been set and instructors assigned. Instructors will sign in at the staff table. Lunch is free this year for staff.

Districts:

FRONTIER had a presentation from the Columbia space Center on merit badge opportunities. Check out their programs here:

<http://columbiaspacescience.org/education/scouts/>

LUCKY BALDWIN sponsored a 10-mile hike and held an open house for Webelos.

PACIFICA is pushing a Cub hiking program. **ROSE BOWL** held merit badge counselor training and is working on promoting their island adventure backpack program that will go from Cherry Valley to Blackjack Campground on Catalina.

THUNDERBIRD held their Fall Camporee in October at Firestone.

District-Level Training: Some districts have requested HAT training at their roundtables or other district functions. Some district personnel have misinterpreted this to mean we are offering our regular HAT classes in segments. This is not feasible so the district reps will clarify with roundtable staff.

Intercouncil Meeting: The next Area 4 Intercouncil meeting will be hosted by us on Saturday, December 9 from 9:00 a.m. to noon at the Cushman Watt Scout Center. All HAT members are invited to attend.

HAT MEETING DECEMBER

Dodson passed around the roster for updates. We are currently looking for nominees for Grand HAM for 2018. The award will be given out at the February ALBT. Nominees are due to Dodson by the January meeting.

The USFS has reorganized again and we have new contact points for the Forest and the monument.

We currently have three domain names for the website. All are up for renewal. We will renew for two years

Literature & Pubs: Thorpe began reviewing HAT publications for any changes they may be required when the BSA implements its announced decision to admit girls.

All class flyers have been updated for 2018 and the descriptions and budgets have been approved for posting on Doubleknot. Online registration should begin before the end of December.

Equipment: Bower demonstrated a Sea to Summit kettle and bowl. The silicon bowl is 5 in x 0.5 in (collapsed) and expands to 2 ¼ in. The X-Pot 11 kettle is a 1.3 l. pot made of silicon with an aluminum bottom. When you are finished making tea, the whole set collapses into a stack about an inch high weighing less than 15 oz. Sold separately, the two together are less than \$60. Also available in other sizes and configurations.

Training: At the ALBT and winter classes, we handed out thumb drives containing all course materials. This method of distribution was well received by the students. We will consider doing it for all classes.

We need to review our budgets for all classes. Twenty percent of our class fees go to the council for staff support. Fees must cover all expenses associated with the class.

The last Navigation class had 12 sign-ups. Nine of those attended the class and there

were 3 walk-ins. We need a new Course Director for the JLT class. Sooner would be better as Sam Glenn is planning on leaving the area early next year.

Behenna passed around a sing up sheet for ALBT staff preferences. Some classes need instructors and we are always in need of more field experience leaders.

Forest & Trail: Ledford provided additional information on the reorganization of the Forest Service. He is currently mentoring 4 Eagle projects; 2 on the Silver Moccasin Trail north of Chilao Flats, one south of Charlton Flats, and one at Little Jimmy Campground installing new bear boxes. So far, feedback from the Forest Service has been positive regarding completed Eagle projects. The winter months will be taken up mostly with trail surveys. We are expecting a lot of trail work will be needed as a result of the recent fires. Ledford proposed a special award for trail work on the Silver Moccasin Trail. The trail needs a lot of work and the recent detours need to be brought up to speed.

University of Scouting: Attendance was down overall. About 350 leaders attended overall. Our HAT classes averaged about 7 students per class. The U of S committee is considering moving it to October in 2018.

Climbing: There were 11 students at the October class. We have certified 10 new Level 2 instructors.

Districts: **FRONTIER** had 28 leaders at the last roundtable. They did not hold a fall camporee. **NORTHSTAR** is currently looking for a new roundtable chair. **RIO HONDO** had light attendance at the last roundtable. They are pushing to have all units complete rechartering by December 31. The Spring camporee is scheduled for April 22.

AREA IV MEETING DECEMBER

Your GLAAC High Adventure team hosted the December Area 4 Interccouncil

Meeting, held at the Cushman Watt Scout Center.

In attendance were representatives from CIEC, VHC, SDIC, OCC, and WLACC.

Long Beach Council was not in attendance and no copy of the minutes from the September 9 meeting was available. An unofficial copy of the minutes can be found in Trailhead #239.

Council reps agreed to the schedule for 2018: 3/9/18 – SDIC; 6/9/18 – WLACC; 9/8/18 – CIEC; 12/8/18 – OCC; 3/9/19 – CIEC

The next Commissioner College will be held on March 17, 2018 at the Sherman Oaks Learning Center. The Area HAT Teams have been invited to set up a midway booth and do a 50-minute presentation on the role of HAT in Scouting. WLAAC has volunteered to handle copying and printing. GLAAC volunteered to put together a draft of a presentation. So far we do not have enough volunteers to cover both activities.

A draft of HA 3010 was reviewed for changes. The document is intended to be a checklist to help Unit leaders plan safe outings after the cancellation of the Tour Plan. A copy of the revised document can be found at the end of *The Trailhead*. Inputs and comments are welcome.

Council Reports:

GLAAC – The training cycle for 2017 is complete. The first ever Fall Leader class was conducted at Trask. The class ran at capacity and the reviews were generally positive. The class has been added to the 2018 schedule. Registration for all 2018 classes will be done on line through Doubleknot. David Ledford has organized a committee to investigate creating a special award for trail work on the Silver Moccasin Trail.

CIEC – The HAT Team needs to rebuild after several changes in leadership. They are working on building a web page to provide a link to awards.

SDIC – All 2017 training classes are complete. Several new leaders have

volunteered for the Basic Course and are working on updating the class material. Trek Aids 100 and 103 have been updated and will be on line by January. TA 105 updates are in work.

OCC – The September Basic class was oversold and ran with 50 participants. The next Basic Class will be held March 2-4, 2018. Several OCC award patches have been redesigned. See the latest edition of the awards book.

WLACC – The September Basic Class was completed on the 15th. They now have HAT logo Nalgene bottles that can be used as promotions. The bottles were ordered through the Scout Shop. The special order required a minimum order of 140 and came with no set-up charge. The bottles are \$8.00 apiece.

VHC – Distributed the 2018 schedule of classes and flyers for the final version of the Pat Aubuchon Award. The artwork and requirements are being submitted for inclusion in the awards book maintained by OCC.

OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD



Congratulations are in order for our HAT Chairman, Steve Dodson who was honored at the Area IV meeting with the presentation of the Outstanding Service Award sponsored by the Orange County Council HAT, "...for his dedicated and continued efforts to promote High Adventure to the Scouts in his unit and his

support of the HAT program regionally.” Jeff Bozanic presented the award on behalf of the Orange County Council.

HIKE OF THE MONTH **Mt. Lowe**

Location: Angeles NF
Trailhead: Mt. Wilson Rd.
Map: USGS Mt. Wilson, 7.5'
Mt. Lowe Peak 5603'
Total Mileage: 6.8 mi
Elevation Gain: 1400 ft.

What!?! Again? In TH #239 we introduced route #4 to Mt Lowe. If you remember, we split our group and had the younger Scouts work on a merit badge at Henninger Flats. Well it seems our older guys enjoyed the views so much from Inspiration Point and Mt Lowe that the younger guys wanted to see it too. So this month we'll do it as a day hike and introduce route #5. And oh, by the way, it's a mini-peak.

Drive up Angeles Crest Highway to Red Box Gap and turn right onto the Mt. Wilson Rd. Drive about 2 more miles to the locked gate at the Markham Trailhead on the right. Park here and make sure to display your Adventure Pass.

Start at the gate and go about 1/4 mile to the Mueller Tunnel. Don't worry about traffic and continue another 1/4 mile or so to Markham Saddle. On the left if your eyesight is good, you will see a small weathered sign for Mt. Lowe. Ignore it. I'll tell you why in a minute. Continue south on the road for about 2 1/2 more miles until you come to a multi-trail junction. Follow the sign (left) to Inspiration Point about 1/4 mile. On a clear day you can use the sighting tubes to actually see what they tell you is there.

Backtrack to the trail junction and check your time. This might be a good time to head over to the Mt. Lowe Trail camp for lunch.

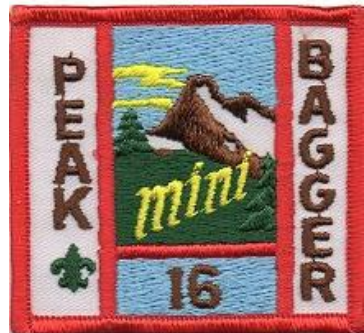
From here, look for the sign indicating

the peak. Remember the first Mt. Lowe sign we passed at the saddle? This is why. From here we will gain a little over 1200' to the peak, four hundred more than the minimum 800 required for a mini-peak. From the saddle, it would have only been about 400'. Let's not make it TOO easy.

After a short jaunt of 1.1 miles to the peak, we can rest on the bench and on a clear day we can look through the sighting tube that points toward Catalina, and actually see it.

Having done our work for the day we can take the short way, following the West Trail 1.1 miles back to the saddle – downhill all the way. Then we retrace our steps back through the tunnel and home in time for dinner with one more mini-peak under our boots.

PATCH OF THE MONTH Mini-Peak Bagger



3" x 3"

Mini-Peak! Sounds easy, doesn't it? We are lucky to live in an area with the mountains within an hours (or less) drive from just about anywhere. So why not take advantage of it? Our HAT Awards program has defined mini-peaks as between 5,000 and 10,000 ft. with a minimum elevation gain from the trailhead of 800 ft. Most of the approved peaks are in the local mountains.

Shown above is the Mini-16, the second of three awards. The patches are awarded

after climbing 8, 16, and 24 peaks on the approved list, and completing a minimum 6-hour trail project. The project will be coordinated with the HAT Forest & Trail Conservation Committee and no peak can be climbed more than once for credit. Check the website for complete requirements.

<http://glaac-hat.org/MiniPeakBagger.html>



JUST DESSERTS

It's always nice to finish off dinner with some dessert to relax and unwind. Here are a couple that are particularly well suited for winter campouts. I like the first one because it is easy and warm – a nice finish to a winter meal.

Cheap Cobbler

Ingredients for 4:

4 C Granola cereal – Try Bob's Red Mill

Granola with Apples & Cinnamon

2 C Applesauce

- Just mix everything together until warm.

Feel free to adjust the proportions according to taste. A little extra cinnamon won't hurt either. Caution though: too much applesauce will result in mushy granola. Make sure you preserve the crunch.

Cal. 430; Carbs 57g; Fat 2g; Protein 5g

This one isn't warm but takes advantage of the snowy environment.

No-Bake Cheesecake

Ingredients for 4:

1 Box Kraft No-Bake Cheesecake (Pretty easy so far)

1 ½ C Non-Fat Dry Milk (Reconstituted)

One envelope of SACO Dry Milk makes

a quart – Save the rest for breakfast.

5 Tbl Butter – Use "I Can't Believe It's Not Butter" – no refrigeration required.

2 Tbl Sugar

Directions:

- Start this as early as possible.
- Make up the milk first and set it aside. The colder it gets, the better.
- Melt the Margarine in your frying pan.
- Add the contents of the crumb package (Envelope #1) and the sugar.
- Mix to an even consistency. It will be crumbly.
- Shape the crust evenly around the frying pan. A Sierra Cup (you remember those) is the perfect tool for this.
- In your 2 ℓ pot mix the milk and topping (Envelope #2).
- Mix vigorously until topping thickens (about 4 minutes). If you were doing this at home, you would be using an electric mixer so you get an idea of "vigorous" mixing. A whisk works best here.
- Pour the topping into the crust and set the pan in the snow to chill – the longer, the better but at least 30 minutes.

Cal. 350; Carbs 30g; Fat 12g; Protein 4g

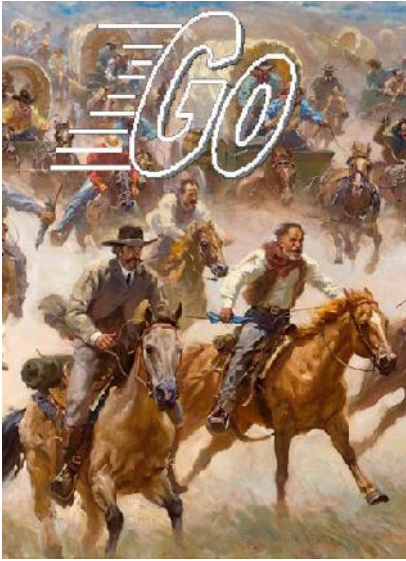
The package says it serves 6 but we're talking Scouts here. We used to make this in individual Sierra Cups and did 6. When serving out of the pan, 4 will go quickly.



"For distinguished service to youth in the area served by a local Boy Scout council"

Congratulations to the distinguished honorees for the Silver Beaver class of 2017 and especially to our HAT colleagues, David Hensley and David Ledford.

REGISTERING FOR HAT CLASSES



Doubleknot is up and running. All of our HAT classes for 2018 have been uploaded and we are live! You can now register for all of our classes on line. Just log on to our website at GLAAC-HAT.org, select the Flyers tab and open the flyer for the class you are interested in. Scroll down to the on-line registration and follow the link to Doubleknot. Doubleknot will verify that there is room in the class and the registration deadline has not passed. Use the secure pay option and you're all set. Student loans are not available.



Extra credit if you know what this knot is called

WILDFIRES

For the entire month of December, the news has been focused on wildfires in California. At any given time, CalFire has

been tracking at least 6 separate wildland fires.

One of these, the Thomas fire along the central California coast has consumed over 250,000 acres, an area larger than New York City and as of this writing is not yet completely contained.

With so much attention on fires and firefighters, it's only natural that your Scouts should express some curiosity about potential careers as firefighters. Especially if they have been involved in trail work and have seen first hand the TLC that our forests require. Watching the devastation of our forests and seeing how we are directly affected serves as a call to action. And what better way to serve and protect our environment than as a Wildland Firefighter?

Your troop has already carried shovels and McLeods miles into a work site, how much different can it be to carry firefighting equipment? Just a bit! The physical fitness test for a wildland firefighter is as tough as any the military can dish up. Want a job as a firefighter with the Forest Service? In addition to basic skills and intelligence requirements, you must pass what is called a Work Capacity Test. Can you carry a 45-pound pack 3 miles in 45 minutes? That's a pace of 4 miles per hour. Compare that to our calculation of backpack hours at 2 miles per hour. The good news is that it is over level terrain. See the complete requirement here:

https://www.fs.fed.us/fire/safety/wct/2002/brochure_2002.pdf

High Adventure activities require a physical exam every year but it's nothing like the medical standards the Forest Service imposes on candidates for Wildland Firefighters.

Check out the 15 pages of medical standards here:

https://www.fs.fed.us/fire/safety/wct/fs_version_ms.pdf

If your Scouts have expressed an interest

in this type of career, you should steer them toward the Forestry and Fire Safety merit badges and pay particular attention to the references in the back of the pamphlet. And don't forget to thank a firefighter.

UNIVERSITY OF SCOUTING



Congratulations to the University of Scouting graduating class of 2017. U of S was held this year on December 2nd, at St. Paul High School in Santa Fe Springs.

Although the overall attendance was down this year, 65 students attended 8 classes in the HAT College. Survival was the most popular class with 15 students. High Adventure Basics and Local Opportunities also proved popular. This tells us that a lot of new leaders are interested in developing High Adventure programs. We have already started looking at adding new classes for next year.

CANOEING



Washington Crossing the Colorado River

Or maybe it was the Delaware. But we've got the Colorado, so let's go with that.

Ever think of taking your troop on a canoe trip down the Colorado River? All you need are canoes along with the necessary equipment and training and it wouldn't hurt to have somebody who knows the river and help with transportation.

A Presidents' Day tradition is gearing up for it's 22nd anniversary. The annual Youth Jamboree will be held this year February 17 - 19, 2018 at Park Moabi in Needles, CA.

On Saturday you'll pick up your canoes and practice in the lagoon and finish the day with a barbecue dinner.

Sunday you have your choice of river trips. Either from Needles back to Park Moabi, about 10 miles, or from Park Moabi to Castle Rock through Topoc Gorge, about 17 miles.

For information on the Youth Jamboree or to set up your unit's own canoe outings or help with merit badges, contact: <http://www.jerkwatercanoe.com/>

NEW FIRE RESTRICTIONS

The Forest Service has issued a directive effective immediately and for the remainder of the 2018 fire season. Order No. 01-18-01 restricts the use of fire. https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd568359.pdf.

This order essentially cancels ALL campfire permits including backpacking stoves. The order covers the Angeles National Forest. For other federal lands, you should contact the specific land manager.

The order is effective ". . .through the end of the official 2018 fire season" the end of which has not yet been defined, so don't plan on cooking on an outing any time soon.

Fines of \$5,000 or \$10,000 or 6 months in prison wait for violators.

X-C SKI AND SNOW SHOE SEMINAR – 2018

This High Adventure training begins with a seminar at 7:30 pm on Monday January 8, 2018 at the Cushman-Watt Service Center. The program will include demonstrations and discussions covering the special equipment and gear needed. A syllabus that covers the materials discussed will be given to each participant.

The second part of the program will be two one-day outings in the local mountains.

- The Cross Country Skiing outing will be Saturday January 13, 2018.
- The Snow Shoe outing will be held January 27, 2018 at a location to be determined.

Each participant is responsible for the rental of skis and other equipment. A fee of \$10.00 is charged for the training. Registration is required by January 5, 2018. You will be sent a confirmation, or notice of cancellation if there are less than 5 sign-ups by that date. Completion of this training is recognized by the award of two special patches.

Hike Aid 3, "Full Dimension High Adventure Training", has a complete discussion of the training programs of the GLAACHAT. 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 Anthony Green; Vice Chair-Training: (310) 626-5688 (C); e-mail, agreen.bsa@gmail.com. Questions about this training should be directed to Russ Bower, Course Director, at (310) 5427471; e-mail, rbowe78771@aol.com. Online registration with check, paypal or credit card is available at <http://glaac-hat.org/register> or mail the following with your check.

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CROSS COUNTRY SKI AND SNOW SHOE SEMINAR – 2018

I wish to attend the Cross Country/Snow shoeing seminar. Enclosed is my check for \$10.00 to cover the cost of course materials for the indoor session. If I choose to register at the door, I understand the cost will be \$15.00. Course will be canceled with fewer than 5 registered students.

Name: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

City: _____ ZIP Code: _____

Unit No.: _____ District: _____ Position: _____

ALBT Completion Date: _____ HAT Card Number: _____

Mail to: Los Angeles Area Council-BSA
3450 Sierra Madre Blvd.
Pasadena, CA 91107
Attn: Danette: Camping Department

Lead Scout - Backpack Training 2018

The objectives of this training program are: • to acquaint Scouts and Venturers, plus their adult leader, with a basic understanding of how to plan and conduct a backpacking trip.

- to give them information that they can use to teach other Scouts and Venturers safe and effective outdoor outings.
- 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 is designed to be taken together as an adult leader (Scouter) and the Scout leaders in a troop/crew. It involves a seminar and a weekend backpack trip (5-7 miles, roundtrip) to be taken in the local mountains and led by the GLAAC-HAT

- When: Saturday, March 3, 8:00 a.m. to about 4:00 p.m. (Bring sack lunch)
- Where: Cushman Watt Service Center
- Weekend trip: March 10-11th, 2018. Each Scout and Venturer is responsible for obtaining the clothing, equipment, and food for the outing.

An Adult Leader is required to participate in class room and field outing for the Scouts to participate. The Adult Leader must have completed the Class room session of Adult Leader Backpack Training. The Adult leader will be responsible for their own and their Scout's Annual Health and Medical Record (parts A, B, and C). These items will be verified by the Hike Leader before the Adult and Scouts are allowed to participate on the overnight trip.

A fee of \$15.00 per Scout, Venturer, and Adult is charged for this training. Registration is required by February 23. Please have the Scouts and Venturers come with paper and pencil, and lunch – everything else is provided. A syllabus that covers the materials discussed will be given to each participant.

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

Lead Scout - Backpack Training 2018

Please register the ___ Scout and/or Venturer identified below for attendance at this GLAAC-HAT training program. A check for \$_____ (at \$15.00 per Scout/Venturer/Scouter), payable to the Boy Scouts of America, is enclosed.

Scouter Name (Adult attending): _____ HAT No.: _____ Unit No.: _____
District: _____ Scouter Cell Phone number: _____
Scouter Residential Phone number: : _____ Scouter email: _____
Scouter Address: _____

Scout/Venturer #1 Name _____	Age: _____	Rank _____
Scout/Venturer #2 Name _____	Age _____	Rank _____
Scout/Venturer #3 Name _____	Age _____	Rank _____

Mail to: Greater Los Angeles Area Council-BSA
3450 Sierra Madre Blvd.
Pasadena, CA 91107
Attn: Danette, Camping Department

Navigation & Orienteering Training - 2017

Our Navigation and Orienteering class will be held on November 18, 2017 at the Firestone Scout Reservation. We will begin Saturday with discussions of the tools of navigation and strategies for their utilization. There will be demonstrations of various types of maps and compasses. Topics will include route finding, collecting terrain features, the Global Positioning System (GPS), disoriented, avoidance of getting lost, and getting "un-lost". The special problems and techniques associated with route finding on the snow and in desert terrain will be discussed. These activities will be followed by participant-led map-hikes which use the detailed orienteering map for Firestone.

The training includes a field experience outing held in association with the Los Angeles Orienteering Club, on a date to be announced. Participants will help officiate in an LAOC Orienteering meet.

A fee of \$15.00 is charged for this training. Registration is required by November 3, 2017 as space is limited. This fee covers the cost of the outing including the day use fee at Firestone and the LAOC program including course maps and materials. Additional information about the Los Angeles Orienteering Club is to be found on its web site, <http://go.to/laoc>. Completion of this training is recognized by the award of a special patch.

Questions about any of them are to be directed to Anthony Green; Vice Chair-Training: (310) 626-5688 (C); e-mail, agreen.bsa@gmail.com. Questions about this training should be directed to David Hensley, Course Director, at c: 602-405-1187; e-mail: hensley.davidL@gmail.com

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Navigation & Orienteering Training - 2017

Please register me for attendance at this GLAAC-HAT training program. A check for \$15.00, payable to BSA, is enclosed. 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: Greater Los Angeles Area Council-BSA
3450 Sierra Madre Blvd.
Pasadena, CA 91107
Attn: Danette, Camping Department

B.S.A. Climbing Level II
November 18-19, 2017

Who should attend: Persons interested in being “climbing” Merit Badge Counselors, Camp Staff and all Scouters that want to teach scouts how to climb and rappel at the Unit, District or Council level. 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. Scouters who work with troops and teach climbing are required to be “Qualified Instructors” prior to teaching any climbing/rappelling activities.

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.

Prerequisites for participation in course:

- Current registration with Boy Scouts of America
- 21 years old - Current Level I Climbing Instructor
- Current successful completion of B.S.A.'s Youth Protection Training
- Current B.S.A. Annual Health and Medical Record
- Completed the online Climb on Safely Training

Particulars:

- B.S.A. Level II Climbing Instructor Qualification Certification is good for three years upon successful completion of this class
- Course size: is limited to 6-12 students. Pre-registration requested
- Duration: One weekend of classroom and practical instruction on natural rock
- Fee: \$20.00 per person (classroom material) waived if taken in conjunction with Level I class
- Textbook: B.S.A. publication entitled "Belay On"
- Schedule/Location: Lecture, Saturday, November 18, 2017, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm at Cushman-Watts Service Center. Field Outing Sunday, November 19, 2017, 7:00 am – 4:00 pm at Stoney Point
- Contacts: To register for the class, contact: The G.L.A.A.C. Camping Dept. at (626)351-8815 ext 241 or e-mail anette.Verdugo@scouting.org
- For more information, contact: Dale Whitten, H) 909-983-5444; or at agr8driver@aol.com

Gear: Each participant must provide themselves a:

- Harness
- Helmet
- An ATC belaying device
- Three or four locking-gate carabineers
- One 24" and one 48" pre-sewn runner or one 24" pre-sewn runner and a commercially made leash (personal anchor)
- Two pieces of 5-6mm accessory cord, one piece 72" long and the other 96" long.
- Climbing shoes (optional)
- All other gear will be provided by the Directors (ropes, anchors, carabineers, etc.)

Please bring all personal gear to the lecture class for inspection prior to use.



TRAIL BOSS Training 2018
Become a USFS approved Trail Boss
Supervise Trail Maintenance for your group.
(Great Eagle Projects!)

Let us train you and other adults in your group so that you are qualified to do Trail Surveys and set up projects and complete them on your own.

Purpose:

To provide properly trained personal with the ability to supervise either "Trail Blazing" or "Forest Conservation" program projects at the unit level.

All Trail Bosses will be trained by USFS Personnel or their approved Trail Boss Trainer.

Requirements:

Must be 18 or older.

Complete 4 days of 6 hours each in training exercises with the Trail Boss Program.

Conduct an approved Weekend project. Minimum 10 hours with your unit. (or another unit) under your supervision, and have it checked out by the Trail Boss trainer.

(Training days do not have to be consecutive days, weeks, or even years).

Training objectives are: Tool Safety, Condition Survey, Brush Clearing, Tread Work, French Drains, Soil Sacks, Water Bars, Switchback Construction, Tread Support, Etc.

Bring: Gloves, Hat, Water and Lunch, 10 essentials, Day pack, Work clothes.

Available training days in 2018 are: Jan 6-7, March 3-4, Apr. 21-22, May. 6-6

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Call to confirm training day for yourself. (Course cancels if no calls)

We Meet at the McDonald's at Bouquet Canyon Rd. and Valencia Blvd. in Valencia at 8:00 AM

Contact:

Patrick Aubuchon, Chief Trail Boss.
818-781-7465 - bigaub@sbcglobal.net

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1. Has the Outing Leader read and does s/he agree to abide by the Guide to Safe Scouting? (<https://www.scouting.org/scoutsorce/HealthandSafety/GSS.aspx>)
2. Has the applicable High Adventure Training appropriate for the outing been completed? (See Local Council's HAT website)
3. Have the applicable supplemental trainings been taken? (Safe Swim Defense, Safety Afloat, Weather Hazards, Climb On Safely, Trek Safely - <https://www.scouting.org/training/adult.aspx>)
4. Are reservations confirmed or special permits obtained? (including fire, parking permits and Adventure Pass). Is the group size within the parameters of the reservations or permit?
5. Has the Unit Committee approved the route/itinerary?
6. Is there adequate transportation to and from the outing?
7. Do all drivers meet minimum requirements according to GTSS?
8. Do all participants have a relevant equipment list? Do all participants have adequate personal equipment for the outing? Do they have the Ten Essentials?
9. Does the Unit have adequate group equipment for the outing? Is there an adequate group First Aid kit for the outing?
10. Is there any specialized equipment needed for this outing; i.e., snowshoes climbing rope, ice ax, etc.?
11. Are signed permission slips required for the outing?
12. Does the Outing leader know whom to contact for help?
 - a. Sheriff's dept. Phone # _____
 - b. Highway Patrol Phone # _____
 - c. Ranger Station Phone # _____
 - d. Mountain Rescue Phone # _____
 - e. Hospital or Emergency center Phone # _____
 - f. Other _____
13. Has careful consideration been given for the ability to communicate in the event of an emergency? (Cell or Satellite phone, Spot, Ham radio, family band, CB)
14. Is the itinerary written out, so a copy can be given to;
 - a. Single point of contact (someone at home)?
 - b. Ranger?
 - c. Filed with award application if required?
15. Has the outing leader checked the weather forecast for the duration of the outing?
16. Are there a minimum of 2 adults, one at least 21 and a BSA Trained Leader for the group (including the appropriate High Adventure training page)? (**Recommended one adult for each 10 youths**)
17. Have Venturing co-ed outing rules been explained and understood if applicable?
18. Is there a roster with name, address, phone number of each youth and adult going on trip with both the outing leader and single point of contact?
19. Do all participants have a completed Health and Medical Form <http://www.scouting.org/HealthandSafety/ahmr.aspx> parts A and B? (and C if more than 72 hours)
20. Does outing leader or other adult on trip have as a minimum BSA approved First Aid/CPR/AED training and/or Wilderness and Remote First Aid?
21. All outing participants earning a H.A.T. award must meet all requirements.
22. Has a plan for advancement been established and included in the outing plans?