

HAT HiLites

Greater Los Angeles Area Council

February 2024

Boy Scouts of America

- ❖ Would you like to take your unit on a multiple day trip on the lower Colorado River (Hoover Dam to Martinez Lake)? Canoeing the Lower Colorado Training will be held on February 10th. To sign up, register online at <http://glaac-hat.org/register/> or call 213-413-4400 and ask for Hannibol Sullivan.
- ❖ Adult Leader Backpack Training will be held on February 23rd to 25th. 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 213-413-4400 and ask for Hannibol Sullivan.
- ❖ Scout Leaders Backpack Training will be held on March 2nd. This training provides an overview of the basic backpacking skills: equipment and clothing; food and cooking; mountain navigation and travel; outdoor courtesy, planning and preparation; risk and safety; weather and climate. This training is designed to be taken together as an adult leader and a maximum of five Scouts or Venturers in a crew. Register online at <http://glaac-hat.org/register/> or call 213-413-4400 and ask for Hannibol Sullivan.

HAT Website: <<https://glaac-hat.org>> Awards store: <<https://glaac-hat.org/store>>

Future Events

Jul 8 - Jul 24 2024 provisional contingent to Philmont Scout Ranch Council-Camping

3-Month Calendar

Feb 10	Canoe Training	See attached flyer
Feb 23-25	Adult Leaders Backpack Training Seminar	See attached flyer
TBD	Adult Leaders Backpack Training Field Experience	
Mar 2	Scout Leaders Backpack Training Seminar	See attached flyer
Mar 5	HAT Meeting *	
Mar 15,16,&17	B.S.A. Level I Climbing Instructor Course	See attached flyer
Mar 23&24	Wilderness and Remote First Aid	See attached flyer
Apr 2	HAT Meeting *	
Apr 8	Rock Climbing and Rope Use/Rescue Training Seminar	See attached flyer
Apr 19&20	B.S.A. Level II Climbing Instructor Course	See attached flyer
Apr 21	B.S.A. Level II Climbing Instructor Course	

* 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. We will be meeting virtually online too. Contact Steve Dodson for details.

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

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Canoeing the Lower Colorado Training – 2024

- PURPOSE:** To train adult leaders to safely take their unit on a multiple day trip on the lower Colorado River (Hoover Dam to Martinez lake).
-Familiarize the Scouter with appropriate treks via maps and verbal description.
-Teach the Scouter basic canoeing techniques, emphasizing practical canoeing vs. technique (i.e., not the canoeing merit badge).
-Teach the Scouter appropriate meal planning similar to what a car camping troop may use, in addition to backpacking/canoeing style cuisine.
-Give Scouters as much additional info as possible to ensure an exciting, but safe trip for the Scouts.
- DATE:** Saturday 10 February 2024
- TIME:** 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- LOCATION:** Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park, San Dimas CA, Sailboat Cove entrance
<https://parks.lacounty.gov/frank-g-bonelli-regional-park/>
- COST:** \$12.00 per car vehicle entrance fee.
\$20.00 by 5 February 2024. If fewer than five sign ups are made prior to that date a cancellation notice will be sent. Otherwise a confirmation will be sent after that date.
- REGISTRATION:** Online registration with check, paypal or credit card is available at <http://glaac-hat.org/register>. For help with registration contact Hannibol Sullivan, Community Engagement Coordinator (SR) and HAT Advisor at (213) 413-4400 or email Hannibol.Sullivan@scouting.org.
- EQUIPMENT:** 10 essentials, waterproof bag for phones etc., extra water, water shoes or shoes you don't mind getting wet, dress in layers, there will be no intentional swimming.
- MAXIMUM SIZE:** 32 students
- OVERVIEW:** Will include logistics, itineraries, meal planning, equipment, and practical on the water canoe training.
- REQUIREMENTS:** Completion of the Adult Leader Backpack Training and BSA Paddle Craft Safety is highly recommended.
Annual Health and Medical Record (parts A, B, and C).
- MAXIMUM SIZE:** 30
- QUESTIONS:** John Sandhagen , Course Director, at (909) 626-2796
e-mail, tromboneyard@yahoo.com
- Eat breakfast before you arrive or bring it with you, pack a sack lunch.

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.

Greater Los Angeles Area High Adventure Team 62nd Adult Leaders Backpack Training-2024

- 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 23, 24, 25 February 2024
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 Beach Youth Center, San Pedro.
- COST:** \$115 before February 16.
- REGISTRATION:** Online registration with check, Paypal or credit card is available at <http://glaac-hat.org/register>. **Registration by 16 February is mandatory to ensure sufficient meals, snacks, and course materials.** If fewer than ten sign ups are received a cancellation notice will be sent. Registrants will be sent a confirmation, map of location, and other details. For help with registration contact Hannibol Sullivan, Community Engagement Coordinator (SR) and HAT Advisor at (213) 413-4400 or email Hannibol.Sullivan@scouting.org.
- MEALS:** Cracker barrel Friday, breakfast, lunch, dinner Saturday, breakfast Sunday.
- EQUIPMENT:** Compass, paper and pencil.
Participants are strongly encouraged to bring their gear and to camp (free) at the facility. Onsite camping reinforces the essentials of your training.
- MAXIMUM SIZE:** 45 students
- OVERVIEW:** Basics of the necessities for safe and enjoyable outings
leadership
planning & preparation
equipment & clothing
menus & cooking
orienteeing
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 (603)828-2065; e-mail: 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.

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Lead Scout - Backpack Training 2024

- PURPOSE:** Acquaint Scouts, Venturers and their adult leaders, with a basic understanding of how to plan and conduct a backpacking trip.
- Give them information that they can use to teach other Scouts and Venturers safe and effective outdoor outings.
- Stimulate their participation and leadership in a High Adventure Program.
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- DATE:** Saturday 2 March 2024
- TIME:** Weekend trip in local mountains TBD led by the GLAAC-HAT
- LOCATION:** Seminar: Cushman-Watt Service Center, 2333 Scout Way, Los Angeles
- COST:** Weekend Outing: to be announced.
- REGISTRATION:** **Online registration** with check, paypal or credit card is available at <http://glaac-hat.org/register>. For help with registration contact Hannibal Sullivan, Community Engagement Coordinator (SR) and HAT Advisor at (213) 413-4400 or email Hannibal.Sullivan@scouting.org.
- EQUIPMENT:** Paper and pencil, and lunch for seminar.
- Each Scout and Venturer is responsible for obtaining the clothing, equipment, and food for the weekend trip.
- MAXIMUM SIZE:** 20 students
- OVERVIEW:** This High Adventure training is designed to be taken together as an adult leader (Scouter) and the Scout leaders in a troop/crew. It will cover
- Basic backpacking skills
 - equipment and clothing
 - food and cooking
 - mountain navigation and travel
 - outdoor courtesy, planning and preparation
 - risk and safety
 - weather and climate
- REQUIREMENTS:** An Adult Leader who has completed the class room session of Adult Leader Backpack Training is required to participate in class room and field outing. Scouts and Venturers must be 14 years old and have attained the rank of First Class or the Venturer equivalent. The Adult leader will be responsible for their own and their Scout's Annual Health and Medical Record (parts A, B, and C). These requirements will be verified by the Hike Leader before the Adult and Scouts or Venturers are allowed to participate on the overnight trip
- MAXIMUM SIZE:** An adult and five Scouts or Venturers per Unit is permitted.
- QUESTIONS:** Craig Triance, Course Director, at (714) 474-1652; e-mail, craigtriance@gmail.com

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 Scout lead Unit that provides the instruction.

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

A syllabus that covers the materials discussed will be given to each participant.

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B. S. A. Climbing Level 1 Spring 2024

- 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, 16, 17 March 2024
- TIME:** 8:00 p.m. Friday through 5:30 p.m. Sunday
- LOCATION:** Hubert Eaton Scout Reservation, 30500 Deep Creek Camp Rd, Lake Arrowhead
- COST:** \$125.00 for (textbook, meals and camping fees included) by 10 March 2024. If fewer than six sign ups are made prior to that date a cancellation notice will be sent. Otherwise a confirmation will be sent after that date.
- REGISTRATION:** **Online registration** with check, paypal or credit card is available at <http://glaac-hat.org/register>. For help with registration contact Hannibol Sullivan, Community Engagement Coordinator (SR) and HAT Advisor at (213) 413-4400 or email Hannibol.Sullivan@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 you 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.
- QUESTIONS:** Contact Steve Dodson Cell: (818) 967-1323 email: 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 2024



**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 23 & 24 March 2024
- TIME:** 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. each day
- LOCATION:** Cushman-Watt Service Center, 2333 Scout Way, Los Angeles
- COST:** \$85.00 for Wilderness First Aid and CPR/AED by 16 March 2024. If fewer than five sign ups are made prior to that date a cancellation notice will be sent. Otherwise a confirmation will be sent after that date. Cost includes a CD with all printed material on it.
- REGISTRATION:** Online registration with check, paypal or credit card is available at <http://glaac-hat.org/register>. For help with registration contact Hannibol Sullivan, Community Engagement Coordinator (SR) and HAT Advisor at (213) 413-4400 or email Hannibol.Sullivan@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.
- MAXIMUM SIZE:** 45 students.
- OVERVIEW:** CPR/AED class 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 which will be taught at the beginning of the class.
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.
- INSTRUCTORS:** Rick Reeley and Dave Rolandelli
- QUESTIONS:** Rick Reeley course instructor at reeley@troop849.org

A USB thumb drive with all printed material on it will be given to each participant.

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Rock Climbing and Rope Use/Rescue Training – 2024

- PURPOSE:** Introduce the adult Scouter to the BSA climbing program and to the specialized skills and techniques of basic rock climbing and rope use/rescue.
Teach the eight points of the BSA's Climb On Safely procedure.
Discuss the opportunities and requirements for being trained as a BSA qualified climbing instructor.
- DATE:** Seminar: Monday 8 April 2024
Weekend trip: Friday, Saturday, Sunday 3, 4, 5 May 2024 led by the GLAAC-HAT
- TIME:** Seminar: 7:00 p.m. to about 10:00 p.m.
- LOCATION:** Seminar: Cushman-Watt Service Center, 2333 Scout Way, Los Angeles
Weekend Outing: Joshua Tree National Park
- COST:** \$40.00 for the training by 5 April 2024. If fewer than five sign ups are made prior to that date a cancellation notice will be sent. Otherwise a confirmation will be sent after that date.
There is also a \$25 per vehicle entry fee at the National Park.
- REGISTRATION:** **Online registration** with check, paypal or credit card is available at <http://glaac-hat.org/register>. For help with registration contact Hannibol Sullivan, Community Engagement Coordinator (SR) and HAT Advisor at (213) 413-4400 or email Hannibol.Sullivan@scouting.org. You will be sent a confirmation, or notice of cancellation if there are fewer than 5 sign-ups by that date.
- EQUIPMENT:** You will need to purchase specialized safety equipment that will be described during the seminar. GLAAC-HAT provides the climbing ropes and other gear.
- MAXIMUM SIZE:** 12 students
- OVERVIEW:** During the seminar
Instruction in the use of rope and other gear for climbing (both belay and rappel)
Training in knots and hitches used for climbing.
During the weekend outing
Ground school to teach and practice the climbing, belaying and rappelling techniques
Actually climb and rappel using the techniques and equipment.
Execute a simulated rescue of an injured climber.
- REQUIREMENTS:** You will be responsible for your own Annual Health and Medical Record (parts A, B, and C).
- QUESTIONS:** Contact Steve Dodson Cell: (818) 967-1323 email: sedodson1@roadrunner.com

Your High Adventure Team staff includes BSA qualified climbing instructors who have years of experience.

Knowledge of safe and effective climbing practices can open this exhilarating activity to you and your Scouts. Units with leaders trained in climbing and rappelling can experience the challenges of high-mountain travel, especially using cross-country routes, with confidence because of this training.

A syllabus that covers the materials discussed will be given to each participant.

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