



APRIL 2021

- 2 Commissioner Meeting
- 7 District Planning Meeting
- 8 District Round Table
- 15 OA Chapter Meeting
- 17 IROEC Volunteer Service Day
- 24 Camporee @ Oso Lake
- 30 District Key 5

May		August	
5	District Planning Meeting	4	District Planning Meeting
7	Commissioner Meeting	6	Commissioner Meeting
9	Mother's Day	12	District Round Table
13	District Round Table	19	OA Chapter Meeting
20	OA Chapter Meeting	27	District Key 5
20	Adv Card Final Turn In @ Council	September	
22	Adv Card Final Turn In @N,S,W Serv Area	1	District Planning Meeting
28	District Key 5	3	Commissioner Meeting
31	Memorial Day	6	Labor Day
June		9	District Round Table
2	District Planning Meeting	16	OA Chapter Meeting
4	Commissioner Meeting	24	District Key 5
10	District Round Table	October	
17	OA Chapter Meeting	1	Commissioner Meeting
20	Father's Day	6	District Planning Meeting
25	District Key 5	14	District Round Table
28-7/3	NYLT @ SSRLV	21	OA Chapter Meeting
July		29	District Key 5
6/28-7/3	NYLT @ SSRLV	November	
2	Commissioner Meeting	1	District Planning Meeting
4	Independence Day	5	Commissioner Meeting
7	District Planning Meeting	6	Day of Service
7-9	Day Camp @ Kiwanisland, 9a-3p	11	Veteran's Day
8	District Round Table	18	OA Chapter Meeting
15	OA Chapter Meeting	25	Thanksgiving Day
30	District Key 5	26	District Key 5

Roundtable (2nd Thursday Monthly)

West Anaheim Youth Center
320 S. Beach Blvd., Anaheim, CA 92804

(Due to COVID-10 Guideline, all in-person District Meeting are on Hold till further notice. Please attend the Virtual Roundtable below.)

Roundtable (Tom Devine, Joe Lum) Golden West District is inviting you to a **NEW** scheduled **Virtual Zoom meeting – April 8th @ 7:00 PM Pacific Time.** Please log in to the Zoom with your Name, Unit type(s), Unit number(s), and/or District Position. Roundtable will also stream to the district's Facebook page

Join Zoom Meeting :

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81328032855?pwd=ckdctcXErYlpleDRvRzhreG55TXhrUT09>

Meeting ID: 813 2803 2855

Password: GWDOCBSA

Breakout:

Scouts BSA – Camporee

Cub Scouts – Council Breakout: Wolf and Bears

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/93098742161?pwd=UXpGT2ZFaDRld3dmU3ppMEYvdXlLUT09>

Meeting ID: 930 9874 2161

Passcode: 447436

COVID-19 and Impact on Programs (Mar 19, 2021)

Over the past week the California Department of Public Health has published and announced future publication of guidance that will affect Scouting activities in Orange County. This new and updated guidance comes as Orange County returned to the Red, or Substantial Tier, in the [Blueprint for a Safer Economy](#). This has prompted renewed questions from our units as well as opportunities for Scouting to continue to reengage.

First and foremost, we need to consider the safety of our Scouts, Leaders, Staff, and their families. The activity plan for your unit should involve discussions

with the Scouts, parents, leaders, and your chartered organization. Even as restrictions continue to relax, we continue to live in a hybrid world of online and in-person activities. Guidance on how to return your unit to in-person Scouting Activities can be found in the [Unit Restart Guidebook](#) and the [Covid Guidelines for Scouting Matrix](#).

Updates to the Covid Guidelines for Scouting Matrix

A number of updates were made to the Scouting Matrix that with new guidance will shift a number of industries from Virtual to In-Person and from Day Only to Overnight. Please review the matrix as your activity may have shifted or will be shifting soon. The changes include:

- **Overnight Sleep Away Camp:** Guidance will be published by April 1 and will open June 1 regardless of the trigger being met. This will also shift many training events and camporees from Day Only to Overnight. This provides the needed guidance for Schoepe Scout Reservation at Lost Valley to be able to operate a summer camp in 2021.
- **Live Events:** Effective April 1, guidance allows for In-Person Meetings at the unit, district, and council level, such as unit committees, roundtables, fundraising events, Courts of Honor, lodge meetings, etc. See details in the [Unit Restart Guidebook](#) on Page 14.

Updates to the Unit Restart Guidebook

A number of updates are included in the [Unit Restart Guidebook](#) and noted with a diamond in the left column including among others:

- Updated definition of a cohort
- Distance between tents
- In-Person Unit Meetings (parents/committees etc.)

OCBSA Staff and Volunteers now eligible for COVID-19 Vaccine

- Orange County Council Staff and Volunteers are now eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine during Phase 1B-Tier 1 (Education and Childcare) as defined by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH). Staff and Volunteers may sign up for vaccination appointments now by registering online through [Othena.com](#) (specifically for Orange County) and [myturn.ca.gov](#) (for California in general); you may register on one or both sites. When you register, make sure to select "Education/Childcare" for the industry.

You will then be guided through the appointment process. Of course, we encourage Scouts and their families to assist those who may have challenges in registering to receive their vaccine. We are all in this together! [Download a Verification Letter](#) that you may need at your appointment in addition to your membership card or paystub.

As vaccine distribution continues to ramp up, we ask all of our members and their families to use extreme caution and to follow all guidance from our state and local health departments. We encourage you to utilize the five simple things to prevent the spread of COVID-19:

- Wear a mask consistently and correctly
- Avoid crowds
- Stay six feet apart
- Opt for the outdoors
- Wash your hands

Thank you again for your partnership, flexibility and patience as we navigate this challenging and unprecedented chapter in our council's history together. As we have since the onset of COVID-19, we will continue to closely monitor this situation and follow guidelines from expert health agencies, while keeping our Scouting community informed.

Please continue to visit ocbsa.org/covid19 for COVID-19 updates, information and resources.

National Youth Leadership Training



National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) is an exciting, 6-day, action-packed program designed for to provide youth members with a unified approach to develop proven leadership skills and experience they can use in their Boy Scout Troops, Venturing Crews, Sea Scout Ships, schools and the world beyond. NYLT integrates the best of modern leadership with the traditional strengths of Scouting. The NYLT course centers around the concepts of what a leader must BE, what they must KNOW, and what they must DO. The key skill based elements are then taught with a clear focus on HOW TO. The classroom skills come alive during the course's outdoor activities and graduating Leadership Challenge.

The event will be held at **Schoepe Scout Reservation at Lost Valley**. Registration <https://scoutingevent.com/039-NYLT2021#>

Adventure Card 2021

All scouts can fund their scouting adventure by participating in the 2021 Adventure Card Spring Fundraiser! Scouts will be able to sell cards Online **OR** Face to Face starting March.

- \$10/card. Scouts can earn up to \$5/card.
- Online sale and Home Town Hero Donation available
- **Unsold Cards can be returned at the end of the sale. No Risk to the Units.**
- 45% Base Commission
- +5% by attending virtual training
- Unit Sign Ups @ <https://scoutingevent.com/039-43486>

More Information at: www.ocbsa.org/adventurecard

Camporee

Golden West District Camporee

April 24, 2021

Oso Lake Scout Camp

21131 Los Alisos Boulevard,
Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688

Every Camporee has a fun Theme to promote spirit within the Troops. The Camporee theme this year is **Scoutcraft** - based loosely on our sons' and daughters' popular game Minecraft! Units are encouraged to incorporate the Scoutcraft theme into their cohort flags and event t-shirts.

Register EARLY and SAVE!

<https://scoutingevent.com/039-GWDCamporee2021>

Scouts and Scouters is **\$20 BY** Apr 12th

Scouts and Scouters is **\$25 AFTER** to Apr 12th

Packet info will be posted at District Website:

<http://goldenwest.ocbsa.org/camporee-april-24-26-2020/>

GWD Camporee Planning Meeting: Every 2 weeks from 7pm to 8pm on Wednesday from Wed Feb 17 to Wed Apr 14 Pacific Time - Los Angeles

<https://usc.zoom.us/j/97597089243?pwd=WW9lNUpHMU55M3ZBdnhySCTxeUtlMdz09> ([map](#))

Day Camp

Day Camp is confirmed for **Jul 7-9th, 9am - 3pm at Kiwanisland, Garden Grove.** All state and council health requirements will be followed.

Registration site will be up and running this week, and flyers will be ready for the Packs. More info will be posted this coming week at the GWD website: (<http://goldenwest.ocbsa.org/>)

Space is limited to the FIRST 144 Campers!

Register EARLY and SAVE!

Camper cost is \$105 if registered **prior to June 7th**

Camper cost is \$125 if registered **AFTER to June 7th**

Program Director, Ngan Ngo and I will be looking for **adult and youth volunteers.** Please email if you want to volunteer.

Mat Forester, Camp Director

mhforester@gmail.com

714.735.2619

Order of Arrow Sukamek Chapter



For those Cub Scout Packs and AOL Dens still looking at how to present the Arrow of Light Award and Cross Over in a virtual format, The Sukamek Chapter of the Order of the Arrow has put together a ceremony presentation video that they can present virtually. The video is seven and a half minutes long with a pause for the Pack to present the Arrow of Light Awards and another pause to allow the pack to announce the AOL Scouts who will be crossing over and their new unit.

The Chapter can also conduct the ceremony live in person for those Packs and AOL Dens looking for an in person ceremony.

To schedule and arrange the details for the ceremony - email sukamek.chief@wiatava.org.

The Sukamek Chapter would also like to visit each and every unit this year - in person or virtually at the choice of the unit. During these unit visits we will share the Order of the Arrow Program, conduct a unit election for the eligible scouts, and promote camping. If your unit

does not have any eligible scouts, we would still like to visit your unit to promote the OA and Camping. Each unit leader should have received an email from Wiatava Lodge with a personalized link to schedule a unit visitation/unit election. Each unit is strongly encouraged to have the Chapter Visit their Unit, even if the unit has no eligible scouts. We would like to promote the OA Program and Share the camping opportunities with each and every unit within our District

For 2021 the National Order of the Arrow has relaxed the requirement of having 1 long term camp within the last 24 months; Scouts will only need a total of 15 nights of camping in the 24 month period prior to your unit election.

The Lodge will be hosting at least 1 Ordeal and 1 Brotherhood Event each quarter this year. The next Brotherhood Event on **March 6th at the IROEC 3 - 5 PM**. The Next Ordeal is scheduled for **April 10th at the IROEC 7 AM to 5:30 PM**

Please email Brian Mendoza (Chapter Adviser) @ Mendoza.brian@gmail.com

Religious Emblems Program

Bryan on Scouting (Nov 2017) noted that religious emblems help connect young people deeply to their faith and encourage both youth and adults to grow stronger in their faith as part of the Scouting experience. Studies have shown that one of the benefits of earning a religious emblem is longevity in the Scouting program. Did you know that in 2017 three out of every four units was chartered by a religious organization? Earning a religious emblem could be a vital part of every unit. We, as adult leaders, can encourage our Scouts to earn the appropriate religious emblem of their faith, facilitate them in connecting with the appropriate religious leaders to work on the emblems and present the emblem, when earned, in an appropriate way. I encourage all units to set a goal of increasing the number of religious emblems earned by their Scouts. This could be one Scout or many Scouts. If religious emblems haven't been part of the culture of your unit, how about signing up to have a digital, virtual or in-person presentation on the religious emblems program. Contact Jeff Giacomi at jeffgiacom@gmail.com for more information.

Spring Recruitment



Now is the time to be thinking about recruiting new Scouts for your unit. There are several easy steps that you can follow to have a successful Recruitment. They include the following:

- Select a Unit Recruitment Coordinator.
- Prepare a Unit flier and calendar.
- Connect with your District Membership Chair
- Email and post on Social Media the week before Recruitment Night.
- Email reminder and fliers a couple days before Recruitment Night.
- Get your volunteers lined up to help.
- Meet virtually for walk thru the day before Recruitment Night.
- Hold Recruitment Night.
- Collect paperwork and fees.
- Turn in applications and fees.

District Spring Membership Drive tentatively scheduled for **May 22, 2021 @ Ponderosa Park, 320 E Orangewood Ave, Anaheim, CA 92802 (Orangewood and Haster)**

For more information - email District Membership Chair **John Vo**, ocecmvc@gmail.com

Friends of Scouting 2020

	Goal	Current	% Goal
Family	\$ 35,000	\$9,491	27.12%
Leadership	\$ 15,000	\$6,317	42.11%
Total	\$ 50,000	\$15,808	31.62%

With the shutdown of normal meetings, the Friends of Scouting team is not able to visit units and make presentation for FOS. Outdoor activities, in-person meetings, fundraising, and formal Council events have all paused at this time. **The Scouting program needs our financial support more than ever before.** To make a gift to the Golden West District - visit <https://donations.scouting.org/#/council/039/appeal/2931>

Pam, Sally and their team are contacting units to present FOS during the unit's Virtual Meetings. If you have not heard from them, please contact them:

Sally @ Sally_Jensen@hotmail.com

Pam @ zawiszap@hotmail.com

Advancement:

Please visit **Golden West District** website: <http://goldenwest.ocbsa.org/> for the **Corona Virus Eagle Extension Form**. It's an application to request additional time to complete the Eagle Rank due to delay caused by the pandemic. Unit may not add, subtract, or change requirements or processes for Rank Advancement. All requirements are specified in the BSA Advancement Guide.



Eagle Scout Process:

<http://goldenwest.ocbsa.org/eagle-scout-process/>

Congratulations to the 2021 Eagles from Golden West District:

January	February
Ryan D. (T1004)	Brandon I. (T660)
John H. (T671)	Jared K. (T642)
Kai K. (T578)	Michael L. (T578)
Jeff M. (T1565)	Viet N. (T2519)
Nathan N. (T1930)	Andrew T. (T901)
Dylan P. (T1930)	Charles W. (T658)
Kai Q. (T642)	
William R. (T642)	
March	
Joseph B. (C2519)	
Bradley N. (T578)	
Andrew N. (T1930)	
Kody S. (T650)	
William S. (T671)	
Rohit V. (T650)	
Kevin W. (T578)	
Nick Z. (T660)	

Scouts Earning Eagle Scout Rank

Year	GW
2020	61
2021	23

Year	OFD	ElCap
2019	55	51
2018	48	54
2017	15	28
2016	50	31
2015		58
2014		54

Eagle Palms Once a Scout has earned his Eagle Rank, he may receive his Palms for every 5 MB's over the 21 for Eagle. Example: A Scout earned 36 MB's at the time of earning Eagle Rank. He may receive a Bronze Palm, for 5, Gold Palm for 5, and a Silver Palm for 5, totaling 36 MB's. Following earning Eagle, every 3 months and 5 MB's he may receive an additional Palm, B,S,G, until their 18th Birthday. These may be presented at the Eagle Court of Honor.

Scoutbook New apps for your computer or Smartphone. App allows access to Units training, rosters, calendar, announcements, a link to BSA materials and commissioner tools. If you would like to try it, type **"myscouting"** in your device's app store.

Due to Units not processing achievements within a week of earning, i.e. Rank advancement or Merit Badges Earned, the National Database is not updated to reflect actual achievements. You may record a Scouts achievement in "Scoutbook" for Cub Scouts, or Advancement in "my.scouting.org".

To learn on your own how to use Scoutbook, go to Scoutbook.com and use your my.scouting.org username and password to log in. There are applications for every registered position in scouting, including parent, on how to use Scoutbook for the level of access you have based on your BSA position.

Training

New requirement from BSA is to have all Scouters trained in their registered position before Chartering for 2020.



We are currently at 81% Leader trained and 84% YPT trained in our district. If you are a registered adult, you must be trained whether as a committee member or Scoutmaster/assistant scoutmaster or cub leader, venturing leader, etc.. Everybody must be YPT trained:

- Please complete YPT even if it's not due for a few months. Please help the overload rush in the fall and winter. **YPT Training:** Visit my.scouting.org to logon and take your YPT training TODAY! After login, select **MENU, My TRAINING, Training Center, select your Program**, and training for your position.
- If you have incomplete training, you will need to restart with the new updated training at the national level. We will be updating our own District training videos to reflect those changes. **Visit <https://training.scouting.org/catalog> (Login required) to view your program and position specific training.**
- Every scout needs and deserves a trained adult leader. It is required and expected that you complete your specific leader training that you are willing to serve at. Thank you for all that you do to serve our youth.
- Here is the link for which training you need: <https://my.scouting.org/Documents/PositionTrainedCourses.pdf>

Pack and Troop Committee training - Cub Scout Leader training, and Boy Scout Leader Training may be done online at my.scouting.org;

Sign in; click on **Cub Scout Leader Training** Click here; sign in again; Scroll down to **CUB SCOUTING** and click on it; **SELECT A TRAINING PROGRAM**;

- All the DEN LEADER training is the same 22 modules.
- CUBMASTER has the same modules as the DEN LEADER plus eight more.
- PACK COMMITTEE TRAINING has the 22 modules of a different mix of the total 30 modules.

We are planning on putting on the 5 Leader Specific Training in a YouTube video with the most helpful Joe Lum. SM is 6 hours long in 3 segments, all others are 3 hours.

Merit Badge Counselor Training is now online at [My.Scouting.Org](https://my.scouting.org). Our District Advancement Chair will get all our MBC's trained in that position. All MBC's are required to have a current YPT2 or registered in 2020.



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Useful Links:

District Website: <http://goldenwest.ocbsa.org/>

Monthly RoundTable Flyers:

<https://boyscouts->

my.sharepoint.com/:f/g/person/angcano_scouting_org/Emlh1pOMKr9Hjg50bJBSr9oBXxmDrMtKRBVWDQQpPxxvQew?e=N3NBKc

District Calendar: <https://scoutingevent.com/039>

Training and more: <https://my.scouting.org/>

ScoutBook: <https://www.scoutbook.com/>

Virtual Meeting Ideas:

<https://scoutsmarts.com/virtual-scout-zoom-meeting-ideas/>

<https://www.scoutshop.org/>

www.usscouts.org/bbugle

www.insanescouter.org

OCBSA Properties:

www.newportseabase.org

www.outdooreducationcenter.org

www.oso.org

www.ssrlv.org

www.seascouts.org

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