Verdugo Hills Council Roundtable Agenda
Thursday, July 9, 2026, 7-8:30 PM
Via Zoom

GENERAL OPENING (All Scouting Programs)

Welcome and Introductions .....Pierre Landry, Roundtable Commissioner

Safeguarding Youth Reminder.....David Potter, Safe Scouting Chairman

2026 CALENDAR

Cub Scout Day Camp "Roar Into Adventure".....July 6-10 at St. Dominic Church

National Jamboree.....July 22-31 at the Summit Bechtel Reserve, WV

National Night Out ..... Pacific Park, Glendale, Tues, Aug 4, 5-7:30 PM

Johnny Carson Park, Burbank, Tues, Aug 4

Rangemaster Training (2nd of 2 Options) .....August 22, 10 AM-2 PM at CVO

Catholic Scouting New Counselor Training.....Aug. 22 & 23 on Zoom, 9 AM-4 PM

Merit Badge Day .....August 29 at Burbank Boys & Girls Club

Wood Badge Reunion..... Oct. 3, 3-7 PM, Verdugo Park, Glendale

Camporee .....October 9-11 at CVO

Scoutmaster Position-Specific Training at Camporee... October 10, 9 am-3 PM, at CVO

Cub Scout Haunt ON .....October 23-25 at CVO

BALOO and IOLS .....November 7-8 at CVO

Order of the Arrow Induction..... Nov. 13-15 at CVO

Scouting For Food .....November 7 and 14

Personal Management Merit Badge.....Dec 5 at Gain FCU, Burbank

Anyone who is interested in popcorn sales, reach out to Amy.Taylor@scouting.org.

2027 CALENDAR

Abilities Expo .....Long Beach Convention Center, Jan 14-16

National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) ..... Feb 13-15 and 19-21 at CVO

University of Scouting (with WLACC).....Feb. 27 at Los Encinos School, Encino

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Updated BeASCout.

Beginning August 3, 2026, BeAScout will launch an updated experience designed to give prospective families the information they want before contacting a unit.

The goal is simple: make it easier for families to find the right Scouting unit and take the next step. Starting **July 9**, unit leaders can **update these new fields in My.Scouting.org** in their **Unit Pin within Organization Manager:**

- **Fundraising Helps Cover Costs**

  Let families know if fundraising opportunities help offset the cost of participating.

- **Trial Visit Encouraged**

  Show prospective families that they are welcome to attend a meeting before deciding to join.

- **Unit Fee**

  Display any additional unit dues beyond the national membership fee.

- **Meeting Schedule**
  - Meeting Frequency (weekly, biweekly, monthly, etc.)
  - Meeting Day
  - Meeting Start Time
  - Meeting End Time

Unit leaders are encouraged to complete these updates before **August 3** so families will see accurate, complete information when the new BeAScout experience goes live.

Please note: Any updates made to these new fields **before August 3** will not appear on BeAScout until the new experience launches.

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ROUNDTABLE TOPICS

Safety Moment. **How to Ask R U OK?**

We can all make a difference in the lives of those who might be struggling by having regular, meaningful conversations about life's ups and downs. If you feel like something's not quite the same with someone you know — there's something going on in their life or you notice a change in what they're doing or saying — trust that gut instinct and take the time to ask them "Are you OK?"

Hot Topic. **A New, Simpler Renewal Cycle for All Members**

Scouting America announced an important change at the 2026 National Annual Meeting that will simplify the membership and unit renewal process nationwide. By February 2028, all members and all units will have a single, common renewal month of February. This change is in response to feedback from unit leaders and other Scouters who asked for a simpler, more consistent renewal experience.

Membership Moment. **Membership Recruitment Resources**

If you need help recruiting new members to your unit, Scouting America has a variety of recruitment resources.

Cub Scout Leader Breakout. **Working With Small Dens and Packs**

Not every recruitment campaign has remarkable results. Come learn some tips about working with small dens and packs.

Scout Troop Leader Breakout. **Uniforming**

The Scout uniform is *one* of the 8 Methods of Scouting. We'll delve into the whys and wherefores of the Scout uniform.