



January 2026 | Upcoming Events

Happy January, Scouters!

I hope you're all ready for a fantastic 2026! We've got a lot of great things coming this year for our Scouts. As always, the best way to stay up to date is to connect with the Council on Social Media (Facebook and Instagram), stay up to date with your District via Facebook/Band/Discord, and of course the VERY best way is to attend Roundtable! In the meantime, here are a couple "good news" items I want to highlight:

Family Troop Option

As of December 15, 2025, the "Family Troop" option became available to all Scouting America chartering organizations as a *third* unit option. Troops will continue to be able to organize as boy troops and girl troops. If you'd like to switch, you'll need to fill out the form (link below) and send it to our Council Registrar, Eileen Bevacqua. Troops can switch at any time; you do not need to decide right now. [Intent to Convert Form](#)

It's Pinewood Derby Season!

Cub Scouts are gearing up for one of the most fun times of the year: Pinewood Derby! To help you out, Scout Life Magazine recently posted an article on How to Make a Fast Pinewood Derby Car! Check out the article right here: <https://scoutlife.org/fast-pinewood-derby-car>

Stay safe, have fun! – Dee Greene, Council Commissioner



Step into the Past at
Mountain Man!

Mountain Man Rendezvous **April 10-12, 2026**

Troops, Crews and Ships are invited to attend. Mountain Man brings history to life, immersing Scouts in the rugged world of 19th- century fur trappers, traders, and Native Americans. This hands-on adventure offers a unique opportunity to develop frontier skills and experience the past firsthand. Scouts will enjoy range and target activities, historical games and patrol games!



OA Banquet

January 31, 2026 | 6:00pm - 8:30pm

Please join us for an evening of fellowship as we celebrate a great year of cheerful service and activities through awards for outstanding arrowmen.

Order of the Arrow membership is not required to attend. All are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

[Learn More and Register](#)

Scout Night with the Desert Dogs

February 13, 2026 | 5-7pm

Lee's Family Forum

200 S Green Valley Pkwy, Henderson,
NV 89012

[Register Today](#)

Sports Merit Badge Clinic with the Desert Dogs

February 11, 2026 | 5-7pm

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200 S Green Valley Pkwy, Henderson,
NV 89012

[Register Today](#)



[Sign up Today](#)

Ultimate Frisbee

February 15, 2026 | 2pm - 4pm

March 22, 2026 | 2pm - 4pm

April 19, 2026 | 2pm - 4pm

Looking for a fun Cub Scout family event? The Las Vegas Bighorns are hosting Ultimate frisbee clinics at the Scout Park. No prior experience with this great sport needed.

Scouting for Food

Saturday, February 21, 2026
8:00 AM–4:00 PM

Units it is time to **sign up** for your Smith's Food & Drug Store front. Scouts and Scouters will collect nonperishable food donations in front of Smith's Food & Drug Stores.



**Saturday,
February 21, 2026
8am-4pm**

This Year's collection will only take place in front of Smith's Food and Drug stores
All Units can sign up for the full day, or just a morning or afternoon shift.
A scouting for food volunteer will reach out to confirm your unit's Smith's assignment

Register Today

Upcoming Training

Roundtable

February 12, 2026 | 7:00pm - 8:30pm
Fossil Trails - St. Anthony of Padua RCC
6350 N. Fort Apache Rd.
or
Neon Trails - Council Service Center
7220 S. Paradise Rd.

February 19, 2026 | 6:30pm - 7:30pm
River Mountain

Join us for **Your Monthly Roundtable** to learn about upcoming event along with helpful skills for your unit.



Learn More

Fundamentals of Training Part 1 & 2

January 24, 2026 at 9am-5pm

Brand new training to help you develop your skills and boost your confidence as a trainer! Great skills to have for both scouting and our professional career!

Register Today



Fundamentals of Training and Trainers EDGE

Range and Target Training

NRA Training for Mountain Man
2/27-3/1 or 3/20-3/22

NRA Training

NRA-NMLRA Basic Muzzleloading Rifle and Instructor Training

NRA Basic Range Safety Officer

AGES 21+ to help run Range and Target activities for Scouts BSA @Mountain Man.

RANGE-MASTER

Las Vegas Area Council
Rangemaster Training

AGES 18+ to help run Range and Target activities on the district and council level.

Council is covering the cost for vital NRA Rangemaster training! Earn training for Muzzleloading and range safety with a 2-year Mountain Man commitment. Contact Peter Jensen for more details. 949 607 9935

[Email Today](#)

Rangemaster Training

3/7/2026

Offered after BALOO and open to all interested in supporting Cub Scout Range and target activities. This is a great course for all skill levels.

[Register Today](#)

Baloo/IOLS Training

March 6-7 and March 7-8, 2026

Become a trained leader for Outdoor Adventures. Cub Scout or Scouts BSA Leaders.

[Register Today](#)

BALOO & IOLS



[Register Today](#)

National Youth Leadership Training

11/6-11/8, 2026 AND 11/13-11/15, 2026

Scouts BSA, Venturers, and Sea Scouts are invited to attend the best youth leadership training in the region. Elevate your leadership, communication, and planning skills with an experienced youth staff!

NYLT Staff Opportunity

Are you a youth that has taken NYLT?

Do you want to staff this coming course?

You can find the staff application on the council website.

Woodbadge 2026

9/11-9/13,2026 AND 9/19-9/20,2026

Wood Badge incorporates the latest leadership ideas and presents fresh, vital and meaningful training for today's Scouters. A two weekend experience that will bring you to the next level as a Scout Leader.

[Register Today](#)



WOOD BADGE



[Email today](#)

Rental Opportunities

Has your troop wanted to try Canoeing or has your pack wanted to use a crossover bridge?

We have a selection of rental equipment exclusively for units to rent out.

These include up to 18 canoes with paddles and life preservers.

Recently Troop 256 took the Canoes out on the Colorado River.

Scouting Updates

Unit Renewal

Get Ready — Annual Unit Renewals Are Here!

Due February 2026

It's that time of year again! The renewal season for most units across our council is officially **open**, and we're excited to kick things off with you!

Renewing your unit is quick and easy — just follow these two simple steps:

1. Complete the online approval & payment
2. Submit your signed Charter Agreement

All the details, links, and step-by-step instructions are ready for you anytime at:

<https://www.scoutinglvac.org/membershiprenewal/>

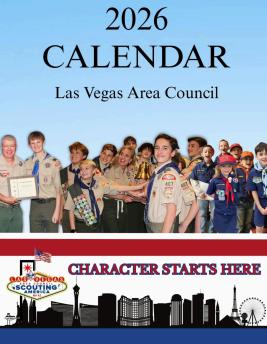
If you need help, have questions, or just want a friendly voice to walk you through it, reach out to your **Council District Executive** or give **Eileen Bevacqua** a call at **702-736-4366**. We're here to make this process smooth and stress-free!

Let's make this renewal season our best yet!

6-month Event Calendar 2026

Training Calendar
Scouts BSA Calendar
Cub Scouting Calendar

[Download Today](#)



2026 has changes to Scouts BSA Advancement.

Over 80 merit badges are getting updates.

[Visit National's Website](#)

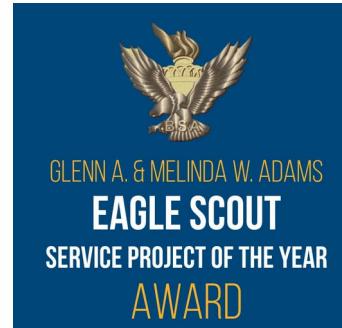
Scouting Highlight

National Eagle Scout Project of the Year

EAGLE SCOUTS CLASS OF 2025

Submit via email to Nicholas.Sacco@Scouting.org by
1/31/2026.

[Visit National's Website](#)



Camp Cards

Spring 2026 Fundraiser for all Scouts to fund going to camp or other activities in 2026.

Exciting News: Camp Cards Are Now Adventure Cards!

We're thrilled to announce that our popular **Camp Card program has been rebranded as Adventure Cards** for 2026! This exciting change reflects what the program is truly about—**fueling character through adventure**. Every card sold helps Scouts fund unforgettable experiences like summer camp, high adventure trips, and leadership training, while offering incredible savings to our community.

The **Adventure Card campaign kicks off at March Roundtables**, so mark your calendars and join us for this exciting start! The sale runs through **May 22, 2026**, giving Scouts plenty of time to reach their goals and earn amazing incentives.

This year's Adventure Card features incredible offers from top vendors, including:

Smith's, Big 5 Sporting Goods, Adventure Dome at Circus Circus, Great Clips, El Pollo Loco, Las Vegas Mini Grand Prix, NY NY Big Apple Coaster and Excalibur, Cowabunga Bay, KOA at Sam's Town, Makai Pacific Island Grill, Green Valley Grocery, Krispy Kreme, Ted Wiens, and **more still to come!**

Sign up your unit today and be part of this adventure!

👉 <https://forms.microsoft.com/r/40WnWMQq7u>

Let's make 2026 the biggest year yet for funding Scouting adventures!



Key Dates

- February 2026: Unit sign-up begins
- March 12, 2026 – 6:00 PM: Adventure Card Kickoff & Distribution
- March 19, 2026: Additional cards available (units must pay 50% of retail value for previously received cards before receiving more)
- April 15, 2026: Mid-Sale Checkpoint (submit report for Scouts selling 75+ cards)
- May 1, 2026: Council Adventure Celebration Event
- May 22, 2026 – 4:00 PM: Last day to turn in cards and money for full 50% commission

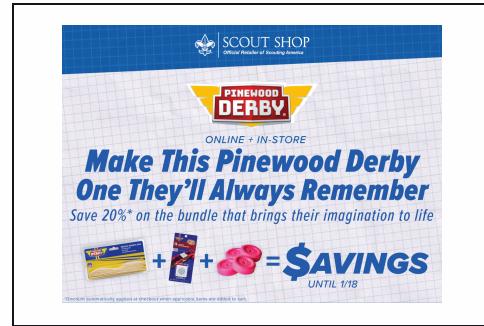
Scout Shop

Store Hours: Monday-Friday 10am-6pm and Saturday 9am-5pm

Bundle and Save!

Get **20% off** when you purchase a **pre-cut car, colored wheels, and sound effects** together. Everything you need for a complete, action-packed build, all in one smart bundle.

 **Offer valid now through January 18th**
Bundle it up and enjoy the savings before the clock runs out.



NOW HIRING!

Join our team at the **Las Vegas Scout Shop** as a **Part-Time Sales Associate**.

We're looking for friendly, dependable team members who enjoy helping customers and supporting the Scouting community.

What we offer:

- Flexible hours
- Employee discount
- Starting pay **\$13.50 per hour**

How to apply:

- Apply in-store
- Email your resume, application and availability to **alma.smith@scouting.org**

Application and Availability forms



Scout Sunday Patches Now Available

Scout Sunday patches are in stock for \$3.99 each. Available while supplies last, so be sure to stop by and pick them up before they are gone.

Enjoy **50% off all Eagle Scout Party Supplies** for a limited time. From decorations to tableware, everything you need to honor an Eagle Scout is now half off.

Sale runs now through February 8th

While supplies last, so don't wait to plan the perfect celebration. Shop today and make their achievement unforgettable.

(Events in **Blue** are linked to registration or information)

January 23- Blood Drive

[January 24- Fundamentals Part 1 and 2](#)
[January 31- Popcorn Big Spin Party](#)
[February 7- Merit Badge Clinic](#)
[February 8- Scout Sunday](#)
[February 11- Sports merit badge clinic with the Desert Dogs](#)
[February 12- Roundtable](#)
[February 13- Scout Night with the Desert Dogs](#)
[February 15- Ultimate Frisbee Hosted by LV Bighorns](#)
[February 21- Scouting for Food](#)
[February 27-March 1- Mountain Man Rangemaster Training](#)
[March 5- Council Annual Dinner](#)
[March 5-8- Baloo and IOLS Training](#)
[March 7- Cub Scout Rangemaster Training](#)
[March 7- Range and Target Activities Work Day](#)
[March 12- Roundtable](#)
[March 13-15- River Mountain Spring Camporee](#)
[March 16-20- Base Camp Spring Break Day Camp](#)
[March 20-22- Mountain Man Rangemaster Training](#)
[March 21- Rifle Merit Badge Clinic](#)
[March 22- Ultimate Frisbee Hosted by LV Bighorns](#)
[March 28-29- Wilderness First Aid](#)
[March 28- Merit Badge Clinic](#)
[March 28- Life to Eagle Workshop](#)
[March 28- River Mountain District Dinner](#)
[April 10-12- Mountain Man](#)
[September 11-13 and 19-20- Wood badge](#)
[November 6-8 and 13-15- National Youth Leadership Training](#)

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