

# SCENIC DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

Hello Scenic District,

Happy April! It's nice to see more sunshine and grass outside versus the snow. While we are all adjusting to the stay at home orders, I want to make sure to stay in communication and keep finding ways for our scouting adventures to continue. Many units have taken to holding virtual meetings with much success and our council even had a virtual campfire. Looking forward to hearing more about how units are using technology to stay active. If there are questions you have, would like to discuss difficulties or share a success story, please reach out to myself, unit commissioners or district committee members. We're all in this together!

## Scouting Resources

\*National put together a Scouting at Home site. Here, parents and leaders can find support while at home with activity ideas, rank advancement tips and more. [Scouting at home](#)

\*For FAQ on COVID-19 from National [Click Here](#)

\*Western Los Angeles County Council has Scout Saturday's Live. The first showing was on March 28<sup>th</sup> and the next one is on April 11 and features six awesome science experiments that are great for any Scouts & fun for the entire family. Be sure to tune-in to the livestream at 10:30am Pacific / 1:30pm Eastern. View episodes and find more information [Here](#)

\*Central Minnesota Council had its first virtual campfire on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thanks to Holly, Jace, Zachary, Jordon and Garrett!! Next one scheduled for May 1<sup>st</sup>. Stay tuned and follow the Facebook pages of Central Minnesota Council and Parker Scout Camp.

\* Verdugo Hills Council put together a nice Top 5 resource page for Scouting at Home. [Go here](#)

## Scoutbook Update

\*There is a merit badge counselor update regarding Scoutbook. [Read update here](#)

## For Cub Scouts

\*Follow CubScout Eric Adventures on YouTube for some videos that fit requirements, and even a funny fail! [CubScout Eric Videos](#)

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## Fun Things

\* Who says you can't have fun indoors. This video gives some game ideas you can virtually with your friends, patrol members, den or as a whole group! [Games](#)

### \*Midwest Archeological Center

Join in for our Archeology at Home series next week! Free and suitable for all ages, these presentations will provide an opportunity to learn about archeology and its role in the National



**Archeology at Home**  
April 6th—10th Free for all ages!  
Connect at:  
[https://cilc.webex.com/meet/mwac\\_distancelearning](https://cilc.webex.com/meet/mwac_distancelearning)

4/6/2020	10:00-10:45 AM CDT	Intro. to Archeology
4/7/2020	10:00-10:45 AM CDT	Archeology Sites
4/7/2020	1:00-1:45 PM CDT	Tour through Time
4/8/2020	10:00-10:45 AM CDT	Excavation & Tools
4/9/2020	10:00-10:45 AM CDT	Analysis & Curation
4/10/2020	1:00-1:45 PM CDT	Ask an Archeologist

Contact [mwac\\_distancelearning@nps.gov](mailto:mwac_distancelearning@nps.gov) with questions 

Park Service. Topics will cover documenting, investigating, and preserving cultural resources. Participate in all six programs or choose just a few, it's up to you!

To connect, visit the website below a few minutes before your desired program is ready to start. No account is necessary, but you'll need to enter a few things first.

[https://cilc.webex.com/meet/mwac\\_distancelearning](https://cilc.webex.com/meet/mwac_distancelearning)

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\*Boy's Life has a great article listing Dutch Oven recipes. Try out a few in your backyard, treat your family to a tasty dish, show off the skills you've learned about cooking. Prepare a nice list of options for those summer camping opportunities for your patrols to cook. [Recipes](#)

\*Speaking of Boy's Life, visit their [website](#) to find a plethora of games, activities, stories and more. Plus, right now they are giving free access to a year of Boy's Life on their app.

\*Stumped as to what to discuss or do during virtual meetings? Maybe these ideas will bring a spark.

- Knot Tying
- Simple First Aid (skills, what should be in a pack)
- Fitness
- Practicing Oath, Law, Outdoor Code
- Bring in guest speakers
- Magic Tricks
- Skits and songs or talent show
- Demonstrate proper knife, ax care
- Show off camping equipment, go through necessary or just fun accessories to take
- Firebuilding