

# THE SCOUTER'S KEY 2.0

LONG BEACH AREA COUNCIL

SPRING 2018



## Scout Executive's Message

It's a wrap for the 2017 Scouting adventure! Now, it's time to aim high for 2018.

Long Beach Area Scouts received unwavering support this last year, from numerous donors, members, and alumni. Among the myriad of recognitions due, we

are proud to have added the Maui Diamond to our Sea Scout fleet. Impressively, we also received high honors from Charity Navigator, the nation's premiere non-profit evaluator. We achieved a 'Top 8' rank in the USA. I am also proud to report that we had record turnout of participants in many council activities.

Furthering our legacy, Scouts provided unparalleled service to Long Beach communities. Cumulatively, 39,980 hours of community service have been recorded from various projects, and a whopping 27,787 pounds of food were collected through Scouting for Food! These two figures demonstrate the 'above and beyond' character of you, our Scouts and Scouting families.

A message to the Scouts: it is because of your hard work and dedication that has helped us to ascend to such great heights. And to the Scout families, your support is the wind in our sails. With our combined efforts, we will continue to grow, realize the mission of Scouting, and keep having a blast while we do so!

As we hit the ground running, always remember to keep growing our membership. With the inducting of new Scouts, Venturers, Sea Scouts, and Explorers, more exciting program advancements will arise. Our Scouting community is going strong, let's make it even better!

Thank you for your continuing involvement and accomplishments. As we celebrate the 99th year since our founding, let's strive for the best year in Long Beach Scouting yet! PS - our centennial is just around the corner. Stay Tuned...

In Scouting,

John Fullerton  
Scout Executive/CEO

## Did You Know?

We offer career-oriented life skill programs focused on high-demand fields for young men and women ages 11-21\*:

- Search & Rescue
- Aviation
- Animal Care
- Law Enforcement
- Auto Repair
- Reserve Enlisted Training Corps.
- Customs & Border Patrol

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\*must have completed 5th grade

## Camp Cards Build an Adventure

Your trail to summer camp just got a whole lot brighter. The timing is perfect; Scouts sell camp cards in the Spring to earn money for fun summer camp experiences.

The 2018 card will feature \$40 in immediate savings from Albertsons, Vons, Dick's Sporting Goods, Big 5, El Pollo Loco, McDonalds, Johnny Rebs, Carwood Carwash, and Aquarium of the Pacific! Selling for only \$5, the cards are a super-easy sell for any Scout. (Vendors subject to change.)

Easy to carry, durable, and won't melt or spoil. Raise money for camp, offset summer costs, and buy much needed equipment by selling camp cards. In addition to lasting memories of summer camp, your Scout can learn self-confidence, overcome shyness, and improve interpersonal communication skills.

**Kickoff Date:** March 3rd.

No training necessary, just pick up and start selling!

See more info online at [longbeachbsa.org/campcards](http://longbeachbsa.org/campcards)



## Summer Camp Fun

### Camp Tahquitz

Adventure is calling... Camp Tahquitz is the place to be this summer. Enjoy a 40-foot climbing wall; learn to feed and ride horses; shoot archery, bb-guns, and shotguns in a controlled, safe environment; learn lifesaving techniques; stitch leather goods; and stargaze at night.

Choose from over 40 merit badges to earn during your week-long stay. Epic campfires, good food, high adventure, the Tribe of Tahquitz, and a 100-foot pedestrian bridge will have you wanting to stay an extra week!

Check out [longbeachbsa.org/tahquitz](http://longbeachbsa.org/tahquitz)



### Sea Base Aquatics Camp

The most popular destination for youth during the summer. We invite you to enjoy the cool breeze and super-fun atmosphere at the Long Beach Sea Base Aquatics Center this summer. Offering eight weeks of camp.

Choose from half day or full day sessions. Earn up to four merit badges per week. Join over 700 other Scouts who LOVE the summer aquatics camp.

See [longbeachbsa.org/seabase/camp](http://longbeachbsa.org/seabase/camp)