



## Welcome!

On behalf of the Canyons District we welcome you as an adult assisting the Scouting Program. We know that much of the scouting organization may be new to you, so we would like to take this opportunity to introduce you to our "District."

## The Canyons District

The "Canyons" District is one of 9 districts in the Orange County Council, BSA.

Our district comprises units in Orange, Tustin, Anaheim Hills, Villa Park and El Modena, Modjeska, and Silverado Canyon.

We meet monthly at an event called "Roundtable" - for the sharing of knowledge, camaraderie, and ideas.

Roundtable meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month at the Tustin LDS Building at 1800 San Juan St, Tustin, 92780 (off Red Hill Ave). Please come to the next meeting & find out how much we can help you.

## The District Committee

The purpose of the District Committee is to guide, plan and support activities and units within the district. The District has four main functions.

- 1) Program, to provide activities, training and advancement opportunities to our youth and units.
- 2) Membership, to recruit youth and adult members and to start new Scouting units.
- 3) Finance, to help pay for the program.
- 4) Activities/Civic Service, to coordinate service projects, communication, and community events.

The committee is made up of volunteers elected by the district to serve annually. The District plans and conducts district activities like Camporees, Camporalls, service projects, and other District wide activities. The district also conducts leader-training sessions for Cub Leaders, Boy Scout and Venturing Leaders, monthly roundtables, and supports council trainings like Outdoor Leader Skills and Wood Badge. The district also supports units by helping with recruitment of youth and adult leaders, organizing new units and providing commissioners to give year round support to district units. On the attached chart are listed the key positions on the District Committee.

## Commissioners

The commissioner role appeared early in the scouting movement. Individual units are organized by existing community organizations, and these organizations take the primary responsibility for implementing the scouting program.

To ensure consistency between different units, the scouting movement relied on two concepts: leader training and the commissioner staff. Scouting's founder, Baden-Powell, developed and promoted numerous leader training programs, starting in 1910 - leading to a course in 1919 that is now known as Wood Badge. The commissioner staff provides an ongoing, independent check on the units and provides assistance to units as the units need.

Every unit in the Canyons District is assigned a Commissioner. Find out who is your unit's commissioner from your unit leader.

## Calendar & Other Information

You can find much more information about our district on our district website at [canyons.ocbsa.org](http://canyons.ocbsa.org)

Again, welcome to the Scouting program. We are sure it will be a valuable experience for your son - and we hope for you, too!

- Your District Committee