



Alamo Area Council Neighborhood Roundtable October 2, 2025



Commissioner's Minute

Unit Leaders, please review your renewal report in my.scouting. We have **880 Scouts** and **344 adult leaders** that are either past their renewal date or scheduled to renew by the end of October. Make sure your Scouts and leaders are completing their renewal to ensure no interruption to advancement or participation in activities

Membership Moment

Want your Scouts to share their Scouting adventures with their friends? Here's how to spark the interest of their peers and invite them to join the fun:

- Personal Touch
- K Highlight the Adventure
- Stress the Sense of Belonging

Training

- October 6: CPR/AED
- October 10-11: Wilderness and Remote First Aid
- October 15: Marketing and Growth Workshop
- October 17-19: Fall Wood Badge Weekend I
- October 17-19: Climbing Instructor Training
- October 18: Den Chief Training
- October 24-25: BALOO/IOLSPack 502
- October 25: Ready to Lead

Committee Meetings



- Mondays in October at 7:00: Bear Creek Committee
- October 8 at 6:00: Fall Events Committee
- October 8 at 7:00: RATA Committee
- October 15 at 7:00: CWC Committee Meeting
- October 15 at 8:00: Jamboree Committee Meeting Virtual
- October 16 at 6:30: Fishing Committee Virtual
- October 20 at 6:30: Membership Committee
- October 22 at 8:00: Cub Scout Day Camp Planning Committee
- October 23 at 6:30: Fishing Committee Meeting/Equipment Pull
- October 23 at 7:00: AAC Youth Committee McGimsey

Council Activities

October 2025

October 10-12: Bear Creek Adventure
October 18: Jamboree on the Air
October 20: Golf Classic
October 25: Haunted Forest
October 28: SALSA Meeting

OA Lodge Events

October 10-12: Fall Fellowship *Please Pay Your Lodge Dues*

January 17, 2026: Winter Banquet

Safety Moment - Why Safety Moments Matter

Safety Moments are exactly what the name implies: opportunities to prepare for an activity, review safety measures and report incidents correctly. Safety Moments should be delivered at the beginning of all Scout meetings such as roundtable, committee meetings, unit meetings/activities in order to discuss a hazard or risk that can be prevented. Safety moments are short, focused talks about practices and procedures. The following are some of the reasons why we hold and promote safety moments:

Injury Prevention: Safety moments highlight potential hazards and reinforce safe Scouting, which can help prevent injuries and illnesses before they happen.

Improved Safety Culture: Regular safety moments create a more safety-conscious environment, keeping best practices top-of-mind.

Highlight Timely Hazards: Safety moments can be used to address specific risks or hazards relevant to the time of year and activities that go along with the seasons i.e. cold weather camping in the winter and heat related incidents in the hot months.

Engagement Keeping safety moments from being too formal makes them more approachable and engaging than formal safety training, increasing participation. Encourage questions and/or discussion.

Keep in mind the following points when preparing a safety moment:

- Every youth or leader, with preparation, could deliver the safety moment.
- Safety moments should be delivered in a few minutes.
- Keep it simple and easy to understand. Focus on a single topic rather than jumping around or overloading Scouts with information.
- Use safety moments to support a positive safety culture through clear, concise, and engaging communication.
- Help the group know how to apply the safety message.

We're glad you joined us today! Be sure to sign-in and visit us on the Roundtable Page!

Roundtable Hot Topic

Safety Moments are for All Scout Activities and Meetings





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The safety moment focuses the attention of the group on safety. Scouting America publishes safety moments to reduce injuries and illnesses, ultimately improving the overall safety culture for Scouts and their adult leaders. Safety moments are short, focused talks about safety practices and procedures.

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Improved Safety Culture

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Preventing Accidents through Safe Behaviors

Accidents result from unsafe acts or unsafe conditions. According to the CDC, unintentional injuries are the leading cause of death for Americans aged 1-44. Regularly taking a couple of minutes to put safety front and center is important and effective.

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Resources:

Scouting America safety moments can be found here: https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/safety-moments/



Safety moments can also be found on the roundtable support page. https://www.scouting.org/commissioners/roundtable-support/roundtable-planning-resources/#bsaSafetyMoment



Roundtable Membership Moment

Talking to Friends About Scouting

Want your Scouts to share their Scouting adventures with their friends? Here's how to spark the interest of their peers and invite them to join the fun:

Personal Touch: Share their own experiences and what Scouting means to them. Their enthusiasm will shine through as they talk about the exciting activities, friendships, and skills they have gained.

Highlight the Adventure: Paint a picture of the thrilling adventures awaiting them in Scouting, from camping under the stars to conquering outdoor challenges or making and running a Pinewood Derby car. Emphasize the opportunity to try new things and make unforgettable memories together.

Stress the Sense of Belonging: Talk about friends they make in Scouting and fun people in the den, patrol, crew, or ship.

Make it Inviting: Invite them to join you for an activity so they can experience Scouting firsthand. Encourage them to ask questions and explore what Scouting has to offer.

Share the Excitement: Spread the word about upcoming events, fun activities, and cool badges they can earn. Show them that Scouting is not only about learning but also about having a blast along the way.

With their passion and encouragement, they can inspire their friends to embark on their own Scouting journey and create memories that will last a lifetime!

