April’s virtual Roundtable was a great success! Unfortunately, the one thing that didn't work was the recording. We'll try to work out the bugs for next month, but in the meantime, here's a quick summary of what happened. We have links to the April editions of Roundtable Matters and Ask Artie posted to the Pacifica web page.

- Call to order
  - Scouts from Pack 968 (who just happen to be our Roundtable Commissioner's kids) led the Pledge of Allegiance
  - Let RT Commissioner Jeff (jeffsorbello@att.net) know if your Scouts would like to lead the Pledge or offer an invocation next month!

- Safer at Home/Scouting at Home page introduction
  - If you haven't done so already, check out the great resources in the Council's Scouting at Home guide. This reference is being updated all the time, so visit it often. If you have a tip to share, please add it!
  - Other great sources sites you'll want while we're Scouting at Home
    - Council's Scouting at Home website
    - Council's monthly Newsletter
      - This should be sent automatically to all registered adults in the Council. Thanks to a great question from P851, I'm researching whether it also goes to Lion and Tiger partners, but anyone can subscribe. Encourage all of your families & volunteers to join our email list from the button on the newsletter webpage
    - National's Scouting Wire blog. Theoretically, this has the same distro as the Council newsletter (so the same partner question applies). Families and volunteers can join by clicking the "Stay Connected" box at the bottom of the page, and select their role(s) (volunteer, parent, etc.)

- T258G's Senior Patrol Leader gave a great presentation on the Troop's plans for a “Shelter at Home” Camp. (See sample schedule HERE.) You can reach out to Scoutmaster Sheryl Brannan (estarlight2@gmail.com) for more information. Just yesterday, National issued updated guidance about using virtual camping to fulfill advancement requirements. You can read the latest guidance HERE.
  - Note that the guidance says the virtual camping doesn't count for Order of the Arrow eligibility

- Travis Williams, our Council Commissioner, talked about how important it is to our youth to continue Scouting during this difficult time. Hopefully, your unit has already moved your unit and committee meetings to a digital format.
  - This can be a great time to invite youth who aren't Scouts to join your meetings--invite your friends and neighbors!
    - And yes, we are still accepting applications! If haven't enabled online registration, applicants can download Youth and Adult applications and sign scanned copies. (Since the Adult application includes a Social Security Number, we recommend that you encrypt the and the key/password separately or leave it off and the Council registrar will call you to fill it in.) Once the forms are complete, email to your Commissioner or District Commissioner Nancy Hodgkiss for processing.
  - Keep youth protection top-of-mind, now more than ever. Remember that BSA prohibits any one-on-one interaction between an adult leader and a Scout – in person, online, through a web conference, over the phone, via text, or in any other form.
    - Scouts meeting in virtual "break out rooms" should still have adequate two-deep supervision
    - Detailed youth protection information is available here. To ensure you are following safety standards for all Scouting activities, please reference the Guide to Safe Scouting.
    - BSA’s Social Media Guidelines serve as a complement to our youth protection policies.
• Pat Moss, Council's Vice President of Operations, talked about online Merit Badge opportunities. Council hosted three Merit Badge workshops last week, more are to follow. Click HERE for more information about the Merit Badge process while Scouting at Home.

• Pacifica Training Chair Casey Jones (cejones29@yahoo.com) talked about online training opportunities. Now is a great time to update your YPT, take online position training, or explore expanded learning opportunities, to include program safety, Journey to Excellence and succession planning. We can even run Committee Challenge courses for your units via video teleconference.

• Pacifica Advancement Chair Jim Matsushita (jimm@fia-insurance.com) talked about Eagle extensions during this time.
  o We have a wealth of resources on the Pacifica Advancement page that discuss our "regular" process
  o National's guidance regarding extensions is HERE

• Pacifica Finance Chair Jeff Stieglitz (jeff@stieglitz.org) talked about ways we can support Council
  o Please designate GLAAC as your Amazon Smile beneficiary, and Amazon will donate to Council
  o If you're able to personally make a financial contribution despite these tough times, you can do so HERE
  o Our Camp Card Chair, Carlos Bernal (carlosebernal966@gmail.com) explained that several of our Camp Card partners (e.g. Smart & Final, Subway) are still open for business, so if you have friends or family who want to buy camp cards, we can get the cards to you.

• Questions & Answers
  o Troop 211 asked for ideas about how to handle hands-on activities for First Aid
    ▪ Suggestions included demonstrating on a household member, pet, stuffed animal, or action figure.
    ▪ Use paper, scarves, towels, neckerchiefs, etc. for bandages
    ▪ Have Scouts take turns showing their hand movements to the camera; use breakout "rooms" to break Scouts into small work groups
    ▪ Remember to use the EDGE method!
  o Richard from Operation on Target had some trouble with the video on his Mac
    ▪ He said the iGlasses app was a big help!
  o Darrin from T683 wondered how Scouting at Home would affect Journey to Excellence
    ▪ I responded that we don't know yet, but the unit Guidebooks and Tracking Workbooks are still relevant planning tools and chock-full of great resources
  o Not sure how to get started with virtual meetings? Contact the Commissioner serving your area (see the list in Roundtable Matters) and we'll get you up to speed!

Your feedback is important to us! Please take a quick survey to let us know what we can do to improve Roundtable.