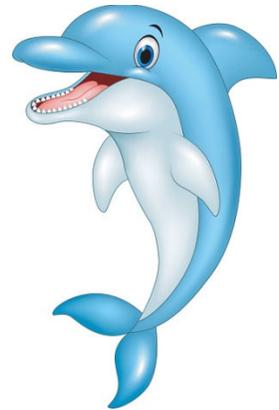


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## “Fun with a Porpoise”

June 2020

Scouters can “Ask Artie” questions that are on their minds by posting a note at Roundtable, asking your Unit Commissioner, or emailing District Commissioner Nancy Hodgkiss at [nancy.hodgkiss@pacificabsa.org](mailto:nancy.hodgkiss@pacificabsa.org).



### **How do we submit membership applications for youth and adults now that much of Council staff is furloughed?**

Here are your options, starting with the fastest:

- 1) For new members, [use online registration!](#) Your [area's servicing Commissioner](#) and District Commissioner [Nancy Hodgkiss](#) can help you set it up.
- 2) For transfers, scan and email applications to District Commissioner [Nancy Hodgkiss](#) and District Chair [Tim Shank](#). For security's sake, please DO NOT email an adult application with a Social Security Number. The Council Registrar will call the applicant to get the SSN when she is ready to process the form.
- 3) You can mail hard copy applications to GLAAC (Attn: Estela Chicas) 2333 Scout Way, Los Angeles CA 90026

### **We're handing out awards this month. How do I buy advancement materials like activity pins and merit badges?**

For delivery by mail:

1. Unit Leaders can email in the Advancement report to [NDCSupply.Orders@Scouting.org](mailto:NDCSupply.Orders@Scouting.org)
  - o Please include a contact phone number for our Customer Service team to contact for payment
2. A Customer Service team member will contact the Unit Leader for credit card information, shipping and billing information, along with verifying the correct Council and Advancement.
3. Advancement orders will be shipped to the individual placing the order. During this time, we are processing orders in 3-5 business days from when they are submitted. We assure you that we will handle each request as quickly as possible.

For curbside pickup, contact the Long Beach Scout Shop 401 E 37th St LB 90807

1. Call **562-427-0911 x200** or email Sandy [sandy.vanwyk@scouting.org](mailto:sandy.vanwyk@scouting.org) with your order. She will verify the items are in stock.
2. Pay over the phone with your credit card.
3. Confirm your pickup date and time. Generally, pickup times will be between 9am and 3pm.

## **How can our unit pay for the camp cards we sold and turn in unsold camp cards?**

If you're using a credit card, you can remit payment for sold camp cards via this link: [https://www.glaacbsa.org/CC\\_payment](https://www.glaacbsa.org/CC_payment). You can also pay via check to the address below. Remember, the unit keeps 50% commission for each camp card sold upfront and only submits payment for the remaining \$2.50.

To return unsold cards while Council offices are closed, you can:

- 1) Hold on to the unsold camp cards until the office re-opens back to the public
- 2) Fill in [this form](#) and return unsold cards by mail to

GLAAC

Attention: Lucia Bernal – 2020 Camp Cards

2333 Scout Way

Los Angeles CA 90026

## **With so many of the Council professionals on furlough, who's checking references on adult applications?**

Fortunately, checking references is a role for the Chartered Organization Representative, so that task has been unaffected by Council furloughs. For more information, refer to the BSA Registration Guidebook, page 19. You can find the Guidebook here: <https://www.scouting.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/Registration-Guidebook.pdf>

## **Artie, what's your favorite constellation?**

The Big Dipper!

**Sea you next month!**