

Schedule

Friday - December 13

6:00 to 7:00 pm – Check in and worship

7:00 to 8:00 pm – Keynote presentation on the Vision and Values of TLUSA
(**John Slagboom and Rob Rye**)

8:00 to 10:00 pm – Cracker Barrel around the campfire with all Troops sharing their story.

Saturday - December 14

8:00 to 8:30 am – Breakfast

8:30 to 9:30 am – Worship and Band of Brothers message by **Pastor Lance Ralston**

9:30 to 10:00 am – Table Talk and Prayer by Troops

10:00 am to Noon – **Unit Specific Break Out sessions:**

Woodlands - Pack/Woodlands Compare and Contrast

Navigators - Make Ready Trailman in 2 Years (Project Plan)

Adventurers - How to have a Venture-led Troop Day One

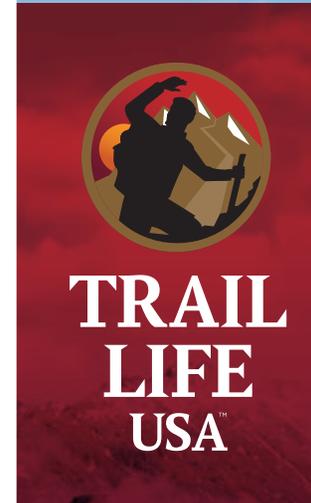
Noon to 2:00 pm – BBQ Social with Town Hall

12:30 to 1:30 PM – National and Area Leader Presentations
(**Rob Rye and Justin Riggs**)

2:00 to 4:00 pm – Area Event Planning Break Out session (Area PM **James Kim and staff John Slagboom, Justin Riggs**) - Area level winter service project, Spring Camporee, and summer High Sierra Adventure, breakout groups for organizing & planning.

4:00 to 4:30 pm – Men's Discipleship/Accountability –
Pastor Fernando Gonzalez

4:30 to 5:00 pm – Closing Exhortations
(live video message from TLUSA Director **Rob Green**)



SOCAL LEADERS CONFERENCE

We Were Meant To Be Courageous

December 13th and 14th 2013

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"We Were Meant To Be Courageous"

Trail Life USA is a Christian adventure, character, and leadership program for young men based on a foundation of Christian discipleship by men in a mentor relationship with youth, which takes place in the context of outdoor adventure.

After serving the Church well for over 100 years, America's spiritual apostasy undermined BSA as values-based organization. The Church needed a suitable replacement to turn her boys into the right kind of Christian men based on the values contained in the Holy Scriptures. In a miraculous manner, God has raised up the "Standard" of Trail Life USA against the flood of unrighteousness that is destroying our youth.

We few men who have answered the call of Trail Life USA leadership; the unashamed of Christ, have gathered here this weekend at Live Oak Vineyard Church in Monrovia from all over Southern California. We have banded together as brothers, to serve the Church, our families, and this once great Nation by turning the next generation back to God. Today, we are starting with ourselves; tomorrow, our own sons and any others the Lord entrusts to our care.

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Resources

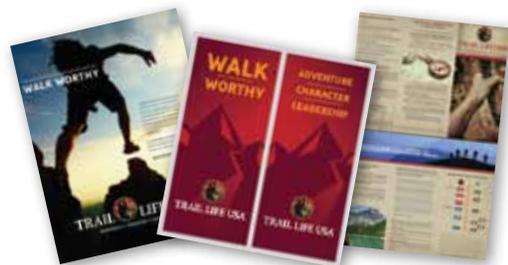
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Speakers



Rob Green - *Interim Executive Director Trail Life USA*

Rob began his career as a Scouting professional in 1993 in West Palm Beach, Florida. During his tenure there, the Council achieved the Quality Council Award for 12 consecutive years. He became Scout Executive/CEO for upstate South Carolina in September 2004, and helped facilitate the Palmetto Council's turnaround. Rob lived in Florida for 25 years prior to moving to South Carolina. He resigned his BSA position in June 2013 over their shift in values. He is a graduate of Brown University, dual-majoring in Economics & Business Management. He has been married to Kathy for 24 years. They have three children in college, and one still at home. Rob loves sports, fitness, outdoor adventure, and leading Bible studies and church small groups. His two oldest sons are Eagle Scouts; his youngest is a Life Scout.



Fernando Gonzalez - *Pastor - Calvary Chapel of Pasadena*

Fernando was a business owner before going into the pastorate in 2005. Married to helpmate Veronica Gonzalez for 21 years and together are raising six children. He has served in Children's Ministry since 1992 and currently oversees the Children's Ministry.



Lance Ralston - *Senior Pastor - Calvary Chapel of Oxnard*

Lance is the founding pastor of Calvary Chapel of Oxnard, which began in the fall of 1982. He has been married to his wife Lynn for 33 years and is the author of a book on marriage - "Marriage: As It Was meant To Be". Lance and Lynn have three grown children. He uses an expositional approach to systematically teach through the Bible, alternating between the Old and New Testaments, which is the signature Calvary Chapel's style. An avid historian, he regularly brings the historical backdrop of the text to light, which also gives greater context to understand current events biblically. Lance began an Epic Life men's ministry at Calvary Chapel three years ago, where his knowledge of military history; especially of the Roman Empire, provides exceptional application depth to such passages as Eph 6:13-17.



Justin Riggs - *Troopmaster Troop 212 and Trail Life USA National Committee Member*

Justin is a fourth grade teacher, who also serves in children's ministry. He graduated from UCSD and has a Masters in Education from Azusa Pacific University. Justin enjoys the outdoors and spends most of his day teaching or coaching kids. He has been married to Josephine for 17 years and is the father of four boys. Justin is an Eagle Scout, former Cubmaster and Den Leader, before becoming the Troopmaster of Trail Life USA Troop 212 chartered by Live Oak Vineyard Church in Monrovia that is hosting the Conference. He has served on the National Uniform Committee and now serves on TLUSA Training Team #3. He is the chief facilitator of this weekend's conference.



Robert Rye - *National Board Member Trail Life USA*

Robert serves on the national board both for Trail Life USA and American Heritage Girls. He and his wife Elizabeth have served as leaders in Christian education ministries at Live Oak Vineyard Church in Monrovia, CA throughout their 13 years of marriage. Rob graduated from Harvard University in 1999 with a PhD in Geology/Geochemistry, served for several years as a professor at the University of Southern California, and is now committed to working outside of entrenched institutions to transform education and youth development in America.



John Slagboom - *Charter Org Rep, Troop 281, Trail Head, USA Collaborator, and Theological Advisor to the National Board of Trail Life USA*

John served twelve years as a BSA Chaplain, Scout Master and Venture Advisor. His Wood Badge projects specialized in BSA as a values organization and as a member of Trail Head USA, John to help formulate Trail Life's values. John graduated from UCLA and has a Masters in Management from the Redlands University, he has been married to wife Annie for over twenty-seven year and together they have five children. His oldest son, Calvin is an Eagle Scout and Venture Crew President. John is the Charter Organization Representative of Troop 281 chartered by Calvary Chapel of Oxnard and is the chief program director of this weekend's conference.



James Kim - *Southern California Area Point Man for Trail Life USA*

James has a Master of Science in Educational Administration. He also received a Doctor of Philosophy from Tae Han in Seoul, Korea in 2001. After a career as an educator and administrator, James has worked in real estate and is currently a vice president with Kennedy Wilson. He has been married to his wife, Tami for 19 years and is the father of five children (3 girls and 2 boys). His girls are part of American Heritage Girls Simi Valley and his son is now part of Trail Life USA Simi Valley. James has stepped up to be Trail Life USA Southern California Area Point Man.