



Win a \$500 NESAscholarship!

The Ventura County Council Tom-Bob Carr National Eagle Scout Association Scholarship

The Eagle Scout speaker at this year's Ventura County Council Eagle Recognition Dinner to be held on **Tuesday, March 12, 2024**, will receive a **\$500 scholarship** check. In order to be selected, send in a written speech according to the rules below. A panel of judges* will read your speech and listen to an oral presentation to select the winner.

Contest Rules are as follows:

1. Entrant must have earned the Eagle Scout rank (Board of Review held) between **January 1 and December 31, 2023**
2. Submit a written speech that, when presented orally, will be approximately five minutes in length.
3. If selected as a finalist, entrant must be able to appear in person at the Council Office on **Saturday, February 24, 2024**, for an oral presentation
4. The final winner must also be available to present his speech at the Eagle Scout Recognition Dinner on **Tuesday, March 12, 2024**.
5. Entries must be received by the dates given below. Late entries will not be accepted.
6. Entries will be judged on how well they express the following topic for their speech:

"How has your knowledge of the Scout Oath & Law impacted your family"

7. Entries may be emailed, mailed via USPS, or hand delivered to the Council Office. All entries must be typed or printed. Handwritten entries will not be accepted. Please format electronic entries either as a Microsoft Word or Works (.doc, .docx, or .wps), Rich Text (.rtf), Plain Text (.txt) document or Adobe Acrobat PDF format. E-mail entries are to be addressed to **andrea.mcclellan@scouting.org** and **must** be date stamped by **Thursday midnight PST February 15, 2024**. Please use **Eagle Dinner Speech** as the subject of the e-mail. **Please be sure to include your troop number, your email address and your parents' names and email address in the message accompanying your entry.** USPS mail entries **must** be postmarked by **Monday February 12, 2024 or earlier** and mailed to:

**Eagle Dinner Speech Contest
509 East Daily Drive
Camarillo, CA 93010**

Hand-delivered entries must also be received in the Council Office by close of business **Thursday, February 15** (late entries will not be accepted). All entrants will be notified by **Tuesday, February 20** of the status of their entry. Scouts who are judged to have the best entries must be able to present their speeches in person at the Council Scout Center on **Saturday, February 24 at 9:00 am**.

For further information, contact George Kurata at (805) 796-1381 or george.kurata@icloud.com. Please use **Eagle Dinner Speech** as the subject of any e-mail inquiries.

*A committee of NESAscholarship members, high school instructors and other Ventura County adult Scout leaders. Decisions of the judges will be final. All submissions become the property of the Ventura County Council, BSA and will not be returned.