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FRANK TSURU Vice Chairman NESA President Greetings BSA Alumni & NESA Committee Members and Key Volunteers,

I continue to wish you a very happy and healthy new year. Today I wish to share with you some exciting details about a first-ever program coming to our association in 2022.

If you haven't already done so, **mark your calendars for June 12-18, 2022 to attend the inaugural National Gathering of Alumni (NGA) at the Philmont Training Center!** This week-long gathering is geared to welcome Scouting Alumni back to the campfire to rekindle the special Scouting Spirit within everyone who has been positively and personally impacted by Scouting. We want **YOU** to join this celebration at the NGA in 2022!

ENGAGE - CONNECT - EMPOWER

These words are our event program themes for our national call-to-action to attend this event. The week-long event is geared to build, or re-build, connections to Scouting through a variety of program options. Highlights for participants will include networking socials, panel discussions and roundtables, keynote addresses from national leaders, training courses on best practices, and special programs for our affiliate and affinity communities. While at PTC, our group will have full range to enjoy the adventures throughout Philmont such as sunrise hikes to Lover's Leap, treks to the Tooth of Time, tours of the National Scouting Museum and Villa Philmonte, the Kit Carson Museum, the Chase Ranch, Cimarron Canyon State Park, and so much more! Whether you've never been before, or haven't been in a long time, this is your opportunity to treasure and experience the adventures throughout Philmont Scout Ranch.

BSA Alumni National Committee Meeting:

This welcomes a unique opportunity to gather our entire national committee together enabling us to meet, mingle and fellowship among each other for those we've never met or those we haven't seen in so long due to outstanding events the past two years. During the conference, we will host a national committee meeting on **Monday** | **June 13, 2022** at 2:00-5:00 PM (Mountain Time). A virtual component will be available for those unable to attend NGA.

Registration:

Register TODAY! We're awaiting you to secure your spot at this exciting first-ever national event. Take a few minutes to visit the NGA website where you can register today and join the BSA Alumni Association for the inaugural National Gathering of Alumni! Check it out online here : <u>scoutingalumni.org/nga</u>. Mrs. Kay Trick (<u>ktrick@ptd.net</u>) is available to answer questions or concerns on registration.

Attendees will receive a special promotional patch once registered! Help us spread the word and secure your spot for the inaugural National Gathering of Alumni in 2022!

From Around the Campfire,

Ray Capp