

### TROOP 314 NEWS

### **June 2016 AD**

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BSA Troop 314 - Orange Frontier District Westminster, (Midway City) California

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### Scoutmaster's Corner



### **Life's Great Equalizer**

Begin by asking the following question:

What does Bill GATES and a homeless person have in common?

The Answer:

....24 hours in the day.

.....With all his money, he can't buy more. .....So use your time well, don't waste it. .....Once it's gone you can never have it back.

- Cyrus Bess, Scoutmaster Troop 314



#### Tower above the rest!



## Scout O Rama May 6<sup>th</sup> Setup and 7<sup>th</sup> Operation.

We arrived on Friday the 6<sup>th</sup> into a mushy field of grass with a light drizzle falling, to set up our Tower. Mr Marubayashi was already there with lan M. for at least a couple hours and had one side almost done. Since tower has about 160 lashings it took as ever, a lot of time to get it assembled, but we had a good turn out and had a good build – we managed to keep sides mirror images and pretty square all around. Every time is an adventure.

Saturday was very successful despite threating rain and plenty of mud from rain the night before. We ran a lot of cubs and Webelos up and down the tower and all survived intact. We had a lot of interest from Cub Scout packs, including a couple local to us in Garden Grove.

About 2 it started to rain and we had to shut down and try to untie very tight wet lashings, but were able to watch them try to unstick a fire truck that was stuck but good in the mud. It was very entertaining.









Got a little sunshine.

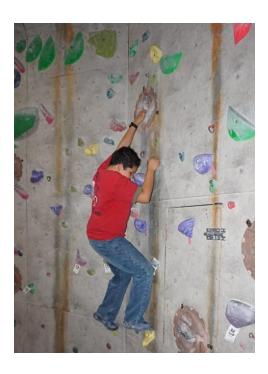
Sorry no pictures from the day of – pretty busy running the tower and talking with Scouters – maybe someone took pictures but did not get them.



### Climb at Hanger 18 on 31<sup>st</sup>

Three of Troop 314's families had fun at Hangar 18 last month

We started out with the usual belayed climbs, and also tried out the auto-belayers, then moved over to the bouldering area where no belayers are needed because of the thick crash pads (unless you go over about 8 feet, where they have fixed quick draws where you can clip in a rope).











### **Troop 314 High Adventure Team Summits Mount Baldy**

The T314 High Adventure Team had a long day on 22nd May- we hiked to the summit of Mt. Baldy (San Antonio).



Owen did it the day before.



















### **Other Troop Events In May:**

- Viet's Eagle Garage Sale. Sorry no pictures - phone with photos was destroyed by a malicious hack.
- Coming in July Newsletter: lan's Eagle COH





## Rank Advancement Changes

Please note that there have been several changes made to Rank Advancement requirements beginning 1/1/2016. Scouts who are still working on a rank that started in 2015 can still use the old requirements. However, Scouts who start working toward a new rank in 2016 are responsible to know and complete the revised requirements. Here is a link to the document explaining the changes:

http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/2016 BoyScoutRequirements\_8.14.2015.pdf

### Time now to register for 2017 National Jamboree.

National Scout **Jamboree** will be held from July 19 to July 28, **2017** 

If you weren't able to jet over to Japan for the World Scout Jamboree 2015 - you can still attend the 2017 National Scout Jamboree right here in the U.S.! Taking place at the Summit Bechtel Reserve from July 19 through July 28 in West Virginia, plans for the 2017 Jamboree are moving fast. Stay ahead of the curve by registering to attend as a participant or staff volunteer for the 2017 National Scout Jamboree today!

To learn more about the 2017 National Scout Jamboree and the Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve, please visit

www.bsajamboree.org

or <a href="https://summit.scouting.org">https://summit.scouting.org</a>.





### **Troop 314 Leadership**

- Senior Patrol Leader: Christian D.
- Assistant Senior Patrol Leader: Owen M.
- Blue Phoenix Patrol Leader: Ethan T.
- Blue Phoenix Asst. Patrol Leader:
- Autobots Patrol Leader: Michael M.
- Autobots Asst. Patrol Leader:
- Scribe: Rotating Postion
- Webmaster: Owen M.
- Troop Guide: Open
- Quartermaster: Mitchell L.
- Librarian: Mitchell L.
- OA Representative: Owen M.
- Chaplain's Aide:
- Historian:
- Den Chief Christian D'A.

#### **Patrol Advisors**



Patrol Advisors help the Patrol Leader guide the patrol and improve their leadership skills.

The patrol leader should check with their advisor to plan patrol meetings and activities. If possible, the advisor should be present at patrol breakouts during the meeting to help plans go smoothly, and to oversee menus and other scout planning events.

#### **Blue Phoenix Patrol**

Mr. M. / Mrs. Hight

#### **AUTOBOTS**

- Mr. Fieffer



### **Meeting Night Patrols**

Skill Patrol Leaders remember when you are planning the skills for the meeting, make sure different levels of Skills should be worked out, are appropriate to the theme, and that everyone is (and can be) involved. When possible - see if a competition or game & competition can be made out of your skills.

It's the patrol leader's responsibility to make sure they do. This means picking up the phone to confirm communication received and understood.

Email or text are OK, but are not a substitute for direct bi-directional **voice** communication – a confirmed Phone message - read back of the message to ensure understanding might be good idea too.

No one in the patrol should leave until everything is cleaned up and put away, or the patrol leader releases them. ASK YOUR PL or SPL BEFORE YOU LEAVE.

Dutch Oven Cooking is only done during specified meetings. For example, Hot dogs and cooking are usually done when we have Webelos visit.



"It's the spirit within, not the veneer without, that makes a man."

Lord **Baden Powell** 



### ATTENTION LIFE SCOUTS on the **ROAD TO EAGLE!**

If you are Life Scout, or Parents, if your Scout is at Life rank - here are some useful links with downloadable documents needed for Life to Eagle Rank Advancement:

http://www.ocbsa.org/lifetoeaglepacket/

http://www.ocbsa.org/advancement-documents/

....and please be aware that "Letters of recommendation" are to be sent to Orange Frontier Advancement Chair at his home address.

You can contact Mr. Hess at 714 828 0138 or hessc41@hotmail.com



### The Outdoor Code

As an American, I will do my best

Be clean in my outdoor manners.

Be careful with fire.

Be considerate in the outdoors.

and

Be conservation minded



TRUSTWORTHY

LOYAL

FRIENDLY

COURTEOUS

words to live by

### **Scout Oath**

On my honor, I will do my best To do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law;

To help other people at all times;

To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight.

### Personal Mess kits: Troop 314 is Camping Green!

Personal Mess kits are used on 99.889 % of Troop campouts – If in doubt, buy one and bring yours!



# The Troop can help you do something you always wanted to do!

Scouts – You have the Power to make some serious fun happen!

Just talk to Activities Chair or Scoutmaster or your SPL to get the ball rolling on one of these great activities, and while you are at it - step up to be Scout in Charge. The Troop Committee will hook you up with the adults and resources to make it happen!

### Activities are only limited by your imagination:

Archery

Deep Sea Fishing - boat Trip

Ocean fishing – Pier trip / Surf fishing.

Beach party / Annual Homework Burn

Bonfire (June)

**Bowling** 

Go Cart Racing (Family)

**Hiking Trips** 

Backpacking - Hike in and out.

Camp in wilderness.

Snow Day - Grassy Hollow Visitors

Center – Out of Wrightwood.

Ski / Snowboard Trip

Laser Tag (Family)

Air Soft Games (Family)

Paint Ball / Airsoft (Family)

**Shooting Range** 

**BLM land / Calico Ghost Town - Desert** 

**Shoot –** Rifles / Pistols (Family event)

Rock climbing - Indoor walls or natural

climbs work - we have BSA Climb

Instructors and our own climb gear!

Attend a Baseball Game

Gold Prospecting / Gold Camp

Swim - Pool / Ocean Laguna Beach Trip

Scuba Instruction

**Snorkeling / Beach Trip** 

White water rafting

**Canoe River Trip** 

**Annual Mistletoe Trip** 

**Annual Homework Burn!** 

Usually June at Bolsa Chica State beach

Kayaking

Picnic / BBQ







### Order of the Arrow Wiatava Lodge (#39) Santee Chapter News



14<sup>th</sup> Regular Troop 314 Meeting American Legion Post 555 Starting at 6:30PM Elections tonight and it is Flag Day!

OA Santee Chapter Meeting - Chapter Meetings are held on every 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00pm at Holy Cross Lutheran Church



http://www.ocbsa.org/resources/order-of-the-arrow/

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# Get Your Calendars and mark these dates!

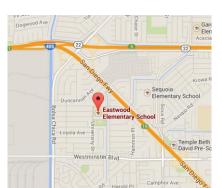
# T314 EVENTS FOR June 2016:

7<sup>th</sup> Patrol Leadership Council

9<sup>th</sup> No Exec. Meeting.

**Orange Frontier District Scouters'** 

Roundtable 7 PM at LDS Church 4000 Orange Ave., Anaheim (2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month)





**18th Railroading Merit Badge** day at Knotts Berry Farm

### 21<sup>st</sup> Court of Honor and Potluck dinner American Legion Post 555 Starting at 6:30PM

- New officer Installations
- Owen M. Master of Ceremonies
- Need Scouts in at 6:15 for dinner setup!



### 23rd OA Meeting

28<sup>th</sup> Meeting is a Sports day at Bolsa Chica Park next to Eastwood elementary School Starting at 6:30PM

# As ever, any Cub Scouts and Parents are welcome to attend any meeting night as our guests!

### **Troop 314 Meeting Notes**

- Executive Committee Meeting is usually now on the Wednesday Following JLC.
   Still starts at 7 PM.
- First meeting Month is now time for Committee Chair Parents Meeting.
- The Second Tuesday is usual time for Scoutmaster Conferences.
- The Third Tuesday meeting includes Board of Reviews for Rank Advancement when not a COH.
- Fourth Tuesday could be for Patrol meetings if you are able to get the Scoutmaster to come early or close late.
- No meetings are usually held on 5<sup>th</sup>
  Tuesday. These are saved for Fundraisers
  e.g.: Dinners.

**Court of Honor is** held 4 times a year, every three months – usually the last Scout meeting of month (except December).

In **March** and **September COH** Scouts are honored for their rank advancements with a candle lighting ceremony and parents are given pins. This tends to be a long ceremony, so no dinners.

In **June** and **December**, **our COH** does not have candles and rank advancement pins for parents, but we add a potluck dinner in June – (Optional potluck in Dec.).

### **UPCOMING EVENTS!**



July 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Patrol Leaders Council at 18:30 hours at American Legion Post 555

July 7<sup>th</sup> THURSDAY Exec Council Meeting at Post 555

July 25<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> Volunteer opportunities at Cub Scout Evening camp in Los Alamitos.

July High Adventure Mountain Climb! Contact Mr. M for details

**August Summer Camp** 

**August American Legion Camporee** 



#### **TROOP 314 WEBSITE URL is:**

www.troop314ocbsa.scoutlander.com

Boy Scout Troop 314 (Midway City, California) Homepage www.troop314ocbsa.scoutlander.com/ >

You have found the home page of. **Troop 314** of. Midway City, California. Sponsored by. American Legion Albert E. Schwab Post 555. 14582 Beach Blvd.



### **Tour and Activity Plans – Online**

Council will no longer readily accept emailed, faxed or walked in Tour and Activity Plans. They want them on line. Sign into <a href="MyScouting.org">MyScouting.org</a>.

Online, you no longer have to collect signatures. Complete the plan and certify that any missing requirements will be completed before the trip begins. When you submit, an email will be sent to your council, chartered organization, committee chair, and designated emergency contact.





### Hall Use at American Legion Post 555

If you would like to have an event at the Post – from a training day, a car wash or an Eagle Court of Honor, please e-mail Mrs. Daly early at dalyracing@verizon.net to confirm the hall is available and to make reservations.

Mrs. Daly is our troop Chartered Organization Rep. She is also a member of the Women's Auxiliary of Post 555. Her phone is (714) 785-0314 for any follow up that is needed.





### Chaplain's Aide's Wisdom of the month:



A Scout is thrifty.

Go to the ant, you sluggard; consider its ways and be wise! It has no commander, no overseer or ruler, yet it stores its provisions in summer and gathers its food at harvest. – Proverbs 6:6-8







### **Newport Sea Base**



Summer Camp at Newport Sea Base:

- · Learn a new skill!
- Have FUN!
- · Earn badges!
- Scouts and non-Scouts welcome!



For complete program information and to sign up for classes, please refer to our homepage: www.newportseabase.org

### Long Beach Sea Base

Since 2000, the Sea Base has been home to the Aquatics Day Camp. Offering over 42 merit badges, the Aquatics Camp is a high-energy day camp for Scouts ages 10-17.

7 wks of camp - June 27th to August 19th

#### **Long Beach Sea Base Aquatics Center**

5875 Appian Way Long Beach, Ca 90803 (562) 431-5309

http://www.longbeachbsa.org/SeaBase/Camp

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Call us, we'd like to help! 562-344-1589

### "Never do for a boy what a boy can do for himself." - Lord Baden Powell

# TROOP 314: TOWER ABOVE THE REST!

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