

#### TROOP 314 NEWS

## September 2013 AD Edition

BSA Troop 314 / Orange Frontier District Westminster California

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Fall is coming on Fast!!!

Scouts Zombie Merit Badge!

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#### Scoutmaster's Corner

Scouting in the public eye

Last month, on the way to, and also on the way from, the American Legion Camporee, we stopped at a fast food restaurant to eat a meal. Both times, I had a subtle, almost insign experience that I have had many

times, I had a subtle, almost insignificant experience that I have had many times before when appearing in such a public place in my Scout uniform. I had someone smile at me and show me just a little extra friendliness above what I normally expect of people in public. It was almost as if we, total strangers, had something in common.

The only way I could explain it was by the uniform.

When people see us in our uniforms, they know instantly something about us. We are Scouts, or Scout leaders, and as such, we hold ourselves to a higher standard of conduct, integrity, and selflessness than the average non-scout. In general, you (Scouts) have to be somewhat cautious around strange adults, because we've heard so much about the dangerous people in the world these days. We sometimes call that "stranger danger" to young children.

But when someone sees an adult in a Boy Scout uniform, especially if they are surrounded by youth in uniform, it's different.

They feel they know something about that person, and they therefore are more relaxed.

Now, I'm not completely naive, I know what you're thinking - "Hey Mr. M, they are probably secretly laughing at you! You're like big adult in a boy's uniform." Well, you may be right - some of the time. But most of the time, I think the other person has kids, and is appreciative of what we adult Scouters are doing for Scouts. And I think they also recognize that it takes a certain amount of self-confidence to appear in a Scout uniform in McDonald's or Vons. And I appreciate their recognition. Not once have I had anyone make any disparaging remarks.

So think about that when you are traveling "in full Class-A". The public sees you, they know something about you, and they LIKE it.

It represents something that is GOOD about our society, when there are so many things to complain about.

Yours in Scouting, Richard Marubayashi Scoutmaster, Troop 314



#### American Legion Camporee 16th to 18th Rancho Alegre, Santa Barbara California



Mr. and Mrs. Hight, our Cook-in-Chiefs for the weekend.



The scouts are settling into camp, setting up tents.





Eating breakfast.



Our official troop photo for the event (Mr. Hallman and Mr. Hight were not in the picture).



Dirt Check. Yup plenty of it.



Our Scouts participating on different camp events.



Rope - with Mr. M as judge



Moving fast. Pioneering – Constructing and running some sort of historical transportation device



Not sure what is going on here!



Pancake tosses - with Mrs. Hight as judge



Archery

#### **HEROES**

Many days will stand out in our lives But not all we wish to recall like the day when terror entered And made the towers fall

We watched as heroes entered most never came back home they saved many others lives without a thought for their own

They rushed into hell's inferno knowing full well what they'd face and sacrificed their own lives So others could flee that place



Those people who were lucky enough To escape death's door that day Should never forget the heroes that died So they may live today

So when you say your prayers tonight And thank God for his love and bread Remember those heroes who rushed in Where angels feared to tread

By William A Predeau



Wiatava Lodge (#39) – Santee Chapter News
Announcement To
Wiatava Brothers

Schedule:

September 6-8: Pow-Wow, Team

Sports- Water Polo, Ultimate Frisbee, Lodgeball, Lighting, and Volleyball. Make sure to bring spending money!

September 14th: Need about 20 or more volunteers to reorganize the storage unit.

October 11-13: Conclave

November 21: Chapter Banquet January 4th: Lodge Banquet

Long T., Troop OA Representative

#### Troop 314 Scribe – Junior Leadership Committee (JLC) Minutes Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> 2013 AD.



Leaders in attendance:

Jon F., Martin L., Steven M., Andrew M., Ian M., Owen M., Michael M., Danny S., Long T., Mr. Hilton, Mr. Fieffer, Mrs. Hight, Mrs. Lee, Mr. Gray, Mrs. Martel, Mr. Marubayashi, Mr. Pearson, Mr. Shields and Mr. Tran.

#### Events:

The theme of the month of September is Hobbies for the skill and game.

September 6th- Scouts are needed for washing dishes and cleaning up at the Post. This will be a great way to earn service hours.

September 7th- Cooking day for Cooking MB from 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. It will be at Peak Park, Buena Park, CA.

September 10th - Scorpions - Set up/opening Poltergeist - Skill Bull Sharks - Game Scoutmaster Conference Pushcart Race — The date and location TBD

September 14th – Movie Night at Featherly Park off of the 91 FWY.

September 17th - Bull Sharks- Set up/opening Scorpions - Skill Poltergeist - Game Board of Review

September 21st - Beach Clean up from 8 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at Bolsa Chica Wetlands. (Mrs. Martel is the coordinator for beach cleanup)

Popcorn pickup - Mrs. Lee is the coordinator of popcorn fundraiser.

September 22nd – Store front sale for popcorn.

September 24th - Poltergeist - Set up COH- Candle Lighting Appetizers and desserts served.

September 27th- 29th- Joshua Tree Rock Climbing campout.

September 28th- Brandon Hight's Eagle project garage sale.

October 5th- 6th - Popcorn sales at Vons on Saturday morning and Sunday from 1p.m. to 5 p.m. or 6 p.m.

Oct 11, 12 and 13th ROCtober Rocket Launch Lucerne Dry Lake Bed.

October 16th – Alzheimer's event "Walk for Alzheimer's" at Angel Stadium, Huntington Beach. We will be able to walk.

October 18th-20th- Webelos Weekend/Woods

October 29th- Halloween recruitment

Long T., Troop Scribe









#### The Historian's Report

# A record of BSA Troop 314 activities for the month of August 2013:

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5th - Executive Meeting

6th - JLC

8th – BSA Roundtable

10th - Skill Day for ALC

13th - Troop Meeting

16th-18th - American Legion Camp-o-ree

20th - Troop Meeting: Cooking MB

& Justin Z. Eagle Scout Presentation

24th – Eden B. Eagle Scout

Court of Honor!

24th - Popcorn Kick Off

25th - Troop Budget Meeting

27th - Troop Meeting



- Troop Historian, Danny S.

#### **Troop Responsibilities**

It takes a lot to keep a troop running smoothly and we appreciate all of our volunteers and the many hours they contribute to keeping a quality scouting program. We still have a few positions that need to be filled. These are short term commitments. Please sign up for one of these activities, especially if you don't have any troop responsibilities right now. They are organizing the December and March Court of Honor (you can choose to do one or both), Scout-a-rama book sales, Scout-a-rama booth, and being in charge of summer camp 2014. Let me know if you can do your part by helping the troop. Thank you!

Julie Shields, Troop Secretary



#### **Troop 314 Leadership 2013**

Senior Patrol Leader: Steven M.

Assistant Senior Patrol Leader: Alex B.

• Blue Phoenix (RTFC) Patrol Leader Martin L.

• Scorpion (Mid-Young) Patrol Leader: Michael M.

Bull Sharks (Mid-Old) Patrol Leader: Andrew M.

Poltergiest (Venturer) Patrol Leader: Ian M.

• Scribe: Long T.

Quartermaster: Owen M.
Troop Guide: *OPEN*Chaplain's Aide: Erick Vick

Historian: Danny S.
Den Chief: *OPEN*Librarian: Jon F.

OA Representative: Ian M.Troop Bugler: Andrew M.

#### **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.

Road To First Class (RTFC)
Blue Phoenix Patrol – Mrs. Hight



Scorpions - Don Hallman

Bull Sharks - Mr. Feiffer

Poltergeist - Open



#### **Meeting Night Patrols**

Skill Patrol Leaders remember when you are planning the skills for the meeting, make sure that two levels of Skills should be worked out and that they are appropriate to the Troop Program Features Theme. It is best that everyone is (and can be) involved. When possible – see if a competition or

The patrol that has flag ceremony /setup / cleanup should show up by 6:45pm (earlier if it's a court of honor). It's the patrol leader's responsibility to make sure they do. **This means picking up the phone to confirm**.

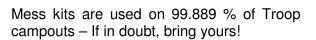
game & competition can be made out of your skills.

Email or text are OK, but are not a substitute for direct bi-directional voice communication – a confirmed message transmission.

No one in the patrol should leave until everything is cleaned up and put away, or the patrol leader releases them.

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

#### **Camping Green**





# Mark Your Calendars!

# TROOP EVENTS PLANNNED FOR SEPTEMBER 2013 AD:

#### **Troop Program Feature Themes:**

- "Cooking" Finish up the Cooking Merit Badge.
- "Hobbies" Likely to go through end of year – Building Pushcarts by patrol and racing them...

#### 2nd No Executive Council Meeting

3rd Junior Leadership Council (JLC) meeting at Post 555, 6:30 PM

**6**<sup>Th</sup> Support AL Post Dinner

7<sup>th</sup> Cooking Merit Badge Day at Peak Park in Buena Park

10<sup>th</sup> Troop 314 Meeting American Legion Post 555 at 19:00 Troop Program Feature is Pushcarts

- Flag & Setup Scorpions
- Skill "Push Cart Plan/Design -Poltergiest
- Game Bull Sharks

September 11<sup>th</sup>
Patriot Day



**We Will Never Forget** 

12<sup>th</sup> BSA Orange
Frontier District
Roundtable
LDS Church 4000 Orange Ave., Anaheim (2nd Thursday of each month)

14th Troop 314
Annual MOVIE NIGHT CAMP -

At Canyon RV (Formerly Featherly Park). They have a Pool (not sure about Zipline). Mr. Tran is planning a bike trip for those who need it for camping merit badge.

17<sup>th</sup> Troop 314 Meeting American Legion Post 555 at 19:00

- Flag & Setup Bull Sharks
- Skills Cart Design / Building Scorpions
- Game Poltergeist

21st & 22nd Saturday / Sunday Popcorn Pickup and Sales

21<sup>st</sup> Leatherworking Merit Badge at Anaheim Scout Shop AM/PM

21<sup>st</sup> AM "Beach" Cleanup at Bolsa Chica Wetlands at 8 AM.
Being coordinated by Mrs. Martel.

24<sup>th</sup> Troop 314 Court of Honor



American Legion Post 555 at 18:30

- Flag & Setup Poltergeist
- Alex B. & Jon F. are Masters of Ceremony.
- Appetizers, Dessert and Drinks

25<sup>th</sup> Wed. Annual Council Climbing Committee meeting 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. @ Orange County Council Headquarters. Open to any OCC Scouter.

27, 28 and 29th JOSHUA TREE TROOP 314 Rock Climbing Camp!

#### 28<sup>th</sup> Tentative date for Brandon H's Eagle project GARAGE SALE

#### **Troop 314 Meeting Notes:**

The Second Tuesday is Scoutmaster Conferences, the Third Tuesday meeting includes Board of reviews, Fourth Tuesday Meeting of Month is usually Parents Meeting and no meetings are usually held on 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday – these are usually fundraisers.

Court of Honors are held 4 times a year every three months – usually the last Scout meeting of month (except December). In March and September Scouts are honored for their rank advancements with a candle lighting ceremony and parents are given pins. In June and December, our COH do not have candles and pins, but we add a potluck dinner!





# UPCOMING FALL EVENTS!

4<sup>th</sup> Troop Supports Friday Dinner at American Legion Post 555

At the September JLC meeting, we agreed that each patrol would provide ONE scout each month to appear at the Post on the First Friday of every month (with some exceptions) to wash dishes and provide general assistance at the Womens Auxiliary Dinner. We need to be reliable in this duty, as A SCOUT IS TRUSTWORTHY AND HELPFUL.

October 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Popcorn Sales

Oct 11-13 REAL Rocket launches at Lucerne Dry Lake bed!

Troop 1999 has asked if we would like to join them at "ROCtober" at Lucerne Dry Lake

On top of nonstop rocketry, Their SM will be conducting a class on the Astronomy merit badge.

The ROC group at Lucerne hosts Scouting troops and other youth organizations every month for REAL rocket launching. If you haven't gone to this event before they allow Boy Scouts to take and launch rockets with up to G-class motors (and those are pretty big). They do night launches with rockets that burn bright colors. Someone also launched an N-class rocket that was 20 foot long and six inches in diameter that had a rope of Christmas lights wound around it at night.

October 18,19 &20 Webelos Woods

October 26<sup>th</sup> (Saturday) Justin Z. – Tentative Eagle Project date. 29th Halloween Recruitment Night

Wings Wheels and Rotors coming October 27<sup>th</sup> Los Alamitos Joint Forces Base http://www.wwrexpo.net/





Jonathan F. 10<sup>th</sup> 14 Years old

Andrew M. 12<sup>th</sup> 15 Years old

Happy Birthday, Scouts!







#### **Popcorn & Troop Fundraising**

How many of you have had to consider the cost of a troop event before deciding whether to sign up or not? Summer camp comes to mind, of course, but this would also include Camporee and Webelos Woods, events which have fees attached. And of course we always have to pay for food and gas.

And how about a winter snow event -- a ski day or a Klondike Derby? Well, a strong fundraising program would eliminate this concern. Scouting provides the popcorn program as your opportunity to earn the funds needed for our troop program. If we really did it right, no one would have to pay out of pocket for our events!

Some troops really "go to town" on this fundraising, and as a result they have summer camp in such exotic locales as HAWAII! Or imagine a troop trip to Alaska! Or Florida! Or PHILMONT! The possibilities are only limited by your willingness to work for the funds.





#### **SCOUT LEADER REQUIREMENTS:**

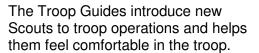
#### "Keeping you informed"

#### **Keeping You Informed**

Again this month we are highlighting one Scout Troop Leadership position in "What Does A \_\_\_\_\_ Do?" series, so that we can all be aware what is expected of scout in leadership, and help them to succeed by assisting and encouraging.

#### **Troop Guide**

Job Description:





Reports to: The Assistant Scoutmaster of the New Scout Patrol

Rank: 1st Class

Troop Guide duties:

- Show up to meeting 15 minutes before meeting starts
- Help new Scouts earn advancement requirements through First Class.
- Advise patrol leader on his duties and responsibilities at Junior Leaders' Council (JLC) meetings.
- Attend Junior Leaders Council (JLC) meetings with the New Scout Patrol Leader.
- Prevent harassment of new Scouts by older Scouts.
- Help Assistant Scoutmaster train new Scouts by older Scouts.
- Guide new Scouts through early troop experiences to help them become comfortable in the troop and the outdoors.
- Teach basic Scout skills.
- Have good attendance at Troop meeting.
- Attends at least 2/3 of each event type during his service period.
- Set a good example.
- Enthusiastically wear the Scout Uniform correctly.
- Live by the Scout Oath and Law.
- Show Scout spirit.

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

Psalm 62:5

Yes, my soul, find rest in God; my hope comes from him. Truly he is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will not be shaken.



### Scout Trail Cooking Recipe of the Month:

Bangers n' Mash, also known as sausages and mash, is a traditional British dish made of mashed potatoes and sausages

#### Ingredients

1	Tsb	dried onions
1	pkt	brown gravy mix
1	Tsb	vegetable oil (1 packet)
5	OZ	Vienna sausages (one can)
1 1/3	cup	instant mashed potatoes
2	Tsb	dry milk
2	Tsb	butter powder
4 1/4	cup	water
1	pkt	freeze-dried peas

#### Notes

Find the freeze-dried peas here: <a href="http://www.rei.com/product/510148">http://www.rei.com/product/510148</a>
Butter powder can be bought online:

http://www.frontiercoop.com/products.php?ct=dfmbc&
cn=Butter+Powder

Instructions

#### At home:

Pack the onions in a snack size zip top bag, tuck the gravy packet, oil packets and Vienna sausages with it. Put the potatoes, dry milk and butter powder in a quart freezer bag. Add the pea packet along with it.

#### In camp:

Add the 2 Tablespoons of water to the onion, let set aside for 15 minutes (you can use warm water to speed it up). Bring 3 cups water to a boil, add 1 cup to the pea package, seal tightly. Add 2 cups to the potato bag, stirring well. Seal tightly and put the potatoes and the peas into a cozy to keep warm.

In the pan add the oil and heat over a medium flame. Drain the sausages and add in, shaking to brown evenly. Add in the onions just after the sausages and cook till all is browned.

Shake in the gravy powder and 1 cup cold water. Stir till bubbling and thickened (it takes about 30 seconds to a minute).

Take off the stove, plate up the potatoes and divide the gravy and sausages. Drain off any remaining water in the peas and then divide.

Courtesy of Sarah

http://www.trailcooking.com/recipes/bangers-n-mash



#### FAST "Tour And Activity" (TAP) PERMITS AVAILABLE ON LINE! Go to:

https://myscouting.scouting.org/



#### The Buddy System

The buddy system is an important part of Scouting that provides safety and support for the Scouts. The policy of the Boy Scouts of America is for boys to be active but in groups of no smaller than two!



#### **BSA Climbing Resources**

https://sites.google.com/site/bsaclimbinstclass/materials



#### Orange Frontier Senior District Executive:

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JOKES, JOKES, JOKES





#### Regular Jokes:

**Q:** What do you call a pachyderm that doesn't matter anymore?

A: An irrelephant.

Q: Did you hear about corduroy pillows?

A: They're making headlines!

**Q:** How many therapists does it take to change a light bulb?

**A:** Only one, but the light bulb has to want to change.

#### **CHUCK NORRIS JOKES:**

When Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone, he had 3 missed calls from Chuck Norris.

The fear of spiders is arachnophobia, the fear of small spaces is claustrophobia, and the fear of Chuck Norris is Logic.

Chuck Norris and Superman once had a bet; the loser would have to wear his underwear outside of his pants.

The NSA beams episodes of Walker, Texas Ranger into space as a warning to aliens what would happen if they would try to invade Earth.

#### **The Outdoor Code**

As an American, I will do my best to -

Be clean in my outdoor manners Be careful with fire Be considerate in the outdoors, and Be conservation minded.

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

- Robert Baden-Powell



# TROOP 314 - TOWER ABOVE THE REST!



