



TROOP 314 NEWS

August 2017 AD

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

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Reporting Events Completed by Troop 314 in July:

- **July 8th Homework Burn @
Bolsa Chica State Beach**
- **July 9th Service – Clean Up @
Bolsa Chica wetlands**
- **Week of July 24th Cub Scout
Twilight Camp**
- **July 30th Tahquitz Summer
Camp starts.**

Service @ Bolsa Chica Wetlands

The Troop participated in a clean up at the Bolsa Chica Wetlands in July. Despite the excessive temperatures that weekend we had several Scouts, Scouters and family members show up to remove invasive plant life from the area!

(Mr. Tran took photos)

Scouts attended: Owen, Martin, Mitchell Long, Viet, Scouters: Richard, Sandra Vu, and Mrs. Dacayanan.

Word from the Committee Chair

Recruitment

I participated in the OCC Fall Recruitment training this month. While the main focus was on recruitment strategies for Cub Scout Packs, there were a lot of ideas that the Troop can implement to supplement our recruitment and retention plan, like holding a *Sign Up Night* at the local Middle School.

Coming Events:

**This weekend 12-August
Sunday 8AM Jon's Eagle
Project @ 5711 Santa Catalina
Ave, Garden Grove CA. Lunch
and refreshments will be
served.**



Pack 314, also chartered by Post 555, did not recharter in 2017. I have pledged our Troop to support efforts to revitalize the Pack, and I will need help in this endeavor from Scouts and Adults.

This will be beneficial for young boys in the area who want to be in Cub Scouts. It also provides an excellent opportunity for T314 to develop a strong supportive relationship with the Pack that will allow the smooth transition from Pack to Troop with Boy Scouts the Cubs already know.

Planning

It's that time of year again! Time to pull out your calendars and get ready to develop the Troop's Annual Plan for 2017-2018.

What are we planning? Fun events like monthly camp outs and activity days. Service projects that support P555 and our community. Outreach and recruitment activities like last year's Castaway Camp, as well as Council sponsored events like Camperall.

How can you participate?
Please share ideas with members of the PLC. Also, be ready to step up to be Scout or Adult in Charge of a camp or activity!



- YIS, Sandra Knighton, Committee Chair

Contact Information Link

Please update your contact information as needed.

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ALgJqX-ijwYHBrTZ8xf7AuGKqIJv6FxyLLXZP3NjuVFk/edit?usp=sharing>

Activities Sign Up Link

Please use this shared document to sign up for upcoming activities.

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/176b23wuQdDTa2E1A_38lzlnT7WvTg0HjSre9dla1e8/edit?usp=sharing

Troop Calendar Link

Use this link to see the Troop calendar.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Lls71fa5hxe2p_aPHrVYN13xQsnYCEsTVVDbOwvurMVo/edit?usp=sharing

New Rank Advancement requirements Link.

Here is a link to the document explaining the changes:

http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/2016BoyScoutRequirements_8.14.2015.pdf

Scout in Charge/Scout Leader Planning Sheet

This is the link to the planning document.

http://troopleader.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/512-505_16_Wksht_WEB.pdf

Please plan to use it when you are the assigned Scout in Charge of an Activity.

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.

Orange Frontier District Website Link

<http://orangefrontier.ocbsa.org/>



Troop 314 Leadership

- Senior Patrol Leader: Martin L.
- Assistant Senior Patrol Leader: Mitchell L.
- Scribe: Timothy D.
- Chaplain's Aid – Diego M.



Get Your Calendars and mark these dates!

T314 EVENTS FOR August 2017

Theme: Engineering

8th Regular Troop 314 Meeting
American Legion Post 555
Starting at 6:30PM

10th Orange Frontier District
Scouters' Roundtable
7 PM at LDS Church 4000
Orange Ave., Anaheim (2nd
Thursday each month)



15th Regular Troop 314 Meeting
American Legion Post 555
Starting at 6:30PM

22nd Regular Troop 314 Meeting
American Legion Post 555
Starting at 6:30PM

29th - fifth Tuesday of month.

Troop 314 Meeting Notes

- First meeting of Month is 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 5th Tuesday. These are saved for Fundraisers, or special meetings at interesting locations.

Court of Honor is held 4 times a year, every 3 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.

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.).



OCBSA Dedicated Climbing Website

The Orange County Council Climbing Team has created a NEW website to keep everyone informed about training opportunities, climbing events, help needed, etc.

The website can be found under the 'Camping' tab of the Orange County Council website: www.ocbsa.org/

OR <http://climbing.ocbsa.org/>

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 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



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

Beach party / Annual Homework Burn

Bonfire (June)

Bowling

Go Cart Racing (Family)

Hiking Trips

Backpacking - Hike in and out.

Camp in wilderness.

Snow Day.

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

OA Santee Chapter Meeting 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/>

New Advancement & Blue Card Procedures

The Scout Shop will not be collecting Merit Badge Blue Cards to sell Merit Badges. The MB Blue Card tears into three parts. One part is to remain with the applicant, one part is to remain with the counselor, and one part is to remain with the unit.

The only item needed to present at the Scout Shop to purchase Merit Badges and Rank Advancement is a printed and completed copy of the **unit advancement report**, as we are doing now.

The Scout Shop will no longer require that a copy of the advancement report be turned in. A unit will now only need to present one copy of the Internet Advancement Report to purchase rank and Merit Badge Advancements for verification. Once the Scout Shop has reviewed the report, it will be returned back to the unit.

Eagle Scout Advancement reports will still need to be turned in to the registration department for processing, until such time as the online system can accommodate Eagle Scout advancements in the same way other advancements are accommodated.



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 Steve Scukanec to confirm the hall is available and to make reservations. scukanecbsa@hotmail.com

Steve Scukanec is our troop Chartered Organization Representative.

“Good judgment comes from experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment.”

– Will Rogers

Chaplain's Wisdom of the month:

Proverbs 22:6

Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it.



JOKES JOKES JOKES

Regular Jokes

Q: Why did the scout want to start a lawn care service?

A: He wanted to rake in some cash!

Q: In what language does a billboard speak?

A: Sign Language

Q: What's a vampire's favorite holiday?

A: Fangs-Giving!

“Never do for a boy what a boy can do for himself.” - Lord Baden Powell

TROOP 314: TOWER ABOVE THE REST!

To get a copy of the most current Newsletter or for more information about Troop 314
send me a note at T314news@live.com -Thanks, Mr. Pearson

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