



# TROOP 314 NEWS

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<http://www.troop314ocbsa.scoutlander.com>

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

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## Scoutmaster's Corner

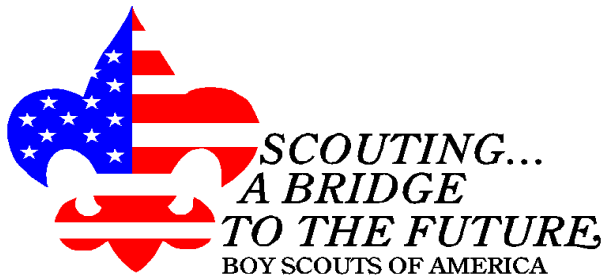
### "TRUSTWORTHY"

As Scouts and Scouters we must be relied on as honest or truthful, reliable, dependable, honest, honorable, upright, principled, true, truthful, as good as one's word, ethical, virtuous, incorruptible and unimpeachable.



***T-314 Tower above the rest!***

***Cyrus Bess, Scoutmaster Troop 314***



## SPL's Corner

Hello fellow Scouts.



This is your Senior Patrol Leader, Viet T. This month, we be full of fun, even with studying and doing homework. To that end, on October 27<sup>th</sup>, we will be hosting a Halloween Party with several Cub Scout Packs attending - including 314.

For this Halloween party, we will think up and put together all sorts of games that the Cub Scouts can enjoy, and also, we Boy Scouts will have fun too, as everyone can earn candy and spend time with their friends.

In conclusion, make sure to wear an interesting Halloween costume, and set a good example to the Cub Scouts of how to participate with Scout Spirit and have a good time.

***Thank you, Your SPL, Viet T.***



# Bolsa Chica Wetlands Sevice Project for September

This was a wonderful Sunday morning of a weed pulling safari - involving a lot of bending over to try and pull out tough, dry, and exotic sounding invasive species from the margins of the wetland.

*Salsola tragus* aka Russian-thistle, *Raphanus sativus* – Wild radish, and Australian saltbush seemed to be our targets, along with piles of dry grass.



Yes, it was hot, dry and dusty fun.



## Popcorn Fundraising Kickoff

– Thanks to Mrs Hight our Scouts got to do some taste testing of the product.



## Robert and Noel's Eagle Court of Honor

A big thank you all the Scouts, friends and family who came to make this such great day.

Very special thanks to the Scoutmasters present and past – Mr. Bess, Mr. Marubayashi and Mr. Wantz, who officiated at this Eagle Court of Honor, and brought years of Scouting to life for the audience.

As ever, we thank American Legion Post 555 who make our Troop possible, with their generous contribution of time, money and facilities.

It was a quite memorable event.



Mr. Marubayashi, Master of Ceremonies







Trail to Eagle with Mr. Wantz



Moms put Eagle necktie on their Scouts.



The Eagle Charge by Scoutmaster Bess



Getting there.



Almost done.







Eagle Mentor is recognized.



New Eagles, congratulations!



Nice crowd of friends, family and Scouts



Andy Timko recognizes our Eagles with Good Citizenship awards from American Legion Post 555.



Eagle Speaks.





Noel and Scouting memories.



9 years of Scouting in uniforms & patches



....& Food.



## September Court of Honor

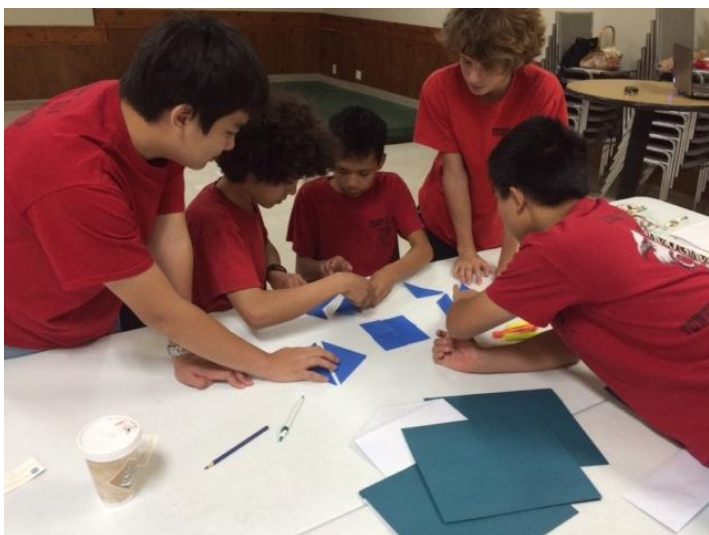
This COH we had Ethan obtain Scout Rank, and Mitchell received his Tenderfoot. Owen reached Life Rank.

Some 35 Merit Badges were earned since the last Court of Honor. Nice work Scouts.



# Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops (ILST)

Special thanks to Sandra Knighton for being the parent in charge and for utilizing her leadership training expertise at this event.



<u>Good Leader</u>	<u>Servant Leadership</u>	<u>Not So Good Leader</u>
* Ask for Feedback + Using it for everyone's benefit		* Control Freak
* Confidence		* Not Caring
* Be Prepared/Ready		* Ignoring Feedback
* Give Advice/Feedback		* Excluding People.
* Delegate so everyone helps		* Self-Centered
* Being accountable		* Irresponsible
* Setting a Good Example		* Unaccountable/Unreliable
* Patient + Helpful		* Whines
		* Yelling At







## Camperall Report

On the weekend of October 2-4, four intrepid scouts represented Troop 314 at the annual Orange Frontier District Camporall (previously known as Webelos Woods).

This event's purpose is to provide an opportunity for Webelos Scouts (soon to be Boy Scouts) to meet and interact with Boy Scouts, and learn something about what Boy Scouting holds in store for them.

It is also an opportunity for Troops to show off their particular talents and hopefully attract Webelos to their units.



Our assigned topic was "Nature". Christian, Martin, Michael, and Owen did a great job presenting the Cubs with an enthusiastic talk about our local animals and plants.







The Cubs learned about hawks, vultures, possums, coyotes, skunks, and other critters, as well as Poison Oak. The Cubs enjoyed Christian's animated demonstration of what happens when you disturb a skunk, and his story of an encounter with coyotes at summer camp.

The boys also built an impressive camp entrance, designed by Owen, out of lodgepoles and ropes; this structure drew many admiring comments from adults and youth alike.



I would like to thank Christian, Martin, Owen, and Michael for coming out and doing such a great job representing our troop and helping the Webelos. You did us proud!

- ***Richard Marubayashi, Assistant Scoutmaster***



## New Scouting Website:

<http://scoutingwire.org/>

## Attention Scouts 18-21 years old!

There is a new position in Scouting – The “**College Scouter Reserve**”. This is essentially the same job as Assistant Scoutmaster without the additional required training. Please consider staying on as an adult and mentoring the scouts.

If you are interested in being an Assistant Scoutmaster you may also apply at 18. To be an Assistant Scoutmaster, you must take the following trainings: Youth Protection Training, Scoutmaster Specific Training, This is Scouting, and Introduction to Outdoor Leadership.

Also, you only have to be 18 years old to be a merit badge counselor. YPT certificate is also needed.



# Troop 314 Scribe – JLC Meeting

JLC: October 6, 2015

Theme: Theater

10th-11th- Popcorn Sales

20th- Turn in Order in for Popcorn

24th- Oso Lake with Cub Scouts (only one day)

26<sup>th</sup> Set up for Halloween Party on Monday

27th- Halloween Party (6:45p.m.- 8:00p.m.)

November 2015 Theme: Theater

7th- Hollywood Hike

7th- Scouting for Food

15th- Popcorn Drop Off

December 2015 Theme: Theater

5th-6th- Game Night

12th – Mistletoe Picking

15th- COH (Court of Honor)  
Secret Santa

*Long T., Troop Scribe*



# Time now to get registered to attend The 2017 National Jamboree!

IF YOU WANT TO GO -  
**NOW** IS THE TIME TO REGISTER...

**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](http://www.bsajamboree.org)


or <https://summit.scouting.org>.





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



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/>



## Troop 314 Leadership

- Senior Patrol Leader: Viet T.
- Assistant Senior Patrol Leader: Martin L.
- Blue Phoenix Patrol Leader:
- Blue Phoenix Asst. Patrol Leader:
- Autobots Patrol Leader: Michael M.
- Autobots Asst. Patrol Leader: Robert P.
- Scribe: Long T.
- Webmaster – Open.
- Troop Guide – Noel J.
- Quartermaster: Christian D
- Librarian:
- OA Representative: - Open
- Chaplain's Aide: Diego M.
- Historian:
- Den Chief - Christian D'A.
- **Den Chief #2 – Open Position**
- Troop Guide: Noel J.
- Jr. Assistant Scoutmaster: Robert P.

## 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. Feiffer

## 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**



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## **ATTENTION LIFE SCOUTS on 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](mailto:hessc41@hotmail.com)



## **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***

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## **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.***

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## **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 Mr. Fieffer 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 parents and resources to make it happen!

## Possible Activities:

**Archery**

**Deep Sea Fishing** - boat Trip

**Ocean fishing** – Pier trip / Surf.

**Beach party**

**Annual Homework Burn Bonfire (June)**

**Bowling**

**Go Cart Racing (Family)**

**Hiking Trip**

**Backpacking** - Hike in camp in wilderness of Orange County or our mountain backcountry

**Snow Day** – Grassy Hollow Visitors Center – Out of Wrightwood.

**Ski / Snowboard Trip**

**Laser Tag (Family)**

**Air Soft Games (Family)**

**Paint Ball (Family)**

**Shooting Range** Could be a family or scout event depending what guns we want to shoot.

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

**Shoot** – High powered Rifles / Pistols / and Shotgun skeet shooting (Family event)

**Rock climbing** - Indoor Rock walls or natural climbs all work as we have BSA Climb



Instructors in this troop and our own climb gear/rope!

**Angel's Baseball Game**

**Gold Prospecting**

**Swim** – Pool Time or a Summer 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**



## ***Bring on the Adventure!***

***- Mr. Fieffer, Activities Chair***



**Get Out Your  
Calendars and mark  
these dates!**

## **T314 EVENTS FOR October 2015:**

**6<sup>th</sup> Junior Leadership Council  
American Legion Post 555  
Starting at 6:30PM**

**7<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee Meeting  
American Legion Post 555  
Starting at 7PM**

**10<sup>th</sup> Orange Frontier District  
Scouters' Roundtable**


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



**10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Popcorn Sales – At  
Stater Brothers Spring Street,  
Long Beach**

**13<sup>th</sup> Regular Troop 314 Meeting  
American Legion Post 555  
Starting at 6:30PM**

- **Please show up a bit earlier to help  
with setup and so meeting can start at  
6:30.**

**15<sup>th</sup> Order of Arrow   
Meeting Third Thursday Each  
Month (7:00pm at Holy Cross  
Lutheran Church)**

**20<sup>th</sup> Regular Troop 314 Meeting  
American Legion Post 555  
Starting at 6:30PM**

**Turn in your Popcorn orders sheet.**

**24<sup>th</sup> Support Pack 314 on  
Saturday at the Oso Lake Cub  
Scout event.**

**26<sup>th</sup> Set up on Monday for  
Halloween Party**

**27<sup>th</sup> Scouts hold Halloween party  
– All Cub Packs invited.**

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



# Troop 314 Meeting Notes

- Executive Committee Meeting is 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 can 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. but usually kept simple, due to constraints on time and sanity).

# UPCOMING EVENTS!

**Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> Junior Leadership Council (JLC) Meeting at 6:30 at American Legion Post 555**

**Nov 4<sup>th</sup> Exec. Committee Meeting at American Legion Post 555 7 PM**

**Nov 7<sup>th</sup> Hollywood Sign Hike.**

**November 11<sup>th</sup> Veterans Day**



**Nov 17<sup>th</sup> Popcorn Orders Delivered. Secret Santa Drawing.**

**Nov 24<sup>th</sup> No Meeting Thanksgiving week.**

**Dec 12<sup>th</sup> Mistletoe Picking and give away.**

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## TROOP WEBSITE:

The Troop 314 website, URL is:

[www.troop314ocbsa.scoutlander.com](http://www.troop314ocbsa.scoutlander.com)

FYI - A Google search of “BSA Troop 314” gets you this link:

Boy Scout Troop 314 (Midway City, California) Homepage

[www.troop314ocbsa.scoutlander.com/](http://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 [MyScouting.org](http://MyScouting.org).

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.

### File Tour Activity Plan if the following apply:

- Trips of 500 miles or more
- Trips outside of Orange Co. Council borders.
- Trips to any national high-adventure base, National Scout Jamboree, National Order of the Arrow Conference, or regionally sponsored event
- When conducting any the following activities:
  - Aquatics activities (swim, boat, float, scuba, etc.)
  - Climbing and rappelling
  - Orientation flights (process flying plan)
  - Shooting sports
  - Any activities involving motorized vehicles as part of the program (snowmobiles, boating, etc.)
  - Any overnight camping

## 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](mailto: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) 892-8508 for any follow up that is needed.

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



### Proverbs 13:20

*Whoever walks with the wise becomes wise, but the companion of fools will suffer harm.*



**JOKES, JOKES, JOKES**

**Have you heard these?**

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.

Q: Why are bowling alleys so quiet?

A: So you can hear a pin drop!

Q: Why is a math book so unhappy?

A: Because it's full of problems



# **TROOP 314**

## **TOWER ABOVE THE REST!**

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