



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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Mistletoe Camp

On the weekend of December 10-11, we had our "Mistletoe Camp", wherein we camped at Crystal Lake Recreation Area, and picked mistletoe for our annual mistletoe giveaway.

Our turnout was very good, with 6 Scouts participating: Christian, Owen, Jon, Mitchell, Martin, and Diego. Adults present were Mr. Marubayashi and Ian M., and Mr. Le provided extra transportation up and down the mountain.

We were expecting at least a little snow on the ground, but there was none. In fact, when we got there, it wasn't even cold; it was beautiful!

One of the advantages of camping in the off-season is that the campgrounds are uncrowded; we were able to make use of the fire ring next door, because it was in much better shape. We had a roaring fire Saturday evening while the boys played their RP game.

Gathering mistletoe was no problem, thanks to Christian's arboreal antics, so in the morning we had little to do but eat breakfast, load up the trailer, and go.

Back down the mountain, the boys bagged the mistletoe in gift bags, and then we took it over to Ralphs, where we gave it away to the shoppers, and accepted donations.

Successful event!

Many thanks to the boys and adults who made it happen.



Hights Home Fire – Go Fund me page:

<https://www.gofundme.com/the-hights-relief-fund?ssid=835937610&pos=3>

New Rank Advancement requirements.

Here is a link to the document explaining the changes:

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

Troop 314 Leadership

- Senior Patrol Leader: Martin L.
- Assistant Senior Patrol Leader: Christian D'A.
- Scribe: Ethan T.
- Webmaster: Owen M.
- Den Chief - Christian D'A.



Get Your Calendars and mark these dates!

T314 EVENTS FOR January 2017

3rd Patrol Leadership Council
Martin L. SPL, Christian D. ASPL, Ethan T. Troop Scribe.



10th Regular Troop 314 Meeting
American Legion Post 555
Dues due \$40
Youth protection video.
This will be a potluck hosted by PLC.

12th Orange Frontier District Scouters' Roundtable
7 PM at LDS Church
4000 Orange Ave.,
Anaheim (2nd Thursday each month)



17th Regular Troop 314 Meeting
American Legion Post 555
Starting at 6:30PM (BOR)
Discussing extreme safety

19th OA Meeting Night 🍷



Happy New Year!!!

24th Regular Troop 314 Meeting
American Legion Post 555
Starting at 6:30PM
Climb Safely –
Webelos Guests Tonight

January 28th & 29th
Relaxed Campout at
Crystal Lake.



31st Climbing at Hanger 18
2599 E Willow St.
Signal Hill, CA 90755

Hangar 18 is Southern California's best indoor climbing. Over 55,000 sq ft. of climbing terrain, routes up to 70 ft. long, boulder problems that top out over 20ft. off of the deck, Hangar 18 will help you get strong and have fun doing it.

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



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 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.).



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 list of people is over 900 Scouters! The website can be found under the 'Camping' tab of the Orange County Council website:

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

OR

It can be found directly at this address:

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



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



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.*

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
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

Personal Mess kits:



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



TROOP 314 WEBSITE URL is:

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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

Tour and Activity Plans are on line. Sign into 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.



"A general dissolution of principles and manners will more surely overthrow the liberties of America than the whole force of the common enemy."

- Samuel Adams



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/>



Scout Trail Cooking:

Care of: <http://www.backpackingchef.com/>

Trail Breakfast: Ham and Vegetables with Rice

Try Ham and Vegetables with Rice for long lasting energy from three important food groups. This backpacking meal works for breakfast or supper.

Ingredients:

- ¼ cup deli ham, dehydrated
- ¼ cup mixed vegetables, dehydrated (corn, peas, carrots, green beans)
- ½ cup instant brown or white rice
- ¼ cube vegetable bouillon*
- 1 cup water



At Home:

For instructions on dehydrating corn and other vegetables, see [dehydrating vegetables](#).

For instructions on dehydrating deli meat, see [dehydrating meat](#).

*I use Organic Gourmet brand vegetable bouillon cubes from a health foods store. The cubes are large, so a ¼ cube does the trick. The advantage of the Organic Gourmet brand bouillon cubes over regular bouillon cubes is that they don't contain any MSG. If you can't find bouillon without MSG, leave it out since there are many flavors from the vegetables and ham to enjoy. A shake of salt and pepper will get you by.

Combine all ingredients in a 4 x 6 plastic bag.

On the Trail:

Place all ingredients in pot with one cup of water. Light stove and bring to a boil. Continue cooking for another minute or two. Transfer pot to insulating cozy for ten minutes to allow food to fully rehydrate.

[Click here for information about purchasing dehydrated vegetables and meat for this recipe.](#)

Standard Elements of a Flag Ceremony

FLAG BEARER: The person who carries the flag - one flag per person. Hold the staff at a slight angle in front of the body or hold the folded flag in front of the body at waist level. The Flag Bearer stands silent and at attention throughout the ceremony and does not repeat the Pledge of Allegiance.

COLOR GUARD: They guard the honor of the flag and watch to see that the flag does not touch the ground. They stand behind the flag bearer, or to each side if in a line of more than one flag. Two per flag is traditional, but any number may be used. They stand silent and at attention throughout the ceremony and **do not** repeat the Pledge of Allegiance.

COLOR GUARD COMMANDER: The designated Scout who "calls out" the parts of the ceremony. Stands in front and to one side of audience.

Raising and Lowering the Flag on a Flag Pole - Raise the flag briskly, lower it slowly. When flying the flag at half mast, raise it to the top of the pole, then lower it to half mast. When taking the flag down from half mast, first raise it back to the top of the pole, then lower it slowly. (On Memorial Day, fly the flag at half-mast until noon then raise it to full staff for the rest of the day.)

Carrying the Flag - Always carry the flag aloft and flying free. When the flag is carried alone, there should be an honor guard to the left of it, or one on each side of it. When carried with other flags, the U.S. Flag should be in front of the others, or the right if the flags are in a line. Never dip the flag of the United States for any person or thing.

Commands for a Standard Flag Ceremony

Said by the Color Guard Commander:

1. "Please stand for the presentation (or retiring) of Colors."
Note: Said before flags enter the room or begin motion.
2. "Scouts, Attention."
Note: All Scouts stand at attention.
3. "Color Guard, Attention."
4. "Color Guard, Advance."
Note: Color Guard advances to stage or flag pole, U.S. Flag is first in line.
5. "Scouts, salute."

Note: The Color Guard stays at attention. Color Guard Commander and Scouts Salute.

Scouts salute the flag any time it is in motion.

6. "Color Guard, Halt."
7. "Will the audience please join me in the Pledge of Allegiance."
Note: Color Guard does not salute or recite the Pledge of Allegiance or sing the National Anthem. They stand at attention and guard the flags.
8. "Two"
Upon this command, scouts lower their arm smartly to their side from the salute.
9. "Color Guard, Post the Colors."
Note: Once the flags are posted into the flag stands, the color guard salutes the flag and then stands at attention. When retrieving the colors, the color guard first salute the flags before removing them from their posts.
10. "Color Guard, reform. Forward."
11. "Color Guard, halt."
12. "Color Guard, at ease." (or "Scouts, dismissed" if this is the closing)
Note: The Color Guard Commander may direct the Scouts to be at-ease or to be seated.

Color Guard Commander's Cheat Sheet

Presenting the Colors:

1. Please stand for the presentation of the colors.
2. Scouts, attention.
3. Color Guard, attention.
4. Color Guard, advance.
5. Scouts, salute.
6. Color Guard, halt.
7. Will the audience please join me in the Pledge of Allegiance.
8. *(Pledge of Allegiance)*
9. Two.
10. Color Guard, post the colors.
11. Color Guard, reform. Forward.
12. Color Guard, halt.
13. Color Guard, at ease.
14. Audience, at ease.

Retiring the Colors:

1. Please stand for the retiring of the colors.
2. Scouts, attention.
3. Color Guard, attention.
4. Color Guard, advance.
5. Color Guard, halt.
6. Color Guard, retrieve the colors.
7. Scouts, salute.
8. Color Guard, forward.
9. Color Guard, halt.
10. Two.
11. Color Guard, at ease.
12. Audience, at ease.

Standard Ceremony info. courtesy of Troop 889, Woodlands Texas

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 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.



"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

Chaplains

Wisdom of the month:

John 3:16

JOKES JOKES JOKES

What happens to frogs when they park illegally?
They get toad!

What do you get when you cross a four-leafed clover and poison ivy?
A rash of good luck.

What has a lot of keys, but can't open any doors?
A piano.

Chuck Norris made the chicken cross the road.

Chuck Norris doesn't sleep. He waits.

Chuck Norris doesn't wear a watch, he decides what time it is

Chuck Norris can hit you so hard it can alter your DNA.

It takes Chuck Norris 20 minutes to watch 60 minutes.

TRUSTWORTHY
loyal **HELPFUL**
S friendly
COURTEOUS **KIND** **O**
cheerful **B**
thrifty **E**
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"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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send me a note at T314news@live.com -Thanks, Mr. Pearson

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