



TROOP 314 NEWS

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Westminster, (Midway City) California

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TROOP 314 SUMMITS WHITNEY AGAIN!!!!!!

Ian Marubayashi's Eagle COH

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Scoutmaster's Corner

The scout Oath – *Morally Straight*



The Scout Oath speaks of keeping yourself physically strong. To keep yourself strong you do exercises, sit-ups, push-ups; perhaps you run laps. You also need to keep yourself mentally awake, and to do this you also do exercises, reading, schoolwork, puzzles and just plain thinking.

The Scout Oath also says you need to keep yourself morally straight. What kind of exercises can you do to accomplish this?

You can make choices in keeping with your values and beliefs. You can be honest, and can help others. You can think about the needs of others. You can respect your body and you can be respectful of others. You can act in a manner that leaves the world a little better for your having been there.

The exercise for building moral strength is simply doing little things everyday in keeping with your beliefs and conscience. Before you can be morally straight when it comes to life's big challenges, you need to first exercise your spirit. You do this by keeping morally straight when given the opportunity each and every day.

Look carefully at your daily life and you will find lots of ways to exercise - be sure to find exercises for you body, your mind and your spirit!

- **Cyrus Bess,
Scoutmaster
Troop 314**



Tower above the rest!



High Adventure Team conquers Mt. Whitney



Three Scouts from the Troop 314 High Adventure Team, and Mr. M, successfully hiked to the lofty summit of Mount Whitney on Friday, June 24. This caps a 4-month series of training hikes that started in March with a sea-level hike in Palos Verdes.



Christian D, Owen M, and Martin L, plus Ian and Mr. Marubayashi and Mrs. Knighton spent 3 days on the trail, and 3 nights camping: once at 8400 feet, and twice at 12,000 feet.



The summit, at 14,508 feet, was reached on the second day, while Mrs. Knighton and Ian chose to remain at "base camp" due to the effects of the altitude.

Besides the accomplishment of summiting the mountain, we saw marmots, pikas (look it up), and a coyote (he ran right in front of us)! But, despite all the precautions we had to take, we saw no bears (darn).

Some snow remained on the trail, but the Scouts were careful, and no mishaps were experienced.

All Mr. M's photos from the trip can be viewed at
<https://richmaru.smugmug.com/Kids/Scouting/Mount-Whitney-June-23-25-2016>



On Sunday we hiked up to High Creek Camp (9,300 feet), then back down to camp before packing up and hiking down to the car.



San Geronio - Mount W. Training Backpack Trip

The T314 High Adventure Team completed our last training hike on the slopes of Mount San Geronio on the weekend of June 11-12.



Mr. M, Mrs. Knighton, Ian M, Martin L, Christian D, and Owen M hiked the Vivian Creek trail and camped one night at "Halfway Camp".



We learned two important lessons on this trip:

1) 9,300 feet may not be as high as Mt. Baldy, but it's still tiring, and....

2) It's important to have enough water for cooking and still have some left for hiking (Halfway Camp is a dry camp).

Overall, we had a good time, enjoyed the scenery, and looked forward to tackling Mt. Whitney.



All of Mr. M's photos from the trip can be viewed at

<https://richmaru.smugmug.com/Kids/Scouting/San-Gorgonio-backpacking-June>



Ian Marubayashi's Eagle Court of Honor

On Saturday June 4th we celebrated Ian's achievement of Eagle Rank. Ian's project was building repurposed beds into benches, in support of a charity, Grateful Hearts as part of their "Bench Hunger" campaign.

Ian joined Cub scouts pack 660 back in September 2003 and then Troop 314, in February 2008. A lot of amazing experiences, growth, changes and camping (109+ nights!) occurred over this time.

Ian now participates in scouting as Venture crew on the Sea Scout Ship 1767 "Triton".



Trail to Eagle from Mr. Bess.



Words of honor from his project beneficiary.



Mom gets a Eagle pin.



... and a Dad hug for New Eagle.



And a Kiss.



New Eagle.



Dad gets pin too.



Ian's thoughts on achieving Eagle Rank.





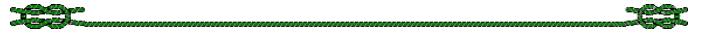
The Eagle Charge from Mr. Hilton.



Retrieving the colors.



Eagle Oath.



Troop 314 June Court of Honor



Gabe gets Camping and Citizenship in Community Merit badges.



Eagle award.





Viet earns his Citizenship in Community.



Service pins awarded.



Owen earns his canoeing merit badge.



Martin achieves Life Rank!



Proud Dad gets his life pin.



New Officers sworn in.



Andy Timko of post 555 awards Ian his American Legion citizenship pin and Eagle award plaque.



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/2016BoyScoutRequirements_8.14.2015.pdf

Troop 314 Leadership

- Senior Patrol Leader: Owen M.
- Assistant Senior Patrol Leader: Christian D'A.
- Scribe: Rotating Position
- Webmaster: Owen M.
- 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.

TRUSTWORTHY
loyal
HELPFUL
friendly
KIND
cheerful
COURTEOUS
thrifty
brave
clean
reverent

- Mr. M. / Mrs. Hight / 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 to -

Be clean in my outdoor manners.

Be careful with fire.

Be considerate in the outdoors.

and

Be conservation minded

TRUSTWORTHY LOYAL HELPFUL FRIENDLY COURTEOUS KIND

words to live by™

OBEDIENT CHEERFUL THRIFTY BRAVE CLEAN REVERENT

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

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/>



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

**T314 EVENTS FOR
July 2016:**



5th Patrol Leadership Council

**7th No Exec. Meeting. – Hold on
the 12th at regular meeting.**

**12th Regular Troop 314 Meeting
American Legion Post 555
Starting at 6:30PM**

14th Orange Frontier District Scouters' Roundtable

7 PM at LDS Church
4000 Orange Ave.,
Anaheim (2nd Thursday of each
month)



19th Regular Troop 314 Meeting American Legion Post 555 Starting at 6:30PM

21st OA Meeting



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

26th Regular Troop 314 Meeting American Legion Post 555 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 5th 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!

August

**Patrol Leaders Council at 18:30
hours at AL Post 555**

Exec. Council Meeting at Post 555

Summer Camp Emerald Bay

**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 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.

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 Loyal.

"What is desired in a man is loyalty."

(Proverbs 19:22)



Be courteous to all, but intimate with few, and let those few be well tried before you give them your confidence; true friendship is a plant of slow growth, and must undergo and withstand the shocks of adversity before it is entitled to the appellation.

- **George Washington in Letter to Bushrod Washington (15 January 1783).**

Newport Sea Base



SUMMER CAMP!

All BOYS & GIRLS Welcome!

Ages 6 - 17

Summer Camp at Newport Sea Base:

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



SUMMER 2016 CLASS SCHEDULE

Week A: June 20 - June 24 (Squids/JAC/Sailing 1 only)
 Week 1: June 27 - July 1
 Week 2: July 5 - July 8 (Tuesday - Friday)*
 Week 3: July 11 - July 15
 Week 4: July 18 - July 22
 Week 5: July 25 - July 29
 Week 6: August 1 - August 5
 Week 7: August 8 - August 12
 Week 8: August 15 - August 19
 Week Z: August 22-August 26 (Squids/JAC/Sailing 1 only)

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

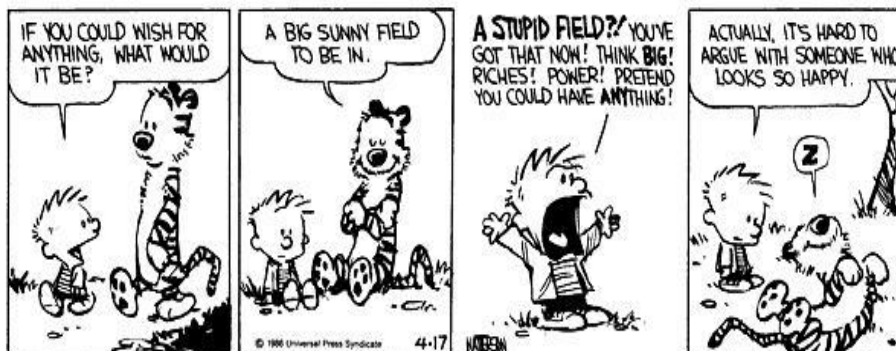
Long Beach Sea Base Aquatics Center

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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