



# TROOP 314 NEWS

## August 2016 AD

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

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## Scoutmaster's Corner

### Scouts and Scouters of Troop 314



Let me begin by saying my tour of duty as  
your scoutmaster ended July 31, 2016.

I am sure my successor has been chosen;  
and he will ensure continued growth,  
activities, fun and adventure abound within  
the troop. May I take a moment to say thank  
you from the depths of my heart, for allowing  
me the privilege of serving as your  
scoutmaster. It was truly an  
honor. Although my term was  
short, I have learned much  
and enjoyed my journey.



In this, my final official  
scoutmaster's corner, I'll ask the scouts to  
remember the Scout's Oath, Law, Motto and  
Slogan; strive to live by each, each day.

- **Cyrus Bess, Scoutmaster  
Troop 314**

**Troop 314, "Soars with the Eagle"!**



**Newly Minted Scoutmaster, Time Flies.**











**Mission accomplished.**

## THINGS TO REMEMBER TO DO THIS MONTH:

- ➡ Sad to say, but now is a very good time to get that Summer "to do" list finished. School start is just around the corner!

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OF THE  
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BECAUSE  
OF THE  
**BRAVE**

## 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](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.

## Albert E. Schwab American Legion Post 555 New Commander



**Tim Dusina is the new Commander of Our Sponsors, AL Post 555.**

**The First Vice Commander is Adam Crawford**

**When you see Tim or Adam please remember to thank them for their generous support!**



## 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.***

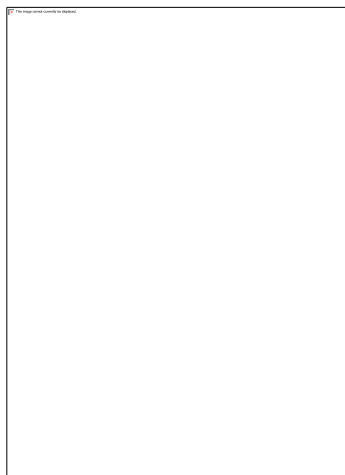
Email or text are OK, but are not a substitute for direct bi-directional **voice** communication – a confirmed Phone message – read back of the message to ensure understanding might be good idea too.

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**



***"Accept the things to which fate binds you, and love the people with whom fate brings you together, but do so with all your heart."***

**- Marcus Aurelius**

## 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](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*

## 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 August: Back to School!



### 2<sup>nd</sup> Patrol Leadership Council

7th Through 13th is  
 Summer Camp @ Emerald Bay  
 No Troop Meeting this week!

### 11<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)



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

### 18<sup>th</sup> OA Meeting

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

**27th Overnight Camp - Stargazing**

**30<sup>th</sup> 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 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.).

*Associate yourself with men of good quality if you esteem your own reputation for 'tis better to be alone than in bad company.*

*- George Washington*

## **UPCOMING EVENTS!**

**September 6<sup>th</sup> Patrol Leaders Council at 18:30 hours at AL Post 555**

**September 10<sup>th</sup> Kayaking**

**September 11<sup>th</sup> Patriot's Day**  
- We will never forget.

**September 20<sup>th</sup> COH – Candle lighting ceremony.**



**October 14,15 and16th Camp and Climb at Joshua Tree.**

**October 25 Annual Cub Scout Halloween Party**



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Boy Scout Troop 314 (Midway City, California) Homepage

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You have found the home page of. Troop 314 of. Midway City, California. Sponsor 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.



## **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) 785-0314 for any follow up that is needed.



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



**John 11:25-26**

*Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.*



**“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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