



# TROOP 314 NEWS

## September 2017 AD

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copies Troop 314 website, URL is:  
<http://www.troop314ocbsa.scoutlander.com>*

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

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+And Much More - Newsletter contains numerous  
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## Reporting Events Completed by Troop 314 in August:

- School Starts!
- July 30<sup>th</sup> to August 5<sup>th</sup>  
Summer Camp @ Camp  
Tahquitz
- August 12th Crystal Cove  
Hike
- 21 August - Survive Solar  
Eclipse.
- Popcorn fundraiser kickoff

## ...and an Eagle Project build out for Jon F.



On Sunday August 12<sup>th</sup> Jon  
held a build party for his Eagle  
project. These were 4 cat exercise  
structures for a no kill animal shelter in  
Midway City.



**Build is finished by Troop.**





**Jon with his project.**

earned before completing the Eagle board of review. Previously, an Eagle Scout needed to wait three months between each Palm — even if he earned the extra merit badges before becoming an Eagle. This meant that, under the old rules, a young man who became an Eagle Scout at 17 years and 10 months, was mathematically unable to earn any Eagle Palms.



## Contact Information Link

Please update your contact information as needed.

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ALgJqX-iwYHBrTZ8xf7AuGKqIJv6FxyLLXZP3NjuVFk/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\\_38IzIjnT7WvTg0HjSre9dla1e8/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/176b23wuQdDTa2E1A_38IzIjnT7WvTg0HjSre9dla1e8/edit?usp=sharing)



## The way Scouts earn Eagle Palms has changed in a big way..

As of August 2017 a new Eagle Scout can instantly receive, alongside his Eagle medal, all Eagle Palms he has earned for merit badges completed before he became an Eagle Scout. These Palms recognize additional merit badges

## Troop Calendar Link

Use this link to see the Troop calendar.

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Lls71fa5hxe2p\\_aPHrVYN13xQsnYCEsTVVDbOwvurMVo/edit?usp=sharing](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](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](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](http://www.troop314ocbsa.scoutlander.com)

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.

## 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.
- Chaplin's Aid – Diego M.



## Get Your Calendars and mark these dates!

### T314 EVENTS FOR September 2017

Theme: Pioneering

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

**9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Blue Jay Camp**

**September 11<sup>th</sup>.**

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

**14<sup>th</sup> Orange Frontier District**  
**Scouters' Roundtable**  
**7 PM at LDS Church 4000**  
**Orange Ave., Anaheim (2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**Thursday each month)**  
**Lashings**





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

**26<sup>nd</sup> Regular Troop 314 Meeting**  
**American Legion Post 555**  
**Starting at 6:30PM**  
**Pioneering Build**

## **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/](http://www.ocbsa.org/)

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

## **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 5<sup>th</sup> 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.).

## **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  
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



# BSA Fleur-de-lis

## The Boy Scout Emblem

# Explained



1 The three points of the trefoil stand for the three parts of the Scout Oath.

2 The shape of the Scout badge means that a Scout can point the right way in life as truly as does a compass in the field.

3 There are two stars on the badge. They symbolize truth and knowledge.

4 The eagle and shield stand for freedom and a Scout's readiness to defend that freedom.

5 The scroll bearing the Scout motto is turned up at the ends as a reminder that a Scout smiles as he does his duty.

6 The knot at the bottom of the scroll serves as a reminder of the Scout slogan, Do a Good Turn Daily. OH YEAH KOOL-AID!!

### Origin of the World Scouting Symbol "Fleur-de-Lis"

In Scouting's early years, critics accused Baden-Powell of trying to turn boys into soldiers, holding up as evidence the Scout symbol, which they called "a spear-head, the emblem of battle and bloodshed".

The Founder quickly replied, The crest is the "Fleur-de-Lis", a lily, the emblem of peace and purity.

In truth, he had chosen as Scouting's emblem the sign for the North Point, universally shown on maps, charts and compass cards, because "it points in the right direction (and upwards), turning neither to the right nor left, since these lead backward again..." Lady Baden-Powell added later, "It shows the true way to go."

Baden-Powell explained the origins of this sign. In the Middle Ages, mariner Flavio Gioja designed it to make the seaman's compass more reliable. In Italian, North was "Tramontana". Gioja used a capital "T" to mark it, and in deference to King Charles of Naples, whose crest was the Fleur-de-Lis, combined the letter with that emblem.



To explain the meaning of the Scout emblem, Baden-Powell said, "The two stars on the two side arms stand for the two eyes of the Wolf Cub having been opened before he became a Scout... The three points of the Fleur-de-Lis remind the Scout of the three points of the Scout's Promise..."



In the World Scout emblem, the Fleur-de-Lis is surrounded by a circle of rope tied with a reef knot to symbolize the strength and unity of the world brotherhood of Scouting: "Even as one cannot undo a reef knot, no matter how hard one pulls on it, so as it expands, the movement remains united."

The three tips of the Fleur-de-Lis represent the three main parts of the Scout promise: duty to God, obedience to the Scout Law, and service to others.




The two five-point stars stand for truth and knowledge, and the 10 points on the stars remind us of the 10 points of the Scout law. The ring holding the emblem together represents the bond of brotherhood. The symbol is white on a royal purple background, colors Baden-Powell chose because, in heraldry, white stands for purity and purple for leadership and helping others.

Since Scouting began, over 200 million Scouts have worn the Scout symbol, making it one of the more highly recognized emblems in the world. Today, over 150 World Scouting countries and territories, more than 16 million members continue to wear it with pride.

*"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/>

## 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 remains with the applicant, one part remains 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**.

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](mailto:scukanecbsa@hotmail.com)

Steve Scukanec is our troop Chartered Organization Representative.

## Chaplain's Wisdom of the month

*1 Timothy 4:12*

***"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity."***



## 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.

Why do ducks have flat feet?  
To stomp out forest fires.

Why do elephants have flat feet?  
To stomp out burning ducks.



# HEROES

By William A Predeau

Many days will stand out in our lives  
But not all we wish to recall  
like the day when terror entered  
And made the towers fall

We watched as heroes entered  
most never came back home  
they saved many others lives  
without a thought for their own

They rushed into hell's inferno  
knowing full well what they'd face  
and sacrificed their own lives  
So others could flee that place

Those people who were lucky enough  
To escape death's door that day  
Should never forget the heroes that died  
So they may live today

So when you say your prayers tonight  
And thank God for his love and bread  
Remember those heroes who rushed in  
Where angels feared to tread



**September 11<sup>th</sup> - Lest we forget.**

**“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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