



El Capitan District Newsletter

Please come and join us:

10332 Bolsa Ave. Westminster, CA 92683

7:00 P.M. April 10, 2014

Please notice the time change!

New Venturing District has taking all the non-LDS OCBSA Districts Venturing Crews into one new Venturing District. El Capitan has lost 11 Units and 171 youth. This new Venturing District's DE is Laurel Berkheimer laurelb@ocbsa.org 714-546-8558 x149

- 1) All the single Venturing youth have been transferred to the new District. If a youth is in a Troop and a Crew, they will be dual registered, primary in the Crew and secondary in the Troop.
- 2) The new Venturing District will have a full complement of staff: Key 3, Unit Commissioners, Program, Finance, and Membership Chairs. They will have their own Roundtable. This new Venturing District will not have an Eagle Scout Project Advisor or an Eagle Board of Review. All Merit Badge Counselors will be in the non-Venturing Districts.
- 3) If you are a Charter Organization Representative or a Committee member in a Pack, Troop, and Crew you will be dual registered, as you are today, with El Capitan being the primary registration District.
- 4) The Vietnamese Units use the world wide tradition of having all Scouts together for meetings and Courts of Honor. This change will have no effect on their method of having Pack, Troop, Crew, Daisies, Brownies, Juniors, Cadettes, Seniors, Ambassadors, and Ventures meet and doing things together.
- 5) Only the LDS Venturing Units will have a Unit Commissioner from El Capitan. All other Venturing Units in El Capitan will have Unit Commissioners from the new Venturing District.

Eagle Scout requirements change for 2014: The National BSA has added Cooking as an Eagle required Merit Badge beginning January 1, 2014. That increased the Eagle required Merit Badges from 12 to 13 and reduced the elective Merit Badges from 9 to 8 for an unchanged total of 21 Merit Badges to qualify for the Eagle Rank. A Cooking Merit Badge Day at the Anaheim Scout Shop is Saturday March 15, 2014. However, the classes are already filled. If you would like for them to have another Cooking Merit Badge day, just give them a call or stop by for a visit. If you need ideas for an Eagle Project, go to Google to search "Eagle Scout Project Ideas" to view projects from around the USA.

April 10 Roundtable:

Greg Dubois will have a presentation on safety concerning our Camporee this month. Jamie Finnsson 714-329-5394 missimpos@aol.com will have the Cub Scout Breakout. Lisa Merlotti 714-774-3270 lisa.merlotti@gmail.com will have the Boy Scout Breakout. The First Scout-O-Rama turn in will be held tonight with Rudy Zuniga.

WEBELOS Transition Camp, scheduled for March 14 to 17 at Firestone Scout Reservation was a big success. Thank you very much Darlene Wiertzema for an outstanding program.

Scout-O-Rama Please contact Rudy Zuniga at r.zuniga203@yahoo.com to order your Tickets. With 5 tickets sold you earn a SOR Patch. Also register for a Booth at SOR.

El Capitan District Dinner was March 28 at Knott's Berry Farm Hotel. Thank you very much Linh Terry, 714-260-1866, linhkterry@gmail.com for an outstanding program with 97 people in attendance. Only 23 out of 100 Units submitted someone for the Unit Extra Mile award. Let's work on having every Unit in the District recognize one person in their Unit for the Extra Mile Award at our annual dinner next year.

Camporee Packets for April 25 to 27 will be handed out by Michael Jensen, 714-523-4800 jensen924@sbcglobal.net Please see the attached document, the Camporee Packet. Fill it out and turn it in at Roundtable this month.

Training:

Youth Protection Training (YPT) – You may take it on-line at www.myscouting.org or call Greg Dubois 714-393-7381 gdubois@socal.rr.com for an appointment.

Wood Badge – Fall Course 2014 September 5-7 & 20-22, at OEC, Director is: Rusty Carter
Boy Scout Leader Specific Training:

SM/ASM August 5, 12, 19 at **Our Redeemer Lutheran Church** 12301 Magnolia Street, Garden Grove, CA 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. This is Part 1 of 2 part training.

BALOO August 22 at **Our Redeemer Lutheran Church** 12301 Magnolia Street, Garden Grove, CA 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Then August 23 at Mile Square Park, 8:00 am to 2:00 pm.

IOLS (Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills) (Part 2 of 2 part training) Monday August 25, 2014, 6:00 pm to 9:30 pm at REI 2962 Camino Real, Tustin, CA 92782, then Friday through Sunday September 12 – 14, 2014, Firestone Scout Reservation.

Websites you may find interesting and informative:

[HTTP://HATOCBSA.ORG](http://HATOCBSA.ORG) Barney Ruble is the Webmaster and Dennis Crockett is the HAT Chairman at doctorscoutmaster@yahoo.com The order form for HAT patches is included in this web site.

[HTTP://usscouts.org/bbugle](http://usscouts.org/bbugle) for Cub Scout information on meetings, activities, advancement, and so much more.

[HTTP://insanescouter.org](http://insanescouter.org) is a great site for all kinds of Scouting related subjects, check it out and help your Unit experience some new things.

1) El Capitan Sr. District Executive: Jorge Ruiz de Somocurcio 714-546-4990 x115 JorgeR@ocbsa.org. A new District has been created for all Venturing Crews in the Orange County Council. All Venturing Crews, except the ones in the LDS Units, have been transferred to the Council Venturing District. As a result, El Capitan District has been reduced from 100 Units to 89 Units and from 1588 youth to 1315 youth.

2) District Nominating Committee Chairman: Open

3) District Chairman: George Brietigam III 714-404-3829 grtietigam@socal.rr.com

District Vice-Chairman: Kris Beard Beard4GG@gmail.com

Districts goals:

a) Friends Of Scouting (FOS):

Garden Grove LDS, Murray Smith: Goal \$8,500, Actual \$4,735 =56% of Goal

Santa Ana LDS: Goal \$3,125, Actual \$100 = 3% of Goal

Family Presentations: Goal \$12,000, Actual \$8,281 = 69% of Goal

Community Campaign: Goal \$8,000, Actual \$1,100 = 14% of Goal

Leadership Campaign: Goal \$3,000 Actual \$1,750= 58% of Goal

Total FOS: Goal \$26,500, Actual \$15,976 = 60.3% of Goal

b) Scout-O-Rama (SOR): Goal \$23,000, Actual \$10,250= 45% of Goal

c) Popcorn: Goal \$, Actual \$= % of Goal

d) Number of Total Units: Goal 89, Actual 75, 84% of Goal

f) Number of Total Youth: Goal 1567, Actual 1067 = 68% of Goal

h) Number of Unit Commissioners: Goal 30, Actual 26 = 84% of Goal

i) Number of Units visited by UC's: Goal 89, Actual 16 = 18% of Goal

j) Number of UC Visits to Units per Month: Goal 89, Actual 9 = 0.10% of Goal

k) Number of District Staff: Goal 43, Actual 30 = 70% of Goal

4) District Commissioner: Jerry Clark 714-543-5007 coates-Clark@att.net

Under Jorge's leadership, we have established 10 Sectors within the El Capitan District. Each Sector is managed by an Assistant District Commissioner (ADC). The ADC is responsible for recruiting and training Unit Commissioners (UC) for the Units in their Sector. It is planned that by the end of April, we will have in place a complete Commissioner Staff to support every Unit in the District.

a) Assistant District Commissioners and Unit commissioners responsible for monthly evaluating their Units for their health and JTE goal.

b) Roundtable Commissioner: Jonathan Finnsson 714-943-3845
mpjonnie@aol.com,

RT Cub Scout Commissioners have Jamie Finnsson 714-329-5394
missimpos@aol.com

RT Boy Scout Commissioner Lisa Merlotti 714-774-3270
lisa.merlotti@gmail.com

RT Varsity Commissioner Brian Cable 714-537-7875

5) District Membership Chairman: Darlene Wiertzema 714-750-6612

darlenewiertzema@gmail.com

a) Elementary School back to school, open house, and walk through plan
Cub Scout Recruitment Chair: **OPEN**

b) Junior High and High School back to school and open house display plan
Boy Scout Recruitment Chair: **OPEN**

6) District Finance Chairman: Phai Bui, Phat@PhatBui.com

a) Support: FOS LDS Murray Smith 714 891-4033 murmatic@aol.com

FOS Family **OPEN**

FOS community **OPEN**

Leadership Campaign **OPEN**

IC-5 Campaign **OPEN**

b) Scout-O-Rama: Mr. Rudy Zuniga 949-338-1712 r.zuniga203@yahoo.com

We will be selling a \$10 discount card. The Unit receives \$3 per card, plus \$0.25 if no prizes, plus \$0.50 for having a Booth at SOR, plus an additional \$.50 if the average sales reaches 15 Cards per Scout in the Unit as of March 22, 2014. That brings the Units earning to \$4.25 per discount card.

Send your plan to Elena@ocbsa.org by April 11, 2014

To register for selling SOR Cards go to <http://ocbsa.kintera.org/SOR>

<http://www.ocbsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/12/2014-SOR-Safety-Booth-Application-Form.pdf>

- c) Popcorn sales: Pamela Moseid 714-299-1677 olive_eve@verizon.net
- d) Push Cart Derby: Jerry Clark 714-543-5007 coates-Clark@att.net
- e) Support Cub Day Jamie Finnsson 714-329-5394, missimpos@aol.com
- f) Support WEBELOS Transition Camp Darlene Wiertzema 714-750-6612
darlenewiertzema@gmail.com,
- h) Support Camporee/Camporall Michael Jensen 714-523-4800

jensen924@sbcglobal.net

- i) Support Training Chair: Greg Dubois 714-393-7381 gdubois@socal.rr.com
- j) Support District Dinner: Linh Terry, 714-260-1866, linhkterry@gmail.com
- k) Assist in establishing the Districts financial goals in January each year.

7) District Program Chairman: Todd Oishi 714-470-2143 toishi@sbcglobal.net

a) Camporee: Michael Jensen 714-523-4800 jensen924@sbcglobal.net April 25-27, 2014, Santa Fe Dam (605 and 210 freeways in Irwindale). Cost is estimated at \$10 per person, with an estimate of 360 Scouts attending. A flier will be handed out at Roundtable.

b) Cub Day Camp: Jamie Finnsson 714-329-5394, missimpos@aol.com with Orange Frontier: Director David Barton occubdaycamp@gmail.com July 28 to August 1, Twilight Camp 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm, 2014, St Hedwig Church 3591 Oranewood Ave, Los Alamitos, CA 92720, and Cost \$150 with a deposit of \$50.

- c) Training: Greg Dubois 714-393-7381 gdubois@socal.rr.com, Charter Organization Representative Training, Pack Committee Challenge, Troop Committee Challenge, or any specific training requests, contact Greg Dubois to Schedule your training.
Additional training may be found in the Council/District Calendar
www.ElCapitan.ocbsa.org

National Youth Leadership Training

A 6 day course compressing a 5 week unit cycle of leadership council, unit meetings, utilizing communications, goal setting, teaching and leadership skills. They are reinforced with fun and challenging activities. Your youth go from followers to leaders. The cost is \$225 and Camperships from the Silver Beaver Association is worth \$100. Participation is open to Boy Scouts, Ventures, Varsity and Sea Scouts, 13 years old and First Class Scouts. It is from June 28 to July 3, 2014 at Lost Valley. For information and applications please go to <http://nylt.ocbsa.org> or contact OCC NYLT Course Director Jerry Clark 714-543-5007 coates-Clark@att.net

d) Advancement Chairman: Huong Do, huong939@gmail.com, 714-319-0016 If you are submitting an Adult Application to become a Merit Badge Counselor, the original Application, Youth Protection Training Card, and the list of Merit Badges you wish to counsel are given to Huong Do or Jorge for their signature. Please allow two weeks for

the Council to process your paperwork before you begin counseling Scouts. You may use the US Mail to deliver your application and data to Jorge at the Council Office or at Roundtable.

a) Merit Badge Counselors Chair: Robin Hoyle 562-346-4930

legalez0412@yahoo.com

c) Eagle Project Advisor: Marion Wilder 714-488-6713 rwilder@socal.rr.com

d) Eagle Board Chair: Bob Stoltz, cell 714 351-0166, rbrt_stoltz@yahoo.com

2007 = 40, 2008 = 36, 2009 = 48, 2010 = 46, 2011 = 30, 2012 = 85, 2013 = 45, 2014 = 20 in work.

e) Unit and Adult awards Chair: Quan Do quanvdo@yahoo.com

f) WEBELOS Transition Camp Darlene Wiertzema 714-272-2249

darlenewiertzema@gmail.com

g) Summer time activities: Jamie Finnsson 714-329-5394,
missimpos@aol.com

h) Camping and Outdoor Activity Chair: Bruce Finnsson 714-633-1930
eagle63267@aol.com

i) Order of the Arrow (OA) Maga Taskozu Chapter Advisor: Ed Maberry 714-225-6133, Edward.maberry@gamil.com Chapter meetings are the 3rd Thursday of each month Room 15 at the Garden Grove United Methodist Church 12741 Main Street and Stanford Ave.

Unit election dates: January 1 through April 14 each year

John LaBare fund: Interest only campership fund

e) District Dinner: Linh Terry, 714-260-1866, linhkterry@gmail.com, March 28, 2014 a Friday evening from 6 to 8 pm. Knott's Berry Farm Hotel. We received 23 Extra Mile award applications out of a possible of 100 Units. We had awards for the Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Varsity Coach, and Crew Advisor of the year. Forms are available on our District Website: www.ElCapitan.ocbsa.org

f) Scouting for Food: Kathy Fuiava 714-605-8773 fuiava1973@aol.com

g) Risk Management: Greg Dubois 714-393-7381 gdubois@socal.rr.com

h) District Webmaster www.ElCapitan.ocbsa.org: Terry Morris 714-539-3018
airesearch@aol.com

i) District Facebook Manager: Debra Nguyen 949-733-3013 tnddcw@yahoo.com

j) District Newsletter: Michael Mannix 714-366-8536 mlmannix@hotmail.com

Yours in Scouting,
Michael Mannix
714-366-8536