



El Capitan District Newsletter

Please come and join us:

12160 Valley View St. Garden Grove, CA 92845

7:30 P.M. February 13, 2014

Yes, Ladies and Gentlemen, we are going back to the LDS Church on Valley View St. just south of Chapman Ave. At our last Roundtable, in the LDS Church on Balsa Ave., a vote was taken to determine if we are to move our Roundtable to the Balsa Ave. or Valley View LDS Church. And by one vote, the Valley View location was chosen. You may remember we were there in the late 2000's and early 2010's. The reason we moved out of the Stanford LDS Church is due to a new conflict between a Church event scheduled for every Thursday and our once a month Roundtable. Jorge is also looking at an LDS Church on Lampson and Harbor Blvd. as a more central location for our Roundtable.

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.

February 13 **Roundtable** will have David and Kat Oishi Kf6qia@hotmail.com Cub Scout Breakout will be on "Knots". The Boy Scout Breakout will be with Lisa Merlotti 714-774-3270 lisa.merlotti@gmail.com.

Tung Nguyen has retired from his position as the El Capitan District Commissioner. He has also been selected by the Council to receive the **Silver Beaver** Award for his outstanding service to Scouting over the years. The **Silver Beaver Dinner** is March 12, 2014 at the Crown Plaza Hotel 12021 Harbor Blvd. Garden Grove, 92840 starting at 6:00 pm for the Reception, Dinner, and Program. Register at <http://ocbsa.kintera.org/annualdinner2014>.

WEBELOS Transition Camp is scheduled for March 14 to 17 at Firestone Scout Reservation.

Scout-O-Rama kick off is at the University of Scouting on March 22 at Santa Ana College.

El Capitan District Dinner is March 28 at Knots Berry Farm Hotel

Camporee Packets for April 25 to 27 will be handed out by Michael Jensen, at Roundtable, to those Units planning on participating in this annual event.

Jerry Clark has been reassigned to take over the District Commissioner position. Let's give Jerry all our support as he leads the Commissioner Staff in fulfilling their responsibilities in visiting their assigned Units and reporting their finding in www.myscouting.org each month.

Training:

University of Scouting: March 22, 2014 at Santa Ana College

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 – Spring Course 2014 March 7-9 & 22-24, at OEC, Director is: Dinh Tran

HAT (High Adventure Training) Part 1 & 2 March 7-9 and Part 3 later. Contact course director Jeff Bozanic at jbozanic@hgonline.net or 714-747-2727 for more information.

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

Boy Scout Leader Specific Training:

IOLS (Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills) (Part 2 of 2 part training) Monday February 24, 2014, 6:00 pm to 9:30 pm at REI 2962 Camino Real, Tustin, CA 92782, then Friday through Sunday March 21 – 23, 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.

Venturing: February 17 VOA (Venture Officer Association), Council Office 7:00 pm

If you are interested in helping your District, please call or email Jorge about the open positions in your El Capitan District.

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, will be transferred to the Council Venturing District. There are a lot of questions, yet to be answered, on what advantage this will have on the Venturing Crews, or their home Unit with a Pack and a Troop, or the Chartered Organization and its representative, or the Unit Commissioner in the District they came from or going to, and maybe a dozen more questions yet to be answered. One thing we know, 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

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 \$0 = 0% of Goal

Family Presentations: Goal \$12,000, Actual \$917 = 8% of Goal

Community Campaign: Goal \$8,000, Actual \$0 = 0% of Goal

Leadership Campaign: Goal \$3,000 Actual \$750= 25% of Goal

Total FOS: Goal \$26,500, Actual \$6,402 = 24% of Goal

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

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

d) Number of Total Units: Goal 100, Actual 89, 89% of Goal

f) Number of Total Youth: Goal 1614, Actual 1315 = 81% 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 10 = 11% of Goal

j) Number of UC Visits to Units per Month: Goal 89, Actual 11 = 0.12% 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

If you would like to become a Unit Commissioner, please give me a call or email and we can set you up for training at the Commissioner's College.

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 David and Kat Oishi 714-519-9180

dhoishi@gmail.com,

RT Boy Scout Commissioner Lisa Merlotti 714-774-3270

lisa.merlotti@gmail.com

RT Varsity Commissioner Brian Cable 714-537-7875

RT Venturing Commissioner Barbara Gibson 714-325-5812

BJGibson.BJG@gmail.com

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

darlene_wiertzema@yahoo.com

- a) Spring Recruitment is set for March 24 through 29, 2014.
- b) Elementary School back to school, open house, and walk through plan
Cub Scout Recruitment Chair: **OPEN**
- c) Junior High and High School back to school and open house display plan
Boy Scout Recruitment Chair: **OPEN**
- d) High School back to school and open house display plan
Venturing, and Interact Recruitment Chair: **OPEN**

6) District Finance Chairman: OPEN

- 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
Kick-off is at the University of Scouting, March 22, 2014
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
darlene_wiertzema@yahoo.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, linherry@sbcglobal.net
- k) Assist in establishing the Districts financial goals in January each year.

7) District Program Chairman: OPEN

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, 2014, St Hedwig Church 3591 Orangewood 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. Participation is open to Boy Scouts, Ventures, Varsity and Sea Scouts. 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.
- e) Unit and Adult awards Chair: Quan Do quanvdo@yahoo.com

f) WEBELOS Transition Camp Darlene Wiertzema 714-272-2249
darlenewiertzema@gmail.com March 14 -15, 2014 at Firestone Scout Reservation.

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 Lost Valley is looking into tapping into the aquifer to fill the lake.

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 United Methodist Church 12741 Main Street and Stanford
Ave. in Garden Grove.

Unit election dates: January 1 through April 14 each year

John LaBare fund: Interest only campership fund

8) District Vice-Chairman Administration: Todd Oishi 714-470-2143 toishi@sbcglobal.net

a) District Dinner: Linh Terry, 714-260-1866, linhterry@sbcglobal.net, March 28,
2014 a Friday evening from 6 to 8 pm. Knott's Berry Farm Hotel. We have received 30
Extra Mile award applications out of a possible of 100 Units. We have an award for the
Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Varsity Coach, and Crew Advisor of the year. Forms are
available on our District Website: www.ElCapitan.ocbsa.org

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

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

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

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

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

Yours in Scouting,

Michael Mannix

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