



El Capitan District Newsletter

Please come and join us:

10212 Stanford Ave. Garden Grove, CA 92840-4828

7:30 P.M. January 9, 2014

Attention all **Commissioners**, your Monthly meeting with the District Commissioner, Tung Nguyen, will be at Roundtable, January 9, 2014.

January 9 **Roundtable** will have David and Kat Oishi Kf6qia@hotmail.com Cub Scout Breakout will be on "Scouting Anniversary" and next month, February will be on "Knots". The Boy Scout Breakout will be assistance to your annual planning process. Lisa Merlotti 714-774-3270 lisa.merlotti@gmail.com. Additionally, the Camporee Packets will be handed out by Michael Jensen to those Units planning on participating in this annual event.

District Committee: No meeting in the month of January 2014 at the LDS Church 10212 Stanford Ave., Garden Grove, 7:00 P.M.

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

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

Boy Scout Leader Specific Training (Part 1 of 2 part training) – 3 Tuesday evenings January 14, 21, 28, 2014 from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm, 12301 Magnolia St. Garden Grove.

BALOO (Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation) Cub Scout leaders, January 24, 2014 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm 12301 Magnolia St. Garden Grove, and January 25, 2014, 8:00 am to 2:00 pm at Mile Square Park, the exact location will be given at the indoor meeting.

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: January 20 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. We are having re-charter December 12, 7 to 9 pm at the LDS Church 10212 Stanford Ave. Garden Grove.

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 Stake, Murray Smith: Goal \$8,500, Actual \$7,055 = 83% of Goal

Family Presentations **OPEN:** Goal \$9,000, Actual \$10,252 = 114% of Goal

Community Campaign **OPEN:** Goal \$12,750, Actual \$650 = 5% of Goal

Leadership Campaign, **OPEN:** Goal \$1,250, Actual \$1,250 = 100% of Goal

IC-5 Campaign, **OPEN:** Goal \$5,500, Actual \$0 = 0% of Goal

Total FOS: Goal \$37,000, Actual \$20,713 = 56% of Goal

b) Scout-O-Rama (SOR): Goal \$29,000, Actual \$11,740 = 40% of Goal

c) Popcorn: Goal \$29,000, Actual \$42,183 = 142% of Goal

d) Number of Units retained: Goal 83, Actual 78 = 94% of Goal

e) Number of Total Units: Goal 88, Actual 100, 120% of Goal

f) Number of Youth retained: Goal 1509, Actual 1257 = 83% of Goal

g) Number of Total Youth: Goal 1554, Actual 1735 = 112% of Goal

- h) Number of Unit Commissioners: Goal 33, Actual 26 = 84% of Goal
- i) Number of Units visited by UC's: Goal 97, Actual 57 = 67% of Goal
- j) Number of UC Visits to Units per Month: Goal 4, Actual 4.36 = 109% of Goal
- k) Number of District Staff: Goal 43, Actual 31 = 72% of Goal

4) District Commissioner: Tung Nguyen 714-743-5324 tungthoa8@yahoo.com

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) Listing of all UC's name and contact with their associated Units - COMPLETE
- b) Listing of all ADC's name and contact with their associated UC's - COMPLETE
- c) Unit visitation review analysis and District assistance to help them be Gold Units.
- d) 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) Annual plan for recruitment, does your Unit have one?
- 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: Robin Hoyle 562 346-4930 legalez0412@yahoo.com

c) Popcorn sales: Pamela Moseid 714-299-1677 olive_eve@verizon.net We are at 142% of our Goal. Great job Pamela Moseid and our El Capitan Units! We are very proud of your hard work.

- d) Push Cart Derby: George Brietigam III 714-404-3829 grtietigam@socal.rr.com
- 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, linhterry@sbcglobal.net
- k) Assist in establishing the Districts financial goals in January each year.

7) District Vice-Chairman Program: Jerry Clark 714-543-5007 coates-Clark@att.net

a) Camporee: Michael Jensen 714-523-4800 jensen924@sbcglobal.net April 25-27, 2014, location TBD.

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 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: Contact Greg to schedule
 Pack Committee Challenge: Contact Greg to Schedule
 Troop Committee Challenge: Contact Greg to Schedule
 Any specific training request: Contact Greg to Schedule
 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.

Effective Jan. 1, 2014, the Cooking **merit badge** will be required in order to obtain the Eagle Scout rank. Regardless of when a Scout earned the Life rank or began working on

Eagle, unless he fulfills all the requirements—with the exception of his board of review—before Jan. 1, 2014, he must earn the Cooking merit badge to become an Eagle Scout. During 2013, the Cooking merit badge will undergo a major revision. The changes to Cooking will first appear in a revised merit badge pamphlet that will be released during 2013. The new requirements then become effective Jan. 1, 2014, with the release of Boy [Scout Requirements](#), No. 34765. (The process for implementing changes to merit badges is covered in the Guide to Advancement, topic 7.0.4.2, “What to Do When Requirements Change.”)

Scouts completing the requirements for the [Eagle Scout](#) rank after Jan. 1, 2014, must earn the Cooking merit badge under either the existing requirements or under the requirements as revised during 2013. Scouts are not required to earn the badge under the new requirements in order to qualify for Eagle.

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

legalez0412@yahoo.com

b) Eagle Advisor for Units without one: Joe Kessler 714-776-2054

jmkessler581@gmail.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 (100TH

Anniversary of the Eagle Rank), 2013 = 43 + 3 in process and 1 to schedule their BOR.

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 taping 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, linherry@sbcglobal.net, we have a date: March 28, 2014 a Friday evening from 6 to 8 pm. Location Knott’s Berry Farm. Please submit your Unit’s Extra Mile nominations by January 2014, one person per Unit. We have an award for the Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Varsity Coach, and Crew Advisor of the year. Submit your leaders to the selection committee by January 2014. Please select a

person to be nominated for the District Award of Merit, the forms are available on our District Website: www.ElCapitan.ocbsa.org

b) Scouting for Food: Kathy Fuiava 714-605-8773 fuiava1973@aol.com, was a great success again this year. Council wide we had 74,854 pounds of food, we had 63,204 pounds of food collected last year. A single meal is about .83 pounds, giving 62,378 meals to the poor. This is our 25th year of Scouting for Food. El Capitan District had 4,879 pounds of food.

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

d) District Webmaster www.ElCapitan.ocbsa.org: Terry Morris 714-539-3018
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e) District Facebook Manager: Debra Nguyen 949-733-3013 tnddcw@yahoo.com

f) District Newsletter editor: Michael Mannix 714-366-8536
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