



## **El Capitan District Newsletter**

**Please come and join us:**

**10332 Bolsa Ave. Westminster, CA 92683**

**7:30 P.M. June 12, 2014**

**Please notice the time change!**

**Please be sure to wish Jorge Ruiz de Somocurcio a Happy Birthday when you see him. It was June 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

**What does it cost for Sports compared to Scouts? Data taken from the OC Register May 11, 2014, News Section, Page 12, annual cost:**

**Hockey \$20,000 Registration \$1,500, Uniform \$500, Monthly Dues \$600**

**Softball \$17,000 Registration \$300, Uniform \$200, Monthly Dues \$160**

**Baseball \$10,000 Registration \$130, Uniform \$485, Monthly Dues \$130**

**Water Polo \$5,600 Registration \$1,090, Uniform \$45, Monthly Dues \$100**

**Boy Scouts \$300 Registration \$25, Uniform \$150, Monthly Dues \$25**

**Perhaps with this data we can ask Parents to switch where their boys are spending their time so they can earn the Eagle Rank and put that on their Resume.**

**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. If you need ideas for an Eagle Project, go to Google to search "Eagle Scout Project Ideas" to view projects from around the USA.

**The Order of the Arrow Ordeal is June 13 through 15 at SSRLV.**

**Boy Scout service hours** may be earned beginning June 2, for about two weeks, M-F, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm, unpack at Zeyen Elementary School, 12081 S. Magnolia, Garden Grove, 92841. For assistance please email Darlene at [darlenewiertzema@gmail.com](mailto:darlenewiertzema@gmail.com) ref. Scout service hours at Zeyen.

**More Boy Scout service hours:** July 26 and August 9, 9 am to 11 am Beach Clean-up, Seal Beach 15 1<sup>st</sup> Street. Bring closed toe shoes, sunscreen, reusable water bottle and a trash grabber. You get free parking, gloves, bags, community service certificate and hand sanitizer. This Leave No Trace event is hosted by Jack Terry and Troop 167.

**June 12 Roundtable:**

Jamie Finnsson 714-329-5394 [missimpos@aol.com](mailto:missimpos@aol.com) will have the Cub Scout Breakout.

Lisa Merlotti 714-774-3270 [lisa.merlotti@gmail.com](mailto:lisa.merlotti@gmail.com) will have the Boy Scout Breakout.

**Scout-O-Rama** ticket sales turn-in has been extended to this June 12 Roundtable, as our LAST turn-in tonight to Rudy Zuniga at [r.zuniga203@yahoo.com](mailto:r.zuniga203@yahoo.com) . However you may sell the tickets for the remainder of the year. The card is good until December 31, 2014.

**2015 Camporee** will be headed by Mr. Creg Reitzel 714-776-0426 [lahina\\_1@yahoo.com](mailto:lahina_1@yahoo.com). He will make a presentation on the excitement of do our skills in the evening of Friday and the morning Saturday, then set up camp for a fun and easy Saturday afternoon. What a concept for our next Camporee/Camporall.

**The “Push Cart Derby” is back!** It will be held July 12, 7:00 am to 3:00 pm on Springdale Street between the 22 Freeway overpass (the hill) and Lampson St. Units may set up a booth to sell items along Springdale. Please contact Mr. Le Truong 714-655-0925 [le.truong@hp.com](mailto:le.truong@hp.com) for more details.

**Flag Patrol Community Service** – Officer Kenneth Cummings will make a presentation at Roundtable this month.

**Training:**

**Youth Protection Training (YPT)** – You may take it on-line at [www.myscouting.org](http://www.myscouting.org) or call Greg Dubois 714-393-7381 [gdubois@socal.rr.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:JorgeR@ocbsa.org) “To serve more youth in a Quality Program.” This is the Mission of the Orange County Council.

**2) District Nominating Committee Chairman: Open**

**3) District Chairman:** George Brietigam III 714-404-3829 [grtietigam@socal.rr.com](mailto:grtietigam@socal.rr.com)  
**District Vice-Chairman:** Kris Beard [Beard4GG@gmail.com](mailto: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 \$9,693 = 81% of Goal

Community Campaign: Goal \$8,000, Actual \$4,300 = 54% of Goal

Leadership Campaign: Goal \$3,000 Actual \$1,960= 65% of Goal

Total FOS: Goal \$26,500, Actual \$20,788 = 78% of Goal

b) Scout-O-Rama (SOR): Goal \$20,000, Actual \$13,680= 68% of Goal

c) Popcorn: Goal \$43,500, Actual \$= % of Goal

d) Number of Total Units: Goal 91, Actual 82, 90% of Goal

f) Number of Total Youth: Goal 1599, Actual 1161 = 73% 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 27 = 30% 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](mailto: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](mailto:mpjonnie@aol.com),  
RT Cub Scout Commissioners have Jamie Finnsson 714-329-5394  
[missimpos@aol.com](mailto:missimpos@aol.com)  
RT Boy Scout Commissioner Lisa Merlotti 714-774-3270  
[lisa.merlotti@gmail.com](mailto:lisa.merlotti@gmail.com)  
RT Varsity Commissioner Brian Cable 714-537-7875

**5) District Membership Chairman:** Darlene Wiertzema 714-750-6612  
[darlenewiertzema@gmail.com](mailto:darlenewiertzema@gmail.com) Spring Recruitment for 2014 has begun.

- 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](mailto:Phat@PhatBui.com)

- a) Support: FOS LDS Murray Smith 714 891-4033 [murmatic@aol.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:olive_eve@verizon.net)
- d) Push Cart Derby: Mr. Le Truong 714-655-0925 [le.truong@hp.com](mailto:le.truong@hp.com)

- e) Support Cub Day Jamie Finnsson 714-329-5394, [missimpos@aol.com](mailto:missimpos@aol.com)
- f) Support WEBELOS Transition Camp Darlene Wiertzema 714-750-6612 [darlenewiertzema@gmail.com](mailto:darlenewiertzema@gmail.com),
- h) Support Camporee/Camporall Creg Reitzel 714-776-0426 [lahina\\_1@yahoo.com](mailto:lahina_1@yahoo.com)
- i) Support Training Chair: Greg Dubois 714-393-7381 [gdubois@socal.rr.com](mailto:gdubois@socal.rr.com)
- j) Support District Dinner: Linh Terry, 714-260-1866, [linhkterry@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:toishi@sbcglobal.net)**

- a) Camporee 2015: Creg Reitzel 714-776-0426 [lahina\\_1@yahoo.com](mailto:lahina_1@yahoo.com)
- b) Cub Day Camp: Jamie Finnsson 714-329-5394, [missimpos@aol.com](mailto:missimpos@aol.com) with Orange Frontier: Director David Barton 714-369-5770 [occubdaycamp@gmail.com](mailto:occubdaycamp@gmail.com) July 28 to August 1, Twilight Camp 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm, 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](mailto: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](http://www.ElCapitan.ocbsa.org)

**National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)**

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](mailto:coates-Clark@att.net)

d) Advancement Chairman: Huong Do, [huong939@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:legalez0412@yahoo.com) Please report any anomalies to Robin Hoyle via email.
- c) Eagle Project Advisor: Marion Wilder 714-488-6713 [rwilder@socal.rr.com](mailto:rwilder@socal.rr.com)
- d) Eagle Board Chair: Bob Stoltz, cell 714 351-0166, [rbrt\\_stoltz@yahoo.com](mailto:rbrt_stoltz@yahoo.com)

2007 = 40, 2008 =36, 2009 = 48, 2010 = 46, 2011 = 30, 2012 = 85, 2013 = 45,  
2014 = 23 complete and 8 in work.

e) Unit and Adult awards Chair: Quan Do [quanvdo@yahoo.com](mailto:quanvdo@yahoo.com)

f) WEBELOS Transition Camp Darlene Wiertzema 714-272-2249  
[darlenewiertzema@gmail.com](mailto:darlenewiertzema@gmail.com)

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

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

i) Order of the Arrow (OA) Maga Taskozu Chapter Advisor: Ed Maberry  
714-225-6133, [Edward.maberry@gamil.com](mailto:Edward.maberry@gamil.com) Chapter meetings are the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](mailto:linhkterry@gmail.com),

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

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

h) District Webmaster [www.ElCapitan.ocbsa.org](http://www.ElCapitan.ocbsa.org): Terry Morris 714-539-3018  
[airesearch@aol.com](mailto:airesearch@aol.com)

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

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

Yours in Scouting,

Michael Mannix

714-366-8536

PS: I would like to thank all those who wished me a Happy 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday; you really made  
my day one to remember.