



Orange Frontier District

February 2019

February

- 14 Roundtable @ 4000 W. Orange, Anaheim
- 21 OA Santee Chapter Meeting
- 22-23 OA Trade-O-Ree @ Council
- 28 OFD Commissioner Meeting

March

- 6 OFD Committee Meeting
- 6 OA Indian Affairs Weekend @ Oso Lake
- 14 Roundtable @ 4000 W. Orange, Anaheim
- 21 OA Santee Chapter Meeting
- 28 OFD Commissioner Meeting
- 29-31 OFD Camporee @ Oso Lake

April

- 3 OFD Committee Meeting
- 11 Roundtable @ 4000 W. Orange, Anaheim
- 18 OA Santee Chapter Meeting
- 24 Eagle Scout Recognition Dinner @ Great Wolf Lodge
- 25 OFD Commissioner Meeting

May

- 1 OFD Committee Meeting
- 9 Roundtable @ 4000 W. Orange, Anaheim
- 11 Scout-O-Rama @ Oak Canyon Park

May

- 16 OA Santee Chapter Meeting
- 23 OFD Commissioner Meeting
- 24-27 Memorial Day Family Camp @ SSRLV

June

- 5 OFD Committee Meeting
- 7-9 OA Santee Spring Ordeal @ SSRLV
- 13 Roundtable @ 4000 W. Orange, Anaheim
- 17-22 NYLT @ SSRLV
- 20 OA Santee Chapter Meeting
- 27 OFD Commissioner Meeting

July

- 3 OFD Committee Meeting
- 11 Roundtable @ 4000 W. Orange, Anaheim
- 18 OA Santee Chapter Meeting
- 22-Aug 2 World Scout Jamboree @ Bechtel Summit
- 25 OFD Commissioner Meeting

August

- 7 OFD Committee Meeting
- 8 Roundtable @ 4000 W. Orange, Anaheim
- 15 OA Santee Chapter Meeting
- 22 OFD Commissioner Meeting

Blue and Gold

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- is for Boys – Lion, Tiger, Bobcat, Wolves, Bears & Webelos
- is for Leader – the Cubmaster who guides us
- is for Understanding – we learn to help others
- is for Excellence – we try to do our best in all we do

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- is for Anniversary – Cub Scouts is 87 years old
- is for Neighborhood – where Dens meet each week
- is for Den Chiefs – Scouts who help us in many ways

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- is for Goals – for which Cub Scouting stands
- is for Opportunity – for boys to learn and do
- is for Liberty – in years to come
- is for Den Leaders – who love and help us

Happy Birthday Scouting



February is the month we honor the birth of Scouting. Cub Scouting was organized in 1930 and this February we celebrate its 89th birthday. Cub Scouting is the largest and most popular of the Scouting divisions. We are also celebrating the 109th anniversary of Boy Scouts of America. Boy Scouts of America was first organized in 1910.

Spring Camp-O-Ree 2019

March 29-31 are the dates and Oso Lake is the place for the Spring 2019 Camp-O-Ree. Camp-O-Ree is an extension of Unit Scouting and brings Orange Frontier Troops together for a weekend of Boy Scout camping experience. It provides opportunities for Scouts and Scouters to



meet their counterparts from other Troops. Camp-O-
 Ree is structured around a central theme and program activities include friendly competition as a way of reinforcing the Patrol Methods and building unit "esprit de corps." The main objective of Camp-O-Ree is to promote fun outdoor activities. If you have any questions or need more information please contact **Brian Mendoza, Camp-O-Ree Chair @ mendoza.brian@gmail.com**



Adventure Cards Sale Underway Your Adventure Starts Here!

Adventure Card Sale – your scout’s gateway to a great Summer Camp! Adventure Cards are discount cards that Scouts sell to raise money for their summer adventures! Units sign up, get their cards, and start selling. We’ve partnered with Entertainment Book again this year to offer a card with incredible savings. Units can earn up to 50% commission on the cards they sell. There is no risk to your Unit. Any unsold cards can be returned at the end of the sale. **Units can sign up now for this adventure: @ ocbsa.org/adventurecard.**

Kickoff, training & card Distribution date:

- **Tues, Mar 12th – 6:00pm-8:00pm @ the Council Service Center, 1211 E Dyer Rd, Santa Ana 90705**
- **Sat, Mar 16th –8:00am-10:00am @ Stanton Central Park, 10660 Western Ave, Stanton 90680**

Scouts (with adults) and/or units (2 scouts/2 parents @ any shift) can sign up for Stater Bros locations sale at Signup.com. If you are unable to make it to one of the dates or times you have selected, please log back in and make the change. You will have the opportunity to swap dates and times with other units. Be sure to follow all store guidelines. If the store manager requires a copy of the approval letter from Stater Bros please click here: [Stater Bros Approval Letter](#)

The Card itself is your entrance ticket to Scout-O-Rama on Sat, May 11th. For more info on Adventure Card – email **Marcie @ OFDNL@att.net**.

Scout O Rama Fun for All Day

This years **Scout-O-Rama** will be held, **May 11th at Oak Canyon Park.**

Oak Canyon Park is located at 5305 Santiago Canyon Drive, Silverado. Packs, Troops and Venture Crews from all over Orange County will come together to show off their skills. Sign up to participate with a booth, skit, or service hours. Forms are available at Roundtable or the Council office. For more information contact **Alex Fritz** at 714-546-8558x102 or alex@ocbsa.org



Eagle Scouts Recognized Troop 642 Court of Honor

During Troop 642’s January 2019 Court of Honor, 6 Eagle Scouts were honored for their accomplishments. Bill W., Sean S., Jonathan S., Scott F., Matthew C., and Klaus Q. of the Average Joes Patrol were presented their Eagle Scout Awards. Eagle Scout is the highest rank attainable in the Scouting program and only four percent of the Scouts entering the program are granted this rank. Congratulations to these fine young men on their achievement!



Average Joes Eagles with T642 SM Dan Moran

Spring Recruitment Tips Get Your Pack Ready

Now is the time to be thinking about recruiting new Scouts for your Pack. There are several easy steps that you can follow to have a successful Recruitment. They include the following:



- Select a Pack Recruitment Coordinator.
- Prepare a Pack flier and calendar.
- Attend Recruitment Training.
- Schedule Recruitment Night with your school.
- Schedule walk thru the day before Recruitment Night
- Hang posters and banners the week before Recruitment Night.
- Distribute fliers a couple days before Recruitment Night.
- Get your volunteers lined up to help.
- Conduct walk thru the day before Recruitment Night.
- Hold Recruitment Night.
- Collect paperwork and fees.
- Turn in applications and fees.

For more information contact Jorge Ruiz de Somocurcio at 714-546-8558x115 or @ jorger@ocbsa.org.

Friends of Scouting 2019 Campaign

In the first few months of the year, the Orange County Council conducts the annual giving campaign: Friends of Scouting. This is an opportunity to show your financial support to Scouting. You will probably see a speaker at one of your meetings soon to talk about Friends of Scouting and ask for your support. Please consider a gift at that time. While your unit probably does fundraisers to help your programs, the Council also needs your support to continue to offer the programs that supplement your units programs. It costs Orange County Council about \$300 a year for every Scout in the program. This means that Scouts have the opportunity to attend programs at the Newport Beach Sea Base, Oso Lake, Lost Valley and the Outdoor Education Center. Adult Leaders have excellent training opportunities, professional support, and resources. Friends of Scouting also helps to support less fortunate youth through



scholarship programs. Your gift to the campaign is priceless when you think about the life or lives your support will be touching. Consider the opportunities your son has had, and give a gift that will ensure those opportunities for him and hopefully for other youth as well in the future. Thank you for your support.

Orange Frontier District Training Spotlight

This is an important note regarding changes in Adult Leader training. The Orange County Council has decided to adopt an **"All registered leaders must be trained policy for 2019"**. What this means to you is that, if you are not trained for your position you will be removed from your unit's charter for 2019. In order to return to your unit's roster you will need to be fully trained and re-register. It also means that if you do not have the appropriate leadership and committee members trained your unit may lose its charter!



As Scouters we all know that having trained leaders is a key to a great program. Please help us fulfill our promise to our youth by getting trained. The OFD training team is most willing to help you achieve your units training goals in hope that no one is dropped from your roster!

Please do your part and support these training changes. These training changes will strengthen our Scouting program and will benefit our youth by making it a safer, more challenging and more memorable experience for them. Training will also improve the quality of the programs and activities delivered to the youth, increase participation of youth in all activities and increase retention of youth in the Scouting program. After all, **every Scout deserves a trained leader.**

For more information on training Adult Leaders please contact **Brian Swartz, OFD Training Chair at brianswartz@yahoo.com**.

The Outdoor Code

The Outdoor Code reminds Scouts of the importance of caring for the environment. The code's ideals have special meaning whenever you are camping, hiking, and taking part in other outdoor events.



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.



Your commitment to the Outdoor Code and your efforts to leave no trace will make a positive difference in the quality of the environment today and for generations to come.

Leave No Trace

As we prepare for a great summer full of outdoor activities let us remember the principles of the Leave No Trace Program. Leave No Trace is the nation's official wilderness ethics program. Leave No Trace is a partnership that includes four federal agencies (US Forest Service, National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management and US Fish and Wildlife Service), educational programs and youth organizations such as the Boy Scouts of America. BSA has adopted this program as an important educational tool for guiding its members in appropriate ways to use and protect the outdoors. The program is managed by a nonprofit organization called Leave No Trace, Inc.



Leave No Trace is the practice of traveling and camping with care when visiting wildlands. It requires that we deliberately plan and guide our outdoor experiences so that we do not harm the environment or disturb others. The principles of Leave No Trace are summarized as follows:

1. Plan ahead and prepare.
2. Travel and camp on durable surfaces.
3. Dispose of waste properly.
4. Leave what you find.
5. Minimize campfire impacts.
6. Respect wildlife.
7. Be considerate of other visitors.

There is a Leave No Trace Awareness Award Patch that Scouts can earn by completing the following requirements:

- Recite and explain the principles of Leave No Trace.
- On 3 separate camping/backpacking trips demonstrate and practice the principles of Leave No Trace.
- Earn the Camping and Environmental Science merit badges.

- Participate in a Leave No Trace related service project.
- Give a 10 minute presentation on a Leave No Trace topic approved by your Scoutmaster.
- Draw a poster or build a model to demonstrate the differences in how we camp or travel in high use and pristine areas.

Scout Me In New Advertising Campaign



The Boy Scouts of America (BSA) announced, after a very successful trial period, that girl members will be accepted into the Cub Scout program starting in June 2018. BSA also unveiled the new advertising campaign, **Scout Me In**, that features girls, as well as boys, in its iconic Cub Scout program for the first time. Starting this summer, boys and girls are invited to join the fun, adventure and character-building opportunities found in Cub Scouts. Boys and girls will participate in separate Dens. **Scout Me In** shows what it's like to be a Scout from a kid's point of view. It reinforces that the mission and core values in the Scout Oath and Scout Law are welcoming, inclusive and foundational for both young men and women.

CURRENT	NEW
Cub Scouts - Boys Only - Ages 8-11	Cub Scouts - Boys and Girls* (separate dens) - Ages 8-11 - Launch date: June 2018
Boy Scouts - Boys Only - Ages 11-17	Scouts BSA - Boys and Girls* (separate troops) - Ages 11-17 - Launch date: February 2019
Venturing - All Boys, All Girls, or Co-Ed - Ages 14-20	No Change
Sea Scouts - All Boys, All Girls, or Co-Ed - Ages 14-20	No Change
Exploring - All Boys, All Girls, or Co-Ed - Ages 16-20	No Change



Starting in February 2019, female members will be admitted into the older youth Scouts BSA program. Boys and girls will participate in separate Troops. The **Scout Me In** campaign will welcome families and girls and boys into Scouts BSA. Girl members will have the same opportunities for advancement, including the rank of Eagle Scout. It will reinforce that the mission and core values in the Scout Oath and Scout Law are welcoming, inclusive and foundational for both young men and women. You can find more details about welcoming girls to Scouting at www.scouting.org/familyscouting.

BSA to Allow Girls to Join



The Boy Scouts of America announced that it will admit girls into the Cub Scout program starting in the fall of 2018. Cub Scout Dens will then become single gender with either all boys or all girls.

The advancement program will stay the same, with the same requirements for both boys and girls. Youth protection guidelines will also remain the same, with both male and female leaders being required any time a coed overnight outing occurs. The program for older girls (11-17) is being developed now and will be available in 2019. The older girls will be able to work toward the coveted rank of Eagle Scout. This is a great opportunity for all family members to become involved at the same time in the number one youth development organization in the world. These changes follow other past changes for Exploring, Sea Scouts, Venturing and Learning for Life to permit young women to participate in BSA programs. Much more information to come.

Scouts BSA New Older Youth Gender Neutral Program



The Boy Scouts of America announced plans to change the name of its signature program for older youth (11-17), Boy Scouts, to the gender neutral **Scouts BSA**. The name change is part

of a rebranding effort to reflect the historic decision to accept girls into the program. Starting **February 2019**, female members will be admitted into the Scouts BSA program. Scouts BSA will offer girls the same opportunities to participate in activities, outings, merit badges and advancement (including rank of Eagle Scout) as boys. The name of the parent organization will continue to be Boy Scouts of America.

Stand up to Bullying



With new kids joining Units this time of year, Scouts can have a challenging time with bullying. Bullying is defined as a conscious, willing, deliberate and repeated hostile activity marked by an imbalance of power, intent to harm, and/or threat of aggression. When bullying goes from bad to worse,

it may lead to a feeling of terror on the part of the person bullied.

What can you do as a parent or leader?

Standing up to peers is a hard thing to do for people of all ages. But you can make it easier for kids by giving them the confidence and the support they need to do so. Here are some ways parents can help children develop these traits:

- Teach children to be assertive. Emphasize peaceful ways to solve problems and encourage kids to stand up for themselves verbally, not violently.
- Show kids safe ways to help others. Make it clear that you expect kids to take action if they see someone being hurt, or if they are hurt themselves.
- Get to know their friends. Encourage your children to invite their friends to your home or accompany you on family outings.
- Keep an open communication with your kids, when it comes to social media. Make sure they are behaving properly, as well as making sure they aren't a victim of cyber-bullying.



Being able to **recognize, respond and report** is a simple message to remember for the personal awareness of our youth members. For more information on Bullying Awareness, please visit www.Scouting.org.

The Buddy System



The buddy system is an important part of Scouting that provides safety and support for the Scouts. The policy of the Boy Scouts of America is for boys to be active but in groups of no smaller than two. Individual Scouts are required to find a buddy when they are participating in Scout functions.

Each boy will be participating in many different activities, events and outings throughout his Scouting career. The Guide to Safe Scouting refers to the use of the buddy system for camping, winter activities, cycling, rock climbing, caving, swimming, snorkeling and other water activities such as boating,



canoeing, kayaking and rafting. It is also important to remember to use the buddy system when you are leaving your group for any reason whether it is to go to a car, take a walk, go to the men's room or visit the Trading Post to buy candy.

Lions, Tigers, Wolves, Bears, Webelos, Arrow of Light Scouts and siblings should use the buddy system anywhere outside their campsite. Always go in pairs under the direct supervision of an adult. Tell other adults in campsite when you are leaving and when you return.

Boy Scouts and Venture Scouts should take a buddy with them when they leave their group. They should notify Adult Leaders present of their whereabouts and upon return they should notify the Adult Leader.

The Buddy System is a way for Scouts to look out for one another, especially during outdoor adventures. You are assigned a buddy. You keep track of what your buddy is up to, and he knows at all times where you are and how you are doing.

Campfire Story

The Story of the Blue and Gold Colors



Many, many moons ago, the great Chief Akela, friend and leader of Cub Scouts, called a council to see what could be done to make his tribe the best of all tribes. He summoned two Indian braves so that he could challenge them. The chief told the first Indian brave to climb the mountain and tell the eagles to fly high into the sky and bring back part of the beauty of the sun. He told the second Indian brave to go into the forest and tell the sparrow to fly high into the sky and bring back part of the beauty of the sky. After a while both braves returned. The brave that went to the mountains brought back a bottle of gold water. The brave that went to the forest brought back a bottle of blue water. They proudly held up bottles to show the council. Akela told one brave to pour some beauty of the sun into the council mixing pot and the brave poured some gold water into the pot. Akela told the other brave to pour some beauty of the sky into the council mixing pot and the brave poured some blue water into the pot. Akela then raised his hands towards the sky and proclaimed that from this day forward blue and gold will be the beautiful colors of the tribe. Blue will stand for truth and loyalty and the sky above. Gold will stand for warm sunlight, happiness, and good cheer. From that day forward blue and gold were the colors for Cub Scouts.

Advancement & Board of Review

The Boy Scouts of America provides recognition for Scout achievements. The advancement program allows Scouts to progress from rank to rank. A fundamental purpose of advancement is the self-confidence a young man acquires from his participation in a Troop. Requirements serve as the basis for a Boy Scout's rank advancement. The four steps to advancement are learning, testing, reviewing, and recognition. Many Scouts have been introduced to a lifelong hobby or rewarding career through the merit badge program. Merit badges help Scouts develop physical skills, social skills, and self-reliance.



What to bring to the Board of Review for Eagle Rank:

1. TWO copies of your completed Eagle Project workbook with signatures. A simple copy in a report folder is fine. 3 ring binders are not necessary.
 - Bring your original Eagle Project Workbook for you to refer to. (All should have the proposal, plan, and report).
2. Scout book to be signed off. Lost? Please don't panic. We can work with what has already been documented at the council. Just let us know ahead of time.
3. A unit leader to present/support you and family members.
4. A cheerful attitude. Congratulations!

Note: It is the mission of this board to be helpful, friendly, courteous, and kind. We are in the service of scouting with the Guide to Advancement as our guide. We will work with the candidates to the best of our ability to see them succeed.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or a member of the District Advancement Committee with any other specific questions.

If you have any questions or would like more information please contact
David Rogers @ ki6shf@yahoo.com
Orange Frontier District Advancement Chair



Up-to-Date Merit Badge Requirements

Want an up-to-date source of Merit Badge and Advancement information, National BSA has posted that information on their web site. Visit <http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/BoyScouts/AdvancementandAwards/MeritBadges.aspx> to link to a reliable source of information for Merit Badges and requirements. The following link is a list of all [Merit Badges](#).

Adult Application (no charge for merit badge counselor only. For background check if you are not registered already) - <http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/524-501.pdf>

All Merit Badge Counselors must be Youth Protection Trained. Youth Protection Training can be renewed at my.scouting.org: <https://my.scouting.org/>

Visit National's <http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/GuideToAdvancement.aspx> (PFD 2013 Printing). See Section 7.0.0.0 for National's Merit Badge policies for The Merit Badge Program.

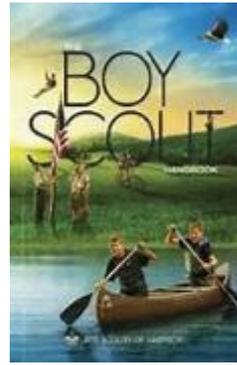
For all your Advancement needs, visit <http://www.ocbsa.org/bsaadvancement/> - BSA Orange County Council's Advancement Website.

Changes in Advancement

Be prepared and know the 13 biggest changes to advancement for Cub and Boy Scouts. Here is a link to download the new guide: <http://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2015/04/23/2015-guide-to-advancement-out-now-here-are-13-of-the-biggest-changes/>

What is changing in Boy Scouting? The Scout Spirit requirement for each rank starting with Tenderfoot is expanding to have the Scout describe how he has done his duty to God. (The new requirements will be released at the National Annual Meeting in May.)

When will the new Boy Scout requirements take effect? Jan. 1, 2016. Find more information about the transition plan and requirements at scouting.org/programupdates.



How can I evaluate a Scout for duty to God, especially if he and I have different beliefs? Consider asking him how his family or faith group defines duty to God and how he is living up to that definition. Remember that the focus is on the Scout's understanding of duty to God, not the leader's. Also, keep in mind that duty to God will be only one part of the

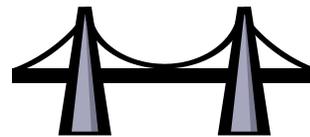
Scout Spirit requirement.

Do boys have to earn the religious emblem for their faith? No. Not every youth is a member of a faith group, and not all faith groups offer religious emblems. Earning one is not a requirement.

As the BSA's Declaration of Religious Principle states, "The Boy Scouts of America maintains that no member can grow into the best kind of citizen without recognizing an obligation to God and, therefore, recognizes the religious element in the training of the member, but it is absolutely nonsectarian in its attitude toward that religious training. Its policy is that the home and organization or group with which the member is connected shall give definite attention to religious life."

Please contact the advancement team via email if you have questions: advancement@orangefrontier.org

Arrow of Light Transition to Boy Scout Questions You Should Ask



The world of Boy Scouting is packed with fun and excitement with activities like camping, hiking, backpacking, swimming, canoeing, sailing, fishing, archery, shotgun shooting, rock climbing and much, much more. It should be the goal of every Cubmaster, Arrow of Light Den Leader and Parent to graduate every Arrow of Light Scout into a Boy Scout Troop. The best way to learn about the local Troops is to visit them and see how they operate. Here is a list of questions you can ask when you visit.

1. Where and when do you meet?
2. How big is your Troop?



3. Is there a published Troop roster?
4. Who is in your Troop (any friends)?
5. Is there a published Troop calendar?
6. What kind of outings (backpacking, hiking, car camping, etc.) do you go on?
7. How often do you go on outings?
8. Where and when are you going to summer camp?
9. Do you have a Troop meeting program?
10. Is the Troop run by youth or adults?
11. Is there good Scout skills instruction for new Scouts?
12. Is the Patrol method used?
13. How are Patrols organized?
14. Is there strong Patrol activity?
15. How many adult leaders are there?
16. Are the adult and youth leaders trained?
17. Is there a Troop newsletter?
18. What are the dues?
19. What is the Troop uniform?
20. What is the advancement record of the Troop?

After your visit ask yourself - *Did I feel welcome?*

After your visit ask your son - *How do you feel about this Troop?*

For more information on local Boy Scout Troops contact Alex Fritz at 714-546-8558 x102 or e-mail alexfr@ocbsa.org .

Sweet Sixteen of BSA Safety

As an aid to protect participants in Scout activities, the BSA National Health & Safety Committee and the Council Services Division of the BSA National Council have developed the "Sweet Sixteen" of BSA safety procedures for physical activity. These 16 points are summarized as follows:

1. QUALIFIED SUPERVISION - Every BSA activity should be supervised by a conscientious adult who understands and knowingly accepts responsibility for the well-being and safety of the children and youth in his or her care. The supervisor should be sufficiently trained, experienced and skilled in the activity to be confident of his/her ability to lead and to teach the necessary skills and to respond effectively in the event of an emergency. Field knowledge of all applicable BSA standards and a commitment to implement and follow BSA policy and procedures are essential parts of the supervisor's qualifications.

2. PHYSICAL FITNESS - For youth participants in any potentially strenuous activity, the supervisor should receive a complete health history from a health care professional, parent or guardian. Adult participants and youth involved in higher-risk activity (e.g., scuba) may require professional evaluation in addition to the health history. The supervisor should adjust all supervision, discipline and protection to anticipate potential risks associated with individual health conditions. Neither youth nor adults should participate in an activity for which they are unfit. To do so would place both the individual and others at risk.

3. BUDDY SYSTEM - The long history of the "buddy system" in Scouting has shown that it is always best to have at least one other person with you and aware at all times as to your circumstances and what you are doing in any outdoor or strenuous activity.

4. SAFE AREA OR COURSE - A key part of the supervisor's responsibility is to know the area or course for the activity and to determine that it is well-suited and free of hazards.

5. EQUIPMENT SELECTION AND MAINTENANCE - Most activity requires some specialized equipment. The equipment should be selected to suit the participant and the activity and to include appropriate safety and program features. The supervisor should also check equipment to determine that it is in good condition for the activity and is properly maintained while in use.

6. PERSONAL SAFETY EQUIPMENT - The supervisor must ensure that every participant has and uses the appropriate personal safety equipment. For example, activity afloat requires a PFD properly worn by each participant; bikers, horseback riders, and whitewater kayakers need helmets for certain activity; skaters may need protective gear; and all need to be dressed for warmth and utility depending on the circumstances.

7. SAFETY PROCEDURES AND POLICIES - For most activities there are common sense procedures and standards that can greatly reduce the risk. These should be known and appreciated by all participants, and the supervisor must ensure compliance.

8. SKILL LEVEL LIMITS - There is a minimum skill level requirement for every activity, and the supervisor must identify and recognize this



minimum skill level and be sure that none are put at risk by attempting activity beyond their ability. A good example of skill levels in Scouting is the venerable swim test which defines conditions for safe swimming based on individual ability.

9. WEATHER CHECK - The risk factors in many outdoor activities vary substantially with weather conditions. These variables and the appropriate response should be understood and anticipated.

10. PLANNING - Safe activity follows a plan that has been conscientiously developed by the experienced supervisor or other competent source. Good planning minimizes risks and also anticipates contingencies that may require emergency response or a change of plan.

11. COMMUNICATIONS - The supervisor needs to be able to communicate effectively with participants as needed during the activity. Emergency communications also need to be considered in advance for any foreseeable contingencies.

12. PLANS AND NOTICES - BSA tour and activity plans, council office registration, government or landowner authorization, and any similar formalities are the supervisor's responsibility when such are required. Appropriate notification should be directed to parents, enforcement authorities, landowners, and others as needed, before and after the activity.

13. FIRST AID RESOURCES - The supervisor should determine what first aid supplies to include among the activity equipment. The level of first aid training and skill appropriate for the activity should also be considered. An extended trek over remote terrain obviously may require more first aid resources and capabilities than an afternoon activity in the local community. Whatever is determined to be needed should be available.

14. APPLICABLE LAWS - BSA safety policies generally parallel or go beyond legal mandates, but the supervisor should confirm and ensure compliance with all applicable regulations.

15. CPR RESOURCE - Any strenuous activity or remote trek could present a cardiac emergency. Aquatic programs may involve cardiopulmonary emergencies. The BSA strongly recommends that a CPR-trained person (preferably an adult) be part of the leadership for any BSA program. Such a resource should be available for strenuous outdoor activity.

16. DISCIPLINE - No supervisor is effective if he or she cannot control the activity and the individual participants. Youth must respect their leader and follow his or her direction.

Training Chair's Corner

NOTE: Fliers for each of the training opportunities maybe found on the Council Website under each training course menu item@ <http://training.counciltraining.net/nod/e/25>

BSA has added the following courses to their MyScouting, E-Learning site - <http://www.myscouting.org/>

**Climb On Safely
Trek Safely
This Is Scouting - Replaces New Leader Essentials**

If you have already taken New Leader Essentials, it is not necessary to take "This is Scouting". You only need to take either one, once in your Scouting career.

Youth Protection Training (YPT)

(Renew Every 2 Years Now)

The Orange Frontier Training Team recommends taking your 1st YPT or VYPT in a class room environment and renewing either via class room or online.

Wood Badge Fall 2019

You are invited to participate in the Wood Badge experience. In this training course you will learn contemporary leadership concepts utilized in corporate America and leading government organizations.



The leadership skills have been adapted to our values based Scouting movement. The course will be held over two three day weekends, September 6-8 and September 21-23 at the Irvine Ranch Outdoor Education Center.



The fee for the course is \$300 and covers all course materials, meals and lodging. Applications will be available at Roundtable, at the Council office and on-line.

Be sure to sign up early to reserve your spot in this very popular training program. For more information contact Brenda Patino, Course Director, at noodlemom98@gmail.com or Julie Anderson, Council Advisor, at 714-546-4990 x103.

NOVA Awards



The Boy Scouts of America has introduced a new program to enhance science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) knowledge and experience for our Scouts. This new program is called the NOVA Awards program and is available for Scouts at all levels except Tiger Scouts. Cub Scouts (including Webelos), Boy Scouts and Venturers can now earn 4 NOVA awards, one each for science, technology, engineering and math. Advanced awards called SuperNova Awards can also be earned. Scouts will work with NOVA Counselors and SuperNOVA Mentors to complete requirements for each award.

For more information on award requirements and NOVA Counselor and SuperNOVA Mentor guidelines visit the website www.scouting.org/stem or purchase the NOVA Guidebooks at the Scout Shop.

The Unit Commissioner A Unit's Best Friend



Commissioners are knowledgeable Scouters that are willing to share their expertise, resources and time with other Scouters to help the Packs, Troops, Teams, Crews and Ships that are chartered in our District. They are passionate about Scouting and want local units to succeed.

If you are interested in being a Unit Commissioner in Orange Frontier District please contact **Tom Miller**, District Commissioner @ occnslt@gmail.com.

Roundtable Commissioner's Corner Scheduled Roundtable Breakouts:

Come to Roundtable and meet with your Unit Commissioner or just come for the fellowship. Meet other leaders in the district and see what they're doing, where they're going and how they provide and present the program to keep our youth in Scouting.



The entire Roundtable Staff appreciates and thanks everyone for supporting us with your attendance and look forward to seeing you each and every month because you know the **"SYSTEM"---See You Second Thursday Every Month.**

Roundtable Breakouts



Don't forget to bring your friends from your Pack, Troop or Crew to Roundtable. Something is offered for everybody. There are usually several Breakout Sessions after the regular program that cover a wide range of topics. This is a great time to share ideas, learn new things and meet new people. Also if there is something that you want to learn more about, let us know. We will try and schedule these Breakout Sessions to meet your needs. See you there.

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Boy Scouts Roundtable

Roundtable is open to all adults involved with the Boy Scout program. Registered Troop leaders are especially encouraged to attend. Roundtable provides a forum for adults involved as leaders in the Boy Scout program to:



- Discuss topics of interest, both formally and informally.
- Learn about upcoming District and Council events and programs.
- Meet and exchanges ideas with other leaders from the Orange Frontier District.

Roundtable exists to help the units deliver a quality program to their Scouts. For this to happen, we need to know what topics you want to discuss.

Come join us this month to get information on Camporee.

Scout Outings A Post Campout Checklist

After every Scout outing make sure you follow the simple checklist shown below. Following these ten steps will give you peace of mind, provide for good health and ensure quality outings in the future.



- Dry your tent and other camping gear.
- Wash your clothes.
- Put away food.
- Take a shower.
- Apply bite ointment.
- Care for those feet.
- Watch for fleas and ticks.
- Drink water to stay hydrated.
- Organize the advancement records.
- Relax and recover.

This checklist was offered in the November-December 2014 issue of Scouting Magazine. For more information check out the magazine.

New Religious Emblems Coordinator Positions

BSA has created new Religious Emblems Coordinator positions at the Council, District and Unit levels. The main purposes of these positions are to encourage all youth to earn the emblem of their faith, promote religious emblems usage, and establish goals and track the number of religious emblems completed each year. Volunteers for these positions don't have to be theologians, just a parent or a leader with a passion for helping Scouts grow in knowledge and love of their faith.



For more information please visit www.praypub.org/rec.

For more information about Scouting's religious awards program and Duty to God, please visit:

www.scouting.org/scoutsource/Awards/ReligiousAwards.aspx

Please contact **Marty Cutrone**, Director of Strategic Alliances at martyc@ocbsa.org if you have questions

Journey to Excellence Scouting's Quality Improvement Program

The **Journey to Excellence** is BSA's performance recognition program



designed to encourage and reward success and measure the performance of our Packs, Troops, Teams and Crews.

The Journey to Excellence program is a continuous quality improvement tool to be used by all Units. For each Unit there is a framework presented as a series of goals, which serves as a method for evaluating your Units performance. The goals assess the Units performance in key areas that include advancement, camping, service projects, training, membership, retention, leadership, budget, etc. These areas have been selected because they are indicators of Unit strength and health. In each of these areas the Units performance is rated as Bronze, Silver or Gold or did not meet the minimum standard. Points are assigned for each goal for achieving Bronze, Silver and Gold levels. The more important goals have higher point values. The points are then added up to determine the Units total score and overall rating. Packs must achieve 525 points for the Bronze level, 800 points for the Silver level and 1050 points for the Gold level. Troops must achieve 525 points for the Bronze level, 750 points for the Silver level and 1000 points for the Gold level. Crews must achieve 550 points for the Bronze level, 800 points for the Silver level and 1100 points for the Gold level. All materials can be found at www.scouting.org/volunteer and click on Scouting's Journey to Excellence found under quick links.

Each Unit should set its goals while re-chartering so that they are in place at the beginning of the year and then review their progress throughout the year. This will provide guidance for the Units and hopefully continuous improvement in areas where they might strive to do better. It also provides recognition for good performance. Recognition items will be provided.

Orange Frontier District and Orange County Council also have a Journey to Excellence program to help in evaluating their performance. Goals are similar in nature but pertain to their operations and responsibilities.

Please remember that better Unit, District and Council performance means better Scouting for our youth. We are building a better Scouting program for more Scouts.

Need A Tax Deduction?



Donate your old car, boat, RV or anything else to Orange County Boy Scouts of America. BSA is a qualified non-profit corporation that allows individuals to receive tax deductions on donated items. Your donation will go a long way to help provide programs for more than 100,000 youth in our community. The Orange County Council has implemented a program that will provide you with a fast and efficient way to donate your unneeded assets and receive a tax deduction up to the fullest allowable by law.



For more information about donation opportunities please call 714-546-4990 X142.

Volunteers Always Needed



If you would like to have fun with a great group of people why don't you join us on the Orange rontier District Staff. There are plenty of opportunities to work with the **Programs** if you like hands on experience with events, **Recruiting** if you like to meet people, and as **Unit Commissioner** if you would like to share your experiences with others. Volunteers are always needed in the Orange Frontier District. If you would like to have fun with a great group of people please contact **Tom Miller**, District Commissioner @ occnslt@gmail.com

Join Explorer Post 540 Emergency Medical Services

Explorer Post 540 is in need of young men and women who are between the ages of 14-20 and interested in emergency medical services. Post 540 has been providing services for Orange County Council weekend campouts such as Camp-O-Ree as well as day activities like Scout-O-Rama since 1968. Services include first aid, CPR,



EMT skills, and disaster readiness. Please contact Eric Vargas, Post Advisor, if interested at (714)-997-6182 or POST540EMT@aol.com.

Spotlight your Unit



We encourage all Packs, Troops, Teams and Crews to send in articles about your events and activities, including promotions, awards, ceremonies and other accomplishments. Please send your articles and pictures to the OFD Newsletter Editor, Marcie Lui @ OFDNL@att.net

Mail Service OFD Delivers



Orange Frontier District has rebuilt the Unit mail boxes. Every Pack, Troop and Crew has a folder where Scouters can pick up their Units mail or they may leave mail for another Unit. The District mail box will be available for use at all Roundtables and will be located on one of the Tables near the entrance to the cultural hall. Please check your Unit's folder on a regular basis.

Orange Frontier District Staff Is Here to Help You

Everyone has a friend in Scouting. Scouting is the world's greatest program with the world's greatest people. The Orange Frontier District Staff is proud to support 70 Units with almost 1800 registered Scouts meeting a wide array of needs. OFD is staffed with some of the most experienced Scouters in the Council who are here to support all Packs, Troops and Crews in four primary areas.



Most Scouters can easily relate to the **Program and Activities** area. District Programs and Activities directly engage our youth in quality events such as the Pinewood Derby, Camp-O-Ree, Webelos-Ree, Cub Day Camp, and Webelos Woods. These outdoor events help our youth develop skills, promote leadership and teamwork, provide physical activity and create hours of endless fun. Training opportunities are also provided for adult leaders.

Membership and Recruiting volunteers help to keep our Units strong and provide growth opportunities in our local community. Spring and Fall recruiting assistance is provided to help Units maintain their strength. Support and organizational help is provided to struggling Units that need to restart. New Units are organized to meet the needs of youth in the community. Relationships are cultivated with potential chartered organizations in the community.

The **Finance** area provides a means of monetary support for the Units, the District and the Council. Since BSA is a non-profit organization funds need to be raised by volunteers to provide support. The Friends of Scouting campaign raises funds to help ensure that we have strong facilities available for use with our Scout activities. Popcorn sales, Scout-O-Rama ticket sales, and Scout-O-Rama Souvenir Program Ads (SPA) provide a means for Packs, Troops, and Crews to fundraise as well as support the local Council facilities.

The **Commissioner Staff** is the customer service branch of the District. Unit Commissioners provide information exchange, give assistance with Unit rechartering, help Units to achieve Centennial Quality Unit status and assist in problem solving. Roundtable Commissioners provide monthly supplemental programs and training for all Pack, Troop and Crew adult leaders. Roundtable is also

information central as fliers are available for all events and activities.

All of these areas work together in a uniquely balanced way to provide a quality Scouting experience for our youth. Strong **Membership** creates strong **Programs** and together they generate volunteer Leadership with **Customer Service** and **Financial** support. A special relationship is developed among volunteers in our District Staff and we would like to keep this spirit alive for future generations of Scouts. If you would like more information on how District Staff can serve you, please feel free to contact **Tom Miller**, District Commissioner @ occnslt@gmail.com.



Orange Frontier District Team

Please welcome our 2019 Orange Frontier District Team. These special volunteers will dedicate their time and energy to making strong programs and activities for the youth in our community. When you see them at Roundtable or at one of our special District activities, please give them a pat on the back and an extra hug in appreciation of all they are doing for the Scouting program.



District Chair – Paulo Morales
Assistant District Chair – **Open**
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Outdoor and Activities Chair – **Open**
Camp-O-Ree Chair – Brian Mendoza
Webelo-Ree Chair – **Open**
Cub Day Camp Director – Christine Castro
Camporall Chair – Dan Moran
Advancement Chair – David Rogers
Advancement Committee – **Open**
Merit Badge Counselor Chair – Richard Marabuyashi
Training Chair – Brian Swartz
Youth Protection Training Chair - **Open**
Adult Recognition – **Open**
District Dinner Committee Chair – **Open**
Day of Service Chair – Marcie Lui
Risk Management Chair – **Open**
Religious Program Chair – Lito De los Reyes
Order of the Arrow Chapter Advisor – Brian Mendoza

Membership Chair – **Open**
Community Liason – **Open**
Recruitment Chair – **Open**
Webelos Transition Chair – Carol Macey
New Units Chair – **Open**

Fund Development Chair – Stan Blackwell
Community Finance Chair – **Open**
Major Gifts Chair – **Open**
Unit FOS Chair – Pam Zawisza
LDS FOS Chair – **Open**
Popcorn Sales Chair – Kathy Hight
Scout-O-Rama Chair – Marcie Lui

District Commissioner – Tom Miller
Roundtable Commissioner – Joe Lum
Cub Scout Roundtable Commissioner – Anne Nutall
Webelos Roundtable Commissioner – **Open**
Boy Scout Roundtable Commissioner – **Open**
Publicity/Newsletter Editor – Marcie Lui
Webmaster – Joe Lum

Who Can Help Me?

Have you had a need as a scouter and not been sure who to turn to first? Maybe this will help:

As a **scouting parent**, you should;

1. Contact your unit leadership,
2. Contact your Charter Organization Representative (CoR)
3. Contact your Unit Commissioner or district commissioner
4. Contact your DE's, the nature of your concern would determine which DE you would need to consult.

As a **unit leader**, you should;

1. Contact your Charter Organization Representative (CoR)
2. Contact your Unit Commissioner or district commissioner
3. Contact your DE's, the nature of your concern would determine which DE you would need to consult.

Your OFD District Executives (DE) are:

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