

August 2014



Scoutmaster Notes

Scoutmaster: Mr. Paul Honeycutt

Senior Patrol Leader: Michael Huang

MEETINGS AND EVENTS:

Troop 959 Merit Badge Day #5 is September 27th. This is a well-organized and fun event. Register online at:

<http://meritbadge.info/mbn/eventdetails.aspx?id=B87ACC8B-427B-473F-83F2-9817ABC94BEB>

Riddle for SM Notes contest: *Though I dance at a ball, I am nothing at all. What am I?*

UPCOMING OUTINGS:

Sign up at Outdoor table:

August 23 Ladle Soup Kitchen (note Saturday date for Military Outreach)

August 23 Tenderfoot campout

August 24/30 Quinn Gorham's Eagle Project

August 28 Chargers vs. Cardinals

September 14 Chargers vs. Seahawks

September 19-21 Snow Summit Mountain Biking

October 17-19 Family Camp

October 19 Chargers vs. Chiefs

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sept. 6 Nick Pickett's Eagle Court of Honor

Instructions to Scouts for Rank Advancement

1. Complete rank requirements.
 - a. Make sure that all requirements are signed off in Boy Scout handbook.
2. Email t616advance@gmail.com to request database reports.
 - a. Print out both reports; 1) History, and 2) Participation.
 - b. Review history report to make sure that all dates from the Boy Scout handbook are entered and are correct. If dates are missing or wrong, write them in.
3. **Call** Scoutmaster Mr. Honeycutt or an ASM to schedule a Scoutmaster Conference.
 - a. **If you are advancing to Star, Life or Eagle, you must contact Mr. Honeycutt.**
4. After you have been signed off on your scoutmaster conference requirement, **Call** Ms. Sanchez (858-761-3196) to schedule your Board of Review (BOR).
 - a. Note that BORs are held during Wednesday troop meetings.
 - b. **Do not wait until the last minute to schedule a BOR as we may not be able to fit you in! It is your responsibility to plan in advance!!!**

5. Attend the BOR in full uniform. This is your Class A uniform and includes sash, all current badges (merit badges, patrol patch, leadership position patches, etc.), socks and belt. Be sure to bring your Boy Scout handbook and your reviewed database printouts.

a. **If you do not have all of these items, you will be asked to reschedule your BOR.**

6. Select another scout to introduce you to the BOR committee members.

7. The requirements for preparation for the BOR vary depending on the rank, but at a minimum, you are expected to know the following:

a. The Boy Scout oath, motto, law, slogan and outdoor code as well as all the parts of the emblem.

All the parts of the scout uniform. This includes knowing the names of all patches, what they represent and how they are earned.

b. The requirements specific to your rank that you has been signed off on.

c. The meaning and examples of leadership, your scouting experience and ideas for improvement for both yourself and the troop

8. Upon successful completion of the BOR, the Committee Members will sign your scout handbook and database printout. You should let someone in the youth or adult leadership at the meeting know right away, so that you can be recognized immediately during our closing ceremony at that meeting.

9. The Advancement Chair inputs information into the database and purchases the rank badge and merit card. The badge and card will be distributed at the first Troop meeting of the month. The pin is presented to the Scout at the next Court of Honor.

August Shooting	September Sports	October Engineering
6 Troop Meeting Screaming Cows 13 Troop Meeting WC Norrisses 20 Troop Meeting Super Novas 23 Ladle Soup Kitchen 28 Chargers vs. Cardinals SCOUTER ACTIVITIES 14 District Roundtable 27 PLC/ASM 25 Committee	3 Troop Meeting New Patrol 10 Troop Meeting Bacon Ninjas 14 Chargers vs. Seahawks 17 Troop Meeting Flying Pigs 19-21 Big Bear Mountain biking 28 Ladle Soup Kitchen SCOUTER ACTIVITIES 11 District Roundtable 24 PLC/ASM 22 Committee	1 Troop Meeting Screaming Cows 8 Troop Meeting WC Norrisses 15 Court of Honor Super Novas 17-19 Family Camp 19 Chargers vs. Chiefs SCOUTER ACTIVITIES 9 District Roundtable 22 PLC/ASM 26 Committee

† Program and Set-up/Opening/Closing/Cleanup duties for the meeting are the responsibility of the assigned Patrol.