BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

TROOP 726 FLASH

OCTOBER 2013

Upcoming Events

Santa Cruz Beach Jam - Oct 11 - 12

Webelos Skills Nights - Oct 16, 30



Jamboree on the Air - Oct 19

Fall Camporee at Los Mochos – Oct 25-27

Serve Dinner at American Legion Post 649 Veterans Day Dinner – Nov 9

Veterans Day Event – Nov 11



Scouting for Food - Nov 9 and 16

Nature Campout/Night Hike - Nov 16 - 17

Winter Court of Honor - Dec 4



Stamp collecting – Dec 7

Pinnacles Day Hike - Dec 14

Serve Dinner at American Legion Post 649 Christmas Dinner – Dec 15







Meeting Dates

Board of Review -Nov 18, Dec 16

Committee Meeting -Nov 4, Dec 2

PLC Meeting –Nov 3 (7 pm, likely at Faith Lutheran Church), Dec 8 (7 pm TBA)

Troop Meetings – Weekly on Wednesdays 7 pm sharp at Masonic Center, exception: Oct 9 (Canyon Middle School), Nov 27 and Dec 25 (no meeting)

Website

Don't forget to check out our Troop's awesome website http://troop726.scoutlander.com

Sam Pica is our Troop Website master. Please send photos from recent events to him. Please include dates and locations when you're sending pictures if possible.

Also please send him (pica@batnet.net) any and all permission slips for upcoming events in .doc format so they can be uploaded to the website for all to download.



Veterans Day Dinner – Nov 9 Scout in Charge: Patrick Lee

Saturday, November 9 - 5:30 - 9:30 p.m. at the Moose Lodge (20835 Rutledge Rd, Castro Valley) - American Legion Post 649 Veterans Dav

Dinner - Scouts will serve dinner.

Fall Camporee at Los Mochos – Oct 25 - 27 Scout in Charge: Will Oliveira

Friday, October 25 - Sunday, October 27 - Fall Camporee, Los Mochos - Will Oliveira is putting this together - if it comes to fruition then we will need 2 adults to drive and camp for the weekend. This event is extra to our calendar.

Our newsletter goal is to provide information to scouts and parents at the 1st meeting of the month. Dates and information for this newsletter are due by the last Friday of each month.

Scouting for Food – Nov 9 and 16

Scout in Charge: Yuri Overton, Adult in Charge: Mr. Smith and Mr. Maloof



Please join Troop 726 in lending a hand with the collecting of food for those less longinate in our community. Keep the following dates open to participate in this event. Saturday, **Nov. 10** and Saturday, **Nov. 17**. We will **meet between 8:30am - 12:30pm on both dates**. It is our goal to have **100% participation** from all scouts and families in this most important outreach to our community. **Please volunteer both days**, if you can, if not please plan on making it at least one day – all it takes is a couple of hours.

Veterans Day Event – Nov 11

Scout in Charge: Vincent Ruiz, Adult in Charge: Mr. Markison and Mrs. Wilson

This year's Veterans Day event is going to be at the **memorial at the Castro Valley Community Center** (Quail Ave and Lake Chabot Road, by Chabot Elementary School). Event starts at **8 am, Nov 11**. Scouts should come in full class A with sash, to assist with parking, passing out programs, and serve as gateway for the presentation. Please join us in honoring our nations' Veterans.



New Troop leadership

Will Oliveira Senior Patrol Leader

Zachary Eslick Assistant Senior Patrol Leader

Curtis Werning Bugler

Raymond Akagi Chaplain Aide

Joshua Siu Historian
Kyle Avery Instructor
Sammy Wilson Instructor
Ben Eckman Librarian

Mitch Avery Quartermaster

Yuri Overton Scribe

Jeffrey JiangTroop GuideZurvohn MaloofTroop GuideLuke MartinYouth RecruiterSam PicaYouth Webmaster

Xavier Bolido Wolverines Patrol Leader

Justin RaynorFox Patrol LeaderMatthew KuanBats Patrol LeaderSpencer VanderpanRavens Patrol Leader

Michael Yi Cobras/Scorpions/Dragons Patrol Leader

ASM Patrol Advisors

Wolverines Patrol - Dr. Werning / Mr. Raynor

Fox Patrol - Mr. Jiang / Mr. Yi

Bats Patrol - Mr. Lee / Mr.

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Ravens Patrol - Mr. Markison

Cobras / Scorpions - Mr. Andrews / Mr. Smith

Life to Eagle ASM - Mr. Guerin



Jamboree on the Air – Oct 19 (Individual or Patrol Outing)

Are You A HAM Radio Operator?? -WE NEED YOU! On **Saturday, October 19** Scouting celebrates International Scout Day. On this day we participate in JOTA -- Jamboree on the Air -- where Scouts get to talk to other Scouts around the world by HAM radio. This is always a fun event. We are in need of two HAM radio operators for this day. Please contact Alan Marples at 510.895.9080 or email to kd6yst4577@att.net as soon as possible.

Put International Scout Day on your Pack, Troop or Crew calendar today!

October 19, 2013 at the YLTC - 1001 Davis Street, San Leandro, 9 a.m. - 3 pm.

Stamp collecting – Dec 7 (Individual or Patrol Outing)

Have Fun Earning Stamp Collecting Merit Badge. There are two workshops coming up soon:

Filatelic Fiesta Stamp Show
Santa Clara County Fairgrounds
344 Tully Road, San Jose
Saturday November 9, 2013 from 10:30-4:30pm
OR
PENPEX Stamp Show
Redwood Community Center
1400 Roosevelt Ave, Redwood City
Saturday December 7, 2012 from 10:30 to 4:30

Beginner collectors are welcome and encouraged. Discover the fun stamp collecting. Build a collection on a topic or country interesting to you. The merit badge workshop costs \$12 which covers the costs for a stamp collecting starter kit and access to a huge hoard of stamps to pick from to build your first collection. You'll receive a special guided tour of the show. Contact Brian Jones at bfj39@yahoo.com for more details and to register for the workshop. Space is very limited, so sign-up quick to save your spot!

Remember to see Mr. Avery for a Blue Card.

Training – BSA Climbing Instructor, Nov 13, 15, 16, 17, 20 (Individual or Patrol Outing)

Wouldn't YOU like to be a BSA Climbing Instructor?

If any unit is planning to have a climbing outing in the next year, this is the perfect opportunity to make sure your leaders have the necessary training for a safe and fun activity.

- -Please bring a bag lunch for the weekend days as no food will be provided.
- -Sign up by 10 a.m. on first day of course, Wednesday, November 13 either online or at council.

Cost: \$125 ONLY 12 SPACES AVAILABLE

Dates/Location: Nov 13, 15, and 20 from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm at YLTC

Nov 16 and 17 from 8:30-5:00 pm at Outdoor Climbing Location TBD

Note: Participation in all 5 sessions (3 evenings and 2 day sessions) is required for completion of the course. This course is open to any registered adult leader age 21 or older.

You can sign up TODAY. Contact Michelle Rodriguez at (510) 577-9214 for additional info.

Troop Items for Sale

The following items can be purchased from Mr. Siu. Email: pillmaster@gmail.com
Troop Mug = \$5.00
Troop T-shirts = \$10.00
Duffle Bag = \$26.00

Uniform Bank

All items in the uniform bank are first come first serve. Please call **Mr. Pica** to check for availability. Also, if you think you can donate any items, please bring them to the meeting. Thank you!

Training

By Randy Wright, Tres Ranchos District Boy Scout Training Chair and Troop 726 Training Chair.

Why should you take any of these trainings?

They make you a better leader and provide a better program for our youth!

If you take any of these trainings, please inform me of what and when taken. If you have any training questions, please contact me.

The Boy Scouts of America list the following trainings as being offered this year. PLEASE check the date you last completed Youth Protection. Must be renewed every TWO years.

Go to http://www.sfbac.org/training/adult/hat - click for online registration

HAT – NRA Shotgun Instructor Training – Oct 19-20, 2013 and Oct. 18, 2013

HAT - NRA Range Safety Officer Training - Sat., Dec 14, 2013

HAT stands for High Adventure Training

There is one training offered in Oct by our district for Scoutmaster and ASM training for all registered adults leaders,

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills: Oct. 26-27, 2013.

Other trainings are offered by the Boy Scout of America online at www.sfbac.org. Proceed to the "My Scouting" section on the right side of the page.

Please see <u>www.sfbac.org</u> for more info.

Thanks.

Randy Wright 510 885 0527 Wright-s@comcast.net



Special Meeting Dates for the year ahead include:

10/16/13 - Webelos Skills Night

10/30/13 - Webelos Skills Night

11/27/13 - NO MEETING - Enjoy Thanksgiving

12/04/13 - Court of Honor

12/18/13 - Holiday Celebration Meeting - Brown Bag Lunches, Scout band, White Elephant

12/25/13 - NO MEETING - Enjoy Christmas

01/01/14 - NO MEETING - Enjoy New Years Day

02/12/14 - Red and Green Pot Luck Dinner

03/19/14 - Court of Honor

04/09/14 - Oakland A's Game - Subject to Schedule

04/16/14 - NO MEETING - Enjoy Easter Break

04/30/14 - Outdoor Meeting - likely Canyon

05/14/14 - Swimming Meeting - Subject to Availability

06/04/14 - Court of Honor

Scout Master Minute

By Phil Avery, Troop 726 Scout Master

Update coming soon!

Fall Court of Honor and Family Camp

Outgoing SPL: Raymond Akagi; Outgoing ASPL: Will Oliveira Incoming SPL: Will Oliveira; Incoming ASPL: Zachary Eslick Scout Master: Phil Avery

By Scout-in-Charge: Raymond Akagi

Our Annual Family Camp and Fall Court of Honor at Hawk Ridge, Sept 14- 15, was a great outing. There was great weather which always makes everything better. The court of honor was fairly short which meant that people could cook sooner and eat earlier. The food that everybody prepared was just as fun to eat as it was to make. The best part about the cooking was that we were in charge and the family members get to relax for a change.

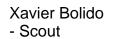




Fall Court of Honor - Rank Advancement









Yuri Overton – Second Class Curtis Werning – Second Class

Aaron Lee – Second Class Patrick Lee – Second Class

Eagle

Marcos Andrade 06/19/13 Kenji Pinzon 06/19/13 Kiyoshi Ito 08/21/13 Anthony Sulayao 08/21/13









Car Wash - Sept 8

Car wash was on Sept. 8, 2013, from 8:30am to 4:00pm. We were busy all day with steady stream of cars coming in for wash. Thank you, everyone, for coming to help and made a successful event!







Bryant Ling's Eagle Project

Bryant's Eagle project was on **Sept 21 - 22 at Stanton Elementary School**. We built retaining wall and benches. Thank you to all who came to help!





Bryant Ling's Eagle Project





Committee Chair's Corner

By Jose Siu, Troop 726 Committee Chair

Troop 726 is back from vacation and ready for another exciting year in scouting.

We had another successful car wash and are working hard on selling See's Candy and Pop Corn. I like to thank all the adults' in-charge for making these fund raiser a reality for our scouts; Mr. Yi and Mr. Jiang for the car wash, Mrs. Schultz for the See's Candy sales and Mrs. Overtone and Smith for the Pop-Corn Sales; and thank you to ALL the adults for your help, Troop 726 is very lucky to have you.

We will be very busy trying to recruit new scouts and will need everyone's help in the near future. Scouts and parents, please try to attend all functions moving forward as we are expecting visitors from Packs around Castro Valle, San Leandro, Hayward, San Lorenzo and maybe some new drop in scouts. It is very important to be on time and look your best.

As winter approaches, the weather is getting colder but our scout's spirits are roaring hot. They have planned great outings, events and functions for this year; let's give them a helping hand.



Attention All

Is your Scout due current? **Scout due is \$5.00 per month**, payable by the first meeting of the month. You need to keep your due current in order to participate in outings!

Scout Due

Lost Equipment

Please check your garage for Troop equipment. Look for any tents and pans, stoves, etc, that you may have taken home to clean but forgot to bring back. Equipment is very expensive!



10/23/13 - Allergy Awareness (tentative) 11/06/13 - Astronomy 11/13/13 - How to tell directions day and night 11/20/13 - Troop Mobilization 12/11/13 - Game Design (per the new MB)

Troop Meeting Instruction Topics

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ASM Patrol Advisors

Wolverines Patrol - Dr. Werning / Mr. Raynor Fox Patrol - Mr. Jiang / Mr. Yi Bats Patrol - Mr. Lee / Mr. Strand Ravens Patrol - Mr. Markison Cobras / Scorpions - Mr. Andrews / Mr. Smith Life to Eagle ASM - Mr. Guerin

Patrol News

Patrol leaders please submit your article to Ms. Chang by the Last Friday of the month by phone 317-9179 or email SandiaChang@comcast.net, or if you prefer, put the article in her mail slot by the Wednesday before the end of the month.





Yuri, Patrick, Aaron, Robert, and Luke all went to Family Camp and Skills weekend so that we can rank up. The Family Camp was at Hawk Ridge.

Bu Justin Raymor





We went to Lake Chabot for Family Camp. We had a Court of Honor and our Patrol go a bunch of Merit Badges and patches. We made spaghetti for our families for dinner

By Josh Siu

Ravens

All of the ravens are moving slowly but surely through the school year as freshmen at their high schools everyone in the patrol has a Troop position. And we all are showing great leadership. We are prepared for our webelos night and can't wait to get new members.

By Spencer Vanderpan

Cobras/ Scorpions/ Dragons



We are having some webelos coming to visit our troop next two weeks. Our Patrol is doing Craftsmanship activity.

By Michael Yi