BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

TROOP 726 FLASH

JUNE 2013

Upcoming Events

Kyoshi Ito Eagle Project-June 8 - 9

Summer Camp at John Mensinger Camp – June 16 - 22

Pinnacles Rock Climbing – July 27 – 28

High Adventure Trip – July 28 - Aug 3

Jacob Schulz' Eagle COH – Aug 9

PLC Dutch Oven Cookoff - Aug 24









Meeting Dates

Board of Review –June (during summer camp), July 15, Aug 19

Committee Meeting –July 1, Aug 5

PLC Meeting –July 28 (part of Pinnacle outing), Aug 24 (with Dutch oven cook-off)

Troop Meetings – Weekly on Wednesdays 7 pm sharp at Masonic Center, Aug 21 meeting at the Container (Independent School)

Website

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

Kyle Avery 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

(avery.kyle576@gmail.com) any and all permission slips for upcoming events in .doc format so they can be uploaded to the website for all to download.

Kyoshi Ito Eagle Project- June 8 - 9

Scout in Charge: Kyoshi Ito, Adult in Charge: Guerin

Kyoshi's Eagle project is on **June 8 – 9 at Masonic Center**. We will be landscaping in front of the large sign at the entrance way. We will be installing an irrigation system and constructing a terrace on the hillside behind the back parking lot. Please sign up to help. I need hardworking scouts that follow instruction for this project to run smoothly. Please come with Class B, good working boots, shovel, garden gloves. Lunch will be provided. Please talk with Kyoshi to sign up.



Troop 726 – Summer Camp Week 2013

Troop 726 is going to Camp John Mensinger June 16-22, 2013!

Camp John Mensinger is located in the Sierra Nevada Mountains near Strawberry, CA.

This big event is considered by most of our boys to be their best annual Scouting experience, and we would like to see 100% participation by all patrols, especially since we will be attending our own council's summer camp program. Make sure you turn in the Annual Health Form, firearms permission slip, merit badge fees, camp release forms, troop dues, and other forms required by Camp John Mensinger.

Merit Badges: We are all signed up for merit badges and some of you have worked hard on your prerequisites. I will wager though that most of you have not yet printed your worksheets from www.meritbadge.org or read the merit badge books. The more you get done now, the more fun you can have at camp.

Personal Gear: Do not wait until the last minute to gather your personal gear for camp. The summer camp personal gear list has been distributed via email. The list is the essentials, not suggestions.

Camp parent information packet and personal gear list have been distributed via email. Please contact Mr. Avery if you have not received them or have any questions. **Start getting ready for the great summer camp experience!!!**



Troop Items for Sale

The following items can be purchased from Mrs. Lozano . Email: Phyllis@gantel.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!

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!



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!



Attention Parents!

If you attended the MB Counselor class on Friday, April 26 and signed up to teach a MB class would you please e-mail Mr Siu with the following information: **Name and which class(es) you sign up to teach.** Thank you!

Boy Scout Leader Specific Training for All Registered Scout Leaders Who Want to Provide A Quality Program for Youth

Boy Scout Leader Specific Training is being offered to all Scoutmasters, Asst Scoutmasters, Troop Committee Members, Varsity Team Leaders, Webelos Leaders, Commissioners, and other registered (adult) Scouters. This training will help you provide the best possible quality program for your unit and youth!

Part A. This is Scouting & Youth Protection: On line, Required for the course listed below; http://www.sfbac.org/youthprotection

Part B. Scout Leader Specific: Saturday, September 14th 2013 8am – 4pm

(Part B) Location: YLTC 1001 Davis St. San Leandro, CA 94577

Class Sessions 1, 2 and 3

Part C. Introduction To Outdoor Skills:

Thursday Sept. 26th, 2013 at 6:30 PM, Location YLTC 1001 Davis St. San Leandro, CA 94577 (Attendance required before taking the Sat. Sun is class).

Saturday/Sunday Oct. 26-27 2013 Part C) Ranchos Los Mochos Scout Camp.Livermore, CA

A message from our Council:

We still have several staffing positions open for day camp. Can you please recruit from your troop to see who might be available.

- Dates are June 17-21
- Monday 7:30 Am to 4:30 PM
- Thursday –Friday from 8 AM to 4 PM.

If you are interested and able to help please contact **CJ** cubdaycamp@comcast.net If someone has work and needs to leave early please have them contact me. Thanks, CJ cubdaycamp@comcast.net

Memorial Day Ceremony at Chapel of the Chimes

By Scout in Charge: Curtis Werning

Patrick Lee, Yuri Overton, and Curtis Werning attended the Memorial Day ceremony at the Chapel of the Chimes on May 26. We marched in carrying the American flag, California flag, and troop flag. We stood in front of the audience for 45 minutes.





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

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills – Twin Valley District, Wed. May 15, 2013-7 to 10pm at the Sherriff's Training Center and Friday – Sunday, May 31 to June 2, 2013 at Los Mochos.

HAT - Wilderness First Aid, June 1-2 YLTC; or June 15-16 RLM

HAT - Canoe Wilderness Tripping, June 22, June 29-30 & July 13-14

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

HAT – NRA Muzzle Loading Instructor Training – June 7-9

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

HAT stands for High Adventure Training

Scoutmaster and ASM training for all registered adults leaders offered in Sept by our district.

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 www.sfbac.org for more info.

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

Thanks,

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



We need an adult-in-charge for the Pinnacle Rocking Climbing trip on July 27 – 28. If you are interested please contact the scout-in-charge Jeffrey Jiang.



Scout Master Minute

By Phil Avery, Troop 726 Scout Master

Update coming soon!

Advancement News

By Zurvohn Maloof, Troop 726 Advancement Chair

Merit Badges

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Mitch Avery	Personal Ma Personal Fir Citizenship		04/10/13 04/13/13 ity* 06/01/13	
Aviram Bhalla-Lev		of the Nation*	12/28/12 05/29/13	
Kenji Pinzon-Shig	Family Life*	in the Commun anagement*	ity* 04/18/13 05/05/13 04/21/13	
Zachery Eslick Citizenship Aviation		of the Nation	* 03/17/13 12/28/12	
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Scout	Drew Mitchell	03/29/13	Liam Smith	05/04/13
<u>Tenderfoot</u>	Vincent Ruiz Patrick Lee	03/18/13 05/01/13	Aaron Lee	04/15/13
Second Class	Jeffery Jiang	03/18/13	Justin Raynor	05/20/13
First Class	<i>Jeffery Jiang</i> Joshua Siu	04/15/13 05/20/13	Matthew Kuan	05/20/13
<u>Star</u>	Samuel Wilson	03/18/13		
<u>Eagle</u>	Jacob Schultz	05/15/13		

Jacob Schulz Eagle Project

By Scout in Charge: Jacob Schulz

I want to thank everyone that made the trek to Lafayette to help me with my project. I really appreciated your efforts. In particular, I would like to thank Mr. Guerin for all the time and effort he has put in to helping me reach the goal of Eagle Scout. His efforts reach all the way back to Cub Scouting where I first met him. Many other people have helped me along this path and for that I am grateful. No Scout makes it to Eagle without the help of many people. My sincere thanks to all the members of Troop 726. I am hoping to hold my Eagle Court the 2nd weekend of August on either the 10th or 11th. More details to follow. Please try to hold that date open. Thank you.



Jacob Schulz Eagle Project

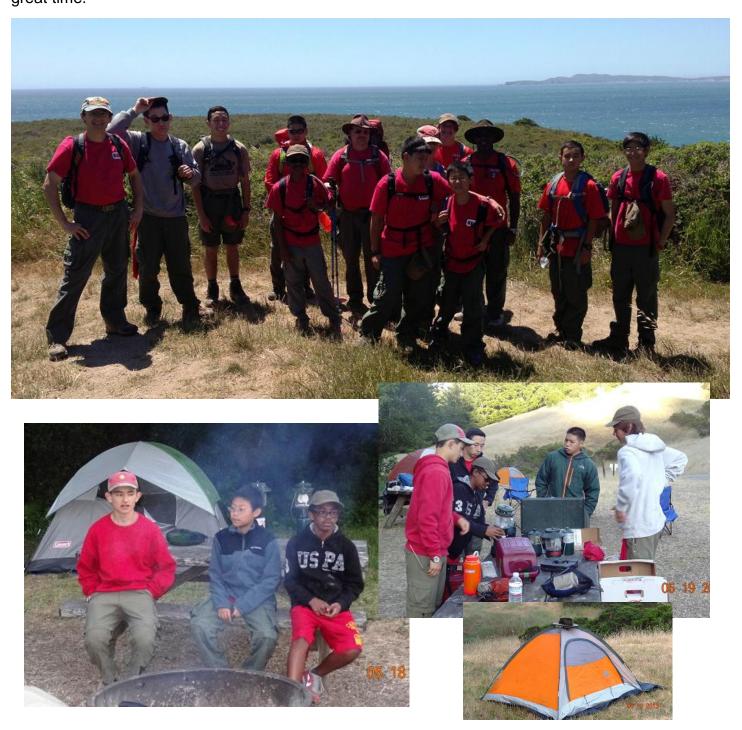
Hiking and Kayaking Overnight Outing

By Scout in Charge: Kiyoshi Ito, Photo by Mr. Maloof and Mr. Siu

Kenji, Mitch, Kyle, Raymond, Josh, Zurvohn, Patrick, Spencer, Michael, and myself attended this hiking and kayaking overnight outing on May 18-19. Some of the high lights of the trip are:

- 14 mile hike around one of the rim rover, hiking to the top of mount Wittenberg.
- Kayaking trip out of the Marshall launching location at Blue Waters Kayaking located in Point Reyes down the Tomales Bay.
- A shorter hike to prepare younger scouts for the high adventure trip in August.

Thank you Mr. Avery, Mr. Siu, Mr. Yi, and Mr. Maloof for accompany us on this trip. We all had a great time!



Hiking and Kayaking Overnight Outing – Kayake in Tomales Bay











Hiking and Kayaking Overnight Outing – Mt. Wittenbert and Point Reyes Conquer Mt. Wittenberg!

Lone Tree Memorial Day Weekend Event – May 24 (Friday), May 27 (Monday)

By Scout in Charge: Luke Martin, Photo by Mr. Siu and Mrs. Pica

On Friday May 24, our scouts met at Lone Tree Cemetery with cub scouts and helped put flags into the ground. Afterward we split into two groups since our area was on a hill; one group went down the hill placing flags, and another went up the hill doing the same. We also practiced for the flag ceremony on Monday. At the end everyone got a cookie and signed out.

On Monday May 28, we attended the service. It was very nice. Even an American Congressmen came! It was a lot of fun. Eventually it started to rain. At the end of the service, everyone was dismissed and signed out. I didn't stay for the BBQ; some said it was horrible, some said it was great, so I don't know what to think.

That Monday afternoon, we picked up and put away the flags. We had a small group but we did it. We circled the whole cemetery! It would have been better if others got the experience we had but it was a good weekend overall. In the end we all signed out and went home. Thank you scouts and adults for your hard work, and see you out there next year!





















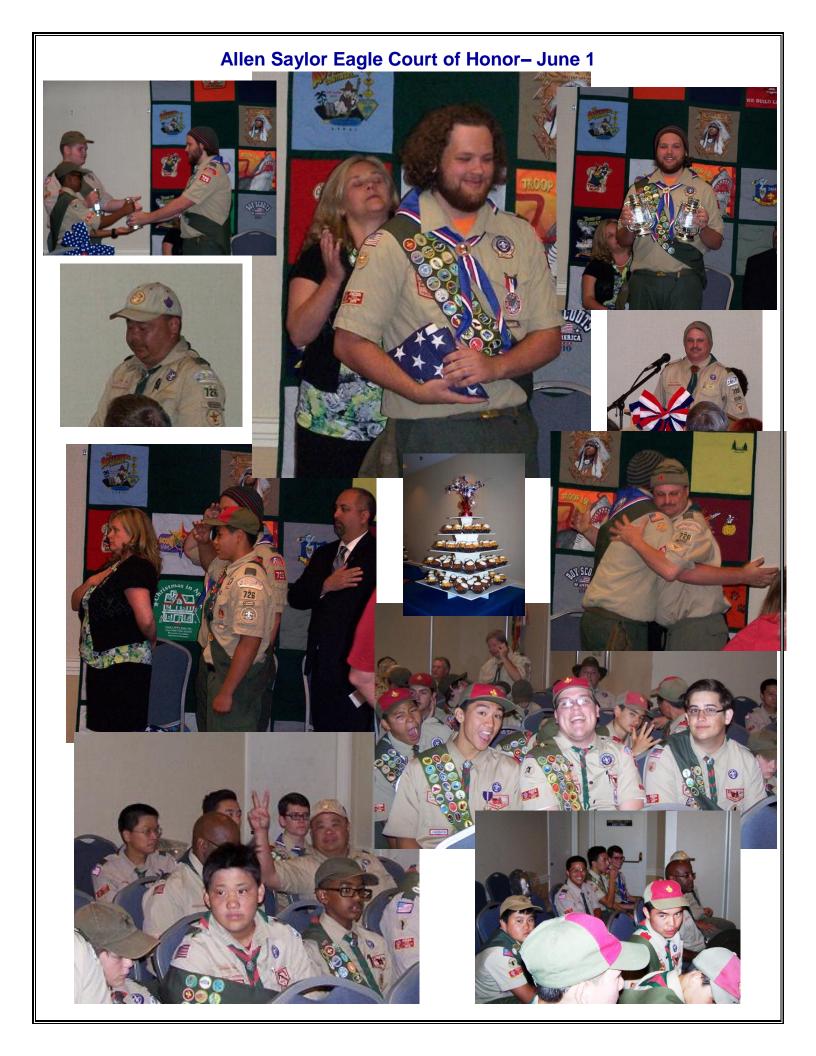




Allen Saylor Eagle Court of Honor-June 1







Lake Chabot Bike Ride – June 2

By Scout in Charge: Raymond Akagi, Photo by Mr. Fong

Kyle, Josh, Justin, Raymond, along with Mr. Avery, Mr. Raynor, and Mr. Siu went on a 12.5 mile bike ride around Lake Chabot on June 2. We had a blast! The weather was great. The trail was great. Everything was great except for the people in charge of the Marathon race. I loved the downhill but the uphill was challenging. All in all, the entire trip was awesome. Maybe next time we could go around twice!





American Legion 649 awarded Kyle and Luke for Model Airplane competition certificate of recognition



Committee Chair's Corner

By Jose Siu, Troop 726 Committee Chair

As we move into the summer months, we need to watch the calendar very carefully. No longer are we meeting every Wednesday, instead we will meet per the summer schedule that was handed out at the Summer Court of Honor and available on the Scoutlander website. Scouts, this leaves very little troop time for planning our summer outings, please be prepared to take the phone call from your patrol leaders and to pass the information along. I remind you, to return phone calls in a timely manner. We are still looking for adult volunteers to help with short term projects such as the car wash in September and the Pop Corn Fund Raiser for our scouts. These events require planning and the sooner we get a volunteer or two the better we'll be prepare to have successful events. Please let me know if you are able to help, Mr Siu

Pillmaster@gmail.com or (510) 461-2374

Volunteerism is the voice of the people put into action. These actions shape and mold the present into a future of which we can all be proud.





All scouts with troop position need to attend PLC. Please let Mr. Avery and Raymond Akagi know ahead of time if you cannot attend.

PLC meeting schedule:

July 27 - Pinnacles National Monument - this meeting is allowed to be an exception to the mandatory PLC attendance

August 24 - Dutch Oven Cook-off and PLC - likely to be in the mid afternoon at a public park **September 14** - 11:00 a.m. at Family Camp

Attention Troop Leadership

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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.

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.





We went to the Memorial Day event at Lone Tree Cemetery. The Scout-in-Charge for the event was our very own Luke. He did a great job!

By Robert Fusinati

Bats



The Bats went to the Memorial Day event at Lone Tree Cemetery on Monday, May 27. We stood through the memorial service and Mitch, Kyle, Jeffery, and Josh raised the flags. Then we ate the BBQ lunch. At 3:00 pm, we pulled the flags that we put on the veterans graves on the Friday before.

By Matthew Kuan and Josh Siu

Ravens



This month the Ravens patrol attended Skills Weekend, Mt. Wittenberg hiking and kayaking, and the Memorial Day ceremony at Lone Tree Cemetery where we had the honor of raising the flags and watching flyovers.

By Jeffrey Jiang

Cobras



Two members of Cobra patrol are very excited to be going to National Jamboree this summer at the Summit Bechtel Reserve located at the New River Gorge, West Virginia. The Summit offers activities such as SCUBA, kayaking, Dragon Boat Racking, mountain biking on corsscountry trails or downhill course, X Games-quality skate park, zip lining through Adventure Valley on one of the longest sip line courses in all of North America, rock climbing, shooting sports including shotguns, rifles, and even pistols, archery, and BMX course.

By Raymond Akagi

Scorpions/ Dragons



Jacob got his Eagle, Yay! Kenji finished his Eagle project recently. The rest of the scouts are very diligently working to earn their Eagle.

By Bryant Ling