



# TROOP 314 NEWS

## July 2017 AD

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copies Troop 314 website, URL is:  
<http://www.troop314ocbsa.scoutlander.com>

BSA Troop 314 - Orange Frontier District  
Westminster, (Midway City) California

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## Reporting Events Completed by Troop 314 in June:

- Troop Elections
- June 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> Placer Pete's  
Gold Camp @ Camp Williams.



Owen and Mitchell pan for gold

## Troop 314 Prospecting on the San Gabriel River



Diego heads up stream



## New Rank Advancement requirements Link.

Here is a link to the document explaining the changes:

[http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/2016BoyScoutRequirements\\_8.14.2015.pdf](http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/2016BoyScoutRequirements_8.14.2015.pdf)

## Scout in Charge/Scout Leader Planning Sheet

This is the link to the planning document.

[http://troopleader.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/512-505\\_16\\_Wksht\\_WEB.pdf](http://troopleader.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/512-505_16_Wksht_WEB.pdf)

Please plan to use it when you are the assigned Scout in Charge of an Activity.

## TROOP 314 WEBSITE URL is:

[www.troop314ocbsa.scoutlander.com](http://www.troop314ocbsa.scoutlander.com)

Boy Scout Troop 314 (Midway City, California) Homepage

[www.troop314ocbsa.scoutlander.com/](http://www.troop314ocbsa.scoutlander.com/)

You have found the home page of Troop 314 of Midway City, California. Sponsored by American Legion Albert E. Schwab Post 555, 14582 Beach Blvd.

## Orange Frontier District Website Link

<http://orangefrontier.ocbsa.org/>

## Contact Information Link

Please update your contact information as needed.

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ALqJqX-ivYHBrTZ8xf7AuGKqIJv6FxyLLXZP3NjuVFk/edit?usp=sharing>

## Activities Sign Up Link

Please use this shared document to sign up for upcoming activities.

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/176b23wuQdDTa2E1A\\_38IzIjnT7WvTg0HjSre9dla1e8/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/176b23wuQdDTa2E1A_38IzIjnT7WvTg0HjSre9dla1e8/edit?usp=sharing)

## Troop Calendar Link

Use this link to see the Troop calendar.

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Lls71fa5hxe2p\\_aPHrVYN13xQsnYCEsTVVDbOwvurMVo/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Lls71fa5hxe2p_aPHrVYN13xQsnYCEsTVVDbOwvurMVo/edit?usp=sharing)





## Troop 314 Leadership

- Senior Patrol Leader: Martin L.
- Assistant Senior Patrol Leader: Mitchell L.
- Scribe: Timothy D.
- Chaplin's Aid – Diego M.



**Get Your  
Calendars and mark  
these dates!**

## T314 EVENTS FOR July 2017

**1<sup>st</sup> Patrol Leadership Council  
and ILST held at Bolsa Chica park.  
(Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops)**



**4<sup>th</sup> Happy Independence Day**



**No Troop meeting.**

**8<sup>th</sup> Homework Burn @ Bolsa Chica  
State Beach. Until 10 PM.**

**9<sup>th</sup> Service – Clean Up @ Bolsa  
Chica wetlands 9 to Noon.**

**11<sup>th</sup> Regular Troop 314 Meeting  
American Legion Post 555  
Starting at 6:30PM  
Theme – First Aid**

**13<sup>th</sup> Orange Frontier District  
Scouters'  
Roundtable**



**7 PM at LDS Church  
4000 Orange Ave.,  
Anaheim (2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month)**

**18<sup>th</sup> Troop 314 Meeting at Bolsa  
Chica Park Westminster  
– Sports Night.**

**20<sup>th</sup> OA Meeting Night**



**25<sup>th</sup> No Meeting - Service  
Cub Scout Twilight Camp this  
week. 24<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> .**

**30<sup>th</sup> Start of Summer Camp**



## Troop 314 Meeting Notes

- First meeting of Month is time for Committee Chair Parents Meeting.
- The Second Tuesday is usual time for Scoutmaster Conferences.
- The Third Tuesday meeting includes Board of Reviews for Rank Advancement when not a COH.
- Fourth Tuesday could be for Patrol meetings if you are able to get the Scoutmaster to come early or close late.
- No meetings are usually held on 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday. These are saved for Fundraisers, or special meetings at interesting locations.

**Court of Honor** is held 4 times a year, every 3 months – usually the last Scout meeting of month (except December). In **March** and **September** COH Scouts are honored for their rank advancements with a candle lighting ceremony and parents are given pins.

In **June** and **December**, our COH does not have candles and rank advancement pins for parents, but we add a potluck dinner in June – (Optional potluck in Dec.).

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Summer Camp @  
Tahquitz July 30 to  
August 5th**

**August Troop  
meetings theme:  
Engineering**



## OCBSA Dedicated Climbing Website

The Orange County Council Climbing Team has created a NEW website to keep everyone informed about training opportunities, climbing events, help needed, etc.

The website can be found under the 'Camping' tab of the Orange County Council website: [www.ocbsa.org/](http://www.ocbsa.org/)

OR <http://climbing.ocbsa.org/>

## 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***



## Scout Oath

***On my honor, I will do my best  
To do my duty to God and my  
country and to obey the Scout  
Law;***

***To help other people at all times;***

***To keep myself physically strong,  
mentally awake and morally  
straight.***



## **Personal Mess kits: Troop 314 is Camping Green!**

Personal Mess kits are used on 99.889 % of Troop campouts – If in doubt, buy one and bring yours!



## **The Troop can help you do something you always wanted to do!**

**Scouts – You have the Power to  
make some serious fun happen!**

Just talk to Activities Chair or Scoutmaster or your SPL to get the ball rolling on one of these great activities, and while you are at it - step up to be Scout in Charge. The Troop Committee will hook you up with the adults and resources to make it happen!

***Activities are only limited by  
your imagination:***

**Archery**  
**Deep Sea Fishing** - boat Trip  
**Ocean fishing**  
**Beach party** / Annual Homework Burn  
**Bonfire** (June)  
**Bowling**  
**Go Cart Racing** (Family)  
**Hiking Trips**  
**Backpacking** - Hike in and out.  
Camp in wilderness.  
**Snow Day.**  
**Ski / Snowboard Trip**  
**Laser Tag** (Family)

**Air Soft Games** (Family)  
**Paint Ball / Airsoft** (Family)  
**Shooting Range**  
**BLM land / Calico Ghost Town - Desert Shoot** – Rifles / Pistols (Family event)  
**Rock climbing** - Indoor walls or natural climbs work - we have BSA Climb Instructors and our own climb gear!  
**Attend a Baseball Game**  
**Gold Prospecting** / Gold Camp  
**Swim** – Pool / Ocean Laguna Beach Trip  
**Scuba Instruction**  
**Snorkeling / Beach Trip**  
**White water rafting**  
**Canoe River Trip**  
**Annual Mistletoe Trip**  
**Annual Homework Burn!**  
Usually June at Bolsa Chica State beach  
**Kayaking**  
**Picnic / BBQ**



## **Order of the Arrow Wiatava Lodge (#39) Santee Chapter**

OA Santee Chapter Meeting are held on every 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00pm at Holy Cross Lutheran Church.



## words to live by™

OBEDIENT CHEERFUL THRIFTY BRAVE CLEAN REVERENT

### New Advancement & Blue Card Procedures

The Scout Shop will not be collecting Merit Badge Blue Cards to sell Merit Badges. The MB Blue Card tears into three parts. One part is to remain with the applicant, one part is to remain with the counselor, and one part is to remain with the unit.

The only item needed to present at the Scout Shop to purchase Merit Badges and Rank Advancement is a printed and completed copy of the **unit advancement report**, as we are doing now.

The Scout Shop will no longer require that a copy of the advancement report be turned in. A unit will now only need to present one copy of the Internet Advancement Report to purchase rank and Merit Badge Advancements for verification. Once the Scout Shop has reviewed the report, it will be returned back to the unit.

Eagle Scout Advancement reports will still need to be turned in to the registration department for processing, until such time as the online system can accommodate Eagle Scout advancements in the same way other advancements are accommodated.

### Hall Use at American Legion Post 555

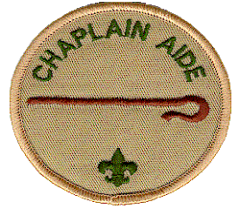
If you would like to have an event at the Post – from a training day, a car wash or an Eagle Court of Honor, please e-mail Steve Scukanec to confirm the hall is available and to make reservations. [scukanecbsa@hotmail.com](mailto:scukanecbsa@hotmail.com)

Steve Scukanec is our troop Chartered Organization Representative.

## Chaplain's Wisdom of the month:

### Psalm 118:5

*In my anguish I cried to the LORD, and he answered by setting me free.*



## JOKES JOKES JOKES

Q: When do you go on a red and stop at a green?

A: At a Watermelon!

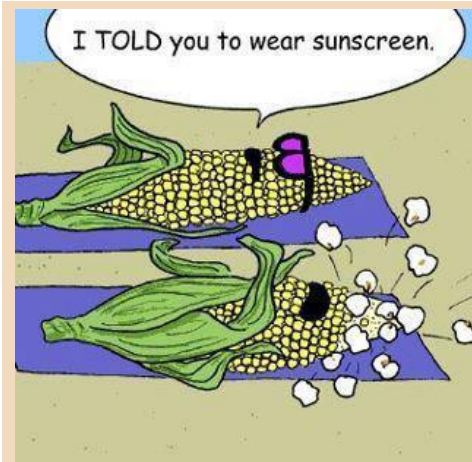
Q: What did the pig say in the heat of summer?

A: I'm bacon!

Vacationing in Vermont, a man picked up the local paper to check the weather. It read.

Today: Sunny, 75

Tonight: Not so Sunny, 55





# Scout Trail Cooking:

Care of: <http://www.backpackingchef.com/>

Greetings! Chef Glenn here.

Take your boots off and set a spell. I developed my backpacking recipes and trail cooking methods for backpacking on the Appalachian Trail.

Since publishing the first chili recipe several years ago, I've heard from folks who hit the trail in many adventurous ways... via kayak, canoe, sailboat, bicycle, motorcycle, motor home and dog sled.

We're on the go, so our food needs to keep well and pack light. A food dehydrator and vacuum sealer take care of that.

I'll share my backpacking food drying and packing tips to get you going.

So...

Let's get going!



Root Bark Stew makes a tasty backpacking meal of root vegetables simmered in a spicy broth. Make a side serving of mashed roots from the same batch and enjoy dried roots and bark as a healthy snack.



*Above: Diced Roots - Sweet Potato, Parsnips, Turnips, Rutabaga*

**Serves: 3 - 4**

**Ingredients:**

- 1 Tbsp Olive Oil
- 2 Medium Onions, chopped
- 2 Cloves Garlic, minced

- 1 Tbsp Curry Powder
- 1 Tbsp Ground Cumin
- 1 tsp Cinnamon
- 16 - 32 Ounces Chicken Broth
- 1 Large Sweet Potato
- 1 lb Parsnips (usually comes in 1 lb bag)
- 3 Medium Turnips
- 1 Large Rutabaga
- ¼ Cup Raisins
- 1 14.5 Ounce Can Diced Tomatoes, drained
- Salt and pepper to taste

## At Home:

Peel and cut roots into ½ inch cubes or slightly smaller.

In a non-stick pan, heat oil over medium-high heat. Add onion and sauté until golden; about five minutes. Add garlic, curry, cumin, cinnamon and a splash of broth and stir another minute.

In a large pot, add cubed sweet potatoes, parsnips, turnips, rutabaga, raisins, and contents of the pan. Add just enough broth to cover roots. You will probably use closer to 16 ounces than 32 ounces. Stir.

Bring to boil, reduce heat, cover, and simmer until vegetables are tender; about 10 minutes. Stir occasionally.

Add diced tomatoes and salt and pepper to taste; simmer about five more minutes.

## Dehydrate:



*Above: Roots on dehydrator trays before and after.*



*Root Bark on dehydrator trays before and after.*

In order to capture the wonderful flavors in the broth, combine the broth with a portion of the cooked roots and turn it into bark as follows:

Drain off broth into pot. An easy way to drain the broth is to pour the contents from your cook pot through a colander positioned over another pot. Add broth plus four cups of the cooked roots to the blender, minus the raisins, and blend until smooth. Spread ¼" thick on dehydrator trays covered with non-stick sheets or parchment paper. Dehydrate at 135°. The bark will dry in about eight hours and will easily break into pieces. Dry a little longer if the bark tears rather than breaks.

Arrange remaining cooked roots on covered trays. Dehydrate at 135°. The roots will dry in about twelve hours. Stir pieces midway, pulling apart any pieces that are stuck together. Roots will be pliable to hard when done with no moisture appearing when you cut into a piece.

With a large capacity dehydrator such as the 9-tray [Excalibur Food Dehydrator](#), you can dry the bark and roots at the same time, leaving the pieces in the dehydrator for the extra four hours. Otherwise, you may have to dry the roots and bark in separate batches.

The yield from this recipe will be approximately four cups of dried bark and two cups of dried roots. You will combine the dried roots and bark to make stew, adding dried chicken or beans if desired. You can make a serving of mashed roots, which taste like spicy mashed potatoes, with any bark that is left over.

### **Packing:**

Let cool before storing or packing. Combine roots and bark into individual backpacking meal servings along with dried chicken or beans, if desired, and pack in plastic bags.

### **Make it a backpacking meal or side dish:**

## **Root Bark Stew with Chicken**



### **Serves 1:**

- ¾ Cup Dried Root Pieces
- ¼ Cup Dried Root Bark
- ¼ Cup Dried Chicken
- 1¼ Cups Water to rehydrate

### Root Bark Stew

### **Serves 1 (Makes a nice side dish)**

- ¾ Cup Dried Root Pieces
- ¼ Cup Dried Root Bark
- 1 Cup Water to rehydrate

### Mashed Root Bark

### **Serves 1 (Makes a nice side dish)**

- 1 Cup Dried Root Bark
- 1 Cup Water to rehydrate

### **On the Trail:**

Combine food with an equal amount of water in pot and soak five minutes.

Light stove, bring to boil, and cook for one more minute. Add a few more spoonfuls of water if you want a sauce with a thinner consistency.

Insulate pot and wait ten minutes.

ENJOY!





**“Never do for a boy what a boy can do for himself.” - Lord Baden Powell**

# **TROOP 314: TOWER ABOVE THE REST!**

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