

# Troop 849 Newsletter



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February 2015

## Eagle Court of Honor

Eagle Court of Honor  
Troop 849 scouts and their families are cordially invited to attend an Eagle Court of Honor for:

**Jake Faustgen**  
**Matt Faustgen**  
**Scott Miketa**

Sunday, February 8, 2014  
3:00 p.m.  
at Joslyn Community Center  
adjacent to the Scout House

Scouts must be in full class A uniform. Light refreshments will be served after the ceremony

Jake Faustgen's Eagle project involved building 4 back pack carts for Trinity Lutheran Church's preschool. He passed his Eagle Scout BOR 9/17/13. Matt Faustgen's Eagle project involved building 4 cubby containers also for Trinity's preschool and he passed his Eagle BOR 10/23/14. Scott Miketa's Eagle project was building 3 benches for the SPCA in Long Beach and he also passed his Eagle BOR on 10/23/14. Please plan on attending as we honor these scouts.

We need 5 scouts for color guard, 6 scouts for candle lighters and several adults to help decorate, assist with ceremony and clean up.

Volunteers please contact Mrs. Pastore at [rrspastore@yahoo.com](mailto:rrspastore@yahoo.com)

## SPL Report

**Contributor:** Tanner Yamada

This February, we are trying something new. While it has the potential to be really fun and exciting, it also will take effort from everyone, especially our patrol leaders.

We are making this month centered around the patrols. Every week, there will be a hefty portion of the meeting relegated to patrol corners. Last week, you should have decided which activities you wanted to do as a patrol and started preparing for your outing. This will take place in March, on whichever date that ALL OF YOU CAN GO. Again, as a patrol activity, it should have a 100% attendance rate because each of you planned around your schedules. From our patrol leaders, you must try to remain as organized as possible and come to EVERY MEETING. Good luck, and I hope you all have fun.

## Congratulations To Troop 849's Newest Eagle Scouts

On January 22<sup>nd</sup> Travis Grady and Conner Tree earned their Eagle Rank.

## 2015 Rocket Hike

**Contributor:** Stephen Shoemaker

We first arrived at the scout house at 8:30am to get everybody loaded up and ready. At 9:00am we drove to Blackbird Museum to look at all the aircraft's on display. There were many different planes there including the Blackbird. Afterword we drove up to Saddleback Butte and had lunch. Then the scouts went through four different stations First Aid, Fire Building, Games, and Football. We had dinner in the different patrols. Then we played capture the flag and went to sleep. Sunday, in the morning, we packed up and went out to launch rockets. We spent a couple of hours launching all types of rockets and everyone had fun. Afterword's everybody drove home.



## Frazer Park Campout

**Contributor:** Mr. Rolandelli

This month our camp out will be at Frazer Park 80 miles north of Los Angeles on Feb 7 and 8th. We will be staying in the "Maynard Cabin overnight. Mr. Maynard will be spending the night with us and telling tales of when he was Scoutmaster of Troop 849. We will leave the Scout House at 7AM. Once we arrive at the cabin we will drop our gear and load the cars with ski, sleds and snowshoes for the short trip to the top of Mt Pinos. We will spend the rest of the day playing in the snow and eating lunch at the top of the mountain. At dusk we will head down the mountain for a "world famous" spaghetti dinner and some evening board games. Sunday morning will provide an optional trek back up the mountain prior to heading back to Manhattan Beach. If there is not any snow we will hold a Patrol Orienteering event using all of the trails on top of Mt. Pinos! Fee for the campout will be \$15. Please bring your money to the Hike Prep meeting on Feb 3rd.

## Eagle Facebook Page

**Contributor:** MS. Joanne Hadley

Please visit our troop Eagle Facebook page! Eagle candidates and recent Eagle Scouts: post photos and description of your projects. Also post pictures of the evening you passed your board of review!

All troop members—please invite all your family and friends to visit the page and "like" the pictures and posts of our Eagles and Eagle events.

Our page contains inspiring sharing by troop Eagles since 1956! Your posts will inspire others who are on the Eagle trail.

The page is called: **Eagle Scouts of Troop 849 MB**

## New Scout Troop Record Keeping – Scout Book

**Contributor:** Alan Franz

We are launching a new tool for Troop 849! The committee has decided to go ahead with a program to help us organize our rank advancements and calendar functions within one system. Scoutbook has been chosen as this tool and most scouts have been uploaded into the system along with the majority of the Adult Leaders. So what's this all about? It's a cloud based system that allows parents to provide their son access to their rank advancements and awards. It allows for a great way for patrols to stay in touch with one another. It allows for each scout to see how far they have until their next rank. It provides for an on-line calendar that will link with all functions. And that's just the beginning.

Parents should look for an email soon that will 'invite' them into Scoutbook. Once invited, each parent can edit their account and provide their information as well as their son's information. They can add their son's email which will help communication among scouts for events and planning. There are many features to checkout on this software - check it out at [scoutbook.com](http://scoutbook.com) and thanks for providing any information/issues on the system to Alan Franz - [Afranz2000@yahoo.com](mailto:Afranz2000@yahoo.com).

## February 2015 Calendar

date	Event	Coordinator
3	Troop Meeting	SPL
5	Neighbor to neighbor	Mr. Tauber
7-8	Snow outing	Mr. Rolandelli
8	Eagle court of honor	Mrs. Pastore
10	Troop Meeting	SPL
17	Troop Meeting	SPL
23	Committee Meeting	
24	2 <sup>nd</sup> Payment for Summer Camp Due	
24	Greenbar Meeting	SPL
24	Troop Meeting	SPL

## March 2015 Calendar

date	Event	Coordinator
3	Troop Meeting	SPL
5	Neighbor to Neighbor	Mr. Tauber
7	Skiing/snowboarding Merit Badge	Mr. Schnuckel
10	Troop Meeting	SPL
14-15	CPR/AED Adult Wilderness First Aid	Mr. Reeley Mr. Rolandelli
17	Troop Meeting	SPL
17	New Parent Orientation	Mr. Tauber Mr. Thorpe
23	Troop Committee Meeting	Mr. Tauber
24	Court of Honor	
30	Greenbar Meeting	
31	Troop Meeting	SPL

### Neighbor to Neighbor

**Contact:** Mr. Tauber  
**Date:** February 5, 2015  
 March 5, 2015

**Location:** South Bay Community  
 Church of the Brethren

**Time:** 6:00 pm-7:00 pm

It is true that volunteering has a positive and meaningful impact on our community but you already know that it has many personal benefits for us too. Recently, many of you had participated in the event, thank you. It is what I am looking for, so let's keep the good service work up.

I encourage you to continue with your service, it is of a great help. For those of you who haven't had the opportunity to participate in this service event, this is your time to, and I would like to see your attendance.

I repeat, this is a great opportunity to give some of your time and effort, and enjoy a unique chance to learn and grow stronger.

On the practical side, all Scouts in full Class A uniform, and registered adults who participate will **earn two community service hours.**

Upon arrival, please park behind the church (one street north of 190th on Armour Lane) in the back parking lot and come in through the back gate.

**Just the time of the month for our troop's monthly service event!**

## **FUTURE NEWSLETTERS CONTRIBUTIONS**

**Contributor:** Erik Lilligren

We would love to have you your contributions to next month's newsletter. If you would like to have your contribution considered please contact me at [tim@lilligrencpa.com](mailto:tim@lilligrencpa.com) or upcoming troop meetings. I want to finalize the February Newsletter by March 1 so please have all contributions to me by February 26 Also, pictures that are submitted need to be as a JPEG attachment, not embedded, and not from third party programs such as Snapchat.