

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

TROOP 726 FLASH

NOVEMBER & DECEMBER 2015

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December and January Events

Dec 2- Winter Court of Honor

Dec 12-13 Crabbing and Fishing Campout,
Aaron Gallagher-Scout-in- Charge

Dec 16 (holiday meeting) White Elephant Gift Exchange,

Dec 16 (holiday meeting) Boy Scout Holiday Band, Scout in Charge- Aaron Bull

Dec 16 (holiday meeting) Brown Bag Lunch Service Project Scout in Charge- Yang-Jie Qin, Adult in charge- Mr. Woo

Date American Legion Christmas Dinner

January 2-3 Biking and Camping at Lake Chabot

Scout in Charge – Josh Siu
Adult in Charge- Mr. Smith

Upcoming Meeting Dates

Board of Review –3rd Mondays of the Month
at Faith Lutheran Church, Redwood Road

Committee Meeting – First Monday of the month at Faith Lutheran Church

PLC Meeting –All leadership positions should be in attendance

Troop Meetings –Wednesdays 7 pm sharp at Masonic Center, Crow Canyon Road

*****12/16- Holiday Meeting***

*****12/23 & 12/30 - No Meeting***

*****Regular Troop meetings resume 1/6***



Photo from Geocaching at Mt Diablo November 2015- Courtesy of Mr. Wilson

Miramar Air Show and Campout in San Diego

October 2-4, 2015

By Joshua Siu, scout-in-charge

Friday we ate dinner at a rest stop with a lot of fast food restaurants, then we made camp in a campsite. The next day we went to Miramar in the morning and ate lunch and dinner there, then we went back to the campsite. Sunday we got on the road in the morning and had brunch a few hours into going back to Castro Valley.

Here is a beautiful photo collage from the Air Show...



photos courtesy of Mr. Siu

**The International Scouting
Jamboree on the Air (JOTA)
Was held at the council office on October 17, 2015**
Joey Bertetta-Scout -in- charge Mrs. Bertetta Adult-in -Charge
Here are some photos ...



Looks really fun!













photos courtesy of Mrs. Bertetta
Wow. The world is a colorful place!

Mission Peak Rim Rover Day Hike

Nicholas Weavil, Mr. Jiang



A small but mighty crew hiked Mission Peak: a Rim Rover on October 24, 2105.

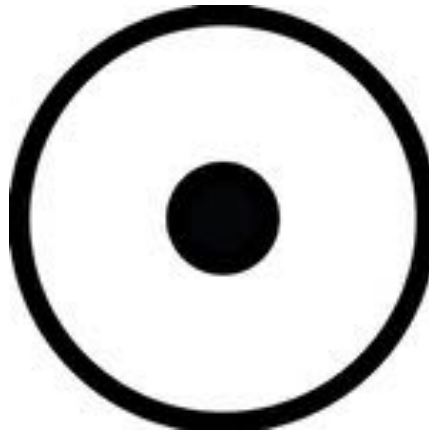
By the way, what is a Rim Rover Hike?

There are 6 mountains around the bay area in the Rim Rover series. Scouts are encouraged to hike all six.

These experiences encourage hiking and bring to scouts the “mountain top” experience.

What are the 6 Rim Rover Hikes?

Gone Home



Mr. Howard Harrison
Castro Valley, CA
Founder of Troop 726

**Mr. Harrison's Memorial Service was held on the USS
Hornet on November 6th, 2015.**

**Troop 726 and the American Legion held a special
Memorial for Mr. Harrison on November 8th, 2015 at the
Castro Valley Memorial.**

Troop 726 with the American Legion of Honor paid tribute to the life of My Harold Harrison and specifically his contribution to founding and continued support of Troop 726 for more than 40 years of his life.

Attending as guest of honor were Mr. Harrison's son and daughter in law.

Following are a collection of photos from this special Memorial event.



The guests of honor: Paul and Raven Harrison, Mr. Harold Harrison's son and daughter-in-law



Some of the Scouts from Troop 726, Castro Valley at Mr. Harrison's Special Memorial



The bagpipes played in memory of Mr. Harold Harrison....



Paul and Raven Harrison



Before the ceremony...



Many were remembering...









the Flame was lit



a flame that Mr. Harrison kept alive





Master of Ceremony- begins





An Invocation: In prayer and memory of Mr. Harold Harrison's life and contribution to Troop 726 scouts and generations to come.



Remembering Mr. Harrison and all he gave to troop 726



Remembering



Senior Patrol leader of Troop 726 speaks





The scouts...



Master of Ceremony



We hear about all about what Mr. Harrison gave from Troop 726's previous Scout Masters.



Including Mr. Guerrin



Our present Scout Master, Mr. Phil Avery gives his words about Mr. Harrison



The American Legion presents



The guests of honor listen



The flag is prepared and presented





A US flag is presented to the guests of honor...



And more from our Senior Patrol leader (left) and our Master of Ceremony (right)



The flame is tended and we prepare for the bugle call.



Mr. Paul Harrison, Harold Harrison's son tells me he was the first bugler for Troop 726 after his father founded the troop. We learn of the past from history and it inspires our future.



Mr. Siu Committee Chair closes the ceremony.



Our Senior Patrol leader speaks



There was even a sign language interpreter





Our Scout Master greeting the guests of honor after the memorial for Mr. Harrison

Flag Retirement



After the memorial for Mr. Harrison we had a flag retirement.



Even some adults had the opportunity to retire US flags for the first time...NOT pictured here

Veteran's Day Service Project

Jacob Rosario- Scout- in -Charge
Mr. Wilson- Adult- in-charge

On Nov 11, 2015 Troop 726 helped at the Castro Valley Veteran's Memorial in Castro Valley





photos courtesy of Mr. Wilson

Stories from Scouting for Food 2015

Scout in Charge- Vincent Ruiz

Adult in charge- Mrs. Pica

Scouts dropped off flyers announcing Scouting for Food in Castro Valley on November 14, 2015. On November 21st the scouts picked up the bags of non-perishables left by residents of Castro Valley.

Mr. Andrews let us know that we had contributed a LOT of food this year. In fact, the San Francisco Bay Area Council collected 109,122 lbs of food donations for the Alameda County Community and the SF-Marin Food Banks. That's a lot of food for those in need.

Thank you scouts!! There are people out there whose lives are truly affected by these acts of kindness.

Yet not all scouts got the opportunity to see this as not all residents left food! One group of scouts left fliers at 100 houses....



but....

Alas, they only received one bag of food back.

Luckily this man was kind enough to let them photograph him as the BIG giver in that neighborhood.



**Geocaching Campout Mount Diablo, November 14-15
2015** Scout in Charge- Zachary Eslick, Adult in charge – Mr.
Wilson It looks like a lot of fun!! Some of us really missed
out!



Did Mr. Avery really find a GIANT Geocache????



Don't you wish you were there??



Our fearless Senior Patrol leader...always on duty!



Was it really this steep???

Thank you ALL for the wonderful PHOTO contributions this month. Keep it up!!!

Do you have a challenge for the scouts? Do you have photos or writing to contribute to the January 2016 Newsletter- Troop 726 Flash? Send it to me at kimmyoverton@yahoo or text me at 5103329549 for inclusion.

Kimberly Overton, Troop 726 Newsletter Coordinator

*Wishing all our scouts and scout families a
warm, safe and peaceful holiday season!*

See you in 2016



Troop Items for Sale

The following items can be purchased from Mr. Siu. Email: pillmaster@gmail.com

Troop Mug = \$5.00

Troop T-shirts = \$12.00

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!

ASM Patrol Advisors

Bobcats Dr. Werning

Scorpions Dr. Werning

Wolverines Patrol – Mr. Andrews

Fox Patrol - Mr. Jiang / Mr. Yi

Bats Patrol - Mr. Lee /Mr. Jones

Ravens Patrol – Mr. Bertetta

Cobras / Mr. Smith

Life to Eagle ASM - Mr. Guerin

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