

Boy Scout Troop 227

2015

Presentation to
St Bonaventure



- Troop 227 is proud to be Sponsored by St Bonaventure Church and the Men's Club

Continuous operations since early 1960's, sponsored by Men's Club



Troop picture 1960's

- The way we were...



1977 Lost Valley
Summer Camp

Troop 277 Summer Camp 2015 – Fiesta Island, San Diego



Monthly Activities, Weekly Meetings



Current Status

- Boy led Troop
 - Adult Support and Oversight
- 31 boys registered & active
 - ~ 20 boys at meetings every week
- ~ 20 adults registered
 - Good adult support for activities
- Financial status good –> break even
 - Internal funding for operations

Service to the Community

- Scouting for Food canned food drive
- Support to HB Historical Society for Civil War days in Central Park
- Eagle Projects – Local Schools
 - Multiple projects
- Community Service
 - Samaritan's Purse
 - Community Feedings
 - Beach cleanups
 - Multiple others



Service to St. Bonaventure

- Parish Festival
 - Tables & Chairs Set up
 - Overnight security and clean up
 - Staffed “Cork gun” game booth
- Prepared Easter fire
- Seminarian Dinner
- Supported Friday Fish Fries
- Labor Day Picnic
- Memorial Day color guard
- Troop Complies with all Diocese Adult Training for Youth activities

Activities over the Past year

- 10 campouts
 - 2 Backpack Trips
 - Cold weather campout
 - Desert weather camping
- Summer Camp
 - 1 Week long summer camp – 20 Scouts
- Training
 - Adult and Boy Leadership training continuing
- Service Projects
 - Multiple in community
- Day activities

 - Snow activity day/Snow hike
 - Bike Hike
- Recognition of adults and boy accomplishments at 4 Courts of Honor

Key Achievements in Past year

- 2014 Gold “Journey to Excellence “Award -- Quality Unit Award (highest level)
- Continued focus on training and leadership
 - BSA and Diocese Additional Adult training
 - High Adventure Leadership Training (HAT)
 - Woodbadge training (Highest adult BSA training)
 - Multiple Assistant Scoutmasters (Full BSA Training)
- Troop level training
 - Scout leadership training for youth held annually
- 7 Eagle Scouts expected in 2015
 - – national level award
- Advancement and Activities for all boys
 - All Ranks
 - 100+ Merit Badges and several rank advancements from Summer Camp, alone

Key Achievements in Past Year, continued

- 1 Scout attended week long “National Youth Leader Training”
 - Highest Scout-level training
- Continued training activities in 2015
 - BSA Youth Protection Training for all registered adults
 - High Adventure Leadership Training – Multiple adult leaders (backpacking, cold weather)
 - Scoutmaster training cycle – 7 adults now fully trained & pushing to increase
 - Severe Weather Training
 - Safe Swim/ Safety Afloat

Key Achievements in Past Year, continued

- Continuing to replace Troop equipment
 - Rolling replacement of equipment
 - Plan to replace Patrol Storage Boxes & Cooking equipment
- Annual Plan completed, Boy Run Troop
 - Patrol Leaders Council meetings for Boy Leadership every 4-6 weeks for tactical planning for meetings
 - Parent/ Boy Leadership committee meetings at least quarterly

Challenges for 2015-2016

- Boy run Troop -- Good group of motivated, diligent Scout leaders – supported by adults
 - Training focus – maintain culture and diligence to Scout Ideals
- Improve coordination with St Bonaventure Men's Club
 - New Charter Unit Rep -- Mark Pauly
- Demographics – Reduced pressure for new Scouts
 - Desire to keep Troop in 40-50 Scout size
 - Replace Scouts who are aging out at 18
 - Received ~ 4 new Scouts early 2015
 - Expect ~ 10 new Scouts early 2016
 - Continuing to roll over responsibility and positions at Boy Level
 - Train replacement adults and Scouts to maintain culture and diligence to Scout Ideals.
 - Goal is Stable Troop – sustain operations
- Finish replacing patrol level equipment – storage and miscellaneous equipment – funded from internal funds

Challenges for 2015-2016, Continued

- Continue Required Training
 - Full compliance with Scout and Diocese Guidelines – WE WILL COMPLY
 - Requires continuing effort to maintain up-to-date training
 - Fill pipeline of trained, certified leaders (Boys & Adults)
- Fundraising to support “break even” operations
 - Troop Goal: “No boy will ever miss an activity due to financial circumstances”
 - We don’t focus on fundraising for the Troop, but on activities for the Scouts
 - Watch the budget to make sure we’re net zero
 - Have managed budget to within +/- \$200/ year breakeven over past 3 years, not including financial donations
- Continuing diversity and outreach to the community
- Continue service emphasis to Church & Community

Annual Plan for the Year

- Annual plan developed for 2015-2016
 - Boy nominated and selected monthly activities
 - Each activity has adult coordinator/ leader
 - Makes sure it is organized and planned properly
- Annual plan communicated through monthly email updates, and calendar maintained on Troop website
- Tracking to plan reviewed at Troop Leadership & adult meetings ~ every 2 months

Some pictures of recent activities



Camporee 2015



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Vasquez Rocks Campout



Camp Trask Campout

Some pictures of recent activities

Troop Backpack May 2015



Parish Festival
Service Projects



Eagle Projects

Some pictures of recent activities



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