

**SEPTEMBER PACK MTG.**  
EDISON MPR  
WED, SEPT. 13, 6:30pm



**CA COASTAL CLEAN-UP**  
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Alameda Beach  
SAT, SEPT. 16, 9:00 AM



**SANTA CRUZ OVERNIGHT**  
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SANTA CRUZ BEACH BOARDWALK  
FRI-SAT, OCT 13-14



**FRIENDS OF  
SCOUTING**  
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# THE BUGLER. *NEWSLETTER OF PACK 1015*

## And the Oscar goes to...Eric Long!

"Honor to whom honor is due." On March 11, 2017, the Alameda Council honored **Eric Long** with the "2016 BSA Oscar Award" for all his extraordinary years of service to Alameda and the Boy Scout organization. The BSA Oscar Award is the highest and most prestige award that can be given to any Scout leader. Eric was selected among many highly qualified candidates and won the Oscar on his own merits!

I would like to share a bit of Eric's history with the pack. Eric served as our Cub Master from 2012 to 2015, and since then has been both a Den Leader and our Assistant Cub Master. Eric has coordinated and participated in too many pack activities too name. He has been our Public Relation face during Information Night - his charismatic personality has been one of the reasons we have so many new families joining the Pack. He has been a dynamic mentor for new Den leaders. He cares deeply about the success of our Pack and the Scouts in it.

In short, Eric is a Rock Star!

Pack 1015 is a family-oriented organization. The Pack has been blessed by welcoming year after year families from every background. Our treasure is the group of great families working together to make our kids' scouting time a unique experience; however, once in a while, the Pack is very special because a "random" person can join and leave a profound impact in some many lives. This time around, that "random" person was Eric Long. A family man, a baseball coach, a leader...and above all...a friend for all!

Congratulations, Eric, for your achievement. You make us all proud!

~Carlos Flores, Pack 1015 Committee Chair

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## Farewell, friends!

Dear Pack 1015,

Thank you for the treasure trove of amazing memories from the last 8 years. We are truly grateful for the opportunity to mentor so many scouts over the years - what a blast this has been! It has been a pleasure to be part of such a loving and fun Pack - we will miss you all!

With love,  
von Stroheim Family



## Santa Cruz Overnight



Pack 1015 is going to the annual Boardwalk Scout Overnight at the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk! We will camp overnight right on the Boardwalk and enjoy Friday Ride Exclusive on Sea Swings and Carousel, Free Play in Arcade, Dinner Under the Stars, an outdoor movie, breakfast in the morning, a Sand Castle Contest, Saturday All-Day Rides Wristband and an Event Patch!

Note the following event info:

- **WHEN:** Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, Saturday October 14<sup>th</sup>
- **COST:** \$74.95 per person if registered by September 12, or \$89.95 if registered later
- **REGISTER:** See e-mails for details
- **QUESTIONS?** Contact Dave Latham at [latham@davelink.net](mailto:latham@davelink.net)

### UPCOMING EVENTS



#### SEPTEMBER PACK MEETING

Draw Bots!  
Wednesday, September 13,  
6:30 PM  
Edison MPR

#### CALIFORNIA COASTAL CLEANUP

Saturday, September 16,  
9:00 AM

#### SS JEREMIAH O'BRIEN PACK OVERNIGHT

Saturday, September 23  
San Francisco Maritime Museum

Signup:

<https://goo.gl/forms/9Qlm8HguCJKhfvEm2>

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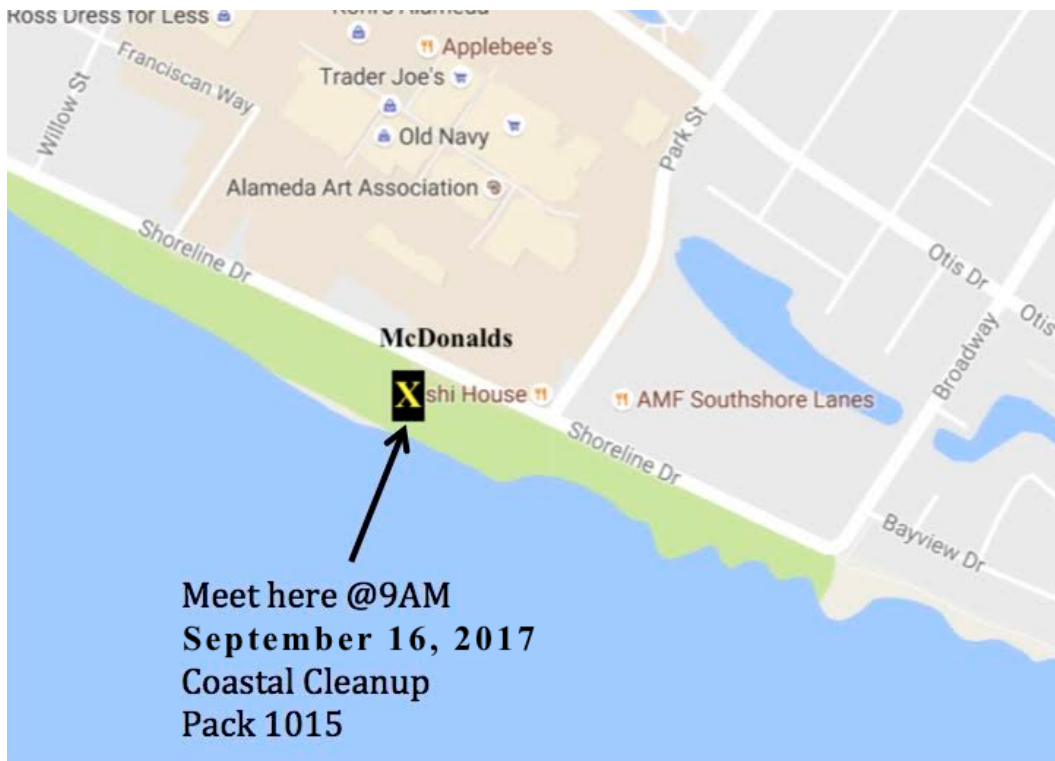
<http://pack1015.org/calendar-of-events/pack-events-calendar/>

*for a complete and up-to-date calendar of events, including Den meetings.*

## California Coastal Cleanup

Our first service project of the year will be participating in the California Coastal Clean up. The Massey family of Wolf Den 7 will lead the Pack in picking up trash and debris from the beaches on our beautiful island. Please join us Saturday September 16th as we live by the principles of "Leave No Trace."

- **What?** California Coastal Cleanup Day
- **When?** Saturday, September 16, 2017
- **Wear?** Wear your Class A uniform and sturdy shoes, hat, sunscreen
- **Bring?** Work gloves and bucket for trash
- **Where?** Meet at Shoreline Drive on the beach-side across from McDonalds (see map below)
- **Time?** Check-in/sign-in by 9am with Andrew Massey
- **RSVP?** Nope. Just show up.



## Useful Info: the Cub Scout Uniform

The following section applies more to new families than anyone else but is nonetheless a good refresher for returning Wolves and Bears as well.

Pack 1015 Scouts are required to wear the Class A uniform to all Den/Pack meetings (and other functions – ask your Den leader and/or the event coordinator if you are unsure how to dress) throughout the year with one exception: the Halloween Pack meeting, where costumes are welcomed!

So when you are told to show up in the Class A uniform, what your leaders mean is that you should be wearing the following:



- Official BSA uniform shirt (for Tigers, Wolves, and Bears this is dark blue; Webelos have the option of wearing khaki. The shirt comes in l/s or s/s – either is appropriate.
- Neckerchief & neckerchief slide (these are Den-specific and will be provided to you at your first Den meeting).
- Official BSA pants/shorts, belts, and socks are optional.

Patches you will be responsible for acquiring and sewing/gluing on your shirt are: the World Scout Crest above the left chest pocket, the Council Shoulder Patch, and Unit Numerals on the left sleeve (see picture). Check with your Den leader about getting an all-in-one 1015 unit number patch.

Scout uniforms and other supplies can be purchased at:

- **Alameda Scout Council Office** (1714 Everett Avenue, Alameda 510-522-2772)
- **East Bay Scouting Store** (1001 Davis Street, San Leandro 510-633-2005). This is a big place with lots of cool stuff to look at!
- <http://www.scoutstuff.org/bsasupply/> (Another big place with lots of cool stuff to look at, you just can't touch the merchandise!)
- To learn more about the Scout uniform, please visit the uniform section of our website at <http://pack1015.org/cub-scout-uniform/>. Here you will find links to the local BSA retail shops as well as a link to a document about the 100+ year history of the uniform.

Be sure to consult your Den leader if you have any questions about the uniform. ■

## Summer Fun

Summer 2017 was a great time to be a scout in Pack 1015!

### 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Alameda Sandcastle Contest

Congratulations to the Scouts and families who participated in this year's efforts, we came in **Second Place!** Judging was based on design, detail, neatness and technique. Amazing job Scouts!

### Alameda Mayor's 4th of July Parade

The Annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade was spectacular as always! This year in honor of the 100<sup>th</sup> year of Alameda Scouting with walked with the whole Council, and let me tell you, Pack 1015 was WELL represented! We rode, scooted, walked and strolled our way down the parade route, tossing candy and good cheer along the way.



Any Scout who participated in at least 3 Pack events this summer earned the National Summertime Pack Award, which will be awarded at the September Pack Meeting!



### Pack Hike through Joaquin Miller Park

On July 22<sup>nd</sup> hike leaders **Kim Ranking** and **Mike Plocek** led a group hike through Joaquin Miller Park in Oakland. This was the last opportunity to earn your Golden Boot for the 2016-2017 Scouting Year!

### Game Night

On July 27<sup>th</sup> a group of scouts and their families gathered for a fun-filled game night! Everyone had a great time learning new games and playing some old favorites. The competition was fierce and emotions ran high during a few rounds of "Pit", but the friendships remained in tact in the end! Mark your Calendars for a rematch at our planned Pizza Family Game night on **October 6<sup>th</sup>**!



## Pack 1015 Family Camping

Six of Pack 1015's finest with parents and siblings in tow braved the wilds of Garin Regional Park this August for our annual camping trip. And wilds there were: a rattlesnake menaced, giant red and blue dragonflies hummed and as the full moon rose over the East Bay hills, the low mooing of the fearsome were-cow could be heard in the distance. But armed to the gills with squirt guns and an ample supply of s'more-making materials, the scouts were undaunted as they made gigantic bubbles, played board games, rode bikes and made countless discoveries on their hike up to the top of the nearby ridge. All involved gave many a hearty thanks to the organizing efforts of **Dan Siskind** who in addition to securing an excellent location lavished the rough and ready campers with many a gourmet meal. As they bid farewell to their campsite at the end of the weekend the scouts returned to civilization a little different than when they departed: smellier and dirtier, certainly, but appreciative too of their adventures together in the wild just up the hill from their homes in Alameda. They are sure to remember it!

~Andrew Massey, parent Wolf Den 7



## Welcome Back BBQ

The Pack 1015 Annual Welcome Back BBQ kicked off the new scout year and was one of our best-coordinated BBQ's to



date! Hot dogs were eaten, potato sacks were raced, and Pack leaders were absolutely soaked in the "LARGEST WATER BALLOON FIGHT EVER!!" Thanks to **Jackie and Lee Jackson-Daley** for planning the event!



## Highlights from the Past Year!

### Rock City Hike

The April Hike took Pack 1015 out to Walnut Creek to the land formations of Rock City!!! About 15 scouts attended this challenging hike and together they achieved greatness! Pack 1015 officially holds the World Record for most Scouts in a tree at the same time!

### Poop: the Best Thing Ever!!!

Our April Pack meeting featured a visit from the Oakland ZooMobile. The scouts were very respectful and patient with our sensitive guests that included a millipede, tortoises and even a snake! The scouts learned how different diets change the characteristics of an animals' scat and that it is a *vital* part of our ecosystem! Who knew there was so much to discover about poop!



### Rolling Tigers



In March

, Tiger Den 7 took a trip to Changing Gears, part of the Alameda Point Collaborative. They were treated to safety checks on their bikes and learned proper bike safety in order to earn their Rolling Tigers Belt Loop. Afterwards they rode around the point and practiced their new skills! Changing Gears, a part of the Alameda Point Collaborative, provides job training to members of the community who were formerly homeless. They also provide a full range of

bicycle service to the public. If you have a bike that is in disrepair or one that you are no longer using, they take donations and are a valuable part of our community!

~Norm McBride, Den Leader

Meanwhile in April, Tiger Den 4 enjoyed a sunny bike ride to complete our Rolling Tigers elective adventure. We practiced hand signals, sharing the path with pedestrians and other cyclists, and other best practices. Thank you, **Cecca and John Puccini** for planning and leading this fun adventure!



~EmilyAnne Schulte, Den Leader

## Wolf Den Campout

The Wolf Den campout at Garin Regional Park had a fantastic turnout of 12 scouts and their families. Tents were quickly setup thanks to their earlier practice with Boy Scouts Will and Kyle of Troop 73! While the campfire coals were getting started, scouts and families prepared their own Tamale Pie foil pack dinners. While dinners cooked, the Wolves practiced skits and explored a nearby creek, looking for signs of animals in the wild. Both chocolate and vanilla peach cobbler deserts were enjoyed, and our campfire program of songs, skits, and stories was a roaring success. Scouts wrapped up with breakfast, camp sweep, and a den hike the next morning, where we saw turkeys, deer, and lots of cow pies. A big thanks to **Eric Long** for a well-planned and executed program, and to all who participated!

## Tiger Den 4 Bird House Construction!

Tiger Den 4 hammered its way to beautiful bird houses! We learned about safety when using tools and had lots of fun using hammers, drills and screwdrivers. Thanks to **Shaun Tamblin, John Puccini, and Gordon Williams** for creating the awesome kits from scratch, making this project a huge success!  
~EmilyAnne Schulte, Den Leader



## May Pack Service Package Assembly



For our May 2017 Pack meeting, Pack 1015 has traditionally completed a service project for our larger community. In recent years we have made care packages for the military and the Peace Corps. This year we assembled care packages for refugees immigrating to our community. Each Den filled three backpacks with school supplies and provided one cleaning kit for families new to the East Bay. We also discussed the many ways that our scouts arrived in this country and even had a very special guest in the form of Ms. Liberty herself! All of the kits that were collected were given to the **Jewish Family Services League of the East Bay**, who will then distribute the items to recent immigrant families. Thank you to **Kim Rankin** for organizing this worthy endeavor.



For more information, please visit <http://jfcs-eastbay.org/>

## Cubmaster's Corner

*Life moves so fast. You gotta document the good times, man.* –Big Boi, Outkast

Welcome back everyone! Hope you had a wonderful summer and that you are excited about the new school and scout year. We've got a few extra things built into our calendar for this year that we are really excited about:

- *Pack 1015 Family Board Game Nights:* we are going to have *three* events this year with a fall, spring and summer board game event. For the first one on October 6<sup>th</sup> we are going to try making it pizza/game! Thanks to **Beth Quirarte** for volunteering to become our new Board Game Night Coordinator.
- *Ship Overnights:* We have *two* historic ship overnight events this year, with the SS Jeremiah O'Brien (WWII Cargo Ship) on September 23<sup>rd</sup> and the Balclutha, an 1800's three-mast merchant sailing ship on January 13<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to **Kara Eastwood** for coordinating the ship overnight events.
- *Oakland Zoo Overnight:* We've added another overnight at the Oakland Zoo on March 10<sup>th</sup>. The Pack will get to camp out *at the zoo!* In addition, the zoo staff will facilitate an evening program for the scouts to learn about the plants and animals around the zoo. Thanks to **Kim Rankin** for coordinating the zoo overnight!
- *SF Bay Area Council Trail Trekkers Program:* **Kim Rankin** and **Mike Plocek** have organized an all-new Pack Hiking Program for us this year, where we will be doing established hikes from the SF Bay Area Council. A special thing about this program is that each hike comes with its own patch for the scout's sweatshirts.
- *Pack Meeting Skits and Pack Meeting Start Times:* We are going to start having one Den do a skit at each Pack meeting! Let's have fun with this ☺ Also, note we are going to start the Pack meetings at 6:30pm this year.

We also have a lot of new volunteers doing a ton of work. I would like to especially acknowledge the contributions of the following folks:

- **Barrett Clinton & Lain Salstrand** for volunteering to be Den Leaders and lead the new Tiger Den 1
- **Dave Holden & Carlos Argueta** for volunteering to be Den Leaders and lead the new Tiger Den 5
- **Tiffany McBride**, our new Bugler Editor-in-Chief, for taking on the enormous job of putting together the Bugler
- **Cecca Puccini** for taking on the job of Pack Treasurer
- **Rachele Latham** for taking on another enormous job as the Popcorn Coordinator job (affectionately known as the "Popcorn Kernal")

- **Jackie and Lee Jackson-Daley** for coordinating a stellar the Welcome Back BBQ at Krusi Park
- **Mike Britton** and **Carlos Flores** for coordinating the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade
- **Dan Siskind** for coordinating the Pack summer camping trip to Garin Regional Park
- **Andrew Massey** for stepping up and coordinating the September Coastal Cleanup
- **Denise Burpee** for stepping up to shadow **Matt Broze** in coorindating the scouting for food
- **Angie Stewart** for stepping up to shadow **Jeff Thomas** in becoming the Pack Awards Coordinator
- **Angela Tamblin** and **Dan Siskind** for stepping up to coordinate the Halloween trash pickup

Finally, we have a new Alameda Council Executive Director, **Brian Fasci** who is really doing great stuff with the Alameda Council. The Alameda Council is the nations *smallest* BSA council and provides a many resources to support our Pack. Our Council is primary funded through tax-deductible donations, and if you are able, we strongly encourage you to donated to the council at whatever level works for you. Please see the Friends of Scouting (FOS) section below if you can help.

~Gordon Williams, Cubmaster

## Additional Info

### Friends of Scouting

Help grow big things with the Boy Scouts of America. Donate to the Alameda Council and give young people the chance to have fun, gain confidence, and become leaders who live by the Scout Oath and the Scout Law.



Financial resources for Alameda Council come from our Friends of Scouting (FOS) annual giving campaign, foundation grants, special events, product sales, and income from invested assets.

You can help us close the gap by going to <http://www.bsa-alameda.org/Donate> and choosing a contribution amount you are comfortable with. The Scouts thank you!

### Pack1015.org

Remember that Pack 1015 is now on the web at [pack1015.org](http://pack1015.org). The website has lots of info about Pack 1015 and the Alameda Council, but the perhaps the most important resource you will find there is the Pack events calendar. There's also a calendar for each den; to see, please visit [pack1015.org](http://pack1015.org). ■

