

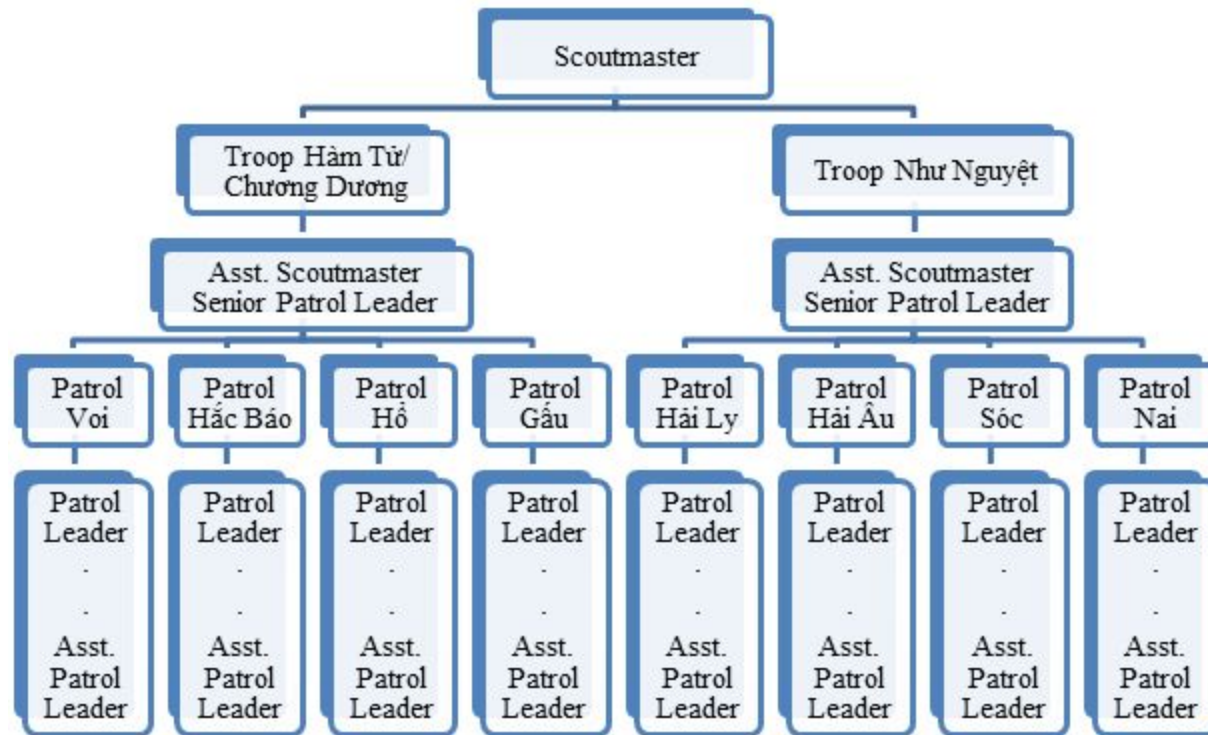


# Chi Lang Scout Troop 1279

## Thieu Doan General Introduction

### I. Organization:

- Thiếu Đoàn Chi Lăng was founded in 1985 consisting of two troops:
  - HÀM TỬ and CHƯƠNG DƯƠNG for boys and
  - NHƯ NGUYỆT for girls.
- The Thiếu branch is for any youth with age ranging from 10.5 to 14.5 (or from Fifth to Ninth grade), registered under the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) and Girl Scout of USA (GSUSA).
- Each individual scout is a member of a patrol, led by the Patrol Leader and Assistant Patrol Leader, altogether formed a troop, under the guidance of the Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmasters.



➤ Motto: BE PREPARED

➤ Uniform:

- Class A:

Boys: Shirt (beige), belt (dark green), pants (BSA or Dickies olive), neckerchief (green), tennis/hiking shoes, and BSA sash.

Girls: Shirt (light blue), pants (dark blue. Dickies navy blue), neckerchief (green), tennis/hiking shoes, and GSUSA sash.

- Class B:

Boys and Girls: Chi Lăng t-shirt (dark green)

- Basic badges/patches:

Boys and Girls: Chi Lăng 40th Commemorate patch. (above right shirt pocket)

Boys and Girls: USA flag and Chi Lăng patches. (right shoulder)

- Boys: BSA Orange County Council & 1279 numeral patches (left shoulder)
- Boys: Arrow or Light badge (received from Cub Scout) (below left shirt pocket)
- Girls: GS Orange County & 1279 numeral patches (left shoulder)
- Neckerchief and all ranking badges will be awarded by the Scoutmaster after the scout completed the session (Khoa).
- Materials:
  - Scout Binder: white 3-ring binder for all study/training materials
  - BSA/GSUSA handbooks: Boyscout Handbook and Journey book
  - Pocket notebook: for taking note while in training session or during scout games.

## II. Goals:

Provide guidance to the scouts through the advancement programs to:

1. Involve with outdoor activities, get familiar with the outdoor environment plus learning and practicing the basic tasks necessary for the daily life at home and in the community.
2. Learn the scout skills and involve in the outdoor activities such as camping and hiking.
3. Have the opportunities to keep their body fit, expand their knowledge, and develop their leadership skills.
4. Study/train with a team spirit, be familiar with the organization structures and disciplines.
5. Encourage the youths to study hard and live with the 3 Scout Oath in mind:
  - In 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 time
  - To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

## III. Advancement Program:

Parents will help teach the scouts at home before the Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmasters test them. Except for the items reserved for the parents to sign, all the rest of the items must be tested and signed off by the Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmasters.

### A. American Program:

- Boys (BSA)
  1. Scout: The first rank for boys joining BSA
  2. Tenderfoot: The second rank in the Eagle program
  3. Second Class: The third rank in the Eagle program
  4. First Class: The fourth rank in the Eagle program
  5. Star: The fifth rank in the Eagle program
  6. Life: The sixth rank in the Eagle program

7. Merit Badge: Boys need to earned 11 required MB and 10 additional elective MBs as part of the Eagle program requirements

**Eagle Scout Award:** For all boys who completed all of the advancement program requirements, 21 Merit Badges, and Eagle project before the 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. This is the highest ranking of the Boy Scout of America.

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR BOY SCOUTS keep all the Merit Badge and rank requirements from Khoa recorded in their Advancement book as soon as they are done with each item. This is important record keeping part to qualify them for Eagle.

- Girls (GSUSA)

1. Bronze: For girl scouts to complete before their 12<sup>th</sup> birthday
2. Silver: For girl scouts to complete before their 14<sup>th</sup> birthday
3. Gold: For girl scouts to complete before their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday

Below are requirements to complete an Award:

For Bronze and Silver Award:

- Pre-requisite one GS Journey Class
- Complete Take Action Project

For Gold Award:

- Pre-requisite two Journeys OR have earned the Girl Scout Silver Award and one Journey
- Complete Take Action Project

**Gold Award:** For all girls who completed all of the advancement program requirements before the 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. This is the highest ranking of the Girls Scout of USA.

B. Vietnamese Program:

1. Khoa Mang Khan (Khoa 1): For those who earn the neckerchief and Scout rank
2. Khoa Tuyen Hua (Khoa 2) For those who officially join the World Scout movement and earn Tenderfoot rank
3. Khoa Sap San (Khoa 3): For those who further advance in scouting skills and earn Second Class rank
4. Khoa Bac Dau (Khoa 4): For those who further advance in scouting skills and earn First Class rank
5. Khoa 5 & 6: For those who involved with volunteering services and earn Star and Life ranks
6. Khoa Tây Sơn: For the Patrol Leaders, Assistant Patrol Leaders, and Scribes

**\*For sign-off sheet and study material of each Khoa:**

Please go to our LD's website at <https://chilang1279.org> , click on **Youth**, click on **Thieu Doan**, then scroll down to bottom of Introduction paragraph and click **Khoa Material**

#### **IV. Scout Responsibility:**

1. Show up at the meeting regularly, on time, and with complete uniform.
2. Bring all studying materials: binder, notebook, pen/pencil, etc.
3. Bring water bottle.
4. Study the materials before the meeting.
5. Do a good turn and following the scout laws and oath.
6. Try to speak in Vietnamese when having a conversation with a Vietnamese.
7. Adhere to Lien Doan 3-Buddy system safety rule.
8. Inform Doi Truong/Doi Pho when coming late or leaving early to meeting or other activities.
9. Scan and submit completed Khoa Sign-off sheet.

#### **V. Parent Responsibility:**

1. Complete and pay the annual registration documents and fees.
2. Be presence at all meeting or events in accordance with the BSA and GSA rules and regulations.
3. Attend the monthly meeting with the Parent Association.
4. Assist the child/children with the study materials before they are being tested by the leaders.
5. Bring the child/children to the meeting regularly and on time.
6. Encourage the child/children to participate and earn the Merit Badges.
7. Notify the leaders of any absences or leave.
8. Help the child/children understand and follow the rules of Thiếu Đoàn and Liên Đoàn.
9. Limit interaction with the child/children during the Troop activities except in emergency cases or with prior notification with Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmasters.
10. Help the child/children maintain/care for his/hers patrol's equipment including, but not limited to, patrol flag, tent, lantern, and equipment box.

#### **VI. Leaders**

Scoutmaster:	Chris Dao ( <a href="mailto:chrisdao5500@gmail.com">chrisdao5500@gmail.com</a> )
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Uy Vien Nghanh Thieu	Cuong Do ( <a href="mailto:cuongd0@yahoo.com">cuongd0@yahoo.com</a> )
Assistant Scoutmaster:	Fiona Tran ( <a href="mailto:fionatran1999@gmail.com">fionatran1999@gmail.com</a> ); Lan To ( <a href="mailto:lantorocks@gmail.com">lantorocks@gmail.com</a> )
LD Pho (Girls Program)	Felicia Tran ( <a href="mailto:fktran@yahoo.com">fktran@yahoo.com</a> )

You can visit our website: <https://chilang1279.org> for information or news related to Thiếu Đoàn or Liên Đoàn.

**VII. Traditions of Liên Đoàn Chi Lăng:**

To set an example and preserve our customary conducts, all Leaders, scouts, and parents joining LĐCL are encouraged to do the followings:

1. Take off our neckerchief before eating to show respect.
2. Self-discipline (push-up or squat) when acknowledging any wrong doing.
3. Be courteous to others.



Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Read and Sign: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Note: After Parent had read and signed, please keep it in the scout's binder.*