

## My Bright Spot

My term as Crew President is a very bright spot in my 6 years of scouting. One of the most outstanding highlights of my term was



Lien Ket. Being my first Lien Ket ever and my debut as Crew President, I wanted to reintroduce Thanh Doan Bac Dau to the other crews; and after LK, I am pretty confident that everyone knows who we are. I have never witnessed so much scout spirit, pride, and confidence before in all my years of scouting. The big game did not get off to a good start. Our crew was split in half to everyone's dismay and it was not very comforting knowing that the patrol led by Vince was walking around aimlessly lost and had not found their puzzles when my patrol was halfway to finishing ours. But somehow his patrol was waiting for us at the finish line and our crew together finished on top.

Our skit could be summed up in one word: priceless. The skit was comprised of two parts: a dance choreographed by the girls that preceded an acappella with a dance piece from the boys. Finishing first in the big game, leading outbursts of scout songs and cheers, our instantly classic skit, as well as Lindy winning the trivia contest, all of these made me tremendously proud of us.

I am really glad that I was able to bring back some scout spirit, pride, and swag as well as show everyone how fun scouts can be. I am very thankful for all the support from the leaders and crew members because it was the fuel that motivated me through my year and a half as Crew President.

Peace  
James Pham  
**Thanh Đoàn Bắc Đẩu**

## Over Ten Years

Over ten years of scouting under my belt, it was hard to decide what my favorite memory of scouting is. I came to the conclusion that I couldn't just pick one certain day, camp, or moment. I had to choose the entire year of 2009. First off, I completed my Eagle scouting rank and it was one of the greatest highlights of my life. With so little time left and so many people encouraging me, I couldn't fail and the feeling of such an achievement was overwhelming. Secondly, that year's Lien Ket was, hands down, the best camp I took part in. Winning over the other troops in almost every event felt absolutely great. I am sorry to sound a little cocky, but we knew we were the best and we definitely showed it out there. I think that camp created a greater bond between the Venturers and we were even more proud to be part of Truong Son. Of course, a big part of the great year was due to the leadership of then – Crew President James Pham who pulled us together. We now have new crew officers and I believe we will continue to improve and grow stronger.

## Happy 30th Anniversary to the greatest Lien Doan !

Peace out Boy Scouts!  
Marshal Trương  
**Thanh Đoàn Bắc Đẩu**

