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## Trường Sơn 30<sup>th</sup> Year Trường Sơn 35<sup>th</sup> Year.

It has been five years since the 30th anniversary of LDHD Truong Son in 2010. Despite the split reorganization of 2013, which reduced the number of its Scouts, Truong Son is still going strong today in 2015. Many things have happened, some good and some bad. People came and left, some were remembered while others forgotten. It has been a fun journey, and I enjoyed the memories I have made with LD Truong Son.

Camping trips ranged from the normal three-day Lien Doan and Lien Ket camps to one-week Thang Tien and Super camps. Although I have stopped going camping with the Ventures in recent time due to joining the army, I can still remember my earlier days of camping. The most fun camp that I had in the past was the Super Camp. It was the first time I was introduced to water sports like kayaking and sailing. I was a quick learner thus able to enjoy most of these sports easily.

In addition to camping, there were other activities in which I participated. The annual Tet festival, which for many years was held at the Garden Grove Park, was relocated to the OC Fairgrounds two years ago. This proved to be a success. There was a significant increase in attendance of not only Vietnamese but also non-Asian guests.

It is a shame that the same could not be said for the Christmas festival. It has been shrinking for the last five years and I see no hope of it becoming as popular as it was when I first join Boy Scout many years ago. The New Year's Eve get together has remained unchanged so far. The only difference is that our number was reduced, but it really did not make much of a difference, since everyone was still able to have fun.

For my part in the future to come, I can only say that I will stay with LD Truong Son until I can no longer join them. I have made a lot of good buddies and memorable moments along the way. I can still say to this day, that Boy Scouts gave me the first group of friends that I regularly see when I moved to the US.

Hopefully in the future, Truong Son will become even stronger and be amongst the best Scouting Units.



*An Nien with the biggest prize  
at Hoi Xuan Truong Son*

