

Silver Gate Newsletter



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CALENDAR

JANUARY 2006

- 5 District Committee 6-7:15, UMC
- 5 Roundtable, 7:30-9:30, UMC
- 6 Eagle Recognition Dinner & 14 Race Day Clinics
- 7 Fire Up for Scouting
- 18 Commissioners Meeting UMC
- 21 Pow Wow
- 25 FOS Presenters Orientation

FEBRUARY

- 2 District Committee 6-7:15, UMC
- 2 Round Table 7:30-9:30, UMC
- 4 Race Day, 12-4
- 11 Merit Badge Workshop
- 12 Scout Sunday & Breakfast
- 16 Commissioners Meeting UMC
- 25 Nor Cal Commissioners Conference

UMC is the First United Methodist Church and is located at the corner of Sonoma Blvd. and Virginia St. in Vallejo.

Round Table News

Cub Scouts: It's time to blast off into the future with the theme for February "*Cubs in the Future*". How will Cub Scouts celebrate the blue and gold banquet in future? What kind of uniforms will they wear and what will their campsites look like on other planets? We will have **LOTS** of ideas for activities, skits, songs, run-ons, applause, advancements, and ideas for **FUN** with this theme! Have you planned your **Blue and Gold** yet? Maybe we can help with some ideas. Join us in the training sessions for *Cub Scout and Webelos*



Leaders, Cubmaster, and Committee

members for further discussion and questions! **Boy Scouts: "The Unknown Roundtable"**! Come join us in a surprise discussion of the many aspects of Boy Scouts. Come with any and all questions! We will have a guest leader for the Boy Scout split for a couple of months while Chuck Speir is off to Oklahoma for some Air Force training.



Eagle Dinner

The Elks Eagle Scout Recognition Dinner will be held Friday, January 6. Gather at 6 p.m., with dinner at 7 p.m. If you missed the 12-30 reservation deadline, tickets will be \$15 each based on food being available. Reservations should be made to the Elks Lodge at 642-1620.

District Calendar



Check out the new District Calendar at www.bsa-mdsc.org and click on the Calendar link on the left. By then clicking on any of the events listed in the calendar, you can get contact information, details, and can even register on line. The calendar goes months in advance and is a great new feature.

Community Service

The hard work of the 30+ Scouts and Scouters who served dinner to returning Service Men and Women at the Elks Lodge in November is greatly appreciated. Another service opportunity was the annual Scouting for Food drive. Hats off to all Scouts who give to their community!



Trainers Needed



Trainers are needed to teach at District trainings. If anyone is interested in teaching others how the Boy Scout system works as a part of our training team please contact Rose Tishler at tishler@sbcglobal.net or 707-552-1247. On April 29 there will be a Trainer Development Conference This training would benefit all Scout Leaders - Cub, Boy, & Venture, by showing them different presentation methods that are geared to hold attention and make presentations exciting.

FOS!!!



The Orientation for the FOS presenters will be at the UMC on Jan 25, with presentations to the units in February. Contact Eric Freeman @ silvergate_popcorn@yahoo.com for questions.

Pow Wow



Mark your calendars for Jan 21 for the upcoming PowWow – "At the Beach". This is an excellent resource for our Cub Scout Leaders. Look elsewhere in this issue for details. You may register by using the links on the calendar on the District Website at Mark your calendars for Jan 21 for the annual Pow Wow which will be held at St Patrick/St Vincent HS in Vallejo. The theme is "On the Beach" and has a fun, colorful, Hawaiian theme. All adults that work with Cub Scout Packs including interested parents are encouraged to attend and take some fun and some serious classes. There is also Den Chief training offered for Boy Scouts.



Child care will be provided and it will be a great day for Scouting!! This is an excellent resource for our Cub Scout Leaders. Look elsewhere in this issue for details. You may register by using the links on the calendar on the District Website at www.bsa-mdsc.org

Spring Fire-Up

Save Jan 18 for the spring recruiting drive. Details will be announced at the January Round Table.

Scout Sunday

Feb 12, 9:30 am will be the annual Scout Sunday service and breakfast at the UMC. 554-0359 for questions. More details in the February Smoke Signals.

Race Day



Race Day is coming!
Clinics to help Scouts with their cars will be held Jan 7 & 14 from 3-6 pm at the United Methodist Church. Race Day will be Feb. 4. Location, cost and times will be announced.

Merit Badge Fair

On Saturday, Feb 11 Troop 77 is hosting a Merit Badge Fair for Silvergate District Troops. Details to follow in the February Smoke Signals or call Claude Smith at 552-1196

Upcoming Events

May 12-14 Camporee
June 26-30 Day Camp
June 30-July 1 Webelos Overnighter