

# Silver Gate Newsletter



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## CALENDAR

### DECEMBER 2009

- 3 District Comm. Meeting 6:15 UMC
- 3 Winter Holiday Party 7:30-9:00 UMC
- 17 Commissioners Meeting UMC
- 30 Eagle Recognition Dinner

### JANUARY 2010

- 7 District Comm. Meeting 6:15 UMC
- 7 Roundtable 7:30-9:00 UMC
- 9 Race Day Clinic TBA
- 17 Race Day Clinic TBA
- 21 Commissioners Meeting UMC
- 23 LEAD
- 30 MDSC Anniversary Gala

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

## EAGLE SCOUT/GOLD AWARD RECOGNITION DINNER



The Vallejo Elks Lodge #559 will host an Eagle Scout/Gold Scout Dinner to honor the Class of 2009. The event will be on Wednesday, December 30, 2009.

Gathering at 6 PM, Dinner at 7 PM.  
**RESERVATIONS REQUIRED - NO EXCEPTIONS** by December 21, 2009. Adults will be \$13.00 and children under 12 will be \$10. For reservations phone (707)-642-1620. Questions may be directed to Dave Sweet at (707)-494-8687. All are encouraged to come to this dinner that honors all the Scouts who earned their Eagle Rank or Gold Award during 2009. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE DATE HAS CHANGED.

## TRAINING

The Silver Gate district held two training sessions in October, in conjunction with the Napa Valley district and Chief Solano District. On October 10<sup>th</sup> we provided position specific training for 20 people. The training was a big success and thank you to all the instructors that helped. During Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> we provided Outdoor Leadership Skills to three people. It was a great time and the training went very well for both offerings. In 2010, our push is going to be for 100% of the top leader adults to be trained. In order to recharter in 2011, your Cub Masters, Scout Masters, or Crew Advisors must be trained. So make sure you are fully trained, and that Mike has been notified. If you have any questions about upcoming trainings, or anything training related, please contact Mike Rettinhouse at (707) 479-6430 or marettin@sbcglobal.net.

## HOLIDAY ROUNDTABLE



Come join us for fun, food, and fellowship. Everyone is welcome! We will be having our annual "1, 2, 3 Under the Tree" Holiday Roundtable Party!!! See what "wonderful" gift you can go home with. It may be the gift everyone wanted or nobody wanted. Lots of fun and laughter will be had at this special roundtable. If you would like to share a special snack or dessert that would be wonderful! The festivities begin at 7:30pm! Thank you all for your support throughout the year! We appreciate all of you.

Enjoy the holidays and best wishes from the Silver Gate District Roundtable Staff.

## VETERAN'S DAY FLAGS



Thanks very much to all the Scouts and their families, who placed flags at the gravesites of Veterans from the Spanish-American War to the present day conflicts. We assisted VFW Post 1123 in this semi-annual service project. They are very appreciative of the help our Silver Gate Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Sea Scouts, and Venturing Scouts do to honor the Veterans interred at Sunrise Cemetery.

## Scouting For Food



Thank you to all who participated in this very worthy cause. The food banks are very grateful for our help in collecting these donations.

## RACE DAY

It's not too soon to start planning your car for the Silver Gate 500 – the District Pinewood Derby. It will be held on February 6<sup>th</sup> with clinics being held in Jan.



## SCOUT SUNDAY



Another upcoming event to mark your calendars for is Scout Sunday and brunch. This annual event will be on February 14 at the First United Methodist Church in Vallejo. Scouts & Scouters in uniform are encouraged to come to the service and help serve the brunch.