

# Silver Gate Newsletter



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## CALENDAR

### MARCH 2006

- 2 District Committee 6-7:15, UMC
- 2 Roundtable 7:30-9:30, UMC
- 4 BALOO TBA
- 16 UMC Commissioners Meeting

### APRIL 2006

- 6 District Committee 6-7:15, UMC
- 6 Roundtable 7:30-9:30, UMC
- 8 University of Scouting
- 12 Fire Up for Scouting - Tigers
- 20 District Dinner
- 22 Earth Day Recruiting Event
- 29 Trainer Development Conference

### MAY 2006

- 12-14 Camporee at Camp Tamarancho

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

## Roundtable News

### CUB SCOUT LEADERS:

Flap your wings and soar away with us for the April theme of "OUR FEATHERED FRIENDS". We will share lots of great ideas for den and pack meeting ideas as well as play a few games, sing some songs, and make a bird feeder. In our splits we'll cover Internet Safety with the Cub Leaders, Cub Scouts Academics and Sports Program with Webelos, as well as the Sportsman and Family Activity Badges. For our Committee people and Cubmasters we will go over recruiting and Youth Protection.

### BOY SCOUT LEADERS:

Chuck Speir returns as the Boy Scout Roundtable Commissioner. What do you want out of your roundtable? Come with ideas, problems, topics for the future, stories to share, favorite outings, etc... This will be an open discussion with maybe a guest speaker?

## Get Ready, Get Set...Go!



Race Day has come and gone. Thanks go to Lori Edwards for organizing this year's event, and to all those who helped her.

## FOS!!!



If you haven't returned your FOS (Friends of Scouting) cards, it's not too late. It is estimated that it costs \$160/year over and above the registration fees to support a boy in scouting. You are encouraged to give what you can to support Scouting. For more information contact Eric Freeman at [silvergate\\_popcorn@yahoo.com](mailto:silvergate_popcorn@yahoo.com).

## Scout Sunday



Our thanks go to all who supported Scout Sunday at United Methodist Church. It was a lot of fun to see our Scouts and Scouters at the service and serving the breakfast.

## Scouts of the Seven Seas Camporee 2006



Aye there matey. Looking for some excitement? In need of a great adventure? Is the pirate life for you?

Well, then why not join the crew of Camporee 2006 and sail with the "Scouts of the Seven Seas." We set sail at Camp

Tamarancho on Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup> and arrive back to port on Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$20.00 if paid by April 25<sup>th</sup> and \$25.00 after that day. If you have any questions, please contact Captain Claude Smith at [ramjford@ix.netcom.com](mailto:ramjford@ix.netcom.com) or his First Mate, Diane Freeman, at [zjmom68@yahoo.com](mailto:zjmom68@yahoo.com)

## Operation: Spy Cub Day Camp 2006



Operation: Spy Cub wants you!!! Calling all wanna be spies. Do I have

an offer for you!! For one week and one week only, you can spend the week training to be a spy plus make exciting crafts, try your hand at archery, play some exciting sports, learn some great scout skills and much more. Where can you find all this excitement? At Operation: Spy Cub Day Camp 2006 at Hanns Park in Vallejo, June 26<sup>th</sup>-June 30<sup>th</sup>. For cost information, you can check out the council website ([www.bsa-mdsc.org](http://www.bsa-mdsc.org)) and look under council camps, day camps and then Silver Gate. To register, go to the calendar on the council website and follow the links.

Of course, we can't train spies if we don't have master spies to train them, so if you can volunteer to work at any part of day camp, please contact Special Agent Freeman or Special Agent Smith at [zjmom68@yahoo.com](mailto:zjmom68@yahoo.com) or [ramjford@ixnetcom.com](mailto:ramjford@ixnetcom.com). We need den leaders, area directors and den chiefs. We hope to spy you there.

## New Scouts

Please remember that applications and money for new Scouts needs to be sent into the Council right away. There is no insurance coverage for the new scouts until this is done

## 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](mailto: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.

## New Eagles

Congratulations to the following Scouts who earned their Eagle Rank during 2005.

David Vandervoort – Crew 78  
Mathew Elias – Crew 78  
Brian Hoffman – Troop 64  
Travis Askham – Troop 8  
Kenneth Kwitek – Troop 64  
Evan Albertson – Troop 8



Eagle Recognition Dinner 1-6-06

## District Dinner



In a break with tradition, the annual district dinner will be held in April this year. Thus, it is time to start thinking about training awards for your leaders, Unit Scouter awards, and the District Award of Merit. Nominations/award information is due at the April Roundtable. Nomination forms can be downloaded from the Council website. This is a great opportunity to recognize the hard working adults in your scouting program and all adults in your unit are invited to the dinner.

## Position Open



We are still looking for someone to fill the role of Merit Badge Dean. If interested, please contact Ken Lambert or Jason Lewis.

## District Calendar



Check out the new District Calendar at [www.bsa-mdsc.org](http://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.