

Silver Gate Newsletter



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CALENDAR

APRIL 2008

- 3 District Comm. Meeting UMC 6:15
- 3 Roundtable 7:30-9:00, UMC
- 9 Fire up for Scouting - Tigers
- 17 District Dinner
- 19 Earth Day Jamboree

MAY 2008

- 1 District Committee Annual Program Planning UMC 6:15
- 1 Roundtable 7:30-9:00, UMC
- 15 Commissioners Meeting
- 16-18 Camporee
- 24-26 Ancient Mariner's Regatta
- 24 Veteran's Flags
- 31 District Conservation Project

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: "Leaf it to Cubs" is the theme for May! It's all about the wonder of nature's gift to us – the tree. *We always introduce our leaders to the next month's theme. So come and get ideas for your May den and pack meetings. We will sing songs, play games, do some activities, and discuss where to go on field trips. Check out some of the local Arbor Day activities, or visit a nature center or park. Learn how to earn the Collecting belt loop and pin!

Boy Scouts Leaders: "Other Scouting Opportunities for your Scouts Outside of the Troop". Join us in a discussion of activities for your scouts outside of the traditional troop setting. A few examples

are OA, Camp staff, NYLT, and International Scouting to name a few. Have some experiences and suggestions to share? Bring them down to our monthly gathering of Boy Scout, Venture, Sea Scout, and Varsity Scout leaders and parents.

WORLD JAMBOREE CAMPOREE 2008

May 16-18 are the dates for this annual event being held once again at Lake Berryessa. All Boy Scouts and Webelos (1 and 2) are invited for a weekend of fun, competitions, and events. The cost is \$20 if you register before May 31st; \$27 at the gate. The location will be a new one for us – Coyote Knolls Campground, Oak Shores at Lake Berryessa. For questions contact Claude Smith, 777-2076 or Diane Freeman, 552-1196.

CONSERVATION DAY



We are in need of someone to be in charge of District Conservation Day, scheduled for May 31. If you are interested in this role, please contact our District Chair, Paul Roberts at 557-2215. The location for this year project is going to be McIntyre Ranch in Vallejo.

MEMBERSHIP

Silver Gate needs someone to step forward to become our new Membership Chairman. The role is simple- help units build their membership and create opportunities for starting new units. Primarily the position involves making sure that dates are communicated and the Council is providing resources to the

units. The primary recruiting periods are in the Spring & Fall. As Membership Chair you will also serve on the District Committee which meets monthly right before Roundtable. The total time commitment per year ranges from 20-30 hours.

District Dinner

The Vallejo Elks Lodge will be the location for this year's district dinner on April 17. Gathering will start at 6:00 p.m. and cost will be \$10/person. Please RSVP to Orrin Shackelford (925-825-4053). This is our opportunity to recognize the achievements of some very special Scouting volunteers. Nominations for the District Award of Merit as well as each unit's selection of their Unit Scouter of the Year must be submitted by the April Roundtable. Please encourage all of your adults to attend this important annual event to show how much we appreciate the volunteers that put so much of themselves into the Scouting program.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

For the second time year in a row the Silver Gate District has qualified for the Quality District Award. In order to qualify for this we had to have more membership in all areas as well as have at least one new unit. Thanks to everyone who made this possible.

Earth Day Jamboree

Come join the fun and help recruit more scouts at the Earth Day Jamboree on April 19. We will have a recruiting area with activities as part of the Vallejo Farmer's Market on Georgia St. More details will be available at Roundtable or call Paul Roberts at 557-2215.

