

# Silver Gate Newsletter



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## CALENDAR

- APRIL 2009
- 2 District Comm. Meeting 6:15 UMC
  - 2 Roundtable 7:30-9:00 UMC
  - 8 Fire-Up for ScoutingTigers
  - 17 District Dinner Elks Lodge
  - 18 Earth Day Jamboree
- MAY 2009
- 2 District Conservation Project
  - 7 District Comm. Meeting 6:15 UMC
  - 7 Roundtable 7:30-9:00 UMC
  - 15-17 Camporee Lake Berryessa
  - 21 Commisioners Meeting UMC
- 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: "Leave Nothing But Footprints"** is the theme for May! Cub Scouts will get in touch with nature through hikes and outdoor adventures. \*We always introduce our leaders to the next month's theme. Come and get ideas for your May den and pack meetings. We will discuss the importance of the principles of Leave No Trace, Den Service, and Conservation Projects. Share your ideas for Pack Gathering Activities! Learn how to earn the Wildlife Conservation Belt Loop and Pin. **Boy Scout Leaders:** We will be discussing **Wildlife Management** and how this important theme can be included in your outdoor and summer activities. Our discussion on the Patrol Leader's Council will be continued so bring your ideas on what works and what doesn't work so well to our meeting.



**FOS** If you haven't returned your FOS (Friends of Scouting) cards, it's not too late. It is estimated that it costs \$180/year over and above the registration fees to support a boy in scouting. Congratulations go to Pack 128 for the \$1,060 they collected.

### District Dinner

Join us for a trip back to 1909 aboard the Silver Gate train. Reserve Friday, April 17, 2009, 6:30 PM. for an evening of food, fun and adult recognition. The April Roundtable is the last chance to submit nominations for the District Award of Merit or your Unit Scouter.

### Camporee

Basic Cable, Camporee 2009, will be held May 15-17. It is open to all Boy Scouts, Bears and Webelos and will be held at Coyote Knolls, Lake Berryessa. It promises to be great fun and we hope to see all units represented.

### Cub Scout Day Camp

Hey all you Tigers, Wolves, Bears and Webelos, Cub Scout Day Camp is coming up fast. All the Silver Gate, Cub Scout, SCIENCE BUSTERS, will get together for a scienterrific week of Cub Scout fun! On AUGUST 3 - 7, at Hanns Park, there will be Archery, Swimming, Crafts, Games, Scout Skills and the laboratory for those Cub Scout Science Busters. The 2009 camp fees: Early registration, (before May 16) is \$100.00. After that it is \$125. If a Scout has an adult partner working as Staff for all 5 days, it is only \$25. Day Camp is a wonderful week of Cub Scout fun that no Scout

should miss. We still need help so any Boy Scout (First Class or above) or adult willing to spend a week or a day with us please contact Donna Livingston-Fitch by phone or at [donna@bsatrainer.org](mailto:donna@bsatrainer.org),

### Webelos Overnighter

Calling all Webelos - Come to a fun filled overnight camping experience at the Vallejo Elks Lodge Friday Aug 7 from 5:00 pm until 10:00 am Saturday Aug. 8. We will be exploring mad scout science. The cost is \$10.00 per person. All Webelos need to be accompanied by an adult. Contact Mr. Rettinhouse at [maretin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:maretin@sbcglobal.net) to make your reservation or for more information.

### Thank You

Our thanks go to Mark Nichols and his crew for a fun-filled Race Day held in February. We also appreciate all who turned out for Scout Sunday. The Merit Badge workshop was a success under the leadership of Diane Freeman & Troop 77.

### Congratulations!

Congratulations go to our own Paul Roberts, a recipient of the prestigious Silver Beaver award and to the Silver Gate District for their Quality District Award. We have now earned it 3 years running, a rare accomplishment.

### Email Reminders

If you would like to be on the list to receive emails about upcoming Silver Gate District events, please send your name & email address to our Smoke Signals editor at [cspack118@yahoo.com](mailto:cspack118@yahoo.com).