

Silver Gate Newsletter



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CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 2009

- 3 District Comm. Meeting 6:15 UMC
- 3 Roundtable 7:30-9:00 UMC
- 17 Commissioners Meeting UMC
- 19 Coastal Cleanup
- 25-27 Woodbadge Part 2

OCTOBER 2009

- 1 District Comm. Meeting 6:15 UMC
- 1 Roundtable 7:30-9:00 UMC
- 10 NLE/Position Specific Training TBA
- 15 Commissioners Meeting UMC
- 16-17 Scoutmaster Outdoor Skills TBA

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

Roundtable News:

Welcome to all of our leaders, new and old, Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, committee members and parents. Join us at the start of our new year of Silver Gate Roundtable. We will update you on recruiting, popcorn sales, training, service projects, and lots of other exciting things going on in your district and council! 2010 is a special year in scouting. Boy Scouts of America was founded February 8, 1910. Mt. Diablo Silverado Council will be staging special council-wide activities each month throughout the centennial celebration period that commemorate our hundred-year anniversary. **Cub Scout Leaders:** September's theme is "Cub Scout Pockets" and October's theme is "Jungle Safari". (We always introduce our leaders to the next month's theme.) So come get

inspiration for not only your October den and pack meetings but also for the fun September theme as well. Let your scouts experience fun, adventure, and build character as they explore the idea of what could be found in a pocket. Take them on a safari adventure in the wilds of Scouting! Join us at the Cub Scout Roundtable and get ideas for these very special monthly themes to take back to your unit. **Boy Scout Leaders:** The topic for September is **Safety**. This is a primary factor when planning any activity with your Unit so we will discuss resources to use and how to keep safety a top priority during meetings, trips and events. Summer activities will be reviewed and an assessment of your upcoming Courts of Honor and elections for your unit will be discussed. Please bring any new leaders with you to join in our lively dialogue.

Training

We bid farewell to Dave and Betsy Eubanks as they move out of state. Their years of work for the district are most appreciated. Mike Rettinhouse has graciously stepped up to take Dave's place as training chair.

Silver Gate Science



Busters Day Camp

This year the boys attending Silver Gate Cub Day Camp proved themselves to be a group of awesome "Science Busters". Silver Gate Day Camp hosted the Scout Reach Cubs and Cub Scouts from Silver Gate District. Everyone had a great time dissecting squid, learning from the Water Shed Alliance, shooting bows and arrows and having loads of Cub Scout fun. A huge

thank you goes to all the adult staff that helped out at Cub Day Camp. A special thanks go to the Vallejo Elks Lodge #559 for allowing us to use the pool, and a particular note of appreciation to the youth staff for all their help in making this years Day Camp so special.

Membership

Are you ready? August/September is back to school. Back to school means it's time to actively recruit, recruit, recruit. Talk to the kids in your Packs, Troops and Crews. Ask them to help. Encourage them to bring a friend to join in the Scouting fun. On the unit level, let's make 2009 the most successful Back to School recruitment.

Webelos Overnighter

The Webelos Overnighter, organized by Mike Rettinhouse, followed Day Camp. Thanks go to him and all the scouts who helped out.



Coastal Cleanup

Mark your calendars for September 19 and our participation in the annual Coastal Cleanup. Boy Scouts and Venturers will work in one area and the Cub Scouts in another. Contact Karen Coleman for more details. (See masthead). This conservation event also marks the kickoff of the Council's Centennial Celebration Kickoff Conservation projects.



Email Reminders

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