

Silver Gate Newsletter

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CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 2006

- 2 District Committee 6-7:15, UMC
- 2 Roundtable 7:30-9:30, UMC
- TBA Veteran's Day Flag Placement
- 11 Scouting for Food Bag Distribution
- 16 Commissioners Meeting UMC
- 16 Youth Protection Training TBA
- 18 Scouting for Food Bag Pickup

DECEMBER 2006

- 7 District Committee 6-7:15, UMC
- 7 Winter Holiday Party
- 28 Eagle Recognition Dinner

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

Roundtable News

Cub Scouts: Blast off into space with us for the December theme **"CUB SCOUT STARS"**. At our monthly roundtables we leap ahead and show you the fun stuff for the upcoming month. So get ready to soar into space with ideas for your den and pack meetings. Join us in some games, activities, advancement ceremonies, songs, and crafts to help you as leaders, committee people, and parents helping out. Has your pack held a space derby? Do you know how to earn the Astronomy Belt Loop and Pin? Have you been to the Chabot Space and Science Center? Take the boys outside, lie down and look at the sky! You may discover something!!! **Any questions?** We have a great staff ready and waiting to answer any and all your questions from Tigers to Webelos, Cubmaster to Committee members.

Boy Scouts: Join your fellow Scoutmasters, Assistant Scoutmasters, committee people, parents, crew advisors; etc...in a lively discussion of **TROOP LEADERSHIP** What kind of training is available for your unit? TLT, NYLT, VENTURE, etc. are all available for the boys. What are they? What do you start with? How does it help the boys? How does it affect your unit if no one is trained? What are the plusses and minuses to training? Does everyone holding a position in the troop know what is expected of themselves and others? These are just **few questions to bring to the table**. Bring your ideas, thoughts, and resources for this discussion.

Scout-O-Rama

Many thanks to Rosa Llewellyn and her many helpers for a successful Scout-O-Rama last month.

Popcorn!

This year's popcorn sales are off to a good start. Be sure you meet the deadlines for submitting and picking up your order. For questions, contact Eric Freeman at silvergate_popcorn@yahoo.com

Rechartering

It's that time of year again. This year Silver Gate District is going modern with on-line rechartering. Contact James Rhodes Dreyer (see masthead) for more information.

PowWow

Plans for next year's PowWow are already in full swing. The theme will be Mardis Gras. Registration forms and more information are in the September

Smoke Signals that came via U. S. mail in September. Instructors are still needed, so please contact Yvonne Awai powwowqueen2007@yahoo.com, 925-648-9536 if you can help. **Best to register early!!!**

Scouting for Food

Dave Sweet has again stepped up to the plate to chair this year's Scouting for Food. Bags will be available at the November Roundtable. Distribution by the units will be November 11 with food pickup on the 18th. Helping provide food for local food banks is something Scouts are proud to keep doing.

Veteran's Days Flags

It's time for Scouts and Scouters to help the Veterans of Foreign Wars put out flags on the Veterans gravesites. More details will be available at the November Roundtable. Questions? Chuck Speir can be reached at 645-0231.

Congratulations

There are many changes recently in James Rhodes Dreyer's life. We congratulate him on his recent marriage and his promotion to being our District Executive! Jason Lewis gave us much help and support before moving on to be the Mt Diablo Silverado Council Director.

Recuperating

District Advancement Chair, Merrell Beckham, is continuing his recuperation at home after recent bypass surgery. He may not have been able to get out to meetings right away, but his computer got quite a work out as he carried on his responsibilities via email. We wish him

well and thank him for all the work he has
done for the District!