

# SMOKE SIGNALS

Mt. Diablo Silverado Council

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## UPCOMING BOYSCOUT EVENTS

- DISTINGUISHED CITIZENS LUNCHEON, APRIL 8TH
- SCOUTREACH GOLF TOURNAMENT, MAY 2ND
- FAMILY CAMP, MAY 13TH-15TH, MAY 27TH-30TH, OCTOBER 7TH-9TH, OCTOBER 21ST-23RD
- CUBSCOUT RANGEMASTER TRAINING, MAY 15TH, JUNE 12TH
- BLACKHAWK 500, MAY 21ST

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### NEW EAGLE SCOUTS!



Keep your eyes open for an invite in the mail to the 2010-2011 Las Aguilas de Diablo Eagle Scout Dinner! The dinner will be held on April 20, 2011 at Saint Mary's College. For more information, and to RSVP online please visit [www.bsa-mdsc.org/eagle](http://www.bsa-mdsc.org/eagle)

# IMPORTANT DATES

## APRIL

- 5 Cub Day Camp Directors Meeting
- 6 AO Lodge Executive Committee Meeting 7-9 PM
- 8 OA Lindblad Ordeal
- 9 OA Lindblad Ordeal
- 10 OA Lindblad Ordeal
- 13 HAT Basic Backpacking Awareness Indoor
- 14 Woodbadge
- 15 Woodbadge
- 16 Woodbadge
- 20 Eagle Dinner 6:30-9 PM
- 22 HAT Basic Backpacking Awareness Outdoor/Indoor  
Earth Day
- 23 HAT Basic Backpacking Awareness Outdoor/Indoor  
Blackhawk 500
- 24 Easter
- 25 International Committee Meeting

## Memorials & Tributes

*In Honor & Loving Memory of*  
**Roberta Hadick**  
 Jim McClaskey & Kathleen Schmidt

*In Honor of:*  
**The Wood Family**  
 Mark & Maria Brown

*In Honor of:*  
**Joshua Thornton**  
 Kathy & Dick Gordon

**Please Join Us  
for the**

**2011 Distinguished Citizen Luncheon**

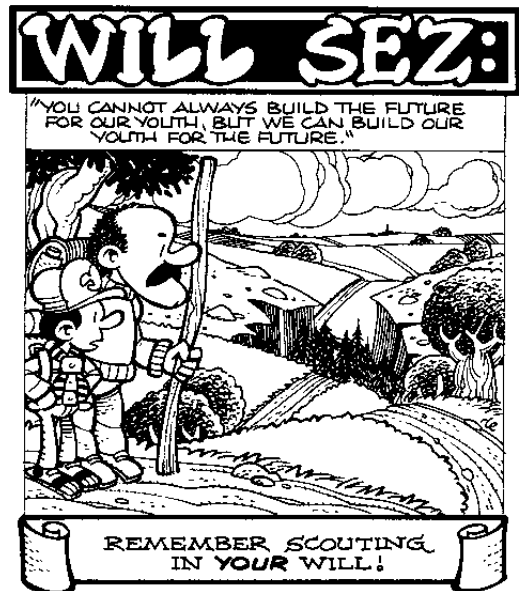
The Mt. Diablo Silverado Council, Boy Scouts of America  
Honors

*Warren Ruff*

**Retired Contra Costa County Sheriff**  
For his dedication to our community.

**Friday, April 8, 2011**

Walnut Creek Marriott  
2355 North Main Street, Walnut Creek  
No-host Reception 11:30am to 12:00pm  
Luncheon and Program 12:00pm to 1:30pm



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# Mt. Diablo Silverado Training Opportunities



The "Training Continuum" offers many exciting opportunities for program and leadership skills training. If your home District does not have a convenient training session, please consider attending the course in another District. For any training questions, contact your District training representative:

Council Chair	Michael Peterson	925-837-7074	Iron Horse	M J Frith	925-270-8101
Aklan	Bill Phelon	925-254-8338	Lake	Susei Heidebrecht	707-994-9613
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Diablo Sunrise	Tim Glennon	925-240-5975	Muir	Tom Santos	925-672-5955
Herms	Gary Bracken	650-400-9989	Silverado	Tony Zarate	707-257-7155

At least one registered leader on every outing requiring a Tour Permit must have completed Youth Protection Training and Hazardous Weather Training. Both of these courses are available online at MyScouting.org

## TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL UNITS

Effective June 1, 2010, all registered adults must complete Youth Protection Training every two years. Beginning with rechartering for 2012 (completed in December 2011), the Top Leader of each unit must be Trained for their position or the unit will not be allowed to recharter. Top Leader, as defined by the national office, is Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Varsity Team Coach, Venturing Crew Advisor, and Skipper.

## POSITION-SPECIFIC TRAINING (PST)

*Basic training for each position*

Contact your District Training Chair if you need courses at times other than those listed.

### Cub Scout Leaders

All Position-Specific training for Cub Scout adults can be found online at MyScouting.org. Contact your District Training Chair for information.

### Boy Scouts Leaders

Tues, Thurs, Apr 12 & 14, 6:30-9:30pm, both sessions required, Council Service Center. Contact Tom Santos, 925-672-5955, tomnets@pacbell.net.

## BALOO (Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation)

*Required for Cub Leaders on Pack overnights.*

Sat, Apr 30, Camp Fetterman, Brentwood. Contact Tom Santos, 925-672-5955, tomnets@pacbell.net.

Sat, Apr 30, Camp Herms. Contact John McClintic, 925-930-7352, jmclintic@bamlaw.com, Bill Phelon, 925-254-8338, rphelon@juno.com

## OUTDOOR LEADER SKILLS (OLS)

Fri-Sat, Apr 29-30, Camp Fetterman, Brentwood. Contact Tom Santos, 925-672-5955, tomnets@pacbell.net.

Sat-Sun, Apr 30-May 1, Camp Herms. Contact John McClintic, 925-930-7352, jmclintic@bamlaw.com, Bill Phelon, 925-254-8338, rphelon@juno.com.

*The following courses are supplemental.*

## HAT (HIGH ADVENTURE TRAINING)

Basic Backpacking, Apr 13, Apr 22-23. All sessions required. Lim: 30. Contact Chris Friedmann, 209-406-4474, ccf987@gmail.com.

Paddlesports Awareness, May 11, June 4-5, June 8. Contact John Reynolds, 925-348-3107, reynoldsjfr@netscape.net.

Swimming and Water Rescue, May 12 and

May 13. Contact John Reynolds, 925-348-3107, reynoldsjfr@netscape.net.

Cycling Awareness, Sep 21, Oct 15. Both sessions required. Lim: 20. Contact Steve Krome, 925-736-8252, drstvk@aol.com

### Leave NoTrace Trainer

Sat-Sun, May 21-22. Contact Lilli Remer, 925-935-8707, remer@astound.net.

## WOOD BADGE FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

Adult leadership training for ALL Scouters. Thurs-Sat, Apr 14-16 AND Thurs-Sat, May 19-21. Attendance at both sessions required. Contact Bob Carns, rbcarns@att.net, Camilla Hester-Alvaro, 925-963-0198, wbc.mdsc@gmail.com

Fri-Sun, Aug 26-28 AND Sat-Mon, Sep 24-26. Attendance at both sessions required. Contact Tom Santos, 925-672-5955, tomnets@pacbell.net, Camilla Hester-Alvaro, 925-963-0198, wbc.mdsc@gmail.com

## NATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP TRAINING (NYLT)

*Open to Boy Scouts, Varsity Team members and Venture Crew members*

Mon-Sat, June 13-18. Contact Scott DeVenney, 925-672-8545, scott\_devenney@sbcglobal.net

Sun-Fri, July 17-22. Contact Adam Bramblet, 925-778-3165, adam.m.bramblet@bankofamerica.com

# **BLACKHAWK 500**

**Mt. Diablo Silverado Pinewood Derby Championship**

**Saturday, May 21st**  
**Blackhawk Auto Museum**  
**3700 Blackhawk Plaza Circle, Danville**

Come on out to the 12th Annual Mt. Diablo Silverado Pinewood Derby Championship! All Cubs are invited to participate! There will be racing, a design competition, and great food. During the event the whole family can tour the Blackhawk Museum's magnificent auto collection and the fabulous exhibits. There will be tons of neat stuff to see and do! Wear your full Scout field uniform and get your whole family in to the museum for free!

**Approximate race times on May 21st**

**8:30am Doors open, check in**

**9:00 Opening Ceremony**

**9:30 to 10:30 Tigers and Wolves**

**11:00 to 12:00 Bears and Webelos**

**12:30 to 1:00 Grand Finals**

Mandatory technical inspection and impound will be held in the evenings Tuesday, May 17th, to Thursday, May 19th, at the MDSC Council Office (800 Ellinwood Way, Pleasant Hill, CA).

**More information will soon be available at**  
**[www.blackhawk500.org](http://www.blackhawk500.org)**

Questions? Contact event chairman Stephan Olvera at (925) 786-3224 or [info@blackhawk500.org](mailto:info@blackhawk500.org)



## Aklan Newsletter

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## CALENDAR

### APRIL

30-May 1st Camporee,  
Bort Meadows

Baloo and Outdoor Leader Skill-  
Camp Hermes

### MAY

4 District Committee, 6:30

11 Commissioners, 6:30  
Roundtable, 7:30

### JUNE

4 District Committee, 6:30

11 NO ROUNDTABLE

### ROUND TABLE

Roundtable normally meets at 7:30pm the 2nd Wednesday at Our Savior's Lutheran Church (1035 Carol Lane, Lafayette. May Roundtable for Scouts will discuss Boy Led Troop - What does it mean and how do we achieve it?

The Cub Scout Roundtable is a great place to get ideas to help with your Scouting program and share your experiences with others. The Core Value covered will be "Perseverance." We will also discuss how to plan a Den/Pack bicycle ride, and how to run a successful Annual Pack Program Planning Meeting. Scouts Roundtable will be led by Paul Shimotake.

### ADULT TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

Effective June 1, 2010, all registered adults must complete Youth Protection Training every two years or they will not be included in the unit's annual Recharter. Beginning with rechartering for 2012 (completed in December 2011), the Top Leaders of each unit must be Trained for their positions or the unit will not be allowed to recharter. Top Leaders, as defined by the national office, are Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, Varsity Team Coaches, Venturing Crew Advisors, and Skippers. Outdoor Leader Skills and Baloo are being offered April 30th - May 1st at Camp Hermes. Contact Bill Phelon for details [rphelon@juno.com](mailto:rphelon@juno.com)

### FRIENDS OF SCOUTING

Please be sure and turn in your pledges to your unit FOS Chair. Question? Call or e-mail the District's FOS Chair, Sylvia Deaton, 510-728-4021, [Sylvia\\_deaton@ml.com](mailto:Sylvia_deaton@ml.com)

### MERIT BADGE COUNSELORS

1. A BSA Application must be on file with the council indicating that the adult is a MB counselor. This application only needs to be filled out ONCE and there is no fee.

2. A revised MB counselor information form to include a space for emails, the counselor's BSA ID No., as well as a place indicating that a copy of the counselor's Youth Protection Training Certificate must be attached. This form needs to be filled out annually and takes a few minutes to do.

3. Youth protection training MUST be up-to-date. This is BSA requirement and the counselor must attach a copy when they take the form to the Council office to be processed.

See Michele Poloka for details  
[mpoloka@berding-weil.com](mailto:mpoloka@berding-weil.com)

### POPCORN NEEDS CHAIR

We need someone to step into the role of Popcorn Chair. This is a great job for someone who wants to maximize their volunteer effort! That is because it is split 1/3 Scout, 1/3 unit, and 1/3 Council. You get to help at all levels of Scouting See Michele Poloka for details. [mpoloka@berding-weil.com](mailto:mpoloka@berding-weil.com) We still have plenty of POPCORN to sell at the office if you still want to raise some funds for your units!!!

### CAMPOREE

Camporee is April 29th-May 1st at Bort Meadows. Registration for Camporee 2011 is due April 15. Registration forms and Camporee event details have been provided to the Troops. If you haven't attended Camporee in recent years, check it out. You scouts will have a great time. For more information, please call contact Camporee SM - Paul Shimotake ([scoutoathlaw@gmail.com](mailto:scoutoathlaw@gmail.com), 925-285-3764).

### WEBELOS - CHECK-OUT CAMPOREE

Webelos - check out what is in store when you bridge to Boy Scouts next year! Camporee is the annual competition where patrols compete in scout skill events such as knot tying, lashing, first aid, flag ceremonies, etc. Webelos are invited Saturday afternoon to come watch the competition. For more information, please call contact Paul Shimotake ([scoutoathlaw@gmail.com](mailto:scoutoathlaw@gmail.com), 925-285-3764)

### CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP

Please reserve the dates of August 8-12 for Cub Scout Day Camp at St. Mary's College in Moraga. Online registration has already started and space is limited to the first 150 Cub Scouts. The theme this year is Red White and Blue, American Sports. Last year's camp was a huge success and you don't want to miss this one. Contact Deb Moskowitz 925 262 3665 or Marianne Brent 925 962 9280 or send an email to [Aklan.ScoutCamp@yahoo.com](mailto:Aklan.ScoutCamp@yahoo.com).



# Chief Solano Newsletter

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Membership	Sue Odneal	707-426-1534 s.odneal@sbcglobal.net			
Boy Scout Roundtable	Vacant				

Serving the Communities of Fairfield, Cordelia, Suisun & Travis AFB

## CALENDAR

### APRIL

- 14 Roundtable @ 7PM
- 14 Order of the Arrow
- 21 District Committee
- 29-May 1st Camporee

### MAY

- 12 Roundtable @ 7PM
- 14 Order of the Arrow
- 14 District Pinewood Derby
- 19 District Committee

### SAVE THE DATE

Cub Day Camp 2011  
July 19-22  
Rush Ranch and SCC

**DISTRICT WEB SITE  
AND NEWS UPDATES**  
[www.ChiefSolanoBSA.net](http://www.ChiefSolanoBSA.net)

## FOS OVER HALF WAY THERE!

As of press time, we are 60% on the way towards our goal of \$33,000! This is a great start. We welcome anything you can give, but our target is the "Support One Scout" level of \$185. Thanks to everyone for your continued support.

### ADULT RECOGNITIONS

Unit leaders at all levels are reminded to keep track of their position tenures and leadership activities. Our district awards will be presented at our fall kick-off again this year, and we want to make sure that all our deserving adults are recognized for their contributions to Scouting. For more information on awards and deadlines, contact your Unit Commissioner.

### DISTRICT CAMPOREE 2011 "THE AMAZING RACE – BOY SCOUT STYLE"

There is still time to sign up your Troops, Crews, and Arrow of Light Dens for the "Amazing Race" scheduled for April 29- May 1 at Brannan Island. We are looking forward to a great weekend of traditional Scout activities with a new spin, including geocaching (a new Merit Badge!).

Registration by April 14 is worth 100 extra points toward Unit recognitions. The form is available on the District website or at Roundtable. For additional information, contact Kevin Steele, our Camporee director.

### DISTRICT PINWOOD DERBYSOLANO MALL, MAY 14

Many thanks to Joe Gonzales for stepping forward to chair our second annual District Pinewood Derby. We are looking forward to a wonderful time on Saturday, May 14 at Westfield Mall Solano. Last year's event was a great success and we are looking forward to even more fun this year. Who will be the well-known locals to participate in the Celebrity Pinewood Race? One way to find out is to be there for the event. All Cubs are encouraged to attend. Even if their units don't have a Pinewood, they can come and race at Westfield. Look to the District website for more information.

### CUB DAY CAMP 2011 JULY 19-22 "AMERICAN SPORTS"

Cub Leaders – if you haven't started promoting Cub Day Camp in your units, the time has come. We are looking forward to a fun-tastic time at "American Sports" Camp this year. We also need fun-loving, energetic volunteers! If you have sports skills or are willing to learn them, this is the place for you.

Our Head Coach (Camp Director) Andi Curinton is eager to come and talk to your unit to inspire the boys and adults to participate in this special and unforgettable event. Remember, boys who attend Day Camp are more likely to remain Cub Scouts.

Feel free to contact Andi at  
AM\_Cure@yahoo.com or at 707-207-9162

# Diablo Sunrise Newsletter

District Chair	Pete Klein	755-8943	Dist. Commissioner	Ray Lockwood	625-8251
District Executive	Joe Darr	674-6156	Vice-Chair	Penny Fetterman	634-0868
Development Chair	Bruce Dake	516-7931	Advancement Chair	Dan Sores	209-832-1400x260
Membership Chair	Todd Greisen	754-7171	Pop Corn Chair	Bill Fee	679-9194
Training Chair	Tim Gleenen	240-5975	Camping Chair	Penny Fetterman	634-0868
Merit Badge	Bill Morganstein	759-5900	Camporee	Jody Hansen	707-261-6615
Scouting for Food	Scott Kubik	513-7857	OA Advisor	Roy Thomas	634-4601
BS Round Table	Richard Flory	634-2674	CS Round Table	Lisa Bramblet	778-3165
Day Camp Director	Todd Greisen	754-7171	Day Camp Program	Carrie Greisen	642-5018

## CALENDAR

### APRIL

7	District Committee 7:00 pm
8-10	CampOree
14	Commissioners 7:00pm
14	Round Table 7:30pm
16	Pine wood Durby 3:00pm
21	OA Apanuc Meeting 7:00pm
29-30	OLS training
30	BALOO training

### MAY

1	Scout Day Oakland A's
5	District Committee 7:00pm
12	Commissioners 7:00pm
12	Round Table 7:30 pm
19	OA Apanuc Meeting 7:00pm

### JUNE

2	District Committee 7:00pm
9	Commissioners 7:00 pm
9	Round Table 7:30pm

### CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP

Would you like to be Sir Lancelot? Robin Hood? How about King Arthur? Cubs of the Round Table is our theme for 2011! Join us for a week-long adventure in the land of chivalry, conquest and fun.

- Earn achievements & electives toward your next rank
- Gird yourself with belt loops & pins
- Make your own 'armor' and 'weaponry'
- Learn the skills of knighthood
- Test your bravery on the BB gun range
- Become the next Robin Hood on the archery range

#### *Play the sports of kings*

*Date: June 13-17, 2011*

*Place: LDS Stake Center*

*Jeffery Way, Antioch*

*Cost: \$100 before 4/15/11*

*\$150 before 4/30/11*

*\$175 before 5/13/11*

*Tags (siblings age 3-9) are \$25*

*Boy and Girl Scouts are Free*

*Time 4:50 pm -8:00*

### SPRING CAMPOREE

Camporee will be held, April 8-10, 2011, at Rancho los Mochas, Livermore CA. This is going to be a fun weekend and we look forward to the cook pot competition. You may want to pack your allergy meds. Let's all get there safely. There are over 300 registered to participate so that dynamic will be a challenge for the leadership.

### EAGLE SCOUT STUFF

The 3rd Thursday is Eagle Workshop night, by appointment 925-238-8900 leave a message.

### FRIENDS OF SCOUTING UPDATE

Congratulations to those units that are ahead of what they collect last year, **OUTSTANDING** job! And to those units who are still working to achieve their goals, don't give up, until ever family has been asked to help Scouting. Remember the fair share is \$185.00, and we would hope that ant family could support Scouting at \$ 5.00 per month with a gift of \$60.00 which can be paid at once or by the quarter or even monthly. Thanks for the support no matter what level you are capable of.

<i>Unit</i>	<i>2010 Gift</i>	<i>2011Ggift</i>
P152	1055.00	2265.00
P298	250.00	795.00
P153	1070.00	1605.00
T 10	.00	252.00
T21	1000.00	1710.00
T152	1540.00	2145.00
T151	874.00	1555.00
T450	560.00	745.00

How did these Units show growth, the used the new FOS video presentation, it's about 4 minutes and tells our story best. If you want a copy call Joe Darr 925-674-6156

### ROUND TABLE

Cub and Scout Round tables are held every 2nd Thursday of the month (except July) at the Jeffery Way Stake Center in Antioch at 7:30 pm. They are fun and filled with information to help you deliver a quality program to the youth that you serve. Should you have question or would like to help call Lisa or Richard Round Table Commissioners



# Herms Gateway

District Chair	Peter Schakow	(510) 527-2596	District Commissioner	Evan "Mike" Lilygren	(510) 843-8055
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Nominating	Howard Abelson	(510) 525-7709	Roundtable - Boy Scout	John McDougall	(510) 841-1319
Smoke Signals/Web Site	William Wells	(925) 686-3006	Roundtable - Cub Scout	Juliana Rather	(510) 275-3177
Program	Gary Kirk	(510) 223-7217	Finance/FOS Family Campaign	Jim Hartman	(510) 525-6195
Training	Gary Bracken	(650) 400-9989	Calendar	Joseph Goodknight	jscg@berkeley.edu
Camping & Outdoors	Dave Williams	(510) 223-0291	Advancement & Recognition	Irwin Horowitz	(510) 527-6662
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Order of the Arrow Apanuc	Eric Jorgensen	(510) 799-1322	Merit Badge Registrar	Richard Burton	(925) 285-8862

## CALENDAR

### APRIL

- 6 District Commissioners Meeting
- 13 District Membership Committee, Cub and Scout Roundtable Meetings
- 15-17 Global Youth Service Day & District Camporee
- 19 District Committee Meeting
- 19-26 Pesach (Passover)
- 21 Eagle Board & Project Reviews
- 22 Earth Day
- 24 Easter

### MAY

- 4 District Commissioners Meeting
- 5 Cinco de Mayo
- 6 District Recognition Dinner
- 8 Mothers' Day
- 11 District Membership Committee, Cub and Scout Roundtable Meetings
- 13-15 Cub Family Camp at Camp Lindblad.
- 17 District Committee Meeting
- 19 Eagle Board & Project Reviews
- 21 Armed Forces Day; Blackhawk 500 Pinewood Derby Championship Races
- 27-30 Cub Family Camp at Camp Lindblad.
- 30 Memorial Day



### HERMS DISTRICT MEETINGS

**Commissioners Meeting:** First Wednesday of every month (except July), 7:30pm – 9:00pm, at the Camp Herms Lodge.

**District Committee Meeting:** Third Tuesday of every month (except for July & the joint meeting with Commissioners in August), 7:30pm – 9:00pm, at the Camp Herms Lodge. Eagle Projects and Board of Review every Third Thursday, 7:00pm – 9:00pm, at the Camp Herms Lodge.

**Membership Committee Meeting:** Second Wednesday of every month (except June, July and August), 7:00pm – 7:30pm, at Camp Herms Lodge.

**Roundtable Meetings:** Second Wednesday of every month (except July and August), 7:30pm – 9:00pm, at Camp Herms Lodge.

### C.H.E.C.K.



88 Scouts and 50 adults (including 10 merit badge counselors) participated in the tree-planting and environment and conservation merit badge event at Camp Herms on March 12th, 2011

### JAPAN DISASTER BSA RESPONSE

For recommended response see: <http://scouting.org/AlertJapan.aspx>

### DISTRICT CAMPOREE

District Camporee will be held at Lake Berryessa's Oak Shores Coyote Knolls campsite on April 15-17. All Troops should be sure to invite 2nd year Webelos from you neighboring Cub Pack. Don't miss the excitement of Camporee.

### GLOBAL YOUTH SERVICE DAY

Youth Service America's Global Youth Service Day that mobilizes youth and children to improve their communities will be April 15-17, 2011. The BSA and Alpha Phi Omega are two of many U.S. national partners for this service event. For more see: <http://gysd.org/>

### DISTRICT RECOGNITION DINNER

Herms District Recognition Dinner will be held the evening of May 6th, 2011, at the Albany Veterans' Memorial Building, 1325 Portland Avenue, Albany CA; 6:30pm social, 7pm dinner. Cost \$20 (\$15 before 4/29/2011). Get your nominations for your unit's Scouter of the Year and for the District Award of Merit to Irwin Horowitz by e-mail to [horowitz@dslextreme.com](mailto:horowitz@dslextreme.com) or fax 510-527-8040 (ph. 527-6662) by 4/22/2011.

### CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP JULY 2011

Pay by 4/16/2011 and save. See <http://www.bsamdc.org/herms/daycamp.php>



## Lake Highlander Highlights

CHAIRMAN	DOUG WHACKER	707-263-2302	NEWSLETTER	GIGI STAHL	707-987-9028
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OA ADVISOR & COMMISSIONER			& BS ROUNDTABLE		
OPEN POSITIONS:	FINANCE		EAGLE REVIEWS	DON CARTER	707-279-1362

## CALENDAR

### APRIL

- 6 OA Apanuc Meeting
- 12 District Committee Meeting  
– 6:30pm – Kelseyville  
Presbyterian Church  
Round Table immediately after
- 23 Brett Behrens Memorial Merit  
Badge Workshop, 9am-5pm,  
Kelseyville Presbyterian Church
- 29 District Awards Dinner, 6pm,  
Kelseyville Presbyterian Church

### MAY

- 4 OA Apanuc Meeting
- 10 District Committee Meeting  
& Round Table 6:30pm –  
Kelseyville Presbyterian Church
- 13-15 Camporee at Stonyford Ranch

### ORDER OF THE ARROW

The Order of the Arrow has nearly completed all its unit elections. Looks like there may be a bumper crop of Arrowmen this year. If all goes as planned, call outs will be at Camporee.

Cubmasters are encouraged to schedule Webelos II and Arrow of Light crossover ceremonies as soon as possible.

### TRAINING

Leave No Trace Trainers' course is being offered May 21-22 at the Binkley Ranch in Cobb for adults and youth over the age of 14. Please contact Liberty Frederick at 928-0155 for more info.

### CARNIVAL

This was another fun and successful year at Carnival. Many thanks go out to Jane Ruggles and all those who helped for their tireless efforts in orchestrating this fabulous and successful district-wide fundraiser. Feedback, suggestions, or ideas for future Carnivals can be sent to Jane at [jruggles@mchsi.com](mailto:jruggles@mchsi.com) or 279-2129.

### FRIENDS OF SCOUTING UPDATE

	2010	2011
Pack 142	\$375	\$145
Pack 144	\$865	\$500
Pack 145	\$170	\$000
Pack 315	\$145	\$000
Pack 537	\$350	\$000
Troop 42	\$705	\$000
Troop 44	\$450	\$000
Troop 45	\$400	\$000
Troop 46	\$245	\$000
Troop 315	\$710	\$000
Crew 44	\$ 60	\$000
Ship 711	\$000	\$000
Ship 960	\$000	\$000

### BRETT BEHRENS MEMORIAL MERIT BADGE WORKSHOP

Please note that the merit badge workshop has been moved from April 2nd to April 23rd at the Kelseyville Presbyterian Church. The workshop will be held from 9am-4pm with a service project from 4-5pm. Bring a sack lunch! Please contact Sabrina Pickersgill at 489-5417 if you wish to become a merit badge counselor, and would like to offer a MB class at the workshop.

### CAMPOREE

Lake District has been invited to hold our Camporee on May 13th-15th at a gigantic ranch in Stonyford, about 40 miles west of Maxwell (off I-5). Please contact Tom Schneider for more info at 925-674-6173.

### DISTRICT AWARDS DINNER

April 29th at 6pm is the annual Lake District Awards dinner at the Kelseyville Presbyterian Church. The cost will be \$8 and all unit leaders are encouraged to attend.

### 2011 CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP

Lake District Day Camp will be held at the Smith Ranch on June 20th-24th. This year's theme is "All American Sports", so get ready to play ball! The fees will remain at \$100 for the week with a \$75 refund for those adults who assist the entire week. The Day Camp Director position is still open, so if you're interested, training will take place at the University of the Pacific in Stockton this May. For more information, please contact Donna Goodwin-Nelson at 279-2315 or Sabrina Pickersgill at 489-5417.

Please submit articles to Gigi Stahl  
(707) 987-9028 or  
[giselle@plangarden.com](mailto:giselle@plangarden.com)



## Meridian Matters

District Chair	Chris Knaus	934-3493	Membership	*Volunteer Needed*
Commissioner	*Volunteer Needed*		OA Advisor	Mary Chong 830-0759
Executive	Tim Welty	674-6125	Popcorn	Julie Graham 556-9419
Advancement	George Gavrell	837-6248	Program/Activity	Adrienne Kordelos 650-224-2143
Bike Rodeo	Adrienne Kordelos	650-224-2143	R/T Commissioner	*Volunteer Needed*
Camping	Mike Dubrall	855-0678	R/T – Cub	Steve Tom 510-772-0229
Camporee	Mike Dubrall	855-0678	R/T – Scout	*Volunteer Needed*
Training	Ray Chan	548-6179	Smoke Signals	Rand Mahoney 964-1641
Finance	Pat Leong	487-4426	Eagle Packets	Jeff Hart 831-8827
Friends of Scouting	Rand Mahoney	964-1641	Eagle Projects	Dan Hugens 838-7329
Media Coordinator	*Volunteer Needed*		Eagle Board	Myron Hagen 831-1532

## CALENDAR

### APRIL

- 7 Eagle Project Review Board (D-LDS)
- 13 District Committee (D-LDS)
- 14 Eagle Orientation/Packet (D-LDS)
- 21 Eagle Board of Review (D-LDS)
- 28 Roundtable (SR-LDS)
- 28 OA Apanuc (SR-LDS)
- 29-5/01 Camporee (Rancho Los Mochos)

### MAY

- 5 Eagle Project Review Board (D-LDS)
- 11 District Committee (D-LDS)
- 12 Eagle Orientation/Packet (D-LDS)
- 19 Eagle Board of Review (D-LDS)
- 26 District Dinner (SR-LDS)
- 26 OA Apanuc (SR-LDS)

### SAVE THE DATE

6/20-24 Cub Scout Day Camp

### ROUNDTABLE

Our next Roundtable meeting will be on Thursday April 28th, 7:30-9:00 p.m., at the San Ramon LDS Church, 5025 Crow Canyon Road, San Ramon. The OA Apanuc meeting will be at the same time and location.

### DIST./COUNCIL CALENDAR

Just go to our website at <http://www.bsa-meridian.org/> to download. Contact: Jerry Dees, 548-6825; [jerry@jerrydees.com](mailto:jerry@jerrydees.com)

### ADULT TRAINING

- Magic of Den Box - Train the Trainer** - April 28th (during RT)
- Webelos Visit to Camporee** - April 30th, 2011 (Los Mochos)
- OLS Training** - April 30th, 2011 - May 1st, 2011 (Camp Herms)

**BALOO Training** - April 30th, 2011 (Camp Herms)  
Please see the training page of Smoke Signals or training website ([www.3districttraining.org/](http://www.3districttraining.org/)) for all the details. Contact Ray Chan, [ray4scouting@gmail.com](mailto:ray4scouting@gmail.com)

**For High Adventure Training (HAT)** details, contact Chuck Savage, [cesavage@pacbell.net](mailto:cesavage@pacbell.net)

### MERIT BADGE COUNSELORS

The new merit badge counselor list is on the district website. Additions and corrections should be sent to George Gavrell. Contact George Gavrell, 837-6248, [gavrells@aol.com](mailto:gavrells@aol.com)

### FRIENDS OF SCOUTING

Have you seen the new FOS video? <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T2MA5gd-Q18> Our district goal is \$115K vs. an actual \$57K as of late March. Please help support the FOS program in your unit and get those donations turned in promptly!

The top 5 FOS units (% of goal) are: P-0036, 354%; T/C-0236, 143%; T/S-1776, 123%; P-0814, 118%; P-0841, 109%; T-0805 102%.

Contact Rand Mahoney, H: 964-1641 or C: 899-3840, [randmaho@pacbell.net](mailto:randmaho@pacbell.net)

### CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP

Have you registered for Cub Scout Day Camp? Cost is \$165 before 4/19. Each pack must provide minimum 1 adult for every 6 cubs attending and a 1:4 ratio is strongly recommend. We also need people to help on staff. Adult volunteers who work all five days receive a refund off their registration fee. More info at: <http://www.meridiandaycamp.org/>. Contact: Tim Welty, 674-6125, [twelty@bsamail.org](mailto:twelty@bsamail.org)

### EQUIPMENT SWAP

The first district-wide equipment swap was held on March 6 at St. Joan of Arc. Approximately 75 people (mix of Cub and Scout parents) showed up to buy uniforms, packs (popular), tents, and assorted gear. Three units (T60, T815, and T874) had tables with their own equipment. The Meridian Table was considerably larger, with the accumulated donations of four other troops. We raised \$338 for FOS and redistributed a lot of equipment. Two troops, after they collected gear

from their families, decided to skip the District event and give it to their own new Scouts, which is also good. Our thanks to Mike Dubrall for spearheading this effort and to all that contributed!

### DISTRICT CAMPOREE

The Meridian Camporee is April 29 to May 1 at Rancho Los Mochos. Registration starts at Roundtable on March 24. Units can register Scouts, Staff and Adults until April 20 and change the numbers without penalty. 14 competitive events, Good Eats Activity, Entertainment Campfires, Ace of Cakes cooking contest, Troop Punkin Chunkin, 101 Flag Retirement, Eagle Roost, and more. Every Boy Scout in the District should attend. Contact Mike Dubrall, [miked@50miler.com](mailto:miked@50miler.com)

### SILVER BEAVER

Congratulations to Ira Hillyer and Stephan Olvera for receiving the Silver Beaver award!!! Ira has been very involved in council and financial efforts and Stephan has organized the Blackhawk 500 Pinewood Derby event for many years. Well done, gentlemen!

### QUALITY DISTRICT

Congratulations to the Meridian District for earning the Quality District Award again this past year!!! Our district was only one of three district in our council to earn it this past year.

### DISTRICT DINNER

Plan to attend our annual district dinner in lieu of our Roundtable meeting on May 26 at the San Ramon LDS Church. We will recognize Scouter of the Year for each unit and our District Award of Merit recipient. More information will be available on our district website. Contact Adrienne Kordelos, 650-224-2143, [akordelos@gmail.com](mailto:akordelos@gmail.com)

### CAN YOU HELP?

Your district committee has several openings including: District Commissioner, Roundtable Commissioner, Roundtable Scout Chair, Membership, and Media Coordinator. Contact Chris Knaus, 934-3493, [meridian.chair@bsa-mdsc.org](mailto:meridian.chair@bsa-mdsc.org), for more information.



District Chair (interim)  
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District Executive  
Advancement  
Boy Scout Roundtable  
Camporee  
Cub Roundtable  
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Day Camp Director  
Day Camp Director

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## Muir Newsletter

Eagle Boards Karen Hansen 925-825-9132  
Eagle Projects Derek Brown 925-672-2055  
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Membership open  
Merit Badges Piedad Fracasso 925-673-0722  
OA Advisor Larry Smith 925-686-6994  
Scouting For Food Geoff Steele 925-693-0030  
Smoke Signals Pam Smith 925-674-6126  
Training Tom Santos 925-672-5955  
Conservation Ben Soleimanieh 925-429-0433

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## CALENDAR

### APRIL

2 Fishing Derby  
7 Roundtable  
7 OA Apanuc Meeting  
15-17 Camporee  
21 District Committee Meeting  
29-30 OLS training  
30 BALOO training

### MAY

5 Roundtable  
5 OA Apanuc Meeting  
19 District Committee Meeting

Please visit the Muir District site:  
[www.muirdistrict.org](http://www.muirdistrict.org)

### CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP

Camp is where Cubs can meet other Cubs, experience the fun of camp and earn achievements, patches and belt loops all at the same time! Enjoy hands on activities, archery, B-B guns, swimming, sports and more. The dates for camp will be July 11-15 and will be held again at Marsh Creek Springs. Registration will be available soon online and the cost will be \$125 until April 30th and \$150 from May 1st-31st. As always, we are looking for some enthusiastic volunteers. The next volunteer planning meeting will be Monday, May 3rd at the Council Service Center at 7 pm. If you have any questions, please contact Tracy Jin at 925-984-9089, Jennifer Jarske at 925-787-1490, or Anissa Keeler at 925-682-1635, or [muirdaycamp@gmail.com](mailto:muirdaycamp@gmail.com)

### SPRING CAMPOREE

Muir District Camporee will be held, April 15-17, 2011, at New Hogan's Reservoir, Oak Knoll Campground, Valley Springs, CA. This year's theme will be Hawaiian, so get your loudest

Hawaiian shorts out and get your board waxed up. There will be a Cook-pot Award to compete for, fun events all day and the Saturday night campfire program with the O.A. call out. If you would like to be on staff or need information about the camporee, please contact Mike Roark at [roarkmd@pacbell.net](mailto:roarkmd@pacbell.net) or 925-681-1192. On time registrations ends April 8th, late registration ends April 14th. The Leader's Guide and registration form can be found on the Muir District website [www.muirdistrict.org/camporee](http://www.muirdistrict.org/camporee).

### INAUGURAL FISHING DERBY

The Muir District Inaugural Fishing Derby will be held on April 2, 2011. Our site for the event is Los Vaqueros Reservoir. We will be offering Scouts the opportunity to work on their fishing merit badge or fishing belt loop. If you would like to participate in the planning and staffing for this event, please contact Stan Jungenberg at [sjungenberg@spunkmeyer.com](mailto:sjungenberg@spunkmeyer.com) or Ben Soleimanieh, [ben.soleimanieh@ratrucking.com](mailto:ben.soleimanieh@ratrucking.com)

### CUB SCOUT ROUNDTABLE

We meet on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm at the LDS Church, 1590 Denkinger Road, Concord. For more information, contact Cynthia Mallory at [cyndim@cynergyfitness.net](mailto:cyndim@cynergyfitness.net) or 510-908-1677.

### THANK YOU, MARK

Mark Hall is stepping down as Muir Advancement Chair. Mark met with approximately 300 Life Scouts in his 7 years in this position. He started Scouts at the beginning of their work on advancement to Eagle and was there to close the end of the journey, reviewing binders and paperwork. We thank Mark for his passion and dedication. Those who have gone through the journey from Life to Eagle – not only Scouts but also supportive leaders, advisers, and anxious parents – can appreciate that there is a lot to track.

We are fortunate to have Bill Spalding step up to take on Advancement Chair. Please thank Mark for his service and welcome Bill to his new role.

### TRAINING UPDATE

Muir and Diablo Sunrise Districts will be holding a joint training session for Outdoor Leader Skills for Scoutmasters, Assistant Scoutmasters, and Varsity Coaches and BALOO for all Cub Scout Leaders. This training will be held at Camp Fetterman, is located at 2755 Crystal Lane in Brentwood, CA 94513. Registration deadline is April 22nd. There will be no walk-in registrations accepted.

**BALOO**-April 30, 8:30 am-5pm. Fee \$25.

**OLS**-April 29-30. 6:30 pm Friday to 9 pm on Saturday. Fee \$35.

Contact Tom Santos at [tomnets@pacbell.net](mailto:tomnets@pacbell.net) or 925-672-5955 if you have any questions.

# Silverado Newsletter

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## CALENDAR

### MAY

- 5 District Committee Meeting 7:10
- 12 Roundtable 7:30 – 9:00 (DE)
- 13 District Dinner Vallejo Elks
- 14 District Conservation Project
- 19 Commissioners Meeting
- 19-21 Woodbadge pt 2
- 21 Veteran’s Home Cleanup
- 21 BALOO
- 21 Den Chief Training (Chief Solano)
- 28 Memorial Day Flag Placement

### JUNE

- 2 District Committee Meeting 7:10
- 9 Roundtable 7:30 – 9:00 (DE)
- 12 Flag Day Ceremony Vallejo Elks
- 12-17 Day Camp #1 Yountville
- 16 Commissioners Meeting

Dates/locations/events subject to change.

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

DE is Donaldson Elementary, 430 Donaldson Way, American Canyon

### ROUNDTABLE NEWS

Roundtable is provided for all district leadership. We meet the second Thursday 7:30 at Donaldson Way School in American Canyon. Cub Scout: We will discuss some fun activities. Come bring a friend and join us for some FUN!!

Boy Scout Leaders: Our May Boy Scout Roundtable split will review team building exercises for your unit. Also, what does the future hold for the Eagles that are still active youth members of your unit? There will be a split for administrators including Committee Chairs, Members and interested parents. Everyone is welcome.

### RACE DAY 2011

Thank you to Jeremy Lowe and all his helpers for putting on another successful Race Day. A fun time was had by all.

### MEMORIAL DAY FLAGS

Silverado Scouters – Join us once again in assisting the local VFW Post 1123 in remembering our Veterans, this Memorial Day, by helping to place American flags on their graves at Sunrise Cemetery in Vallejo. We will be doing this annual service project on Saturday, May 28th. Please meet at 8:30am at Sunrise Cemetery (Valle Vista Ave & Sacramento St.) in Class A Uniforms and bring a large screwdriver. All Scouts are welcome including Girl Scouts! With all your help we should be done within two hours Contact Chuck Speir at 645-0231 for any questions. There will also be flag placements at the CA Veteran’s Home in Yountville.

### STATE OF THE DISTRICT

The sole purpose of the district is to support the units it serves. Everyone is invited to help. We need commissioners! If you know of someone who would make a great unit commissioner please contact Chuck Speir (see masthead) with their name and contact information.

### DISTRICT DINNER

The Silverado District Dinner will be May 13th at the Vallejo Elks Lodge. Gathering will be at 6:00 followed by dinner at 7:00. The District Award of Merit and other awards will be presented after dinner. This year it is a western theme, so dress as a Cowgirl or Cowboy if you would like. More details will come out via Doubleknot. Cost is \$20/person, but if you buy a table of 8, it is only \$150. Payment may be made at the door but reservations must be made by May 6 to silveradodistrict@gmail.com

### ORDER OF THE ARROW

Congratulations to Garrett Rettinhouse (Troop 64), Claude Smith (Troop 12), and Mark Nichols (Troop 62) on being selected to receive the Vigil honor. This is the highest honor awarded in the OA and is not something you can earn, but rather something you are selected for.

### SILVERADO DISTRICT WEBSITE

Check out our new website-Silveradodistrictbsa.com! From there you can also follow a link to buy used equipment and uniforms. As time permits, our webmaster will make updates to it. If you would like something published on the web site (especially write-ups and pictures of events and activities), send content to bgoshrn@scrserv.com

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Save the dates for the following upcoming events: Day Camp #1 June 12-17, Flag Day Ceremony June 12, & District Conservation Project May 14. Doubleknot emails will be sent out with details.

### STAY IN THE LOOP!

Notifications of events/changes are done via the Doubleknot email system. If you haven’t already sent your name and email address to Nancy McCoy at cspack118@yahoo.com, please do so in order that we may keep in touch with you about District events.



## Venture Officers Association

David Morales	President, VP Administration	925-219-2981 tyrannus409@yahoo.com	John Ricketts	Advisor	707-422-4731 wwwit@earthlink.net
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## CALENDAR

### APRIL

15-17 Spring Rendezvous

### MAY

25 VOA Meeting 7pm

### CONTACT

If you have any questions you can contact anyone at the top of this page or send an email to the VOA's general account:  
VOA@bsa-mdsc.org

### MEMBERSHIP

All elected youth officers in the council have all rights, privileges and are standing members on the VOA (Venturing Officer's Association). All advisors and committee chairs are also invited to attend.

### LEADERSHIP

All officers listed above will serve through the 2011 year.

### MEETINGS

Venturing Officer's Association (VOA) meetings will be held on the 4th Wednesday of every odd month in the Council Office in Pleasant Hill. We invite all of the members of the crews in the council to attend to share ideas on how to further promote Venturing and what activities scouts would like to do with other crews, on a council wide level. So all you Venturers out there, mark your calendars, and we will see you on May 25 at 7:00 PM at the Council Office!

### PAST EVENTS

#### Open House March 6, 2011

On March 6, the VOA hosted a recruiting Open House at the council office. There were over 35 attendees at the event, including several Venturing recruits!! Everyone had a great time bonding, playing video and board games, and winning awesome prizes! Remember to mark your calendars for the beginning/middle of March for next year so you can join us for a bigger and better time!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Venturing Rendezvous April 15-17, 2011

During this weekend at Camp Masonite Navarro in Mendocino, Venturers can bond and have an awesome time while shooting HUGE guns, going river kayaking, playing sock hockey, and participating in many more activities. Registration is \$55 before March 1 and \$60 after. Email Carl Peterson at [ki6ost@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ki6ost@sbcglobal.net) to register!!

### WESTERN REGION VENTURING YOUTH CONFERENCE

#### April 15-17, 2011

Or, instead of attending the Rendezvous, Venturers can attend a fun-filled weekend of leadership and outdoor activities (swimming, hiking, zip-lining, and much more) and get a chance to meet the Area VOA's, the current Region President, and the National Venturing President! For registration info, contact Mackenzie Lardie at [WRVenturing@scouting.org](mailto:WRVenturing@scouting.org)

### KODIAK

August 5-7 and 11-14, 2011

During these two weekends, youth can expand their leadership skills through two, fun-filled weekends at Camp Pollock and Camp Wolfboro. Youth will learn how to become better leaders, get to go shooting, kayaking, and repelling, and meet great people! The course is \$160 per youth and limited to the first 18 applicants. Registration deadline is July 22, 2011. Contact John Ricketts at [wwwit@earthlink.net](mailto:wwwit@earthlink.net) to register.



# NEW EAGLES



Alexander Joseph Romelfanger	Troop 0236
Matthew Sean Lai	Troop 0233
Mitchell Ryan Larson	Team 0249
Ian Gale Lundgren	Troop 0241
Matthew Aaron Patera	Troop 0212
Connor Douglas Rosenbaum	Troop 0212
Peter Mark Bellingham	Troop 0212
Christopher John Perry	Troop 0303
Jacob Kenneth Jernigan	Troop 0204
Marcus Justin Paul van Duren	Troop 0204
Alexander James Hoff	Troop 0233
Douglas Alan Humphreys, Jr	Troop 7059
Lucas Anthony Daugherty	Troop 0277
Randall Joseph Koerber	Troop 0405
Rubin DeGuang Linder	Troop 0036
Adit Shah	Troop 0060
Daniel Joseph Mangin	Troop 0834
Ian McRae Gardner	Crew 0228
Joseph Brandon Wylie	Troop 0216
Robert Justin King	Crew 0548
Joseph Alexander Wogan	Troop 0815
Eric Mitchell Fairchild	Troop 0815
Travis Joseph Holt	Crew 0028
Clayton Raymond Hertz	Troop 0484
Tyler Anthony Lightfoot	Troop 0514
Aric William Bauer	Troop 0429
Kyle Robert Lo	Troop 8254
Joseph Anthony Jankowski	Troop 0490
Matthew Adam Johnson	Troop 0465