

Meridian Matters



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CALENDAR

December

- 1 Eagle Project Review Board (D-LDS)
- 8 Eagle Orientation/Packet (D-LDS)
- 14 District Committee meeting (D-LDS)
- 15 Eagle Board of Review (D-LDS)
- NO Roundtable meeting

January

- 5 Eagle Orientation/Packet and Project Review Board (D-LDS)
- 11 District Committee meeting (D-LDS)
- 19 Eagle Board of Review (D-LDS)
- 21 L.E.A.D. (DVC)
- 26 Roundtable meeting (SR-LDS)

Save the Date

- Camporee at Los Mochos - Jun. 1-3
- Cub Day Camp at Little Hills - Jun. 25-29

NEXT ROUNDTABLE

There will be no Roundtable in December. Our next Roundtable meeting on Thursday January 26th, 7:00-8:30 p.m., at the San Ramon LDS Church, 5025 Crow Canyon Road, San Ramon. **Please note the new 7:00 starting time.** RT topics include: Where to hike & camp (Cubs) and Journey to Excellence (Scouts).

The OA Apanuc will meet at the same time and location. Hope to see you there!

COUNCIL CALENDAR

Just go to our council website at <http://www.bsamdsc.org/resources/calendar>.

ADULT TRAINING

Beginning with this fall's rechartering - all TOP ADULT leaders (Scoutmasters, Cubmasters, Crew Advisor, and Team Coaches) need to be TRAINED.

Please see the training page of Smoke Signals or training website (www.3districttraining.org/). Contact Ray Chan, ray4scouting@gmail.com.

L.E.A.D.

Plan to attend the Leader Education and Discovery on Saturday, Jan. 21 at Diablo Valley College. This is a GREAT OPPORTUNITY to LEARN more of what is available for your SCOUTING PROGRAM and to NETWORK with fellow Scouters and potential contributors

from outside Scouting. Classes are available for leaders of Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturers. Subjects for NEW leaders as well as EXPERIENCED leaders are covered.

For more information or to register, go to: <http://www.bsa-mdsc.org/training/scout-leader-education-and-discovery-lead>

SCOUTING FOR FOOD

Thanks to everyone that participated in the annual Scouting for Food food drive. Our district brought in 38,207 lbs of food (11% more than last year. And a big thanks to Al Nichols for heading this up.



POPCORN

Thank you to everyone who sold popcorn. Many of our Troops and Packs had very successful sales this year. Our top 5 overall were:

- Pack 995--\$30,100+
- Pack 814--\$12,100+
- Pack 205--\$11,700+
- Pack 536--\$10,700+
- Pack 689--\$10,400+

The top 5 biggest increases from 2010

- Pack 995 \$10,500+
- Pack 205--\$10,100+
- Troop 216--\$9,300+
- Pack 814--\$4,200+
- Pack 1776--\$3,600+

Way to go! Over all MERIDIAN DISTRICT did **\$150,000+ in total sales** which is an **increase of 28%! AMAZING JOB EVERYONE!!** Contact Julie Graham, H: 556-9419; Julie@GrahamsGetaways.com.

EAGLE RANK

There are big changes coming for advancement to Eagle Rank. The Eagle project workbook has been completely updated and the new version will be used exclusively starting January 1st. There will be an information session at the February 23rd Roundtable meeting to review the changes. All Scouters involved in advancement to Eagle Rank are strongly urged to attend this session. Also note that the information sessions for the Eagle Project will be changed. Starting January 2012, the Eagle orientation and packet distribution and the Eagle project information session will be held on the first Thursday of each month. Questions? Contact George Gavrell, H: 837-6248, gavrells@aol.com.

USED BIKES NEEDED

Do you have a bike that is no longer being used and just collecting dust? Or perhaps you have a friend or neighbor that might have one. Ryan Mahoney of T-805 is collecting bikes for his Eagle Project. The project includes repairing bikes and then donating them to several non-profit agencies in our county. If you have a bike to donate or if you or your scouts would like to help clean and repair bikes in late November and December, contact Ryan Mahoney at p38productions@gmail.com or C: 786-0640.

RECHARTER

If your pack or troop would like some guidance and assistance to recharter your unit for next year, promptly contact Tim Welty at 674-6125 or tim.welty@scouting.org.

CAN YOU HELP???

The Camporee staff is looking for people to help in a variety of tasks before and during the event (June 1-3). Contact Dave Newton.

Cub Day Camp staff is also looking for assistance before and during camp (June 25-29). Contact Tim Welty.

We need additional **Unit Commissioners**. If you enjoy working with other scout leaders and have some experience working with packs or troops, please contact Sue Oki.