

# Meridian Matters

February 2018

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## District Calendar

### February 2018

1	1st Thurs Eagle Orient, Boards & Proj Rvw (SR-LDS)
8	Roundtable (SR-LDS)
10	Council Recognition Dinner
15	3rd Thurs Eagle Boards and Proj Rvw (SR-LDS)
24	N Calif. Commissioner's College (Union City)
28	March District Committee (Alamo-LDS)
31	No meetings - Gotcha!

### March 2018

1	1st Thurs Eagle Orient, Boards & Proj Rvw (SR-LDS)
3	MDSC Sporting Clays (Zamora)
8	Roundtable (SR-LDS)
15	3rd Thurs Eagle Boards and Proj Rvw (SR-LDS)

### February 2018 Roundtable

**Feb 8<sup>th</sup> – 7:30 p.m.**

**Cubs:** Trustworthy & Loyal/"Cub Scout Investigators" (BSA March) OR Fun Trust Games and Activities; "Cubs in the Future" (BSA April) and Bottle Rockets/Uniform of the Future.

**Boy Scouts:** Camporee

**Committees:** Adult Recruiting & Succession

### March 2018 Roundtable

**March 8<sup>th</sup> – 7:30 p.m.**

**Cubs:** Friendly/"Treasure Hunters" (BSA May) Scavenger Hunt Extras OR Fun Competition Games

**Boy Scouts: Summer Camp/ High Adventure**

**Committees:** Eagle Advisor Workshop

### Friends of Scouting

**2018 FOS Campaign has started!** Thanks to all the units that have scheduled your presentations. **Remember that our goal is for every family to participate!** Additional details and scheduling help are available from Adrienne Watkins at (925) 984-3770 or [foschair@bsameridian.com](mailto:foschair@bsameridian.com)

### Cub Scout Day Camp

**June 11-15, 2018.** Little Hills Recreation Area – San Ramon. This year's theme is "Big Hunters." Information at <http://www.meridiandaycamp.com/>

### Camporee 2018!

Save the Date: **Friday April 20<sup>th</sup> - Sunday April 22<sup>nd</sup>!** Rancho Los Mochos – Livermore!

### Northern California Commissioners College

A 'must attend' for all commissioners and interested Scouters. Basic commissioner skills to advanced concepts. Featuring National Commissioner Charles Dahlquist II as keynote speaker. Sat Feb 24<sup>th</sup> form 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. in Union city. For additional information, contact District Commissioner Susan Oki at [meridian.commish@bsa-mdsc.org](mailto:meridian.commish@bsa-mdsc.org).

### Camp Wolfeboro - 2018 Site Reservations

We are celebrating 90 years of Camp Wolfeboro all summer in 2018! Reservations for are open - find your unit's campsite for 2018! Information and registration at <http://www.mdscbsa.org/about/council/camp-wolfeboro/>

### 6<sup>th</sup> Annual MDSC Sporting Clays

MDSC presents its annual Sporting Clays on Saturday March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Fun for both experienced and novice shooters, Sporting Clays provides a day of unique shooting opportunities, food, fellowship and helps fund youths shooting sports education, training and scholarships throughout the Greater Bay Area. To register, go to [www.mdscbsa.org](http://www.mdscbsa.org) or contact Ann Herriage at (925) 674-6154 for add'l information.

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## Adult Leader Training

**BALOO:** TBD

**Cub Scout Position Specific:** TBD

**Introduction Outdoor Leader Skills:** TBD

**Outdoor Webelos Leader Training:** TBD

Additional Spring 2018 dates to be announced soon!

## High Adventure Training

Check-out the Council High Adventure Training offerings:

**HAT Core & Basic Backpacking Awareness:** Jan 2018 session passed. Autumn 2018 session dates TBD.

**CPR & AED:** Mar 2, April 20, May 18, Sept 28.

**Cold Weather/OKPIK:** Indoor: **Feb 20 & 27**, Outdoor: Mar 3-4

**Cold Weather/OKPIK II:** Indoor: Mar 7, Outdoor Mar 31 – April 1.

**Cycling Awareness:** TBD.

**Canoeing Awareness & Paddle Craft Safety:** May 9, 2018 (classroom), June 2&3 (Outdoor), June 6 (indoor follow-up), Paddle Craft Indoor – June 13.

**Wilderness & Remote First Aid:** Mar 3-4, April 21-22, May 19-20,

Learn more – including dates and prerequisites – and register at the council website:

<http://www.mdsalsa.org/training/adult/high-adventure-training-hat/> or contact: HAT Coordinator John Reynolds [reynoldsjfr@netscape.net](mailto:reynoldsjfr@netscape.net) or (925) 689-9269

## Wood Badge

**WOOD BADGE is the ultimate in Scout leadership training** focused to teach leadership skills to adults involved in ALL levels of Scouting; Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Varsity, Venturing, and District, Council, and professional positions.

Fall 2018 courses are Sept 14-16 and Oct 6 – 8, 2018 at Camp Herms in El Cerrito. For information, visit

<http://www.mdsalsa.org/training/adult/wood-badge/> or contact course director Michele Poloka at (925) 262-3613 or [wb2018mdsc@gmail.com](mailto:wb2018mdsc@gmail.com).

## Order of the Arrow



Contact Joey (Moluk Apanuc Chief) at [Joey.curley7@gmail.com](mailto:Joey.curley7@gmail.com) or Ray Chan, Advisor at (925) 548-6179 or email: [ray4scouting@gmail.com](mailto:ray4scouting@gmail.com).

## OA - Request for Arrow of Light Ceremony

**Packs: Looking for the OA to perform a special ceremony for the Arrow of Light bridging?** Find info at the Meridian District website: <http://bsameridian.com/oa> (click the "Arrow of Light Bridging" link on the left side to request a ceremony). Contact OA Chapter Advisor, Ray Chan, [ray4scouting@gmail.com](mailto:ray4scouting@gmail.com).

## Special Council Patch



Mark our Council's centenary milestone with a special **limited-edition council patch!** This may be used to replace the standard shoulder patch on your uniform, or add to your patch collection. Cost is \$11 per patch (includes S&H); makes a great gift to that special scout or scout leader. Order at: <http://www.kintera.org/autogen/home/default.asp?ievent=1178346> or pick them up from Rand at home or at the council office. Proceeds go towards the Friends of Scouting funding in the Meridian District.

## Camp Wolfboro 90<sup>th</sup> Anniv Patch Contest



A design contest is being held for the special edition patch commemorating Wolfboro's 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Deadline for entries is February 16, 2018.

Information and design rules are available from Paul Shimotake at

[shimotak@wellsfargo.com](mailto:shimotak@wellsfargo.com) or (925) 285-3764.

Please send designs to Mt. Diablo Silverado Council, c/o Wolfboro 90th Patch, 800 Ellinwood Way, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523.

- 1) The design must be on a three-inch diameter circle.
- 2) The design must promote the theme of "90th Anniversary"
- 3) The following must be incorporated into the design: "Camp Wolfboro"; the Pine Tree from the Camp Logo"; "XC Anniversary" or "XC years" or "90th Anniversary" or "90 years"; "MDSC" or "Mt Diablo Silverado Council"; and "Since 1928"
- 4) The design can include up to six colors.

## Opportunities to Support the District!

Our committees are recruiting for additional support. If you'd like to get involved more at the District level just let us know – there are always opportunities. In particular we are seeking to fill the following roles: Nominating Cmte, Finance Chair, Unit Commissioners, Asst FOS Chair, Boy Scout RT Commish, Popcorn Colonel, Asst District Chair

Contact: Kent Screechfield, [kscreechfield@trcsolutions.com](mailto:kscreechfield@trcsolutions.com), or Sue Oki, [Meridian.Commish@gmail.com](mailto:Meridian.Commish@gmail.com).

**All levels of commitment are possible; it's only an hour a week ☺.**

