

# Meridian Matters

November 2018

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## District Calendar

**Eagle Boards & Roundtable at:** The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 5025 Crow Canyon Rd, San Ramon

**District Committee at:** The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2949 Stone Valley Rd, Alamo

### November 2018

1	1st Thurs Eagle Orientation, Boards & Project Proposals
8	Roundtable
15	3rd Thurs Eagle Boards and Project Proposals
15	Recharter Drop Off & HELP
29	Recharter Drop Off and HELP

### December 2018

	No Roundtable meeting in December
5	District Committee meeting
6	1st Thurs Eagle Orientation, Boards & Project Proposals
20	3rd Thurs Eagle Boards and Project Proposals

### November 2018 Roundtable

**November 8 – 7:30 p.m.**

- \* Cub Scout breakout - Den Leader Training
- \* Boy Scout breakout – snow camping
- \* New MDSC website update, TeamUp Calendar, District website changes

### January 2019 Roundtable

**January 10 – 7:30 p.m.**

- \* Advancement – annual update
- \* Day Camp and Family Scouting
- \* Merit Badge Counselor training
- \* FOS pre-meeting - at 6:30pm

### Friends of Scouting

The great news, Meridian District has gone over its 2018 FOS goal of \$134,000.

The not-so-good news – only 30% of families in the District have contributed.

The even more not-so -good-news is that Council is at only 70% of its goal. Lack of funds will have an impact on the services and resources Council can provide.

If you haven't already, please consider giving to FOS.

<https://app.mobilecause.com/form/dSa5kA>

### Scouting for Food

Saturday, November 10, 2018 – SFF door hangers

Saturday, November 17, 2018 – SFF collection

### BSA Youth Protection Training

Effective October 1, 2018 any leaders not YPT trained (with the new training as of Feb 2018) cannot work with youth, and you will be dropped from your unit's recharter. You will then need to re-join Scouting by taking the required YPT training AND completing a new BSA Adult application.

### Youth Protection Training

### Hazardous Weather Training

BSA is now making the NEW [Hazardous Weather Training](#) (still an online course - Code SCO\_800) a mandatory course for all direct contact Cub Scout, Boy Scout, and Venturing leaders. This is basically all leaders except unit committee members and chartered organization reps.

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## Adult Leader Training

**BALOO:** May 4-5, 2019, Oct 19-20, 2019

**Introduction Outdoor Leader Skills:** May 4-5, 2019, Oct 19-20, 2019

## High Adventure Training

Check-out the Council High Adventure Training offerings:

### **HAT Core & Basic Backpacking Awareness:**

**Cold Weather/OKPIK:** Winter 2019

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

[www.mdsCBSA.org/training](http://www.mdsCBSA.org/training) Contact: HAT Coordinator John Reynolds [reynoldsjfr@netscape.net](mailto:reynoldsjfr@netscape.net) or (925) 689-9269

## 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).

## Opportunities to Support the District!

If you'd like to get involved at the District level just let us know – there are always opportunities. Initially why not consider becoming a Committee Member and when you'd like more of a challenge take up one of the vacant roles; of course if you are ready just let us know. We are seeking to fill the following roles: Nominating Cmte, Finance Chair, Unit Commissioners, Asst FOS Chair, RT Commissioners, Popcorn Colonel, Asst District Chair. All levels of commitment are possible; it's only an hour a week ☺. Contact:

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

## Fundraising

**Popcorn** Funding for your unit

Nov 7-8 - Popcorn pick up for TAKE orders

Dec 15 – Scholarship, Campership forms due at Council

## Adopt-a-School



The program is a great way for Packs, Troops and Crews to connect with their local schools. Scouts offer volunteer services that help schools. Project ideas may include landscaping, building improvements, book drive coordination, helpers during school events, and so on. This overall intent is to provide an enduring bond between individual Scouts and their immediate Community, between Scouting and the Community as a whole.

[Click for more information.](#)

## Save The Date

- \* LEAD: Jan 26, 2019 8:00a – 5:00p
- \* Camp Cards – coming in January
- \* MDSC annual awards dinner: Feb 9, 2019, 6:00p
- \* District Awards Dinner: Mar 23, 2019, 6:00p
- \* Camporee 2019 Fri, April 26 – Sun, April 28, 2019
- \* Cub Scout Day Camp: June 10 to June 14, 2019