

Mountain Valley District March 2023 Newsletter

Roundtable/Training Agenda

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| 6:00 | Roundtable at AED building 2928 Technology Blvd W, Bozeman MT 59718 |
| 6:30 | OA Meeting via Zoom |

District News

March Roundtable – We are moving our Roundtable to the AED building right behind Kohl's (glass tower with the LED screen clock). Come check out the coolest meeting room in Bozeman! We will meet with Terry Dutton who will lead a tutorial on the Black Pug system and discuss leading the District Activity process. We will also discuss what we want the Roundtable process to look like (when, where, content, etc.). Wear your Class B uniform please. Stephan is bringing German Food to snack on and Tina is bringing a dessert.

Note: For security reasons, the doors will be locked. We will monitor the doors to let people in and visitors will need to sign an entry log. **Please show up just before 6:00!**

District Pinewood Derby – Calling all racers!!! All scouts and adults are invited to race their car at the MVD Pinewood Derby on Saturday, April 1st from 9-11. There will be exclusive heats for Cub Scout Unit Champions, food vendors and cool trophies that hold the cars! Please [register online!](#)

Silver Beaver Nominations – Do you know a leader who provides noteworthy service to our youth? Montana Council is accepting nominations for the [Silver Beaver Award](#). Read more and complete an application online.

OA Elections – It's time to set the date for when unit OA elections will take place. The OA is happy to put together an election team to visit your unit. Please have your SPL (or Crew President) contact the Chapter leadership at least two weeks or more prior to your planned election. Tatanka Chapter would ask that elections are held done by April 30. If you have extenuating circumstances or have any questions, please contact Andrew Liebmann.

Scout Week Events – WOW!!! We had 114 AMAZING scouts and leaders collect for the local food banks during Scout Week. We collected a total of 7,877 pounds and \$3,614!! THAT'S INCREDIBLE!! Thank you all for your help with this food drive! I know the food bank staff really appreciated it! We had 29 scouts and leaders wear their uniforms to church on Scout Sunday. Thank you for representing our scouting program in your communities! Lastly, we had three entries (649, 3648 and 2526) into the Scout Window contest. The winner will be announced this week at Roundtable!

ICL Community Breakfast – Despite the cold weather, we had a pretty good turnout for the ICL Community Breakfast and raised \$84,302!! **THAT IS AMAZING!!!** We would like to especially thank:

- **AMAZING Event Organizer** – Renee Stephens, DE
- **Host** – Jim Ness, President/CEO of First Security Bank
- **Keynote Speaker** – Brigadier General, USAF (Ret.), Kendal Switzer
- **Scouts** – Lily (Bobcat 3648), Simon (Webelos 3671), Evie (Star Scout 619), Joshua (Eagle Scout 679), Ben & Evan Rodgers (649)
- **Invocation** – Hans Skovlin, Air Force ROTC Cadet
- **Speakers** – Jory Dellinger and Tina O'Donnell
- **Photographers** – Keith Nathan and Lido Vizzutti
- **Breakfast Sponsor** – Walker Excavation
- **Event Host** – Hilton Garden Inn Staff
- **Program Sponsor** – ColorWorld
- **Auction Donations** – MSU Athletics
- **Auctioneer** – Dean Folkvord
- **Raffle Baskets** – Jason Kovnesky

2023 Community Partner Award – Congratulations to our **Murdoch's Ranch & Home Supply!** We appreciate all of the partnership and support you have provided over the years for our popcorn program!

District Activity Calendar

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| 3/2 | Roundtable (6:00) at AED building OA Meeting (6:30) via Zoom |
| 3/9 | MVD Committee Planning |
| 3/11 | College of Commissioner Science |
| 3/18 | Eagle Scout Report to the State |
| 3/31 | District Committee Member Training |

District Celebrations and Thanks

Thank you to Katie Daughenbaugh for her **AMAZING** leadership in putting on the Winter Camporee at Blackmore Campground!!! There were so many other leaders that helped with various logistics to make this event happen. We appreciate you all!!

We had approximately 70 people, including 60 scouts who braved the low of 1 on Friday and 15 on Saturday to receive 48 Frost Points! We are grateful to Friends of the Gallatin National Forest Avalanche Center who taught us how to use beacons & probes to save avalanche victims. We had Sven Sled races where scouts had to pack their sleds, do various stations (like shoot carrots and charcoal at snowmen with slingshots), make kindling to build a cooking fire for making a

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pancake, orienteering skills and of course first aid! The winner was the Cheesepuff Army Patrol from Troop 619 with their sled named Will Farrell! Thank you to Troop 679 for hosting the Campfire Program and Troop 649 for hosting the Sunday Morning Service!

District Help Needed

District Commissioner – We need to find someone who can replace Dave who has been doing this position for a long time. This role is pivotal to be a liaison between Council and the District Key 3. They also organize the Unit Commissioners who are the liaisons with the District and the Units. Contact Tina or Dave for more details!

Stay Connected

- Send activity photos or other information to share to MVD315@gmail.com.
- MVD Remind: Text @scoutmvd to 81010
- Website: <https://montanabsa.org/districts/mountain-valley/5/>
- Facebook: [Mountain Valley District-Montana Council](#)
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