



DEC. PACK MEETING & HOLIDAY PARTY (Pg. 1)
ELK'S LODGE
WED, DEC. 14, 7PM



ROCK CITY HIKE (Pg. 2)
Mt. DIABLO STATE PARK
SAT., JAN. 14, 1:30PM



PINEWOOD DERBY CUT-OUT (Pg. 3)
BAY FARM SCHOOL
TUE., DEC. 20TH



CAKE BOSS (Pg. 2)
EDISON MPR
JAN. 17, 2017

THE BUGLER. NEWSLETTER OF PACK 1015

December Pack Meeting & Holiday Party

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Season's greetings Pack 1015! We have our Holiday Party and Pack Meeting **this week on Wednesday, December 14th at 7:00PM** in the **Alameda Elks Lodge (2255 Santa Clara Ave)**. We have booked the upstairs Ballroom for the festive music-filled event. After the usual announcements and awards, the Pack will sing holiday songs together, accompanied on piano by Tiger Grandmother Joan DeWindt. During the singing, each Den will take its turn to decorate the Pack Christmas tree with the decorations created by the scouts. Afterwards, we will enjoy some social time while eating cookies provided by the Bear Den. If we are lucky, we will have a repeat from last year, where we got a surprise visit by a portly and jolly old fellow. Wouldn't that be awesome if he also brought some Pinewood Derby Cars again?

A special thanks goes to Encinal Nursery, (located at 2057 Encinal Ave), for once again donating the tree for the event. During the meeting, we will present the tree along with the ornaments to the Alameda Point Collaborative (APC). APC's mission is to help families and



individuals break the cycle of homelessness and poverty by providing housing and services to create communities where formerly homeless families and individuals can flourish.

- **WHEN?** Wednesday, Dec. 14th, 7pm
- **WHERE?** Elks Lodge 1015 (2255 Santa Clara Ave., Alameda)
- **QUESTIONS?** Email info@pack1015.org for more info ■

Cake Boss 2017 is coming up!



Get ready to get your bake on! Back by popular demand, the 3rd Annual Pack 1015 Cake Boss will be held on **Tuesday, January 17th 2017, at 6:30 PM**, in the **Edison MPR**. The Cake Boss is one of our two big Pack fundraisers, where all

scouts are invited to bake a cake for the Pack's silent cake auction. We will also have **Henry Aawayan**, the professional cake maker behind Alameda's [Whisk Cake Creations](#), visit us again with a cake decorating demonstration. **This year we are giving a nod to how cool our community is with the theme: Alameda.** Scouts are encouraged to make their own cake creation that showcases whatever Alameda means to them. More information to come! If you have any questions, you can contact Gordon Williams at flashfoot@gmail.com.

- **WHEN?** Tuesday, Jan. 17th, 6:30pm
- **WHERE?** Edison Elementary MPR (2700 Buena Vista Ave.)
- **QUESTIONS?** Contact Gordon at flashfoot@gmail.com ■

January Pack Hike: Rock City

Last weekend's Pack Hike at Coyote Hills was a hard act to follow, admittedly, but Pack 1015's hike coordinators **Jack Kotovsky** and **Kim Rankin** have an amazing adventure planned for next month: on Saturday, Jan. 14th, at 1:30pm, the Pack will explore Rock City Park. Rock City is located off South Gate Road in Mt. Diablo State Park, about a mile past the South Gate Kiosk. Parents, be advised that this is a bit of a drive from Alameda (about an hour from Edison School via 24E/680S) but

UPCOMING EVENTS



HOLIDAY PARTY

Wednesday Dec. 14, 7pm
Elk's Lodge

PINEWOOD CUT-OUT

Tuesday Dec. 20, 7:30pm
Bay Farm School
(Optional, Troop 3 event)

ROCK CITY PACK HIKE

Saturday, Jan. 14, 1:30pm
Mt. Diablo State Park

CAKE BOSS

Tuesday, Jan. 17, 6:30pm
Edison MPR

BSA CRAB FEED

Saturday, Jan. 21, 6pm
St. Philip Neri Church Alameda

*WINTER LODGE TAHOE

Fri-Sun, Feb. 3-5
Camp Richardson

SOLD OUT

*USS PAMPANITO

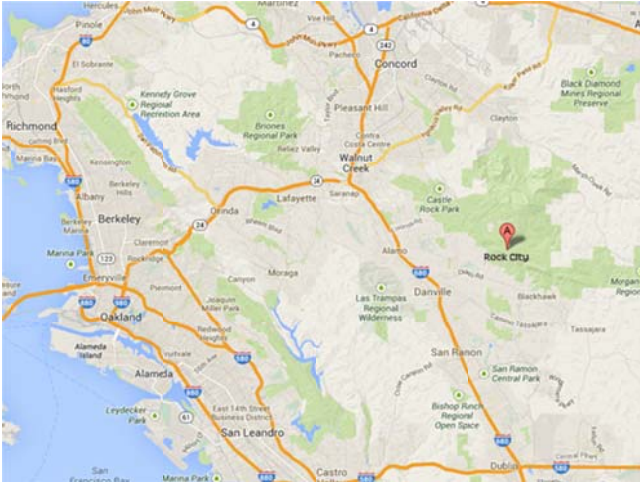
Fri-Sat, Jan. 20-21
Fisherman's Wharf SF

SOLD OUT

* Denotes an overnight event.

See

<http://pack1015.org/calendar-of-events/pack-events-calendar/> for a complete and up-to-date calendar of events, including Den meetings.



well worth the effort as Rock City is home to some of the Bay Area's most incredible rock formations. Features include the Wind Caves, Elephant Rock, Sentinel Rock, Artist Point, and Fossil Ridge. And, for Scouts who were intrigued by the Ohlone artifacts on display at Coyote Hills, be sure to check out the Native American grinding holes near the Grotto at Rock City.

- **WHEN?** Saturday, Jan. 14th, 1:30 – 3:30pm
- **WHERE?** Rock City (**details to follow via email**)
- **QUESTIONS?** Email kimrankin@gmail.com ■

Pinewood Derby Cut-Out with Troop 3

As part of its regularly scheduled meeting, Boy Scout Troop 3 of Alameda, which meets at Bay Farm School, invites Cub Scout guests to have their Pinewood Derby cars cut. Remember to bring your Pinewood kits (the block itself is all you really need); kits will be handed out at this week's Pack Meeting/Holiday Party.

Note: this is a Troop 3 sponsored event. To help Troop 3 get an idea of how many Cub Scouts they will be accommodating, please RSVP to Rita Hui at the email listed below, or by calling (510) 928-4381, if you are interested.

- **WHEN?** Tuesday, Dec. 20, 7:30 – 8:30pm
- **WHERE?** Bay Farm School (200 Aughinbaugh Way, Alameda, CA 94502)
- **QUESTIONS?** Email Rita Hui at rhui_00@yahoo.com ■

Recent Events

The '16-17 Scouting year has been a very active one so far in Pack 1015. Just last month, our Pack was part of a Scouting for Food effort that led to the collection of over 13,000 cans of food and will help over 2,200 food-insecure households in Alameda. This past weekend, the Pack spread holiday cheer throughout a local nursing home with Cub Scouts caroling in the lobby and up and down the halls! The Dens have all been busy crafting ornaments to hang on the Christmas tree that will be donated to the Alameda Point Collaborative.

Last Saturday's hike in the Coyote Hills Regional Park was literally one for the record books: Pack 1015 put 21 Cub Scouts in a giant, sprawling oak tree along the Quail Trail, which is expected to set the World Record! (Our application is pending as of this writing.) See below for pictures from this and other events.



A Boy Scout from Troop 73 gives Cub Scouts a tutorial on the use of a map and compass.



Bouldering at Coyote Hills Regional Park. We did *not* set the World Record for Cub Scouts on a rock!



Pack 1015 caroling at Alameda Healthcare & Wellness Center.



Just a few of the 21 Scouts who helped set the World Record for Cub Scouts in a tree on Dec. 3, 2016!

Cubmaster's Corner

Peace is the result of retraining your mind to process life as it is, rather than as you think it should be. – Wayne W. Dyer

Given the current political climate within our nation, it's a good time to try to find greater peace in our lives at home. Recognizing the tremendous promise in our children can give us great hope for our future and a peace of mind. We wish you good health, happiness, and peace this holiday season.

We would like to extend thanks to all of our many volunteers that make Pack 1015 so active and fun, especially: **Ray Delgado, Edwin Lager, Craig Spahn, and Eric Long** for organizing and running the Space Derby, along with everyone who helped the event run smoothly (especially **Norm McBride!**); **Kim Rankin** and **the Webelos I Families** for organizing the space derby cafe; **Kim Rankin** and **Dave Keys** for organizing the Coyote Hills Hike; **Jack Kotovsky** and **Eric Long** for coordinating the Supermoon Hike on Alameda Beach; **Scott and Heather Hildreth** for being our astronomy guides on the Supermoon Hike; **Sophia Hirano** for coordinating all of the popcorn sales; **Matt Brotze** for coordinating the Scouting for Food event; **Dorinda von Stroheim** for coordinating the Halloween Trash Pickup and Holiday Caroling Events; **Joan DeWindt** for playing piano at the upcoming Pack meeting (and **Mike DeWindt** for getting her booked!); **Jeff Thomas** for coordinating the Pack Christmas tree, all of the awards, and getting all of the Space Derby Kits and PWD kits; **Chris Kelly** and **Stacey Plaskett** for coordinating the Winter Lodge signups and contracting; **Laura Katz** for taking on the role of Winter Lodge onsite coordinator; and **Kara Eastwood** for coordinating the upcoming overnight on the USS Pampanito. In addition, thank you to all of the **Den Leaders** and **Pack Leaders** who keep things running! When you see these people around, please take a moment to say “Thank you!”

~Gordon Williams, Cubmaster

Additional Info

Alameda Council Annual Crab Feed and Auction

The Alameda Council is holding its 8th Annual Crab Feed & Auction on January 21, 2017. This event will draw Scouts from all Packs and Troops in Alameda and, as such, is a great opportunity for Pack 1015 families to make new friends! Dinner starts at 6pm and will be followed by both silent and live auctions. Please note that tickets will not be sold at the door. Register online by going to <http://www.bsa-alameda.org/EventRegistration.aspx?e=262&rs=14>.



Volunteering for Pack 1015

Pack 1015 is 100% volunteer staffed, and we are constantly in need of new and additional volunteers to help coordinate the many activities we do during the year. Time commitments can be as little as just a few hours to plan one event. We have a truly great Pack, and this is because of the voluntary contributions of the parents who step up and take on a small part of the coordination effort. The volunteer positions listed below need to be filled in order to continue to offer these activities to our Scouts:

- **Bugler Editor**

Approx. time required: 10 hours per edition, 8-9 editions per year ideally. This volunteer will be shadowing the current and outgoing Bugler editor, takes sole responsibility for Bugler as of summer 2017.

INTERESTED? Please contact our Committee Chair, Carlos Flores. Carlos can be reached at info@pack1015.org. Thank you!

Friends of Scouting

Help grow big things with the Boy Scouts of America. Donate to the Alameda Council and give young people the chance to have fun, gain confidence, and become leaders who live by the Scout Oath and the Scout Law.



Financial resources for Alameda Council come from our Friends of Scouting (FOS) annual giving campaign, foundation grants, special events, product sales, and income from invested assets. You can help us close the gap by going to <http://www.bsa-alameda.org/Donate> and choosing a contribution amount you are comfortable with. The Scouts thank you! ■