

# SCOUT TROOP 216

69 years of chartered service by the  
Kiwanis Club of San Ramon

Troop 216 services Alamo, Danville and Walnut Creek.

## Meeting location:

Stone Valley Middle School (SVMS)  
3001 Miranda Ave  
Alamo, CA 94507

## Troop 216 website:

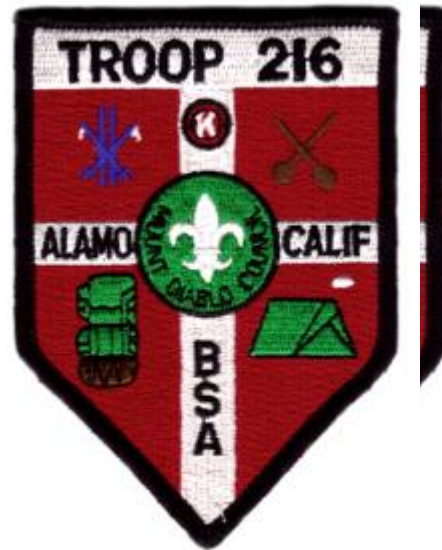
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Troop 216 has been serving the Alamo, Danville and Walnut Creek communities for just over 69 years. We are proud that our troop is the oldest chartered troop in the Meridian District. The troop continues to earn the Gold Journey to Excellence Award for high standards in leadership, outdoor programs and scout accomplishments.

## Our Scouts

Troop 216 has 35 registered Scouts, ranging in age from 6<sup>th</sup> grade (11 years) to Senior in High School (17 years).

Troop 216 uses the Patrol Method, developed by Baden-Powell. There are seven (7) active Patrols of similar ranked scouts. The troop has found that this will allow for patrol events to occur for this special period of restricted contact. Older scouts continue to help younger scouts on monthly events and interactions over ZOOM.

## Meetings

Normally, troop meetings are Tuesdays from 7PM-8:30PM, with the Patrol Leader Council on the first Tuesday of the month. During this period of quarantine, we hold all our meetings via ZOOM. Starting this year we also have Planning meetings every Monday for all Adults and Committee members.

A typical Troop Meeting is led by scouts in leadership positions, with topics ranging from merit badge and advancement requirements to trip planning followed by a fun game or skill learning activity.

We have converted our Courts of Honor to be Patrol based to limit the number of contacts and still provide presentation of Rank Advancements, Merit Badges, and Special Awards and Recognitions.

## Outdoor Activities

This year the troop has planned a monthly backpacking & camping series and a car camping & hiking series. As well as various one day troop events, all following the states mandate on distance and max number of people. The Troop will continue to plan for attending the BSA summer camp in 2021 and one BSA High Adventure. This summer our Scouts will attend BSA Camp Wente, as well as high adventure BSA Philmont when available. As opportunities arise, additional outdoor activities are added to the calendar at the discretion of the Patrol Leaders Council and Committee.

## Upcoming events - Please contact CharlesTai2@yahoo.com

Nov 14, Point Montara Lighthouse, Webelos scouts are invited to join our troop on a fun hike around the lighthouse area. In keeping with social distancing, scouts must be driven to and from each location by a parent.

3rd Tuesday of every month - Off site Patrol activity meetings. Webelos are welcome to meet our patrols and join with activities. (eg. frisbee, hikes, ice cream...etc),