Committee Chair Report -
A big thank you to Jeff Pelz who lead the Troop Parent meeting as Committee Chair Nancy was away this week. There will be a $30 per scout - one-time assessment at annual due time to cover the cost of the tool shed. The funds can also be transferred from the scout account ($30) or the scout can participate in a fund raiser activity and earn the one time $30 payment before March 30, 2014. At this point we still do not have a new location for the shed, if anyone has suggestions or knows a good location we can pursue, please contact Nancy. It was announced last night that Nation BSA has increased the dues $10 per scout so our dues will be increasing this year. The dues will be $110 plus the $30 one time assessment and due by the end of the year.

Scoutmaster Corner- Tom Azzopardi
Tom is offering a leadership skill training program for those scouts who have troop leader positions. The troop's organization chart will soon be available on the troop website. Each position will have a leadership card with the description of the job along with the name of the adult and scout advisor. This will provide the scout the tools needed to be present and learn how to lead. Each scout will need to attend the program to fulfill the advancement requirement. Attendance while serving in the 6 month leader position is 75% at Troop as well as PLC meetings and 50% on activities/scout outings. If a scout is unable to make it, he must take the responsibility and find someone to replace him. Parents should be aware of their scout's leadership role. The leadership training has currently occurred at the pre-meetings on Tuesdays however Tom would like to hold the training on a Saturday session which will occur each time the troop changes in leadership which is every 6 months. The scout's participation will be monitored to make sure that he is fulfilling the requirements. This is a great opportunity for your scout that will give him skills he will use throughout his life.

National Youth Leadership Training -(NYLT)
There will be a winter Feb 15-17 and 21-23 session held for this program and a summer week session on June 16 -21. If you are interested in your scout attending, please have him talk to Scoutmaster Tom Azzopardi.

Community Events -
We will be holding the Troops Annual Flag Retirement Ceremony on the top of Old Ranch Road on October 22. Not to be missed. Starts at dusk.

Scouting for Food will be held on consecutive Saturdays – Nov 9 & 16. Each scout must commit to one Saturday.

Fundraising  Andreas Metzger metzgeras@yahoo.com
Short Term Outdoor Activities  Steve Rettig
Pinnacles Camping Trip is planned for November 1-3. There is no school on that Friday, Nov 1 and will be leaving earlier on that day. If the Pinnacles is still affected by the government shut down, there is other options that they will pursue.

Hikes  Sam Habib
Long-Term Outdoor Activities  A.Lee, P. Rettig, S.Perkins
Troop 84 has reservations for Camp Wente for July 13 – 19 at Camp Wente. If your scout is planning to attend, there will be a deposit of $150. due in early January. The total cost of camp has not been determined however please estimate that the cost will be close or over $400.

Membership – Sonny Patel
If anyone is interested in being a new scout in Troop 84, please contact Sonny at sonnypatel@gmail.com as we will capping registration to 18 scouts. Siblings will have priority, in that case please let Sonny know by December. Thank you.

AdvanceChair Comm – A. Rettig, A.Calderon,T.Medlin
Troop Equipment – Jeff Pelz jeffpelz@hotmail.com
Troop Roster –Maureen Brooks brooks238@comcast.net
Uniform- Sai Mohan ashvinmohan@hotmail.com
If you are interested in purchasing a hi-tek shirt with the 25th anniversary logo, the cost is $12 per shirt. Contact Sai.

Treasurer’s Report (as of Sept. 30, 2013) - Deanna DePonceau
Beginning balance $ 8,256.47
Deposits 4,650.00
Less: Withdrawals $ 6,997.07
Ending balance $ 5,909.40
Junko Savage at junkosavage@hotmail.com collects deposits for the Troop.

Webmaster – Sushil Panthari
Merit Badges – Angie Rettig familia.rettig@sbcglobal.net
Any scout interested in certain merit badges, contact Angie.

Personal Management (Chemparathy/Panthari) – Ongoing
Citizenship in the World – September/October
Cycling – Oct. 12

Key Dates for Upcoming Events (www.troop84bsa.org)
Always check the web site for updates
Oct 22  Flag Retirement Ceremony
Nov 1-3  Pinnacles (Dawson/Habib)
Nov 9 & 16  Scouting for Food
Nov 23-25  Backpacking trip – T. Azzopardi
Dec 6  Mistletoe bagging
Dec 7 &  Selling mistletoe
Dec 14 & 15  Selling mistletoe
Jan 31 – Feb 2  Camp Herms
July 13 – 19  Camp Wente