BSA Troop 84 Newsletter

Happy Thanksgiving!
It’s the season of thanks and giving! Let’s be thankful for our excellent troop, the many opportunities it affords our boys, and volunteers to keep it going. We appreciate any help you can offer to give back to Troop 84! See volunteer opportunities below or contact Jeannie at ornowskifam@gmail.com.

Mistletoe Fundraiser – Saaiyini Mohan
Our one and only fundraising event begins Dec. 2. We cut mistletoe, assemble bags, and sell over 2-3 weekends. More details coming. Mark calendars for this mandatory event.


Dec 3-4, Dec 10-11 Mistletoe Sales #1, 2 (#3 if needed, Dec. 17-18)

Scout Master’s Corner – Tom Azzopardi
Attention all Dads! Our troop has grown to 90+ scouts and we need you! Become an Assistant Scout Master (ASM). We support you 100% and reimburse for uniform and all ASM training. Cool, right? Make Tom’s day at next meeting or tazzopardi@yahoo.com.

Our troop mirrors our community, and we have fellow scouts with special needs. We A(SM)s, senior/lead scouts, and parents will continue to learn to support all our scouts.

Committee Chair Report – Jeannie Ornowski
Renew membership by Nov. 15. See email from Junko Savage. Check calendar for some date shifts. Start planning for summer camps! See Tom’s email for a list of camps/dates.

Equipment Swap – Victor Wu
Success! All items were taken. Next swaps will happen in spring and before summer.

Scouting for Food – Raymond Metzger, John Reith
Distribute flyers Sat Nov 12, 9-11 am
Collect food Sat Nov 19 9:30-12pm
Meet at Neil Armstrong Elementary
Remember Class A uniform, comfy shoes, water
See “Scouting for Food” email sent Oct. 30

Merit Badges – David Barnes
Do you have a passion, knowledge or expertise to share? Become a merit badge counselor to help Scouts explore a topic of interest. You don’t need to be an expert; just have some knowledge and willingness to help.

Explore the current list of merit badges and read here for more details. We have people to help and support you. Camp Herms is Feb. 10-12 for our troop only and will offer 4 merit badges. We’ll offer 1-Communications and 2-Citizenship but need 2 more badges: can you help with Geocaching, Traffic Safety, or other topic? Contact DBarnesis@comcast.net.
Zombie Camping – David Barnes

Scouts did well with first aid response, but we were disappointed with passive and blatant disrespect throughout. What’s next? Re-training: Leadership, fire safety, leave no trace. More details to come via email, including a new Lead Scout Planning Guide.

Advance Chair Committee – T. Medlin, A. Calderon, A. Rettig

Board of Review for rank advancement is Nov 29, Jan. 24. Scout must schedule appointment with Terry at tamedlin@aol.com.

That’s it until the next parent meeting and newsletter in January 2017.

Happy Holidays!