Committee Chair Update – John Hager
Equipment Storage Shed – The Executive Committee (led by Hager) continues to explore options for the most economical type of shed to store the troop’s equipment and best location. Currently considering purchase (instead of rental) of a unit that will be located at Mark Vicar’s house.

Treasurer’s Report (as of September 30th) – Audrey Fate

Past Events
Eagle Projects – Several projects are currently underway. These are terrific opportunities for Scouts to help out and earn service hours.
Rafting Trip (Dawson) – Nearly 30 Scouts and 9 parents enjoyed a weekend of rafting. They completed all but one of the requirements for the Whitewater Rafting merit badge.
Camporee (Nichols) – About 25 Scouts attended and all had a great weekend.

Semi Annual Planning Meeting – 10 boys attended. It was a very productive session with lots of ideas generated for 2007.

Pinnacles Hiking Trip (Slauson) – In mid-October, 14 Scouts and 6 parents enjoyed two nights of camping and a challenging 10-mile hike.
Church Clean-up – Last Sat. morning, 15 Scouts and 7 adults helped with the church clean-up. Thanks to all who participated. COV was very appreciative of our efforts!

Advancement Report – Kathi Nichols
Eagle Projects – Tommy W., Stanley C. and Kevin P. are all currently working on their Eagle projects. Look for emails with opportunities to help.

Eagle Court of Honor (Nov 18) – Two Scouts, Matthew V. and Wesley C., will be honored on Nov. 18 at 3 p.m. at the St. Philip Lutheran Church, 8850 Davona Dr. in Dublin. All Scouts and their parents are invited. Please join these Scouts in recognizing this important achievement.

Board of Review – The next board of review will be in December, after Camp Herms. Scouts must call Kathi Nichols to schedule their review. Please do not wait until the night before to call. Remember: a Scout advances to the next rank upon completion of their board review.

Announcement Corner
Halloween (Tues. Oct 31) – No Scout meeting

Upcoming Activities
5-Mile Hike (Las Trampas Park) (Oct 28) – Mark Vicars is leading a 5-mile hike that will include compass work and maps. It’s an excellent opportunity for Scouts to get some second and first class requirements signed off. See Mark’s email for details.
Train Ride to Sacramento (Sat. Nov 4) – Scouts and interested parents will take the train to Sacramento and visit the train museum. Look for more info and permission slip via email from Mr. Ron Schmucker. If you can’t make this trip another one is being scheduled for late January or early February.
Scouting for Food (Nov. 11 & 18) – Parent and Scout volunteers will be needed for two Saturdays in November. This activity is done in coordination with Cub Scout Troop 842.

Merit Badge Weekend (Camp Herm) (Dec 1-3) – Please be sure to let Kathi Nichols know if you’re likely to attend and what merit badges should be offered. Parents are invited to attend the spaghetti feed on Saturday evening.
Mistletoe Fund Raiser (Dec 9-10 & 16-17) – This is Troop 84’s only fundraiser, with goal to raise $2,500. Scouts will be expected to help out during the two weekends in Dec. More details from Harold Martin next month.

Upcoming Merit Badges
Citizenship in the Nation (Disko) – NEW! Ideal for 8th and 11th graders. Look for an email in the near future.
Aviation (Koupal) – Look for an email from Ken Koupal.
Railroad – NEW! Badge work will begin with the train ride & visit to train museum in Sacramento on Nov. 4.
Dog Care (K. Lore) – NEW! Open to all interested Scouts. Details forthcoming.

Key Dates for Upcoming Events
See www.troop84bsa.org for details on all future events

October
28 5-Mile Hike (Las Trampas Park)

November
4 Train Ride to Old Town Sacramento
11 Scouting for Food
18 Scouting for Food
18 Eagle Court of Honor (3 pm)

December
1-3 Merit Badge Weekend (Camp Herm)
9-10 Mistletoe sales
16-17 Mistletoe sales
19 Annual Bowling Night