

# GIRL SCOUT® NOTES

Minutes from 1/03/06 Leader Meeting.

Margaret welcomed the leaders present. No one from council attended.

If anyone would like to put an article in our local service unit newsletter that Margaret's daughter is putting together it must be emailed to Margaret no later than the 15<sup>th</sup> of January. [pfrank1582@aol.com](mailto:pfrank1582@aol.com) This newsletter will go out to every registered Girl Scout in our service unit.

Many thank yous went out to Anna Maria for organizing a wonderful Holiday Dinner at Christopher's!

There was a lot of discussion over the Recognitions this year. Every year our service unit as well as council likes to recognize exceptional service on a local as well as council wide level. There are various levels of awards, which can be found on the Monmouth Council of Girl Scouts, website under forms: Monmouth Council Awards Insert and GSUSA Awards Insert. [Anyone who would like to nominate a leader or other outstanding volunteer in Girl Scouting should check out the criteria and fill out the forms and submit them to council no later than Feb 1<sup>st</sup>. Margaret is looking for someone to chair this committee so that any paperwork and criteria can be checked for validity before it goes to council.](#) Check out the Colts Neck Girl Scouts website for a direct link to the forms also. [www.orgsites.com/nj/cngirlscouts](http://www.orgsites.com/nj/cngirlscouts)

Ginny V. our Registrar reported that we have 23 troops, 48 adults and 195 girls. She also stated that she is having a difficult time getting our membership ID's from council. Margaret said she would look into it but that there is some upheaval going on at council and it may take some time for them to sort it out.

Lina C. our Organizer stated that all girls except for a troop of 7 1<sup>st</sup> graders have been organized into a troop. No one has stepped up to the plate to lead these girls. How unfortunate.

Gerry V. our consultant stated that all new leaders have submitted their paperwork and have had their new leader orientation.

Anna Maria C. stated that we have \$2719.66 in the Service Unit checking acct. She stated that we have not had any Service Unit wide events so therefore we have not used any money.

This led to a discussion of Activities. This is whom we have signed up for activity by grade and coordinator. [If the activity is your grade level see how you can reach out to that coordinator to help.](#) [If there is no coordinator please consider coordinating an event.](#)

Memorial Day Parade- K- May-Jola Osborne  
Field/pool day – 1<sup>st</sup> – June- Kelly Taylor  
Beach clean up- 2<sup>nd</sup>-March-Lina Calderaro and Laura Tucker and assisted by Monica Galianese and Mimi Medlin  
Water Stations for CN 10k – 3<sup>rd</sup>- Sept. 06 -?  
Family Night-4<sup>th</sup>-TBA-possible bowling outing discussed. Gerry Viggiani assisted by Maggie Osmulski and Anita Omalley  
Overnight trip 5<sup>th</sup> TBA Eileen Petruich  
Service Project – 6<sup>th</sup>-May- Anna Maria  
SU recognition dinner-June-?

Lisa G. our Cookie Chair talked at length about the cookie sale. She is taking over for Teresa P. and it is a very difficult position to take on.

There are still several troops who have not reached out to Lisa and picked up their cookie packets. Please reach out to Lisa ASAP to pick up packets. 732-332-0810.

The sale dates are as follows:

1/6-1/22 cookie sale

1/26 order forms to Lisa

3/6 cookie pick up

3/17 cookie money deposited

There are some important changes: There will only be full cases sold. In the past we had the opportunity to order only what we needed and not have to round up to full cases. That is no longer the case. **YOU MUST ORDER IN FULL CASES.** What that means is if your girls orders total up and you have for example 3 cases + 4 boxes of Thin Mints you must order 4 cases of Thin Mints. You can sell the other 8 boxes at your booth sales. Keep this in mind when you are ordering for your booth sales.

Also **we will be picking up our cookies at the warehouse in Wall instead of in town.** This in the long run will make it easier for all involved as most of the work is handled by the warehouse staff. This is a copy of part of Lisa's email concerning this:

We will be picking up the cookies on March 6<sup>th</sup> between 10 – 12 at the cookie warehouse. The warehouse is located in Wall Township on Route 34 across from Allaire Airport, which is only 15 minutes south of Colts Neck. I will forward specific times in the future within this two-hour block for each troop to pick up cookies. If your troop does not show up at the warehouse on time you will then have to go to the Council office in Farmingdale to pick up your cookie order.

The process is to pull your car into the warehouse where the cookies will be separated by type of cookie. A flatbed will be provided and a volunteer will help you load all of your cookies onto the flatbed and then into your vehicle. I am told that this process takes approximately 15 – 30 minutes. Information in your packet details how many cases can fit into a specific type of car. Keep in mind if your troop sells a lot of cookies, you might need two cars for pick up. There are no children allowed in the warehouse. You may bring them in your car, but they are not allowed to get out of the car for safety reasons.

Lastly, if there were someone out there that would like to be the booth sale coordinator Lisa would greatly appreciate it. She has a lot going on and it would be very helpful if she could share some of the duties.

Lina, Laura, Gerry and Margaret will be attending the Delegate Meeting at Council on January 19<sup>th</sup>. If anyone has anything they want shared with council please let one of them know.

The Colts Neck Fair will be 8/17-8/20 if you are interested in selling soda at the fair contact Margaret.

Also if there is anyone who needs any sort of training still please contact Margaret.

Next Team Meeting is 1/31

Next Leader Meeting is 2/7 @ 9:30 at St. Mary's