

Leaders and Advisers,

Lucky us! Only a little bit of snow came our way! I hope all of your little ones enjoyed the break and built a few snow women. Our Leader meeting is this Monday, February 2nd at 7:45 p.m., but before Friday – PLEASE CHECK your EBIZ and EBUDDE rosters.

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION DEADLINE FOR SU is this Saturday!! – Cranford is lucky to have each and every one of you as volunteers! As you may have seen, an email was sent out to all Girl Scout families in Cranford requesting nominations. The responses have been great and we extended the request to this Saturday just to catch anyone who may have forgotten to respond.

COOKIES – Sales start on Monday, Feb. 2nd and end on the 25th. If you haven't picked up the supplies for your troop or have further cookie questions contact Patricia Brady (ibia6968@gmail.com) and Nancy Aschmies (nancyaschmies@gmail.com). Remember to check eBuddie. If your girls are not showing up in eBuddie by Friday, January 30th they will **NOT** be able to sell cookies. Sometimes there is a glitch in the system, but we don't know that until YOU double check your eBuddie roster.

In light of the fast-approaching membership registration deadline for cookies, GSHNJ will be offering the following extended hours at the Westfield Service Center (201 East Grove Street) **TONIGHT, Thursday, January 29th from 4 to 7 p.m.!** This Open House Registration Evening will give anyone who is having an issue with registration the opportunity to receive direct assistance from council staff. Also, the GSHNJ Product Program team will also be available in case there are any cookie-related questions. There will be activities and snacks for children. All are welcome! Note, you can also stop in during GSHNJ normal business hours, Thursday and Friday, 9am-5pm.

FLAG CEREMONY AT TOWNSHIP HALL: It has been a long standing tradition that the Girl Scouts of Cranford provide the flag ceremony at the beginning of every official Township Meeting. The meetings are held on Tuesday's at 8 p.m. and the troop should be there by 7:45 p.m. We have many openings for 2015: **February 10 Taken by Troop 40196 – THANK YOU!** and February 24, March 10 and 24, April 7 and 21, May 5 and 19, June 9 and 23, July 14, August 11, September 15 and 29, October 27, November 10 and 24, and December 15. If each troop volunteers for one meeting a year – THAT WOULD BE AWESOME!! Has YOUR troop participated this year?

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES (most flyers found under www.CranfordGirlScouts.com):

- Saturday, February 21st – Thinking Day (Countries Reserved: Brazil, Ireland, Germany, Italy, Morocco). Contact shrimpervt@aol.com for more information.
- Saturday, February 28th - Brownie Father Daughter Dance (Contact Jessica Handsman)
- Saturday, March 7 – NJ State House Event(Contact Kristin Santos)

- Sunday, March 8 – Noon Scout Mass at St. Michael’s for Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. Girl and boy scouts as well as leaders should report at 11:45am to the St. Michael school cafeteria to line up for the procession over to the church. Looking for confirmed lectors to read at the scout Mass. Contact Lisa Durant at lisa.durant@comcast.net.
- Saturday, March 21 – Scholarship Pancake Breakfast at Applebee’s on Rt. 22 (Contact MaryAnne Mason) ////NEW DATE!!
- Saturday, April 25 - Pool Party (Contact Gretchen Turner) // Note Corrected Date!
- Monday, May 25 - Memorial Day Parade
- Wednesday, May 27 - Girl Scouts of Cranford Gold and Silver Awards Ceremony

Your Sister in Scouting,

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