- 1. Thank-you for your Friends of Scouting participation. If you haven't filled out a card yet, please do so, even if you are not making a contribution. This needs to be wrapped up by next week.
- 2. Scout Sabbath Is this Friday, Feb. 8th at Temple Kol Emeth. Be there by 7:35. Service is at 8pm. Scout Sunday is Sunday Feb. 10th at Mountain View. Be there by 10:40. Service is at 11:00. Wear class A uniforms. All scouts, leaders and parents are strongly encouraged to attend. This church is so accommodating and good to us.
- 3. Merit Badge Clinic: survey compiled from scouts and parents who attended. Thanks to the volunteers who helped. We had 10 classes, 6 of them were for Eagle MB. Very positive feedback. The morning was a little bumpy with registration. Some of the scouts didn't read their email about registration time and money for lunch. Four scouts went to the Dentistry MB and had a great time. Lot of adult support for this clinic. The charge was minimal but benefited our troop.
- 4. Scouting for Food: Kickoff is Feb. 18th. Bags and thank-you notes will be provided. We will have until March 18th to collect food. The goal is 50 cans or items per scout. Mr. Moultrie is encouraging scouts to go together in their patrol to collect food. Wear Class A uniforms. The first patrol to reach 100% participation gets the pizza party. Buffaloes say no one is taking them down. They have won the past 2 years. Hand bags out to church members, friends, relatives and neighbors.
- 5. We need a picture of every scout and adult working with the boys, and committee members to update our bulletin board. Wear class A. Ginger Moss.
- 6. Merit Badge counselors: We need some more MB counselors. Make sure you are on the active list.
- 7. ISLT: Introduction to Leadership skills. March 2nd. If you want a leadership position, you must take this course.
- 8. Camp cards: kickoff is next month. Ginger needs someone to attend the meeting for her that night. March 2nd.
- 9. Pine straw sales. Get out there and sell. Scouts get .50/bale which goes into their scout account.
- 10. Summer Camp: Scouts voted at PLC on summer camp shirts: 2 shirts- 50/50 cotton and 2-moisture wicking. Scouts can come up with the design of the shirt. The next pay is due on Feb. 18th \$75. Total camp cost is \$290. T shirts and 2nd camp activity not included in that cost. Camp scholarship, see Ferrell or Cathy. We need 2 copies of medical forms and the front and back copy of your insurance card (2). We will have a notary here to notarize medical forms. There was a problem with the sign-up on the website so MB signups will have to be redone. Wendy will send out an email when website is fixed. 9 scouts and 5 or 6 parents have signed up for camp.
- 11. We need an adult in charge for the spring backpacking trip in March and the ACC Encampment at Bert Adams.

- 12. Service projects: Cindy Thorne. Several projects are available here for inside church projects and outside church projects if scouts need hours for rank advancement or for merit badges. Summer lunch program or Kennesaw Mt. cleanup (2nd Sat every month). Send an email to serviceproject@troop714.org. After scout has completed project, send an email to service @troop714.org to get it recorded.
- 13. Philmont: We still have room for 2 more scouts or 1 adult and 1 scout. 14 years and up. Cost about \$1200. 50 miles of hiking. Mr. Query, Mr. Ritchie and Mr. Anderson are the adults going. There will be a meeting of participants after the next troop meeting.
- 14. District Banquet: This past Friday. Fun time. Ivy and Cindy participated in the table decorations and we won first place. Journey to Excellence. Troop 714 National Honor Roll, Gold award. Foothills District: We earned the chicken pin award again. 28 out or 83 troops earned the chicken pin. We accomplished 14 out of 15 goals this year. We will be getting our quality unit patches and the chicken pin soon. Good Egg award: we vote on 2 adults who contribute to our troop. This year's winners were Diana Yuen, treasurer and Marsha Egbert, secretary of the troop.