

Next Meeting: 6:30 pm Thursday Jan 22nd, 2009

I hope everyone had a great Christmas and a very happy New Year. Spring is right around the corner... which means that we are almost half way through the year. I want to make sure you are working towards your next rank.

Don't wait until the last minute to read through your Scout Book. You might be surprised at how many things you have already accomplished. Remember: you can get a progress bead for 3 completed requirements.

Next meeting will be building something called a "MODÈLE MÉCANIQUE" from wire and wood. It should be an interesting project.

Don't forget that our Pinewood Derby will take place at our Feb. 26th meeting so you better get working on your cars...

Service Awards Available:

If you would like to earn a service patch and make someone feel better, volunteer at your school, church or other local service organization. If you volunteer and serve the community for 2 hours you will be eligible for a service patch and bar.

- **Scouting for Food:** If you are interested contact me for more information regarding collecting food for local food pantries
- **Noah's Ark:** Volunteer at Noah's Ark to help take care of stray animals. They are always looking for help... even to just pet the dogs and cats. Call: 815.962.2767

Upcoming Scout Related Events:

Klondike Derby January 10, 2009 (Jarrett Terpstra at jterpstra@tds.net)
Continuous Fire February 7th-14th 2008 (Harlem United Methodist Church - 8411 North Alpine)
Council Pinewood Derby April 18-19 2008 (Pecatonica High School)

Future Meeting Dates:

Mark your calendars, we can confirm Pack Meetings on the following dates: Jan. 22, Feb. 12, Feb. 26, Mar. 12, Mar. 26, Apr. 9, Apr. 23, May 7, May 21.

