

Cookie Time! Girl Scout Sales to Begin

Since 1917 when a Girl Scout Troop in Oklahoma came up with the idea of baking and selling cookies as a way of raising funds, Girl Scouts and cookies have become an icon of America. The idea spread and by 1936 the Girl Scouts USA had licensed commercial bakeries to produce the cookies for Troops to sell throughout the country. Beginning January 9th, local Girl Scouts of Troop 90, the only troop based here in Pamlico County, will begin taking orders for this year's

batch of cookies for delivery in mid February. By ordering early, customers can be sure they get the cookies they want, and the scouts can be eligible for early selling incentives. Selling cookies teaches useful life skills such as planning, decision making and customer service. All profits from the sales stay in this area and are shared between the Coastal Pines Council and Troop 90. The Council uses the revenue to maintain camps, fund special events, train leaders and

to help make girl scouting available to the most girls possible. Troop 90's portion of the sales are used for troop events and community charities. Last year the troop voted to use a portion of their funds to help pay for a troop camping event and give a donation to the Pamlico Animal Welfare Society (PAWS). In the past money has been used to pay for an overnight trip to the Aquarium in Myrtle Beach and an educational excursion to Wilmington.

