

SCOUT NEWS

Girl Scout cookies

It's that time of year again for one of America's favorite treats — **Girl Scouts** are taking orders for cookies through Sunday, March 14. Thin Mints, Caramel deLites, Shortbread, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Thanks-A-Lot, Lemonades, Daisy Go Rounds and Peanut Butter Patties are available at \$3.50 per box, with all proceeds generated from the cookie sale program staying within the girls' local area and the state's 41-county council.

In 2009, Girl Scouts-N.C. Coastal Pines (GS-NCCP) troops earned more than \$1.3 million in proceeds. That's an average of more than \$1,000 per troop. Girl Scouts in central and eastern North Carolina hope to sell \$2.6 million boxes of cookies in 2010.

Cookie booths will be set up outside local businesses on the weekends from Feb. 13 to March 14.

For more information on cookie sales, visit www.nccoas-

talpines.org.

Food drive

Boy Scouts of America's East Carolina Council, which includes Carteret County, and Hardee's Restaurants celebrate 100 years of Scouting by collecting 100 food items from every Scout participating in 2010 through the Scouting for Food program.

The drive begins Saturday, Jan. 30. Scouts all across the East Carolina Council area will place door hangers in neighborhoods and on Saturday, Feb. 6, they will return to pick up bags filled with donated canned goods.

The food is then distributed to food banks and local food pantries within the district in which the food is collected.

The goal this year is for all Scouts to collect 100 cans of non-perishable items for the food banks in Eastern North Carolina.

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