



Ask Budrina!™

Chattahoochee District
Scouting for Food
 Advice for the SFF Unit Leader
 "You've Got the Time? We've got the Experience"



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Who said that? Q. "Peace will come to the world when the people have enough to eat."

Dear Budrina,
 I am a new SFF Chair at my Pack. I noticed that the District SFF season lasts from Nov 1 to Apr 1. We want to collect food in July for our charity. Will our scout food collections count toward the 50 can patch?
 Signed: **Out of Season Unit**

Dear **Out of Season Unit**,
 Of course they will my dear. In a way we are just like professional sports. The District only sets up a season so that I can get some rest during the off season. We want you to keep in shape all year. So, play your heart out, record your statistics and report them to Budrina during the season. Aren't Cubs Precious? ~ Budrina

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SFF Forget-Me-Not Idea.
Pass out a single package of Ramen Noodle (\$0.12 ea.) to your scouts. It will count as their first food item collected! Take it home and place it next to their bed as a reminder. Turn it in at the end.

Dear Budrina,
 Seems like everyone is out there collecting food including the Girl Scouts! We don't have a chance. Any advice for a Troop trying to collect our fair share?
 Signed: **It's a Jungle out there.**

Dear **It's a Jungle out there**,
 If it was easy anyone could do it. I have confidence in you! These older scouts are smart and patrols love to compete. Start schmoozing neighborhoods earlier next year. In the meantime, try pulling off the 'Mailbox-Note-Bag' collection on the web page. It Works! Write a real good note to go along with the bag. Let Budrina know how you did. I know you can do it!
 ~Budrina

Dear Budrina,
 Our Pack has not participated in SFF before. How do we get started?
 Signed: **No Clue**

Dear **No Clue**,
 Don't feel alone. Every unit has a first season. Mr. Nike put it well... Just do it! I want you to download the **SFF Quick Start Kit**. Start small. Grow later. If you're still stuck try the **SFF Hot Line** on the web page. No unit will be left behind on my watch! ~
 Budrina

Tip: Make your own SFF Unit slide presentation. Our District web site now has SFF power point slides for you. Mix and match. Communicate Often. Have Fun.

My Dearest Budrina,
 You Louk Fab-u-lous!
 Signed: Mom

Dear Mom, You're the Best!
 Love, ~ Budrina

Who Said That? A. Mr. Ando, Founder of Ramen Noodles.

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CD-SFF Tivia? Q. Which **African / Native American** invented the potato chip?

Dear Budrina,
Our Tigers and Cubs are collecting food as a group. It looks like the 50 Can Patch award is only for individual scout performance. What do we do?
Signed: **Recognition Challenged**

Dear Recognition Challenged,
I love to hear about District 'Success' problems. These are 'main-stream media' type softball questions. Easy. Divide the number of items collected by the number of scouts participating and if > 50 that is the # of patches, if < 50 then...collect more. Aren't Tigers Precious? ~ Budrina

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Dear Budrina,
My SFF chair just crossed over to Boy Scouts. Nobody stepped up and called me to volunteer. We need to start SFF. What do I do? Will you be our SFF chair?

Signed: **Desperately Alone.**

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**Dear Desperately Alone,**  
First of all, Chill. SFF is not rocket science...We all know that SFF leaders are born not made. You just got to know how to find 'em. First, show up at the next dance. .Clean up good and get there on time, flirt a bit and dust off your and practice your best lines. Before you know it You'll be saying 'we do'! Invite me to the party. ~Budrina

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Dear Budrina,
Our Troop is small and collected only 102 food items last year. We're not sure if it's worth it to do SFF again this year. What do you think?

Signed: **Feeling Insignificant**

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**Dear Feeling Insignificant,**  
Poor thing. You need a big dose of "We-did-It" ! Remember... the 2004 Presidential Election was decided in FL with less than 100 hanging chads. You betcha we need those 102 cans. Now go get 103 cans next year.

~ Budrina

**Tip: Get to know your Food Bank Charity. Better yet, invite them to come to a Pack or Troop meeting and speak to the boys... Just remember to say 'thank you'.**

My Dearest Budrina,  
Your smile is so be-u-tee-full ! Signed:  
Mom

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Dear Mom, You're the Best!
Love, ~ Budrina

A SFF Get-a-Smile Idea.
Recognizing a scout's achievement is so very important. The SFF web page has a link for a 'scout is thrifty' SFF Recognition Certificate. Personalize it. Print it. Use good looking Wal-Mart certificate paper and presented it to every scout that participated! Make these guys day.

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CD-SFF Tivia? A. It was **George "Speck" Crum**, August 24, 1853.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/George_Crum