## **Dues Policy:**

- 1) Dues are payable at the first Troop meeting in December (unless another date is specified). If a scout's dues are not paid, and he has money in his scout account, that money will be used toward payment of his dues.
- 2) In the year a scout turns 18, his dues will be pro-rated, with him paying for registration/insurance, plus 1/12 of the remaining dues (rounded up to the next dollar) for each month prior to the month his birthday falls in. For example, if his birthday is in April, he will pay three months' worth of dues, plus registration/insurance.
- 3) A special dues exception may be made for advanced scouts who may have minimal troop involvement. After the scout's registration/insurance cost is paid, he may attend regularly scheduled troop meetings at the Charter Organization, Eagle Scout projects, courts of honor, etc. For events where there is a cost associated, paid either by the unit or the scout, such as camp outs, out meetings, etc., the scout may attend for the cost of the event plus an additional \$10. The scout will also be responsible for paying for any awards that he may earn. Any additional cost, plus awards that the troop would normally pay for, will not exceed the cost of annual dues. This is not intended to be an alternative to full payment of dues, but is intended to keep scouts who are knowledgeable and skilled, and may have commitments elsewhere, involved in the troop.

The following will be taken into account when making a Special Exception for Advanced Scouts:

- Scout has shown commitment by holding a leadership position of responsibility (PL, ASPL, SPL)
- Scout has shown commitment by earning a rank higher than First Class (Star, Life or Eagle)
- Scout has commitments outside of scouting that support scouting's values
- Scout is 14 or has finished 8th grade
- Scout is dually registered, with another unit being his primary unit (Venture Crew, Sea Scouts, Varsity Team)
- Granting of this privilege is subject to Committee approval; this privilege may be revoked at any time
- 4) Scouts are registered through December 31; those that have not paid dues or made arrangements to pay dues will be dropped from the charter and will be ineligible for scout activities and awards starting on January 1.

## **Abandoned Scout Accounts:**

Money left in scout accounts when a scout leaves the Troop will be held for that scout until the scout has not been registered with the Troop for a year. (In other words, the scout is inactive, has been dropped from the charter, and is not reinstated during rechartering the following year.) At that time, those funds can be considered available to be placed in the Troop campership fund. Once funds are allocated to the campership fund they can only be restored to the scout with committee approval.