**Troop 536 Scout Account and Fundraising Guidelines**

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| Troop 536 uses the "Scout Account" system to encourage our Scouts to take some responsibility for the costs of the scouting activities in which they participate.  The details are listed below. |
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| 1) Money earned through Troop Sponsored or Approved Fund Raising events will be deposited into individual Scout Accounts.  (Note: A portion of the proceeds is normally deposited into the Troop 536 General Fund.  A 50/50 split between the Scouts Account and the Troop General Fund is the standard split. Some fundraisers such as Popcorn and Camp Cards may have a different split of which Scouts will be informed. The split will be determined by the Troop Committee.)          2) Money held in Scout accounts may be used for any "Scouting Related" expense. Examples of "Scouting Related" expenses are: purchases at the Scout Store, camping equipment, Troop 536 T-shirts and fees for Scouting activities like Summer Camp.         3) For purchases, receipts documenting the purchase must be presented to and approved by the Troop Treasurer. Reimbursements will then be made from the Scout account.  The Troop Treasurer will call on the Troop Committee to approve "unusual" requests for reimbursement.         4) Funds will be automatically withdrawn from the individual Scout's account if he falls behind in his dues, provided that the account holds sufficient funds. Dues must be paid current before each Court of Honor in order for the Troop to purchase the Scouts rank and merit badge patches.         5) Funds will be automatically withdrawn from the individual Scout's account when he Re-Charters with the Troop, provided that the account holds sufficient funds.         6) The balance of an individual Scout account will be transferred to the Troop General Fund if, for any reason, the Scout leaves Boy Scouting.  Also, the balance of an individual Scout account will be transferred to the Troop General Fund when the Scout turns 18 years of age.  However, if a Scout turns 18 but continues with the Troop as an Adult the balance of the Scout's account may be applied to fees for those activities. Balances may also be transferred to a younger sibling if they are a registered member of the Troop.  7) Adult leaders registered with the Troop may also have a “Scout Account”.  The same 50/50 split applies to Adult Leaders.. (Note: only one Adult per Scout registered with the Troop may earn at any fundraiser where their Scout participates.) This is an effort to help Adult Leaders defray some of the costs incurred with volunteering with the Troop.  8). Some Fundraising activities may include opportunities for Parents of Scouts who are not  Registered Leaders to participate and earn. Monies earned in these instances are limited to one adult per participating scout. Monies earned by parents who are not registered leaders will be deposited into their Scouts Account. Unless otherwise informed the same 50/50 Scout/Troop split will apply.  9). Fundraisers that involve group sales (for example Flag sales in front of a retail establishment). A detailed accounting will be kept of hours worked. At the end on the Fundraiser the total profit will be determined. The Troop/Scout split will be applied and the remaining profit will divided in the following manner. The number of man hours worked divided into the profit to determine the hourly rate. The numbers of hours worked by each participant will then be multiplied the hourly rate. |
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| Bi-Annual Reports detailing each Scout Account's activity will be available to help Scouts and Scouting families plan their budget for upcoming activities. Information on the status of your Scouts Account can be obtained by contacting the Troop Treasurer.  Troop 536 constantly collects aluminum cans to help defray Troop expenses. Scouts are encouraged to bring bagged cans to any Troop Meeting and give them to the Scout Master for recycling. Monies earned from aluminum cans go into the Troop General Fund for Troop operating expenses. |