

FINANCES

1. ANNUAL DUES (Registration) Are \$187.00 (Youth) \$103.00 (Adults), plus an additional \$15 for Scout Life Magazine. New scouts will also pay a one-time fee of \$25. Included in the total dues, Troop 48 local fees are \$42 (Youth) and \$3 (Adults).

Neckerchiefs and T-Shirts for New Scouts and Badges and Awards are covered by the annual dues.

Troop Equipment Purchases and Maintenance come from the dues. This includes tents, tarps, ropes, rappelling gear, new patrol equipment such as axes and saws, lanterns, stoves, and troop propane, gasoline and kerosene for lanterns and stoves.

Dues cover **Office Expenses, Supplies and Equipment** – things like a website associated fees and expenses, computer, software, printer, consumables (paper + toner) and badges.

Dues cover the cost of Website maintenance, hosting, domain, subscriptions, etc.

2. CAMPING TRIPS and all OUTINGS are “pay as you go.”

Scouts and adult leaders pay for meals and unusual camping and user fees. One or more Scouts will go shopping for groceries (usually with a parent) and will use money that is taken up ahead of time to buy the food for their patrol. Normally this is an average of \$3.00 to \$4.00 per meal for a weekend outing.

Scouts pay for transportation on a break-even basis; i.e. the drivers are reimbursed \$ 0.20 to \$ 0.25/mile, and the Scouts are charged an amount that is usually \$10.00 to \$25.00, depending on the length of the trip and the number of vehicles required.

3. SCOUT PERSONAL EXPENSES

These include uniforms, Scout Handbooks, backpacks, hiking boots, sleeping bags, and other camping equipment and supplies.

Troop 48 has “experienced uniforms, backpacks, and sleeping bags” to loan.

4. FUNDRAISING

Popcorn Sales, Scout Expo Ticket Sales, and Yard Work are the current, best ways for the Scouts to earn money. The money is deposited into their individual Troop 48 savings accounts and may be used for all Scouting expenses.