

## Basic Expenses Cont'd....

3] **Boys' Life.** *Boys' Life* magazine, the official publication of the Boy Scouts of America, is available to all members at \$12, which is half the newsstand rate. (Prorated fees are available for youth who join a unit during the year.) Every boy should subscribe to *Boys' Life* because of the quality reading and the articles related to your unit's monthly program. It is part of a boy's growth in Scouting, and research proves he will stay in longer and advance farther if he reads *Boys' Life*.

4] **Unit Accident Insurance.** Protecting leaders and parents from financial hardship due to high medical bills from an unfortunate accident is a must for all involved in Scouting. Specific details on insurance programs are available from the local council.

5] **Advancement and Recognition.** Every Cub Scout should earn and advance a rank and receive the patch for that rank each year. Active Webelos Scouts will earn multiple activity badges in addition to their rank advancements. The Cub Scout advancement program has many elements that include Arrow Points, immediate recognition patches, outdoor awards, and Academics and Sports belt loops and pins.

6] **Activities.** Critical to the successful "Ideal Year of Cub Scouting" is a complete program. Traditionally, such activities as Cub Scout pinewood derbies®, field trips, and district or council activities are financed by the boy and his family over and above the dues programs. It is suggested that the complete cost of these outings be built into the unit's budget.

7] **Cub Scout Day Camp, Cub Scout Resident Camp, Family Camping.** Central to a complete Cub Scouting year are summer camping experiences. Local council opportunities abound for Cub Scouts and their families to have exciting, program-rich summer experiences.

8] **Program Materials.** Each pack needs to provide certain program materials. Depending on the type of unit program, these could include den meeting supplies, Den Meeting in a Box kits, craft tools and supplies, U.S. flag, pack and den flags, camping equipment, videos and books, or ceremonial props. (Note: Packs may not hold title to property. Only chartered organizations or the local council legally can own property.)

## JULY 2012

### COLUMBIA RIVER

5 District Committee  
12 Roundtable

### EASTERN OREGON

5 District Committee  
5 Roundtable  
5 OA  
19 Roundtable

### OREGON TRAIL

5 District Committee  
5 Commissioners  
12 Roundtable

### PIONEER

3 OA  
11 District Committee  
11 Commissioners  
12 Roundtable

### RATTLESNAKE RIDGE

5 District Committee  
5 Commissioners  
12 Roundtable

### WHITE BLUFFS

5 District Committee  
12 OA  
12 Roundtable  
19 Commissioners

### BLUE MOUNTAIN COUNCIL

3 Day Camp Meeting  
Training Committee  
4 **INDEPENDENCE DAY – Office Closed**  
10 Endowment Committee  
12 OA LEC  
18 Executive Committee/Board  
Advancement Committee  
25 Staff Meeting  
26 Council Commissioner

# July 2012

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## Basic Expenses Cont'd....

**9] Training Expenses.** Trained leaders are key to delivering a quality and safe program. Adult and youth leader training should be considered an integral annual pack expense.

**10] Full Uniforms.** Traditionally, the individual pays for the uniform. We suggest that these expenses become part of the total cost of the Scouting year. Using "individual youth accounts," units can determine a fundraising goal for new Scouts who need uniforms, etc. The full Cub Scouting program includes the full uniform!

**11] Reserve Fund.** The reserve fund might be established by a gift or loan from the chartered organization, by members of the committee, or by a unit money-earning project. The reserve fund should be intended for unexpected expenses. A new member's initial expenses may be met from the fund.

**12] Other Expenses.** These could include a gift to the World Friendship Fund, meeting refreshments, and/or contingency funds.

### SOURCES OF INCOME

"One fund-raiser per year" is a central theme of the "Ideal Year of Cub Scouting." Rather than nickel-and-diming families every week, it is better to figure the total cost for the complete year up front. Ideally, all income would come from den dues and one fund-raising program at the beginning of the program year each fall. A spring fundraiser could be included, but with the proceeds dedicated to each youth member's individual camping account.

### SOME IMPORTANT POINTS:

#### Paying Your Own Way.

This is a fundamental principle of the Boy Scouts of America. It is one of the reasons why no solicitations (requests for contributions from individuals or the community) are permitted by Cub Scout packs. Young people in Scouting are taught early on that if they want something in life, they need to earn it. This principle is among the reasons that adults who were Scouts are found to have higher incomes. The finance plan of any pack should include participation by a Cub Scout in a regular dues plan. An annual pack participation fee, too often completely contributed by parents, does little to teach a boy responsibility. The unit's entire budget must be provided for by the families, either through fundraising or other means such as dues or fees.

## AUGUST 2012

### COLUMBIA RIVER

2 District Committee  
9 Roundtable

### EASTERN OREGON

2 District Committee  
2 Roundtable  
2 OA  
16 Roundtable

### OREGON TRAIL

2 District Committee  
2 Commissioners  
9 Roundtable

### PIONEER

1 District Committee  
1 Commissioners  
7 OA  
9 Roundtable

### RATTLESNAKE RIDGE

2 District Committee  
2 Commissioners  
9 Roundtable

### WHITE BLUFFS

2 District Committee  
9 OA  
9 Roundtable  
16 Commissioners

### BLUE MOUNTAIN COUNCIL

7 Day Camp Meeting  
Training Committee  
9 OA LEC  
14 Endowment Committee  
POPCORN KICKOFF  
15 Executive Committee/Board  
Advancement Committee  
17-18 OA FALL ORDEAL  
22 Staff Meeting  
23 Council Commissioner  
29 LDS Relationships

# August 2012

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## SOURCES OF INCOME CONT'D....

### Individual Youth Accounts.

Packs using this method have traditionally had stronger programs with less turnover of youth (Cub Scouts are retained). Individual Cub Scout accounts, whereby the pack keeps track of how much a Cub Scout or his family has raised toward his "ideal year of Cub Scouting" goal, are critical to the success of this program. When individual Cub Scouts are credited for their efforts, they develop a sense of personal responsibility and participation. Except for council-sponsored product sales, all other money-earning projects require the submission of the Unit Money-Earning Application, No. 34427, to the local council. To ensure conformity with all Scouting standards on money earning, leaders should be familiar with the eight guides listed on the back of the application, on the last page of this planning guide, and in the financial record books.

### OTHER HELPS

Additional information concerning pack budget plans, the treasurer's job, camp savings, forms, and records can be found in the *Pack Record Book*, No. 33819, and the *Cub Scout Leader Book*, No. 33221. It is recommended that Cub Scout packs use one of the commercial software programs developed for Scouting units. These tools are great for keeping track of individual youth accounts. They are usually advertised in the back of *Scouting* magazine.



### "Ideal Year of Cub Scouting" Budget Worksheet

To develop the pack budget, complete the worksheet with the unit leader and committee at the pack's annual program planning conference, and then share it with the Cub Scouts' parents. Be sure to keep parents involved and informed. The pack's program calendar and budget information needs to be communicated regularly to families, especially at the start of the program year. By sharing the pack's program plans and budgetary needs, you can help newly recruited Cub Scouts and their parents gain a greater understanding of just what fun is waiting for them during the pack's entire program year.

See the Unit Resource Guide for this form or click on this link:

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/13-273.pdf>

## SEPTEMBER 2012

### COLUMBIA RIVER

6 District Committee  
13 Roundtable

### EASTERN OREGON

6 District Committee  
6 Roundtable  
6 OA  
14-15 Fall Camporee  
20 Roundtable

### OREGON TRAIL

6 District Committee  
6 Commissioners  
13 Roundtable

### PIONEER

4 OA  
5 District Committee  
5 Commissioners  
13 Roundtable

### RATTLESNAKE RIDGE

6 District Committee  
6 Commissioners  
13 Roundtable

### WHITE BLUFFS

6 District Committee  
13 OA  
13 Roundtable  
20 Commissioners

### BLUE MOUNTAIN COUNCIL

3 **LABOR DAY – Office Closed**  
4 Day Camp Meeting  
Training Committee  
8 POPCORN DELIVERY  
POPCORN SALE BEGINS  
13 OA LEC  
19 Executive Committee/Board  
Advancement Committee  
26 Staff Meeting  
27 Council Commissioner

# September 2012

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