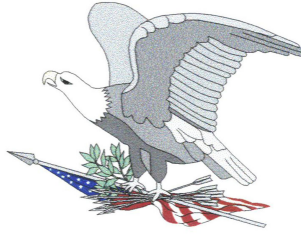


*Boy Scout*  
**Troop 66**  
*Chartered by St. Peter Damian, Bartlett, Illinois.*  
*Three Fires Council*



November 23, 2009

Parents,

It is hard to believe that another year has passed. It is, once again, time for the annual dues payment in support of your Scouts participation in Troop 66.

For the first time in several years, the annual dues amount is being increased. The reasons are two-fold. First, the annual registration per scout is being increased \$5 by the Boy Scouts of America. The additional increase will be used to supplement the Troop operations that have operated in the negative over this past year. Dues will be \$90 annually per scout. For families with more than one scout, your additional scout's annual dues will be \$79. We are able to offer this decreased amount due to providing a shared subscription to Boys Life Magazine.

As we prepare for re-chartering, it is important that all dues payments are received by **December 15, 2009**. Dues not received by December 15th, will be subject to a \$10 late fee per family. We understand that occasionally dues payment presents a hardship to a family. If this is the case, please talk to Kim directly for arrangements.

During this time, we are also asking that our paperwork be updated. Please review and complete the following:

- Parent Authorization Form – This form is a general authorization kept on file for all-purpose times (i.e. Troop meetings). Outing specific forms are still required throughout the year. Troop expectations regarding behavior are detailed in this form. Please review this with your Scout(s). Both you and your Scout(s) should sign to indicate your understanding of Troop expectations.
- Medical Authorization Form – This form is IN ADDITION to the medical forms completed annually (typically before summer camp). Medical conditions and medications often change. This update allows Troop leadership to keep up-to-date on any medical needs for your Scout(s). This form will also need to be updated prior to leaving for summer camp. Parents are encouraged to update this form, available on the Troop website, as conditions change.
- Driver Information – If you have previously provided your driving information, thank you. At this time, we are asking that everyone provide updated information for our records. This is one of the simplest ways you can volunteer to help.

- Scout & Parent/Leader History – We have found that updates to the Scout and Parent/Leader History reports are often not returned during this annual process. This review and update is so important that we will separate this item from this annual process. Please watch for details on this update after the first of the New Year.

It is our hope that this comprehensive update is helpful. Accurate Troop records are important to us and we are thankful for your commitment to our program. Please use the checklist provided below as a helpful guide. Packets of updated forms and dues payment can be placed into the mailbox for Kim Simmons at Troop meetings. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact either one of us.

Yours in Scouting,

Kim M. Simmons  
Committee Chairperson

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Scoutmaster

*Please attach this checklist to your completed forms.*

**Return Checklist**

**Scout Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

To help keep track of the items to return, we are providing this helpful checklist. **Please initial each line to indicate it has been included.**

<u>Parents Initials</u>	<u>Item</u>
_____	Dues Payment (Made payable to Troop 66)
_____	Parent Authorization Form
_____	Medical Authorization Form
_____	Code of Conduct (signed by both Scout and Parent)
_____	Driver Information Form

Thank you for your continued support!