

## ***New Scout Parents Need to Know....***

Please look over the list below, check off what it would be good for a new parent to know – you? – within the first 30 days with us! Add your special ideas at the end. And thanks!! Mike Hock, Committee Chair, BSA 365.

- How's Boy Leadership work
- Senior Patrol Leader
- Five Patrols- each with Patrol Leader and assistant
- Troop Guides
- Other positions
- The "PLC" and how it works
  
- Adult Leadership to support and guide Boy Leadership
- Scoutmaster
- Assistant Scoutmasters
- Committee Chair
- Committee members
- Chartered Organization Representative
- Merit Badge counselors
- Quartermaster
  
- Adult leader training
  
- Youth protection training for Scouts
- Bullying prevention training for Scouts
  
- Discipline policy & how it's carried out
- Knife policy
- Solving discipline problems with boys & parents involved
  
- Dues
- Fees for events
- Boy "accounts" in our finances, how to use them
- Fruit & greens sales
  
- Popcorn sales
- Spaghetti dinner sales
- Help with Scout finances when things get tough
  
- Bus operation
  
- Indoor program operation
- Outdoor program operation
- Roundtable coverage
  
- Our Troop Calendar
- The Troop "year"
- Monday night meetings
- Committee meetings
- Courts of Honor
  
- Using [www.bsa365.org](http://www.bsa365.org)
  
- How to sign up: outdoor activities, permission slips, fees, what to bring, go & return times
- Signing up & then deciding not to go
- Payments, refunds, transfers to other Scouts or outings
  
- Summer camps
- Other summer adventure outings
  
- Uniforms: what to wear, when; where patches go
- "Gently-used" uniforms
  
- Gear: what to bring to a campout, to a camp
- "Gear swaps"

- Service required by our Troop
- Attendance required for service
  
- Scout Sunday and how it works
- Obligations of Scout Sunday
- Service to the church at Christmas
- Respect for the church & its family of users
  
- Advancement & how it happens: Scout, Tenderfoot, 2nd Class, 1st class
- Advancement to Star, Life, Eagle
  
- Earning Merit badges
- Merit badge books
- Becoming a merit badge counselor
- Finding a merit badge counselor
  
- Things parents can volunteer for
- Parents coming along on outings
- Parent encouragement needed for your son
- Information needed from parents about your son (Medical, Special)
  
- Boy Scout physical exams & medical records
- Being in touch by email
  
- WHAT ELSE?