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Traditional Membership Registration Fee

The traditional membership registration fee for all youth and adults will be increased to \$15, from its current \$10, effective Jan. 1, 2010. All additional enrollments, new units and charter renewals with a January 1, 2010 or later effective date will pay the new \$15 registration fee. All additional enrollments, new units and charter renewals with a December 1, 2008 or earlier effective date will pay the current \$10 registration fee. The youth and adult applications and Registration and Subscription Information fee charts will be updated to reflect the new fee. December units that reregister with a January 1, 2010, effective date should pay the new \$15 registration fee. The Exploring registration fee remains \$10.

The BSA Executive Board unanimously passed a resolution at the business meeting on May 22 to increase the traditional membership registration fee for all youth and adults to \$15 from its current \$10, effective Jan. 1, 2010. The last fee increase, which was from \$7 to \$10, was in 2003. The Exploring fee remains \$10.

A great deal of thought and consideration went into this decision by both the Executive Board and the Membership Fee Task Force led by National Commissioner Tico Perez. Consideration was given to an expected deficit to the National Council operating budget, the impact to program and council support, the necessary funding required over the next several years, the cost of implementing fee increases annually in systems and forms, as well as the overall fees paid by councils. Input was sought and received from staff and volunteers at the council level. Finally, given all these considerations, it was determined that the best approach was to increase the fee to the level chosen and make every effort to hold that level for a period of at least three years.



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