

# MEMBERSHIP

The BSA has a year round growth plan which is designed to facilitate Scout recruitment and pack-troop relations. The South Mountain District Membership Committee supports the individual units as they implement their yearly growth plan and will offer monthly advice to units in this column to give your unit leaders some ideas and suggestions.



MAY:

## May Activities:

We have requested every PACK to recruit a parent volunteer to be a unit Membership Chair. Our goal this year is to grow our membership in all areas but particularly new youth joining our program. Please contact myself or Tyler Yankey with the name of the person working in that capacity. We will be inviting these parents to participate in special planning meetings and providing them with up to date recruitment trainings.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS: TUESDAY MAY 28TH AT 7:00PM IN THE COUNCIL OFFICE. KICK OFF MEETING FOR JOIN SCOUTING NIGHT.** Find out how to run a fun and successful recruitment night at your school, church or other organization. PACKS will receive their 2013 fall recruitment packets and get up to date information. All South Mountain Districts PACKS should send a representative or your PACK Membership chair should attend.



MAY:

## May Activities:

Parents are already planning summer vacations. Give the new parents and scouts information about summer camp. Conduct a summer camp orientation to encourage full troop involvement. Cover for parents the week attending, payments due and medical forms needed.

Work on rank advancement with the new scouts. Help your new youth earn the SCOUT badge. Assign older scouts to work with them.

Work closely with the new scouts and parents during their transition to the Troop ensuring that the move is smooth and their needs are being met.

**ALL UNITS:** The first step for any recruitment effort is to appoint a troop committee member to serve as the pack/troop membership chair. This person will develop and implement a year-round growth plan that incorporates all methods of recruitment, working closely with Cub Scout packs in the community, the district membership committee, and the unit commissioner.

Let us know your successes and your challenges with youth recruitment. The district Membership Committee wants your feedback so please drop us an email with your thoughts to: Mark Firth, SMD Membership Committee Chair at: [Stee1city@yahoo.com](mailto:Stee1city@yahoo.com)