Eagle Scout Service Project Fundraiser Do's and Don'ts

Let's start with what NOT to do, because it is not permitted:

- Scout's are not permitted to do any sort of gambling (this includes raffle's)
- Scout are not permitted to use Joe Corbie's fundraising company as they illegally used the name and brand of the Boy Scouts of America for purposes not beneficial to the Boy Scouts of America.
- Scout are not permitted to receive any funds obtained from an illegal source (to them as a minor, ie no beneficial happy hours)
- NEVER take a check written to the Scout, checks should always be made out either to the Benefiting Organization or the Troop (who ever is going to manage the money).

See those aren't so painful! Now here are some tips for what you CAN do:

- Scouts are, in fact, permitted to conduct auctions as long as none of the above "don'ts" are involved.
- Scouts may ask for straight cash donations from ONLY:
 - o Family
 - o Troop
 - o Charter Organization and its members
 - As stated above make sure all checks are made out to the Benefiting Organization or the Troop.
- So what about funds from the Benefiting Organization?
 - A benefiting organization may give a Scout the funds (whole or part) for his Eagle Project.
 - A Scout may work with the Benefiting Organization to solicit members of the benefiting organization for funds to purchase materials for his project, not straight cash. (If members of the benefiting organization are going to give cash the Scout should directly associate those monies to a material item such as "lumber").
 - As stated above make sure all checks are made out to the Benefiting Organization or the Troop.
- If a Scout plans to obtain donations through his Troop he should make sure he works with the Troop Treasurer to set up a separate budget for his project.
- All remaining money is to be turned over to the Benefiting organization after completion of the project