

THE POMPERAUG POST

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Serving the Scouting Communities of Bridgeport, Easton, Fairfield, Monroe, Stratford, Trumbull, Weston and Westport

From the Key 3

2019 is poised to be another year for the history books for the BSA. The final step in our family scouting initiative rolls out in February with Scouts BSA. This last step will open all our programs to both young men and women. We already have several units that will be ready to launch when the program goes live in February. We are very excited to have so many units ready to launch, but there is always room for more units to serve more youth. If you are interested in starting a new Scouts BSA unit feel free to reach out to the District Key 3 for more information.

As we enter the new year it is now an appropriate time to reflect upon our last year. On the district level we will be doing this: evaluating what events or parts of events went well and what did not go well in order to make sure our program is even better in 2019. In addition, the District Key 3 and all our operating committees are working on defining goals for the 2019 calendar year as well. We will be evaluating our progress on these goals on a monthly basis. Your unit should go through a similar process to make sure your programs are better than it was last year. If you need assistance with this process, please feel free to get in touch with us and we will be happy to assist you with the process.

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CT Yankee Council Annual Volunteer Recognition Dinner

Please join us as we celebrate another great year of Scouting in the Connecticut Yankee Council while recognizing the newest class of Silver Beaver award recipients. The Silver Beaver is the highest award a local council can bestow upon a volunteer. This award is given to those who embody the ideals of Scouting and perform community service through selfless work, dedication, and service. This year's honorees are Steve Agnew, JC Cinelli, Will Ference, David Nobile, David Sippin, and Tom Williams.

When: January 24, 2018

Where: Birchwood Banquets Facility

For more information: <https://www.ctyankee.org/events/2019-council-recognition-dinner/>

District Volunteer Award Nominations

Volunteers across the council give countless hours of their time volunteering to make their units, district and council provide the best possible program for our youth. To recognize this hard work and dedication, we recognize volunteers with several awards to show our appreciation to the adults who make our scouting program run smoothly.



The District Award of Merit which is the highest honor that can be awarded by the district. This award is limited to one recipient per 25 units within the district. If you know someone who is deserving of this award please fill out the nomination form http://www.scouting.org/Home/Awards_Central/DistrictMerit.aspx.

The Unit Leader Award of Merit recognizes unit leaders who have shown exceptional service to their unit. Nominations are entered by the unit committee chairman and certified by the council. If your unit leader is deserving of this award, have your unit's committee chairman fill out the nomination form <https://www.scouting.org/awards/awards-central/unit-leader/>.

In addition to this national award the district also presents several local awards at the annual District Dinner in February.

The first of these is the Key Three Award which is awarded to three people annually for recognition of service over the past year. The District Key Three members choose the recipients of this award.

The other local award is the Spark Plug Award which is given to a volunteer who has been the "spark" for their unit over the past year. This award can be given to one person per unit based upon nomination from the unit to the District Key Three.



Connecticut Yankee Council

Boy Scouts of America

**2019 Merit Badge College
Schedule**

Dates:	February 2, 2019	Classes	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
	February 9, 2019	Classes	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
	February 23, 2019	Classes	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
	March 2, 2019	Classes	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
	March 9, 2019	Snow Make-up	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Location: Lyman Hall High School, 70 Pond Hill Road, Wallingford, CT

Tuition: \$25.00 includes Merit Badge Pamphlets and Merit Badge College Patch.
No refunds after class assignment.

Registration: Register on-line at <http://archive.ctyankee.org/webpay/event/new/?form=000618>, follow the link to Merit Badge College. Payment can be made via credit card on-line. Please register your boys as a unit, individual registrations are not encouraged. On-line registrations are not considered complete until payment has been processed.

Each Scout can take up to three Merit Badges, **but please be sure to select eight.**

Scouts must be First Class rank as of December 28, 2018. Scouts registered without a rank will not be considered. Please register early as the site will shut down at the earlier of the deadline date or when capacity has been reached.

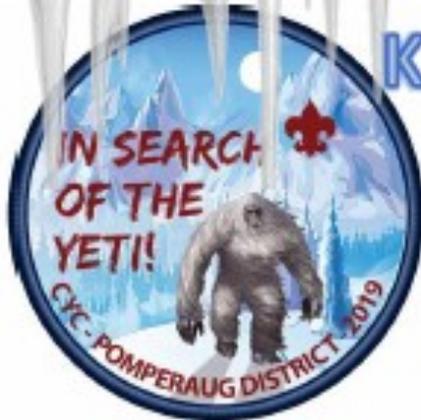
Merit Badges Course Offerings *

1 American Heritage	9 Digital Technology	17 Oceanography
2 Aviation	10 Disability Awareness	18 Personal Management
3 Chess	11 Drafting	19 Photography
4 Citizenship in Community	12 Energy	20 Public Speaking
5 Citizenship in Nation	13 Engineering	21 Space Exploration
6 Citizenship in World	14 Family Life	22 Sustainability
7 Coin Collecting	15 Landscape Arch	23 Textiles
8 Communications	16 Nuclear Science	24 Weather
		25 No Choice

**Please use assigned numbers for the on-line registration form
If no merit badge is being entered please use 25 – No Choice**

* Subject to availability of Counselors, classrooms and chairs
We will make an effort to assign at least one Eagle required badge per Scout
Scouts will be assigned no more than two Eagle required badges

2019 POMPERAUG DISTRICT KLONDIKE DERBY



Come and help us search for the elusive Sequassen Yeti. Your troop will test their scouting skills throughout the day, survive the arctic cold and find the Yeti.

SAVE THE DATE

Date: January 18, 2019 – January 20, 2019

Time: 6pm on Friday to 11am Sunday

Location: Camp Sequassen

Cost: \$15/youth - \$15/Adult

REGISTER ONLINE TODAY:

[https://www.ctyankee.org/
events/pomperaug-klondike-
-derby/](https://www.ctyankee.org/events/pomperaug-klondike-derby/)



For more information, please contact:

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2019 Pomperaug District Dinner



Date: February 21, 2019

Time: 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Cost: \$25.00 per person

Location: Christ Episcopal Church
2000 Main Street / Stratford

Come and celebrate the achievements of Pomperaug Scouts and Scouters! We will begin gathering at 6:30 and dinner will be served at 7:15. The dinner will include a silent auction and an awards presentation.

Register at:

<https://www.ctyankee.org/uncategorised/2019-pomperaug-district-dinner/>

Complete the registration below and mail to:

Connecticut Yankee Council, PO Box 32, Milford CT 06460.

2019 Pomperaug District Dinner

Name: _____ Unit: _____

Cell No.: _____ Email: _____

No. of attendees: _____ (\$25 pp) Amount paid: _____ Check No.: _____

CC information: CC No.: _____ Exp. Date: _____ Security code: _____

Please deduct from my unit account

Account No.: 391-6801

Pomperaug District Annual Dinner

Come and celebrate the achievements of Pomperaug Scouts and Scouters that help make our units and district great! The dinner will include a silent auction and an awards presentation.

Where:

When:



For more information:

<http://www.ctyankee.org/fs/event/form/000504/pomperaugdistrictdinner2018flyer.pdf>

District Calendar		
January	February	March
8th - District Committee & Roundtable (Trumbull LDS Church, 30 Bonnie View Dr.) 4th–6th - NYLT first weekend (Deer Lake) 11th –13th - NYLT 2nd weekend (Deer Lake) 18th - 20th - Klondike (Camp Sequassen) 24th - Council Volunteer Recognition Dinner (Birchwoods in Woodbridge)	2nd, 9th, 23rd - Merit Badge College 5th - District Committee (Trumbull LDS Church, 30 Bonnie View Dr.) 12th - Roundtable (Trumbull LDS Church)	2nd - Merit Badge College 2nd - Game Dinner 5th - District Committee (Trumbull LDS Church, 30 Bonnie View Dr.) 9th - Merit Badge College (snow date) 12th - Roundtable (Trumbull LDS Church)

Each year the council offers its premier training event, University of Scouting. This is an all-day training event where you can take up to six training courses. Course levels range from basic to advanced. The range of topics that are offered at university of scouting are wide ranging and cover a number of topics on Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Venturing, Commissioner Service, High Adventure and much more.

Whether you are a new scouter or a seasoned one there are plenty of courses offered at University of Scouting to fill your whole day and bring your scouting knowledge and abilities to the next level.

Courses are offered in several different schools to help you pick the courses that are right for you. However, you can choose courses from across several different schools to follow your needs and interest.

The program will be taking place on March 16th at Roger Ludlowe Middle School in Fairfield. For a complete listing of courses and to register visit the University of Scouting page at <https://www.ctyankee.org/events/university-of-scouting/>

