

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

We wanted to take the time to congratulate all the volunteers who were recognized at our annual district dinner. We were proud to be able to recognize so many volunteers for their hard work. From Spark Plug awards, unit awards, training awards, Unit Leader Award of Merit, Boyce New Unit awards, Key Three Award, Journey to Excellence and District Award of Merit, these all show why Pomperaug district thrives.

We know that all this hard work will not stop now, as we have much more work to do. While we are now a year into having female scouts at all levels of our program, we still have much work to do to serve as many young women as we would like. To that end, University of Scouting offers a great opportunity to learn more about scouting. Courses are offered that cover all aspects of scouting at all levels. If you are looking to find ways to better engage and serve your youth, this is a great way to make that happen. All volunteer leaders should consider registering for this event. In addition, registration for this year's Wood Badge course is now open. This is an advance training course open to all volunteers, if you are interested in truly ramping up your scouting service this course is a great way to start on that journey.

We also have some great new and engaging fundraising events in the works. The first of these is our Beer tasting event on March 19th. Come and enjoy fellowship with other Scouters!

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Congratulations and many thanks

to those who received awards at the district dinner!

Spark Plug Awards

Pack 461 Chris Boucher, Kristin Navarro, Joe Corkery

Pack 468 Vivian Settembre

Troop 10 Lisa Clancey

Troop 20 Diane Dumais, Bob Liquori,
Kristen Messerschmidt

Troop 71: Carl Larsen

Troop 88 Michael Harwood, Mark Harrington

Troop 90 Ann Cimmino, Lisa McCurley

Troop 100 Kathryn Lupoli

Troop 168 Brian Rapillo, Tyler Rapillo

Troop 188 Blake Cheney, Zachary Ratner, Paola Roach

Ship 110 Pat Boily



Scouters Key

Cubmaster's Key

Pack 74 - Lawrence C. Haddad

Pack 272 - Denise Schoepflin

District Committee Key

Hugh Welch

Commissioner Awards

Arrowhead

PJ Hughes, Jared Mittleman, Eugene Waring,
Michelle Sideleau Wendt

Commissioner's Key

Kristen Messerschmitt, Nathan Schindler,
Eugene Waring

Distinguished Commissioner Service Award

Seth Strohecker

William D. Boyce Awards

Pack 34 Christopher Caruso

Troop 20 Andrea Ulery, Leann Ratner, Hugh
Welch

Troop 74 Cynthia Kovalik-Cobb,
Lawrence C. Haddad, Jeff Lukins

Troop 139 Joseph L. D'Anna, Eric W. Overgard

Troop 168 JC Cinelli, Katherine Ann Gombos,
Raymond M. Gombos

Troop 188 Leslie B. Cheney, Ilka Neunteufel,
Nathan Schindler

Key 3 Awards

Chair Key Phil Clancy

Commissioner Key Eugene Waring

Executive Key Kermit Bierut

District Award of Merit

Anne Amidon, Kathy Dilks

34th Annual Fishing Derby **At Deer Lake**

April 4, 2020

**Deer Lake Scout Reservation,
101 Paper Mill Rd., Killingworth**

**Scouts fish from 8:00 am – 11:00 am
(Listen for the cannon's roar to make your first cast!)
Adults fish from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm**



For more info: <https://www.ctyankee.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/2020-Fishing-Derby-Flyer.pdf>



Scouts B.S.A. Day at the Maritime Aquarium

Saturday, April 4

Scouts B.S.A. Day at The Maritime Aquarium offers admission discounts, plus special educational programs that help to fulfill badge requirements, as well as other educational opportunities for Scouts.

For more info: <https://www.ctyankee.org/events/powahay-scout-day-maritime-center/>



...for grownups!

Adult Pinewood Derby

The Pomperaug District is considering putting together an Adult Pinewood Derby Fundraiser, but before we commit to the event, we would like to gauge the interest in the event.

This event would take place at Insports in Trumbull. It would feature a pinewood derby race with prizes for the winners, food, drinks and cornhole.

If you are interested in participating in this event, please fill out the form here:

<https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLSdo20bX7uG0atpdP.../viewform...>

POMPERAUG BEER TASTING

& *Brewery Tour*

Thursday March 19

6:30-8:30 PM

Veracious Brewing
246 Main St, Monroe

Register today at www.ctyankee.org/beer-tasting

Includes flight of beer or glass of wine, hot food and snacks, raffle, silent auction, and a Pomperaug District pint glass to take home

\$30
per
person



District Calendar

March	April	May
<p>3rd - District Committee (First Presbyterian Church, 2475 Easton Turnpike, Fairfield)</p> <p>7th - Merit Badge College (snow day)</p> <p>10th - District Roundtable (First Presbyterian Church)</p> <p>14th - University of Scouting (Foran High School)</p> <p>19th - Beer Tasting Fundraiser (Veracious Brewing, Monroe)</p>	<p>4th - Fishing Derby</p> <p>4th - Scout Day at the Maritime Aquarium</p> <p>7th - District Committee (First Presbyterian Church, 2475 Easton Turnpike, Fairfield)</p> <p>14th - District Roundtable (First Presbyterian Church)</p>	<p>2nd-3rd - Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (Deer Lake)</p> <p>5th - District Committee (First Presbyterian Church, 2475 Easton Turnpike, Fairfield)</p> <p>12th - District Roundtable (First Presbyterian Church)</p>



The Eagle Process

For Life Scouts and those who advise them

April 28th 7:15pm in Fairfield

Space is limited so

Make your **required reservation**

By **April 21st** to patriciaday@att.net

You will then receive reservation confirmation and directions.

A Great Day of Adult Leader Training

PLUS...Training for Venturers & Explorers

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.

The program will be taking place on March 14th at Foran High School in Milford. For a complete listing of courses and to register visit the University of Scouting page at <https://www.ctyankee.org/events/university-of-scouting-4/>.





Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation

A hands-on outdoor orientation to provide you with skills needed to plan and carry out an outdoor experience with your pack!

May 2nd at 8:30 AM - May 3rd at 10:00 AM
Deer Lake Scout Reservation
101 Paper Mill Road, Killingworth, CT
\$20 per person-includes meals

To sign up click the link on the council calendar. For more information, please contact Course Director Sabina Vance at jovibeant@gmail.com

Be like Baloo and come learn the Bear Necessities!



INTRODUCTION TO OUTDOOR LEADER SKILLS (S11)

SPRING 2020

FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 6:00 PM – SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 6:00 PM
 HOYT SCOUT RESERVATION TRAINING CABIN, WEST REDDING, CT
 COST: \$20

This course is required training for Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters. It is recommended for Webelos leaders who will be crossing over to a troop and anyone interested in learning the skills to be a direct contact leader for Scouts BSA.

Registration deadline: Friday, April 10, 2020 (no late registrations due to course requirements)

For more info: <https://www.ctyankee.org/events/scatacook-intro-to-outdoor-leader-skills-2/>



Camp Physicals

We are rapidly approaching the heavy camping season. In just a few months you and your unit will be going on many big camping trips. Whether it is a trip to one of the high adventure bases, summer camp or even just a week-long trip with your unit an annual physical will be required. Now is good time to schedule an appointment with your doctor to have your annual physical. An annual physical is required anytime you will be taking part in an event that is 72 hours or longer. The BSA has an approved medical form that you will need to provide your doctor to fill out for these events. The forms can be found at the BSA's Annual Health and Medical Record site at <https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/ahmr/>. Depending on where you end up going you may require additional medical related forms as well. If you are going to a national BSA location, this site will include these additional forms. If you are going to a local site, visit their website to ensure no additional paperwork is needed. Make sure that you get your appointment scheduled now, as summer approaches it can take over a month to get an appointment and if you can't have your physical completed before your event it will be unlikely that you will be able to participate. So, please plan ahead and call your doctor's office now to ensure that your physical will be completed before any event that will require a medical record this year.



2020 CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP

HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED WHAT YOU WOULD DO IF YOU FOUND YOURSELF STRANDED IN THE MIDDLE OF THE JUNGLE? IT'S UNCHARTED TERRITORY, AND YOUR CHANCES OF SURVIVAL ARE SLIM...THAT IS, IF YOU ARE NOT A CUB SCOUT! IT'S CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP 2020...GET READY TO EXPLORE!

FOR MORE INFO: <https://www.ctyankee.org/scout-info/cub-scout-day-camps/>

2020 SCOUTS BSA/VENTURERS SUMMER CAMP

If you're looking for something fun and exciting this summer, look no further than Camp Sequassen. 2020 marks the 93rd year that we've been delivering strong Scout programs to troops. Your time at camp will be a very personal experience of learning, having fun and growing in mind, body and spirit in the presence of hundreds of your fellow Scouts. Whether it's because of the camp's staff, the camp's lore, the camp's surrounding natural beauty or the quality of the camp's programs, a week at Camp Sequassen will make an impression on you that will last a lifetime.

For more info go to: <https://www.ctyankee.org/scout-info/scouts-bsa-resident-camp>

