

Welcome to Roundtable



Special Help Nights

Zoom Meetings

- Advancement with Chet Wickett TBA
- Training with Evan Atkins Wednesday, March 17, 7:30 PM

Watch your email for details

Next Roundtable is Wednesday, April 7

7:10 PM – Room Opens

7:15 -- Opening – Steve Prostor

- Welcome, Scout Oath and Law

Special Update -- Roger Williams

Objectives for the Town Breakout Sessions –

- John Hanks/Jim Mitchell

CYC Covid-19 Update & Unit Recognition – Jay Lubin

7:30 to 8:10 Breakout Sessions

- Darien – Hosted by Craig Schorr/Arnold Feintuck
- New Canaan – Hosted by Steve Prostor/Marc Harrison
- Norwalk – Hosted by John Hanks/Jim Patterson
- Stamford – Hosted by Jim Mitchell/Adam Terr
- Wilton – Hosted by Ryan Thompson

8:15 Wrap-up Session – Craig Schorr

- Summary Report from each Town Session
- Ignite Scouting – Roger Williams
- Closing remarks Key 3/Vice Chairs
- Scoutmaster Minute — Craig Schorr



Town Meeting Objectives

We welcome the start of Spring in anticipation that Covid-19 restrictions will continue to ease, and we can use this time to reactivate and rebuild our Packs, Troops, and Crews.

In the town breakout sessions, we would like to discuss:

1. Spring Recruitment (recommending at least 2 events)
2. Save a Scout -- Reactivating inactive or dropped Scouts
3. Brainstorm program planning spring through summer – Keeping current Scouts and new recruits active and advancing.
4. Graduating Arrow of Light Webelos to join a Troop
5. Talking points
 - Resuming in-person meetings and activities.
 - For Cub Scout Leaders are you able to advance your Scouts to the next Den level by June?

We will rejoin at 8:10 with a wrap-up session and we ask each Town to share a brief summary of your plans.

Up coming District/Council events

- April 8 Ignite Scouting
- May 14-16 Tri-Camporee
- June 5 District Cub Scout Safar-O-Ree at Hoyt
- June 13 Council Extreme (special event for new recruits)
- Scouts BSA Summer Camp
- Cub Scout Summer Day Camp
- Do we need more?



CYC COVID-19 Guidance Update

February 25, 2021

To our Scouting Community

Governor Lamont recently announced that Connecticut will be loosening COVID-19 restrictions regarding private, social, and recreational events at commercial venues beginning March 19.

Indoor event/meeting capacity will remain at 50% with caps increased from 25 people **currently to 100 people**. **Outdoor** venues caps will increase from 50 to **200 people**. The Governor indicated these changes will depend on Connecticut's COVID-19 metrics.

Connecticut Yankee Council intends to follow the Governor's guidelines when implemented by the State. We also anticipate there will be no change to the social distancing and masking guidelines, which would impact the indoor capacity limits.

We continue to review our camping guidelines and will advise you when changes are warranted. For now, group overnight sleeping in cabins is not permitted, although cabins may be used for program. For units going tent camping, we continue to recommend one person per tent.



Recognition: Back to Scouting 2021 For: All Scout Units in CYC



How to earn the award (patch)

1. Plan and hold at least one outdoor event each month between March and June 2021. No more than two of the events may be a weekday meeting; at least two of the events must be an outdoor activity (other than a regular meeting).
2. Plan at least one outdoor event each month between July and September 2021. This can include Scouts BSA Resident Camp, Cub Scout Family Camp, Cub Scout Day Camp.
3. Apply for the award no earlier than June 15, 2021; deadline July 15, 2021.
4. Price: \$5.00 per patch. Limit of two patches per registered member (Scout and Scouter).

Price reductions:

1. If a unit holds an FOS presentation[^] between January 1 and June 30, 2021 and raises an average of at least \$5 per registered youth member ~, take \$1.00 off for each patch ordered.
2. If a unit holds an FOS presentation[^] between January 1 and June 30, 2021 and raises an average of at least \$20 per registered youth member ~, take \$2.00 off for each patch ordered.
3. If a unit holds an FOS presentation[^] between January 1 and June 30, 2021 and raises an average of at least \$50 per registered youth member ~, take \$4.00 off for each patch ordered.
4. Price reductions only available to registered Scout units within Connecticut Yankee Council.

[^] Can be in-person or virtual; can also include the Ignite Scouting (Kickoff) event on April 8

~ registration as of June 30, 2021

* Youth application is completed and turned in along with applicable registration and operations fees.



Powahay District – Connecticut Yankee Council BSA

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Powahay News

"Strength of mind, body
and character..."

Serving the Communities of Darien, New Canaan, Norwalk, Stamford and Wilton

MARCH

Welcome to the March edition of Powahay News

Powahay Vice-Chair of Membership Mike Szarpa recently experienced a medical issue. All of us in Powahay wish Mike a speedy recovery. In the meantime, if you need help with recruitment or other membership needs, please contact District Executive Jim Patterson jim.patterson@scouting.org or (203) 951-0272.

We welcome the start of Spring this month in anticipation that Covid-19 restrictions will ease, and we can use this time to reactivate and rebuild our membership. We still need to be vigilant in following Covid-19 guidelines especially with wearing masks and socially distancing to allow parents and scouts to be comfortable for more in-person activities.

Please join us for the March 3 Zoom Roundtable. The Roundtable will feature a Town Meeting Breakout Session allowing Cub Scout and Scouts BSA Troop Leaders to plan and address issues unique to their town. We will have sessions for Darien, New Canaan, Norwalk, Stamford and Wilton. Spring recruitment and your unit needs will be the focus. See page 9.

Spring into Summer with some great activities! Troops can participate in the **Tri-camporee May 14 to 16** at Hoyt. See page 7. Cub Scouts/Webelos will have their own event a **"Safar-O-Ree" on June 5 at Hoyt.** The District Pinewood Derby will take place at this event. See page 6.

Plus... Create a hands-on history lesson with a visit to Putnam Memorial State Park see page 10. The Maritime Aquarium is offering advancement opportunities see page 12. And, Connecticut Yankee Council is offering Summer Camp for Troops at Camp Sequassen and 6 weeks of Cub Scout Day Camp. Check it out at www.ctyankee.org.

John Hanks Editor

Winter Activities



Cub Scout Polar Bear 2020 was Powahay's last in-person activity due to the pandemic. Polar Bear returned cautiously in February with two 100 person sessions. It was a welcome return with lots of fun. Above Arrow of Light Webelos receive recognition during the opening ceremony. More on page 2.

There was no District Klondike Derby this year, but many of our Scouts BSA Troops organized their own. Below is Troop 11 Stamford at Hoyt.



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It is not possible to cover everything at Roundtable and the newsletter provides the information your unit needs for supporting your program.

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<https://www.ctyankee.org/districts/powahay>

Check the “Latest News” Tab

You can download the newsletter and this packet and find all of the latest news.



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VIRTUAL EVENT

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April 8, 2021

7:00 PM



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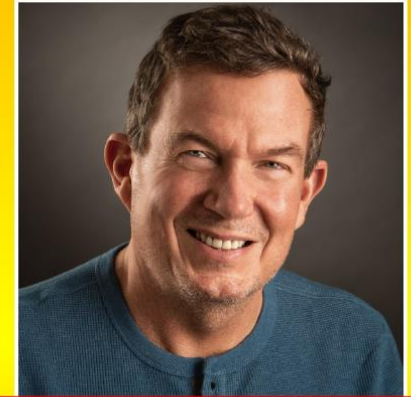
Scouting urges our youth to go *farther*, seek better understanding and tolerance, and to contribute to our communities, and world for the betterment of our society.

Scouting ignites that hidden spark in all of us and forges our future leaders, scientists, business people, and influencers.

Our forges, where we mold and form our youth, are our programs. Scouting teaches our youth ethical stewardship of the planet, country, and our communities.

Help us fuel the forges of Scouting with your active participation in

Ignite Scouting - Forging our Future Event.



Keynote Speaker

Terry L. Fossom, Eagle Scout

IGNITE SCOUTING

FORGING OUR FUTURE

Terry L. Fossom was born in the poorest city in the U.S. McAllen, Tx, surrounded by gangs and drugs. In Junior High, he found himself staring down the barrel of an assault rifle one night in his own back alley.

In High School, his father was killed. Before Terry's father died, one of their neighbors came up to him and said, "I just want to make sure you understand something: Not a single one of your boys will ever grow up to be anything."

Terry overcame great obstacles to earn his Eagle Scout Award and develop a life-long love of Scouting. He went on to get his degree in Mechanical Engineering and become an Officer in the United States Air Force, where he was the Executive Officer for an entire group of Nuclear B-52 Aircraft. He then started a direct sales company, where he earned over a million dollars, and set up teams around the globe.

Terry is an internationally-renown businessman, philanthropist, author, and keynote speaker, but is most proud of being a loving husband, and dad to three young gentlemen.

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