THE POMPERAUG POST



July 2022

The official newsletter of Pomperaug District, Connecticut Yankee Council, Boy Scouts of America

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

Congratulations to all of this year's District Awards recipients

FIRST CLASS SCOUTER — Phil Clancy

<u>CERTIFICATE OF MERIT</u> — First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield, Mike Abrahamson, Chet Bankowski.

SPARK PLUG— Erin Lichtenstein, Brian Kinsley, Brandee Gilmore, Maria Toro , Maggie Supple-Flemma , Shawn Cornut .

VETERAN AWARDS: 5 year- Angel Toro, Anthony Smith, Maria Toro, Stephen Brown; 10 Year- Hugh Welch; 15 Year- Anthony Farmer; 20 Year- Frank Yaworowski; 25 year - Gene Waring, John Quinlavin; 30 Year - JC Cinelli.

<u>DEN LEADER TRAINING</u>—Karin Anahory , Kassandra Marshal , Maria Toro , Stephen Brown , Angel Toro.

SCOUTER TRAINING: Stephen Brown, Maria Toro, Anthony J Smith.

NEW UNIT ORGANIZER AWARD—Nanette Nunemacker, of Troop 38 G.

BSA NATIONAL OUTDOOR CHALLENEGE — Troop 20 G

ARROWHEAD - ROUNDTABLE COMMISSIONER—John Valus

<u>COMMISSIONER KEY—ADC ROUNDTABLE</u>—John Valus

<u>UNIT LEADER AWARD OF MERIT</u> Pack 197—Todd Joerchel, Pack 468—Stephen Brown, Troop 199—David Hinkle, Troop 66—Anthony Farmer.

<u>KEY THREE AWARD</u>—District Chair Key -Chris Caruso, District Commissioner Key-Gordon Beach, District Executive Key- Jared Mittleman

DISTRICT AWARD OF MERIT- Brian Rapillo, and Jeff Glans.

If you were not at the District Dinner to receive your award, please email Gabe Zayas at fddesign@optonline.net to make arrangements so we can get it to you soon.

Thank you and Congratulations!

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Congratulations to this month's newest Pomperaug District Eagle Scouts.

Brien Trimbach, Troop 62
Katherine Liquori, Troop 20
Vishwajit Selvaraju, Troop 63
Sean McCurley, Troop 90
Brennan Newcomb - 72
Justin Loesher - 62
Liam Lafond - 65
Nathan Auten - 65

Benjamin O'Brien, Troop 199
Samuel McHugh, Troop 63
James Cunningham, Troop 90
Ryan Kingston, Troop 75
Jackson Hicks - 66
Patrick Civitelli - 203
George Kane - 65

Listed below are resources from our CYC website to help with advancement. https://www.ctyankee.org/programs-and-activities/resources/advacenment/eagle-scout-process/

Important documents that a Life Scout should download, review and complete are:

Eagle Scout Rank Application (<u>PDF</u>)

Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook (<u>PDF</u>)

Advancement / Life to Eagle Process (<u>Resources</u>)

Hello Leaders and Parents!

Don't miss this opportunity - go to **Campmaster's Popcorn** and commit your unit to this sale. Show & Sell orders are due by August 5th.

There's still time to join us for the next Popcorn Orientation on Wednesday, July 20, 2022, at the American Legion Post 12 in Norwalk. at 7:00 pm. It's Free!

Representatives from every unit are invited to attend and learn how to fund their Scout year with popcorn and maximize sales for their unit. The topics will include important dates, product selection, commissions and prizes, and protips on how to lead your unit to a great sale!

>>>>Units earn 30%+ commission<<<<

We will have refreshments, giveaways, and product samples.

PLEASE RSVP to Jim Patterson

popcorn@ctyankee.org (or call/text at 203-814-2201) and let him know your unit # and # of people attending (up to 3 per unit).

Click For More Information







Please pass this along to the families in your unit......

<u>Scout Volunteers needed!</u> TERRIFICON is this summer at the Mohegan Sun Expo Center, in Uncasville CT, on July 29-July 31, 2022. The event coordinators have allowed the Boy Scouts of America Connecticut Yankee Council to set up a booth and a display for the weekend. In return, we would be providing 10-12 volunteers each day to be runners. These would be older Scouts, Eagles, OA, Venturers, Sea Scouts, etc.

They would basically be telling people where to go in the Expo Center, and help the people at the booths if they need a quick break and need someone to watch the booth, be at our display, get a bottle of water for the artists, pass out flyers, escort celebrities and special guests, bathroom break, get supplies, etc. They would also be assisting in other events, and the kid's parade. The Scouters would be in full class A uniform for the entire event.

Lunch is scheduled to be provided by TERRIFICON. Volunteers get in for FREE. It's a great opportunity to help volunteer, showcase and promote Scouting in Connecticut to our youth. People come from all over CT for this event. Here is the link to the event: www.terrificon.com

Please pass this information on to the Scouters in your units. Gabe Zayas will be keeping a roster of volunteers for the weekend and will be coordinating the schedule. If you would be available to volunteer, yes Adults too, please contact him (cell: (203) 414-5196 or email: fddesign@optonline.net) as soon as possible with your available date or dates attending. You would be required to be there an hour earlier and stay about an hour after.

Volunteer Schedule: (includes 1hour before and after)

Friday July 29: set up shift: 10am to 12:30pm, event shift: 12:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Saturday July 30: event shift 9:00 am to 7:30 pm Sunday July 31: event shift 9:00 am to 6:00 pm



2023 Youth Registration Fees*

PLUS \$25.00 for each NEW YOUTH member

Current Month	Regist. Fee	Ops Fee Youth	Insurance Fee	Youth Total	Scouts' Life (Optional)	Total with Scouts' Life
January	\$75.00	\$48.00	\$12.00	\$135.00	\$15.00	\$150.00
February	\$68.75	\$44.00	\$12.00	\$124.75	\$13.75	\$138.50
March	\$62.50	\$40.00	\$12.00	\$114.50	\$12.50	\$127.00
April	\$56.25	\$36.00	\$12.00	\$104.25	\$11.25	\$115.50
May	\$50.00	\$32.00	\$12.00	\$94.00	\$10.00	\$104.00
June	\$43.75	\$28.00	\$6.00	\$77.75	\$8.75	\$86.50
July	\$37.50	\$24.00	\$6.00	\$67.50	\$7.50	\$75.00
August	\$31.25	\$20.00	\$6.00	\$57.25	\$6.25	\$63.50
September	\$25.00	\$16.00	\$6.00	\$47.00	\$5.00	\$52.00
October	\$18.75	\$12.00	\$6.00	\$36.75	\$3.75	\$40.50
November	\$12.50	\$8.00	\$6.00	\$26.50	\$2.50	\$29.00
December	\$6.25	\$4.00	\$6.00	\$16.25	-	

2023 Adult Registration Fees

Current Month	Regist. Fee	Ops Fee Adult	Insurance Fee	Adult Total	Scouts' Life (Optional)	Total with Scouts' Life
January	\$45.00	\$12.00	\$12.00	\$69.00	\$15.00	\$84.00
February	\$41.25	\$11.00	\$12.00	\$64.25	\$13.75	\$78.00
March	\$37.50	\$10.00	\$12.00	\$59.50	\$12.50	\$72.00
April	\$33.75	\$9.00	\$12.00	\$54.75	\$11.25	\$66.00
May	\$30.00	\$8.00	\$12.00	\$50.00	\$10.00	\$60.00
June	\$26.25	\$7.00	\$6.00	\$39.25	\$8.75	\$48.00
July	\$22.50	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$34.50	\$7.50	\$42.00
August	\$18.75	\$5.00	\$6.00	\$29.75	\$6.25	\$36.00
September	\$15.00	\$4.00	\$6.00	\$25.00	\$5.00	\$30.00
October	\$11.25	\$3.00	\$6.00	\$20.25	\$3.75	\$24.00
November	\$7.50	\$2.00	\$6.00	\$15.50	\$2.50	\$18.00
December	\$3.75	\$1.00	\$6.00	\$10.75		

Annual Unit Charter Fee: \$100

*Effective August 1, 2022

National Fees Increase

The National Boy Scouts of America organization sets the fee amounts to register as a member of Scouting. BSA has increased the youth membership fee by \$3 effective August 1, 2022 in all programs except Exploring. Here are the new national fee amounts:

- \$75 for youth in Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scouting
- \$25 new member fee (one-time only, upon joining Scouting for the first time)
- \$45 for youth in Exploring
- \$45 for adult members in all programs (includes cost of background check) \$100 for a unit charter fee

The Council insurance fee of \$12 per person and Council Operations Fee of \$48 for youth and \$12 for adults will remain the same.

Note:

- Youth who cross over from Cub Scouts to Scouts BSA do not have to pay the new member fee
- Youth who transfer from one unit or program to another do not have to pay the new member fee
- Youth who are new members joining Exploring do not have to pay the new member fee

Adults who are new volunteers (in any program) do not have to pay the new member fee

Upcoming District Calendar

July	August	September
1st—BSA Summer Camp Continues	9th-Pomperaug District Committee	6th-Pomperaug District Committee
1st - Hoyt Adventure Day Camp for Cubs continues	1st-18th—BSA Summer Camp Continues	13th-Pomperaug District Roundtable
22nd-24th - Cub Scout Family Camp Weekend 25th—Race Brook Golf Tournament	7th-10th - Webelos Adventure Camp 2022 7th-13th - NYLT	17th - Sporting Clays 17th-18th - Wood Badge 30th-OCT 2nd - Camp
29th-31st—TerrifiCon	19th-21st - Wood Badge	Sikorsky 30th-OCT 2nd - Powder Horn



Pomperaug District Committee Meeting

Tuesday, August 9, 2022, 7:30 pm via Zoom All committee members should attend.

Interested in helping out or joining our committee? Contact Gabe Zayas @ fddesign@optonline.net



https://www.facebook.com/pomperaugdistrict/



https://www.instagram.com/pomperaug_district/

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Pomperaug District Event Calendar (as of 6-17-22)

July 2022

- TerrifiCon 7/29 – 7/31 Mohegan Sun Expo Center

August 2022

- District Committee Meeting 8/9 on Zoom
- Fall Membership Kickoff TBD
- NYLT 8/7-8/13 Pomperaug
- Wood Badge WE I 8/19 8/21 Sequassen

September 2022

- District Committee Meeting 9/6 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- District Roundtable 9/13 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- Fairfield County Leadership Dinner 9/14 Country Club of New Cannan
- Wood Badge WE II 9/17 9/18 Sequassen
- Sporting Clays Shoot 9/17 Bristol Fish & Game Club
- Camp Sikorsky 9/30 10/2 Camp Sikorsky
- Powderhorn 9/30 10/2 Camp Sequassen
- Scout Day at Lime Rock 9/30 10/1 Lime Rock Park

October 2022

- A Night at Black Rock 10/6 Black Rock Yacht Club
- Council Golf Tournament 10/4 Hudson National Golf Club
- IOLS 10/8 10/9 Deer Lake
- District Committee Meeting 10/4 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- District Roundtable 10/11 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- Fall Camporee 10/21–10/23 Sequassen
- Webelos Outdoor Weekend 10/22 10/23 Sequassen
- Cub-O-Ree 10/30 Old Mine Park, Trumbull

November 2022

- District Committee Meeting 11/1 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- District Roundtable 11/8 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- Charter Renewal Day 11/19 Council Service Center
- Wood Badge Fellowship Dinner 11/6 TBD

December 2022

- District Committee Meeting 12/6 on Zoom
- District Roundtable 12/13 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield

January 2023

- District Committee Meeting 1/3 on Zoom
- District Roundtable 1/10 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- Klondike Derby 1/20 1/22 Sequassen

February 2023

- District Committee Meeting 2/7 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- District Roundtable 2/14 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield

March 2023

- District Committee Meeting 3/7 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- District Roundtable 3/14 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- Scouting for Food TBD

April 2023

- Scouting for Food TBD
- District Committee Meeting 4/4 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- Spring Roundup Membership Kickoff TBD
- District Roundtable 4/11 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- Fishing Derby TBD
- District Pinewood Derby 4/22 TBD

May 2023

- District Committee Meeting 5/2 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- District Roundtable 5/9 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- Spring Camporee 5/19 5/21 Deer Lake
- District Awards Dinner—TBD

June 2023

- District Committee Meeting 6/6 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield
- District Roundtable 6/13 First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield



Looking for exciting adventures for boys and girls in grades 1-5? The Hoyt Adventure Day Camp in Redding, CT is the camp for your child! Campers will experience adventure exploring world cultures with immersive crafts, STEM activities, sports and nature activities. Campers will spend their day in small groups with trained staff guides during activities at camp, offsite and meal times. It's conveniently located right down Route 7 with bussing and early/ late care available. Campers should bring their own snacks and meals.

Regular fee: \$350 | Early Bird (paid in full by April 30): \$325 | Add'l sibling or week: \$300 (each) | Early Drop off: \$55 | Late Pick up: \$30 | Transportation: \$75

For more info go to: https://www.ctyankee.org/events/hoyt-adventure-day-camp-2022/







JULY 22-24 | FRIDAY 5 P.M. TO SUNDAY 11:00 A.M.

Come with your den, pack, or family to enjoy a fully inclusive weekend at Deer Lake with swimming, shooting sports, archery, games, slingshots, crafts, and other Scout fun! All meals and activities are included in this safe and family-friendly weekend in the outdoors.

\$175 for one Cub Scout & adult. Additional adult and child over 3 years old is \$85, children under 3 are free For more info go to: https://www.ctyankee.org/events/family-weekend-2022/



HEY WEBELOS!

EXPLORE CAMP SEQUASSEN

FOR MORE THAN THREE FULL DAYS!





1 P.M. AUGUST 7- 11 A.M. AUGUST 10

OPEN TO WEBELOS SCOUTS ENTERING 4TH AND 5TH GRADE

For more info go to: https://www.ctyankee.org/events/webelos-adventure-camp-2022/

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BUILDING TOMORROW'S LEADERS TODAY



We strive to provide the best possible program to our youth. Scouting grows and improves in the Connecticut Yankee Council, only with your support.

An investment in Scouting today is an investment in stronger, better prepared leaders of the future.

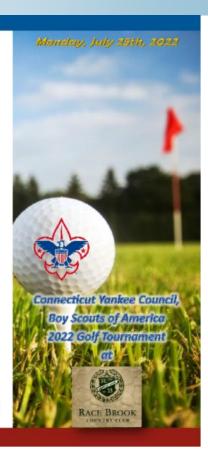


BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA' CONNECTICAL YANKES COUNCIL

60 Wellington Road PO Box 32 Milford, CT 06460 CTYankee.org

For more information, contact: Joe Andreo joseph.andreo@scouting.org PHONE: 203-951-0518

Register online at: www.ctyankee.org/golftournament



Monday, July 25th, 2022 at Race Brook Country Club 246 Derby Ave, Orange, Connecticut Proceeds to benefit

The Connecticut Yankee Council, B.S.A.

The Connecticut Yankee Council carries out the mission of the Boy Scouts of America in Fairfield and New Haven counties and the town of Southington by providing leadership opportunities for all youth through high quality programs, mentoring from trained adult volunteers, on-going learning, and personal development.

Tournament schedule*

8:00 AM : Registration 8:30 AM : Breakfast

9:30 AM : Shotgun Start 4 Person Scramble

Awards Luncheon, and Auction to follow golf

Player Registration Fees

\$225 per player or \$900 for a foursome. Fees include Green Fees, Cart, Breakfast, Lunch, & Awards.

Awards Lunch Only: \$75

"Subject to change

Sponsorships

Event Sponsor: \$5,000

4 Foursomes - 1 Banner Sign, 1 Tee Sign-Recognition in lunch program and at the Awards Lunch.

Lunch Sponsor: \$2,500

2 Foursomes - 2 Tee Signs -Recognition in lunch program and at the Awards Lunch.

Golf Cart Sponsor: \$2,000

1 Foursome - 1 Tee Sign - Sign in each cart -Recognition in lunch program and at the Awards Lunch.

Breakfast Sponsor: \$1,500

1 Foursame - 1 Tee Sign - Recognition in lunch program and at the Awards Lunch.

Long Drive Sponsor: \$750

1 Tee Sign on the Long Drive Hole. Recognition in lunch program and at the Awards Lunch.

Closest to the Pin Sponsor: \$500

Tee Sign on the Closest to the Pin Hole.
 Recognition in lunch program and
 at the Awards Lunch.

Tee Sponsor: \$225

Sign with your company's name or logo.

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NATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP TRAINING AUGUST 7 - 13 | CAMP POMPERAUG



NYLT - LEADERSHIP THAT LASTS A LIFETIME

NYLT is an exciting week-long advanced leadership course designed to teach Scouts the tools, techniques, and skills they need to be better leaders – not only in their Scout units but everywhere in their daily lives. Scouts will take home skills, games, songs, and practices that will make their unit even better.

This unique weekend is led by Scouts, for Scouts. Participants will learn to communicate effectively, resolve conflicts, and work towards a vision. They'll work in a patrol to practice Scouting skills and grow together as a team. NYLT teaches

Scouts about themselves along with diverse skills so they return ready to lead in their individual units.

For more info to to: https://www.ctyankee.org/events/national-youth-leadership-training-22/

WHAT IS WOOD BADGE?



Simply stated, Wood Badge is advanced leadership training for adult scout leaders.

Baden-Powell took the first steps in training Scouting's adult leaders by organizing a series of lectures. The first Wood Badge training was held in 1919 at Gilwell Park, near London. Since then, Wood Badge has continued to evolve to meet Scouting's needs. Wood Badge focuses on preparing adult leaders to deliver the mission of Scouting.

By attending this Wood Badge training program, you will:

- •Learn contemporary leadership concepts and discover how these apply to our value-based program
- Understand Scouting as a family of interrelated programs providing age appropriate activities for youth
- •Revitalize your commitment to Scouting, sharing in an inspirational experience

COURSE DIRECTOR: JEFF JORGENSEN

AUGUST 19-21 AND SEPTEMBER 17-18 AT CAMP SEQUASSEN

For more information: https://www.ctyankee.org/events/wood-badge-2022/

New Pomperaug Merit Badge Counselor List Manager Maria Toro – mtoro78@live.com

To sign up as a NEW counselor. It does not matter if you are already a registered scouter, you must provide items listed below. <u>Do not</u> turn in the application to council or a Unit Leader.

There is no FEE to sign up as a counselor. Only your signature is needed.

- 1) BSA Adult Volunteer Application Disclosure Authorization page signed by you
- 2) BSA Adult Volunteer Application filled out and signed by you, no other signatures required. Position code is 42.
- 3) The Merit Badge Counselor Application filled out completely and any other information needed for the badge under general information special Qualifications or Certificates.
- 4) A copy of your Youth Protection Training certificate. (Need a new one EVERY Year)
- 5) A copy of your Merit Badge Counselor Training certificate

Citizenship in Society applicants contact Pat Day for approval at patriciaday@att.net.



AN ANNOUCEMENT FROM THE BSA:

UPDATE TO SCOUTS BSA YOUTH JOINING REQUIREMENTS

The BSA has been looking at the barriers to joining for today's families and we want to simplify this for any youth who wants to participate in our programs. The joining requirements for the Scouts BSA program currently state:

Youth can be Scouts if they have completed the fifth grade and are at least 10 years old, **OR** have earned the Arrow of Light Award and are at least 10 years old, **OR** are age 11 but have not reached age 18.

Beginning April 18, 2022, the Scouts BSA program joining requirements will be changed to the following:

YOUTH CAN BE SCOUTS IF THEY ARE AT LEAST 10 YEARS OLD, CURRENTLY IN THE FIFTH GRADE AND REGISTER ON OR AFTER MARCH 1ST; OR HAVE EARNED THE ARROW OF LIGHT AWARD AND ARE AT LEAST 10 YEARS OLD, **OR** ARE AGE 11 BUT HAVE NOT REACHED AGE 18.

Introducing the





SPRING FUNDRAISER

What can your unit get from participating in the sale?

- Additional income to help pay for Activities Camp **Parties** Travel
- Commissions are \$2.50/bottle for Hot Sauce and \$3.50/bottle for Maple Syrup (Retail price: \$10/bottle for Hot Sauce; \$12/bottle for Maple Syrup)

What do Scouts get from participation?

Learning all about

Salesmanship Public Speaking Planning Teamwork Earning their own way

What do Parents get from participation?

- A Confident Scout with new skills
- Help with the activity and camp fees
- A Scout who has learned the importance of teamwork



Scout's Own 100% PURE maple syrup is produced eacl year by tapping thousands of maple trees at Beaumont Scout Reservation in Northern Ohio where sap consistency ranks among the top maple-producing states in the country.

Connecticut Yankee Hot Sauce, a proprietary blend crafted by Rubin's Hot Sauce especially for Connecticut Yankee Council

Two varieties are available for sale through our Sweet and Spicy Spring Fundraiser, Original variety infused with Tropical Fruits, and our Bourbon infused variety.



Patrols, dens, or units can work together to create an epicurean delight using Connecticut Yankee Council Hot Sauce and/or Scout's Own Maple Syrup. The 5 chosen entries will be judged by our esteemed VIPs at ConnJam on May 14, 2022.

The winning recipe will be displayed on RubinsHotSauce.com and on ctyankee.org

Rules apply. Go to ctyankee.org/sweetnspicy for info. Submit a recipe at: sweetnspicy@ctyankee.org for more info.

To order Hot Sauce or Syrup go to: ctyankee.org/sweetnspicy

POWDER HORN HIGH ADVENTURE TRAINING 2022



"Life is an adventure that is best lived boldly" -Bear Grylls

Providing a vibrant outdoor program for your unit isn't easy.

Experience the solution at Powder Horn where we help you deliver on the promise of Scouting: Adventure!

At Powder Horn, you "learn by doing" as you try each activity first-hand so you know how much fun your unitcan have. You'll have fun outside learning from experts on how to arrange equipment, facilities, guides, instructors, and other aspects of outdoor fun for your unit.

Powder Horn is for Scouts BSA, Venturing, Sea Scout, Cub Scout, Leaders and older youth leaders!

Powder Horn is open to all registered adult and youth leaders. Youth must be 14 or older and have completed NYLT.

Learning Objectives:

- Provide a robust outdoor program using a variety of resources.
- Identify local resources and consultants for high-adventure activities.
- Apply the health and safety requirements of the BSA to outdoor programs.
- Apply the rules and regulations of the BSA as they apply to outdoor programs.

Important Program Notes:

- The course runs three full days from Friday, September 30,2022 Sunday, October 2, 2022
- Powder Horn is "challenge by choice"; this means no one has to participate in any activity which they may feel uncomfortable doing.
- In order to earn the Powder Horn medal, the participant must complete at least 10 course sessions.

Participant activities are subject to change based on weather conditions, and availability of qualified consultants.

For more info and to Register, visit: https://www.ctyankee.org/events/powder-horn-high-adventure
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Bring The Adventure Home!

Hosted by Connecticut Yankee Council Camp Sequassen - New Hartford, CT September 30th - October 2nd, 2022







A resource course for adults and older Scouts* interested in learning how to deliver a first-rate, high-adventure program for their unit. Participants will have the opportunity to experience and learn about a variety of outdoor/high-adventure activities.

*Scouts must be 14 years of age or older, and have completed NYLT Training.

Registration Link: https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/Event/901
For more information please contact Course Director, JC Cinelli jcinelli@gmail.com

Get excited for the NOAC 2022!



National Order of the Arrow Conference July 25-30, 2022 Local contingent dates, July 23 – 31, include tour and activities. 2022 National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC) (noac2022.org)

The National Order of the Arrow Conference is a week-long fellowship event at University of Tennessee, Knoxville featuring many engaging activities such as ultimate frisbee and stadium shows and Arrowmen from across the country! We'll depart on July 23 and return on July 31. Along the way we'll stop at Great Smoky Mountains National Park and the National Zoo, D.C.! The trip will cost \$1,300; a non-refundable deposit is required to register.

Register today!



Units, if you have not scheduled your OA presentation, please email info@owaneco.org



Recruiting new Scouts and Parents

When to do Recruiting

Recruiting is <u>year-round</u>...but most commonly the two main times are in the spring (May) and the fall (September). Units throughout the District have started planning successful recruiting events and activities leading up to this exciting time!

Cub Scouts Spring Recruitment

Don't forget, preschoolers can join the Pack as Lions at the end of the school year. So, by having a sign-up in May, you can concentrate your efforts on the preschool and kindergarten classes. Benefits to having families sign up in May/June include:

- Giving the new families a chance to get acquainted with the Pack casually over the summer.
- New Scouts can get a head start, especially if they go to Day Camp.
- New Lion, Tiger, and all other den leaders can be recruited and trained in the summer, making September go much more smoothly.
- The new Lion and Tiger Dens can start selling popcorn early with the rest of the Pack.

Note: spring recruiting should be used as a supplement to fall recruiting not a replacement. Also, when your Pack recruits in the spring, make sure the new scouts have several activities over the summer, you can earn the national Summertime Pack Award!

Scouts BSA Troop Open House

The Scout Troop open house allows a troop to swing open its doors and roll out the red carpet to welcome guests. It provides a forum to show off Scouting activities and the troop's accomplishments. It is an effective tool to reach youth who have never tried Scouting. Hosting a troop open house is a five-step process that has been tried and proven in Troops throughout the nation. Each of the following five steps is vital to the event's success:

- 1. Present a school rally to fifth- and sixth-graders. Give them something they can go home with.
- 2. Mail the parents of interested youth a personal invitation to the Troop open house, and an invite though social media.
- 3. Follow the invitation with a telephone call, or email to the parents. Host the open house for youth AND their parents.
- 4. Organize a Troop or district activity to involve new Scouts right away. Youth join Scouting for the fun and outdoor adventure.
- 5. Parents want them to join for completely different reasons—character building and leadership training.

Following this plan for conducting a Troop open house will help you address the wants and needs of both youth and their parents.

We need the help of every leader assisting their own unit or possibly another one nearby. It's a complete team effort! The question is: Will your unit grow significantly? Steady growth is the best indicator of a healthy unit. Will positive, helpful, and new parents be recruited to fill every volunteer role? The spring is a great time to recruit new leaders! They can begin their adventure as registered leader in a more relaxed setting with school out and fewer activities going on.

Please contact your Vice Chairman for Membership with any questions you may have, or for any assistance with your recruiting efforts. If your unit is planning on holding a spring recruiting event, and you would like some recruiting materials put together, please let us know. We can help coordinate materials, lawn signs, flyers, base camp canopy, peer to peer cards, etc. Happy recruiting!

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Connecticut Yankee Council COVID-19 Guidelines Updated 03/01/2022

BASED UPON THE LATEST GUIDANCE FROM THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT, CONNECTICUT YANKEE COUNCIL IS ADOPTING THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES, EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2022.

COVID-19 VACCINES CURRENTLY APPROVED OR AUTHORIZED BY FDA ARE EFFECTIVE IN PREVENTING SERIOUS OUTCOMES OF COVID-19, INCLUDING SEVERE DISEASE, HOSPITALIZATION, AND DEATH. A COVID-19 VACCINATION IS CURRENTLY RECOMMENDED FOR EVERYONE FIVE YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER IN THE UNITED STATES FOR THE PREVENTION OF COVID-19.

General Guidance

- The Council is lifting its policy that face masks be worn during indoor activities. The use of face masks by individuals is optional.
 Proper social distancing should be maintained in all circumstances. Face masks should not be worn in or near water, while eating, or while sleeping.
- Each member should Be Prepared and have clean and dry face masks available to wear, as circumstances dictate. Examples where wearing of masks may be appropriate include places where social distancing is not possible, or first aid stations (where individuals may be ill).
- Units and members must follow any additional guidelines imposed by local municipalities or health departments, building operators, or chartered organizations.
- The BSA "Model Pre-Event Medical Screening Checklist" has been updated, effective January 1, 2022. The Council recommends use of this checklist prior to beginning each activity.

https://www.ctyankee.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/Covid-19-Pre-Event-Checklist-1.1.22.pdf

- Unit leaders must report, within 12 hours, confirmed or strongly suspected cases of any communicable disease infection, including COVID-19, occurring during or within 48 hours after a unit meeting or activity, to camping@ctyankee.org. Unit leaders are also required to promptly notify adult leaders and parents of all scouts who participated in the activity, as well as the unit's Chartered Organization Representative.
- Unit leaders are obligated to work closely with their parents and youth members to ensure that no stigma is attached to ANYONE
 who chooses to wear a mask. Bullying, harassment, or similar forms of abuse related to masks, violate the Scout Oath and Law and
 are unacceptable.

Overnight Camping

- Cabins are available for program use by units, 24/7.
- Group (congregate) sleeping inside cabins or other indoor locations is permitted.
- While it is a best practice to sleep one person per tent, unit leaders may determine whether to permit additional number of individuals to share a tent.
- Parental permission should be obtained by the unit leader for each youth member sleeping in a cabin with others or sharing a tent.
- When sharing a cabin, tent or lean-to, individuals sleeping next to one another or in bunk beds should be arranged head-to-toe.
- Any member using a CPAP machine <u>must not</u> share a cabin, tent, or lean-to with other members.

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COVID-19 Guidelines for Carpooling Recommended Best Practices March 1, 2022

Connecticut Yankee Council recommends youth members be transported to and from an activity only by their own family member (parent or guardian).

Parental permission should be obtained by the unit leader for each youth member traveling in a vehicle with anyone other than a family member.

Unit leaders must maintain a list of passengers in each vehicle for 48 hours after completion of a trip, to facilitate contact tracing.

Should a unit decide to use carpooling to and from Scouting activities, the following best practices are recommended:

- Driver and passengers wear a clean and dry face mask while inside the vehicle.
- Open windows or use the vehicle's vent system to increase air circulation.
- Passengers stay in the same vehicle for all portions of the trip, including the return trip.
- Leave open seats between passengers, especially for longer trips (over one hour).



Connecticut Yankee Council, BSA COVID-19 Pre-Event Medical Screening Checklist (Rev 01/01/2022)

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