



Save the date!!

Saugatuck District

Annual Recognition Dinner

Please join us on Wednesday, **March 25, 2026** as we salute the Scouting volunteers of Saugatuck District, Connecticut Yankee Council. You won't want to miss this annual event as we recognize Scouters at the unit and district levels with the District Award of Merit, Key Three Awards, Spark Plug Awards, and more.

Wednesday, March 25th 2026
Saugatuck Congregational Church
Hoskins Meeting Room
245 Post Road East
Westport, CT 06880

Welcome & Reception begins at 6:00 pm
Opening Ceremony 6:30 pm
Dinner begins at 7:00 pm

Garden Salad, Chicken Marsala, Roast Beef, Penne alla vodka, Grilled Vegetables, & much more!

PLUS Great Friendship & Networking Time!

Please register early

Registration deadline is March 16, 2026

Pay Online *ONLY* —\$50/pp

Register and pay online on Council Website (click on event link or QR Code)

Saugatuck District Recognition Dinner



Award Nominations are due by Monday March 16th

Saugatuck Adult Leader Award & Recognition Forms

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1tuPN1ZpebNGQiFrM340_XxSo913P3_14?usp=sharing



Need more information about the dinner, please contact: saugatuck@ctyankee.org

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Saugatuck Adult Leader Recognitions 2026

Some of Saugatuck's best volunteers never get recognized for their service to Scouting, because no one took the time to nominate them. This post includes the various awards presented to recognize our volunteers at the Saugatuck District Dinner.

Some recognitions require processing through National and we have set a nomination date deadline for all awards by **March 16, 2026.**

**Saugatuck District — Annual Adult Recognition Dinner
Saugatuck Congregational Church
245 Post Road E, Westport, CT
Wednesday, March 26, 2026**

Saugatuck Beacon of Light Award recognizes volunteers who shine as outstanding leaders within their unit or at the district level. 1-2 per unit and those nominated should attend the dinner to be recognized. Form attached.



Unit Leader Award of Merit: Quality unit leadership is the key to a quality unit program and leaders to better Scout retention. The Boy Scouts of America created the Unit Leader Award of Merit to recognize the quality unit leaders — Cubmasters, Scoutmaster or Crew Advisor — who make that happen. This award is approved by National. Form Attached.

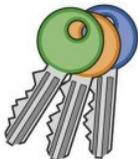


District Award of Merit (2 or 3 Awarded) is the highest award a district can present to a volunteer. It is available to Scouters who render service of an outstanding nature at the district level.



The William D. Boyce New-Unit Organizer Award is presented to recognize volunteers who organize one or more traditional Scouting units. The Award has been updated allowing for several volunteers to be recognized.

Saugatuck Key 3 Award is presented to volunteers who go above and beyond the call of service for the youth of the Saugatuck District. It is presented by the District Key Three (District Chairman, District Commissioner and District Executive). Recommendations can be submitted by email to saugatuck@ctyankee.org



Veteran's Award: The Veteran's Award is an adult recognition on number of years registered in Scouting. Tenure earned as a youth may be included in the total number of years registered. Form Attached.



Saugatuck Pioneer Award is presented annually by the Saugatuck District to long time Scouters who continue to provide exceptional service to Scouting at a point in their life when they could easily "retire" from Scouting. Recipients are selected by special committee.

During our Scouting year, many situations arise when you say "thank you" to a volunteer. However, sometimes a more than just a thank you is needed to match the impact of the person's efforts. Saugatuck's Annual Recognition Dinner allows your unit to thank a volunteer with a recognition award and to be honored at a ceremony of their peers. **We ask that please you make every effort for those nominated to attend the District Dinner.**

Email forms & Questions to: saugatuck@ctyankee.org (NOT Karen)

