

# 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 now over and it was a banner year for our district. We made improvements in almost all areas district wide. We are retaining a higher percentage of youth, advancing a higher percentage of youth, sending a higher percentage of youth to camp, performing more service hours, raised more money for the council, and had a higher percentage of trained adult leaders. We also have over 150 young ladies now participating in our programs, which is quickly approaching 10% of our youth.

We should all be proud of all the hard work we did in 2019 for scouting and the program that we provided to our youth. As we move into 2020, we should continue to focus on providing our quality program to even more youth. Our district has many volunteers who are at the ready to help your unit with anything you need help with. Our new district professional Brett Keeler is also eager to help your unit as well. For assistance please contact Brett at [Brett.Keeler@scouting.org](mailto:Brett.Keeler@scouting.org) or our District Commissioner Kathy Dilks at [kathydilks@gmail.com](mailto:kathydilks@gmail.com).

We would also like to congratulate this year's recipients of the Silver Beaver Award from the Pomperaug district: Kathy Dilks, Bryan LeClerc, and Gene Waring. The Silver Beaver is the highest recognition the council can bestow for volunteer service. Congratulations to these three volunteers and the other three volunteers from the other district within the council.

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## **CYC 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: Karen Caiati, Kathy Dilks, Bryan LeClerc, Craig Orr, Kenneth Shupp, and Eugene Waring

When: January 23, 2020

Where: Birchwood Banquets Facility, Woodbridge

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

## **Pomperaug Annual District Dinner**



When: February 20, 2020

Where: First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield  
2475 Easton Turnpike, Fairfield, CT 06825

For more info: <https://www.ctyankee.org/events/pomperaug-district-dinner-3/>

## ESCAPE FROM KILAUEA AT DEER LAKE SCOUT RESERVATION! JANUARY 17TH – 19TH.

Aloha Wahine's and Ka'ne's, Mahalo for considering our beautiful island paradise for your Klondike destination this year.

E komo Mia Hale, Shaka!

- Make a bridge over a pool of lava and test its strength
- Navigate through a Lava field without getting burnt
- Oh No! One of your scouts got burnt, time to go to the first aid station
- Make a sacrifice to Pele' the Goddess of fire
- You need wood to make a bridge, go cut up a palm tree.
- Ash is everywhere; make a shelter from the pyroclastic flow
- Dodge lava rocks and coconuts at the obstacle course
- Decorate your sled Hawaiian Style



For more info: <https://www.ctyankee.org/events/pomperaug-klondike-derby-2/>

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/>.



# District Calendar

January	February	March
<p>3rd-5th &amp; 10th-12th - NYLT Training Winter Course (Parts 1 &amp; 2)</p> <p>5th - OA Lodge Winter Banquet (6pm Birchwoods, Woodbridge - Note new location)</p> <p>7th - District Committee (First Presbyterian Church)</p> <p>14th - District Roundtable (First Presbyterian Church)</p> <p>17th-19th - Klondike Derby at Deer Lake</p> <p>23rd - Council Volunteer Recognition Dinner (7pm Birchwoods, Woodbridge)</p>	<p>4th - District Committee (First Presbyterian Church, 2475 Easton Turnpike, Fairfield)</p> <p>8th - Friends of Scouting Kickoff Breakfast (9am Trumbull Marriott)</p> <p>11th - District Roundtable (First Presbyterian Church)</p> <p>20th - Pomperaug District Dinner</p> <p>22nd &amp; 29th - Merit Badge College</p>	<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>