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

2020 COUNCIL FALL MEMBERSHIP KICK-OFF

Learn the best practices for recruiting new members this fall, and the recruiting resources available to you as unit leaders. School centered membership recruiting this year may not be like any other year. However, we have the ideas and the tools to still make 2020 a **membership success**. Join us for a Zoom webinar to learn more.

To register go to:

<https://www.ctyankee.org/events/2020-council-fall-membership-kick-off/>

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**NOW'S NOT THE TIME TO *CLAM UP*,
COME TO THE CLAMBAKE AND SUPPORT SCOUTING!**

Spend an afternoon at Hoyt Scout Camp shooting rifles and archery and then enjoy a Clambake dinner.

Shooting & Archery begin at 2:30

Dinner at 5:30

Auction Prizes! Food, Fun, Fellowship!

All proceeds go to the life-changing programs of the Connecticut Yankee Council.

\$45 Includes:

- **Dinner**
 - **2 blocks of 10 rounds on the rifle range**
 - **Archery**
- Additional Shooting available (time permitting) for
\$5.00 (per addl. block of .22's)**

To register go to:

<https://www.ctyankee.org/clambake2020>



**FOR OVER 100 YEARS, SCOUTS, AND MEMBERS OF THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA HAVE RISEN UP IN THEIR COMMUNITY
TO BE HELPFUL IN THE FACE OF CHALLENGES LARGE AND SMALL.**

When times get tough, Scouts support one another and our community.

Now is the moment for us to come together to support Scouting in the face of COVID-19 so we can continue helping our communities into the future.

To honor and thank our frontline heroes, the Connecticut Yankee Council created a special patch as our way to salute our heroes
and have launched the #ScoutSaluteHeroes campaign.

We need your support to keep Scouting going in the face of this crisis and help the United Way's COVID-19 Response Fund, which a portion of the proceeds will benefit.

Order your patch today to honor how Scouting has been helping our communities and honor the frontline heroes fighting COVID-19.

To order patches go to:<https://www.ctyankee.org/support-scouting/a-scout-is-helpful-collector-csp/>



Have you heard about Family Fun Fest? This fun, interactive, online event is like an ‘open house’ for your pack! There’ll be interviews with NASCAR drivers and astronauts, interactive games and activities, fun with pets, prizes, a service project and more.

It’s both fun for your current Cub Scout families, as well as a great opportunity to show non-Scouting families some of the fun that they’re missing out on!

Help us grow Scouting and spread the word about this exciting event! Encourage your fellow Scouters and current members not only join on August 8, but also to invite their non-Scouting friends. It will be a great way to showcase the adventure of Scouting!

What’s going on at Family Fun Fest?

- Meet Dr. Bernard Harris, former astronaut and the first African American to perform a spacewalk!
- Sketch along with professional illustrators and choose the subjects you want to learn to create!
- Vote to design a Pinewood Derby® car LIVE.
- Check out all the ways to take care of your furry (and scale-y) friends. Post photos of your pets using #FamFunFest and you may see them during the show.

Win Prizes!!!

For more information go to: <https://www.scouting.org/familyfunfest/>

Merit Badge College



Redding Troop 306 is hosting a Merit Badge College within the restrictions of CYC and CT State COVID-19 regulations.

Registration is open <https://reddingmbc.square.site>

Please help spread the word.

Merit Badges Offered:

- American Business
- Animation: Few Spots Left
- Citizenship in Community: Sold Out!!!
- Electronics
- Environmental Science
- Photography
- Robotics
- Textile
- Scholarship, Free Ad-On

For more info contact: Christina El-Abid 331-481-1466



TRAVEL BACK IN TIME WITH US THIS SUMMER AND VISIT ANCIENT CIVILIZATIONS!

Together as we navigate through the Nile River in Egypt, explore Astronomy with the Mayans and create beautiful art in Ancient Greece our campers will learn about all the wonders that existed within these civilizations. This summer we will bring a virtual Cub Scout program that brings education and fun together through stem activities, theme related craft projects, day hikes, campfire cooking, day trips to local zoos & museums, trivia games, Cub adventure based activities and so much more! Our Camp Staff along with the help of some volunteers will create a fun and easy to follow program that will keep campers engaged and excited for each new day!

This program is open to both Scouts and Non-Scouts in grades 1st through 5th!

CAMP DATES:

- Week 1:** Ancient Greece – July 6 – July 10, 2020
- Week 2:** Ancient Egypt – July 13 -July 17, 2020
- Week 3:** Ancient Mayan – July 20 – July 24, 2020
- Week 4:** Ancient Greece – July 27 – July 31, 2020
- Week 5:** Ancient Egypt – August 3 – August 7, 2020
- Week 6:** Ancient Mayan – August 10 – August 14, 2020

CAMP FEES:

	First Family Member	Additional Family Members / Siblings
First Week Your Attend	\$80	\$65
Second Or Third Week You Attend	\$65	\$65
Fourth Or More Weeks You Attend	\$50	\$50

Price includes a patch, t-shirt and a box of materials to complete stem and art projects. Multi-week campers will only receive one patch and one t-shirt week 1.

Any camper that signs up for a week of at-home day camp will receive a voucher for an extra free t-shirt at next summers Jungle Day Camp. A \$10 value!

For more info and to register go to: <https://www.ctyankee.org/cub-camp-at-home>



Welcome to Camp Phoenix

Join Scouts from around the country for a week of remote Scout camp! We're bringing what you love from your traditional camp right to your backyard. Work on up to five merit badges, accept Firebird Challenges, and join in campfires and songs right in your backyard. Rising up from the adversity we've faced, Camp Phoenix is bringing us together for camp while we're physically apart.

WHAT'S A DAY AT CAMP PHOENIX LIKE?

THINK BACK TO THE LAST TIME YOU WENT TO SCOUT CAMP AND REMINISCE ON WHAT YOU DID: YOU CAMPED OUTDOORS, EARNED MERIT BADGES, WENT ON OUTDOOR ADVENTURES AND FORGED FRIENDSHIPS WITH FELLOW SCOUTS. CAMP PHOENIX IS BRINGING THOSE MEMORIES TO LIFE THIS YEAR RIGHT FROM HOME. EVERY DAY, SCOUTS WILL WORK ON THEIR CHOSEN MERIT BADGES, GET OUTDOORS TO COMPLETE FIREBIRD CHALLENGES AND PARTICIPATE IN EVENING PROGRAMS WITH SCOUTS FROM ACROSS THE COUNCIL.

CAMP FEES & DATES:

\$150 per week; \$130 per additional week

Camperships are available

WEEK 1: JUNE 28 – JULY 3

WEEK 2: JULY 5 – JULY 10

WEEK 3: JULY 12 – JULY 17

WEEK 4: JULY 19 – JULY 24

WEEK 5: JULY 26 – JULY 31

WEEK 6: AUGUST 2 – AUGUST 7

WEEK 7: AUGUST 9 – AUGUST 14

For more info go to: <http://www.ctyankee.org/camp-phoenix/>

Spend a day in the woods!



DAY USE OF CONNECTICUT YANKEE COUNCIL CAMPS BY SCOUT UNITS, GROUPS, AND SCOUTING FAMILIES BEGINNING JUNE 27, 2020

General Information:

- Council Camps are open to Scout units, groups, and in-council families.
- Only Scouts units that are registered to Chartered Organizations from within the State of Connecticut are permitted to access Council Camps at this time.
- At least one member of the in-council family must have a current registration with the Boy Scouts of America, with a unit chartered by Connecticut Yankee Council
- Scout units may invite prospective new members to participate. In-council families may invite guests; however, the number of guests may not exceed the number of family members.
- Camp Sequassen, Hoyt Scout Reservation, and Wah Wah Taysee are open 7 days a week; Camp Pomperaug is open Friday to Sunday. Deer Lake Scout Reservation will remain unavailable until mid-August.
- Camp properties will be open from 8:00 am to 9:30 pm, however Camp Pomperaug will be open Fridays from 6:00 pm to 9:30 pm, Saturdays from 8:00 am to 9:30 pm, and Sundays from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.
- All groups must register at least 48 hours in advance so that group leaders can be updated on any area closings, current Council guidance and policies and federal/state/BSA regulations and guidance. Groups will select a specific site or facility.
- Go to <https://www.ctyankee.org/camping/reserve-a-campsite-or-facility/> to register.

Go to <https://www.ctyankee.org/council-news/day-use-of-connecticut-yankee-council-camps/> and read responsibilities for camp users and other details.

GUIDELINES FOR UNIT OUTDOOR PROGRAMS

AS OF JUNE 19, 2020

Venues which allowed private gatherings as large as 100 people outdoors and 25 people indoors. These limitations apply to Scouting activities when followed in conjunction with Youth Protection guidelines. When planning outdoor activities with your group, please read and follow the guidelines found here:

<https://www.ctyankee.org/council-news/guidelines-for-unit-outdoor-programs-during-the-covid-19-pandemic/>