

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

Powahay District — Connecticut Yankee Council BSA

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Powahay News

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

From Powahay's District Chairman

Unit leaders and district staff spend a lot of time planning Scouting programs and activities this time of year. As the summer winds down and schools open for a new academic year, we expect this fall and winter will be a continuation of the momen-



tum we felt in the spring. There is a lot for us to look forward to and we should be proud of our dedication to the Scouting movement.

At this critical point in time, district leadership and especially the Key 3 for Powahay are very focused on growing membership and retaining Scouts in the programs. The past 18 months has been an unbelievably difficult time to recruit boys and girls to Scouting. Yet there have been many successes, including the first class of nearly 1,000 girls nationally that attained the rank of Eagle Scout in February 2021!

What is district leadership planning to do to help grow Scouting in our community?

The first thing we committed to do early in the 2021 planning process is recruit town coordinators to help unit leaders organize town-wide recruiting events. There are many great examples of town-wide events within our district and in other parts of Connecticut Yankee Council. Do you have connections with local schools in your community? Are you involved in other community organizations that need help at their events and that can help us raise the visibility of Scouting? We'd like to hear from you.

Thank you for everything you do for Scouting. Marc Harrison Powahay District Chair marc@powahay.com

Exciting Fall News



Photo: Kevin Shah and Ashley Morgan Pack 11 Stamford with DE Jim Patterson and ADC Adam Terr at the August Membership Kickoff.

Supporting your unit with fall recruitment, Connecticut Yankee Council is providing Marketing Assets and an incredible Media Campaign. See page 3 for details.

There is no shortage of amazing adventures Powahay Units are providing. I asked Unit Leaders from each town to provide photos of recent activities for a town page in the newsletter. I was overwhelmed with items... So many, that I could not fit them all in this edition of the Powahay News. Take a look at our Town Pages and thank you leaders for the outstanding programs you provide!

New for the program year. We are providing a monthly "Program Catalog" with single page summaries – one for Cub Scout Packs and one for Troops and Crews – with bulleted point information on upcoming activities and links for more information. It will also provide Council events, and a printable one-page calendar.

John Hanks Editor

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Fall Recruitment Events

JOIN SCOUTING



SCOUTING PROGRAMS

Our Scouting programs are designed to give kids and young adults the skills they need to unlock their full potential and to live life outside – it's bigger and way more fun out there!



Youth Protection — The Boy Scouts of America places the greatest importance on creating the most secure environment possible for our youth members. To learn more visit www.scouting.org/training/youth-protection/

This event is open to all units in Powahay.

You Are Invite to a

Scout Me In Family Fun Day

Sunday, September 26, 2021 1 PM to 3 PM

The SONO Collection

100 N. Water St. Norwalk, CT 06854

Find us at The People's United Magnificent Room Level 2

Join us for a family fun afternoon at the SONO Collection, Norwalk's new mall **TO JOIN Scouting.** All current Scouts are invited to attend to and encouraged to bring a buddy. This event is open to the public.

- → Experience a Blast Car Race A larger type Pinewood Car powered by a CO2 cartridge. It's a blast!
- → Robotics Adventure Learn about Robotics and build a robot.
- → Be a Cartoonist Meet Orlando Busino, Boy's Life magazine cartoonist of "Gus" and Scouter Bill Janocha national cartoonist for a drawing activity.
- → PLUS... Crafts, table top activities, local unit information and more!
- Sponsors from the SONO Collection
 + CAMP'S Store A virtual store with fun things to do, make, and learn
 - providing giveaways and activities at their store.
 + Readiness Collective Not a store but a training center providing emergency readiness hands on activities for Cub Scouts and Emergency Proparedness.
 - readiness hands on activities for Cub Scouts and Emergency Preparedness activities for Scouts BSA.

First 60 new applications will receive a complimentary lunch coupon at PINSTRIPES PIZZA & BOWLING

at the SONO Collection

Questions — Jim Patterson, Senior District Executive jim.patterson@scouting.org or (203) 951-0272 Connecticut Yankee Council BSA

Fall Recruitment Planning

Town Recruiting Events

- **Darien** Sept. 18, 2 to 5 PM and Saturday Oct. 2nd from 9-12 Darien Scout Cabin.
- New Canaan Sept. 9, 6 to 7:30 PM Annual Family Bonfire at New Canaan Nature Center
- Norwalk Sunday, Sept. 26 and Wednesday, Oct 27 at the Norwalk Collection.
- Stamford Saturday, Oct. 2 at Cove Island. This event is being organized by Lee Bowbeer Troop 15 at bowbeer@gmail.com
- Wilton Wilton Fireworks event held at Wilton High School Stadium Field on September 4. We will also be having a Kites, Rockets and Drones event on Sunday September 19 from 3:30pm-5pm. This will also be a Pack meeting. We are still waiting for the final approval on this from Parks and Rec for the Allen's Field location in Wilton where we are trying to get 3 soccer fields reserved.



Sr. District Executive Jim Patterson jim.patterson@scouting.org (203) 951-0272

Please do not hesitate to email or call Jim Patterson on your unit recruitment needs.

It is well documented that newly registered Scouts have a far greater Scouting experience if they are provided an opportunity to participate in a Scouting activity within a few weeks after they join. Powahay has two great fall events to experience Scouting.

- Cub Scouts Fall Adventure October 16: Scouting Around the World at Hoyt Scout Reservation see page
- Scouts BSA Fall Camporee October 22-23: Knights Vs. Ninja's featuring the Knights of Gore at Hoyt.

Fall Recruitment — Connecticut Yankee Council Marketing Assets & Media Campaign

2021-2022 Connecticut Yankee Council Marketing Assets

COUNCIL ASSETS

ScoutMeInBSA.org is the URL to be used on all marketing materials. This is a dedicated URL for the Connecticut Yankee Council and will bring leads directly to our District Executives for follow-up.

Promotional Collateral Materials

To have Council Marketing create and send or print the following items, please fill out this form: <u>http://scouting.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/</u> SV_aXLqvQKfZVaNSPI

- Cub Scout recruiting flyer and poster
- Scouts BSA recruiting flyer and poster
- Venturing or Sea Scout recruiting flyer
- School announcement video

Each District will have 1 or 2 of the following items that you can request for your event:

- Feather flags
- Banner
- Sandwich Boards
- Yard Signs
- Facebook Event w/Boost

To have Council Marketing create, and boost a Facebook post for your event, you will need to provide the following information in the survey attached here: <u>http://scouting.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/</u> SV_aXLgvQKfZVaNSPI

- <u>SV_aXLqvQKfZVaNSPI</u>
 - Name of the event and who it's for (Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing, Sea Scouts, Explorers)
 - Date/time
 - Address of event location
 - Description what will be happening and why should people come?
 - Is it in-person or online?
 - Visual banner please send photos or licensed images to represent your event

Please email questions to: communications@ctyankee.org

Once you have your Facebook Event posted, ask all parents and volunteers to promote it Steps:

- 1. Go to your Facebook page, click on "events" and type in "A Night at Black Rock". The event post will come up
- 2. Open the post and click on "invite" to choose your Facebook contacts
- 3. After inviting them, click on "Share" or and post it to your Facebook news feed on the "public" setting
- 4. Then share it to any Facebook groups you belong to

NATIONAL ASSETS

The national BSA marketing assets use the **"Scout Me In"** tagline and are customizable for your local event. New recruitment website: Recruitment Boy Scouts of America <u>https://www.scouting.org/recruitment/</u>

- For marketing materials: billboards, email templates, fliers, cards, photos, postcards, social media, tri-fold/brochures, videos, web banners. It also lists several recruitment webinars that leaders can sign up for, Geofencing tips & tricks, and a Joining event plan
- Buddy cards for Cubs: <u>https://scouting.webdamdb.com/bp/#/</u> folder/4856459/
- Tips for promoting an event in-school and out of school: https:// scoutingwire.org/marketing-and-membership-hub/unit-recruiting/sign-up -night-unit-playbook/



2021-2022 Connecticut Yankee Council Recruitment Media Campaign 8.2.21

- Target Audience: Parent of children ages 5-12; Adults 25-49; skew female
- Goal: Increase inquiries and recruitment into local Scouting (Cub Scout focus)
- Timing: Launch in August, run through November then pick up again in the spring

WTNH News 8 (Hartford/New Haven Counties) Paid Media partnership

- We're running local TV recruitment ads for 13 Weeks!
- We'll be on a special New 8 franchise called Report!t
- Storytelling via CT Style Content & Distribution We'll get over 40K impressions/ month in promo banners and 400K impressions/month of pre-roll video on wtnh.com.

News 12 – (Southwestern CT) Paid Media sponsorship

 Sponsorship of Hometown Heroes weekly segment on Wednesdays, August – October (1x per hour 5pm – 12am). The :30 spots will air on News 12 during all dayparts and NICK and FREEFORM targeting kids. The sponsorship includes digital & social media coverage, including on news12.com/homeownheroes, and over 200K tv impressions over the internet targeting kids and parents

PBS/CPTV Kids Paid Media Sponsorship. PBS stations reach more moms with young children than any other kids TV network. So we're running 15, :30 tv ads/wk for 4 weeks (60 spots) during quality educational programming. Delivered over TV, digital platform live-stream, YouTube, and interactive gaming

Connoisseur Broadcast Radio Paid Media Partnership. Connoisseur stations and platforms reach our target audience! We'll have a paid radio schedule on select stations like: 99.1 PLR, Star 99.9, WEBE 108, 95.9 The FOX, 94.3 WYBC, WICC 600. We'll have a presence on all the websites and social media platforms- including a FacebookLIVE Scout interview by an on-air personality)



Powahay District Roundtable Wednesday, September 1, 2021

You are invited to a Zoom Powahay Roundtable meeting.

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/ tZMlcu6vgjkuH9cBUjwZdXYalFsjLlT-s067

Register in advance for this meeting: After registering you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.



New Roundtable Lead Commissioner

District Commissioner Jim Mitchell has announced that Craig Schorr will take the lead as Roundtable Commissioner. Craig is responsible for managing the agenda and leading the meeting. If you have any questions, or would like to present and/or most important have an idea for a topic, please contact Craig at craig.schorr@yahoo.com.

DON'T MISS IT - KICK-OFF THE YEAR AND JOIN ROUNDTABLE

ON WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 1ST AT 715PM. (Craig T. Schorr, Roundtable Commissioner)

Questions on RECRUITING? Attracting more Adult VOLUNTEERS? Helping your Scouts ADVANCE? Upcoming EVENTS? Broader Scouts BSA and CYC INITIATIVES? Learning more thru TRAINING? Supporting our Units FI-NANCIALLY? Having more FUN?

Please join us on Wednesday 9/1 virtually via Zoom at 715pm for our first Roundtable of 2021-2022. Given current circumstances, we will likely be virtual for September and October and hope to hold an in-person Roundtable in November. Roundtable focuses on providing an opportunity to share experiences and enjoy fun and fellowship with other leaders. The Commissioner and District Staff are focused on helping you with the SKILL TO DO and the WILL TO DO. We recognize that you have many demands on your time-Roundtable is a great way to make new relationships in Scouting and gain new skills and learn new ways to bring our great Program to our Scouts. Most of the challenges we face are common across Units and geographies-why not leverage Roundtable to help learn new ideas and ways to engage your Adult Volunteers and Scouts.

So, please join us on Wednesday September 1st at 715pm. Even better, BRING A FRIEND OR NEW ADULT VOLUNTEER. We could benefit from their experience and ideas as much as they can take away from the group. YIS, Craig T. Schorr



Craig Schorr Lead RT



Steve Prostor **RT** Staff



Adrian Ruck Zoom Host



Jim Mitchell District Commissioner



Ryan Thompson **Cub Scouts**



William Shannon Scouts BSA



Willis Phillips **Cub Scouts**



John Hanks Communications

Time: 715 pm-815pm EDT Optional discussion from 815-830pm

Agenda: 715pm sharp – Joint Session

- Opening Craig Schorr
- Key 3 Update
- CYC COVID and Update (Jay Lubin)
- CYC Marketing (Suzanne Schulz)
- Upcoming Events (John Hanks)
- Training Opportunities

740-805 pm Breakout Ses-

sions (participants choice of which to join)

Cub Scout Breakout moderated by Ryan Thompson

- Getting Parents Involved
- October Cub Scout Event
- Recruitment
- Open discussion Round the Horn

Scouts BSA Breakout moder-

ated by William Shannon and Craig Schorr

- Den Chiefs
- October Camporee
- Advancement Q&A
- Open discussion Round the Horn

805pm-815pm Joint Closing

- Q&A, Feedback, and Inputs on future topics
- SM Minute
- Closing 815pm-830pm •
 - Optional Q&A/Discussion with Commissioner Staff

Next Roundtable is Wednesday, October 6, 2021 Use the same Zoom link

Scouting in Wilton

Featuring Pack 17, Pack 22, Troop 20 and Troop 125



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Welcome John Ferencz Wilton's Assistant District Commissioner John Ferencz has served as an Assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 20 in Wilton since 2018. In June 2021, he became the Assistant District Commissioner - Wilton for the Powahay District. John is also a Member of the Investment Committee at Christ and Holy Trinity Church and a Member of the National Society of Compliance Professionals. John Ferencz is currently a Senior Compliance Officer - Investment Management at Franklin Templeton. Previously, John served as V.P., Chief Compliance Officer - AMG Family of Funds and as Director, Legal and Compliance for AMG Funds

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Troop 20: Owen Abrahamsen, Michael Colavecchio, Connor Murphy and Aidan Reber attended Philmont.



Pack 22 helping out at Wilton Meadows.



Troop 125 Appalachian Trail Hike/campout.



Troop 125: Jake Mercer (center) spotted by Teddy Davies and Lifeguard Arjun Patel completed the Mile Swim at Sequassen.



Troop 20 — 12 Eagles Court of Honor: Mitchell Bakken, RJ Fields, Jack Hall , Alex Jelilian, Dean Kadubosk, Ben Kesselman, Ian Kineon, Everett Lee, Dev Madhavani, Chris May, Ryan McElroy and Nate Newcomer



Troop 125: Arjun Patel, Jack Santosky, Merrick Thompson at National Youth Leadership Training this summer.



Pack 22 Pinewood Derby Winners



Pack 17 June BBQ

Featuring Pack 61, Pack 66, Pack 97, Troop 14, Troop 19, Troop 190, Troop 222 and Ship 6



Troop 14: June Eagle Court of Honor: Scoutmaster Mike Dorrico, ASM Jack Hungaski, — Eagles Ever Hungaski, Oliver McGovern, Colton Lovell and Josh Vega — Committee Chair Jim Howe and ASM Jim Priot



Pack 61 at the fishing derby.



Pack 61: At a recent meeting.



Pack 97: August trip to Battleship Cove



Troop 19 and Troop 190 had a great week at Camp Sequassen.



Pack 66: Enjoying a backyard campout.

Scouting in Darien

Featuring Pack 55, Pack 56, Pack 155, Pack 161, Troop 35, Troop 53, Troop 219, Crew 353



Crew 353: Pat and Terry Gentile have stepped down as the Unit Leaders for Crew 353. The STEM Crew was started by them in 2016 providing teaching opportunities for high school age Scouts to teach programs in urban areas. **Thank you** and best wishes to Pat and Terry.



Troop 53 at summer camp



Troop 219 at Camp Sequessan.



Troop 35: Camp Sequessen — SPL Allen Shao , Ahkil Polaki, ASPL Drew Park, ASPL Shishir Sangaru received the Honor Troop Award.



Troop 35: Philmont Trek 726-6G. Adults: Craig T. Schorr, Scott Lucas, Mike Towell, William Shannon. Scouts: CJ Schorr, Nicky Lucas, Drew Towell, Dennis Glassmeyer, Casey Molloy, Charlie Salmore and Marshall Smith.



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Scouting in Stamford

Featuring Pack 8, Pack 11, Pack 15, Troop 5, Troop 9, Troop 11 and Troop 15



Pack 11 held events each month during the summer: an ice cream social/rank advancement in June, morning hike at Zofnass Family Preserve in July, and an outdoor movie night in August. The pack will be seeking the National Summertime ok Award with the district/council. Dylan Shah (bear) and Marcello Montanari (wolf) participated in all events and will be receiving an individual pin for their commitment to Scouting.



Troop 15 Camp Sequassen: After two years lost in the Covid wilderness, Troop 15 was awarded the coveted Spirit Stick on the first night of camp during Week 4! As their small (SMALL!) memento, they attached a plunger to the regal staff, on which they had written their favorite quotes from several staff members. Campfire photo: At the conclusion of the Friendship Fire at Camp Sequassen, Troop 15 retires flags they've collected on Memorial Day and throughout the year. It's often described by scouts and scouters as one of the more impactful ceremonies of the year. The ceremony concluded with the boys singing the Scout Vespers, Sequassen style--as they linked arms, the Senior Patrol Leader stepped forward, Scout Sign raised, and recited the Scout Oath between verses.



Troop 9 enjoyed a week at Camp Sequassen.



Troop 11 Camp Yawgoog Summer Camp.

Scouting in New Canaan

Featuring Pack 7, Pack 45, Pack 70, Troop 31, Troop 45 and Troop 70



Pack 45 Raingutter Regatta and Court of Honor



Troop 45 and Troop 31: Scouts and leaders eating lunch at Camp Sequassen.



Troop 45 and Troop 31 Scouts get ready to enter dining hall during at Camp Sequassen.



Troop 45 Summer Camp Aidan P and Luke R working on rank requirements.



Troop 45 at summer camp.

Troop 70 at Camp Yawgoog.







Troop 70 at Camp Yawgoog to left photos and above at Philmont.

Adventure at Philmont

Troop 15 Stamford — Troop 11 Stamford — Troop 125 Wilton & Troop 65 Oxford

Philmont Scout Ranch is located in New Mexico; it covers 140,177 acres of wilderness in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains of the Rocky Mountains. Donated by oil baron Waite Phillips, the ranch is owned and operated by the Boy Scouts of America. It is a National High Adventure Base where crews of Scouts and Venturers take part in backpacking treks and other outdoor activities. By land area, it is one of the largest youth camps in the world. This season 25,612 Scouts and adult leaders backpack through the Ranch's extensive backcountry — the largest contingents of crews ever! More than 1,130 seasonal staff are responsible for the Ranch's summer operations.



Front row (I to r): Max Fink, Brett Newman, Andrew Beck, Shawn Eggert (ranger), Matan Coll, Sebastian Bernhard, Skylar Heiligenthaler. Back row: Sean Heiligenthaler, Cindy Newman, Jeff Knopf



Front row: Ethan Farber, Jake Isolda, Eli Pardo, Ben Circus (ranger), Teddy Davies, Spencer Newman, Brent Schwartz Back row: CJ Johnson, Alan Davies, Max Fanwick, Lee Bowbeer

Troop 15 Stamford sent two crews out to Philmont over the summer. Boys and adult leaders from Troop 15, Troop 125 Wilton, Troop 11 Stamford, and Troop 65 Oxford (Housatonic Council) trekked 75 miles across the northern section of Philmont, summiting Mount Baldy (12,441 feet) along the way.

The crews learned how to hang bear bags, improved their Leave No Trace Skills, and bonded over difficult hiking and backpacking conditions during monsoon season. They also completed a conservation project of building "shaded fuel breaks" in the forest, which will help with controlled burns in the winter, which will in turn help with preventing wildfires. One thing the boys learned is that simple oversights that are common on troop campouts have potentially disastrous effects in the backcountry. Matan Coll, Troop 15's Junior Assistant Scoutmaster and Crew Leader for 729C-02 said, "Above all else, Philmont taught me to be 'mentally awake'."

Speaking about group dynamics, 729C-01 Crew Leader CJ Johnson (from another troop and council) said, "As crew leader, I learned the difficult nature of leading people you don't know very well. I had to gain the respect of 9 people within the 2 days between when our flight landed and when we arrived at Philmont." All in all, it was an incredible experience for all involved!



Adventure at Philmont Continues

Troop 35 Darien — Troop 11 Stamford — Troop 20 Wilton & Troop 70 New Canaan

Editor Notes — In addition to Troop 15 combined Crews, this was a record year of Troops from Powahay sending crews to Philmont Scout Ranch. Here are there stories.

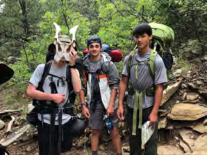
Troop 70 New Canaan:

Treks provide the first 3 days with a Ranger and the rest of the time on their own hiking over 61 miles. Crews participate in program activities throughout their trek.





Troop 70 New Canaan: From left front row: Andrew Reed, Nathan Trepanier, Ike Morales, Philmont Ranger Caroline, Teddy Goetz, Ryan Leahy. Second row: Michael Reed, Dave Trepanier, John Goetz, Jose Morales.





Troop 11 & Troop 20 at Philmont

Troop 11 Stamford along with Troop 20 Wilton, recently completed the adventure of a scout's lifetime on their Philmont Trek. The group covered a total of 61 rigorous miles including climbing Baldy Mountain, which is the highest peak in Philmont at, 12,441 feet and enjoying horseback riding.





(L to R) John Clapps SM & Advisor T11, Owen Abrahamsen T20, Ryan Wendt - advisor, Case Clapps T11, Aidan Reber T20, Matthew Tolla T11 Noah Guyer (Philadelphia troop), Michael Colavecchio T20, Conor Murphy T20, and Rock Clapps T11.



Troop 35 Darien Philmont Crew



Philmont Scout Ranch, the Boy Scouts of America's premier High Adventure[™] base, challenges Scouts and Venturers with more than 214 square miles of rugged northern New Mexico wilderness. Backpacking treks, horseback cavalcades, and training and service programs offer young people many ways to experience this legendary country.

More info at www.philmontscoutranch.org/

Scouts BSA Fall Activities (Troops and Crews)



Knights Vs Ninjas Fall Camporee — October 22-24, 2021

Hoyt Scout Reservation, Redding CT

\$20 Youth and Adults Register at https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/Event/786

Join us for an action-packed camporee weekend. A battle between two favorites, a knight and a ninja, to determine who is the best. Defeat your opponent in melee combat in a series of patrol competitions. Troops will be organized into Knights or Ninjas. Featuring the Knights of Gore a medieval acting group.

Update from the August 16 SPL/ Scoutmaster Zoom Meeting

We'd like to thanks the Troops that have volunteered to host a station or activity. We have a few that we need to be covered. Details can be found in the Leaders Guide download from the registration link. The six stations are on a 30 minute rotation with hosting 4 patrols at a time. Tournaments are on a round-robin schedule. Contact John Hanks at <u>ihanks@powahay.com</u>.

Assignments — Stations and Activities	Assigned
1. Dragon Slaving – Sling Shot Water Balloons teamwork	Troop 53 Darien
2. Keeper of the Fire – Teaches stealth & keen listening skill	Troop 35 Darien
3. Fishing for Mousetraps – lashings, teamwork	Troop 9 Stamford
4. Rescue the Knight/Ninja First Aid:	Troop 11 Stamford
5. Axe Throwing – just for fun	Troop 14 Norwalk
6. Fast Compass – Scout Skills	Open
"O Ye Tavern" (Snack Bar) & Chess	District
Ultimate Tournament	Open
Volleyball Tournament	Troop 11 Stamford
Ga Ga Ball Tournament	Open
Campfire Program	Open

ScoutsBSA Training Dates:

- September 18, 2021: BSA Scout Youth Leadership Training-ILST & Den Chief Training 8:30 am to 1 pm at the Andrew Shaw Memorial Scout Cabin, 140 West Ave. More info at https://www.ctyankee.org/district/powahay/ troop-ilst-den-chief-training/
- October 08-09: Intro Outdoor Leadership Training. Required training for Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters. Check www.ctyankee.org for registration link.





Cub Scout and Webelos Fall Activities

October 16, 2021: Cub Scout/Webelos Fall Adventure

9:30 am to 3:00 PM with optional camping—Hoyt Scout Reservation \$20 Youth/Adult Fee

Messengers of Peace —The World of Scouting — Creating A Better World. Join us for a weekend celebrating "Scouting Around the World!" Imagine a world living a common Scout Oath and Law! Scouting is a worldwide movement with more than 55 million Scouts in over 260 countries.

- ➔ Optional Saturday night camping included in the registration no need to make separate arrangements to camp.
- Program includes fun family activities, an inflatable obstacle course, an International Midway, Jamboree on the Air/Internet,
- → Lunch included in the fee.
- → Order a great t-shirt. Info at the registration link.
- Parents/Leader Guide and Register at: <u>https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/</u> Event/787
- Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO) date conflicted with Lime Rock Weekend so it being seen if it can be rescheduled. Watch your email for details.
- Webelos College Nov 13: Schools are not permitting rentals at this time and we have NOT found another location. Hold the date and we'll let you know if we find a location.



Advancement News

Chet Wickett District Advancement Chairman <u>cwickett@optonline.net</u>

Let's begin this column with some good news! Back in the spring, I informed the council administrators that I wanted to step down as Council Advancement Chair. I agreed to stay on until they found someone to take over the chair position. I am very pleased to announce that John Davenport has agreed to be the new chair. He is a respected Scouter and I know he will do a great job. I will continue to serve as your Powahay District Advancement Chair.

Recently, I have received a couple Eagle Scout Service project proposal workbooks that were incomplete. Also, the work was not prepared in the "most current" workbook as required by the National Advancement team. The most current workbook is 2021. You can download the most recent workbook from the National website (Scouting.org) or from the Council website. Workbooks not fully completed or not on the most current format will be returned unapproved. Another point that needs to be addressed. I

The Tools You Need to Make It Easy to Welcome Members Back to Scouting



COVID-19 kept many of our families away from Scouting last year, but these new tools can help you invite them to reconnect.

WELCOME BACK SUGGESTED SOCIAL COPY:

"Scout You In!

If it's been a while since you've been to a Cub Scout meeting, don't worry! We'd still love to "Scout" you in. We're starting to meet as a Pack again. Stop by any meeting and we'll bring you up to speed. Here's the details: [LOCATION] on [DAY] from [START TIME] to [END TIME].

<u>CLICK HERE</u> for more information.

have received completed Eagle Scout project workbooks or packet without the Eagle Scout application and life statement. The reason that a Scout didn't include the application is they are still working on the merit badges. Please do not send us the Eagle Scout final packet until all the pieces are completed and signed off on.

MERIT BADGE COUNSELORS NEEDED!!! Merit Badge College is on the 2022 calendar. But as of today, we do not know if the college course offerings will be in-person or virtual. But the college will happen. We are currently reaching out to counselors that are willing to teach either inperson or virtually. In addition, we are looking for an organized Scouter that can head up and oversee the college. The 2022 dates for the college are: January 29; February 5, February 12 and February 26. March 5 is a snow day. Again, we need counselors and tell us the badge or badges you want to teach.

Finally, we are a few short months until the end of 2021. Please remember to update your Youth Protection certification. Remember, our council requires YPT annually. Many send the National print-out that shows 2-year expiration. Annual!!!! Please do not hesitate to take course especially if you are a merit badge counselor. MB counselors will need a 2021 YPT certification date to be renewed.

Meet Orlando Busino

(born October 10, 1926 in Binghamton, New York) is a US artist whose cartoons have appeared in McCalls, Reader's Digest, Good Housekeeping, Saturday Evening Post, and many other magazines. Among his creations are "Gus," the long-running series of cartoons about a large dog that has appeared in Boys' Life magazine. He lives in Ridgefield, CT.



Mr. Busino will be visiting with us at the September 26 SONO Collection recruitment event (see page 2) and at the Fall Camporee on Saturday, Oct 23. Cartoonist and T11 ASM Bill Janocha is making the arrangements for Mr. Busino visits.

Powahay News is a volunteer publication published monthly except during the summer. Celebrating our 15th Year, we welcome stories and photos from our units. We do not publish last names of youth without parent permission. Deadline for our next publication is April 20. Send to johnwhanks@hotmail.com.

Riddles from Scout Life (Boys Life) Q: Why is the little ant always confused?

- A: Because all his uncles are ants.
- Q: What is the best part of a Boxer's joke? A: The PUNCH line.

Darien Eagle Scouts



Troop 35: Frank Pirone, Garrett Martin, Will Morgan and Ian Holly.



Tate Hanson, Troop 53 (left), Owen Coventry, Troop 53 (middle), and Lindsay Feretti, Troop 219 (right)



Troop 35 — Daniel Martorella , Evan Towell, Paul Scalise and Adi Rai

While COVID-19 shut down many activities across town this past year, Darien Scouts never stopped meeting, completing rank requirements, and providing valuable community service. Persistent Scouts and dedicated leaders held virtual meetings and resumed outdoor activities as soon as possible with safety precautions in place... In total, 19 Darien Scouts - 11 Scouts from Troop 35, 7 from Troop 53, and Darien's first female Eagle Scout from the town's newest girls' Troop 219 - attained Eagle rank in the 2020-21 pandemic period. (Source Darien Times)

More Eagle Scouts News



Troop 15 Stamford Gaga Pit: Jordan Bowbeer (back row, second from left) completed his Eagle project by building a Gaga Pit at the Italian Center in Stamford. Parents, scouts and adult leaders from Troop 11 Stamford, and even a friend from school chipped in!

"You may say I'm a dreamer, but I'm not the only one. I hope someday you'll join us. And the world will live as one." — John Lennon

John Ferencz

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LLC. At AMG Funds John also served as Secretary of the Disclosure Committee, Code of Ethics Reporting Officer, Sarbanes-Oxley Code of Ethics Compliance Officer, Alternate AML Compliance Officer and was a member of the Pricing Committee. John also served as a Senior Compliance Analyst and a Project Manager at GE Asset Management. He also held mutual fund administration and product development positions with Prudential Financial and American Skandia Investment Services. John also has experience in bank internal auditing and mutual fund accounting. John received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from The Ohio State University where he majored in Finance.

John has a son Matthew who is currently a Life Scout and ASPL in Troop 20.

Thank you Ryan Thompson for your past cheerful service as Wilton's Assistant District Commissioner. Ryan remains as Cubmasters for Pack 17 and will continue as a Roundtable Commissioner and will be Chairing Powahay's Nomination Committee.