UPCOMING MEETING DATES

District Commissioners Meeting:
Wed. March 6th 2019 @ 7:45pm
Council Service Center, Massapequa

Pequott District Roundtable Mtg.
Tue. March 12th 2019 @ 7:30pm
Massapequa H.S. Cafeteria

District Committee Meeting:
Wed. February 27th 2019 @ 7:45pm
Council Service Center, Massapequa

YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING

Although online Youth Protection training is easy (see the box below) additional training is being provided at Council headquarters on Tuesday, March 5th, from 7:30pm to 9:30pm. Contact Council at 516-797-7600 for details.


Youth Protection Training for Adults

Must be renewed every two years in order to maintain your BSA membership. If yours is expiring soon, take it again. It’s offered online at: http://www.scouting.org/Training/YouthProtection.aspx

Order of the Arrow – Wulihan Chapter
Visit the website!!

http://www.troopwebhost.org/OAWulihanChapter

The next scheduled meeting, for Wed, Feb 20th, has been CANCELLED and will be rescheduled.

Important OA Dates:

Lodge Dues Are Due
If you have not done so already, please register & pay your dues at:

Buckskin Lodge Sports Night
Tuesday, February 19th, 2019, 6pm at the Chaminade High School Athletics building.

More info & to register:

Vigil Elections (Vigil Committee Only)
Thurs., Feb. 21st, 7pm at Council Headquarters.

Lodge Executive Committee Meeting
Mon., Feb. 25th, 7pm at Council Headquarters.

OA Vigil Induction
Fri., Apr. 12th, 6pm at Schiff Scout Reservation.

Buckskin Lodge Fellowship Day
Sat., Apr. 13th, 10am at Schiff Scout Reservation. Open to all OA members.

Questions on any of the above? Contact Chapter Advisor Brian Sarant, bsarant@optonline.net
POPE PIUS XII RETREAT
This weekend retreat, being held at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington from Friday, March 29th to Sunday, March 31st, is for all enrolled Pope Pius XII candidates who are enrolled in a Pope Pius Emblem class and registered with the Catholic Scouting office in Rockville Center.

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Saturday, April 6th

THE 12TH POINT OF THE SCOUT LAW:
A SCOUT IS REVERENT

ATTENTION COUNSELORS FOR CATHOLIC MEDALS:
Be sure to register your candidates for the above events as more information becomes available.

CHOCOLATE SEDER
The Jewish Committee on Scouting is presenting a Chocolate Seder on Sunday, March 31st, starting at 1pm, at Congregation B’nai Sholom-Beth David in Rockville Center.
A sweet and fun way to learn about the beautiful holiday of Passover. All Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA (in uniform) and Families are invited.

ATTENTION: PARENTS OF NEW EAGLE SCOUTS
Are you planning an Eagle Scout Court of Honor?
The Pequott District would love to have a representative there to honor your Eagle Scout with a presentation from the District.
Send an invitation to the Pequott District Chairman, Ken Guarino, at pqdistrictchairman@gmail.com.

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**STEM VACATION CAMP**

This vacation day camp, scheduled for the week of Tuesday, February 19th to Friday, February 22nd at the Council Service Center in Massapequa, is open to both Scouts BSA & Cub Scout youth. This is a great opportunity to have fun & work on advancement as well!

It is designed to stimulate interest in STEM-related fields (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) and show scouts how they apply to everyday living and the world around them. Each day runs from 9 AM to 3 PM. There is so much planned for the week that it’s impossible to include it all here.


Even more info: [https://www.onteora.org/STEMCamps](https://www.onteora.org/STEMCamps)

Contact Cody Oher at dakota.oher@scouting.org or the Council Service Center at 516-797-7600 with any questions.

**SPORTS NIGHT**

On Tuesday, February 19th, from 6pm to 9:30pm, the Order of the Arrow is hosting a Sports Night at the Chaminade High School gym, open to all (Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturers, Sea Scouts, and Explorers).

This night of fun and games will include basketball, “lodge”ball and much, much more!

Pizza will be served.

A special presentation will be made by Buckskin Lodge.


**SUMMER CAMP KICK-OFF**

Sunday, February 24th, 5:30pm to 7:30pm, at the Long Island Children’s Museum in Garden City.

Join us for an evening to kick off the summer camp programs for 2019! Boys, girls, siblings; all are welcome!

Leaders from every unit (Pack, Troop, and Crew) will learn more about the programs being offered this summer, new facilities improvements, and logistics updates.

Light refreshments will be provided.


**WHERE ARE THE ROUNDTABLE FLYERS???”

Pequott is going green(er)!! Instead of wasting paper by printing flyers for Roundtable, the last page of the Pequott Charger will contain a list of upcoming events and activities for our units for the next 2-3 months. The page will contain the event date and a link to the TRC calendar for the event. The calendar entry may or may not contain a flyer, depending on the activity.

This does not preclude your attendance at Roundtable where you can obtain last minute flyers and help your units with the information obtained by the Roundtable staff.
THEODORE ROOSEVELT  
COUNCIL TRAINING HOMEPAGE

One of the keys to the success of the Scouting program is trained volunteer leadership. Proper training doesn’t happen by reading a book or attending every Scout meeting. Our Council and its districts have developed outstanding and dedicated training teams to help you, as a new leader, to deliver a program and calendar that will be exciting, educational and safe.

Access the Council Training homepage at http://www.trcbsa.org/training to view all the training opportunities.

SCOUTMASTER & ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTER TRAINING

Every scout deserves a trained leader!

This one-day training, taking place at the Council Service Center in Massapequa on Sat., Mar. 16th from 8:30am to 1pm, will teach you how a troop operates, helping you to provide better program support for your unit. Scoutmaster Fundamentals will be covered.

For more info & to register: http://www.trcbsa.org/Event.aspx?id=5191
Contact Tim Seeley at scouting1859@outlook.com with any questions.

Can’t make the March 16th date? Training will be held on Sat. Mar. 30th from 8am to 2pm at the Community Church of East Williston.


Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills (IOLS)

This “hands-on” (IOLS) training will be held April 6th & 7th at Schiff Scout Reservation, with a prep session on Tuesday, March 19th at Council Headquarters.

Contact Art Woodard at awwoodard@hotmail.com with any questions.

CUB LEADER SPECIFIC TRAINING

This evening of training, to be held Monday, March 18th, from 7pm to 9:30pm at Council Headquarters, includes training for all positions in Cub Scouting, including Den Leaders, Cubmaster, and Committee members.

More info & to register:
Contact Tim Seeley at scouting1859@outlook.com or Linda Savage at lregueif@gmail.com with any questions.

PEQUOTT MOVIE NIGHT FUNDRAISER

May 11th, details to follow.

SAVE THE DATE

CUB CARNIVAL

The Cub Carnival & Pinewood Derby are both being held Saturday, March 23rd, at Center Point Church, 98 Jerusalem Avenue, Massapequa. The Carnival begins at 9am and ends at 2pm. The Pinewood Derby weigh-in & check-in begins at 9am, and the Derby begins at 10:30am. Trophies will be awarded to the top three racers overall. This promises to be a fun day for all.


Contact Tom Cleary at 516-707-9675 with any questions.

A/V ASSISTANCE NEEDED

At the above Cub Carnival & Pinewood Derby, the derby track is projected onto a large screen for all attendees to see.

We are in need of someone who can volunteer with the required equipment to help make this event a success.

If you can help out for just a few hours, or know someone who can, please contact Tom Cleary at 516-707-9675 or by email at tcleary@clearycustomcabinets.com. Thanks!

SCOUTING FOR FOOD

A Council-wide Food Drive is being held on Saturday, March 23rd from noon to 2:30pm at Council Headquarters in Massapequa. Scouts and families will be collecting food for those in need. You may drop off your food at Council Headquarters or, if you choose, you can donate directly to your local food pantry. Food brought to Council will be donated to Island Harvest who will distribute the food throughout Nassau County.


Contact Peter O’Connor at pocon10@yahoo.com or at 516-759-1295 with any questions.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT MEDAL

The Theodore Roosevelt Medal celebrates the impact of Theodore Roosevelt on Scouting in Nassau County. The requirements for the medal reflect his lifelong interest in conservation, civic service, personal fitness, and his personal history as a founding leader of American Scouting. It may be earned by Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Venturers, Explorers, & Adult Leaders.

Details are available here: http://www.trcbsa.org/TRMedal

BASIC ADULT LEADER OUTDOOR ORIENTATION (BALOO)

This two-day training course introduces Cub Scout leaders & parents to the skills needed to plan and conduct Pack outdoor activities, particularly Pack camping.

It is being held Sat., Apr. 6th to Sun., Apr. 7th at Schiff Scout Reservation. You’ll develop valuable tools necessary to conduct a safe and successful “entry-level” overnight camping experience. More info & to register: http://www.trcbsa.org/Event.aspx?id=5933
WORLD SCOUT JAMBOREE

The 24th World Scout Jamboree will be held at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia, in from July 21, 2019 to August 2, 2019.

This 12-day event, whose theme is “Unlock a New World” will host participants from 166 National Scout Organizations from around the world.

Youth participants must be 14 to 17 years old. Adults may attend as a unit leader or as part of a service team. Our council already has over 25 scouts registered to attend and spaces are still available!

Scouts will be able to share culture, customs, and experience varied social activities.

Information and registration are available online at https://wsj2019.us/.

Contact Eric Anderson at EEA-BSA@optonline.net for more info or contact the council service center at 516-797-7600.

NORTHERN TIER HIGH ADVENTURE

The lottery system for attending Northern Tier for the summer of 2020 and Okpik reservations for next winter is open until Tuesday, January 15, 2019.

More information is available at the Northern Tier website: https://www.ntier.org

ONTEORA SCOUT RESERVATION SUMMER CAMP

Registration is open!

https://www.onteora.org/signup

If you would like to be considered for camp staff, an application is available here: https://www.onteora.org/files/19469/2019-Camp-Staff-Application-pdf

WHAT’S YOUR UNIT BEEN UP TO LATELY???

All of the area’s local newspapers are anxious to report on our district’s activities. Let’s take advantage of it! The more Scouting is in the paper, the more youth and adults will join.

It can be a cool den meeting or an awesome trip, a unit service project or Boy Scout Eagle Project. Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Venturers…they want it all! They sell papers, we recruit members. It’s a win-win! Forward your stories and photos to Noelle Bloom at noellerx@optonline.net.
Come Join Scouts, BSA Girl Troop 580!

For female youth 11 to 17 years old

NOW IS THE TIME TO JOIN!!

OPEN HOUSE

Friday, March 1st, 2019 7:30pm to 9:00pm

At Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton School, North Cafeteria

Registration and program fees will be discussed at the first meeting.

All first-year youth that register will be designated as "Founder" members.

Come and find out about the exciting programs offered by Scouts, BSA!

Gus Ham

Hamfoo2000@yahoo.com

516-987-8361 cell
TROOP 96 DOES FENCING

Wantagh Troop 96 went out to the Long Island Fencing Academy on January 19th. They enjoyed a quick lesson about fencing and the different weapons and garb worn. They then suited up and gave it a try. The boys loved it. En Garde!

TROOP 776 VISITS MUTTONTOWN PRESERVE

Scouts from Troop 776 hiked through the Muttontown preserve. Despite the frosty temperature, the scouts learned how to orienteer with a map, using makeshift sundials to find the cardinal directions. They found traces of a variety of critters, identified local plants and trees and some even earned their Firem'n Chit!
PACK 239 PINEWOOD DERBY

Seaford Pack 239 had their Pinewood Derby at the end of January. Troop 239 scouts assisted with setup and smooth running of the race! Congrats to Lion Scout Dominic Q. for placing 1st in overall time. He will be moving on to the Council Pinewood Derby Race! All the scouts showed excellent Scout Spirit while cheering on their fellow racers.

TROOP 776 VISITS BOSTON

Over Columbus Day weekend Troop 776 visited Boston. The troop tented at the New England Base Camp. The scouts walked the Freedom Trail beginning at Boston Commons and finishing at Faneuil Hall. They also toured the Bunker Hill Monument Historic Park and the USS Constitution.

They enjoyed learning about history and are busy fundraising for their next historic trip, to Washington DC! Scout me in!
PACK 189 WEBELOS VISITS NASSAU COUNTY MUSEUM OF ART

The Webelos from Pack 189 went to the Nassau County Museum of Art in Roslyn as part of their Art Explosion elective. The boys saw works of art by Pablo Picasso, Andy Warhol, Jeff Koons and many others.
Seaford Troop 239 conducted its annual Food Drive, collecting over 1500 pounds of non-perishable food and several hundred dollars in cash donations for the St. William the Abbott Food Pantry. Great work, boys!

**YOUR UNIT’S PICTURES AND STORIES COULD BE FEATURED HERE AND IN YOUR LOCAL NEWSPAPER!**

Get your pictures and stories to Noelle Bloom at noellerx@optonline.net!
Upcoming Activities

February 16-18 – Bluenose
February 18 – VOA Meeting
February 19 – OA Sports Night
February 19-22 – STEM Camp
February 24 – Council Camp Kickoff
February 28 – Cigar Dinner
March 4 – Amanji Wulit Chapter Meeting
March 5 – Youth Protection Training
March 10&31, April 10, May 19 Jewish Religious Emblems Classes
March 19 – IOLS Prep Class
March 22-23 – Commissioner Conference
March 23 – Scouting for Food
March 23 – Pequott Cub Carnival
March 26 – OA Lodge Meeting
March 29-31 – Pope Pius XII Retreat
March 30 – OA Leadership Development Course
April 1 - Amanji Wulit Chapter Meeting
April 6-7 – BALOO Training
April 6-7 – IOLS Training
April 15-18 – STEM camp
April 25 – Council Program Launch
April 26-28 – Camporee
May 11 – Pequott Comedy Movie Night
This is our 45th issue of the Pequott Charger!

Please share it with the Leaders and Parents of your unit.

The Pequott Charger will be available in print form at the monthly Roundtable meetings and will also be emailed to all who request to receive it.

Send your email address to pnicola@natca.net and put Pequott Charger in the subject line to make sure you don't miss any Pequott District News.