Sleeping Giant District
ADULT PINEWOOD
Saturday April 18th 2015

In the showroom of
EXECUTIVE JEEP/KISSAN
900 Universal Drive
North Haven

*****Race for Fun Against Sleeping Giants Adults*****

Any adult wishing to race is welcome...we all know you have an old
Pinewood derby car sitting on a shelf or in a closet so dust it off and come
race with us... First Place gets bragging rights...

Only rules are:
- must fit on track
- max weight 5 ounces
- max length 7 inches
- max width 2&3/4 inches
- must be free wheeling

Adults- all towns
11:30 A.M. Reg./Check-in 12 noon Race time

NO pre-registration required
Show up @ 11:30 and race @ 12 noon

$5 Race donation welcome,
but not required

****Directions:****
From the north- take I-91 S to exit 9. Keep right at end of ramp onto Universal Drive. Follow through the
next traffic the light over hill towards “Home Depot”. Continue past shopping centers and “BJ’s” to
Executive Jeep/Nissan on the left. (next door to Rave Cinemas).
From New Haven- I-91 N to exit 9. Turn left under highway, then right onto Universal Drive, see above

Information or Questions?
Contact
Mark Parisi
Cubmaster810@sbcglobal.net
Outdoor Code
As an American, I will do my best to -
Be clean in my outdoor manners.
Be careful with fire.
Be considerate in the outdoors.
Be conservation minded.

Plan Ahead and Prepare
Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces Dispose of Waste Properly
Leave What You Find
Minimize Campfire Impacts
Respect Wildlife
Be Considerate of Other Visitors

Does your District have a Leave No Trace Trainer?

The Leave No Trace Trainer helps minimize impact on the land by teaching members the principles of Leave No Trace and improving Scouts’ outdoor ethics decision-making skills. The course covers the seven Leave No Trace principles and teaching techniques to enable you to teach others.

Connecticut Yankee Council Leave No Trace
16 hour Trainer Course

May 30th-31st, 2015 Wah Wah Tay See Scout Camp, Hamden, CT
Course Coordinator- Keith Spaar and Tom O’Brien
Cost -$45
Included in course
LNT Trainer Participant Packets from lnt.org
LNT Resource DVD
LNT Bag
LNT Patch

No experience necessary but Trainers Edge is helpful
Course is open to adult leaders and scouts 14+ years old or older
Course qualifies for youth leader position of LNT Trainer

Participants are required to teach one of the LNT principles.
Participants are encouraged to support future trainer courses and events.

BSA Medical Form Part A/B required.
Register online at
http://www.ctyankee.org/webpay/event/new/?form=000136

For a more in depth class description contact Keith Spaar 203-988-3426 or kasparton@gmail.com. For Leave No Trace information go to www.lnt.org.
Note: The nomination is confidential. To avoid possible disappointment, please do not advise nominee in any way of your action in his or her behalf.

To the District Award of Merit Committee:
It is a pleasure to present for your consideration for the District Award of Merit:

Name
Address
City or Town ___________ Zip ___________
Currently registered in Scouting as ________________________________________________
The nominee has earned the following (provide dates):

Den Leader's Training Award or Den Leader Award
Den Leader Coach's Training Award or Den Leader Coach Award
Cubmaster Award
Cub Scouter Award
Webelos Den Leader Award
Scouter’s Training Award
Scouter’s Key

The noteworthy service upon which this nomination is based follows:
(Furnish as much information as possible. For example: president, Rotary Club; vestryman, St. Paul’s Church; chairman, Red Cross campaign; vice-president, PTA; medical director, hospital; Cubmaster, 3 years; Scoutmaster, 4 years; Venturing Advisor, 3 years; commissioner, etc. Use additional paper, if necessary.)

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Date of nomination __________________________ Name of person making nomination

Position in Scouting __________________________

Contact number __________________________
GENERAL INFORMATION

The District Award of Merit is a council award presented by districts in the same manner that the Silver Beaver is a national award presented by councils.

The award is available to Scouters who render service of an outstanding nature at the district level.

The award is made available annually on the basis of 1 for each 25 traditional units or fraction thereof. The district need not present all the awards to which it is entitled each year.

It is not appropriate to nominate a Scouter who has already received this award.

A professional Scouter or other council employee may not receive this award based on employment service. However, a professional Scouter or employee who also serves as a volunteer Scouter may be eligible, based on volunteer service.

REQUIREMENTS

1. A nominee must be a registered Scouter.

2. A nominee must have rendered noteworthy service to youth in Scouting, outside Scouting, or both.
   Note: The nature and value of “noteworthy service to youth” may consist of a single plan or decisions that contributed vitally to the lives of large numbers of youth or it may have been given to a small group over an extended period of time.

3. Consideration must be given to the nominee’s Scouting position and the corresponding opportunity to render outstanding service beyond the expectations of that Scouting position.

4. The nominee’s attitude toward and cooperation with the district and/or council is to be taken into consideration.

5. Nominations cannot be considered for posthumous awards.

PROCEDURE

1. Annually, district chairmen will appoint a temporary special District Award of Merit committee of not more than five persons who will consider all candidates and make recommendations of those to receive the award to the council through the Scout executive.

2. The Scout executive will inform the district chairman of those nominations approved by the council committee.

3. The following procedure is suggested for such presentation ceremonies:
   a. The recipient and spouse should be in attendance at the annual meeting or recognition dinner.
   b. A district and/or council officer should explain the award and its significance.
   c. Eagle Scouts or Silver Award Venturers should be asked to escort the recipients to a place of honor at the head table or on stage.
   d. A suitable citation for each recipient should be read indicating what each has done in Scouting.
   e. The award (certificate, No. 33719; plaque, No. 17565; and lapel pin, No. 17551) may be presented at this time with appropriate congratulations.
   f. The only uniform insignia which accompanies this award is an embroidered overhand knot, No. 05013.
   g. A group picture may be taken for use in neighborhood or community newspapers (district responsibility).
The Sleeping Giant District
Recognition Dinner
Monday, June 8, 2015
Arrival/Check-in: 5:30 pm - 6:00 pm
Dinner and program: 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
IL Monticello Banquet Hall
577 South Broad Street, Meriden, CT
$20/person (Advance Registration Required)

OUR VOLUNTEERS ARE OUR MOST IMPORTANT RESOURCE.

We’re getting together to have Dinner,
Cheer our success this year,
Congratulate our new Eagle Scouts and
Recognize many outstanding Scouters!

AWARDS TO BE PRESENTED INCLUDE:
Unit Sparkplugs, Key 3 Awards, District Award of Merit... and more!

1. Register to Attend by June 3– Online Only
Reserve your seat at the dinner in person by registering online at http://www.ctyankee.org/districts/sleepinggiant/news.
Please consider purchasing a seat for the new Eagle Scout in your troop. They will also receive an invitation.

NO WALK INS CAN BE ACCEPTED, since we have to give the hall a final count several days prior to the event.

2. Nominate Award Winners
District Award of Merit
This is the highest honor that a District may bestow on a Scouter. Leaders involved at any level of scouting or in a program are eligible for nomination. This award can only be received once. Nomination forms and a list of previous recipients are at http://www.ctyankee.org/districts/sleepinggiant/dam.

Nomination deadline: Send your nomination to Garry Desjardins (desjardins1@comcast.net) by May 15 (the Friday after the May Roundtable).

Unit Sparkplug Award
Your Unit Committee can select one person in your Pack, Troop or Crew to be recognized for their efforts: Rookie or Old Timer, Den Leader, Scoutmaster or other volunteer. It is your unit’s choice.

Submission Deadline: Send your Unit’s Sparkplug name, position, your unit type & # and a brief sentence about why this person was selected to: Garry Desjardins (desjardins1@comcast.net) by May 18 (one week after May Roundtable).

3. Earn Your Adult Award (Knots)
Leaders at all levels may earn Knot Awards by completing the required training, tenure, and performance criteria. There are 35 knot awards from Tiger Cub Den Leader and Pack Trainer to Scoutmaster and Commissioner, so see if you qualify at http://www.scouting.org/Training/Adult.aspx.

Submission Deadline: Send your form to: Caroline Griffin (twinsand@snet.net) by May 11 (the May Roundtable Night).

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO JOIN IN THE FUN!
Bring all your Scouters, family & friends to join in the fun and cheer for our new Eagle Scouts and your Volunteer Award Winners!
The Scout Units of Connecticut Yankee Council will be holding a Scouting for Food Drive during March, April & May of 2015.

Council-wide Food Collection will be held on Saturday, May 16, 2015 - at ConnJam Orange Fairgound, Orange, Connecticut

All Units are invited to use their donated canned goods to build Boy Scout Can Art on Saturday morning at ConnJam. The best Can Art displays will win awards.

Can Art Construction: 7:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Judging of Displays: 11:30 AM - Noon
Collection of Food Donations: 1:30 - 2:30 PM *

* All food will be donated to the Connecticut Food Bank, including food packaged in boxes, bags, and cans; all food collected should be non-perishable.

Questions?????? Contact your District Scouting for Food Chair.
Spring Training for Boy Scout Leaders

Hosted by Lighthouse, Sleeping Giant and Wepawaug Valley Districts

Required Training for ALL Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters

Part 1: Scoutmaster Position Specific Training

WHEN: Saturday, April 25 (4.5 Hours 8:30-1:00 no lunch??)

WHERE:

COST: $5.00 early bird, $10 at the door
Dress in Class A Uniform
Registration Deadline: April 17, 2015

Part 2: Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills

WHEN: Friday, May 8, 5:00 PM to Saturday, May 9, 2015, 10:00 PM

WHERE: Deer Lake Scout Reservation, Killingworth, CT

COST: $10.00, includes Saturday lunch, and participants will provide their own meals for Saturday breakfast and dinner, details will follow once you register

Registration Deadline: May 1, 2015

To REGISTER: Email Rob Lynch with the information on the form below and then send form and fees to: Connecticut Yankee Council BSA, P.O. Box 32 Milford, CT 06460
Attn: Lucas Blinn Account #: 6801-138-20

For more information, contact Rob Lynch (blynch128@comcast.net) or Keith Spaar (kspaar@snet.net).

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Boy Scout Leader Spring Training 2015

Name: __________________________ Scouting Position: __________________________

Unit #: __________ Town: __________________________ District: __________________________

Email Address: __________________________ Preferred phone __________________________

Part 1: SM/ASM Specific April 25 (cost $5.00) __________________________

Part 2: IOLS May 8-9 (cost $10.00) __________________________

Total: __________________________

Attn: Lucas Blinn Account #: 6801-138-20
Connecticut Yankee Council

Game Dinner
Fund Raiser

Game DINNER

Saturday, May 30, 2015
Deer Lake Dining Hall
Killingworth, Connecticut

Full Game Menu

$35.00

Great Raffle Prizes

Contact - Joe Andreo for Details and Tickets
203-537-7304
Joseph.Andreo@scouting.org
Revised Youth and Adult Applications

Last year, the National Executive Board approved a resolution to ensure that moving forward, participants who are 18 but not yet 21 register as adults. This does not affect their eligibility to participate in programs such as Venturing and Sea Scouting.

The primary purpose of the change is to ensure that all persons legally considered adults meet adult membership requirements, including undergoing a criminal background check and meeting the BSA’s Youth Protection requirements and membership standards. The changes are required to allow the performance of criminal background checks in connection with the registration process.

New Venturing and Sea Scouting participants 18 but not yet 21, must complete an Adult Application and Criminal Background Check Disclosure/Authorization form. To support this change, the youth and adult applications have been revised. The new Youth Application, No. 524-406 (SKU 619506), and the new Adult Application, No. 524-501 (SKU 619504), should be used starting March 1, 2015. Spanish versions of the Youth Application, No. 524-423 (SKU 619507), and the Adult Application, No. 524-502 (SKU 619505), are also available. All new youth and adult applications can be identified with the number 115 located at the bottom right corner on the cover of the application. An announcement regarding system changes and frequently asked questions will be made soon.

In addition, unit adult applications will no longer require council approval, unless the applicant has answered “yes” to any of the background questions. Council approval will still be required for adults in district and council-level positions. This change is documented on page 2 of the Adult Application under the section titled APPROVAL REQUIRED-UNIT ADULTS.

For more information, please contact the Member Care Contact Center at Myscouting@Scouting.org or call 972-580-2489.