

Pequott Charger



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UPCOMING MEETING DATES

District Commissioners Meeting:

Wed. Apr 11th 2018 @ 7:30pm
Council Service Center, Massapequa

Pequott District Roundtable Mtg.

Tue. Apr 10th 2018 @ 7:30pm
Massapequa H.S. Cafeteria

District Committee Meeting:

Wed. Apr 25th 2018 @ 7:45pm
Council Service Center, Massapequa

CUB CARNIVAL & PINEWOOD DERBY

The Pequott Cub Carnival & Pinewood Derby is being held Saturday, March 24th, 2018, at Center Point Church, 98 Jerusalem Avenue, Massapequa.



This fun day includes games, prizes, exciting Pinewood Derby races, trophies and more. Fun for everyone!

The Carnival begins at 9am and the District Pinewood Derby starts at 10:30am (check-in & weigh-in starts at 9am). Complete Derby rules are available at http://storage.trcbsa.org/event/docs/4839/pine_wood_derby_rules_2017.pdf.



Contact Ursula Valentine at 516-798-2645 or at calypso@optonline.net with any questions.



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>

Next meeting 7:30pm, Wed, Mar 21st. April meeting on Apr 18th. Adults and youth are welcome!

Important OA Dates:

Lodge Dues Are Due

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

<http://www.trcbsa.org/Event.aspx?id=4726>

OAA WORK WEEKEND

May 18th to 20th at Onteora Scout Reservation. Help get the camp in shape for the summer season. More info:

<http://www.trcbsa.org/Event.aspx?id=5061>

Questions? Contact Chapter Advisor Brian Sarant, bsarant@optonline.net

2018 CAMP KICKOFF

Just a friendly reminder that the Summer Camp Kickoff is being held Thurs., Mar 15th at Kellenberg Memorial High School, starting at 7pm.



More info:

<http://www.trcbsa.org/Event.aspx?id=5085>

ATTENTION RELIGIOUS EMBLEMS COORDINATORS

From Nancy Rosiello, Pequott District REC:

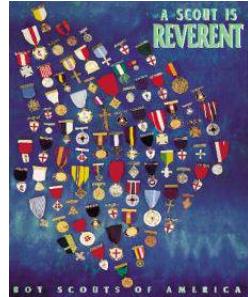
Although we asked you to "Save the Date" for REC Training in the Pequott Charger the past couple of months, I am disappointed to tell you that this training by the All-Faith Committee did not take place on March 11th.

However, I was offered the suggestion that Pequott District should provide its own training for our RECs. So, I am happy to report that I will endeavor, with the support of our district committee, to offer a training class in the future.

Meanwhile, as always, I am available to you for support and questions via email (cookymom13@aol.com) or by phone at (516-735-1920).

In addition, I would be happy to attend a pack, troop or crew meeting to speak to your leaders, parents and scouts about the importance of working on religious awards and earning the purple knot.

Thank you for all you have done and continue to do to promote religious awards and events for our scouts!



CHOCOLATE SEDER

The Jewish Committee on Scouting is presenting a Chocolate Seder on Sunday, March 18th, from 12pm to 3pm, at the Central Synagogue-Beth Emeth in Rockville Center.



A sweet and fun way to learn about the beautiful holiday of Passover. All Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts (in uniform) and Families are invited. A light lunch will be served.

More info & to register (no walk-ins):
<http://www.trcbsa.org/Event.aspx?id=4268>

More info: Jeff Cohen, 516-205-1589

LEADER TRAINING

There are many ways for Adult Scouters to obtain training and a multitude of opportunities to do so.



Many adults may not be aware that they can avail themselves of training in other districts. Training obtained in any district counts. This gives you many options for getting the training you need, on your schedule.

For example, even though Scoutmaster and Troop Committee training was held last month in the Pequott district, this training is being held this Saturday, March 17th, at the Council Service Center in Massapequa. It is sponsored by the Rough Rider district but will count for you too (more info:

<http://www.trcbsa.org/Event.aspx?id=5058>).

Busy that day? Shelter Rock is conducting the same training in East Williston on Saturday, April 28th (<http://www.trcbsa.org/Event.aspx?id=5020>).

Cub Scout, Boy Scout, & Venturing adults are urged to check-out all of the training opportunities available by going to the Council Training Calendar at

<http://www.trcbsa.org/Training/Calendar/>



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REMINDER

The **Pequott Aquatic Meet**, scheduled for April 21st, has been **canceled**.

SILVER BEAVER NOMINATIONS 2018

The Silver Beaver Award recognizes adult Scout volunteers who have made an impact on the lives of youth in the Theodore Roosevelt Council through service given to the council. The award was introduced by the Boy Scouts of America in 1931 and is a council-level distinguished service award of the Boy Scouts of America. The nomination period ends on May 1st 2018.



The award is made to those who do not actively seek it; please keep your nominations confidential. A committee of council and district volunteers will begin review of nominations in early April. Any registered adult Scouter (21 or older) who has a record of quality service to Scouting and non-Scouting youth, in his or her community, is eligible for nomination.

- Key dates and the Silver Beaver Award procedures can be downloaded from <https://tinyurl.com/yb5o4kda>
- Please submit a nomination using the national Silver Beaver Award form, which can be downloaded at <https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/92-103.pdf>.

Questions about the nomination form or process should be submitted to Peter Shields at pshields@optonline.net; all questions should be submitted by April 25th.

Please follow the instructions and submit the nomination by May 1st as follows:

Email submission of nominations is preferred. Email a scanned copy of the nomination in pdf format to julio.garcia@scouting.org, Assistant Scout Executive; or submit by US mail addressed to:

Silver Beaver Committee
Theodore Roosevelt Council, BSA
544 Broadway
Massapequa, NY 11758

Nominations submitted by US mail must be postmarked on or before May 1st.

WORLD SCOUT JAMBOREE



24th
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JAMBOREE**
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The 24th World Scout Jamboree will be held at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia, in July of 2019 and is sponsored by the U.S., Mexico, and Canada.

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.

Contact Matt Conlon at the council service center (516-797-7600) or by email: Matthew.Conlon@scouting.org

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VENTURINGFEST 2018

VenturingFest 2018, the second national gathering of Venturers at the Summit Bechtel Reserve – a Scouting experience unlike any other before – is being held from July 1st to July 6th.



VenturingFest 2018 is a special Scouting event at SBR that's open to registered Venturers, Scouts and adult leaders across the U.S. This six-day high-adventure festival invites participants to explore the best the SBR has to offer.

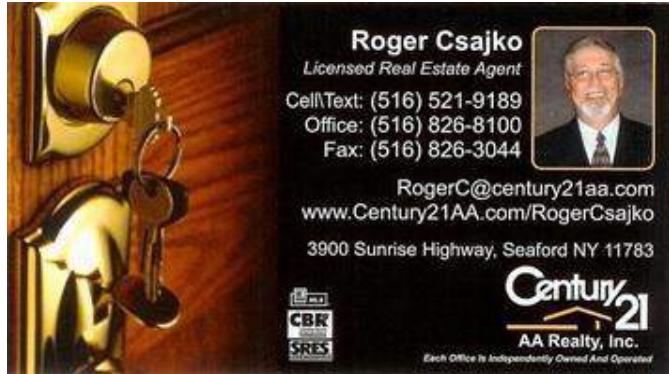
Registration is open now.

Details are available at:
<http://www.summitbsa.org/venturingfest/>

WEBELOS WOODS

Fri., May 18th to Sun., May 20th at Schiff Scout Reservation. Registration & more info at:

<http://www.trcbsa.org/Event.aspx?id=4582>



PINE TREE TRAINING

The Sagamore Service Troop, founded in 1923 as a brotherhood of trained adult leaders, offers what is called "Pine Tree Training" for Scouts of the Theodore Roosevelt Council.

This training takes place throughout the Scouting year at Schiff Scout Reservation. Programs include Archer, E-Prep/First Aid, Pioneering, Mountain Biking, and Orienteering. Most of the programs cover a number of the requirements of their associated merit badge. At the very least, Scouts earn a Pine Tree patch and can expect to come away with the same skills our nation's forefathers needed to survive in the wilderness. A brief description of the program, as well as a training schedule, can be viewed here:

http://www.trcbsa.org/files/d/usr/7/Brochure_17_18_Dates%20Pine%20Tree.pdf

The program is a bargain at \$4 per Scout.

Check the Council online calendar at <http://www.trcbsa.org/Calendar> for detailed information and times.



ANNUAL PEQUOTT DISTRICT DINNER

This year's annual dinner will be held at the Elks Club, 2162 Veterans Blvd., Massapequa, on Saturday, June 16th, from 6pm to 10pm.



Besides a buffet dinner and raffle prizes, most importantly the District Award of Merit, as well as Pack, Troop, and Crew of the Year awards, are presented that evening.

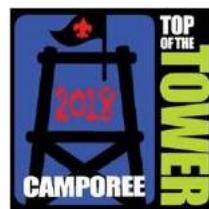
Also being honored are Tom Cleary and Mike Schablin, who are stepping down after many years of service.

The cost per attendee is only \$44. More info: <http://www.trcbsa.org/Event.aspx?id=4643> or call the dinner chairperson, Liz Ferreri, at 917-747-2245.

Nomination forms for the District Award of Merit, and unit awards, are available at the above link.

"TOP OF THE TOWER" CAMPOREE 2018

This year, Pequott district is teaming up with the Rough Rider district to present the "Top of the Tower" Camporee during the weekend of May 4th to 6th at Schiff Scout Reservation.



Does your unit have what it takes to build a tower? Use all your team building skills to earn the pieces for your tower in order to build it. Along the way earn Scout Spirit ropes to help decorate your tower and earn extra points.

Events will include a relay race, bandage relay, rope fusing, flag painting, disc golf, tower building, and chili competition. A Scout Spirit award will also be given.

More details will be provided in next month's Charger.

LEAVE NO TRACE MASTER EDUCATOR COURSE

This five-day course (split over two weekends), being held at Schiff Scout Reservation March 16th-18th and again from April 13th-April 16th, trains Scouts and Scouters ages 18 and up to serve as Leave No Trace Master Educators.

Master Educators can conduct Leave No Trace Trainer courses (two-day) and awareness workshops (one-day or shorter).

This invaluable training is recognized and highly regarded throughout the world, especially by the outdoor industry, as well as government land management agencies. Successful graduates are certified to train others in Leave No Trace skills and ethics.

More details are available at:

<http://www.trcbsa.org/Event.aspx?id=4950>

Contact Art Woodard at NYAdvocate@Int.org or Margaret Neverka at maggiej2304@verizon.net

BOY SCOUT INTRODUCTION TO OUTDOOR LEADER SKILLS

This class, to prepare for outdoor training, is being held Wednesday evening, April 4th, from 7:30pm to 10pm, at the Council Service



Center. It is intended to prepare you for the IOLS weekend being held the weekend of April 21st to 22nd at Schiff Scout Reservation.

Contact Art Woodard at (516)557-3604
awoodard@hotmail.com

IOLS weekend info:

<http://www.trcbsa.org/Event.aspx?id=4219>

CUBOREE 2018

Come and take part in all of the great activities like BB, Archery, Field Games, Nature and more, being held April 27th to 29th at Schiff Scout Reservation!



Unlock the clues to help the famous archeologist Idaho Smith find Schiff's long lost treasure, the Ark of the Wauwepex Scrolls.

Stay for the weekend or just make a day trip of it! Cost is just \$55 person with the meal plan or \$30 per person without.

More info:

<http://www.trcbsa.org/Event.aspx?id=4595>

or contact Pete Shields at pshields@optonline.net

SCOUTING FOR FOOD

Once again Scouts & families of the Theodore Roosevelt Council will be collecting food for those in need. This year's Scouting for Food Day will be on Saturday, March 24th, from 12 noon to 3 pm



The drop-off location is the Elks Lodge, 2162 Veterans Blvd, Massapequa, NY 11758.

Please join in by making a donation; the need is greater than ever!

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.

UNIVERSITY OF SCOUTING

University of Scouting is a training event for leaders and parents.

It is an action-packed, fun-filled single day of supplemental training where participants choose from a variety of courses.

Sessions are led by experienced volunteers who will help you enhance your ability to deliver a FUN and exciting program to our youth.

This year's University of Scouting is being held on Saturday, March 24th, from 8am to 4pm at Hauppauge High School, 500 Lincoln Blvd., Hauppauge.

Over 75 courses are available to choose from, including eight training courses. Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Explorer and Venturing Leaders, Interested Parents, District Volunteers as well as Youth interested in Den Chief Training should all consider attending.

The fee is just \$30 and includes breakfast, lunch, program material, and an event patch.

More info is available at
<https://www.sccbsa.org/university>



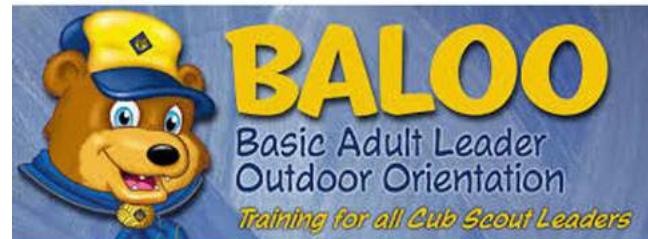
BALOO CUB LEADER TRAINING

WHAT IS BALOO? Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation is a one-day training course that introduces Cub Scout leaders and parents to the skills needed to plan and conduct Pack outdoor activities, particularly Pack camping.

It is being held on Sat., April 14th from 8:30am to 3pm at the Council Service Center and will give your Pack's outdoor activity leader, who may have minimal camping experience, the tools necessary to conduct a safe and successful "entry-level" overnight camping experience.

It is recommended that a representative from each den attend this training. The cost is just \$10 and includes materials, snacks, coffee, and lunch.

Details here:
<http://www.trcbsa.org/Event.aspx?id=4252>



WILDERNESS FIRST AID TRAINING

This training, being provided on Saturday, April 21st from 8:00am to 8:00pm at the Council Service Center in Massapequa, qualifies participants for what is needed to attend high adventure bases.

Attendees must be 14 or older and already be certified in CPR.

Please be prepared for a long, but worthwhile, day of training. Snacks will be provided.

Register here:
<http://www.trcbsa.org/Event.aspx?id=5134>



CUB POSITION-SPECIFIC TRAINING

Train for your registered position in Cub Scouts (or the position you are considering for next year!).

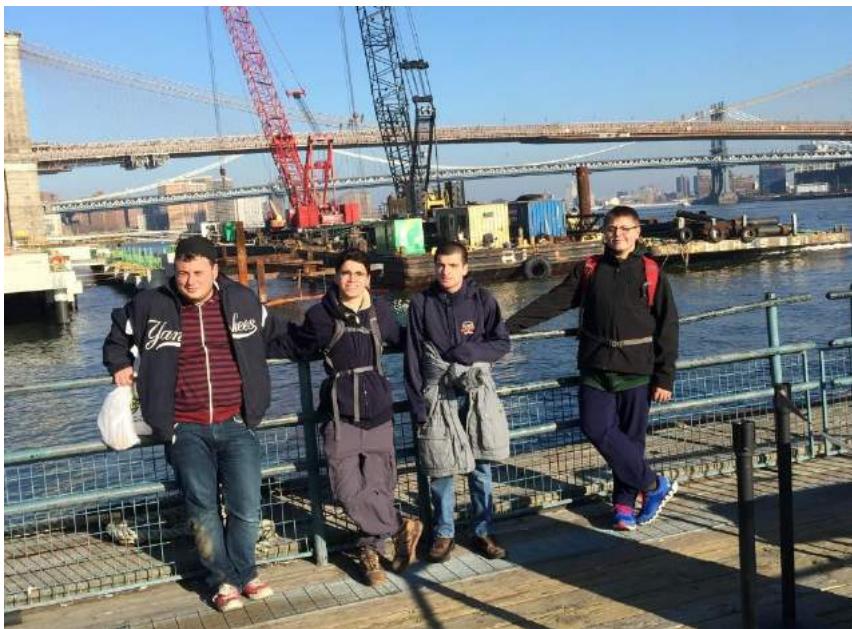


Choose from:
• Cubmaster/Assistant Cubmaster • Committee member (including chairman) • Den Leader (Tiger, Wolf, Bear or Webelos).

Position-specific training, being held the evening of Tues., Apr. 24th, will prepare you to run your next den meeting, Pack Night or Committee meeting! Please sign up online:

<http://www.trcbsa.org/Event.aspx?id=4236>

VENTURE CREW 130 KEEPS BUSY!



TROOP 96 DOES “SCOUTSTRONG BE MEDWISE” PROGRAM

Troop 96 did the “ScoutStrong, Be MedWise” award program at a recent meeting.

The program, which was presented by pharmacist Noelle Bloom, is designed to teach scouts about over-the-counter (OTC) medications, what is a drug and what isn't, how to measure drugs, how to safely take OTC drugs, and how to read the Drug Facts label.

All of the boys also received dosing spoons and dosing syringes courtesy of Duane Reade/Walgreens, as well as a “Be MedWise” patch. Great Job!



Mrs. Bloom is available to any scout group that may be interested in conducting their own “ScoutStrong, Be MedWise” program. Contact her at noellerx@optonline.net.

More information about the program is available online at <https://www.scouting.org/resources/bsa-fit/medwise-award/>

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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.



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