



Pequott Charger



PEQUOTT
DISTRICT



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UPCOMING MEETING DATES

District Commissioners Meeting:

Wed. Mar 29th 2023 @ 7:30pm
Wed. May 3rd 2023 @ 7:30pm
Council Service Center, Massapequa

Pequott District Roundtable Mtg.

Tue. Apr 18th 2023 @ 7:30pm
Tue. May 9th 2023 @ 7:30pm
Bellmore Presbyterian Church

District Committee Meeting:

Wed. Apr 26th 2023 @ 7:30pm
Wed. May 24th 2023 @ 7:30pm
Council Service Center, Massapequa

YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING

The Boy Scouts of America is dedicated to creating and maintaining a safe environment for youth and families.



To accomplish this, Youth Protection Training is required for all BSA registered volunteers and must be taken every two years.

In accordance with this national BSA policy, the Theodore Roosevelt Council requires that every registered adult volunteer complete Youth Protection Training before submitting their registration renewal paperwork in order to remain in good standing.

Questions pertaining to Youth Protection?
Contact the Council office at (516) 797-7600.

Whether or not you are new to Scouting, Youth Protection Training for adults must be completed every two years in order to maintain your BSA membership. If you require initial training or your training is expiring soon, take it again. It's offered online at:

<https://www.scouting.org/training/youth-protection/>

Order of the Arrow – Wulihan Chapter

Visit the website!!



<http://www.troopwebhost.org/OAWulihanChapter>

Upcoming meetings: Tue., April 18th & Tue., May 16th. Adults and youth are welcome!

Important OA Dates:

APRIL FELLOWSHIP / INDUCTION WEEKEND

Fri., Apr. 14th to Sun., Apr. 16th at Schiff Scout Reservation.

More info:

<https://mycouncil.trcbsa.org/Event/oa-april>

BUCKSKIN LODGE SPRING WEEKEND

Fri., Jun. 2nd to Sun., Jun. 4th at Schiff Scout Reservation

More info:

<https://mycouncil.trcbsa.org/Event/oa-spring>

SECTION E 18 CONCLAVE

Fri., Jun. 9th to Sun., Jun. 11th at Schiff Scout Reservation.

More info:

<https://www.sccbsa.org/e18conclave>

NOAC 2024

Jul. 29th to Aug 3rd, 2024 in Boulder, Colorado.

More info:

<https://forms.gle/sJP9hNANyU2SAEHX9>

Questions on any of the above? Contact Chapter Advisor Edward Markiewicz, Sr., ed@ancongear.com.

ALL FAITH AWARD

The requirements of the All-Faith award focus on participation in All Faith Events such as The All Faith Retreat and Ten Commandment hike as well as requiring each applicant to earn the appropriate religious award for his faith and division of scouting.



The award can be earned twice as a Cub Scout, twice as a Boy Scout, and twice as a Venturer.

More information & the award application can be found at <https://trcbasa.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/All-Faith-Award.pdf>.

JEWISH COMMITTEE ON SCOUTING AWARDS BREAKFAST

Following a three-year absence due to COVID, the Jewish Committee on Scouting will again be hosting its Awards Breakfast on Father's Day, Sunday, June 18th at Temple B'nai Torah in Wantagh.



Although details are not yet available, Scouts should hold the date.

In the meantime, contact Mike Moskowitz at mikem45@verizon.net with any questions.

ALL FAITH EAGLE SCOUT RECOGNITIONS

Eagle Scouts of ALL FAITHS preparing for their Courts of Honor should contact the Jewish Committee on Scouting to receive recognition.



Email Chairman Michael Moskowitz at mikem45@verizon.net.

RELIGIOUS COUNSELORS NEEDED

There is a need for counselors for the Catholic Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII medals.

Please consider becoming a counselor to promote these awards and help those Scouts working toward these medals.

For more info, contact Ann Ellingham at ameagle2@verizon.net or at 516-735-1132.

Present counselors and Religious Emblem coordinators are reminded that if they need any help with religious awards or events, to contact Nancy Rosiello at cookymom13@aol.com.

INTRODUCTION TO OUTDOOR LEADERSHIP SKILLS (IOLS)

This "hands-on" training, for all second-year Webelos Leaders, Troop, Crew & Ship Adult Leaders, will be held April 15th to 16th at Schiff Scout Reservation.



A prep meeting is being held Tues., Apr. 4th from 7pm to 9pm at the Council Program Center.

Join an experienced and dedicated training staff for a weekend of learning and fun. You will learn about, and practice, basic outdoor Scouting skills – and everything you learn can be brought back to your units!

More info:

<https://mycouncil.trcbasa.org/Event/8418>



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DEN CHIEF TRAINING

Saturday, April 15th, from 8:30am to 12:30pm at the John A. Anderson Recreation Center, 111 N. Oceanside Road, Rockville Center, in Veterans Park.



The best helper for a Cub Scout Den/Webelos Leader is a Den Chief, a Scout who knows and can help with activities, advancement, ceremonies, crafts, and more. The best Den Chief is one who has attended this training to learn about games, songs, tricks, puzzles, leadership, and all that helps a Den Chief do a better job.

Who should attend? A Scouts BSA Scout whose maturity has been approved by their Scoutmaster and is 12 years old or older. (Ideally First Class rank or higher but not required).

More info:

<https://mycouncil.trcbsa.org/Event/8644>

BASIC ADULT LEADER OUTDOOR ORIENTATION (BALOO)

WHAT IS BALOO? BALOO is a training course being held Sat., Apr. 15th to Sun., Apr. 16th at Schiff Scout Reservation.



It is targeted for one or more members of the Pack Committee and will give your pack's outdoor activity leader, who has minimal camping experience, the tools to conduct a safe and successful "entry-level" overnight camping trip. We recommend a representative from each den attend this training

More info:

<https://mycouncil.trcbsa.org/Event/8419>

RANGE SAFETY OFFICER TRAINING

Completion of this course, being held Fri., April 21st to Sat., April 22nd, will allow you to support the council shooting sports programs within, but not limited to, Cub Scouting, Scouts BSA and Venturing.



More info:

<https://mycouncil.trcbsa.org/Event/9088>

Rob Thompson, robthompson100@aol.com

WILDERNESS FIRST AID TRAINING

This training course is being held over two days, Sat., May 6th and Sun., May 7th, at St. Raymond's School, 263 Atlantic Ave., East Rockaway. It is also being offered Sat., May 20th & Sun., May 21st, at the VFW Hall in Levittown.



It is required training for the National Jamboree, Philmont, and other high-adventure bases by the BSA and is highly recommended for units involved in activities further away than one hour from EMS. Current certification in adult CPR/AED is required to take this training course. A copy of your certification must be submitted at the start of the course.

More info & to register:

<https://mycouncil.trcbsa.org/Event/WFA-Wilderness-First-Aid-Training> (E. Rockaway)

<https://mycouncil.trcbsa.org/Event/Wilderness-First-Aid-Training> (Levittown)



MERIT BADGE WORKSHOPS

The earning of merit badges by Scouts is a big part of the Scouting program, especially for the higher ranks. To aid Scouts in earning various merit badges, the Theodore Roosevelt Council holds workshops at the Council Program Center in Massapequa.



These workshops offer Scouts BSA the opportunity to spend time working on select merit badges (available merit badges vary with each workshop).

Upcoming workshops are scheduled for April 22nd, May 13th, June 17th, & June 24th. A small fee is charged during registration.

Registration is open but don't delay registering, as the classes tend to fill-up quickly.

Registration is at
<https://www.onteora.org/mbw>.

Email any questions to Kyle Jurasits at
kyle.jurasits@scouting.org.

CHECK IT OUT!



THE PEQUOTT DISTRICT IS ON FACEBOOK (Search for Pequott District)



and INSTAGRAM (Search for Pequott Point)

ARCHERY TRAINING

This course, being held Friday, May 12th to Saturday, May 13th at Schiff Scout Reservation, provides the necessary tools to maintain a high level of safety both on and off the archery range.



The course includes Range Safety, Range Set-up, Steps of Shooting, Equipment Repair, and Programs & Lesson Plans.

More info:

<https://mycouncil.trcbsa.org/Event/8607>

THE TRAINER'S EDGE

The Trainer's EDGE is the required train-the-trainer course for Wood Badge and NYLT staff, and is also for anyone looking to sharpen their training and presentation skills.



This training, to be held Sat., May 13th at a location yet to be announced, is meant to supplement the practice offered through Wood Badge and NYLT staff development, with a focus on the participant, raising the level of skill a trainer brings to the staff experience.

More info:

<https://mycouncil.trcbsa.org/Event/8647>

ONTEORA CAMPING WEEKEND

Although not a "structured" event (units camp, but prepare their own meals), Onteora Scout Reservation will be open April 21st to 23rd for any ScoutsBSA troop, crew, or ship.



Come and enjoy the camp in the off season!

More info:

<https://mycouncil.trcbsa.org/Event/8992>

BROOKLYN CYCLONES

SCOUT NIGHT SLEEPOVER

The Brooklyn Cyclones are having a Scout Night on Friday, April 21st at Maimonides Park, Coney Island.



The game starts at 7pm. Each ticket includes a field box seat ticket, baseball cap, patch, and a postgame outfield sleepover.

The pre-game parade around the outfield starts at 6:05pm.

More info:

<https://mycouncil.trcbsa.org/Event/8938>

CUBOREE

The theme for this year's Cuboree, being held Friday, April 28th to Sunday, April 30th at Schiff Scout Reservation is "Sugar Rush".



Be sure to bring along your sweet tooth! Don't walk, rush to this year's Cuboree. We have a program packed with treats: Archery, BB gun, Field games, Fishing, Cub mobile races and more!

More info:

<https://mycouncil.trcbsa.org/Event/8174>

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 Chairperson, Barbara Arnold, at pqdistrictchairman@gmail.com.

SAGAMORE TRAINING

The Sagamore Service Troop, founded in 1923 as a brotherhood of trained adult leaders, offers training for units & Scouts of the Theodore Roosevelt Council.

Programs include Backpacking, Fishing, Cooking, Nature, Cold Weather Camping, Mountain Biking, & Orienteering.

Most of the programs cover a number of the requirements of their associated merit badge and can be conducted at unit meetings.

For more information on how your unit can benefit from this training, contact Glenn Kugler at glenn.kugler@gmail.com.



CAMPOREE

Join the quest at this year's camporee, being held Friday, May 5th to Sunday, May 7th!



The theme this year is "Medieval Realm". Activities will include axe throwing, geo-teering, pioneering, a cooking contest, and so much more!

Scouts registered before 10pm on April 7th will receive a free t-shirt! Extra t-shirts may be purchased prior to the April 7th deadline.

Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts may attend Saturday only, but must be registered to attend with a troop.

More info:

<https://mycouncil.trcbsa.org/Event/PQCamporee>

CAMPING SAFETY CHECKLIST

Camping is a long-honored tradition for many families, including the BSA family.

Timing, supplies, and location should be determined ahead of time so you can make the most of your camping experience.

For more information and helpful tips, go to <https://tinyurl.com/2p93fnus>.

EAGLE SCOUT HALL OF FAME & RECOGNITION DINNER

A celebration of achievement, the Eagle Hall of Fame & Recognition Dinner, hosted by the Theodore Roosevelt Council and local Arthur R. Eldred NESA Chapter is being held Tuesday, May 23rd from 6pm to 10pm at Crest Hollow Country Club.



The event recognizes recent Eagle Scouts and applauds prestigious professionals who have made noteworthy accomplishments as they follow the Eagle Trail through life.

Each year, a new class is inducted into the Nassau County Eagle Scout Hall of Fame. Honorees showcase business success, leadership in their communities, and exceptional service to Scouting.

Please join us as we honor the dedicated young men and women who have become Eagle Scouts in the Theodore Roosevelt Council. This event will not only serve as a wonderful tribute to this year's class but will also highlight Nassau County Eagle Scout Hall of Fame inductees.

New Eagle Scouts from 2022 & 2023 attend at no charge.

More info:

<https://mycouncil.trcbsa.org/Event/8382>

EAGLE COURTS OF HONOR

Are you planning an Eagle Court of Honor?

The Theodore Roosevelt Council's own Arthur Eldred Chapter of the National Eagle Scout Association has an Eagle Medal display available to display at your Eagle Scout Court of Honor.



The chapter would also love to be present and make a presentation to the new Eagle Scout.

Interested? Contact Peter Muzia at peter_p_muzia@hotmail.com.

DISTRICT AWARDS

Do you know a Scout Leader who has served your unit or our district well and deserves to be recognized?



Consider nominating them for the District Award of Merit (DAM)!

Now is the time to send in your nominations for the District Award of Merit, along with Committee Chair of the Year, Cubmaster of the Year, Scoutmaster of the Year, and Crew Advisor of the Year.

There are so many leaders out there that deserve to be recognized, and filling out a simple form is one way of starting the process. Just think of how much work someone puts into your unit or our district. The amount of dedication that is shown should be applauded in individuals that are there for Scouting in so many ways. It is always so nice to see them get that recognition at our district dinner in June.

In addition, the forms for Unit of the Year are easier to fill out than ever before! Please take the time to write about your unit and submit the form for consideration for Pack of the Year, Troop of the Year, or Crew of the Year. Now is when you should share everything about your unit. Tell us all about the fun things your youth have done. Write about the great service projects the youth have helped with, and so on. Don't forget to add any advancement, summer camp involvement, and whatever else you think we should know about.

More information and registration for the dinner are at <https://mycouncil.trcbsa.org/Event/8464>.

Nomination forms are available at the links below & are due back by May 5th 2023.

[District Award of Merit nomination form](#)

[Unit of the Year nomination form](#)

[Committee Chair of the Year nomination form](#)

[Cubmaster of the Year nomination form](#)

[Scoutmaster of the Year nomination form](#)

[Crew Advisor of the Year nomination form](#)

If you have any questions, please contact Jim Hayden at 516-732-0942 or by email at jphayden56@msn.com.

DISTRICT CELEBRATION

This year's annual celebration & dinner will be held at Jericho Terrace, 249 Jericho Turnpike, Mineola, on Thursday, June 15th, starting at 6pm.



An important part of the evening is the presentation of the District Award of Merit, as well as other district awards including Pack of the Year, Troop of the Year, Crew of the Year, Committee Chair of the Year, Cubmaster of the Year, Scoutmaster of the Year, and Crew Advisor of the Year.

The cost per attendee is \$90, which includes a cocktail hour followed by a four-course sit-down dinner, and open bar.

More info & to register:

<https://mycouncil.trcbsa.org/Event/PQDinner>.

Questions? Contact Liz Ferreri at 516-409-9394 or by email at ferrerijl@optonline.net.

SILVER BEAVER AWARD

The Silver Beaver Award is bestowed upon only those persons who have given continued, unselfish, and effective service to the community, usually through the program of the Boy Scouts of America, but not limited to Scouting.



Because Scouters may not nominate themselves for this award, only those persons who have been nominated by their Scouting peers are considered.

The Silver Beaver Award is the highest recognition a local Council can bestow upon volunteer leaders.

Nomination forms are available at <https://tinyurl.com/mvbsn2ac> and must be submitted to Mike Schabin at mws652@gmail.com no later than May 17, 2023.

SAGAMORE TROOP **100TH ANNIVERSARY**

The Sagamore Service Troop, an organization of trained adult Scouters dedicated to a lifetime of service to Scouting, will be celebrating its 100th Anniversary in May of 2023.

The Sagamores do extensive work with the Council, and help maintain the council camps throughout the year.

Each Sagamore has a specialty such as first aid, cooking, hiking, backpacking, plumbing, etc. Using their expertise, they assist units in teaching merit badges and Scout skills. Members also serve in many other capacities within Scouting.



To mark this 100th Anniversary, a special anniversary journal is being produced.

Be sure to watch these pages & your email for information about when the journal becomes available.

Also, Sagamore member Jim Guastavino has written an interesting book outlining the history of the Sagamores. It is available on Amazon at <https://tinyurl.com/2bb33ufj>.

EAGLE COURTS OF HONOR

Are you planning an Eagle Court of Honor?

Just as the Pequott District and the Arthur Eldred Chapter of the National Eagle Scout Association are available to make presentations at Eagle Scout Courts of Honor, the Sagamore Troop is also available and would love to be present and make a presentation to the new Eagle Scout.

Interested? Contact the Sagamores at info@sagamoretroop.org.



JONES BEACH ENERGY & NATURE CENTER

Are you looking for fun and interesting activities for your unit?

The Jones Beach Energy & Nature Center may be just what you're looking for! The center has numerous programs and events happening throughout the year

Activities are held on-site and also virtually. The Center, located at the West End of Jones Beach State Park, presents exhibits, educational programming & public events, to show you how to become conscientious stewards of the environment.

More info:

<https://www.jonesbeachenc.org/>

JONES BEACH
ENERGY & NATURE
CENTER

GARVIES POINT PROGRAMS

Garvies Point Museum & Preserve offers Cub Adventure, Belt Loop, and Merit Badge programs.



Garvies Point
Museum & Preserve
50 Barry Drive, Glen Cove, New York 11542

Programs include Native American Culture, Geology, Nature Walk, Bird Watching, and Dinosaurs. Numerous merit badges are also offered.

More info:

<https://www.garviespointmuseum.com/scoutssc.php>

BSA FAMILY ADVENTURE CAMP

BSA Family Adventure Camp is a one-of-a-kind vacation for adventurers of all ages! Choose any of the three BSA camps located in West Virginia, New Mexico, and Florida.



More info:

<https://www.scouting.org/outdoor-programs/family-adventure-camp/>

SCOUT RANGER PROGRAM

The Resource Stewardship Scout Ranger program invites Cub Scouts and ScoutsBSA members to participate in educational and/or volunteer service projects at national park sites to spark their awareness of the national parks and to provide Scouts with the opportunity to explore the national parks and learn more about protecting our natural and cultural resources.



Scouts are awarded certificates and/or patches for participating in the program.

To earn a Scout Ranger certificate, Scouts should participate in organized education activities and/or volunteer service projects for a minimum of five (5) hours at one or more national parks.

To earn a Scout Ranger patch, Scouts should participate in organized educational activities or volunteer service projects for a minimum of ten (10) hours at one or more national parks.

A list of national parks, including those in our local area (Fire Island National Seashore, for example), is available at

<https://www.nps.gov/findapark/index.htm>.

More info:

<https://www.nps.gov/subjects/youthprograms/scout-ranger.htm>

BSA HIGH ADVENTURES

Registration for 2024 seasons at all four high adventure bases (Philmont Scout Ranch, Florida Sea Base, Northern Tier and the Summit Bechtel Reserve) is now open.

Go to:

<https://www.scouting.org/outdooradventures/open4adventure/>



EAGLE SCOUT RANK APPLICATION

From the desk of the Pequott Advancement Chair:

I have seen some confusion over which Eagle Rank Application Scouts should use.

Scouts should use the second form on <https://www.scouting.org/resources/forms/>. This form says **"Eagle Scout Application for youth who completed requirements ON OR AFTER July 1, 2022"**. This form is for those who completed any requirements after July 1st 2022 and for those who had to earn Citizenship in Society.

The other application is only for those Scouts who completed **ALL** requirements **BEFORE** July 1st 2022.

Scoutmasters and Committee chairs should also be verifying the information on the application when they sign the application and confirm the scout is using the correct form. The second page of the application should have the "June 2022 Revision" on the bottom right of the page. The best way to ensure the use of the proper form is for the Scout to download the Eagle Application directly from their Scoutbook account under reports.

BSA DISTINGUISHED CONSERVATION SERVICE AWARD

The fundamental purpose of the BSA Distinguished Conservation Service Awards program is to encourage learning by the participants and to increase public awareness about natural resource conservation.



Understanding and practicing sound stewardship of natural resources and environmental protection strengthens Scouting's emphasis on respecting the outdoors.

The goal of this awards program is to encourage and recognize truly outstanding efforts undertaken by Scouting units, Scouts and Venturers, adult Scouters, and other individuals, corporations, and institutions that have contributed significantly to natural resource conservation and environmental protection.

More info:

<https://tinyurl.com/2p96brap>

NEW EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT WORKBOOK

It has come to light that the BSA recently updated and revised (as of February, 2023) the Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook.

There was a version issued in 2022 that contained some minor technical issues. Scouts who had already started preparing their workbook using the 2022 version may continue to use it. They do not need to redo it using the 2023 version.

Otherwise, Scouts should be using the newest version available at <https://www.scouting.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/EagleProjectWorkbook2023a.pdf>.

ATTENTION UNIT LEADERS

Do You Need a Certificate of Insurance, especially if your meeting location has changed? A Certificate of Insurance is a document that gives evidence that you have insurance to cover claims for which you may be responsible and are usually required by the operators of the campground or activity your unit is attending, or your unit's meeting location.

Be sure the activity is not an unauthorized Scouting activity. For fundraising activities, be sure the fundraising application was filed & approved. **Requests for certificates must be submitted at least two weeks in advance.** Include the following with your request:

- Two certificates are available: either 1-10 million or 6.5-13 million dollars. Ask the facility for whom you need the insurance how much they require & indicate this in your request.
- Ask the facility how their name should be listed on the certificate of insurance, along with their address, and include this with your request.
- Advise what date you need the certificate by.

Contact the Council Office at 516-767-7600 for more info. Note, certificates are NOT issued for Eagle projects.

ADVANCEMENT NEWS

The latest issue of "Advancement News" is available at

<https://www.scouting.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/MAR-APR-2023-Advancement-News-v.2.pdf>.

Each bi-monthly issue contains updates and changes concerning Scouting programs and opportunities. Produced by National & primarily designed for council and district advancement committees, advancement staff advisors, and Eagle processors, any Scouting volunteer or professional may subscribe.

To subscribe to the Advancement News announcements, go to <https://t.email.scouting.org/lp/subAdvancementNews>.



NATIONAL JAMBOREE 2023

The next National Jamboree will be held in July of 2023. Registration is now open.



Theodore Roosevelt is sending a contingent unit to the Jamboree.

To submit an interest form, go to <https://events.scouting.org/form/B5925B571FB44195/personal-information> & you will be contacted by Council to begin registration.

More info about the Jamboree: <https://jamboree.scouting.org/>

News flash!

Past email server issues caused many emailings to not reach the families and Scouters in Pequott District.

The **Pequott Charger** is available online! Keep up with the month ahead by going to www.trcbsa.org/Pequott. Please spread the word to your families – and give them the link!



BSA HISTORIC TRAILS AWARD

The BSA's Historic Trails Award can be earned by any Cub Scout, Scouts BSA, Venturer, Sea Scout as well as any adult leader by completing several requirements associated with the award.

More info is available at <https://tinyurl.com/bvzyptk4>.



YOUR UNIT'S PICTURES AND STORIES COULD BE FEATURED HERE!

Get your pictures and stories to Phil Nicola at pnicola@natca.net!

SCOUT SUNDAY AT ST. FRANCES DE CHANTEL

Scouts of Pequott District Packs and Troops celebrated Scout Sunday on Feb. 5th with Fr. Stan and Deacon Bob at St. Frances de Chantal RCC in Wantagh. There were Scouts who served as Lectors and Altar Servers and others brought up the offering gifts. All Scouts were able to participate in the Entrance and Gospel Processions.



TROOP 656's SCOUT SUNDAY AT CHRIST LUTHERAN

Troop 656 attended Scout Sunday services at their sponsor, Christ Lutheran Church, then showed their appreciation afterwards by hosting a coffee hour.



ALL-FAITH AWARD

Congrats to Matthew G. of Pack 192, pictured with his dad, on receiving his All-Faith Award certificate at his Blue and Gold Dinner. Matthew also bridged to Troop 192.



TROOP 189 SCOUTING FOR FOOD



TROOP 656 GROWING

The troop devoted an entire meeting reviewing with its new Scouts (as well as their parents) as to what they can expect to experience as they start their journey toward Eagle.



TROOP 580 ALSO GROWING

On Friday, March 24th, Troop 580 welcomed its newest members.



TROOP 186 VISITS NEW YORK CITY

The troop traveled into New York City through the new LIRR terminal at Grand Central Madison to see The Lion King.



TROOP 656 GOES GOLFING

In lieu of their weekly troop meeting, Troop 656 went to Monster Mini Golf and had a blast!



PACK 206 & TROOP 225 HAVE THEIR DAY IN COURT

On February 24th, Scouts from Troop 225 and Pack 206 in Merrick visited the Long Beach Municipal Court. In addition to an opportunity to observe court proceedings, the Scouts participated in a mock trial in front of the Chief Judge, representing both the prosecution and the defense in a simulated trial. The verdict? An enjoyable time was had by all the Scouts and they gained a new appreciation for the workings of the court system.



TROOP 96 HELPS “MOVE THE FOOD”

Troop 96 Wantagh B & G participated in the “Move the Food” event at The Long Island Council of Church’s Freeport Food Pantry on Saturday, March 25th. The troop, along with many other volunteers, helped load close to 10,000 lbs. of donated food to the pantry. This food will be available to people who suffer from food insecurity. It was an inspirational event and great to see where the food goes that is collected at meetings, Scouting events and other food drives.



TROOP 656 HELPS BRIDGE PACK 191 ARROW OF LIGHT SCOUTS



PACK 96 SCOUTS BRIDGED TO TROOPS 96 & 656



TROOP 339 TUBING & CAMPING



TROOP 186 TUBING TRIP



TROOP 656 PUTS SKILLS TO TEST

Troop 656 held a skills competition event during one of their weekly meetings. The events included basketball, tying knots, tent setup, and a relay.



THE PIONEERS OF TROOP 660

At a recent Troop meeting, Scouts from Troop 660 finished up their Pioneering merit badge by making a machine to make rope. Here they are being shown the machine and then operating it.



TROOP 96 CLEANS UP

Troop 96 B & G cleaned-up Forest Lake and both troops were awarded citations by Hempstead Town Supervisor Don Clavin.



MORE SCOUTS BRIDGE



Troop 339 welcomed 20, yes 20! new scouts in March with some bridging from Cub Scout Packs 776, 339 & 581.



Troop 96 also welcomed new scouts from Pack 96.

PACK 191 & TROOP 656 IN THE GREEN

Both units marched in the Wantagh St. Patrick's Day parade & also carried the banner for the Wantagh American Legion Post 1273.



TROOP 660 VISITS SUNY MARITIME COLLEGE

The SUNY Maritime College Eagle Scout Fraternity held their annual camporee at Fort Schuyler March 24-26th. Troop 660 scouts had a great time camping out within the walls of the Civil War era fort. The scouts were able to see the Maritime Museum and learn about the environment at the campus waterfront, right underneath the Throgs Neck Bridge.



In this photo, the Scouts are measuring oysters for the One Billion Oyster Project, a New York City-based nonprofit organization with the goal of restoring one-billion oysters to New York Harbor by 2035.

TROOP 96 HAS AN AXE TO GRIND

Troop 96 B & G practiced and honed their axe-throwing skills at New York Axe Throwing in Farmingdale.



TROOP 656 HIKES WEST HILLS

Troop 656 hiked to Jayne's Peak at West Hills County Park, the highest point on Long Island. Also, it was surprising to see how much the Troop enjoys a good swing set!



TROOP 96 TACKAPAUSHA MUSEUM & PRESERVE
EAGLE PROJECT & CLEAN-UP



PACKS 57 & 696 ARROW OF LIGHT SCOUTS BRIDGE TO TROOP 660



TROOP 656 BUSY AT BAITING HOLLOW



MORE OF TROOP 656 AT BAITING HOLLOW



PEQUOTT DISTRICT PINEWOOD DERBY & CUB CARNIVAL

The Pequott District Pinewood Derby and Cub Carnival was held March 25th and was a resounding success! Congratulations to all the racers who entered this year on a job well done! The room was filled with fantastic cheering and wonderful sportsmanship! A big "Thank You" to all who volunteered to make this event such a success for our youth!

1st place - Max- Pack 206
 2nd place - Hunter - Pack 206
 3rd place - John- Pack 696
 Fastest Looking - Michael- Pack 339



Troop 96 helping out.

Troop 192 also helped out as a service troop.

Upcoming Activities

April 4 – [IOLS Prep Meeting](#)

April 15 – [Den Chief Training](#)

April 15-16 – [BALOO](#)

April 15-16 – [Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills](#)

April 18 – [Pequott Roundtable](#)

April 21-22 – [Brooklyn Cyclones Scouts Night Sleepover](#)

April 21-22 – [Range Safety Officer Training](#)

April 21-23 – [Onteora Scout Reservation Weekend Camping](#)

April 22 – [Merit Badge Workshop](#)

April 28-30 – [Cuboree](#)

May 5-7 – [Camporee](#)

May 6-7 – [Wilderness First Aid Training](#)

May 9 – [Pequott Roundtable](#)

May 12-13 – [Archery Training](#)

May 13 – [Trainer's Edge](#)

May 13 – [Merit Badge Workshop](#)

May 20-21 – [Wilderness First Aid Training](#)

May 23 – [Eagle Scout Recognition & Hall of Fame Dinner](#)

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