


January Training Newsletter

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The success of every Scouting program depends on having well-trained leaders. They not only bring a quality program to their units, but they also have more fun doing it. Everything we do in Scouting has a purpose. Training is the key to recognizing, understanding, and achieving the purpose behind every activity. **If you're a registered leader, there's a training course for you!**

Course	What it is	Who it's for	Time	When and where
Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO)	A hands-on intro to outdoor skills for the Cub program, taught on an overnight campout. If your pack goes camping, at least one BALOO-trained adult must be there.	Cub Scout adults	1.5 days	2-3 times/year, spring and fall. Various camps.
Cub Leader Position-Specific Training (PST)	Classroom overview of the Cub Scouting program, advancement, leader roles, and resources to help you run a strong program. (Also available online.)	Cub Scout adults	4 hours	At least 4 times a year, mostly fall. Locations vary.
CPR/AED	American Red Cross certification in CPR and AED (defibrillator) use, valid for two years.	Adults and capable youth	3.5 hours	8+ times/year, often Nobscot or Canton.
Den Chief Training	Roles and responsibilities of a Den Chief. Includes tips, games, songs, and other fun activities for working with Cub Scouts. (Also available online.)	Scouts BSA and Venturing youth	2-3 hours	4-6 times/year, mostly fall. Locations vary.
Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS)	Overnight intro to skills like map/compass, woods tools, cooking, and knot/fishings. Learn new skills, reinforce old ones, and build confidence to teach.	Scouts BSA and Venturing adults	1.5 days	2-3 times/year, spring and fall. Various camps.
Leave No Trace Trainer Training	Hands-on training in the seven principles of Leave No Trace and advanced camping methods.	Adults and youth 14+	2 full days	Spring and maybe fall at BSA camps.
National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)	Advanced leadership development course for youth. Ideal for youth who aspire to Senior Patrol Leader, ASPL, or other key leadership positions.	Scouts BSA and Venturing youth	1 week	2 times each summer: Squanto and Resolute.
Red Cross First Aid	American Red Cross certification in basic first aid skills, valid for two years.	Adults and capable youth	3.5 hours	8+ times/year, often Nobscot or Canton.
Scoutmaster/ASM PST	Fundamentals of running a successful youth-led troop, patrol method, and more. (Also available online.)	Scouts BSA adults	4-5 hours	6+ times/year. Locations vary.
Troop Committee PST	Learn how an effective Troop Committee can support a successful youth-led troop. (Also available online.)	Scouts BSA adults	2-3 hours	A few times/year. Locations vary.
Wilderness and Remote First Aid	Hands-on training to treat injuries in the backcountry. American Red Cross certification valid for two years.	Adults and youth 14+	2 full days	5 times/year: Nobscot/Squanto.
Wood Badge	The BSA's premier leadership skills course. Grow as a leader, apply leadership concepts and methods, and gain inspiration to deliver the promise of Scouting.	All adults	2 week-ends	1 or 2 times/year, at BSA camps.

Our in-person courses are organized and taught by trained volunteers who have been "in your shoes." Live training is a great way to meet fellow leaders, share ideas, get answers to questions, and get a chance to practice key skills. We try to offer these courses at a variety of times and locations, but we can also add certain courses on demand, if requested.

We offer other courses periodically, too. You can also take many training courses online at <https://my.scouting.org>. For most Scouting positions, online training covers all the requirements to be considered "trained" for your position and wear the  patch. See the requirements for your position in our Quick Guides at www.mayflowerbsa.org/training.

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Training News

January 2020

Are You Trained for Your Position?

Trained leaders are eligible to wear the "Trained" patch on their uniform sleeve... but more important than the patch itself is what it symbolizes. It means you've invested time to learn how to deliver a successful Scouting program to the youth you serve!

More than half of our registered leaders are not trained for their positions. **Are you trained?**

To check your own status, visit <https://my.scouting.org>, go to "My Training" > "Requirements," and see if it shows you as trained. (Note that some people's records may be unavailable until new charters are loaded in the system.)

Want to learn more about what's required? Check out our Quick Guides at www.mayflowerbsa.org/training.

Unit leaders: If others in your pack, troop, or crew aren't trained, they're missing out on tools and resources that could help them run a stronger program *and make their jobs easier!* Please help us make 2020 the year when we give every Scout the trained leaders they deserve!

Training at MBU in March

Merit Badge University (MBU) depends on adult volunteers, but for those who aren't already committed to an MBU role, it's also a great time for adult leaders to take training of their own! **This is especially good timing for new leaders crossing over into Scouts BSA—and for parents considering getting more involved in the troop.** Here's what we're offering:

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??? Cub Leader Position-Specific
(could be YOUR town... tell us if your pack would like to host!)

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...and more in March and beyond

Renew Your YPT in 2020... and Hazardous Weather Training, Too!

We follow the national policy on youth protection training (YPT); it must be renewed every two years. 2020 will be a big year for renewals. **Don't let time run out!** Check your expiration date at <https://my.scouting.org>, then mark

Commissioners

District Commissioner	All Metacomet Towns/Units	Rob Pomponio
Asst. District Commissioner	covering Natick, Sherborn, Holliston	Tom Bednarz
Asst. District Commissioner	covering Foxboro	Dr. Jim Green
Asst. District Commissioner	covering Other Towns	Position(s) Currently Vacant
Asst. District Commissioner	Data Manager	Joyce Jordan
Roundtable Commissioner	General Interest and Troop Topics	Greg Green
Roundtable Commissioner	Cub Scout Topics	Bev Murphy
Roundtable Commissioner	Cub Scout Topics	Ed Crisci
Town	Units	Unit Commissioner
Foxboro	FP176, T7, T32, Post32	Dr. Jim Green
Foxboro	T314, GT314	Jennifer Lanteigne
Holliston	P47, FP3102, T14, T73, T76	Ted Chan
Medfield	P113, P200, T10, GT10, T89	Jerry Kazanjian
Medway	P748, T108, T367	Position Currently Vacant
Millis	P115, T15	Position Currently Vacant
Natick	FP7, P310, T7	Kevin Goldsmith
Natick	FP22	Jeff Ecklekamp
Natick	FP40, T1775	Tom Bednarz

Norfolk	P80	Position Currently Vacant
Norfolk	T80	Walter Pelrine
Norwood	FP49, T49, GT49	Joyce Jordan
Norwood	FP42, T42, C420	Bob Sicklick
Plainville	FP46, T132	Walter Pelrine
Sharon	FP95, T95, GT164, C6	Dave Barnett
Sherborn	P10, T1	Ted Chan
Walpole	P44, P601	Cris Davis
Walpole	T44, T97	Position Currently Vacant
Wrentham	FP131, T61, T131	Walter Pelrine
Unit Types Key		
P – Cub Scout Pack	(boys)	
FP – Cub Scout Pack	“Family Scouting” (boys and girls)	
T – Scouts BSA Troop	(boys) AKA “Boy Scouts”	
GT – Scouts BSA Troop	(girls)	
C – Venturing Crew	(coed)	
Post – Explorer Post	(coed)	

Silver Beaver Awards Announced

In Scouting, we say “it’s about the youth” and none of our adults are involved for the recognition, but every now and then we need to say thanks especially to those volunteers whose leadership and example has left a lasting positive impact on the program and the broader community. One way we do that is through nominating a Scouter for the Silver Beaver Award, the highest adult recognition a council can bestow.

Silver Beaver Honorees Selected

Please join the Mayflower Council in congratulating this years Silver Beaver Honorees.

Presentation of the Silver Beaver will be made at the Council Annual Recognition Dinner on Wednesday, January 29, 2020 at Lake Pearl in Wrentham, MA. We hope you can join us to recognize these outstanding volunteers as they are recognized for their outstanding service to scouting and their communities.

Gary Bernklow
Ronald Ehnes
Peter Lane
Mandy Lyons
Debra Scollins

Frequently asked questions about the Silver Beaver Award:

Overview

To recognize registered Scouters of exceptional character who have provided distinguished service within a council. The award is presented by the National Court of Honor on behalf of councils.

Who Can Earn This Award?

Anyone may nominate any deserving registered Scouter to the council, which selects recipients for the following year. Each council may process their own annual allotment of Silver Beaver awards and shall send a list of Silver Beaver awards presented each calendar year to the National Court of Honor no later than January 31 of the following year.

New Headwaters Eagle Scouts – Nov and Dec 2019

Please join the Headwaters District Advancement team in congratulating the following Scouts on their achievement of the rank of Eagle Scout with the completion of their Board of Review in October 2019:

- Brendan H. – Troop 1 Southborough
- Ashby N. – Troop 4 Milford
- Samuel C. – Troop 100 Bellingham
- Shane M. – Troop 232 Ashland
- Ethan R. – Troop 1 Hopkinton
- Connor Z. – Troop 8080 Franklin
- Benjamin T. – Troop 8080 Franklin
- Noah L. – Troop 112 Franklin
- Brendan C. – Troop 126 Franklin
- Nathan M. – Troop 14 Bellingham
- Zane W. – Troop 1 Southborough
- Declan F. – Troop 126 Franklin
- Charles T. – Troop 112 Franklin

It is an honor and privilege to congratulate these exceptional Scouts for their achievement. As less than 5% of Scouts become Eagles, these are truly the best of the best, the most dedicated, and the most determined to succeed!

Congratulations!



Once an Eagle Scout, Always an Eagle Scout!

Headwaters District Commissioners & Units

Position	Name	Units Assigned
Unit Commissioner	Jim Rich	Pack 67 Milford
		Pack 3204 Milford
Unit Commissioner	Paul Gadd	Pack 31 Marlborough
		Pack 41 Marlborough
		Pack 42 Marlborough
Unit Commissioner	Peter Geromini	Pack 126 Franklin
		Troop 126 Franklin

Unit Commissioner	Clark Hockenbury	Troop 2 Milford
		Troop 4 Milford
		Troop 219 GT Milford
		Troop 314 Milford
District Commissioner	Tim Howe	Pack 25 Northborough
		Pack 28 Northborough
		Pack 55 Northborough
Unit Commissioner	Randy Larosa	Pack 17 Franklin
		Pack 92 Franklin
		Troop 29 Franklin
		Troop 99 Franklin
Asst. District Commissioner	Stephen Lavoie	Troop 1 Northborough
		Troop 2 Marlborough
		Troop 41 Marlborough
		Troop 101 Northborough
		Troop 303 Marlborough
Unit Commissioner	Margie Wiggin	Pack 97 Hopkinton
		Pack 3004 Hopkinton
		Troop 1 Hopkinton
		Troop 4 Hopkinton
		Troop 11 Hopkinton
Unit Commissioner	Joan Wordell	Pack 3104 Hudson
		Troop 77 Hudson
		Troop 512 Hudson
		Troop 512 GT Hudson

December Roundtable

Below are the event flyers, training newsletter and other information from the December Roundtable.

2019 Museum of Science Overnight

2019-2020 District Award of Merit Form

2019-2020 District-Awards Form

Mayflower Training News December 2019

Scouts BSA Klondike – Hosted by the Sachem District

Webelos Klondike Flyer – Hosted by the Sachem District

December Training Newsletter

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Hey Cub Scout Packs: Host a Training Course!

We hear a lot of reasons why adult leaders don't get trained. It's too far away. I won't know anybody there. I need child care. Or *nobody invited me*.

Here's a solution: host a training course right where your pack meets! Yes, you can absolutely do this. "Position-specific training" takes 4 hours to complete, so find a time that works for you, contact the training team, and we'll send trainers. We just ask that you provide a free location, a "critical mass" of at least 6 participants, and a few weeks' notice so we can line up volunteer trainers and advertise the course to neighboring packs. We can also work with you to provide activities for Cub-age youth while their parents get trained.

A few packs have already done this, and they got great results.

Finally, don't forget to personally invite each of your leaders to this training event! It means a lot more when the invitation comes from a fellow leader within the pack who they know and trust.

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Thanks for Making Time for Training

Please join us in a big "thank you" to...

- More than 400 adult leaders in our council who took the time to take in-person position-specific or supplementary training during 2019.
- Many more who took position-specific training online.
- All of you who sent your *youth* leaders to courses like NYLT, Den Chief training, and Venturing ILSC.
- 75 leaders who volunteered their time as trainers in 2019.

Our Scouts Need (and Deserve) Trained Leaders!

Did you know that fewer than half of our "direct contact" leaders across the council are trained for their positions? Direct contact leaders include Den Leaders, Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, Assistant Scoutmasters, etc.—the people whose role is to work directly with Scouts. Training is key to helping direct contact leaders understand and deliver a safe, fun, and successful program. It also provides ideas and resources to help make every Scouting job easier.

Our role on the training team is to train leaders. We run courses across the council throughout the year, but they're only successful if people come to them. If leaders feel that training is valuable, they will find time to do it. So we ask for your help! Please help us spread the word. Personally invite and encourage your fellow leaders to become trained. Recognize and reward those who do. And set the example by being trained yourself.

We'll be making a bigger push for training in 2020. You'll help us, won't you?

New Additions to the Schedule

- Scoutmaster and Troop Committee Position-Specific Training during Merit Badge University in March.
- We've added several CPR and first aid courses in Canton to serve the southern and eastern portions of our council. Our courses are a great way to get official Red Cross certification at a big discount.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Council training "Quick Guides" and online registration:
www.mayflowerbsa.org/training
- BSA online training: <https://my.scouting.org>
- Council training chair: Chris Lamie: chris.lamie@gmail.com
- Staff contact: Rick Riopelle: rick@mayflowerbsa.org

EVERY SCOUT DESERVES TRAINED LEADERS!

Cranberry Commissioners

Harbors

Asst. District Commissioners		
Dennis Gleason (Roundtable)		
David Hosford		
Kevin Radford		
Unit Commissioners		Roundtable Commissioners
Mark Henderson		ALyssa Baracewicz
Margaret Hillman		Will Berggren
Mike Josti		Cory Mace
John Knox		Vincent Thornton
John Lyne		
Rick Robbins		
Rocky Smith		
Stephen Trimble		

Cranberry Harbors District

Committee

David	Hosford		Asstisant District Chair
Michelle	Joyce		Assistant District Chair
Open			Fiance Chair
Michelle	Joyce		Activities Co-chair
Michele	Mott		Activities Co-chair
David	Winters		Advancement Chair
Brian	Duane		Camping Chair
Kevin	Radford		Training Chair
David	Hosford		Membership Chair
Michael	Josti		Nominations
<i>Members at Large</i>			
Rick	Robbins		
Charlie	Murphy		
Jack	Foley		
John	Lyne		
Grayce	Troiano		
Ellen	Walch		
Patrick	Walsh		
Richard	Stritzinger		
Rocky	Smith		

November Roundtable

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Wood Badge Brochure

Scouts BSA Training Day – 2019-11-09

Reporting Community Service Hours update 2019

Philmont 2020 Flyer – Girl Troop

P-Bruins November Schedule

Membership Fees

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