

Cranberry Harbors District Training

Chris Lamie, Mayflower Council's Training Chair, and a lot of great volunteers put on an in-depth seminar for Cranberry Harbor's District Committee on Saturday, January 12th.

Topics included:

- Chairs/Vice Chairs
- Activities and Civic Service
- New Unit Organizers
- Training
- Advancement
- Fund Development
- Camping/Outdoor Program
- Membership

We hope some of you were able to attend, and more will be able to attend this type of training in the future.

For more information, please visit <https://www.mayflowerbsa.org/program/adult/training>

January Training Newsletter

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Starting a Girl Troop? Get Trained!

Training is the key to understanding the BSA program and using it to its full advantage. Get the most out of your troop. There's a great training program in place to serve the needs of new Girl Troop leaders. The trainings are mostly live sessions for leaders of Girl Troops.

- Every adult leader must be Youth Protection Trained
- To be considered "trained" Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters must take BSA's Youth Protection Training (YPT) course or its parent's, adult learning course, and National Orientation Training.
- Troop Committee members and merit badge counselors should take their own version of YPT available online. We offer a live version of Troop Committee YPT at Merit Badge Clinics in all areas.

To learn more, visit our "Quick Guide" at www.scoutsusa.org/usa/usa. Let's get all our new troop leaders on the right path to success!

District Committee Training

Workshop: January 12 in Marshfield

If you're part of your district committee, you've to become "trained" for your position, understand your role on the committee, learn about our resources from other districts, and learn what resources are available to help distinguish our districts. The BSA has an excellent training program for committee members in 2019. Let's get you the best way to do it in person. We'll offer this training at least one more time in the first half of 2019. It's an essential part of the western portion of our council.

Training Recognition Coming Soon!

An overview will be available in the next few weeks. We'll be awarding gold, silver, and bronze ribbons to units who get 100%, 75%, or 50% of their leaders to complete their training. We'll also offer a special award to units who get 100% of their leaders to complete their training. We'll also offer a special award to units who get 100% of their leaders to complete their training. We'll also offer a special award to units who get 100% of their leaders to complete their training.

Take Your Training to the Next Level at the Philbrick Training Center

Did you know in addition to backpacking, Philbrick Scout Ranch in New Mexico also offers the BSA's national training center? It offers a wide range of sessions on new to basic and advanced scouting programs. Visit www.philbrickscoutcenter.org for a list of sessions. 2019 sessions: Complete your registration.

New Training: Intro to Backpacking

Are you interested in boosting your backpacking skills to prepare for an upcoming trip? **Registration is now open for our new "Introduction to Backpacking" course on April 27-28!** For just \$10 (the cost of 2 full meals), we'll give you a great hands-on learning to build your skills and confidence to move beyond car or trailer camping.

Upcoming In-Person Training

- pre-registration required
- pre-approval letter sent
- youth board have **limited** resources for adults

Scout Leader Skills

- Jan 5-7 Scoutmaster Position-Specific (Prework)
- Jan 12-14 District Committee Training (Prework)
- Feb 10-11 Scouting Position-Specific (Counselor) (Prework)
- Mar 2-4 Scoutmaster Position-Specific (Assistant)
- Mar 10-11 Troop Committee Position-Specific (Assistant)
- Mar 18-19 Cub Leader Position-Specific (Assistant) (Prework)
- Mar 25-26 Cub Leader Position-Specific (Assistant) (Prework)
- Apr 27-28 BALOO for Cub Leaders (Prework)
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- May 11-12 Scoutmaster Position-Specific (Assistant) (Prework)
- May 11-12 District Committee Training (Prework)
- May 18-19 BALOO for Cub Leaders (Prework)
- May 18-19 Cub Leader Position-Specific (Assistant) (Prework)
- Jun 18-19 Youth LEO Training (NFT) (Prework)
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- Jan 8-9 CPR/AED (Assistant)
- Jan 12-13 Wilderness and Flammable First Aid (Assistant)
- Jan 12-13 CPR/AED (Assistant)
- Feb 10-11 Wilderness and Flammable First Aid (Assistant)
- Feb 10-11 Red Cross First Aid (Assistant)
- Mar 2-4 Red Cross First Aid (Assistant)
- Mar 2-4 CPR/AED (Assistant)
- Mar 18-19 Wilderness and Flammable First Aid (Assistant)
- Mar 18-19 Red Cross First Aid (Assistant)
- Apr 11-12 Wilderness and Flammable First Aid (Assistant)

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact your local leader or contact scoutmaster@scout.org for more information. Visit www.bsa.org/training for more information. Visit www.philbrickscoutcenter.org for a list of sessions. 2019 sessions: Complete your registration.

EVERY SCOUT DESERVES TRAINED LEADERS!

Health and Medical Records

We hear this question often "Is a medical form required for this activity?" The answer is yes! All Council and District activities like Camporees, Klondikes, Chuckwagons, etc are required to collect a medical form for every youth and adult participant. These forms are filed by unit and returned to the unit leader or designee at the end of the event.

The Boy Scouts of America and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts require that we retain health forms collected for summer camp up to 36 months. These forms are maintained in a secure, offsite facility.

As a rule, all units should collect an Annual Health and Medical Record for all youth and adult members as well as parents who are regular participants. These should accompany the unit on weekend outings and field trips. These forms should be reviewed and updated on an annual basis.

See the attached for more information regarding this policy as

well as the link to determine which form is appropriate based on your activity.

Mayflower Council and BSA National Health and Medical Records

December Training Newsletter

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Youth Protection Training

Reminder...

The BSA released a new YPT program in February '18. All registered adults must take this version of YPT. We want to say thank you to all who have taken the time to do this... but also remind everyone that we need the rest of our leaders trained before the end of the year. If you haven't taken the new YPT by the time your unit renews its charter for 2019, your registration will be dropped. We need to comply with national policies and make sure all leaders are up to date on how to prevent, recognize, and respond to abuse. Our youth deserve no less!

If you need to take YPT, go to <https://my.scouting.org/> and take it today. If you have already taken the new YPT (for example, a live session this summer or fall) but you are still receiving notifications that your training is out of date, please contact our volunteer training chair (chris.lamie@gmail.com) or your district training chair and they will try to help you get your record straightened out.

November Training Newsletter

Below is the November Training Newsletter

Click on the picture to download a PDF.

Youth Protection Training (YPT)

The BSA released a new YPT program in February '18. All registered adults must take this version of YPT. We hope to say thank you to all who have taken the time to do this. Our staff remind everyone that we respect the trust of our members because of the special law case. If you haven't taken the new YPT by the time you're not training, the deadline for 2018 year registration will be dropped. You need to comply with national policies and make sure all leaders are up to date on their training, experience, and records to adults. Our staff strive to be best!

If you need to take YPT, go to www.bsa.org/ypt and take it today. Also, we are happy to see an in-person YPT for you have a large group of leaders who will need to get trained. See contact info below.

Wilderness First Aid: Plan Ahead!

Our second full-time first aid course releases and sends first aid (WFA) training for teams in April 2019, January 10-13, February 9-10, March 9-10, and April 8-7. If you will be taking a group on a high-adventure trip, our national, please plan to attend one of these courses. WFA is a "no fail" course that gives a lot of resources to put on, and we provide plenty of scheduled courses to make sure everyone who needs the training has the opportunity to get it.

A Reward for Training

When you invest the time to become trained for your position, you'll receive skills, resources, advice, and answers to help you deliver a more effective program for the youth we serve. To recognize those troops, packs, and crews that complete training and are leading great adventures, we're offering a reward to units who get 100% of their leaders to complete basic training (or the "Trainee" path) by the end of 2018. Troops will see 10 bonus youth members, especially for leaders whose training requirements are all completed and met (all at council level), and see "Cub Scout" at www.bsa.org/cubscout to learn more.

Pinpoint Training Center

Get out there in addition to participating. Pinpoint Scout Ranch in New Braunfels, Texas, our national training center? It offers a wide range of sessions on how to lead and our successful scouting programs. Visit www.pinpointbsa.org for a list of 2019 courses. Please email pinpoint@bsa.org or call 800.352.0000 for help answer questions.

Upcoming In-Person Training

* In-person training is available for all registered adults.

- Nov 12-13 Den Chief Training course
- Nov 12-13 Scoutmaster Training-Specific (SMT)
- Nov 12-13 Youth Protection Training course
- Nov 12-13 BSA's new Ranger Officer Training course
- Dec 1-2 Scoutmaster Training-Specific (SMT)
- Jan 9-11 Scoutmaster Training-Specific (SMT)

First Aid

- Nov 21-22 Red Cross First Aid (2nd Edition)
- Dec 8-9 CPR/AED course
- Jan 10-12 Wilderness and First Aid (2nd Edition)

More courses will be posted in the next few months.

How to Check Your Training Records

Every member of a pack, troop, or crew's "My Troop" (Troop) Org. Rep. Committee Open, and unit leader—there's a page to sign for this position—will have access to a tool called "Training Manager" when they log into bsa.org/mybsa. This tool will let you view training records for all of your registered leaders. There's a lot of new content access to additional people. Your district training officer can help you get acquainted with online records if you're not familiar yet.

More to Look Forward to in Early 2019

- Club level leader training days with Pinpoint Scout Ranch
- Training with new wilderness training teams
- Two new courses for Cub leaders to take BSA's Scoutmaster training, including a Pinpoint Scout Ranch course
- A new course: "Risk in BSA Scouting"
- More opportunities for Scoutmasters and ASMs to take Wilderness, Training, and OLC
- Plenty of FREE go-fairings
- Training for elected committee members

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact training@bsa.org and enter registration: www.mybsa.org to sign in. www.bsa.org for a list of 2019 courses. Please email pinpoint@bsa.org or call 800.352.0000 for help answer questions.

EVERY LEADER BENEFITS TRAINED LEADERS

Location Change for Training Events

Due to circumstances beyond our control the location for tomorrow's Den Chief Training, Youth Protection Training and Cub Scout Leader Training events has changed. The new venue will be United Church of Christ – Abington, 10 Bedford St., Abington, MA 02351. Please share this update with anybody you know who may be planning to attend. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Learn To Save A Life

... AT A DISCOUNTED PRICE!

Did you know that Mayflower Council offers training and certification in CPR/AED, Professional Rescuer CPR/AED, First Aid, and Wilderness and Remote First Aid (WRFA)? Our team of volunteer instructors offers this training at a discounted rate for Scouts and Scouters. We only charge what it takes to recoup the cost of Red Cross certification and to maintain our teaching supplies.

Below is a *partial* schedule of our offerings through June 2019.

Please, before you consider signing up for any of these courses, take note of the following:

- We limit registration in these courses to 20 participants so that each participant gets enough instructor attention.
- CPR/AED (current within two years) *is a prerequisite* for WRFA.
- “First Aid” is a *basic* first Aid course. It is *not* a prerequisite for WRFA. If you want to take WRFA, you don’t also need to take “basic” First Aid as a prerequisite
- WRFA is required by the BSA for two adults accompanying youth BSA members to any BSA “high-adventure” venues, or any *real* (away from a road) wilderness location.
- From October through May we will offer WRFA five times

vs. the three times we have offered the course previously. Based on demand in previous years, we offer this training once in the fall and four times in winter/spring. Please plan ahead and register early. If you realize at the last minute that you need this training, it may be too late to get into our course.

- Minimum age for certification in CPR/AED and/or First Aid is 11. Minimum age for WRFA is 14. Certification in these courses is for two years.
- The per-person fee for CPR/AED or First Aid certification is \$35 for BSA-registered individuals, \$60 for non-BSA registered individuals. The per-person fee for WRFA certification is \$90 regardless of BSA affiliation.
- Most of the courses below will be at Nobscot Reservation in Sudbury. Courses in other parts of the council will be added over the next few months.

Mayflower Council CPR/AED, and First Aid Training and Certification Opportunities, October 2018-June 2019

CPR/AED: Tuesday, October 16: [Sign Up Here](#)

WRFA: Saturday-Sunday, October 20-21: [Sign Up Here](#)

CPR/AED: Tuesday, November 6: [Sign Up Here](#)

First Aid: Tuesday, November 27: [Sign Up Here](#)

CPR/AED: Tuesday, January 8: [Sign Up Here](#)

WRFA: Saturday-Sunday, January 12-13: [Sign Up Here](#)

CPR/AED: Tuesday, February 5: [Sign Up Here](#)

WRFA: Saturday-Sunday, February 9-10: [Sign Up Here](#)

First Aid: Tuesday, February 26: [Sign Up Here](#)

CPR/AED: Tuesday, March 5: [Sign Up Here](#)

WRFA: Saturday-Sunday, March 9-10: [Sign Up Here](#)

First Aid: Tuesday, March 26: [Sign Up Here](#)

WRFA: Saturday-Sunday, April 6-7: [Sign Up Here](#)

CPR/AED: Tuesday, April 9: [Sign Up Here](#)

First Aid: Tuesday, April 23: [Sign Up Here](#)

CPR/AED: Tuesday, May 7: [Sign Up Here](#)

Professional Rescuer CPR/AED: May 18: [Sign Up Here](#)

First Aid: Tuesday, May 21: [Sign Up Here](#)

CPR/AED: Tuesday, June 11: [Sign Up Here](#)

Questions: George Ecker, 781-235-6104, mushmahatma@verizon.net

Den Chief Training

What's a Den Chief, you ask?

It's a Boy Scout or Venturer who makes a commitment to assist a Cub Scout den. The Den Chief program is a "win-win-win-win": the pack and den get a helping hand (someone who's probably great at teaching Scouting skills and leading skits, songs, and games!), the Cub Scouts get a role model who inspires them to grow in Scouting, the Den Chief gets valuable leadership experience (and credit toward rank advancement), and the troop

or crew gets an ideal recruiter working directly with the pack. Once you've recruited your Den Chiefs, set them up for success by getting them trained! Our training team will be offering Den Chief training on:

September 29th – Norwood

October 13th – Weston

October 27th – Hanover

December 1st – Hanson

Click on the date to sign up!

Program Kickoff For Cub Scout Leaders

Attention Cub Scout leaders: Please join us at our upcoming Cub Scout Leader Training Festivals:

Norwood on September 29, Weston on October 13, and Hanover on October 27!

These events are a great chance for new AND experienced leaders to kick off the year with basic training to set you up for success (earn the "Trained" patch for your position), workshops on a variety of other useful topics, a chance to pick up leader guides and other resources without a trip to the council office or Scout store, and delicious food. We'll also run a fun program for Cub Scout-age youth while their parents are getting trained. This festival is a great chance to meet and share ideas with fellow volunteers.

Registration is open for all three dates: pick the date that works for you and just come for the sessions you want. We hope to see you there!