

West Wind News- October 2011

October Roundtable Announcements

Training Sat. Oct 8 Cub Scout Specific & Scoutmaster Fundamental Training (Northern Light District) at Haverhill First Presbyterian Church To register or more information:
<http://www.doubleknot.com/registration/calendardetail.asp?ActivityKey=1013737>

Sat. Oct 29 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS) for Scoutmasters/ASM at Lone Tree Scout Reservation from 8 AM to 4:30 PM, Cost \$25 To register or more information: email cherrust@aol.com or walk-n morning of program to Scouter's Lodge and ask for "IOLS One-Day" or <http://www.doubleknot.com/registration/calendardetail.asp?ActivityKey=1040947>
You will be placed in a patrol for the morning program of Cooking, Woods Tools, Stoves, Knots and Lashings, Fire Site Prep and Model Campsite. In the afternoon, you will receive training in camp site selection, map & compass, backpacking and first aid. This course meets National's mandatory requirement for Outdoor Skills Training.

Sat. Nov 5 BALOO Training at Lone Tree Scout Reservation To register or more information: <http://www.doubleknot.com/registration/calendardetail.asp?ActivityKey=1055260>

Sat Nov 19 Cub Scout Specific Training at Chelmsford Trinity Lutheran Church To register or more information: <http://www.doubleknot.com/registration/calendardetail.asp?ActivityKey=1055377>

Sat Nov 19 Boy Scout Leader Training (Committee Member) & Scoutmaster Specific at Chelmsford Trinity Lutheran Church To register or more information contact Mark Marotta at Marottas5@verizon.net

Sat. Dec 10 Den Chief Training at Chelmsford Central Congregational Church To register or more information: <http://www.doubleknot.com/registration/calendardetail.asp?ActivityKey=1055264>

Tue. Oct 18 Merit Badge Counselor Training Hosted by Westford's Troop 195 at St. Catherine Church, 7:00 PM For information or to sign up to host a monthly training session contact Chris Ferraro at asmtroop56@comcast.net.

Tue. May 8 Merit Badge Counselor Training Hosted by Chelmsford's Troop 75 at Chelmsford's Lodge of Elks, 300 Littleton Rd

Rake Out - Service to those who have served our country

November is Veterans Day and a great time for your unit to offer yard raking services to a Veteran. You provide this service free of charge and coordinated with the towns' veteran's offices. For more information contact West Wind District Service Chair, Elmer Lyons at elmer@dandelyons.net.

Adult Catholic Award Instructor Training Training will be offered to those adults interested in instructing the Catholic Awards on **Sat. Oct 8** at St. Thereas's in North Reading starting at 9 am. For more information contact John.Cuddy@yahoo.com

Boy Scout Roundtable Planning Meeting Next Boy Scout Roundtable Planning Meeting will be **Tue. Oct 11** at Trinity Lutheran Church on Old Westford Rd in Chelmsford from 7 – 9. Please come and help us plan the November Roundtable meeting with the theme of leadership. For more information or to pass along your ideas please contact Ron Quattrochi at RQUATTROCHI@phlyins.com.

The Alaska Yukon Expedition – An Evening with Andrew Skurka In 2010, Andrew skied, snowshoed, hiked and rafted 4700 miles in the wilds of Alaska & Yukon. Come hear him describe his amazing adventure **Wed. Oct 12**, from 7:30 – 9pm at Chelmsford Senior Center 75 Groton Rd, N. Chelmsford. For tickets or information contact Phil at 978-251-3713 or ptgandw@hotmail.com.

Life to Eagle Advancement Seminar Thur. Oct 13: Hosted by Westford T95 at United Methodist Church, 10 Church Rd, Westford at 7 pm. **Mon. Nov 7:** Hosted by Billerica T11 at First Congregational Church, 18 Andover Rd, Billerica at 7 pm. Seminar is recommended for all scouts who are First Class and above, their parents, troop leaders, committee members and Eagle Scout Advisors. It covers steps needed to obtain the rank of Eagle Scout, including the project, application and the Board of Review. To RSVP or get more info contact Patti Scarborough krispattiscarborough@gmail.com or Jim Leighton at JLeighton@alum.wpi.edu.

West Wind District Commissioners Meeting The next WWD Commissioners meeting will be **Mon. Oct 17** at Trinity Lutheran Church in Chelmsford. From 6:30 - 7:30 pm. Anyone interested in learning about the Commissioner Staff is welcome to attend. For more info contact the West Wind District Commissioner, Roy Corbeil at Roy.Corbeil@gmail.com

20 Mile Hike for Hiking Merit Badge Andover's Troop 100 will be conducting a 20 mile hike for the Hiking Merit Badge on **Sat. Oct 22** along the Bay Circuit Trail in North Andover and Andover. Scouts that would like undertake this hike for the Hiking Merit Badge are welcome to join. Contact Bud O'Leary ASM at budoleary@comcast.net for details.

Cub Scout Catholic Religious Award Youths interested in earning the Cub

Scout level of the Catholic Religious Award should meet at St. Rita's in Lowell on Sun. Oct 23 at 4 pm. For more information contact Loraine Corbeil roycorb@comcast.net

Boy Scout Fall Camporee The Boy Scout Fall Camporee will be **Oct 28 – 30** at Camp Wanocksett in Jaffrey NH. All units attending should have already registered. Those who have not should do so immediately via email to Judy Dedinsky at Dedinskyj@aol.com. Webelos II are welcome to be guests of a Boy Scout troop. **Fun with Son (Newly Registered Cub Scouts)** Any boy who has joined Cub Scouts for the first time this fall can experience a taste of Cub Scout Camp at Lone Tree Scout Reservation on **Sat. Nov 5**. To be eligible a completed application and registration fees must be turned into their pack who has in turn delivered them to the YCC service center by Oct 15. To register or for more information:
<http://www.doubleknot.com/registration/calendardetail.asp?ActivityKey=1028690>

District Leaders & Commissioner Staff Workshop A workshop for all District Leaders and Commissioners will be held **Sat. Nov 12** at the Greater Lawrence Regional Vocational School from 8:00 am – 3:00 pm. For more information visit <http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs064/1104610490028/archive/1107602583470.html> or contact the District Chairman, Dave Schuh at schuh@schuh.org.

Klondike Carnival (Klondike Derby Camporee) Planning Mtg All troops who plan to participate in the Klondike are asked to send one representative to each of the planning meetings on **Sundays: Nov 13 & Dec 11** at Trinity Lutheran Church on Old Westford Rd Chelmsford from 7 – 9pm. For more information contact Judy Dedinsky at DedinskyJ@aol.com

Klondike Carnival This year's Klondike Derby theme is Klondike Carnival. Please make your calendars - the main event will be **Sat. Jan 28, 2012**. Webelos are invited to join a Boy Scout Troop and come and enjoy this day long outdoor activity and competition.

Commissioner College Commissioner College will be held in Springfield MA on **Sat. Dec 3** at Springfield College starting at 8 am. Car pooling is recommended. For more information contact John.Cuddy@yahoo.com or Roy.Corbeil@gmail.com

West Wind District Committee Meeting The West Wind District will hold its next committee meeting on **Mon. Nov 7** from 7 – 9 at Trinity Lutheran Church on Old Westford Rd in Chelmsford. All scouters are invited to attend. For information contact the District Chairman, Dave Schuh at schuh@schuh.org.

Religious Knots If you will be offering instruction for earning any of the Religious Knots please let John Cuddy know at John.Cuddy@yahoo.com

Cub Scout, Boy Scout and Venturing Membership For info contact District Membership chairman, Steve Banks at stevebanks1@verizon.net.

Venture Crew 7 Chelmsford – Looking for new members As the only coed Crew serving the West Wind District we welcome any youth (8th grade till 21 yrs old) to join us. We meet once a month on Sunday and also plan a monthly activity. We are looking especially for the sisters of active Boy Scouts who would like to be doing many of the similar activities that their brothers get to do in scouting. For information contact Crew 7 Adult Advisor Judy Dedinsky at dedinskyJ@aol.com

UML River Hawk Hockey There will be no official “Scout Night” event this year, but packs are welcome to contact Jonathan Mermer, Group & Premium Sales Manager at Jonathan_Mermer@uml.edu or 978-934-5751 for ticket information for Star Wars theme night on Feb. 25 or other River Hawk games.

Troop Christmas Tree / Wreath Sales and Tree removal Fundraisers In the past I have been asked where scout units are selling trees etc so that other scouting families could support scouting when they purchased their tree. I would like to compile a list of those units doing so this year for distribution. If your unit is doing this please send the info to Judy Dedinsky at dedinskyJ@aol.com.

Service Opportunity in the City of Lawrence The city of Lawrence seeks Scouts in need of service hours to locate and mark city fire hydrates so that they can be identified through snow drifts in the winter. For more information contact Charles Boddy at CBoddy@CityofLawrence.com.

District Annual Dinner John Cuddy is organizing this year’s West Wind District Annual Dinner and is looking for input from everyone regarding what type of an event you are interested in having. The options are many from a simple cookout to a formal sit down meal and everything in between. Please let John what your interests are or if you would like to assist him in this endeavor. Contact John at John.Cuddy@yahoo.com

Math Science Technology Merit Badge & Career Expo 2012 Forty four Math Science & Technology Merit Badges will be offered in two days. **Sat. Mar 10** will be the kickoff and on site day for the Merit Badges and **Sat. Mar 31** will be the Field Trips where the scout gets to see a job site situation etc for that science field. For information look for periodic updates at: www.yccbsa.org . Merit Badge Counselors & Adults in the science fields interested in assisting contact Chair Dan Bush @ BushDanielJ@comcast.net.

Wah-Tut-Ca 75th Anniversary Hike To Northwood This year is the 75th anniversary of Wah-Tut-Ca Scout Reservation. Scouts from each district will hike from a local camp in the district to Northwood to commemorate the anniversary. The hike is roughly 60 miles and and takes three days (6/19/12-6/22/12) The hike

is meant to be very meaningful, helping to symbolize how we all came together and remember all of our camps. Each unit can send up to three hikers for this three day journey . We hope to have a representative from every unit. There are also opportunities for Order of the Arrow members in your unit to help lead the hike or help set up campsites for the hikers. For more information contact Brendan Duffy at bd75@comcast.net.

2013 National Jamboree Participants Wanted (Scouts and Leaders) The Yankee Clipper Council is sending 3 Troops and a Venture Patrol to the National Jamboree at the Summit in West Virginia **July 15-24, 2013**. We are looking for Scouts who will be 12 years old and First Class by July 15, 2013. Youth fees are approximately \$1500. We are also looking for adult leaders to fill out the 3 troops to help provide a great experience for the youth. The 2010 Jamboree was an incredible experience and the 2013 Jamboree looks to be even better as we open a new era at the Summit Reserve, BSA's permanent Jamboree/High Adventure site. For more information, please contact Kevin Nichols (knichols@bsaemail.org) or Ron Fuller (lakeside11@comcast.net). General information for the Jamboree can be found at: <https://summit.scouting.org/en/Jamboree2013/Pages/default.aspx>.