

What the BSA News Means for Local Scouting

Dear Scouting Family,

We wanted to reach out to provide some information on a few things that have recently been in the news about the Boy Scouts of America and explain what it all means for Scouting in the Mayflower Council. As you may have heard, the national organization is exploring a potential Chapter 11 bankruptcy filing. The national organization is a separate and distinct organization from Mayflower Council and so, Mayflower Council would not be included in the bankruptcy. Nevertheless, the national organization has asked local councils to consider assisting in related negotiations and planning.

A filing by the national organization of Chapter 11 bankruptcy would have two key objectives: to equitably compensate victims who were harmed as a result of their time in Scouting and to continue to carry out Scouting's mission for years to come.

It is important for you to know that nothing is changing at this time, and no decisions have been made regarding a potential filing. We remain as committed as ever to delivering the Scouting program in our area, and to supporting the dedicated volunteers and Scouting families in our communities.

Your regular unit meetings and activities, district and council events, and all other Scouting adventures will continue as usual. Please be assured that all options under consideration by the national organization, including a potential Chapter 11 filing, will ensure that Scouting continues at all levels. Also be assured that there is no scenario under consideration in which Mayflower Council would

file for a Chapter 11 financial restructuring.

Our Council President and Scout Executive have been briefed on national's situation and have designated an attorney who will work with the newly created National Ad Hoc Committee to represent Mayflower Council in those discussions.

Our participation in the Ad Hoc Committee does not obligate us to contribute funds to this effort. As stated above, our Council remains an independent nonprofit organization separate from the national organization.

Please be assured that your Friends of Scouting (FOS) and other annual donations to the Council will continue to be used to pay for necessary day-to-day expenses that are critical to our ability to provide quality Scouting programs in our communities. Additionally, any restricted donation you have made or plan to make to our council can and will be used only for its designated purpose.

You may also be wondering why the national organization is considering these financial options now. The national organization is facing mounting financial strain from a significant increase in litigation related to past instances of abuse. One instance of abuse is one too many, and we are heartbroken that any child was ever harmed during their time in Scouting. It is important to note that the vast majority of these cases date back decades, some as far back as the 1940s, but they are surfacing now due to recent changes in numerous states' statute of limitations laws.

As members of the Scouting family, you know that the safety of children in our programs is our absolute top priority. Over many years, we have developed some of the strongest expert-informed youth protection policies found in any youth-serving organization. From mandatory youth protection training to policies like two-deep leadership, no one-on-one interaction between youth and adults, and mandatory reporting of any

suspected abuse, our volunteers and employees take youth protection policies and procedures extremely seriously and do their part to help keep kids safe.

In addition to our council staff, the 24/7 Scouts First Helpline (1-844-SCOUTS1) and email address (scouts1st@scouting.org) are also available to assist in reporting suspected abuse or inappropriate behavior. You can view all our safeguards and watch the youth protection training course that is mandatory for all volunteers and employees at www.scouting.org/youth-safety. In fact, this is a resource that you can share with friends and family who are interested in understanding what the BSA is doing to keep kids safe.

We know you may have additional questions about these issues and stories you see in the news. We created an FAQ to address as many of those questions as possible. If your question has not been answered in this letter or in the attached document, please feel free to reach out to us by [clicking here](#). We will do everything we can to provide helpful, transparent responses and ensure your Scouting experience continues to be a great one.

Thank you for your ongoing support and participation in our Scouting programs.

Yours in Scouting,



Mike Rotar
Council President



Bryan Feather
Scout Executive / CEO

Council Annual Recognition Dinner

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.

Join us on Wednesday, January 29th at Lake Pearl, Wrentham to recognize these outstanding volunteers for their service to Scouting and their communities.

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Ronald Ehnes

Peter Lane

Mandy Lyons

Debra Scollins

[Register Here](#)

Frequently asked questions about the Silver Beaver Award:

Overview

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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.

January Training Newsletter



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:

- Day 1 (March 7): Scoutmaster/ASM PST; CPR/AED
- Day 2 (March 21): Troop Committee PST; First Aid

Registration will open soon at www.mayflowerbsa.org.

Don't Miss Wilderness First Aid

Are you leading a high adventure trip this summer? If so, you'll need an adult on that trek (or two, if it's Philmont) with a current Wilderness First Aid (WFA) certification. We offer Red Cross certification, valid for two years, at a discounted rate. Our volunteer trainers have set up four opportunities for you to take or renew this training:

January 18–19	April 18–19
March 14–15	May 2–3

We give plenty of notice because spots are limited. Sign up at www.mayflowerbsa.org today. Don't wake up in June and realize it's too late!

Upcoming Opportunities

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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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Feb 25°** Red Cross First Aid (Sudbury)
...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 your calendar to retake the training so you'll stay current.

Also, consider renewing your Hazardous Weather training at the same time! After all...

- Hazardous Weather also expires after two years.
- If you're a direct contact leader (Den Leader, Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, ASM, etc.), this training is required to be considered "trained" for your position.
- At least one leader on any campout must have this.

The only way to take this training is online. It takes less than an hour. It's "SCO_800" in unit training records.

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Silver Beaver Honorees Selected

Please join the Mayflower Council in congratulating this year's 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.

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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

Click on the image to download.



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Training News

December 2019

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.

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.

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Celebrating 400 Years!

Scouts in the UK have developed a program that celebrates the Pilgrims leaving England and landing here in present day Massachusetts.

The year 2020 is the 400th anniversary of that event. Scouts in the UK have contacted units in Plymouth, MA to partner with over the next year. There are currently 20 units that have signed up indicating that they would like to take part in the program.

This program is a number of activities based on many of the things that the Pilgrims did once they arrived in present day Plymouth. There are skills that are divided from easy to more difficult and available for Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA or Venture Crews.

Troop 51 has spearheaded this program and is in touch with Scouts in the UK. Please see the flyer below for contact information.



The Peregrine Challenge was created by the Scouts in The United Kingdom to Commorate the 400th Anniverasry of the departure of the Mayflower from Plymouth, UK. They have invited the Scouts from Plymouth USA and beyond to join in this celebration with them.

Detailed information is provided on the FB Group Page. You may also request the PDF by emailing t51manomet@gmail.com

USA Units with be partnered with UK units to build closeknit relationships – think skype, carepackages, future hosting, and more!

The challenge has been set up so that it mimics the tasks and challenges the Pilgrims would have done on their voyage and as settlers. Each challenge has three levels of intensity, just chose what best fits your unit.

We ask that you keep a “ship’s log” to keep track of where you are in the challenge. Leader participation is greatly encouraged in the FB Group. (It’s a private group.)

Particiapting Scouts and Leaders will receive a patch and so much more in the way of new friendships.

The Peregrine Challenge

**To Commemorate the
Mayflower 400th**

**Join the FB Group:
Peregrine Challenge - Scout
District**

**All Scouts Welcome to
participate!**

**A yearlong event leading up
to 2020!**

**Three levels of difficulty to
choose from to meet all
ages levels.**

USA – UK Scouts

**Participate wherever you
are!**

**T51manomet@gmail.com
with questions**

**Official Kick off Date is
November 1st.**

November Training Newsletter



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Scout Leader Skills

Nov 9**	Scoutmaster Position-Specific (Hudson)
Nov 9**	Troop Committee Position-Specific (Hudson)
Nov 9**	Den Chief Training (Hudson)
Nov 16**	Tread Lightly Trainer Training (Hudson)
Dec 7**	Scoutmaster Position-Specific (Foxboro)
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...and more courses in February and beyond.

Your Invitation to Wood Badge

Wood Badge is the pinnacle of adult leader training in the BSA—sometimes called the “Ph.D. of Scouting.” This course uses a fun pack and troop setting to teach leadership skills and challenge participants to put these skills into practice. All registered adult leaders are welcome and encouraged to take Wood Badge! The only prerequisite is to have completed the basic online or in-person training for your Scouting position (that is, earn the “Trained” patch).



Mayflower is part of a group of councils who have joined forces to be able to offer this 5-day training event at least once a year. Our next course will be **March 27-29 and April 25-26, 2020**. Spirit of Adventure Council is listed as the “host council,” but this course belongs to all of us, and it will include staff and participants from Mayflower Council. Sign up soon! Spots are limited. Visit www.scoutspirit.org/signature-activities.

Our Campaign for 2020: Training for Cub Scout Leaders

Did you know that Cub Scout leaders can complete all their “position-specific” training requirements online? In other words, you can earn the “Trained” patch and be considered trained for your position on your own time from the comfort of your home.

Despite the convenience of online training, though, fewer than half our Cub Scout leaders have completed basic training. Without training, leaders are missing out on ideas and resources that can help them do their jobs more effectively. So how can we “close the gap” and give every leader the training they deserve?

This will be a focus during the next year as we push to:

- Raise awareness and promote the value of training.
- Get more people to take advantage of live training when we offer it.
- Add “on-demand” courses (see below).
- Boost recognition for the packs who excel at training.

We can't do this alone, so we'll be asking for help from packs, unit commissioners, and more. Please help us give every Cub Scout the gift of trained leaders!

Live Training / “Training on Demand”

Although many BSA training courses are available online, there's a lot of value to attending live training. Live training lets you interact with real humans, share ideas, ask questions, try hands-on skills, and have fun! When people attend our live courses, we get highly positive feedback that it was worth their time!

So consider taking the “live” version of your basic training instead of (or in addition to) taking it online. Many of our fall courses have already taken place, but more will be on the calendar for the spring. If no scheduled courses are available near you, we can also offer position-specific courses by request. Out of respect for our all-volunteer staff, we just ask that you provide several weeks' notice, a free place to meet, and at least five guaranteed participants from your pack or troop.

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2019-2020 District Nomination Forms

Below you will find nomination forms for recognizing Scouters at the unit and district levels. As well as Nationally recognized nomination forms.

- Nomination form for District Awards – Due by February 15th
 - Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Venturing Crew Advisor , Committee Chair (for any Unit) and Charter Organization Representative of the Year Awards
 - Unsung Hero Award – someone who goes above and beyond in the District
 - “Sparkplug” – each Pack, Troop, or Crew can recognize one of their adult leaders for going above and beyond
- Nomination for the District Award of Merit – Due by February 15th

Two ways to submit this form:

- Drop it off at a Mayflower Council Service Center.
- Email it to awards@mayflowerbsa.org and copy your District Executive.

The District Key 3 typically will present the awards at the District Recognition dinner.

Other Nationally Recognized Awards that you can nominate someone for are below.

Commissioner Awards

Unit Leader Award of Merit

Background Check Disclosures/Authorization FAQ

Please note this information cannot be distributed with the original message or in any message with the disclosure forms due to laws specific to the transmission of these documents.

1. Is the BSA doing credit checks on volunteers?

- **No. The BSA will only use these signed authorization forms for approval to obtain a criminal background check.** State and federal laws regulating background checks and consumer credit checks require that both items be mentioned on the form since a full background check includes both parts. **Again, the BSA is only using this form for authorization to obtain a criminal background check.**

2. Why is this being done now?

1. Starting in 2020, rechecks will be performed every five years, but it will take several years to recheck all leaders. Unfortunately, technical limitations and changes in the law over the last five years prevent us from using existing authorizations from older applications. As such, new disclosure had to be sent and new signed authorization forms obtained. Rechartering provides the best window to collect and verify they have been received before the council

processes the recharter application.

3. What about volunteers that are not registered with units?

- All currently registered adults and employees who have not had a criminal background check in the last five years will be rechecked. Mayflower Council will individually track district and council registered employees and leaders, including merit badge counselors.

4. What about those who did not get the forms by e-mail?

- Ample copies of the background check disclosure and agreement will be provided November Roundtable meetings and are available on our website at www.mayflowerbsa.org/recharter.
- Your unit leader, or the leader responsible for completing your unit's annual charter renewal, will ensure that each registered adult volunteer leader receives both the disclosure form as well as the authorization form. The council will collect all of your unit's authorization forms (we will not need to collect the separate disclosure page) at the time that your unit submits their annual charter renewal packet. District and council volunteers, including merit badge counselors, should submit the authorization to your district executive, mail it to the Marlborough Service Center, 2 Mount Royal Avenue – Suite 100, Marlborough, MA 01752 or you may email it to membership@mayflowerbsa.org.

5. What about those with multiple registrations?

- Only one authorization form per person needs to be collected and retained by the council. An authorization should be submitted with their primary BSA registration.

6. What happens if a unit leader does not provide an authorization?

- Leaders who do not provide new authorization will

not be able to renew their registration.

7. Why can't the volunteer just reply to the original e-mail and attach their signed authorization form?

- The best way for us to ensure compliance is to require that the council registrar verify that a signed authorization form is physically in hand before processing a unit's recharter. This removes much of the potential error and associated penalties that could result from other methods. This will facilitate the process of ensuring that a current form is on file at the council service center before posting their registration.

8. Are there different forms for different states?

- Federal and state laws prescribe what must be in the disclosures and how they are to be provided. A form compliant with federal and various state laws was sent to all volunteer leaders except those in California. Leaders with a California home address or whose council territory includes California received California-specific forms due to the specific requirements of California law.

9. Can the council accept a faxed copy or scanned copy sent via email of the signed authorization?

- Yes, so long as it is legible and is sent by the individual who signed it.
- Your unit leader, or the leader responsible for completing your unit's annual charter renewal, will ensure that each registered adult volunteer leader receives both the disclosure form as well as the authorization form. The council will collect all of your unit's authorization forms (we will not need to collect the separate disclosure page) at the time that your unit submits their annual charter renewal packet. District and council volunteers, including merit badge counselors, should submit the authorization to your district executive, mail it to the

Marlborough Service Center, 2 Mount Royal Avenue – Suite 100, Marlborough, MA 01752 or you may email it to membership@mayflowerbsa.org.

10. Can the council accept an electronic signature?

- Digital signatures from third-party providers are acceptable. E-mail confirmations, permissions or typed names on the form are not acceptable substitutes for wet signatures.
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11. What about unit renewals that have already been processed or will not recharter until after January 1?

- For unit renewals that have already been posted because the unit renewal date was prior to the email notification or the unit renewal date is after January 1, authorization forms still need to be collected as soon as possible. All new authorization forms should be received by December 31, 2019.

12. The authorization form states the BSA can share my background with other entities. Which entities are those?

- Background checks are conducted by the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America and shared

with local councils for the purpose of conducting Scouting business. Local councils are separate organizations from the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

13. Can the council require the forms be collected at the unit level and not sent to the council service center?

- Yes. The council can require the forms be collected at the unit level or by a designated unit representative.
- We want to clarify what is needed from you, and how this will be handled in our Mayflower Council:
 - **Every registered leader needs to review, sign, and turn in** the “Additional Disclosures & Background Check Authorization” form in order to renew their membership for next year.
 - **If your primary registration is with a unit**, please give the form with your original signature to your unit leader, or the leader responsible for completing your unit’s annual charter renewal, who will submit it with the recharter paperwork.
 - **If your primary registration is NOT with a unit**, please give the form with your original signature to your district executive, mail it to the Marlborough Service Center, 2 Mount Royal Avenue – Suite 100, Marlborough, MA 01752 or you may email it to membership@mayflowerbsa.org.

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