

Here's how to welcome girls into Scouts BSA

Use These Guidelines to Help You Know the Right Way to Refer to Scouts BSA and the Girls Who Will Join

Time To Renew!

To date, nearly half of the units in the council need to log onto the Internet Rechartering System to review and submit their charter renewals for 2019. It's important to finish this process soon to avoid any lapses in registration and ensure all members are registered properly. Need assistance.....

If your unit needs assistance and/or its access code, please contact your unit commissioner, district commissioner or district executive.. You can always email, Council Registrar John Fortini for assistance. Thanks!

For More Information on Internet Rechartering

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

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museum staff

- Have a cup of coffee & Christmas munchies and exchange camp stories with old friends ... and, make new ones!
- Take a walk around camp

Bring your family!

Council Service Center Adverse Weather Policy

With our first major snow of the 2018-2019 winter the council would like to remind our community about our adverse weather policy. The council follows the lead of the Canton & Marlborough school systems when setting it's adverse weather policy. If Marlborough Public Schools close, so does the Marlborough Service Center and if the Canton Public Schools close, so does the Canton Service Center. If the Marlborough or Canton Public Schools announce a delay (1 hour delay for example) the respective council service center delays it's opening by the same time. We encourage everyone to follow the weather and school closure reports of our media partner WCVB Channel 5 in order to stay informed and up to date on school closings and weather alerts.

Pack 100 Westborough's

Overnight at Nobscot

Has your Unit visited the Nobscot Scout Reservation? Pack 100 Westborough had a successful visit recently. Enjoy their pictures and story of:

The trip that was unanimously voted “The Best Overnight the Pack has Ever Had” by its participants.

First you should know that the weather was rough, it poured cats and dogs the day before and all morning. Even with the rain the Scouts did their appointed rounds with “Scouting for Food” on the morning of the 3rd. Then the pack totaling over 80 Scouts and parents headed up to Nobscot where the camp was already set up by Cubmaster Mr. William Bramley.

As car after car pulled in, Mr. Bramley was outside directing families on where to park and helping them to the site. We had 24 people in the Henderson Cabin and another 20+ tents set up right outside.

Cubmaster Bramley led the scouts on a 2 mile hike to the top of the camp before dusk and then again after breakfast. Lion Den Leader Renee Schoch led the Lions on their own nature walk, they had a blast.

While dinner was being prepared the scouts enjoyed

a long game of kickball in the field and played until there was no more light. These scouts could teach the majors a few things about sportsmanship being that the final score was 20-19.

Cubmaster Bramley is not only just a great leader but a CHEF in all senses of the word. For dinner, he made Mac n Cheese and Hot Dogs for the younger Scouts (However the big Scouts and adults took part too, as it was awesome) He had also prepared handmade kabob skewers for the big event. We have vegetable kabobs, chicken kabobs, and sausage kabobs! There were also several vegan and vegetarian options too.

Just when you thought it could not get better, desert time came. Cubmaster Bramley with the help of the Scouts made many chocolate frosted cakes right there in the cabin. He also made an upside down pineapple cake for the adults that would rival the best bakeries in the North End. But I would be remiss if I did not mention the S'mores that were enjoyed by all.

But the food still did not stop there!

At 5:00 am, Cubmaster Bramley was up in the kitchen preparing breakfast. With the help of the oven and 2 portable stoves he brought. Mr. Bramley made the best Cub Scout breakfast that included a ton of pancakes, sausages, coffee, milk and juice.

It was fantastic that the Scouts woke up to the smell of fresh hot pancakes wafting in the air. What better way to start your day than with fellow Scouts, parents and a world class camp chef. Our Cubmaster Mr. Bramley is an inspiration to our pack and could teach a few things about fine dining in the woods.

By 11:00 am the clean up was finished, everyone helped right down to the lions who had a contest to see who could get the

most trash picked up. We certainly left Nobscot in a better shape than we found it.

-Written by Mark Derderian, Pack 100 Treasurer and father of a Webelo!





Are You A Strong Leader

The Mayflower Council is pleased to announce that Kevin Paicos will be serving as our Nominating Committee Chair for the Council Board. In this role, Kevin will lead a group of volunteers to identify leaders who will serve as the governing body of the Council. We are seeking individuals who are strong

leaders and believe in the ideals espoused through the Scout Oath and Law. We are also seeking diversity that reflects the communities that we serve. If you have recommendations, please forward those names, along with contact information to: nominatingcommittee@mayflowerbsa.org

Any background information you can provide on why you feel the nominee would be qualified will be most appreciated.

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.