



Quick Links — October 2024

From the Program Committees

Connecticut Yankee Council — Scouting America

Find upcoming activities and training below. For all links, visit the Council Calendar at [ctyankee.org](https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org).

Troops/Crews/Ships

Oct 18-20 Saugatuck District Fall Camporee at Hoyt — Get ready for an epic adventure into Greek mythology at the Saugatuck Fall Camporee with "Clash of the Titans" hosted by Troop 219 Darien. Registrations ends Wednesday, Oct 16 at 12 noon. Register at: <https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/Event/camporee>

Oct 18-20 Quinnipiac District Fall Camporee at Sequassen — Gear up for a Scouting Camporee adventure at Camp Sequassen! [Register at https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/Event/1285](https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/Event/1285)

Dec 7 CYC Chess Play and Tournament — Get ready for a chess-filled day at the SONO Collection, Norwalk Mall! Join us for casual play, tournaments, a chess merit badge, Team Play Chess with our Mega Chess Set, and more. Open to Scouts and youth from grades 4 to 12. Save the date. <https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/Event/chessplay>

Cub Scouts

(Lions, Tigers, Wolf, Bear, Webelos & Arrow of Light)

Oct 19-20: Arrow of Light (5th Grade) Overnight at Saugatuck Fall Camporee. Arrow of Light Scouts can camp with a host Troop or on their own. Registration ends Wednesday, Oct 16 at 12 noon. <https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/Event/1269>

Oct 26 Cub Scout Fright Night at Camp Sequassen. Kid friendly spooky fun activities. register at <https://www.ctyankee.org/events/fright-night-october-2024/>

Oct 26 JUST ADDED: SONO Collection Halloween Nightfair Pre-Party! The SoNo Collection and the City of Norwalk are hosting a Halloween Nightfair Pre-Party with a trick-or-treat trail and other fun activities. Come in costume and bring a friend! Date/Time: 11 AM – 2 PM at 100 N. Water St., Norwalk, CT. Questions: activities@ctyankee.org

Nov 9 University of Adventures: Earn advancement through Adventures, enjoy special entertainment and a lunch. Three colleges are being offered —Bear 3rd Grade, Webelos 4th Grade, and Arrow of Light 5th Grade—each offering the new 2024 requirements. Easton Country Day School. <https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/Event/1219>

Dec 7 CYC Chess Play and Tournament — Webelos and Arrow of Light invited. Get ready for a chess-filled day at the SONO Collection! Join us for casual play, tournaments, Chess Merit Badge, Team Play Chess with our Mega Chess Set, and more. Open to Scouts and youth from grades 4 to 12. <https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/Event/chessplay>

Questions: activities@ctyankee.org

Special Training For All

Nov 9 CYC Fall Safety Training - at Easton Country Day School, 660 Morehouse Rd, Easton
Join a day of vital safety courses, including:

- **First Aid for Scout Leaders** (9:00 am - 12:00 pm): Prepare for emergencies at meetings or outings. Not a certification, but essential knowledge.
- **STOP THE BLEED** (9:00-11:00 a.m. or 1:00-3:00 p.m.): Learn how to control life-threatening bleeding with three quick actions.
- **Mental Health Awareness – Suicide Prevention** (9:00-11:00 a.m. or 1:00-3:00 p.m.): Recognize suicide warning signs and apply the QPR method (Question, Persuade, Refer) to offer help.
- Registration by November 6, at <https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/Event/1311>
- Fee: \$5.00 per class. Lunch available for \$8.00. Courses will run alongside the University of Adventure, open to all.

Nov 9 CYC Angler Educator Training — 8:30 am – 12:30 pm at the Easton Country Day School, 660 Morehouse Rd, Easton. This Certified Angling Instructor (CAI) led by the BSA National Fishing Committee, covers fishing programs for Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, and Venturing. Participants will learn fishing techniques appropriate for different ages, from basic cane poles to fly fishing. The fee is \$5, with an optional \$8 lunch.

- Registration by November 6, [at https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/Event/1312](https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/Event/1312)
- Fee: \$5.00 per class. Lunch available for \$8.00. Courses will run alongside the University of Adventure, open to all.

Questions on Training, contact Donna Wesolowski at donnaweso@optimum.net.

HELP WANTED

Inspire YOUR Scouts! Are you ready to ignite young imaginations and create unforgettable memories? Please volunteer. Your enthusiasm and support will make our activities unforgettable for **YOUR** Scouts.

University of Adventure Saturday, November 9, 2024

Easton Country Day School
660 Morehouse Rd, Easton, CT 06612

We need instructors:

Bear College Adventures 3rd Grade

- Paws For Action
- Marble Madness
- Roaring Laughter

Webelos College Adventures 4th Grade

- My Community
- Art Explosion
- Earth Rocks

Arrow of Light College Adventures 5th Grade

- First Aid
- Engineer
- High Tech Outdoors

Notes:

Class sizes are limited to 20 Scouts. We recommend a team-teaching approach, allowing for dividing requirements or using a round-robin style for efficiency.

Easy teaching guides for each adventure are available at:

<https://www.scouting.org/programs/cub-scouts/adventures/>

Just select the rank, and you'll find all the requirements, plus activity suggestions to make teaching a breeze.

Instructors are asked to provide materials, but you'll be fully reimbursed.

Other Assignments:

- Lunch helpers (set up and serve)
- Hall Monitors (help direct scouts)
- Help at our information tables
- **Scoutmasters — We are also looking for Scouts BSA to assist or better yet teach a class!**

Volunteering is not only rewarding, but it also directly benefits YOUR Scouts and makes the experience more enjoyable for everyone. **Join us and make a difference!"**

**To Volunteer John Hanks at activities@ctyankee.org
Or 203-219-8282 (text preferred)**

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University of Adventures

*BEAR COLLEGE *WEBELOS COLLEGE * ARROW OF LIGHT COLLEGE

REVISED FLYER 09/22/24

Saturday, November 9, 2024

Easton Country Day School — 660 Morehouse Rd, Easton, CT 06612

Morning 8:45 AM to 12:30 (Lunch & Show Included)

Afternoon 11:30 AM to 3:00 PM (Lunch & show Included)

(Lunch & Show is 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM)



New 2024 Requirements



Fun Learning

Join us for a day of fun learning at the University of Adventures! Earn advancement through Adventures, enjoy special entertainment, and lunch. You will meet fellow Scouts from across the Connecticut Yankee Council sharing in the Spirit of Scouting.

Three colleges are being offered —**Bear** 3rd Grade, **Webelos** 4th Grade, and **Arrow of Light** 5th Grade—each offering the new 2024 requirements.

Back by popular demand is Yo-Yo entertainer, John Higby! Prepare to be mesmerized during the lunch period by his thrilling and interactive performance, featuring yo-yo wizardry that will leave you in awe!

UPDATE! Scouts will enroll in colleges with preselected adventures. The same awards will be offered in both morning and afternoon sessions. Scouts choose either the morning or afternoon, not both. Each College morning and afternoon period is limited to 60 Scouts.



Fun Entertainment



Bear College Adventures 3rd Grade

- 1.Paws For Action
- 2.Marble Madness
- 3.Roaring Laughter



Webelos College Adventures 4th Grade

- 1.My Community
- 2.Art Explosion
- 3.Earth Rocks



Arrow of Light College Adventures 5th Grade

- 1.First Aid
- 2.Engineer
- 3.High Tech Outdoors

Update—We have reduced the fee!

\$25 Fee — Includes patch, facilities, program supplies and lunch.

Registration is open: <https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/Event/1219>

Questions activities@ctyankee.org — Co Chairs John Hanks & Chet Wickett

Each Scout must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. If a parent cannot attend, the Scout may attend with at least two registered leaders, with parent/guardian agreement. All Youth Protection policies apply. Arrangements are made through the Pack.

PLEASE NOTE: With the update to the Cub Scout program the Arrow of Light becomes a separate program from Webelos. For this reason, it is important that current 4th-grade Webelos DO NOT start any work on any Arrow of Light requirements. Work on current Arrow of Light requirements will not count for the updated Arrow of Light badge of rank requirements that took effect on June 1, 2024. Current 4th grade Webelos instead should focus on Webelos Adventures. Arrow of Light Scouts work only on the Arrow of Light Adventures.



SCOUT DAY AT EASTON COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

Saturday, November 9, 2024

Easton Country Day School, 660 Morehouse Rd, Easton, CT 06612

The Following Activities and Training are being offered

Youth Events

The University of Adventure

(formerly Webelos College)

Join fellow Scouts — Bears, Webelos, and Arrow of Light for a day of learning, advancement, and fun entertainment! Morning (8:45 - 12:30pm) & Afternoon (11:30 - 3:00pm) Sessions. Bear College (3rd Grade): Paws For Action, Marble Madness, Roaring Laughter — Webelos College (4th Grade): My Community, Art Explosion, Earth Rocks and Arrow of Light College (5th Grade): First Aid, Engineer, High Tech Outdoors. Register:

<https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/Event/1219>

Questions John Hanks activities@ctyankee.org

NYLT Staff Development

The National Youth Leader Training (NYLT) Staff Development workshop is designed to prepare Scouts to serve as staff members for NYLT courses. Signup by invitation.

Questions: Joseph Ushchak ushchakj@gmail.com

Information Midway in the Gym

We will have information tables all day in the gym

How to Protect Your Children from Child Abuse: A Parent's Guide — Understanding BSA's safety measures. We will provide an overview for Cub Scout parents or guardians, especially those involved in overnight programs on the "How to Protect Your Children from Child Abuse: A Parent's Guide" found in the Cub Scout Handbook.

Arrow of Light to Scouts BSA: Information will be available to Arrow of Light Scout parents and leaders on their continued journey in Scouting.

Commissioner Help Desk

"Commissioner Service — Helping Units Succeed." 9am-2pm in the gym, the Commissioner Help Desk offers support for Unit Leaders. Get help with rechartering, unit registration, recruitment, and program planning. Do you have challenges facing your unit? We can help! No registration is required, and walk-ins are welcome throughout the day. However, if you prefer to schedule a specific time for assistance, feel free to contact Council Commissioner Gene Waring at ewaring@snet.net.

CYC Training Committee Courses

Adult training runs alongside the University of Adventure and is open to all, regardless of event participation. Anyone interested can register and attend.

All Courses are \$5.00. Lunch (11:30 to 12:30pm) is available for an additional \$8.00. Order through the registration link.

Questions: Contact Donna Wesolowski

donnaweso@optimum.net.

CYC Fall Safety Training

STOP THE BLEED: 9:00-11:00am or 1:00-3:00pm

Learning to STOP THE BLEED® is a lifesaving skill. The number one cause of preventable death after injury is bleeding. With 3 quick actions, you can be trained and empowered to save a life.

Mental Health Awareness – Suicide Prevention

9:00-11:00am or 1:00-3:00pm This course trains you how to recognize the warning signs of a suicide crisis and to follow the 3 simple steps of QPR – Question. Persuade. Refer. Be part of this important movement to reduce stigma and offer hope to those in crisis.

First Aid for Scout Leaders: 9:00 -12:00pm

Learn the First Aid skills you will need at your unit meetings or outings. Not a certification, but a great discussion to prepare you for what you don't know that you need to know.

Register at

<https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/Event/1311>

Angling Educator for Scouters Course

Morning Session only 8:45am-12pm. Certified Angling Instructor (CAI) Training Courses are facilitated by the BSA National Fishing Committee. Course covers Cub Scout, Scouts BSA and Venturing Fishing Programs held at the Unit, District, Council, Area, Regional and National Levels. Fishing helps you to "Deliver the Promise of Scouting". CAIs learn age-based and skills-appropriate fishing tools and techniques, ranging from a simple cane pole to fly fishing. The course highlights best practices in both the classroom and in the field. Register at

<https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/Event/1312>

Easton Country Day School is a small, coeducational private school serving students from Pre-K through 12th grade. We are grateful for their continued support of Scouting by generously providing the use of their facilities.

FRIGHT NIGHT

CREATURES FROM CAMP SEQUASSEN

OCTOBER 26, 2024
WEEKEND CAMPING AVAILABLE

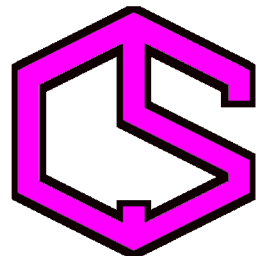
**PLEASE BOOK A SITE WITH CAMP SEQUASSEN'S REGISTRATION SYSTEM.
THIS IS SEPARATE FROM FRIGHT NIGHT'S PER-PERSON COST.**

PAINT PUMPKINS
HOT DOGS
HOT CHOCOLATE
WATER

CUB SCOUT FRIENDLY
"FRIGHT LIGHT" WALK
ALSO AVAILABLE



SCOUT --- \$20
ADULT --- \$10
FAMILY --- \$50 FOR FOUR



VISIT www.ctyankee.org FOR MORE INFO

OCTOBER 26TH 11AM - 2PM

Candy, Costumes & Community

NIGHTFAIR PRE-PARTY

In Partnership with the City of Norwalk



Saugatuck District invites Scout Families to the SONO Collection Halloween Nightfair Pre-Party!

Pack 97 Norwalk will host a recruitment and activity table, and we encourage other units to join in! This is a perfect "bring a buddy" event for families to learn more about Scouting.

Date: October 26, 11 AM – 2 PM

Location: 100 N. Water St., Norwalk, CT 06854

Find us at the M&T Bank Magnificent Room — Level 2, near Nordstrom

Join us in the M&T Bank Magnificent Room for a Boo-tastic Community Event as The **SONO Collection** partners with the City of Norwalk to host this year's Halloween Nightfair Pre-Party! Enjoy a trick-or-treat trail, DJ, and a performance by the Norwalk Youth Symphony.

Activities include:

- Free Pumpkin Painting (RSVP required)
- Face Painting with Pinstripes Kids Club
- Lush Bath Bombs and more!

Mark your calendars—more details to come!
Questions? Email: Saugatuck@ctyankee.org



Chess Play & Tournament

Saturday, December 7, 2024 — 10 AM to 3 PM

At The SONO Collection, 100 N. Water St., Norwalk, CT 06854



Join us for a day of chess excitement on December 7 at The SONO Collection! Whether you're a beginner or seasoned player, this event is perfect for all skill levels. Chess sharpens the mind, boosts creativity, and builds problem-solving skills, making it the ideal challenge for Scouts to enjoy and compete!

This event offers various chess activities for players of all levels:

- Casual Chess Play: Friendly, non-competitive matches focused on fun and learning.
- Tournament: Compete for the title of Top Chess Player, with winners advancing to a regional game at CONNJAM on May 15, 2025. CONNJAM is the biggest Scouting event in Connecticut - thousands will be there!
- Team Play Chess: Play in teams using a Mega Chess Set (3ft tall pieces).
- Tentative US Chess Federation Rated Tournament: For serious players seeking a competitive challenge.
- Chess Merit Badge.

Open to Scouts and youth in grades 4 to 12
\$10 Registration Fee

<https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/Event/chessplay>

Bring a friend and double the fun! Our Chess Play event is the perfect opportunity to introduce new youth to the excitement of Scouting while enjoying a day of friendly competition and learning.

If you have extra chess sets or timers, we'd greatly appreciate it if you could bring them to the event! Your support will help ensure everyone gets a chance to play.

The SONO Collection, at 100 N. Water St. Norwalk, CT 06854, is an extraordinary hub for shopping, dining, art, and entertainment. They graciously offer their venue for our event at no cost.

Questions — activities@ctyankee.org

Connecticut Yankee Council, Scouting America, 60 Wellington Road, Milford, CT 06461



SCHEDULE

All Day 10 AM to 3 PM

- Casual Chess Play
- Mega Team Playing Chess

10:30 AM Chess Merit Badge

12:30 to 3 PM Afternoon

- CYC Chess Tournament
- Chess Federation Tournament