



## Sussex District Newsletter- December 7, 2018

### **HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!!!!!!!**

Toys for Tots Drive- The last day to drop off new, unwrapped toys for the council's annual toy drive is December 11. Drop off locations include the council service center in Cedar Knolls, and Mountainside Scout Shop.

### **Charter Renewal**

#### **Attention unit committee chairs:**

Unit charter renewals are now due. We need the month of December to review and correct any possible errors that would prevent your unit's charter from being processed and renewed on time. All unit charters expire on December 31.

Internet Rechartering can be accessed using this link:

<https://scoutnet.scouting.org/ucrs/UI/Home/default.aspx>

All units were sent the online recharter instruction packet via email in early September, with your unit specific access code. This changes every year. Contact unit service executive Marc Maratea with any questions, or if you need your access code. [Marc.maratea@scouting.org](mailto:Marc.maratea@scouting.org), (973) 765-9322, X240

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### **Program Events:**

#### **Sussex District Klondike- January 25-27, 2019, MASR, Camp Somers**

Our theme this year is "Eskimo Games".

This is Junior and Senior Scout event. A Junior Scout is a Scout from Scout rank to 1st Class rank, while a Senior Scout is one who is from 1st Class rank to Eagle rank. Venture Crews will have a separate competition. Each patrol will take their sled to each town and the mayor of each of those towns will test your Scouting skills. The patrol will show their leadership by completing each station in a timely fashion. Your job as a loyal Scout is to do your best as you are tested in current life knowledge and skills as well as those skills that would be found in the Boy Scout handbook. You will be awarded points on your skill set. Scout spirit will also be graded which will help you. You are to follow the list of needed materials to carry on your Klondike sled. Your Scouts will be judged on how they are dressed for weather! The patrol may be penalized for lack of preparation. It is important that each troop prepare for this event by going over cold weather camping techniques ahead of time. A Saturday dinner will be provided in our dining hall followed by a Scouts Own service, our award ceremony, and a movie. Registration is online only. The DEADLINE for registration will be January 15th. See the Sussex District calendar for more information and the link to register. Contact: Gary Carlson @ 862-268-1327 or [thefamily1@embarqmail.com](mailto:thefamily1@embarqmail.com) or Michael Loughman at 973-714-7308 or [michael.loughman@scouting.org](mailto:michael.loughman@scouting.org)

Direct registration link here: <https://ppbsa.doubleknot.com/registration/register.aspx#>



**Webelos First Responder-Saturday, February 9.** This program is designed for the requirement “First Responder”. You and your Webelos Scout will be earning your basic First Aid card and your CPR & AED Certification. Upon completion of the First Responder adventure, your Webelos Scout will have also earned the adventure pin. The program will be a 1day event that will start at 8:00 AM sharp to 5:00 PM at Mt. Allamuchy Scout Reservation, Camp Somers. The price covers the two courses and lunch. The price is \$40.00. If you take these courses on your own it would cost you over \$150.00 per person.

Click here to register for the event: <https://scoutingevent.com/358-22112>

## Jersey Jamboree

### JerseyJam 2019 Registration Is Open...and Filling Quickly

Patriots' Path Council has scheduled its JerseyJam 2019 – a jamboree for 5,000 Scouts, Explorers, Venturers and Sea Scouts – for the weekend of October 4 – 6, 2019, rain-or-shine – at Waterloo Village, a 70-acre National Historic District located in Byram Township, New Jersey.

JerseyJam 2019 is open from the outset to ALL units in the Northeast Region, and site reservations are currently being accepted at [www.jerseyjam.org](http://www.jerseyjam.org). Attendance at JerseyJam is expected to reach capacity; as nearly 40 units representing 1,200 scouts and scouters have already registered for the event, which is nearly a year away.

The JerseyJam program will be jam-packed with:

- Outdoor Challenges, including Extreme Obstacle Course
- High Adventure: Climbing Wall, Tomahawk / Knife Throwing, Archery, BB Gun Shooting and much more
- Hands-on Pioneering and Backwoods Engineering Projects
- Extensive Science, Technology, Engineering, & Mathematics (STEM) Exhibits and Activities
- Fun Competitions: Tug of War, Human Foosball, GaGa Ball, Ultimate Frisbee
- Military, Police, Fire and EMS Displays
- Special Events, including **Live Jump by the US Army's Golden Knights Parachuting Team**
- Secure Overnight Camping for Scouts, Venturers, Explorers and Sea Scouts
- Saturday Evening Arena Show / Live Entertainment



Patriots' Path units can reserve their JerseyJam 2019 site right now online for only \$100 at [www.jerseyjam.org](http://www.jerseyjam.org), without firm numbers of attendees. The \$50 per person fee for Scouts and Scouters is due in July. For additional information contact Don Beach at [somnyowl@gmail.com](mailto:somnyowl@gmail.com). Scouters who are interested in serving as Staff members at JerseyJam should also contact Don as soon as possible.



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## Membership

**On-going Recruitment:** New members are always welcome! If a boy or girls join a pack late in the year, they can jump right in with what their den is doing and catch up on other requirements with Akela at home. If your charter renewal has already been submitted, our council registrar can still make additions as applications come in.

**Holiday Celebrations:** Your pack's holiday celebration is a great time for Cubs to invite friends to attend. These meetings usually allow plenty of time for new parents to meet others and learn about your pack.

**Scouts BSA Troops Coming in February:** Plans are already in place for 13 Scouts BSA Troops to accept girls starting in February. Towns that will have Scouts BSA Troops include Carteret, Chatham, Edison, Long Valley, Montague, Morristown, Rahway, Randolph, Rockaway, Sparta and Westfield. And volunteers in other towns are wrapping up final details to add even more Scouts BSA Troops to our council.

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## Leader Specific Training

Every Scout deserves a trained leader, and it's never too late to catch up on your training!

Many registered adult Scouters still need to take the updated, new Youth Protection online training (YP2). If you received a notice from your unit leader, or from the district or council indicating the need to take the training, please log onto your my.scouting.org account as soon as possible. *We cannot include any adults on a unit charter/roster if Youth Protection training has not been updated, and you may be responsible for holding up your unit's charter renewal.*

If you have not yet taken leader specific training for your Scouting position/role, please register for an upcoming training as soon as your schedule allows. Trainings are run by experienced, fellow volunteers that want you to be better prepared in your Scouting role to deliver the best, enjoyable program our Scouts expect from us.



Click here for upcoming Cub Leader Specific Trainings:

<https://scoutingevent.com/358-14080>

Click here for upcoming Scoutmaster/Assistant Scoutmaster Trainings:

<https://scoutingevent.com/358-SMSpecifics>

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## Popcorn and Friends of Scouting

### POPCORN

**LAST DAY TO ENTER PRIZE ORDERS IS THIS MONDAY, DECEMBER 10!!!!!!**

Thank you to all volunteers at both the unit level and district level that helped to coordinate unit popcorn order pickups at our various locations on Saturday, November 17. We could not have done it without you!

### FRIENDS OF SCOUTING

The FOS 2019 campaign is officially open!

If you haven't done so already, please submit your presentation date to [maria.yosco@scouting.org](mailto:maria.yosco@scouting.org)

*2019 LINKS ARE AVAILABLE*, if you want to start your collection early, or want to make your own donation please request your link at [maria.yosco@scouting.org](mailto:maria.yosco@scouting.org)

**DO NOT USE ANY MATERIALS OR URLs FROM PREVIOUS YEARS** – YOUR DONATIONS WILL BE ALLOCATED TO 2018 AND WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ACCURATELY POST IT TO 2019.

### Questions contact:

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***SAVE THE DATE: The next Sussex roundtable will be held on Thursday, January 3, at Wallkill Valley Regional High School, 10 Grumm Road, Hamburg, (off Rt 94) 7:30-9PM.***



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**Great Scouting Stories-** Do you have a great story to share showcasing Scouting and the great things your Scouts and adults accomplish in your community through Scouting (Cub Scouts/Boy Scouts/Venturing Crews/Exploring)? We would love to hear and share the news at our roundtables! Please forward your stories to Marc Maratea, [marc.maratea@scouting.org](mailto:marc.maratea@scouting.org)