



Powahay/Pomperaug New District
Cub Scout Polar Bear 2024

MYSTERIES AT THE STAMFORD MUSEUM & NATURE CENTER

Farmhouse Entrance 151 Scofieldtown Rd, Stamford CT 06903

Saturday, February 3, 2024

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PARENTS/LEADERS GUIDE

Introduction

Welcome to Cub Scout Polar Bear 2024. Our 11th year at the Stamford Museum and Nature Center. This year our program features Mysteries at the Stamford Museum & Nature Center. Four rotation stations will offer exciting hands on Animal, Nature or Science Mysteries to solve.

Hosted by Pack 11 and 15 of Stamford, we welcome Packs from Pomperaug that will be part of the new district realignment. This event is also open to all Packs in our Council

ALERT — We need your help to make this a fun and safe outing for all Scouts:

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- Morning — 9:45 AM Opening then 10 to 12:30 PM (100 Youth limit)
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- Lunch (not part of the fee) served 10 AM to 3 PM — See page 5

This is a "Bring A Buddy" event. Scouts can invite a friend (not a scout) to join your investigation team and learn about the benefits of Scouting. See Page 6.

Make new friends with Trading Cards! See page 4

And, we have special programs for parents and siblings to do on their own. It's going to be a fun family day! See Page 2



Hey Yeti,
Thanks for
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Mysteries at
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Co-Chairs John Hanks & Adam Terr
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Celebrating our 11th Year at **the
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SCHEDULE

Morning Session

9:15 AM Pack Coordinators Meet
9:30 AM Gathering — Knobloch Family Farmhouse
9:45 AM Opening Ceremony
10 to 12:30 AM 4 Station Rotation
12:30 PM Morning Session ends.
No closing ceremony

10 AM to 3 PM **Lunch**

Afternoon Session

12:15 PM Pack Coordinators Meet
12:30 PM Gathering — Knobloch Family Farmhouse
12:45 PM Opening Ceremony
1 to 3:30 PM 4 Station Rotation
3:30 PM Afternoon Session ends.
No closing ceremony.

We are asking Pack Coordinators to arrive 9:15 AM for the morning session and 12:15 for the afternoon session for a quick meeting and to receive you packet.

Lunch/Snacks Coffee and Hot chocolate is provided by Lunch Lady Gerris Food Truck. Sloppy Joe's, Hot dogs, Fires and more.

Four Action Station

- 1. What are those strange sounds coming from the SM&NC? Sound Mysteries** (Indoors): Can you identify an animal based upon a sound it might make? We'll listen to some mystery sounds and see if we can identify what animal would make them. We'll then get to meet the animals behind the sound.
- 2. Mystery powder found at the SM&NC! Powder Analysis Lab** (Indoors): A mystery powder was left behind at a crime scene! We'll complete some quick tests to determine the identity of the powder.
- 3. Fingerprints found at the SM&NC! Fingerprint Mystery?** (Indoors): Learn about the different types of fingerprints and how they are used to identify suspects. Take your own fingerprint too!
- 4. Mystery Boxes found? Mystery Artifact Hike** (outdoors): Hike on our Wheels in the Woods trail and look for mystery boxes along the way! In each box there will be an artifact. Can you figure out what animal the artifact came from?

Cub Scout Teams: Cub Scouts will be organized in 4 Teams named as an Animal Detective Team, rotating to the different stations. We have different Teams for the morning and afternoon sessions.

Morning Teams

- Team 1: The Red Fox Detective Agency
- Team 2: The Coyote Detective Agency
- Team 3: The Barn Owl Detective Agency
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- Bonus Card: The Badger Detective Agency — See staff

Afternoon Teams

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Family Activities for parents and siblings include:

- ➔ The Knobloch Family Farmhouse will be available all day as a warming station and a rest area for parents and siblings.
- ➔ Metamorphosis Mysteries: It is amazing how some animals change as they grow up. We'll have a little friendly competition to see who can match the "baby" pictures of some insects and amphibians to their adult versions! At the Knobloch Family Farmhouse.
- ➔ The Mini Great Race: Move through the property by solving clues that will take you from location to location! Can you make it to all locations before your session time runs out?
- ➔ Visit Heckscher Farm, an 18-acre working farm; the Bendel Mansion, Nature's Playground, take in a planetarium show and more.

The Knobloch Family Farmhouse will be available all day as a warming station and a rest area for parents, scouts and siblings.

- We will have a simple drawing and coloring area.
- Food Service — including Coffee and Hot chocolate is available 10 am to 3 PM

FIRST AID IS ALSO AT THE KNOBLOCH FARMHOUSE

Cub Scout Polar BEAR ... at the Stamford Museum & Nature Center — Pg 3

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- Food service available is not included in the fee.
- **Deadline to sign up** – Monday, January 29, 2024 or 100 sign-ups per session — whichever comes first.

ATTENTION PARENTS—AVOID DOUBLE REGISTRATION:

- Youth/Adults can register as a Pack (preferred) or as individuals.
- Before registering your child, please check with you Pack or Den Leader to make sure they are not registering as a group. We do not refund for double registrations.

Youth Supervision:

- All youth attend under the supervision of a parent or a parent approved leader under the arrangement of their Pack or Den. This is NOT a drop off activity and district is not responsible for making these arrangements.
- Lions and Tigers must have their adult partner present to take part.
- For all other ranks: a Cub Scout whose parent or legal guardian cannot attend may participate under the supervision of another registered adult member of the BSA, a parent of a Cub Scout who is also attending. The unit leader and a parent or legal guardian must agree to the arrangement.

Pack Coordinator

- **Each Pack MUST have an adult coordinator for each session — morning and afternoon.** This adult will check in their pack and receive patch and other items listed below, coordinate their participation and lead their Pack for that session. The Pack Coordinator will receive a Cub Scout Detective Kit for each of their Scouts.

Cub Scout Detective Kit — Each Scout will receive:

- Official Detective ID Name Card with badge, plastic holder and lanyard.
- Their Passport to the Mysteries — See page 5
- The Event Patch (please wait until the session ends to give out)
- And a few other surprises

Food Service Lunch/Snacks at the The Knobloch Family Farmhouse

- 10 AM to 3 PM for the day. Attendees can bring their own lunch or buy from the vendor. See page 5.

BE PREPARED!

- **This is an outdoor event.** Youth and adults should be properly dressed for the event. Uniforms are not required as we want our Scouts to dress properly. A pull over hat, boots and warm socks (avoid sneakers), and gloves and mittens are a must!

Scout Oath and Law are the official guidelines!

- A Scout is Courteous... All stations are crewed by SM&NC Staff or volunteers - please follow their instructions, be respectful and stay on schedule.

Special Presentation for Arrow of Light Webelos — the Spirit of the Eagle Feather Award. Native Americans believed that when all birds were created, the Eagle was chosen as the leader. The Eagle represents honesty, truth, majesty, strength, courage, wisdom, power and freedom. When one receives an Eagle Feather, that person is being acknowledged with gratitude, love and ultimate respect. The Eagle feather is thought to bring that person nearer to God. Arrow of Light Webelos (5th graders) will receive an Eagle Feather and certificate. The ceremony will take place at the opening ceremony.

Parent/Leaders Roundtable — 11 AM Morning Session & 2 PM Afternoon Session

At the Knobloch Family Farmhouse

- A brief overview of upcoming Cub Scout Advancement Changes (for the fall of 2024)
- And update on the new district realignment
- Please make sure there are enough adults in your group for supervision.

TRADING CARDS & Polar Bear Passport



We will have a large gathering of Cub Scouts from different Packs providing opportunities for making new friends. As mentioned, we are dividing into four Teams of up to 25 Cub Scouts named after a fun Animal Agency as shown below.

Each group will receive enough Trading Cards of their Animal Detective Agency to Trade to the other Groups. We have different Trading Cards for each session. The object is as groups pass along the sessions, they pause to allow a brief introduction of Scouts from each group to Trade their "Trading Card."

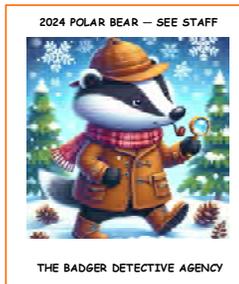
"Hello, my name is John Scout, I am from Pack 00 from Town. Would you like to Trade our Trading Cards?" As an example.

We're asking for adult volunteers from each group to manage this activity by holding onto the cards and giving to Scouts to trade as needed. We have limited printing of these cards and we would like to be sure we are not giving out double cards to Teams. We have had fun with the activity in past events.

Earn the Patch! Patches will be given to the Pack Coordinator when they're checking in, but please wait until the end of the session to distribute allowing your Scouts to complete the Passport as shown below.

Each Trading Card has fun facts (on the back) about why that animal would make a great detective.

MORNING SESSION 9:45 TO 12:30 PM



POLAR BEAR PASSPORT TO EARN THE PATCH (AM)

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- Sound Mysteries
- Powder Analysis Lab Mystery
- Fingerprint Mystery
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AFTERNOON GROUP 12:45 TO 3:30



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**LUNCH/SNACKS SERVE 10 AM TO 3 PM — Coffee and Hot chocolate on the menu.
A the Knobloch Family Farmhouse (Lunch is NOT included in the fee.)**



**7.35% CT MEAL SALES
TAX ADDED TO EVERY
ORDER**

Hot Dogs

Plain Hot Dog \$3.50
A Sabrett hot dog on a bun with your choice of toppings

Hot Sausage \$4.75
A Sabrett hot sausage on a bun with your choice of toppings

Hot Dog Toppings
Ketchup, Yellow Mustard, Spicy Brown Mustard, Relish, Sriracha, Jalapeños, Raw Onion, Mayo, Hot Sauce, Pickle Rounds
Premium Toppings - \$0.75
Onions in Sauce, Sauerkraut, Cheese Sauce, Crispy Onions,
Bacon Bits - \$1.25
Chili - \$2.00

Gym Teacher \$5.50
hot dog • sloppy joe

Math Teacher \$6.25
hot dog • sloppy joe • cheese sauce

Science Teacher \$5.50
hot dog • cheese sauce
ketchup • bacon

Graduate \$6.25
hot dog • ketchup
spicy brown mustard • relish
raw onion • chili • sauerkraut

Custodian \$7.00
hot dog • sloppy joe
cheese sauce • crispy onions
sriracha

History Teacher \$6.25
hot dog • chili • cheese sauce

Biology Teacher \$4.75
hot dog • ketchup • bacon

Superintendent \$5.00
hot dog • spicy brown mustard
sauerkraut • crispy onions

Chicken

Coach \$9.50
6 chicken nuggets and fries with your choice of dipping sauce

Just Nuggets \$5.50
6 chicken nuggets with your choice of dipping sauce

Dipping Sauce
Ketchup, BBQ Sauce, Ranch, Honey Mustard, Buffalo Sauce, Sweet and Sour, or Honey

Civics Teacher \$10.00
fried chicken fillet
lettuce • tomato • mayo
pickle on the side

Geography Teacher \$10.00
fried chicken fillet
buffalo sauce • blue cheese
pickle on the side

Social Studies Teacher \$12.00
fried chicken fillet
onion rings • bacon • BBQ sauce
pickle on the side
(add cheese +\$0.75)



Sloppy Joes

(served with a pickle)

The Lunch Lady \$9.25
Our traditional sloppy joe sandwich

The Principal \$10.00
Sloppy joe • crispy onions

The Assistant Principal \$10.00
sloppy joe • cheese sauce

The Bully \$9.25
sloppy joe
jalapeños • bully sauce

The Janitor \$10.75
sloppy joe
cheese sauce • crispy onions
sriracha

Nachos

First Grader \$6.00
tortilla chips • cheese sauce
side of salsa

Art Teacher \$10.25
tortilla chips • chili
cheese sauce • sour cream
jalapeños • scallions
side of salsa

Senior Class \$10.00
tortilla chips • sloppy joe
cheese sauce • sour cream

Mac -n- Cheese

Distance Learner \$5.00
our homemade ooey gooey
cheesy mac and cheese

English Teacher \$6.25
mac and cheese • bacon

Hybrid Learner \$7.25
mac and cheese • sloppy joe

Librarian \$10.00
mac and cheese
chicken • bacon • BBQ sauce

Sides -n- Things

French Teacher \$4.75
An order of crispy fries

★ **Loaded** \$7.25
cheese sauce • bacon
sour cream • scallions

★ **Loaded w/ Chili** \$9.25

★ **Cheese and Bacon** \$6.75

★ **Sloppy Joe** \$6.75
(add cheese +\$0.75)

★ **Chili** \$6.75
(add cheese +\$0.75)

★ **Cheese** \$5.50

Chemistry Teacher \$5.00
An order of crispy onion rings

Beverages

Soda/ Water/ Juice

Chips

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Our Daily Specials!

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Facebook - /lunchladygerris

Before placing your order, please inform your server if anyone in your party has a food allergy.

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BRING A BUDDY! The Polar Bear is a great event to introduce a friend to the fun of Cub Scouts! **We are offering 25/Morning Session and 25/Afternoon Session FREE Passes** to The Cub Scout Polar Bear. Using the form below, please have your Scouts invite (not a Scout) friend to join the Polar Bear. We have set up a special registration for the Bring A Buddy at <https://mycouncil.ctyankee.org/Event/join>. **Limit 25 FREE Passes per session.**



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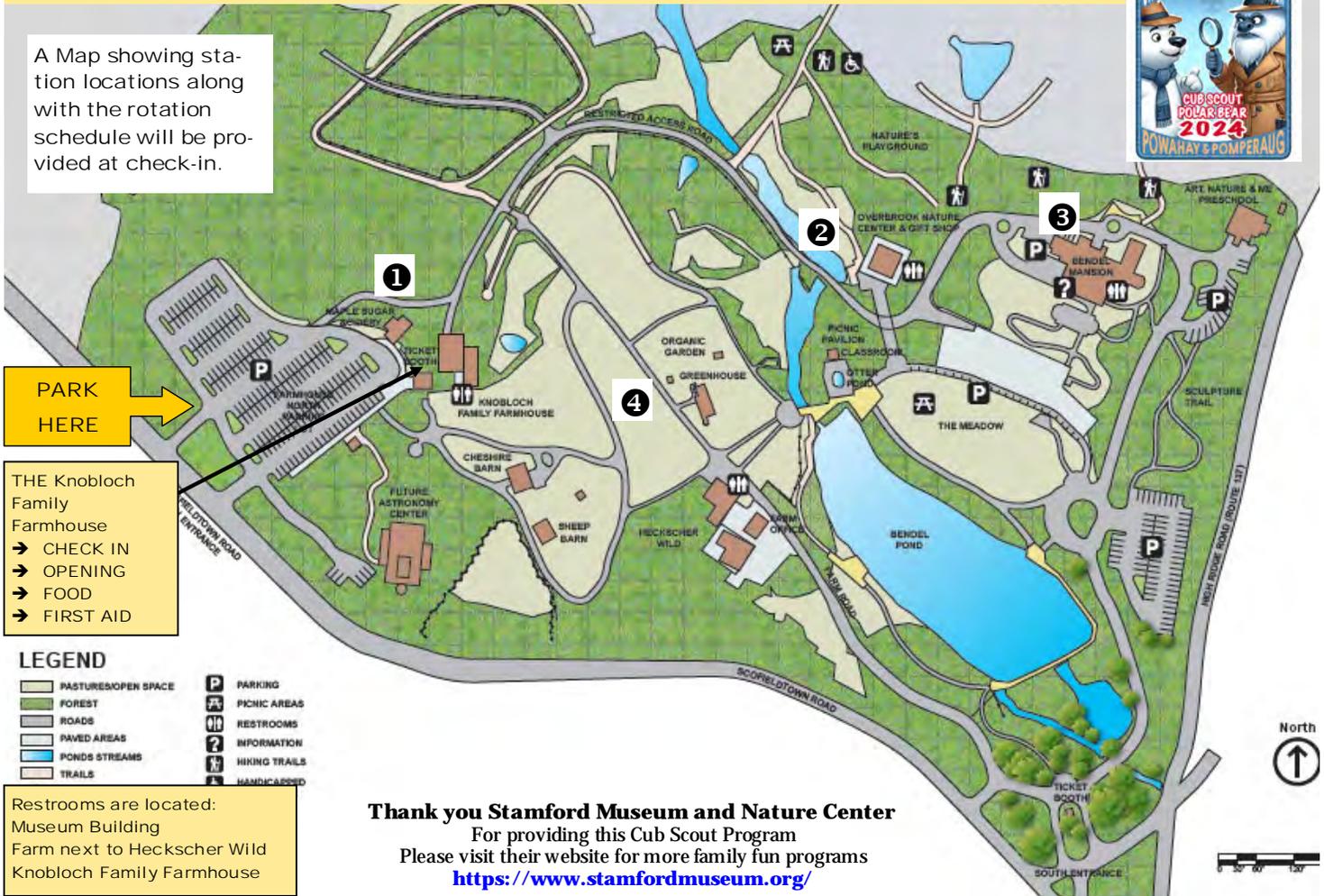
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Directions and Parking:



GPS users enter - 151 Scofieldtown Road.

Parking for the event will take place at the upper parking area (follow signs to the Observatory) off of Scofieldtown Rd. Parking in the lower parking area could result in additional entrance fees.

Best From the MERRITT PARKWAY:

Coming from either direction - get off Exit 35, and turn LEFT at the end of the exit ramp onto High Ridge Road. Follow for 3/4 of a mile. The Stamford Museum is located at the junction of High Ridge Road and Scofieldtown Road. Follow signs to upper parking area.

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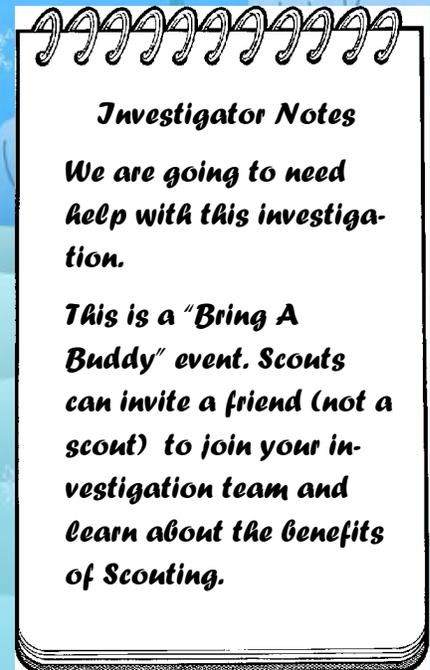
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