21st Century

WOOD BADGE

In 1911, Baden-Powell took the first steps in training Scouting's leaders by organizing a series of lectures. He made great strides in the years that followed, culminating in 1919 with the establishment of Wood Badge training. 100,000 Wood Badge recipients can now be found in all corners of the world.

Wood Badge provides the opportunity to:

- Understand Scouting as a family of interrelated, values-based programs providing age-appropriate activities for youth.
- Recognize contemporary leadership concepts and discover how they are relevant to the Scouting movement.
- Apply the skills learned as a member of a successful working team.
- Renew one's commitment to Scouting by sharing in an inspirational experience that provides Scouting with revitalized leadership.
- And, Have FUN !

Many consider Wood Badge to be a peak experience of their Scouting careers. It has served as a source of training and inspiration to thousands.

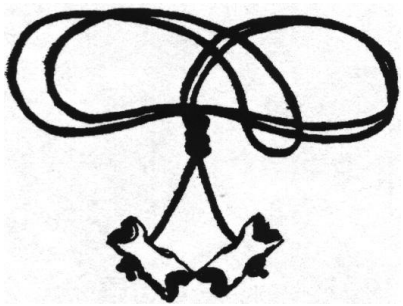
The Wood Badge Experience

There are two parts to BSA Wood Badge, the practical part and the application period. Both must be completed to receive the Wood Badge – two wooden beads to be worn around the neck on a leather thong.

The practical part is a two-weekend experience to demonstrate as practically as possible the aims and methods of Scouting. The course is a multifaceted presentation of leadership skills, organizational tools, and participatory activities based on the best Scouting traditions and the latest in team development theory. In addition, participants will enjoy the fellowship of learning along side many other Scouters, and along the way will have a great deal of fun.

The application part of Wood Badge is a period of up to 18-month during which the participants practice and demonstrate a working knowledge of the leadership principles presented during the course. This is accomplished by the use of the Wood Badge "ticket", which represents the participant's commitment to complete a set of personal goals related to their Scouting position. These goals will significantly strengthen the program in which the participant is involved.

Throughout the period of application, each participant is assigned a counselor who serves as a resource, an evaluator and a Scouting friend. When the counselor and the participant determine that the new skills are understood and can be applied to their Scouting position, a recommendation is made for the Wood Badge to be awarded.

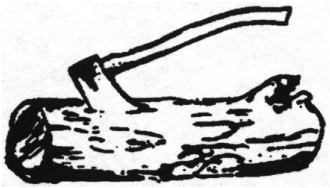


Who may attend Wood Badge?

Wood Badge for the 21st century is for all leaders (Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, Venture, Council, District, and Youth Leaders over 18) in the Boy Scouts of America. The course content and leadership principles introduced apply to all leadership positions and will provide a common foundation of leadership skills to be used throughout all program areas.

Qualifications

Each participant in Wood Badge training must be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America, have completed the basic training courses for their Scouting position, and complete the Annual Health and Medical Record form available at www.scouting.org.



Mail To: MINSI TRAILS COUNCIL, BSA
Box 20624
Lehigh Valley, PA 18002-0624
ATTN: Lisa Kirschner, Staff Advisor

Enclosed is my deposit of $50.00 to hold my reservation. (Non-refundable after July 1, 2010) Payment schedule will be enclosed in the invitation letter.

I meet the criteria for Wood Badge and would like an invitation.

Name _____ Telephone Number _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Scouting Position _____ Unit Number _____ District _____

Council _____ I have completed basic training ____ (Year ____)

Details of NE-V-141

Course Limit:
48 participants. A standby list will be created on a first-fully-paid, first-served basis.

Location: Akelaland
Both Weekends at
Trexler Scout Reservation
Jonas, PA (just off Rt. 534)

Course Dates:
1st Weekend – August 27 – 29, 2010
Friday, Saturday, Sunday
2nd Weekend – September 25 - 27, 2010
Saturday, Sunday, Monday
(Weekends start at 7:30 AM and end late afternoon on the last day.)

Weekend Course consists of:
Two weekends in camp.
Two Patrol Meetings between weekends.

Cost: $199.00
All participants registered in the Minsi Trails Council will receive a $70.00 scholarship from the Wood Badge Fund making their cost only **$** 129.00. Monies for the Wood Badge Fund are raised at the Minsi Trails Council's annual Wood Badge Reunion.

Medical Examination:
Wood Badge requires the Annual Health and Medical Record form available at www.scouting.org .

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August 27, 28, & 29, 2010
September 25, 26, & 27, 2010

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