THE WOOD BADGE TRADITION

On the morning of September 8, 1919, a 61-year old retired British Army General stepped into the center of a clearing in Gilwell Park, Epping Forest, outside of London. He raised to his lips the horn of the great Kudu, one of the largest African antelope. He blew a long, sharp blast and the 19 Scouters gathered in patrols for the first training course for Scout Leaders.

Robert S. S. Baden-Powell, founder of the worldwide Scouting movement, realized trained leaders would be a key to the movement's success. At the end of the training program, Baden-Powell looked for a suitable recognition. He chose the wooden beads from a Zulu chieftain's necklace and put them on a leather bootlace, a symbol of good luck. The training course and the recognition became known as "Wood Badge."

Wood Badge is a commitment – a commitment to lifelong learning, a commitment made by a candidate toward service to Scouting and its ideals and to one's self. Every Scouter accepted for a Wood Badge course subscribes to this commitment both in words and deeds.

Since 1919, the tradition and training of Wood Badge has continued all over the world; and, now is your time to be a part of the exciting experience and tradition. So sign up today!

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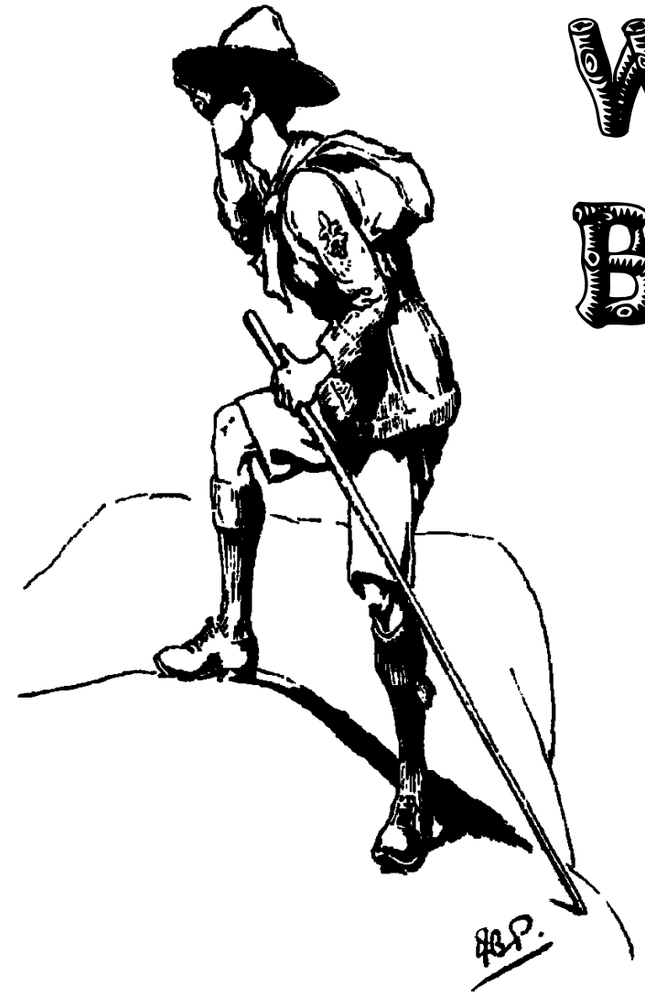

WOOD BADGE

for the 21st Century

W3-329-13

July 29-August 3, 2013

Camp Lee - Lee, NV
(*located near Elko, NV*)

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Experience the ultimate in Scouting leadership training! Wood Badge for the 21st Century is advanced training that will give you the skills to make a difference. The course brings together adults from all areas of Scouting (*Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Varsity Scouting, Venturing, as well as District and Council leaders*) who want to become better leaders. The course focuses on leadership (*not advanced outdoor skills training*). It doesn't matter how long you have been in Scouting…you will learn skills that will help you build teams in any organization, both inside and outside of Scouting. You will be better able to get more accomplished in less time and to build a quality program for youth. You will live the magic of Scout leadership training as envisioned by the founder of Scouting, Lord Robert Baden-Powell.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF WOOD BADGE?

The ultimate purpose of Wood Badge is to help adult leaders deliver the highest quality Scouting program to young people to help them achieve their highest potential. It models the best techniques for developing leadership and teamwork among both young people and adults.

THE COST OF WOOD BADGE

Have you ever wondered why Wood Badge is so expensive? After all, isn't "Thrifty" one of the twelve points of the Scout Law?

What you may not realize is exactly why you should take Wood Badge this summer!

If you were to take seminars covering the same subjects, it would cost you thousands of dollars!

In the chart, you can see the comparison with just ***some*** of the topics covered in Wood Badge and the prices with a popular training company:

Course Title	Pryor Seminars®	Wood Badge
Conflict Management	$100	Included
Leadership (2 days)	$300	Included
Project Management (2 days)	$300	Included
Coaching and Mentoring	$200	Included
Communications	$150	Included
Diversity	$150	Included
TOTAL	$1,200	$315* (*$275 early*)
	8+ days	6 days

**Note: If you don't have one already, the cost of a full Scouting Uniform is required for the course.*

WHAT TO EXPECT AT WOOD BADGE

Upon acceptance of your registration by the Wood Badge Course Director, you will be mailed an acceptance letter which will include more details about the course, location, facilities, equipment, etc. All meals for the course will be provided; special dietary needs will be handled in the acceptance letter. If there are any questions or concerns about what to expect prior to or after registration, contact Course Director Kathi Colbert.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR WOOD BADGE

Wood Badge for the 21st Century has been developed for all Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, and Venturing leaders as well as Council and District leaders. The course content and the team and leadership principles introduced apply to Scouters in all leadership positions. Wood Badge provides a common foundation of leadership and team skills used throughout all program areas.

To attend a Wood Badge course you must:

1. **Be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America**. (*There is no minimum tenure required.*)
2. **Have completed the basic training courses for your Scouting position**:
   A. **Youth Protection** (*must be current within past 2 years at the time of course*)
   B. **Position Specific**
   C. **Introduction to Outdoor Skills** (*only required for the following position codes: SM, SA, 10, VC, VA; recommended for all others*)
   (*The appropriate training course(s) taken prior to 2001 training curriculum change are still valid for this requirement.*)
3. **Be capable of functioning safely in an outdoor environment**. Successful completion of the BSA Annual Health and Medical Record #680-001 (*parts A, B, and C*) is required for all participants.

WOOD BADGE REGISTRATION APPLICATION FORM

(Course: W3-329-13)
Please print legibly.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Scouting Unit Type and #: _____ Registered Position: _____

Years in Scouting: Youth: _____ Adult: _____ T-Shirt Size: _____ I was recruited by: _____

I understand that attendance at all sessions and a full Scouting Uniform are mandatory and that I meet all the qualifications required for Wood Badge.

Signature: _____

Non-Refundable, but Transferable Deposit of $100 is due with this registration.

Credit Card Circle One: VISA MC #: _____ Exp: _____/_____

Make checks payable to Nevada Area Council, BSA.

Full amount due Friday, June 14, 2013 (*$40 discount if fully paid by Wednesday, May 15, 2013*)

This form and your deposit (payment) may be brought or mailed to:

Nevada Area Council Service Center
1745 S. Wells Ave.
Reno, NV 89502

OR

Elko BSA Field Office
380 Court Street
PO Box 676
Elko, NV 89803-0676