

Invitation to WOOD BADGE Course



WE 4-573-09

Scoutmaster: Matt Lyon
Place: Camp Dale Resler
Cloudcroft, NM[#]
Dates: July 25, 2009
August 14-16, 2009 (weekend 1)
August 28-30, 2009 (weekend 2)

For more information email Matt Lyon at MLyon1@elp.rr.com or call
915-487-0751

[#] - Location subject to change.

Dear Scout Leader:

You are invited to participate in a unique leadership and management course like none other you've ever attended, known to all Scouters as Wood Badge. This course is planned to be held at Camp Dale Resler, in Cloudcroft, New Mexico and hosted by the Yucca Council.

Curriculum

Wood Badge is the advanced training program for the Boy Scouts of America. It is designed to train Scouters directly involved with Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, Venturing, District and Council programs. Its purpose is to aid Scouters in providing a quality program that will enable each Scout to grow to his greatest potential. The course teaches the key concepts of situational leadership from leaders in the field, and is thus helpful not only in your Scouting position, but also in your career and in your daily life.

The Wood Badge course will be conducted over 2 three-day weekends. The Wood Badge program consists of two parts - practical training and application. Practical leadership experiences are gained in a training camp setting where leadership and management skills can be learned and practiced as a member of a Wood Badge course.

At the conclusion of the practical training, each participant has between four months and eighteen months to complete the application phase of the course (the ticket) and meet all the goals that have been agreed upon between each participant and his or her ticket counselor.

Qualifications

Each Scouter must have completed the applicable training required for his or her position in Scouting, and must be active in unit leadership, in a position directly related to unit operations or actively serve in a district or council assignment. Due to the advanced nature of the training, these requirements cannot be waived.

Goals

Wood Badge participants learn and put their training to use to improve the quality of the program of the units they lead or serve. A part of the practical training is the development of a "ticket." This ticket is a written agreement, approved by the local council, for leaders to apply, in specific ways, the knowledge gained during the course by fulfilling a commitment to continue service to Boy Scouting through their unit.

The course is limited to 48 participants and will be filled on a first-come basis. Please sign up early so you don't miss this great training opportunity.

Matt Lyon
Scoutmaster, WE4-573-09

Recognition:

Upon successful completion of the ticket, the participant is entitled to receive the Wood Badge recognition, consisting of a certificate, the Wood Badge Beads (two wooden beads on a leather thong), a tan neckerchief with a swatch of MacLaren tartan, and a leather woggle (neckerchief slide).

The Wood Badge recognition not only identifies a Scouter who has completed advanced training, but also reminds the wearer of an ongoing commitment to continued service to Scouting.

Times and Locations

The course will start July 14, 2008 with a pre-course meeting that will be conducted in El Paso, Texas, from 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm at place to be determined. You will be informed with a letter to confirm the pre-course meeting. At the pre-course you will meet the Wood Badge Staff and your fellow course members. We will cover several important requirements that will make your training experience both enjoyable and memorable. The practical camping portion of the course will be in 2 separate, three-day weekend meetings, as noted below. In addition to the pre-course meeting and weekend meetings, you will be required to attend a mid-week meeting arranged by your den/patrol members at a mutually acceptable time. Here are the key meeting dates:

Pre-course Meeting *	July 25, 2009
Weekend #1 *	August 14-16, 2009
Mid-Week Patrol Meeting *	TBD by the team
Weekend #2*	August 28-30, 2009

* - Please understand that attendance at all of these meetings is mandatory as part of the certification for Wood Badge Training.

– *The course location is subject to change based on environmental and facility conditions at the time of the course. The course location will be finalized at the pre-course meeting in July.*

If you have any questions please contact: Matt Lyon, (915) 487-0751 MLyon1@elp.rr.com

Fees and Refund Policy:

The total course cost is \$175.00. A \$10.00 discount is offered to those paid in full by April 24, 2009 for a total of only \$165.00. The deposit and course fees may be paid by cash, check or credit card (do not mail cash). *All fees paid, less the \$50.00 deposit, are refundable until July 31, 2009.* The deposit and fees are transferable to another qualified Scouter until July 31, 2009. Cancellations, on or after July 31, 2009 will result in the forfeiture of all fees.

A deposit of \$50.00 is required with this application (see below).

Late date for final payment is July 20, 2009.

A multitude of payment options (including scholarships) may be available. However, these require written agreement or other written arrangement with the Scoutmaster or Council Executive prior to April 24, 2009.

July 2009						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

August 2009						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

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Yes, I accept this invitation from _____ to attend Wood Badge Course WE4-573-09 at Camp Dale Resler, Cloudcroft, New Mexico#.

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My \$50 deposit is enclosed. I wish to pay the balance of the course fee on the following schedule. Please select months by placing an amount (minimum \$10) next to the month the fee will be paid.

Sep 2008	_____	Oct 2008	_____	Nov 2008	_____
Dec 2008	_____	Jan 2009	_____	Feb 2009	_____
Mar 2009	_____	Apr 2009	_____	May 2009	_____

Credit Card Information

If you'd like the Yucca Council to bill your credit card (Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express) for your deposit and/or course fees, please complete the following:

Bill my credit card for my deposit of \$ _____

Bill my credit card for my fees as scheduled above (please initial) _____

Type of Credit Card: _____

Card number: _____

Expiration Date: _____ (Month/Year)

Name of Cardholder: _____

Address: _____

Signature: _____

Today's Date: _____

Acceptance of this Invitation:

To accept this invitation, complete the information on this form and mail it with your deposit and/or fees to:

Yucca Council Wood Badge
PO Box 971056
El Paso TX 79997-1056
WE4-573-09

Personal Resource Questionnaire

Name: _____

Address: _____

I would like to be called: _____

Phone Number: (H): _____ (W): _____

Fax: _____ Email: _____

Occupation: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Unit Number: _____ District: _____ Council: _____

Years in Scouting: Adult: _____ Youth: _____ Rank: _____

Current Registered Position: _____

Adult Positions held? How long? (example – Den Leader: 3 yrs, Scoutmaster: 4 yrs)

Scouting awards received: _____

State a fair evaluation of your physical condition: _____

List any special needs: _____

How much camping experience have you had and how comfortable are you camping?

Training experiences in Scouting: (you must have completed the Basic Training and Outdoor Skills Training for the position in which you are registered)

Religious preference: _____

An interfaith service will be held. If you have particular religious needs, please specify them here or inform the Course Director: _____

First Aid Training (including CPR)? _____