

NE-IV-209

I meet the criteria for Wood Badge and would like an invitation. (Please Print)

Name: _____ Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ E-mail: _____
Council: _____ District: _____ Unit: _____
Date completed Basic Training: _____ Primary Position: _____
Approval of Scout Executive: _____

Mail \$50.00 deposit payable to Columbia-Montour Council (non-refundable) and application to:
Columbia-Montour Council, BSA
ATTN: Wood Badge NE-IV-209
5 Audubon Court Bloomsburg, PA 17815

COURSE COST: \$210.00

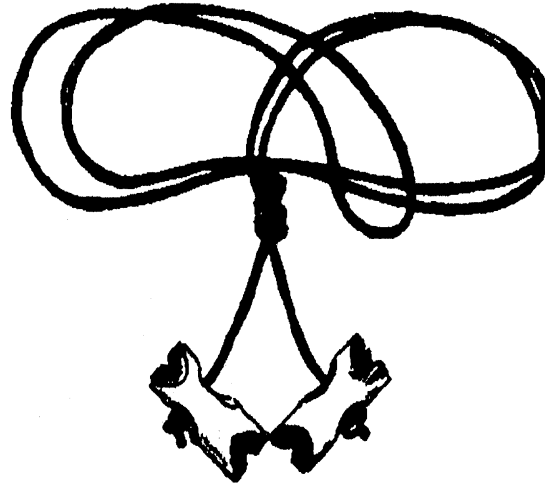
- (Fee is non-refundable after July 15, 2008)

THE THEMES FOR WOOD BADGE ARE:

- Living the Values
- Bringing the Vision to Life.
- Models of Success.
- Tools of the Trade.
- Leading to Make a Difference.

COMMENTS FROM THE LAST COURSE:

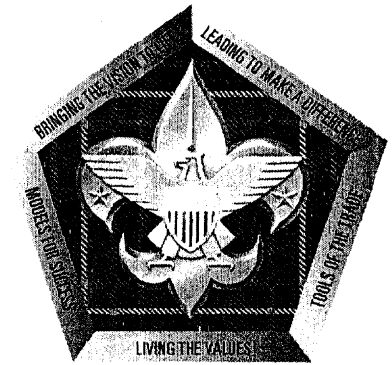
- I wish I would have done this years ago.
- Very informative and a whole bunch of fun.
- I would do it all over again.
- An exceptional experience, the staff made it fun.
- This has been the best course I've ever attended.



Revitalize your commitment by sharing in an over-all inspirational experience that helps provide Scouting with the leadership it needs to accomplish its mission on an ongoing basis.

WOOD BADGE

For the 21st Century



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Hosted By
**Columbia-Montour Council
Susquehanna Council**

Weekend Course
August 22-24, 2008
September 12-14, 2008

For more information please contact:

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WOOD BADGE NE-IV-209

WHO? Volunteers and professionals in Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Varsity, and Venturing.

WHAT? Wood Badge is the premier adult training program for the Boy Scouts of America. It teaches contemporary leadership and team development skills in an outdoor setting. Its purpose is to aid Scouters in providing a quality program that will enable scouts to grow to their greatest potential. The course encompasses the key concepts of management from the leaders in the management field; therefore, this course can be helpful not only in your Scouting job, but also in your careers.

WHERE? The course will be held at Camp Lavigne, Benton, PA and at Camp Karoondinha, Millmont, PA.

WHEN? The Wood Badge course is a two part training experience consisting of a practical part and an application part. The practical part will be conducted during two three-day weekends. The first weekend to be held at Camp Lavigne begins on Friday, August 22nd at 7:30 AM and concludes on Sunday August 24th at 5:30 PM. The second weekend to be held at Camp Karoondinha begins on Friday, September 12th at 7:30 AM and concludes on Sunday, September 14th at 4:30 PM. There will also be two patrol meetings between the two weekends - date, time, and place to be determined by your patrol. Attendance at both weekends and the patrol meetings are required. Following the practical course, you will be expected to work a contract (ticket) with yourself to put your Wood Badge skills into action. Upon completion of your ticket, you will be recognized with your Wood Badge beads.

WHAT DOES IT COST? The cost for the course is \$210.00. The fee includes all food and instructional materials. A \$50.00 deposit must

be sent with the application to hold your spot on the course. The remainder is due no later than July 15, 2008.

REQUIREMENTS? To register for the course, you must complete Scout Leader Training in your primary registered position and have a completed BSA Class 3 medical form (must be current during the course). For the course, you will need a Class A uniform for your primary Scouting position and an activity shirt (any Scouting T-shirt). For the second weekend, you may need personal equipment including a tent (a complete list will be sent to you upon receipt of your deposit).

HOW DO I APPLY? Send in the application portion of this form with a \$50.00 check payable to **Columbia-Montour Council**. The course is limited to 48 participants. Applications received after the course is full will be placed on a waiting list and will be accepted only if space becomes available. Don't delay - send in your application and deposit **today!**

DO I NEED SPECIAL OUTDOOR SKILLS?

Since overnight tent camping and outdoor cooking will be part of the course, some basic camping skills will be helpful but not essential. The staff and experienced participants will help those new to the outdoors to have a safe and enjoyable experience. Living arrangements for the first weekend will be provided for you. On the second weekend, personal tents and patrol cooking will be required.

WHAT WILL I BE DOING IN WOOD

BADGE? Some folks may be a little intimidated with the idea of attending Wood Badge. They might think that Wood Badge is some sort of military styled boot camp with harsh physical demands. In actuality, Wood Badge is a series of fun educational weekend training activities that are conducted with a high degree of

integrity and personal respect. The time constraints are tight, but only because we pack so many great training events into the weekends.

WOODBADGE ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- Putting the "Patrol Method" into practice by camping, cooking, and working as a team.
- Camping in a patrol of up to six adult leaders.
- Learning and applying leadership techniques.
- Learning games that work well in your unit.
- Solving problems and meeting challenges.
- Developing friendships that will last a lifetime.
- Having a great time with lots of fun!

THE PURPOSE OF WOOD BADGE:

Wood Badge is training for leadership not outdoor skills. Outdoor skills may be learned in the BSA program specific courses. Wood Badge is not an award. It confers no special status or membership. Wearing the beads simply means that you understand the value of training; you've tried your best to become an outstanding leader; and you believe in the ideals of Scouting.

Wood Badge training often makes a big difference in the home unit. It is the difference between just offering a form of recreation and providing a program through which Scouters will have a positive and profound effect on the lives of our youth.

