## The Central Themes of Wood Badge

Wood Badge accomplishes its leadership training goals by building all the pieces of the course on a foundation of five central themes. Those themes, and the presentations that directly support them, are as follows:

- Living the Values.
  - o Values, Mission, and Vision
- o Bringing the Vision to Life.
  - Listening to Learn;
  - o Communication;
  - Leveraging Diversity Through Inclusiveness;
  - Generations in Scouting;
  - o Coaching and Mentoring
- Models for Success.
  - Stages of Team Development;
  - The Leading EDGE<sup>™</sup>/The Teaching EDGE<sup>™</sup>
- o Tools of the Trade.
  - o Project Planning;
  - o Leading Change;
  - Decision Making and Problem Solving;
  - Managing Conflict;
  - Self-Assessment
- Leading to Make a Difference.
  - Servant Leadership;
  - Leaving a Legacy

# Registration

Register on-line at

<u>scoutingevent.com/456-9490</u> – Spring Course <u>scoutingevent.com/456-10440</u> – Fall Course

If paying by check, make checks payable to: Pathway to Adventure Council and send to: Steve Fossett Service Center Attn: Wood Badge Registration 1218 West Adams Street Chicago, Illinois 60607-2802



"I should have participated in Wood Badge sooner. I have more confidence when providing leadership to Scouts and other adults. Training is a must have for all leaders. This is your cliff notes to a better system, a better volunteering experience."

Bob Hendricksen, Arborist and 2014 participant

"Wood Badge extracts the essence of the Scouting program...fun with a purpose."
Tim Mellin, Sales Manager and 2008 participant

"I thought that Wood Badge might be too much of a time commitment. But, it turned out that the Course itself taught me how to meet that challenge, and then, it went on to provide me unexpected personal insights and invaluable life skills. Do it for yourself. Do it for Scouting." Pete Ryan, Attorney and 2008 participant

"If you want to communicate better, be a more effective leader and team member, this is the course for you."

Linda Bomya, Executive Assistant and 2004 participant



# **Important Information**

### Course Fees: \$250

\$75 deposit due at time of registration, balance due at least 45 days prior to course (3/14/17 for Spring, 8/8/17 for Fall). Course fees cover all materials, meals, program supplies, and recognition items. A limited number of partial scholarships are available. Contact the Course Director to make a scholarship application.

# **Course Prerequisites**

All participants must be registered as an adult (18 or over) member of the BSA. Additionally, all participants must have completed the basic leader training appropriate for their current position in Scouting. Finally, participants should be capable of functioning safely in an outdoor environment.

#### **BSA Medicals**

All participants are required to have a completed BSA annual health and medical record (Parts A, B, and C). Part C must include a physicians' signature dated within one year of the start of the course.

## Special Needs

Accommodations will be made for participants with medical issues, who have dietary restrictions or who would benefit from English language support. Please contact the Course Director with any special needs you may have.

#### Course Size

The course size is limited. Be sure to register early to guarantee your seat.

#### Attire

Attire for the course will be a complete, standard BSA uniform appropriate to the leadership position of each participant.

# What is Wood Badge?

Wood Badge is the ultimate leadership training program for the adult leaders of the Boy Scouts of America. Established in 1919 by Robert Baden-Powell, Scouting's founder, Wood Badge has been the training ground for hundreds of thousands of Scouters around the world. As the challenges in the world have changed, Wood Badge has also evolved to give leaders the skills they need to strengthen Scouting in meaningful ways.

Wood Badge is advanced leadership training for Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, and Venturing adult leaders at the unit, district, council, and professional levels. It is taught by living the experience of a Boy Scout Troop, utilizing the patrol method, over two weekends.

Wood Badge is not about learning basic scout skills. It is about developing leadership skills which can be used not just in Scouting, but in all facets of life.

By using a variety of learning techniques, including lectures, demonstrations, group discussions, and hands on exercises, participants will learn contemporary leadership skills and tools needed to provide the youth members of their units with the highest scouting experience.









# What to Expect

Wood Badge courses are held over two weekends. To complete the course participants must attend both weekends.

During both weekends participants will tent camp. During the first weekend all meals will be prepared by the staff. During the second weekend most meals will be prepared using the patrol method, in patrol campsites.

## **For Additional Information Contact**

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Or visit the PTAC Wood Badge web page. http://www.pathwaytoadventure.org/training/sc hedule/woodbadge



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# BADGE



# SPRING 2017

**Course Number: C8-456-17-1** 

April 28 - 30 May 19 - 21

Camp Betz

Berrien Springs, Michigan

# FALL 2017

Course Number: C8-456-17-2

**September 22 - 24 October 13 - 15** 

Camp Oh-Da-Ko-Ta Burlington, Wisconsin