

THE PADDLE

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Calendar of Events

- April 25-27
District Spring Camporee
Including Outdoor Merit Badge University
Mendon Ponds Park
- April 25-27
Wood Badge Weekend 1
- April 30, 7pm
Black Creek Membership Meeting
Rivers Run
All Pack Leaders Invited!
- May 5
Volunteer Recognition Dinner
Burgundy Basin
- May 10
Day of Training
Gates Baptist Church
- May 17-18
Wilderness First Aid
Camp Babcock-Hovey
- May 17-19
Wood Badge Weekend 2
- June 12
District Picnic
Black Creek Park
Woodside Lodge

A thought for a quiet moment:

There are no traffic jams along the extra mile.

Roger Staubach, NFL Quarterback,
Heisman Trophy Winner and multiple
Superbowl Winner

Did you know Chief Scout Executive
Wayne Brock has a Blog? Find the
Chief's Corner on the web at:
<http://www.bsachief.com/>

This week's post:
Going the Extra Mile

**Remember, Roundtable has moved to the second
Wednesday of the month for the 2013-2014 Scouting Season!**

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The Black Creek District has a Facebook page! Go to <http://www.facebook.com/BSABlackCreekDistrict> and "like" us, then share with all your friends!

April Roundtable Highlights

This month we will have our annual "Fireside Chat" with our Council Executive and report for our Council Commissioner. Please be on time and bring a buddy!



The general timeline for this month's meeting will be as follows:

- 6:30 – 7:00: Commissioner Meeting with Council Commissioner Val Kalwas
- 6:30 – 7:00: Registration and Gathering Activity
- 7:00 – 7:10: Opening, Prayer, Flags, Sparkler
- 7:10 – 7:15: Twilight Camp, Membership, Wood Badge
- 7:15 – 7:30: Big Rock Topic: NYLT - See what NYLT can do for your Unit
- 7:30 – 7:45: Big Rock Topic: Chat with Council Executive Stephen Hoitt
- 7:45 – 8:20: Cub Scout/Boy Scout Break Out Sessions
- 8:20 – 8:30: Awards, Commissioner Minute, Networking

Breakout sessions should begin promptly. In the Boy Scout break-out we will examine ways to retain older scouts and examine leadership development.

In the Cub Scout break-out we will examine the "Faith" core value, outdoor programming, and the family tree theme.

The District Committee meeting is to begin promptly at 8:30.

Thanks, Charles Arnold, Black Creek District Commissioner



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Wood Badge ∞

Two Tiny Wooden Beads

Two tiny wooden beads on a leather thong. It doesn't sound like an outstanding badge and mark of distinction but it is known and respected as such around the globe. It is symbolic of the efforts and interest of one man who launched the greatest movement for boys the world has ever known.

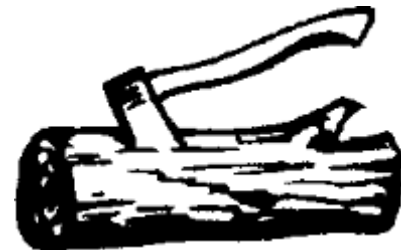
It is the mark of people who have demonstrated that they are people of character and who are devoted to a cause. People who strive for perfection while knowing that even the best is not enough. People that hold the welfare of others before self: Scouters who live up to all that name implies.

Awarded to a Scouter on the basis of what he or she thinks and is more than on what he or she knows, they must demonstrate that they have 'know-how' too.

Good intentions count for little until, by the application of ability and determination, they produce results that count. Striving for perfection in themselves that they might train others better.

To this end exists the Wood Badge. It is doubtful that the thought ever entered the mind of Robert Baden-Powell, that his efforts on Brownsea Island would grow to influence the youth of the world and that, in the days ahead, thousands upon thousands of people

would carry his efforts forward to an ever increasing number of boys.



Who knows but that this effort, this crusade, may flourish to the end that two tiny beads on a leather thong may yet become the symbol of a succeeding effort to bring about a world brotherhood of man under a Fatherhood of God. To that end may the Wood Badge serve and her men and women never falter or fail.

Two tiny wooden beads on a leather thong. They could symbolize the hope of the world - it's up to you.

Author Unknown

Our Wood Badge course starts in just a few weeks. The registration form is attached to this newsletter for the last time this season. If you are on the fence or unsure of whether the course is for you, please reach out to our Course Director Dave Cheney at: dcheney@bsamail.org.

I promise you will have an experience in the course well worth the time.

Lighthouse Day of Training ∞

Leader Specific Training is part of the basic training program for Scout Leaders. These training courses are designed to help you understand your job as a leader, and will teach you how to effectively plan and administer your Scouting program. Note that "Previously Trained" Cub Scout Leaders May "Upgrade" to their new role by taking the "Position Specific Course" at 10:30am.

WHERE: Greece Baptist Church 1230 Long Pond Rd Rochester, NY 14626

DATE: Saturday, May 10, 2014

TIME: Check-in Begins at 8:30 a.m.; sessions begin at 9:00. See the registration form for the schedule.

COST: \$5.00 (No Charge for Youth Protection Only)

BRING: A pen and paper for taking notes, a cup or mug for beverages, and a bag lunch. Please wear your uniform and bring your Leader Book (May be purchased at Service Center prior to Course).

We will be offering the following training sessions:

Den Chief, Introduction to Cub Scouts, Cubmaster, Den Leader, Pack Committee, Scoutmaster/Assistant Scoutmaster, Youth Protection.

Registration forms are due by May 8.

Boy Scout Roundtable &

By Valerie Polachak

Hello Fellow Scouters! Well, this March has certainly been a memorable one, weather-wise! The cancellation of the last Black Creek District Roundtable is a prime example. We had record cold, strong winds and we finished out with a Sunday surprise of 6" of the heavy snow. Mother Nature can be quite fickle, eh? I am personally looking forward to the brighter and longer days of warm sunshine, for which I can paddle my boat in.

Here's a quote that fits all our respective positions in Scouting: "Let yourself be silently drawn by the strange pull of what you really love. It will not lead you astray." (Rumi, 13th century Persian poet, Islamic jurist, and theologian.)

This month, we will welcome Bob Cook, the Scoutmaster of Troop 134, who will handle the Boy Scout break-out topic: "Venturing—Retaining Older Scouts". This can be a helpful "tool" that can be used by you to retain older Scouts in your units. Do you have older Scouts in your Troop who may want to experience something new that only Venture Crews are allowed to do in Scouting? Yes, they can be in Scouts and be in a Venture Crew at the same time. Come out and learn more about this topic by attending Bob's lecture. Our Monthly Program Feature will welcome Keith Wimer, of Troop 90, who will discuss how to "Develop Scout Leadership".

I will leave you with the words which have more than one meaning, in regards to being a good Scouter—staying on the cutting edge of LEADERSHIP while containing to LEARN. This benefits not only your unit and your Scouts, but it benefits YOU, in your personal life and your family life, as well. "Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other." (John F. Kennedy.)

DISTRICT ROUNDTABLE

Second Wednesday of every month at 7pm
Wheatland-Chili High School Cafeteria

Come join us at Roundtable for an informative meeting, training breakout and networking opportunity for all Cub Scout, Boy Scout and Venturing volunteers. Every unit should be represented!

Order of the Arrow &

The Black Creek Chapter of the Order of the Arrow has many things on the agenda. We are working hard to get every unit to have an OA Troop Representative and an adult adviser for that Scout, and we are offering training for those Scouts and their Adult advisers at 1:30 pm before both of our next two Lodge Executive Committee Meetings, to be held at the **Scout Office on East Ave. on April 13 and May 18.**

Our next fellowship and induction weekend is **June 13-15 at Camp Babcock-Hovey.**

This weekend is for both new members and old, it is a chance for everyone to build fellowship. Please consider attending!

Conclave at Camp Southaven in Arcade, NY, is May 30-June 1. This event offers training, fellowship, leadership development, and much more. Sign up today! Early registration closes on April 10 and late registration closes on May 6.

Units should be finishing their elections within the next few weeks. If you haven't scheduled an election, please contact Chapter Chief John Miller and Chapter Adviser Peter Reeb as soon as you can either in person or via email at: blackcreekchief@googlegroups.com.

Some units have chosen to do their OA call-outs at the Saturday night campfire at the Spring Camporee. This will be a fantastic event to see. Youth who have been selected for membership in the Order of the Arrow will be publically recognized in a "call-out" ceremony at the District Spring Camporee at Mendon Ponds Park in April. Unit leaders, please do your best to get your newly selected Scouts at the campfire on Saturday night. This is a great way for your Scouts to be recognized as those who exemplify the Oath and Law.

Arrowmen have the opportunity to go to any of the four BSA High Adventure bases at a greatly reduced cost. Most trips are 2 weeks in length (it's 1 week at the Summit) and involve hard work and great fun. God's time prevails as you help improve the camp and establish friendships you'll keep forever. Talk to someone in a sash at Roundtable for more information. Remember, those who chose you need you...



Congratulations! ∞

2014 Silver Beaver Awardees

The Silver Beaver Award is the highest level of recognition a BSA Council may bestow upon a volunteer scouter. This spring the Council Silver Beaver Committee faced the task of selecting eight recipients out of a group of 30 well deserving individuals. Black Creek District was well represented with six individuals nominated for the 2014 Silver Beaver Award. Of the 2014 class of recipients, three honorees are from the Black Creek District.

The following individuals make up the 2014 Class of Silver Beaver Awardees:

Charles Arnold

Gary Baxter

Mike Knittel

Bill Lawrence

Mark Louth

Flora Mills

Peter Reeb

Heidi Thorpe

As you see these individuals around at various Council/District functions, please extend to them a hand of congratulations.



New Med Forms ∞

Deciding which version of the BSA's Annual Health and Medical Record you need shouldn't raise your blood pressure. And starting today, you're getting a streamlined version of the BSA health forms and an easier-to-use website to accompany them. The site is the result of several BSA teams (professionals and volunteers) joining forces to make this process a painless one for you and other Scouters.

The Annual Health and Medical Record (hereafter AHMR) comes in several flavors, and until now some Scouters and parents found it a little difficult to determine which version of the AHMR they or their Scout/Venturer needed.

Taking your Cub Scouts on a local tour or your Boy Scouts on a two-night camping trip? The forms you'll need are different from those required on a camping trip lasting more than 72 hours.

Visiting the Florida Sea Base, Northern Tier, Philmont or the Summit? Be sure to print off some additional information to give your doctor.

It's all spelled out for you on the new site. Figuring out which forms you need is a snap thanks to logos, clear language and so-big-you-can't-miss-'em buttons you'll click to download the proper form. Speaking of, you'll know you're using the right form if it says "2014 Printing" in the lower right corner.

Check out the site at:

<http://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2014/03/03/bsa-health-forms-now-as-easy-as-a-b-c/>



Spring Camporee & Merit Badge U ☸

Merit Badge University is just around the corner now, so if your scouts are interested, please sign up right away! The registration form is attached to this newsletter. It's a totally different format than in years past. We are combining several events into one. We are doing our Merit Badge University during our Spring Camporee in Black Creek Park. We will have 10 merit badges, 2 of which are Eagle required. Since this is outdoors, all Scouts are asked to bring their own merit badge book and printed copy of the MB handout for the course that they are taking. Essential details:

Date: April 25-27

Place: Mendon Ponds Park (note the change in location!)

Cost: \$10 (there are no price changes based on registration time or duration of stay)

Merit Badges: Most merit badges are being offered twice, once Saturday morning and once Saturday afternoon. Scouts should sign up for only one session. First Aid and Forestry merit badges require both the morning and afternoon session. Scouts must provide their own blue cards! Partial will be given where work is not complete to the satisfaction of the merit badge counselor. CPR is available to Scouts taking First Aid Merit Badge for an additional \$5. Bring cash to the event and be prepared to pay for this additional certification on site. Units should prepare alternate programming for Scouts who are not taking merit badges.

Order of the Arrow: Units should make every effort to ensure Scouts elected into the OA are present for the evening call-out ceremony. This ceremony is the crucial beginning of a series of activities a Scout participates in as they become members of Scouting's Honor Society.

Campfire: Units will be called upon to contribute a skit, song, or other element to Saturday evening's campfire.

Registration forms are due 4/22! For more information, contact:

Todd B. Smith, Ucbear870@yahoo.com, 585-200-0542



Tour and Activity Plans ☸

Scouts are always on the go; and it is important that Unit Leaders complete the appropriate paperwork for Scout trips. The rules for when a Tour and Activity Plan are required have been modified slightly. Effective immediately all trips and/or activities that include sledding, skiing and/or snowboarding must have a Tour and Activity Plan completed.

Also, please remember the Guide to Safe Scouting requires Scouts to wear helmets when skiing, snowboarding, and sledding. If you have any questions about these new rules, please contact Dorothy Bressler at 585-241-8545 or dbressle@scouting.org.

Eagle Flight Week News! ☸

By Dorothy Bressler

It is always a pleasure to share good news. To date 73 Scouts have signed up for Eagle Flight Week, July 6-12, 2014. Unfortunately, we have filled all the troops and we now have eight Scouts, so far, that wish to attend. They are now on a waiting list and our hope is to recruit one or two adults who would be willing to serve as Scoutmaster for a new troop. We will continue to take reservations for the wait list. A new troop can hold 18 Scouts. If you could donate a week to Scouting at Camp Cutler to help these young men reach the rank of Eagle Scout, Yves Robinson and I would love to hear from you. You can contact Yves at robinsonyves@gmail.com or reach me at dorothy.bressler@scouting.org. Thank you for considering our request. We would like to be able to tell these young men they are all set to go to Eagle Flight :)



Events and Activities ∞

Hello Everyone! What a great year we are having! I hope everyone had a great time with Scouting for Food and Clothing. As the Spring quickly comes up on us I want to remind everyone to sign up for the Merit badge University and Spring Camporee, this sounds very exciting and it's a great way to get the boys to get some merit badges. I remember having a hard time getting merit badges during the off season. When I was at camp I would maximize my efforts but if I had done the same in the off season I would have had well over seventy five. I think this a great opportunity and I want to thank the volunteers for putting it on. I think we should make this event our signature district event that other districts will hopefully join next year.

As the June Picnic comes up, I do have some IMPORTANT NEWS. I have received the news that the lodge I reserved is good to go. This June Picnic will be held at Black Creek Park on June 11th. This year

the Picnic will be at the Woodside Lodge. I find this lodge easier to get in and out of. This is the second week of June. I didn't know that we traditionally did the first week, but since that is already booked we have the second week, which is Wednesday, June 11th. Put that in all your calendars so that you don't forget. I will put out a flyer to make sure everyone signs up. We have limited space so make sure you get in quickly. I will have details next month that will have all the information everyone needs.

Also make sure to suggest anyone you want to see get an award. This is your event so if know someone that has been doing a great job in the district and deserves an honor put their name in. Any questions please don't hesitate to ask me.

Yours in Scouting,

Alex Melville

Black Creek District Chair of Activities and Support
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Annual Dinner ∞

The annual dinner is Monday May 5th at the Burgundy Basin on Marsh Road, beginning at 5:30pm. The Board reception will be at 5:30pm, the Council Annual Meeting and Dinner will be at 6pm. To RSVP for quorum please contact Chris Crittenden at 585-241-8580 or ccritten@scouting.org. The dinner is \$38 a person if reservations are made by April 23, 2014. Voting members may Vote and not stay for the dinner and recognition program. The registration form is attached to this newsletter. You can also register on the web at <http://swcannualdinner2014.kintera.org>.

Game of the Month ∞

WINK MURDER

Equipment - none

Method - Sit the Scouts down in a circle and take one Scout out. He is the detective and must go out of the room or hide his eyes while the Leader gets all the Scouts to close their eyes as he walks round the ring and silently taps three Scouts on the shoulder. These are the murderers and no one must know who they are to start with. The detective comes back and stands in the ring. Everyone must watch each other carefully as the murderers must wink at other boys to murder them, without the detective seeing him wink. Any non-murderer who is winked at must die and lie down dead. The detective has three guesses to work out who is doing the winking, the winker is the next detective.

Tips- The odds and difficulty can be changed by having only one or two murderers. You can use this as a chance to involve new or shy Scouts into some of the action. If you want a really quiet time then Scouts must die quietly, but part of the fun is with the blood curdling screams that accompany each dramatic death. This game can seriously alarm passing parents or visitors.



Camp Cards! ☯



For a Scout, it can be the way to camp! The camp cards program is a new opportunity to help Scouts fund their way to any of the Council's summer or day camp programs in 2014. For \$5.00, each camp card provides \$100 in value with coupon specials from area businesses offering fast food, travel, recreation and more. Sale began March 8 and troops must settle with the office by the end of April. The program provides a benefit to the individual units and helps the Council in providing programs. Units participating in this program will earn \$2.00 commission on each \$5 Camp Card they sell. At the end of Sale Units will pay \$3.00 for each card not returned to council. Sign up now if your unit is interested. Browse to the council web site for more information: <http://www.senecawaterways.org/support-scouting/camp-cards/>

Membership News ☯

In late March, the Membership Committee held the 2nd Black Creek Membership meeting with our Community Coalitions. These meetings are developing a great exchange of ideas and collaborations within our communities to grow Scouting as well as increase Scouting's visibility!

Black Creek Membership Meeting
All Pack leaders invited to attend
Wednesday, April 30th
7:00 PM @ Rivers Run

Celebrations!!

- Several units have already hosted Membership tables at school events. A couple of units have already recruited 6 kids each!
- Another unit recruited 2 new kids by simply keeping their BeAScout.org pin up to date

Community Coalitions in Action

- Rush Henrietta is working on a kickball event to be held with the cooperation of the town baseball league in August. Other recruitment efforts are being planned at the ball fields.
- Contacts are being made to local businesses to support Scouting recruitment efforts while also providing customer helpers
- A group of volunteers will be hosting an activity at the Town of Gates Easter Egg hunt
- A Chili pack is planning an April recruitment event
- A Rush Henrietta pack is planning an event at an Easter Egg hunt

Troop support

I cannot stress enough the important of troop support at Pack recruitment events. These new Cub Scouts are our future Boy Scouts. Watch for emails regarding upcoming events and the need for volunteers! Your support is greatly appreciated!! Please join us for the next Membership Meeting on Wednesday, April 30th, 7 PM at Rivers Run. Together we can build Scouting in Black Creek District!

Cub Scout Cubs in Camp ☯

The Cub Scout Cubs in Camp registration form is attached to this news letter. Being held on June 7, 2014 at Camp Cutler, this promises to be an excellent event! Only \$10 for the Day, \$25 for an overnight stay. This includes a lunch for the day or lunch, dinner and continental breakfast for overnights. Newly registered Cub Scouts from March-May will be FREE. Participants must register no later than May 30th.

Camp Preparations ∞

By Mike Knittel
Black Creek District Camp Promotion Chair

As many of you know I am also the Camp Properties Committee Chairman for the Council which gives me the opportunity to see all of the work that the Camp Rangers and dedicated volunteers do to get the camps ready for the Summer Camping Season. This is a bigger task than you might realize, but these men and women continue to amaze me with all of the wonderful improvements that happen each year. I was at Camp Babcock-Hovey on March 28th for the Annual Conservation Committee Meeting. They are doing the finishing touches on a new amphibian pond and will be building new shooting pavilions for archery and BB gun shooting which will allow for doing these activities even in the rain. I'll be at Camp

Cutler on May 9th where we are planning on upgrading the orienteering course and doing repairs at the

Ships plus many other projects. On May 16th I will be travelling up to the

Camp Massawepie the jewel of the Adirondacks for Spring Skills Weekend which is the time we get the water and electricity turned back on for Beaver Weekend and the summer. Our big project up there this year is replacing the bridge on the White Trail at the far end of Massawepie Lake. I just want all of the troops and packs to know that there are still some openings if your unit has not signed up yet for camp. Also talk to your new scouts how just crossed over and encourage them to sign up for camp. And all of the Cubmasters, remember to get your Cubs signed up. If you have questions or still need someone to come to you Pack or Troop to talk about summer camp please give me a call evenings at 889-4484.



Scouting for Food and Clothing ∞

This year's Scouting for Food and Clothing Drive is another one for the history books. Even though the weather was a little on the cold side, Saturday morning of the collection spirits were high as Scouts and Scouters went door to door collecting bags of clothing, and nonperishable food products. Here are the totals for the Black Creek District:

3/15 Drop Off Participation: 289 Youth and 172 Adults.

3/22 Pick Up Participation: 273 Youth and 149 Adults.

Total Boxes of Food Collected: 474

Tops Food Markets: (Note, these are not included in numbers above.)

Jefferson Road: 6 Youth and 4 Adults, 12 banana boxes of food

Buffalo Road: 6 Youth and 4 Adults, 19 banana boxes of food

This represents 15 Cub Packs, 20 Boy Scout Troops, and 20 Girl Scout Troops within the Black Creek District. The total collection was up this year by 13% from last year, and I can assure you that the food agencies are thankful for everything they received. I would also like to extend a big "Thank You" to the hundreds of volunteers that helped in this year's campaign. Without you this would not be possible. Remember to mark your Troop calendars for next March so you are not left out of this very important campaign.

John Hellaby and Al Hellaby

Black Creek Scouting for Food Chairs



Work Benefits of Volunteering

by Libby Znaimer

Volunteer work is good for the soul. That's a given. A study out of Germany shows it may also help you perform better in your paying job. The study included people who worked five days a week and spent

about 7 hours volunteering in activities ranging from fire departments to church groups. For two weeks, they completed two daily questionnaires, one after work and the other before going to bed. They detailed how much time they'd spent volunteering and recorded their feelings on need satisfaction, psychological

detachment from work, learning experiences, and well-being at work. There was a positive relationship between their scores in all those areas and the amount of time spent volunteering. In addition, participants who felt their needs were being met reported improvements in active listening at work the following day. The researchers say volunteering can benefit the workplace by helping people disengage from their work and satisfying needs that aren't met there – like mastering new skills and relating to people socially.

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TickEncounter Resource Center

The TickEncounter Resource Center Mission Statement:

The TickEncounter Resource Center promotes tick-bite protection and tick-borne disease prevention by engaging, educating, and empowering people to take action.

Visit <http://www.tickencounter.org> for more information that you can imagine about ticks, identification, prevention, resources, and news.



About THE PADDLE...



The Black Creek District serves the towns of Chili, Gates, Henrietta, Riga (including Churchville), Rush and Wheatland (including Scottsville).

THE PADDLE is published on the second Wednesday of every month except in July and August. Article submissions are due ten days prior to publishing and may be submitted to the District Communications Chair.

THE PADDLE is distributed electronically to all Scouters on the district e-mail distribution list and in paper format at district Roundtables. It can also be downloaded from the Black Creek District page at www.senecawaterways.org.

For more information, contact district communications chair Rick Coloccia.

Black Creek District

2014 Spring Camporee and Merit Badge University

April 25-27 2014 – Mendon Ponds Park

Cost \$10 per Scout or Adult

(camping or not ... / merit badge or not ...)

Registrations must be submitted by Tuesday, April 22nd

This event is for Troops and Crews only
Webelos are welcome to attend as guests of a Troop

Event Schedule

Friday

4:30 pm Overnight Camping Check-In
9:00 pm Cracker Barrel

Saturday

8:00 am Morning Check-In
8:45 am Flags
9:00 am Morning Merit Badge session begin
(Scouts not attending MBU can work on advancement within Troops)
11:30 pm Lunch (within Troops)
1:00 pm Afternoon Merit Badge sessions begin
(Scouts not attending MBU can work on advancement within Troops)
3:30 pm Inter-Troop Competitions / Service Project
5:00 pm Dinner (within Troops)
8:00 pm Campfire Program & OA Call-outs
9:00 pm Troops retire to their own Cracker Barrel's

Sunday

8:30 am Scouts Own Service / Break Camp

- Submit payment and roster to Council
- All Units in attendance MUST carry with them BSA Health forms parts A & B for all participants
- Unit Leaders will be contacted prior to event if desired MBU courses are full to explore alternatives

Questions?

Contact Adam Cregg

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office: (585) 241 - 8534

2014 Black Creek District Spring Camporee & Merit Badge University

Friday April 25 – Sunday April 27

Mendon Ponds Park

BSA Account # 1-6801-211-20

Registration Deadline: Tuesday, April 22nd

Unit #: _____

Unit Leader: _____

Phone #: _____

e-mail: _____

#	Name	Phone	Adult	Youth	Health Form?	C P R	AM MB	PM MB	Paid
ex	Powell, Baden	(585) 111-2222		x	Y		Cooking	Fishing	Y
ex	Greenbar, Bill	(585) 222-1111		x	Y	Y	First Aid	First Aid	Y
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#	<u>Merit Badge</u>	<u>Class Size</u>	<u>Morning Session</u>	<u>Afternoon Session</u>	<u>Notes</u>
1.	First Aid	25	---	all day ---	(Add \$5 if CPR certification desired)
2.	Forestry	20	---	all day ---	
3.	Cooking	25		select am or pm	
4.	Disability Awareness	25		select am or pm	
5.	Surveying	12		select am or pm	
6.	Fishing	15		select am or pm	
7.	Fly Fishing	15		select am or pm	
8.	Geocaching	15		select am or pm	
9.	Golf	20		select am or pm	(also requires 18 holes w/ counselor)
10.	Public Speaking	10		select am or pm	

Scouts must provide their own “blue cards” and merit badges may result in “partials” because of incomplete prerequisites or unforeseen issues resulting from this unique venue. Please be understanding! Thank you!

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Do you travel or camp in remote locations?

Learn how to manage common injuries and illnesses when medical care is an hour away or more.

Enroll in a Wilderness First Aid course designed for Boy Scouts of America (BSA) participants today!

A Wilderness First Aid course for BSA participants will be held at the following time and place:

Sat-Sun, May 17-18, 2014 at Camp Babcock-Hovey, Ovid NY. Fee: \$85 through May 1; \$110 after May 1. Registration closes May 10. Fee includes Wilderness First Aid Field Manual, meals (Sat lunch through Sun lunch) and overnight camping. Maximum registration is 24 participants.

To register:

Online registration:

<http://tinyurl.com/ecsiwfa2014-05>. After registering, mail fee to Craig Kaplan, 1385 Highland Ave, Rochester NY 14620.

Mail registration or for more information:

Contact Craig Kaplan at (585) 261-9020 or ckaplan0951@gmail.com.

This course is offered by the Emergency Care & Safety Institute in association with the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) and the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS).

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& SAFETY INSTITUTE
Life Saving Training..

www.ECSInstitute.org



CUBS IN CAMP



\$20 per person for the day and overnight stay

Free tent camping – bring your own tent!

Packs can rent Pods in the Villages for an additional \$40.

Pods sleep 10.

(INCLUDES LUNCH, DINNER AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST)

SATURDAY – JUNE 7, 2014

**ACTIVITIES WILL INCLUDE: FISHING, NATURE TRAIL
OUTDOOR GAMES, TOUR OF VILLAGES, AND MUCH MORE ...**



2014 SPRING CUBS IN CAMP REGISTRATION

PLEASE RETURN TO THE SCOUT SERVICE CENTER

NO LATER THAN May 30, 2014

Pack No. _____
 No. of Current Cub Scouts: _____
 No. of Adults _____
 No. of Siblings _____

No. of Overnights _____
 No. of Free (New) Cub Scouts _____
 (Newly Registered Cub Scouts from March 2014 to May 2014)
Total Number of Participants: _____

Participants _____ x \$20.00 = \$ _____
 Pod Rental _____ x \$40.00 = \$ _____ **TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____**

Name of Unit Contact: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address of Unit Contact: _____

MAIL TO: SENECA WATERWAYS COUNCIL, BSA, 474 EAST AVENUE, ROCHESTER, NY 14607

Account No. 1-6801-922-20



LEADER SPECIFIC TRAINING
FOR CUB SCOUT LEADERS, BOY SCOUT LEADERS and DEN CHIEFS
Hosted by Lighthouse District
Saturday, May 10, 2014



WHAT: *Leader Specific Training is part of the basic training program for Scout Leaders. These training courses are designed to help you understand your job as a leader, and will teach you how to effectively plan and administer your Scouting program. Note that "Previously Trained" Cub Scout Leaders May "Upgrade" to their new role by taking the "Position Specific Course" at 10:30am.*

WHERE: Greece Baptist Church 1230 Long Pond Rd Rochester, NY 14626

DATE: Saturday, May 10, 2014

TIME: Check-in Begins at 8:30 a.m.; sessions begin at 9:00. See Schedule below.

COST: \$5.00 (No Charge for Youth Protection Only)

BRING: A pen and paper for taking notes, a cup or mug for beverages, and a bag lunch. Please wear your uniform and bring your Leader Book (May be purchased at Service Center prior to Course).

QUESTIONS? Please see notes on Page 2. Contact Andy Burkhartzmeyer (820-6840) nf2l@rochester.rr.com or Christopher Dore (241-8547) chdore@bsaemail.org for more information.

SPACE IS LIMITED--PREREGISTRATION REQUIRED BY May 8.

Return bottom portion with payment; retain top half for your reference.

Checks payable to: Seneca Waterways Council BSA

Seneca Waterways Council Service Center ~ 474 East Avenue ~ Rochester, NY 14607-2992 www.senecawaterways.org

Day of Training: May 10, 2014 (Register by May 8th)

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY:

NAME _____ CURRENT POSITION _____

ADDRESS _____ City/Village _____ Zip _____

PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

Pack Number _____ / Troop Number _____ DISTRICT _____

TRAINING REQUESTED:

Cub Scout Leader Track: *The Cub Leader training includes the 2010 Revision to the Cub Leader Program*

9:00 to 9:30am Intro to Cub Scouts and (Cub Leader combined, taken once. Also available online)

9:30 to 12:00 pm: Position Specific Courses (Select One):

Tiger Den Leader / Assistant Den Leader (Wolf AND Bear)/Assistant

Webelos Den Leader / Assistant Cubmaster and Assistant Pack Committee

12:00 – 1:00 pm Lunch break and Optional "Roundtable" Discussion about Cub Scout Program

Boy Scout Leader Track

9:00 to 2:00: Boy Scout Leader Specific Training (For Scoutmasters, Assistant Scoutmasters; recommended for Committee)

Den Chief Track

9:00 to 1:00 pm: Please bring copy of "Den Chief's Handbook".

Youth Protection (Required for all leaders, good for 2 years)

12:30 to 2:00 Boy Scout/Cub Scout

PAYMENT: Cash Check Pack/Troop Account (authorized signature only)

Youth Protection Only (No Charge) _____ Authorized Unit Signature if paying from

Account

Account # 1-6801-111-20

Lighthouse Day of Training – 5/10/14

LEADER SPECIFIC TRAINING
FOR CUB SCOUT LEADERS, BOY SCOUT LEADERS and DEN CHIEFS
Hosted by Lighthouse District
Saturday, May 10, 2014

Some Special Notes:

Please wear your uniform and bring lunch/snack.

Pre-registration is required. *Courses without pre-registered participants will be canceled on May 8. Walk-ins will be accommodated on a space-available basis if the course is offered. You do not have to be a registered adult leader to take these courses; adults interested in learning about scouting and/or becoming leaders are welcome.*

Cub Leader Upgrade: *If you already received training for a Cub Leader position and have a new role, or want to take the training for a future role, you do not need to re-take "Intro to Cub Scouts" or "How to Have Fun" (although you are welcome to do this as a review!). You can come for the "Specific" portion of the training starting at 10:30. Note that you can also take these training courses online at myscouting.org.*

Den Chief: *Please bring a copy of "Den Chief's Handbook" (purchase at the Service Center).*

SCOUT DAY AT THE MUSEUM

Genesee Country Village & Museum in Mumford NY will celebrate Armed Forces Day on Saturday, May 17, 2014 with Military Heritage Day—a showcase of the importance of the military in the lives of Western New Yorkers since before the Revolution. The focus this year will be demonstrating how military technology has evolved over the decades. **Scouts and troops will receive discounted admission for those wearing their uniform (\$6.50 for scouts and \$11 for leaders); free admission for all active military and veterans.**



Scouts will see displays of military uniforms, equipment and collectibles will span the region's history; included will be special exhibits on 20th- and 21st-century conflicts and live demonstrations of firearms - from flintlocks to M1 rifles. Scouts will also have the opportunity to see a Civil War-era "magic gas" demonstration involving the nation's only historic replica military gas balloon as well as an 1860s

ladies' afternoon social to benefit the Union soldiers. Other activities include morning and afternoon flag ceremonies, letterboxing and orienteering at the Nature Center. Scouts won't want to miss the "Fashion in Context" as the historic ladies of the village show off their period dresses and bonnets - while the wartime soldiers compare uniforms and weaponry across the centuries.

The Civil War-era Excelsior Fife and Drum Corps and the Rochester Scottish Pipes and Drums will also perform concerts of patriotic music; child's militia will form and march on the Village Square. Some of the area's leading experts on military history and western New York's involvement in America's wars. Reenactors and exhibitors will represent the French & Indian War, Revolutionary War, War of 1812, Civil War, Spanish-American War and World War II.



Genesee Country Village & Museum, a not-for-profit organization is one of the nation's largest living history museums, with 68 historic structures from all around Western New York. Here history truly lives and breathes. Costumed men, women and children carry out the work—and play—of 19th-century village life every day. The museum is open mid-May to mid-October with dozens of special programs, events, tours, and festivals occurring during the season and through the fall and winter. **Visit www.gcv.org for more information;** look under the "Explore and Learn" tab for information about our many scout programs.

Troops may pre-register for Military Heritage Day by calling the museum office at 585-538-6822.

Wood Badge is for YOU...

Cub Scout Leaders

- You can be a better leader and a more effective contributor to your Pack.
- You can use your skills to help others and your teams
- You can be a catalyst for growth, change, and improvement in the Program your boys enjoy

Boy Scout Leaders

- You can be a more effective Adult Leader or Committee Member
- You can better lead and guide your Scouts in their individual, patrol, and troop leadership
- You can be a catalyst for growth, change, and improvement in the Program your boys enjoy

Venturing Leaders

- You can lead by example in team development and leadership
- You can understand and play an effective role in Crew development and planning
- You can be a catalyst for growth, change, and improvement in the Program the youth enjoy

Scouters and Professionals

- You can help the teams you work with be better organized and accomplish more
- You can better plan and accomplish objectives that improve the Program you are part of
- You can be a catalyst for growth, change, and improvement in the Programs that Scouting youth enjoy

Course Locations

Weekend 1:

Camp Babcock-Hovey

"A" on map below

7294 County Road 132

Ovid, NY 14521

Weekend 2:

J. Warren Cutler Scout Reservation

"B" on map below

7131 Gulick Road

Naples, NY 14512



Seneca Waterways Council Office

474 East Avenue

Rochester, NY 14607

Phone: (585) 244-4210

Fax: (585) 244-9403

www.senecawaterways.org

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Frequently Asked Questions

Do I need to attend both weekends?

Yes, the course takes place over two weekends.

How does this compare to corporate leadership and team development training?

The information and structure of Wood Badge is very similar to what you would receive in Leadership training courses that corporations provide, and it costs hundreds if not thousands of dollars less. It is common to hear Wood Badge attendees say that it's as good as, if not better than courses they have taken.

Should I ask my employer to help pay for this training?

Absolutely! You will not only be a better, more effective Scout leader, you will be able to put ALL of the skills and knowledge to work at your company.

What if I change my position in Scouting in the next 18 months?

Your Ticket, a commitment you make to yourself that includes 5 goals related to your role in Scouting, can be constructed towards your future plans, and can be changed if your role changes.

Will it be fun?

Tell you what - ask anyone that has attended Wood Badge - their testimony will answer that question better than this FAQ can!

Will it be worth my investment in time and money?

I am glad you phrased your question like that - Wood Badge is truly an investment in your own growth, development, and skills as a Scout leader. Yes, you will find that your investment will be quite worthwhile, both in Scouting and in your professional and personal life.

“Wood Badge training is designed to fulfill the needs of course participants. They learn techniques that make them better leaders, and they learn how to lead groups to achieve objectives.”

- Wood Badge Training Syllabus

I'm interested!

When

April 25-27, 2014 (Weekend 1) and
May 17-19, 2014 (Weekend 2)

What is the cost?

\$265 per person covers the course, all course materials, food and lodging for both weekends. Financial assistance is available.

What is my time commitment?

Two 3-day weekends, then completing 5 personal goals over an 18-month period.

How do I sign up?

Register NOW as this course WILL FILL UP FAST! Use the form on the left.

Contact dcheney@bsamail.org or call him at 585-241-8531 with questions.

Wood Badge 2014 (N3-397-14) Registration Form

- Cut Here -

Name: _____ Phone: _____
Daytime _____ Evening _____

Address: _____
Street _____ City/State _____ ZIP _____

Email Address _____

Program (circle one): Cub Scout Boy Scout Venturing Varsity Unit# _____ Position: _____

Return with \$75 non-refundable deposit to:

Council Use Only: Acct# 1-2629-950-20

Seneca Waterways Council, Strong Scout Shop, 474 East Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607