



Wood Badge

On the morning of September 8, 1919, a 62-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 antelopes. He blew a long, sharp blast, and 19 men gathered in patrols for a new training course for Scout leaders.



Robert Stephenson Smyth. Baden-Powell (B-P), 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, B-P looked for a suitable recognition. He chose the wooden beads from a chieftain's necklace he had received during his military service in Africa, and put them on a leather bootlace, a symbol of good luck. The training course and the recognition became known as the "Wood Badge." The tradition continues and a new one begins; Today the [Verdugo Hills Council](#), Boy Scouts of America, with the help of its Tri-Council partners—[Long Beach Area Council](#) and [San Gabriel Valley Council](#)—is pleased to offer the 21st-Century Wood Badge Training to all adult leaders registered in the BSA.

2013 Tri-Council Wood Badge Course W4-58-13 Contact Information:

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Statement of Understanding & Agreement

I understand that full payment is due by July 20, 2013. I also understand that all payments will be refunded in the event I am unable to attend, provided notification is made by July 20, 2013 to the Verdugo Hills Council professional advisor and the Course Director/Scoutmaster. Partial refund thereafter, if any, is at the discretion of the host council.

As a registered adult Scouter representing my Council, I will participate in Wood Badge to learn the techniques and principles of leadership. I understand that attendance at all sessions and completion of a set of personal goals (relating to my Scouting position and pre-approved by my Troop Guide/Ticket Counselor) will be required for certification and recognition. I have completed the basic training for my Scouting position. Following my return from the Wood Badge course, I will aid my council in fulfilling the purposes and objectives of the Boy Scouts of America.

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Apply online: <http://woodbadge2013.com>
Name on training record:

Name on Badge

Address: _____

City: _____

State: ____ Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____

Evening Phone: _____

email: _____

Gender: Male Female

My Primary Scouting registration is with:

Cub Scout Pack Boy Scout Troop

Venturing Crew Varsity Team

District Council

Unit Number: _____

Scouting Position: _____

District: _____

Council: _____

Religious affiliation: _____

Health Restrictions: None As Noted:

Dietary Restrictions: None As Noted:

Other Considerations: None As Noted:

Previous Wood Badge: None As Noted:

I have read and agree to "Statement of Understanding and Agreement" (at left).

Signature: _____

Submit application and payment to:

Verdugo Hills Council

[1325 Grandview Avenue,](#)
[Glendale CA 90807-0338](#)

The Tri-Council
Wood Badge Committee
Announces

Wood Badge
For the 21st Century

2013 Course

W4-58-13

Course dates

Aug. 23-25 and Sept. 27-29

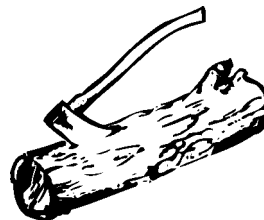
plus 2 Patrol Mtgs.

For BSA Adult Leaders in
Cub Scout Packs Boy Scout Troops
Varsity Teams Venturing Crews
Councils Districts



Hosted by the
Verdugo Hills Council
Boy Scouts of America
<http://www.woodbadge2013.com>

Co-sponsored by
Long Beach Area Council
San Gabriel Valley Council



WOOD BADGE: A Two-Step Process:

Step 1: The Practical Course

For two 3-day sessions (about 8am Friday to 6pm Sunday), you will live, learn, and work with other Scouters while being exposed to the leadership skills applicable to the development of high-performance teams. You will also develop a set of goals (the "Ticket") to be completed in the 18 months following the course.

2013 Course Schedule

August 23-25, 2013

September 27-29, 2013

Camp Tecuya – Frazier Park

and at least 2 Mid-Course Patrol Mtgs.

Step 2: The Application Phase

September 30, 2013-March 30, 2015

During the application phase you will apply the leadership skills that you learned during the course by working the goals (the "Ticket") that you established and that your Troop Guide/Ticket Counselor approved during the course. Throughout this period, your guide acts as a resource counselor and a Scouting Friend to help you complete your "ticket" and accomplish your goals in Scouting. After your guide confirms that you have achieved your goals, you will receive the Wood Badge neckerchief, woggle and beads, a worldwide recognition, to wear with your Scouting Field Uniform.

Who May Attend:

You qualify to participate in this exciting experience if you are an adult leader registered in the BSA and have completed the basic training course for your Scouting position.

Registration:

The total cost of the course is **\$245.00**, due by July 20, 2013. This fee covers training materials, a course hat, food for the first session and recognition items. In addition, you will need to provide your Scout uniform, personal camping gear, and some food for the second session. To accept this invitation, submit the completed application form along with a payment of at least \$50.00 to the Verdugo Hills Council. Registration is available at <http://register.vhcbbsa.org>. Participants will be accepted on a first-come/first-served basis until the course reaches capacity. Alternates will be placed on a stand-by list.

Uniform and Other Needs:

For the course, Scouters will need a complete BSA Field uniform for the program in which they are currently registered. This includes a shirt, pants or shorts, appropriate socks and belt. Information on other clothing and equipment needs will be provided to each registered participant prior to the course.

Medicals:

While Wood Badge is not a survival course, there will be significant outdoor activity with lots of exercise. You must provide a current Annual Health and Medical Record form parts A, B, C with medical clearance dated between September 30, 2012 and September 26, 2013 – to be submitted in time for use in planning and for the duration of the course.