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Scoutmaster



Dan Kublank Senior Patrol Leader

Good morning and welcome to the first day of your Wood Badge adventure on course C7-129-17. You've decided to embark on the most exciting adult training program available at the Council level. The course staff and I have a few promises we'd like to make right from the start:

Passion – You will see that the staff and the many others who support us believe strongly in this course. Our passion for your success will be apparent.

Preparation – Plans for this course began last September. For the past year the staff has been reviewing, practicing and preparing the program and activities to ensure a "mountain-top" experience for you. We are prepared.

Values – The Scout Oath and Law represent our foundation values. You will see those attributes personified in all that we do. We expect the same of you.

Pleasure – No training offered at the Council level offers the fun of Wood Badge. The pleasure you have on this course is dependent upon the staff, the proper delivery of the program material and YOU. You will have fun.

Partnership – The fellowship of Wood Badge is one of the greatest networking opportunities available to a Scouter. Talk about your Scouting experiences; learn from the experiences of others. Make lifelong friendships. Together we are all partners in your future success.

Remember these five promises and the part you play in each one as we progress through this leadership course. On behalf of the staff and support crew, we are glad you're here and once again, welcome to Wood Badge!

Steve Chodash

Scoutmaster C7-129-17

"I am always doing that which I cannot do, in order that I may learn how to do it."--Pablo Picasso, Spanish artist



On behalf of the 14,000 youth of the Northeast Illinois Council, I would like to thank you for participating in this year's Wood Badge Course. The Northeast

Illinois Council remains in BSA's top 10 % of councils because leaders such as you are willing to take the time to become fully trained. We cannot deliver a great program without leaders who understand the mission, vision and values of Scouting and how to build great teams while instilling Scouting's ideals in our youth. I've been in your shoes, and I promise you will learn many important aspects of Scouting that will help you and your units. This year we have an exceptional Scoutmaster, Steve Chodash and a very talented staff to keep you enlightened, informed and quite possibly entertained. I look forward to meeting you and working with you as your Wood Badge Senior Patrol Leader. In cheerful service,

Dan Kublank Senior Patrol Leader C7-129-17

Agenda

- 1) Welcome
- 2) Check-Ins & Paperwork
- 3) Icebreaker Activities
- 4) Gilwell Field Assembly
- 5) Camp Set-up
- 6) The Pack begins course work
- 7) Blue & Gold Opening Luncheon
- 8) Troop Meeting

- 9) Patrol Leaders Council
- 10) Patrol Meeting
- 11) Dinner
- 12) Troop Campfire
- 13) Cracker Barrel

Patrol News







Welcome C7-129-17 Participants

This ad was sponsored by your friendly Wood Badge Scribes.

They would like to welcome you and let you know that these pages will be filled with YOUR experiences— when you submit your patrol articles daily! It can be a poem, song, drawing, or something about your day.



Options for submitting your article items:

- 1. Use your smartphone to write up and email or text articles, photos, etc. to the contact below.
- 1. Use the computers in the lobby. Write your article and save it to the desktop. We will collect it from there.

You have until 5:00 PM each day to submit your content.

History starts now!

Make it great, make it memorable, and share!







Contact Options:

Email:

tcalabre@aol.com

Text: 847-220-1696

IMPORTANT!

Include your Patrol Name and your name with any submissions. Example:

BOBWHITE: John Smith

PATROL ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

For a patrol to succeed as a team, each of it's members must...

- Fully participate in the Wood Badge course and achieve all he/she can
- Practice using the team development skills introduced during Wood Badge
- Help his/her patrol fulfill assignments, including the development and presentation of the patrol project
- Set a good example by living the Scout Oath and Law
- Have fun!

THE PATROL LEADER

- Take a leading role in planning and conducting patrol meetings and activities
- Encourage patrol members to fully participate in the Wood Badge course
- Represent the patrol at the Patrol Leader's Council (PLC)
- Ensure that daily patrol self-assessments are completed in a timely and effective manner
- Support the patrol in becoming a high-performance team
- See that the patrol is prepared for all course presentation and activities

THE ASSISTANT PATROL LEADER

- Assume the responsibilities of the patrol leader when the patrol leader is unable to do so
- Encourage patrol members to fully participate in the Wood Badge course and to achieve all they can
- Assist the patrol leader in empowering the patrol to become the best it can be
- Set a good example by living up to the Scout Oath and Law

PATROL CHAPLAIN AIDE

- Learn what resources are available that can be used for religious observances during the course and make that
 information available to the rest of the patrol
- Develop and help represent the participants' interfaith worship service
- Assist in conducting any other religious observances that may arise during the Wood Badge course
- Set a good example by living up to the Scout Oath and Law

PATROL SCRIBE

- · Provide interesting and timely material about the patrol to the publisher of daily The Gilwell Gazette
- To discuss how best they can assist in making the Gazette a worthwhile publication
- Set a good example by living up to the Scout Oat and Law

PATROL QUARTERMASTER

- Keep an inventory of Patrol equipment and sees that the gear is in good condition
- Work with troop Quartermaster to check out equipment and return it
- · Report to Patrol on the status of equipment needed for second session
- Organize equipment needed to complete conservation project on Day Five
- Assist Troop Quartermasters in assignments as needed
- Coordinate activities when Patrol is assigned as the service Patrol

PATROL LEAVE NO TRACE TRAINER

- Specialize in teaching Leave No Trace principles
- Review principles outlined in Participant Notebook
- Ensure that the troop follows these principles on outings
- Improve Scouts' outdoor ethics decision-making skills













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Do you know anyone who needs help in one way or another, due to a disability or for some other reason? He doubtless knows his need far too well. What he might not know is what his gifts are.

Look at him a little closer. Learn from his patience and persistence. Pause and enjoy life at his pace. Experience joy in his successes. Notice that appearances don't tell the whole story.

Find out what he does well and encourage him. What you will find is a hidden treasure: something he can give to others. Perhaps you can give this young man the joy of giving. His self-image can grow beyond his needs to include his gifts, and when that happens, the sky's the limit.

And you'll see that it is also blessed to receive.

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