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Why Should You Take Wood Badge?

Hear it from the Patrols on C4-440-17-1 and C4-440-17-2!

This past spring I had the honor and pleasure of serving as the Course Director/Scoutmaster for Wood Badge Course C4-440-17-1 and Melanie Gerken served as Course Director for C4-440-17-2 held in July and August. The two courses had 56 participants and eight from the spring course have completed their tickets and six of those Scouters will receive their beads today. These 56 Scouters are and will be working on 280 ticket items that are making a difference in their roles in Scouting and in their communities. Enjoy reading the comments below from the ten Patrols on the courses as they were asked to submit articles on their experiences since the courses concluded, their progress on their tickets, how they benefitted from the course, networked with fellow passionate Scouters and had FUN!

- YIS, Scott Strawn

The Beaver Patrol has been looking forward to reuniting with each other at the Wood Badge Breakfast. Life has been busy for the Patrol since completing the course: One Beaver got his beads and others are getting close. A couple of Beavers were mending their tails at the end of 2017, so we are looking to good health and success in 2018! Our Units have benefited from ticket items that included: a new and improved Pack Committee with a Chair, implementation of Den Chiefs, increased service projects, a summer full of activities, and participation in Jamboree on the Air – Jamboree on the Internet. At the district level, two Beavers are now serving as Cub Scout Round Table Commissioners. Grateful for all that our Wood Badge experience has already produced, the Beavers can’t wait to keep building on this great training!

The Bobwhites continue to own the range and progress through their Wood Badge tickets and help improve Scouting wherever possible. Some examples of the progress being made are the completion of a Pack Newsletter, migration of a troop from paper calendars to utilizing a troop website, as well as the enhancement of a Patrol Leader Council planning process.

Fortunately, there has been little to no impact from the Bobwhites daily lives on their ability to complete tickets items. Spouses have not asked questions about the additional hours of work put in to complete Scout work, jobs have miraculously become less demanding, and non-Wood Badge Scout issues and work have become smaller and less time consuming, all clearing the way for further progress on tickets to be made!

Seriously though, we look forward to 2018 and the opportunity to continue to benefit our individual Scout Packs & Troops as well as the organization overall. From the work already completed the impact has been tremendous and positive and being a part of it has been a pleasure and an honor.
The Eagle Patrol has been busy working on their tickets and has made tremendous progress, utilizing the knowledge and connections we developed through Wood Badge C-4-440-17-1. With the goal to improve the program for their scouts, Frank has completed his ticket goal of becoming a merit badge counselor for American Business Merit Badge and Jessica continues to work her ticket with her pack.

Denise and Frank volunteered to help Ben with one of his ticket items, holding an Introduction to Leadership Skills Training for Scouts camp out attended by scouts from different troops across the council back in September. These relationships have continued to strengthen through participation in scouting functions as Denise and Frank have volunteered together as Campmaster Staff at Beaumont, Frank and Ben are active in the OA Lodge together, and Ben and Denise's troops joined together again for a shooting sports weekend at Firelands in December.

Michael has completed three of his ticket items and is now focused on his fourth, a major event that will take place in March 2018, Pack 780’s 1st Annual Spaghetti Dinner. All are invited to attend and participate in the silent auction!

Don has been focusing on his training and the training of his recruited leaders to build a strong succession plan for his pack, using his networks and personal connections through Wood Badge. His youngest son will be crossing over from the pack to the troop in March and accordingly, Don is looking forward to Scoutmaster Training and Outdoor Leadership Training in the spring.

Denise was the first in the patrol to finish her ticket and everyone is excited to attend her Beading Ceremony to be held in December 2017 or January 2018. Ben's final ticket goal was completed on December 15th with the council's first Scout Shabbat in over a decade and looks forward to seeing many Scouting supporters from the Eagle Patrol and Wood Badge Course C-4-440-17-1.

Special thanks to Jenn N, a superior Troop Guide and distinguished "Beagle".

What does the fox say?!! We say we’ve been working our tickets! Despite busy lives the fox patrol has made good progress in completing our tickets. Some of the tickets completed so far are a Personal Management Seminar, hosting a “microrecruiting” event, starting a Den Chief program with area Cub Scout Packs, planning and leading a super fun campfire, getting a Scout Reach Troop to summer camp, and assisting with a weekend leadership program for Scouts utilizing the skills learned during Wood Badge. Tickets that we are still working to complete are creating a Troop scrapbook, planning an primitive outpost campout for older Scouts to hone their advanced backpacking skills, launching a uniform exchange program so that every Scout can fully participate regardless of financial means, conducting a biggest loser challenge, putting on a game night at a local retirement home, gathering items to create a guidebook for an annual hiking trip, and giving Scouts the opportunity to experience the difficulties of coping with handicaps. Part of the learning experience of Wood Badge is outfoxing challenges. And we’ve had challenges to test our cunning. Besides the usual demanding jobs, busy families, and the holidays, one of us has a new job that requires a lot more travel. But that’s not enough to keep the Foxes down. We’re fired up about the new year and committed to completing our tickets. Because we’re doing this not for ourselves but for the next generation of Fox Patrol! (and the poor souls that aren’t lucky enough to be in our patrol...God bless ‘em).

The Owls are happy to report that three of the five in our parliament have completed their tickets; numbers four and five are right around the corner. Wood Badge has made a significant impact in our lives. Tara was actually so motivated that she changed careers while Matt and his wife welcomed a new little Owlet into his family! Mary, James, and Norm have made significant impacts on their units. Since our departure from Wood Badge, Owls have been spotted all over town together. We’ve been seen together up at Council, Beaumont Summer Camp, Cub Haunted, Scoutmaster Training, and Red White and Boom. We’ve met for coffee, lunches, and are planning a hammock camping trip for this summer! To be INSPIRED is great, but to be an INSPIRATION is an honor. Wood Badge inspired us and has given us the tools to INSPIRE others. The Owls take that very seriously and are honored to be spreading the Wood Badge message.
Beavers, busy, busy Beavers. Here we are with roughly 2/3’s of our time left to complete our tickets! Things truly have been busy in the lives of the Beaver Patrol. Some members are off to a good start on their tickets, others have only just begun! We have all been in touch a few times but not nearly as much as we could. With 1/3 of the ticket time past, encouraging each other to keep working on tickets may prove valuable for the success of the patrol. Ticket counselors don’t be shy if you’re reading this!! Reach out to your Beaver and encourage them to stay the course! Thanks again for all the effort Staff put into our course, don’t let anyone fall short of those beads! Hopefully the next year proves productive for all the C4-440-17-2 patrols! Ohana!!

"It was a tough autumn for the Bobwhites. We were all diligently checking items off our tickets, but then we had to dive (ok, run) to safety as suddenly millions of our big, fowl cousins were murdered by the humans. They call it Thanksgiving, but we of the feathered persuasion call it the Great Turkey Massacre of 2017.

Now that life is back to normal (who knew the turkey population could bounce back so quickly), we Bobwhites are emerging from our nests tougher (way too tough to eat) than ever to again take on the world... and our tickets.

We hope that all the other critters remembered that Bobwhites are "Friends, Not Food" as they all enjoyed their delicious non-poultry holiday hams, rib roasts, legs of lamb, or better yet, boneless ribeyes cooked to perfection!

Look down world. Here come the Bobwhites!
The Owls have been enjoying the time planning our tickets. We do not enjoy the cold too much so we flew south for the winter… but forgot our Wood Badge ticket items. We plan to get to them with the holidays coming up. We have been keeping in touch and always encouraging our “OHANA” family to keep working their ticket. We recently enjoyed a nice lunch “with a side of Bobwhite” to support a local Cub Scout Pack.
2017 NYLT Course Week #2

2017 NYLT Staff

2017 NYLT Youth Staff PLC:

Senior Patrol Leader: Jesse Belitz
ASPL - Program: Seth Welch
ASPL - Service: Brett Bentkowski
Lead Troop Guide: Elena Mazur
Lead QM - Commissary: Robert Artrip

2017 NYLT Courses Adult Staff

Scoutmaster: Scott Horan
ASM Program: Brian Child
ASM Scoutcraft: Amy Geiss
ASM Commissary: Nathan Schoaff
ASM - Support: Terry Polzin
ASM - Health & Safety: Steve Garner
NATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP TRAINING

National Youth Leadership Training is an exciting, action-packed program that centers on the concepts of what a leader must BE, what he must KNOW, and what he must DO. The key elements are then taught with a clear focus on HOW TO. Through activities, presentations, challenges, and discussions, NYLT participants will be engaged in a unified approach to leadership that will give them the skill and confidence to lead well.

NYLT is a six-day course. Content is delivered in a troop and patrol outdoor setting with an emphasis on immediate application of learning in a fun environment. Interconnecting concepts and work processes are introduced early, built upon, and aided by the use of memory aids, which allows participants to understand and employ the leadership skills much faster.

WOOD BADGE HALL OF FAME

The LEC WB Hall of Fame Committee is seeking your input for Scouters worth nominating as future Hall of Fame inductees. Nominating forms are also available at the Wood Badge web page www.lecba.org.

Congratulations to Joel Bussman, Chip Reed, Matt Shoaff and the late Sig Hufenbach for their induction in 2017!
Mission Statement
The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

Vision Statement
The Boy Scouts of America will prepare every eligible youth in America to become a responsible, participating citizen and leader who is guided by the Scout Oath and Law.

The Good Turn Ticket
Please complete your Good Turn Tickets and get them turned into Connie Klemens in time for recognition at the 2019 Scholarship Breakfast.

Auction
The Auction Committee is looking for help - both in staffing as well as securing donations. If you have auction ideas and resources, PLEASE contact Linda Gray at Lmgray55@gmail.com.

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Buckeye Council
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August 10 – 12 & September 14 – 16, 2018
Course Director: Larry Lott
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