



# THE GILWELL GAZETTE

## BREAKFAST EDITION 2017

Greater Cleveland Council Boy Scouts of America

January 7, 2017

### Wood Badge / NYLT Scholarship Breakfast

Good morning and welcome to the 37th annual Greater Cleveland Council Wood Badge / NYLT Scholarship breakfast. We thank all of the generous sponsors who have donated to the auction, the staff responsible for this breakfast, and all of you who took time to attend. A special welcome to those considering taking Wood Badge with us in the spring!

In 2015, the proceeds from this breakfast were used to assist 18 adults to attend or staff Wood Badge and another 15 youth to attend National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT), with scholarships totaling \$2,465.

In 2016, the proceeds were used to assist 22 adults to attend or staff Wood Badge and 15 youth to attend NYLT. Scholarships totaled \$2,950.

One hundred percent of the proceeds from today will go directly into the fund, which is the sole source of support for these scholarships. Plans will soon be underway to begin planning for next year's breakfast, including the location, menu, program, and auction. If you have ideas and/or would like to be a part of our team, please contact Wood Badge Breakfast Chairman Linda Gray at [Lmgray55@gmail.com](mailto:Lmgray55@gmail.com).

#### C4-440-16 - Beaumont Scout Reservation

Course Director / Scoutmaster Carol Doe & Senior Patrol Leader Jim Durdak



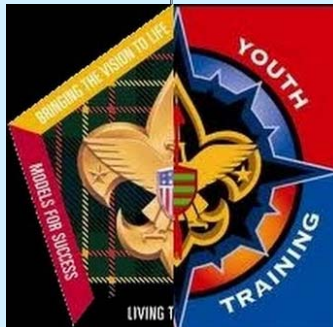
#### Wood Badge C4-440-17-1

April 21 - 23, 2017 & May 20 - 22, 2017  
Course Director: SCOTT STRAWN  
Registration: <http://woodbadge.gccbsa.com>

#### Wood Badge C4-440-17-2

July 28 - 30, 2017 & August 11 - 13, 2017  
Course Director: MELANIE GERKEN  
Registration: *Link coming soon!*

Cost \$225  
Early registration discounts available.  
Scholarships available as needed.



#### National Youth Leadership Training

Week #1: June 11 - 17, 2017  
Week #2: July 23 - 29, 2017

Cost: \$210  
Scholarships available as needed.

Course Director  
SCOTT HORAN

Registration:  
<http://gccbsa.kintera.org/nyltpart2017>

# Why should you take Wood Badge?

Find out from the Patrols of C4-440-16!

Good morning! I had the honor to serve as the Greater Cleveland Council's Course Director / Scoutmaster of C4-440-16! We had a record number of participants (50) that are currently working on their Wood Badge tickets and making a difference in their roles in Scouting. I asked each patrol to submit an article AFTER the course was completed explaining why they enjoyed the course. These are the patrol articles submitted.



YIS~  
Carol Doe

## Do Your Best - To Be Prepared - To Lead The Adventure!



**BEAVER PATROL:** We had a fantastic time! It was a full class – eight patrols of roughly 6 to 7 people. With a combination of classroom training and field exercises, we learned the benefits of the Patrol method in creating a well-organized unit, got tools on how to resolve conflict and overcome obstacles and gained insight on how to encourage parents to join, get off the sidelines and get involved. All the while, we learned valuable leadership tips and techniques in a team-building atmosphere that can be applied not only to our unit, but in our families and jobs as well. We were inspired to learn more about ourselves and the legacy we want to create, and we built lifelong friendships with other adults who are passionate about and dedicated to the Mission and Vision of the Boy Scouts of America. I guarantee you that the more you put into Wood Badge, the more you will get out of it. Be prepared, to do your best, to lead the adventure!

**BOBWHITE PATROL:** We had no idea what we had gotten ourselves into when we started wood badge, but the Bobwhites certainly have learned how to soar! All of our energy has been renewed as we work our tickets. We Bobwhites still use our Slack site to remain in conversation with each other after the course ended. We encourage each other and just talk about our scouting programs and how we use what we learn. I think Pete Siggia said it best, "I have six new close friends for life and 70 or so more that I have common ground with." We all can agree on that.



**EAGLE PATROL:** The Eagles' are increasing their elevations and seeking answers to their tickets. One Eagle has completed two of his ticket goals already. However, a few of us are still getting things together to move forward. What a great experience. Each of us were challenged and learned a lot. To some degree we are all still overcoming our last supper together. It was an outstanding meal with great planning and execution. Each of us have new colleagues and friendships.



**FOX PATROL:** Since our last time on Gilwell Field a month ago, Fox Patrol hopes there has been some well deserved time with families. It is surprising how quickly time passes. Additionally, it has been an exciting time for the city since the Cavaliers won the championship. How many went downtown for the parade? The second Wood Badge weekend definitely delivered on the staffs' promise of a mountain top experience! The planning, energy, creativity, enthusiasm and passion evident throughout the weekend by fellow participants as well as staff was over-the-top and incredible. We especially enjoyed our time together as a patrol and getting to know each other better during our campsite time. Our combined skill sets were very, very complimentary and allowed us to rock the weekend!! We cannot wait to see how our completed tickets impact our individual Scouting worlds and the Scouting movement. Looking forward to attend the first beading ceremony!



**OWL PATROL:** We made it! The practical phase of our Wood Badge course is complete! The Owls had an absolute blast over the six short days we spent at Beaumont. It seems like we have known each other for much longer than that though. Right off the bat, we became an outstanding team and all got along well. We had the chance to grow and learn together over the duration of the course, with the opportunity to learn from and about one another. From the classroom exercises to the physical challenges to camping in our own site as a unit, we stuck together and had an outstanding time. Our table was always filled with laughter, our campsite always filled with jubilation and joy. We really did have the best of times, and even learned a thing or two along the way. I'm sure I speak for not only myself and the other Owls, but for the rest of the participants of C4-440-16 when I say that memories were made which will not soon be forgotten. For those memories, I want to say thank you. Thank you to my fellow Owls. Thank you to our outstanding Troop Guide, Jenn, for laughing alongside with our (sometimes off-topic) jokes/ candor/witticisms. Thank you to Jimmy, Carol, and the entirety of the staff for all you did to make C4-440-16 the fantastic success that it was.



**BEAR PATROL:** We are all working on our tickets. We all learned so much from Wood badge. We have come home and started to put the information we learned into motion. We all look forward to getting together to celebrate all of our accomplishment and receive our beads. I think I can speak for all of us and say that we miss our time together at Beaumont. Thank you Mrs. Doe and staff for giving all of us a wonderful fun experience and teaching us skills that we had and needed a refresher on and teaching us new skills. Also would like to thank Bill the Chef and his staff for all the wonderful meals they made for us. DA BEARS.



**BUFFALO PATROL:** As we take our leave of Gilwell Field, the tasks we are charged with now turn from completing Wood Badge to working our ticket. In doing so, we take upon us the responsibility to utilize our gained knowledge and tools to lead the changes we agreed to within our respective units. We take upon our shoulders the legacy of Wood Badge, of Scouting itself, to make leaders of young boys and girls. We do not go alone. We have our new friends, nay, our new found brothers and sisters in Scouts, to lean on and seek counsel. We motivation to lead change and new tools to do so. We have a renewed sense of pride and obligation to do our duty. Let us not forget these things as we depart camp. Stay the course and continue to sharpen your axe, and the axe of your fellow Scout. Good luck to all! Buffalos stampeding to the fields!



**ANTELOPE PATROL:** So here we are several weeks out from the completion of our Wood Badge training; figuratively traveling home whilst completing our tickets along the way. We offer our gratitude to Mrs. Doe, Jimmy, Lance, and the rest of the Gilwell staff. At the end of the day we recognize that we are all volunteers; we do this because we want to. The time, dedication, and sacrifice put in by the Wood Badge staff are of a level to be commended. Reflecting on our final weekend at Gilwell we have several memories to cherish.

*(EDITOR SHORTENED LOPE-LIKE LENGTHY ARTICLE TO FIT ON THIS PAGE! THANK YOU FOR UNDERSTANDING!)*

But now we have returned to our regular duties - vocational, scouting, and other – and need to remember that the next move is ours. What will we do? How will we translate what we have learned into service within our troops and the community at large? How will we do our best, to be prepared, to lead the adventure – and by doing so create an environment of excitement, achievement, development and enrichment for those within our charge? How will we keep our Horns Up to possibilities and our Hooves Down to work the grindstone? Back to Gilwell, happy land. We're going to work our tickets because we can.

**“Diversity is not about how we differ. Diversity is about embracing one another's uniqueness.”**

Ola Joseph



# C4-443-16 - Camp Stigwandish

Course Director / Scoutmaster Dave Sechnick & Senior Patrol Leader Rich Gent

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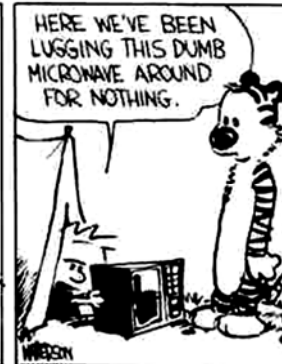
## A message from Dave Sechnick-C4-463-16

Leading this course has been a most interesting experience for me. The Patrols did a remarkable job with developing Tickets and Patrol projects that will strengthen their Units, Districts and Councils. I was blessed with an excellent staff, who prepared and presented a number of excellent programs and activities, and as a group was able to demonstrate how a high performance team works together.

This was the last Wood Badge Course as the Greater Western Reserve Council. The staff and participants should be proud that we were a part of history. With the skills that the participants have acquired in Wood Badge, they are well-positioned to lead change while we embark on a new adventure, as Northeast Ohio re-aligns its Councils and creates new entities.



# The Gilwell Funnies



**GCC NYLT 2016 - Beaumont Scout Reservation**  
**Scoutmaster Scott Horan & Senior Patrol Leader Jarod Klypchak**



# National Youth Leadership Training

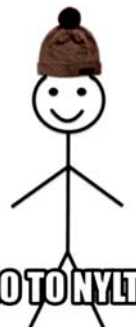
**GWRC NYLT 2016 - Camp Stambaugh**  
**Scoutmaster Brad Lang & Senior Patrol Leader Conner Orr**



**HOO NYLT 2016 - Firelands Scout Reservation**  
**Scoutmaster Dan Barczyk & Senior Patrol Leader Nick Kubiez**



**THIS IS CONNOR. HE'S A BOY  
SCOUT THAT WENT TO NYLT.**



**BE LIKE CONNOR. GO TO NYLT!!**

## 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.



NYLT is an exciting, action packed program designed to provide youth members of the Boy Scouts of America with leadership skills and experience they can use in their home Troops and Crews, as well as any other life situations demanding leadership of themselves and teams.



### WHY WOOD BADGE?

**NO UMBRELLA-TOPPED** drinks served poolside. No quality time with your Kindle. No seaweed body wraps, no room service, no hot-stone massages.

Is Wood Badge a stress-free vacation? No. But for a vacation that tests your limits, gives meaning to your time spent in Scouting and makes your job as a leader easier, just say yes to Scouting's pre-eminent training course for adults.

Your deluxe six-day, all-inclusive Wood Badge experience comes with decades of Scouting knowledge, a skilled and helpful staff and a guided tour through the entire Scouting program from Tiger Cubs to Venturing. And the price? Less than a single night costs at that fancy resort with the pool.

Wood Badge is expertly designed to stress you out, tie you in knots and take you on the same emotional roller coaster we put our Scouts on as they advance in the program.

In other words, you might not leave Wood Badge feeling relaxed, but you're guaranteed to be recharged and ready to tackle any problem your Scouts throw your way. And it just might be the most fun you'll ever have as a Scout leader.

<http://scoutingmagazine.org/2014/02/wood-badge/>



## WOOD BADGE

## HALL OF FAME

The GCC 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.woodbadgegcc.com](http://www.woodbadgegcc.com).

*Congratulations to Jim Durdak, Connie Sheehan and Joe Wollet for induction in 2015!*

## Boys Scouts of America Mission

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.

## The Good Turn Ticket

Please complete your Good Turn Tickets and get them turned into Connie Klemens in time for recognition at the 2018 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](mailto:Lmgray55@gmail.com).

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[memegenerator.net](http://memegenerator.net)

## THE GILWELL GAZETTE

Thank you Wood Badgers and guests! We hope you enjoy this special edition of the Gilwell Gazette. In an effort to promote active communications with you, we will attempt to publish the Gazette as an online edition through the GCC Wood Badge web page, as well as a hard copy each year at the breakfast.

If you have any news that you would like to see included in the Gazette, please send it to Linda Gray. We will do our best to publish all the news that fits. If you would like to serve as a part of the Gazette staff, please contact Linda Gray at [Lmgray55@gmail.com](mailto:Lmgray55@gmail.com).



## Wood Badge

2010—2016

## On-Line!

Check out the Greater Cleveland Council's Wood Badge web page for Wood Badge course photographs and Gilwell Gazettes for your viewing and reading pleasure!

[www.woodbadgegcc.com](http://www.woodbadgegcc.com)

## BE-KNOW-DO NATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP TRAINING



Baden Powell Institute

## The Baden Powell Institute & Council Recognition Luncheon

**Saturday March 18, 2017**

Cuyahoga County Career Center  
8001 Brecksville Rd, Brecksville, OH

Supplemental Training in  
Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Venturing and  
Commissioner Service

Adults, Boy Scouts and  
Venturing youth are all welcome!



"While you are living your life on earth, try to do something good which may remain after you."

- Sir Robert Baden-Powell



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