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# Great Trail Council - University of Scouting 2012

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## Boy Scout

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### **B622 Boy Scout Leader Gear Selection**

The choices are endless, the budget is always a concern, suppliers are easy or hard to find, warranties to be checked and just what do you need really are all topics covered in this session. How do you select the proper gear for you, your scouts and your troop? Come and learn, come and share – this is the course for you if you are in the market for good gear.

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### **BSLT Boy Scout Leader Specific Training**

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### **B624 Creating a Strategic Direction for your Troop**

How do you differentiate your troop from others? How do you deliver the promise and build your troop to be a model of Scouting? How do you define a vision and then develop a plan that will take you and your scouts on the adventure of Scouting while meeting that vision? By creating strategic direction for your troop, the map to the trail of success can be drawn and followed.

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### **B421 Dutch Oven Cooking – Double Session over Lunch**

This course is for the Boy Scout leader who is tired of eating out of a can. We will start with the basics of Dutch Oven cooking and then learn (and taste) easy and not so easy recipes. This is a hands-on course, with real Dutch Oven cooking. The class will carry over into the lunch hour and participants will be outside cooking and eating their way through lunch.

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### **B422 Effective Boards of Review**

The Board of Review, the last stopping place for every rank. Learn how to hold effective Boards of Review from a veteran district and council Advancement Committee Scouter. Learn how and where to hold boards, how and when to recruit parents and outside resources to make the boards more effective, and learn what questions should and should not be asked. This course is for Scoutmasters, troop committee chairs, advancement chairs and other adult leaders.

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### **B325 Hands-on Teambuilding for Scouters**

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### **B823 Holding the Annual Planning Conference**

Troops that fail to plan, plan to fail. Learn how to avoid this pitfall by holding the annual planning conference. Participants will share the knowledge of who should be included in this event, how the event should be planned, how often the planning conference should be held and where.

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### **B724 Merit Badge Counselor Training**

This course explains all the requirements and expectations of a BSA Merit Badge Counselor for current counselors and for those who would like to become Merit Badge counselors. There will also be a section on frequently asked questions (and their answers) concerning merit badges.

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**B321      OA 101 – How the OA can help strengthen your troop**

This program will be led by OA members and will focus on scoutmaster's and troop leaders who will learn exactly what the Order of the Arrow can do for their troop. Also leaders will get a better understanding of what activities the OA offers to their members and the council at large. If you ever had any questions on Order of the Arrow, this is the course to take.

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**B223      Order of the Arrow – Election through Brotherhood**

Have you ever wondered how someone becomes a member of the OA? What are the criteria for election? What does it take to advance within the OA? This class will take you from the troop to the pow-wow.

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**B221      PLC: The Key to Success**

The PLC – what is it, and how should it be used in the troop? The vision of this session is to understand the role of the Monthly PLC in the operation of the troop, to enhance boy planned and boy led meetings in the troop, to provide resources and knowledge to improve PLCs in their troop and to provide for youth leadership development in your unit.

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**B324      Preparing for Philmont High Adventure Camp**

This course will focus on what is required for the troop or crew planning to go to Philmont. Learn from an experienced Scouter about training requirements, gear selection and preparation, trek selection and crew team building ideas.

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**B222      Scout Master's Minutes**

Here is the place to learn the importance of the Scout Master's final thoughts to the scouts as the meeting is ending or at the end of the night while on the trail. Learn where to find the resources and how to write one for yourself.

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**B323      Service Projects**

What makes a good troop service project? Here can you find ideas and who do you contact to follow up on these ideas? After you have completed the project, where do you record your work? How do service projects affect your troop? These and other important questions will be answered, if only you attend!

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**B821      The Eagle Court of Honor**

In this course, we will take apart the Eagle Court of Honor and learn what should be included and what can be added to make this lifetime experience truly a lifetime experience. We will focus on how to make each and every Eagle Court of Honor unique to the scout while relieving the load from the Scoutmaster. Take away from this course a CD with tons of Eagle Courts of Honor, templates for creating your own Eagle Court, ideas for where to hold Courts of Honor, and suggestions for simple (and not so simple) props to enhance the moment.

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**B621      The Eagle Process**

The Eagle Process This course does not include discussion of the project. Please attend the course labeled Eagle Project for this information. This course will include all of the qualifications for earning the rank of Eagle (except the project, itself) and the proper method used to meet those qualifications. This includes, but is not limited to merit badges and merit badge counselor procedures as well as requirements for all prior ranks. It will cover the responsibility of the troop uniformed leaders and the committee in preparing and qualifying the scout for each rank advancement. It will also include an open discussion time for general questions on the topics covered in the session.

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**B721      The Eagle Project**

This course covers only the project. It does not cover the total process. Please join the class labeled Eagle Process for all other information. This course will include all aspects of the pre-project planning, project write-up, project execution, post project write-up and requirements for the Eagle Board of Review. We will also discuss the time limits for the completion of the project, the write up and the Board of Review.

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**B322      The Role of the New Scoutmaster**

Everything you always wanted to know about being a Scoutmaster.

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**B424      The Traces of Leave No Trace**

Think you already know Leave No Trace? I thought I did too. Through a two year study of a never before camped on area, come and understand the traces we all may be leaving behind even following BSA Leave No Trace procedures. Additional recommendations are given from the two year study.

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**B423      Thriving, not just Surviving, Winter Camping**

Why should you take a perfectly fine Scout and teach him how to enjoy camping during the winter? What are the unique advantages to camping in the winter that do not occur during the other seasons? What camping skills make this experience fun and safe?

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**B625 Troop Alumni - an untapped resource.**

Troop Alumni – they are a resource rarely tapped by most troops and yet their contribution to your successful program can be more than slightly significant. This session will follow a real life case study and a successful troop and how they used the Troop Alumni to build a program that is the envy of many other troops. Learn how to start and grow your Alumni enrollment, use Alumni in your regular program, and develop an active alumni program where the Alumni hold their own events and even go on Alumni High Adventure.

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**B722 Women in Camping**

This session is for women as we discuss the unique requirements and needs that we face while camping with the male species in scouting. Come and share your experiences while listening to an experienced female adult scout. Learn the rules and guidelines for camping with your troop, crew or pack. Get common sense answers to your questions.

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**B822 Women in the Wilderness (for women only)**

A panel of experienced women who regularly camp will lead a discussion of topics for “women only”. Bring your questions and be ready to jump in on the discussions.

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**B224 Youth Leadership Repair and Improvement**

Is your PLC Broken? Methods to help the youth leaders of your unit improve. How the unit functions during insufficient youth leader.

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## Cub Scout

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**C704 Adults work hard too.....**

And they deserve a pat on the back! Adult recognition retains leaders, promotes excitement, and gives encouragement to the adults in your pack. Learn how to give effective, inexpensive, fun recognition to the adults in your pack.

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**C301 Beltloops and Pins**

There are so many advancements and requirements to do! How can I possibly work the sports and academics beltloops and pins into my program? Here's your answer! We will explore ways to incorporate the sports and academics program into your den and pack meetings.

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**C404 BSA Resources and you for Cubs**

The BSA publishes a mountain of resources every year. Exactly which of these resources do you need and which ones will help you do the best job you can for your pack? Come learn about the BSA resources, what their function is, and where to get them!

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**C402 Can I be a Boy Scout now? The Webelos to Scout Transition**

The Webelos to Scout Transition program should be an important part of your webelos program. Learn what it is, how work with the Boy Scout troop leaders, and how to use this program effectively within your pack.

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**C701 Come one, come all to the Pack Family Camp!!!**

Learn the why's and how's of pulling off an exciting, fun-filled, outdoor camping experience for Cub Scouts and their parents. Get ideas for places to go and things to do and eat!!!!

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**C304 Crafts for Cubs 101**

You're a leader with a den full of cubs looking at you to make their meeting fun-filled and exciting. Do it with crafts! Get lots of new ideas for crafting with cub scouts and try your hand at a craft.

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**C602 Cub Scout Advancement**

Newer leaders who want to become more knowledgeable in Wolf and Bear advancement, this is the place. What are the requirements, how to encourage cubs and parents, how to track and record/report to get the awards.

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**CSLT Cub Scout Leader Specific Training**

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**C603 Cub scouting on the Internet**

Where can I find help with tracking achievements? Where can I get new activity ideas? Can I do training online? How can I create a webpage for our pack? All these questions and more can be answered by using the internet. Come find out how!!!!!!

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**C601 Cub Scout-sized service projects**

We all know the BSA and service go together, but how often do we actively engage our Cub Scouts and their families in meaningful community service projects? Find out how to choose, plan, and implement community service projects that can become a part of your pack's program, teaching citizenship and responsibility in the process.

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**C202 Den Camping with your Webelos Scouts**

The Webelos are the first dens that can go camping without parents. This can be an exciting yet daunting adventure for scouts and leaders alike. Explore ways to create successful, age-appropriate, safe camping experiences for your Webelos den.

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**C403 Den Chiefs: What do they do?**

These older Boy Scouts can be great "assistants" to your Den Leaders. Learn how to recruit them, help train them and then use them within the den to provide program help and positive role models in the weekly den meeting.

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**C803 FAST Pinewood Derby Cars!!!**

Want to know all the tricks?? Come learn and find out how to make your car 'fly' down the track!

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**C703 How to run an Exciting and Engaging Pinewood Derby**

Let's face it.....sometimes it's difficult to keep scouts excited and engaged during a pinewood derby. We will discover new ways to prevent boredom and engage scouts this fun-filled pack event!

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**C405 Kick it up a Notch! Let's cook with Cubs!!!!**

From making easy snacks to cooking outdoor meals over charcoal, come learn how to teach basic cooking skills to cub scouts of all ages!

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**C102 Nuts & Bolts of Being a Cubmaster**

So, they recruited you as the Cubmaster and you've completed your training.....Now what do you do? Come learn about the basic duties of the Cubmaster and get some great resources for ceremonies and meetings, and bringing ENERGY to the Pack!!!!!!

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**C801 Please help me take control of my den!!!! Den management for leaders**

Working with children doesn't always come naturally, especially when those children are excited, energetic boys that have spent all day in school sitting still. Come learn ideas for managing difficult behaviors within your den and capturing each scout's attention to create a more pleasant scouting experience for all.

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**C804 Putting the 'outing' in Cub Scouting**

Every Tuesday evening inside the church or school gets a little boring doesn't it? Then GET OUT!!!!!! Learn more about fun, safe, appropriate outdoor meetings for cubs including, hikes, activities, and go see its.

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**C302 Red Rover, Red Rover, let the Cub Scouts come over!!!!**

Games are fun, exciting, expend energy, and teach social and physical skills. Learn about their place and importance within den and pack meetings and learn some fun and exciting games to take back to your pack!

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**C702 Skits, Songs & Run-Ons**

Looking for ways to encourage involvement and create energy during your meetings? Come share some old and learn some new!

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**C203 The 'other' Cub Scouting Awards**

World Conservation, Outdoor Activity Award, Summertime Pack Award, BSA Family award, Religious emblem just to name a few. There are so many individual, pack and family awards to learn about, we need a whole other class just to cover them! Come and learn what they are, where to get resources for them and how to help your boys, leaders and families earn them.

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**C204 The Blue and Gold Chairperson**

Exactly what is the Chairperson supposed to do for the Blue and Gold Banquet anyway? Learn how to coordinate your efforts with your Cubmaster and get some great ideas and resources for themes, decorations and venues!

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**C303 The Blue and Gold Cubmaster**

Exactly what is the Cubmaster supposed to do for the Blue and Gold Banquet anyway? Learn how to coordinate your efforts with the Blue and Gold Chairperson and get some exciting ideas for crossover ceremonies, entertainment and skits!

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**C802 The Pack Committee: Where a Successful Cub Scout Pack Happens**

The pack committee is vital to the health of a Cub Scout Pack. Learn how to recruit people to be members of the committee, delegate responsibilities and manage volunteers. Then learn how to help them succeed in providing Den Leaders and the Cubmaster with the support they need. Together, you can create a great program for your scouts!!!

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**C201 Tiger Cubs: A Roaring good time!**

Let's face it....those tiger cubs are cute, energetic and excited! Learn how to make your meeting just as energetic and exciting while covering all of the Tiger Cub requirements. Also learn about the concept of shared leadership and how to institute it effectively.

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**C501 Webelos Activity Badges**

You said there were how many???? Learn about the various groups of Webelos activity badges, what they are and how to work with your webelos scouts to achieve them.

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**C401 Why won't these parents help me?**

Have you ever said this? Whether you're a den leader, pack leader, or committee member, come learn how to actively engage parents in the operation of your program from the VERY FIRST meeting that their son attends.

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**General**

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**G443 Advanced Knots**

So you know how to tie knots. Can you tie the monkey's fist or a bowline on a bight? Come and learn about other knots. There is a large variety of knots, each with properties that make it suitable for a range of tasks.

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**G243 Boys To Men**

This course identifies some of the unique problems Scouting age boys have more than girls, what boys need on their way to manhood, and offer ways Scouters can help them become men of integrity.

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**G641 Building Popcorns Role in the Unit Program**

Rocking your Ideal Year of Scouting... "Planning your Championship Year" In this "hands on" session, participants will engage in a fun & productive voyage that will allow your Units to develop a "concrete" yearly financial outline (by month). This program will also incorporate how our Annual Popcorn Sale can produce all of the funds necessary to run your yearly program.

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**G241 Chartered Organizational Rep (COR) Training**

Unit leaders, are you having trouble making a connection with your chartering organization? It may be because your COR has not been trained. Convince him/her to take this course and most of your problems will be solved.

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**G347 Conflict Resolution**

This course will focus on the main areas where conflict can occur in a unit, the various levels of conflict, and offer practical advise for Scouters when they find themselves in the midst of it.

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**G444 Fire Making without Matches**

Cooking, Ceremonial, Council Fires...depending on the occasion, there is one type of fire that is most appropriate. Learn how to build it, what type of wood to use, ignition sources and more!

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**G445 Geocaching**

So now you have a GPS and can find your way back to your campsite or truck. How about using it for a fun world wide game? Come and see what geocaching is all about. Bring your own GPS and find a "cache" or two.

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**G141 GPS: The ultimate 12 Billion Dollar Toy**

Learn the basic functions and operations of a hand held GPS unit. What is a GPS and when do you use it? Be prepared to go outside.

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**G647 How to Put Together A Unit Handbook**

What is a Unit Handbook? Do you need one? Why? Learn how to develop this great unit policy book. This course will include a checklist that can be used to develop the unit handbook, and also a workshop to get hands-on experience to learn how to put one together and make it work for your unit.

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**G843 How to Remove a Volunteer**

Is THAT person not fulfilling the responsibilities of the position? What should you do? How should it be done? Come and learn how the BSA recommends you handle this thorny issue.

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**G441 How to Run an Effective Committee Meeting**

Meetings of various committees may be a necessity for Scouters, but they don't have to be a waste of time. By using a few practical ideas, the leader of any committee can have effective, productive meetings. This course offers proven techniques which will speed up meetings, make them both fun and productive, and most importantly, let them finish on time!

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**G743      How to Start a New Unit**

Thinking of starting a new unit? What do you need to do? When and how do you do it? How long will it take to start a unit? Learn all of this and more!

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**G447      Journey to Excellence**

An overview of Scouting's Journey to Excellence program for units. Information about the current 2011 requirements and changes for 2012 will be presented.

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**G742      Knot a Problem**

Basic knots for scouting and how to tie them. Also, learn some required knots for first aid!

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**G343      Leave No Trace**

Discussions on camping with little evidence of being there. A must course for cubs, scouts and crews when camping. Review the requirements for the Leave No Trace Award.

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**G342      Legal Liabilities of BSA**

Legal liability, insurance and the relationship of BSA policy, National and Local policy, standards of conduct, coverage and unit procedures when and if the need arises.

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**G642      Medical Considerations for the Scout Leader**

Medical/legal aspects of Scouting when it comes to Scouts/adults with medical needs. How to keep yourself out of trouble and keep everyone safe. All the things Leaders never seem to think about.

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**G442      Mentoring**

Mentoring is an opportunity to help a person through discovery. This session will address various mentoring models and ways to be a mentor to Scouts and Scouters. At the end of this lesson, participants will know the difference between coaching and mentoring, the mentoring models of sponsorship and development, what is involved in maintaining a quality mentoring relationship, how to select the appropriate mentoring model for the situations they come across, maintain a quality mentoring relationship and more. This course is for Scoutmasters and Venturing Advisors and anyone in a mentoring relationship.

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**G643      NYLT**

The NYLT course centers around the concepts of what a leader must BE, what they must KNOW, and what they must DO. The key elements are then taught with a clear focus on HOW TO. The skills come alive during the week as the patrol goes on a Quest for the Meaning of Leadership.

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**G344      Orientation to Commissioner Science**

...or, Why Unit Commissioners Are So Valuable. The value of commissioners with respect to improvement of unit program, why to role of the unit commissioner is critical to the scouting program, and training for Unit Commissioners will be discussed. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!

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**G644      Practical Guide To Safe Scouting**

This session is based on the Guide to Safe Scouting. It is a practical hands on approach to the topic which focuses on aspects of the Guide, the failure to comply and the consequences.

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**G844      Preparing for Scout Sunday**

A Scout is Reverent. One of the ways to live up to the 12th point of the Scout Law is to take part in a Scout Sunday or Scout Sabbath Worship Service. Learn the steps that are needed to plan a Worship Service, from a very simple recognition of your Scouts to an elaborate service that is completely run by the Scouts and Scouters of your Packs, Troops and Crews.

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**G744      Raising the bar on Quality Program**

Discover the next level of Scouting for you and your unit. If you follow the program in the leader books but want to know what else can you do to make it even better than this course is for you. Learn how to go the extra mile to provide an exceptional program for your scouts.

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**G345      Recruiting adult volunteers**

Do you want a unit program that is growing and vibrant? Learn how to get new youth and adults to brighten and expand your unit activities. Learn where to look and how to ask your prospects to volunteer.

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**G745      Scouting and Conservation**

A practical course on how Boy Scouts of America continues and improves the sustaining power of conservation efforts in your neighborhoods, your communities, and your Scout Camps, Awards and activities for all.

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**G446 SN - Behavior Management**

Valuable strategies for Scout leaders to help manage disruptive behaviors.

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**G746 SN - Camping and Outdoor Activities**

Great ideas on how to include ALL Scouts in your outdoor activities, especially those with limitations.

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**G846 SN - Disability Overview**

Valuable information on helping Scouts with ADHD and Autism.

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**G646 SN - Management of Boys Part 2**

In-depth discussion of individual cases from your unit - bring your questions. Participants must have taken University of Scouting basic Behavior Management course.

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**G245 SN - Scouting for ALL Boys**

Scouting makes a difference in the lives of young people. Learn how your unit can benefit from serving all boys who are interested in participating in the scouting program.

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**G346 SN - What Every Scout Leader Needs to Know**

Understand effective communication skills. Learn about alternative advancement requirements available to Scouts with special needs and how the ISAP form can help leaders create a plan to help each boy be successful.

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**G741 Uncle Sam and Scouters**

Tax savings for Scouters. There are many deductions available for scouting volunteers - don't miss any! What is and is not a tax deductible expense? Stretch your scouting dollars!

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**G244 Unit Communications**

We will discuss ways to use newsletters, email, websites and press releases as effective communications tools. This will include internal and external communications to advertise your unit, its events and scouting.

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**G341 Webelos to Scout Plan/Transition**

This is the easiest way to get your boys to flow smoothly from the Pack to a Troop. There are several things to consider - come find out! Learn how to make the transition and when to begin the transition. Learn what you should be doing to make the transition.

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## Venturing

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**V662 First Aid for the Wilderness when help is not near**

Sure we know first aid well enough to teach it and that refresher course we get certified in every three years is really just a brush up on what we teach in the Units. This course takes you beyond the basic first aid and teaches techniques and skills you can use while weekend camping or in the high mountains and something beyond "the basic" required immediate aid. This is a teaser course no certification will be provided.

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**V761 How to run a Venturing Leadership Training in an out of the unit**

This course is designed to help the adult and youth leadership understand the purpose of the leadership training courses including the Officer's Seminar and the ISLC, the best way to conduct them and the venue options.

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**V261 How to start a new Crew**

This course will help instruct you on what needs to be done to start a Venturing Crew. Find out what forms need to be filled out, how to present your idea and who can help you in beginning your Venturing Crew.

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**V462 Kodiak - It not just a Great Bear!**

This course is an opportunity to learn about the Venturing's advanced training opportunity for the youth of your Crew. Learn about what it takes to put on a "Kodiak Trek." A Kodiak is not just for High Adventure units but all Venturing Units!

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**V861 Open Forum**

Come and ask questions and get answers from other Venturing advisors. Learn about what other crews are doing, and get some ideas for what can be done with your crew.

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**V461 Outdoor Living History**

This course is designed specifically for Venturers and their Advisors who are considering the Outdoor Living History elective as an option when working on the Ranger advancement. Come learn about resources, activities and re-enactments that can bring your Venturing Program into the past. All materials presented will be local and the time periods discussed will be from 1700 - present day.

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**V661 Recruitment techniques for Venturing**

This course will help you learn how to attract new members to your crew and how to keep them involved. Learn about recruiting techniques and methods to help improve your program. Learn how to run a successful "First Nighter" with your Crew.

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**V362 Sea Ship a Venturing Alternative!**

This course is an opportunity to come learn about ships, quatermasters and more! See what it takes to start a Ship and have a great thriving program!

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**V762 Trip Planning**

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**VSLT Venture Specific Leader Training**

Venture Leader Specific Training - This all day course will allow new leaders to complete a major portion of their position specific training. This is part of the mandatory training required for rechartering!

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**V262 Venturing is not just about the great outdoors**

This course is an opportunity to learn about venturing crews that do not focus on the great outdoors. Learn about many of the oportunities that await your crews and how they can become active without being active in the great outdoors!

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**V361 Youth and Adult Awards**

This course will show what Venturing program awards are out there to recognize your youth as well as your adult leaders and learn what the requirments are for the different Venturing awards for both