

## Allegheny Highlands Council Training

On behalf of the Allegheny Highlands Council Training Team, I hope you all had a safe and joyous holiday season.

I extend my thanks to those who taught at the fall super training events in both of our districts as well as to those who attended.



### University of Scouting 2012

The Allegheny Highlands Council Training Team is pleased to present University of Scouting 2012, which will be held at the St. Bonaventure University campus on March 10, 2012. We are excited to add new and exciting classes to enhance your unit's program including District Training. A listing of the courses being offered will be available soon.

Pre-registration is requested and, for your convenience, online registration will be available at [www.alleghenyhighlands.org](http://www.alleghenyhighlands.org) in January 2012. The cost is \$20.00 and includes an unlimited lunch buffet, materials, patch, and a keepsake. You may mail your payment to the Council Service Center (Post Office Box 261, Falconer, NY 14733-0261) or at the door. Please **do not mail** your registration to the Council office.

### Trainer's Edge

For the first time, we are proud to offer Trainer's Edge (an updated version of Train the Trainer). It will be held on January 28, 2012 from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Allegheny Highlands Council office in Falconer.

All Scouts and Scouters with responsibility for training others are strongly encouraged to participate in the Trainer's EDGE. This includes District Trainers, members of the Council Training Committee, NYLT staff members - youth and adult, Wood Badge staff members, University of Scouting facilitators, etc.

If you have received your Wood Badge for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century beads and want to be on staff for our upcoming course, this course is a requirement.

### Wood Badge for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

We have been slotted to host the 2014 Wood Badge for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century course. Wood Badge for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century is a High performance team development-training course similar to those offered by Dale Carnegie and Stephen Covey. It brings together leaders from all areas of the Scouting program (Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Varsity Scouting, Scout Reach Learning for Life, and the professional ranks, for one common training experience. It is geared for scouting and is offered at a fraction of the cost. By attending this training, working to successfully attain your beads, you can use the information gleaned from this course to assist you, not only in scouting but also, in your business and home because you will learn the most current leadership models used by corporate America. You will experience the connections between these techniques and your role as an adult leader in the Scouting movement.

Most importantly, you will form lifelong friendships and have fun!

### Introduction to Outdoor Skills

Introduction to Outdoor Skills (IOS) is focused on presenting a safe but fun outdoor camping experience. It is geared for Boy Scout Troop and Cub Scout Webelos leaders. This will be held on June 1 – 3, 2012 at Camp Merz in Mayville. Cub Scout leaders can offer an outdoor camping experience for our cub scouts as well, but **BALOO** (Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation) training is a requirement before you can go on a campout with this age group. BALOO will be held on June 2, 2012, also at Camp Merz. Both of these courses offer the leaders a more in-depth training at the camping level. More information about these trainings will be available soon.

### National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE)

The Training Committee is working towards presenting this unique experience to our youth in August. NAYLE is designed to provide youth with a wilderness encounter that motivates them to follow a life of helping others succeed based on the values expressed in the Scout Oath and Law. They will live in a team setting at one of our scout camps where they will use leadership skills to resolve exciting and challenging backcountry situations. This week long course will conclude with a closing challenge for each Scout to build upon the Legacy of Waite Phillips, the benefactor of the Philmont Scout Ranch. NAYLE will equip youth to be better leaders, NYLT staff members and/or superior camp staff. It will help guide a Scouts' journey in leadership service to others, able to develop all members of whichever team they lead. It provides life skills for now and the future. If you or a member(s) of your troop are interested in this exciting opportunity, please your district executive as soon as possible.

For more information on any of these council-wide events, please call Kim Whitney at 716-378-0560 (evenings).