

2020 University of Scouting Course List



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2020 Vision – Strengthening the Packs Membership Recruitment Plan

“Sign-up” nights have been a keystone for recruiting for years, and for good reason: They work! We will review and discuss the concept – planning – volunteer responsibilities – promoting the event – holding the event and the details in-between. Paul Oswald, Director of Field Service and Chief Operating Officer for Minsi Trails Council will host this most important session.

Time: 12:55 PM - 1:50 PM

Room: College Center 133

Instructor: Paul Oswald

Alternative Summer Scouting Experiences

Looking for summer fun beyond traditional week-long summer camp? Learn all about the new and unique adventure and advancement based programs offered by Minsi Trails Council for individual Scouts, patrols, troops and crews; including individual (provisional) summer camp options, special high adventure programs, Scouts BSA Day Camp, specialty mini-week camps, Minsi Trails STEM Camp, Pocono Summit Adventure Camp, and more!

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 169

Instructor: Lisa Empfield and Greg Larson

BALOO Builder-Birdhouses and Boats

Simple building projects for various levels of Cub Scouts to explore the simple ways to work with wood and tools for all skill levels. Some projects will be completed by participants during this session.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: College Center 161

Instructor: Herb King

“Become a Campmaster – Help us at your time-share in the Poconos”

Learn the joy in becoming a Campmaster where you can stay in your own campmaster cabin for the weekend. You check units in and out for the weekend at camp. On your down time you may hike around the camp, help out the ranger with skilled trades you can offer, or just simply enjoy our camps by sitting next to our beautiful lakes. Your duty as a campmaster is to constantly check the units and make sure our cabins and campsites are all cleaned up, ready to go for the next weekend. Being a campmaster is the ideal way to escape to the Poconos.

Time: 12:55 PM - 1:50 PM

Room: College Center 168

Instructor: John Buz

Bleeding Emergencies

Will cover the use of commercial tourniquets, how to make improvised tourniquets, the use of pressure bandages with hands-on practice.

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BSA Religious Emblems Program

Come and learn about the 38 religious emblems programs available to your Scouts. Learn about the Religious Emblems Coordinator position for your unit, district and council. Let's reinforce the Twelfth Point of the Scout Law – A Scout IS Reverent!

Period: 2 (9:55 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: College Center 191

Instructor: Fred Flemming

Catholic Counselor Training for Ad Altari Dei & Pope Pius XII awards.

Help us reach out to ALL Catholic Scouts in our council by getting the necessary training and awareness for providing the Catholic Scout awards to all our Catholic Scouts! We will train for both Boy Scout awards and also briefly review the two Cub Scout awards available.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: College Center 191

Instructor: Fred Flemming

CEREMONIES & DRILLS: A Scouts Guide to Building Color & Honor Guards

As leaders, it is our responsibility to foster a renewed awareness to love of country, within our Troops, that inspires a passion for service to our community. For more than a century, Scout Color Guards have added reverence, dignity and patriotism to occasions such as baseball games, camporees, parades and veteran's events. In this course, I'll cover the parts of a Color Guard, how to perform Scout Drills, and the basics of Flag Ceremonies including: Posting the Colors (Indoor Opening Ceremony), Retiring the Colors (Indoor Closing Ceremony), Reveille (Outdoor Opening Ceremony), Retreat (Outdoor Evening Ceremony), and parades.

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: College Center 135

Instructor: Ronald Mills

Chaplain Aide Training

For leaders and Senior Scouts. NOTE that class covers 3 periods with a break for lunch.

Period: 1 - 3 (8:45 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 151

Instructor: Frances Oquendo

Choosing Backpacking Gear for Scouts and Adults

New to backpack camping? Learn how to select backpacks, sleeping bags, hiking shoes and other backpacking gear for Scouts and their adult leaders. Instructors are two experienced backpackers, former Scoutmasters, and Merit Badge Counselors. The following requirements will be taught;

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4. a and b

5. a and b

8. a and b

Scouts should come with a signed blue card.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: College Center 167

Instructor: Jim Swain and Jean Mascornick

Cub Scout Advancement: A Guide for Pack Advancement Chairs

This course is for all who do Advancements in Cub Scouts. Learn what your responsibilities are as the Pack Advancement Chair, including the details of reporting Advancements, education, approvals, timely recognition, purchasing Advancements and more. Advancements provide a tangible reward for Cub Scouts' hard work!

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 114

Instructor: Cheryl Moreira

Cub Scout Ceremonies & Pack Meetings

Learn valuable presentation skills to make Pack meetings more interesting while incorporating traditions and fun!

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: Penn Hall 120

Instructor: Mark Weaver

Cub Scout Crafts

Crafts can be useful, fun and a great way to fulfill some of the requirements cub scouts need. Come collect some new ideas and leave with a few completed projects.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: College Center 220

Instructor: Laurie Lebo

Cub Scout Skits and Run-ons

A little spontaneity will liven up any pack meeting. Learn how to be the jolly jesters in your pack.

Period: 2 (9:55 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: College Center 235

Instructor: Nick Geary

Cub Scout Specifics-2 periods

Every Scout deserves a well trained leader. This course will provide a guideline on how to lead your Cub Scouts through their rank advancements while having fun.

Period: 4 - 5 (12:55 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: Kopecek Hall 304

Instructor: Lisa Wagner-Lance

Cub Scouts 101

This course is meant to serve as an overview of Cub Scouting. There will be details of what the Pack leadership comprises of, including details about the Pack Committee structure, leadership roles, and training courses required. Traditional Pack and Den meeting concepts, advancement methods, the Guide to Safe Scouting, uniforms, and activity planning will all be covered.

Period: 5 (2:05 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: College Center 220

Instructor: Dave Ruyack

Cub Scouts Indoor Games

How props, games, and tricks up your sleeve can turn any den meeting into a fun-filled one

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: Kopecek Hall 304

Instructor: Lisa Wagner-Lance

Dealing with Difficult People

Are there people that make your life a bit "stressful" or that can be a bit "challenging"??? This interactive session will help attendees deal with these challenging individuals a little bit better. Attendees will learn about the different types of personalities and why, perhaps, they do what they do. Hopefully making life just a little less stressful!

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: Penn Hall 138

Instructor: Michele Morrow

Den Chief Training 1

Being a den chief can be a blast as you help the den run smoothly and inspire cub scouts to become boy scouts. The course will cover den chief responsibilities and tasks and how to work with your cubs, den leader and pack.

Period: 0 (8:45 AM - 11:45 AM)

Room: Kiva

Instructor: David Wheeler

Den Chief Training 2

Being a den chief can be a blast as you help the den run smoothly and inspire cub scouts to become boy scouts. The course will cover den chief responsibilities and tasks and how to work with your cubs, den leader and pack.

Period: 0 (12:30 PM - 3:30 PM)

Room: Kiva

Instructor: David Wheeler

Dreamcatchers-Feathers and Beads

See how to make simple Dreamcatcher crafts for younger and older cubs. Three types discussed and steps shown during this session. Working with feathers and beads to make decorations. Learn how to make beads from magazines for colorful different decorations.

Period: 2 (9:55 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: College Center 161

Instructor: Herb King

Dutch Oven Cooking

Cooking in the great outdoors is one of the pleasures of camping and outdoor activities. Learn a few recipes you can pull out at your next culinary outing. Includes equipment clean up and preservation. Please note that this class is 3rd period, lunchtime, & 4th period. Hands on, you will eat your creations! Cost is \$10 in addition to registration fee. Dress for the outdoors.

Period: 3 - 4 (11:05 AM - 1:50 PM)

Room: Outside Kopecek Hall on the parking lot side

Instructor: Mark Pettie

Eagle + Five

To many scouts are finishing their Eagle requirements on their 18th birthday. Get ideas to promote 16-17 year old Eagles. Avoid last minute Eagles, if possible. Learn about Eagle Palms. Share thoughts and form your troop's game plan.

Period: 5 (2:05 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: College Center 117

Instructor: Tom Stalsitz

Emergency Preparedness

Learn how to prepare for unexpected events including fire, flood, lost person, etc.

Period: 2 (9:55 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: College Center 166

Instructor: Upper Macungie Police Dept. and William Rohrbach

Everything You Wanted to Know About My.Scouting.org.

This course will explain how to set up and utilize the BSA beascout pin and online registration, as well as cover the tools available for unit leaders. For example, keeping track of Youth Protection and other training, as well as utilizing the online training portion.

Period: 2 - 3 (9:55 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 134

Instructor: Stephanie Miller and Priscilla Nagy

Fire Extinguishers

This course will cover the different types of fire extinguishers, how to use a fire extinguisher properly

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: Outside Collge Center

Instructor: Chris Lubenetski, Crew 77, and Donna Rex-Frantz

First Aid Requirements For Cub Scouts

This is not a hands-on class, but rather a review of the material you need to know in order to teach badge-required first aid to Cub Scouts.

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 160

Instructor: Chris Lubenetski, Crew 77, and Donna Rex-Frantz

First Year Scout Program

A scout's first year in a troop, as he transitions from an Arrow of Light Den to a Boy Scout patrol, can be crucial to his success in scouting. We will discuss a program for the first year that emphasizes scout skills, leadership and responsibility that will lead to advancement and success with the troop.

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 118

Instructor: Marc Bamberger

Getting and Keeping Volunteers

Volunteers are the backbone of every organization and are vital to a well-run group! Without volunteer adults, where would the Scouts be? Learn ways to encourage adult participation and cultivate potential new leadership.

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: Penn Hall 138

Instructor: Michele Morrow

Guide to Safe Scouting

Do you know what the scouts in your unit can and cannot do? The Guide to Safe Scouting gets updated on a regular basis-find out the latest regulations to help you plan a great and safe scouting year.

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: College Center 166

Instructor: Doug Stoudt

Historical Trails

Hiking and learning across the nation, with a focus on trails in the Northeast. Scouts can LEARN history, EARN cool medals and patches and burn calories in a healthy activity.

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: Penn Hall 132

Instructor: Jody Pysher and Perry Morris

Hornaday and STEM

This session will include: What these programs are. How a Scout can earn an award in these programs. How the Unit Leaders can assist these Scouts in earning these awards.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: College Center 233

Instructor: Gary Whitman

How to Conduct a Board of Review

This class will train committee members and others in the purpose of the board of review. We will offer suggestions for the types of questions that can and should be asked for each rank.

Period: 5 (2:05 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: College Center 114

Instructor: Linda Roth

How to Perform a Scoutmaster Conference

Scoutmaster Conferences are NOT just for rank advancements. Learn how Scoutmaster Conferences can be a tool to help scouts advance, motivate them, address discipline issues, and provide feedback to scouts.

Substantial audience discussion is anticipated.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: Penn Hall 126

Instructor: Jim Roberts

How to Run a Safe Scout Outing

This course is designed to help you plan safe activities for your unit, identify and reduce risks and review the tools BSA has to help. We will also discuss the “Sandwich Principle” and the importance of Qualified Supervision and Discipline. This course is good for two years.

Period: 5 (2:05 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: College Center 166

Instructor: Doug Stoudt

How to run an Annual Planning Conference

A key to a successful Troop program is planning and it all starts with the annual plan developed at an annual planning conference (APC). In this session we will discuss the objectives of an APC, resources required for a successful APC, how to engage the Scouts, how to run an APC and finally communications with families.

Period: 5 (2:05 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: College Center 118

Instructor: Marc Bamberger

How to Transition to a Boy Lead Troop

1) What is a Scout Lead Troop. 2) Learning by Failure or Growth through Experience. 3) Objectives of the Scouting Program. 4) How to get there. 5) What obstacles you may encounter on the way. 6) General Discussion

Period: 5 (2:05 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: College Center 292

Instructor: J Verkade, Craig Brady, and SPL's

Introduction to the Webelos Program

Webelos is more than just the 4th and 5th year of cub scouts. Find out what every Webelos leader needs to know and what makes Webelos different from other cub scout ranks.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: Penn Hall 120

Instructor: Mark Weaver

Lashings

This course is for Scout BSA leaders and scouts and will focus on learning how to tie lashings that are used to construct pioneering projects. The course will cover terminology, the knots that are used in lashing, and when to use the different lashings in constructing your projects.

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 168

Instructor: Bill Folk, John Buz, and Henry Tapp

Leader Knots and Recognition

Learn about the knots and awards available to recognize leaders; how to apply; and who is eligible.

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 233

Instructor: Gary Whitman

Leave No Trace Awareness Session

Instilling values in young people and preparing them to make moral and ethical choices throughout their lifetime is the mission of the Boy Scouts of America. Leave No Trace helps reinforce that mission, and reminds us to respect the rights of other users of the outdoors as well as future generations. Appreciation for our natural environment and a knowledge of the interrelationships of nature bolster our respect and reverence toward the environment and nature. Leave No Trace is an awareness and an attitude rather than a set of rules. It applies in your backyard or local park as much as in the backcountry. We should all practice Leave No Trace in our thinking and actions--wherever we go. We learn Leave No Trace by sharing the principles and then discovering how they can be applied. Leave No Trace instills an awareness that spurs questions like "What can we do to reduce our impact on the environment and on the experiences of other visitors?" Use your judgment and experience to tailor camping and hiking practices to the environment where the outing will occur. Forest, mountain, seashore, plains, freshwater, and wetland environments all require different minimum impact practices.

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: Penn Hall 130

Instructor: Dave Karner/LNT Team

Life to Eagle

The steps in taking a scout from Life Scout to Eagle Court of Honor. A review of the Eagle Workbook and Application.

Period: 1 - 2 (8:45 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: Penn Hall 132

Instructor: Randy Marushak

Managing Risk at the Unit Level

Topics could include, but may not be limited to Scouter Code of Conduct, General Liability Insurance, Safety Moments and handling membership applications with questionable background check results.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: College Center 133

Instructor: Rick Christ

Map, Compass and Orienteering

Combines Map & Compass skills with Orienteering. Participants will follow an outdoor course. Participants should dress for the weather, part of this course will be held outside.

Period: 4 - 5 (12:55 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: Penn Hall 126

Instructor: Jim Roberts

Meals for the Trails

The how to's on food preparation for backpacking on the trail. Learn how to select, prepare, and dispose of your meals on the trail. The instructors are also experienced backpackers as well as merit badge counselors. Scouts who attend should bring signed blue cards. This class will cover requirements; 1a, 2, and 3.

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 167

Instructor: Jim Swain and Jean Mascornick

Merit Badge Instruction

An overview of Boy Scout merit badges and how to become a merit badge instructor.

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: College Center 114

Instructor: Bruce Horton

Motivating Youth

An interactive presentation focusing on the necessity and benefits of motivating youth members in all aspects of scouting. Discussion includes addressing topics of those in attendance, as well as involvement from a panel of National Youth Leadership Training youth staff.

Period: 5 (2:05 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: College Center 169

Instructor: Kelli Webb

New Popcorn App

Want to learn more about the popcorn app? In this class we will talk about credit card sales, running reports and the new rewards program that were introduced in Fall 2019. Pop on over and learn how this new tool can help you grow your sale.

Period: 2 (9:55 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: College Center 292

Instructor: Lori Wehr

NYLT 101 - Leveraging Your NYLT Scout

Are you using your National Youth Leadership Training trained Youth? Is that NYLT trained youth engaging and leading your troop or crew? Attend and find out what skills were taught at the NYLT course and let's various ways of leveraging your NYLT trained youth to make your job easier and let them run the unit. If you are a troop or crew adult leader and want to learn more about NYLT plan to attend.

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: College Center 169

Instructor: Jim Dailey

Order of the Arrow (OA) - Scouting's National Honor Society

The OA recognizes Scouts who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives. Members are known for maintaining camping traditions, promoting year-round and long-term resident camping, and providing cheerful service to our Council camps. The program develops leaders with the willingness, character, spirit and ability to advance the activities of their units, our Brotherhood, Scouting and ultimately our nation. Minsi Trails Council's OA Lodge is Witauchsoman Lodge #44.

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: Penn Hall 126

Instructor: Mike Dolan

Pack Program Planning and Cub Scout Recruitment

An exciting year full of fun, advancement and events is critical for all Cub Scout Packs. Learn how to plan efficiently to make sure to hit all the high-notes and how to keep your dens full.

Period: 1 - 2 (8:45 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: College Center 169

Instructor: Steve LaRoza

Pinewood Derby Best Practices

Need some information on running a Pinewood Derby or just some tips to make it better? This may be the class for You. Come and hear how to help your pack have a better experience during your Pinewood Derby. Have questions?, then bring those too. There will be a short lecture followed by a question and answer time. See you there.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: College Center 235

Instructor: Dave Ruyack

Radio Scouting

Every human is constantly communicating through speech, reading body language, even a raised eyebrow. We have many other means of sending and receiving messages too - the telephone, television, radio, photographs drawings and computers. Besides amateur radio, your Scouts can explore some of the older means of communication such as Morse code, flags and sign language

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 191

Instructor: Greg Pioppi

Running a Troop Level Youth Leader Training Program

Leadership is an important part of scouting. How to give scouts the opportunity to lead and be successful.

Period: 5 (2:05 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: College Center 168

Instructor: Bill Folk

Running Effective Committee Meetings

Are you tired of long or non-productive committee meetings? Attendees will learn tips on conducting meetings in a more productive and efficient manner. So, whether you are attending the meetings as a committee member, unit leader, or the committee chair, you will benefit from this session.

Period: 2 (9:55 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: Penn Hall 138

Instructor: Michele Morrow

Scout Emergencies

How to use an Epi-pen and Inhaler. When and who to contact during medical emergencies.

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Room: Penn Hall 160

Instructor: Chris Lubenetski, Crew 77, and Donna Rex-Frantz

Scout Knots

Learn the simple Scout knots that are from the Scout Handbook. Learn how to tie all of the knots required for Cub Scouts and Scouts BSA. There will be an explanation on terminology of knot tying and practical work on how to tie a knot successfully. This course is for all Scouts, leaders, and parents.

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Room: College Center 168

Instructor: Bill Folk, John Buz, and Henry Tapp

Scoutbook

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Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: College Center 118

Instructor: Marc Bamberger

Scouts BSA, Advancements

The session covers ten topics starting with the "Beginning Scout, the Scout who isn't advancing, advancing but not attending meetings, Boards of Reviews, Merit Badge policies and counselors, reporting on and securing badges earned, recognition, computer use, JTE, overview of all ranks and miscellaneous items" The rules of the BSA and Minsi Trails Council are put on the table.

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: Penn Hall 132

Instructor: Richard Silvius

Shooting Sports in the Cub Scout Program

An overview of the shooting sports program within the scouting program. It emphasizes the scouting progressive model that provides different activities for each of the three levels of scouting. Opportunities for involvement and training will be covered.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: Kopecek Hall 302

Instructor: Chuck Yeoman

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Period: 2 (9:55 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: Kopecek Hall 302

Instructor: Chuck Yeoman

Social Challenges for Teens: Drugs, Alcohol, Bullying, & Hazing

Recognize the signs and symptoms of drug and alcohol abuse and learn how to help prevent it. What crosses the line of “having a little fun” and “troop/pack initiation traditions”? Youth protection begins with you- how to identify and prevent inappropriate practice in our units.

Period: 1 - 2 (8:45 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: Penn Hall 130

Instructor: Dr. Mike Dolan

Succession Planning

"Planning for unit success for today, tomorrow and beyond". This class will give some insight on the importance of planning for not only the present but also the future by discussing ways to retain and recruit quality leaders.

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 166

Instructor: Al Edelman

Teaching Basic Boy Scout Skills

Scouting is full of amazing skills and adventure. Learn basic techniques for teaching new scouts the skills they need.

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: College Center 292

Instructor: J. Verkade

The Art of Storytelling

Once upon a time, long, long ago, in a little village over the hill, there lived a bear.... Learn how to spin a yarn in the world of folklore, legend and storytelling

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: College Center 161

Instructor: Herb King

The Construction Trades: In Scouting and Beyond

Exploring the value of teaching the construction trades in Scouting and the opportunities it opens up for use on the home now and in the future. Also exploring further training possibilities as the Scout prepares to step out into the world.

Period: 2 (9:55 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: College Center 113

Instructor: Steve Henley

The Patrol Method

Gain insight into how successful troops use the patrol method to help each Scout and Scouter develop his leadership abilities. "The patrol system is not one method in which Scouting for boys can be carried on. It is the only method." LBP

Period: 1 - 2 (8:45 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: College Center 117

Instructor: Tom Stalsitz

The Special Needs Scout

Youth with disabilities can be treated and respected like every other member of their unit and they want to participate like other youth. Learn how attitude and adaptation makes scouting successful for everyone.

Period: 2 (9:55 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: Penn Hall 126

Instructor: Jim Roberts

Time Management Tips for the Busy Volunteer

If you're like other leaders, trying to juggle Scouts, home, school, sports, and so on can be quite challenging, to say the least! Attendees will learn tips to help "keep it all together."

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: Penn Hall 138

Instructor: Michele Morrow

Tips for Backpacking & Outdoor Adventures for Women

This course will go through gear and hygiene for woman adventuring outdoors. It can be taken by leaders and scouts a like. The great outdoors is different for a woman then compared to a man, let's be prepared. There will be gear available to look at and try. Nifty tricks for venturing the great outdoors.

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: College Center 167

Instructor: Jim Swain and Jean Mascornick

Tips for First Time Leaders and Volunteers at Alelaland

Tips for your first year as a leader taking your unit to resident camp.

Period: 5 (2:05 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: Penn Hall 130

Instructor: Michael Philipp

Unit Finances

All too often we hear about volunteers who embezzled funds from their organization, or we realize that don't have enough money to run the programs we'd like to, or that we simply are not sure of what the proper financial process is. Even as volunteers, we have a fiduciary responsibility to ensure the funds are handled responsibly. This session will provide attendees with the basic tools for preparing a budget and properly managing the organization's funds and better protect themselves from embezzlement.

Period: 5 (2:05 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: Penn Hall 138

Instructor: Michele Morrow

Wills & Estate Plans: what you need to know!

Be Prepared is the motto that Scouts live by, yet many families don't have the wills and planning documents they need. During this session, you'll learn the importance of having an up-to-date will along with some basics of estate planning. As a Scout volunteer, you do a lot for others. This session is something that you can do for you and your family. You'll walk away with a greater understanding of wills and the estate planning process, along with tools you can use to get started. Attorney (and Scouter) Christopher Gray will be leading this session. He is a very knowledgeable local attorney and Scout Volunteer. Coffee and donuts will make this informative session even better!

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 113

Instructor: Don Sachs and Christopher Gray

2020 University of Scouting Course List

Sorted by Period

Den Chief Training

Den Chief Training 1

Being a den chief can be a blast as you help the den run smoothly and inspire cub scouts to become boy scouts. The course will cover den chief responsibilities and tasks and how to work with your cubs, den leader and pack.

Time: 8:45 AM - 11:45 AM

Room: Kiva

Instructor: David Wheeler

Den Chief Training 2

Being a den chief can be a blast as you help the den run smoothly and inspire cub scouts to become boy scouts. The course will cover den chief responsibilities and tasks and how to work with your cubs, den leader and pack.

Period: 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

Room: Kiva

Instructor: David Wheeler

Period 1

BALOO Builder-Birdhouses and Boats

Simple building projects for various levels of Cub Scouts to explore the simple ways to work with wood and tools for all skill levels. Some projects will be completed by participants during this session.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: College Center 161

Instructor: Herb King

Catholic Counselor Training for Ad Altari Dei & Pope Pius XII awards.

Help us reach out to ALL Catholic Scouts in our council by getting the necessary training and awareness for providing the Catholic Scout awards to all our Catholic Scouts! We will train for both Boy Scout awards and also briefly review the two Cub Scout awards available.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: College Center 191

Instructor: Fred Flemming

Chaplain Aide Training

For leaders and Senior Scouts. NOTE that class covers 3 periods with a break for lunch.

This course runs for multiple periods.

Period: 1 - 3 (8:45 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 151

Instructor: Frances Oquendo

Choosing Backpacking Gear for Scouts and Adults

New to backpack camping? Learn how to select backpacks, sleeping bags, hiking shoes and other backpacking gear for Scouts and their adult leaders. Instructors are two experienced backpackers, former Scoutmasters, and Merit Badge Counselors. The following requirements will be taught;

2. a and b

4. a and b

5. a and b

8. a and b

Scouts should come with a signed blue card.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: College Center 167

Instructor: Jim Swain and Jean Mascornick

Cub Scout Crafts

Crafts can be useful, fun and a great way to fulfill some of the requirements cub scouts need. Come collect some new ideas and leave with a few completed projects.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: College Center 220

Instructor: Laurie Lebo

Dealing with Difficult People

Are there people that make your life a bit "stressful" or that can be a bit "challenging"??? This interactive session will help attendees deal with these challenging individuals a little bit better. Attendees will learn about the different types of personalities and why, perhaps, they do what they do. Hopefully making life just a little less stressful!

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: Penn Hall 138

Instructor: Michele Morrow

Hornaday and STEM

This session will include: What these programs are. How a Scout can earn an award in these programs. How the Unit Leaders can assist these Scouts in earning these awards.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: College Center 233

Instructor: Gary Whitman

How to Perform a Scoutmaster Conference

Scoutmaster Conferences are NOT just for rank advancements. Learn how Scoutmaster Conferences can be a tool to help scouts advance, motivate them, address discipline issues, and provide feedback to scouts.

Substantial audience discussion is anticipated.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: Penn Hall 126

Instructor: Jim Roberts

Introduction to the Webelos Program

Webelos is more than just the 4th and 5th year of cub scouts. Find out what every Webelos leader needs to know and what makes Webelos different from other cub scout ranks.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: Penn Hall 120

Instructor: Mark Weaver

Life to Eagle

The steps in taking a scout from Life Scout to Eagle Court of Honor. A review of the Eagle Workbook and Application.

This course runs for multiple periods.

Period: 1 - 2 (8:45 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: Penn Hall 132

Instructor: Randy Marushak

Managing Risk at the Unit Level

Topics could include, but may not be limited to Scouter Code of Conduct, General Liability Insurance, Safety Moments and handling membership applications with questionable background check results.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: College Center 133

Instructor: Rick Christ

Pack Program Planning and Cub Scout Recruitment

An exciting year full of fun, advancement and events is critical for all Cub Scout Packs. Learn how to plan efficiently to make sure to hit all the high-notes and how to keep your dens full.

This course runs for multiple periods.

Period: 1 - 2 (8:45 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: College Center 169

Instructor: Steve LaRoza

Pinewood Derby Best Practices

Need some information on running a Pinewood Derby or just some tips to make it better? This may be the class for You. Come and hear how to help your pack have a better experience during your Pinewood Derby. Have questions?, then bring those too. There will be a short lecture followed by a question and answer time. See you there.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: College Center 235

Instructor: Dave Ruyack

Scout Emergencies

How to use an Epi-pen and Inhaler. When and who to contact during medical emergencies.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: Penn Hall 160

Instructor: Chris Lubenetski, Crew 77, and Donna Rex-Frantz

Scouting 101: Scouts

This course is meant to serve as an overview of the Scouting BSA Program. There will be details of what the Troop leadership comprises of, including details about the Troop Committee structure, leadership roles, and training courses required. The troop meeting concepts, the PLC, advancement methods, the Guide to Safe Scouting, uniforms, and activity planning will all be covered.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: College Center 118

Instructor: Marc Bamberger

Shooting Sports in the Cub Scout Program

An overview of the shooting sports program within the scouting program. It emphasizes the scouting progressive model that provides different activities for each of the three levels of scouting. Opportunities for involvement and training will be covered.

Period: 1 (8:45 AM - 9:40 AM)

Room: Kopecek Hall 302

Instructor: Chuck Yeoman

Social Challenges for Teens: Drugs, Alcohol, Bullying, & Hazing

Recognize the signs and symptoms of drug and alcohol abuse and learn how to help prevent it. What crosses the line of "having a little fun" and "troop/pack initiation traditions"? Youth protection begins with you- how to identify and prevent inappropriate practice in our units.

This course runs for multiple periods.

Period: 1 - 2 (8:45 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: Penn Hall 130

Instructor: Dr. Mike Dolan

The Patrol Method

Gain insight into how successful troops use the patrol method to help each Scout and Scouter develop his leadership abilities. "The patrol system is not one method in which Scouting for boys can be carried on. It is the only method." LBP

This course runs for multiple periods.

Period: 1 - 2 (8:45 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: College Center 117

Instructor: Tom Stalsitz

Period 2

Bleeding Emergencies

Will cover the use of commercial tourniquets, how to make improvised tourniquets, the use of pressure bandages with hands-on practice.

Due to popular demand, this course is offered multiple times.

Period: 2 (9:55 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: College Center 160

Instructor: Chris Lubenetski, Crew 77 and Donna Rex-Frantz

BSA Religious Emblems Program

Come and learn about the 38 religious emblems programs available to your Scouts. Learn about the Religious Emblems Coordinator position for your unit, district and council. Let's reinforce the Twelfth Point of the Scout Law – A Scout IS Reverent!

Period: 2 (9:55 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: College Center 191

Instructor: Fred Flemming

Cub Scout Skits and Run-ons

A little spontaneity will liven up any pack meeting. Learn how to be the jolly jesters in your pack.

Period: 2 (9:55 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: College Center 235

Instructor: Nick Geary

Dreamcatchers-Feathers and Beads

See how to make simple Dreamcatcher crafts for younger and older cubs. Three types discussed and steps shown during this session. Working with feathers and beads to make decorations. Learn how to make beads from magazines for colorful different decorations.

Period: 2 (9:55 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: College Center 161

Instructor: Herb King

Emergency Preparedness

Learn how to prepare for unexpected events including fire, flood, lost person, etc.

Period: 2 (9:55 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: College Center 166

Instructor: Upper Macungie Police Dept. and William Rohrbach

Everything You Wanted to Know About My.Scouting.org.

This course will explain how to set up and utilize the BSA beascout pin and online registration, as well as cover the tools available for unit leaders. For example, keeping track of Youth Protection and other training, as well as utilizing the online training portion.

This course runs for multiple periods.

Period: 2 - 3 (9:55 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 134

Instructor: Stephanie Miller and Priscilla Nagy

New Popcorn App

Want to learn more about the popcorn app? In this class we will talk about credit card sales, running reports and the new rewards program that were introduced in Fall 2019. Pop on over and learn how this new tool can help you grow your sale.

Period: 2 (9:55 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: College Center 292

Instructor: Lori Wehr

Running Effective Committee Meetings

Are you tired of long or non-productive committee meetings? Attendees will learn tips on conducting meetings in a more productive and efficient manner. So, whether you are attending the meetings as a committee member, unit leader, or the committee chair, you will benefit from this session.

Period: 2 (9:55 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: Penn Hall 138

Instructor: Michele Morrow

Scout Knots

Learn the simple Scout knots that are from the Scout Handbook. Learn how to tie all of the knots required for Cub Scouts and Scouts BSA. There will be an explanation on terminology of knot tying and practical work on how to tie a knot successfully. This course is for all Scouts, leaders, and parents.

Period: 2 (9:55 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: College Center 168

Instructor: Bill Folk, John Buz, and Henry Tapp

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Period: 2 (9:55 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: Kopecek Hall 302

Instructor: Chuck Yeoman

The Construction Trades: In Scouting and Beyond

Exploring the value of teaching the construction trades in Scouting and the opportunities it opens up for use on the home now and in the future. Also exploring further training possibilities as the Scout prepares to step out into the world.

Period: 2 (9:55 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: College Center 113

Instructor: Steve Henley

The Special Needs Scout

Youth with disabilities can be treated and respected like every other member of their unit and they want to participate like other youth. Learn how attitude and adaptation makes scouting successful for everyone.

Period: 2 (9:55 AM - 10:50 AM)

Room: Penn Hall 126

Instructor: Jim Roberts

Period 3

Alternative Summer Scouting Experiences

Looking for summer fun beyond traditional week-long summer camp? Learn all about the new and unique adventure and advancement based programs offered by Minsi Trails Council for individual Scouts, patrols, troops and crews; including individual (provisional) summer camp options, special high adventure programs, Scouts BSA Day Camp, specialty mini-week camps, Minsi Trails STEM Camp, Pocono Summit Adventure Camp, and more!

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 169

Instructor: Lisa Empfield and Greg Larson

Cub Scout Advancement: A Guide for Pack Advancement Chairs

This course is for all who do Advancements in Cub Scouts. Learn what your responsibilities are as the Pack Advancement Chair, including the details of reporting Advancements, education, approvals, timely recognition, purchasing Advancements and more. Advancements provide a tangible reward for Cub Scouts' hard work!

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 114

Instructor: Cheryl Moreira

Cub Scout Ceremonies & Pack Meetings

Learn valuable presentation skills to make Pack meetings more interesting while incorporating traditions and fun!

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: Penn Hall 120

Instructor: Mark Weaver

Cub Scouts Indoor Games

How props, games, and tricks up your sleeve can turn any den meeting into a fun-filled one

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: Kopecek Hall 304

Instructor: Lisa Wagner-Lance

Dutch Oven Cooking

Cooking in the great outdoors is one of the pleasures of camping and outdoor activities. Learn a few recipes you can pull out at your next culinary outing. Includes equipment clean up and preservation. Please note that this class is 3rd period, lunchtime, & 4th period. Hands on, you will eat your creations!

Cost is \$10 in addition to registration fee. Dress for the outdoors.

This course runs for multiple periods.

Period: 3 - 4 (11:05 AM - 1:50 PM)

Room: Outside Kopecek Hall on the parking lot side

Instructor: Mark Pettie

First Aid Requirements For Cub Scouts

This is not a hands-on class, but rather a review of the material you need to know in order to teach badge-required first aid to Cub Scouts.

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 160

Instructor: Chris Lubenetski, Crew 77, and Donna Rex-Frantz

First Year Scout Program

A scout's first year in a troop, as he transitions from an Arrow of Light Den to a Boy Scout patrol, can be crucial to his success in scouting. We will discuss a program for the first year that emphasizes scout skills, leadership and responsibility that will lead to advancement and success with the troop.

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 118

Instructor: Marc Bamberger

Historical Trails

Hiking and learning across the nation, with a focus on trails in the Northeast. Scouts can LEARN history, EARN cool medals and patches and burn calories in a healthy activity.

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: Penn Hall 132

Instructor: Jody Pysker and Perry Morris

Lashings

This course is for Scout BSA leaders and scouts and will focus on learning how to tie lashings that are used to construct pioneering projects. The course will cover terminology, the knots that are used in lashing, and when to use the different lashings in constructing your projects.

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 168

Instructor: Bill Folk, John Buz, and Henry Tapp

Leader Knots and Recognition

Learn about the knots and awards available to recognize leaders; how to apply; and who is eligible.

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 233

Instructor: Gary Whitman

Leave No Trace Awareness Session

Instilling values in young people and preparing them to make moral and ethical choices throughout their lifetime is the mission of the Boy Scouts of America. Leave No Trace helps reinforce that mission, and reminds us to respect the rights of other users of the outdoors as well as future generations.

Appreciation for our natural environment and a knowledge of the interrelationships of nature bolster our respect and reverence toward the environment and nature. Leave No Trace is an awareness and an attitude rather than a set of rules. It applies in your backyard or local park as much as in the backcountry. We should all practice Leave No Trace in our thinking and actions--wherever we go. We learn Leave No Trace by sharing the principles and then discovering how they can be applied. Leave No Trace instills an awareness that spurs questions like "What can we do to reduce our impact on the environment and on the experiences of other visitors?" Use your judgment and experience to tailor camping and hiking practices to the environment where the outing will occur. Forest, mountain, seashore, plains, freshwater, and wetland environments all require different minimum impact practices.

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: Penn Hall 130

Instructor: Dave Karner/LNT Team

Meals for the Trails

The how to's on food preparation for backpacking on the trail. Learn how to select, prepare, and dispose of your meals on the trail. The instructors are also experienced backpackers as well as merit badge counselors. Scouts who attend should bring signed blue cards. This class will cover requirements; 1a, 2, and 3.

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 167

Instructor: Jim Swain and Jean Mascornick

Order of the Arrow (OA) - Scouting's National Honor Society

The OA recognizes Scouts who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives. Members are known for maintaining camping traditions, promoting year-round and long-term resident camping, and providing cheerful service to our Council camps. The program develops leaders with the willingness, character, spirit and ability to advance the activities of their units, our Brotherhood, Scouting and ultimately our nation. Minsi Trails Council's OA Lodge is Witauchsoman Lodge #44.

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: Penn Hall 126

Instructor: Mike Dolan

Radio Scouting

Every human is constantly communicating through speech, reading body language, even a raised eyebrow. We have many other means of sending and receiving messages too - the telephone, television, radio, photographs drawings and computers. Besides amateur radio, your Scouts can explore some of the older means of communication such as Morse code, flags and sign language

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 191

Instructor: Greg Pioppi

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Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 146

Instructor: Scott Fisher

Succession Planning

"Planning for unit success for today, tomorrow and beyond". This class will give some insight on the importance of planning for not only the present but also the future by discussing ways to retain and recruit quality leaders.

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: College Center 166

Instructor: Al Edelman

Time Management Tips for the Busy Volunteer

If you're like other leaders, trying to juggle Scouts, home, school, sports, and so on can be quite challenging, to say the least! Attendees will learn tips to help "keep it all together."

Period: 3 (11:05 AM - 12:00 PM)

Room: Penn Hall 138

Instructor: Michele Morrow

Wills & Estate Plans: what you need to know!

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Room: College Center 113

Instructor: Don Sachs and Christopher Gray

Period 4

“Become a Campmaster – Help us at your time-share in the Poconos”

Learn the joy in becoming a Campmaster where you can stay in your own campmaster cabin for the weekend. You check units in and out for the weekend at camp. On your down time you may hike around the camp, help out the ranger with skilled trades you can offer, or just simply enjoy our camps by sitting next to our beautiful lakes. Your duty as a campmaster is to constantly check the units and make sure our cabins and campsites are all cleaned up, ready to go for the next weekend. Being a campmaster is the ideal way to escape to the Poconos.

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: College Center 168

Instructor: John Buz

2020 Vision – Strengthening the Packs Membership Recruitment Plan

“Sign-up” nights have been a keystone for recruiting for years, and for good reason: They work! We will review and discuss the concept – planning – volunteer responsibilities – promoting the event – holding the event and the details in-between. Paul Oswald, Director of Field Service and Chief Operating Officer for Minsi Trails Council will host this most important session.

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: College Center 133

Instructor: Paul Oswald

CEREMONIES & DRILLS: A Scouts Guide to Building Color & Honor Guards

As leaders, it is our responsibility to foster a renewed awareness to love of country, within our Troops, that inspires a passion for service to our community. For more than a century, Scout Color Guards have added reverence, dignity and patriotism to occasions such as baseball games, camporees, parades and veteran’s events. In this course, I’ll cover the parts of a Color Guard, how to perform Scout Drills, and the basics of Flag Ceremonies including: Posting the Colors (Indoor Opening Ceremony), Retiring the Colors (Indoor Closing Ceremony), Reveille (Outdoor Opening Ceremony), Retreat (Outdoor Evening Ceremony), and parades.

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: College Center 135

Instructor: Ronald Mills

Cub Scout Specifics

Every Scout deserves a well trained leader. This course will provide a guideline on how to lead your Cub Scouts through their rank advancements while having fun.

This course runs for multiple periods.

Period: 4 - 5 (12:55 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: Kopecek Hall 304

Instructor: Lisa Wagner-Lance

Fire Extinguishers

This course will cover the different types of fire extinguishers, how to use a fire extinguisher properly

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: Outside Collge Center

Instructor: Chris Lubenetski, Crew 77, and Donna Rex-Frantz

Getting and Keeping Volunteers

Volunteers are the backbone of every organization and are vital to a well-run group! Without volunteer adults, where would the Scouts be? Learn ways to encourage adult participation and cultivate potential new leadership.

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: Penn Hall 138

Instructor: Michele Morrow

Guide to Safe Scouting

Do you know what the scouts in your unit can and cannot do? The Guide to Safe Scouting gets updated on a regular basis-find out the latest regulations to help you plan a great and safe scouting year.

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: College Center 166

Instructor: Doug Stoudt

Map, Compass and Orienteering

Combines Map & Compass skills with Orienteering. Participants will follow an outdoor course. Participants should dress for the weather, part of this course will be held outside.

This course runs for multiple periods.

Period: 4 - 5 (12:55 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: Penn Hall 126

Instructor: Jim Roberts

Merit Badge Instruction

An overview of Boy Scout merit badges and how to become a merit badge instructor.

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: College Center 114

Instructor: Bruce Horton

NYLT 101 - Leveraging Your NYLT Scout

Are you using your National Youth Leadership Training trained Youth? Is that NYLT trained youth engaging and leading your troop or crew? Attend and find out what skills were taught at the NYLT course and let's various ways of leveraging your NYLT trained youth to make your job easier and let them run the unit. If you are a troop or crew adult leader and want to learn more about NYLT plan to attend.

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: College Center 169

Instructor: Jim Dailey

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Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: College Center 146

Instructor: Scott Fisher

Scouts BSA, Advancements

The session covers ten topics starting with the "Beginning Scout, the Scout who isn't advancing, advancing but not attending meetings, Boards of Reviews, Merit Badge policies and counselors, reporting on and securing badges earned, recognition, computer use, JTE, overview of all ranks and miscellaneous items" The rules of the BSA and Minsi Trails Council are put on the table.

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: Penn Hall 132

Instructor: Richard Silvius

Teaching Basic Boy Scout Skills

Scouting is full of amazing skills and adventure. Learn basic techniques for teaching new scouts the skills they need.

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: College Center 292

Instructor: J. Verkade

The Art of Storytelling

Once upon a time, long, long ago, in a little village over the hill, there lived a bear.... Learn how to spin a yarn in the world of folklore, legend and storytelling

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: College Center 161

Instructor: Herb King

Tips for Backpacking & Outdoor Adventures for Women

This course will go through gear and hygiene for woman adventuring outdoors. It can be taken by leaders and scouts a like. The great outdoors is different for a woman then compared to a man, let's be prepared. There will be gear available to look at and try. Nifty tricks for venturing the great outdoors.

Period: 4 (12:55 PM - 1:50 PM)

Room: College Center 167

Instructor: Jim Swain and Jean Mascornick

Period 5

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Will cover the use of commercial tourniquets, how to make improvised tourniquets, the use of pressure bandages with hands-on practice.

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Period: 5 (2:05 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: College Center 220

Instructor: Dave Ruyack

Eagle + Five

To many scouts are finishing their Eagle requirements on their 18th birthday. Get ideas to promote 16-17 year old Eagles. Avoid last minute Eagles, if possible. Learn about Eagle Palms. Share thoughts and form your troop's game plan.

Period: 5 (2:05 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: College Center 117

Instructor: Tom Stalsitz

How to Conduct a Board of Review

This class will train committee members and others in the purpose of the board of review. We will offer suggestions for the types of questions that can and should be asked for each rank.

Period: 5 (2:05 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: College Center 114

Instructor: Linda Roth

How to Run a Safe Scout Outing

This course is designed to help you plan safe activities for your unit, identify and reduce risks and review the tools BSA has to help. We will also discuss the “Sandwich Principle” and the importance of Qualified Supervision and Discipline. This course is good for two years.

Period: 5 (2:05 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: College Center 166

Instructor: Doug Stoudt

How to run an Annual Planning Conference

A key to a successful Troop program is planning and it all starts with the annual plan developed at an annual planning conference (APC). In this session we will discuss the objectives of an APC, resources required for a successful APC, how to engage the Scouts, how to run an APC and finally communications with families.

Period: 5 (2:05 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: College Center 118

Instructor: Marc Bamberger

How to Transition to a Boy Lead Troop

1) What is a Scout Lead Troop. 2) Learning by Failure or Growth through Experience. 3) Objectives of the Scouting Program. 4) How to get there. 5) What obstacles you may encounter on the way. 6) General Discussion

Period: 5 (2:05 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: College Center 292

Instructor: J Verkade, Craig Brady, and SPL's

Motivating Youth

An interactive presentation focusing on the necessity and benefits of motivating youth members in all aspects of scouting. Discussion includes addressing topics of those in attendance, as well as involvement from a panel of National Youth Leadership Training youth staff.

Period: 5 (2:05 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: College Center 169

Instructor: Kelli Webb

Running a Troop Level Youth Leader Training Program

Leadership is an important part of scouting. How to give scouts the opportunity to lead and be successful.

Period: 5 (2:05 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: College Center 168

Instructor: Bill Folk

Scoutbook

Scoutbook is now free for all Packs, Troops, Crews, and Ships and is the official database for all BSA Advancement Records. You and your Unit can get the latest info here. Scott Fisher, the Founding Scoutbook User Advisory Council Chairman, will again be a guest instructor at this year's Minsi Trails University of Scouting. He will be available for multiple class periods to fit your schedule and answer your questions. These sessions are available for both Leaders and Scouts and are not affiliated with any of our other program tracks. (They are like having free electives at school!)

Due to popular demand, this course is offered multiple times.

Period: 5 (2:05 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: College Center 146

Instructor: Scott Fisher

Tips for First Time Leaders and Volunteers at Alelaland

Tips for your first year as a leader taking your unit to resident camp.

Period: 5 (2:05 PM - 3:00 PM)

Room: Penn Hall 130

Instructor: Michael Philipp