

## Wood Badge Yet Again

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The Crew's reputation for Wood Badge just can't be contained and has spilled over the local Council's borders. This time, we drove down to Camp Thunderbird, on Powell Lake outside Olympia for the Pacific Harbors Council's course WE1-612-11...the Crew's fourth WB staffing in as many years. We were joined by Maddy Z from Cottage Grove in Oregon Trails Council.



In case you aren't familiar with Wood Badge, it is a Scouting leadership program and the related award for adult leaders in the programs of Scout associations throughout the world. Wood Badge courses aim to make Scouters better leaders by teaching advanced leadership skills, and by creating a bond and commitment to the Scout movement. Wood Badge lasts 6 days. On Days 4 and 5 of the course, councils try to find Venturers to come and augment the staff. The Venturers lead the 8 "adult patrols" (usually with 5 or 6 adults in each) through the practical applications of what they've learned the previous 4 days. Our Crew has been fortunate to be recruited into WB duty several times...probably because we have so much fun by turning the tables and leading the adults for a change.

Here's the list of Wood Badge courses we have staffed. Decoded, the **W** means Western Region, **E** means Weekend (two 3-day weekends vs a 6-day contiguous course), 1 for Area 1 of the Region, the **6nn**

local Council number, and

**1n**

for the year. A

**1**

or

**2**

indicates if it was a 1st or 2nd course in a year that had more than one course for that Council.

<i>Course Number</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Course Director</i>
WE1-609-1-08	Camp Parsons	Lyle Hall

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W1-609-11-1

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Camp Parsons

Camp Pigott

Camp Thunderbird

Rich Wilkins

Mike Gaylord

Adam Rosenlund