



Black Swamp Area Council

2100 Broad Avenue
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Dear Scoutmaster,

Please help us train the young leaders of tomorrow today!

Do you currently have scouts in leadership positions that are struggling with troop meeting plans, patrol leaders' council agendas, campfire planning? Do you sometimes feel that they don't have all the "tools" they need to do their job in scouting? If you answered yes to any of these questions, then you need to send one or more of your troop leaders to the National Youth Leadership Training.

The syllabus focuses on leadership skills not only useful in scouting, but also in other aspects of life such as education, career or hobbies. They will gain knowledge in the areas of communication, leadership, planning, and more. The course is designed to reflect a month in the life of a scout troop. The meetings and activities early in the month lead up to the big outdoor adventure or campout.

We will still use "the tried and true skills" of scouting such as cooking, pioneering, orienteering and of course camping. **In the course, we will introduce geo-caching, using a GPS unit to locate waypoints and ultimately find the "hidden treasure".**

If you have scouts that are interested in attending this weeklong course at Camp Lakota, please give them the enclosed brochure and have them complete the enclosed application and mail it along with the deposit to the address noted in the brochure and send to the attention of the NYLT Program. You can also have them visit our website at www.bsac449-bsa.org.

I have also enclosed in this letter a copy of a letter and an application that was mailed to scouts eligible to attend in the Black Swamp Area Council. If we missed someone that you feel could benefit from this program, please pass along the enclosed information to that scout.

All of us involved in this course look forward to an exciting and challenging year. It is up to all of us in adult leadership roles to encourage our scouts to receive the training available to help them become a more productive and effective leader.

Any questions can be addressed to me, Bob Ebright, Scoutmaster, at ebrightbob@aol.com, or the Council office.

Yours in Scouting,

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