

Prairielands Training College

Saturday February 10, 2018

St. Thomas More High School, Champaign

Registration \$25. Sign up online at: www.prairielandsbsa.org

Every Scout Deserves a Trained Leader



THE BOY SCOUT

Prairielands Training College (PTC) is a fun and exciting one day leader training. PTC was established as a training event “to teach the things that we leaders wish people had taught us when we first started.” In addition to basic training for your Scouting position, PTC teaches you the tricks that will make your time in Scouting true “Quality Time” - more fun, less work for you, safer, and more valuable for both you and the youth you serve. Instructors are people with experience on the subjects they teach. The most valuable part of PTC is the networking and relationships established.

The participants and instructors are people you can share experiences with and who you can go to later for advice and help,. Our goal is to have you leave at the end of the day enthusiastic about Scouting, anxious to share what you’ve learned, and grateful that you took the time to come.

Schedule Summary

7:30 AM	Registration opens
8:30 AM	Opening Ceremony
9:00 AM	Merit Badge Counselor Certification - Room 101 Recruit those Cubs! - Room 102 Women in the Wild - Room 103 Boy Led Troop - Room 105 Basic Knots - Hallway Service Projects - Room 201 NRA Range Safety Officer - Room 202 (6 hours 9AM-4:30PM) Scoutmaster Position Specific Certification (5 hours 9AM-3:30PM)
10:00 AM	ADD: Attention Deficit Disorder - Room 101 Trail Cuisine - Room 102 Dutch Oven Cooking - Room 104 (2 hours) Cyber Chip - Room 105 Lashings - Hallway (2 hours) NRA Range Officer (continued) Scoutmaster Position Specific Certification (continued)
11:00 AM	Cubmaster's Workshop - Room 101 Orienteering (Without a Compass) - Room 102 GPS Geocaching - Room 103 Dutch Oven (continued) Lashings (continued) NRA Range Officer (continued) Scoutmaster Position Specific Certification (continued)
12:00 PM	Lunch
1:30 PM	Compass for Cubs - Room 101 Lightweight Backpacking - Room 102 (2 hours) Electronic Management Tools - Room 105 Splicings - Hallway (2 hours) Hazardous Weather - Room 201 NRA Range Officer (continued) Scoutmaster Position Specific Certification (continued)
2:30 PM	Lightweight Backpacking (continued) Cub Camping - Room 103 High Adventure Base - Room 105 Splicings (continued) NRA Range Officer (continued) Scoutmaster Specific (continued)
3:30 PM	Discussion with Council Key 3 - Dining Area Advanced Knots - Hallway NRA Range Officer (continued)
4:30 PM	Closing

Cub Scout Classes

Compass for Cubs - 1:30 PM - Room 101

Introduce your Cubs to the world of maps, how to use a compass and how your Cubs can make their own compass from basic household items. This hands on session will develop your skills and confidence to conduct fun, basic map and compass activities with your unit.

Cub Camping - 2:30 PM - Room 103

The new Cub program has a lot more emphasis on camping and the outdoors. Before you take your pack into the woods, learn how to have a wonderful (and comfortable) camping experience. In this class we will cover planning your adventure, what to bring (including comfort items for the adults), and some tips for making your adventure fun for you as well as the boys.

Cubmaster's Workshop - 11:00 AM - Room 101

You're the Cubmaster; now what? This class will evaluate the resources available to help you plan Pack Meetings with pizzazz and an active program year to engage your Scouts— while maintaining your sanity.

Recruit Those Cubs! - 9:00 AM - Room 102

It's easy to get boys excited about Cub Scouting, but how do you get their parents to sign them up? We'll tell you how to get those families to join your Pack, and more importantly, turn them into leaders as well.

Boy Scout Classes

Merit Badge Counselor Certification - 9:00 AM - Room 101

Merit badges are critical to the advancement process in Boy Scouts. Walk out the door of this class with a merit badge counselor certification. Learn the ins and outs of being a competent counselor. Also astound your friends at the lunch table with your official BSA certification.

Lightweight Backpacking (2 hours) - 1:30 PM - Room 102

Learn how to get your pack down to a reasonable weight responsibly. Your happiness on the trail directly reflects the weight in your pack! Discover the latest advances in gear and backpacking trends.

Orienteering (without a compass) - 11:00 AM - Room 102

Reading a compass can be difficult for some Scouts and Scout leaders alike. But what happens if you don't have a compass? During this class participants will learn the best ways to navigate in all scenarios.

Scoutmaster Position Specific Training - 9:00 AM ALL DAY - Room 204

You missed the last Troop Committee meeting, and now you're the Scoutmaster! Training for Scoutmasters, Assistant Scoutmasters, and other adult leaders in the troop start here, with this class that goes over the basics of Troop Operation and what this mysterious "patrol method" means.

Boy Led Troop - 9:00 AM - Room 105

You have heard the phrase! Easier said than done, right? Learn helpful hints, and strategies to transition your Troop or Crew to a youth led organization. Hear first hand from a leader who has been in the trenches, and can help guide you to this lofty goal.

Trail Cuisine - 10:00 AM - Room 102

There is more to life than trail mix! Discover easy to prepare meals while on the trail and the best way to carry it all to avoid extra weight. Taught by Leaders proficient in lightweight backpacking techniques

General Classes

Advanced Knots - 3:30 PM - Hallway

Scout leaders and Scouts both benefit from knowing several knots beyond the basic ones required for advancement. Knots will range from useful to decorative for the enjoyment of young and old alike.

Basic Knots - 9:00 AM - Hallway

Are your Second Class Scouts better than you at tying knots? Attend this session and they'll be eating your sisal.

Cyber Chip - 10:00 AM - Room 105

In this fast paced, technology driven times it is important for a leader to be up to date. Today's youth are spending more time than ever using digital media for education, research, socializing, and fun. To help families and volunteers keep youth safe while online, the Boy Scouts of America introduces the Cyber Chip. Learn how to adapt this to your group.

Electronic Management Tools - 1:30 PM - Room 105

Having trouble staying organized? Or just want to streamline your process? This is the class for you! Learn all the latest electronic tools to keep working smarter, not harder!

ADD: Attention Deficit Disorder - 10:00 AM - Room 101

Learn how best to deal with Scouts with ADD, and help them flourish in the program. The class will be taught by a teacher with real world experience.

Council Update with the Key 3 - 3:30 PM - Cafeteria

Our Scout Executive, Council President, and Council Commissioner will be hosting an informational session for all attendees of the Prairielands Training College to give an update on how the council is doing as well as answer any questions that you may have.

Dutch Oven Cooking (2 hours) - 10:00 AM - Room 104

How do you make a feast in a pot? Learn the techniques that make Dutch Oven cooking fun and easy for everyone of all ages. Cooking, teaching, and tasting will be integrated to create a fabulous feast. This class meets outside, please dress for the weather. \$10 additional fee to cover food costs.

Lashings (2 hours) 10:00 AM - Hallway

Learn the basic lashings required to reach First Class rank. Other techniques may be included if time permits. This is a must for pioneering projects. Class size is limited.

NRA Range Safety Officer - ALL DAY - Room 202

This course will offer certification for those interested in supervising any firearm event. BSA councils are required to have Certified supervision at any shooting event, including unit/troop outings. Participants will take the mandatory NRA test. An additional fee \$25 fee to cover test cost and reference materials. Class size is limited.

Service Projects - 9:00 AM - Room 201

Scouting is about service and giving back. Discover the wide variety of service projects your Scouts can do to earn service hours and to benefit the community. Don't forget to record all hours online.

Splicings (2 hours) 1:30 PM - Hallway

This seminar will explore the basic methods of splicing rope and other materials. End splicing, eye splices, short splices, and long splices will all be demonstrated. Class size is limited.

Women in the Wild - 9:00 AM - Room 103

Camping is easy when the "comforts" are nearby. When you are in the back country, comforts take on a different meaning. We'll explore how to take care of "business" and not feel gross, any time of the month. And we'll look at how to discuss these delicate topics with Venturers and their parents. This class isn't just for women, but it does address personal hygiene issues.

GPS Geocaching - 11:00 AM - Room 103

Ever dreamed of going treasure hunting? Then this is the class for you. You will learn the basics of using a GPS device, and also learn about the exciting sport of geocaching. You will be ready for adventure, and ready to hunt your own "treasure" after this incredible class.

High Adventure Base - 2:30 - Room 105

Every Scout should get the opportunity to experience a high adventure camp. From the frigid

northern tier to the sandy beaches of sea base, and the mountains in between. Come and learn the basics of each unique base, and get the information on selecting and setting up a trip for your own Troop or Crew!

Hazardous Weather - 1:30 PM - Room 201

This class will cover the required course for Scout Leaders– Hazardous Weather Preparedness Training. Remember that at least one adult on each tour permit is required to have taken this training. While this class is available online, you are not able to ask questions. This opportunity will allow you the opportunity for a very engaging class.

All Day Courses

NRA Range Safety Officer (6 hours) - Room 202

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