As the BSA organization changed last summer, it was important that the support and service to Council Training Chairs continue. The above energetic Scouters accepted the new position of Territory Training Coordinator (TTC) in support of an assigned National Service Territory (NST). Each TTC will support and mentor the Council Training Chairs in an NST helping to increase the levels of training in their council. The TTCs are also responsible for approving the “Request for Authorization to Conduct a National Training Course” for NYLT and Wood Badge.
courses, making sure there are enough Course Director Conferences (CDC) to support the NYLT and Wood Badge courses in an NST, promoting national training courses, and gathering feedback on training to communicate to Scouting U. TTCs have been reaching out to Council Training Chairs. If you haven’t been contacted by the TTC for your territory, please reach out to them and introduce yourself.

**WHAT’S NEW!**

**NEW ONLINE TRAINING FOR THE DISTINGUISHED CONSERVATION SERVICE AWARD**

In response to the needs of Scouts working towards the BSA Distinguished Conservation Service Award, Scouting U and the Outdoor Programs Team has released a new training program for BSA Distinguished Conservation Service Award Advisors and Council Conservation Committee members. This training will only be available online.

These new training programs are available by logging onto [https://my.scouting.org](https://my.scouting.org) and launching the BSA Learn Center. When the Learn Center opens you can search the catalog and select the DCSA Advisor/Committee Training Learning Plan.

The 8 Courses in the Learning Plan are arranged in order of completion (top to bottom) to allow the participant to complete the 2-hour training program in segments making it easier to complete. Completion of this training will award training code H114 - BSA DCSA Adviser/Committee Member which is required to be an advisor or committee member that will guide Scouts to a higher level of service, while also guiding them to a higher level of success in the completion of their projects.

**NEW COMMISSIONER TRAINING**

New position specific basic training is now available online through the BSA Learn Center with new learning plans and modules for Unit, Roundtable, District, and Council Commissioners. These modules replace the previous online training modules.

New Instructor led materials are also available and are located on the basic training section of the Commissioner Development page at [https://www.scouting.org/commissioners/training/commissioner-basic-training/](https://www.scouting.org/commissioners/training/commissioner-basic-training/)

Commissioners who may have been taking the previous online courses and did not complete them will need to start again with the new material.

**HAZARDOUS WEATHER**

As a direct contact leader, staying current on Hazardous Weather Training is an important part of offering a safe scouting program and needs to be renewed every 2 years.

Remembering when you took it last and when you need to re-new it can be problematic. Like YPT, you will now receive notifications when it is time to re-take Hazardous Weather Training.

When notified, you will be instructed to go to [https://my.scouting.org/](https://my.scouting.org/), log in and select the BSA Learn Center. You can quickly access the course in the Learn Center by selecting My Learning and typing “hazardous weather” in the search box. Clicking the “Retake” button will take you to the course so you can “Start Again” and complete it to update your training record in my.scouting. Thank you for all you do in serving youth and keeping scouting safe!

**INTRODUCTION TO LEADERSHIP SKILLS FOR CREWS (ILSC) HAS BEEN UPDATED!**

The Introduction to Leadership Skills for Crews Course (ILSC) has been created to help Venturers learn and practice the attitudes and skills that good leaders demonstrate. The course is a series of lessons divided into three modules: Leading Self, Leading Others, and Leading Crews. The syllabus contains six and a half hours of instruction, but a course length may vary depending on facilitators’ choice of
games, the content chosen for more extensive discussion, and the needs of the crew.

Completion of ILSC is a prerequisite for Venturers to participate in the more advanced leadership courses, such as National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT), National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE) and Kodiak.

The 2021 Revision of *Introduction to Leadership Skills for Crews* (ILSC) instructor-led course includes the following major changes:

- This version of ILSC was reviewed by the NYLT task force to ensure that it was compatible with the new NYLT syllabus.
- Course format revised to make it easier to read online or as a downloaded document.
- EDGE is now referred to as Scouting EDGE to align with NYLT during the Team Development session.
- Leadership tied to the Venturing motto “Lead the Adventure.”
- Venturing terminology updated.
- Vision session revised to align with NYLT “Start with Why” (reference to mission statement eliminated).
- Distinction between delegating and tasking added to the session on delegating.
- Session on calendaring (time management) added.
- Session on keeping the crew on task added.
- New games/activities with options added (a few activities were “retired”).
- Feedback from Venturers included as sidebars.

The updated material can be found at [https://www.scouting.org/training/youth/](https://www.scouting.org/training/youth/)

**MEDIA USAGE**

Several of the videos, songs, and teaching sessions in the NYLT and Wood Badge courses involve intellectual properties. The Boy Scouts of America has secured the appropriate permissions to use these materials; however, local councils must purchase the appropriate license to authorize their use in council courses.

Upon approval of a course, the local council will be required to purchase an MPLC Umbrella Movie License: $200 for council Wood Badge course(s) and $100 for council NYLT course(s). The media umbrella license will cover the local and national council liability for video usage. This license will also provide the local council the ability to present the movies or movie clips in the Wood Badge and NYLT curricula as well as at any council events. Note that this license does not give the local council the ability to present a movie as a fundraiser or where a ticket is purchased to attend.

To provide this service, every Wood Badge and NYLT course must purchase an MPLC Umbrella Movie License. Upon payment, councils will receive an email confirmation that includes a copy of the license, an FAQ regarding the license, and a list of included production companies. To purchase the MPLC Umbrella Movie License, visit: [https://laserfiche.scouting.org/Forms/MPLCMovieLicense](https://laserfiche.scouting.org/Forms/MPLCMovieLicense)

Additional information, including the FAQ and the “Request for Authorization to Conduct a National Training Course” application is available here: [https://www.scouting.org/training/adult/administration-of-training/](https://www.scouting.org/training/adult/administration-of-training/)

Contact Kathy Craig at kathy.craig@scouting.org with questions.

**TRAINING UPDATES**

Happy New Year from the professionals and volunteers at Scouting U. We continue to work to update our various training products and ensure they are relevant both to our adult and youth leaders, as well as current with training approaches in the industry. The Curriculum reviews from last year across all BSA programs have led to several projects currently underway.
Our safety courses other than YPT have needed enhancement and are currently being worked on. These include Safety Afloat, Hazardous Weather, and Climbing Safety. Some are nearing completion and should be in the Learning Management System soon.

Our training courses for District and Council level trainers are also in need of updating. A task force is being finalized to review Fundamentals of Training and Trainer’s EDGE to develop a suite of entry, moderate, and advanced level training. Training in facilitation and virtual instructor led training are also being looked into. These projects are longer term but should be rolling out in 2022.

Input from the field on our outdoor leader skills has also led us to form a task force to work with the programs, safety and outdoor camping to enhance these products. This will include looking at BALOO, IOLS, and potentially addition of some more advanced outdoor skills that have been removed over the years from our curriculum.

We are updating Wood Badge for ease of delivery. The product was updated a little over a year ago and has some enhanced content in a 5-day format. All the material is excellent, but it might be packed a little full. We are putting together a task force to look at putting some of the individual modules into online format to keep the material but free up some time to spend on the rest of the course materials.

We are also looking at updating the Scouts BSA and Cub Scout training. The Scouts BSA face-to-face training will undergo a facelift. Cub Scout training is being looked at for addition of some more “hands on” type of training.

**UPCOMING EVENTS AND TRAINING**

**2022 COURSE DIRECTORS CONFERENCES**

Are you a 2022-23 Wood Badge or NYLT Course Director, Assistant Course Director, or a senior youth leader for NYLT? If you answered yes, then you need to attend a Course Directors Conference (CDC). Use the link below to find a CDC that works for you and your team.

The CDC will have the latest information you will need to present a world class National Training Course! All participants that attend will be connected to the current Wood Badge and NYLT curriculum and materials. You will enjoy meeting other course faculty/staff and get great ideas on how to improve the training in your council. The conference schedule is being updated constantly, so keep checking for new locations and information!

https://www.scouting.org/training/conferences/

**LEADERSHIP CHALLENGE RETURNS TO THE SUMMIT AND PHILMONT IN 2022!**

Leadership Challenge is the preeminent outdoor experiential Scouting leadership course for those who have completed Wood Badge. For 2022, Leadership Challenge at The Summit will be held June 19-25, and Leadership Challenge at Philmont will be held September 18-24. Both courses bring to life the potential of servant leadership through challenging and engaging activities that motivate you to follow a life of helping others succeed based on the values expressed in the Scout Oath and Scout Law. Scouters from across the country will observe and participate in team building and problem-solving while effectively managing challenging situations.

Are you ready for the challenge?

To register for Leadership Challenge at The Summit: https://SummitBSA.org/training
To register for Leadership Challenge at Philmont: https://philmontscoutranch.org/ptc/ptc-conferences

Join Leadership Challenge on Facebook! https://www.facebook.com/philmontleadershipchallenge/

**NAYLE PREPARES YOUTH LEADERS FOR SUCCESS IN 2022!**

Youth leaders in Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scouts are invited to attend National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE) at The Summit and Philmont in 2022! NAYLE builds upon skills
learned during National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT), with engaging activities that equip young women and men to navigate team dynamics to plan for success using tenets of servant leadership. For well over a decade, outstanding Scouts have participated in NAYLE, and these young leaders are now shaping the future of the Boy Scouts of America.

To register for NAYLE at The Summit (2 courses available):
https://SummitBSA.org/training

To register for NAYLE at Philmont (6 courses available): https://philmontscoutranch.org/ptc/ptc-conferences

Join NAYLE on Facebook!
https://www.facebook.com/BSANAYLE/

NYLT LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

The NYLT Leadership Academy is the high-level course for NYLT graduates that will train them to be world-class presenters, evaluators, and leaders in a local council’s NYLT courses. During the week at the Academy, they will hone their presentation and evaluation skills, meet successful leaders, participate in problem solving panels, learn best practices and much more.

Participants of the NYLT Leadership Academy can receive college credit through West Virginia University.

Five courses will be offered in four locations in the Summer of 2022:

- St. Louis, Missouri: June 25-July 2
- Summit, West Virginia: July 3-9, & July 10-16
- Sacramento, CA: July 10-16
- Washington, DC: July 24-30

To learn more visit our website: https://nylt-leadershipacademy.org/

SCOUTING U VOLUNTEER TRAINING CONFERENCE

Future of BSA Training Planning at the National Volunteer Training Conference
April 7 – 9, 2022 — Las Vegas, Nevada

The 8th annual Scouting U Volunteer Training Conference will be held at the Las Vegas Area Council Office on the 7th to 9th of April. The conference is intended to provide both information on the status of training in the Boy Scouts, as well as an opportunity to gather information from the field on training effectiveness and product needs.

Last year virtual sessions were incorporated and added up to 150 online Scouters in addition to the 35 that attended in person! Virtual sessions will be added again this year and will be identified in March when the agenda is finalized. A separate communication will be sent out with the various virtual meeting links. Scouters attending virtually do not need to register at the conference link.

The conference is open to Council Training Chairs, Territory Training Coordinators, Scouting U committee and sub-committee members, Council level Program sponsors, and any other parties interested in helping to plan the future of training!

A number of critical training topics will be discussed including an update on Scouting U, updates to training products, upgrades to the LMS, Wood Badge & NYLT updates, My.Scouting Tools, Webinars/livestreams/VILT, Training for District/Council Trainers and discussions on Outdoor Skills Instruction.

Click the link below to register. REGISTER: 2022 National Volunteer Training Conference Registration.
For your convenience, below is a list of non-casino hotels near the BSA office. The Strip is not far away and there are many more choices there.

Double Tree by Hilton Hotel Las Vegas Airport  
7250 Pollock Dr., Las Vegas, NV 89119 (~ .3 miles)  
702.948.4000  
We have a block of rooms available at $129.00/night if people are interested:  
Hotel Reservation Link

Hampton Inn & Suites Las Vegas Airport  
6575 S. Eastern Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89119 (~2.3 miles)  
702.647.8000

Hilton Garden Inn Las Vegas Strip South  
7830 Las Vegas Blvd S, Las Vegas, NV 89123 (~1.9 miles)  
702.453.7830

The cost for the conference is $75.00 per person (conference fee only: covers meals [Friday breakfast, lunch and dinner; Saturday breakfast and lunch] and materials; travel and housing are not included). Hotel and travel accommodations will be handled by each conference attendee. Plan to be at the Las Vegas Area Council BSA office no later than 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 7th, and if flying, schedule your return flight for any time after the closing at 12:00 PM on Saturday April 9th.

What to Bring  
Comfortable clothing (uniforms are not required), a good attitude, and lots of great...