The Wood Badge W6-412-19 course will be conducted at the Rayado Ridge Leadership Camp and Zastrow backcountry camp at Philmont Scout Ranch. As a participant in this Wood Badge course, you will be among the first to experience BSA’s updated centennial Wood Badge leadership training curriculum as we celebrate the 100-year anniversary of Wood Badge training.

Course participants should arrive at the Philmont Training Center by 4:30 pm on Sunday, 22 September. The course will end at 5:00 pm on Friday, 27 September. Participants will have the option of departing Friday evening or staying at the training center that night and departing Saturday morning.

Prerequisites to attend Wood Badge:
- Be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America age 18 or older
- Have completed the basic training courses for your Scouting position
- Be capable of functioning safely in an outdoor environment. All participants are required to complete the BSA Annual Health & Medical Record (parts A, B, & C).
- Pay your registration fee in full.

Cost: $495
- A $50 nonrefundable deposit is required upon registration. This deposit is credited towards the total course fees.
- Registration fees must be paid in full by 23 August 2019.
- Course fees cover all program and training materials, food, facility fees, supplies, and the Wood Badge award presentation kit (awarded upon successful completion of the full training program).
- Please contact WoodBadgeGSWC@gmail.com for help in identifying funding sources and assistance, if needed.

Refund Policy:
- Cancellation requests made prior to 23 August 2019 will result in refund of all paid fees minus the original $50 nonrefundable deposit.
- Cancellation requests within 30 days of the course will refund all paid fees minus $150, which includes the $50 deposit.
- All cancellation requests must be made in writing and submitted to WoodBadgeGSWC@gmail.com or by mail:

Great Southwest Council
Attn: Wood Badge W6-412-19
5841 Office Boulevard NE
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87109
The Great Southwest Council invites leaders from all Scouting programs to experience exciting, action-packed Wood Badge leadership training.

Wood Badge is designed to provide leadership skills and experience for use in home units, districts, or councils and in other situations demanding leadership of self and others.

**What is Wood Badge?**
Reflecting the very best of nearly a century of Scouting experience, Wood Badge draws upon the most current leadership models used by corporate America, academic circles and successful organizations throughout the country.

Wood Badge training was begun by Baden Powell in 1919 as a way to ensure that the leaders of Scout troops were properly trained. Since then Wood Badge has been held worldwide, providing advanced leadership training to thousands of Scout leaders.

Wood Badge builds upon the best traditions and experiences of the Boy Scouts of America and also draws from a wide range of courses within and beyond the bounds of Scouting to present the latest in leadership theory and team development.

**Who Should Attend?**
The simple answer is that it is you who should attend Wood Badge! Wood Badge is designed to meet the advanced leadership needs of all Scouters, particularly unit level Scouters, such as Cub leaders, Scoutmasters and assistants, Venturing Crew Advisors, Committee Chairs and members. Additionally, Scouters serving at the district and council levels can achieve greater effectiveness through Wood Badge.

Wood Badge is even more fun when you share the experience with a friend.

**Why Attend Wood Badge?**
By taking Wood Badge, Scouters will acquire valuable tools such as listening, communicating, conflict management, project planning and leading change. Participants will better learn to understand and appreciate diversity and differences in our society. They will learn skills that will make them a better Scout leader. Units with trained leaders are able to deliver an improved program and a more meaningful experience for the youth Scouting serves.

By attending Wood Badge, the participants will internalize the 5 themes of Wood Badge: Living the Values, Growing, Connecting, Guiding, Empowering.

The ultimate purpose of Wood Badge is to help adult leaders deliver the highest quality Scouting program to young people to help them achieve their highest potential. It models the best techniques for developing leadership and teamwork among both young people and adults.

**Additional Course Information**
Please visit the GSWC Wood Badge website for course and registration information. 
([http://www.gswcbsa.org/woodbadge](http://www.gswcbsa.org/woodbadge))

Please contact the course director with any questions:

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