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Re: NATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP TRAINING COURSE

Dear Leader:

Summer is just around the corner. As the Scoutmaster for the National Youth Leadership Training Course, my thoughts turn to plans for our training program. For those not familiar, I was a Scoutmaster for many years and a Woodbadger, Bear Patrol, of course. I have been trained to lead this course by the Northeast Region and have successfully presented the course for the past seven years. I have a very competent and well trained staff, both youth and adult.

In Scouts we say, "A failure to plan is a plan to fail." I have found the best plans are subject to fail if leaders are not well trained. I am aware of how difficult it is to find time to properly train your youth leaders, and how important it is to have leadership skills to perform tasks necessary to run a good troop. It is time to consider which of the youth in your troop you would like to nominate to attend the 2013 NYLT course.

We are focusing on leadership skills and not teaching Scout skills. We request the youth you nominate is 14 years old, or a mature 13, and have at least attained the rank of First Class. This year, we will only offer the course one time. Starting at noon on August 5th and ending at the feast on Saturday August 10th. The equipment needed will be the same as if going on a weeklong camping trip with the troop. The cost of the course will be \$175 per participant. A deposit of \$75 is needed prior to July 19th and the balance payable at the time of registration. The fee includes all meals, cracker barrels, binders, training materials, T-shirt, neckerchief, and hat. A list of necessary equipment will be sent to the nominee after registration.

Call Colleen at the Council service Center and register your nominees for the course as soon as possible. Any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me at 724-446-1667 or email me at smsparkydk@aol.com.

YOURS IN SCOUTING,

Denny Kinzel