



**PROJECT C.O.P.E.**  
CHALLENGING OUTDOOR PERSONAL EXPERIENCE  
**Goose Pond Scout Reservation**

**STAFF TRAINING COURSE 2009**

The Northeastern Pennsylvania Council COPE Committee would like to invite you to attend our COPE Staff training course weekend....

The 2009 training seminar will be held on **April 17, 18 and 19, 2009** at Goose Pond. The cost for the weekend is \$35.00, which includes all meals, lodging, staff hat, equipment, and training materials.

The weekend is filled with team building exercises, facilitation skills, and high ropes and technical training. Upon completion of the training, each staff member needs to attend a weekend of practical application experience as a staff assistant before receiving certification. This training is ideal for older scouts (16+) who would like to add excitement and diversity to their Scouting activities, or for adults interested in serving our Scouting youth in a very exciting and rewarding way. It is a unique opportunity to learn how to develop effective teams and understand group dynamics. These skills will be valuable as you grow as a leader in school, the workplace, your Scout unit, or your family. Our Council's COPE program is run and staffed entirely by volunteers. As our Staff grows, we need to add new individuals with enthusiasm, talent and new ideas to our corps of COPE leaders. Please support this great program and join our team and refer other people that you may know to join us as well. We are always looking for more good people to get involved with us.

**Information on the Training Weekend:**

- ~ Arrive by 6:00pm on Friday. Register at the Goose Pond Dining Hall. Set up sleeping area, stow personal gear.
- ~ Departure is scheduled for approximately 4:00pm on Sunday.
- ~ Dress for forecasted weather. Much of the weekend will be spent outdoors on the COPE course. Include at least 2 pair of long pants, 2 long sleeved shirts, sturdy footwear with traction, personal sleeping gear, toiletries, flashlight, other personal clothing and gear, a ball cap, leather palmed gloves and sunglasses.
- ~ All meals will be provided, you do not need any utensils or dishware; however, bring a plastic cup or coffee mug.
- ~ Complete the enclosed COPE form and return it to the Scout Service Center as soon as possible.
- ~ Be a registered member of the BSA and be at least 15 ½ years old.
- ~ Complete the BSA's Youth Protection Training Course online at [www.olg.scouting.org](http://www.olg.scouting.org). Bring your certificate of completion with you.
- ~ Bring a current completed copy of your BSA Class 3 medical form to the training weekend or send a copy with your registration form.

**Please return your paid registration to the Service Center by April 10, 2009. There are a limited amount of openings.**

**We Need People Interested in Working as:**

COPE Directors (BSA Certified-must be 21yr.)  
Instructors/group facilitators (minimum 18 yr.)  
High Ropes Course Staff (minimum 16 yr.)  
Climbing Instructors (experienced climbers)  
Carpenters/contractors (course construction)  
Host Corps (supports training courses, etc.)

**The Qualities We Are Looking for in Our Staff:**

Focused on a quality program for our older scouts  
Committed to excellence in all our work  
Good team player who contributes willingly  
Loves high adventure and challenge  
Willing to work and play hard.

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**April 17-19, 2009**

Staff Training Reservation Form to be filled out and submitted to  
Northeastern Pennsylvania Council Service Center.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Registered BSA Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\$35 Fee Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes

Copy of current BSA medical form: \_\_\_\_\_ Attached \_\_\_\_\_ Will Bring

Copy of BSA Youth Protection Training Completion: \_\_\_\_\_ Attached \_\_\_\_\_ Will Bring

*Checks may be made payable to:*  
Northeastern PA Council, BSA  
1 Bob Mellow Drive  
Moosic, PA 18507

