

CMSNA Wood Badgers: A Call to Service

The Clan MacLaren Society of North America, Ltd., (CMSNA) can use your help and you are asking, “How?”

Wood Badge membership of CMSNA is approximately 25% of the total Society membership.

There are many ways in which you can help the Society and here are a few suggestions:

- Contact your CMSNA Regional Commissioner and offer to help out at the CMSNA clan tents at Highland Games events in your area/state/region. For the list of Regional Commissioners, please visit the Society website, www.clanmaclarena.org.
- Wear MacLaren tartan – more than just that little swatch of MacLaren tartan ribbon on the peak of your Gilwell scarf. Get kilted!!! Again, visit the Society website, select the “Scouting” link and, once there, select the “Gilwell Field” link. You’ll find some interesting articles that should help out.
- Recognize your fellow Wood Badgers in your area with CMSNA Wood Badge Recognition Certificates. They are FREE!! Again, visit “Gilwell Field” for more information.
- Serve as a liaison between CMSNA and your fellow non-CMSNA Wood Badgers.
- Convene a CMSNA Clan tent at a Highland Games event in your area/state/region. As daunting as that may sound, it really is not that hard. CMSNA has convening kits available for your use and help on how to do it. Again, check with your Regional Commissioner.
- If you really are getting into things both Scottish and Wood Badge, consider being a “Wood Badge Co-Ordinator” in your state. The CMSNA regions are quite large geographically and one person cannot be everywhere all the time. Think about it and confer with your Regional Commissioner. There are a lot of Wood Badgers out there and some of them are CMSNA members and they can donate another hour per week.
- Wear a CMSNA Wood Badge golf shirt with your kilt or, if you must, your Scout activity uniform. For more information on the shirts, check out the article on “Gilwell Field.”

If you have questions about any of the above opportunities, please contact Mr. Ted Severe, CMSNA National Wood Badge Co-Ordinator, by, you guessed it, checking the CMSNA website and using the “Contacts” link. If you send an email, you will get a response.