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# The Gilbell Gazette wood badge course \$7-602-12-1, HEART OF VIRGINIA COUNCIL

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Priceless

# Staff Spirit Award

#### For First Timer Only

Robbie Patterson, Assistant Friendly Quartermaster, was awarded the coveted Spirit Award.

This honor is given to the first-time staff member who best exemplifies the Wood Badge Spirit of cheerful attitude and service to others. Congratulations Robbie!

For anyone who knows Robbie this should not be a surprise. Robbie can normally be found with a smile on his face. His great attitude is always present, even when performing some of the least desirable jobs of the "friendly assistant quartermaster".

This reporter who joined the S7-602-12-1 staff as a last minute replacement, remembers well my first encounter with Robbie at SDM2 . Robbie was the first guy to make a point to come and introduce himself to me. After my nervous introduction to the staff that morning it was the warm type of ice breaker that helped put me at ease. Thank you Robbie for making me feel at home.



OPINION A2

#### **Back to Gilwell**

Course SR966 Senior Patrol Leader, Scott Street, shares his thoughts about weekend 2 as well as patrol activities, tickets, vision, and goals.



Course Director Mark Larson ( background second from right) presides over the Gilwell Field Assembly on Day 3

# Day 3 Activities Signal the End of the First Weekend

Day 3 of Wood Badge Course S7-602-12-1 began early with a great breakfast followed by a Gilwell Field Assembly. Before beginning the day's instructional sessions, John Turner returned to hand out the awards for the previous day's rocket competition. Patrols won unique awards such as "Most Likely to Maim or Cause Personal or Property Damage" and the "Flying on a Wing and a Prayer" award.

Prayer" award. After all the awards were given out, Les Thorpe led the troop in an instructional session on conducting Interfaith Worship Services

in Scouting. The presentation was delivered with a great deal of passion and was followed up by an actual Worship Service that participants found to be very moving.

After a quick break it was on to the daily troop meeting that featured discussions on prepar-

PATROL REPORTS A3

#### **Patrol Photos**

Check the Day 3 patrol photos.

ing for the outdoor experience of the second weekend, the Outdoor Code, and Leave No Trace.

Another short break ushered us into Jason Smith presentation of the Leading EDGE and Teaching EDGE strategies of leadership and skills instruction.

John Blackmore then led a discussion about Conservation Project Planning and introduced the troop to John Hankins who will lead the actual conservation

project they will be working on as part of the second weekend's activities.

Another quick break allowed the staff to setup for a movie presentation of "October

Sky" complete with popcorn! Tina Goodwyn prepared us by getting our hearts pumping with leading us in a dance to the "Electric Shuffle".

The final official activity of the day was a closing ceremony on Gilwell Field led by our Course Director.

FIELD NOTES A6

#### The Scouter in All of Us

An anonymous letter from an SR966 course participant reminds us that the title 'Scouter' is not stitched on a badge but belongs in our hearts.

# Friendly Quartermaster Also Toots

Dave Estes Keeps Kudu Tradition Alive

GILWELL — Not only is Dave Estes our Friendly Quartermaster but he also keeps alive the tradition of another Wood Badge symbol, the kudu horn.

Baden-Powell first encountered the kudu horn at the Battle of Shangani, where he discov-



ered how the Matabele warriors used it to quickly spread a signal of alarm. He used the horn at the first Scout encampment at Brownsea Island in 1907. It is used from the early Wood Badge courses to signal the beginning of the course or an activity, and to inspire Scouters to always do better.

Dave earned the privilege of horn tooter in a vigorous competition amongst fellow staffer for the honor. Congratulations on a job well done! Keep blowing those sweet notes on Gilwell Field Dave !

#### Get social with us online!

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Mark Larson, S7-602-12-1 Course Director

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## Service to Others: The Ultimate Calling

The social ills that plague our society today are more pervasive and constantly threaten the moral fabric of humanity. Etched into the daily lives of many Americans are crisis of child abuse, poverty, domestic violence, minority opportunity, corporate greed, and homelessness to name a few. Each crisis shares a commonality in that people induce them, which implies they are practically solvable. Moreover,

each crisis bears witness to the vast discrepancies between today's reality and the founding fathers' of this nation who dreamed of life, liberty, and justice for all. If the founding fathers' dream is to fulfill its mission, there has to be a fusion of like minds and pure intentions toward a common goal of human-

> ity. Learning to care for one another by helping to sustain the basic needs of those less fortunate would be a viable start toward a healthy humanity. In the business of human enterprise, service to others is the ultimate calling to help bridge the

chasm that divides humanity today. Do you hear the calling? If you are a Scouter reading this article I think you do hear the calling.

## On Leadership

#### To the Editor:

I liked to comment on observations of the Head Muckiti Mucks of Wood Badge S7-602-12-1, as you may have experienced in your past, sometimes the Head Muckiti Mucks get so involved in doing "this n that" they tend to oversight the common courtesy of leadership, treat the subordinate staffers like children, and drill as if the "D-Day" invasion was about to commence in short order, but not here in Wood Badge S7-602-12-01. The experience of the prior three days has been exceptional, the leadership styles of all the Muckiti Mucks is remarkable "they treat everyone like adults", led by example and extend latitude to the staffers in the completion of their tasks. It has been a great honor to serve with such a wonderful group of Muckiti Mucks, it is of no wonder that this one of the best Wood Badge staffs ever. Anonymous

Dear Anonymous:

Thank you for reiteration what all use staffers already know.

S7-602-12-1 Scribes

## Editorial Observer / SCOTT STREET It's Almost Time to Get Back to Gilwell

#### (reprinted from SR966) Greetings Gilwellians!

I can hardly believe that the intermission is nearly over-four weeks seemed like such a long time, but here we are preparing for our second weekend. I'm quite excited because of all of the fun activities that we have planned for our simulated Troop 1 camping trip, and I'm sure you'll have a blast.

I've had the opportunity to speak with several of you over the past few weeks, and I've been very pleased to learn about all of the stuff you've been accomplishing at your patrol meetings. It seems like the patrol flags and totems will be outstanding this year. In addition, the patrol projects seem to be taking shape. Remember to get together and practice your presentation all of the way through several times before the actual presentation. Doing so will ensure a top-notch presentation that makes everyone proud.

It has also been interesting to learn little details here and there about what everyone is planning for the cooking contest meals. While only little hints about what it to come have been shared with me, I'm already impressed. Note that presentation, in addition to preparation, factors into a successful meal. However, remember that the contest's theme is not to be forgotten: "Keep It Simple, Make It Good!"

I do want to note that quite a few of you are still nervous about the Ticket. This is not uncommon; however, it can be overcome. Recall what was discussed during the first weekend and use this as your guide through finalizing your ticket. The primary focus should be your VISION. Where do you want to be in your Scouting position? How do you want to be able to summarize your contri-

#### butions to Scouting?

Creating your vision is not always easy, but it is certainly difficult if you first create your goals and then try to craft a vision around them...it would be like trying to sketch a portrait of someone you've never seen and then adjusting it to look like the person once you've seen themthe result is never as nearly as good as what could've been created has you known what the person looked like in advance.

Once you have your vision, then the goals are merely the steps you'll take along to path to satisfying your vision. Create at least five goals (yes, you only need five, but having an extra goal or two approved in advance works well in case a goal needs to be adjusted/ replaced while you're working on your ticket). Be sure your goals are measureable and attainable. Avoid goals that rely on the decisions of others (e.g., 100% unit attendance at the next district camporee), if the decisions don't work in your favor, then your goal won't be attained (e.g., one unit decides to visit Williamsburg instead of attending the camporee).

Once your vision and goals are complete, write them up neatly and bring them with you to the second weekend for your Troop Guide to approve. While there will be a little bit of time to make minor adjustments to your Ticket items, that time will be limited. Of course, if you're stuck on something, please check with your Troop Guide or feel free to contact me.

In the mean time, enjoy your final preparations on your patrol flags, totems, menu items, etc. Before you know it, 7:00 on the morning of Day 4 will roll around, and you will be with your patrol in the parking lot at Camp T. Brady Saunders ready to continue on with the program. And don't forget: KISMIF!



# Patrol Reports

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BEAVER PATROL



# BOBWHITE PATROL





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# Lifestyles

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# Critterscopes

### 🕊 Beaver

Everything you desire shall be yours this week, providing you do not under any circumstances read your critterscope.

### ¥ Bobwhite

A tall, dark stranger will appear to you in a dream, look tenderly into your eyes and extol the virtues of Pall Mall cigarettes.

### ¥ Eagle

The stars hereby grant you the secret of lighter, fluffier pancakes: Use sour cream instead of milk.

## 🖞 Fox

You may not have a lot of money, but you still believe yourself to be rich in many ways. This isn't surprising considering the cost of a proper education these days.

## **∀Owl**

The difference between life and death can come down to a few precious minutes, or in your case, the time it takes for the EMTs to finally stop laughing.

### 📽 Bear

You'll have a terrifying out-of-body experience this week, followed by an even more horrifying back-inside-your-body experience.

## Buffalo

You discover that it takes a lot of courage to stand up and speak candidly in front of a large group of people. Especially when those people are just there to watch KISS .

## () Antelope

You establish a destructive pattern of behavior this week when you discover how much fun it is to destroy things.

# Recipe Corner

## **Dutch Oven French Toast Casserole**

I like this casserole, because unlike most French Toast Casseroles, it doesn't require you to prepare it the night before. When we're camping, I tend to forget to get breakfast going the night before as once dinner is done, I'm comfortably sitting at the campfire! This is quick and easy to make in the morning and is quite delicious!



1 large loaf French bread

- 8 eggs 2 cups half-and-half
- 1 cup milk
- 4 Tbsp. sugar
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 3/4 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 4 Tbsp. butter, cut into small pieces

Tear bread into 1-2 inch chunks. Put torn up bread in a 12" Dutch oven. Beat together all remaining ingredients, except butter. Pour over bread. Dot the top with butter. Bake with 9 coals on bottom and 15 on top. It should be done in 30-45 minutes, when eggs are set.

# You Might be a Wood Badger.... Take-off from Jeff Foxworthy's "You might be a Redneck":

If you raise your hand to the Scout Sign at a heated business meeting

You Might Be A Wood Badger!

If you attend the community Independence Day parade, look around and find you and your family are the only ones standing up at the American flag passes by... You Might Be A Wood Badger!

You Might Be A Wood Badger!

If all your shirts have pin holes in them...

You Might Be A Wood Badger! If you have your own desk and filing cabinet just for scout related paperwork...

You Might Be A Wood Badger!

If you carry your own toilet paper wherever you go... You Might Be A Wood Badger!

If your idea of a trip to the Holy Land means Gilwell Park in England

You Might Be A Wood Badger!

# A Wood Badge Ticket Is:

A Commitment. A vision of personal improvement. A vision of how the Scouter will lead. A series of goals.

Specific Measurable Attainable Relevant

Time-based

Your Ticket should be Guided by: Your Personal Values. Your Personal Vision. Your Personal Mission.

# Ticket Key Concepts

- 1. Your ticket will include five significant goals.
- 2. The goals will be written in support of your current Scouting responsibilities and should be designed to provide maximum positive impact for youth membership.
- 3. At least one of the five goals will incorporate some aspect of diversity.
- 4. If you wish, one goal of the five goals may involve developing and applying a self-assessment tool to measure your progress and effectiveness in relation to the other goals on your ticket.
- 5. The goals written should follow the SMART principles.
- 6. For each goal, you will indicate: who, what, where, when, how measured, why, and how verified.
- 7. Your Troop Guide will help you to prepare your ticket and will approve it when it is completed.
- 8. You will have a ticket counselor assigned to you.

9. The five goals of the ticket must be completed within 18 months. When you and your counselor have agreed that you have fulfilled all the items on your ticket, you will receive your Wood Badge certificate, beads, neckerchief, and woggle FRIDAY, MAY 4, 2012

# Schedule & Field Notes

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## Day 3.5 Schedule

| 10:00am | Arrive at Camp T. Brady Saunders | 1:00pm  | Day 4, 5, & 6 schedule review    |
|---------|----------------------------------|---------|----------------------------------|
|         |                                  | 2:30pm  | Walk-thru (not in program order) |
| 10:05am | Finish transforming camp         | 6:30pm  | Dinner                           |
| 10:05am | Concurrent presentation review   | 7:30pm  | Meet & Greet the Venture Scouts  |
| 11:00am | and works                        | 9:30pm  | Staff Meeting                    |
| 12:00pm | Lunchtime                        | 10:00pm | Go to bed maybe?                 |

# Origin of the Axe and Log

Reproduced from Leader Lore Issue No. 46, October 1994



The origin of the axe and log symbol of Wood Badge is the camp emblem of Gilwell Park in England. A letter from Ken Stevens, former chief executive commissioner of the British Boy Scout Association discussed the subject with Don Potter, who was at Gilwell from the beginning as a staffer.

"I asked about the origin of the Axe and Log symbol which has been used by Gilwell since the early 1920's. His answer was exactly as I thought - it originated when Francis Gidney wanted a special "logo" to denote Gilwell Park as opposed to Scout Headquarters. You will understand that Gilwell Park has always been the property of Scout Headquarters. Gidney wanted to be sure that, although the Park was a part of Headquarters, it was quite different and much more associated with the outdoors and woodcraft side of Scouting rather than the "business" side. He, therefore adopted the symbol for use on all leader training publications and letterheads.

"Don reminded me that there was a great deal of practical activity during Leader courses run by Gidney and axes were as prominent as "billy cans." Great emphasis was placed on safety with tools and axes were always expected to be "masked" by burying the blade in a log of wood. Hence there were examples of axes properly masked all over the Training Camp and they clearly struck Gidney as an ideal symbol to denote all that the training courses stood for!"

Gidney was the first Camp Chief of Gilwell during the first Wood Badge course in 1919. He was known for his axe throwing exhibitions and training course in axemanship. Chief Gidney also invented the Gilwell scarf with the Maclaren Tarten.

"The generation now being shaped by Scouting will be strengthened by deserved self-confidence and molded with its own history of kindness, bravery, honesty, and its all-out pursuit of excellence."

# The 'Scouter' in All of Us

Looking back, day three was the summation of numerous Scouting moments, not just the past couple of days but the experiences only years in Scouting can provide. There we were - an adult and a kid woven into one person encompassed by the heart of Scouting. We were surrounded by centuries of individual experiences gathered as a troop. We were surrounded by a program that had been faithfully hand carved by generations of 'Scouters' who believed in a program that was more than just camping or hiking or getting a badge. It is about core values and developing the best methods to instill these ideals in all who would open themselves to it.

Everywhere you look, you see a person whose life was affected, changed and carefully molded with the ideals we are taught in this great organization. We are taught not just in the lessons but in the lives of those who serve us. The title 'Scouter' is not worn on a name badge, or seen on a business card, but worn thankfully in the heart. May God bless each of you who have served and may God bless Scouting.

> A SCOUTER WOOD BADGE SR966

# BP's Outlook: "Patrol Reports"

I feel that anything that can be devised for fostering the Patrol spirit and the responsibility of Patrol Leaders cannot but be valuable from the point of view of character training, apart from the fact that it also tends to relieve the over-taxed Scoutmaster of much minor work.

One suggestion as to this may be taken from the custom which prevails with best effect at Winchester, where every boy has to report to his prefect weekly that he has done five hours' "exercise" during the week. Exercise means the playing of certain games or practice of certain equivalents in the athletic line. I am glad to see that at least one Troop carries out a somewhat similar scheme, and I should like to see it more general.

My idea roughly is that each Patrol Leader should send weekly a report to his Scoutmaster to show to what extent each of his Scouts has carried out Scouting exercises, has attended parades, and has paid up his subscription during the week. It is expected of each Scout that he should do at least four Scouting exercises weekly. "Scouting Exercises" would include parades. Scout games, tramps or rallies, attendances at Scout instruction class, doing Scout work on his own, such as making a map or a report, or handicraft work, playing a recognised health-giving game, such as football, rounders, paper-chase, or basket ball, for an hour. Good turns do not count as "Scout Exercises," as they should be done every day in any case. They may, however, be noted in the report in addition to the exercises.