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Corners are a Perfect Gilwell Square

For this weekend events we needed to officially move Gilwell Field, and as you also know by now the S7-602-12-1 staff leaves nothing to chance, so we called upon our Friendly Quartermaster John Blackmore to make certain that the integrity of Gilwell Field was intact at Camp T. Brady Saunders, his work was nothing short of remarkable.

Per John, "Gilwell Field has been officially laid out and verified by our own staff surveyor. The corners are a perfect Gilwell square!" Now John won't make any huge promises (even though he used professional surveying equipment) as to the dimensional accuracy; it's still sort of a guess as to how much width each patrol needs for 7 people. The outer corners are truly parallel to the flags, and the back line is square to the sides. Gilwell field is actually a rectangle ... shhhh!!!

Now this weekend you



may notice John looking perplexed around Gilwell Field for he is going to pay special attention to the people spacing and see how the

measured Gilwell Field looks when we are actually there. He may make little adjustments after the first assembly if needed, and then document for the next Wood Badge course.

By the way, the photographer who assisted John is an Eagle Scout who hasn't been out

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School of Democracy

James E. West describes why Scout camping give the boy the greatest experiences of his life, and training that he can obtain in no other way.



VENTURE CREWS 7 & 736 DEVELOP LIFELONG SKILLS & CONFIDENCE

By David A. Prestia

Never Stop Adventuring

Venture Crews 7 and 736 from Ashland and Glen Allen respectively arrived at Gilwell Friday evening to offer their assistance with Wood Badge course S7-602-12-1. The eleven Crew members were greeted by Mark Larson, and introduced to the staff during dinner in Gilwell Hall. The Crews' purpose here will be assisting the Troop Guides in activities during Day 4, and at the same time, through interaction, give the participants in S7-602-12-1 exposure to Venturing.

Venturing is a co-ed program offered by the BSA to youth ages 14-21. Venture units are referred to as Crews. Youth leadership is a key component of the Venturing program. Adult leaders serve only in an advisory or "shadow" leader role. Crew members elect their leadership from their fellow members and determine their Crew's program based on their own interests.

Venturing programs nor-

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New and Improved

Scribe staff reformats patrol report columns to allow for more print space. Give us more word!

mally include high adventure components to aide the Crew in team-building and provide an opportunity to learn and apply practical leadership skills. These attributes combine to offer Crew members experiences which help develop lifelong skills and confidence that will be carried forward as they enter adulthood.

Amy Dunham, President of Crew 7, has been to OKPIK, a winter adventure program held at Northern Tier during Christmas break, where she walked across frozen lakes, lived out in the snow, and dog sledded. Crew 736 President, Kiersten Parkinson, reported that her Crew attends summer camp at Ace Adventures located next to the Summit in West Virginia; they participate in rock climbing, zip line rides and horseback riding.

The course staff is excited to have the Crew on board and is looking forward to working with them on Saturday.

FIELD NOTES A8

More Than Stylin' Thread

Did vou know that as a Wood Badger, you are not only able to wear the MacLaren tartan, you can also become a MacLaren?

Seeing Red!

To The Editor:

What is with this Falu color the course director speaks of here at S7-602-12-1? It looks burgundy red to me. Falu sounds like some foreign thing, not Southern at all, could it have something to do with the Swiss, or perhaps the Germans. I am not sure that this a here Falu might not be offensive or some sort or gang rappers code word. Please get it clear to me that this a here Falu is a proper color and it's use is suitable to Scouting.

Truly Confused, Billy Bob (Ex-Chicken Farmer)

Dear Billy Bob:

I am not surprised at all that you are confused. Falu Red actually has it's origins in Sweden, it's a popular color used to paint barns there due to its effectiveness in preserving wood and how aging Falu red will flake off, making restoration easy since only brushing off of the loose flakes is required before repainting. The paint consists of water, rye flour, linseed oil and tailings from the copper mines of Falun which contain silicates iron oxides, copper compounds and zinc that give the deep red color its dark burnt orange contrast and warmth. Course Director Mark Larson's family origin is from Sweden and during his recent visit to his home country during the 22nd World Scouting Jamboree he traveled around the Swedish country side noting this wonderful color and choose it as Wood Badge S7-602-12-1 official color.

Colorfully Yours. S7-602-12-1 Scribes

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What is Scouting?

Not one in a hundred people knows this.

Scouting is not a thing that can be taught by wording it in public speeches, nor by defining it in print. Its successful application depends entirely on the grasp of the Scout spirit by both trainer and trainee. What this spirit is can only be understood by outsiders when they see it ruling, as it already does to a vast extent, the thoughts and actions of each of our brotherhood.

Thus every Scoutmaster and every Commissioner will be an apostle to them, not merely through what he says but through what he imparts by impression and through what he does himself in his own personality.

For this he must, as a first point, be imbued with a real understanding knowledge of Scout ideals, the methods we use to gain them, and the reasons that underlie them. Among them he realises , for instance:

That Scouting can help by attracting the boy or girl, or by helping him or her to acquire these qualities;

That this cannot be done by the imposition of artificial instruction from without but by the encouragement of the natural impulses from within;

That it is *brotherhood* - a scheme which, in practice, disregards differences in class, creed, country, and color, through the undefinable spirit that pervades it - the spirit of God's people.

Now these, you will say, are things you know already, and don't need to be told. Yes, that is so. But what I want is that you should pass them on to those who don't know them.

My Old Kentucky Home

Something you never knew about our course director

Since 1875, the first weekend in May, Kentucky has hosted the most exciting two minutes in sports. Our Day 4 of Wood Badge s7-602-12-1 will be going strong during the "The Run for the Roses" which saddens the heart of our course director Mark Larson whom covets "The Fastest Two Minutes in Sports".

A fact little know about our course director is that he is deep Kentucky. Raised in Kentucky and a graduate of the University of Kentucky, Mark forever holds a deep love for his Kentucky heritage, which is reflected in his license plate and email address.

It is with honor of this true love the Staff will play "My Old Kentucky Home" with a photo montage of the great Commonwealth of Kentucky sometime during the afternoon session of Day 4. For this event Kleenex is optional, but recommended.



Editorial Observer / JAMES E. WEST Scout Camping: One of the Greatest Schools of Democracy

Boy Scouts all over the world go camping. Over 300,000 boys spent a week or more in camp last summer. Thousands of acres are added annually to camp-site buildings and new camp buildings have been erected. Winter camp is a big feature when the icy winds blow and the mercury starts sliding down, our husky coats bundle into sweaters and mackinaws and hike to camp through the snow. Every Boy Scout - every boy for that matter - should spend at least two weeks in camp as a part of his education. The camp does much more than provide a pleasant recreation. It does more than make a sturdy body. Camping gives direct and positive training of a vital sort. A well-conducted camp develops initiative and resourcefulness; the boy is obliged to find many makeshifts, invent ingenious contrivances, employ his hands and his head to replace the mechanics of civilization. Life in the woods quickens his senses to a thousand details of foliage, tracks, and birds.

A Boy Scout camp is one of the greatest schools of democracy in the world. Every boy has a job and all boys working together make for the efficiency of the organization. Here no social barriers — only hearty comradeship, and a healthy rivalry stimulated by contests In strength and skill. It will give the boy the greatest experiences of his life, and training that he can obtain in no other way.

The greatest boys' camp in the world, that one set up in Copenhagen, Denmark, demonstrated this in 1924, when 6,000 Boy Scouts took part in a World Scout Jamboree. Thirty-three nations were represented, and it is a tribute to America, and due in no small measure to the efficiency of her camping program, that American Scouts won the world championship. The qualities that carried these fifty-six boys over the top are precisely the qualities of skill, resourcefulness, initiative, and good fellowship that a Boy Scout Camp develops. Nor were other nations far behind. To the glory of the youth of the world, be it recorded that this Jamboree was more than a contest. Harmony and friendship governed. Courtesy and respect for others were everywhere evident. American boys had pledged themselves beforehand not to utter a word of dissention, of criticism or displeasure, and the other Scouts had done the same. Every competition between the different nations ended with a cheer for each other and a friendly handshake — real chivalry and sportsmanship.

It was the One Big Game made up of all the games that boys have ever played since first there was hide-and-seek in the woods and hero worship for those who took the lead, and listening ears for those who told thrilling tales. It was the challenge of Youth to the world, and all those boys from all those nations, with their courage, skill, health, and joyousness proclaimed with shouts across the frontiers of strife that they had the magic password - the promise of the future comradeship. Note: (Dr. James E. West was the first professional Chief Scout Executive of the BSA from 1911 to 1943. 1943.)

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BEAVER PATROL

The Beaver patrol has met twice since we left Gilwell. The transition

from weekend one into the break appears to have been a continuation of the incessant events that keep us busy. It was particularly difficult to find times when we could all meet. With the work of getting our Tickets ready, we were able to stagger enough meetings to involve everyone and stay on the same page for the coming weekend.

Meeting outside of the Wood Badge weekend has allowed us to get to know each other even more. We have a great Patrol with a diverse collection of talent, knowledge, and personality.

Our patrol is well into the "norming" phase of our team development as we work together towards a common goal. The Beavers are looking forward to the forthcoming service project. We feel that we are ideally suited for the task of clearing out the trees and hope to epitomize "performing!"

Chomp! Chomp! Tiiiiiimmbeeerrrr! [Smack]



BOBWHITE PATROL

We had a *lot* to chirp about after the Sunday Interfaith Service led by the chirp master, Les.

We were so inspired by the training schedule on Sunday that it lifted our wings and rejuvenated us so we could flap out the assignments that we all had to wing over break.

The Bobwhites were chirping mightily on Tuesday, April 17, 2012 at our make-shift nesting quarters. Our patrol leader warbled out the action items, including a menu so delectable that we drooled from our beaks in anticipation of the explosions of flavors we and our guests will go head over wings over. The nest was bursting with so much getup-and-go, we grounded the eagle, woke the bear from hibernation, avoided the buffalo's chips, busted the beaver's dam, silenced the wisdom of the owl, took the shimmy out of the fox's tail, and de-bounced the antelope!

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PATROL The first meeting we assembled at P a n e r a B r e a d . Opened discussion with

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lessons learned from the "game of life", then planned meals for Days 4, 5 and 6. Supplies and equipment need List. How many guests to expect for which meals? Wild guesses on What activities will occur during our morning march on Day 4 from drop off point to camp ground. We hoped we would not have as much rain as we were having that day.

At the second meeting, we meet at Franklin's home. Franklin cooked up a Jambalaya with the traditional chicken, sausage, rice and vegetables. Discussions regarding our presentation. Agreed to have some sort of skit to present issue and possible solutions. Eagles flying high with ideas, Scott S was typing away on a laptop. Ticket preparations and submission should be emailed to Smithy this weekend and before next Tuesday.



FOX PATROL

Guess what! Our first session is over. It was a wonderful three days of Wood Badge Train-

Badge Training. We received information for presenting Patrol Presentations and Ticket Preparations. OMG! The games on Saturday, 4-14-2012! Did you have fun? Were you with one of the winning teams? We were all winners. Well I am a fox, proud to be a fox. We were in a hole as foxes sometimes find themselves. This time with a little help from the ____ _ Patrol; but foxes are smart enough to figure out what's wrong and recover. By the end of the day, the foxes were out of the hole and back on top of their world. Oh yeah, we allow other patrols to visit us for breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snacks. Welcome back to our second and last session and good luck to all.



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OWL PATROL The Wise

and Mighty Owls have been hard at work during the interim period of WB 2012. We

have been working on everything from our menu, who is bringing what camping gear, adornments, totems, our patrol flag, and patrol yell.

The key skill we are learning and using during the interim period is communication. We are communicating through email, phone, and have had two meetings. We are making sure that everyone is feeling included and feeling nice and fluffy in our Owl family. We are feeling soooo wise that you might see some of us in glasses and maybe even one of our patrol members in a purple bowtie when wearing the field uniform. We are excited for weekend two of WB 2012.

Remember: Don't mess

with us we are the OWLS, other patrols throw in the towel! PROUD not LOUD.



BEAR PATROL

Bear Patrol Highlights of day three – Started with an interfaith service then a quiz.

Quiz results The Bear Patrol has seen the light from their cave of hibernation. We related the EDGE to the "Stages of Team Development". How we teach changes as the group evolves. And groups can regress especially when they have a change in leaders. Rick Perry described how the Union Army regressed and experienced the four stages of team development under the leadership of General Grant. Conservation Planning brought us "Plan, Execute, Document, and Recognize". Planning is the foundation of any project. We ended with popcorn (yummy) and the movie October Sky which depicted group dynamics that we have learned so far. And leaving us thinking more about

our vision, goals, and legacy. Our presentation for day 4 is going well – Barriers to Cooking and Solutions as it relates to each scouting program.

BUFFALO PATROL

Migration of the Buffalo: Buffaloes can migrate great distances in a single year. Our Buffalo

Patrol has migrated from many birth places. David Miller, originally from Little Rock, Arkansas migrated 960 miles to Richmond, Virginia. Bill Sanders, from Lafayette, Indiana migrated 773 miles to Disputanta, Virginia. Barry Bedard migrated a long distance, 1825 miles, from Alberta, Canada to Chesterfield, Virginia. Wayne White migrated a short distance, 200 miles, from Dunn, North Carolina to Midlothian, Virginia. Cathy Ball, originally from Clearfield, Pennsylvania migrated 348 miles to King and Queen, Virginia. Dave Ludwig, migrated the furthest, a long distance 2495 miles, from San Bernadino, California to Henrico, Virginia. John Schoeb, migrated the shortest distance,

just 40 miles from Petersburg to Midlothian, Virginia. Our buffalo herd goes on international travel for job responsibilities, family and pleasures. Recent travels include Dave molting on the beach or in Disneyland, going 687 miles each way.



ANTELOPE PATROL

Glory be! What a Great Day Three! We joined in song as Old Glory was Raised

And all together with God in thanks, we praised.

In training and teaching we gained an E.D.G.E To return in three weeks we sol-

emnly pledge. The Antelopes have been

active in preparations for our return to Gilwell. Standing atop the Chesterfield County water tower on I-9,5 Jeremy has been using his signal flags to communicate our meeting dates and times to the rest of the patrol. Allen had to use smoke signals to reply back all the way out on the middle peninsula. From the first day away from Gilwell, the Antelopes have been making swift decisions to move our patrol to a common goal. Sleep deprived? Yes! Tired? No! Tickets and projects in hand, the Antelope patrol is eager to begin Days 4, 5, and 6 at Gilwell.

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Critterscopes

🕊 Beaver

The disappearance of Mars from the sky may indicate that it is time to let go of your warlike nature. Also, it could indicate that Mars has taken orbit behind the sun.

Your patrol meeting will once again be ruined by highly trained, combat-tested military demolitions experts.

¥ Eagle

You will discover the power of chain letters this week when you accidentally break one and suffer no terrible consequences whatsoever.

🕆 Fox

Nothing can stop Destiny from exerting its powerful influence over you if it so desires. However, it does not.

∀Owl

The ebb and flow of the ocean tide will greatly influence your future this week, pushing you further and further away from all those rescue ships.

🎏 Bear

You'll feast on the flesh of your mortal enemy, which is lucky for you, as your mortal enemy is the orange-braised duck.

Buffalo

Follow your dreams this week. When delivering a presentation at work, turn into a giant eggplant and fly away.

1 Antelope

You can put it off today, and you might even be able to brush it aside tomorrow, but pretty soon you're going to have to figure out why your arm is on fire.



ACROSS 1 Talk back 5 Drum 9 BB player Kareem Jabar 14 Times 15 Pound 16 Saunder's campsite 17 Peter, for short 18 Charlotte Pemberton's patrol 19 Type of cat 20 Whichever 21 Keep It Simple, Make It Fun (acronym) 23 Sticky black substances 24 Our Scoutmaster 26 Extension (abbr.) 28 Whiz 29 Mongolian desert 31 Alpha Omega Due 37 Abraham's son 39 Island nation 40 Big truck 41 Get from the earth 25 Epics cleaner brand 42 Seasoning DOWN 27 Roman twelve 55 Sprung 44 Altering 56 Explorer unit 29 Part of EDGE 47 Chaplain's Aide 48 _____ & Gold 57 Pituitary hor-1 Forms flower 30 Saunder's lake & Gold Ban-31 Hurt calyx mone quet 32 Put to death 2 Playing field 58 Boy Scout rank 50 Panama 33 Frozen water 3 Half man, half 60 U.S. Department 51 Compass point 52 2010 Jambo location 34 Ancien German of Agriculture goat 4 Compass point character 61 Chilled 56 Over 35 Wading bird 5 Locker 6 Pros 62 Stadium -59 Rey Hallion's ASM 36 German "Mrs." 65 Ball holder job 38 SR917 Scout-7 Pillow covering 67 Drowse 63 Grain 8 Lotion brand master 64 Eight 66 Scotsman 9 College football 39 Calorie 43 Move away conference (abbr.) 67 Space administration 10 Course Mentor 45 Touring car 68 Slat 11 Prima donna 46 Raps lightly 69 Demonstration 70 On top 12 Consumer 49 Lower limb 51 Steve Busic's last 13 Allows 71 Number of beads 21 Saunder's campname worn by staff site 53 Angry 72 A cozy room (2 wds.) 22 BP's birth mo. 54 Household 73 Rain buckets

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to Brady Saunders since he aged out in 2003. John took time after the sur-

veying to ride around the Cub Camp that was still being built at the time this scout aged out; they talked about the many improvements on the Boy Scout side since 2003. John

shared his many good stories from Wood Badge; you can bet he is encouraging him to get back involved in Scouting! Photo Credit: Andrew Story, Troop 715 Eagle Scout, 2003.



Today's Crossword

Schedule & Field Notes

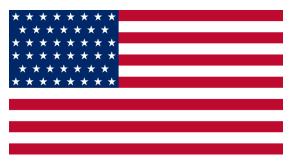
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Day 4 Schedule

Program Patrol: Bobwhite - Service Patrol: Buffalo

7:00am	Arrival at Camp T. Brady Saunders parking lot (behind Admin building) and walk as a group to the Model Campsite demonstration.	1:00pm	Generations
		1:50pm	Break
		2:00pm	Problem Solving & Decision-Making
8:00am	Set up patrol campsite	2:40pm	Problem Solving Round Robin
9:45am	Gilwell Field Assembly	4:00pm	Managing Conflict
10:25am	Overview of Weekend 2	5:00pm	Patrol Meeting
10:30am	Leading Change	6:00pm	Dinner at patrol campsites
11:20am	Break	7:30pm	The Diversity Game (Patrol Activity)
11:30am	Patrol Leaders Council meeting	8:30pm	Participants' Campfire
12:00pm	Lunch at patrol campsites	9:30pm	Patrol Cracker Barrel

46-Star United States Flag



By 1908, the United States of America had grown to encompass states from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Nearly all the territory in between had also been recognized with statehood. When Oklahoma join the union, the US flag changed to include 46 stars, a design that would last for only four years and the administrations of two presidents, Theodore Roosevelt and William Taft.

For us, there is further significance. This is the flag that was flying over America in 1910 when the Boy Scouts of America had its beginnings.

The Wood Badge Tartan

In honor of Commissioner William F. DuBois MacLaren's generous donation making the creation of a Scout camping and training center possible, the MacLaren tartan was designated as the neckerchief for the staff of Gilwell Park. The cost, unfortunately was prohibitive, so a less expensive neckerchief of dove grey was chosen, with a small strip of MacLaren tartan near the point.

After 1924, this neckerchief was restricted to Wood Badge holders only, a tradition that remains to this day. But did you know that as a Wood Badger, you are not only able to wear the MacLaren tartan, you can also become a MacLaren?

The Clan MacLaren Society of North America invites Scouters who have completed their Wood Badge tickets and been awarded their beads to become non-voting members of the Society for the price of \$15.00. The membership application is available at the Society's website: http://www.clanmaclarenna.org/ and includes one copy of all the Clan MacLaren Society's mailings, including the MacLaren Standard.

BP's Outlook: "On Camping"

Not long ago I was shown a pattern schoolboy camp where there were rows of bell-tents smartly pitched and perfectly aligned, with a fine big mess marquee and clean well-appointed cooks' quarters with a kitchen range. It was all exceedingly well planned and put up by the contractor. The officer who organized it all merely had to pay down a certain sum and the whole thing was done. It was quite simple and businesslike.

My only complaint about it was that it wasn't camping. Living under canvas is a very different thing from camping. Any ass, so to speak, can live under canvas where he is one of a herd with everything done for him; but he might just as well stop at home for all the good it is likely to do him.

I hope, therefore, that when asked their advice. Scoutmasters will impress upon camp organizers that what appeals to the boys, and what keeps them occupied, and is at the same time an education for them, is real camping? that is, where they prepare their own encampment even to the extent of previously making their own tents and learning to cook their own food.

Then the pitching of tents in separate sites and selected nooks, by Patrols as far as possible, the arranging of water supply and firewood, the preparation of bathing places, field kitchens, latrines, soak and refuse pits, etc., the use of camp expedients, and the making of camp utensils and furniture, will give a keen interest and invaluable training.

Where you have a large number of boys in a canvas town you are forced to have drill and bathing parades as a means of supplying mass occupation, whereas with a few Patrols, apart from their minor camp work, which fills up a lot of time, there is the continuous op-



portunity for education in Nature lore and in the development of health of body and mind through cross-country runs and hikes, and the outdoor life of the woods.

Get camp organizers to realize from the start the difference between camping and living under canvas, and you will have done a good turn to them and to their boys. MAY 1919