

Course Director SR-966 / CRAIG BRITT

## On Leaving a Legacy

Being a big aviation buff, I often wish I could meet and chat with some of the great flyers and inventors that, in just over a century, took us from an earth-bound existence to fairly routine space travel. People like the Wright Brothers, Charles Lindbergh, Chuck Yeager, Burt Rutan and Neil Armstrong certainly are some with whom I'd like to spend an afternoon. These folks certainly sit atop the list of those that have left a legacy in the world of flight. But what about the countless unnamed others that helped conceptualize, engineer, design, build, and test some of the machines that these pilots flew. Did they leave a legacy as well? You bet they did!

The same is true for Scouting. Certainly, Robert Baden

Powell leaves the widest and most far-reaching legacy in Scouting for all he did to create and promote it through his life. Many others have left their own fingerprints on Scouting as well. The unidentified scout that helped William Boyce on that foggy night in London certainly left his mark on the world and particularly on every scout in the United States. The fact is, each of us, as leaders, will leave a legacy either with a few youths with which we work, with our units, our Districts, or maybe even with the greater Scouting movement. So what will that legacy be? That is up for you and history to decide. Whatever it is though, you can bet that those that left their mark on you will most likely help to shape it.

I see life somewhat like a relay race in a track and field event and the legacy we leave as the baton we carry. We receive the baton from those before us, carry it proudly at our own pace and in our own manner, and then pass it on to those that follow. So, as you approach those that will receive your baton, what is the legacy that it represents? I trust it will be something meaningful and positive. Perhaps it will be that you are a great leader/teacher and a great role model for our youth. They certainly need these to balance to the "heroes" that popular culture and the media immortalizes.

Think about filling in the blank that follows: I want to leave a legacy of \_\_\_\_\_. I can think of many words that

someone could use here. Purpose, Love, Excellence, Integrity and Empowerment are but a few. I can also look at the Scout Oath and Scout Law as a beacon of possibilities as well. Helpfulness, Honor, Friendship, Trustworthiness, and Duty are certainly meaningful legacies. Whatever your legacy becomes, it will reflect you and your values as a human.

In the movie "It's a Wonderful Life", Clarence the angel tells George Bailey "Each man touches so many other lives, and when he isn't around, he leaves an awful hole, doesn't he?" Do your very best to leave a giant hole!

ASM Troop Guides S7-602-17 / HEATHER LEAKE

## Be the Good in the World You Wish to See

I had the privilege to review the Tickets that were submitted by nearly every single participant. It was a daunting task, but one I took on gratefully for the opportunity to see, feel, and trust the service that is going to be generated by you for Scouting across Central Virginia and beyond. For some of you, the task of writing your Ticket was a great opportunity to put down on paper the things you have been thinking about for a while, but just hadn't committed to paper. For some of you, writing your ticket was a challenge, completely outside of your comfort zone, and yet, you persevered - you created your vision for Scouting and made a plan to leave it better than you found it.

By the end of my journey with your Tickets, my heart had been touched by the words on paper and also by the support each Patrol had for its members. The Spirit of Wood Badge has been

strong in your interactions with each other day after day.

Over the next 18 months, you will run into challenges as you complete your goals. Don't give up! Keep supporting each other as a Patrol and Troop. Help each other to the finish line just like you did these past two weekends. The relationships you've developed here can support and sustain you through to success with your Tickets, but also with your continued Scouting involvement.

I expect great things from you. Each and every one of you has put your heart into finding ways to serve others better, improve the Scouting experience for all, and improve yourself in the process. *An ounce of practice is worth more than tons of preaching* (Mahatma Gandhi) - as you complete each goal in your ticket, you will prove this true again and again, modeling the best that Scouting can be.

Thank you all for taking time away from your personal lives to join our Wood Badge family. Thank you for your dedication, inspiration, energy, and enthusiasm for Scouting. Thank you for giving me and the rest of the Staff the opportunity to serve you. Close your eyes... See what your vision looks like when it comes to pass. Take a breath... Feel the satisfaction in a job well done. Open your eyes... Trust that your impact on others will be felt for years to come.



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# The Gilwell Gazette

Everett Winn, S7-602-17 Course Director

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Scout Executive / BRAD NESHEIM

## Where There's a Will...

As a BSA professional, I think often of the impact that Scouting has on families, communities and our nation. I hear many great stories from volunteer leaders, parents, youth members, Scouting alumni and supporters regarding many ways that Scouting has impacted their loved ones or neighbors or total strangers. I often comment to leaders at summer camp that we all know that Scouting will have positive impacts on each young person with whom we work, but we don't always know how until years later, if at all.

Well, I have to tell you about a recent event in our council that speaks profoundly to the impact that Scouting made on a family that was not even involved in our local program. In August of 2011, Life Scout Will Woodward of Troop 500 heroically rescued his best friend Cole from the rapids in the James River in downtown Richmond. Will witnessed Cole being injured when he struck his head on a rock after diving in the water, and then risked his own life to save Cole who was helplessly being dragged toward some potentially deadly rapids. Will would soon learn that Cole had severed his spinal cord and had no movement below his neck.

So, it was determined that Will would receive the BSA's highest honor, the Honor Medal with Crossed Palms, for his actions. During the award ceremony at last November's council executive board meeting, Will's

friend Cole whom he had rescued, attended with his family. Cole is in a wheel chair and has recovered significantly from his injuries and he wanted to speak to the audience and this is what he said. "I used to kid Will about his involvement in Scouts. I would good naturedly make fun of his uniform or ask what silly badges he was working on, that sort of thing. Well, I want you to know this. On that day when I severed my spinal cord, I was very glad that Will was there and that he was a Boy Scout, because he had learned the skills to rescue me from the river, and then he kept himself and me calm while trying to get medical help. My family and I are very glad that the Boy Scouts of America is teaching skills, values and leadership to the boys in our community!"

Friends, if you ever wonder if your volunteering to work with young people in Scouting is really worth it, consider the story of Will Woodward. When Will spoke at his award ceremony, he was quick to point out that it was the adult leaders and other scouts who taught him the skills of first aid, swimming, lifesaving, leadership, bravery and compassion. The men and women who work with Troop 500 have been through BSA training, including Wood Badge, and through a process of working with Will and other Scouts, week after week, campout after campout, badge after badge, year after year, de-

veloped a Scout who was able and ready to act to save the life of another.

We don't know if you have any Will's in your troop, but remember this: you do not know yet how Scouting and the work that you do will impact each young person with whom you work! So, I am glad and grateful for your service to Scouting and young people and for making this Wood Badge training a priority!

## Take A Wood Badge Walk With Me

*God, take a Wood Badge walk with me,  
And see what I've discovered;  
An inner strength I hadn't known,  
New skills that I've uncovered.*

*My body may feel tired now  
But my spirit soars on wings  
As I reflect on all we've done  
And heard, and felt, and seen.*

*Thank you for new friendships made  
And old bonds now renewed,  
And help me live the Oath and Law  
In all I say and do.*

*As I depart from Gilwell Field  
With ticket firm in hand,  
Lord, help me do the best I can  
To help my fellow man.*

*For my journey does not end today,  
In fact, it's just the start,  
So take a Wood Badge walk with me  
And hold me in Your heart.*

by Diane Miller  
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September 20, 2000



*I shall pass through this world but once. Any good therefore that I can do, or any kindness that I can show to any human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again.*

—Henry Drummond



BEAVER PATROL

Day four was closed with a very fine campfire program put together by our friends from the Bobwhite patrol. Day five started with a delicious beavery pancake breakfast with our guests. The one lesson we learned is, don't underestimate the power of coffee. We have been enjoying the presentations from all of the other patrols and have some great tips to take back home and use to further strengthen our units. We had another excellent opportunity to witness firsthand the quality leadership skills the scouting has to offer as we toiled and labored under the direction of Order of the Arrow foreman, Samuel, during our conservation project. Our time at Gilwell is soon coming to an end as we begin to reflect and enter into the next step of our journey upward toward the mountain top of leadership experiences. With our ticket in hands, we believe we have the tools we need to make the programs in our units, districts and councils become even greater. We would like to express our gratitude to the entire Wood Badge staff in making this possible. A particularly big thank you goes to Everett Winn. We appreciate your positive encouragement and good cheer as you fearless leader.



BOBWHITE PATROL

"Good evening, Mr. and Mrs. America from border to border and coast to coast and all the ships at sea. Let's go to press." Breakfast began our day with broken omelets with gluten free turkey bacon and turkey sausage. Lunch was provided to us following our Conservation Project and truthfully it was nice getting outside to burn some energy off and do our Good Turn for TBS as they have provided for us this weekend. Last night was most enjoyable with spending the evening as a Patrol resting around our campfire trying not to fall asleep too early. Well fellow Wood Badgers, we are coming to the conclusion of our course, but our learning has just begun... Today brings our final day at Gilwell, but the beginning of our Adventure!

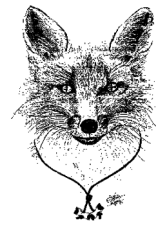
- A. Bob White, Esq

PS:  
We hope we are the first!  
We invited the Scribes, and set out a place...but you never showed up. Stood up again ;-)  
You asked for it..  
Beavers – Nice Soccer Ball, looks about 7 psi low. Did you learn inflation skills from the NFL?  
Bear – Nice Plug on Council Popcorn and Camp Cards...I'm sure they will appreciate it.  
Buffalo - YPT, a very important subject, and nice segway into that Amber Alert.  
Fox – Boy Scout Attitude – Nailed It! Tiger Scout Attitude – Nailed It!  
Owl – What acting, what motivation, what dialog... you have a future in selling used cars once you get out of Scouting..  
Antelope – Nice Hats, good stacking!  
Eagles – Sorry, fell asleep and missed your Presentation...



EAGLE PATROL

Eagle fly high as they prepare to depart from Wood badge. There has been so much that we have taken from this training that it is hard to encompass in such a short time. I feel like we have all grown and changed since starting this journey. The eagles have found strength in each other where we were weak. We have succeeded even when we were thrown curve balls. Today was a day of closure at wood badge our training has ended, our tickets are written, and the stress of getting these things done is over. We have our goals and our directions we need to go to see our visions come to life. Wood badge has prepared us for this and we will always be grateful to the staff, the scouts, and the other guest that have helped use to grow the way that we have, in spite of all the shenanigans. Eagles will fly high and stay the course. Until we cross paths again I wish you all the best.



FOX PATROL

According to the internet, John Kennedy said that "Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other". That really sums up Woodbadge for us Foxes as we look to leaving Gilwell field today. The idea that continuous learning allows us to continue to be great leaders fills our hearts as we return to our Packs, Troops, and Crew.

Our last full day at Woodbadge was exciting, tiring, and as fulfilling as the first day. Thanks Jenny for letting me steal your hat when I had to up in front of the troop at assembly. I mean how would it look for a fox to show his ears without a hat. Our troop guide Wigberto was head over heels about the weather rock today.

The interfaith service provided inspiration for the hard work of today. Our conservation project was tiring, but a good kind of tiring. Fox patrol worked around the chapel removing small branches, trees, etc. We have left our mark in T Brady Saunders for years to come. Be proud of what you did today. Scouts will notice. They may not know who did it, but they will notice.

Patrol presentations were enjoyable and helped us confront many issues that our units face. Bryan's idea for the Foxes discussing stagnation in Scouting was something we have all dealt with in Scouts before.

What I would like to reflect on during our time at Gilwell is change. Our patrol changed in many ways during our Woodbadge days. We "stormed" pretty hard during session 1. I mean legendarily hard. I personally had that moment where you wonder, "is this really what I want to be doing?" But we grew to trust one another, to work with one another, and respect one another. And in the end, that's Woodbadge.

A most sincere thanks to ALL the staff. Kitchen staff, Quartemasters, Troop Guides etc. You had us laughing and learning, an excellent combination. A most sincere thanks to Wigberto for guiding us and being there for everything good and bad.

And a final thank you to SM Winn. You set such a standard for excellence in everything Woodbadge. Your staff are a representation of you and your values and you should be proud of what they have accomplished. I know I speak for everyone in Troop 1 when I say that I am honored to have had you as Scoutmaster. I look forward to your continued mentorship as my Woodbadge experience continues through my ticket completion.

Finally the question on everyone's mind: What does the fox say? (Break into Gilwell song. C'mon, you know it by heart)

Yours in scouting  
VP





OWL PATROL

On Day 4, it was the Owl's honor to host Dave Anderson, Arthur Chester and Tio Miller for the best fajita dinner ever experienced by any beaked bird (or other patrol critter)!

After hunting all night, the Owls devoured a fantastic egg scramble. At Gilwell, the patrol leader wisdom cap passed from Al to Mae at Gilwell Field. A big owl call out goes to Will and all the Chaplain Aides who did an exceptional job with the Interfaith Worship Service. What great wisdom was imparted during the patrol presentations. Words to the wise: Eagle Up! (Beaver), effective fundraising is possible (The Bears), try a new parent packet (Bobwhite), take youth safety seriously (Buffalo), avoid stagnation by trying new things and keep it fun (Fox), share the "hats" and every scout deserves a trained leader (Antelope) and build strong scout units (Eagles). Of all the wise owl tails, remember scout volunteering is only one hour a week! Who is wise? Who?

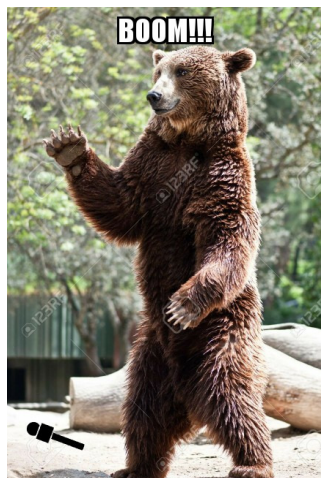


BEAR PATROL

Da BearsLast day

Gooooooo Bob Whites! Awesome campfire last nite! You guys rocked it. BTW who held which scribe hostage last night in exchange for ransom points? Da Bears loved the Beaver's skit. Chomp chomp baby! Thank you Chaplain aids for doing the service this morning. Mr. Sipe thank you for being brave and sharing your personal story with us. Da bears hope everyone had as much fun as we did doing the games yesterday. We won the web and nail games if anyone is counting. We were honored to have our esteemed SPL for dinner Saturday nite (no...not literally. You guys all saw him this morning) as well as. Hey Foxes, your flag was well worth the wait. Definitely Bear approved. Da bears enjoyed working as a team doing the conservation project (thank you scouts!) as well as all the informational skits you guys worked so hard on. We can't wait to socialize with everyone tonight. Da bears are thankful for all the new critter friends we have made, the old friends we got to know better as well as EVERYTHING the staff has done for us from ticket preparation to the skills you taught us. We will sorely miss all of you. Don't forget we bears love a party so if you are inclined to invite us to your beading we would be honored.

Take care all!  
DA BEARS OUT!



BUFFALO PATROL

Good morning Troop 1. The day started out with a bang, bright and early at 5:30 am. We had an awesome breakfast of eggs, bacon, pancakes and all the fixings with Bob Parker and Les Thorpe. The presentations have been tremendous so far. We have to send a special shoutout to the Bear Patrol for their presentation. They offered some great ideas for fund raising opportunities. Good job Bears! The Chaplains Aides also put on an incredible chapel service. Our very own Buffalo, Ronnie Sipe, concluded the chapel service with a real life experience that was very powerful. Well done Ronnie! We had a fried turkey at camp this evening and there was more than plenty to go around.

We just want to pause for a moment and thank the staff for all their hard work, dedication and time they have given to all of us over the past month. We don't see what goes on behind closed doors, so for that, you are all awesome!

A special shoutout goes to our Patrol Guide, Allen Suggs. He has been the anchor for our Patrol and has helped us immensely. For that Allen, we thank you!

Just because we will not be together as Troop 1, Wood Badge Course S7-602-17 again, we will always have the past two weekends in our memories and we have all made lifelong friends! Go Buffalos!



ANTELOPE PATROL

It has been absolutely amazing to be part of the Wood Badge class.

Again I gave headaches to the entire Wood Badge Team... most of the campers didn't know about this one. I was invited to arrive on Friday afternoon so I wouldn't be trying to arrive at camp in the dark. Which went ok. I checked in and settled down in the parking lot.

I got hungry and went for find dinner. I was given directions to find a pizza place and Foodlion which I didn't find. I saw a lot of places...finally it was dark and I had entered Henrico County. I stopped in a shopping center not sure I was. I started making phone calls to Sharleen and Bob who finally figured out where I was. I finally made it back to camp.

Saturday all of camp arrived in the dark. I did let my team know and this time THE STAFF teased me.

ANTELOPES have been very busy. Setting up camp, canapes and tents. Getting ready for serve our first meal was 3 guests. We had Dinner was buffalo Chicken Chile, salad chocolate, strawberry, and vanilla cake (Wow) 2 guests.

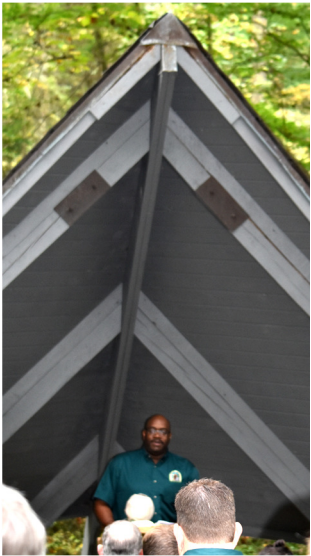
Breakfast was pancakes, French toast and sausage with coffee, orange juice and water enjoyed. There were 2 guests.

Baden Powell black darkness campfire was fantastic. Antelopes head a song.

Today more classes but the best part of today was doing the service project. A new set of steps were created by two patrols. The Beavers and the Antelopes work together. As you leave camp tomorrow check it out on the right side to all the work all the groups did today.

Sos, Tim, Sandy, Steve, Spencer, Damon, and Jeff.





## Day 6 Schedule

Program Patrol: Fox - Service Patrol: Beaver

6:30am	Breakfast and Patrol Self-Assessment at Patrol Campsite	11:45am	<b>Closing Luncheon</b>
8:00am	Gilwell Field Assembly (Field Uniform)	1:30pm	Summary Session
8:30am	Servant Leadership	1:45pm	<b>Break</b>
9:15am	Patrol Leaders' Council Meeting	2:00pm	Leaving A Legacy
9:15am	Patrol Time <i>Leave No Trace</i>	3:30pm	<b>Break</b>
11:00am	Course Assessment	3:40pm	Gilwell Field Assembly
		4:15pm	Departure



### Virginia State Flag

On April 30, 1861, this flag was adopted when Ordinance No. 30 was embraced by the Virginia Convention of 1861.

“Be it ordained by the convention of the commonwealth of Virginia, that the flag of this commonwealth shall hereafter be made of bunting, which shall be a deep blue field with a circle of white in the center, upon which shall be painted or embroidered, to show on both sides alike, the coat of arms of the state, as described by the convention of seventeen hundred and seventy-six, for one side of the seal of state, to wit:

Virtus, the genius of the commonwealth, dressed like an Amazon, resting on a spear with one hand, and holding a sword in other, and treading on tyranny, represented by a man prostrate, a crown fallen from his head, a broken chain in his left hand and a scourge in his right. In the exergon the word Virginia over the head of Virtus, and underneath the words ‘Sic Semper Tyrannis.’

This flag shall be known and respected as the flag of Virginia.”

## Critterscopes

### 🦫 Beaver

Your industrious nature, experience with wood, and skill with construction may come into play today. Others may be wary of stepping into the mud! Use your skills to work with other critters for a successful outcome on a special project.

### 🦃 Bobwhite

Preen those feathers for you have the opportunity to lead others in an activity of great honor. Dignity and pride of purpose will give you stature among all who participate in this activity.

### 🦅 Eagle

Changing your flight will lead to positive opportunities. Speak up, but don't apply pressure. Diplomacy coupled with knowledge will help you gain the support you need for success.

### 🦊 Fox

Changing your flight will lead to positive opportunities. Speak up, but don't apply pressure. Diplomacy coupled with knowledge will help you gain the support you need for success.

### 🦉 Owl

Take charge and make changes that will help you add skills and experience. Don't sit back waiting for someone to give you the go ahead. You are the one who best sees your own vision.

### 🐻 Bear

Keep things rolling along but don't neglect any problems that may be simmering in the background. Be aware of what's going on around you so that your den will avoid any pitfalls.

### 🐃 Buffalo

Give whatever challenge you pursue your best shot. Stick to the route that offers less uncertainty regarding the results you are trying to achieve.

### 🦌 Antelope

Serve others and you will serve yourself. Unselfish devotion to the task you have been assigned will raise the esteem by which all others regard you to an even greater level than before.

**Attention  
Patrols**

**Thank you for  
submitting your  
patrol reports! We  
hope you enjoyed our  
completely arbitrary  
competition.**



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