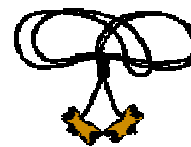




# GILWELL GAZETTE

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SOUTHERN REGION : WOOD BADGE COURSE DIRECTORS CONFERENCE

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## CAMP INVADED ?

The Boy Scouts of America has reported that the camp may recently have become a refuge to exotic "critters". It was reported that last evening Eagles were flying over the Reservation in a "Inverted V" formation, several Owls were spotted nesting on the rafters of the Dining Hall and even Bobwhites were seen flying paper kites at some place called Gilwell field.

Additional reports indicated that several logs had been gnawed upon by large mammals (purported to be beavers). There were also scattered reports of "Grizzled Bears" moving into tents at camp.

In a seemingly unrelated report, there were several reports of "Yipping" in the woods; sounds like only foxes make, but the Official comment from the National Wildlife federation says this is highly unlikely.

A herd of Buffalo was seen stampeding toward the Camp, all with a single purpose. Antelope were seen leaping the fence at the edge of the property.

Nevertheless, the Humane Society is investigating and is warning residents within a 10 mile radius of the Camp to stay indoors at night, as a precautionary measure.



**Welcome to the  
Southern Region - BSA  
2002 Wood Badge  
Course Directors Conference**



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# Promise, Law, Oath, and Code



## The Cub Scout Promise

I (Your Name)  
Promise to do my best  
To do my duty to God and my country  
To help other people, and  
To obey the Law of the Pack

## The Law of the Pack

The Cub Scout follows Akela  
The Cub Scout helps the pack go  
The pack helps the Cub Scout Grow  
The Cub Scout gives goodwill



## The Boy Scout Oath

On My honor, I will do my best  
To do my duty to God and my country  
And to Obey the Scout Law;  
To Help other people at all times;  
To keep myself physically strong,  
mentally awake and morally straight

## The Boy Scout Law

A Scout is  
Trustworthy  
Loyal  
Helpful  
Friendly  
Courteous  
Kind  
Obedient  
Cheerful  
Thrifty  
Brave  
Clean  
Reverent

We Are Not Just  
Our Behavior  
  
We Are The Per-  
son Managing  
Our Behavior

## The Venturing Oath

As a Venturer  
I promise to do my duty to God  
And help strengthen America,  
To helps others, and  
To seek truth, fairness,  
and adventure  
in our world.

## The Venturing Code

As a Venturer, I believe that Amer-  
ica's strength lies in our trust in God  
and in the courage, strength, and tra-  
ditions of our people.

I will, therefore, be faithful in my reli-  
gious duties and will maintain a per-  
sonal sense of honor in my own life.

I will treasure my American heritage  
and will do all I can to preserve and  
enrich it.

I will recognize the dignity and worth  
of all humanity and will use fair plan  
and goodwill in my daily life.

I will acquire the Venturing attitude  
that seeks the truth in all things and  
adventure on the frontiers of our  
changing world.



# Staff Stuff



Your **Conference Staff** is here to serve you. We can not be a resource if we don't know your needs. If you need an item, please request it, we will do our best to provide it.

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## The History of Wood Badge

When Gilwell Park was purchased for the Scout Movement in 1919 and formal Leader Training introduced, Baden-Powell felt that 'Scout Officers' (as they were then called) who completed a training course, should receive some form of recognition. Originally, he envisaged that those who passed through Gilwell should wear an ornamental tassel on their Scout hats but instead the alternative of two small beads attached to lacing on the hat or to a coat buttonhole was instituted and designated the Wood Badge. Very soon, the wearing of beads on the hat was discontinued and instead they were strung on a leather thong or bootlace around the neck, a tradition that continues to this day.

The first Wood Badges were made from beads taken from a necklace that had belonged to a Zulu chief named Dinizulu, which B-P had found during his time in the Zululand in 1888. On state occasions, Dinizulu would wear a necklace 12 feet long, containing, approximately 1,000 beads made from South African Acacia yellow wood. This wood has a soft central pith, which makes it easy for a rawhide lace to be threaded through

from end to end and this is how the 1,000 beads were arranged. The beads themselves in size from tiny emblems to others 4 inches in length. The necklace was considered sacred, being the badge conferred on royalty and outstanding warriors. When B-P was looking for some token to award to people who went through the Gilwell training course he remembered the Dinizulu necklace and the leather thong given to him by an elderly African at Mafeking. He took two of the smaller beads, drilled them through the center, threaded them onto the thong and called it the Wood Badge. (to be continued)



*Goals Begin Behaviors*

*Consequences Maintain Behaviors*

### Exhibit Area

**Be sure to visit the staff/participant exhibit and static displays area near the stage. This area will open today at 1:00 PM through Noon Saturday. If you brought an item with you, that you would like to share with the participants and staff, please utilize this area. Display items might include: course items (like name-tags, pictures, exhibits, cd-rom's, activity shirts, belts, notebooks, cups and other "Nice to See" items)**



# Friday's Schedule

**Definitions:** (for schedule)

- TLA - Troop Learning Area
- PLA - Designated Patrol Area
- PLC - Patrol Leaders Council
- Gilwell - Gilwell Field

**Friday, October 25, 2002—Day 1**

- 1:00 Check-in Begins TLA
- 1:00 Displays Open TLA
- 1:30 Course Directors/ Area Coordinators Meet (look for assigned room)
- 2:00 Opening Ceremony Gilwell
- 2:15 Introductions & Overview TLA
- 2:30 National & Regional Policies TLA
- 3:00 Training Update TLA
- 3:30 Area Coordinator Roles -Responsibilities TLA
- 3:45 Syllabus Errata Sheet TLA
- 4:00 Training Continuum & Course Pre-requisites TLA
- 4:15 Uniforms (Staff & Part.) TLA
- 4:30 Religious Observances & Awareness TLA
- 5:00 Q & A—Optional Items TLA
- 5:30 Break for Dinner
- 6:00 Dinner Dining Hall
- 7:00 Staffing TLA
- 7:15 Youth Staff TLA
- 7:35 Staff Development & Schedule TLA
- 8:05 Developing Daily Schedule TLA
- 8:20 Q & A TLA
- 8:30 Wood Badge Game Show TLA
- 9:05 Pre-Course Comm. TLA
- 9:20 Course Directors meet with Area Coordinators TBD
- 9:20 Free time for others
- 9:50 Cracker-Barrel TLA
- 10:30 Lights-OUT



## Attention Course Directors

All course directors in attendance today should plan to meet with their assigned Area Coordinators at 9:20 this evening.

### *You Cannot Resist Change – Successfully*

*... If the 14th-Century Knight could adapt himself to gunpowder, we should have no fear of oil, grease, and motors.*

Patton speech to the Pennsylvania National Guard, 1930, about infantry and cavalrymen adapting to mechanized warfare.

*... Charles Darwin explained what happens to animal species that fail to adapt to changing circumstances. They cease to be. Here Patton uses historical precedent to prepare the next generation of soldiers for a new kind of warfare.*

*You cannot resist change-successfully. Part of a manager's job is to manage change, to lead his or her organization through it productively. This often involves addressing the fears of members of your organization. By all means, address those fears, but make it clear that change is a given and cannot be evaded. Rather, it must be used to its fullest advantage.*

From the book - PATTON ON LEADERSHIP, by Alan Axelrod 1999 Prentice Hall Press.

## Did you Know?

There are a total of sixty-eight Wood Badges courses that are scheduled to be held in the Southern Region during calendar year 2003. Of these courses, only five will be using the six day format (6x1). The balance will be the two / three-day weekend format (3x2).



# THE GILWELL GAZETTE

The Gilwell Gazette is the newspaper published by the Wood Badge Staff daily during the course. Copies of The Gazette will be distributed each morning at breakfast. Our intent is to let you know as much as possible about the course. You will find the daily schedule, interesting stories, and articles submitted by you patrol scribe. Submit your articles to the Scribbling Scribe by 9 pm each evening.

## Our Hosts

**Longhorn Council**—The work of Scouting in our council is that of a volunteer corps that has now includes more than 10,000 volunteers throughout the Longhorn Council. The service area for the Longhorn Council includes 23 counties of north-central Texas and includes the major population centers of Fort Worth, Denton, and Waco.

**Sid Richardson Scout Ranch** (SR2) is a 3,050 acre camp with scenic cliffs, open prairie forests, and 19 miles of rugged shoreline on Lake Bridgeport just west of Decatur. It's a Texas-size camp with Texas-sized adventure programs. The historic U.S. Cavalry outpost is the centerpiece of our Chisholm Trail Adventure.

**Lakeview Lodge** is a full service conference and retreat center serving church retreats, family gatherings, Scout groups, and corporate meetings since 1970.

**Wood Badge for the  
21st Century - Icon.**



The presentation of the five central themes of Wood Badge can be accompanied by visuals introducing the new Wood Badge icon. The icon is the shape of a pentagon around the official Boy Scouts of America fleur-de-lis. Each side of the icon represents one of the five central themes of Wood Badge. Likewise, each of those themes is represented on the icon and throughout the course by one of the five central colors of the MacLaren tartan. The themes are the threads of a course which, when woven together, form the pattern of the tartan and the full measure of Wood Badge.

**Remember—Drink plenty of water  
while you are here!**

## Course Directors Conference Staff & Southern Region Wood Badge Committee

### Region Wood Badge Committee:

Regional Chairman	Bion D. Jones
Regional Vice-Chair	Carl Nelson
Regional Advisor	Larry Mahoney
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Committee At-Large	Wayne Pitts
Committee At-Large	Ellie Morrison
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Area Two-A	Dr. Jim Patton, PHD
Area Two-B	
Area Three-A	Mike Barnard
Area Three-B	James Hendren
Area Four	Bob Mitchell
Area Four	Ted Spangenberg, Jr.
Area Five	Doug Wyatt
Area Six	Phil Gilmer
Area Six	John Richard
Area Seven	George Crutchfield
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Staff/Atlanta	Jim Kelly
Staff/Atlanta	Matt Harner
Staff/Atlanta	Don Prince
Staff/Atlanta	Bill "Macon" Jones
Staff/Atlanta	Michael Brown
Staff/Atlanta	Jennifer Million
Staff/Ft. Worth	John Aline
Staff/Ft. Worth	Steve Elwart
Staff/Ft. Worth	Coy Veach
Staff/Ft. Worth	Dan Zaccara
Staff/Ft. Worth	David Fritz

## Participant CD-ROM



It is our intent to not only distribute all handouts in printed form, but to also distribute them on a course CD-ROM. The CD will include items from all presentations and elective breakouts. In addition numerous "Nice-To-Have" files will be included.