

# THE GILWELL GAZETTE

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## Day Five Events

7:00 AM	Breakfast and Patrol Self Assessment
8:00 AM	Gilwell Field Assembly
8:30 AM	Scouts' Own Service (Troop Activity)
9:15 AM	Patrol Project Setup – Round 1
9:30 AM	Group 1 Presentations
10:30 AM	Break
10:45 AM	Conservation Project (Troop Activity)
12:00 PM	Lunch & Working Patrol Leaders' Councils Meeting
1:30 PM	Coaching and Mentoring (Troop Presentation)
2:30 AM	Assessments (Troop Presentation)
3:00 PM	BREAK & Patrol Project Setup – Round 2
3:15 PM	Round 2 Presentations
4:15 PM	Ticket Review & Collection
6:00 PM	Patrol Dinner /Staff Departure
7:30 PM	Patrol Meeting / Patrol Project Self Assessment
8:00 PM	Patrol Campfires and Cracker Barrel



*The Start of Another Wood Badge Weekend! (+ Cub?)*

## Founders of Scouting

### James E. West

James E. West was appointed the first Chief Scout Executive of the Boy Scouts of America in 1911. Although orphaned and physically handicapped, he had the perseverance to graduate from law school and become a successful attorney. This same determination provided the impetus to help build Scouting into the largest and most effective youth organization in the world. When he retired in 1943, Dr. West was recognized throughout the country as the true architect of the Boy Scouts of America.

## Weather Forecast, Maidens, VA

**Sunday** - Windy. A few early showers with mostly sunny skies later in the day. High 66F. Winds NNE 20 to 30 MPH. Chance of rain 30%.

**Sunday Night** - Clear. Low 43F. Winds NNE 15 to 25 MPH.

**Monday** - Windy with times of sun and clouds. High in the low 70s and low in the mid 40s.

[www.weatherROC.com](http://www.weatherROC.com)



Thank You Venture Scouts!!!!!!

**PROGRAM PATROL = BEAR**

**SERVICE PATROL = EAGLE**

## Log Leftovers

### Lumped Large

The Beaver Patrol felled many logs in their efforts to finish their patrol project this past week. The leftovers were delivered to camp by truck. See our midnight snack behind the Administration building.



The Beavers gnawed through day four at Gilwell in high spirits. Problem solving seems to come naturally to the Beavers. Even the visiting Ventures were impressed.

The evening feast included hobo pouches, grand company from the staff and a Mango Cobbler for dessert.

## The Eagles Are Back

High over the pines the Eagles soared in search for that happy land. At Gilwell we did land.

With the help of heaven sent Adventurers like Katie and Evanne, our camp site we did set up, with enthusiasm and all its get-up.

With a screech tugging in our bellies, we prepared our fiesta and did not need jelly.



A slight move for some training which was not a change, diversity was left home, which was part of our gaining.

With anticipation we waited, no problem at all, we were bombarded with mangos, in was surely underrated.

## You Might be a Wood Badger....

*Take off from Jeff Foxworthy's "You might be a Redneck":*

If you've ever been driving at 60 MPH and suddenly slammed on the brakes because you thought you saw a Patrol critter at a yard sale ...  
You Might Be A Wood Badger!

If you've ever received a speeding ticket because you were running late and you were afraid you might miss THE SONG ...  
You Might Be A Wood Badger!

If you've ever found yourself spending ten dollars or more playing a game of chance at a carnival because the top prize was a stuffed Kudu ...  
You Might Be A Wood Badger!

If you were ever late for work because you couldn't find your patrol flag ...  
You Might Be A Wood Badger!

If your yard has grass 10 inches high but Gilwell Field looks great ...  
You Might Be A Wood Badger!

If instead of a night out with the boys, you prefer a night out with the "Bears" or "Owls" or "Beavers" ...  
You Might Be A Wood Badger!

If you hang your tent totem on the doorknob of the Holiday Inn while on family vacation ...  
You Might Be A Wood Badger!



## FOS Phrase of the Day

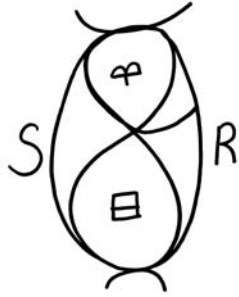
*"Excellence" Definition: Doing an ordinary thing in an Extra-ordinary way.  
Tall Staffers Sample Fo-x-cellence.*



*Beaver Patrol Flag measured by John Turner is another "perfect Gilwell Square!"*

## Woooo Knocked Knocked?

The Owls have flown very high today, Day 4, with Edwin Ray as our trusted Patrol Leader. Our campsite is set and we are having a hoot! We've been busier than usual as the program patrol and have planned a campfire program that was enjoyed by all. As we move on to day 5, the Owls will continue to fly stealthfully.



## Aliens Nab Assistant Scribe Again

### Turned Down Kingship

Rowland Creamer, Assistant Scribe of SR809, was abducted by the same spaceship on the way to the shower Saturday morning of the second weekend of Wood Badge. Unknown to him, some of his DNA had been acquired from the previous encounter. After analyzing his genetic material the offer was made to him of being the absolute ruler of their planet off in the Milky Way if he would leave immediately. After careful consideration he realized how important all positions are in Wood Badge, and reluctantly turned them down. As he was being beamed back to Earth the aliens announced they would return.



## Course Leader Shaken at Dinner

### Nuts She Says

At staff meals topics of great importance are enthusiastically debated. At the staff supper on Friday night a subject of worldwide significance was covered—how pecans are harvested. At the insistence of course director, Karren Streagle, up to date information using the latest in electronic information gathering devices were employed. They are shaken from a tree by a shaker. Pay close attention to the accompanying illustration to show how the device is used.



## Youth Crashes Owl Patrol Meeting

### Tries to be Voting Member

Virginia Lovell made an attempt to take over an Owl Patrol meeting between the two weekend sessions. Unable to stay quiet about any of the topics discussed, she tried to pipe in when decisions were needed. Not loud, she still wanted to be heard and she was. Courteous, she did not complain when topics she voted did not go her way. In fact, when she got her way she kept her cool and did not dance around. You see Virginia Lovell is 4 months old and her mother Christine brought her to the patrol meetings. Seems as though a future Wood Badge participant is in the making, and she has a head start in the course.



## Iron Deficient Patrol Flags Cured!

### Treatment Plugs In

Tricia "Beaver" Honts has found the cause and treatment for iron deficient flags. A warming device often avoided by many people is rubbed on the offending part and flag is cured of dropsy. This miracle equipment is available from small portable electric heated models to large industrial machines. Older models are heated on stoves or in ovens and are often used today as door stops. Tricia used a portable electric one which gave her the quick cure and no trace of the disease.



## Wood Badge SR809 // Kamp Kuestions

Have fun answering the following questions. Seek help where ever you may.

1. What was the original name of the Heart of Virginia Council?
  - a. Robert E. Lee
  - b. Richmond
  - c. Central Virginia
  - d. James River
2. When was the Council first chartered?
  - a. 1910    b. 1911
  - c. 1912    d. 1913
3. Where was the first Scout Office for the Council?
  - a. Newspaper building
  - b. DMV building
  - c. VCU campus
  - d. YMCA building
4. In what year did the Council hold it's first summer camp?
  - a. 1913    b. 1914
  - c. 1915    d. 1916
5. What was the name of the original summer camp for the Council?
  - a. Camp Brady Saunders
  - b. Camp Wakoda
  - c. Camp Shawondassee
  - d. Camp Thunderbird
6. What camp presently resides at the location of the original camp?
  - a. Camp Brady Saunders
  - b. Camp Nawakwa
  - c. Camp Shawondassee
  - d. Camp Thunderbird
  - b. DeChamps
  - c. Hankins
  - d. Givler
7. Who was the first Camp Ranger employed by the Council?
  - a. Partee
  - b. DeChamps
  - c. Hankins
  - d. Givler

8. How many Camp Rangers have been employed by the Council?

- a. 2
- b. 3
- c. 4
- d. 5

9. In what year did the renovated Camp Brady Saunders hold its first summer camp?

- a. 1920
- b. 1964
- c. 1971
- d. 1984

10. In what year did the Cub Scout and Webelos Adventure Camp hold its first summer camp?

- a. 2000
- b. 2001
- c. 2002
- d. 2003

11. In what year did Cub Scouting become a part of the Scouting program?

- a. 1920
- b. 1930
- c. 1940
- d. 1950

12. In what year did Venturing become a part of the Scouting Program

- a. 1998
- b. 1999
- c. 2000
- d. 2001

13. Name three of the critters found on patches over the history of Camp Brady Saunders.

14. Including this year's theme, name three themes used for the Cub and Webelos Adventure Camp.

15. Who is the Scout Executive of the Heart of Virginia Council?

16. Who inspired you to attend Wood Badge? Be sure to thank them!

Answers will be listed in the Gilwell Gazette on Day 6.

*If you think your spouses new rock garden would look perfect with "A THING" in it ...  
You Might Be A Wood Badger!  
You Might Be A Wood Badger!*

## ST. GEORGE Patron Saint of Scouting

In 'Scouting for Boys', Baden-Powell referred to the Knights of the Round Table in the Arthurian Legend and to St. George who was their Patron Saint. He then went on:

"He is also the Patron Saint of Scouts everywhere. Therefore all Scouts should know his story. St. George was typical of what a Scout should be.

"When he was faced by a difficulty or danger, however great it appeared, even in the shape of a dragon - he did not avoid it or fear it but went at it with all the power he could. That is exactly the way a Scout should face a difficulty or danger no matter how great or how terrifying it may appear. He should go at it boldly and confidently, using every power that he can to try and overcome it, and the probability is that he will succeed.

"St. George's Day is April 23, and on that day, Scouts remind themselves of their Promise and Scout Law. Not that a Scout ever forgets either but, on St. George's Day, he makes a special point of thinking about them. Remember this when April 23 comes round again".

So, the Sunday nearest to St. George's Day has become an annual occasion for United Kingdom Scouts to hold ceremonies when they reaffirm their Promise and acknowledge the Scout Law in a national act of dedication.

### St. George in History and in Legend

It is thought that St. George came from Cappadocia in Asia Minor and lived at the time of the Roman Emperor, Diocletian, AD 245 to 313, and became a high ranking cavalry officer in the Army of Rome. He refused to carry out Diocletian's orders for Christian persecution and, in consequence, suffered torture and death himself.

He was canonized in AD 494, Pope Gelasius proclaiming him one of those "whose names are justly revered among men but whose acts are known only to God". The legend of St. George, which is an allegory illustrating the triumph of good over evil, tells how he rode into the city of Silene in what is now Libya, to find the people terrorised by a dragon which was fed daily with

one of the citizens. The next victim was to be Cleolinda, daughter of the King, but St. George rode out, slew the dragon and freed the people from their oppressor. Thus, whether in the context of history or legend, to Baden-Powell, St. George epitomised the qualities of selflessness and both moral and physical courage which he saw as being among the aims of Scouting.

### Ask Da Owl

*Dear OWL: I feel like I'm not here. I look for my patrol and it doesn't exist. I wonder if they have abandoned me, or I have left them... Help me; I seem to have lost my sense of direction. +Antelope+*

*Anti Lope Dear Lope: Have you tried Hare Krishna? The reason you cannot find your patrol is because you are a ghost. There is no anti-lope patrol in SR809 though some staff members have some form of allegiance to this ghostly apparition. Maybe if you encourage more Scout leaders to attend Wood Badge this patrol will once again come alive. +Duh OWL+*



*Chillie? Chillie? Good grub and good company, and keeps you warm long after the meal is done. Bobwhites are high temperature creatures.*

