



The Gilwell Gazette



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Day 4 Schedule		
MORNING		LOCATION
7:00	Participants Arrive	Training Center
8:00	Gilwell Field Assembly	Gilwell Field
8:30	Travel to Overnight	
9:30	Outdoor Experience Assembly Leave No Trace Model Campsite Patrol Camp Setup	Campsite 1
10:30	Leading Change (Troop Presentation)	Training Center
11:20	Break	
11:30	Patrol Leaders' Council Meeting	Training Center
12:00	Lunch	Training Center
AFTERNOON & EVENING		LOCATION
1:00	Generations in Scouting (Troop Presentation)	Training Center
2:00	Break	
2:15	Problem Solving and Decision Making (Troop Presentation)	Training Center
2:45	Problem Solving Round Robin (Patrol and Troop Activity)	Campsite 2
4:00	Managing Conflict (Patrol Presentation)	Patrol Areas
5:00	Patrol Meeting	Training Center
5:50	Gilwell Field Assembly	Gilwell Field
6:00	Dinner	Patrol Site
7:00	The Diversity Game (Patrol Activity)	Patrol Site
8:30	Participant Campfire	Patrol Site
9:30	Patrol Cracker Barrel	Patrol Site

Camp Karankawa History

Camp Karankawa provides a wonderful setting for our second weekend of Wood Badge. The camp, operated by the South Texas Council, was established in 1944.

Originally, the camp consisted of about 50 acres located on the old Lake Mathis. The current layout of Camp K. resulted from the Wesley Seale Dam, which was built to form Lake Corpus Christi and which flooded some camp buildings.

The camp's old dining hall was situated where the training center now stands, and the original 11 campsites were centered on the old cove and faced the lake. Positioned below the old dining hall, the swimming pier pointed toward the dam.

The old trading post was placed on the cove side of the swimming pier. The trading post's concrete slab can still be seen—partially under water. The Gerald Smith Campsite was originally the council ring, and Hog Cove was the archery and rifle range.

With the cooperation of the Texas Legislature and the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Camp Karankawa expanded to more than 100 acres.

Little remains of the original structures, but the memories of the old place remain and are being passed on to you.

*(Source on Camp K.: Perry Winkler,
former Camp Mauritz Ranger)*

Quotes

On Diversity

We all live with the objective of being happy; our lives are all different and yet the same.

~Anne Frank

On Change

Change in all things is sweet.

~Aristotle

On the Outdoors & Camping

Living out in God's open air, among the hills and the trees, and the birds and the beasts, and the sea and the rivers -that is living with nature, having your own little canvas home, its gadgets, doing your own cooking and exploration - all this brings health and happiness such as you can never get among the bricks and smoke of the town.

~Lord Baden-Powell

More Than A Race - Diversity

My son, Gilbert, was eight years old and had been in Cub Scouts only a short time. During one of the meetings, he was handed a piece of wood and four tires and was told to return home and give all to "Dad".

That was not an easy task for Gilbert to do. Dad was not receptive to doing things with his son. But Gilbert tried. Dad read the paper and scoffed at the idea of making a pinewood derby car with his young, eager son. The block of wood remained untouched as the weeks passed. Finally, Mom stepped in to see if I could figure this all out.

The project began. Having no carpentry skills, I decided it would be best if I simply read the directions and let Gilbert do the work. And he did. I read aloud the measurements, the rules of what we could do and what we couldn't do. Within days his block of wood was turning into a pinewood derby car—a little lopsided, but looking great (at least through the eyes of Mom).

Gilbert had not seen any of the other kids' cars and was feeling pretty proud of his "Blue Lightning," the pride that comes with knowing you did something on your own. Then the big night came.

With his blue pinewood derby car in his hand and pride in his heart, we headed to the big race. Once there my little one's pride turned to humility. Gilbert's car was obviously the only car made entirely on his own. All the other cars were father-son partnership, with cool paint jobs and sleek body styles made for speed. A few of the boys giggled as they looked at Gilbert's lopsided, wobbly, unattractive vehicle.

To add to the humility, Gilbert was the only boy without a man at his side. A couple of the boys who were from single-parent homes at least had an uncle or grandfather by their side. Gilbert had 'Mom'.

The race was done in elimination fashion. You kept racing



as long as you were the winner. One by one the cars raced down the finely sanded ramp. At last, it was between Gilbert and the sleekest, fastest-looking car there.

As the last race was about to begin, my wide-eyed, shy, eight-year-old asked if they could stop the race for a minute because he wanted to pray. The race stopped.

Gilbert hit his knees clutching his funny looking block of wood between his hands. With a wrinkled brow, he set to converse with his Father. He prayed in earnest for a very long minute-and-a-half. Then he stood, smile on his face and announced, "Okay, I am ready."

As the crowd cheered, a boy named Tommy stood with his Father as their car sped down the ramp. Gilbert stood with his Father within his heart and watched his block of wood wobble down the ramp with surprisingly great speed and rush over the finish line a fraction of a second before Tommy's car. Gilbert leaped into the air with a loud "Thank You!" as the crowd roared in approval.

The Cubmaster came up to Gilbert, with microphone in hand and asked the obvious question, "So you prayed to win, huh, Gilbert?" To which my young son answered, "Oh no, sir, that wouldn't be fair to ask God to help you beat someone else. I just asked him to make it so I don't cry when I lose."

Gilbert's simple prayer spoke volumes to those present that night. He never doubted that God would indeed answer his request. He didn't pray to win, thus hurt someone else; he prayed that God supply the grace to lose with dignity. Gilbert, by his stopping the race to speak to his Father, also showed the crowd that he wasn't there without a dad, but His Father was most definitely there with him. Yes, Gilbert walked a winner that night, with his Father at his side.

(Contributed by Jill Rosenbloom, a Wood Badge Beaver from Inland Harbor Council, Washington.)

What is NYLT?

National Youth Leadership Training, an exciting action-packed program, is designed for councils to provide youth members with leadership skills and experience they can use in their home troops and in other situations, demanding leadership of self and others.

The NYLT course centers around the concepts of what a leader must BE, what he must KNOW, and what he must DO. The key elements are then taught with a clear focus on HOW TO. The skills come alive during the week as the patrol goes on a "Quest for the Meaning of Leadership."

The six-day NYLT course content is delivered in a Troop and Patrol outdoor setting with an emphasis on immediate application of learning in a fun environment. Interconnecting concepts and work processes are introduced early, built upon, and aided by the use of memory aids, which allows participants to understand and employ the leadership skills much faster.

Through a wide range of activities, games, and adventures, participants will work and play together as they put into action the best Scouting has to offer.

What is Venturing?

Venturing provides a youth development program for young men and women who have completed the eighth grade and are 14 through 20 years of age.

Venturing's purpose is to provide experiences to help young people mature and to prepare them to become responsible and caring adults. Local community organizations establish Venturing Crews by matching their people and program resources to the interests of young people in the community.

The resulting program provides exciting and meaningful activities that help young people pursue special interests, develop leadership skills and become good citizens.

Venturing, like other Scouting programs, uses fun activities to aid in the character development of the young people in the program. The Venturing award program implements a step-by-step process to personal growth and development through service to others.

All Venturing awards require Venturers to teach what they have learned to others. Through teaching, Venturing youth are able to retain the learned skill, gain confidence in their speaking ability and acquire knowledge that will serve them throughout their lives.

Critter tales

BEAVER PATROL

Day 3 in the Beaver Patrol

We may not be the loudest, but we ARE the proudest, Our wonderful patrol has a total of 364 years of Experience amongst us (which results in our outstanding Performance, among other things!) lol...

Talk about Brain (Beaver) Power, at age 364!!!

Great teeth, Great memory, Great teamwork!

GO BEAVERS!!!



BOBWHITE PATROL

Bobwhites!

REWARD!!!

PLEASE BRINGBOBBY BACK!!!

There is no Photo available. We have Yet to see what Bobby truly looks like. He was missing before we arrived.

WE WERE NOT LATE!! For morning Gilwell, Gilwell was started early!! We spent the Morning in Wood badge training and if we May say----- we ROCKED the Bobwhite Patrol Song!!!!



Today's Thought Change is a fact of life. Change is a source of anxiety for many people, but it doesn't have to be. Change can be a valuable tool of leadership.

EAGLE PATROL

A beautiful, breezy, overcast day dawned at Camp K as the Eagles continued on their quest for knowledge. The Interfaith Worship was a beautiful affair and the touching words a fellow Bear said about our Veterans reminded us how blessed we are to be Americans and able to participate in the Scouting program.

The Eagles went on to their nest to discuss Outdoor Ethics and share quality time with each other. Oh yeah, we also shared jokes: What is red and green and goes a 100 miles an hour? Answer: A frog in a blender! Thank you, Jim. :)

Further instruction received is giving us an EDGE (Explain, Demonstrate, Guide, and Enable) when we return to our packs and troops. We planned out menus for our next visit to Camp K and all Eagles agreed on one thing. We will forgive ourselves for forgetting the food, but Please Do Not Forget the COFFEE!

There was the smell of wood in the air as we received instructions how benches will be put together by Patrols on our next visit so that we may leave our Brand and Mark at Camp Karankawa - Go Wood Badge!

The Bears provided yours truly with lively entertainment as we are preparing and planning for our Campfire evening. What are those Patrols planning as entertainment for the Staff? The Eagles will never tell.



Joke of the Day!

How did the detective know the duck lied?
His Voice quacked

FOX PATROL

Fox's

CB had been at A&M 17 years, he was finally close to graduating.

Lacking only one more passing grade in math. He had taken this

Required course 2 times, but had been unable to achieve a Passing grade, The Dean of the Math Department decided to hold

A special exam for C.B., during the halftime of the homecoming

Football game. He, the Dean, arranged for a table and 2 chairs to

Be placed at the middle of Kyle field. He was going to ask C.B. one

Question. If answered correctly, C.B. would pass the course and

Graduate from A&M with all the anticipated glory and honors. The big day came and C.B. found himself seated in the middle of

Kyle Field, surrounded by 75 thousand cheering Aggies, who were

Cheering in support of C.B. Silence fell over the crowd as the Dean

Asked C.B. the all-important question, what is 7×9 ?

C.B. took a deep breath, and the whole stadium held its breath, as

C.B uttered the fateful words 63! Immediately upon hearing this

75 thousand Aggies left to their feet and shouted! DEAR LORD GIVE

HIM ANOTHER CHANCE!!!!!!

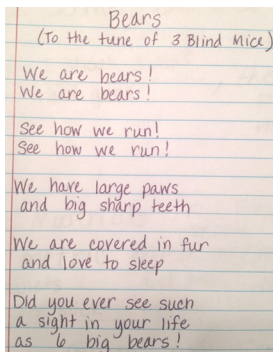
Jessyism words of wisdom: If the pot is hot don't pick it up!

The On Time Foxes!!!!

BEAR PATROL

Bear Patrol

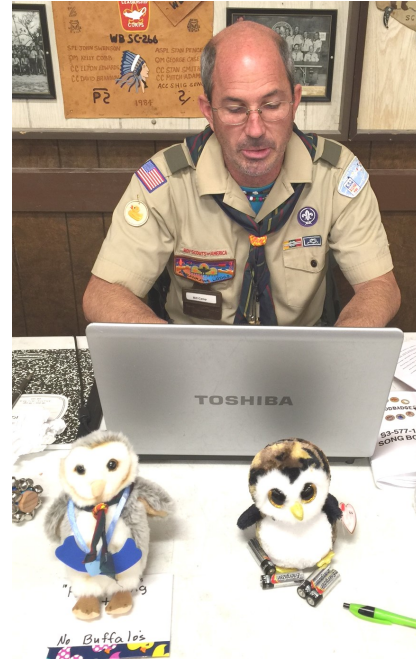
Timothy Miller is from Corpus Christi, No experience until his so joined where He volunteered to be his leader in Cub Scouts. He is now a Charter Organizational Rep for His Troop. HVAC/R is what he does in his "Spare" time. Married to Jennifer for 14 years, Who also is a great supporter of Tim and his son's scouting passion.



OWL PATROL

The Owls

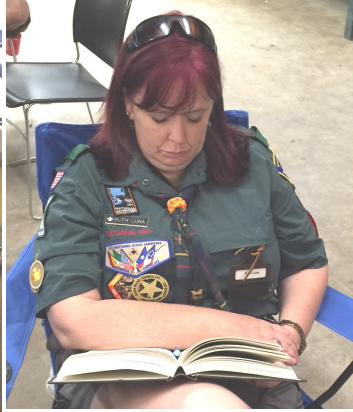
Chad Koetcher (44) married to Yvonne for 20 years
Daughter Ryanne 17, Son Blake 11. Safety manager for Atlas Tubular for past 4 years. Eagle Scout & recently got Back into scouting with his son Blake. Have a rescued German Shepard mix named Ollie. Chad's hobbies & Interests are fishing, shooting sports (softball, Basketball, Baseball& archery) & involved in livestock showing & 4H. Chad is reserved!



Weather Report

Weather it's cold,
Weather it's hot We'll weather
the weather, weather we like it
or not!

SLEEPING PATROL



Owls destroyed the beads!!



Game

Beavers won with 95 points
Bears 2nd with 80 points



Did You Know?

The founder of the Boy Scouts Baden-Powell, slept in hammocks when outdoors and recommended them highly. He even had one permanently set up outside his home, where he often slept

