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## Wood Badge for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

### The Wood Badge Beads of Dinizulu

Early in the history of the Scout Movement, the founder, Robert Baden-Powell, ran the first residential adult leader training course for Scouters. At the completion of the course, the participants asked him if he could give them some token to indicate that they had been trained. He had not given this any thought, but on receiving the request he improvised by taking two little beads from a string of such beads he had; he threaded them on a bootlace, and hung them around the neck of each Scouter.

Ever since, each Scouter who has successfully completed the advanced training course receives two similar beads on a leather thong. Known as the Wood Badge beads, they are proudly worn by Scouters to indicate that they are continuing in a tradition handed down from Baden-Powell.



The conferring of wooden beads as a sign of recognition is an old Zulu tradition. We read of them first in the story of Charles Rawden Maclean, also known as John Ross, shipwrecked off the Zululand coast in 1825. He was one of the first white persons to meet the great Zulu king, Shaka. In his description of the Festival of the First Fruits, he wrote, "They now commenced ornamenting and decorating their persons with beads and brass ornaments. The most curious part of these decorations consisted of several rows of small pieces of wood... strung together and made into necklaces and bracelets. ... On enquiry we found that the Zulu warriors set great value on these apparently useless trifles and that they were orders of merit conferred by Shaka. Each row was the distinguishing mark of some great heroic deed, and the wearer had received them from Shaka's own hand. Later, when Maclean met the royal

MORNING		Location
7:00	Breakfast and Patrol Self-Assessment	Dining Hall
8:00	Gilwell Field Assembly	
8:30	Troop Meeting <i>Front-End Alignment Game</i>	Dining Hall
10:15	Break	
10:30	<i>Leveraging Diversity Through Inclusiveness</i> (Troop Presentation)	Training Center
11:00	<i>Stages of Team Development</i> (Troop Presentation)	Training Center
11:50	Break	
Noon	Lunch	Training Center
AFTERNOON AND EVENING		Location
1:00	Patrol Leaders' Council Meeting	Training Center
1:30	<i>Communication</i> (Patrol Presentation)	Patrol areas
2:20	Break	
2:30	Project Planning (Troop Presentation)	Training Center
3:20	Break	
3:30	<i>Inter-patrol Rocket Competition</i> (Patrol and Troop Activity)	Campsite 4
4:50	Break	
5:00	Patrol Meeting	Patrol areas
5:20	Retrieve Colors	
6:00	Dinner	Training Center
6:30	Patrol Meeting (part 2)	Patrol areas
7:00	<i>Wood Badge Game Show</i> (Troop Activity)	Training Center
7:50	Break	
8:00	<i>Win All You Can Game</i> (Troop Activity)	Training Center
8:50	Break	
9:00	Cracker Barrel	Training Center



### Dinizulu's Beads continued

party, he observed that Dingane, Shaka's half-brother, was "dressed in the same manner as the king, but without so large a display of beads."

Robert Baden-Powell came across these beads 63 years later in 1888, when the British had defeated the Zulu nation at war and annexed Zululand as a part of the British colonies. Dinizulu, the grand-nephew of Shaka, refused to accept the annexation and led the uSuthu tribe of the Zulus in rebellion.

B-P later wrote about the campaign to subdue and capture Dinizulu, "Eventually Dinizulu took refuge in his stronghold. I had been sent forward on a Scouting expedition into his stronghold. He nipped out as we got in. In his haste he left his necklace behind - a very long chain of little wooden beads. These beads now form the Wood Badge which Scouters win who go through the Training Course at Gilwell."

There can be no doubt that the beads of Dinizulu were identical to those beads that Maclean saw Shaka wearing. It is quite extraordinary that Baden-Powell should have chosen those beads as an award, to be "conferred by his own hand," without knowing that Shaka had used them in the same way.

Today, thousands of Zulu boys are Scouts. In 1987, Chief Minister Mangosuthu Buthelezi of KwaZulu was the guest of honor at a huge Scout rally. Chief Buthelezi's mother-in-law, Princess Mahoho, was a daughter of Dinizulu. At the rally, the Chief Scout of South Africa, Garnet de la Hunt, took from around his neck a thong on which four Wood Badge beads were hung, and handed it to Chief Buthelezi, in a symbolic act of returning the beads to their rightful heir.

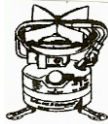
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### How to Use Lightweight Stoves



A camp stove gives you a fast easy way to do your cooking. It produces heat just right for warming a small cup of soup or cooking a big pot of pasta. A stove won't blacken rocks or cooking gear or scorch the soil. With a stove you can camp where there is no firewood or where camp fires are prohibited. Stoves work equally well in deserts, high mountains and deep forests and are ideal for use in storms and on snow.

Many camp stoves burn commercial stove fuel or kerosene. Store these fuels in special metal bottles with lids that screw on tightly. Choose bright red bottles or mark them with colorful tape so there is no chance of mistaking them for water bottles. Butane and propane stoves burn gas from small cans called cartridges. Carry cartridges and fuel bottles in the outside pockets of your pack where gas fumes can't get near your food.

When you are ready to cook, place your stove on a level surface free of leaves, sticks and other burnable materials. A patch of bare ground or a flat rock is all you need. During winter campouts, put your stove on a piece of plywood about eight inches square. The plywood will hold your stove on top of the snow or ground and prevent the cold from chilling the stove. Different kinds of stoves burn different fuels and operate in different ways. Read your stove's instructions carefully and follow them exactly.



### sudoku

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## INTRODUCING THE PATROLS



<b>Beaver</b>	
Randy Crone	Mark Jones
David Lopez	Hilda Vela

<b>Fox</b>	
Deborah Bangert	George Clark
Sean Duncan	John Gilbert



<b>Owl</b>	
Jose Garcia	John Paul
Sylvia Romero	Lee Weber
"Cactus" Salazar	

<b>Bear</b>	
Jay Howard	Colleen Ignasiak
Cliff Kuykendall	Billy McCaskill



<b>Buffalo</b>	
Les Ellison	David Hensley
"Lucky" Lueckemeyer	Larry Thompson
Art Munford	

<b>Antelope</b>	
Rhonda Camp	Chalan Derry
"Bo" Lankford	James Rangel



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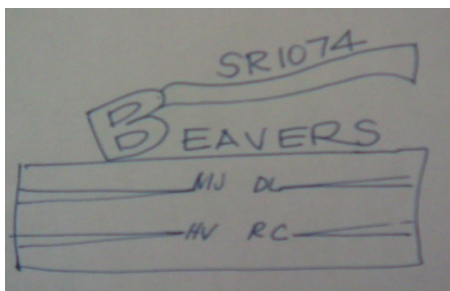
## CRITTER TALES



### **The Beaver Blog**

I wish to introduce the best patrol in Troop 1: Brian Chassells is our Patrol Guide, and he is Scoutmaster from Troop 225; Mark Jones, Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 255 (Teacher's Pet); David Lopez, Committee Chair, Troop 87; Hilda Vela, Treasurer, Troop 1491; and Randy Crone, Committee Chair, Troop 3.

We started the day as individuals and ended as a team. The Beavers build a well-designed Patrol drawing on the skills from every member. Brian wishes he was in Troop 3 to gain a better understanding of Scouting.





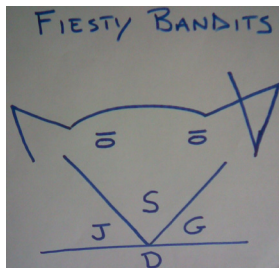
### Fox Den News

The Feisty Bandits are already coming together as a team and have yet to hit any major road blocks. They have struggled a bit with their patrol totem but things promise to look up soon.

In other news, the Feisty Bandits Troop Guide has rekindled an old grudge between the owls and buffaloes. Words were exchanged amid much laughter.

We would like to thank all of our Wood Badge staff. They have been helpful and very enthusiastic. We would like to extend a special thank you to Ronnie and his great homemade water.

We cannot wait for another fun-filled day. As a reminder, we are looking for stiffer competition tomorrow as well.



### Owl News

The day started early in the morning, on Friday, October 8, 2010. As we all flocked together at the Trading Post in Camp Karankawa, our Guide, Dennis McCrea, circled us up and promised us one heck of a ride! We came and grew together, as we became identified as the OWLS, with Chica, a/k/a Sylvia Romero as our first Patrol Leader and Cactus a/k/a Gerardo Salazar, as her assistant. The rest of the flock includes: Screech a/k/a John Paul, Ale a/k/a Joe Garcia, and myself Free Bird a/k/a Lee Weber. We are working together as we claw our way to the top. Remember, OWLS RULE!



### Bear Necessities

Den 4 is proud to announce coming out of hibernation and crossing over to Troop 1 and becoming the Bear Patrol. Jay was elected Patrol Leader, and Colleen, Cliff, and Billy are following his leadership like good cubs. We are bearly keeping up with our Troop Guide, Carlton.

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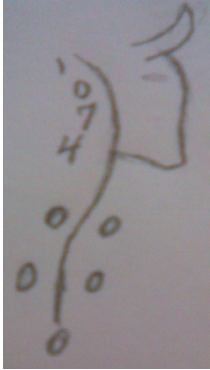




### Buffalo News

The Buffalo Patrol began its duties together by electing its Patrol Leader. David Hensley was elected to serve on Friday. Lynn Lueckemeyer volunteered as Chaplain's Aide. Larry Thompson volunteered as the Scribe. The Patrol discussed the duties for the everyday service. The Patrol completed its totem to turn into the Troop Scribes. Les Ellison was asked to be the Assistant

Patrol Leader.

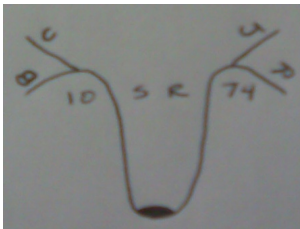


### Antelope News

Camp Karankawa: Where the Antelope play . . . Who are we?

1. I was once the lodge chief of Karankawa Lodge 307.
2. I have been in Scouting 13 years and never been a Scout.
3. I Eagled right before my 16<sup>th</sup> birthday . . . because my parents wouldn't let me get a Driver's License until I made Eagle.
4. I joined Scouting after I realized that I would have at least one son in for over 20 years.

Your Antelope Service team would like to thank everyone for helping to keep everything clean.



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### Staff News

*Centennial Jamboree Experiences*



**Ronnie and Evelyn Williams** were Assistant Commissioners in Sub-camp 16 at the National Scout Jamboree. They report having a wonderful time, working with some great people. Before the troops arrived, they helped mark out 51 campsites. They met the troops as the troops arrived, and then the fun really started. Ronnie and Evelyn met some super Scouts and Scouters as they made their rounds as Assistant Commissioners. During their stay they had several afternoons "off," when they enjoyed seeing parts of the jamboree. They report, "Our favorite was the OA Museum, and we visited it several times."

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As the calendar turned to 2010 my excitement grew knowing that it represented not only a new year but also an important milestone for the Boy Scouts of America. You see 2010 marked the 100<sup>th</sup>. Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America and turning of the calendar brought us even closer to the celebration which would take place at the National Jamboree in Fort A.P. Hill, Virginia.

The National Jamboree, held ever four years is always a special event but you just knew that this one would be “the Biggest, Best and Safest” one yet. It is so very hard to imagine what 45,000 Scouts, Leaders and Staff from around the country and world looks like until you actually get to experience it firsthand.

Our Journey started long before we actually boarded the buses for Houston on July 23, 2010, but this was the day that all the planning and training would be put to the test. Was it enough? Had we forgotten anything? Would we be successful in leading 100 young men from South Texas in the trip of a lifetime?

Our first stop after an uneventful flight was in the city of brotherly love, Philadelphia where we toured Independence Hall, The Liberty Bell and many other local attractions. This was a great learning experience for the Scouts as well as the leaders and it was really cool to be standing in the same places as some of our Nation’s founders.

As we departed Philadelphia headed to Washington D.C. we made a stopover at Fort McHenry to tour the fort. For those who may not know, the bombing of Fort McHenry is the battle that inspired the writing of our National Anthem. The best thing about this part of the trip was when they actually fired the cannons at the Fort.

Well we finally made it Washington D.C.!!! During this part of the trip we toured Arlington National Cemetery and took part in a patriotic ceremony on grounds. We toured the capital and got to see lots of the sights in D.C., including the Lincoln Memorial and Washington Memorial.

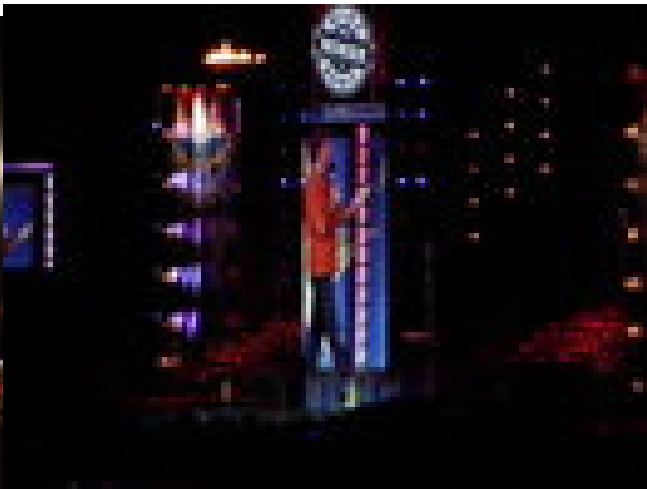
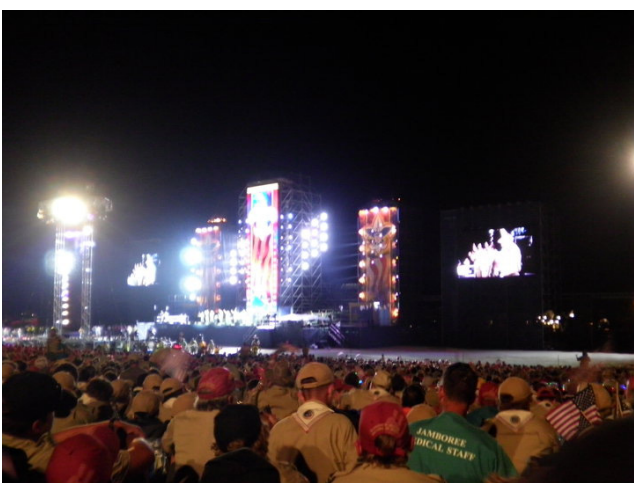


After touring the Capital it was finally time to head out to Fort A.P. Hill for the start of the National Jamboree but not before a brief stop at George Washington’s home in Mount Vernon on the way.

It was really hard to keep up with all the activities and fun stuff that was going on during the Jamboree so it was a good thing that they published a daily newspaper so could somewhat keep up with everything. The following pictures are of the opening Arena Show which had Secretary of Defense Robert Gates as the guest speaker.



One of the biggest events at the Jamboree had to be the closing show!! It had over 75,000 people in attendance and was such an incredible experience. It had everything it including guest speaker Mike Rowe, fireworks, Musical Groups performing and much more. It was certainly something that neither myself nor any of the Scouts in attendance will ever forget.



This trip was certainly a once in a lifetime event. I can't wait until the next one in 2013 when it moves to its new permanent home at the Bechtel Family Scout Reservation a/k/a "The Summit" .



“Texas Speed Bumps”

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