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John Wayne: What the Scout Law means to me



A great American, John Wayne, passed away many years ago. One of his last public appearances was at a dinner. He was riddled with cancer, and knew he was close to death. The purpose of the dinner was to benefit a land purchase for a Scout Reservation called John Wayne Outpost Camp. At this dinner, Wayne recited the Scout Law. Then he did something unusual, he said that the twelve points of the Scout Law are "nice words." "Trouble is" he continued, "we learn them so young we sometimes don't get all the understanding that goes with them. I take care of that in my family. As each boy reaches Scout age, I make sure he learns the Scout Law. Then I break it down for him, with a few things I have picked up in more than half a century since I learned it." Then Wayne proceeded to explain the importance of the Scout Law, breaking it down for the guests at the dinner; much like he would have for his grandson.

TRUSTWORTHY The badge of honesty. Having it lets you look at any man in the eye. Lacking it, he won't look back. Keep this one at the top of your list.

LOYAL The very word is life itself, for without loyalty we have no love of person or country.

HELPFUL Part sharing, part caring. By helping each other, we help ourselves, not to mention mankind. Be always full of help -- the dying man's last words.

FRIENDLY Brotherhood is part of that word. You can take it in a lot of directions - and do - but make sure and start with brotherhood.

COURTEOUS Allow each person his human dignity which means a lot more than saying, "yes ma'am" and "thank you sir". It reflects an attitude that later in life you wish you had honored more... earlier in life. Save yourself that problem. Do it now.

KIND This one word would stop wars and erase hatreds. But it's like your bicycle, its just no good unless you get out and use it.

OBEDIENT Starts at home. Practice it in your family. Enlarge it in your friends. Share it with humanity.

CHEERFUL Anyone can put on a happy face when the going is good. The secret is to wear it as a mask for your problems. It might surprise you how many others do the same thing.

THRIFTY Means a lot more than putting pennies away, and it is the opposite of cheap. Common sense covers it just about as well as anything.

BRAVE You don't have to fight to be brave. Millions of good, fine, decent folks show more bravery than heavyweight champs just by getting out of bed every morning, going out to do a good day's work and living the best life they know how against the law of odds.

CLEAN Soap and waters help a lot on the outside. But it's the inside that counts and don't ever forget it

REVERENT Believe in anything that you want to believe in, but keep God at the top of it. With Him, life can be a beautiful experience. Without Him, you are just biding time.

The World Scout Emblem

The World Scout Emblem, worn by an estimated 250 million Scouts since the Movement was founded, is still used today by 16 million Scouts in 150 countries and territories and is one of the world's best known symbols. However, Scouts and members of the public often ask how the emblem originated.

Lord Baden-Powell himself gave the answer, "Our badge we took from the 'North Point' used on maps for orienteering them with North."



Lady Baden-Powell said later, "It shows the true way to go."

So, the emblem helps to remind Scouts to be as true and as reliable as a compass in keeping to their Scouting ideals and showing others the way.

In Scouting, we take the three tips of the emblem to represent the three main points of the Scout Promise. The two decorative five-pointed stars are taken in some countries to stand for truth and knowledge.

In the World Scout Emblem, the basic motif is encircled by a rope tied with a reef or square knot, symbolizing the unity and brotherhood of the Movement throughout the world. Even as one cannot undo a reef knot no matter how hard one pulls on it, so the Movement remains united. The color of the World Scout Badge is white on a royal purple background. These colors are also symbolic. In heraldry, white represents purity and royal purple denotes leadership and helping other people.

On Conservation

Conservation means the wise use of the earth and its resources for the lasting good of men.

~Gifford Pinchot

God has given us a world to live in that is full of beauties and wonders and He has given us not only eyes to see them but minds to understand them, if we only have the sense to look at them in that light.

~Lord Baden-Powell

Quotes from Baden-Powell

A boy is supremely confident of his own power, and dislikes being treated as a child.

Teach Scouts not how to get a living, but how to live.

It's the spirit within, not the veneer without that makes a man.

It is risky to order a boy not to do something; it immediately opens to him the adventure of doing it.

An invaluable step in character training is to put responsibility on the individual.

Today's Schedule

MORNING		LOCATION
7:00	Breakfast and Assessments	
8:00	Gilwell Field Assembly	
8:30	Interfaith Worship Service	Training Center
8:50	Break	
9:10	Conservation Project (Troop Activity)	Training Center
11:10	Self-Assessment	
Noon	Lunch and Patrol Leaders' Council Meeting	Training Center
AFTERNOON		
1:00	Project Setup and Break	Training Center
1:30	Project 1 (Patrol and Troop Activity)	Training Center
2:45	Project Setup and Break	
3:15	Project 2 (Patrol and Troop Activity)	Training Center
4:30	Ticket Review and Staff Departure	
5:30	Patrol Dinner	
7:00	Patrol Meeting/Patrol Project Self-Assessment	
8:00	Patrol Campfires and Cracker Barrel	

On Mentoring

To the world, you may just be somebody. But to somebody, you may just might be the world.

~ Unknown

Dennis The Menace



"IF YOU WERE AN EAGLE SCOUT WHEN YOU WERE A KID, DOES THAT MEAN YOU'RE A BALD EAGLE NOW?"

Rearranging armadillo gives:

I'm all road.
I'm a dollar.
Moral dial.
Alarm idol.
A moral lid.

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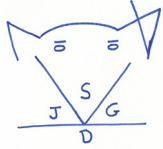
CRITTER TALES



Beaver News

The Beavers came together once again early Saturday morning. We met with our Troop Guide and marched off to Gilwell Field where we held our flag ceremony, became Venturers, and took pictures. Hilda Vela is our Patrol Leader, Mark Jones is our Assistant Patrol Leader, Randy Crone is our Chaplain's Aid, and I, David Lopez, am the Scribe.

Thanks to Brian Chassells for mentoring our patrol on our ticket completions.



Fox News

The Fox Patrol bonded together quickly once again. Before the break of dawn, they transferred all their gear to the campsite then scampered to the Training Center eager to begin Wood Badge!

A "Foxy" Yip Yip to the Venturing Crew for hosting us and teaching Leave No Trace.

The Foxes quickly assembled their sleeping burrows and dining area then arrived back at the Training Center ahead of the other patrols . . . Foxes Leading the Way!

We are looking forward to another great weekend of Wood Badge.



Owl News

The Owls had another great day of bonding and leadership training. The day began with a new challenge. Because of the death of a dignitary, the opening ceremony was to be different than normal. We were up to the task again, and performed another great flag ceremony. Thanks to the Beavers for their help!

Our Patrol Leader, Joe, led us through the day's activities. A delicious lunch was served by our cooks, Cactus and Lee. We had great fun and great success in the Round Robin Challenges. We continue to perfect our presentation and our tickets. Go Owls!



Bear News

Da Bears are proud to support each other in our ticket and project processes. Great brainstorming prior to our leaving one another kindled a great blaze of creativity over the break. Da Bears are proud of the project that was the outcome of this blaze of activity. Ideas on how we would spend our time this weekend and present the project and receive approval of our tickets abounded and the e-mails flew. We added a fifth honorary member who graces our

presence with his Hairy Hide. Our Guide, Carlton, was patient in his approach over the break in his encouragement of the ticket process. His unwavering support warmed our hearts and desire to achieve success.

Reunion today was exciting to the patrol as we rejoined our fellow troop members and leaders, and we look forward to a wealth of knowledge forthcoming as well as camaraderie. T.Y. Brothers Billy, Jay, Cliff and Sissy Colleen.



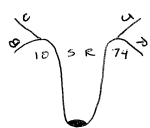
Buffalo News

The Buffalo herd came roaming into the pasture very early Saturday morning, greeting each other with a lot of hoof beating and snorting. We did not encounter too many Indians coming through the prairie, so you could say we all had our hides still intact.

We arrived at Gilwell Park. We were told not to eat the grass but to salute the flag. Hoofing over to a Venture Tribe campsite, we were entertained by a great group. Then we hoofed over to Mount 7 to set up our camp. We beat our hoofs on the ground with great satisfaction.

Enjoyed a great talk at lunch with a meal, even though it was not buffalo food. We spent a little time afterwards solving a few problems and found that solutions are not always in greener grass. It was a great day for the Buffalos and their mighty Bull, Art. We enjoyed a great game time with our wonderful coach and friend Glenda.

Happy Gilwell...Larry



Antelopes

During our break we met with our Herd, gathered some great info on one another.

We worked on our project and came up with some Grandelope ideas.

We are now a well-formed herd with a new "honorary" Antelope, Sara with Crew 188.

Hope you all had a grand time during your break as we did.

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CGOST RLE F CLR LD LEH-CFZDHR.



Staff News

This article can be attributed to the great minds of Bill Camp and Richard Luna.
Scurry, Scurry, Scurry
Root, Root, Root
ERRRRRRRR
Bu, Bu, Bu, Bu

Yes, that is the call of the Armadillo.

We hope everyone is having fun and learning stuff to take back to their units. Hats off to the Kitchen Staff who have concocted excellent meals for us. In the past few weeks as head cook, Ronnie has learned to make ice water, hot water, and warm up bread sticks.

Great job to the Ron-Co which includes Assistant Chefs, Janet and Tracy and a big thanks to "ye-ole dishwashers" Roy and Lloyd.

Staffers Roy, Dennis, Ruth (Baby Ruth), and Alex (Guest Presenter) could not turn down an invitation by fellow Guest Presenter, Dr. Bob Brown to be an integral part of his presentation on the Generations of Scouting. Great job guys and gal!

Special thanks to Crew 188 from Woodsboro for the team-building exercises. Now if only we can get our youth to work together . . . pause to reflect with smile . . . o.k., back to reality.

Gary and Richard have done a great job behind the scenes keeping the equipment available. Janice and Ruth are also other ones of those unsung heroes, keeping the paper train running smooth.

Oh yeah – Richard is also lonely at the Trading Post. You cannot get this stuff anywhere else -- so buy, buy, buy.

And let's not forget about Evelyn and Donnie . . . Oops, no more space.

HOW I OBTAINED THE NECKLACE OF DINIZULU AS TOLD BY THE CHIEF SCOUT



In 1879 the British under Lord Wolseley broke up the Zulu kingdom, under Cetchwayo, which had

been a constant menace with its raids on both Boer and British territory, and divided the nation into eight tribes, each under a separate Chief. One of these tribes was under Dinizulu, the son of Cetchwayo.

'In 1888 Dinizulu raised a rebellion among the tribes against the British. Two of the tribes however elected to side with us. General Sir Henry Smyth took out a force against Dinizulu. I acted as Military Secretary and Intelligence Officer.

'Dinizulu after a few small engagements took refuge in a mountain stronghold called the Ceza Bush, just on the border of the Transvaal. I reconnoitered the

place with a few Scouts and our forces were brought into position to take it from three sides. Just before attacking I went into position with my Scouts at early dawn and found that the enemy had just hurriedly evacuated it, leaving most of their food and kit behind, and had crossed the border into the Transvaal, where of course we could not follow them.

Baden-Powell & Selous
'In the hut which had been put up for Dinizulu to live in, I found among other things his necklace of wooden beads. I had in my possession a photograph of him taken a few months beforehand in which he was shown wearing this necklace round his neck and one shoulder.

'He was at that time a splendid type of young savage and full of resources, energy and pluck. He eventually surrendered to us, was kept a prisoner for some time and was then returned to his tribe on condition that he behaved himself.

'But later on he broke out again and involved us in a further campaign which resulted in our finally

taking over Zululand and annexing it.'

(Copy of notes dictated by B-P in 1925 authenticating the story of Chief Dinizulu's necklace. Original notes in The Scout Association's Archives, typed on Baden-Powell's head notepaper and addressed Pax Hill, Bentley, Hampshire.)

THE LEATHER THONG

The other important part of the Wood Badge, apart from the beads, is the leather thong itself. Baden-Powell was originally given one during the course of the Siege of Mafeking in 1899/1900, when things were not going well. An elderly man met him and asked him about his unusually depressed appearance. The man took the leather thong that he had been wearing from around his neck and placed it in B-P's hand.

'Wear this,' he said. 'My mother gave it to me for luck. Now it will bring you luck.' So from these two souvenirs of his military career in Africa, the leather thong from an old man at Mafeking and the necklace from Dinizulu, B-P fashioned what is now known as the Wood Badge.

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