



THE GILWELL GAZETTE

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The First Scoutmasters' Course



September, 1919- Baden-Powell is seated center in the front row at green arrow

On the morning of September 8, 1919, nineteen men dressed in short pants and knee socks, their shirt sleeves rolled up, assembled by patrols for the first Scoutmasters' training camp held at Gilwell Park in Epping Forest, outside London, England. The camp was designed and guided by Sir Robert Baden-Powell, a 61 year-old retired general of the British Army and the founder of the World Scouting Movement.

When they had finished their training, Baden-Powell gave each man a simple wooden bead from a necklace he had found in a Zulu chieftain's deserted hut in South Africa in 1888. The Scoutmasters' training course was a great success and continued to be held year-after-year.

When the original beads ran out, new ones were whittled to maintain the tradition established by Baden-Powell. Because of these beads, the course came to be known as the Wood Badge Course. It continues to this day in England and around the world as the advanced training course for leaders in Scouting.

At the time of the first course, Baden-Powell presented to Gilwell Park a Kudu horn he had captured during the Matabele War of 1896. Its deep booming sound (when played with skill and no small amount of courage) would summon course members to assemblies and activities and was used in courses at Gilwell Park for many years. Baden-Powell would use this same horn to open the Third World Jamboree held at Arrow Park, Birkenhead, England in 1929. The jamboree was known as the "Coming of Age" Jamboree as it celebrated 21 years since the foundation of the Scouting Movement. A Kudu horn is still used today by many advanced leadership courses in Scouting.



Today's Schedule

| MORNING | | LOCATION |
|-----------|---|-----------------|
| 7:00 | Breakfast and Assessments | |
| 8:00 | Begin Camp Breakdown | |
| 9:30 | Ticket Review / Clean-up / Load Vehicles | |
| 10:30 | Gilwell Field Assembly | |
| 10:50 | Patrol Leaders' Council Meeting | |
| 11:10 | Coaching and Mentoring (Troop Presentation) | Training Center |
| Noon | Closing Luncheon (Troop Activity) | Training Center |
| AFTERNOON | | LOCATION |
| 1:15 | Leaving a Legacy (Troop Presentation) | Training Center |
| 2:30 | Break | |
| 2:45 | Summary Session (Troop Presentation) | Training Center |
| 3:15 | Course Assessment | Training Center |
| 3:45 | Closing Gilwell Assembly | |
| 4:15 | Adjourn | |



Quartermasters' Kitchen

Famous Oatmeal Cookies

¾ c. vegetable shortening
1 c. packed brown sugar
½ c. sugar
1 egg
¼ c. water
1 tsp. vanilla
3 c. oats uncooked
1 c. flour
1 tsp. salt
½ tsp. soda

Pre-heat oven at 350°. Beat shortening, sugar, egg, water and vanilla until creamy. Add combined remaining ingredients. Mix well. Drop by rounded tsp. onto greased cookie sheet. Bake at 350° for 12-15 minutes.

*Chocolate chips are optional. Use 1 cup.

*May also add 1 cup of coconut and/or ½ cup dried cranberries.



St. Louis Gooey Cake

1 yellow cake mix
2 eggs
1 stick margarine melted
Mix and put in 9 x 13" pan.

1 box powdered sugar
2 eggs
1 package cream cheese

Mix and put on top of the cake mixture,
Bake 350° for 40 minutes.



The Bridge Builder

An old man traveling a long highway

Came at the evening cold and gray

To a chasm, vast and deep and wide.

The old man crossed in the twilight dim,

The sullen stream held no fears for him,

But he turned when safe on the other side,

And built a bridge to span the tide.

"Old Man," cried a fellow pilgrim near,

"You're wasting you time building here,"

"Your journey will end with the closing day,

You never again will pass this way."

"You have crossed the chasm deep and wide,

Why build you this bridge at evenings tide?"

The builder lifted his old gray head,

"Good friend, in the path I have come," he
said,

"There followeth after me today,

A Youth whose feet must pass this way"

"This stream which has been naught to me,

To that youth may a pitfall be."

"He too, must cross in the twilight dim."

"Good friend, I am building this bridge for
him."

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*We hope that you too, in the Spirit of Wood  
Badge, will become the builder of a bridge.*

## **WOOD BADGE REUNION**

**(Saturday, March 5, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.)**

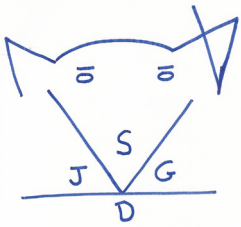
**All SR-1074 participants are encouraged to attend the Wood Badge Reunion! The reunion will be held at Camp Karankawa Training Center. The meal will be prepared by a committee of Wood Badgers. Reservations deadline is Wednesday, March 2; the cost is \$15 per person and \$25 per couple. Look for the reservation form in the mail at home.**

# CRITTER TALES



## Beaver Blog

The Beavers suffered through the campfire last night. Seeing all that wood burning was too much to bear. We presented two skits at the campfire with a special recipe for Lemonade. We wish to thank the SPL for giving the Beavers such a nice dessert for tonight's meal. We love Wood Badge beads!



## Fox News

Thanks to all the Patrols for their creative and sometimes silly skits and songs Saturday night at the campfire. We had a Foxy-Fun time! YIP-YIP-YIP!! The conservation projects were great work and showed us which muscles we hadn't used in a while. Our Troop Guide was the most energetic Bow-Saw operator at Gilwell. We were sad that the "yo-yo" broke at the Campsite 5 curve. Thankfully we were about done, not to mention worn out!! We wish the best to all the Patrols in Wood Badge SR-1074 in finishing their tickets and bringing a fresh energy and vision to their Scouts and adult leaders. "We are and will always be, Foxy!"



## Owl News

The Owl Patrol started the day with Cactus' fabulous Blackberry Pancakes!! ☺ Then it was off to the flag ceremony where we were awarded the Armadillo Award of Excellence for Round Robin Spirit!! We celebrated with our happy dance. After the interfaith Sunday Service, we swooped down on the overgrown brush to enhance the beauty and safety at Camp Karankawa. Our presentation was well received but our Owl cookies stoke the show. Go Owls! Go Owls!



## Bearly News

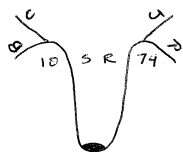
Colleen, Jay, Billy, and Cliff joined together once again to learn, experience, and have a great time. We awoke this morning and soon made a feast in the great outdoors. We called upon our inner cook (and dishwasher) to great success. Each morning assembly saddened us a bit; however, because it meant we have one less day to be together.

Scribe Cliff



## Buffalo News

The buffalo started the morning stomping out Fort 7 and feasting on a healthy bounty of eggs; grass was not available. We enjoyed a wonderful church service presented by all of our Chaplain Aides with an extra buffalo. We spent the next couple of hours with our four-legged brothers clearing out the brush and stomping the weeds so the other patrols could find their way. We gathered our herd back together to hear about self assessment. We are such a good herd. In the afternoon, the buffalo presented a talk to the troop about the outdoor activities of the Boy Scouts of America.



## Antelopes

We would like to thank our Scoutmaster for allowing us to work with the Bears and Buffalos on the Service Projects. Both projects look terrific. We enjoyed all the presentations and really were impressed to see how much work went into them.

We are ready to all being on our ticket items.

Thanks to ALL of the Staff for their support during our Wood Badge experience.



## Staff News

The Boy Scouts of America have always sought to conserve and preserve our natural resources and our projects today certainly fell-in-line

with those ideals. Not only did we fulfill our project objectives and adhere to the principals of the Outdoor Code,

we also had a chance to use some leadership and team-building skills. We worked together with a great group of Scouters and provided much-appreciated service to our fantastic camp. Thanks to you, we beautified Gilwell Field; removed some really invasive plant-life; made our camp roads safer to drive on; provided firewood to Scouts and made it much easier for our brother Armadillo to root root root for their food. Great job Wood Badgers!

The afternoon brought six amazing patrol projects about topics such as Scout Conservation Awards, the history of our Scout uniforms; proper uniforming; Scouting in your Community; Scout training and the Outdoor Program. Excellent presentations by all of our patrols! These stand-alone projects are a resource in themselves and definitely represent Scouting in a positive light. Great job Wood Badgers!

### Note from the Scoutmaster...

Welcome to Day Six, and the end of our Wood Badge SR-1074 course. Looking back, we can see what a huge amount of material, growth, leadership development and fellowship we have experienced together. We are all in this together, and your staff sincerely wishes that our course legacy will be one of service and joy. As we depart Gilwell Field for the last time, we are not "Scurrying Armadillo" or "Bears," but fellow Scouters— dedicated to providing the best growth opportunities for the youth that are entrusted to our care in this challenging world. What will your legacy be as you touch the lives of these precious possibilities?



**Back Row** – Left to Right: Antelope: Bruce "Bo" Lankford, Staffers: Tracy Williams, Ron Molina, Donnie Tegeler, and Lloyd Towers; Antelope: Chalan Derry; Beaver: Randy Crone; Staffer: Bill Camp; Antelope: Rhonda Camp; Beavers: Mark Jones and David Lopez; Fox: George Clark; Staffer: Dennis McCrea; Owls: John Paul and Lee Weber; Buffalo: Art Munford; Bear: John "Jay" Howard; Buffalo: Les Ellison, and Owl: Gerardo "Cactus" Salazar.

**Middle Row** – Left to Right: Staffers: Brian Chassells, Janet Hallmark, Ruth Luna, Glenda Griffin, Carlton Dollery, Perry Winkler, John Beauregard; Beaver: Hilda Vela; Foxes: John Gilbert, Sean "Duncan," and Deborah Bangert; Owl Jose "Joe" Garcia; Bear: Cliff Kuykendall, Billy McCaskill, and Colleen Ignasiak; Venture Leaders: Maria Lopez and Richard Cantu.

**Front Row** – Left to Right: Staffers: Janice Maley, Richard Luna, Roy Griffin, Ronnie Williams, Evelyn Williams and Gary Ford; Antelope: James Rangel; Owl: Sylvia Romero; Buffaloes: Larry Thompson, Lynn "Lucky" Lueckemeyer, and David Hensley; Venturers: Marc Sanchez, Melissa Cisneros, Leticia Cantu, and Sarah Lopez.

