

Gilwell Gazette

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TEAMWORK

There is a place with two dining rooms. In one of the rooms were thin, pale-looking people waiting for their evening meal. Waiters soon appeared and strapped three-foot long spoons and forks to the arms of these people seated around the banquet table.

The table was quickly covered with a variety of delicious foods, but the people could not feed themselves—at least not with those large eating utensils. Before long, the waiters came by and took away the food. The people left the room angry and hungry.

In another room sat another group of people. Waiters appeared and strapped three-foot long spoons and forks to the arms of these people seated around the banquet table.

This group looked healthy and happy. After saying grace, they proceeded to dine on the great selection of foods. With much laughter and great spirits, the people would dish food and then feed the food to the person seated across the table. This way everyone was fed and left the table full and happy, and nobody complained about the inconvenience of using the large eating utensils because teamwork kept them well-fed.

Scoutmaster Minute

Listen to what Baden-Powell said about the patrol.

“The patrol is the character school for the individual. To patrol leaders it gives practice in responsibility and in qualities of leadership. To the Scout it gives subordination of self to the interests of the whole, the elements of self-denial and self-control involved in the team spirit of cooperation and good comradeship.”

Watching a good team work together is a wonderful sight – all focused on the common goal, using resources efficiently, helping each other to grow, and succeed, having fun and taking little while giving a lot. When you think about it, that’s a good criterion for assessing team success, isn’t it?



Remember to check out the course website. Within a few days. When the Scribe wakes back up the Gazettes and some photos will be available. We will also use this for updates and reminders for the upcoming outdoor experience.

<http://sr866.boy-scouts.net>

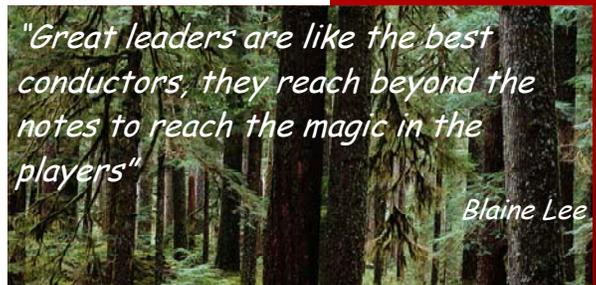


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"Great leaders are like the best conductors, they reach beyond the notes to reach the magic in the players"

Blaine Lee



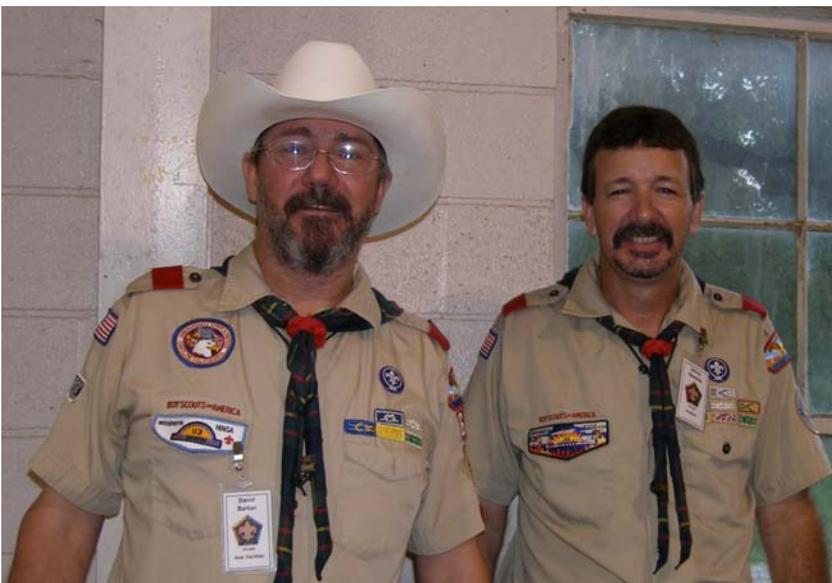
A Special Thanks

With all that goes on during our Wood Badge Course behind the scene several key individuals toil quietly to make each Course a success.

Today we would like to give special recognition to our Quartermaster Corp Dewayne Woodruff and Moe Kluksdahl. Working behind the scenes quietly efficient providing us with our meals, Cracker Barrels and snacks — thank you guys for a job well done!



The facilities crew has also worked tirelessly to keep everything running smoothly. They arrived early to set up tents and start hauling all the 'stuff' to make this course happen. They went way beyond the call of duty when they cleaned the bathrooms at the pool. They are the cleanest I have seen them—ever. They also work to make sure we have all the "luxuries" from ice water to TP. In conjunction with the Gilwell Service patrol of the day we salute you!



Quotable Quotes

"Well at least the smell of the skunk kept us from smelling ourselves"

"Its not rain its liquid sunshine."

"Don't get to hasty Jeff the day's not over yet"

"Those darn foam heads!"

"These bathrooms never looked so clean in the 11 years since I started coming here"

STUFF!

Silly Things Used For Fun



We Salute You



Interfaith Worship Service

Karen Hook led us in a Interfaith Worship Service. "Interfaith" Karen told us mean a service that all Scouts and Scouters may attend. Care should be taken to support and respect all faiths and strive to not offend.



At our Interfaith Worship Service we collected \$550.00 and these monies will be sent to World Friendship Fund.

"Duty to God" and "religious duties" are important components of:

- The Cub Scout Promise
- The Law of the Pack
- The Scout Oath
- The Scout Law
- The Venturing Oath
- The Venturing Code
- All of the above

"The Boy Scouts of America has something going for it that all the government welfare programs in America can't match: success. Besides families and religion, Scouting is probably this country's single best program for building character in boys, and has been for nearly a century."



The Times Leader, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania

Some Thoughts on A Scout's Duty to God and Country

The Scout Oath and the Scout Law ask a Scout to pledge his honor to do his best to do his duty to God and his country and to be reverent. Here is what two of America's most famous movie actors had to say about duty to God and country and about reverence:

Jimmy Stewart

Actor Jimmy Stewart was active in Troop 3 in Indiana, PA as a youth and earned the rank of Eagle Scout. On being presented the Distinguished Scouter Award in 1980, he recited the Scout Oath and then explained what the Scout Oath meant to him. In describing a Scout's Duty to God and Country, he said:

"To do my duty." Duty - that implies a moral or legal obligation to follow a certain code of conduct. Duty means playing by the rules, reaching deep into your own conscience for the meaning of these rules and giving just a little beyond and doing just a little bit more than is expected.

"To God and my country." Duty to God - means a lot more than saying a prayer every time you need a favor. A lot more. Duty to God is simply that voluntary gesture you must make and remake a million times in your lifetime as a statement of your recognition that there is someone above this universe who watches over this universe and to whom each of us is a favorite son. Duty to God is a lifetime thank-you note our hearts send out in appreciation for the life that has been loaned to us here on earth.

John Wayne

Actor John Wayne, who was a Scout in his youth, was honored by President Ford, an Eagle Scout, at the same black-tie, benefit dinner where Jimmy Stewart spoke. (The proceeds were for the purchase of land to be called the John Wayne Outpost Camp at the Lake Arrowhead Scout Camps in the Los Angeles Area Council.) President Ford said, "It occurs to me that John Wayne, like so many other great Americans, has never lost the sense that there is a higher good, something outside the individual, which each of us should seek to achieve."

John Wayne recited the Scout Law and commented, "Nice words. Trouble is, 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've picked up in the more than half century since I learned it."

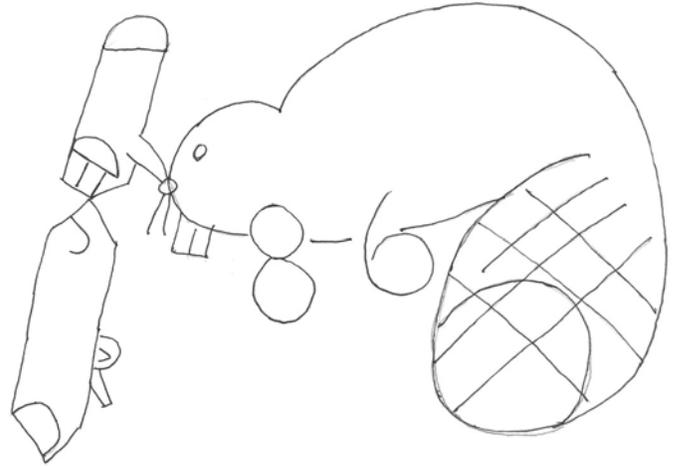
Commenting on "Reverent," John Wayne put it simply, "Believe in anything you want to believe in, but keep God at the top of it. With Him, life can be a beautiful experience. Without Him, you're just biding time."

From *Scouting Magazine*, October 1980.

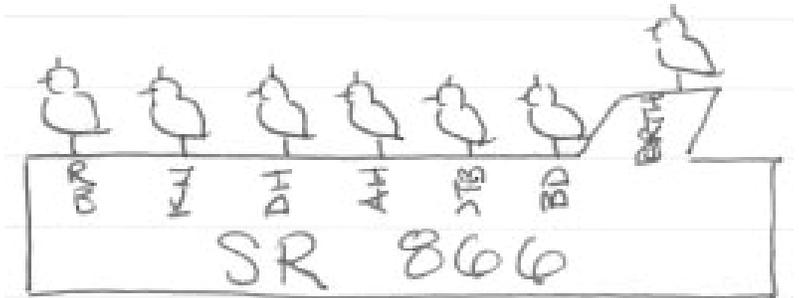
PATROL NEWS

You Might Be A Beaver If:

1. You're tempted to eat beads.
 2. You're not self-conscious about having a big tail.
 3. You yell "yes" when someone gives you building blocks. (Yes, KB we're talking about you)
 4. You are not very good at Jeopardy.
 5. You think retaining water is a good thing.
 6. You go to an orthodontist to GET an overbite.
 7. You can make your own toothpicks.
 8. A new term is created for you... "beaver-minded"
- Thanks Tom
9. You are the only Wood Badge critter that is as comfortable on land as on water.
 10. You are ready to do the best dam patrol possible during weekend 2!
 11. You avoid the "storming" stage of team development because you don't want your dam washed away,



The Bobwhites were excited to learn they had attained the "Greatest Distance" award at the rocket launch—even though we didn't rate a capital letter or bold font for our name in the Gilwell Gazette [*editor comment: sorry about that oversight—Bobwhite—One Bite*]. Bobwhites won the first round that evening of the Wood Badge Game and placed second in the second round. Later that night at the Cracker Barrel, Bobwhites demonstrated their Bobwhite Covey Dance to the Troop. On day 3, the Bobwhites celebrated after the tent competition with a winning time of 2:30.



As usual the Eagle are flying high closing day 2 and opening day 3. After extensive planning, the Eagle flag was Flying High (As Eagles Do!!) at the opening ceremony! Unfortunately, after numerous incidents of "NECK STRAIN" and a sudden shortage of Advil we were forced to cut it down a bit. Also at the flag ceremony we were awarded the "Oddest Orbit" for our rocket. At first we were confused, but after special consideration and evaluation of the judges we realize they couldn't understand the complexity of our rocket. (The boosters deployed exactly as planned!) The Eagles would like to thank all of the camp staff and let you know we are looking forward to the future.



Eagles '07 Hoorah! With Gusto!!

PATROL NEWS

Five Fine Foxes participated in a fine flying adventure. We fabricated a fabulous fast track fiery rocket. We had two fantastic flights. Saturday evening was a fun filled fabulous frivolity. Although fine tuned voices were in short supply, the fierce faces of those that performed were fun to watch. Our congrats go to our small feathery friends for their award of farthest flight.

Farewell until next time.



The owls are proud to have brought home the "highest launch" award for the "Whata Owl#2 with Jalapenos" . What a Hoot! Our flag is complete and out patrol project is approved! See ya in 3 weeks!

We are the Owls! Who Are You?
Who! Who! Who! Who!



Wow! What a week! What a group! The Bear Patrol is in awe of the caliber of people here this weekend and would like to thank you all for making this a grrrrreat experience for us all!

A special Bear hug goes out to our staff for running an awesome experience.

Good luck camping and watch out for Bears!



QUESTION

What is the most important word in the Boy Scout Law?

This Mornings Trivia Answers:

The largest Bald Eagle nest found to date was over 20 feet in deep and 10 feet wide.

A typical Bald Eagle's nest weighs 1 ton.

The correct answers are: (a), (c), (d), (e), and (f).



WHEN	WHAT
	Eat Breakfast Before Arrival
By 8:00 AM	Park at Flop Jackson (Same Parking Lot) Unload Packs to Pavilion in Patrol Lines Stay With Your Patrol Under the Pavilion
8:00 AM	Patrol and Troop Photos
8:30 AM	Troop Assembly at Gilwell Field (Flag Poles)
9:00 AM	Depart on Outdoor Experience

Weather today at Gilwell Field

During the day there will be prolonged bouts of sunshine with intermittent periods of liquid sunshine leading over to declining light at twilight. In the overnight hours it is predicted to be mostly dark with a few sparkles of light from stars or the random flash of a comet. As we learned the other evening at our Campfire - - - we need to be vigilant for the Dark Suckers.

