

VOL. 2

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Priceless

Congratulations on a Successful Day 1

Course Director



Each of you has come to the course with your unique skills, knowledge, experience and attitude. You have met a diverse group of over 30 Scouters who are on a similar journey and have made the decision to **learn** and become better Scouters and leaders. You have also met a dedicated group of Staffers who are ready to help you on your journey.

Just as with Cubs Scouts, Boy Scouts, Venturing, Sea Scouts and any of the BSA programs the success of each programs is based on what is called "Experiential Learning" and that is what Wood Badge is based on as well. You will hear presentations. You will have things explained and demonstrated. But the key to Wood Badge and to all Scouting programs is what each Scout and Scouters is prepared, willing and committed to learn.

Just like you do with your Scouts in your units, your C4-440-12 staff will do our best to transfer our experience and knowledge as the course progresses. The key responsibility for learning however will rest with each of you. Experiential learning is based on the learner. Each of us will determine what we are prepared to learn through our involvement and our commitment. Just like the Scouts and adult volunteers we serve in our units at home.

So what do you want to learn at Wood Badge?

One of the first experiences everyone will face each day of the course is learning from the experience of being the leader and being the followers. As we discussed yesterday, you will shift Patrol

leadership each day.

You will be experiencing different styles of **leadership** during the course as well as practicing your own. Each day your Patrol leaders will provide leadership based on their skills and knowledge of developing vision and strategies and aligning relevant people and resources behind those strategies. Experiencing leadership will also include the empowerment of members of your patrol members to make the Patrol's vision happen.

Following is not new. As we progress in life we all have experienced being a **follower** and successful followers have first learned how to lead themselves. In this course as members of a Patrol you will be in a follower position for most of the course and are being asked to accept and support the leadership of another Patrol member every day. During that day you are subscribing to the skills, experience, teachings, opinions or methods of a fellow Patrol member who is Patrol Leader that day.

The third area you will experience is the **management** of your Patrol. Managing involves all the decisions and actions you will need to consider to help the Patrol achieve success through communication, planning, budgeting, organizing, staffing, controlling and problem solving.

As you heard last night, Wood Badge was founded in 1919 by Baden Powell to train Scouters on the Scouting experience. Baden Powell said:



"One of the purposes of Wood Badge training is to get Scouters to think about the practice of Scouting, to meet together, to exchange experiences, and to live together in the spirit of the Scout Oath."

So as you begin Day 2, what are you prepared to learn from your Wood Badge experience?

Today's Schedule

7:00	Breakfast & Assessments
8:00	Gilwell Field assembly
8:30	Troop meeting
10:15	Break
10:30	<i>Leveraging Diversity thru Inclusiveness</i>
11:00	<i>Stages of Team Development</i>
11:50	Break
12:00	Lunch
1:00	Patrol Leaders' Council meeting
1:30	<i>Communication</i>
2:20	Break
2:30	<i>Project Planning</i>
3:20	Break
3:30	<i>Rocket Day activities</i>
5:00	Break
5:15	Patrol meeting
6:15	Dinner
7:15	<i>Wood Badge Game Show</i>
8:05	Break
8:15	<i>Win All You Can</i>
9:15	Cracker barrel



SPL THOUGHT

Carol Doe

Good morning Troop 1! How is everyone feeling? Tired? Overwhelmed? Hopefully you are becoming more comfortable with the pace. Did you enjoy the Who-Me-Game last night learning about your patrol mates? No doubt, your patrol is starting to become friends!

Has your Patrol Leader shared the information that he/she learned at yesterday's PLC? Have they shared the information in the Patrol Leader Binder and prepped today's Patrol Leader? You know, the daily PLC meeting is where the patrol leaders learn and exchange information so they can help their patrols become a high performing team! But, the Patrol Leaders must share the information!! The PLC is run by youth leaders (adult leaders are there only for support). Please remember that by today's PLC meeting, I'll want to see your patrol totems and I'm going to ask about each patrol's project and flag!

A Scout is Friendly, Courteous, Kind -
please live the Scout Law and BE the example you want to see in your home unit. So, be respectful of other's property (do not take/misplace another patrol's flag), to the presenters (keep your cell phones on silent), and to your patrol (keep your personal breaks short).

Staff Campfire Enjoyed by all.

Last night's campfire was an "Instructional Campfire". Yea! Do you know what that means? The Campfire had "Learning Objectives" and the whole nine yards! And it met one of the learning objectives: It was "fun"! On the second weekend, it will be your turn, so remember the four S's: Showmanship, Songs, Stunts, and Stories. It takes planning to do a good job and all skits, etc., must be appropriate. A campfire does not need to be long. More importantly, it should move along quickly, slowing down to the Scoutmaster's minute and closing. And having Baden Powell visit, doesn't hurt.

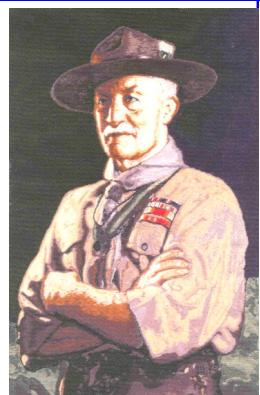


Church Service Saturday at 6 p.m.

For anyone wishing to participate in the Catholic church service at Sacred Heart Catholic Church located at 3039 State Route 45 in Rock Creek please see Debra Pickering to be added to the list of participants. We will meet at the front of the Augustus Center at 5:45 p.m. and be transported to this service from the camp and returning right after service for dinner. Service begins at 6 p.m. Please note that we need a count of who is actually attending service so that we can make sure to advise the kitchen staff and have a dinner waiting for you upon returning from church service. These participants will not be returning until approximately 7:00 p.m. and will need to eat before the Game Show that begins at 7:15 p.m.

Thought for the day from Lord Baden-Powell

"Vigorous Scout games are the best form of physical education because most of them bring in moral education."



The Wood Badge Woggle

The woggle is a two-strand version of a Turk's head knot, which has no beginning and no end, and symbolizes the commitment of a Wood Badger to Scouting.

Early Scouts tied a knot in their neckerchief (scarf) to fasten it around the neck. In America, experiments were made with rings made from bone, rope or wood.

A young Australian Scout, Bill Shankley, who was responsible for running a workshop and developing ideas for camping equipment at Gilwell Park, became aware of the American rings, and set out to create something similar. The result was the Gilwell Woggle.

On the origin of the Woggle, Shankley said:

They used to knot their scarves, which used to get creased and stick out at the ends. But in America the early scouts used to plait up various stuffs to make a ring for theirs — they called it a boondoggle. I got some thin sewing machine leather belting, plaited it into a neat ring, submitted it, and had it accepted. I called it a *Woggle* and that's the name it's known by throughout the world.

The earliest known reference to a Woggle is the June 1923 edition of *The Scout*.

The term was quickly applied to other designs of fastener, of many shapes and sizes, and is today used around the world.

The word *ring* was used in editions of the Scouting handbook *Scouting for Boys* until 1929 when Baden-Powell changed it in the 14th edition:

It [the scarf] may be fastened at the throat by a knot or woggle, which is some form of ring made of cord, metal or bone, or anything you like.



A Finnish Gilwell Woggle



Traditional American Woggle

The Woggle designed by Bill Shankley became known as the Gilwell Woggle, as it has been traditionally presented to leaders who have completed their Wood Badge training. Trained leaders are admitted into 1st Gilwell Park Scout Troop, with the Gilwell Woggle as one of its symbols. Because of its association it is not worn by other scouts.

Wolf Cub leaders briefly followed a separate training system beginning in 1922, in which they were awarded the *Akela Badge* on completion. The badge was a single fang on a leather thong. Wolf Cub Leader Trainers wore two fangs. The Akela Badge was discontinued in 1925, and all leaders were awarded the Wood Badge on completion of their training. Very few of the fangs issued as Akela Badges can now be found.

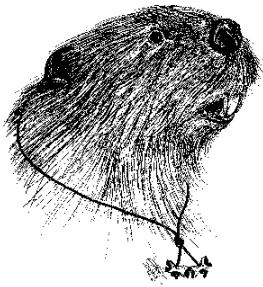
Was Henry Wadsworth Longfellow a Scribe?

We think yes as evidenced in the following poem:

The heights by great men reached and kept
Were not attained by sudden flight,
But they, while their companions slept,
Were toiling upward in the night.

Trivia Questions

1. What major US city has the Beaver on its Seal?
2. Where did "Cracker Barrel" get its name?



Beaver



Matthew Swyrydenko,
Troop Guide Don Young,
Jeffrey Morgan, Robert
Albertson, Dan Booth
and Chris Pascarella



Bobwhite



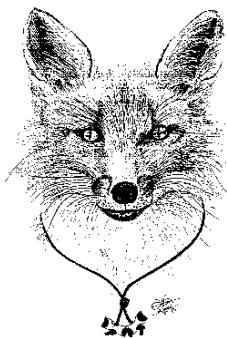
Dave Molseed, Troop
Guide Ken Schafer, Vic
Perez, Robert Sullivan,
and Debbie Knerim



Eagle



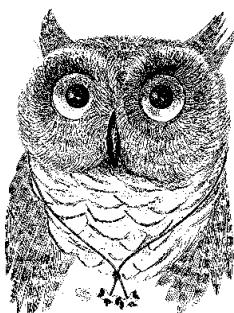
Bob Conroy, Troop
Guide Edwin Rodriguez,
Andrew Wang,
Russ Bonchu, and
Marvin Smith



FOX



Mike Reese, Troop Guide
Curt Cousineau,
Denis Paus, Becky
Korver, Todd Peine, and
Joe Schimizzi



Owl



Ed Maltba, Troop Guide
Pete Reichel, David
Kuhr, Chris Dugar, and
Mike Balina



Bear

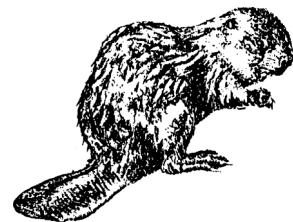


Craig Fletcher, Troop Guide
Jim Vangilder,
Michael Walko, Keith
Levy, Milan Vrzic, Bill
Blinn

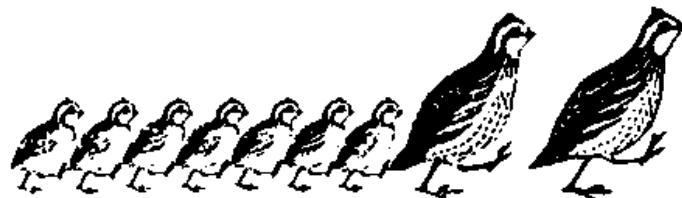


Leave it to Beaver

The first Troop activity ended in disarray on Friday. Each Patrol was asked to work together on putting together puzzles, but a thief had already walked off with a piece from every puzzle. Confusion set in as Troop members wondered around in search of the missing pieces. Senior Patrol Leader (SPL) Carol Doe was quoted as saying "report on the other Patrols on how they are doing". Course Director Wayne Bergman was quoted as saying "Change is Good!". John Hogan was unavailable for comment. The missing pieces were recovered and all puzzles were completed. No pirates were hurt during the activity.



Bobwhites took off flying as soon as they were hatched. Led by Ken, the Patrol Guide, the Bobwhites, Debbie, Bob, Dave and Victor came up with the Patrol's Totem and Yell. Woo-woo wee!!

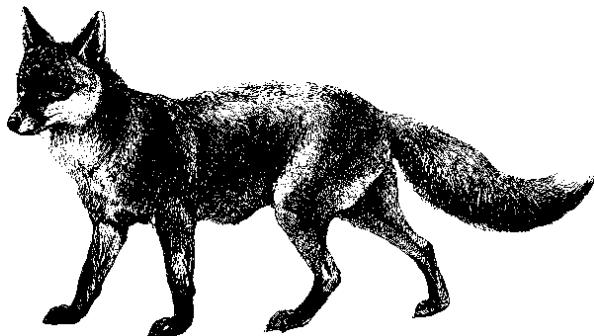


The "Screaming Eagles" are Marvin Smith, Russell Bonchu III, Andrew Wang and Bob Conroy. Due to their instinctive sense of accomplishment they are happy to report that each nest is now decorated with a freshly made Woggle. They are looking forward to completion of their Patrol Flag and Totem. They have been given a lot to think about and have had many laughs while also getting to know each other.





The Foxes have formed and they are working on their Patrol Totem and Yell. They are also getting to know one another and have decided to stay together anyway. They have discovered that they are all stealthy like a fox.



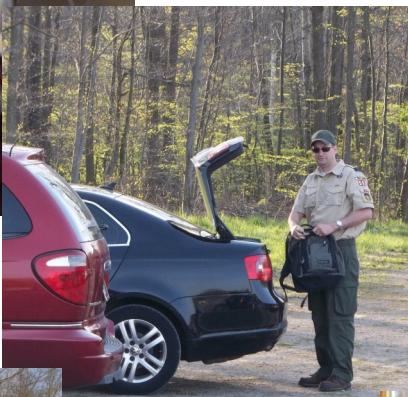
Owl's Report

The new Owls that crossed over on Friday are Chris, David, Ed and Mike. Their Troop Guide is Pete. The Patrol membership consists of two Cub Scout leaders and two Boy Scout Leaders. On day one they worked to get to know each other and to develop initial teamwork. They report that they were presented a large amount of information, and more importantly they are now a day older and a day wiser. They look forward to doing their part as the Service Patrol on Saturday.



The Bears were "relatively" successful in Woggle completion. They are endeavoring to work together as their past Scouting experience varies widely. They report that their Troop Guide has provided much useful direction. The Bears Totem is near complete and similar efforts will be made toward the Patrol Flag, Yell, etc....





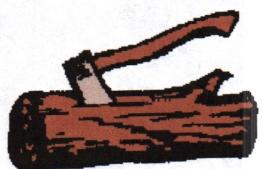


On this day:

On this day in 1892 the first Buffalo was born in Golden Gate Park. There have been buffaloes stampeding around Wood Badge courses ever since, some of the wild variety. Can you identify them?



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Chaplin's Corner

Deb Pickering



Today you will learn about Communication. Have you ever communicated with God?

As I have grown older and perhaps a bit wiser I have learned that communicating with God is a simple task. We communicate with God by our daily actions, words and deeds in addition to prayer. Thankfully I believe that my God is a forgiving God. My recognition of prayer is that it is two-way, I talk and God listens. Then God talks and I listen. Usually, it starts with "God talks and I don't listen." The fact that I can have an open dialogue with God is very unique. Each of us, then, has the ability to make requests to God and, importantly, to hear from God. I believe that when trying to listen to God it is important to have our minds, bodies and heart under some control. One cannot hear God when their mind is off racing about their new electronic gizmo. Have your conversations with God, but be ready to listen!

The LORD came and stood there, calling as at the other times, "Samuel! Samuel!"

Then Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." (1 Samuel 3:10)



Cub Scout Bridging Ceremony a Success

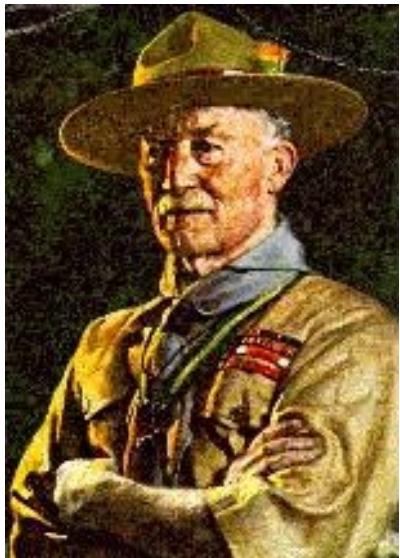
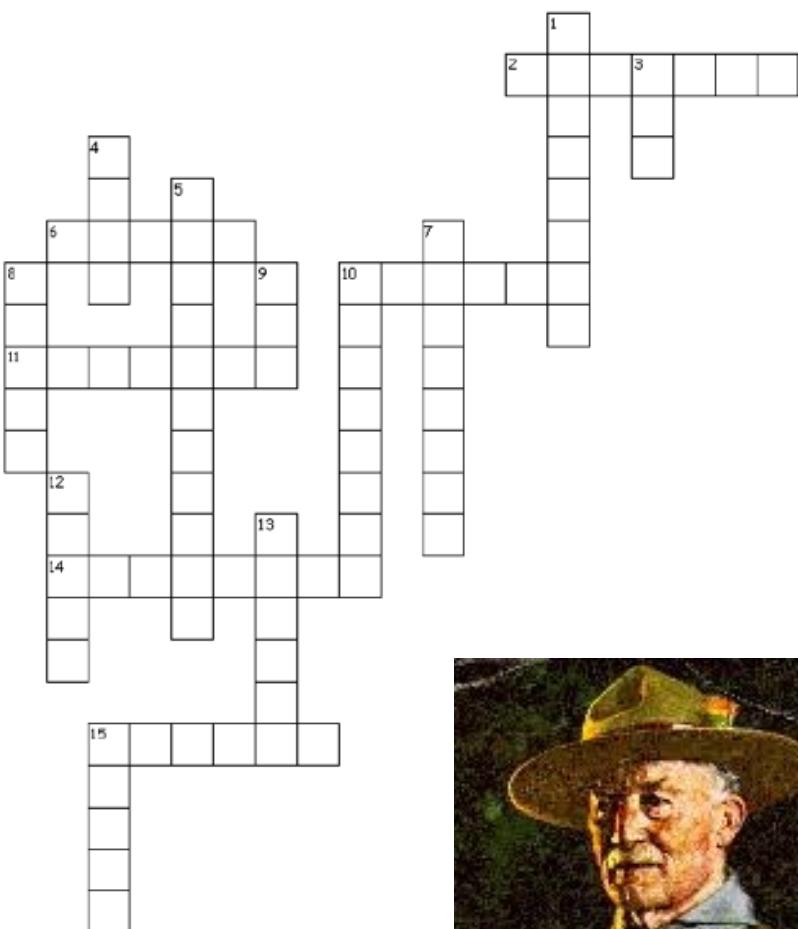
Congratulations to all of you in making it through your Cub Scouting adventure and beginning your journey into Boy Scouting. The Blue and Gold Banquet was a wonderful place to kick off the fun and excitement with a little help from our visiting pirates. First off, big thanks to our kitchen staff, Larry, Matt and Nathan for providing the outstanding food. Thanks also to all those who helped decorate the facility and for creating the table displays. The banquet was also made memorable by the special visit from the Greater Cleveland Council Scout Executive, Barry Norris. We learned how crazy our staff can be while having fun with a purpose. Our youth want to see leaders with a fun and lighthearted attitude to encourage laughter and friendly humor. Remembering to apply the same principles, all of us that are involved in Cub Scouting will assure that our youth are prepared for their next journey in the Scouting adventure.



Who Me?

We all played the who me game today and learned a little about each other and our life skills and challenges. It was a great opportunity to get to know each other and how we each deal with the challenges, changes and diversity in our daily lives and how it will help us in our scouting goal. Keep in mind "Change is Good!!!"



**Across**

2. Herding critter
 6. Not slugger Boog
 10. Gnawing critter
 11. Whence it all began
 14. One horny critter
 15. Working it

Down

1. One twisted bugle
 3. Sly critter
 4. Boo Boo critter
 5. It's not pink, it's taupe!
 7. Thanks for the park, can we have your kilt too?
 8. Soaring critter
 9. Who me critter?
 10. Proper noun critter
 12. Ain't buy these at no craft store
 13. No beginning and no end
 15. Ax and log

Trivia Answers

1. New York City
2. After the 1948 Wood Badge, after the closing of the campfire, the men gathered around the "cracker barrel: for a good-night snack and to talk over the events of the day, before turning in.

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...AND THEN, JUST AS HE REACHED THE HIGHEST LEVEL, THE GAMEBOY BATTERIES QUIETLY DIED...



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