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The Woggle

In 1920's the scarf, which had always been tied with a knot, was held by a scarf slide. So far as it is known, the name "woggle" was invented by Gidney, the first chief of Gilwell.

Baden Powell suggested to the Gilwell staff that they experiment and produce a special scarf slide to go with the Gilwell Scarf.

In the early days of leader training, fire lighting by friction was very much a novelty and for many years was demonstrated with a length of leather thong.

Using one of the fire lighting thongs, Bill Shankley, who was at the time serving at Gilwell, produced a two strand Turk's head slide that was adopted as the official "woggle."



The Wilderness Pledge

Through good camping and hiking practices, I pledge myself to preserve the beauty and splendor of America's wilderness, primitive and backcountry areas. I commit myself to:

Set a personal example in following the Outdoor Code.

Train those I lead in the skills and attitudes needed to protect and preserve the wilderness for future generations.

Assure that parties of which I am part observe the camping and hiking standards that will leave no trace of our passing.

Thought for the Day

"A fisherman does not bait his hook with food he likes. He uses food the fish likes. So with boys."

-Lord Baden-Powell



Scoutmaster's Minute

The Two Wolves Within

An old grandfather said to his grandson who came to him with anger at a friend who had done him an injustice...

"Let me tell you a story. I too, at times, have felt great hate for those who have taken so much, with no sorrow for what they do. But hate wears you down, and does not hurt your enemy. It's like taking poison and wishing your enemy would die."

"I have struggled with these feelings many times. It is as if there are two wolves inside me; one is good and does no harm. He lives in harmony with all around him and does not take offense when no offense was intended. He will only fight when it is right to do so, and in the right way. But...the other wolf...ah! The littlest thing will send him into a fit of temper. He fights everyone, all of the time, for no reason. He cannot think because his anger and hate are so great. It is helpless anger, for his anger will change nothing." Sometimes it is hard to live with these two wolves inside me, for both of them try to dominate my spirit."

The boy looked intently into his grandfather's eyes and asked, "Which one wins, Grandfather?" The grandfather smiled and quietly said, "The one I feed."

—A Native American tale told many times around the Sacred Fire



John Hagan

Cubmaster for 7 Years, ASM for 6 years, District Award of Merit.
Father to 2 Eagle Scouts, and one life scout working on his Eagle project.

Troop Guide



Asst. Scoutmaster-Troop Guides

Susan Oki

Susan is currently the Committee Chair of Troop 805 in Danville. She started her scouting career in 1992 when her son joined Pack 805 as a Tiger. She has held numerous positions in the Pack – Den Leader, Webelos Leader, Den Leader Coach, and Cubmaster. She helps at the district level as the Meridian District Roundtable Commissioner, as a member of the Council Training Committee where she has been involved in Cub Scout training, and JLT staff, and as the Unit Commissioner for Pack 802. She is also a certified Archery instructor in her spare time. She received the District Award of Merit in 2000 and the Distinguished Commissioner Award in 2005.



Troop Guide

Sue Heng

Unofficially, Sue became involved in Scouts when she was much younger and her older brother was working his way toward his Eagle Rank. Officially, she became involved when during her son's Tiger year she was approached and asked to replace the outgoing Committee Chair. She said yes and became immersed in the program almost immediately. Sue lives in San Ramon with her husband of 11 years, Jeff, and two boys, Robert 16 and Jonathon 9. Jonathon is currently a first year WEBELOS with Pack 828 in San Ramon.



Asst. Quartermaster

Jim Peirce

I started my career in Scouting in 1998 when my son's troop needed help with an outing. In that same year I was made an ASM. In 2000 I was installed as Scoutmaster. I started my training with Basic Backpacking awareness. And so I continued. 2002 Wood Badge was cancelled so I went instead to Course in 2003 as an Antelope. I am now Committee Chairperson and loving the position. I have two Eagle Scout sons and a third just a couple of months away. Being with my sons is the greatest gift I could have been given in my life. Go Antelopes!



Day Three
Service Patrol: Eagle
Program Patrol: Bear

Camp Herms

9/8/2007
Sunday

| WHEN | WHAT | WHO | WHERE |
|----------|---|-------------------------|---------------|
| 7:00 AM | Breakfast, Staff Meeting | QM Staff | North Room |
| - | Participant breakfast | QM Staff | Lodge |
| 8:00 AM | Troop 1 Assembly | Camilla/ Pete | Gilwell Field |
| 8:30 AM | Interfaith Worship Service (Instructional) | Cindy & Staff | Redwood Grove |
| 9:20 AM | Break; Walk to Lodge | - | - |
| 9:30 AM | Troop Meeting | Camilla | Outside Lodge |
| 11:00 AM | Break; Walk to Lodge | - | - |
| 11:10 AM | Leading EDGE/ Teaching EDGE | Tom S | Lodge |
| 12:00 PM | Grace | Progr Patrol Chpln Aide | Lodge |
| | Lunch | QM Staff | |
| | Present WE3-23-06 flag | Craig/ Tom E | - |
| 12:40 PM | PLC | Camilla | Outside Lodge |
| 1:40 PM | Conservation Project Planning | Leslie | Lodge |
| 2:30 PM | Break | - | - |
| 2:40 PM | "October Sky" | Camilla | Lodge |
| 4:40 PM | Complete cleanup of facility | Everyone | Lodge |
| 5:00 PM | Troop 1 Assembly | Camilla | Gilwell Field |
| - | Lower colors | Program Patrol | - |
| 5:30 PM | Patrol meetings | Patrol Leaders | - |

BEAVER PATROL

As the Beaver Patrol queued up this morning for a quick meal, we marveled over the quirky quality of the main dish. What was this quizzical dish being delivered in quantum quantities? Facing the quagmire we quickly dug in! The verdict? Our Quartermaster rocks! Thanks for the qui.....er, baked eggs.



WHAT'S IT BOX ANSWERS
Sugar Pine Pinecone
Petrified wood
Tooth of Time - Rock formation at
Philmont
Porcelain Stacking Instrument -
Dental Laboratory Use
The winner with the most correct
answers is, THE OWL PATROL

OWL PATROL

Other than a few owls starting off the day very early Saturday morning the rest of us slept pretty well. Our breakfast was a delicious qui... I mean baked eggs that started os off ready for the day.

Our teamwork was apparent during the ZULU toss and although our score did not reflect it, we were close to Total Domination! Regarding rules, we also learned it is better to beg forgiveness than ask permission. We realized most in our patrol are very confident when we step onto escalators and elevators. "Look, Ma. No Hands"! We look forward to the activities still to come.

The Owls.....Hoot!



FOX PATROL



Clever like a.....Fox! The Fox patrol had another great day and is really coming together as a team.

After today's great training, well another way to say it is we are now "norming", although most would say we are far from normal. Seriously, as we get into the meat of the training we have all remarked to each other how valuable we feel the course will be.

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Here's a riddle..what does $D^4 + =$ mean? It's on our flag- come take a look!

Oops, we almost forgot. Yesterday we promised that there was something even more interesting about our patrol than the fact four of us are named Dave. Amazingly, believe it or not, it turns out that ...



ANTELOPE PATROL

Teamwork and a good sense of human is the name of the GAMES for the Antelopes. The ZULU toss and the Front End Alignment proved to be good learning tools.

We have found our patrol growing into the Performing stage with the addition of antlers

On our hats. We achieved and exceeded our goals with our rocket. Our goals were to achieve a good looking rocket. We exceeded by actually launching!



BUFFALO PATROL

The Buffalo Herd (Patrol) has been grazing last night and today, content with our compatibility and cohesiveness. As we "form" each is concerned with not stepping on each others hooves in our efforts for unanimous decisions.

As the "storm" begins we are acknowledging our diversity and special talents. Our potential is high, awaiting our first stampede.

At evening feeding the herd grew as we were joined by Buffaloes who previously stomped the grounds of Gilwell.



EAGLE PATROL

Kimberly Uhlenberg ASM Troop 277 Iron Horse

Todd Simi Den Leader Pack 505 Alkan

Kit Pho ASM Troop 450 Black Diamond

Gene Dodge CM Pack 62 Muir

Mike Lommel Den Leader Pack 215 MDSC

The Eagle Patrol is here to have fun and learn as much as we can on the Wood Badge course. On Day 2 after a busy day we are ready to try working as a team. On day 2 we learned how to communicate instructions and work as a team. It looks like we will be able to have a lot of fun with the course.



BEAR PATROL

Bear cubs continued to frolic in happy disregard of camp staff, including in their riot other animals to promote diversity. Mama Bear has maintained her good humor, though. She is at the limits of her patience. Much effort has been spent on cub training and advancement to Scott, with delayed success. There continues to be hope for future success.

BOBWHITE PATROL

The Bobwhite patrol is still in search of its identity. Although we are the more reserved patrol, we hold each other in high respect and have become a close knit patrol. We are enjoying our Wood Badge experience and appreciate each patrol's contributions.

