



GILWELL GAZETTE

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Scoutmaster's Minute

Welcome back to the hill! I hope your patrol time between Wood Badge weekends was productive and enjoyable. It is great to be together as Troop 1 again. Please look forward to a great weekend and a terrific outdoor experience.

Our classroom for Scouting is the outdoors. Lessons from nature and the challenges of working and living in the outdoors is a perfect way of teaching Scouting values and spirit. While we only simulate a wilderness experience here in camp, it is hoped that the planning and preparations are good practice and the fellowship is just the same.

As we teach the youth in our units, please keep in mind that our classroom is a setting using a distinct method to teach with unique experiences. As Baden-Powell stated "Field efficiency, backwoodsmanship, camping, hiking, good works, Jamboree comradeship are all means; not the end. The end is character-character with a purpose."

So please enjoy your time this weekend, endeavor to work well together and let us strive for the best course possible.

Yours-in-scouting,
Pete

God Bless America

God bless America,
land that I love,
Stand beside her,
and guide her,
Through the night
with a light from above.
From the mountains,
to the prairies,
To the oceans,
white with foam—
God bless America!
My home sweet home.
God bless America!
My home sweet home.

46 Star Flag



By 1908, the United States of America had grown to encompass states from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Nearly all of the territory in between had also been recognized with statehood. When Oklahoma joined the Union, the U.S. flag changed to include 46 stars, a design that would last only four years and the administrations of two presidents, Theodore Roosevelt and William Taft.

For us there is further significance. This is the flag that was flying over America in 1910 when the Boy Scouts of America had its beginnings.

Let's honor this flag with a song that also honors our nation; let us honor our nation with a song that also honors the land.



WE3-23-07 Patrol Reports



Beaver...No Report



What about Bob?

Bob is progressing nicely on his voyage of self-discovery. A social creature, Bob is enjoying the challenge of learning valuable skills as a part of Gilwell Troop 1. Bob recently made a trip to an astonishing elevation of 7000mm above Gilwell Space Center. Bob returned safely and is back on his perch on his patrol flag. On Day 2, Bob was privileged to participate as service patrol. Bob is sorry for the mess he made on the gilded service shovel. The Bobwhites



Today, Day Three, we had great fun in the relay race. This exemplified the result of working as a team. Working together, we have become friends and accepted each others limitations as well as maximizing each others strengths. We look forward to the next three day weekend together to "play" together.



Clever like a ...Fox! Thank you to the staff for helping us learn how to balance a backpack. Now, the next time we're at Philmont, we'll know which side the toilet bowl seat goes on. All kidding aside, Cindy coordinated a most memorable "Scouts Own". The memory of our troop service in the serenity of the redwood grove will be life long. Getting an update in LNT and Tom's excellent presentation of further EDGE concepts were the academic "Highlight" of the day. Our patrol meetings were productive, and we look forward to getting together over our break to prepare our project for Day Five. We hope everyone has a safe trip home today, and we can't wait for Camp Lindblad.

On Day One (during our "forming") we learned an unusual fact about four of us. No, it's not the Dave thing. Can you believe that



Days 2 & 3 have been fun filled days of spirited challenges in gamesmanship. One of the things we learned about our patrol is that the "Scout Law" should be foremost in our minds during any competitive activity. This was exemplified during the "Win All You Can" game. A.K.A. "You All Can Win".

Although it has been an informative, busy, and fun packed weekend, we are looking forward to returning home and Storming, Forming, Norming, and Performing with our families.



The Bears were a little lost but started to pick up clues from the EDGE sending us to the four corners of the earth to gather knowledgeable Scouting treasures to help orientate our brother critters!



"Sunday morning before we left Camp Herms, we decided a facilitator position was in order. The "asides" during our meetings were distracting and fueled our storming process. We put another responsibility to the Assistant Patrol Leader - the facilitator - who keeps track of time and refocuses our group when irrelevant humor sings.

At home, we set up a Yahoo Group which has become a wonderful collaborative area for thoughts, discussion, documents, and messages. We also set up a meeting schedule - every Sunday afternoon - so we can be prepared for our unusual presentation. Wouldn't you like to know what it is?"



Greetings! -The boys are still lopping along. Our patrol continues to strengthen our bond. Despite outside pressures we continue to follow all the principles of Scouting. We are excited about the next phase of Wood Badge Training!



Day Four**Camp Lindblad****Service Patrol: Fox****10/6/2007****Program Patrol: Owl****Saturday**

WHEN	WHAT	WHO	WHERE
7:30 AM	Scouters arrive	-	Overflow Parking
-	Guides lead to Gilwell Field	Troup Guides	-
8:00 AM	Troop 1 Assembly	Camilla	Gilwell Field
8:30 AM	Orientation - Camp Lindblad	Leslie/ Tony	Model Campsite
8:45 AM	LNT Presentation/ Model Campsite	Venturing Crew	Model Campsite
9:15 AM	Patrols set up camp	Patrol Leaders	Patrol sites
-	Self-Guided tour of Lindblad	Patrol Leaders	Tour
10:15 AM	Leading Change	Tom S	Lodge
11:05 AM	Break	-	-
11:15 AM	PLC	Camilla	Model Campsite
12:00 PM	Lunch	Patrols	Patrol sites
12:45 PM	Valuing People & Leveraging Diversity	Sue O & Tony	Mafeking
2:00 PM	Break	-	-
2:15 PM	Problem Solving & Decision Making	Wade/ Linda	Mafeking
2:45 PM	Problem Solving Round Robin	Linda/ Venturing Crew	Various
4:00 PM	Managing Conflict	Troop Guides	Patrol sites
5:00 PM	Patrol meeting; Dinner preparation	Patrol Leaders	Patrol sites
6:00 PM	Dinner	Patrols	Patrol sites
-	Lower colors quietly after dinner	Program Patrol	Gilwell Field
7:15 PM	Diversity Game	Patrol Leaders	Patrol sites
8:15 PM	Troop Campfire	Program Patrol	Sun Chapel
9:30 PM	Patrol Cracker Barrel	Patrols	Patrol sites