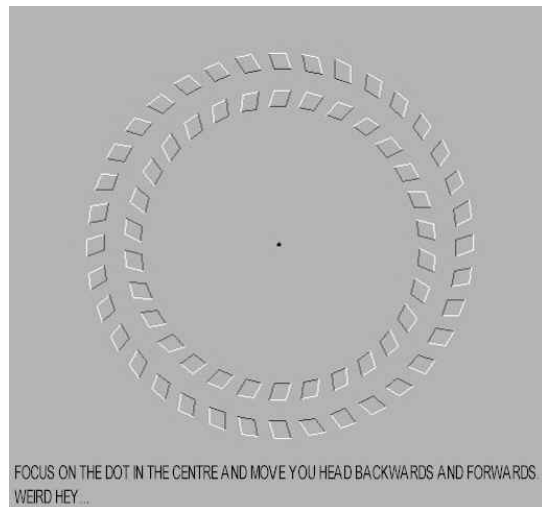
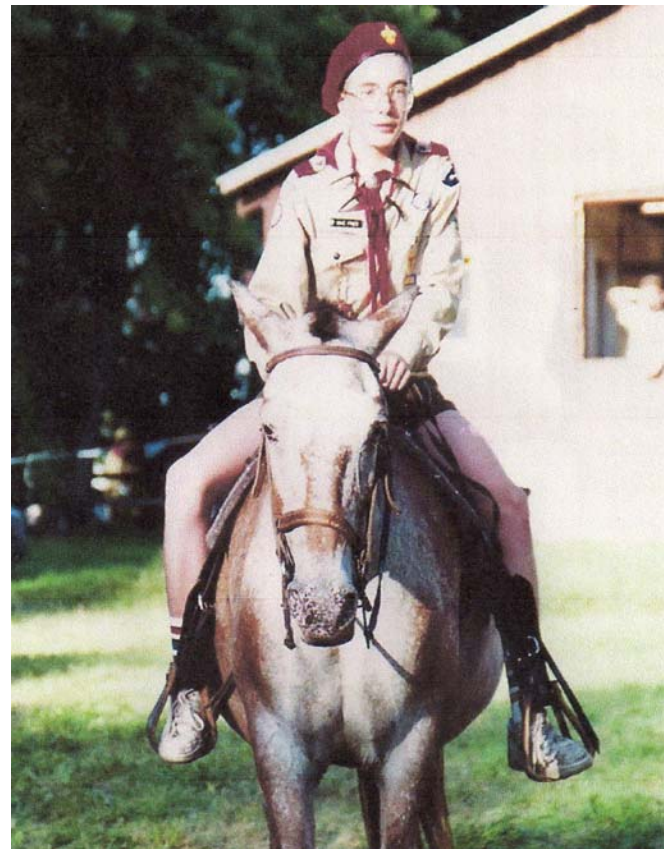


For Your Copious Free Time



Do you recognize these staff members?



FOCUS ON THE DOT IN THE CENTRE AND MOVE YOUR HEAD BACKWARDS AND FORWARDS. WEIRD HEY...

On this day in history...
1784 - "The Pennsylvania Packet and Daily Advertiser" was published for the first time in Philadelphia. It was the first daily paper in America.



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Welcome Back—We're All Together Again

Welcome back to Gilwell!

Welcome back to the final weekend of the Wood Badge practical experience, or the portion we call the "outdoor experience." For some of you this will be "old hat," but for others, camping may be something that's newer. Don't think of this as camping but rather "team building" as you and your Patrol mates continue to build into a high performance team.

The staff is excited to see your camps, experience your cooking, see your campfire this evening, understand your patrol project and assist as you work together during a conservation project designed to leave Camp Crown and all those who come after us with tangible evidence that C7-129-12 made a contribution to Scouting in the Northeast Illinois Council.

And how about those ticket goals? We know you've worked during the interim on a number of Patrol projects but we hope as well that you've developed, if not completed, writing the five goals associated with your ticket vision or visions. If not, do as much as you can today and tomorrow during your "copious free time" to complete this required task.

Remember our desire of 5 by 5 by 5, that is, five ticket goals by 5PM on day 5 (tomorrow). That's 180 individual goals (36 participants with 5 goals each) and we will not have succeeded until, as a team, we have all 180 goals documented and approved. If you need help, remember to first contact your Troop Guide and beyond that you can see someone at the Ticket Help Desk or any staff member during meal time and/or breaks.

Remember - together "We All Can Win."

Chip Smith

Scoutmaster

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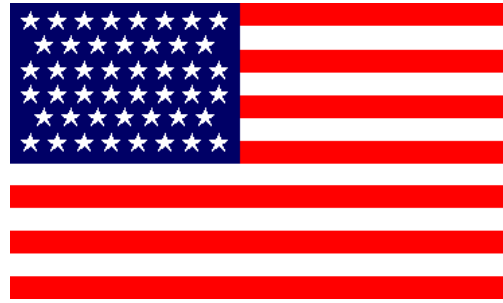


Today's Agenda

- Participant Arrival
- Gilwell Field Assembly
- Troop Presentations
- Camp Set Up
- Patrol Leaders Council
- Lunch
- Troop Presentation
- Troop Presentation
- Troop Activity
- Patrol Meeting
- Dinner
- Participant Campfire
- Cracker Barrel

Day Four—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 for only four years and the administrations of two presidents, Theodore Roosevelt and William Taft. It was flying when the BSA was formed.



My country 'tis of thee, Sweet land of liberty...
 Although we know that Reverend Samuel Francis Smith wrote the words to "My Country 'Tis of Thee" (also known as "America"), the origin of the song's melody remains a mystery. And the history of its verses is even more complex. Before the music of "My Country 'Tis of Thee" made its way to the United States it was played in many countries. By the 1790's the melody had become that of the Danish national anthem "A Song to be Sung by the Danish Subjects at the Fete of their King. Eventually it also became the national anthem of at least six other places. The first documented version of the melody printed in the American British colonies dates from 1761. The tune of "God Save the King" was used. After the colonies became independent from England the words were further adapted for use in the United States. The words that eventually became a tradition, particularly among U.S. school children.



Are you working your ticket?

- ◆ **By now your "good" 1st draft should be complete—ready for review**
- ◆ **Did you include a diversity item?**
- ◆ **Can you control the outcome?**
- ◆ **What will you learn from the effort?**
- ◆ **Your Troop Guide and other staff are here to help.**
- ◆ **Remember:
 Values -> Mission -> Vision -> Ticket**



"Back to Gilwell, Happy Land. I'm going to work my ticket, if I can"

Chinese Proverb: "Tell me and I'll forget; show me and I may remember, involve me and I'll understand."

LET'S REFRESH...

When Wood Badge began in August, it was such a whirlwind of activity. By the time day three arrived, it felt like we'd been together at camp for a month.

A month has gone by since the first weekend and it too felt like a lifetime. Between getting prepared for the outdoor weekend, working on tickets, catching up at home and work, and trying to get back to "normal" (whatever that is) there would be little moments of Wood Badge creeping into the day. Little things like the moon at night reminding of the movie "October Sky."

The movie relates the story of the "Rocket Boys," a group of boys from the backwoods of West Virginia. Each was a Boy Scout with the company troop. Each boy had issues and was not thrilled to have to become miners. Homer and his friends were inspired by the launch of Sputnik. Going through the team building stages of forming, storming, norming, and performing, they managed to achieve their dream of doing anything but mining. They had help along the way with people who explained rocketry, demonstrated individual skills such as welding, guided them through difficulties, and enable them by providing additional resources beyond even their expertise. The rocket boys are a great example of how people can have great effect on others through leadership principle application.



We can all relate to this. Wood Badge can help you prepare for change by giving you leadership skills and surrounding you with a Scouting community to support you in your efforts. As Quentin was known to say, and it can describe Wood Badge, too:
 "Prodigious!"



Interfaith Worship, lead by Thomas Johnson, was an inspirational sermon in which he discussed the significance of the "hiking staff" as a useful tool for all. So the next time you go hiking and are on your next great journey, remember to think back on the insightful words of Johnson. In addition to Johnson's sermon, Wood Badge Tenors provided us with moving music and your generosity during the service collected \$271.00 for the World Friendship Fund.



OUTDOOR CODE

As an American, I will do my best to
 Be clean in my outdoor manners,
 Be careful with fire,
 Be considerate in the outdoors, and
 Be conservation-minded.



JFK Asks for a Raise in his Allowance

John Fitzgerald Francis Kennedy, President of the United States, was a Scout in Troop 2 in Bronxville, NY, from 1929 to 1931. Having just become a Boy Scout and acutely aware that his weekly allowance wouldn't cover the cost of such a lifestyle, 10-year old John approached his father and asked for a raise of 30¢. Keen to teach the future President a quick business lesson, Kennedy Sr. immediately told him that unless his plea was put in writing, it wouldn't be heard.

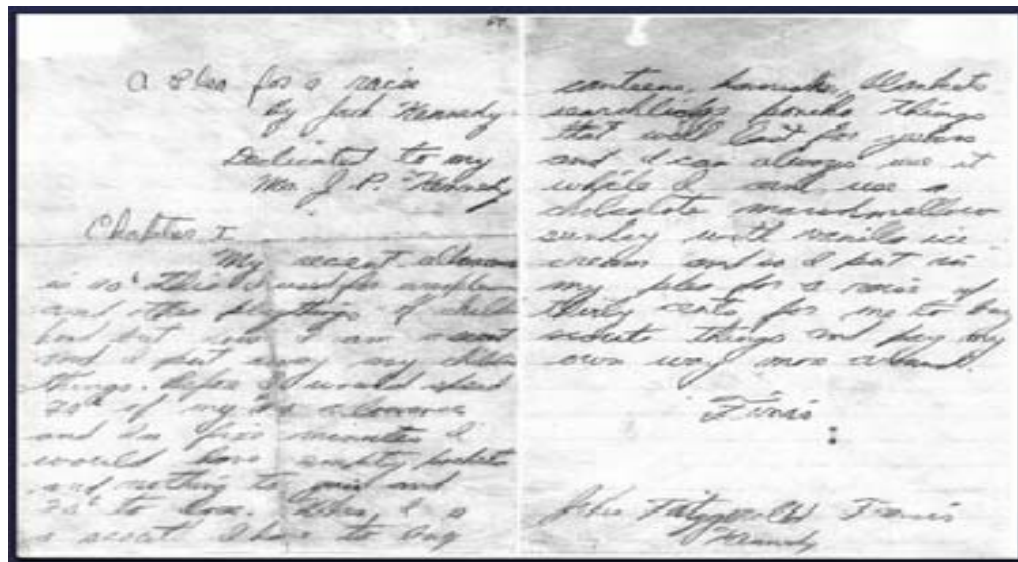
The following letter soon arrived at his desk.

I have printed it here with all extant misspellings and colloquialism included. Image courtesy of the JFK Library.

A Plea for a raise
By Jack Kennedy
Dedicated to my
Mr. J. P. Kennedy

My recent allowance is 40¢. This I used for areoplanes and other playthings of childhood but now I am a scout and I put away my childish things. Before I would spend 20¢ of ¢.40 allowance and In five minutes I would have empty pockets and nothing to gain and 20¢ to lose. When I a a scout I have to buy canteens, haversacks, blankets, searchlids, poncho things that will last for years and and I can always use it while I can't use a cholcalote marshmellow Sunday with vanilla ice cream and so I put in my plea for a raise of thirty cents for me to buy scout things and pay my own way more around.

Finis
John Fitzgerald Francis Kennedy





Today's Forecast

 Hi: 66° Partly Cloudy
 Lo: 47° Partly Cloudy

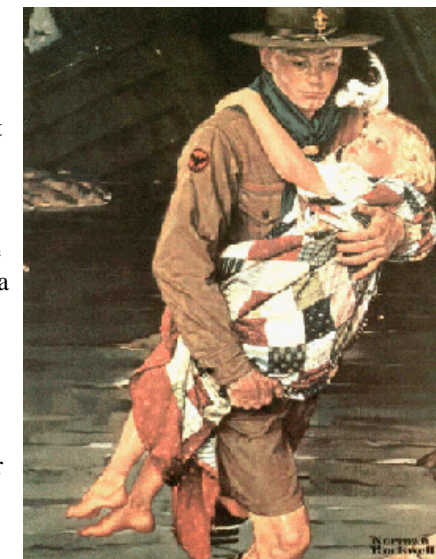


Tomorrow's Forecast

 Hi: 67° Mostly Cloudy
 Lo: 48° Mostly Clear

THROUGH NORMAN'S EYES

Today's featured Rockwell Print, "A Scout is Helpful," is a reminder of the many hours of selfless service and heroism that we witness all around us each day. The Boy Scout Handbook states that "A Scout is helpful. A Scout cares about other people. He helps others without expecting payment of reward. He fulfills his duties to his family by helping at home" With many of the storms, calamities, and difficult economic times the need for being "helpful" is more critical than ever. Recently an event occurred that illustrated this most heartfelt of attributes. The first was the rescue of a trapped motorcyclist under a burning car. Multiple citizens raced to the aid of the motorists without being asked or summoned over. Their spontaneous action without regard to their own safety to lift the car and pull the man to safety saved his life. The men who were interviewed later stated that they did not "consider themselves heroes," just grateful to have been in the right place at the right time.



There is a touching story during the move west in the 1850's of a rescue of stranded travelers on the foothills of the Rocky Mountains. As many of the pioneers were too weakened by their ordeal, several of the rescuers carried them across the freezing river. Many of these young men later died of their exposure. Their sacrifice is similarly reflected in this painting.

There are many stories like this in the annals of history. May we strive to instill into our Scouts and into ourselves the desire to put our fears and self interest aside to help those in need of help. Whether that be to save a life or to provide assistance through physical, emotional, or monetary means. (Courtesy of Lynn Sweetwood)

Have you seen the Light Winner?
Congratulations to Bill Anderson
from the Beaver Patrol!



WAKE UP WOOD BADGE

With Troop Guide Cheri Blenniss
Time: 5:45 am—6:05 am
Where: North Portico of the Jadel Building
Day 5: The patrol with most participants to attend wins a Bass Pro Gift Card.
All who attend will receive a Commit 2 Be Fit collapsible water bottle.



Voluntary Morning Devotion
Join Chaplain Thomas Johnson
before breakfast (6:45 am)
at the South Portico

The word or phrase of the day from Day Three is:

No one guessed the word of the day for Day 3.

The word of the day: Abracadabra
Definition: Foolish or unintelligible talk