

*For Your Copious Free Time*

Who belongs to whom?



Unscramble these Scout words

- varBee \_\_\_\_\_
- iewtbhoB \_\_\_\_\_
- lEaeg \_\_\_\_\_
- soebWle \_\_\_\_\_
- deotreoTnf \_\_\_\_\_
- oFx \_\_\_\_\_
- stlFiarssC \_\_\_\_\_
- lwO \_\_\_\_\_
- oaluBff \_\_\_\_\_
- otlnAeep \_\_\_\_\_
- oStcu \_\_\_\_\_
- areB \_\_\_\_\_
- Wlof \_\_\_\_\_



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Chip Smith—Course Director		Ron Peterson—Senior Patrol Leader

Scouts of Troop 1,

We've reached the final day of our journey, and today you start to "work your ticket" and "go home." On behalf of the Senior Patrol Leader and the rest of the staff, let me thank you for your time, your attention, and your support as we journeyed along this "leadership" trail together.

I hope you enjoyed the time you had last evening with your patrol mates and maybe others from our Troop. The evening of day five on a Wood Badge course is one of celebration and fellowship for participant and staff alike, and today will be more of the same. The staff and I had a wonderful time last evening celebrating in our own way your success with an eye toward the future and all the improvements that will be made in our units as the results of your efforts during these six days and in the coming months.

After we close today, your journey is a bit more independent - primarily you and your coach/counselor. We often refer to Wood Badge as a mountain top experience. Mountain top experiences are great and they get us excited about all the possibilities that come from this course - our priorities are clear, the path to success is visible, the road to success seems ready. But often when we descend from the mountaintop (Gilwell) the excitement can fade and the path that seemed so clear before becomes cluttered with obstacles and a bit cloudy. We learn that what we intended to be easy can become more difficult. Come down off the mountain slowly, try to keep focus on what we've done here and how important it is to finish what's been started.

Here are some tips to help you maintain momentum:

- Always have an answer to this question: "How's your ticket coming along?" When we see you at any other Scouting event after today we're going to ask. Stick to your plan, document your progress, ask for help from your Counselor first but any other Wood Badger after that.
  - Celebrate when someone in your patrol receives their beads.
  - Attend Wood Badge functions (especially the breakfast that will occur in February 2013 at least to hear the best rendition of "Back to Gilwell" possible).
  - Recruit others to experience the 2013 experience.
  - And work those tickets until the job is finished.
- Think of it this way: those two beads you're all going to receive not only represent your successful completion of this course - they also mean that this Scouting program will remain strong and the legacy will continue.

I wish you nothing but the best,

Chip

<p><b>Today's Agenda</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5:45am—Wake Up Wood Badge</li> <li>• 6:45am—Morning Devotions</li> <li>• 7:00am—Breakfast</li> <li>• Patrol Packing</li> <li>• Gilwell Assembly</li> <li>• Interfaith Service</li> <li>• Patrol Leaders Council</li> <li>• 11:45am—Lunch</li> <li>• Troop Presentation</li> <li>• Troop Presentation—Summary</li> <li>• Ticket Counselors Assigned</li> <li>• Gilwell Assembly</li> </ul>
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**Day Six—Illinois State Flag**

The bald eagle represents the United States. In its beak, it holds a streamer with the state motto on it. The state motto means that Illinois governs itself under the government of the United States. In the eagle's claws is a shield with thirteen bars and thirteen stars. This represents the first thirteen states. The two dates on the boulder are the dates of Statehood and the State Seal. The ground around it symbolizes the state's rich prairie soil. (Illinois' "critter" is the white-tailed deer.)



The State Song entitled "Illinois" was adopted by the Fifty-fourth General Assembly on June 30, 1925. The lyricist was Charles H. Chamberlain, and musical score was provided by Archibald Johnston.

Prior to adoption of the state song, Illinoisans spent more than one hundred years without an official anthem. Illinois began its history as a state in December 1818.

Given that Illinois bears the nickname "The Prairie State," it is understandable that the lyrics of the official state song of Illinois would extol the virtues of the state's prairie wilderness. In addition to celebrating the state's famously wide open geography and rich agricultural history, the song further highlights the state's historic role in the Civil War.



Trivia

Age Distribution by Patrol

Patrol	Youngest	Oldest	Average Age
Beaver	43	67	51
Bobwhite	26	54	42
Eagle	18	53	42
Fox	21	53	39
Owl	39	54	45
Bear	42	64	49
Buffalo	36	48	42

All Staff Trivia

**Youth Membership**

Youth Tenure: 304 Years  
Number of Eagles: 17

**Staff Peer Recognition**

District Award of Merit: 19  
Silver Beaver: 13

**Adult Service to Scouting**

Adult Tenure: 809 Years  
Staff Experience: 123 Years  
Scoutmaster Tenure: 71 Years  
Assistant Scoutmaster Tenure: 112 Years  
Cubmaster Tenure: 44 Years  
Assistant Cubmaster Tenure: 21 Years  
Den Leader Tenure: 81 Years  
Webelos Den Leader Tenure: 41 Years  
Venture Leader Tenure: 11 Years  
Assistant Venture Leader Tenure: 12 Years  
Varsity Coach Tenure: 1 Year  
Assistant Varsity Coach Tenure: 4 Years  
Committee Member Tenure: 122 Years  
Unit Commissioner Tenure: 56 Years  
Assistant District Commissioner Tenure: 56 Years  
District Commissioner Tenure: 56 Years  
Cub Scout Roundtable Tenure: 4 Years  
Boy Scout Roundtable Tenure: 8 Years



Pearls of Wisdom from Baden-Powell:  
"Happiness is open to all, since, when you boil it down, it merely consists of contentment with what you have got and doing what you can for other people."

**WHAT HAVE YOU LEARNED?**

**COACHES AND MENTORS**

A Coach is an individual who develops skills and capabilities in another person or in a group of people (a team). Coaching is a leadership behavior and skill. Coaching can take the form of discussion, lecture, critique, or guided practice. It is distinguished by the process of letting go

**TIPS FOR GOOD COACHING**

- ◆ Listen
- ◆ Supply Energy
- ◆ Provide Focus
- ◆ Provide Information
- ◆ Influences, don't control
- ◆ Recognize individual / team success
- ◆ Recognize what's right vs. what's wrong
- ◆ Value differences
- ◆ Evolve and grow with the team's stage of development

**TIPS FOR GOOD MENTORING**

- ◆ Provide a safe, non-threatening environment
- ◆ Keep confidences
- ◆ Build trust early
- ◆ Be a good listener
- ◆ Share personal experiences
- ◆ Make suggestions on specific problems
- ◆ Make suggestions on what it takes to get things accomplished

**TIPS FOR RECEIVING FEEDBACK**

- ◆ See out feedback
- ◆ Listen carefully
- ◆ Listen Actively
- ◆ Listen emphatically
- ◆ Monitor how you feel when you receive feedback

**Feedback is truly a gift!**

**ASSESSMENT—A TOOL FOR LEADING CHANGE**

Good 360-degree assessments help people discover differences between how they perceive themselves and how others perceive them.

Developing a 360-Degree Assessment Survey

1. Instructions should be clear and unambiguous. State why they should complete the assessment. How it will be used. Reassurance that only the facilitator will see the results.
2. Align the questions with your goals. The feedback should lead to change and bring you closer to your goals.
3. Feedback should come from those who actually observe and can measure progress toward the goal.
4. Answers to the questions are best if they are simple:
  - ◆ Green—Yellow—Red Lights
  - ◆ Way to Go—Way to Grow
  - ◆ Start—Stop—Continue

The survey should also encourage stakeholders to add any comments and suggestions they feel would be helpful.



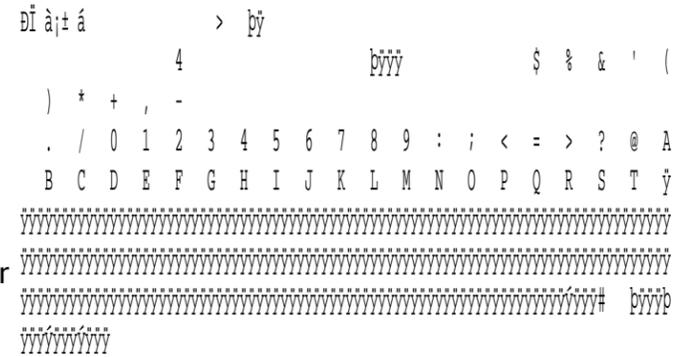
**FROM YOUR STAFF...**

As we close this course, we humbly thank each of you for the amazing participation, for your energy, your strength, and your willingness to learn and grow. We thank you for the lessons we have learned, and the great service you are to God and your scouts just by being in attendance here. We have witnessed miracles throughout this course, and know you played key roles in the spirit that was here. What you have learned is invaluable to your family, your scouts, your units and more importantly to you.

Take each lesson and prayerfully implement the principles in all aspects of your life. Take the friendships and build upon them. Know that God loves you and has entrusted you with this sacred work of "accounting for" every young man or young woman you know. We again thank you for your willingness to do this great work.

May you return to Gilwell in your mind, and in your heart. May you stand as a valiant member of Troop 1, and may you work your ticket and work miracles throughout this great land of ours. We love you and already miss each one of you.

Your Legacy...Its something you create during your life solely to benefit future generations, ...



**THROUGH NORMAN'S EYES**

This is one of my favorite Norman Rockwell paintings, "The Right Way," as it epitomizes the desire of Lord Baden-Powell to have a "boy led program." In this painting the youngest boys are learning from their Den Chief under the watchful eye of the Senior Patrol Leader or other older boy leader. Boy Scouts is a boy-led, boy-run organization, but the boys must be trained to be leaders. One of the Scoutmaster's most important responsibilities is to provide the direction, coaching, and training that empowers the boy with the skills he will need to lead his troop.

"Leadership" means the Troop's program teaches Scouts the core skills of leadership, communication, ethical decision making and team work. We accomplish these skills by learning and teaching core scouting skills such as first aide, knot tying, citizenship, and the Patrol Method.

"Leadership system" means that the planning meetings, PLC meetings, Campouts, Troop Meetings are constantly being reviewed and discussed by Scouts and adults so that everyone is "thinking" and reinforcing the same vision, objectives or goals. The Troop's program is designed so that the Scouts use the same thinking, approach, and methods over and over again until it becomes instinct or routine.

Boys love to learn from other boys, they will bond with them more quickly, and seek to emulate them as they mature. Well trained older scouts will result in a vibrant and growing program.



Know someone else back home that would benefit from Wood Badge training?

Wood Badge course C7-129-13 will kick off at Camp Crown on August 23-25, 2013. The final weekend of the course will be held on September 20-22.

For more information visit [www.neic.org/woodbadge](http://www.neic.org/woodbadge) or contact Course Director Ron Peterson at [ladybond0071@comcast.net](mailto:ladybond0071@comcast.net)

From the Participants of C7129-12

Tonight's fire is dedicated to the leaders and volunteers who made C7-129-12 the best experience it could be...Thank You

This fire is built with seven layers

- One layer for each Wood Badge Patrol
  - ◆ Beavers
  - ◆ Bobwhites
  - ◆ Eagles
  - ◆ Foxes
  - ◆ Owls
  - ◆ Bears and
  - ◆ Buffalos

Each layer is a pentagram forming the five central themes of Wood Badge

- ◆ Living the Values
- ◆ Bringing the Vision to Life
- ◆ Models for Success
- ◆ Tools of the Trade
- ◆ Learning to make a Difference by Leaving a Legacy

The ashes from the Friday nights participant campfire were added to the ashes of the christening fire from the new fire bowl.

Our Staff—you are the kindling without which no fire can grow.

Chip & Ron—Thank you for your time & commitment to Troop 1 & the spark that ignites the fire.

