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How's Your Ticket Coming?

All of you have been working on your tickets. You've been asking yourself, "How can I make a difference, "plant an acorn", for current and future Scouts and/or Scouters?" Remember these elements of the ticket:



A Ticket consists of four parts:

- ◆ A list of your personal values
- ◆ A description of your Scouting role or job
- ◆ A statement of your vision of success
- ◆ A mission composed of five significant goals that can be attained within 18 months

Your Vision

Your vision will be reflected in the settings and completion of five goals. At least one goal must involve addressing diversity.

Remember that as Wood Badge participants, you are a role model for Scouts, adult leaders and parents. If you know how to formulate your goals and create a meaningful ticket to fulfill your mission, you will be able to demonstrate leadership back in your unit and council.

Don't forget that your Troop Guide and other staff are here to help. **Final drafts of your ticket are due by Day 4 of the course.**

WOOD BADGE TICKET

Outgrowth of Values, Mission, Vision



Vision

A picture of future success



Mission

Brief statement that reflects the core values of an organization



Values

Core beliefs/desires that motivate attitudes/actions

Today's Agenda

- ◆ Gilwell Field Assembly
- ◆ Troop Meeting
- ◆ Troop Presentation
- ◆ Troop Photo
- ◆ Lunch
- ◆ Patrol Leaders Council
- ◆ Patrol Presentation
- ◆ Troop Presentation
- ◆ Troop Activity
- ◆ Patrol Meeting
- ◆ Dinner
- ◆ Troop Games
- ◆ Cracker Barrel

SMART GOALS

Specific
Measurable
Attainable
Relevant
Time Based



Wood Badge Five Central Themes

The themes that follow encapsulate the course content of Wood Badge for the Twenty-First Century:

For Scouts on a hike or canoe trip, a compass is an important tool.



Because it gives you a stable reference point (magnetic north), you can set a course and follow it. As long as your compass is accurate and you don't damage it, it will serve you faithfully if you trust it. Our faith or spirituality is something like that. We have a point of reference that does not change. And we have a compass, so to speak, in our relationship with God. It's something we have learned and continue to learn about, just as we learn to use a compass properly. We use our spirituality and faith to get us through this grand journey we call life. If we are prepared to trust the things we have learned about God and creative living, our spirituality can guide us through the joys and temptations of life. We can use it to show us what service we may give and what potential dangers to stay away from. We can use it to guide us in our friendships, in our work, in what we say to people about people and in how we treat our natural world.

1. **Living the Values** – Values, Mission and Vision
2. **Bringing the Vision to Life** – Listening to Learn – Communication – Leveraging Diversity Through Inclusiveness – Coaching and Mentoring
3. **Models for Success** – Stages of Team Development – The Leading EDGE / The Teaching Edge – Generations in Scouting
4. **Tools of the Trade** – Project Planning – Leading Change – Problem Solving and Decision Making – Managing Conflict – Self-Assessment
5. **Leading to Make a Difference** – Leaving a Legacy

Have a Ticket Idea?

- ◆ Each participant needs to create one ticket.
- ◆ One ticket is made up of 5 SMART goals.
- ◆ Ask one of your Patrol members to help you test the idea by using the SMART goal test.
- ◆ Don't forget your Troop Guides are great resources.
- ◆ Vision statement due at the end of Day Two.
- ◆ One ticket goals discussed and approved by your Troop Guide by the end of Day Three.
- ◆ All 5 goals entered into eTickets prior to coming to Day Four.

Scoutmaster Minute

A mentor of mine likes to say “The question is not ‘Are you setting an example?’, but rather, ‘Are you setting a GOOD example?’”

And his point is right, we are ALWAYS setting an example.

Yesterday, you learned why it is so important to listen, and the relationship among values, vision, and mission. You also had an opportunity to learn a little more about each other in the “Who Me Card Game.” And lastly, you had a chance to relax and enjoy an entertaining campfire. And if we, the staff, set the proper example, you had a lot of fun doing all of this.

I would like to stress the importance of a Safe Haven. Since our days are so full, people get tired. When we get tired, things done or said in jest, or in fun, may not be taken that way.

In Wood Badge, for example, Foxes do not eat Bobwhites, nor do Buffalos stomp on Beavers. Rather, they encourage each other.

The good example is one where everyone benefits, everyone has fun, and everyone wants more. After all, if I put my best foot forward it helps to keep it out of my mouth!

Yesterday you met several people, first in a Den and now in your Patrol — and are starting to become more comfortable with these folks.

You are now working on Totems and thinking about your Patrol project. I encourage each of you to contribute to your Patrol’s efforts. As you will likely see today during the Troop meeting, working together as a team will produce better results than working individually. And remember, to achieve success, attitude is equally important as ability.

Finally, please remember what we learn in Wood Badge is to help each of us in our Scouting position. Setting a good example is not nearly as important in Wood Badge as it is in dealing with the Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venture Scouts of our units. In the words of Robert Lewis Stevenson, “Don’t judge each day by the harvest you reap, but by the seeds you plant.”

Setting a good example is a great way to plant seeds for the future.



You are capable of amazing things. I know this is true because humans are amazing creatures. We are a very diverse species and no two people look alike, even twins (trust me, I know these things). Diversity is a tool that we, as Scouters can use to create a better experience for everyone. Since no two people are alike, so too are their ideas and experiences. Making a conscious decision to include diversity in our everyday lives gives us the opportunity to broaden our minds and to challenge our souls. Diversity can create a stronger team, a stronger community and a stronger Scout unit.

Communication is important when planning a project. Teams are stronger when communication is honest and open. You will have an opportunity to make rockets today with your patrol. I am excited to see your creations and promise to root for every patrol equally. Use your skills in project planning and communication to complement each other and I think you will be amazed at how your patrol will soar.

In Brotherhood,

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Ability Corner

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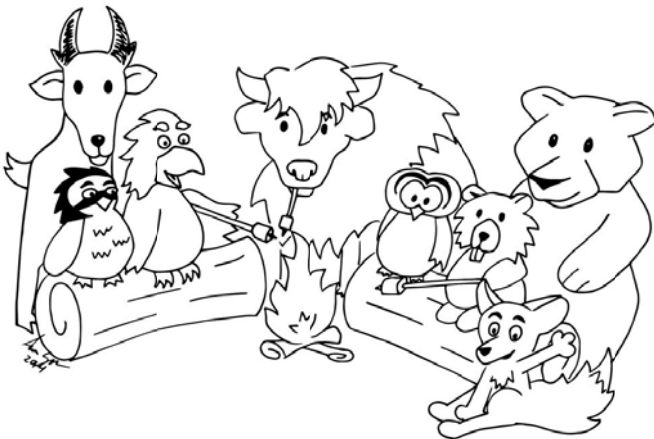
What if the first thing people notice about you is that you are different? And your successes were referred to as being “in spite of” that difference? How would you feel about that difference? It could be your height, weight, race, gender, appearance, age, disability or even socio-economic background.

But perhaps that difference is actually the source of your greatest assets. Perhaps that “weakness” that you always felt is actually a strength. You have a hard-won understanding of other people’s challenges. You are an approachable leader. You can encourage in a meaningful way. You can become a role model that someone else needs, all because you are different.

The transformation occurs when you see that **because of** these challenges, your character has been shaped in countless ways. What you used to hate about yourself becomes a priceless gift. You can finally be thankful for all that you are....dare I say, in spite of yourself.

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Wood Badge in the U.S.

In 1936, an experimental Wood Badge course was conducted in the United States at the Schiff Scout Reservation. Then, in 1948, the first American Wood Badge course was introduced in the United States as advanced training for trainers of Boy Scout leaders. Later, the program was extended to include troop committee members, commissioners, and Explorer leaders.

Experiments began in the late 1960s with a leadership development Wood Badge course emphasizing 11 leadership skills or “competencies.” This program was launched in 1972 in support of a major revision of the Boy Scout phase of the program. In 1978, an evaluation of the Boy Scout Leader Wood Badge course revealed a need for greater emphasis on the practical aspects of good troop operation.

The result was the development of a course that would provide a blend of Scoutcraft skills and practical troop operation, mixed with a variety of leadership exercises.

In 2001, the new Wood Badge for the 21st Century was introduced. It was developed for all Scouters: Cub Scout Leaders, Boy Scout Leaders, Venturing leaders, and council and district leaders. The focus is on leadership skills, not outdoor skills. The first part of the new Wood Badge course reflects unit meetings, while the second part of the course uses a troop camping activity as its delivery model.

The Wood Badge course is administered nationally by the Boy Scout Division.



Patrol News

Beaver Patrol

The Beaver Campfire Extravaganza was a glow in the dark extreme dance party. The Beavers have voted to do the Beaver Song at each other's Wood Badge Beading Ceremonies. Everyone is invited to come and watch.

The morning service project was a success with clearing the Bobwhite, Eagle and Beaver camp areas.

Beaver One, Beaver All!

Let's All do the Beaver Call!



Bobwhite Patrol

Day 5 was a full day for the indefatigable Bobwhite Patrol for it was a day full of service. The day's service patrol wielded the shovel with pride, doing its best to keep things tidy during the copious free time. In addition, they worked with their fellow patrols to clear brush from some campsites, a truly selfless act as the Bobwhite does so enjoy crouching in the brush. Finally they served up a dose of humor and research with their patrol project.



Eagle Patrol

For the Eagle Patrol members our Wood Badge travels are drawing to an eventual exit ramp...

It's day 5... Our Visions and goals are submitted, so we are breathing a bit easier. A morning of satisfying and rewarding environmental work projects completed.

Our project was delivered and though a moment of angst over two presentations on a similar topic lead to concern among some... we did our best. And were proud to put our names on it (Patrol Guide-Brian Lambert's brother standard of work.) We are going to take the Day-5 evening to be more reflective and look in the rear view mirror. Our minds will likely be filled with the promise of new on ramps or here in Wisconsin those "roundabouts." The miles traveled have been quite scenic, starting with the program delivered by such a dedicated and engaging staff. The connections made with other patrols. (Borrowing from the popular Harry Potter " sorting hat process." I ask the question... Does the Wood Badger find the Patrol or the Patrol find the Wood Badger?)

Each members' new loyalty to their totem. Starting with the Bobwhites and even the Foxes, Eagles have come to appreciate them all. The mission will remain clear for the miles ahead. The continued devotion the Boy Scout Mission—the bounds that bind us.

" No man stands so tall as when he stoops to help a child." - James Dobson

Fox Patrol

What does the fox say?

Yip, yip.

Owl Patrol

The Owls had a great Day 5 at Wood Badge. We were all moved by Jane's personal story during the mentoring presentation, and we enjoyed getting dirty and sweaty clearing brush during the conservation project. The Owls were impressed by ALL of the patrol projects and heard many ideas to bring back to our own units. But the real highlight of the day was our evening patrol time when we were able to deepen relationships and further friendships. OWLS ROCK! Hoo Hoo!!



Buffalo Patrol

The Buffalos had an exciting day with fun had by all. After a sumptuous breakfast shared with our guests and given the "five strips of bacon" thumbs up from our QM we were off to Gilwell to sing our favorite song and make sure we are all aware that "those are not pillows!" Good hard work digging dirt left us sweaty but happy with our contribution to future events at the fire bowl. Relaxing at lunch and enjoying our guests company left us refreshed to listen to all the wonderful information and creative presentations by our fellow patrols. A lot to think about and great insights into how we can make scouting better for our youth. Full tummies and good fellowship in our site capped a busy day. The spectacular moon and the firelight reminded us all why we do what we do for the boys and for ourselves. Buffalo. STAMPEDE!

