

Campfire Ashes:

The purpose of these ashes is to bring to all Scouts, the international aspect of the world brotherhood of Scouting.

Ashes taken from a campfire are sprinkled onto the flames of the next campfire. The next morning, when the ashes are cold they are stirred, and each scout takes some along to mix with his next campfire. If more than one Scout brings ashes to the same campfire, the lists are pooled recording the names and dates of all campfires. The new combined list is then passed on.

It is a tradition that all those present at the ceremony carry away ashes from that campfire.

(For NEIC Wood Badge course participants, as applicable): When you return for your second weekend, you will each receive some of the ashes from this campfire. This script, and the complete list of fires are kept online on the Wood Badge website.

These ashes were originally carried by American Scouts around the world and are now being carried by Scouts from many countries.

These ashes have come from more than 300 campfires, dating as far back as 1933.

While we have adopted this tradition in Wood Badge, this tradition is not limited to Wood Badge. These ashes come from campfires from Cub Day Day Camps, Order of the Arrow ceremonies, Training conferences, and Boy Scout Summer Camps. There are ashes from our high adventure bases at Philmont and the Northern Tier.

These ashes are from 13 U.S. National Jamborees 2 Pan American Jamborees 3 World Jamborees 1 Irish National Jamboree 2 Canadian Jamborees 14 U.S. State Jamborees 1 Wood Badge Reunion at Gilwell Field, UK 57 Wood Badge Courses, as far back as 1959, including 18 courses for Northeast Illinois Council, about to be 19. These campfires ashes have come from 5 continents and 24 Countries to be with us tonight.

Seeing how special these ashes are, you might be tempted set them in a place of honor and never open them or use them again, but I hope you can already see that the richness of this tradition is not in keeping the ashes, but in the sharing of ashes. We encourage you to spread this tradition to your home units, and to the youth that you serve.

We carry our friendship with us in these ashes from other campfires with other scouts in other lands.

{spoken very loudly as you sprinkle the ashes }

May the joining of these dead fires with the leaping flames of our new fire symbolize once more the unbroken chain that binds Scouts and Guides around the world.

The list of Campfires:

YEAR COUNTRY EVENT

1933 USA Wildcat Canyon, El Doro, Iowa
1933 USA Majawa, Knoxville, Iowa

1933-42 USA Wildcat Canyon, El Doro, Iowa
1946 USA Mitlowa, Boone, Iowa
1948 USA Waubeck, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
1949 USA Waknoda, Glenwood, Iowa
1950 USA National Jamboree, Valley Forge, Pennsylvania
1950 USA Iowa River Valley, Iowa City, Iowa
1951 USA Iowa River Valley, Iowa City, Iowa
1952 USA Rocky Mountain Scout Camp, Philmont, New Mexico
1953 USA National Jamboree, Itving Ranch, California
1954 USA Rocky Mountain Scout Camp, Philmont, New Mexico
1955 USA Camp Blacy, Philmont, New Mexico
1956 USA Camp H.P.N.A., Deming, New Mexico
1956 Germany OA Council Fire, Camp Freedom
1956 UK (Scotland) International Jamboree
1957 Germany OA Council Fire, Camp Freedom
1957 England World Jamboree, Sutton Colfield
1957 USA National Jamboree, Valley Forge, Pennsylvania
1957 USA Camp Dale Ressler, New Mexico
1958 USA OA Conclave, Yucca Council, El Paso, Texas
1958 Switzerland International Scout Chalet Handersteg
1958 Germany OA Council Fire, Camp Freedom
1959 Germany OA Council Fire, Camp Freedom
1959 USA National Junior Roundup
1959 USA Wood Badge Course, Camp Dale Ressler, New Mexico
1960 USA National Jamboree, Colorado Springs, Colorado
1960 USA OA Conclave, Philmont, New Mexico
1961 USA OA Area Conclave, Buffalo Trail
1961 USA Junior Roundup
1962 USA Junior Roundup
1962 Switzerland Our Chalet, Adelboden
1962 USA OA Area Conclave, Wehlnahpay, New Mexico
1963 USA OA Area Conclave, White Sands, New Mexico
1963 USA All State Junior Campout
1964 USA All State Arizona Project
1964 USA OA Area Conclave, Giorlette, New Mexico
1964 USA National Jamboree, Valley Forge, Pennsylvania
1965 USA OA Area Conclave, Tempe, Texas
1965 USA Senior Campout
1965 USA Shadow Ridge Campout
1965 USA Cadette Campout
1965 USA All State Junior Campout 1
1965 USA All State Arizona Project
1965 USA Camp Mary White
1965 USA Cadette Campout
1965 Canada With Lady Baden Powell
1965 Brazil 2nd Pan American Jamboree, Rio de Janeiro
1966 USA Cadette Campout
1967 USA National Jamboree, Iowa

1968 Taiwan Jungle Survival
1968 Taiwan Campo Ho Cauley
1968 USA Camp San Isabel, Pueblo, Colorado
1969 USA Sic Richardson Scout Ranch, Texas
1969 USA Camp Chimney Park, Wyoming
1970 Germany Training Camp, Schwetzingen Forest
1970 Germany German Guide Camp, Petershof Geonwald
1970 England Diamond Jubilee Camp, Lancashire
1970 USA Camp Covered Bridge, Louisville, Kentucky 1
1971 Germany Germison Conference
1971 Belgium Training Camp, Fresneye
1971 Holland Whitson Camp, Dwingeloo
1971 USA Camp Covered Bridge, Louisville, Kentucky
1972 Germany Camp Julliette Lowe, Rein Mein
1972 Germany Junior Campout
1972 Germany Camp Leohenwald
1972 Belgium Training Camp, Chievres
1972 Thailand Joint Scout Leaders Training Course, Ubon
1972 Germany Camporee, Munich
1972 Germany Camporee, Siegenberg
1972 Germany Garmisch Conference
1972 USA Little Roundup, Peoria, Illinois
1972 USA Camp Covered Bridge, Louisville, Kentucky
1973 Mexico Our Cabana, Guerravera
1973 USA Arizona
1973 Germany Training Camp, Friendship Acres
1973 Belgium Training Camp, Abbave de Maredsous
1973 Germany Training Camp, Idenhelm
1973 Germany Camp Zorus
1973 Germany Camp Lachenwald
1973 Belgium Belgium Guide Camp, Idenhelm
1973 Germany Slakein
1973 Germany Leadership Training, Seeshaupt
1973 Germany Resident Training Camp, Idenhelm
1973 Germany Mechtenstein Guides and Scouts Camp
1973 Germany Heidelberg Day Camp, Schwetzingen
1973 Germany French English Cadette Campout, Berlin
1973 Germany Scout Camp, Seeshaupt
1973 USA Wood Badge Training Region 4 Buckskin, Wyoming
1973 USA Camp Rough River, Ole Kentucky Home Council, Kentucky
1973 USA Philmont Training Center, New Mexico
1973 USA National Jamboree West, Farragut National Park, Idaho
1974 Germany Trainers Conference, Heidelberg
1974 USA Pennsylvania
1974 Thailand International Cub Wood Badge Course 236, Ubon
1974 USA Wood Badge Course SS 26 Zastro, Philmont, New Mexico
1974 Switzerland Our Chalet, Adelboden
1974 Germany Camp Lwlback, Senior Mapping

1974 France German American Campout, Vogesen
1974 Germany District Hilltop Day Camp, Stuttgart
1974 Germany Cadette Encampment, Stuttgart
1974 Switzerland Camp Training Our Chalet, Adelboden
1974 Germany Munich
1974 Germany Camp Dahn
1974 England Keys to Partnership Conference, Oxford
1974 Germany Outdoor Training, Camp Dahn
1974 Germany District Conference, Camp Tahoe Kaiserslautern
1974 Germany Training Conference, Zwingenberg Youth Hostel
1974 England Our Ark, London
1974 Columbia 3rd Pan American Jamboree, Bogata
1974 Germany Wood Badge Course NE 11 8, Camp Freedom
1974 Germany Trainers Conference, Heloelberg
1974 Germany Cadette Encampment, Stuttgart
1974 Germany German American Campout, Vogesen
1974 Luxembourg Camp Training Vlanden
1974 Philippines Wood Badge Course W803 14, Sublo Bay
1975 Germany Hotal Bash, Manserschled
1975 Germany Leader Campout, Schwetzingen Forest
1975 Germany Heidelberg Day Camp, Schwetzingen Forest
1975 Germany All Junior Campout, Schwetzingen Forest
1975 Germany Leadership Development Training, Schwetzingen Forest
1975 Belgium Intercamp 75 (6 nations) Brussels
1975 Belgium Intercamp 75 (6 nations) Mon
1975 Germany Wood badge course NE 111 23, Camp Freedom
1975 Germany Klondike Derby, Heidelberg
1975 Norway 14th World Jamboree, Lillenhammer
1975 Germany 6th Grade Junior Campout, Schwetzingen Forest
1976 Germany District Spring Camporee, Lampertheim Woods
1976 Germany Wood Badge Course NE 111 32, Camp Freedom
1976 Germany Wood Badge Course NE 111 33, Camp Freedom
1976 England Bicentennial Camp, Chalfont Heights Scout Camp
1976 Germany OA Conference, Camp Freedom
1976 USA Wood Badge Course SC81, Camp Assaye, New Mexico
1976 Germany Three Rivers District Fall Camporee
1976 England Wood Badge 50th Reunion, Gilwell Park, London
1976 England Wood Badge Course NE 111 84 Gilwell Park, London
1976 USA Wood Badge Course SC 79, Camp Dale, Reesler, New Mexico
1976 Germany Wood Badge Training NE 111 25
1977 Germany Three Rivers District Klondike Derby
1977 Germany Baumholoer Cub Day Camp, Baumholoer
1977 USA Wood Badge Course SC 105, Zastro, New Mexico
1977 USA Brownsea 22 camp ran, Chimayo, New Mexico
1977 Germany Three Rivers District Camporee, Halserslautern
1977 England OA Conference, Chalfont Heights Scout Camp
1977 Belgium Charlemagne District Spring Camporee, de Eluis
1977 Belgium Charlemagne District Historical Camporee, Waterloo

1977 Germany Wood Badge Course NE 111 42, Camp Freedom
1977 USA Wood Badge Course SC 113, Chimayo, New Mexico
1977 USA National Jamboree, Moraine State Park, Pennsylvania
1977 Germany OA Conference, Camp Dahn 1977 England Troop Leadership Development (TLD) Course, Gilwell Park
1977 England Jamescamp 8 Joint English American Camp Chalfont Height scout camp
1977 USA NE Region Experimental Cub Wood Badge course
1977 Germany Three Rivers District Pioneeroree, Camp Wally Manheim
1978 Germany Three Rivers District Klondike Derby, Camp Dahn
1978 Germany Three Rivers District Fall Camporee, Halserslautern
1978 England Wood Badge Course NE 111 44, Gilwell Park
1978 Germany Wood Badge Course NE 111 48, Camp Freedom
1978 Germany Cub Scout Wood Badge Course NE CS 2, Camp Freedom
1978 USA Wood Badge Course SC 127, Camp Dale Ressler New Mexico
1978 USA Brownsea 22, Camp Rand Chimayo, New Mexico
1978 Germany OA Conference, Camp Dahn
1978 USA Wood Badge Course SC 138, Zastro Philmont New Mexico
1978 USA Fall Camporee, Fort Sumner, New Mexico
1978 USA Wood Badge Course SE 203, Broad Creek Scout Reservation, Maryland
1978 England Jamescamp 8, English American Camp, Chalfont Heights Scout Camp
1978 England Friendship Farm Girl Scout Camp
1978 Japan OA Ordeal, Camp Tama
1978 Japan Wood Badge Course 803 12 Camp Tama
1979 USA Wood Badge Course S 236 Broad Creek Scout Reservation Maryland
1979 USA 19th Mulligan Stew, Oasis State Park New Mexico
1979 USA Dulaney District SMOD Course Broad Creek Scout Reservation Maryland
1979 Sweden Dalajamb, Lillehammer (World Jamboree)
1979 USA Five State Camporee For the Blind, Baltimore Maryland
1979 Canada 28th Wood Badge Reunion, Blue Springs Camp, Acton Ontario
1979 USA Baltimore Area Council, Camorall Maryland
1979 Japan Wood Badge Course W803 16 Camp Tama
1979 USA Old Timers Weekend, Broad Creek Scout Reservation Maryland
1979 Austria Join In Jamboree, Zellhof
1979 Germany Intercamp, Braxbaotal
1979 Switzerland OA Ordeal, Handersteg
1979 England Cub Scout Day Camp, Banford St. John Oxford
1979 England Jamescamp 10 the Last One, Chalfont Heights Scout Camp
1979 Germany Wood Badge Course NE 111 55, Camp Freedom
1979 Holland Charlemange District Spring Camporee, Austeriltz
1979 Japan Scoutmaster Leadership Development, Camp Ryukyu 2 Okinawa
1979 Japan District Spring Camporee, Camp White Beach Okinawa
1979 Japan District Summer Camp, Camp White Beach Okinawa
1979 Japan District Fall Roundup Camp White Beach Okinawa
1980 Germany Wood Badge Course NE 111 65, Camp Freedom
1980 Germany Wood Badge Course NE CS 6, Camp Freedom
1980 Canada 29th Wood Badge Reunion, Blue Springs Camp, Acton Ontario
1980 USA Delaney District SMOD Trng, Broad Creek Scout Reservation Maryland
1980 USA Ashes from Mt. St. Hellens eruption which destroyed 2 boy and 1 girl Scout camps

1980 USA Baltimore Area Council Joint Religious Retreat
1980 USA Old Timers Weekend Broad Creek Scout Reservation Maryland
1980 England Cub Scout Day Camp, Barford St. John Oxford
1980 England Fall Friendship Camporee, Chalfont Heights Scout Camp
1980 Japan District Spring Camporee & OA tap out, Camp Ryukyu 2 Okinawa
1980 Japan District Summer Camp, Camp Ryukyu 2 Okinawa
1980 Japan OA Ordeal, Camp Ryukyu 2 Okinawa 1980 Korea Fall Camporee Osan
1980 Philippines Bataan March/Hike
1980 USA Wood Badge Course SE 269 Broad Creek Scout Reservation Maryland
1980 USA Wood Badge Course NE 111 35 Camp Wakpominee New York
1980 USA Mantowa District Spring Camporee, Indian Pond New Hampshire
1980 USA Matowa District Fall Camporee, Storrs Hill New Hampshire
1981 England Junior Leader Training, Gilwell Park
1981 Germany Wood Badge Course NE 111 68 Camp Freedom
1981 England Wood Badge Course NE 111 71 Gilwell Park
1981 England Mayflower District Camporee, Phasels Wood
1981 USA National Jamboree, Fort AP Hill Virginia
1981 Germany Wood Badge Course NE CS 6 Camp Freedom
1981 England OA Fellowship Camporee Broadstone Warren Scout Camp
1981 England Summer Camp. Broadstone Warren Scout Camp
1981 England Fall Friendship Camporee Phasels Wood
1981 Germany Summer Camp, Camp Freedom
1981 Germany North Star District Fall Camporee Camp Thunderbird Rein Mein
1981 Germany Klondike Derby Weekend, Tanus Mountain
1981 USA Brownsea Double Two, BA22 81, Camp Carpenter, New Hampshire
1981 USA Mantowa District Spring Camporee, Claremont, New Hampshire
1981 USA Daniel Webster Council Commissioners Conference, Lasellette New Hampshire
1981 USA Nantowa District Fall Camporee, Porspect Hill, Canaan New Hampshire
1981 USA Council Campout, Tamarack, New Jersey
1981 Australia B.P. Training, Camp Panuant Hill,. New South Wales
1981 USA Labor Day Retreat, Camp Arrowhead, Missouri
1981 USA Wood Badge Course NC 503, Camp Hohn, Missouri
1982 Greece District Camporee, Camp Sounion
1982 Greece Summer Camp, Camp Hellas Athens
1982 England Summer Camp, Broadstone Warren
1982 England Brownsea Revisited Camporee, Brownsea Island
1982 England Internation Weekend, Gillwell Park
1982 England Week 2 Summer Camp, Gillwell Park
1982 England Cub Scout Day camp, RAF Biecester Oxford
1982 Germany Summer Camp, Camp Freedom
1982 Germany North Star District Fall Camporee, Camp Thunderbird
1982 Germany North Star District Spring Camporee, Barmstadt
1982 Germany Spring Camporee, Rein Mein
1982 Germany North Star Klondike Derby, Tanus Mountain
1982 Germany Fall Round Up, Tanus Mountain
1982 USA Brownsea Double Two BA22 82, Camp Carpenter, New Hampshire
1982 USA Mantowa & White District Spring Camporee, Hanover, New Hampshire
1982 USA Daniel Webster Council Commissioners Conference, Lasallette, New Hampshire

1982 USA Wood Badge Course NE 11 38, Tusarora, New York
1982 USA Wood Badge Course NC 363, Camp Arrowhead, Missouri
1983 Luxembourg International Scout Center, Wiltz
1983 USA Mt. Washington District Spring Camporee, Jackknife Field Gorham, New Hampshire
1983 USA Eagle Weekend, Philmont Training Center
1984 USA Summer Camp, Little Rock AFB, Arkansas
1984 England Essex International Jamboree, Braintree
1984 England 1st British/American Friendship Jamboree, RAF Woodridge
1984 England Summer Camp, Broadstone Warren Scout Camp
1984 England Greenwich 10th Anniversary, Gillwell Park
1984 England Woodbridge District Camping Competition, RAF Woodridge
1984 England American/English Fall Fellowship Camporee, Youlberry Scout Camp
1984 USA Desert Camporee, Florida
1984 USA Arrowhead District Spring Camporee, Kissimmee, Florida
1985 USA Wood Badge Course W 1 696 85, Lost Lake Scout Camp Alaska
1985 England Woodbridge District Camporee Competition, RAF Woodridge
1985 England Kinfa Lynn Host Camp Sandringham
1985 England Mayflower District Spring Camporee, Phasel Wood Scout Camp
1985 England Summer Camp, Broadstone Warren Scout Camp
1985 Ireland Portumna International; Scout Jamboree, Portumna
1985 England Mayflower District Fall Camporee, Youlberry Scout Camp
1985 England Scout Leader JLT Training Gillwell Park
1985 England Scout/Guide International Friendship Camp, RAF Woodridge
1985 England International Camporee, Broadstone Warren Scout Camp, Sussex
1985 England Scouting's 75th Anniversary Campfire, RAF Chicksands
1985 England Northampton Naller International Jamboree, Tadcaster
1985 England Back to Basics, Youlberry Scout Camp Oxfordshire
1985 England February Father & Son Campout, Youlberry Scout Camp Oxfordshire
1985 England Spring Fellowship Camporee, Youlberry Scout Camp Oxfordshire
1985 USA Echouse Chapter Ordeal, Camp La No Ohe Ocala, Florida
1985 USA Echouse Brotherhood, Lanoche Pasile, Florida
1985 USA Central Florida Council Scout Show Camporee, Orlando, Florida
1985 England 2nd Annual British/American Friendship Jamboree, RAF Woodridge
1985 Canada National Jamboree, Alberta
1986 England OA Spring Fellowship, Brownsea Island
1986 Germany Camp Lascenwald
1986 England Westcountry Jamboree, Mt. Edgecumbe
1986 England Pack 811 Summer Campfire RAF Woodridge
1986 England Mid week Summer Camp, Camp Saden Powell 7 Broadstone Warren Scout Camp
1986 England 12th Letchworth ME T 291 (USA) Annual Campout, Letchworth, Hertfordshire
1986 England Mayflower District Spring Camporee, Phasels Wood Scout Camp
1986 England Boy Scout Basic Leader Training RAF Chicksands
1989 USA National Jamboree, Fort AP Hill, VA
1993 USA National Jamboree, Fort AP Hill, VA
1997 USA National Jamboree, Fort AP Hill, VA
1997 USA Wood Badge Course C-5-97 Camp Lakota, Woodstock, IL
1998 USA Brownsea JLTC, Makajawan SR, Pearson WI
1998 USA Wood Badge Course C-7-98 Camp Lakota, Woodstock, IL

2000 USA Wood Badge Course C-20-00 Camp Lakota, Woodstock, IL
2001 USA Wood Badge Course C-3-01 Camp Lakota, Woodstock, IL
2001 USA National Jamboree, Fort AP Hill, VA
2002 USA Wood Badge Course C-14-02 Camp Ohdakota, Burlington WI
2003 USA Wood Badge Course C-48-03 Camp Ohdakota, Burlington WI
2004 USA Wood Badge Course C-48-04 Camp Ohdakota, Burlington WI
2005 USA National Jamboree, Fort AP Hill, VA
2005 USA Wood Badge Course C-27-05 Indian Mound, Oconomowoc WI
2006 USA Wood Badge Course C-47-06 Camp Ohdakota, Burlington WI
2007 USA Wood Badge Course C-22-07 Camp Ohdakota, Burlington WI
2008 USA Wood Badge Course C-22-08 Camp Ohdakota, Burlington WI
2009 USA Wood Badge Course C-18-09 Indian Mound, Oconomowoc WI
2010 USA National Jamboree, Fort AP Hill, VA
2010 USA Wood Badge Course C-03-10 Camp Sol R. Crown, Trevor, WI
2011 USA Wood Badge Course C7-129-11-01 Camp Sol R. Crown, Trevor WI
2012 USA Round Lake Beach 75th Anniversary All Scout Camporee, Round Lake Beach, IL
2012 Costa Rica Ceremonia de Compromiso y de Frente a la Vida de Daniel Duncan, Comunidad ViritecaSangara, Grupo Guías y Scout #21.
2012 USA Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation Week 1 East Camp opening Campfire, WI
2012 USA Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation Troop 87 Campfire, WI
2012 USA Wood Badge Course C7-129-12 Camp Sol R. Crown, Trevor WI
2012 USA ScoutJam
2012 USA Northeast Illinois Council, Lakewood Forest Preserve, Wauconda, IL
2013 USA Lord Baden Powell University of Scouting, Wonderland Camp and Conference Center, Camp Lake, WI
2013 USA Northeast Illinois Council Illinois Beach State Park Clean-up, Zion IL
2013 USA Pack 199 Family Camp Mississippi Palisades, Savanna IL
2013 USA Pack 627 Graduation, Camp Oakarro, IL
2013 USA Rendezvous - Closing Campfire at Northern Tier - Charles L. Sommers Canoe Base, Ely, MN
2013 USA Wood Badge Course C7-129-13 Camp Sol R. Crown, Trevor WI
2014 USA Northeast Illinois Council, Okpik , Camp Sol R. Crown, Trevor WI
2014 USA Lord Baden Powell University of Scouting, Wonderland Camp and Conference Center, Camp Lake, WI
2014 USA Wood Badge Course C7-129-14 Camp Sol R. Crown, Trevor WI
2015 USA Lord Baden Powell University of Scouting, Wonderland Camp and Conference Center, Camp Lake, WI
2015 USA Troop 96 New Scout Invitational, Camp Oh-da-ko-ta, Burlington, WI
2015 USA Northeast Illinois Council Illinois Beach State Park Clean-up, Zion IL
2015 USA Northeast Illinois Council, Okpik , Camp Sol R. Crown, Trevor WI
2015 USA Pack 191 Advancement ceremony & Wood Badge beading for Angi Scott
2015 USA Wood Badge Course C7-129-15 Camp Sol R. Crown, Trevor WI
2016 USA Lord Baden Powell University of Scouting, Wonderland Camp and Conference Center, Camp Lake, WI
2016 USA Northeast Illinois Council, Okpik , Camp Sol R. Crown, Trevor WI
2016 USA Wood Badge Course C7-129-16 Camp Sol R. Crown, Trevor WI
2017 USA Powderhorn Course, Peacock Camp, Lake Villa, IL
2017 USA Wood Badge Course C7-129-17 Camp Sol R. Crown, Trevor WI