

# GILWELL GAZETTE

To Be Early Is To Be On-time | To Be On-time Is To Be Late | And Late Is Unacceptable

## Things to Consider for Weekend 2

Your gear for the second weekend - - - WHAT YOU DO NOT HAVE borrow from a fellow critter or a friend, check your Units.

Your meals for the weekend #2 of your Gillwell Experience - camping meals which should be nutritious and capable of feeding 8 adults on Saturday Breakfast and Lunch. Patrols need to send their requests to Derick Meadows ([dr\\_meadows@comcast.net](mailto:dr_meadows@comcast.net)), please include alternates.

Chaplin Aids be sure to be prepared for your Interfaith Service on Sunday.

## Words from B-P

Look wide, beyond your immediate surroundings and limits, and you see things in their right proportion. Look above the level of things around you and see a higher aim and possibility to your work.

## From our Scoutmaster

I have been hearing that all the critters have been very busy since we saw each other last. The meetings, emails and such are showing great promise for the planning of our second weekend at Gilwell. I cannot wait to see the day 4 campfire program fun. Ticket ideas are coming together, but if you are still trying to figure out ideas

just remember to reach out to your troop guide or any staff member to pick their brains. I hope you enjoyed your family time over spring break and can use that renewed energy to prepare for our next adventures. See you around Gilwell Field soon.





### The Wood Badge Fox Trot

I used to have a life,  
a pretty good life too.  
But now that I'm in Wood Badge,  
it's all I seem to do.  
I get up very early,  
and I go 'til way past ten.  
When the sun rises tomorrow,  
we'll do it all again.

The Beavers are all whining,  
the Bobwhites now are gray.  
The Eagles wings are drooping,  
and the Foxes can't think straight.  
The Owls are always sleepy,  
and the Bears are ornery too.  
Oh, we'd love to take and hide  
the SPL's kudu.

The Buffalos are angry,  
the Antelopes are blue.  
The staff if feeling overwhelmed,  
they don't know what to do.  
The Scoutmaster is missing,  
and the SPL is gone.  
And my troop guide has just told  
me,  
that my ticket is all wrong.

And now our song is over,  
but you know it isn't true.  
We all had fun at Wood Badge,  
despite a lot to do.  
But come the end of Sunday,  
we will gladly all proclaim,  
That we're glad we'll once more  
have, a normal life again.

## The First US Wood Badge Scoutmaster

### *Green Bar Bill Hillcourt's Impact on Wood Badge*

As the Boy Scout program matured in the USA, it became apparent that Wood Badge could provide valuable advanced training. To familiarize the United States with Wood Badge, John Skinner Wilson, Gilwell Park Camp Chief, came from England to provide a Rover Scout Wood Badge Course for BSA at New Jersey's Mortimer L. Schiff Scout Reservation.

Bill Hillcourt was a member of the Burnham Patrol on that WB Course, May 12-20, 1936. Four days later, May 24 to June 3, 1936, Bill was the Staff Troop Leader and "Dog's Body" (Senior Patrol Leader) for a second course. It qualified Bill to receive his WB Beads in 1939, and to become the national Deputy Camp Chief of the United States.

Early in 1948, the new Scout Executive who had replaced Dr. James E. West, appointed four national Staffers to get Wood Badge underway as a national training standard. Bill Hillcourt was one of the four, BSA's first Deputy Camp Chief and by then, also the national Director of Scoutcraft.

The course started tenuously with Professional Scouters pitted against Volunteer Scouters. SM Bill Hillcourt regrouped his Staff and broke an impasse and patrol spirit soared.



William "Green Bar Bill" Hillcourt's Totem became a circle with "WILLIAM HILLCOURT" as it's circumference; "Bill" was handwritten at an angle over a PL's two green bars inside the circle; at its bottom, two leather thongs came out of a WB Woggle; the left one held three beads and the right one, two beads — Bill was a "5-Beader"!

## Critterscopes

### Beaver

Everything you desire shall be yours this week, providing you do not under any circumstances read your critterscope.

### Bobwhite

You'll have a terrifying out-of-body experience this week, followed

by an even more horrifying back-inside-your-body experience.

### Eagle

The stars hereby grant you the secret of lighter, fluffier pancakes: Use sour cream instead of milk.

### Fox

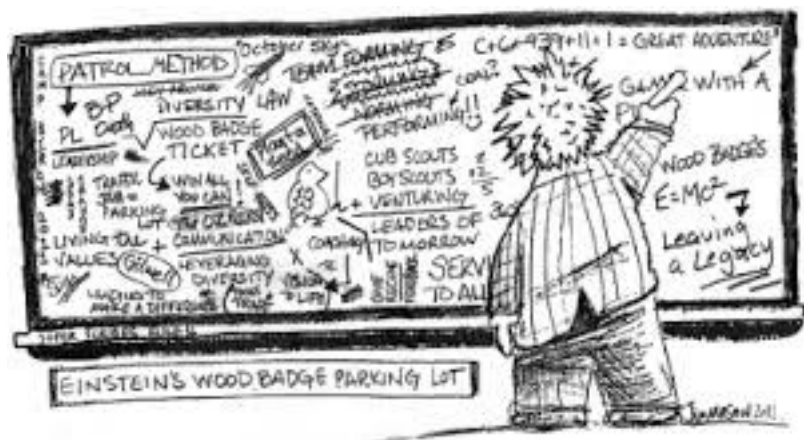
You may not have a lot of money, but you still believe yourself to be rich in many ways. This isn't surprising considering the cost of a proper education these days.

### Owl

The difference between life and death can come down to a few precious minutes, or in your case, the time it takes for the EMTs to finally stop laughing.

## Ticket Key Concepts

1. Your ticket will include five significant goals.
2. The goals will be written in support of your current Scouting responsibilities and should be designed to provide maximum positive impact for youth membership.
3. At least one of the five goals will incorporate some aspect of diversity.
4. If you wish, one goal of the five goals may involve developing and applying a self-assessment tool to measure your progress and effectiveness in relation to the other goals on your ticket.
5. The goals written should follow the SMART principles.
6. For each goal, you will indicate: who, what, where, when, how measured, why, and how verified.
7. Your Troop Guide will help you to prepare your ticket and will approve it when it is completed.
8. You will have a ticket counselor assigned to you.
9. The five goals of the ticket must be completed within 18 months.
10. When you and your counselor have agreed that you have fulfilled all the items on your ticket, you will receive your Wood Badge certificate, beads, neckerchief, and woggle.



## Recipe Corner

### *Dutch Oven French Toast Casserole*

I like this casserole, because unlike most French Toast Casseroles, it doesn't require you to prepare it the night before. When we're camping, I tend to forget to get breakfast going the night before as once dinner is done, I'm comfortably sitting at the campfire! This is quick and easy to make in the morning and is quite delicious!



- 1 large loaf French bread
- 8 eggs
- 2 cups half-and-half
- 1 cup milk
- 4 Tbsp. sugar
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 3/4 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 4 Tbsp. butter, cut into small pieces

Tear bread into 1-2 inch chunks. Put torn up bread in a 12" Dutch oven. Beat together all remaining ingredients, except butter. Pour over bread. Dot the top with butter. Bake with 9 coals on bottom and 15 on top. It should be done in 30-45 minutes, when eggs are set.

## Wood Badge Group Photos

Beaver Patrol



Bobwhite Patrol



Eagle Patrol



## You Might be a Wood Badger....Take-off

*from Jeff Foxworthy's "You might be a Redneck":*

You Might Be A Wood Badger If...

You raise your hand to the Scout Sign at a heated business meeting

You attend the community Independence Day parade, look around and find you and your family are the only ones standing up at the American flag passes by.

All your shirts have pin holes in them.

You have your own desk and filing cabinet just for scout related paperwork.

You were arrested by airport security because you wouldn't give up your pocketknife until he said "thank you".

Your idea of a trip to the Holy Land means Gilwell Park in England.

You spontaneously break into strange songs in public.

Your "family vacation" includes 30 kids your wife/husband doesn't know.

Instead of a night out with the boys, you prefer a night out with the "Bears" or "Owls" or "Beavers"...

The fountain at your wedding had bug juice.

Owl Patrol



Fox Patrol



QM Patrol



Wood Badge Staff

