

# Gazette (NATIONAL MODEL LINKED TROOP COURSE EDITION)

The Official Newsletter of the BSA-22-1 Course

**Linked Troop Day 1** 



On September 8, 1919, a select group of Scouters attended the first Wood Badge course at Gilwell Park, just outside of London. While the curriculum may have changed over the years, the goals have remained the same; offer a course aimed to make Scouters better leaders by teaching advanced leadership skills, and by creating a bond and commitment to the Scouting movement. You are now a part of that history!



## Mission

The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make the ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

## **Vision**

The Boy Scouts of America will prepare every eligible youth in America to become a responsible, participating citizen and leader who is guided by the Scout Oath and Law.

## Today's Schedule

- Breakfast and Check-In
- Gathering Activities
- Gilwell Field Assembly
- Course Overview
- Drive Vision, Mission and Values
- Know Thyself
- The Ticket
- Opening Luncheon
- Den Meetings
- Communicate Effectively
- Include & Optimize Diverse Talent
- Blue and Gold Banquet
- Getting to Know You
- Leadership Connections
- Opening Campfire
- Cracker Barrel



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**Grey Troop Scribes:** 

Christy, Amanda, & Rebecca

**Orange Troop Scribes:** 

Stephen & Dave

## CONNECTING FUN TO THE AIMS OF SCOUTING

Today during check in, you had an opportunity to play a series of fun gathering games and activities. Scouting always involves games or activities with a purpose. Every activity we do in Scouting will promote one or more of the four "Aims of Scouting"—character development, citizenship training, personal fitness, and leadership. Likewise, every activity we do in Wood Badge teaches a leadership competency. Gathering games are a good way for units to expose youth to fun team activities that introduce team building, leadership, communication, and collaborative skills.

**Flag Etiquette** - citizenship training, character development, and leadership.

**Knot Tying** - character development and leadership.

**Blanket Ball** - character development, mental and physical fitness, and leadership.

**Disability Awareness -** character development, mental and physical fitness, and leadership.

**Position Patch game** - mental fitness through memory practice, the patrol method by recognizing and understanding the positions in scouting, and leadership by recognizing the positions in scouting.

**Square Knot Match Game** - personal growth through recognition and leadership development through accomplishment recognition.

**Helium Sticks** - group activity, character development, and leadership.

## Aims & Methods of Scouting

### AIMS OF SCOUTING

- Character Development
- Leadership
   Development
- Citizenship Training
- Personal Fitness

### METHODS OF SCOUTING

- Patrol Method
- Participation in Outdoor Programs
- Advancement
- Adult Association
- Personal Growth
- Leadership Development
- Uniform







Den Chiefs are Scouts who assist a Cub Scout den leader or Webelos den leader. They are selected by the senior patrol leader and Scoutmaster, and approved by the cubmaster and pack committee for recommendation to the den leader.

Den Chiefs help Cub Scouts advance through the Cub Scout ranks and encourage Cub Scouts to join a Troop upon graduation.

## The History of SBR

The Summit story began in 2007 when BSA leadership began looking for a permanent location for the National Scout Jamboree, as well as seeking another high adventure base to supplement the other three high adventure bases each year.

On November 18, 2009, BSA announced that it had chosen the West Virginia site, known locally as the Garden Ground Mountain property, as the future home of the Summit.





One of the deciding factors in choosing the West Virginia site was its adjacency to New River Gorge National River. More than 13 miles of the property borders the park, giving Scouts and Scouters access to more than 70,000 acres of managed wilderness beyond the Summit property.

Today, the Summit Bechtel Reserve transforms itself into Gilwell as we gather to learn advanced leadership skills while creating a bond and commitment to the Scouting movement.

You are now part of SBR and Wood Badge history!

## Action Items

Send us your photos! Post them on the <u>BSA-22-1 Facebook</u> page or the <u>BSA-22-1 Google Photos</u> drive.

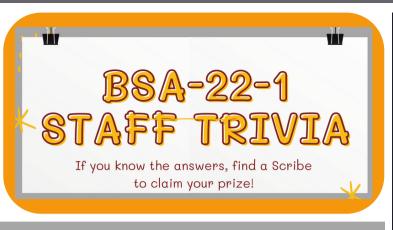
Submit your Gazette articles by 6 PM to <a href="mailto:WB2022summit@gmail.com">WB2022summit@gmail.com</a>

Day 1: Program Patrol



Day 1: Service Patrol



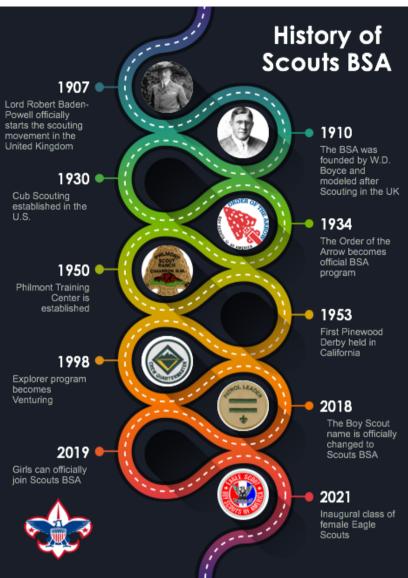


## **Gray Staff Trivia**

- 1. Which Gray staff member has two family members that share names with Tolkien characters?
- 2. Which Gray Troop staff member played two seasons of semi-pro football after college?
- 3. Which Gray Troop staff member is equally at home in a lab or an art studio?

## **Orange Staff Trivia**

- 1. Which Orange Troop staff member has been to Philmont six times?
- 2. Which Orange Troop staff member tried four times to go to Philmont but was only successful on the fifth try?
- 3. Which Orange Troop staff member has two blue ribbons in goat milking?





Please remember to sign up for optional Friday/Saturday activities.

More informaiton is available on the Summit website.

https://www.summitbsa.org/adventu redaypass

## Gray Troop Assistant Quartermaster

Name: Steven Lee

**Hometown:** San Diego, CA **Participant Year:** 2020

Critter: Bear

Council: San Diego Imperial Council

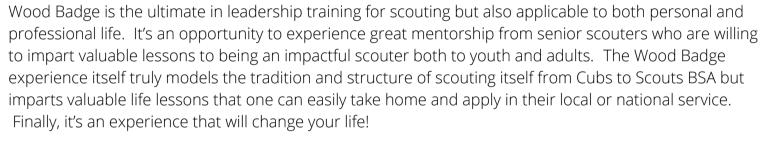
Troop#/Pack #: Troop 681

Current Scouting Role: ANational Commissioner Service Team -

Program Support

Number of Years as a WB Staffer: 1

## What does Wood Badge and/or Scouting mean to you?



## What is your goal as a Wood Badge Staff member this year?

My goal in Wood Badge is to be an effective servant leader in my role as quartermaster in making sure we are prepared to provide a top notch experience for the participants and the leaders. It's a wonderful opportunity to meet new scouters from around the country and form new relationships through service. And to create special memories through our time together as we build one another up.



The Blue & Gold banquet is the most exciting event on the Cub Scout calendar. It is the birthday celebration of Cub Scouting. Every family in the Pack can take part in its planning and execution. The banquet is held in February, as this is the anniversary month of the Boy Scouts of America.

The Boy Scouts of America began in 1910 and Cub Scouting began twenty years later. The BLUE AND GOLD gets its name from the Cub Scout colors -- blue and gold.

Some Packs make the banquet a potluck dinner affair, having each family bringing a covered dish. Other Packs prefer buying the food, having it prepared by a parent's committee and pro-rating the cost among those attending. Some Packs have a formal dinner while some packs just do a cake and ice cream celebration.

Every Pack is different in numbers of people and budget, so the final decisions are decided within the Pack.