

LOG 'N' BEADS

51ST EDITION



BLUE SPRINGS SCOUT RESERVE, SEPT 13-15, 2002

Message from Michele

The production of the Log N Beads is a very big job. I would like to thank everyone in the Peterborough/Qeos group for making it possible. One thing I like about Scouting is that it is a team effort and in my opinion, this is a very good team. Keep up the good work.

Come Back To Blue Springs

Come back to Blue Springs, it's the home of Gilwell training.
Come back to Blue Springs, where the waters cold and clear.
Renew old friendships every year,
Wander round the grounds we all love so dear,
The spirit of B.P. is always present here,
Come back to Blue Springs.

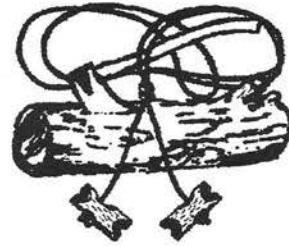
Come back to Blue Springs, the second weekend in September
Come back to Blue Springs, for reunion every year,
In the Ke-ke-dowiga-mig dance and sing,
Do-si-do your partner , everybody swing,
Come along and join us let the rafters ring.
Come back to Blue Springs.

Come back to Blue Springs, where the skies a little bluer.
Come back to Blue Springs, bring your beads along with you.
The memories that remain so clear,
Of happy times and fellowship that's always here,
Will boost your scouting spirit for another year.
Come back to Blue Springs.



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GILWELL REUNION 2002 Log 'N' Beads



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Message from the Chair..

"Going back to Gilwell" ...this has been my annual "pilgrimage" to my training ground for the past 15 years. Every year since then, I look forward to each Gilwell Reunion with greater excitement and enthusiasm. This year is no exception.

On behalf of your Reunion Committee Members, I welcome each and every one of you to our 51st. Gilwell Reunion. Many years from now, you will all understand the significance of your presence at this very reunion. To the returning Gilwellians, this weekend presents an opportunity to catch up with past events as well as to renew and rekindle friendship. To the "Newbies", this is just the beginning of a new beginning. Make new friends and develop Scouting fellowship amongst the many at this reunion. In short, enjoy yourself.

I take this opportunity to thank your Reunion Committee Members, who together with their sub-committees, worked

diligently for the past many months to put together this remarkable event. It is a great pleasure working with them and needless to say, the administration, management and organization of this reunion is truly a team effort! Once again, thanks for a job well done!

Indeed, I am honoured to serve you as your Chair. It has been a wonderful and marvelous experience. To be able to contribute and participate as a member of your Reunion Committee is amazingly very rewarding. In the next couple of days, I would like to meet you all - even if it is just to say a simple "hello". In closing, I trust you all will continue to promote "peace and friendship through scouting", not only at this reunion, but also in your day-to-day encounters.

Have a fantastic and memorable 51st Reunion!

George Lim
Chair - 51st Gilwell Reunion Committee

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**You might be a Wood Badger if:
You are disappointed at family reunion
because no one wants to build a catapult.**

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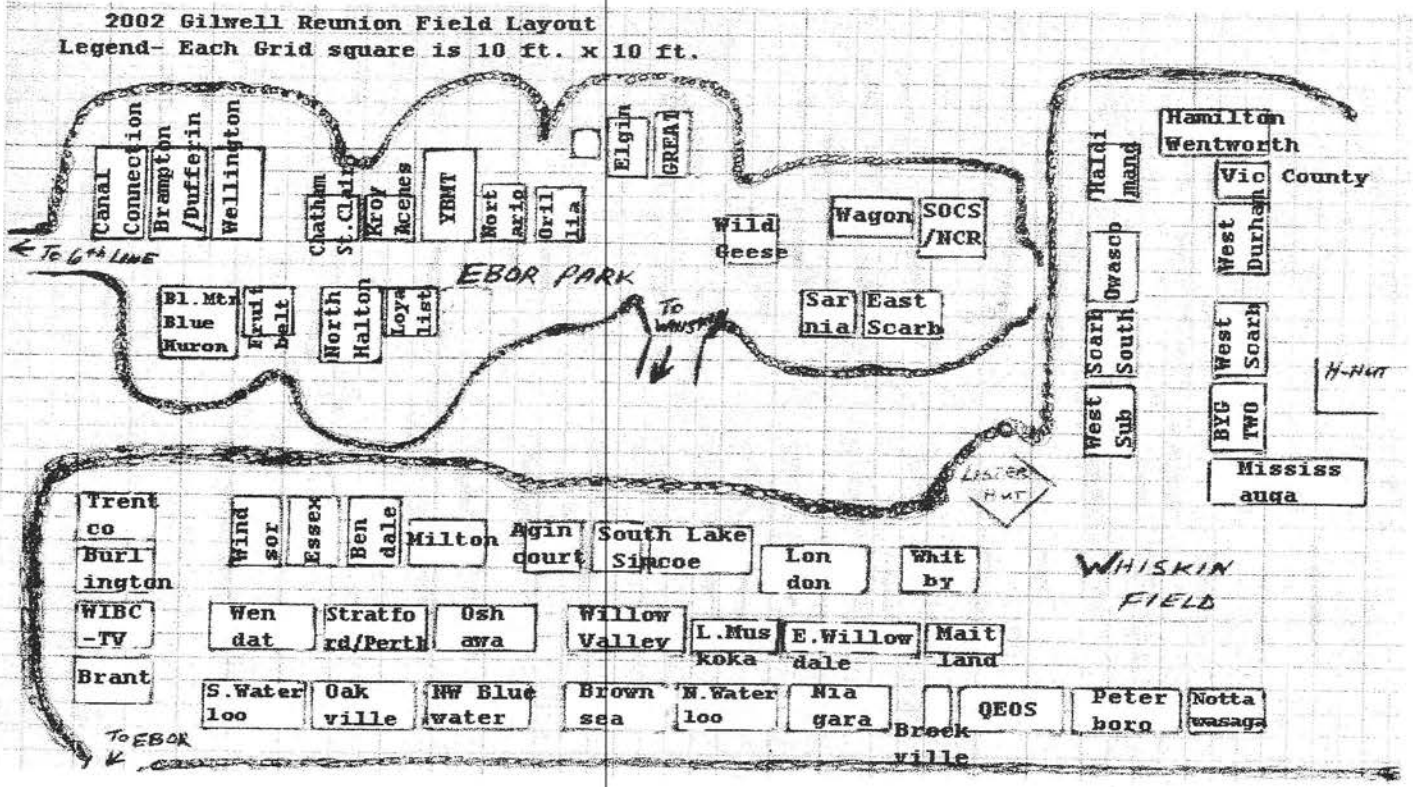
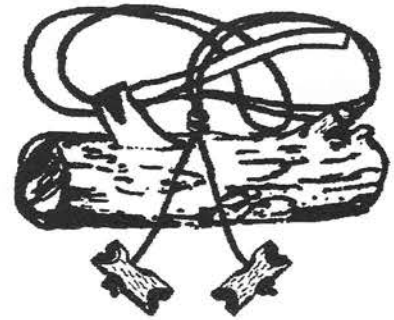
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**You might be a Wood Badger if:
Your yard has grass 10 inches high but
Gilwell field looks great**



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ACCOMMODATIONS AND FIRST AID

North Waterloo

We have two Shuttle buses this year from Denny's Bus Line in Acton. One is a 21 passenger and the other is a 23 passenger bus. They will run the loop during the following times:

- Friday - 1:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.
- Saturday - 7:30 a.m. - 12:30 a.m.
- Sunday - 7:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Buses will not run during the ceremonies.



Located at the bottom lower left of Ridley Lodge-Superior Room. If someone requires assistance, we are available 24 hours a day. Don't walk someone to us if they are not well. We will come to them. If you are a first aider, doctor or nurse and want to

offer your assistance, stop by and let us know who you are and where you are located. We always appreciate extra help.

Working Contingents should designate their own First Aider until the St John Ambulance is on site. (Friday 5:00 p.m.)



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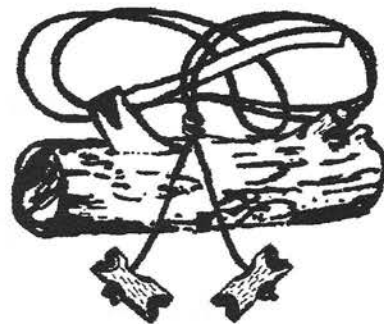
Located in the lower section of Ridley Lodge, entrance by the phone booth. Come, relax and enjoy a quiet moment reliving the memories from your Part II.

- Friday 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
- Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 p.m.
- 1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

NO SUNDAY HOURS

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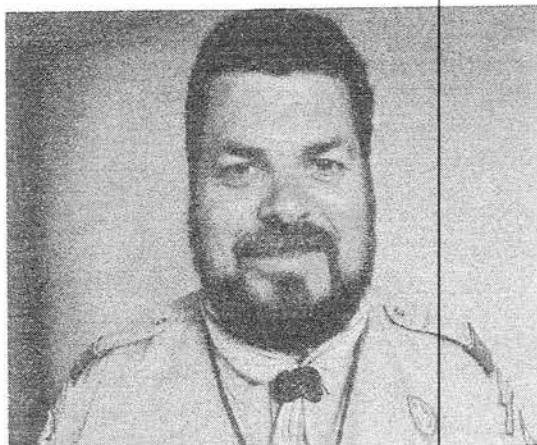


CAMP CHIEF'S MESSAGE

It is with great humility that I agreed to be Camp Chief for this year's Reunion. Recognition like this by one's peers is a great honour indeed!

Reunion is an event that brings old friends together and introduces us to new ones in an environment of camaraderie, fun and reflection.

This year marks the 65th Anniversary of the Blue Springs Scout Reserve and when purchased, the primary focus was to provide an outdoor centre for Gilwell training. I had the opportunity recently to get an in depth history lesson on the camp and its facilities. Lister Hut and the Kekedowigamig were transported from Ebor Park in Brantford where a great deal of Gilwell Training was done prior to the opening of Blue Springs in 1937. Take the time to look around this weekend and appreciate the natural beauty of this beautiful facility.



I would like to add a big thank you to all of the contingents that are giving of their time and energies to make this Reunion possible. Volunteers are the lifeblood of the Scouting movement and responsible for developing the citizens of tomorrow, and I would personally like to thank you for your dedication to our youth.

In closing, I hope everyone has a great time and enjoys the Reunion as much as I will.

**Good Scouting,
Jack Welsh
Camp Chief**

THE TEDDY BEARS ON PARADE

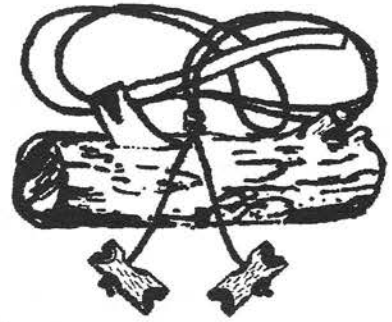
Again this year the Ontario Gilwell Committee has chosen to have a Teddy Bear collection. If you brought bears for the count, bag them, put them on display in your contingent area and take them back home for distribution. Some contingents may have left their bears at home so we hope they have a picture of their collection



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The Carnival

(First impressions of a first time Attendee)

A September weekend for a select few. The drive is hours to days, to arrive at the big event. Like all carnivals it begins in an empty field. I will meet close friends for breakfast at a nearby truck stop. A good morning to a large beautiful breakfast, with HUGS as the appetizer and dessert.

Encouragement towards the building of a Tent City. The line is already forming to move in. Old faces greet you with the energy of young children. Anticipation builds. More HUGS.

Moving onto the field we start by laying out the poles and tarps for our home away from home. Here we will greet all that wish to join us. Shortly more canvasses are raised and the city builds.

Many interruptions for those HUGS, signs and election promises are proudly displayed for tomorrow's great event. Miles of footwear will be worn down, leaving your arms and legs feeling weak.

The sun falls and the sweat finally starts to dry from the brow, from the day's chores. We finally sit down, and gather around for choruses or laughter and sounds of Christmas Carols down the pathway to help cool the muggy evening. Music and Dance in the turn around for those that won't drop. More walks to finish the day, then lay down to a steamy night's sleep on your sleeping bag and hay.

Morning breaks fast, with very little sleep, with an hour or two of relief from yesterday's heat.

Coffee, coffee, coffee is the order of the day and a good breakfast with some relaxation before the carnival begins. Miles and miles are yet to come.

As with all carnivals, the sideshows are from our main tent with, the roadways between the tents with many attractions. Calls for body painting, messages and games of chance. Courts of infractions for no legal purpose. Costumes of wild animals, princesses, and babies of all ages and wizards. Artifacts of different age and cultures,

from all kinds of origins that are not normally seen on a day to day basis. Just line up to see all and to enjoy the participation.

The difference to all this menagerie and games of chance is that no one can lose. No money is laid down, just the hand of friendship. All is given with care, joy, and oh yes those HUGS.

Gilwell 2001, the 50th Anniversary, I had the pleasure to attend for the first time. I know nothing changed in all fifty years. The care has always been there. It is where people come to meet old friends and make new ones. Sisters and brothers from around the world, come to meet each other. It's the biggest Family Reunion with all the fixings just; like all families with great numbers, The Scouting Family.

Games, games, games,
Laughter, tears of joy,
Sleepless night filled with songs.
Antics

None give in until their eyes close.
Here ends a short tradition and joy for one purpose.
To show the sincerity of caring and the joy of the children we share our time to help grow. They are part of the Scouting family we share our daily lives with.

This wonderful interpretation was sent to me and I thought it worth printing. **Bernie Barbeau** attended his first reunion in 2001, and wrote this message. **Bernie attends the reunion with BYGTWO. Thank you for sharing your feelings with us Bernie.**

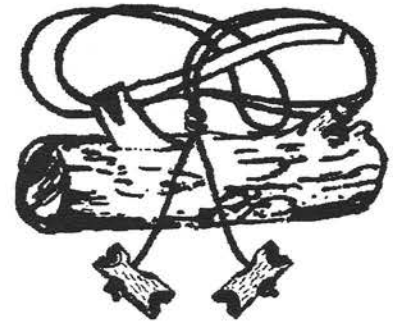
THE STORE HOURS

Friday	7:30pm - 9:30 p.m.
Saturday	9:00am - 10:30am
Closed for opening	
Saturday	11:00am - 12:00
Closed for lunch	
Saturday	1:30pm - 5:00pm



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Jewish Scouts Own

Ted SEVERE, BSA., will be hosting the Jewish Scouts' Own service Friday 13th evening at 7p.m. at the reunion. The service is open to all Scouters of the Jewish faith and will be held in the Trillium 'RED' Room of Ridley Lodge.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

There are a number of places of worship for different faiths within the vicinity of Blue Springs. Those who would like to attend any one of the religious services may obtain further details from **Maria Guest**. I may be contacted at the **London** contingent. In the event that I am not around at the time of your call, kindly leave your name and contingent and I shall contact you at the next earliest opportunity.

CAMPFIRE –Saturday night.

OWASCO contingent will provide an open formal campfire contained in the fire dish in the amphitheatre, providing a traditional campfire for Gilwell participants. Ashes from former campfires and from B-P's grave will be added to the fire. There will be a container available for those who wish to contribute ashes from their own special fires. Since this is a formal campfire the following protocol will be used: no flashlights during campfire, no smoking and no clapping. Song sheets will be distributed Saturday to all contingents.

Square Dancing????? This year we will have a D.J. on the lawn on Friday evening probably after 8 p.m.

A TEAM EFFORT

One of Log'n Beads first problems was to get the borrowed photo copier to work. We checked every connection possible. Without a manual, we were stumped. Enter "Spud" Ramses from Mississauga who suggested putting in new toner. Did that and we needed toner, but the "no go" light still flashed. Thanks to Andrea Yurkiw of North Waterloo and Mary Webb of South Lake Simcoe for locating the do-dad that wasn't

completely connected to the what-do-you-call-it, the copier is working. THANKS to all.

HOW TO HAVE AN 'IDEAL' SCOUTING YEAR.

WHAT IS AN IDEAL YEAR? Take a moment to close your eyes and envision what things you would like to see happen in this 'Scouting' year. **WHAT DID YOU SEE?** Does it seem out of reach? If so, Why?

Virtually anything you can think of is attainable if you plan and go for it! One of the keys to achieving your 'Ideal' year is to have other people buy into your vision. Few people will buy into anything if they do not see how or why it is important to them. You must also keep an open mind concerning others' points of view and ideas.

A CELEBRATION OF LIFE

It is with deep regret we announce the passing of **Father Pat Byrne**. Father Pat was a former member of the Executive Staff in Ontario, and a former member of the Supply and Service Committee at the National Council. Visitation will take place this Sunday evening and Monday afternoon and evening (September 15th and 16th) at Stoddart's Funeral Home located at 24 Mill Street in Lindsay. The Funeral Mass will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, September 17th at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church on Russell Street East in Lindsay.

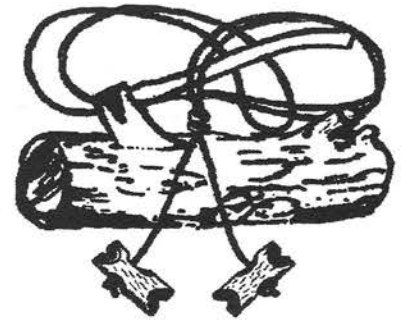
You Might be a Wood Badger..

If your baby's first words were "Back to Gilwell"

If your trip to the Holy land means Gilwell Park England

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Elections 2002

For Reunion 2003 we require at least FOUR candidates to step into the committee roles being vacated by the outgoing representatives. Let us have at least FIVE candidates and then we can have an election.

Let's face it folks, Reunions don't just happen. For fifty-one years energetic Scouters have stepped forward and shared the adventure of planning for the Reunions as members of the committees. Talk to your contingent and select a candidate to run this year. If two smaller contingents join together and operate as one unit you share the experience of working together and finding new friends.

Talk with Maria Guest from London whose contingent is organizing Elections.

PAPER TRAIL



Last year we were given some figures by the Log 'n' Beads people that they used 32,000 sheets or 9



kilometers of paper. That's a lot of Scout Trees. This also means off site printing and brings the cost of printing up near the \$2.00 mark per copy. That's approximately \$4,000 for paper, printing and rental of equipment.

The suggestion from some would be to print two copies per contingent and let them copy what would be required at home. Or present them with an electronic copy (CD) to be taken home and copied for the contingent. How many people save their Log 'n' Beads beyond a reading or two any way? Be prepared to answer that question when a reporter approaches you this weekend.

Jack Welsh Camp Chief and Klutz

Jack Welsh Reunion Camp Chief 2002 also doubles as one of Whitby's Chefs. Friday morning Chef Jack demonstrated his ability to spread it around. The assembled masses waiting for their breakfast would be most appreciative if the next time Jack shakes the Orange Juice, he would first check to make sure the top is secured.

NEW REGISTRATION SYSTEM

Come and get the inside scoop on the new Canadian Online Registration System (Membership Management System). Three half-hour seminars will be held Saturday evening at 7:15 p.m., 9:45 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. These seminars will give the leaders perspective and an overview of the system. They will be presented by John Hancock and Clyde Harris of Agincourt who have been training the GTR Registrars.

From Glenda Scott, Agincourt

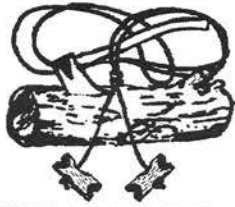
SANITATION news from Agincourt!!!

We encourage you to use the permanent kybos especially in the sleeping areas. Look for special surprises !! The kybos will be marked with trail tape and snap lights at night.

Pictured here is Harold Connell from Mississauga. Harold plays a narrow kick drum complete with the Log'n Beads and axe. Draped over the drum is a McClaren tartan scarf and a Sher Khan "hide". According to Harold, the difference between the McClaren tartan and the patch on the Gilwell necker is the patch doesn't have the black stripe. Once again something new to learn.

By Pat McFarland

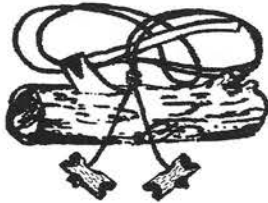




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<u>Group</u>	<u>Afternoon Activity</u>	<u>Evening Activity</u>
1st Mississauga		Barrel of Fun
South Lake Simcoe		Giant Pumpkin Trick or Treat
North Waterloo	Ultimate Croquet	North Waterloo October Fest
Whitby		Hawaiian Luau
Wagon		Hot tub
East Willowdale	Kub Kar Races	
West Sub Region	Sonic Event/and give aways	Subs and Road Kill Soup
London	Butterfly Making	
Agincourt	"Lord of the Rings"	Morning and Afternoon
Stratford / Perth	Mystery Raffle	
L. Muskoka	Balloonn games and Draws	fun, fun fun
Brownsea	Mexican Fiesta with Roasted Iguana	1 legged frog race/iguana races
S. Waterloo	Making of Turks Head Woggles	
WIBC TV	Give aways	
Burlington	Foot Bathing	
Canal Connection	Carnival,All the world's a Circus	Canal crunchies and give aways
Brampton / Dufferin	Draws	50's Music Quiz, Twister Game
Elgin	Silk Screening	Draws and Give aways
Willow Valley	We're going Quacky	
Oshawa	Valentine Theme, Love knots	Bring Your own Skits, enter the King and Queen Contest
Essex	Raffle Table	Mother Hubbard's Soup, blind action
WEDAT	Give Aways	Karaoke
Peterborough	Give Aways / Draws	
Wellington	Give Aways	Twister Game
Chatham/ St Claire	Draws	Toast and Tomato Soup
Orillia	Silk Screening	Friendship Tea
GREAT	Beads	Soup Kitchen
SOCS/NCR	Raffle and Handouts, hugs all day	
Sarnia		Wine and Cheese (non alc)
Blue Mtn/Blue Huron	Free love and Flower Power	Luck draw and Games
Fruit Belt	Fruit cocktail with a twist/ give aways Fruit cocktail with a twist/ give aways	
North Halton	Friendship beads	
Loyalist	Peace Signs, Give aways, draws	Fruit Cups, Draws
Owasco	Friendship Sticks, make two 1 for a friend and 1 goes to Africa to be distributed to Scouters in Mozambique who'll return their friendship sticks at next reunion. Make instruments for campfire	Glow-in-the-dark croquet competition with prizes
Northwest Bluewater	Raffle	French Bistro
Niagara	Golf Challenge	OU 7
Windsor	Raffles	Hockey Night in Canada
Nottawasaga	Draws and freebees	Bingo



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2002 Reunion "NEWBIES"

WAGON

Lorraine MacLean

HAMILTON

Shirley Smith

Sally Marion

Claude Pardiac

Mark Sferrazza

Larry Thorell

PETERBOROUGH

"Big Bill" Uttley

NORTH WATERLOO

Ted Claxton

Sarah Kassa

Robert MacDonalad

Phil Wicks

Beverly Wood

George Minow

WEST SUB

Cheryl Parsons

John King

Norma Thompson

Mike Arnold

LONDON

Debbie Glem

Jeff Blanchard

Vic Stewart

Dale Snively

LAKE MUSKOKA

Shelly Hendryks

WHITBY

Iain Perkin

CANAL CONNECTION

Sue Ablack

Brian Baker

Darren Drywood

Suzanna Martin

Sheila Mason

MISSISSAUGA

Rob & Rose Brown

BLUE Mtn./ BLUE HURON

Lee Ann Shaw

Nancy White-Murray

YBMT

Peter Venasse

Scott Beaver

Dan Huber

NORONTARIO

Brenda Jogenson

Nicky Patterson

STRATFORD PERTH

Rob Malcho

WILLOW VALLEY

Pat Lansche

Liane Soles

David Fernando

Denise Siebert

OSHAWA

Sherry Barber

ESSEX

Barb Reeter

Shirley Marchand

WEDAT

Shayne Aylward

Dan Wakelin

Mark Stubbings

Suzanne Hussey

Alex Kleiner

Andy Manderson

Harvey Brooks

Denine Scott

Paul Scott

Dave Forkutz

WELLINGTON

Liz Taylor

Chuck Taylor

Peter Jasper Fayer

Paul Baker

Dave Rippon

CHATHAM/ST. CLAIR

Victor Noble

BRAMPTON

Dennis McKeegan

Theresa Cornish

Melissa Foster

ORILLIA

Libardo Arcila

ELGIN

Glen Earl

Brian Everett

FRUIT BELT

Bruce Downs

Joe Deveaux

Greg Cadieux

NORTH HALTON

Kevin Moore

Mike Farrugia

OWASCO

Pat Romer

AGINCOURT

Julie Chow

Joshua Chung

Chris Colbert

Anne Kozich

Kim Roberts

NORTHWEST BLUEWATER

Lori Eaton

Ed Buckle

David Mullenex

Debbie Reid

BRANT

Marie Ann Anderson

Frank Anderson

Gerry Boire

Michael Maluk

Q.E.O.S

John Lange

Chuck Simon

Kelly Gilbert

WEST DURHAM

Jane Marnock

WINDSOR

Bob Mero

Debi Jenkins

Paula Thompson

Michelle Pillar

Michelle Cassel

(new to Windsor)

Dave Vizarel

WEST SCARBOROUGH

Darlene Kelley

VICTORIA

Jim Walter

Scott Coughlin

WILD GEESE

Cees Clewsen

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Steve Watson

BENDALE

Ian Mole

Tarquin barber

Marg Eggleton

Brian South

SOUTH WATERLOO

Rochelle Read

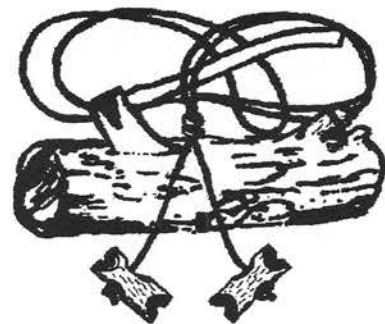
John Ferguson



ATTENTION NEWBIES – See Windsor Contingent for a free bumper sticker: "CAUTION: GILWELLIAN ON BOARD"

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Election "Bio-s"

Don MacAngus *Hamilton's "BIG MAC"*. Come on over to the Hamilton Contingent for a complimentary glass of MAC-orange drink and meet our candidate Don MacAngus. Don has been a leader for over 36 years and was at his first reunion in 1974. Currently working with Troop, Don has also been a Venturer advisor, a Rover leader and a Divisional Area Commissioner in Hamilton. Don is single (and still looking!) and offered to run this year as he wanted to make a difference and ensure the reunion continues to be fun for many years ahead.

ELECTIONS:

Volunteer or Voluntell?

By now you have all seen the "Help Wanted" flyers... yet we are still in need of candidates for elections! As there are 4 committee members "retiring" after this 51st reunion, we need to replace these folks with 4 more. As well, there is still one vacancy from last year!

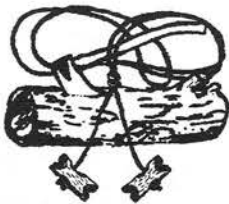
Why are elections important? We need new blood, new ideas and new people to organize the 52nd Gilwell Reunion. In a nutshell, the duties of a committee member include: attending 4 planning meetings in 2002-2003; being responsible for organizing your contingent into a workforce for a selected task at reunion and spreading the fun and friendship to all who attend. The

Help Wanted flyers so far have solicited 3 inquiries from smaller contingents. Such smaller contingents may band together to share the workload, responsibilities and duties of a reunion task. Reunion does not magically happen... it takes a year to plan and pull it all together. But in the end, it's worth it! We take it all step by step and the new Committee members get lots of coaching and encouragement from current and past members. My first year on the Committee was terrific and I'm looking forward with gusto to having fun and helping to organize the 2003 Reunion. Don't be afraid to take the challenge to be part of the Reunion Committee. It's volunteers like you and me that keep Reunions going year to year and thus keep the Scouting movement alive and well.

Step forward and volunteer yourself and your contingent so the current committee avoids having to voluntell Gilwellians their assignments for next year.

Maria Guest





GONE HOME IN 2002

Agincourt

Jim (Spider) Snyder

A brief memorial ceremony will be held for Jim (Spider) Snyder of Baltimore who was a regular and well-loved attendee with Agincourt. Please gather on memory lane at 5pm on Saturday.

BYGTWO

Violet (Vicky) Moore

The BYGTWO contingent misses the presence of Scouter Vicky Moore this year. A former Guider, Beaver Leader, Beaver Service Scouter and Assistant Cook at Woodland trails, Vicky joined Scouting 20 years ago as it was only going to require "one hour a week"! Vicky has been coming to reunion since 1976 and was responsible for knitting the Gilwell committee hats in 1983. The mother of 2 boys and 2 girls, Vicky was also a 2nd World War vet with service in the CWAC (Canadian Women's Army Corps).

Peterborough

Peterborough Gilwellians mourned the loss of two of our senior members.

Lionel Brown passed away on Sept. 8, 2001 following a lengthy illness. He served Peterborough Scouting as a Pack and Venturer Leader, District Commissioner and District President. He received many special awards but he was most proud of his Medal of Merit in 1983.

Bev Kindree passed away on June 7, 2002. He served the youth as a Troop Scouter, and was particularly appreciated for his knowledge of camping skills. He had been a Gilwellian for 45 years. They will be missed.

Q.E.O.S:

Elrena Matthews: Passed away September 2001. One of the Founding Members and Honorary Life Member of the Quinte East Odds and Sods (Q.E.O.S.). She will be sadly missed by all the members of the contingent and all the youth she served in her 30 plus years in Scouting in Napanee Valley District. Elrena, throughout her career in Scouting, served as one of the first Beaver Leaders in Napanee Valley, on the Service Team, and participated on Gilwell Part I and II Training Courses. With many adversities in life Elrena was there with a smile on her face and a good word for all doing a good turn to all in the Scouting Spirit. God Bless You Elrena we MISS YOU and know that you will always be with us when we meet each year in the old happy camping grounds.

South Lake Simcoe

Mary Dack was a well-loved member of South Lake Simcoe. She went home this past spring at the young age of 40. She had been involved in Scouting for the past 9 years. Mary was a Colony Trainer for the past 3 years, the South West Area Commissioner for the past 5 years and a dedicated Beaver Leader for 9 years. She was the heart and Soul of the 1st Mount Albert Beavers. She was a single parent. Her son Zack is 14 years old. She received her Medal for Good Service in 1999. Mary was the Social Convener of the Red Arrow Scouters Club for their monthly meetings. Mary was very active at her local church and school and community. Mary will be greatly missed by everyone who knew her.

Hamilton:

Don Riddiough went home in Marc 2002. Don was a cub leader for 27 years and received his Beads in 1978. Don worked as a trainer in the Hamilton region for over 20 years as well. He was an Area Commissioner for the years between 1993-1995, received the Medal of Merit in 1994 and the Bar to the Medal of Merit in 1999. He will be missed.

Len Brittain- October 2001

Doug Yeomans- April 2002

Hamilton/ Fruit Belt:

John Kencher

Burlington:

Doug Eddy

WIBC-TV

Frank Shoebottom

Sylvia Milmine

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Stratford:

Keith Orchard - Nov 2001

YBMT:

Terry Grant

Canal Connection:

Carole Marchand

London:

Jeanette Putnam Aziz (Beads 1946)

Irene Robinson (Beads 1943)

Murray Packer (Beads 1989)

Oshawa

Steve Peters, He made the mug-a-lugs and made the cute wiggles. Jolly and good natured person. Missed by the entire group.

Brampton

Wally Imon; April 25/02. Received Beads in 1971, President, Troop Leader, Medal of Merit.

Chatham/St. Clair

Amos McIntyre - Pack, Troop and Venturer Leader, Medal of Good Service, Kub Kar Co-ordinator, District President, ADC Rovers, ADC Venturers.

Richard (Doc) Oliphant- over 15 years as a Pack Scouter

SOCS:

Jim Lindala; Area Commissioner Sherwood/SunnyBrook, active in Finnish Community, Principal at various Toronto schools, Chair of 199th Toronto

Sarnia

Dr John Dunn (Chemist); Cub Leader for over 40 years with St. Bartholomew

Loyalist

George Sawinski from Cornwall was DC for Cornwall with over 50 years of Scouting

OWASCO

Dave Wardrop, Scouter from Clairmont Group for 25 years

Niagara

June Sturgis

Hugh Detler

Margaret Barden

Fritz Ghan

Brant

Stu Murchie

East Willowdale

Vern Bauer, a Scouter with Boy Scouts of America since 1959, passed away on August 26, 2002. At his surprise 85th birthday party held at the AHT plant where he 'd worked as a machinist for 69 years, he looked forward to his annual trip to Canada. Since September 1971, Vern's vacation included a trip to the Gilwell Reunion. "His sense of humour was his best quality", said many of his friends. He may have looked his age but he didn't act it.

Brampton

Hally Eman

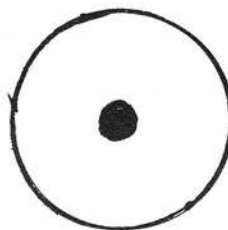
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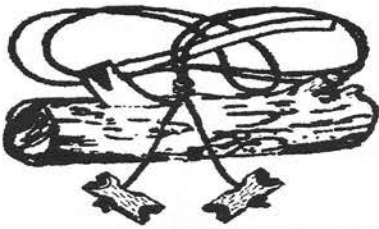
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Norm Miller

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The Elgin contingent tells us that for anything that happens in Blue Springs, it's Brin's fault.

Pieces of EIGHT

The Parking Committee sends their thanks to Phylis Wells of Brampton for the Crunchie Bar that the eight Scouters shared. They thank all folk who have kept them supplied with goodies

Unhinged

We've a wooden cupboard
That still adorns our wall,
It used to have two doors
'Til one seemed to "take a fall".

One sad day its hinges gave way,
The door began to creak,
Next thing 'twas on the floor.
'So with intent a new hinge to seek.

We used a zillion miles of gas,
Spent hours on many a quest
To find that "specific" hinge
That would fix our door the best.

Our son attempted "closure"
To repair the door for us
But in the fast pace of living,
The task proved to be too much.

Friends and neighbours gathered 'round,
Each giving us advice
And offering to "help us"
To 'restore' that 'unhinged' door –real nice!

But that was many moons ago
The year was '89
We've still a cupboard with one door,
Yet it serves our needs just fine.

Now the purpose of this winsome verse
Is in the wisdom from the chase
'Cause if the other door e'er falls off
We'll consider it God's grace
J.R.Jay

East Willowdale invites all who are interested in Rovers to come and talk Roving with Stan Kowalski who is the editor of The Canadian "Rover Eh!" magazine. He will be in camp all weekend.

A BIG THANK YOU – FROM A HAPPY CAMPER!
Thank you to the person or persons who removed my tent, -the one with the pink lei on it – from my nice comfy spot free of stones.... I just would like to know what you did with my tent pegs that were attached to the tent when you picked up my home???? ☺

PREPARATION FOR CAMPFIRE

Owasco have handed out song sheets this morning so you may practice the songs to be used at campfire this evening. The Owasco Glee club will lead the singing at campfire.

Owasco also reminds you to bring your campfire ashes to their marquee before the campfire this evening – look for the special container.

Acton Food Share

North Halton is again this year (their 20th Anniversary) collecting food for the Acton Food Share. Murray Harrison is the coordinator, assisted by Lynn Clark. Lynn does her Scouting in Hamilton with the 31st Hamilton Scout Troop. She took her Part II several years ago, and is also a Girl Guide Leader. They have been very thankful in the past for our donations, as this is the low period for giving so there is a great need. They bring coolers and containers. Food can be loose or open. It goes to a Low Housing neighbourhood group and the local food bank. They are very proud to arrive with a beige van and red pick-up truck filled, with no room for passengers. Thank you again from the North Halton Contingent.

By Norm Long & Ev Rosenburgh

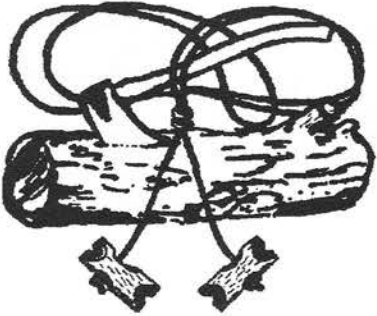
SCOUTS CANADA FOUNDATION

Two main goals:

- 1 - to raise funds for grants to councils and groups
- 2 - scholarships for youth

For information: John Rietveld 1-888-855-3336 or
www.scouts.ca/foundation

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TERRY FOX RUN

Scouters who are interested in participating in the Terry Fox run may do so at the Acton High School until 3pm on Sunday.

BP GUILD

The 46 new BP Guild members are invited to the Chatham/St Clair contingent for an investiture at 7pm on Saturday evening.

JOKE:
An old Scouter took his dog to the vet afraid that it may be dead. The vet pronounces the dog dead but the old Scouter is not satisfied. The vet therefore proceeds to bring in a cat which sniffs the dog and runs away. Then the vet brings in another dog who sniffs the Scouter's dog and runs out too. The vet then hands the old Scouter the death certificate and a bill for \$400. "Four Hundred dollars!!!" exclaims the old Scouter... "Yes" says the vet, "that's \$50 for me, \$250 for the "cat scan" and \$100 for the "Lab" report.

Missy the Wonder Dog (Hearing Ear Dog) is retiring, after 8 years in harness. Next year a male dog by the name of Iggy will be here.



OUR BLUE SPRINGS PIPE BAND

It started with Rick Paterson (Oshawa) piping in the Main Field in the morning and marching through the marquees to welcome early risers in 1990.

The band expanded to include drum major Ted Severe (West Scarborough) and drum sergeant Rob Fleming (Sudbury). Other members are Candy Stott (North Bay), Vic Lenius (Willow Valley),

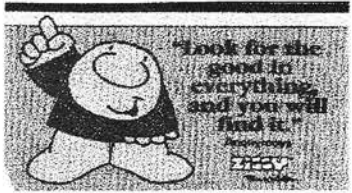


Ron Ross (Peterborough), Harold Connell (Mississauga). Mike Randall (Oshawa) is in charge of the Colour Party.

The band performs at all ceremonies during the Gilwell weekend. New members are welcome to join in. Ted Severe has designed the band crest.

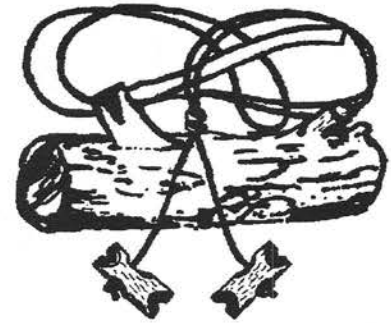
By Pat McFarland

AS A FORMER PIPER with over 30 yrs. Experience, I have to say I can't remember too many times that I have been so deeply moved during "Amazing Grace" as during Opening Ceremonies.



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Hot Items in the Store this Year

- Blue Springs 65th Anniversary T-shirt - all sizes available - \$15-\$17
- MEMORABILIA-MEMORABILIA-MEMORABILIA - come and see what goodies are in stock from the early 50s and even further back.
- Complete set of 9 Blue Springs pictures without frames \$15
- Coloured Blue Spring print unframed \$5, or framed \$15. Wood used for frames all came from Blue Springs. (If all sold, artist will make more at home.) All proceeds go to the Blue Springs fund. (Scouter Don Drywood, Burlington District), Watch out Thomas Kincaid!
- See Karen for lots of great info on special events for your youth including Project Wet, Mountain Man Weekend and Igloo Camp in Feb.
- Store hours 1:30-5:00 p.m.

Wee Wob (Rob Ridley) is the new Executive Director in Adironta Council , starting 10 days ago, and is, of course, swamped with the heavy load of the new season. We wish him all the best. For all who know Rob we are confident he will do a great job for the Council. Congratulations Rob.

John Nichols of Stratford Perth Contingent was recently installed as the new Sovereign Grand Chaplain of the worldwide governing body of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. John is now responsible for the leadership of more than three million Odd Fellows and Rebekah Lodge members throughout the world. Bet it's more than an hour and a half per week! Congratulations John!

Until There's a Flame April 5/01

*The logs are cold until there's flame
And oft our lives are much the same.
Then logs become a campfire bright
And give our lives a brand new light.*
Tom Wheatley

Opening Ceremonies

The Reunion Committee "The Top Bananas" were preceded by the Blue Springs Gillwell Pipe and Drums. After raising the Flag, the singing of O'Canada and The Star Spangled Banner the strains of Amazing Grace filled the quiet air as Scouters contemplated our place in the world since last Reunion.

"Shortly after the reunion, an unthinkable event changed the outlook of this world. Peace, Harmony and the Unity that we once knew took on a new dimension. Friendship redefined itself." said George Lim Chairman of the Reunion Committee

Speaker Yvonne Gibson was introduced by Past Reunion Chair Dave Kish. He mentioned her 54 year relationship with Scouting, starting in Riverdale. She has been a Cub & Beaver Leader. As a 4th Bead Scouter, who has received her bar to the Medal of Merit, she spoke of her bag of memories in Scouting which she likened to bricks on the road of Scouting. Yvonne led us all down memory lane asking us to remember our first date and our first reunion (which brought many chuckles from the crowd.) She told us about Joey who brought Billy to a "Bring a Buddy Night". Billy wanted to become a Cub in the worst way. As the Akela, she asked him to come the following week with a note from his Mom verifying that he was in fact 8 years old. He arrived with a note that read: "Deere Akela

Billy is eight, He is small for his age, But he is 8.
His Mom.

Billy became a Chaplain and is now retired. Joey became an arsonist.

Wellington Contingent News

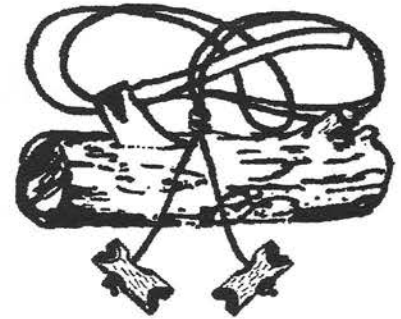
DAVID RIPPON (Guelph) and MARIANE COULOMBE (Montreal) met at CJ 2001 in PEI and will be married at World Jamboree in Thailand, Jan.2003. They are both Troop Scouters at 1st Erindale, Mississauga. Best Wishes!

Gilwellian Crests

Is there a group out there that wishes to split an order of Gilwellian crests (the long strip)? See Martha at West Sub Region.

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BLUE SPRINGS SCOUT RESERVE 65TH ANNIVERSARY

This reserve is 100 acres in extent, with cedar trees predominating. A spring has formed a miniature lake, the water being pure and cool, and through the mineral content assumes a blue appearance. Hence the name of Blue Springs.

In February of 1937 it was reported that the purchase of Blue Springs Park had been concluded at a cost of \$3500.00.

At the April 12 1937 meeting the recommendation was made to name the property "Blue Springs Scout Reserve".

The blockhouse and the granite stone cairn are still on the property as they were constructed.

The reserve formally opened on July 21 1937.

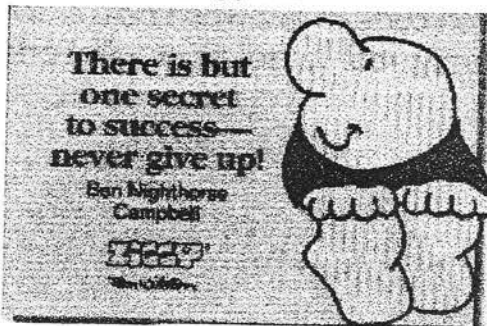
The first warden for Blue Springs was Mr. Alex Kingsbury who began his employment on June 1 1963.

On June 1 1965 the Blue Springs Flag Protocol was to be as follows:

- Canadian Flag in Camp
- Ontario Flag at the Cairn

The Buildings that have been erected have been built at a minimum cost due to the donation of labour and materials for these various projects.

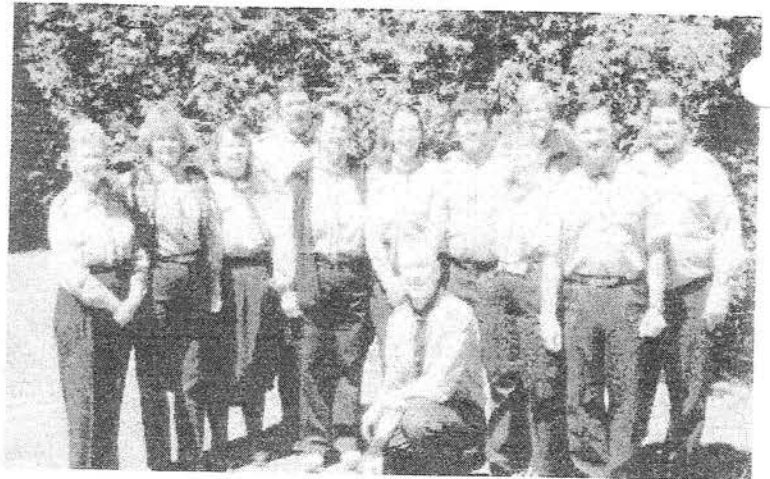
Blue Springs has been the mainspring of Scout activity throughout the Province and has been the means of inspiring and encouraging many leaders in their work among youth.



Awards

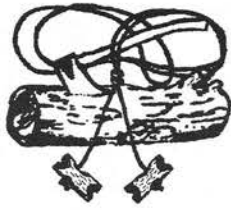
Congratulations to the Following Gilwellians who earned the **Silver Acorn Award** this year:

- Arn Allen - Peterborough
 - Lenore Allen - Peterborough
 - David Cooper - Scarborough
 - Allan Griffin - Ottawa
 - Charles Lawrence- Mississauga
 - David Read - Thornhill
 - Walter George Reid - Oshawa
 - Mike Scott - St Catherines
- and the **Bar to the Silver Acorn**
- Gillian Heath - Oshawa
 - Douglas Mason - Gormley
 - Ron C. Nicholson - Toronto
 - Edward Phillips - Oshawa



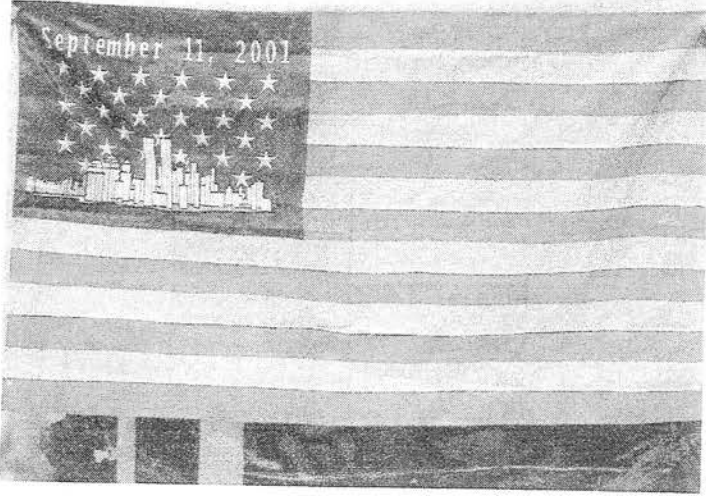
L-R Yvonne Gibson, Brigitte Jordan, Glenda Scott, Dave Kish, Maria Guest, Michele Buckley, George Lim, Donna Cunningham, Harry Niezen, Rick Koohtow, Jack Walsh, Kneeling, Bob Prentice.





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Ragged Old Flag

I walked through a Country Court House Square
On a park bench an old man was sittin' there.
I said, "Your old Court House is kinda run down",
He said, " Naw, it'll do for our little town."
I said, "Your old flag pole is leaned a little bit,
And that's a ragged ol flag you got ahingin' on it."
He said, "Have a seat," and I sat down.
He said, "Is this the first time you have been to our little town?"
I said, "I think it is," He said, "I don't like to brag,
But we're kinda proud of that ragged old flag."
You see, we got a little hole in that flag there
When Washington took it across the Delaware,
And it got powder burned the night that Frances Scott Key
Sat a watchin' and writin' " O Say Can You See"
And it got a bad rip in New Orleans with
Pachenhome and Jackson tuggin' at its seams
And it almost fell at the Alamo
Beside the Texas Flag, but she waved on tho'.
She got cut with a sword at Chancellorsville
And she got cut again at Shiloh Hill.
There was Robert E. Lee, Beauregard and Bragg
And the South Wind blew hard on that ragged old flag.
At Flanders Field in World War I,
She got a big hole from a Beretha Gun.
She turned blood red in World War II.
She hung limp and low a time or two.
She was in Korea and Vietnam,
She went there 'cause she was sent by her Uncle Sam.
She waved from our ships upon the briny foam,
And now she's about quit wavin' her back here at home.
In her own good land, here she's been abused,
She's been burned, dishonored, denied, refused
And the government for which she stands
Is scandalized throughout the land.
She's getting threadbare and tho' she's wearing thin,
'Cause she's in good shape, for the shape she's in.
'Cause she's been through the fire before

And I believe she can take a whole lot more.
So we raise her up every mornin'
We take her down every nite
We don't let her touch the ground
And fold her up right
On second through., I do like to brag,
Cause, " I'M MIGHTY PROUD OF THAT RAGGED OLD FLAG."

From the recording of "The Ragged Old Flag" by Johnny Cash.

E.M.S. What is it? Well it is the Emergency Medical Services provided by The Toronto EMS Medical Venturers and Rovers. At the reunion, we are skillfully taken care of by 6 youth members of the Toronto EMS Medical Venturers and Rovers and three of their adult leaders.

In the Toronto area there are two groups, one 1st Downsview with a total of 25 Venturers and 10 Rovers (wow what numbers) and 1st Scarborough with 12 Venturers and 8 Rovers. These youth members are trained in Emergency and Standard First Aid by trained Paramedics. The EMS Medical Venturers and Rovers Program was started in B.C. in 1978 and from there it expanded to Toronto in 1990. There are now a number of groups all across Canada with one group in Nova Scotia, two in Ottawa, one in York Region, one in Thunder Bay with the newest just starting in Calgary. These groups are chartered as such by Scouts Canada.

The youth members in the group that is here with us today came together and formed a group because of a teen murder in their neighbourhood. Then General Manager of the Toronto E.M.S. group is Ron Kelusky and he is a very enthusiastic supporter of this type of programming for Scouting.

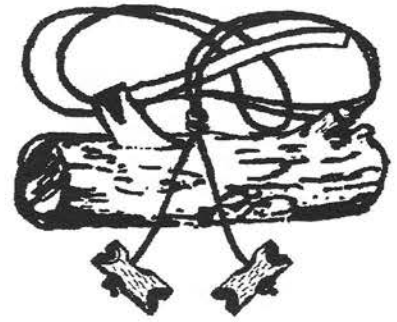
The youth members in this group through their involvement in the E.M.S. Medical Venturers and Rovers receive recognition for community service hours, something that all youth in High School today are required to have before they graduate from High School. If you want any more information about this fantastic and challenging program you can contact Jerry Crawford of the 1st Downsview Group at 4330 Dufferin Street, Downsview, ON M3W 5R9 or call him at (416)392-2075. Jerry's e-mail address is jerwforl@city.toronto.on.ca.

A Reunion First ???

Did you know that Jerry Crawford, Court of Honour Chair of the 1st Downsview Group has completed his requirements and will be presented with his Gilwell necker and Woodbadge Saturday evening at Blue Springs? He has worked very hard this weekend with the Med. Services. Congratulations Jerry and welcome to Gilwell.

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Town Crier , Ken Vardy, Peterborough,
Helped to spread the late breaking news.

GILWELL CALENDAR

See you at reunion next year –
September 5, 6 & 7, 2003
And then
September 10 , 11 & 12, 2004
And again
September 9, 10 & 11, 2005
And once more
September 8, 9 & 10, 2006

“ ELECTION” RESULTS

Three candidates were acclaimed during
election nominations:

1. **Don MacAngus** – Hamilton
2. **Jane Redding** – Brant
3. **Linda Gernhaelder** - Wagon

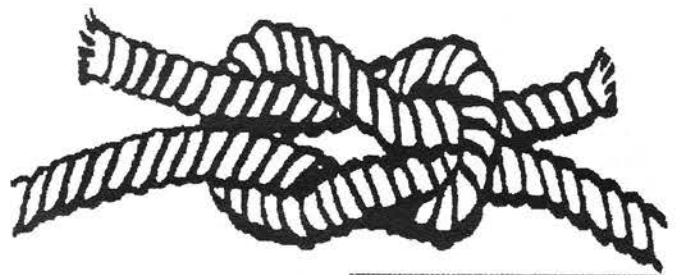
A last minute surprise nomination and
volunteer stepped forward at 8:22pm.!
A mighty big tail slap to **Peter Murison** –
Wendat for volunteering.
Now four of the five vacancies are filled



MY FIVE SENSES

1. A SENSE OF JOY
When I hear children's voices raised in
laughter while at play
2. A SENSE OF WONDER
At the look of rapture on a child's face
when they discover something new and
beautiful in their world.
3. A SENSE OF PLEASURE
When I can help a child learn something
good and they enjoy learning it.
4. A SENSE OF CONTENTMENT
In knowing that I may have helped a child
and myself at the same time
5. A SENSE OF THANKFULNESS
That I have both the opportunity and the
health to feel all five of my five senses.

Submitted by Vic McIntyre



158. Back To Gilwell

D
I used to be a Beaver,
G D
A jolly Beaver, too;
But now I'm through with Beavering
A7
I don't know what to do.
D
I'm growing old and feeble
G D
I can Beaver no more
A7 D
So I'm going to work my ticket if I can.

WHERE TO?

CHORUS

D G
Back to Gilwell, happy land,
D A7 D
I'm going to work my ticket if I can.

Repeat for Wolf Cub; Boy Scout; Venturer; River; Scouter; others as desired.

159. In My Dreams I'm Going Back To Gilwell

D A7
In my dreams, I'm going back to Gilwell,
D G A7
To the joys and the happiness I found
D
On those grand weekends
A7
With my dear old friends
D G A7
And see the training ground.
D A7
Oh, the grass is greener back in Gilwell
D D7 G
And I breathe again that Scouting air,
Em D
While in memory, I see B.P.
G A7 D
Who never will be far from there.

PETERBORO

F C7
PETERBORO, PETERBORO, THAT'S MY STOP
F C7
LISTEN PORTER HERE'S THE PLOT,
F Bb
WHEN I GET IN ON THE OLD FIVE-TEN
C7 F
I'LL NEVER LEAVE THIS TOWN AGAIN.

CHORUS: F C7
CAUSE PETERBORO'S SUCH A LOVELY TOWN,
C7 F
PETERBORO'S WHERE I'M GOING TO SETTLE DOWN
C7
MY GAL AND I GET SUCH A THRILL,
F
LOOKING AT THE MOONLIGHT OVER ARMOUR HILL,
G7
I'LL BUILD A LITTLE COTTAGE DEAR FOR YOU AND ME,
C7 F
ON THE WINDING BANKS OF THE OTONABEE,
Bb F D7
CAUSE PETERBORO'S SUCH A LOVELY LITTLE TOWN,
G7 C7 F
PETERBORO'S WHERE I'M GOING TO SETTLE DOWN.

F C7
PETERBORO CELEBRATES IT'S HUNDREDTH YEAR,
F C7
ROMATIC TALES OF YEARS GONE BY,
F Bb
IT'S BEAUTY DOES MY HEART SO DEAR,
C7 F
I'LL NEVER LEAVE IT TILL I DIE.