

WINTER CAMP NEWS

Winter Camp XXVI

December 30, 2002

Ethan Rein's Morning To Remember

Sunday morning held many great things for all here in attendance, beginning with the long awaited arrival of everyone's favorite former two-time Lodge Adviser, Gordon W. Draper. He showed up around midnight, much to the excitement of the campers still up at that hour. He may have actually shown up before midnight, but, according to Steve Donohue, "It was close. Either way, he was several hours off of his original prediction."

At a more decent hour, the Pancake Breakfast ranked as one of the top three breakfasts in the history of Winter Camp XXVI. After breakfast, we all donned our Sunday Best Uniforms and participated in a terrific Scout's Own Service, led by Phil Kurdunowicz with Brad Alderman as the adviser.

Rounding out the morning was a rousing round of Battle Chess. Three games were played to insure that everyone got to challenge one another. There were two types of challenges, physical and mental. Physical challenges pitted two opponents against each other in a "be the first one to knock your opponent down or out" contest. Mental challenges were either a question from Trivial Pursuit: Volume 2, or a Scout Question from Mr. Draper. Sunday morning will go down as one of the best mornings at Winter Camp XXVI.

Irish Feast

by Scott McHugh

The Irish feast was a very traditional meal. After a very Irish grace by Mr. Donohue we were served corned beef with steamed cabbage. For dessert we had Irish brown cake. This was the first-ever Irish feast and I hope we have others. Personally I think the Irish feast was the best meal so far but I think we'll have to wait till Tuesday to see.

Name That Winter Camp

The answer to yesterday's Name That Winter Camp Photo Contest is Winter Camp XI.

Quotes O' The Day

"Of course it's safe..."

-Zach Polifroni on the many joys of winter activities.

"#@!*&) %^@#!"

-Rob Murphy

"Hey, did you know.....
....." ".....!"

-Scott McHugh

"Once you expand someone's imagination it will never return to it's original size."

-Paul Kupser

"Paulie want a cracker?"

-Garrett Wilson in a feud with Paul Kupser

"Back in the day..."

Back In The Day...

An occasional series about life before
Sam Stocker joined the OA

Old Boy Scouts Never Die...They Just Keep On Serving

--by Gordon Draper

The camp was Beaver Creek at D-A. The year was 1978. There were 5 people involved with the Nature Center at this outstanding Scout facility. All five are still involved in Scouting and two are participants at Winter Camp XXVI.

Bill Fireonko is now an assistant Scoutmaster in Sunset District. Mark Fobare is a Cubmaster in Lake Orion. Frank Grzebyk is an Order of the Arrow adviser in western Michigan. The director of this fantastic center was Jeff Rand and the Beaver Creek Director was Gordon W. Draper (GWD), both of whom

Winter Camp Trivia

by Mark Bollman-->

Answers from yesterday:

1. Dave Milon
2. Dave Milon
3. Dave Milon
4. Dave Milon
5. Dave Milon

1. Who played a municipal worker in *Winter Camp: The Movie*, thus previewing the fulfillment of his lifelong dream to work for the DPW?
2. What non-meal was placed on the Winter Camp XXVI Planning page at the Winter Camp Web site to see what reactions it would evoke?
3. What day of the year is El Mediodia?
4. At how many Winter Camps has Rand Stew *not* been served?
5. What was the name of the rededication ceremony performed at Winter Camp XXIII?

Quote O' The Future

--"I was playing this physical/mental challenge game, and they traded me for a guy with a doctorate called 'The Beast!'"

--Eric Brake, sometime next month, about
Battle Chess.

Gastronomic Delights

In review...

Do you like bananas, coconuts, and grapes? If so, then today's **Tarzan of the Apes Lunch** was right up your alley. This meal made its Winter Camp debut today.

In preview...

The **Hooters Dinner** from Winter Camp XXV returns today for an encore. Keep your eyes peeled for authentic Hooters paraphernalia.

The **Casino Snack** tonight during Casino Night will provide sufficient snacks to quell even the mightiest case of the munchies.

Gambling will continue tomorrow morning with **Jackpot Grits** on the menu. What does the Wheel of Breakfast have in store for you?

Winter Camp will close tomorrow following the **Conglomerate Lunch**. An excellent batch (is there any other kind?) of Rand Stew will bring to mind many fond memories of earlier Winter Camp meals.

Let It Ride...Or Not

Tonight's Casino Night festivities continue a tradition which dates back to Winter Camp II--that's before any youth was born. The Beaver Creek gaming palace will open its doors tonight for action in a variety of games including blackjack, roulette, baccarat (ask James Bond), chuck-a-luck, and possibly others based on participant interest.

Can you beat the immutable laws of probability and win a virtual fortune tonight? Only the cards and dice and chips (oh my!) will know.