

Tuesday, June 12, 2018

## Great Battle Commences on the Skookumchuck River over Valuable Cargo

It wasn't a normal Monday. At approximately 5:00am, seamen and sleepywomen assembled drowsily. Two large crews of roustabouts (recruited by their ambitious captains, Frank B. Stout and Rollin N. Dough) reported for a great challenge. As the sailors made their way towards Camp Peniel near Fredericktown, Ohio — otherwise known as the Skookumchuck River Basin — over 75 teens learned their stateroom assignments for the week and saluted their "First Mates", or cabin counselors. An uneventful trip through the rain primed the jolly crew for a week of Steamboatin'. After arriving at the Skookumchuck, everyone was refreshed by the Galley Gang's scrumptious Boat Buffet. The River Runners and Super Steamers began a monumental battle, stomping balloons, sketching... indescribable... pictictionary art, trying to discern between Old and New Testament books (quite the challenge for Sailor Cameron Furtney) and gathering freight and prove which team is worthy of a coveted contract from the Great Freight Shipping Company. Time will only tell who will pull ahead and claim the title, "King of the River."



### Preacher's Passage

Pastor Tim Richmond pointed out the importance of heeding God's instruction and guarding your heart (the inner, unseen, eternal you) in Proverbs 4. The reason? *Your spiritual life depends on it.* Though your heart is hidden from everyone else, lay it open before God this week to be made new.

### Clovis' Challenge

The great life on the mighty Skookumchuck is dependent on one thing: gettin' along with your crewmates. Learn one unknown thing about every member of your crew and report your findings to your first mates at supper. And...say your Catechisms!

*In other news...*

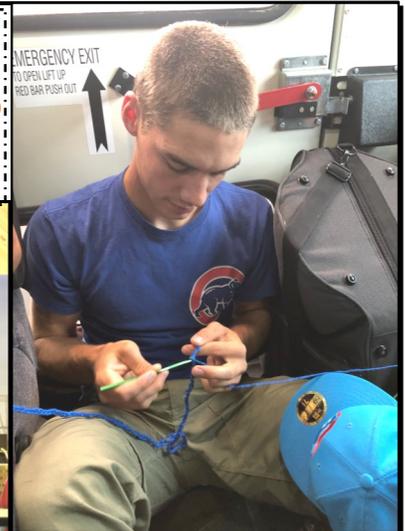
Caleb and Grace Wright arrived early at camp (from Michigan) and were found fishing on the riverbank, using leftover breakfast sausage for bait. They caught Blue Gill, Bass, and Crappie, but nothing big...yet.

**Skookumchuck**

**Weather:**

Very Humid on the River. Expect a storm!

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**World News:**

As you sail through your day, you might want to remember the significant election back on the home port. President Trump is historically meeting with North Korea's Kim Jong Un.



*What was the memorable moment of your bus trip?*

**Caleb Skaggs:** Some knitting and crocheting was going on at the back of the bus. I think somebody lost his man card.

**First Mate David Minnick:** Learning to play "Up & Down the Alley" - a variation of Rook that requires less brain power for tired people.

**Gabby Griffith:** Watching videos of last camp made me look forward to this week!

**Elliott Case:** Daniel Doyel was memorable!

**Michaela Keck:** We just talked. But I heard about the boys' bus. I may be to blame; but Josh wanted to learn to crochet!

**Mrs. Rush** had to referee an argument about Rook. "That's not the way Mr. Schaedel plays!" she overheard. Mr. Schaedel may be home with his new baby son, but his card-legacy shall be continued even in absence.

*Rupert's Rant*

It has come to my esteemed attention: Why is there evidence indicating a lack of aptitude regarding certain crewmembers and their inability to stack galley plates correctly? While it is hard to understand why anyone even decided to section off plates with unnatural divisions (unless campers were eating too many vegetables...) But I am truly puzzled over the unfit stacking abilities of our local crewmen, and ready to dish it out.

