

the Riverboat REPORTER

Skookumchuck River Basin

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Night and Day, The Brawl on the River Continues Fiercely

As the morning fog cleared from the fields of the Skookumchuck River Basin, All deckhands were called upon to haul their share in **Luggin-the-Load**. Feet were flexed, finger-nails distorted and clean clothes stained around the knees. But in the end, the **River Runners** prevailed, acquiring more freight as their reward. The **Super Steamers** responded in kind as Isaac Talbert set an all-time record with a 58-foot big ball launch in the **Salty Sailor Challenge**. After an afternoon respite and soul-feeding service, the deckhands returned to the wharf to locate wood to fuel their respective steamboats. The crux of the challenge: a limitation of illumination as the sun had set for the night. Local river pirates and pir-ettes were found to be lurking in dark shadows awaiting the unsuspecting sailors, which led to alarming outbursts of screaming and laughter. In the end, no one was harmed, but word has it that some of the pirates may still be lurking around dark corners...



Keeping Count

Brandon Winningham only brought 1 pair of socks to camp. But Mrs. Dahlhausen has him topped: she brought NO pairs of socks or shoes to camp: only 3 shoes, all for her right foot.

How to Fish

The editor has no idea why frenzied fishermen are rising at the earliest allowable moment of the day to cast their lines into the Little River on such a determined hunt for the big catch. Report is that Caroline Sanders simply dipped her reeled-in-line into the lake for a moment and immediately caught a fish. It's really not so difficult, guys. Perhaps Caroline can show you a thing or two.



Preacher's Passage

Can you trust the Bible? Pastor Tim showed us evidence on why God's Word can be our real and

Clovis' Challenge



true authority. Read it for yourself! Study further. *Let the lion out:* let God's Word impress your spirit and pursue God! In the evening we learned how the primary source of our personal temptation is our own selves. In order to help us resist temptation we need to build fences around our desires to keep them from turning to sin.



Accused Sailors Face Trial

The Honorable Justice Clovis P. Beauregard presided nobly in the Skookumchuck court beside the lake. Mr. Rupert C. Stickleberry prosecuted a host of accused deckhands for many grievous and egregious complaints. Charges were dismissed against the Lifesaver Ladies, for the improper disposal of an under-aged deceased rodent. Charges were also mercifully dismissed against Daniel Doyel for being up a creek without a paddle, Thomas Sanders for impersonating a preacher's lack-of-haircut, and Pastor Tim for a serially misspelled word in sermon Powerpoints. Also acquitted were Isaac Talbert and the Bundy boys for playing Killer Bunnies, and Abigail Earnest for an unfortunate event with a stack of books in the rain. However, mercy could not spare Andrew Howell for consequences of his actions with a slingshot. W.E. Wilkie was an easy target for a cramped trigger finger impairing his performance in calisthenics (along with a barrage of other hot charges.) Though it grieved Commissioner Rush's heart, he carried out the Judge's just verdict with a swift and proper application of pie.

It's Sailin'
Time! **81°**
100% Chance
Of Weather:
Nice n' Sunny!



Zippity Do Dah

Caroline Sanders has adopted a pet butterfly named Gary. He went down the zipline with her & gave her extra courage. Erica Dion could have used some of that extra courage when FBI Jason Rush pulled her zipline towards the surface of the lake.



Does anyone in your cabin snore?

Thomas Sanders: Mr. Jared does.

Mr. Jared: I do not!

Ben Griffith: Points confidently at Mr. Ethan.

Mr. Ethan: innocently shakes head no.

Elliott Case: points at Mr. Kris.

Mr. Kris: Shakes head no.

Joy Schaub: Oh, no. We all sleep well.

Sophia Vincent: No, but Hannah Richmond talks in her sleep and tells Lydia to sit down.

Simon Wilkie & Hayden Bundy: No, but Andrew Howell was shouting in his sleep.

Anna in the Kitchen: The other Anna in the kitchen snores.

Christian Heinz: Mr. Ethan does, definitely a little bit.



Rupert's Rant

I am bewildered with some teenagers on this cruise. We are playing this totally cool competitive game in the dark and one of the guys loses his belt! Group after group asks me if I have seen Ryan's belt. WHAT IS UP WITH RYAN!?! Running around at night with a pair of pants without a belt can be dangerous! Invest in those Adidas athletic pants, dude! It is far easier to run with the elastic waistband! Just trust me on this one.

