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Happy Birthday, USA!

On this Independence Day, take a moment to remember what matters. Red Skelton, the famed comedian, reminisced about his childhood on June, 14 1969. He told the story of a teacher named Mr. Lasswell who explained the meaning of the Pledge of Allegiance to the class word by word. This is a transcript of his short speech. Twice these simple words have been read into Congress.

"I remember this one teacher. To me, he was the greatest teacher, a real sage of my time. He had such wisdom. We were all reciting the Pledge Of Allegiance and he walked over. Mr. Lasswell was his name... He said "I've been listening to you boys and girls recite the Pledge Of Allegiance all semester and it seems as though it is becoming monotonous to you. If I may, may I recite it and try to explain to you the meaning of each word"

I: me, an individual, a committee of one.

Pledge: dedicate all of my worldly goods to give without self pity.

Allegiance: my love and my devotion.

To the flag: our standard, Old Glory, a symbol of freedom. Wherever she waves, there's respect because your loyalty has given her a dignity that shouts freedom is everybody's job!

United: that means that we have all come together.

States: individual communities that have united into 48 great states. Forty-eight individual communities with pride and dignity and purpose; all divided with imaginary boundaries, yet united to a common purpose, and that's love for country.

And to the republic: a state in which sovereign power is invested in representatives chosen by the people to govern. And government is the people and it's from the people to the leaders, not from the leaders to the people.

For which it stands, one nation: one nation, meaning "so blessed by God"

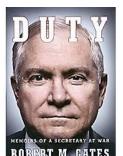
Indivisible: incapable of being divided.

With liberty: which is freedom; the right of power to live one's own life without threats, fear or some sort of retaliation

And Justice: the principle or quality of dealing fairly with others.

For all: which means, boys and girls, it's as much your country as it is mine.

Since I was a small boy, two states have been added to our country and two words have been added to the Pledge of Allegiance... UNDER GOD Wouldn't it be a pity if someone said that is a prayer and that would be eliminated from schools too?"



Manager's Minute - Summer Reads

Get your summer "reads" here at the Illowa Scout Shop. Just arrived, 4 new mystery books. Now we have 8 great books to choose from. These books take place in our National Parks and have a map of each park with pertinent information on each park. Each story is solved by a brother and sister duo who travel with their

parents and sometimes others to these faraway places. Each one is sure to take you on an adventure.

Adults come in to see the newest "read" for the summer: "DUTY", Memoirs Of A Secretary At War; by Robert M.
Gates. Buy your copy here and look over the other selections.

So come in and see what's available.

Yours in Scouting,

- Nancy Vasquez







Linda's Pick—Eagle Scout Registry

For the convenience of the Eagle Scout, and his family and friends, we have begun offering the gift registry program.

All the new Eagle Scout needs do, is fill out the wish list that he will receive with his congratulation letter, and bring it in to the Scout Shop. We will keep track of his wants as well as what is purchased for him. This will eliminate most duplicate items and the Eagle Scout will only get what he requests.

Any family members or friends need only let us know that he is registered and we will update his list.

Available soon are new Eagle Scout Court of Honor Stationery Coordinates. We will have new program covers, invitations, thank you cards. Plates (lunch and dessert), cups, napkins (large and small), and table covers will also be coming out in a new design. All will have the Eagle Scout badge as a logo in striking

We congratulate all our Eagle Scouts on their accomplishment and hard work. You deserve to be rewarded.

We look forward to seeing you in the scout shop to congratulate you and your family personally.

-LG

Patriotic Facts: Boy Scouts Helping the War Effort during WWII

—Included 69 specific requests from the government—Collected 30 million pounds of rubber during a two-week drive— 20,000 Scouts earned the Gen. Douglas MacArthur Medal for Victory Gardens — Distributed pledge cards for war bonds and savings stamps—Distributed stamp posters—Collected aluminum, wastepaper, and salvage—Conducted defense housing surveys—Distributed air-raid posters—Served as messengers and dispatch bearers—Assisted emergency medical units —Served as fire watchers

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Ken's Camping Corner—Singing in the Rain

Wow! What a week! Having just returned from a week at Illowa Council's own Camp Loud Thunder, I am both exhausted and refreshed. It was great to spend a week out in nature, enjoying the fresh air, animal life, and good exercise, but supervising a Troop of 15 young boys at camp is very much like trying to corral 15 squirrels into a shoebox. You know what I'm talking about, refreshed and exhausted at the same time.

Camp Loud Thunder put on a great camp, as usual, and all of our boys had a blast, made new friends, and made great progress on advancement, but we were all in the same boat when it came to dealing with the weather. Actually, having a boat would have made things easier. Camp Loud Thunder has really lived up to its name the past few weeks. Despite detailed packing lists, coaching from youth and adult leadership, we still had Scouts that forgot to pack rain gear.

Being wet is miserable.

Being wet at camp is worse. Not only does staying wet drain your energy, being unable to get dry can be a danger to a Scout's health. Soggy socks lead to trench foot, wet shorts chafe something awful, and a waterlogged Scout is prone to become hypothermic. It doesn't have to be cold out for a small-statured boy to become hypothermic when wind and water mix.

It all comes down to being prepared. Sometimes it is the leaders who need to be prepared for when the Scouts become forgetful. I always keep a couple extra poncho's like the one on the right (\$5.99) to loan out on campouts or at summer camp. This simple item can keep a kid from tears, and turn what would have been a disastrous week at camp into the fun, awesome experience that summer camp is meant to

If you are looking for a more permanent solution, something that will keep

you drier for longer, check out the Boy Scout Waterproof Breathable Rain Jacket with Reflective Detail. (\$49.99)

This rain coat is new to our product line. This one's sealed tight for premium protection and accented for added safety. Full-zip-front design features a BSA® reflective, heat-seal logo at left chest and reflective taping on back for enhanced visibility in bad weather or at night. Offering seam-sealed waterproofing and breathability in a lightweight, diamond-patterned ripstop nylon, this hooded jacket is comfort-rich and weatherready. Includes hood, two front pockets, and elasticized cuffs. You won't be lost in the rain wearing this lime-green jacket! Youth and Adult sizes are available.

So what is left to do when all your Scouts are properly outfitted for the weather? Why, sing scout songs in the rain, of course!





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Patriotic T-Shirts Available!

Stop in to the Illowa Scout Shop today to see our wide selection of Patriotic T-Shirts! We have several varieties of American Flag, Eagle, and other Patriotic Boy Scout and Cub Scout T-Shirts that are perfect for the Fourth of July, summer, and year round wear!







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Who: Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Venture Scouts

Where: Highway 61 Drive In, 1228 HWY 61, Delmar, IA 52037

When: July 24, 2014

What: Two Digitally projected movies broadcasted on 88.5FM +

camping overnight after the movie

Gold Ticket Package - \$3.00 for youth 5-12 (usually \$3.50), \$5.00 for 13+ (usually \$7.50) paid at the gate; + \$2 per person for camping (limited to first 100 campers, paid at time of registration)

Silver Ticket Package - \$3.00 for youth 5-12 (usually \$3.50), \$5.00 for 13+ (usually \$7.50) paid at the gate;

Camping not included

In order to qualify for the SPECIAL SCOUT RATE you MUST register at the Illowa Council Service Center,

4412 N Brady St, Davenport, IA 52806

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On Our Honor

The Boy Scouts of America is one of the nation's largest and most prominent values-based youth development organizations. The BSA provides a program for young people that builds character, trains them in the responsibilities of participating citizenship, and develops personal fitness. For over a century, the BSA has helped build the future leaders of this coun-

try by combining educational activities and lifelong values with fun. The Boy Scouts of America believes — and, through over a century of experience, knows — that helping youth is a key to building a more conscientious, responsible, and productive society.

At the Illowa Scout Shop, we strive to personally exemplify the 12 points of the Scout Law and live the Scout Oath every day as we provide you with superior customer service. We know that you need high quality, low cost products that are designed for Scouting activities, and we aim to please! Our Staff at Illowa Scout Shop has the experience and the know-how to help you get the job done. We are, above all, dedicated to the Scouting movement, and we will always do our best to help you provide your youth with the best Scouting experience possible. It is our honor to serve you.