

WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB



11/15/13– 11/17/13



We planned to leave the church at 6:30pm on Friday, but Big Red had other plans, so we wound up loading all the cars with the gear and leaving around 7:30. It was a four hour drive to Wright-Patterson with one stop at McDonalds. We arrived at the campsite around 11:30. The campsite was on the base and near the runway. We set up camp and moved three heavy tables to our campsite. Finally we went to bed around 1:00am.

We were awakened by the bandito around 7:00am and divided into two patrols. Each patrol was given a Dutch oven and the ingredients for Mountain Man. After the exquisite breakfast, we drove to the United States Air Force Museum. Everybody went into the museum, looked around at the planes, and met back in the main hall at 11:40am to watch "Air Racers" on the new high definition, six story tall, I-max screen. We then all had a picnic lunch outside in Memorial Park. Next, we went back to the museum from 1:00pm to 4:00pm. All the scouts spent that time watching shows, doing the activities, and avoiding the adults, while the adults read all the signs.



We got back to the campsite and had time to relax from 4:30 to 5:30pm. Then, we were issued an Iron Chef challenge. We were given an hour and a half, some ground beef, ground pork, applesauce, an onion, a loaf of bread, 4 eggs, one stick of butter, a tub of sour cream, noodles, and a bag of corn to make a better meal than the other patrol. One patrol called their concoction "Make Mark Sick" and the other patrol made a creation called "Better Than Thiers". The "Make Mark Sick" patrol threw most of their ingredients, along with tons of random spices, into a fry pan and cooked them. They also put the applesauce on the bread which did get some likes. "Better Than Thiers" consisted of meatballs made out of the beef, pork, bread, and onion. They also made noodles and corn and a sour sauce out of the sour cream and butter. "Make Mark Sick" won the competition by one point making "Better Than Thiers" become "Almost as Good as Thiers". After the Iron Chef challenge we moved two of the tables back and went to bed around 9:00pm.



It rained all night and late into the morning. When we woke up, we ate the traditional troop 777 Sunday morning breakfast: oatmeal. After a police clean-up line, we moved the third table back. A scout is reverent, so around 8:00am Mr. York offered devotion and then we left for home. This campout was a fun and one of the easier ones filled with history of the Air Force and aviation.

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