



30th Anniversary of Fallen Eastman Icon

Thirty years ago this summer, Camp Eastman lost one of its most treasured icons. In the early morning hours of Thursday, July 10th, 1980, the ancient oak tree in front of Eastman Lodge was blown over in a heavy storm. Campers awoke from a long night of trying to get some sleep amidst strong thunderstorms and high winds to find the tree lying across the road. The 1980 post-camp edition of the Tomahawk Talk had this to say about the historic event:

“The Great Oak

First week of camp saw the loss of one of Eastman's most noticeable landmarks. The Great Oak in front of Eastman Lodge that had been growing for over 100 years fell in a massive wind storm Wednesday night. Norm Marrah has the disputable honor of being the last person to walk under the tree. As he reached for the door of the Lodge, he heard a loud crash behind him. Norm turned to see the bottom of the tree staring at him.

Since some of the campers and a few staff members were asleep in the Lodge, we're lucky the tree did not choose to fall the other way. Then we would have lost 2 landmarks (not to mention some people).

I am glad I had the chance to see the Oak before it fell, but future generations will have to rely on photographs and stories of Camp Eastman's oldest landmark.”



Two scouts appear tiny as they inspect the fallen oak tree



The Great Oak (far right) overlooks the construction of Eastman Lodge in 1935



Norm Marrah poses at the base of the fallen oak



Scout executive Gary Mertz talks to scoutmasters about future plans for camp



Thursday

7:30 Camp-Wide Games

8:00 Night Swim

8:00 Campfire

9:00 Movie in Berg Hall

Quotes of the Day:

When someone said “I really can’t come to your party Mrs. Parker. I can’t bear fools.” Parker replied “That’s strange: your mother could” Dorothy Parker

“When I was a kid I prayed every night for a new bicycle Then I realized that the Lord doesn't work that way so I stole one and asked him to forgive me.” Emo Phillips

“Others have been made fools of by the girls, but this can never with truth be said of me. I most emphatically, in this instance, made a fool of myself.” Abraham Lincoln

“A bore is someone who deprives you of solitude without the gift of companionship.” Anon.

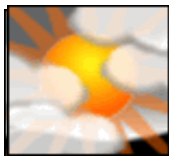
“Never miss a good chance to shut-up.” Old cowboy saying

Stone Tables and Benches—GPS Coordinates

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| 1. Pumhouse Flats North Table | N 40 27.837 - W 91 21.732 |
| 2. Pumhouse Flats South Table | N 40 27.835 - W 91 21.739 |
| 3. Road to Pumhouse Flats Table | N 40 27.795 - W 91 21.721 |
| 4. Wrens Tables | N 40 27.697 - W 91 21.758 |
| 5. Wrens/Scoutcraft Table | N 40 27.685 - W 91 21.714 |
| 6. Peter Pond Table | N 40 27.597 - W 91 21.604 |
| 7. Staff Area Bench | N 40 27.749 - W 91 21.551 |
| 8. Staff Area Table | N 40 27.770 - W 91 21.530 |

Weather Forecast—Thursday July 22nd

Today



High
92° F

Mostly cloudy

Precip: 40%

Chance of scattered showers and T-storms
Winds S 10-15 mph

Sunrise: 5:45 AM

Tonight



Low
72° F

Partly cloudy

Precip: 40%

Chance of showers and T-storms
Winds SW 10 to 20 mph

Sunset: 8:36 PM

Tomorrow



High
93° F

Mostly sunny

Precip: 20%

SW 10 to 20 mph

Sunrise: 5:45 AM

Today's Menu*

Breakfast

Pancakes

Sausage patties

Lunch

Hamburger patties

Potato wedges

Dinner

Chicken & noodles

Mashed potatoes

corn

Dessert

*Menu subject to change