BUGLE CALLS

Bugle Calls have provided the scheduling for Camp Roosevelt activities ever since the beginnings with WWI veterans who were the camp builders and scoutmasters, starting and ending the day with the inspiring sound of the bugle. In the early days, the Camp Bugler blew the calls through a huge megaphone to amplify the sound for the whole camp to hear. In recent years, live buglers were fading away and electronic recordings were played over the camp speaker system. There has, however, been a bugling revival. When Scoutmaster and Bugler Pete Duston is on site, he brings a bag of bugles and aspiring buglers not only attempt scouting's rarest Merit Badge but a volunteer plays Retreat and Colors for the evening flag ceremony. Duston got his start as a Scout Bugler at age 12.

The buglers often like to practice on the lodge porch before lunch, and their attempts frequently drive away the scoutmasters who are trying to enjoy their coffee.





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