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Dear Mum,

Our Scoutmaster told us to write

to our parents in case you saw

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the flood on TV and got worried.

We are okay. Only one of our

tents and 2 sleeping bags got

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washed away. Luckily, none of us

got drowned because we were

all up on the mountain looking

for Adam when it happened.

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Oh yes, please call Adam's

mother and tell her he is okay.

He can't write because of the

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cast. I got to ride in one of

the search and rescue Jeeps.

It was great. We never would

have found Adam in the dark

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if it hadn't been for the

lightning.

Scoutmaster Ted got mad at

Adam for going on a hike alone

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without telling anyone. Adam

said he did tell him, but it

was during the fire so he

probably didn't hear him.

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Did you know that if you

put gas on a fire, the gas

will blow up?

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The wet wood didn't burn,

but one of the tents did

and also some of our clothes

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Matthew is going to look weird

until his hair grows back.

We will be home on Saturday

if Scoutmaster Ted gets the

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bus fixed. It wasn't his fault

about the crash.

The brakes worked

okay when we left. Scoutmaster

Ted said that with a bus that

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old, you have to expect

something □

to break down; that's probably

why he can't get insurance.

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We think it's a super bus. He

doesn't care if we get it dirty,

and if it's hot, sometimes he

lets us ride on the bumpers.

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It gets pretty hot with 45

people in a bus made for 24.

He let us take turns riding

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in the trailer until the

policeman stopped and talked

to us.

Scoutmaster Ted is a neat guy.

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Don't worry, he is a good driver.

In fact, he is teaching Horace

how to drive on the mountain

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roads where there aren't any

cops. All we ever see up there

are huge logging trucks.

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This morning all of the guys

were diving off the rocks and

swimming out to the rapids.

Scoutmaster Ted wouldn't let

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me because I can't swim, and

Adam was afraid he would sink

because of his cast (it's

concrete because we didn't

have any plaster),

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so he let us take the canoe

out. It was great. You can

still see some of the trees

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under the water from the flood.

Scoutmaster Ted isn't crabby

like some scoutmasters. He

didn't even get mad about

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the life jackets. He has to

spend a lot of time working

on the bus so we are trying

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not to cause him any trouble.

Guess what? We have all

passed our first aid merit

badges. When Andrew dived

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into the lake and cut his arm,

we all got to see how a

tourniquet works.

Steve and I threw up, but

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Scoutmaster Ted said it was

probably just food poisoning

from the left-over chicken.

He said they got sick that

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way with food they ate in

prison. I'm so glad he got out

and became our scoutmaster.

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He said he sure figured

out how to get things done

better while he was doing his

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time. By the way, what is a

pedal-file?

I have to go now. We are going

to town to post our letters and

buy some more beer and ammo.

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Don't worry about anything.

We are fine and tonight it's

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Scoutmaster's tent.

signed your Loving Son.

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