

2002 Campfire Song

This song was performed at the Friday night pre-rafting campfire by Gene Cowen, accompanied by Darrel Bourne on guitar and the Pigbilly Dancers, Greg Treece and Andy Hamilton.

Lyrics by Gene Cowen

Sung to the tune of "The Ballad of Jed Clampett" by Paul Henning
(aka The theme song to "The Beverly Hillbillies" TV show)

The Gravy Sucking Pigbillies

Come and listen to a story 'bout the GSP's
They're a bunch of crazy paddlers
First of which were double E's
And then one day they were sittin' round Purdue
When one of 'em said "Hey, let's raft that bubblin' pool!"
(Whitewater that is, brown gold, West Virginia tea)

Well the next thing ya know they're loadin' up their gear
They're packin' borrowed tents
And they're fillin' trunks with beer
Said "West Virginny is the place we oughtta be!"
So they headed down the road to the hills of MRT
(Hico that is, rubber rafts, hippie raft guides)

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So they paddled and they paddled and the rest is history
They flipped over at Surprise
And they surfed at Double Z
Should you join up with this group
There are some things you will see soon
Like the white and shiny reflection of many a new moon
(Posterior that is, rump roast, vertical smile)

Well now it's time to raise your beer
To this group we have become
Where else but here could you go each year
To have this kind of fun
But if by chance you should happen to
Pass out beside the fire
Folks back home will wonder what kind
Of friends you did acquire
(Pigs that is, Gravy, Sucking!)

Y'all come back next year now, ya hear!