



A regular feature prepared each week by members of the Boy Scout Press Club.

Troop 37 Is Active

Troop 37 is now about a full troop. We want to make a waiting list if possible, so don't be afraid to ask to be a Boy Scout.

We have a very fine drill master and for a half hour each Thursday night he gives us drill.

At each meeting we have patrol meetings. We are going to have each patrol do a stunt for the Parent-Teachers association of the Oak Terrace school on Prairie avenue, Highland Park.—Milton Roberts, Troop 37.

Organization Announced

Myron C. Rybolt, scout executive of the North Shore Area Council announces: "We are going to have an Eagle scout organization in our council in the near future. This group will be made up of all Eagle scouts and we are anxious to get the names of those Eagles that are not active and registered in our office at the present time. If you are one of these please send your name and address to the Boy Scout headquarters in Highland Park."

The Eagle scouts will hold a meeting soon to elect officers and to have pictures taken. There will be a large picture of the entire group and pictures of each local group. This organization will plan investiture ceremonies for new Eagle scouts and carry on special activities throughout the year.

Form New Patrol

The Beaver patrol of Troop 30 Elm Place school, was recently organized with Fred Hoddan as patrol leader and Cody Pfanstiehl as his assistant. The other members of the patrol are Scouts Nathan Udell and Stanton St. Peter and Candidates Norman Evans and Frank Karger.

Troop 30 on Hike

About 24 members of Troop 30, of the Elm Place school, participated in a hike to the Cabin in the Woods last Saturday afternoon, when the troop went out with test passing as their objective.

The hike was under the direction of Scoutmaster Hawkins, Mr. Van Dyke, assistant scoutmaster, and Mr. Nelson, the outdoor member of the troop committee. Some of the scouts hiked to the Cabin while others went out on their bicycles. They all had a great time.

Troop 32 Swims

At the meeting of Troop 32 last Monday swimming was the main event on the program. The entire troop enjoyed the dip in the high school tank.—Robert Riddle, Troop 32.

Wanted a Camera

The Boy Scout office of the North Shore Area council at 21 N. Sheridan road, Highland Park, is badly in need of a Graflex camera to take 4x5 pictures of the many scouting activities along the north shore, in order that more pictures may be used for the scouting page of your town paper.

These pictures will be kept for a history of north shore scouting. This camera would also be used at Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan this summer to bring back to the north shore people the multitude of experiences of camp life in Northern Wisconsin.

Some one, without a doubt, has a used Graflex camera rusting away in the attic or lying around some place that they would be glad to contribute to this needy use. The council will graciously appreciate such a gift.

Pine Tree Patrol

The Pine Tree patrol met at the home of Kenneth Vetter at 6:30, Wednesday evening, March 27, 1929. Those present were: Harold Huhn, patrol leader; Elmer Anderson, assistant patrol leader; John Beckman, patrol treasurer; Eldon Frost, patrol scribe; Kenneth Vetter, troop scribe. The patrol played games for a short period, and then had their regular meeting. Eldon Frost passed all of his tenderfoot tests; Elmer Anderson passed five tests and John Beckman passed four tests on second class. After the meeting a nice lunch was served. Our patrol meetings are held each Wednesday evening at 7:00 at the different scouts homes.—Troop scribe, J. Kenneth Vetter.

Troop 52 of Deerfield

The meeting opened in the usual ceremonials of line formation, oath, laws, prayer and flag salutes. Mr. Russell took charge of the meeting. He had Scout Clark tell why one should go to camp, and Scout Vetter why one shouldn't go. The business was taken up and disposed of. Then Mr. Irvin Plagge showed the troop his display of later work, and told several scout stories. After singing a few songs the scouts adjourned to their patrol corners. Reports given, inspection made, taps played by Mark Andrews and benediction pronounced.—J. Kenneth Vetter.

New Council Awards

By recommendation of the Council Court of Honor committee and the approval of the executive board, five awards are now available to troops.

The Civic Service award is a certificate which will be presented quarterly to each troop in which at least 80 per cent of the scouts in the troop perform at least 8 hours of volunteer civic service each. This service may be the community, or needy and unfortunate people in the community.

The advancement award will be made each quarter to troops which on the last day of the quarter had at least 25 per cent first class scouts and not over 40 per cent Tenderfoot scouts.

The camp enrollment award will be in three grades and will be presented for having at least 50 per cent, 75 per cent, or 90 per cent of their troop enrolled for summer camp at least 30 days prior to the opening of the camp.

The boys' life award will be presented to troops which at time of re-registration take full advantage of the "boys' life" concession plan by which each scout may become a subscriber of the official scout magazine for half the regular subscription price.

The Standard Troop award will be given to each troop for each month in which it holds at least three troop meetings with an average attendance of 75 per cent of the troop, passing one scout test during the month. They must also take at least one hike attended by 50 per cent of the membership and have at least one junior officer's council meeting in which they plan their programs for the troop.

New Procedure

By action of the Council Court of Honor committee and the executive board, the following regulations will apply effective April 1, 1929.

All applications for Tenderfoot, second class, first class, star, life, eagle, eagle palms and veteran rating are to be mailed or turned into the council headquarters to be checked for proper registration and length of service. The last day of the month will be the dead line for these applications.

After they have been checked they will be returned to the local court of honor committee which will hold a board of review at which the scouts who have application on file will present themselves for examination.

Those who qualify will be presented their certificates and badges at a court of honor later in the month.

Time and place of board of review in each of the towns will be published next week. Wilmette has already set their board of review for the second Wednesday of each month, 7:30 p. m. at the Byron Stolz school. Libertyville will hold their board of review on the second Friday of each month at 7:30 p. m. at the chamber of commerce headquarters.

Gets National Recognition

In a recent issue of scouting, a national scout leaders magazine, speaking about the organization of the National Boy Scout Press association says, "The Press club of the North Shore Area council, Illinois, gets out two weekly news pages for local papers regarding council activities."

This recognition by the national Scout Headquarters of Journalism activities in this council is an indication of the wide spread interest in this work.

Each week the class in journalism is meeting at the scout headquarters in Highland Park at 2:00 Saturday afternoon for the Highland Park and Highland scouts. In the other towns, Mr. McManus meets with boys at scheduled times to write their news reports and work toward their journalism Merit badge.—Robert Lehr, Troop 32.

Gen. Parker New Head Of Sixth Corps Area

Maj. Gen. Frank Parker, the youngest major general in the army, has been relieved of duty as a member of the general staff at Washington, D. C., and will take command of the Sixth Corps Area, with headquarters at Chicago, it was announced Saturday.

Parker will report to Maj. Gen. Paul Malone, present commander, who has been assigned to the Philippines.



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