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Troop 33  
First troop in North Shore Council to win Civic Service Award

**Win Civic Service Award**

Last Saturday, almost the entire membership of Troop 33, of the Lincoln school, turned out to finish a clean up campaign in the school yard which was started the previous Saturday and to secure enough credit in hours for civic service to earn the new civic service award of the north shore area council.

The scouts raked and graded the ground of the Lincoln school after clearing away all of the debris left from building activities last fall and also planted perennials about the grounds. All day long they shoveled and raked and pushed wheelbarrows back and forth to accomplish their aim and when they finished the job, Mr. Wright, principal of the school, came out and congratulated and thanked the boys for the work done.

With the completion of this job Troop 33 has a total of almost two hundred hours of civic service work for the first quarter of the year. This includes clearing snow from sidewalks, burning brush, picking up glass and service at headquarters.

Following is a list of the number of hours credited to members of the troop: 11 hours, Joseph Klaber; 10 hours, John Davidson, Allan Benson, George Zinglar, and Robert Fox; 9 hours, Denton Smith and Fred Reichardt; 8½ hours, Roderic Smith; 8 hours, Dick Wichman, Jack Moran, George Hinn, William Roberts, Lawrence Briggs, Judson Wells, Hugo Schneider, Alvin Larson, William Hallberg, Clark Wright, Robert Rasmussen, and Percy Lloyd; 5 hours, Jack Hagberg and George Canright; 4 hours, Leroy Newton; 3 hours, Kenneth and Marvin Niebuhr.

**Select Patrol Advisors**

An advisor for each patrol was the plan that Troop 33 of the Lincoln school, started working under at the last meeting.

Under this plan the four senior officers of the troop, the scoutmaster, assistant scoutmaster, junior assistant scoutmaster, and senior patrol leader, each have a patrol to which they act as advisor, making suggestions and conferring with the patrol leaders and assistants regarding any problems they may have.

The new advisors do not assume any of the duties of the patrol leaders, but act only in an advisory capacity. In this way officers of the troop believe they can develop the patrol system to a large extent.

The advisors are: Beaver patrol, Dick Wichman, junior assistant scoutmaster; Rattlesnake patrol, H. R. Smith, scoutmaster; Rhinoceros patrol, Lloyd Wightman, assistant scoutmaster; and Wolf patrol, Fred Reichardt, senior patrol leader.

**Appoint New Officers**

"Growth in Troop 33 since last fall has been so great, not only in the membership, but in activities also, that recently the troop committee decided that it was necessary and desirable that the troop have a junior assistant scoutmaster," was the announcement of Mr. Herbert R. Smith, scoutmaster, at the meeting of the troop last Friday.

"Dick Wichman has been selected to fill this post," continued Mr. Smith. "Fred Reichardt has been chosen to take Dick's former position as senior patrol leader. This leaves a vacancy in the patrol leadership of the Rattlesnake patrol and Roderic Smith is being advanced to this position."

The scouts who received advancement in rank received their new badges and scout leaders warrants certifying to the authority from Mr. F. S. Wichman, chairman of the troop committee. Several other warrants were presented at the same time to other leaders who have been holding office for some time and had not yet

received their warrants. These were William Hallberg, scribe; Denton Smith, patrol leader; Jack Moran, assistant patrol leader; and George Zinglar, assistant patrol leader.

Allan Benson was elected assistant patrol leader of the Rattlesnake patrol and will probably receive his warrant for this office as soon as his election is approved by the troop committee.

**Attend Church Services**

Troop 36, of the St. James church of Highwood, attended communion services of the church in a body last Sunday.

Members of the troop are serving as junior police officers to earn the civic service award. They are credited with about 40 hours at present.

Last Saturday the troop received their new troop flag.—Scribe Ambrose Cantagallo, Troop 36.

**Plan Meeting on Beach**

The meeting planned by Troop 30 to take place on the beach had to be postponed due to cold weather on last Wednesday. Present plans call for this meeting soon, which will take the form of a party. The panthers are giving the party to the flying eagles, who won the recent interpatrol contest.

The meeting last Wednesday was conducted by Mr. Hawkins and Mr. St. Peter. Tests were passed, games were played, and the troop drilled. Mr. Van Dyke was unable to be present because of a sprained ankle. —Irvine Gossweiler and Charles Tyson, Troop 30.

**Organize Troop Committee**

Recently Mr. Stevens visited Troop 30 to ask if any of the fathers of members would like to serve on the troop committee.

Mr. St. Peter is chairman and Mr. Nelson is the outdoor member of the committee. They have promised to do all in their power to make Troop 30 a successful troop.—Scribe Chris Keller, Troop 30.

**After Standard Troop Award**

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 with 50 per cent of the troop going and have at least one junior officers council meeting in which they plan their programs for the troop. Troop 61 of Northbrook is working hard to reach the standard so they can get the award. We hope we will win the award in April or May. —William Cray, Troop 61, Northbrook.

**Panther Patrol News**

The last meeting was a joint meeting with Troop 52. Mr. Plagge showed us some slides of the first scout troops of Deerfield.

A good time was enjoyed by everyone. Sunday we were all invited to

Mr. Scheer's house, our scoutmaster. We hiked out at 2:30 p.m. and arrived at 2:45 p.m. Helmut Peipenbrok and Edward Brennan passed their fire making test. Afterwards we played a few games which were buck-buck, and baby in the hole. Afterwards we ate our hot dogs and they tasted very good. We fell in by fours and had some instructions in marching. Thanks to Mr. Scheer for he is a regular fellow.—Patrol leader Edward Brennan.

**Before-Camp Rally May 20**

The date for the Area-Wide Before-Camp rally is set for Monday, May 20th, at the Deerfield-Shields high school. At this rally will be presented all the troop awards, according to the new procedure, that will have been earned. Nearly every troop will receive some award. Several troops have already earned more than one. The five awards the troops are working for are the boys life award, civic service, standard troop, advancement, and camp enrollment.

This meeting will be a "pep" meeting for summer camp with much of the time being turned to announcements of plans and preparation for the new summer camp etc.

In connection with this rally will be an area wide first aid contest to which a troop is permitted to enter one team of five registered scouts.

**Cabin Caretaker**

Mr. John Koelling, who lives at the entrance to the "Cabin in the Woods" has been deputized as deputy warden of the forest preserve and has been appointed by the camp committee as the caretaker of the "Cabin in the Woods."

From now on, troops desiring the use of the cabin must get a written permit from Scout Headquarters in Highland Park and with this permit the troop must get the key from Mr. Koelling. The key must be returned to him and he will check the troop out.

It is sincerely hoped that this arrangement will make for a better week-end camp site for north shore scouts and do much to protect the cabin from vandalism.



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