

Girl Scouts

A Girl Scout, when she first enters a troop, enters as a candidate. She must remain on probation at least four weeks, during which she is instructed in the tenderfoot requirements. After not less than four weeks she may be permitted to take the Tenderfoot test, and if she passes this successfully she is required by the National Field department upon the payment of her membership dues of 50 cents, and invested as a



Tenderfoot Girl Scout. She is then entitled to wear the Girl Scout trefoil pin, which is the emblem of the Girl Scouts and is worn by every Girl Scout who has been a Tenderfoot. The three leaves of the trefoil represent the three parts of the promise.

"On my honor, I will try to do my duty to God and my country, to help other people at all times, to obey the Girl Scout laws."

There are three ranks: Tenderfoot, Second Class and First Class.

Troop News

Mrs. Garst has taken the afternoon troop at Lincoln school for a month. The girls in her troop are working hard on the laws and signalling this month.

Mrs. Stockwell has retained the captaincy of the evening troop. The girls are working for their first aid bandaging badges. At the last meeting the time was largely spent in choosing patrol leaders and singing patrol songs. All of the girls are going to bring a glass of jelly or jam to the next meeting to be given to Mrs. Watewood for the Presbyterian hospital in Chicago.

Mrs. Berg has made a new bulletin board for the Scout News at Lincoln school. Now everyone can see this as they pass it in the hall and all notices will be posted there.



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Lincoln School Notes

Wild Duck Found

I am observing a wild Wood Duck which Miss Newcomb rescued from the cruel jaws of a dog. Her throat and a stripe back from the eye are white. The top of the head is a purplish brown. The back is olive brown glossed with greenish and the wings are tipped with greenish blue. Her breast and sides are grayish brown streaked with buff. Her belly is white.

We first put her in the large aquarium down in the lower hall. She spent some of her time swimming and some of her time on a large rock. Now we have her in a large cage which has grass scattered on

the bottom. She eats a little rice, both wild and cultivated; she also takes oatmeal in small amounts. Some of the pupils have seen her taking sips of water.

One of the boys in the sixth grade has offered to take her home and care for her as he keeps pigeons. She needs a home here for one of her wings was injured.

Francigene Sheridan, Science 6B.

Assemblies

On October eighth we had a short assembly at 9:00 o'clock.

Mr. Hoskins, the fire chief of Highland Park, talked to the Lincoln school pupils about fire prevention.

He warned us to be careful of bonfires and not get close enough to get on fire. He also wants us to

warn other smaller children if we see they are in danger.

Mr. Hoskins told us if we wanted to help him very much, we should go home and ask our parents to abolish all fire hazards around our homes.

He brought some of his simple fire apparatus with him. They were a gas mask, a fireman's hat, three lanterns, a roof ax for cutting a tin roof and a nozzle resembling a sprinkler.

Interesting Exhibit

A good collection of lifelike reproductions of curious algae, fungi, unusual mosses, and other flowerless plants, forms an interesting exhibit in the department of botany at Field Museum of Natural History.

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