

Boy Scout News

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TROOP 48 GOES TO THE WOODS

The meeting opened at 7:30 o'clock. Mr. Roeber, our scoutmaster, had gone to Chicago earlier in the day. Mr. Strube, our assistant scoutmaster, came over with the boys from Everett a few minutes later. We all piled into his car, 13 of us. On the way to the woods we stopped at Louis F. Swift's greenhouse to get a botany lesson. Mr. Strube, who works there, showed us all around the place. He then said that we are going to have a surprise one of these days and a little while later we found what it was. There was a large swimming pool, but at present it is under construction. Again we went into the car. It must have gone down about eight inches at least. We arrived at the woods a few minutes later. We looked around for a good campsite and a place to have a council fire. It was getting late so we had to leave. On the way to the car some of the boys picked wild flowers to take home.—Waino Newman, Lake Forest.

SPEND NIGHT IN CABIN IN WOODS

A good time in the woods is the ambition of every boy and I think Troop 45 has fulfilled this ambition for some at least. Last week-end was spent at the cabin, west of Glencoe. 18 boys, under the direction of Mr. Tibbetts, our scoutmaster, and Tom Atteridge, our assistant, spent a riotous time in the woods.

We left the church Friday evening at 7:15 and arrived at the cabin shortly before 8. At once bunks were prepared, and a fire built in the cabin fireplace. The evening campfire ceremonies were held around this. Not much sleep was to be had this night, everyone being too excited and awake.

The next morning we were awakened by the bugle and the prospect of preparing breakfast at 5 a. m. This day was spent in contests and hikes, all meals being cooked out-of-doors. Initiation was held for some of the new members, including an enjoyable snipe hunt. After this we roasted marshmallows over the coals and retired, this time for a sound sleep.

Breakfast was a simple one on Sunday consisting mainly of pancakes made by the chief chef, Tom. After this we left for home, first cleaning up the camp.—Ian McPherson, Lake Forest.

TROOP 30 SCOUTS IN REPAIR WORK

Saturday morning Douglas Graves, Bob Moseley and Francis Drake went with Mr. Udell to the Cabin in the Woods to fix two broken windows

which were broken when the troop was up there a while ago.

It was lots of fun and good practice for them on their handicraft merit badge.—Charles Tyson, reporter Troop 30, Elm Place school, Highland Park.

Deerfield Press Club

The Scout Press club of Deerfield will be held every Friday at 3:45 in Kapschull Real Estate office across from the post office. There will be several reporters from each troop in the Deerfield-Bannockburn division. The editor will be Kenneth Vetter and the assistant editor, Bill Hastings.

TROOP 52 HAS OUTDOOR MEETING

The meeting of Troop 52 for May 9 was held in the Brair Woods subdivision off Wescot road near Westgate avenue. We met the the Presbyterian church and then our assistant scoutmaster James Russel told us where we were to hike too. We assembled at the lot and then played ball. The battery for side one, Russel, pitcher; Huhn, catcher and for side two the battery was Derby, pitcher; Merner, catcher. K. Vetter was the official umpire and after a few arguments came through with the game alright. Bud Andrews made some very nice plays at first base. The catchers are to be complimented for stopping so many terrible balls that could have otherwise been wild pitches, but we must compliment the pitcher and say that they only walked about 12 men. The scoring was so heavy that it was finally lost count of.

After our ball game we gathered round the campfire and back dues reports were given out by the scribe. It was decided that next week each scout would bring what he could to roast over our campfire. We then played a short game of "Jack Jack show your light." The boys were then called back to meeting place and taps and benediction were given. — Kenneth Vetter, editor Deerfield.

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