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ARDEN SHORE SCOUTS NAVAL STATION GUESTS

Troop 44 of Arden Shore enjoyed a real Christmas dinner as guests of the Great Lakes Naval Training station. We left camp about 10:30 in the morning and took a short hike, arriving at the Hostess house at Great Lakes at 11:30.

Everyone had a sailor for a buddy who showed him all about the Navy, where they sleep and how they live in the barracks. The chow bugle blew and we lined up with our buddies and went to the mess hall. And by, what eats! turkey, cranberries, mince pie, ice cream, candy and nuts.

After dinner, our buddies took us all over the station, showed us the air planes, the big guns and torpedoes, the swell swimming pools, and a lot of new knots that we had never seen before.

We returned to the Hostess house about three in the afternoon, filled with candy, Navy, and souvenirs. We arrived back at camp at 4 o'clock.—Scribe, George Meyer, Troop 44, Arden Shore.

HIGHWOOD TROOP LOOKS OVER YEAR

Looking over the progress of our troop for the past year, we have found that we have made considerable progress. Almost every scout has advanced at least one rank. Our re-registration for 1931 was completed by Dec. 1. It is the first year that any boy in the troop subscribed

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to Boy's Life magazine, though there were scouts who had read it through the year. We subscribed 100 per cent for 1931.

We recall with pleasure that we had over 50 per cent of our scouts registered at Camp Makajawan during 1930 and expect to register 100 per cent in 1931.

Our troop meetings now are always planned in advance by our junior officers in conjunction with our scoutmaster and assistant. This has absolutely eliminated any uninteresting minute in any meeting. The result is that there is seldom any scout absent.

Our committee sure is wonderful. Mr. Musik is a qualified Red Cross first aid instructor and has helped us a lot in our first aid work.—Troop 35, reporter, Ambrose Cantagallo, St. James parish.

PATROLS TIED IN FIRST AID MEET

On Friday, Jan. 2, the first regular meeting for the year of 1931 was held by Troop 36 at St. James parish hall. The principal attraction of the meeting was the first aid meet between the patrols. All the patrols had about the same per cent. After the meet, Mr. Musik, first aid instructor, properly demonstrated the requirements of the meet. At this same meeting a new patrol had been organized. The name decided for the patrol was "Flaming Arrow"—the patrol leader is Robert Golden.—Troop 36, reporter, Ambrose Cantagallo, Eagle patrol, St. James school.

SWIMMING TESTS EVERY SATURDAY

Every Saturday morning every scout has an opportunity to get instruction and pass swimming tests. Classes are held at Deerfield-Shields high school tank in Highland Park. Instruction is given under American Red Cross life saving examiners. Scouts! This is your opportunity to learn to swim or to pass tests in first class swimming, swimming Merit badge or life saving merit badge. Here is the time schedule—come to class only:

9-10—Life saving merit badge class (for those who have passed the swimming merit badge.)

10-10:30—Swimming merit badge class (for those who have passed 1st class swimming test).

10:30-11—First class swim test (for those who cannot swim at least 50 yards or who wish to pass 50 yard swim.)

TROOP 52 OF DEERFIELD REPORTS

The weekly meeting of Troop 52 was opened as usual with the scout oath and law. After the patrol ratings were taken Scoutmaster James Russell, Ken Vetter, and John Derby supervised classes in first aid, Indian sign language, and Tenderfoot tests respectively. By this method the officers hope to advance more of the scouts to a higher rank. The scouts

also planned to have a mock trial at the end of each month, the victims being those who at some time did something queer at troop meetings. The meeting was closed with the scout benediction and taps.—reporter Don Clark, Troop 52, Deerfield Presbyterian church.

WILMOT SCHOOL TROOP MEETS

Our last meeting of the scouts of Troop 50 met at the Wilmot school. Our meeting was opened with the scout oath. Then our scoutmaster gave us a puzzle to work which only a few of us solved. After that we all went up in the school room and elected our officers. The officers are as follows:

Patrol leader of the Flying Eagle patrol is Gordon Clavey; Beaver patrol, Robert Ginter; scribe, John Ginter; quarter master, Bud Lockridge.

After our election of officers we went into the basement and went to patrol corners and the patrol leaders helped the scouts in tests. Then we played a good game called "Grab the Bacon." Our meeting closed with the scout oath.—Reporter Troop 50, Robert Ginter, Wilmot school.

TROOP ELECTS PATROL LEADERS

On Friday night Mr. Betts explained a new system that will be used this year. Each patrol will have a patrol leader, an assistant patrol leader, and a scribe. The scribes keep the records of their patrol in a book for that purpose, and the troop records are copied from these books. In the Bat patrol Bob Geary was elected patrol leader; W. Whitmer as assistant, and A. Thomas as scribe. In the Stag patrol, F. Johnson was elected patrol leader, Bob White was chosen as assistant and T. Brown as scribe.

A. Poinier, the only Eagle scout in Troop 34, gave a demonstration of fire by friction, and also demonstrated the use of flint and steel.—F. Johnson, Troop 34, Presbyterian church, Highland Park.

STAG PATROL SCOUTS PASS MANY TESTS

The regular meeting of the Stag patrol was held at the home of the patrol leader, Kenneth Vetter, Tuesday afternoon at 2:30. We opened with the scout oath and law led by assistant patrol leader, Clifford Stanger. The greater part of the afternoon was spent in passing tests. David Stryker and Clifford Stanger passed nature study; Ed. Ransdell passed compass and scout pace. Richard Merner passed tracking and scout pace. After we finished passing tests, we indulged in a game of Flinch at which Clifford Stanger won. Another game was played, Kenneth Vetter being the winner.

Those present were: Clifford Stanger, Ed. Ransdell, David Stryker, Richard Merner, and Kenneth Vetter.—Clifford Stanger and David Stry-

ker, Troop 52, Presbyterian church, Deerfield.

TROOP 51 SEES CAMP MOVIES

The regular weekly meeting of Troop 51 was held Friday evening Jan. 2 in the hall above the Citizens bank. The meeting was opened with the scout oath and law by our senior patrol leader, Edward Cazal.

We participated in a game of steal the bacon, after which another short game was played. A three reel picture of North Shore Area council, Camp Makajawan was presented by Dick Wichman, dining room director at camp. This motion picture showed our summer activities at camp. A number of parents were present, and enjoyed the picture as well as the scouts.—Dan Wolterding, Troop 51.

TROOP 33 SPENDS NIGHT AT CABIN

On Monday Dec. 29, Troop 33 spent an enjoyable time at the Cabin in the Woods. 19 scouts were present for dinner, supper, and breakfast, and we had enough fun, and made enough noise for twice that number.

After dinner, we went outside to play such games as "Sting Goal," and soon found ourselves in the midst of a rousing snowball fight. Many of the scouts had tests to pass, and the others played handball, or listened on a crystal radio set owned by the Deerfield scout who acts as caretaker while a troop is in the cabin, and some of the boys went skating on the creek.

Supper over, we played more games until time to turn in for a good night's rest. Six a. m. found many of the boys wide awake, and sitting around the fire. There was one big mystery—many of the scouts saw Dick Wichman go to bed at the south end of the cabin, but he woke up at the north end.

Flapjacks and bacon for breakfast—and boy! did they taste good! About 8:30 we hit the homeward trail.—Kerwyn Smith, Troop 33, Lincoln school, Highland Park.

HOBBY SHOW PLANS UNDER WAY

The 11 districts of the North Shore Area council are now setting the dates and making plans for the District Boy Scout Hobby Shows and Court of Honor. These will be held during the latter part of February and through March to the first week of April. This is the third year for these hobby shows throughout the council. It is the only event of the year that the scouts are permitted to sell tickets. Each troop keeps the full profits of their ticket sales. These funds are used for the troop equipment, program promotion and general troop expenses. It is estimated that there will be a total of about 5,000 people see the exhibits in the 11 districts. Watch for announcements!