

Girl Scout News



The Highland Park council of girl scouts has joined forces with the New Trier council of girl scouts, under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Grobбен, local director.

Miss Grobбен came to New Trier Council in March 1931 from Milwaukee. Her training and experience make her particularly well suited for her work on the North Shore. Through her co-operation and specialized training in various activities that she can give them, the troop captains will be able to carry on still farther, the good work which has been so ably started and promoted under the direction of Mrs. W. H. Stockwell, here in Highland Park.

Miss Grobбен began her scout work in Milwaukee. Three and a half years ago she went to Philadelphia as field captain with supervision over 25 troops. She had a fine record there, not the least of her accomplishments being the organization of a troop of crippled girls in West Philadelphia. She carried this troop practically through the second class test with no changes in the regular program with the exception of running games.

She has spent the summers at girl scout camps giving special training in handicraft. One summer in England she was on the staff of the international camp.

During the time Miss Grobбен has been with the New Trier council she has given a general course in Glencoe and Wilmette, and two in Winnetka. She has also given an advanced course in each of these villages. Then she has given a tramping and trailing course and a Brownie course in Winnetka. New Trier council has 25 girl scout troops and 8 Brownie packs, making 625 registered girl scouts and 172 brownies.

The area council consists of a commissioner and a deputy commissioner in each of the four villages. More about the area council with the names of the officers will appear in next week's paper.

GIRL SCOUT CAMPING
Girl scouts of Highland Park are most fortunate in having three camps at which to camp this coming summer. Camp Hickory Hill, the Des Plaines girl scout camp

near Edgerton, Wis., which 39 of our Highland Park girls attended the past summer. Camp Timber Trail, the Chicago pioneer camp in northern Michigan, where one lucky girl from here camped three weeks; and the Winnetka primitive camp run for the first time this summer by Miss Grobбен and which will be open for any second class girl scout another year. Below are three letters about the three different camps, written by girls who spent part of their vacation in them. The letter from the Primitive camp is written by a scout who has just moved to Highland Park from Winnetka and is a member of Lincoln school.

CAMP HICKORY HILL
Hickory Hill is the camp of all girls' dreams, where they live the lives of real girl scouts. When the bugle calls, at 6:30 a.m. it's a splash and a scrub, a pull and a tug, and at 6:50 a.m. we're ready for personal inspection and off to Colors at 7:15.

But right now it's food we want and at 7:30 one can hear the click of spoons on the enamel bowls. And what food we do have?

After breakfast and dishes it's a scramble "war bonnet," etc. The unit I was in was to see whose tent will have "best tribe," the Indian unit. At 9:30 off we go to classes where we have a choice of taking life saving and like Johnny Weissmuller, or dancing, handicraft, pioneering, archery, canoeing, nature study, or dramatics. Then comes swimming for everybody at different periods according to their ability and what a rush and excitement that is.

At 12:30 we have lunch and dishes again, of course there is a system for dishes and we do not have to do them all the time. Then at 2:00 p.m. comes rest hour and what an hour of rest it is. Oh boy!

After rest hour is unit hour when each unit gets together and do various things which have been planned.

Then general swim. Boy! how we like general swim!

Next comes hobby hour and we can write or do anything we want to do.

Retreat comes at 5:45 and the color guards are chosen from the table which has the best score in dishes the day previous. It is an honor to be chose a color guard.

Then to supper (which is always good) and 6:00 boating and canoeing. At 7:30 campfire, either in the unit or the whole camp together with a program always planned.

9:00 p.m. is "taps". There is star gazing afterwards but most of us girls are ready for bed.

It is a gay, strenuous life, and oh! how we love it — in fact we can hardly wait to get back next year.

Here's to Hickory Hill!!! Rah!
—Suzanne Coale

THREE WEEKS AT TIMBER TRAIL

I left Chicago on Tuesday, July 19, in a very skeptical frame of mind for I knew no one else that was going to camp and feared very much that I would not like it. We got into our train at 4:45 and immediately found myself among new friends going to Timber Trail.

On leaving the train we still had a three hour trip on a logging train before reaching camp on Wednesday.

The camp is divided into four units—Kalevala, Skyland, Wyopiata and the guest unit Little Gimlet.

We were allowed to "board" in any unit and tent with whom we pleased. I chose Kalevala and there I spent three delightful weeks.

Each tent was given a particular job to do such as wood gathering, dishes and cooking. All our cooking was done in the "kitchen" which consisted of a cash, a cupboard and a stove comprised of four pieces of wood with a 100 pound iron sheeting over it. Under the stove we built a fire. All these things were made by the girls.

I'd never been so happy in my life as I was the next few weeks.

We had no particular hours for anything except swimming, meals and rest hour. We didn't have to do anything we didn't want to. The councillors were most inspiring and were young and joined in everything the

girls did. They even washed dishes with us.

The nights were usually cool and I slept with four Hudson Bay blankets.

On Sundays one could either sleep until eleven o'clock or get up and go to church. We usually chose the latter. We were left to do as we pleased the whole day and spent our time making fudge, cakes, reading, writing and amusing ourselves in a hundred different ways except for a few moments under the inspiring pines for scouts own.

On August 1st we left on a three-day canoe trip up the Sturgeon river through a chain of five lakes. The first day we had lunch on the Girl Scout Island and then slept on another island, the next day going to a still different island. The first night we went to bed early as all were rather tired. A few hours later we were awakened by hideous screams. Upon investigating we found that a porcupine was trying to nibble at the feet of one of the girls. After a good laugh we settled down for a good night's rest but were again awakened at one-thirty by some of the girls "serenading" the rest of us. Can you imagine a pillow fight without pillows? Well!

We arose early and after a dip in the lake we paddled some fifteen miles further. Just as we landed we struck an electric storm. Two canoes turned up missing but were found after a frantic search. But sad to relate, the one containing some of our packs had overturned and everything was soaked. The storm continued for hours. As all our things were wet we decided to let three girls paddle to the mainland. They hailed a truck which promised to return for us. We arrived in camp a very bedraggled lot but full of good spirits, singing and yelling at the top of our lungs. We were put to bed and given hot Ovaltine to drink.

This is a mere sketch of the great fun I had at Timber Trail. And if I tell you that

we left camp with many tears maybe you won't believe me—but at Timber Trail I spent the grandest summer of my life, making long and lasting friendships. Every one at Timber Trail is the friend of every one else.

If anyone wants a keen 1933 summer they had better start right now to save their pennies toward a Timber Trail vacation.
Kathryn Weinberg.

WINNETKA PRIMITIVE CAMP

Primitive camp is in Delevan Wisconsin on Turtle Lake. We loved it a lot. Four of us passed our Junior Life Saving, while two of us reviewed it. One of the best things was sleeping out of doors. We slept on ponchoes and straw mattresses outside except when it rained.

We took a trip to the Yerkes Observatory. We went to classes if we wanted to. We had several classes such as nature, handicraft, canoeing.

I liked this camp so much because we did so many things and were always busy. We took turns doing dishes, building the fire, and cooking every meal.

One meal we had to prepare without utensils. There were lots of hikes. I am going back next year if I can.
Georgialou Fleager.

Robert McCormick, 28 years old, a fireman of squad No. 1, Dearborn and Lake streets, Chicago, was killed last week when a car in which he was riding was forced from Milwaukee avenue between Grayslake and Libertyville.

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agon trains carried the across the country. these and many other stories Bryant entertain her child grandchildren.

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Dr. and Mrs. Bryant moved ud, Minn., where she was club woman and a worker nitarian church.

Dr. Bryant retired they Chicago to be near their Mrs. Benjamin J. Buck. There Mrs. Bryant was with the First Unitarian d was a member of the City club and the Arché

this time, Mrs. Bryant e years in Europe study- raveling and making very nd interesting collections. s ago she moved to High- with her daughter and d although not taking an t in local organizations, ver a keen interest in af- he community, state and d was unusually well in- international affairs. urvived by three daugh- wo grandsons.

Robbers Steal Rugs Bannockburn Home

burglars, who used a key e front door, on Monday valuable oriental and an- valued at several thous- from the home of Rob- ler of Bannockburn. ho has a business in Ch- rned to find the house s wife and children were on, he told Deputy Sheriff eve.

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