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CLEAN-UP WEEK FOR WINNETKA, MAY 8-13

Village Council and Improvement Bodies Co-Operate to Renovate Village

CLEAN UP PREMISES

Householders Asked to Assist in Annual Drive

The week beginning May 8 has been designated by the Village Council as "Clean-Up Week" for the Village of Winnetka.

Posters have been distributed calling attention to this annual event under the auspices of the Village Council the Village Improvement association, the Hill Improvement association and the Hubbard Woods Improvement association.

It is urgently requested that all residents of the village shall co-operate as fully as possible with the spirit of "Clean-Up Week." Village teams will devote their time during this week to calling for rubbish and other refuse which may be placed on parkways by property owners for collection.

Thy Neighbors' Keeper

Especial attention is called to the question of vacant lots, whether owned by residents or non-residents. Particularly in the latter case, it is urged that adjoining neighbors assume the responsibility for cleaning up vacant property in the block in which they live. If each householder will do its part the village can be made much more presentable than at present, and it will then be found a simple matter to keep it clean and a credit to Winnetka.

"Clean-Up Week" coincides with "Health Promotion Week" set apart by proclamation of the Governor of Illinois. The program of the Department of Public Health of the State of Illinois designates Saturday May 13 as "Community Clean-Up Day." The program of the state includes the following suggestions:

Remove the Rubbish

"Community Clean-Up Day." Citizens to thoroughly clean every home in the community by removing all trash and rubbish and by the generous use of soap and water. The whole house should be opened to fresh air and sunshine. All trash, rubbish and garbage from the house and yard to be assembled in alley or street for the garbage removal wagon or burned. Many localities have greatly increased popular interest in "Clean-Up" day by arranging for a common bonfire for all the community trash."

Do not forget. Note the following routing schedule and collection day of Village Clean Up teams for this week.

- District No. 1, Monday—East of tracks; Willow street to south limits.
- District No. 2, Tuesday—East of tracks; Elm street to Willow street.
- District No. 3, Wednesday—East of tracks; Humboldt street to Elm street.
- District No. 4, Thursday—East of tracks; north limits of Humboldt street.
- District No. 5, Friday—West of tracks; limits to North avenue.
- District No. 6, Monday—West of tracks; North Avenue to Pine street.
- District No. 7, Tuesday—West of tracks; Pine street to Elm street.
- District No. 8, Wednesday—West of tracks; Elm street to Oak street.
- District No. 9, Thursday—West of tracks; Oak street to Willow street.
- District No. 10, Friday—West of tracks; Willow street to South limits.

General Clean-Up

On Saturday the village wagons will patrol the entire village and will pick up any accumulations which may have been missed on the other days. Call the village office in case you place your accumulation on the parkway after the day scheduled for your district.

If you need help or suggestions, or if you have any suggestions to offer, phone Mr. Woolhiser, village manager, or Mrs. Allan I. Wolff, president of the Winnetka Improvement association. Help will also be rendered by the Indian Hill Improvement association of which Walter E. Shoemaker is president, and the Hubbard Woods Improvement association, Eli B. Felenthal, president.

VISITS NEWSPAPER PLANT

The classes in journalism at the Horace Mann school Tuesday visited the plant of the Chicago Herald and Examiner. Charles Kinney was in charge of the pupils.

'HONOR ROLL' LIST MAKES RAPID GROWTH

School and Drive Finds General Response Among Previous Non-Subscribers

CAMPAIGN RETARDED

Solicitors Find Difficulty in Covering Territories

More than 180 new names were added to the "Honor Roll" of subscribers to the new Skokie school after ten days campaigning extending into the middle of this week. This is nearly forty per cent of the total number of subscribers secured in the six months' drive of two years ago. The names of all subscribers were posted at the stations during the week and many additions have been registered daily.

The names are listed on cartoons showing on one side a group of unhappy looking persons representing those who have not yet subscribed, and on the other side of a fence the contented folk who have signed up. One man is shown jumping the fence. The names of those who jump the fence are added to the names of subscribers as fast as they are reported.

Find Cordial Response

The most gratifying feature of the campaign, according to the solicitors, has been the cordial response from families who were unwilling to subscribe on the earlier drive. Some of the most earnest opponents of the present site two years ago are reported to have become solicitors, and the response from newcomers and former non-subscribers has been equally good.

The two zones at the south of the village have been the most successful in approaching their full quotas. Each of these was said to be only about \$300 short of its quota at the time of going to press. The northwest zone was still leading in total amount subscribed. The middle western zone was leading in numbers, with sixty subscribers.

Committee Issues Appeal

The only real trouble encountered by solicitors was stated to be the difficulty of covering the ground. The fact that people who have not yet subscribed are scattered has made the work of calling on them harder, and the necessity of making more than one call in many cases has slowed down the work. The committee in charge of the campaign issued an appeal during the week, urging those not yet solicited to lighten the campaign work in this respect.

The new school was opened last Sunday again and was visited by many hundreds of people. Those who had attended the Easter opening reported the building as much further along than seemed possible then, and the classrooms all appeared settled and in good order.

Camp Benefit Party Is Scheduled for May 20

Tickets have been issued for the Camp Benefit dance and party to be given in Community House gymnasium Saturday, May 20, by the Skokie Yacht club and the Adventure Island Camp boys.

The proceeds will be used to send one boy to Adventure Island camp and one girl to Mr. Davies' Camp in Michigan. Every pupil in the seventh and eighth grades is eligible for the camp scholarship.

CALL YOUR ZONE CAPTAIN

The Skokie School campaign solicitors hope to complete the canvass by the end of the present week. Householders who have been overlooked in the solicitation are requested to call their zone captain and arrange to have a solicitor call at the home.

The Zone Captains are:

- East of Tracks
North of Pine street,
Wm. H. King, jr. Winn. 1422.
- Between Pine and Willow streets,
M. B. Parker. Winn. 1650.
- South of Willow street,
L. M. Hamburger. Winn. 1283.
- West of Tracks
North of North avenue,
James A. White. Winn. 1429.
- Between North avenue and Pine st.,
W. W. Chickering. Winn. 354.
- Between Pine and Willow streets,
R. C. Meloney. Winn. 614-M.
- Carl Zeiss. Winn. 534.
- South of Willow street,
Allan I. Wolff. Winn. 362.

OFFER TWO PLAYS AT COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

A most attractive opportunity is being offered to the children of Winnetka on Saturday afternoon at the Country Day school. A group of high school girls from the south side have produced these plays under the direction of Miss Mary Taft, for the benefit of the Radcliffe College Endowment Fund. Both plays are written by Radcliffe girls, Rachel Field wrote "Three Pills in a Bottle," and Mrs. William Kent, Jr., formerly Miss Sophia Morris of Chicago, wrote the second one, which is in pantomime. The music for that latter has been arranged by Miss Lois Nelson.

Mrs. H. A. DeWindt is the general chairman, assisting her with the sale of tickets are Mrs. Willoughby Walling, Miss Dorothy Klotz, and Miss Ruth Copeland. The ushers in charge of Miss Harriet Nichols, are Miss Mary Ott, Miss Ruth Copeland, Miss Katherine Adams, and Miss Carol Whitman. Among the patronesses are Mrs. John R. Ott, Mrs. Walter T. Fisher, Mrs. Roland Whitman, Mrs. Cuthbert Adams.

Tickets may be obtained at the door, or through Mrs. H. A. DeWindt. The curtain will go up at 3 o'clock.

CAMP FIRE GIRLS CEREMONIAL MAY 12

Chicago Leader to Conduct Meeting Here

The annual Camp Fire Girls' Grand Ceremonial will be held in the gymnasium of Community House, Friday afternoon, May 12, at 4 o'clock. Mrs. John Moody, head of the Camp Fire Girls of the Chicago district will conduct the meeting. J. W. F. Davies, director of Community House, will give the Council talk.

At this ceremonial the entire seven groups of Camp Fire Girls, about 100 in number, will be in the circle, around the central camp-fire on the floor of the gymnasium. Besides the beautiful and impressive candle-lighting ceremony, there will be camp fire songs, the awarding of honors, and ranking of girls. The theme of the Camp Fire, Wo-helo, (work, health, love) runs through the entire ceremonial. Representatives of the different groups will each, in turn, recite their part of the candle lighting ceremony. Members of the Mishewaka group of Camp Fire girls who are at present in town, will join with the other groups in this ceremonial.

The Winnetka Camp Fire song, "Fagots of Desire" will be sung. This song won high praise and a National Camp Fire Honor for its author, Miss Ruth Matz, guardian of the Helothli group, and was sung at the Grand Ceremonial (of the girls of the Chicago district) which was held in Chicago a few weeks ago.

Those who have never witnessed a Camp Fire ceremonial, and the friends and those interested in Camp Fire are cordially invited to be present on Friday afternoon, at four o'clock.

The program is as follows: Wohelo Call; Entrance of the girls, singing "America the Beautiful;" Salute and pledge to the flag; Woodgatherer's Desire; Law of the Fire; Ode to the Fire; Song—"Burn Fire Burn;" Candle Lighting Ceremony; Song—"The Fagots of Desire;" Roll Call; Awarding of honors; Ranking; Council Talk; Song—"Mammy Moon;" Extinguishing of candles; Song—"Now Our Camp Fire's Burning Low;" Call—"Wohelo;" Exit, singing—"The Sun is Sinking in the West."

JUDGE C. M. THOMSON MEN'S CLUB PRESIDENT

Judge Charles M. Thomson, well known Winnetka civic leader, was elected President of the Winnetka Men's club at the annual dinner and meeting of the club at Community house last Thursday.

Judge Thomson addressed the meeting, which was the last for the current season. He has been a member of the club since its inception and one of its most active workers. His election is in consideration of the excellent services he has rendered and is now giving Winnetka in all forward-looking community enterprises.

Officers elected to serve with President Thomson are Wallace Rumsey, vice president, and Vernon Welsh, secretary.

SUNDAY, MAY 21, CANVASS DAY FOR \$95,000 COMMUNITY HOUSE FUND

Village-Wide Solicitation to Be Undertaken to Carry Thru Enlargement Plan; "We Ask More, That We May Serve Better," Slogan Adopted

COL. A. A. SPRAGUE LEGION POST GUEST

Commander of Famous 32nd Division Here Tuesday

One of the biggest meetings of the Winnetka Post of the American Legion will be held Tuesday evening, May 9, when Col. A. A. Sprague, former chief of staff of the 32nd Division, will be the guest of the post.

Many local ex-service men were in the 32nd Division and a great many more came in contact with the division while overseas. Due to this fact it will be necessary to restrict the meeting to just the American Legion members or applicants. Colonel Sprague is at present chairman of the board of directors of Sprague-Warner and company and one of the most successful business men in the central west.

To Present Colors

At this meeting there will be the presentation to the legion of the Home Guards' official colors by President Cuthbert Adams. The members of the Home Guards at their annual meeting held in Community House a week ago made the Winnetka Post custodian of their flag. The Post Executive committee has authorized the purchase of a Winnetka Post American Legion Standard and the first showing of this will probably be at the approaching July Fourth celebration.

Entertain Men's Club

May 23, at the next to the last meeting of the Legion before the summer closing, the Winnetka Post will have as their guests the Winnetka Men's club. At that meeting will be shown for the first time in Winnetka the famous Sequeland films taken during the war by the German government Colonel Sequeland will explain the pictures in detail. The program has been secured after months of negotiation and the limited space of the legion club rooms at the Winnetka Woman's club makes it necessary to deny invitations to guests other than members of the Men's club and the Post.

Men's Bible Class Takes Up Study of Education

The Congregational church Men's Sunday Morning class, which meets at 9:45 o'clock at Community House, is to hear a talk by Dr. J. W. F. Davies this Sunday on the subject "Religious Education."

Sunday, May 14, Perry Dunlap Smith, headmaster at the North Shore Country Day school, will be the speaker. His subject will be "General Education."

Sunday, May 21, will be observed as "Father and Son Day" and the class session will be under the direction of William Ayer McKinney. Prof. Ernest D. Burton, of the University of Chicago, will be the speaker.

LOSES MOTHER BY DEATH

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene A. Krebs, 603 Elm street, were called to Janesville, Wis., early this week, on account of the death on May 1 of Mrs. Krebs' mother, Mrs. E. L. Clyde. They left later in the week for New Haven, Ky., where Mrs. Krebs is to remain for some time.

BOARD OF APPEALS HEARINGS

The Winnetka Zoning Board of Appeals announces an informal Public Hearing to be held at the Village hall Thursday evening, May 11, to consider the matter of zoning restrictions on property east of Sheridan road between the south and north limits of the village.

The board of Appeals also announces a Public Hearing for Monday evening, May 22, for the purpose of considering a proposed amendment of the Zoning ordinance, in accordance with a petition signed by property owners in "A-Residence District."

The purposes of the prospective hearings are set forth in detail in another column of this issue of The Winnetka Talk.

Sunday, May 21, has been set by the Governors of Community House as the date for the Village-wide campaign to provide a building fund for enlargement. The amount estimated as necessary to carry out the plan which the Governors have approved is \$95,000.

In addition, the Village at large, will be asked to subscribe, as usual, for the operation and maintenance of Community House during the current year. The sum of about \$10,000 is needed for this purpose, being one-half of the total budget. The remainder was subscribed last December in the annual canvass of the Winnetka Congregational church. The Village canvass for operation funds is usually made in January, but was deferred this year in order to avoid two separate campaigns.

Three Big Additions

Arthur S. Coffin, Architect of Community House, is drawing the plans for the addition. They include three essential features, representing imperative requirements at the present time. These are (1) additional and larger club-rooms; (2) a larger central assembly room, and (3) an auditorium or small theater, with adequate stage, dressing rooms, and fixed seats for 600 people. Incidentally, a larger lobby or entrance hallway will be provided.

The new club-rooms will furnish ample quarters, now lacking, for large groups such as the Boy Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, Triangle club, etc. The American Legion has also asked if space can be accorded it. The number of clubs and classes is constantly growing, and at present meeting places cannot be provided for some of them.

A Larger Meeting Room

The larger central hall or assembly room will meet a serious defect in the present room, which has been outgrown by such groups as the Men's club, The British American society, The Scouts (for drills, the annual Circle dinners, and numerous dances, parties, and general meetings. It will relieve the gymnasium of all of this overflow demand.

At present the demand for rooms for dances far exceeds the ability to supply them. It will be possible to have two dances on the same evening, with a room of this sort, and the new room will be much more adequately ventilated, with a high ceiling, an element which is a serious handicap in the present quarters. The following is a list of groups which would use this room, as prepared by Director J. W. F. Davies:

Men's Club dinner, Four Corner Dancing club, North Shore British American club—3 times a month, Woman's society—twice a month, Children's Dancing classes—twice a week, Exhibitions, Circle dinners—14 circles 1922, Militia dinner—annual, Star supper—annual, Woman's Christian Temp. Union—annual, Camp Fire Ceremonials, Scout meetings—weekly, Camp Reunion dinner—annual, Boys' Club dinner, American Legion dinner—annual, Scandinavian Pleasure club—2 or 3 times a month, Triangle club dances, Meetings Skokie Playfield association, Royal Neighbors—once a month, Infant Welfare society, Camp Fire Food Sale and bazaar.

Why Auditorium is Needed

Every evening on which the gymnasium is occupied for moving pictures, for dances, for dinners or for general meetings during the season means that some group or groups meeting regularly at Community House must forego the use of the gymnasium for regular purposes. In other words, it would be possible, with no more than the present demand, to fill the gymnasium on regular schedule for regular gymnastic work every night in the week from October to June.

For dramatic work, the stage, dressing rooms and seating arrangement in the gymnasium are entirely insufficient. The new assembly hall or auditorium, providing a seating capacity of 600 (approximately the same as that of the gymnasium now) would take care of the growing demand from the dramatic groups which have brought serious pressure on the Governors during the past two years.

More Frequent Pictures

It would make it possible to extend

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