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Community House Decision Sunday

PLAYFIELD WOMEN HAVE OWN TROPHY

D. Smith Donates Trophy to Be Competed for at September Tournament

INTER-CLUB MATCHES

Playfield Joins Cook County Golf Association

Women golfers of the Winnetka Playfield association are happy over the announcement of the donation by Douglas Smith of a trophy for their particular benefit. The women have long wanted a cup and the present officers and directors of the association had inherited from the last administration a promise to provide one for them, but as the association's funds are somewhat limited, the directors were puzzled as to just how the promise was to be fulfilled. Mr. Smith's generous offer has solved the matter to everybody's delight and satisfaction.

Silver Water Pitcher.

The trophy will probably be in the form of a beautiful silver water pitcher appropriately inscribed and will be competed for annually in September as a prize for the Women's Championship of the Skokie playfield Golf Course, the winner to have possession for one year and the individual winning it three times to retain permanent possession.

New Woman's Chairman.

Mrs. Howard H. Hoyt has been elected a Director of the Playfield association to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Paul Starr, and has been appointed chairman of Women's Activities. The women's tournaments will be under her direct supervision and management.

The Playfield association has elected to become a member of the Cook county Municipal Golf association, which has as its primary object the promotion of public golf and whose other member clubs are Jackson Park, Lincoln Park, Palos, Marquette, Garfield Park, Edgmere, Evanston Community and Glencoe Community Golf associations.

Inter-club team matches will be held weekly throughout the season, beginning July 9. Winnetka's team, captained by Paul Kreger and under the supervision of Theodore G. Rockwell, Sports Committee chairman, is expected to "bring home the bacon," which, in this particular instance, is the Robert J. McKinley trophy.

Skokie Playfield course was officially opened for the 1922 season last Saturday and, with favorable weather, a large turn-out of golfers tried out the links for the first time of the new year.

A statement in last week's issue to the effect that Cameron Trent is the official starter at Playfield is incorrect. Trent is the association professional.

Sheridan Road Building Project Finds Opposition

Sheridan road property owners in the vicinity of Willow street are said to be offering serious objection to the proposition to erect six houses on a two-acre strip of land extending from Sheridan road to Lake Michigan at Willow street.

Wharton Clay, one of the owners of the property in question, has submitted to the Winnetka Talk a reproduction of a water color sketch of the proposed improvement.

Neighboring property owners, it is said, are opposed to having property east of Sheridan subdivided. Considerable comment has been going the rounds of the village relative to the question which will be one of the matters submitted for consideration at a hearing by the Winnetka Zoning Board of Appeals Monday evening, May 22.

SPEEDERS' FINES

Fines distributed to traffic violators in Winnetka Speeders' court Saturday included: Frank Hover, Chicago, \$10 and costs; Alice McKeown, Hubbard Woods, \$7 and costs; Frank Keller, Chicago, \$5 and costs; Morris Chaney, Chicago, \$8 and costs.

MANY HONORS AT CAMP FIRE FETE

Grand Ceremonial Is Viewed by Friends

The beautiful and impressive Grand Ceremonial of the Winnetka Camp Fire Girls was attended by a large group of friends Friday afternoon, May 12, in the gymnasium of Community House. About 100 Camp Fire Girls, in ceremonial gowns, were on the floor of the gymnasium around the Camp Fire.

After the lighting of the candles of Work, Health and Love, and those representing the seven Camp Fire Laws, and the singing of Camp Fire songs, the honors were awarded the groups by their guardians.

Mrs. John Moody, director of the Camp Fire Girls' association of Chicago, gave the girls their rank, and conducted the meeting. Four girls took the rank of Torch Bearer, fifteen the rank of Fire Maker, and twenty-one the Woodgatherer's rank.

The Council Talk was given by J. W. F. Davies, after which Mrs. Moody welcomed him to the fire, and conferred upon him the Camp Fire Honor of Guardian of the Fire.

After the closing song, "Mammy Moon," and the candle extinguishing ceremony, the girls filed out of the gymnasium in Council step, singing "The Sun is Sinking in the West." The girls taking rank were:

Torch Bearers—Harriet Childs, Margaret Sterret, Ruth Eisendrath, Marcia Converse.

Fire Makers—Amy MacIntyre, Lois Scharf, Ellen Lorimer, Susan Burlingham, Leoni Mills, Margaret Newman, Janet Gordon, Elizabeth Richards, Peggy Waidner, Judith Walsh, Mary Ledbetter, Hazel Knox, Frances Ranney, Alice Carey, Helen Hubsch.

Woodgatherers—Eunice Stoddard, Florence Lorimer, Mrs. M. Richards, Miss Ruth Pease, Ruth Hancock, Mary Tibbals, Jean Smith, Elizabeth McKinney, Eleanor Thrall, Mary Lutz, Betty Horsman, Mrs. W. Clingen, Helen Brown, Ruth Hamburger, Winifred McKeown, Mary Eisendrath, Katherine Ranney, Ruth Weil, Maxine Salinger, Antoinette Lackner, Mrs. A. Lynne.

CHOIR CAMP BENEFIT DATE, FRIDAY, JUNE 2

An atmosphere of secrecy surrounds the meetings of a group of Winnetka women who are planning an entertainment to provide funds for the Summer Camp of Christ Church choir. The only item that has "leaked out" to date, is the date, which is Friday, June 2.

A summer camp for boys makes a strong appeal for support, always, and this particular one is said to deserve the special recognition it has received. Christ Church choir is regarded as an outstanding feature of the North Shore community life and the service it renders reaches far and near into the hearts and homes of many outside the parish.

An opportunity is to be afforded to show one's appreciation of the good work the choir does month after month, under the skillful leadership of the committee, of which Mrs. A. W. Shaw is chairman, is composed in part of the following women: Mrs. Towner Webster, Mrs. Cornelius Lynde, Mrs. James G. Kellogg, Mrs. Hathaway Watson, Mrs. Laird Bell, Mrs. James W. Prindle, Mrs. E. F. Chase, Mrs. Erskine Wilder, Mrs. Arthur Cox, Mrs. Joseph Husband, Mrs. Lawrence Howe, Miss Carol Jackson and Miss Beatrice Williams.

WINNETKA VS. GLENCOE

Winnetka's North Shore league baseball team meets the strong Glencoe nine at the Skokie Playfield diamond this Sunday at 3 o'clock. The affair is the first official game of the season and a large turnout of fans is anticipated.

HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

The North Shore Branch of Sinai Congregation is to hold its second annual meeting Tuesday, May 23, in connection with a dinner at the Winnetka Woman's club at 6:30 o'clock.

WINNETKA HAS ARMY OF FICTION READERS

Like other American communities Winnetka boasts a small army of fiction readers, according to the annual report of Librarian, Mary E. Hewes of the Winnetka Free Public Library, showing that villagers, adults and juveniles combined, read 39,255 volumes of fiction during the fiscal year ending March 31, 1922.

Next to fiction comes literature, listing 2,227 readers, and sociology follows closely with 1,711. Languages find only scattered interest, with only 24 adults listed and no juvenile readers. The total circulation of the library during the indicated year was 50,950 volumes.

March Best Month

The month of March headed the list in number of readers of library volumes, showing 5,133. June was lowest with 3,825. The winter months, obviously, were the heaviest reading months.

The increase in the number of card in 1921-1922 over 1920-1921 was 8,324. The increase in the number of card holders during the same period was 472.

Total receipts of the Winnetka Free Public Library for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1922, were \$7,467.50. Total expenditures amounted to \$7,042.49, leaving a balance of \$425.01.

ARRANGE PLANS FOR INDIAN HILL CAMPS

"No better investment in money can be made for a boy or a girl than in their health and well-being," is a common expression that is burdened with truth. A few weeks in the out-of-doors, in happy surroundings will do wonders towards building up their resistance for the strain of winter work. Indian Hill Camp, on Lake Hamlin, Michigan, under the direction of Mr. J. W. F. Davies of Community House, offers this opportunity, Community House officials explain.

The camp for boys will be from June 27 to July 14, and for girls from July 18 to August 4. Boys and girls over twelve years of age will be accepted. The object of these camps is more than recreation, more than the joy of living in the out-of-doors. The aim is to make a real contribution to character.

The health of the boys and girls is carefully looked after. The food is the best, and is carefully prepared. Each day is thoughtfully planned. The camper is encouraged to do things on his own initiative, and time is provided for this. The number of boys or girls in each camp is limited to thirty.

Plans are maturing rapidly for the camps, and many Winnetka young people are looking forward, eagerly, to the day when school is over and they can journey towards Indian Hill Camp. Registrations will be received at the office of Community House.



Read
your
book
out-
doors
—
That's
where
Old Omar

read his "book of verses."

But he had no book-case or easy chair.

FOR SALE—MAHOGANY SECTIONAL bookcases and old hickory porch furniture. Evanston 692.

USE OUR WANT ADS

248 MEN CANVASS VILLAGE TO SOLICIT ENLARGEMENT FUND

Final Challenge Sounded by Board of Governors in Plea for United Support from Residents; Offer Plan Whereby Everyone May Help in Raising Needed \$105,000

BY MERRITT LUM
(For Campaign Committee)

A last minute warning has been issued by the Board of Governors of Community House against over-confidence on the part of those active in tomorrow's canvass for the Enlargement Fund. Tremendous enthusiasm has been shown in every part of Winnetka and in a large number of organized groups, yet the amount to be raised is so large, the governors state, that unless there is a sense of individual responsibility, universally felt, the campaign can hardly be a success.

Those who perhaps are looking to the large gifts of the more favored in this world's goods to put the campaign over are warned that even with the expected response of prospective large givers there is no possibility of raising the \$105,000 unless every family rises to the call of a sacrificial pledge. The \$5,000 pledges, \$3,000 pledges and \$2,000 and \$1,000 pledges will no doubt be in evidence in considerable number but backing these up must be \$750 and \$500 and \$300 and \$200 pledges from those who perhaps for the first time have thought of their Community House responsibility in terms of these amounts. And then, the \$100 and \$50 pledges as evidence from those of very moderate means that they, too, are in earnest when they praise Community House, as a keeper and promoter of Winnetka's Community spirit.

Offer Easy Terms

And the easy terms of the pledge cards, offering fifteen months or more in which to make payments, should answer the problems of those who have not at hand the cash to give as they want to give. For fifteen months at \$10 a month, makes a total of \$150; or double that, \$5 a week, what many of us spend for entertainment or automobile or candy, cigars, etc.—makes a \$300 insurance against the failure of Community House after its eleven years' record of success.

And hardly a family in Winnetka, even in the most moderate of circumstances, but what \$3.33 a month can be advanced toward a Community House pledge totalling \$50—if there is a real appreciation of what this institution does for all.

With the issuance this week of a tentative ground plan, the Governors called attention to the fact that without the addition asked for, Community House will be sadly crippled upon entering another active season.

Wholly Inadequate

Boy Scouts have outgrown all rooms except a dark basement, incapable of being fitted up for much else than its intended purpose as a store room for janitors' supplies.

Seven groups of Camp Fire girls have no room they can call their own.

The gymnasium is ill-suited to nineteen different activities which have no other place to go, while the single, small assembly hall has long ago been outgrown by the groups of 100 to 250 people which demand better treatment at our hands.

Those who think Winnetka should have more movies are interested in the proposed auditorium, as are the dramatic groups, the groups that believe in opportunities for self-expression of boys and girls, who like the entertainments, the lectures, the musicals which Winnetka can give if adequate space and facilities are provided.

248 Volunteer Canvassers

Over 200 men have signified their willingness to serve as collectors on Sunday afternoon. It remains only for the givers to respond with a full sense of their own responsibility, to make the campaign a success. It will not fail if each family fully considers its share in such an important undertaking; it can easily fail if any let the plausible excuse of their other demands stand in the way of real pledges. The Board of Governors has not chosen the time of campaign or the amount to be raised. Circumstances have determined them, and perhaps the supreme test of the challenge is what Winnetka needs to reveal its continuing fibre of Community spirit made up of individual effort and sacrifice.

The Home Fire of Winnetka

In ol' Community House, Winnetka,
Where the doors are open wide
An' its home fires always burn with love

For troubled folks, inside;
Where a smile is ever present
With a welcome warm and true,
An' it seems when first you enter
That, they're all expectin' you.

There's a somethin' kind a sothin'
To us folks, I can't but see
In that little house of Davies',
Where the whole community
Sem to gather and make pleasure,
Get acquainted an' the sort
How they revel in the company
Of each other ther, in sport.

Everybody knows each other;
Knows the best that's in 'em, too.
Davies knows 'em all, an' better,
Davies loves 'em through an'
through.

Take his little lines of pleasure
Streamin' with sunshine and cheer;
Thoughts that bulge with love and
kindness
Catches friends that last for years.

Just sich open-hearted manners,
All in full sincerity,
Makes you think of your own daddy,
In that House Community.
Any joy you want? You have it:
Movies, dancin', music, sport,
You kin find there all the action
That you crave for, any sort.

Clubs there? I'll say, without number
Every nationa-ality.
Credes? They're all the same in
Heaven
An' this House Community.
Boy Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, and
Neighbors,
Societies for young and old,
Boys' clubs, mn's clubs, girls' and
mothers'
All's a part of that household.

An' speakin' plain, there's on thing sartin
That "Winnetka's sowed the seed"
For th commin'st institution;
An' th whole world sees its need.
But * * there's on thing, just one lackin'
Needs more room in which to grow
Cuz * * a healthy tree keeps spreadin';
Gives us shelter, spreadin' so.

—Uncle Frank.

To—
Ol' Comunity House
Winnetka, Illinois
May your home fire ever blaze
With the warmth of
Goodfellowship!

Copper's Keen Eyesight Halts Lumber Co. Blaze

Patrolman George Balkow of the Winnetka police has keen optics and they served him in good stead early last Saturday morning when he discovered a small blaze in the sheds at the rear of the Winnetka Coal and Lumber company.

Balkow's alertness in summoning the Fire department prevented what might have developed into a blaze of considerable proportions, it is said.