



BOY SCOUT NEWS

of the
North Shore Troops



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Anniversary Plans Outlined by Scout Executive's Staff

Anniversary Day, Friday, February 8, at 8:15. Every Scout in the country will recommit himself to the Scout Oath and Law. Mobilization Day, Saturday, February 9, Scouts will mobilize for Community Good Turns, to take over the management of the towns, etc. Scout Sunday, February 10, troops will attend church in uniform. Pastors are already planning a special Scout sermon and other recognition of the Boy. In some cases Scouts in uniform will serve as ushers at the church service.

Scouts' day in the schools, Monday, February 11. In many cases, Scouts will put on a demonstration before the entire body of the school, before a parent-teacher association or assume other responsibilities on this day.

Camp Day and Patriots' Day, Tuesday, February 12. This is also Scout Memorial Day. Afternoon Patriotic pilgrimage in honor of Lincoln and Washington.

Citizenship Day, Wednesday, February 13. Scout troops will give demonstrations before Service clubs, Chambers of Commerce, etc. Prominent city officials will be invited to address Scout gatherings.

Home Day, Thursday, February 14. Parents all over the United States are asked to reserve this night as a home night, in which Dads' and Mothers' time are given exclusively to the children.

General—All Scouts plan to wear their uniforms during the entire period of Scout week. Merit badge exhibitions are being planned by various districts.

Lincoln and Washington have their birthday anniversaries in this month, so that figures into the Commemoration of Scout week in many troops.

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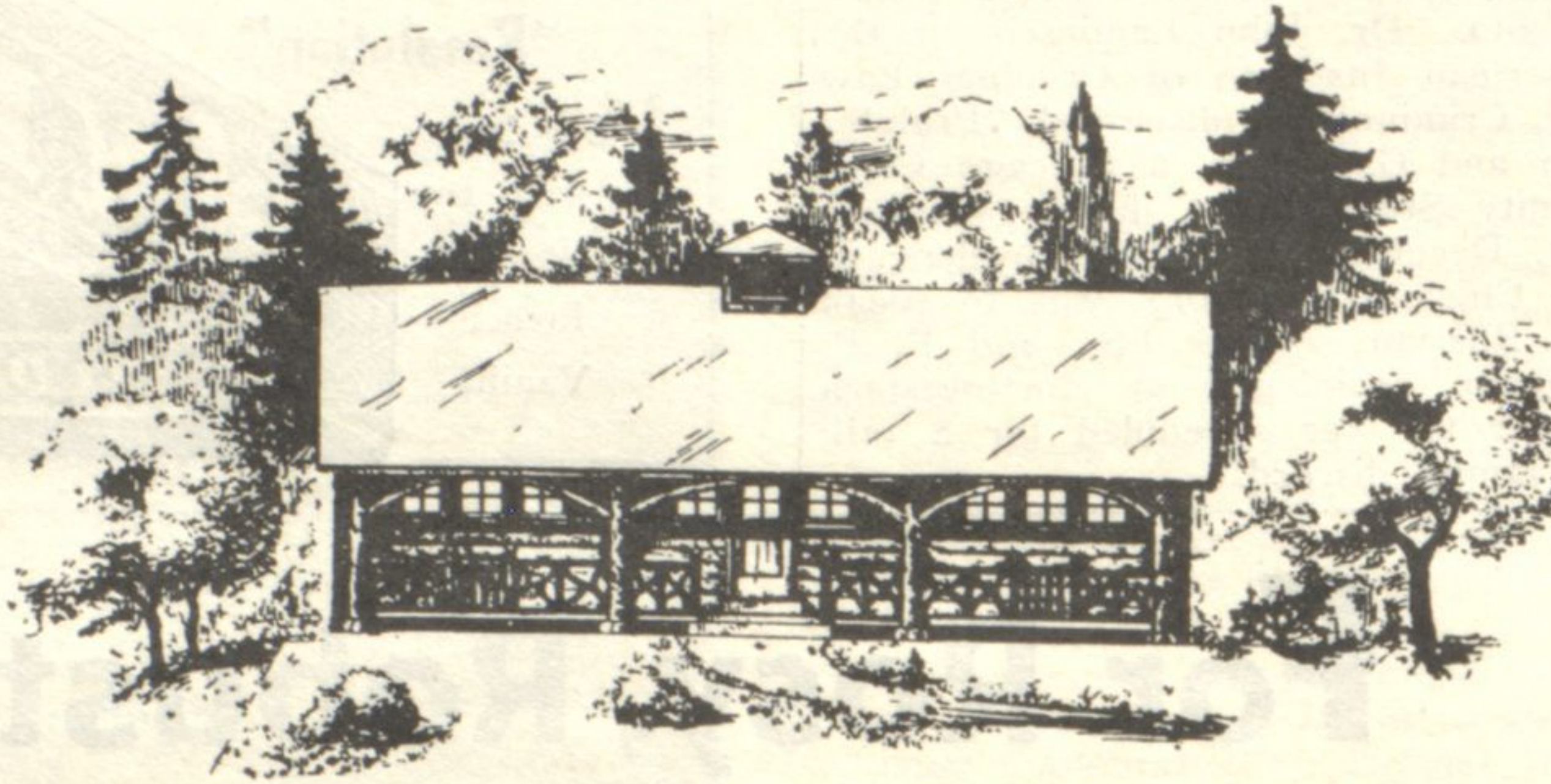
Look Forward to Meeting of Leaders in Chicago

A gathering of Boy Scout committeemen from Michigan, Indiana, Wisconsin, and Illinois for the purpose of sharing and exchanging ideas on Scouting, will be held at the Edgewater Beach hotel, Chicago, Tuesday, January 15, beginning at noon. Dr. James E. West and Dr. George J. Fisher, Chief Scout executive, and Deputy Chief Scout executive, respectively, will be present. Mike Gorman of Flint, Mich., will again be toastmaster at the big banquet. North shore Scout leaders are striving to build an attendance of more than thirty men.

ENLARGE LEADER COURSE

A training course in Scouting and troop management is being planned for early in 1929. This will supplement the training course in First Aid essentials which is now being conducted for Scout leaders, future sessions of which will be held January 7, 14, 21, 28, February 11 and 18.

Proposed Mess Hall for Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan



Stray Points on Troop Programs

In a bulletin last week addressed "to the men on the firing line," the Scout leaders, Scout Executive McPeck passed out the following suggestions:

Roosevelt passed away January 6, ten years ago—would it benefit your troop to recognize in some way this loss to our nation?

How can you use the Cabin-in-the-Woods to enrich your troop program?

Would your local Parent-Teacher association, American Legion Post or other group care to have your troop put on a Scouting demonstration for them?

It might be a good plan to arrange for your troop to plant a tree on the library grounds in the Spring.

Would a Parents' Night or Father and Sons' banquet help build your troop morale?

Are one or two new boys joining your troop each month?

How many boys in your troop have been Scouts for more than a year? For more than two years? For more than three years?

These figures indicate something of the richness of your troop program.

Will Honor Scout Leaders at Dinner Early in Year

The Executive board of the North Shore area is planning an appreciation dinner as an indication of its recognition of the faithful, untiring work of north shore Scout leaders during the past year. This dinner, which is becoming an annual event in north shore Scouting circles, will probably be held early in February. An especially attractive program is being arranged.

HOLD CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Troop 36 Scouts met in the St. James Parish hall. First Aid and games were the main events. A party was held Friday, December 21. Mr. Prato and two patrol leaders, scribe and thirteen Scouts were present last Friday, December 14.—Tom Brennan, Pine Tree Patrol, Troop 36, Highwood.

Hard Work Basis of Achievement, Scouts Are Told

Did it ever occur to you that anything worthwhile ever accomplished in the world, was produced by sheer determination, hardship, worry and much hard work? Too often we expect maximum results for minimum effort.

If a Scout leader can get the idea across to his Scouts that anything which does not require hard work is not worth while, even though it is not literally true, he has accomplished a great deal towards moulding that boy's future program.

We hear Scouts say they will drop Latin next year because it is too hard when its being hard should be the very reason why they should continue.

We hear Scouts barter about the Merit Badges, as to whether they are hard or easy when in reality the Scout who secured a hard Merit Badge has the great satisfaction of having done a real job and he most certainly is a better Scout.

Scouts, don't pick the easy job; let some weak-kneed, lazy, irresponsible fellow have them, and you go in for the man's size job. You will like it—The Rotarian (December).

Advancement Opportunities

Town—Board of Review and Court of Award:
Wilmette—Second Wednesday
Third Saturday, as announced
Kenilworth—
Second Tuesday, 4 P. M.
Second Tuesday, 7:30 P. M.
Winnetka—Third Friday, 7:30 P. M.
Following Thursday
Glencoe—By individuals
Third Tuesday
Highland Park—
Third Monday at 7 P. M.
Third Monday at 7:30 P. M.
Lake Forest—First Friday, 7 P. M.
First Friday, 7:30 P. M.
Glenview—With first troop meeting
each month
Second Friday
Northbrook—With first troop meeting
each month
Second Friday
Deerfield—With first troop meeting
each month
Second Friday
Libertyville—With first troop meeting
each month
Second Friday
Mundelein—Third Friday, 7 P. M.
Third Friday, 7:30 P. M.

Scouts Have Great Time at Wilderness Camp in Michigan

The snow is deep and the hills are steep, and the forty Scouts at Camp Wilderness, near Bridgeman, Mich., are having the time of their lives. The north shore delegation, which is under the leadership of Scout Executives McPeck and McManus, sends word that they are having the best time ever. The two patrols of north shore boys are also accompanied by Dorland Davis, who is instructor in handicraft and nature study work at the camp, and Lowell Comee, national junior archery champion, who is heading up the archery work.

Among the many troops representatives are: Davis Lott, Troop 2; Craig Stoddard, Troop 4; Julian Hirsch, Troop 3; Robert Crawford, Troop 2; Philip Swabacker, Troop 18; Harry Brown, Troop 20; William Heyn, Troop 20; Harry Keator, Troop 22, and Walter Roberts, Troop 22.

The group will return on New Year's Day, arriving on the north shore about one o'clock.

Scouts to Show Hobbies at Exhibition January 26

A table is to be assigned to each troop of the North Shore Area council on which they will display material in connection with the various hobbies of the members of that troop at the Hobby Show scheduled for January 26 at the Glencoe Union church. A leather shield is to be awarded to the troop with the most comprehensive display of boy hobby material. Parents and friends of Scouting will be invited to come in during the afternoon and evening, to view the display. Scouts from the troops will be on duty throughout the time of the exhibit to explain the things in which they are interested. No admission will be charged. A feature of the evening's enterprise will be the awarding of Life, Star and Eagle badges by the Area-Wide Court of Award.

Suggest Some "Do's" for Troop Scribe and Aides

In a recent scribe conference it was decided that—

The large troop record book is the most satisfactory for troop record keeping.

A troop committeeman should go over the record books once a month. Troop dues should be worked out on budget plan.

There should be an assistant scribe in case of absence of regular.

All troop records should be written in ink.

Records of tests passed must be complete.

Scribes must keep up to date the record of the troop's finances.

The individual record forms are tremendously important and must be completely filled out.

ELECT LEADERS

Troop 34 has elected a senior patrol and patrol leaders as follows: Parker Johnston, John Dingle and Fred Harmon. Mr. McManus arrived towards the end of our meeting and showed us several badges and we also have been having our meetings at the Elks hall but that is now changed to the Lincoln school. We will soon be a member of the North Shore Area council.—Nick Wink, Troop 34.