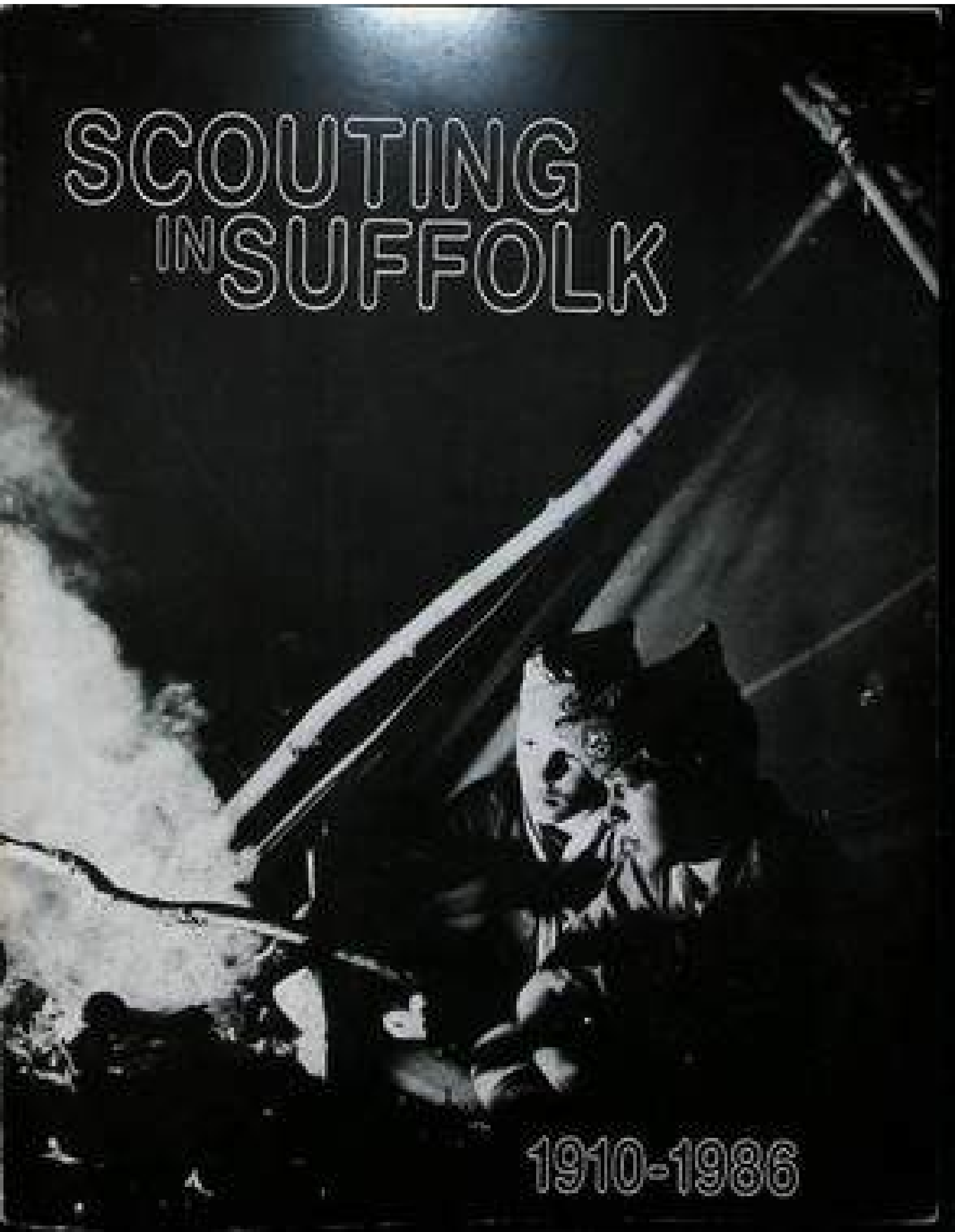


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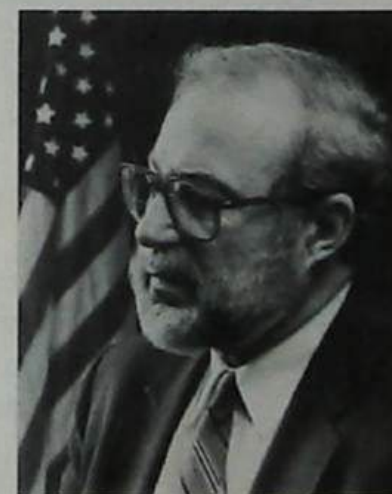
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"Be Prepared" - two words that have been more than just the well known motto of the Boy Scouts of America. These simple words have served as the driving force in our nation's scouting movement, a program that has helped to shape many future leaders in our society.

Preparedness is a key word for youth in today's complex and sometimes threatening society. Scouting preparedness moreover is not selfish, but indeed looks for opportunities to assist those whose needs are not only ignored, but frequently not even perceived.

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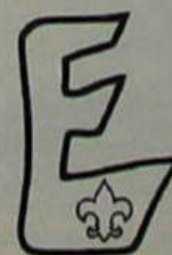
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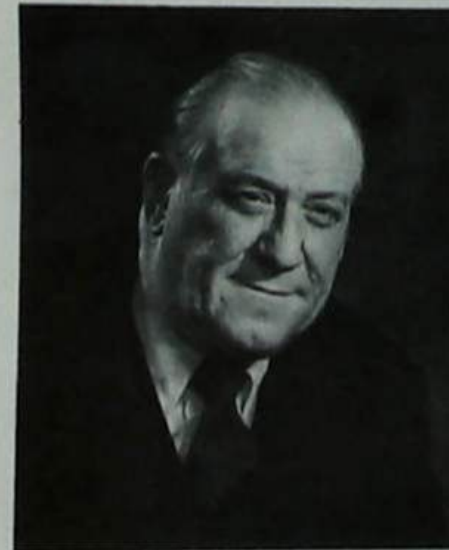
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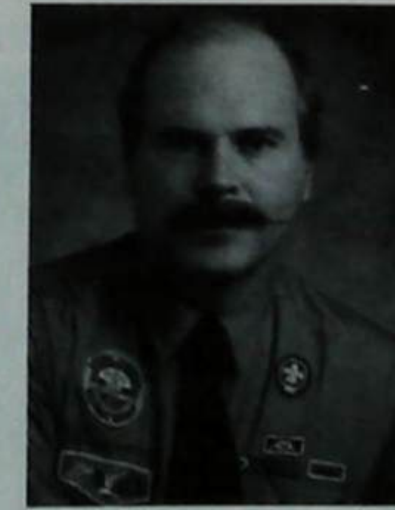
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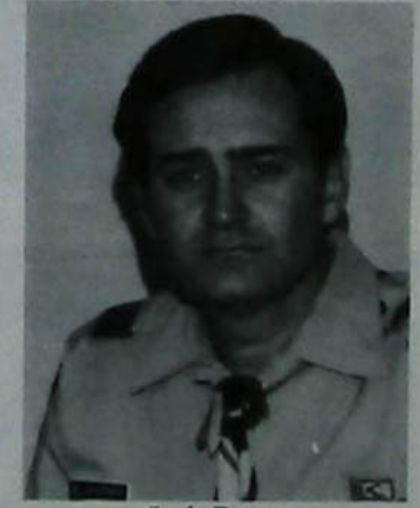


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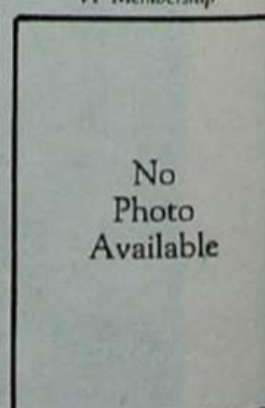
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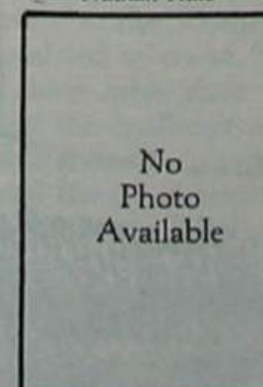
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PREFACE

For all the scouts and scouters of the county, for the people of Suffolk County and for all who are interested in history, this is the story of the Suffolk County Council, Inc. Boy Scouts of America. A whole library could not tell the story, much less a single volume, nevertheless we have attempted the task of telling the story of the origin and growth of the scout movement in Suffolk County. We have only covered the highlights of our Council due to time and space limitations. Records for certain time periods or events are very poor or non-existent and in some cases, information was not made available to us in time to be included.

We have made no attempt to deliberately omit any activity or event, but have tried to include a wide spectrum of Council activities. If in fact some important occurrence was left out it was only because we were unaware of it by the time we went to press. No attempt has been made to tell the story of any one troop, district or person, as this is a historical record of the Council. If indeed mention is made of a specific troop, district or person, it is only to enhance the Council's story. As with any book on current history, it is behind the times before it comes off the press. Events are taking place during the time it takes to print the book and other information comes to light that was unknown before. It is our hope to update this book in the future, to cover information previously left out.

A number of people have put considerable time and effort into producing this book. If you know more about scouting in Suffolk County after reading it, we have succeeded in our task.



INTRODUCTION

Before we can tell the story of Scouting in Suffolk County, first we have to relate the start of the Scout movement. We must go back to 1899 with the British garrison at Mafeking, South Africa. The Commander of that garrison, Colonel Robert Baden-Powell was sitting at his desk late one night, correcting proofs on a little book he had written soon to be published in England. The title of that literary effort was "Aids to Scouting." He had no way of knowing that this would be the start of the world Scout movement.

The word "Scouting" in the title had nothing to do with the Boy Scouts. The term was for military scouting. Colonel Baden-Powell found that the ordinary process of training recruits was not effective with the young men being sent to serve under him from England. Their inadequate training taught them to care for their rifle but not for themselves. The book "Aids to Scouting" would be the text used in teaching these men the fundamentals they needed to survive. During the siege of Mafeking in 1899, the Colonel organized a corps of boy messengers and aides (not unlike Boy Scouts) to help in the defense of the town.

When Colonel Baden-Powell returned to England in 1903, he was hailed as the hero of Mafeking, and Queen Victoria raised him to the rank of Major-General. He found to his surprise that the book he had written to help train young men to be better soldiers was being adapted and used in schools for boys. The schoolmasters of these schools appealed to him to revise this book so it would be more serviceable to the young boys. At this time, he felt unqualified to do so, having little experience with boys other than young soldiers, but he accepted the challenge and began to acquire the qualifications he was lacking. He assembled a special library of books about boys' work. General Baden-Powell was able to read in many languages so he did not confine his research to books in English, but studied any boys' literature available. It was only natural that his search would bring him to study American reference books.

The ideas which underline the ideals of the Boy Scouts did not start with any one man or any one set of men. For years men had been working with boys in different ways but all for the same end—the betterment of the boy. General Baden-Powell was the one to put all of the ideas together.

In America, Ernest Thompson Seaton, an author and naturalist, was working with boys in a combination of woodcraft and Indian life called the "Woodcraft Indians." Dan Beard, an illustrator and well-known author of boys' books, was working along similar lines of pioneering, handicraft and outdoor life. His group was called "The Sons of Daniel Boone." Byron W. Forbush, Ph.D. was dealing with boys along the lines of hero worship and imitation of "knightly" life centered around King Arthur and the Round Table. Edgar M. Robinson was directing a program for boys at the Y.M.C.A. in education for the duties of life and citizenship. Besides these men, there were a host of others in schools, churches, social groups or playgrounds, touching the lives of boys for the purpose of making better men.

In 1906 Seaton visited Baden-Powell and gave him a copy of his book, "The Birch Bark Roll," the handbook for his "Woodcraft Indians," which would help with the revised book Baden-Powell would come out with two years later.

In 1907 Baden-Powell determined that a practical test of his ideas was needed before he proceeded in his work. In late July and August of 1907, a remarkable cross-section of boys from his own family, families of friends and associates, from street gangs and boys' schools, was brought together at Brounsea Island. The site, an island in a sheltered English bay at Dorset, was to become the first Boy Scout encampment of the world. The twenty-one boys who arrived on July 29, 1907, were not told of this experiment—only that they were to spend two weeks on an outing with the famous General Robert Baden-Powell. The camp was a huge success and in January, 1908, the first part of "Scouting for Boys" was published.

By mid-1908 Scout troops were being started throughout England as well as a small number of troops in America, started by men who had brought the idea from England. One of the first troops was formed in 1908 in Salina, Kansas, by John Romanes, who had been a Scout in Scotland and trained under Baden-Powell.

It was a Scout's good turn that officially brought Boy Scouts to the United States. The story of the American lost in the London fog, and helped by a young British Scout, is known to anyone who has ever been a Scout. A Chicago publisher, William D. Boyce, after being told that the boy would not take a tip for his help because he was a Scout, asked the boy to take him to see the man who had founded this Scout movement. Like a proud father, Baden-Powell poured out the story of his organization of boys and of the needs it filled. When Boyce set sail for America several days later, he carried with him a suitcase filled with books and pamphlets about the Boy Scouts as well as the promise from Baden-Powell to help in any way he could to set up a similar movement in the States. On February 10, 1910, William D. Boyce and a group of associates incorporated the new organization in Washington, D.C., as "The Boy Scouts of America."

By February 11, 1910, the "Boy Scouts of America" was a name only. No actual organization existed. It was Boyce's intention to use Scouting to promote his Chicago publications and organize his paperboys. Boyce was not the first man of vision to discover Scouting. He was merely the first to take action. A short time after the incorporation of the "Boy Scouts of

America," Mr. Boyce was approached by a group of outstanding American youth leaders. Led by Edgar M. Robinson of the Y.M.C.A., they convinced Mr. Boyce that the Scout idea was much broader in scope than he had anticipated and it should be turned into a national Scout movement. Baden-Powell had contacted many of these men a few years earlier when he was developing his ideas on Scouting. Mr. Boyce was convinced that Scouting should be made available to all boys and gave his blessings to Mr. Robinson to proceed.

A meeting was held on June 21, 1910 by a group of prominent Americans with experience in boys' work. As a result, a special "Committee on Organization" was formed to proceed with the establishment of the Boy Scouts of America. A set of bylaws was formulated and a number of outstanding citizens were recruited to add their prestige and their efforts to the new movement. By October, 1910, the Committee on Organization had finished its work and turned its activities over to the Board of Managers, soon renamed the Executive Board. Colin H. Livingston, one of the original incorporators with Boyce, was elected the first President of the Boy Scouts of America. Ernest Thompson Seton became the first Chief Scout and Daniel Carter Beard, the National Scout Commissioner. James E. West, an attorney from Washington, D.C., was appointed Chief Scout Executive. Oddly enough, William D. Boyce, the man credited with bringing Scouting to America, never took an active role in the Scout Organization, but left the job to men he considered better qualified.

CHAPTER ONE

Scouting's Start in Suffolk

1910-1919



First Boy Scout Badge
as described and illustrated
in the 1910 B.S.A. Handbook
(picture of Badge enlarged)

BADGES

The scout's badge is this: —
The scout's badge is the arrow-head, which shows the north on a map or on the compass. It is the badge of the scout in the Army, because he shows the way in doing his duty and helping others.

The motto on it is the scout's motto of

"BE PREPARED,"

which means that a scout must always be prepared at any moment to do his duty, and to face danger in order to help his fellow-men. Its scroll is turned up at the ends like a scout's mouth, because he does his duty with a smile and willingly.





TROOP 1 BABYLON (1940)

In September 1910, Troop One of Babylon, with the Rev. E. J. Burlingham as Scoutmaster, the first Troop to charter in Suffolk County, chartered with the National Council located on Park Avenue in New York City.

Soon, other towns followed: Huntington,

Troop One; Patchogue, Troop One; and so on. The first troop to be chartered in a community would be given the Number One; therefore, every town's first Boy Scout Troop would be designated Troop One of that community. If a second troop was formed and chartered within



TROOP 1 RIVERHEAD (1912)



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Daniel C. Beard

DANIEL CARTER BEARD

Robert Baden-Powell

ROBERT BADEN-POWELL



FIRST DAY OF ISSUE



CONGRESSIONAL CHARTER GRANTED TO THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

VITAL EXCERPTS

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled; ☆

That the name of this corporation shall be "Boy Scouts of America," and by that name it shall have perpetual succession, with power to sue and be sued in courts of law and equity within the jurisdiction of the United States: to hold such real and personal estate as shall be necessary for corporate purposes, and to receive real and personal property by gift, devise, or bequest: ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆

That the purpose of this corporation shall be to promote, through organization, and cooperation with other agencies, the ability of boys to do things for themselves and others, to train them in Scoutcraft, and to teach them patriotism, courage, self-reliance, and kindred virtues, using the methods which are now in common use by Boy Scouts. ☆ ☆

That said corporation shall have the sole and exclusive right to have and to use, in carrying out its purposes, all emblems and badges, descriptive or designating marks, and words or phrases now or heretofore used by the Boy Scouts of America in carrying out its program, ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆

That on or before the first day of April of each year the said Boy Scouts of America shall make and transmit to Congress a report of its proceedings for the year ending December thirty-first preceding, including a full, completed and itemized report of receipts and expenditures, of whatever kind. ☆

Passed the House of Representatives, March 6, 1916

Champ Clark

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Approved June 15, 1916

Woodrow Wilson

President

Passed the Senate, May 31, 1916, with amendments

John H. Bankhead

Acting President of the Senate

• BE PREPARED •

DO A GOOD TURN DAILY



the same town, it would be given the Number Two, the third, Three, and so on. All troops in the County were chartered by the National Council, until local councils were formed in the years that followed.

In the early years of Scouting in our county, troops operated much on their own, arranging their own activities and programs while obtaining any direction they needed directly from the National Council in New York City. Camping was done mostly on private estates or public lands with no organized long-term camping for at least the first few years.

When, in 1914, a group of men in the Huntington area felt the need to pool their efforts for the benefit of the troops in the area, the first

the county still operated much on their own.

The first long-term summer camp for Scout troops in Suffolk took place during the summer of 1915 at Camp Triangle, located on the Finsch Estate in Lloyds Harbor. The camp was operated by the Greater New York YMCA, and for two weeks during the 1915 summer season it was given over to the Boy Scouts. The camp director for the two-week Scout stay was S. F. Lestor, a Scoutmaster in the Huntington Council who also worked with the YMCA. Although the invitation for camp was sent to all Scouts and troops in the county, only the local Huntington area troops took part. Sixty Scouts were in camp working on various Scout badges and Scout skills.



BOY SCOUT TROOPS IN SUFFOLK COUNTY (LATE TEENS)

Boy Scout council was chartered in Suffolk County on January 13, 1914. The application for a local council charter was approved by National on January 19, 1914, thus creating the Huntington Boy Scout council with Albert V. Sammis its president, and William H. Higbie as Scout Commissioner. It was chartered as a second class council. No Council Executive was required since second class councils relied on volunteers to do all the work. The remainder of that year saw coordinated activities for the troops in the Huntington area—hikes, weekend camp trips, etc.—while the rest of the troops in

On November 3, 1916, the Huntington Council changed its name to the Nathan Hale Council, because the troops not actually in Huntington objected to the name, and listed six troops: Troop One, Huntington; Troop Two, Huntington; Troop Three, Huntington; Troop Four, Cold Spring Harbor; Troop Five, Centerport; Troop Six, Greenlawn. Troop Seven, Huntington, was added the next year.

Although the local council relied heavily, as did many other councils, on the financial support of the YMCA, on October 27, 1916, it was decided that, as reported in *The Long Islander*,



FIRST BOY SCOUT COUNCIL OFFICE
IN SUFFOLK COUNTY IN 1917

"no further connection locally between the YMCA and the Boy Scouts will exist." This declaration was made because the local council did not endorse the YMCA proposition concerning fund-raising and disposition of those funds. It was an amicable parting, and the two organizations would continue to cooperate for the betterment of youth. The Boy Scouts would continue, for example, to use the YMCA camp, Camp Triangle, up until 1919.

Troops throughout the county were still being formed and chartered through the National Council. It became evident that a county-wide organization was becoming necessary. On November 25, 1916, the Nathan Hale Council held a special meeting to hear plans by National for the formation of a county council and for placing within the County a special Field Scout-

master to develop Scout work. A survey had been done in the County by Merritt Oxenham, a National Field Scout Commissioner. His report to the Nathan Hale Council pointed out that the twenty-seven chartered troops in Suffolk County needed local control and direction rather than depending on National for all their needs.

In March of 1917, the Nathan Hale Council moved into its first real headquarters, the second floor of the Huntington Hardware Store on Main Street in Huntington.

The slogan from National for 1917 was "Help Win the War," and with this in mind the local Nathan Hale council held its first "War Mobilization." 1917 was a busy year, not only for the Nathan Hale Council but for all the troops in Suffolk.



In May of 1917, the Nathan Hale Council took advantage of an invitation from Teddy Roosevelt to visit Sagamore Hill in Oyster Bay. The invitation had originally been given in May of 1916, but because it occurred later in the calendar, and it would have meant taking the boys out of school, only the Cold Spring Harbor

troop went. On May 12, 1917, 135 Scouts and leaders from the Nathan Hale Council accepted the colonel's invitation and hiked to his home. June 11, 12, 13, and 14 of that year saw the first Liberty Loan Campaign. The summer of 1917 continued the war on tent caterpillars started the year before.



WHEN COLONEL ROOSEVELT REVIEWS BOY SCOUTS AT FAMOUS SAGAMORE HILL IN 1917



HUNTINGTON SCOUTS IN THEIR WAR ON TENT CATERpillARS



TROOP 16 SAYVILLE 1920's



Because of the war effort, there was no long-term summer camp in 1917. However, troops continued overnight hikes and weekend camping. The "Every Scout to Feed a Soldier" program which took place that summer involved Scouts growing food on plots of land throughout the country, with the most common crop corn, which required no farm machinery.

During the summer of 1917, the first Scout from Suffolk County was killed in the war. James Rhatigan, who was a member of a troop from Huntington, was killed in action in France.

In August of 1917, Mr. Higbie, the Nathan Hale Council Scout Commissioner, was asked by the Northport troop to assist them in forming a local Scout council in the Northport area. By

December, the Northport Council was formed.

October, 1917, saw the Scouts of the local council as well as troops in the rest of the county take part in the second Liberty Loan Campaign. A parade down Main Street in Huntington on October 26, 1917, was the kickoff.

On January 26, 1918, Scouts in Suffolk began work as dispatch bearers for the U.S. government.

April 27 to May 4, 1918, were the dates for the third Liberty Loan Campaign—Suffolk Scouts again giving their all in these efforts.

1917 and 1918 saw many activities devoted to the war effort by the Boy Scouts of all Suffolk County.



PACKING CORN FROM A SCOUT GARDEN WORLD WAR I



FIRST TYPE EAGLE MEDAL



On Wednesday evening, April 10, 1918, a Court of Honor was held for the Nathan Hale Council. Life Scout John Martin was awarded merit badges for Physical Development, Civics, Pathfinding and Cooking, giving him a total of

twenty-two merit badges and making him the first Eagle Scout in Suffolk County. In 1918, the requirements for Eagle were different from today: a Life Scout had only to earn twenty-one merit badges, but no service project, to obtain the rank of Eagle. Even though there were fewer requirements for Eagle, the percentage of Scouts achieving the rank was the same as it is today.

Another first occurred on Saturday, May 4, 1918. Scout Daniel Swezey, Jr., was hit by a car on Main Street, Huntington, while selling Liberty Loan Bonds and suffered a broken leg. The local newspaper wrote the story as "The First Active Boy Scout Hurt in the Service to His Country."

On January 11, 1919, the third local council was chartered in Suffolk County, the Patchogue council, a second-class council (the same as Nathan Hale and Northport). Its president was Frank Guttridge, and Mr. J. R. Drue was the Scout Commissioner.

In February, 1919, George W. Oakley, National Field Scout Commissioner, visited the Nathan Hale Council to again press for a county-wide organization. The plan this time was to form two councils in the county: the Eastern County Council taking in all towns east of Port Jefferson and Patchogue, and the Western County Council taking in all towns to the west. Each council would have its own full-time executive, with Huntington as headquarters for the Western Council, because of the "splendid Scout organization which Huntington had developed," according to Mr. Oakley.

Nathan Hale Council again declined the invitation to form a county council, insisting that the needs of the boys in the Huntington area could better be served by a local council.

National made an offer to the newly established Patchogue council to form a county council. They accepted and on April 6, 1919, the Suffolk County Council was organized as a first-class council with Frank Guttridge, president, and Frank C. Cobb as Scout Executive. Office space was obtained on the second floor of the War Camp Community Service Building in Patchogue, and work began to organize the troops in the county not already members of the Nathan Hale or Northport Councils. 1919 also had the first Honor Medal awarded to a Suffolk scout, when Peter Weiarter received his Bronze Medal.



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Application for Charter for Local Council

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Boy Scouts of America

(Incorporated February 8, 1910. Chartered by Congress June 15, 1916)

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NATIONAL COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA,
200 Fifth Avenue, New York City, N. Y.

1. Application is hereby made for charter for the Suffolk County, N. Y.
Council with jurisdiction over Suffolk County New York
City, Town or County State
as a Council of the First class, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws, policy and regulations of the Boy Scouts of America, for the balance of the year ending December 31, 1919.

2. The undersigned, represents and is acting for a group of citizens representative of the institutions in which Scout troops are organized, and of the independent troops, and of the business, civic, educational and religious interests of the territory over which jurisdiction is asked. Such group has organized as a local council of the Boy Scouts of America, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of the National Council and in conformity with its purposes and policies. The duties and responsibilities of a local council have been made known to us as they are set forth in the National Constitution, Articles II, III and XI and National By-Laws, Article XI, Section 2, and we hereby agree to co-operate with the National Council and the local commissioned officials of this Council in assuming to the fullest extent practicable the responsibility for leadership and supervision of troops of Scouts and the extension of the Boy Scout Movement in this territory, in accordance with the official Handbooks of the National Council and such regulations as it may promulgate from time to time.

3. It is understood that charters are only issued to local councils that are truly representative in accordance with the National Council By-Laws, Article XI, Section 1, Clause 6, and that the right is reserved to the National Headquarters to cancel the charter whenever it is found that the local council is not thus representative or is not properly observing the regulations for maintaining the standards of the National Council, or when in the judgment of the officers of the National Council it would be for the best interests of the Scout Movement.

4. This application for charter is pursuant to formal action of our local council taken at a public or council meeting, at which time authorization was given for a voluntary contribution of \$ 625. to the National Council Boy Scouts of America, payable during the year ending December 31, 1919 for the further extension of the Scout program throughout the country.

This is independent of the Council registration fee of \$ 75. as required in Article XIII of the National By-Laws, which fee is enclosed herewith.

5. In accordance with Article V of Section 3 of the Constitution and Article I, Section 1, of the By-Laws, the following has been elected as our representative on the National Council; the undersigned hereby certifying to such election:

Name Le Roy M. Young NEW HQ. Address Babylon noted in g.
(Additional representatives for each 1,000 Scouts enrolled.)

6. The Constitution and By-Laws of this Council, together with a map showing the boundaries for the jurisdiction of this Council as proposed, in accordance with By-Laws of the National Council, Article XI, Section 2, Clause 5, are enclosed herewith.

(Signed) Frank Guttridge
(President of Local Council)

Secretary of the Local Council, Scout Executive or Scout Commissioner, Title: _____

Date of organization meeting April 6, 1919 Date of this application _____

COPY OF THE ORIGINAL COUNCIL CHARTER CREATING THE SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
200 5th Ave.
New York City

Name of Scout Joseph Dolezal
Troop No. 1
County Madison State N.J.

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(Daily Bulletin, Feb. 18,
1918)

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CHAPTER TWO The Suffolk County Council is Formed 1919-1923



First type Scoutmaster field uniform
patch used in the teens

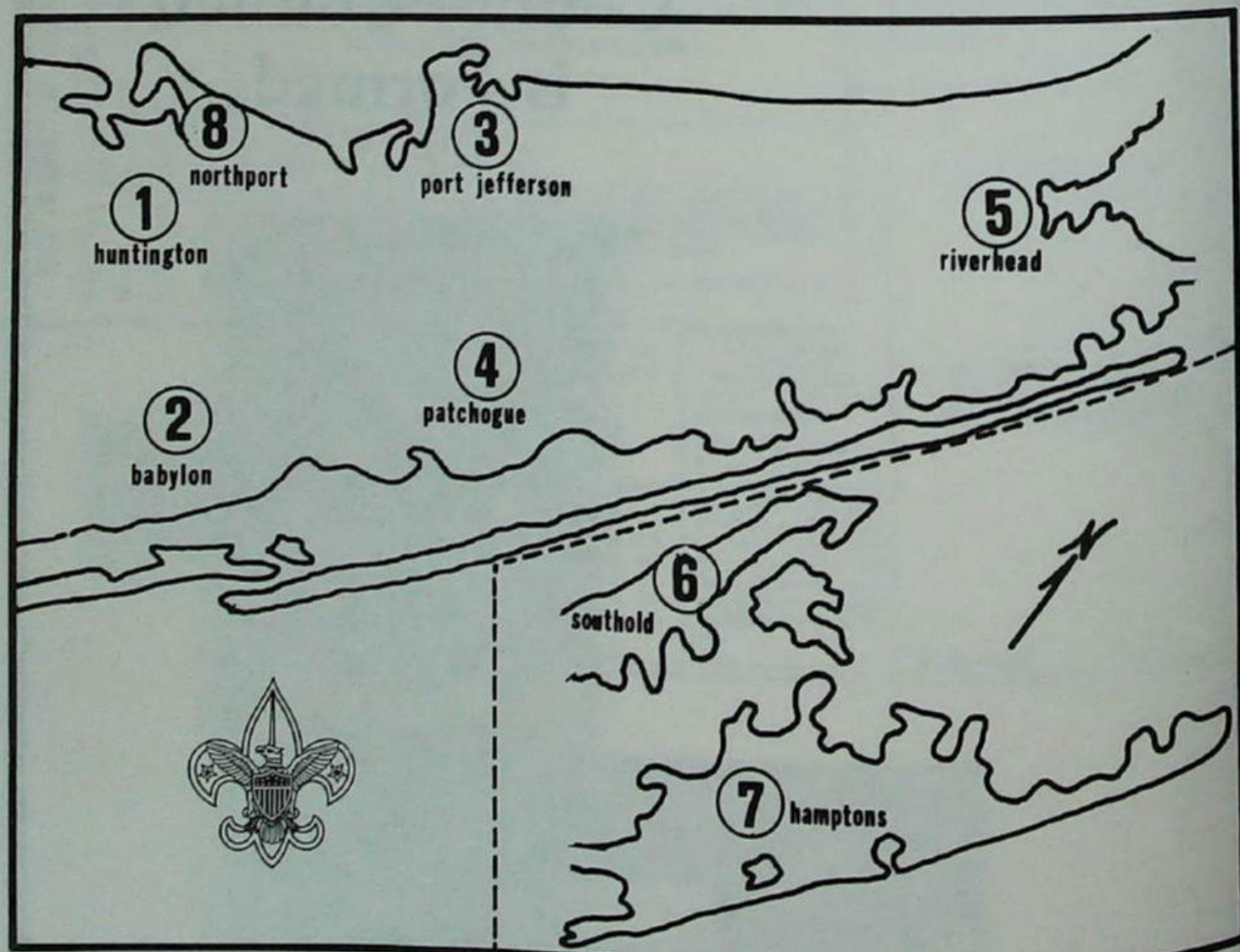


The first job of the newly formed Suffolk County Council was to survey the communities in the county. Thus the Scouting picture fell into place. There were 43 troops in 36 communities with 1,065 Scouts and 63 uniformed leaders. A decision was made to devote as much time and effort to developing troops in the 73 communities lacking them as to the already chartered troops.

Both the Nathan Hale and the Northport

and would not interfere with the two local second-class councils within their county. The three councils worked together helping each other wherever needed.

The county was divided into eight districts, each to elect its own chairman, three vice presidents, secretary and treasurer, who with delegates at large from the county form the county council. The districts comprised the following large villages and vicinities:



Councils were still operating at this time, since under the bylaws of the National Council they had every right to do so.

In 1912 the National leadership foresaw possible conflict and stated in the BSA bylaws: "That no charter should be granted to a county organization which would in any way interfere with the charter rights of a town or city council already organized within that county." With this in mind, the Suffolk County Council could not

District One, Huntington; District Two, Babylon; District Three, Port Jefferson; District Four, Patchogue; District Five, Riverhead; District Six, Southold; District Seven, Hamptons; District Eight, Northport.

Huntington and Northport were given district numbers even though they had their own councils, because it was felt that, in time, the two would come under the sphere of the county council.



SCOUTS ON CHOW LINE AT CAMP TRIANGLE 1919

Camp Triangle was chosen for the first county council summer camp because of proximity and previous experience with Scouts. The camp operated for nine weeks during the summer of 1919: the first four under the YMCA, week five for the Nathan Hale and Northport Councils, weeks six and seven for the Girl Scouts, and the last two weeks for the Suffolk County Council Boy Scouts.

Council Executive Frank Cobb took direct charge of the camp for those two weeks, with Sheridan Linn, principal of schools for Patchogue, as supervisor of camp, and council commissioner J.R. Drue as camp director. Swimming and boating on Long Island Sound were

featured.

In September of that year, the Nathan Hale and Northport Councils met to arrange a merger of the two second class councils into one first class council. The plan was much the same as the National plan of a year before, only instead of an East Council and West Council, they proposed a North Council and a South Council. When National did not approve of another first class council within the same county, the plans were dropped.

A successful summer camp led to the next county council event: a Boy Scout field day. On Columbus Day, October 13, 1919, troops from the county met at Patchogue and competed in



various events, ranging from Scout skills to physical strength.

1920 began with the first annual dinner for the Suffolk County Council Boy Scouts of America. Roe's Hotel in Patchogue hosted the members of the council for a Saturday evening in January. A report given by Executive Cobb stated that the council had grown to 52 troops with 1,300 Scouts. He also spoke of one troop that had 100% community membership; that is, they had enrolled as a Scout every Scout-age boy.

Financial problems hampered the council from the beginning—the first fiscal year ending with a grand total of \$2.41 in the council treasury.

In July of 1920, the "War Service Report" for the Boy Scouts of the County stated: Twenty thousand Liberty and Victory Bonds sold totaling three (3) million dollars; \$100,000 worth of War Saving Stamps; United States War Drive, \$15,000; and over fifty acres cultivated successfully under the "Every Scout to Feed a Soldier" slogan. Over 100 Scouts and Scouters served in the military services during the war.

During the summer of 1920, for the first time, Suffolk County Scouts attended their own camp, located on Long Island Sound at Rocky Point, on land that was owned by the Radio Corporation of America (RCA). This particular section was the future site of the Transatlantic Radio Station. Again camp was under the direction of



COOK SHACK AND KITCHEN STAFF
ROCKY POINT SCOUT CAMP 1920

Executive Cobb, Commissioner Drue and Mr. Linn. The camp season extended over three periods of ten days each, and any Scout had the privilege of remaining through the full month if he so desired. The cost was one dollar a day.



ROCKY POINT SCOUT CAMP STAFF 1920

The first world jamboree was also held the summer of 1920, at the Olympia Arena, London, England. Scout Ruben Shaffer of Eastport represented the Suffolk County Council as part of the 300-member Scout contingent from the Boy Scouts of America.

Columbus Day, 1920, marked the second council field day held at East Northport, with much the same program as the previous one, held the year before.

After two successful one-day field days, the council planned a three-day council jamboree for the weekend of May 13, 14 and 15, 1921. Over 500 Scouts took part, including troops from the Nathan Hale Council and the Northport Council. The activities were not very different from those of today: demonstrations, competitions, and parades.

The summer of 1921 found the county Scouts back at summer camp at Rocky Point, which had now been named Camp Roosevelt. Col. Arthur Johnson, commanding Camp Upton, furnished several tents and a member of his staff to teach drill to the boys. The 1921 camp season was divided into six one-week periods with a capacity of 100 Scouts each week, from July 16



SUFFOLK COUNTY SCOUTS AT CAMP ROOSEVELT 1921





New Official Scout Uniform and Clothing for Camp or Hike

The "New Model" Scout Uniform, a handsome appearing, well fitting, extra serviceable suit of clothes for all Scout purposes. In Scout Outfit "B" (khaki) \$10.45, "F" wool \$21.85.

SINCE December 1, 1920, three material reductions have been made in Scout equipment and supplies. We believe our present low prices will prove satisfactory to everyone. The claim is sometimes made that articles equally good or better can be purchased at lower prices. Careful investigation of such claims and comparison with the material and workmanship put into Scout equipment will, we believe in every case show our Supply Department prices to be the lowest possible, consistent with satisfactory service to all the equipment needs of our great organization and the maintenance of uniform standards and prices throughout the entire United States.

The popular shirt and breeches uniform in latest model. In Combination Scout Outfit "C", in wool, \$14.10, (or, in khaki, \$7.45.)



No. 645. NEW SCOUT COAT. Made at all times of U. S. standard khaki which has been submitted to sun, acid and strength tests. Has notched lapel roll collar, two outside Stanley breast pockets and two lower bellows pockets. Has one plait in center back extending from yoke to belt, two inches wide. Has lettering "Boy Scouts of America" worked in red silk over right breast pocket. Official buttons bearing Boy Scout emblem. Shipping weight 1 lb. 10 oz. \$3.00

No. 651. SCOUT BREECHES. Equipped with belt loops, two front pockets and watch pocket. Legs laced below knee, to be worn with leggings or stockings. Modeled full. Shipping weight 1 lb. 8 oz. \$2.00

No. 646. EXTRA QUALITY NEW COAT. Of U. S. extra quality finer olive drab material. Shipping weight 1 lb. 14 oz. \$3.85

No. 650. SCOUT BREECHES EXTRA QUALITY. Similar in model to No. 651. Shipping weight 1 lb. 11 oz. \$2.85

No. 509A. Extra laces, for breeches, per pair, prepaid 10c

(New Model Coat and Breeches in WOOL, next page.)

Scout Shirts

No. 647. NEW SCOUT WINTER SHIRT. Made of standard khaki material. Has loose fitting rolling collar with neck-band, two outside Stanley square patch breast pockets with flap to button down. Has lettering "Boy Scouts of America" over right breast pocket. Coat style. Order by age size. Shipping weight 1 lb. \$1.75

No. 648. Summer weight khaki shirt. New model. Shipping wgt. 10 oz. \$1.50

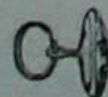
No. 649. NEW SCOUT WOOLEN SHIRT. Made in same pattern as above of 9 1/4 oz. olive drab Shirting Flannel. Shipping weight 1 lb. 3 oz. \$3.50



Back of Coat



534. Coat Buttons \$0.20 Set



535. Shirt Buttons .15 Set Prepaid

All prices in this catalog subject to change without notice.

No. 503. REGULATION NEW MODEL HAT. Snappy new style, low crown, wide brim. Olive drab felt; ventilated; silk band; detachable wind cord. Shipping weight 1 lb. There is no felt hat on the market of equal value. \$2.25

No. 502. Extra quality fine fur \$4.00



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Tenderfoot Scout Emblem

Official Insignia

of the

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of America



Second Class Scout Emblem



First Class Scout Emblem



Embroidered Arm Badges



Senior Patrol Leader's Hat Badge



Musician's Emblem

TENDERFOOT INSIGNIA

Metal Badges	
No. 10. Hat Badge, Brass	5c
No. 11. Button (for civilian coat lapel)	5c
No. 12. Patrol Leader Hat Badge, Or'd	5c
No. 13. Patrol Leader Button (for civilian coat lapel)	5c
Embroidered Arm Badges (for use on uniform)	
No. 238. Badge	15c
No. 73. Scribe Badge	20c
No. 98. Bugler Badge	20c
No. 291. Patrol Leader Badge	15c
No. 74. Patrol Leader Scribe	20c
No. 99. Patrol Leader Bugler Badge	20c

SECOND CLASS INSIGNIA

Metal Badges	
No. 14. Hat Badge, Brass	10c
No. 15. Patrol Leader Hat Badge, Or'd	10c
Embroidered Arm Badges (for use on uniform)	
No. 48. Badge	10c
No. 75. Scribe Badge	15c
No. 100. Bugler Badge	20c
No. 49. Patrol Leader Badge	10c
No. 76. Patrol Leader Scribe Badge	15c
No. 101. Patrol Leader Bugler Badge	20c

FIRST CLASS INSIGNIA

Metal Badges	
No. 16. Hat Badge, Brass	15c
No. 17. Patrol Leader Hat Badge, Or'd	15c
No. 273. Sen. Patrol Leader Hat Badge (Silver color superimposed on background of green bars)	30c
Embroidered Arm Badges (for use on uniform, see page 11 for style)	
No. 50. Badge (Yellow Silk on Khaki)	20c
No. 51. Patrol Leader Badge (gun metal colored silk)	20c
No. 77. Scribe Badge	30c
No. 78. Patrol Leader Scribe Badge	35c
No. 102. Bugler Badge	30c
No. 103. Bugler Badge, Patrol Leader	30c
No. 105. SCOUT MUSICIAN'S COLLAR ORNAMENT for Members of Bands and Fife and Drum Corps, per pair	25c
No. 176. FORESTRY EMBLEM, Silver plated pine tree pin	85c
No. 263. SCOUTMASTER'S METAL HAT BADGE, Green and Silver	20c
No. 252. SCOUTMASTER'S SLEEVE BADGE, Green and Silver Silk embroidered on Khaki	40c
No. 252M. Same, on Melton Cloth	\$1.00
No. 252S. Same, on Serge Cloth	\$1.00

ASST. SCOUTMASTER

No. 262. ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTER'S METAL HAT BADGE, Green and Gold	20c
No. 251. ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTER'S SLEEVE BADGE, Green and Gold, Silk embroidered on Khaki	40c
No. 251M. Same, on Melton Cloth	\$1.00
No. 251S. Same, on Serge Cloth	\$1.00

TROOP COMMITTEE

No. 265. TROOP COMMITTEEMEN'S METAL HAT BADGE, Blue and Gold	20c
No. 254. TROOP COMMITTEEMEN'S SLEEVE BADGE, Blue and Gold embroidered Silk on Khaki	40c
No. 254M. Same, on Melton Cloth	\$1.00
No. 254S. Same, on Serge Cloth	\$1.00

COUNCILS

No. 117. NATIONAL COUNCIL Members' Metal Hat Badge, Each	25c
No. 110. EMBROIDERED BADGE, Silver outline, Silver eagle, purple background, Each	25c
No. 264. LOCAL COUNCILMEN'S METAL HAT BADGE, Blue and Silver	20c
No. 253. Same, embroidered in Silk on Khaki, for use on uniform	40c
No. 253M. Same, on Melton Cloth, for use on uniform	\$1.00
No. 253S. Same, embroidered on Serge Cloth, for use on uniform	\$1.00
No. 268. SCOUT COMMISSIONER'S METAL HAT BADGE, Blue and Silver, Silver Eagle, Silver Wreath	50c
No. 257. Same for sleeve, embroidered in Silk on Khaki	80c
No. 257M. Same, on Melton Cloth	\$1.25
No. 257S. Same, on Serge Cloth	\$1.25

COMMISSIONERS

No. 266. ASSISTANT DEPUTY SCOUT COMMISSIONER'S METAL HAT BADGE, Blue and Silver, Gold Eagle, with gold wreath	50c
No. 255. Same for Sleeve, Silk embroidered on Khaki	80c
No. 255M. Same, on Melton Cloth	\$1.25
No. 255S. Same, on Serge Cloth	\$1.25
No. 267. DEPUTY SCOUT COMMISSIONER'S METAL HAT BADGE, Blue and Silver, Silver Eagle, Gold Wreath	50c
No. 256. Same for sleeve, Embroidered in Silk on Khaki	80c
No. 256M. Same, on Melton Cloth	\$1.25
No. 256S. Same, on Serge Cloth	\$1.25

SCOUT EXECUTIVES

No. 272. SCOUT EXECUTIVE'S METAL HAT BADGE	50c
No. 261. SCOUT EX. EMB. ON COTTON, For sleeve	80c
No. 261S. Same, on Serge	\$1.25
No. 261M. Same, on Melton	\$1.25
No. 261B. SCOUT EX. EMB. WITH BULLION, For sleeve	\$5.00
No. 284. SCOUT EX. MINIATURE PIN	60c
No. 289. REGIONAL SCOUT EX. METAL HAT BADGE	50c
No. 290. REGIONAL SCOUT EX. EMB. BADGE, For sleeve	80c

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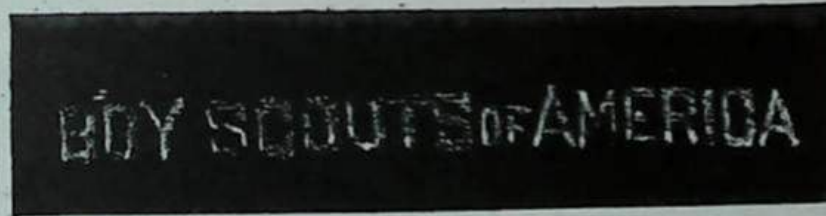
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No. 258. ASST. FIELD S. EX. SLEEVE EMB. ON COTTON	80c
No. 258M. Same, on Melton	\$1.25
No. 258S. Same, on Serge	\$1.25
No. 281. ASST. FIELD S. EX. MINIATURE LAPEL PIN	60c
No. 270. FIELD SCOUT EX. METAL HAT BADGE	50c
No. 259. FIELD S. EX. EMBROIDERED ON COTTON, For sleeve	80c
No. 259M. Same, on Melton Cloth	\$1.25
No. 259S. Same, on Serge	\$1.25
No. 282. FIELD S. EX. MINIATURE PIN	50c
No. 271. ASST. S. EX. METAL HAT BADGE	50c
No. 260. ASST. S. EX. SLEEVE EMB. ON COTTON	80c
No. 260M. Same, on Melton	\$1.25
No. 260S. Same, on Serge	\$1.25
No. 283. ASST. S. EX. MINIATURE PIN	60c

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No. 91. LIFE SCOUT EMBLEM, Scouts who have received the embroidered Life Scout badge may, if desired, purchase this pin. Gold plated and enameled and equipped with safety catch	50c
No. 92. STAR SCOUT EMBLEM, Gold plated, rose finish. Equipped with safety catch	50c
No. 292. EAGLE MINIATURE PIN, 75c. (Merit Badges supplied and awarded only through Councils, and Scoutmasters not under Council.)	
No. 593. MERIT-BADGE SLEEVE, In ordering give age, size of coat and sleeve length. Shipping wt. 4 oz.	\$1.15



Veteran Scout's Pin

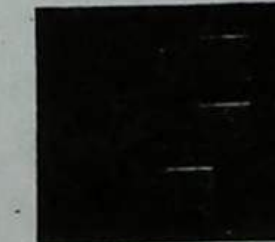


Embroidered strip to be worn over right hand pocket of coat and shirt



Patrol Shoulder Colors

No. 1060. Worn on right shoulder, fastened with metal clasp (furnished with them) or sewed on. Specify patrol name in ordering shoulder colors. Each, 7c. Set of eight 50c.



Embroidered Sleeve Stripes For Asst. P. L., Patrol Leader and Sr. Patrol Leader

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No. 107. FIVE YEAR VETERAN SCOUT PIN, gold filled, 10 karat	50c
No. 108. FIVE YEAR VETERAN SCOUT PIN, solid gold, 10 karat	\$2.35
No. 109. FIVE YEAR VETERAN SCOUT PIN, solid gold, 14 karat	\$3.00
No. 106. FIVE YEAR VETERAN SCOUT EMBROIDERED SLEEVE BADGE	20c
No. 285. TEN YEAR SERVICE PIN, 14 Kt. Solid gold	\$3.25
No. 286. TEN YEAR SERVICE PIN gold filled	\$1.00
No. 294. TEN YEAR EMBLEM BADGE, Embroidered	50c
Veteran registration fee 50c additional to prices of pins.	
No. 177. ONE YEAR SERVICE STAR	5c
No. 178. FIVE YEAR SERVICE STAR	15c

PATROL LEADER STRIPES

No. 53. SENIOR PATROL LEADER'S STRIPES, Three green bars. Mounted on uniform cloth ready to be sewed to sleeve	8c
No. 54. PATROL LEADER'S STRIPES, Two green bars. Mounted on uniform cloth ready to be sewed to sleeve	8c
No. 55. ASSISTANT PATROL LEADER'S STRIPES, Same, but one bar	8c
No. 56. SERVICE STRIPES, Green, indicating one year's membership, Per yd.	7c
No. 57. Same, Red, indicating three year's membership, Per yd.	7c
No. 147. Same, Gold, indicating five years' membership, Per yard	7c

MONOGRAM AND NUMERALS

No. 111. EMBROIDERED INSIGNIA of Red Silk Letters, Boy Scouts of America	10c
No. 158. FELT TROOP NUMERALS, Price per dozen up to three numerals, prepaid, 65c. Single squares	5c
*Sewed numerals	ca. 7c
*NOTE: Scouts whose troop numbers include two or three figures (such as 20 or 104) should combine and order at least a dozen of the squares, as these are made to order. (Orders cannot be filled for less than twelve.)	
No. 157. METAL TROOP NUMERALS AND LETTERS, Per dozen 85c postpaid, each single figure or letter counting as one. Brass, Singly	8c
No. 157a. Same, but military bronze. Per dozen 85c postpaid, Singly	8c
No. 156. B. S. A. MONOGRAM, Worn on collar, Brass, Singly, 15c. Per doz. ppd.	\$1.50
No. 156a. B'nne. S'gly, ppd. 15c. Doz.	\$1.50



No. 73



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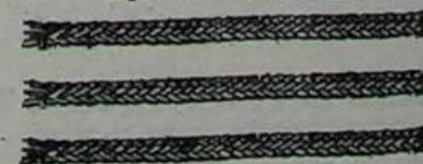
Life Scout Merit Badge



Bronze Collar Monogram



Eagle Scout Badge (Miniature)



Service Stripes



Star Scout Merit Badge



Bronze Numerals

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to August 28. Scouts from Nassau County Council joined the Suffolk boys at Camp Roosevelt, for they had not yet obtained a camp of their own.

In 1922, districts held their own events and, other than the summer camp season of that year, no council-wide events were held.

John and Chauny Augustine of Troop Seven, Patchogue, were presented their Eagle badges in 1922, making them the first Eagles for the Suffolk County Council.

1923 was not a good year for Suffolk County Council. Executive Cobb resigned, and RCA started construction on their radio station and the Scouts no longer had use of the camp at Rocky Point. The county was in post-war recession, making fund raising almost impossible. Residents of Suffolk County were anti-military at this time because of problems with vast numbers of soldiers being processed through Camp Upton in Yaphank. After the war, thousands of soldiers being discharged out of Camp Upton (now Brookhaven National Lab) took their liberty passes in the local towns. They caused so much trouble that the Army had to station entire companies of military police outside the towns to protect the civilians, as the local town police were ill equipped to handle the situation. Needless to say, this did not make men in uniform very popular in the early 20's. The Boy

Scout uniform of that period closely resembled an Army uniform: campaign hat, high button collared tunic coat, breeches, all in khaki Army color. In some instances, the Boy Scout uniform was an old Army uniform, though not permitted by the National Council, because it was the only thing the boys could afford.

Therefore, the Scouts were looked upon as a branch of the Army, and community cooperation was difficult at best.

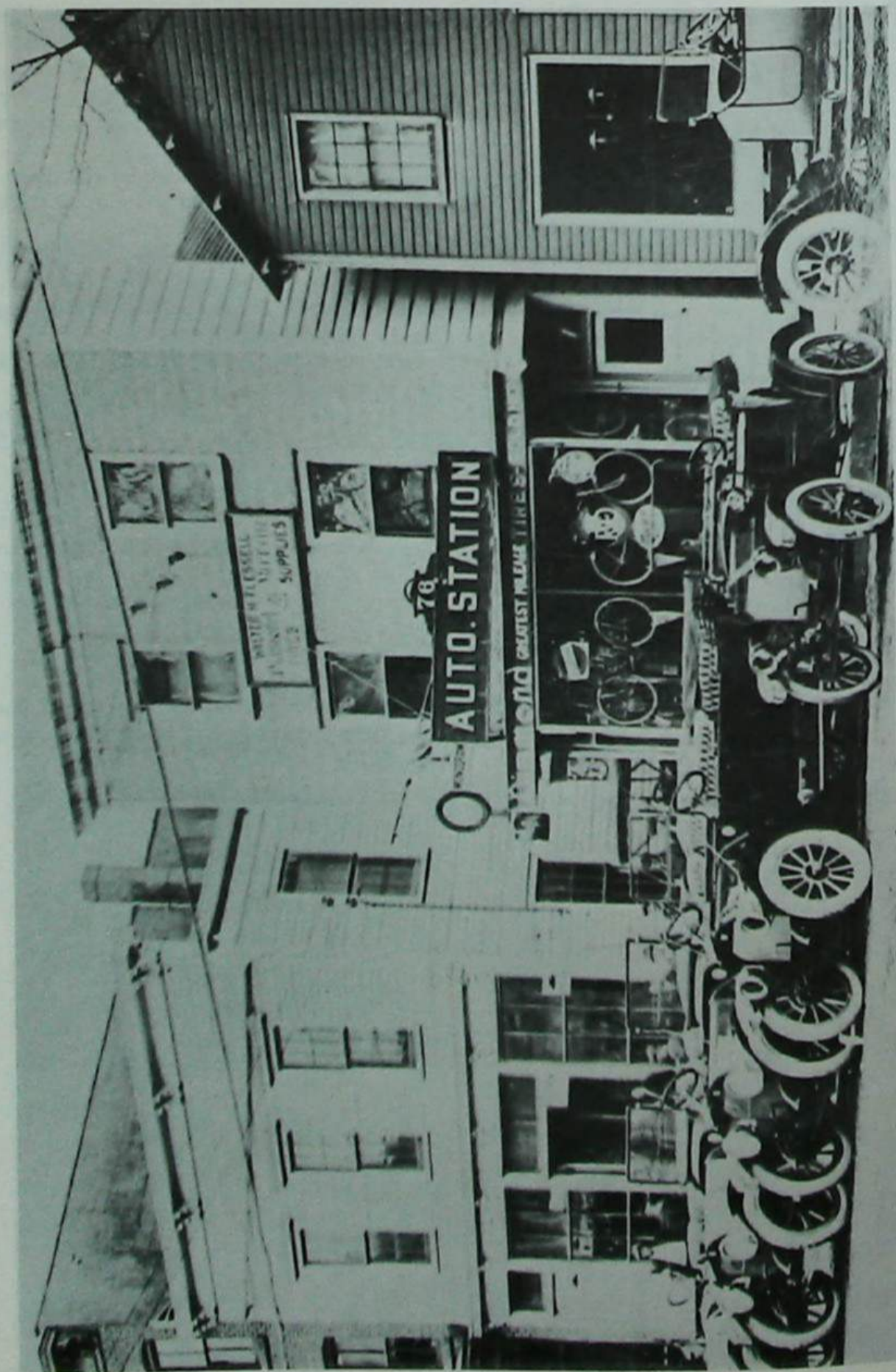
With few leaders, little money and limited support from the local communities, Scouting in Suffolk County Council almost died during this period, and did not charter for 1923.

1923 did, however, see Suffolk Scouts take part in the pilgrimage to Roosevelt's grave. The Scouts answered the call from Daniel C. Beard, National Scout Commissioner of the Boy Scouts of America. Theodore Roosevelt was honorary vice president of the Boy Scouts of America from its beginning in 1910. He held the title of chief Scout citizen and was instrumental in the forming of the Nassau County Council, in which he was the council commissioner of Scouts.

In 1924, the leaders of the Nathan Hale Council of Huntington realized the need for a country-wide council and agreed to put their ten years of experience to use and to help reorganize the county council.



SCOUTS WITH DANIEL C. BEARD AT THE GRAVE OF THEODORE ROOSEVELT AROUND 1923-1924.



SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL HAD THEIR OFFICE IN THE FLESEL BUILDING FROM 1925 to 1929

CHAPTER THREE The County Council Reorganizes 1924-1927



Second type Scoutmaster field uniform patch used in the early to mid 1920's



Suffolk County Council, in 1924, was in need of help. Troop enrollment was down to less than twenty active troops, and many of them were in difficulties.

A meeting was held in April of that year, in Huntington, to plan the future of Scouting in the county. In addition to men from Scouting, other civic groups attended, including members of the American Legion and YMCA, both groups having a keen interest in youth. A number of proposals were heard with the old North Shore-South Shore Council plan re-surfacing. The YMCA agreed to go along with the recommendations from the national office, while the American Legion wanted to have partial control and put more emphasis on military training. The Legion proposal was in direct opposition to the National by-laws, and although they did not withdraw support from the Boy Scouts, they did form their own youth organization. A few more meetings were held in various parts of the county, with the same theme—to reorganize the Boy Scout council. The outcome of all meetings was the same. No agreement could be made on how to get Scouting back on its feet. By this time, membership had gone from 1500 to less than 400. It was evident something had to be done and had to be done fast.

In October, 1924, National Council submitted their plan. For several months, regional executive C. A. Campton and members of his staff had been working in communities throughout the county. Without exception, civic groups in all areas went along with the reorganization plan. It called for retaining the original seven districts, while splitting the county into a north and a south region—each with its own region executive—and a council executive to oversee both regions as well as all seven districts. Although the plan was a good one, it would never come to be.

In February, 1925, Thomas Fenton was appointed Boy Scout Commissioner for Suffolk County, with Headquarters in the Flessel Building on Main Street in Huntington. By this time, the Nathan Hale and Northport Councils had given up their 2nd class council charters to join the Suffolk County Council.

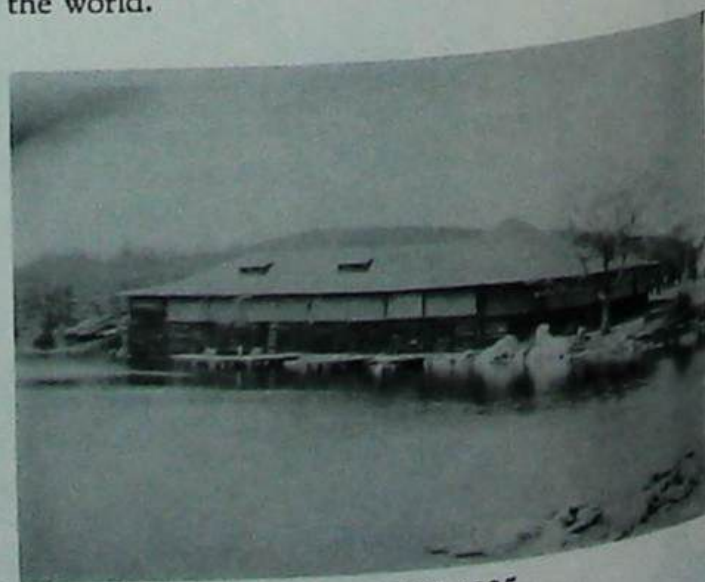
Major A. Royce Wolfe was the council leader selected by Commissioner Fenton. He set the Suffolk County Council on the road to success. Major Wolfe believed in strong leadership,



SUFFOLK SCOUTS AT CAMP COWAW 1925

especially at the troop level, as well as in strong finances. He knew that the best Scouting program possible was going to cost, and that local sponsorship was a necessity. Major Wolfe also believed strongly in "Scouting Is Outing."

Through his personal efforts and contacts, a summer camp was found. The Perth Amboy Council Boy Scouts of America had a camp at Kanohwahke Lakes in the Palisades. The camp, Camp Cowaw, was located on the first of the three Kanohwahke Lakes, a section of the great Palisades Interstate Park set aside for the exclusive use of the Boy Scouts of America. There were on these lakes eighteen camp units housing a daily population of over 3,000 Scouts and leaders, making this the largest Scout camp in the world.



CAMP COWAW 1925



CAMP COWAW

KANOHWAHKE LAKES

Palisades Interstate Park, N. Y.

SUFFOLK COUNTY
COUNCIL

Flessel Building
Huntington, L. I.



BOY SCOUTS OF
AMERICA

A. Royce Wolfe
Scout Executive

Through the Courtesy of Perth Amboy Council, B. S. A.

CAMP LOCATION AND EQUIPMENT

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WHAT TO TAKE

Not Too Much, But Just Enough.

SURE!

Good Disposition
Three Wool Blankets
Flannel Pajamas
Two Suits Underwear
Three Pair Scout Socks
Two Scout Shirts
One Swimming Suit
Pair Scout Shorts
Regular Scout Uniform

MAYBE

Camera and Films
Flashlight
Blanket Pins
Canteen
Pocket Knife
Duffle Bag
Scout Hand Book
Handkerchiefs
Musical Instruments

SURE!

Toothbrush and Paste
Soap and Box
Three Towels, Crash
One pair Heavy Shoes
One pair Sneakers
One Rain Coat
One Sweater and Brush
One Mirror and Comb
Fishing Tackle

No Firearms Allowed in Camp.

A small weekly allowance of 50 cents per week is sufficient to allow the boy to buy a limited amount of candy, handled by the Camp Canteen.



SCOUTS USING RADIO EQUIPMENT AT THE COUNTY FAIR. 1925 or 1926

⁴The Suffolk Scouts used the camp from June 29 to August 24, 1925, paying a fee of seven dollars (\$7.00) for the first week and ten dollars (\$10.00) for any weeks thereafter. The Suffolk council office arranged transportation via the railroad to New York City and busses to the camp.

Immediately after returning from summer camp, the troops of the county began to prepare for the Suffolk County Fair. This was to be the first time the Scouts from Suffolk would participate as a county council. On Friday, September 25, fifteen troops took part in a council Scout rally, on the race track ring in front of the grandstand, prior to the opening of the fair. Over 300 Scouts, representing some 20 troops, took part. Some 600 examples of Scoutcraft were on exhibit in a 60 foot by 30 foot tent, and the fair committee called the Scout display the hit of the fair.

In October, the Scouts of Suffolk County

again took part in the annual pilgrimage to Teddy Roosevelt's grave to honor the "noblest of Scouts."

Two firsts occurred in December of 1925. Babylon Troop One, as the first 15-year-old troop and the oldest troop in the county, received their "15 Year Veteran Certificate." On the same night, E. J. Burlingham, Scoutmaster of that troop, was presented his 15 Year Veteran Pin, giving him the honor of being the first in the county to receive one.

The year 1926 would prove to be one of the most important years in the history of the council. The war on tent caterpillars continued in March, with the Scouts enlisting the aid of school children for their battle. The mothers of Scouts were honored on Mother's Day when over 1,000 people attended the ceremonies at the Patchogue High School. Mrs. Hal B. Fulerton of Medford represented the Scout mothers of the



SCHOOL HOUSE ON SOUND AVENUE USED FROM 1926 UNTIL IT BURNED DOWN

county, and each troop provided an honor guard patrol. The day ended with the planting of a tree in front of Town Hall. The entire affair was presided over by Suffolk County Council President A. L. Field.

Without a doubt, the most important event of 1926 was the purchase of property at Baiting Hollow. The 160 acres were obtained from Mrs. E. L. Young of Seattle, Washington, for a price of \$70,000. That the Suffolk County Council had received a bargain in this property was shown by the fact that they were offered \$100,000 for the land a few days after the sale.

Inspecting the site, National Camp Director L. L. McDonald stated, "I consider this property as fine an opportunity for camp site development as we could expect to find anywhere in Suffolk County and as compared with the best camp

sites used by Scouts elsewhere would say that it ranks very high among the upper fifty in our list of five hundred Scout camps."

The site had on it, at that time, an old school house on Sound Avenue and a couple of farm buildings. Gifts for the camp started to come in almost before the ink on the deed had dried. Building supplies, money and volunteer workers were all being lined up to start the much needed job of transforming the fields and forests into a first-class Scout camp. Perhaps the finest of gifts came from A.C. Wolfe, the president of the Jones Iron Works of Buffalo, New York, and father of A. Royce Wolfe, the Suffolk County Council Executive. The gift was a solid bronze plaque, 10 by 16 inches, with the Boy Scout emblem and the words "Suffolk County Camp."



FARM BUILDING USED AS MESS HALL
1926 to 1939



CAMP

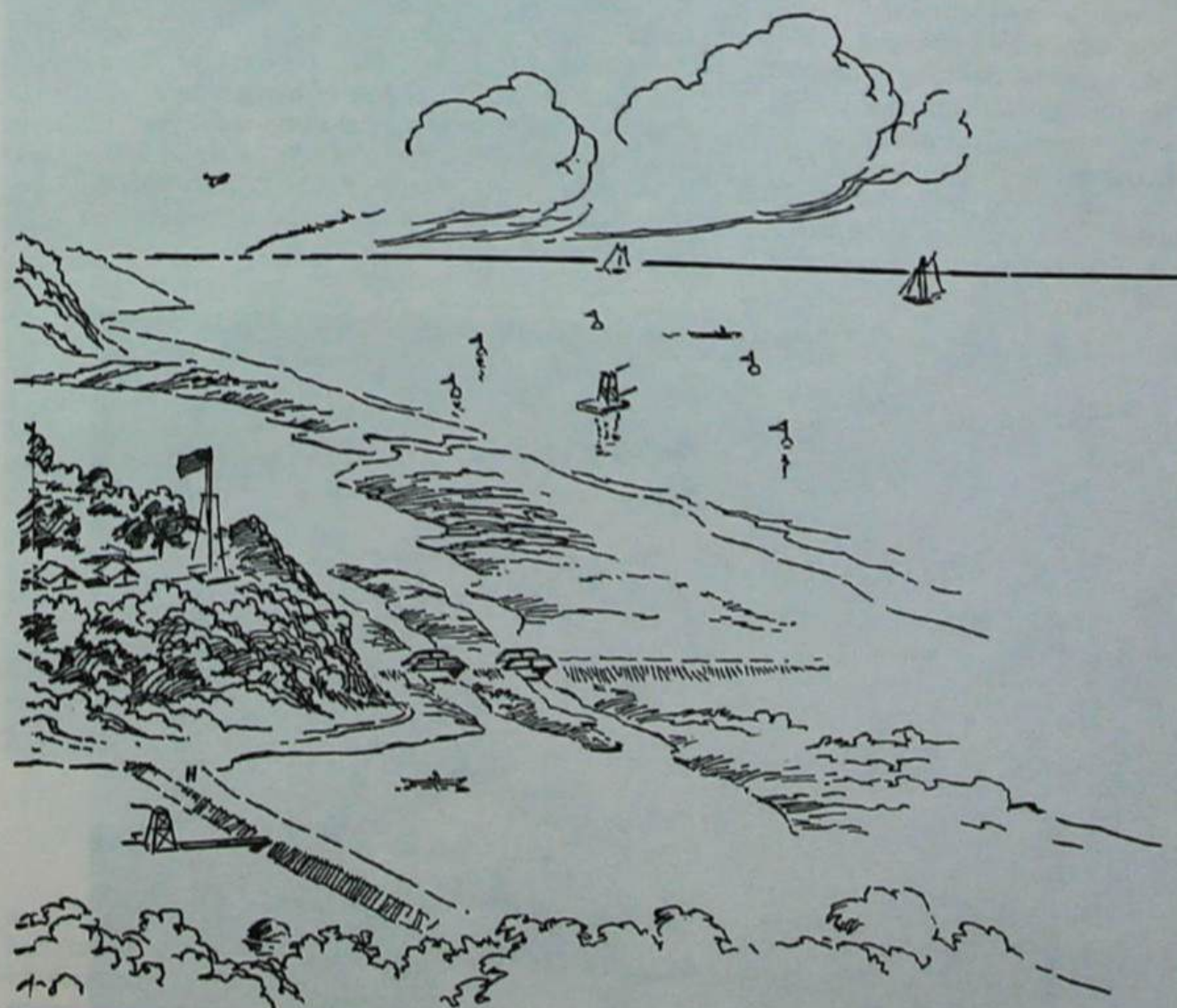
SUFFOLK CO. COUNCIL, B.S.A.,
BAITING HOLLOW, L.I.



CAMP IS READY, FELLOWS!
BAITING HOLLOW,
AUGUST

For Scouts of Suffolk County

MOST BOYS WILL STAY ABOUT TWO



STEP INTO THE PICTURE!

LONG ISLAND

2 - 30, 1926

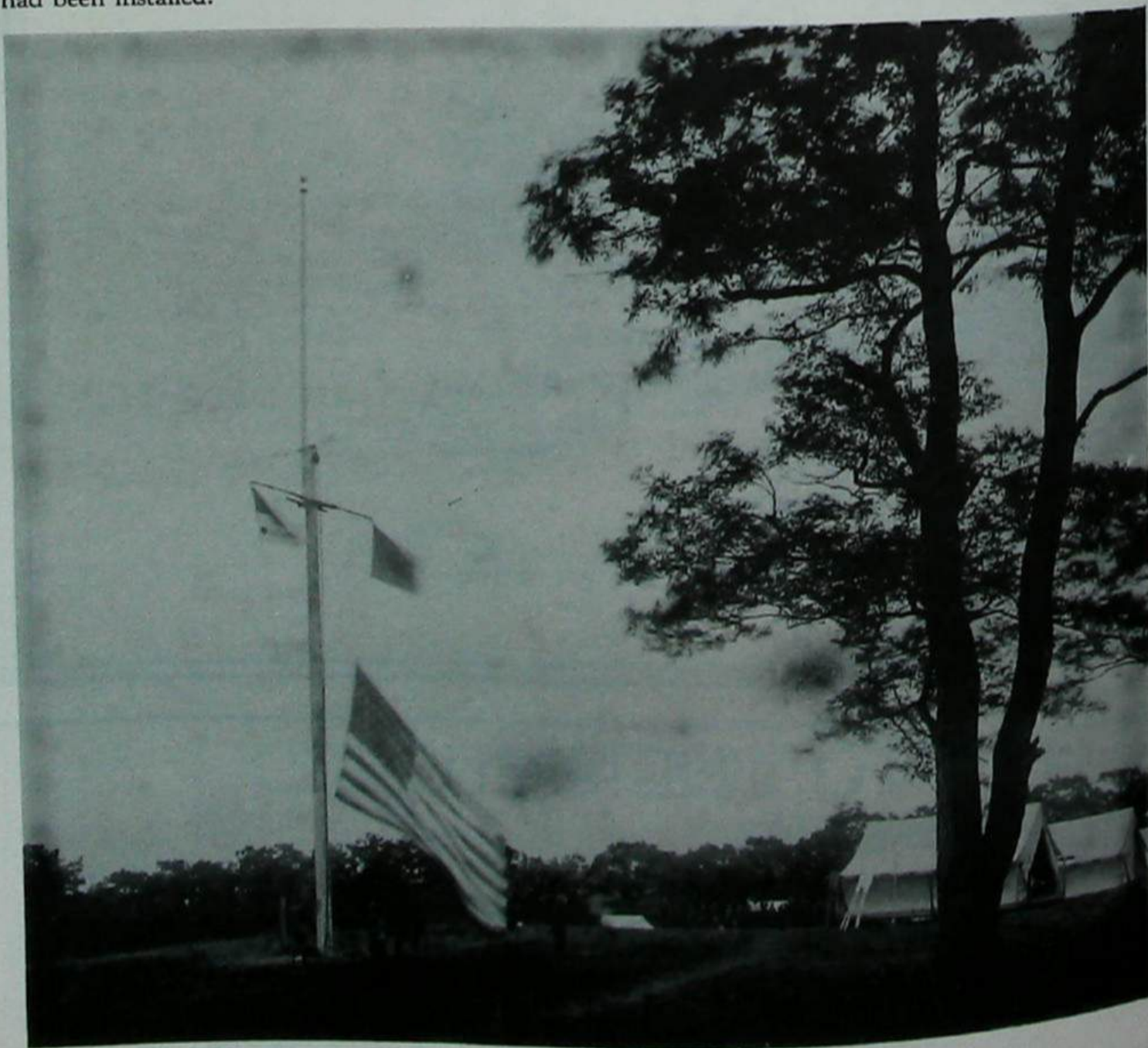
WEEKS, — HOW ABOUT YOU?

LIMITED ACCOMODATIONS—DON'T HESITATE



Another gift came from the people of Mattituck in the form of a 75-foot flagpole that had once stood in front of the Mattituck House. The Huntington Rotary Club came through with a donation of a flag. Council President Field kicked off the fund raising campaign in August with a goal of \$150,000 to carry the camp and council into 1930. The camp opened that summer with a total capacity of 64 campers, who would be housed in 16 by 14 foot tents on wooden platforms and steel bunks, all military surplus. One of the buildings on the site had been turned into a mess shack and kitchen, and a water supply had been installed.

The original 1926 Baiting Hollow Camp staff consisted of A. Royce Wolfe, camp director; H. Stanley Ryberg, assistant camp director; Harris Gordon, chef; Ernest Shotwell, assistant chef; Dr. B. Varshay, camp physician; Eagle Scout Richard Wright, in charge of nature study; Eagle Scout Arthur P. Freely, camp bugler; Star Scout Woodhull Young, in charge of handicraft; Stevens Booker, in charge of camp auto; Fred Roberts, Ves Irvine, F. Kolkemper, kitchen help; John Stecker, camp scribe; Frank Bellaty, trading post; John Moore, waterfront; and Leon Wincolius, general staff.



FLAG AND FLAGPOLE DONATED TO CAMP BAITING HOLLOW IN 1926



COUNCIL AWARDS CEREMONY MID 1920s

for helping with camp improvements. The Tee Pee Award honored the Scouts who volunteered for extra camp duties every day for one full period. The Arrow Head Award came from proficiency in the handicraft area. The Buffalo Award went along with winning an athletic event or swimming race. The Half Moon Award was presented to older Scouts who served as Officer of the Day. The Kettle Award speaks for itself—working in the kitchen—and the Rising Sun Award stood for all around Scout spirit, conduct and participation.

The annual field meet of the Suffolk County Council Boy Scouts was held on Friday afternoon, September 23, at the Riverhead Fairgrounds. Close to a thousand Scouts from all over the county participated, making this the

largest council rally ever. The following day, the Scouts set up their Scouting exhibit for the Suffolk County Fair, and again it was the talk of the show.

Council Scout Executive A. Royce Wolfe, for personal reasons, resigned in December of that year. Before leaving office, Mr. Wolfe brought membership up by 360%, was the man behind obtaining our Scout Camp at Baiting Hollow, put us on a firm financial footing by setting up extensive fund raising plans and committees to carry them out. He also felt that in order to be successful at the business of Scouting, Scouting would have to operate like a business, and on December 9, 1926, the council was incorporated as Suffolk County Council Inc., Boy Scouts of America.



TROOP 1 ISLIP AT BAITING HOLLOW CAMP SUMMER OF 1927

October 1926 saw a number of Suffolk Troops at Sagamore Hill, Oyster Bay, for the annual Roosevelt pilgrimage.

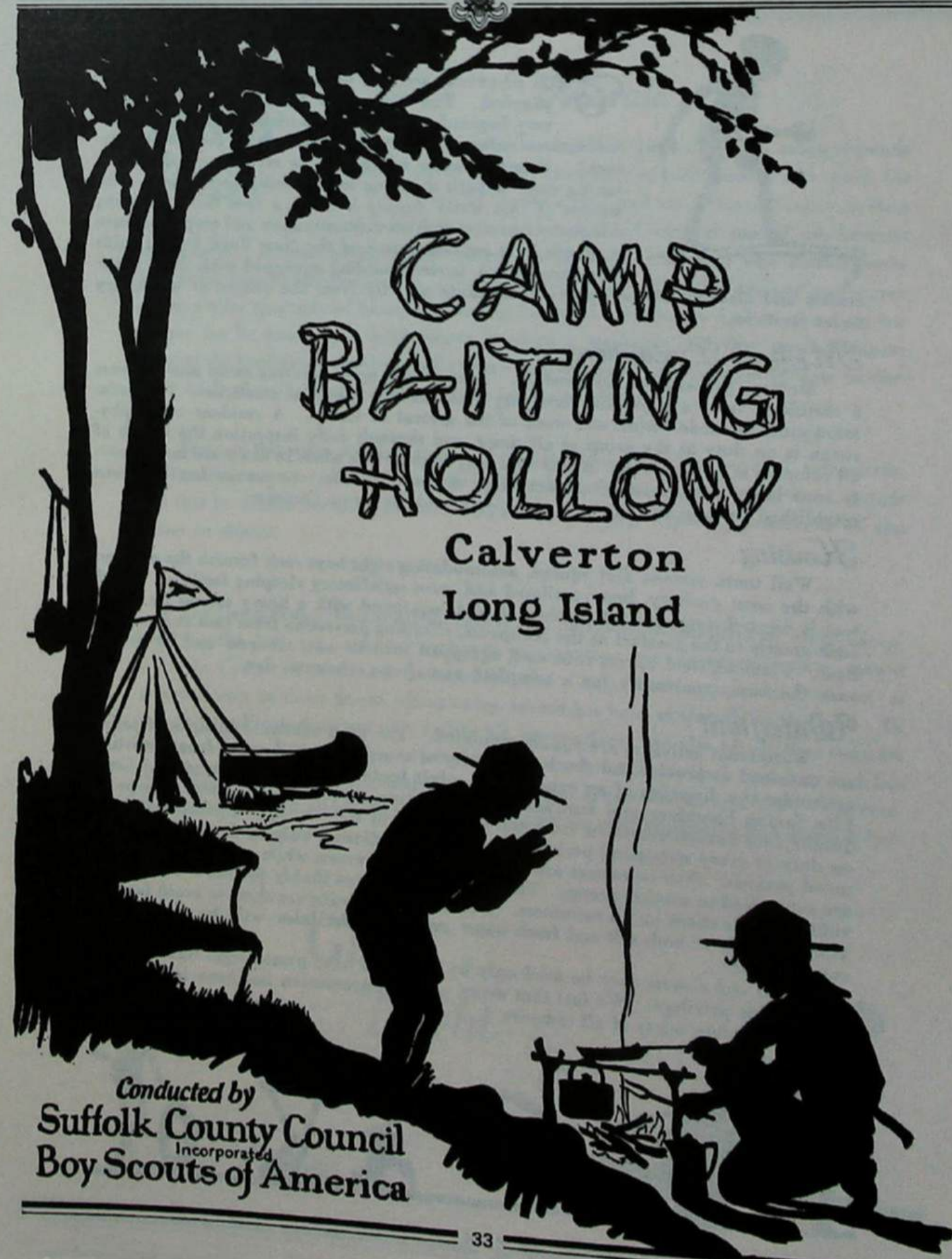
Scouting in the Suffolk Council grew at a steady pace under the leadership of Executive Wolfe: 49 troops and 1,036 Scouts were listed as of January 1, 1927. The council-wide, weekly troop efficiency contest was in full swing, and competition was hot and heavy.

Sunday, May 11, proved to be an ideal day for the Suffolk County Council Scout Day, at the Patchogue High School once again. Awards were given out for the most tent caterpillar nests destroyed, as well as honors for the winners of the troop efficiency contest.

Summer camp for the 1927 season ran from July 2 to August 27 at full capacity. When some

Scouts had to be turned away because there was no room, it became evident that camp expansion would have to become a priority.

The 1927 camp season also saw the first of the Baiting Hollow Camp awards. The Pine Tree Award was given to all first-class Scouts who spent a complete period in camp. The Tent Award was given to Scouts whose tent received one or more Honor Tent plaques. The Owl Award was presented to Scouts whose services gained approval of the camp director. The Life Saver Award was earned by Scouts who passed Life Saving. The Campfire Award went to Scouts who participated in one or more campfire programs. The Footprint Award could be gotten by taking an overnight hike. The Ax Award was



CAMP BAITING HOLLOW

Calverton
Long Island

Conducted by
Suffolk County Council
Incorporated
Boy Scouts of America



Safety



closets and closely screened provides absolute security from the danger of unsanitary toilet facilities.

Medical Precautions

Medical precautions are twofold. Every Scout upon entering camp must present a certificate from a physician certifying a satisfactory physical condition. Examination must be made within one week of his arrival at Camp. A resident camp physician is on duty at the camp at all times and through daily inspection the health of all campers is safeguarded. Scouts who may become sick while in camp are immediately sent home with an adult leader after direct telephone communication has been established between the parent of that Scout and the Camp Director.

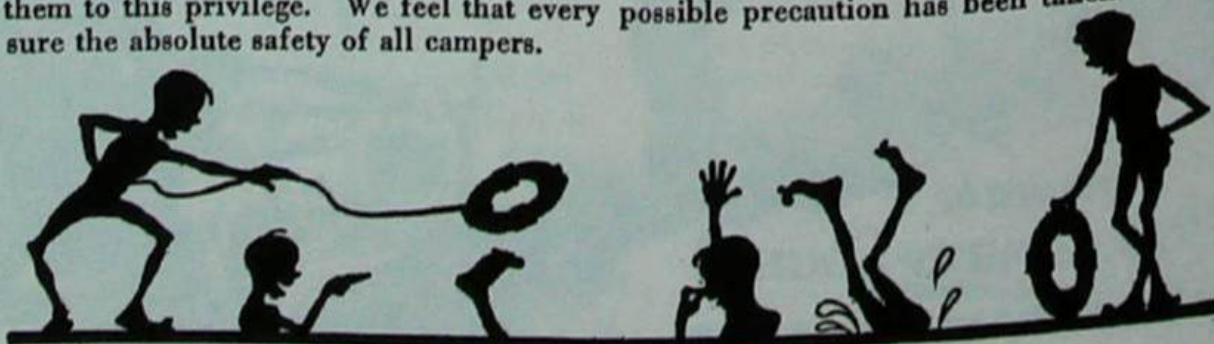
Housing

Wall tents, sixteen feet square, accomodating eight boys each furnish the campers with the most sanitary, best ventilated and most satisfactory sleeping facilities. Each tent is erected upon a wood platform and is equipped with a heavy canvas fly which adds greatly to the comfort of the occupants, affording protection from rain and extreme heat. Flexible, steel, spring cots, each equipped with its own mattress and fly net insure the boy opportunity for a complete rest after a strenuous day.

Waterfront

Waterfront activities are rigidly regulated. The most advanced theories of safety are enforced to provide the absolute security of every boy. All water front activities are under the direction of an experienced adult leader who is a registered Red Cross Life Saving Examiner and Instructor. In addition to the adult leader a corps of Junior Life Savers, recruited from the older boys of the Camp, is organized and are on duty at every swimming period. Swimming is allowed only at the regular designated periods. Non-swimmers are taught in shallow water, while more advanced boys are supervised in another group. The Famous Red Cross Buddy System is in use providing a triple check on all swimmers. Periods of swimming are short to avoid fatigue. The advantage of both salt and fresh water swimming facilities will be enjoyed by every Camper.

Boats and Canoes may be used only by boys who have passed rigid tests entitling them to this privilege. We feel that every possible precaution has been taken to insure the absolute safety of all campers.



*The Order of the
Rising Sun.*

Morale

THE "esprit de corps" or pep of a good camp depends upon the full sympathy of men leaders who work for boys 24 hours a day and on a Scout Honor System whereby discipline is established without use of punishment or demerits. A Scout practices self-control for he knows that men who master problems must first master themselves. He keeps a close guard on his temper and never makes a silly spectacle of himself by losing his head. He keeps a close guard on his tongue for he knows that loud speech is often a weakness and that untruthfulness shatters the confidence of others. He keeps a close guard on his appetite, eats moderately of food and desiring a clear active brain, avoids tobacco.

Few are the rules of our Camp. The only rigid rules are sanitary safeguards, the law that no scout shall swim or go boating except in the regular supervised periods and that he should not leave the boundaries of the Camp without permission of the officer in charge.

The Camp Honor Belt is highly prized and earnestly sought after by every Camper. On the belt are stenciled emblems representing the Scouts complete record while in Camp. The greatest prize of all, the Camp Emblem pictured above, is awarded only to those Scouts whose camp record has been uniformly of the best. To win this the Scout must not only satisfy his camp officers but also his brother campers and even himself that he has at all times observed the Scout Oath and Law and has in every way typified the Scout that our Code of Honor demands of him. The ceremonial campfire at which these awards are given is most impressive and leaves a lasting imprint upon all those participating.

Good Night





What to take

Not Too Much, But Just Enough

SURE!

Good Disposition
Three Wool Blankets
Flannel Pajamas
Two Suits Underwear
Three Pair Scout Socks
Two Scout Shirts
One Swimming Suit
Pair Scout Shorts
Regular Scout Uniform.

MAYBE

Camera and Films
Flashlight
Blanket Pins
Canteen
Pocket Knife
Duffle Bag
Scout Hand Book
Handkerchiefs
Musical Instruments.

SURE!

Toothbrush and Paste
Soap and Box
Three towels
One pair Heavy shoes
One pair Sneakers
One Raincoat
One Sweater and Brush
One Mirror and Comb
Fishing Tackle.

Dates

First Period July 2nd to July 16th
Second Period July 18th to July 30th
Third Period August 1st to August 13th
Fourth Period August 15th to August 27th

Length of Period

With the exception of the first period all periods will begin on Monday and end a week from the following Saturday. Camp is closed every other Sunday. Campers should plan to arrive in time for dinner Monday noon and leave during the morning or immediately after dinner on the Saturday Camp closes.

Eligibility

The Camp is open to all registered Boy Scouts of Suffolk County in good standing. Exception to this rule will be allowed only in unusual cases.

Cost

For any two week period—sixteen dollars.

Physical Exam

To be taken within one week of coming to camp. Must be signed by your family physician and brought to camp. Cards will be issued by Scoutmaster.

Visitors

Are permitted on Sundays. As all Camp meals are carefully planned it is requested that no food of any kind be brought or sent to campers. Scouts are on their honor to spend less than ten cents daily for candy at Camp.

How to Register

Registration Cards must be forwarded to Huntington Headquarters accompanied by two dollars deposit for the period reserved. Balance payable at Huntington before going to camp. Registration deposits not returnable.

Write

Camp address is Baiting Hollow Scout Camp, R. F. D. Calverton, N.Y.

Telephone

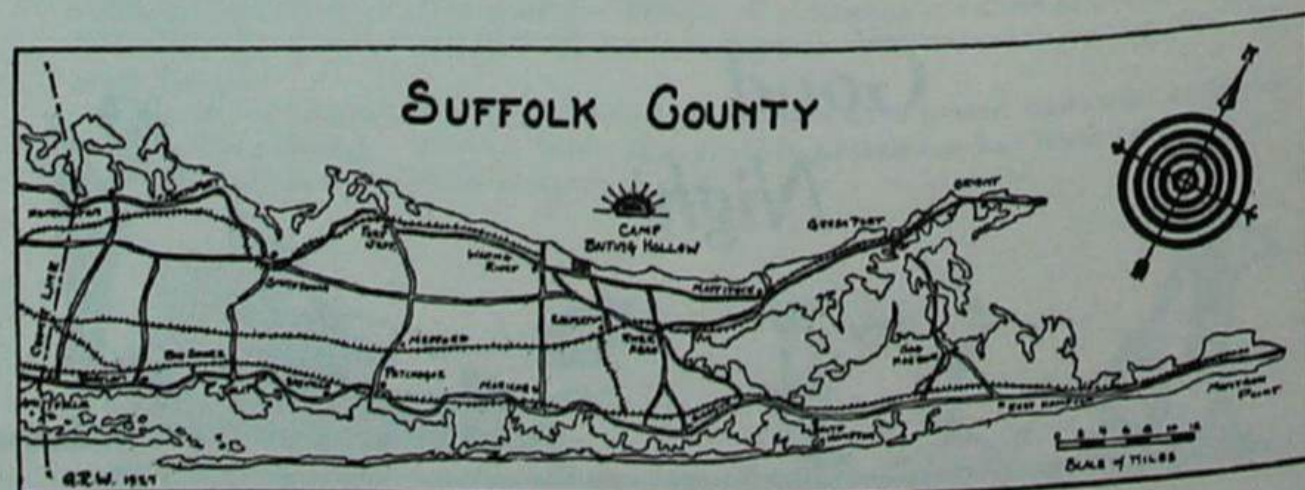
Camp may be reached by phone. Riverhead 261 F 6.

Trains

Camp is reached by Long Island R. R. at Calverton and Wading River stations, each about three miles from Camp.

Autos

By Road Map shown on this page, improved roads all the way.



Leaders

TRAIL Breakers — the type that “lead by showing the way.” Students of Boyology who work all winter in the laboratories of the Scout Troop. Scout Camps are fortunate in having available this type of real leader, men who cannot be employed but who voluntarily offer their services, devoting their vacations to your boy, — Scoutmasters!! Sixteen of these volunteer leaders were in Camp last summer.

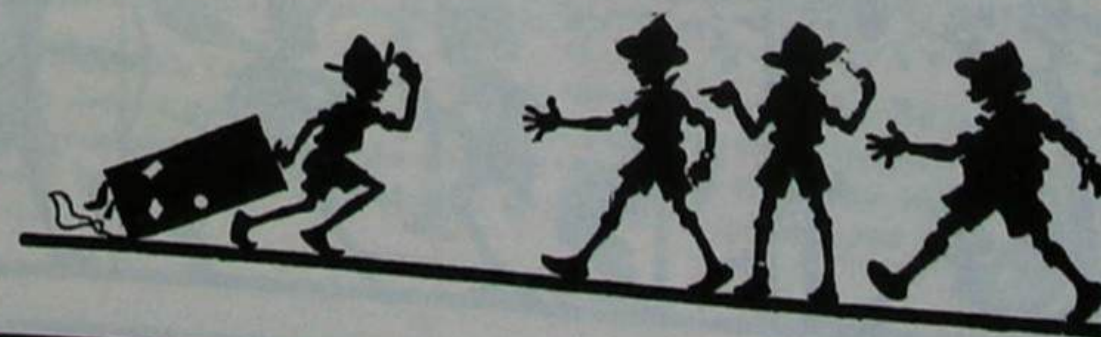
The Camp Staff includes, in addition to the following list of adult leaders, a corps of older boy leaders in the capacity of division leaders, Junior Life Savers, Buglers etc.

Camp Director **A. ROYCE WOLFE**
Scout Executive, Lafayette College 1920. French Army
Quartermaster **H. STANLEY RYBERG**
Field Executive, Univ. of Minnesota. U. S. Army
Scout Craft **JOHN E. WILSON**
Field Executive, U. S. Navy. Executive Training School B. S. A.
Activities **R. C. SCOTT JR.**
Physical Director, Springfield Y. M. C. A. College 1919
Expert Red Cross Life Saving Examiner.
Head Chef **HENRY GORDON**
Chef at Dan Beard's Camp for Boys.
Scribe **JOHN STECKER**
Assistant Scoutmaster
Resident Physician **To be selected**
Nature Lore **GERRASE THOMAS**
Scoutmaster, Columbia Univ.

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NATHAN N. TIFFANY, Vice-Pres.
ROBERT S. PELLETREAU, Vice-Pres.
A. L. FIELD, Pres.
DAVID J. GILMARTIN, Vice-Pres.
DOUGLASS CONKLIN, Treas.
MARSHALL FIELD, Regional Representative
A. ROYCE WOLFE, Scout Executive

A Warm Welcome by all Leaders





Activities



*I*N the preparation of daily programs the stimulation of the individual boy's interest is emphasized. The flexibility of the scout advancement program round which all activities are centered allow for the full range of a boy's recreational, moral and inspirational needs.

An early rising followed by a brief morning dip, a little exercise, a quick clean-up and the boy is ready for breakfast. Mornings with the exception of a period of strict inspection are devoted entirely to scout-craft action, instruction and construction, followed by the morning swim.

Dinner makes way for the afternoon activities. The following list gives every boy an opportunity for constructive self-expression.

Scoutcraft	Fishing	Handicraft	Volley Ball
Maps	Hikes	Beadwork	Indian Craft
Merit Badges	Nature Lore	Boating	Life Saving
Leather Work	Archery	Playground ball	Canoe Paddles
Model Boats		Basket weaving	

The afternoon swim at 4 o'clock, formal review and salute to the flag complete the boys active day and sends him hungry to the Mess Hall for the evening meal.

The evening program including stunt nights, camp fires and ceremonial council fires brings to a close a full day and the welcome sound of taps at 9 o'clock.

Sunday

While Scouting is non-sectarian all scouts are reverent and we recognize that the faith of a boys home should be carried with him into the field. To that end Sunday programs are entirely different from the week-day programs, this to provide an opportunity for boys of every faith to observe this day of rest. Vesper services are held on Sunday evenings for boys of all creeds and permission is readily granted to any Scout who may wish to attend services away from Camp.

Food

Food that is good, wholesome and the best of quality will be served. A balanced menu is established for the full season and simple but bountiful meals are prepared in a sanitary kitchen, by a chef and a staff of cooks. The head chef has had an extensive experience in preparing food having been associated for a number of years with Daniel Beard's famous Boys Camp. To insure the absolute sanitation in the serving of this food porcelain dishes are supplied to every camper which are washed after every meal by a corp of paid dish washers and inspected by the Commissary Quartermaster. Both the Kitchen and the Mess Hall are tightly screened and are adequately ventilated and lighted.



A Boy's Paradise

*L*OCATED on the North Shore of Long Island, a tract of land 160 acres in extent, abounding in every natural advantage, has been dedicated by the people of Suffolk County to the boyhood of their community. Upon this site Suffolk County Council, Inc. Boy Scouts of America conducts a Camp, equipped for one hundred Scouts during the summer months, of July and August.

This Camp is maintained by the Council with the idea of giving to every Scout in Suffolk County at the lowest possible cost, the opportunity to indulge in that "great adventure" which "Camping" signifies to the normal boy. The highest standards that can be set for any Camp are maintained at all times.

The Camp is equipped throughout with the best of equipment. Every precaution has been taken to insure excellent sanitary conditions. The leadership is of the highest type available. In fact everything that would contribute to the safety, enjoyment and well being of your boy has been anticipated. We feel that we have left nothing undone in assuring you that your boy will not only have the privilege of participating in that "high adventure" which he so craves but that he will return to you "physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight."

We want his Camping experience this summer to be one that will fit him in every way for stronger manhood. We want you as parents to assure yourselves through personal investigation that all of the details of this Camp attain that high standard demanded by the most exacting Mothers of the most expensive and exclusive private Camps.



STANDARD SCOUT CAMP Certificate

Awarded to
Suffolk County Council
Huntington, N.Y.

By the
National Department of Camping
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
200 Fifth Avenue • New York City, N.Y.

This is to certify that this Certificate • Class A
has been awarded to Camp Baiting Hollow
of Suffolk County Council N.Y. this 7th day
of January 1927 for compliance with Standard
Requirements and winning 40 additional points
A. ROYCE WOLFE, Camp Director
H. STANLEY RYBERG, Assistant Director

By the President
President

David B. Ford
National Scout Commissioner



Chairman Nat. Camp Committee
Chairman Nat. Camp Committee

James E. Wolf
Chief Scout Executive

L. L. McDonald
Director Department of Camping

CLASSES

"A" Excellent. "B" High Grade. "C" Approved.

Grade A Certificate

SCOUTING Camps are established as a wise outdoor balance for the constructive character building program of Scouting. Over five hundred scout camps, serving about a third of a million boys, are sufficiently organized to accept common standards and to create a high goal of desirability toward which the camps, as individual units, may build.

Each summer these camps are inspected by chosen groups, made up of authorities on sanitation, equipment, hygiene, leadership, pedagogy, diatetics, program and morale. The final evaluation of all these inspected units is then made by the Committee on Camping of the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, and the camps are awarded C, B, or A grades according to their own merits.

Camp Baiting Hollow, now holding the "A" grade, will continue to be maintained at that high point of efficiency which enabled it to secure this signal honor. New Scouts and old will join hands this year in a intense effort towards keeping the Camp of Suffolk County Council at that high degree of excellency.

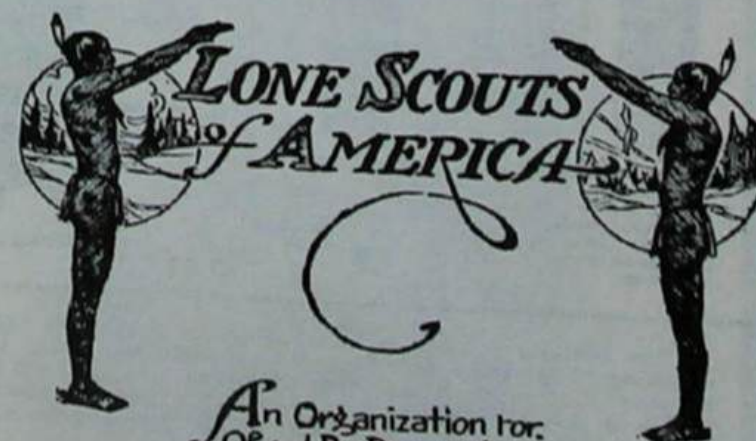


The council executive committee voted in December, 1927, to allow Lone Scouts within the county to become members of the county council with all the services and privileges of other member Scouts. The Lone Scouts, started as Pioneer Scouts in 1916, were Scouts in rural areas too remote to be members of a local troop. Prior to this decision, Lone Scouts conducted all activities through the National Council.

Lone Scout Pledge

I pledge my allegiance
to my flag and the
nation for which it
stands, with liberty and
justice for all. I will
"DO A USEFUL THING
EACH DAY" and be
worthy of the name
Lone Scout."

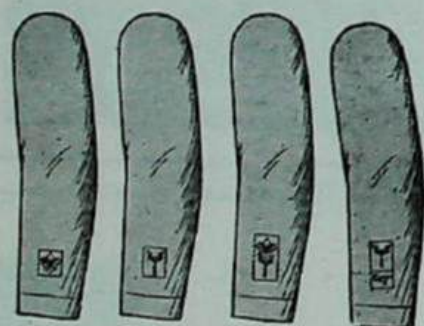
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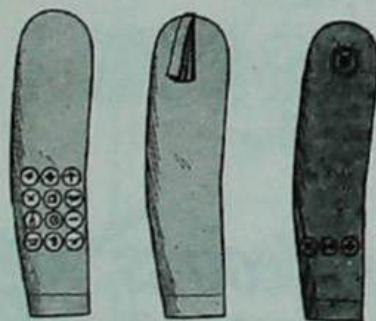
An Organization for
Of and By Boys: whose
Basis is Self-Reliance
whose spirit is Co-operation and Friendliness
and whose purpose is
Self Respect.



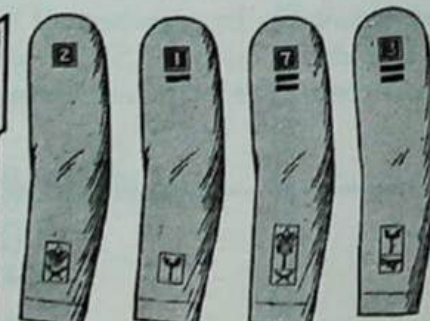
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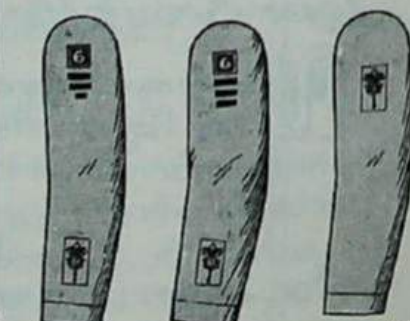
Badges of Rank (Silk) worn on left sleeve. Lowest part of badge 3 inches from end of sleeve. Sleeves shown above indicate (from left to right) Tenderfoot, 2nd Class Scout, 1st Class Scout and 2nd Class (Bugler).



Merit Badges are worn in rows of three on right sleeve. Lowest row 4 1/4 inches from end of sleeve. Patrol colors are optional for Patrol medallions and are attached to shoulder seam of right shoulder. Patrol medallions are worn 2 inches from shoulder seam.



Troop Numerals (Felt) worn on left sleeve 2 inches below shoulder seam. Patrol Leader bars 4 inches from seam. Four sleeves above indicate Tenderfoot (Scribe) Troop 2; 2nd Class Asst. P. L. Troop 1; 1st Class P. L. (Scribe) Troop 7 and 2nd Class P. L. (Bugler) Troop 3.

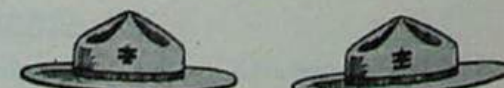


Above sleeves indicate (left to right) First Class Senior P. L. Troop 6 and Junior Asst. Scoutmaster Troop 6; Scout Officials. Top point of Badge 4 inches from shoulder seam.

The National Council of The Boy Scouts of America expects every Scout to loyally play the game of Scouting according to the rules—that is, the Scout Oath and Laws. One of the laws is, "A Scout is Obedient." It is therefore the duty of every Scout and Scout Official to obey and help to have others understand and obey the rules and regulations of the National Council governing the use of uniform and equipment. Special attention is invited to the advantages of having all Scouts wear the neckerchief in the way prescribed by the official regulations.



Tenderfoot, Second Class and First Class Hat Badges are of gilt metal. Local Councils are allowed such latitude as they desire in encouraging boys to make individual hat bands, provided they are of the uniform size used at the present time, and further that no decoration of the felt of the hat is allowable.



Senior Patrol Leader Silver badge superimposed on two and one-half (green enamel) bars.

Junior Asst. S. M. gilt badge superimposed on three (green enamel) bars.



Worn over pocket on right breast. No other decorations on this side.



Merit badges may be worn on sash over right shoulder.



Metal letters and numerals worn by S.M., A.S.M., and Troop Committeemen.



Service stars worn over left breast pocket. One year — Gilt star with green background. Five years — Silver color star with red background.



Only the Badge of highest rank worn centered on pocket lapel. Honor medal worn to right of this.

CHAPTER FOUR The Council Grows and Prosperes 1928-1940



Third type Scoutmaster field uniform patch used in the late 1920's and throughout the 1930's



A number of changes were to take place in 1928. First, the council got a new executive, R. P. Anderson, on loan to the council from his job at National because no executive was available at the time to replace Mr. Wolfe. The second major change was the redistricting of the county. The original eight districts became seven after the Nathan Hale Council and Northport Council joined the county council and were combined into one district in 1926. Now there were three districts: The North District, the South District and the East District. Each district had its own district executive and, for the time being, it was a manageable arrangement. Each district also had its own headquarters through which the district executive could operate. The executive for the North District was G. Bushnell Merrill, who used the county council office as his headquarters. The South District had H. Stanley Ryherg working out of Patchogue. In the East District, John E. Wilson was at Riverhead. Most likely the Patchogue and Riverhead headquarters consisted of a borrowed corner of someone's else's office. Annual Easter vacation camp periods started at Baiting Hollow in 1926 with East District Executive Wilson in charge. The camp was opened for two weeks to accommodate Scouts having either Holy Week or Easter week off from school. The troops were on their own in terms of program and meals; however, the registration fee of one dollar per boy included a "ration" of soup for each dinner and supper and a "ration" of hot chocolate each morning.

Executive Anderson felt much the same as the man he replaced as far as training, and on the weekend of May 11 and 12, the council held a conference of patrol leaders at Baiting Hollow. Junior assistant Scoutmasters and committeemen were also invited. Another first that took place that year saw the formation of the first Sea Scout ship in Suffolk County. The ship was named, as all Sea Scout ships had names as well as numbers, *Admiral Paulding Ship*. The new Sea Scout unit was sponsored by the American Legion Post 360, with Capt. George B. Hendey as skipper, and used Huntington as its base of operation.

Summer camp ran from July 5 to August 29, and for the first time used weekly camp themes: Week One, Circus Week, followed by Aviation Week, Voyagers Week, Pirates Week, Blackfoot

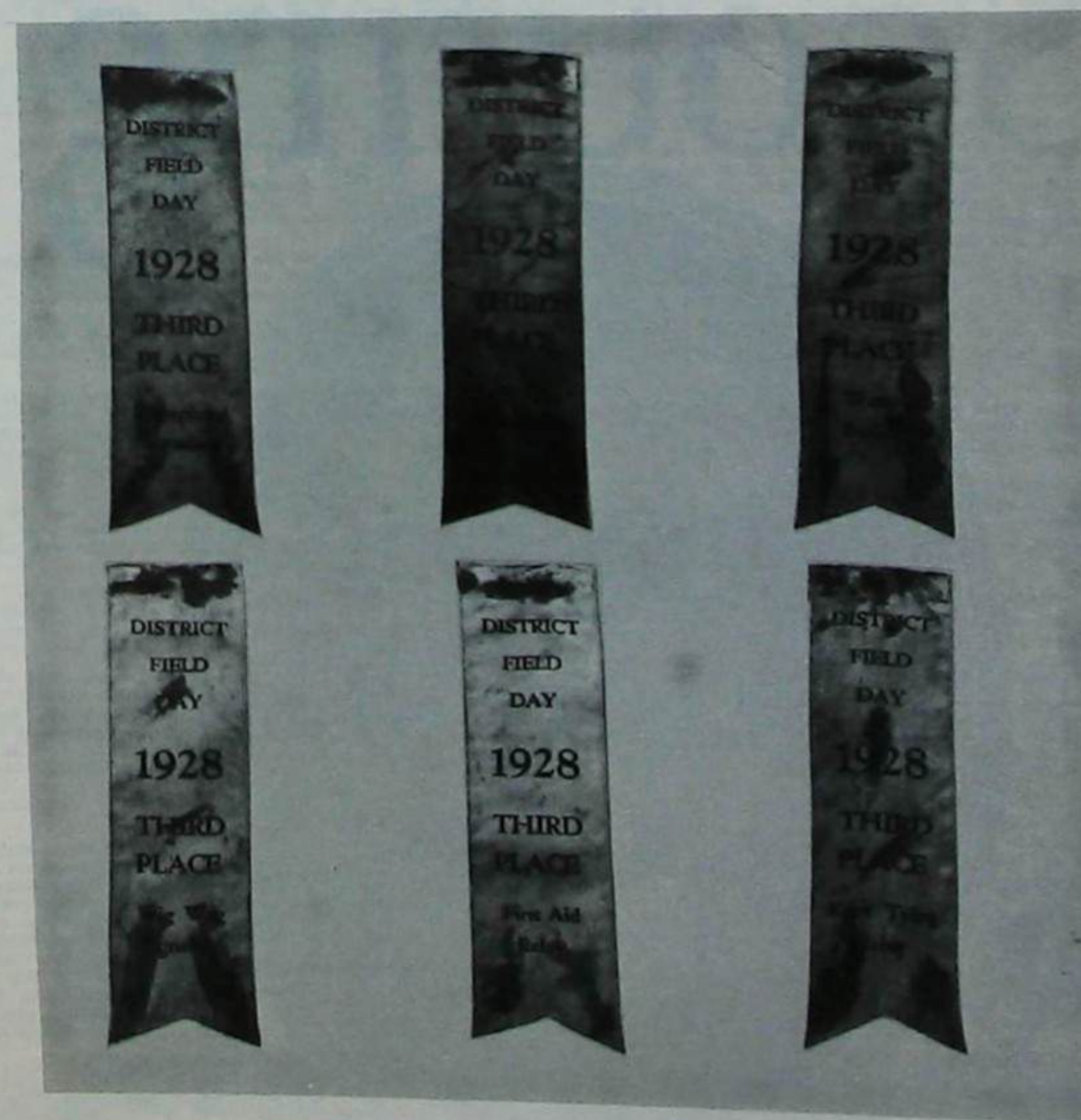
Week, Sea Scout Week, Lone Scout Week, and Recall Week. Camp Staff Week, June 27 to July 3, was called Covered Wagon Week.

A special Boy Scout Camp opened at Montauk on July 5, 1928, for Boy Scouts who wanted to earn their vacation and at the same time have a profitable and enjoyable camping experience. The Montauk Beach Development Corporation furnished the Montauk Grammar School, erected special buildings for kitchen and dining room, and provided sanitary plumbing, showers, cots, bedding and all other supplies. An excellent place for swimming was Old Fort Pond Bay, with three capable and experienced camp directors in charge. The camp was for older Scouts only, who would caddy at the local golf course in order to pay the one dollar per day camp fee. The entire setup was approved by the Suffolk County Council Boy Scouts and thus became "Caddy Camp."



ISLIP TROOP 1 AT SUMMER CAMP IN BAITING HOLLOW 1928 or 1929

In September, the winning troops in each of the district field days, held the spring before, met at the Riverhead Fair to determine the county champion troop of the Suffolk County Council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America.



PRIZE RIBBONS FOR THE 1928 DISTRICT FIELD DAYS

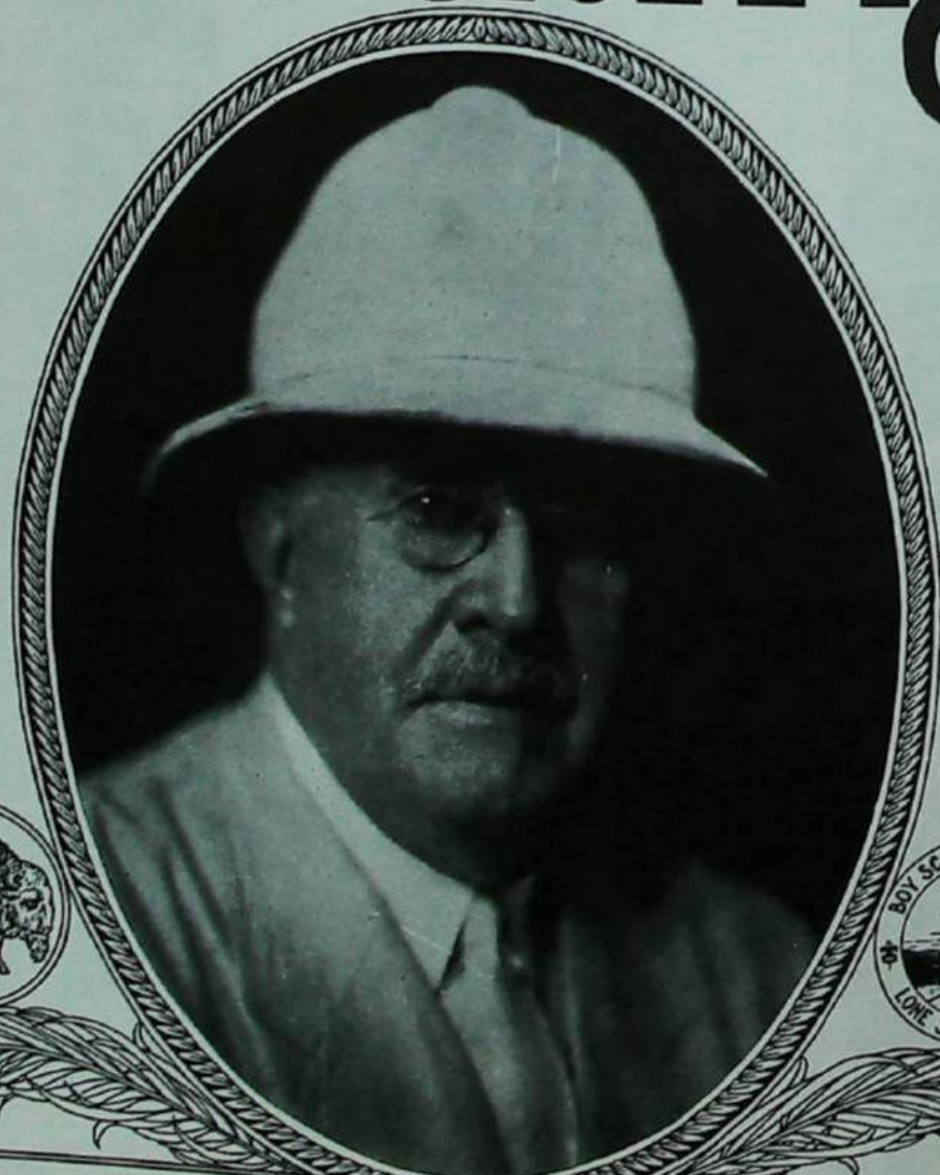
The annual report from national headquarters in January of 1929 ranked the Suffolk County Council as number 12 out of the 80 councils in the country. This rating was based on total number of Scouts and Scouters registered. At the time, council enrollment was up to 2,226

members. The executive board of the council voted at its January 13 meeting to publish a monthly paper of Scout news and mail it directly to all Scouts and Scouters in the county. This vote gave birth to "The Suffolk Scouter," later changed to "The Navigator."



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Scouting



MRS. W. D. BOYCE,
Ottawa, Illinois

WILLIAM D. BOYCE

TELEGRAM

On behalf of more than four million boys who have had the benefits of Scout Training, we extend to you our deep sympathy in your bereavement. Through William D. Boyce's perception and appreciation of the ability of Scouting to imbue the boyhood of the Nation with the spirit of service, courage, gentleness, good manners and responsible citizenship, the Boy Scout Movement was brought to America and organized in behalf of the boyhood of this country. He was the original incorporator and materially helped to finance the Movement after turning it over to the present organization. The entire American nation owes Mr. Boyce a debt of gratitude, and the citizens of the future will be better prepared to serve their country because of his outstanding Good Turn.

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

WALTER W. HEAD, President
JAMES E. WEST, Chief Scout Executive

THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA MOURN THE LOSS OF THE MAN CREDITED WITH BRINGING
THE SCOUT MOVEMENT TO THE U.S.



The Suffolk County Scouter

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Many friends, both Scouts and Scouters are planning to report at Camp Baiting Hollow on Saturday, May 10, to help clean up camp in shape for opening. Come for as much of the day as you can. Bring tools to help cut brush, as we plan to clear up the East side of the lake. If you come for most of the day, don't forget to bring a big lunch.

The Camp Committee has gone over the property and authorized the building of a boat near the diving tower, new paddles and overhauling of all canoes and boats, grading the entrance lane, cutting logs for the erection of a cabin and many other improvements.

We are now "dickering" with the owner of a 35 foot sloop in Peconic Bay, for use for the Sea Scout Camping Cruise. This trip is sure going to be one fine experience.

The complete summer camp announcement is being distributed to your troop with this issue of the Scouter. Further details will be sent all Scouts applying for admission to the Caddy Camp, Canoe Trip or Camping Cruise.

We have ordered a 14 foot Indian Teepee for Camp Baiting Hollow. The Teepee will be pitched in an isolated spot and "good Indians" will have a chance to camp in it occasionally.

How would you like to see the World's Champion Woodchopper? We are arranging for his services at Baiting Hollow, including instruction to Scouts and an exhibition by him. Peter McLaren will undoubtedly spend a couple of hours with us, the date to be announced soon.



SCOUTMASTERS' PICNIC

The First Annual Scoutmasters' Picnic will be held at Camp Baiting Hollow on Saturday, May 31st, from as early in the morning as anyone shows up, to as late at night as anyone wants to stay.

This occasion is for Scoutmasters, assistants, Commissioners Group AND THEIR FAMILIES. Hot coffee and cold drinks will be provided free but lunches should be brought by everyone. A program of games will be promoted for men, women and children. Volley ball, base ball and playground ball, canoeing, boating, archery, horseshoes and swimming. Don't forget to bring the children. In case of rain, the buildings will be opened so that there will be shelter for all. Men wanting to remain overnight, bring your complete outfit.

A fine big campfire meeting will be held early in the evening where everyone can get better acquainted. Come in camping attire ready for anything.

TRAINING COURSES COMPLETED

The training courses closed last week with by far the most successful season to date. During the month of April we averaged over 100 different men per week, approximately thirty in the East District course and seventy in the combination North and South courses. This latter group was divided into four groups; Sea Scouting, Elementary and Approved and the first six sessions of the Standard course.

If enough leaders are interested, we will put on the First Aid course each Sunday afternoon at Camp Baiting Hollow, Joseph V. Kelly in charge. This is a required course for the Scoutmaster's Key. If others are interested, we will also arrange a ten hour specialization course in Nature Study at the same time and place. Drop a card to the office if you want to see these run, beginning Sunday, July 6th.

Some definite training will be offered early in the Fall but the committee will not decide, until the choices of the leaders are more definitely known. Tell your Field Executive what you want.

All who attended the sessions of the Court of Honor training courses should remember that these can be credited toward a "specialization" course. Four more hours will be provided later so that this course will become of minimum legal length.

CELEBRATION FOR "UNCLE DAN"

Daniel Carter Beard, for twenty years the National Scout Commissioner, and known to millions of boys, will be eighty years old next month. He is to be the guest of honor at the Twentieth National Council Annual Banquet being held Monday, May 12th, at 7 P. M. in the Hotel Pennsylvania. An invitation has been sent to the Executive Board, Commissioners Group and to all Scout leaders to attend. Other interested officials and friends may secure reservation by writing the Council Office at once. Dress informal.

EFFICIENCY CONTEST RESULTS

The following figures are complete for the month of March and for reports for April up to the time of going to press. Other reports received by the 15th will appear in June Scouter. All figures are subject to final correction by the Contest Judges.

Troop	March	April
Greenport No. 4	500	375
Patchogue No. 65	475	425
Central Islip No. 71	475	400
Bay Shore No. 59	425	
Sag Harbor No. 9	325	
Westhampton Beach No. 62	275	
East Hampton No. 27	275	150
Southold No. 67	275	350
Amityville No. 2	275	
Bridgehampton No. 57	250	
Huntington No. 69	225	
Northport No. 41	225	
Smithtown No. 3	225	
Huntington No. 72	225	125
Suffolk Sanitarium No. 80	225	200
Babylon No. 20	200	
Center Moriches No. 23	200	175
Centereach No. 68	175	
East Northport No. 8	175	100
Huntington No. 19	175	
West Sayville No. 54	100	
Mattituck No. 39	100	

We must secure additional data before the final scoring can be determined for some troops as figures do not jibe on membership and in many cases the data submitted does not make it possible to give full credit. You are invited to write for correction at any time.



Big Time June 7th

COUNCIL FIELD DAY AND PICNIC RALLY

WHO: All Scouts, Scouters and their friends. Everyone welcome.

WHAT: An all day Scout picnic of contests, games and fun, combined with the Council Field Day Championships which have heretofore been held at the County Fair in Riverhead in the Fall.

WHEN: Saturday, June 7th, 10 to 5 P. M. In case of rain, June 14th.

WHERE: At the farm of Lester H. Davis, on the main Riverhead road one quarter mile east of Coram.

Come One, Come All

The finals of the Council Championships will be held at 3 P. M. between the nine troops winning places in the three district field days just held last Saturday.

From ten o'clock on, a series of special contests and events are planned so that EVERY SCOUT present, can take part in something as follows:

- 1—Nail driving contest for Scouts under fifteen years, regardless of rank. Each Scout will furnish 2" plank of pine and hammer, Council furnishes nails.
- 2—Flap Jack contest for Second Class Scouts under 18 years. Full details will be mailed each troop.
- 3—Bugling contest for Scouts under 18 years.
- 4—Wood chopping contest for Scouts 15—18 years. Use Scout axe in kneeling position. Each Scout to furnish wood two feet long and not less than 20 inches in circumference, with or without bark, Oak, Hard Maple or Beech, green or dry.
- 5—Lone Scout contest, medley event, combining driving nails, running 25 yards, trying square knot in rope, returning and lighting fire with flint and steel. This event open to Lone Scouts or members of Farm, Home and School patrols, or Tribes.

Team Events

- 1—Sea Scouts only: Rope splicing contest, two man team, making short splice and eye splice in 1/2" rope.
- 2—Life Line contest, Sea Scouts only. Six man team, details later.
- 3—String burning contest. Limited to troops chartered since June 1, 1929. Three man team limited to Scouts who have been members since June 1, 1929.

Events for Men

- 1—Wood chopping contest for Commissioned officers, similar to last year.
- 2—Tug of War. Eight men team from any village, following men eligible; fathers of Scouts, any registered Scouter living in the locality including Troop officials, Community Committee, etc.
- 3—String burning and Water boiling contests for Scoutmasters and assistants. Two man team, Scoutmaster and assistant. Show the boys how it is done.
- 4—Archery exhibition. All Scouts and officials may demonstrate at any range desired.

Events for Junior Officers

- 1—Knot tying contest for Senior Patrol Leaders. Tying the most knots of different kinds in two minutes. Scout to supply names, Council furnish ropes.
- 2—Tilting contest for Junior Assistant Scoutmasters.

Details to all Troops

Complete rules governing the details of these events will be mailed to each troop by May 15th. Ribbons will be awarded for first, second and third place in each but without name of event thereon.

Drinking water, rest rooms and other accommodations will be there for women and children. Lunches can be brought or bought on the grounds.

There are beautiful shady and grassy spots available for rest and comfort. Cars will be parked in the meadow and everything done for the entertainment and enjoyment of Scouts, Scouters and their families and friends.

Any troop desiring to put on an exhibition of any sort such as pyramid building, tent pitching, etc., is invited to write the office and arrange details.

Any officials having suggestions to offer as to how to make the day the best possible, are invited to write, especially if you are ready to help put it across.

South District News

E. A. Andrews, Field Executive

The South District Executive Committee Meeting April 13 in Amityville High School was well attended and reports of committees showed much progress. We were honored with the presence of our Council President, Dr. W. C. Travis, who gave us some inspiration and encouragement.

TROOPS

Troop 2 of Amityville will invest the new troop sponsored by St. Mary's Episcopal Church Amityville on May 6th.

Troop 60 of Lindenhurst will be the investing Troop for the K. of C. Troop in Lindenhurst.

The Troops of Bay Shore will hold a get-together evening on May 12th. This will be an evening of entertainment and inspiration and is being arranged by the Bay Shore Community Committee.

We hope soon to announce similar investitures of the Sea Scout Ship sponsored by the American Legion in Amityville and the new troops in Bellport and North Bellport.

Troops 79 and 81 of East Islip held a contest with Field Day events as the program. This helped these Troops to be prepared for the Field Day. Good stuff, we'll say.

Troop 20 of Babylon is planning to stay overnight at Heckscher Park on Friday, May 2nd.

COURTS OF HONOR

Section 7 Court of Honor will be held Tuesday, May 20th, in Bohemia. Place will be announced by post card later.

Section 8 Court of Honor will be held Wednesday, May 14, in the American Legion Rooms in Islip.

Section 9 Court of Honor will be held Wednesday, May 21st, in the High School in Lindenhurst.

Scouts, what about those suggested names for the Section Courts? We have not heard from anyone to date.

TRAINING

The spring courses in Leadership Training are now over. We had 19 men from the South District in the Minimum Course, in the Approved Course and 5 in the Standard Course. Certificates will be awarded at the May Courts of Honor.

DO A GOOD TURN DAILY

The Scouts of Patchogue have been asked to assist the Chamber of Commerce and the Village Trustees in the Clean-up Campaign the week of May 5th to 10th. The Scouts will inspect and locate with the aid of maps, places that need attention and through the distribution of notices, the owners of such places will be asked to cooperate by cleaning-up. This is a real piece of Civic Service and done in the right way.

TROOP HONOR PENNANT

Any troop having 50% or more of its Scouts attending a minimum of one week at any camp conducted by the Council, will be awarded a Camp Honor Pennant. For example, a troop with twenty members might have seven at Baiting Hollow and one each at Caddy Camp, Camping Cruise and the Canoe Trip and total 10, thus qualifying for the award. An adult troop official in attendance may be credited for two points.

This applies to a troop camp at Baiting Hollow but not to troop camps conducted elsewhere. It is hoped that most troops will try for this Honor Camp Troop Award. For each 10% in addition to half the troop, a star will be sewed to the pennant.

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North District News

By Howard S. Hunt, Field Executive

EAST NORTHPORT TROOP No. 8 WINS FIELD DAY

Joe Cermak's Troop No. 8 from East Northport is in the limelight again; you guessed it,—they won the North District Field Day at St. James on Saturday, May 3rd, by piling up a total of 16 points. To do this, they placed first in four events and second in two events; they seemed to be determined not to score lower than 2 points in any event during the afternoon. Their nearest competitor was C. Arnold Smith's Huntington Troop No. 12, which won second place with a total of 8 points. They scored in every event except one, winning one first place, one second place and three third places. Karl Moore's Setauket Troop No. 22 won the third place in the rally by scoring a total of 6 points. They scored in 3 events, winning a first, a second and a third. The above three troops will compete for the county championship on June 7th against the winners from the other two districts.

The other troops to score points were Huntington No. 19 with 4 points and Huntington No. 69 with 1 point. Following is the tabulation of the 6 events:

- Signaling: E. Northport No. 8, 1st place; Huntington No. 19, 2nd place; Huntington No. 12, 3rd place.
 Water Boiling: E. Northport No. 8, 1st place; Setauket No. 22, 2nd place; Huntington No. 69, 3rd place.
 Judging: Setauket No. 22, 1st place; E. Northport No. 8, 2nd place; Huntington No. 12, 3rd place.
 Knot Relay: Huntington No. 12, 1st place; E. Northport No. 8, 2nd place; 3rd place, none.
 Friction Fire: E. Northport No. 8, 1st place; Huntington No. 19, 2nd place; Huntington No. 12, 3rd place.
 Rescue Relay: E. Northport No. 8, 1st place; Huntington No. 12, 2nd place; Setauket No. 22, 3rd place.

All the credit for the success of the field day goes to the efficient work of the following officials of the meet: Chief Judge, Dr. Wilbur C. Travis; Field Clerk, District Commissioner Wilson Mott; Timer and Judge, Fred J. Biele; Starter, Herman Adams; Inspectors, Judge E. P. Smith, Andrew Voll-George Bullock, Section Commissioner Victor Robinson, Mr. Stuart, and Harry Martinsen. We are very grateful to Mr. Lawrence Smith Butler for the use of his property, which was very suitable for such event.

TROOP CAMPING

Several troops have been taking advantage of the fine spring weather to go camping. Huntington Troop No. 12 spent Easter vacation week camping by patrols (in weather that was not so fine). Setauket Troop No. 22 has been on an overnight hike to Camp Baiting Hollow and an auto hike to Montauk Point. Fourteen Scouts with Scoutmaster Grady Welborne from Huntington Troop No. 14 camped for two days and two nights at Camp Baiting Hollow. Scoutmaster J. Henry Kuck No. 77 over the past week end. No doubt other troops have also done some hiking and camping during the past month, although we have no notice to that effect.

In connection with the hiking and camping trips, it is well to bear in mind that Scouts can set a very fine example in the proper care of fires so as to prevent forest fires, which at this time of year are so frequent and so dangerous. It is the responsibility of every one of us to see that no Scout fire ever gets out of control.

MARK THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR, PLEASE

- Huntington Board of Review, Thursday, May 8th.
 Northport Board of Review, Monday, May 8th.
 Smithtown Board of Review, Friday, May 9th.
 Section One Court of Honor, Thursday, May 22nd.
 Section Two Court of Honor, Thursday, May 29th.
 Junior Officers Conference, May 23rd and 24th.

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EDITORIAL



Here's to Uncle Dan 80 Years Young

A letter just received from Uncle Dan states that Port Jefferson was one of his favorite haunts fifty years ago when he was illustrating for magazines and for Mark Twain's books. If you will look up the old editions of many of Mark Twain's works, you will find that many of the cuts and illustrations and decorations bear the initials "D. C. B." Today, Uncle Dan is known primarily as a famous woodsman, outdoor leader and naturalist, as well as the National Commissioner of the Boy Scouts of America, known to millions of boys and men.

Daniel Carter Beard will be eighty years young next month. His life, example and influence will go on for scores of years in the lives of those he has never even met. When more busy Americans get the vision that work with boys is the greatest investment it is possible to make, then leaders will not be lacking and scores of "Uncle Dons" will make life for boys more worth while in a very difficult age.

ADULT MEMBERSHIP WEEK

The week of May 19th will be made a special effort to register all men connected with Scouting, who have not yet officially joined the Boy Scouts of America. Several villages have signed up their men in full, others have not. The membership plan applies to every man and boy connected with the movement. A new membership card measuring 2 1/4 x 3 1/4 inches will now be issued to all men, proving much less bulky than the three section card used heretofore for both men and boys.

FINANCES AGAIN

An effort will be made early in June to secure financial support from certain villages which have either done nothing or only a very small part of their share. The Council needs \$17,000 to complete its budget for the year beginning August 1st, 1930, to July 31, 1931. Details of the budget and of the report of the Auditing Committee may be had by any interested person.



CUBS

Good news has just been received for the Cubs. The demonstration period proved that Cubs could make good so that now the National Council has officially released the Cub Program for use in certain Councils, Suffolk being among the number. The Cub uniform is dark blue, trimmed in gold. There are several combinations for different seasons and occasions, costing \$3 to \$7. It is not necessary that any Cub have more than one combination.

Registration blanks are ready and the Packs already partly organized will be completed at an early date.



East District News

By Joseph V. Kelly, Field Executive

Southold Won Rally

Troop 67 of Southold proved victorious in the East District Field Day at the Fair Grounds in Riverhead, on Saturday, May 3rd. They scored a total of 15 points. Troop 23 of Center Moriches came in second with 6 points. Troop 6 of Orient came in third with 5 points. The following troops took part in the Field Day: No. 6 of Orient, No. 67 of Southold, No. 39 of Mattituck, No. 47 of Riverhead, No. 15 of East Quogue, No. 74 of Quogue, No. 23 of Center Moriches, and No. 57 of Bridgehampton. Where were the other troops? The three winning troops will compete against the winning troops of the other districts on Saturday, June 7th.

Sectional Rallies

Section Number 4 had a very fine rally on Friday evening, April 11th, in the gymnasium of the Riverhead High School. Section 6's rally took place on Friday evening, April 25th, in the gymnasium of the Center Moriches School. Games, contests and stunts were featured at each rally.

Training School Over

Nineteen men of the East District were awarded their certificates for completing the approved course at a dinner in the Parish Hall of the Lutheran Church in Riverhead. The speaker of the evening was the Rev. Mr. Horiacher of East Hampton, and proved to be most interesting. Practically every man attending was very emphatic in his praise for the training program, and indicated that they would be on hand for the next training course in the Fall.

Get Ready For Camp

We certainly hope that every Scout and as many leaders as possible will be making plans for attending one of the camping programs as sponsored by the Council this year. A camp for every boy and purse is the slogan.

Court of Honor Dates

Section No. 4, Thursday, 15th, Court House Building.
Section No. 5, Wed., 28th, High School, East Hampton.
Section No. 6, Mon., 26th, High School, Westhampton Beach.

Sea Scout News

The Sea Scout Training Course just closed at Central Islip, has given a number of our leaders and older Scouts preparing for leadership, a better idea of what it is all about.

Other Scouts will attend Camp Baiting Hollow during "Sea Scout Week" August 2-9 and learn some more. The Camping Cruise in Peconic Bay August 23-30 will be another opportunity to learn some practical work as we expect to secure an experienced leader to assist in instruction.

The 28' whaleboat at Camp will be ready again for instruction in crew rowing on the Sound. The smaller dories and the dinghy can be rigged for sailing.

There are four events in the big June Rally in which Sea Scouts can participate. The bugling contest for those under 18 years; the wood chopping contest for those 15-18 years and the two events for Sea Scouts only, no age limit, except that officers (Mates and Skippers) cannot compete. Details of all these and other events will be sent to each troop or ship within a few days.

New ships are being formed at Smithtown, Amityville and Riverhead and several new patrols or "crews" are being worked on. It is hoped that these will be registered quickly so as to be eligible to take part in the June 7th events.

Assistant Scoutmasters under 21 years of age, will be interested to sign up as Sea Scouts in some nearby outfit, where you can both help and get experience to take back to your own troop.

A Sea Scout does not give up his right to continue to earn Merit Badges in troop Scouting, if he holds the proper Scout rank. Suppose a 15 year old troop Scout, First Class and three Merit Badges wants to be a Sea Scout but also has his eye on being an Eagle as well. There is nothing to prevent it. He can hold membership in a troop and ship at the same time.

The Scout's Own Column

Don't fail to attend the big Rally June 7th. It is not only for the troops that are to compete for the Council Championship as the result of the District Field Days, but all the rest of the day will be one big time with contests for all. Read the details on page two and arrange with your parents and friends now, to be sure to come.

Friday evening and Saturday, May 23-24, is the Third Annual Junior Officers' Conference. Patrol Leaders, assistants, scribes, buglers and other boy officers are invited to Camp Baiting Hollow for special conference and training. Your group must secure written permission from your Scoutmaster and bring it with you. Full details will be mailed your Scoutmaster next week. No registration fee, bring your own outfit for three meals and overnight.

Centereach Troop No. 66 has sent in \$2 for China Famine Relief.

There are a lot of troops that have not sent in any report on the Efficiency Contest. Is yours among the number? Every troop that is doing a real program of Scouting, ought to be able to score pretty good in this contest, even if it is only a few months old. Some troops have scored perfect, others nearly so.



If you can get to camp Saturday, May 10th, come and help us make some improvements there as announced on the first page.

Of course you will remember that if your troop is not registered in good standing on June 7th, you will not be eligible to take part, though we will be mighty glad to have you present and cheer for the others.

Every troop that scores at least 1000 points out of a possible 1500 in the Efficiency Contest, will have an Honor Award certificate presented. Some Councils have 90% of their troops win such honors.

Do you know the difference between a man and a boy? A boy is a male who has other people helping to carry his pack; parents, Scout leaders, teachers, etc. A man is a male who carries his own pack and helps some other person as well. There are some wonderful men only 16 years old and some funny kids over forty. The sixteen year old MAN seldom recognizes himself and most of the 16 year olds who think they are men are just kidding themselves.

Talking about "packs"; you need to be a man to go on the canoe trip because you certainly will have to pack your own and in some emergency may have to help the other fellow with his. It was a tough trip the first two days out but gosh it was worth it.

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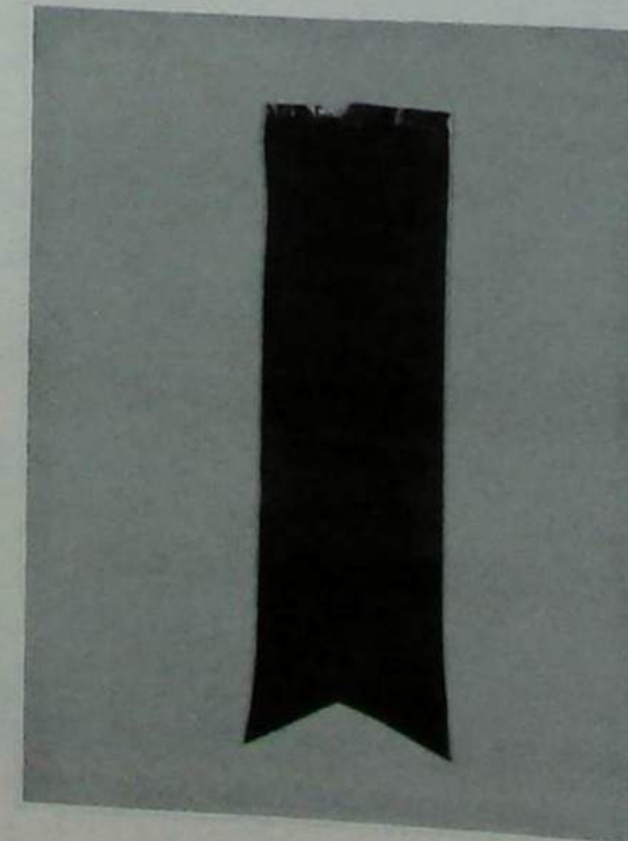
(Bring your membership card when buying uniform)



Council headquarters was established in its new office, in Port Jefferson, by February. The office space was leased on the second floor of the Post Office Building, with a main meeting room of 24 x 30 feet and several small offices off to the sides. A new troop efficiency contest was started, with the winners to be announced at the district spring field days planned for the weekends of April 19-20 and May 3-4.

The Baiting Hollow Summer Camp season for 1929 opened on June 26 and ran for seven weeks. Caddy Camp was operated at Montauk once again, and a Wilderness Canoe Trip to Herkimer County in the Adirondacks was planned for August.

Scout troops from Suffolk participated in their tenth annual pilgrimage to the home of Theodore Roosevelt on October 26. In the fall of 1929 the council was picked as one of the five councils of the region to work on an experiment for National called "Scout Cubs." The first three "wolf packs" would be formed the next year in Babylon, Southold and Quogue. The Scout display at the county fair of that year again showed Scouting in the county at its best.



PRIZE RIBBONS FOR THE 1929 DISTRICT FIELD DAYS

Membership in the Boy Scouts of America, by December of 1929, had grown to over 800,000 country wide. Many of the same problems the Suffolk County Council was facing were common among the other councils in America. Administration and paperwork were at the root of one of the biggest headaches of the time. Picture four different troops in the county when forty-three of them were numbered Troop One. The problem was not unique to our council, but plagued all of the nation's councils. For this reason, national issued a directive requiring the renumbering of all troops in the council. The new, and in most cases current, numbers are as indicated on the following page:



The Old and New Troop Numbers

Community	Old Number	New Number	Community	Old Number	New Number
Amityville	1	2	Kings Park	1	75
Babylon	1	1	Lindenhurst	1	24
Babylon	3	13	Lindenhurst	2	60
Babylon	5	20	Mattituck	1	39
Bay Shore	1	10	Northport	1	41
Bay Shore	5	76	Ocean Beach	1	68
Bohemia	1	25	Orient	1	6
Bridgehampton	1	57	Patchogue	1	65
Centereach	1	66	Patchogue	2	5
Center Moriches	1	23	Patchogue	3	44
Central Islip	1	71	Patchogue	4	73
Copiague	1	26	Port Jefferson	1	45
Cold Spring Harbor	1	46	Port Jefferson	3	64
East Hampton	1	27	Quogue	1	74
East Moriches	1	29	Riverhead	1	47
East Northport	1	8	Riverhead	1	48
Eastport	1	31	Sag Harbor	2	9
East Quogue	1	15	St. James	1	7
Greenlawn	1	32	Sayville	1	16
Greenport	1	4	Sayville	2	21
Hampton Bays	1	63	Sayville	3	70
Hauppauge	1	34	Setauket	1	22
Huntington	1	12	Smithtown	1	3
Huntington	2	14	Southampton	1	11
Huntington	5	36	Southampton	2	58
Huntington	6	28	Southold	1	67
Huntington	7	19	Stony Brook	1	53
Huntington	8	69	Westhampton Beach	1	62
Huntington	9	72	West Sayville	1	54
Huntington	10	77	Holtsville	1	80
Islip	1	37	East Islip	1	81
Islip Terrace	1	38	East Islip	2	79



The troops used Baiting Hollow for winter camping in 1929-1930. Field Executive Joseph V. Kelly was in charge of that New Year's weekend. The three districts held their own field days in the early spring of the year, and it was decided to hold the council field day on June 7 at Baiting Hollow rather than at the Riverhead County Fair in the fall. The May, 1930, issue of "Scouting Magazine" carried an article about the training course for the advancement program used and developed by the Suffolk County Council. The story called the program the "best of its kind" and advised other councils to adopt it.

Long-term camping at Baiting Hollow opened on July 5, with six one-week periods, while Cad-dy Camp at Montauk opened the week before. The success of the Wilderness Canoe Trip the year before sparked the scheduling of this year's

trip for August 19 through 29. With our camp property becoming the flagship of the council, it was time for a camp caretaker to be obtained, and in late summer of 1930, Fred W. Reiter of Wading River was given the job. The log cabin by the lake, donated and erected by the citizens of Southampton, was completed in the fall and ready for use. In addition to Scouting displays, Scouts from the troops in the county were ready for first aid, emergency messenger and orderly duties at the county fair for the third year in a row. After camp stayed open for an extra week and a camp was run at Long Beach in Smithtown for Scouts who could not get room at Baiting Hollow, camp site expansion became a top priority. Two hundred and seven Scouts and leaders joined the rest of the Scouting contingent at the Roosevelt pilgrimage in October, totalling 6,000—the largest attendance to date.



SCOUTS PARADE ON FIELD WITH CARETAKERS HOUSE IN THE BACKGROUND AROUND 1930



LOG CABIN BY THE LAKE IN MID 1930s

Almost every weekend during the winter of 1930, the new log cabin was put to use. The new council president, Wilber C. Travis, elected

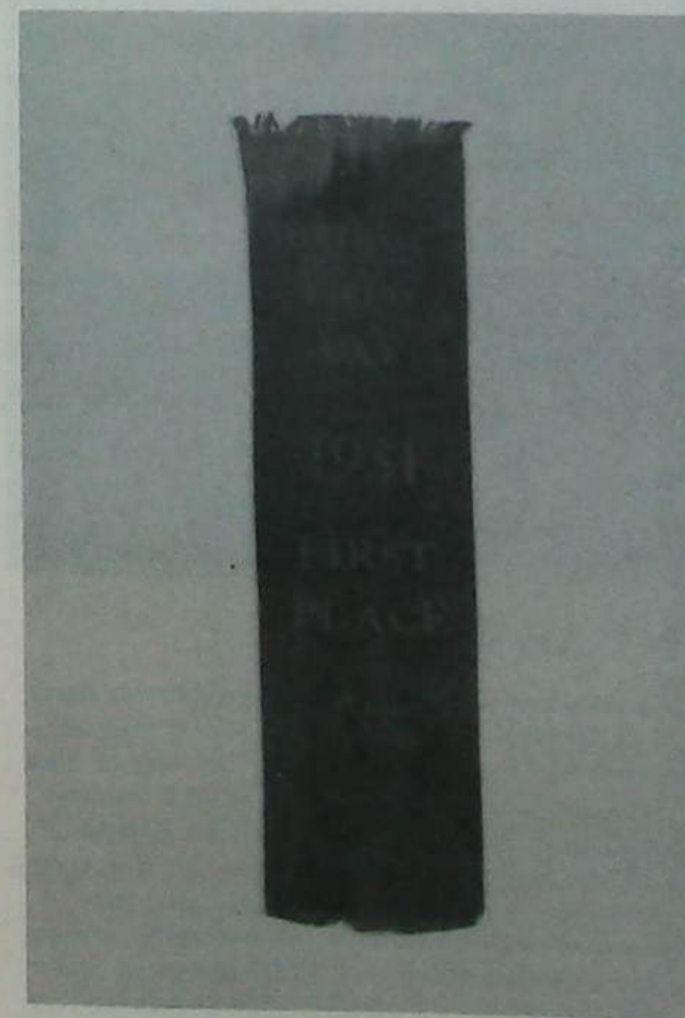
after A. L. Field retired, stated it was only the first of many improvements to be made at the camp.



INSIDE OF LOG CABIN IN MID 1930s



Council Executive Anderson, who had now become our full-time executive after being on loan for two years from National, presided over the second annual council field day and picnic on Saturday, May 2, 1931. Three cubs from the Cub Pack of Southold were awarded their Wolf ranks—the first time in the council the ranks were presented. Camp opened for the summer on July 11 with a record attendance of 110 campers. Eagle Scout Paul Siple, who had accompanied Admiral Richard E. Byrd on the exploration to the Antarctic, visited the Scouts in camp that summer. He gave an address at an evening campfire to all the Scouts, Scouters and parents who were invited for the affair.



1931 DISTRICT FIELD DAY PRIZE RIBBON

On Friday, September 26, council Scouts put on a parade and demonstrations at the Riverhead County Fair, at which, for the fourth year in a row, they had been operating as the service troop.

At the 21st annual meeting of the National Council, held in Memphis, Tennessee, Mortimer

L. Schiff was elected president of the Boy Scouts of America. Within a month of his election, Scout organizations throughout the world would be saddened by his untimely death. During his short presidency, he was instrumental in creating the council award for outstanding service to Scouting—the Silver Beaver.

The first men to be honored by the Suffolk County Council by having the Silver Beaver bestowed upon them were Robert L. Simpson, William H. Higbie, Harold R. Reeve and Abraham L. Field.

January of 1932 marked the first Baiting Hollow camp reunion. Any and all Scouts above the rank of Tenderfoot who had attended camp during any of the camp seasons were invited to the four-day event. Dr. H. W. Hurt, research director for the national office in New York City, held a two-day Cub Training Course at Baiting Hollow on March 5 and 6. The camp was opened for all the councils in the region to send their leaders to be trained. The opening meeting, held at two p.m. on that Saturday, was for Cub Mothers. However, from three p.m. until the close of the camp the next day, only men were admitted, as men and women were trained in separate sessions. During the spring of 1932, training courses covering every area of Scouting were held at Baiting Hollow.

District field days this year were held on April 23, and the council "Camporee" on Friday, May 5, and Saturday, May 6, followed by the council picnic on Sunday. The fifth annual junior officers' conference, held on June 3 and 4, was attended by 125 selected boy leaders from the troops in the county.

The highlight of that summer was the invitation to all Scouts, Scouters and their families to be the guests of the Curtiss Airport, at Valley Stream, on July 16. There were demonstrations of flying, parachute jumping and plane rides for one dollar. The official Suffolk County Scout camp movie, "Dreams Do Come True," was made that summer and shown in local theaters. The annual trek to Teddy Roosevelt's, October 22, featured Troop 60 of Lindenhurst leading the Suffolk section, as they were the first to register. The annual council meeting, held in November, had the largest attendance to date. It was decided that after five years of operating with three districts having fifteen to twenty communities each, it was becoming impossible for the district executives to look after the Scout work properly.



SCOUTS AT CURTISS AIRPORT IN VALLEY STREAM 1932

A plan for re-districting would have to be devised.

The sustaining membership program also started in 1932. Originally called "The One Thousand Club," it was opened to anyone who paid a sustaining membership fee of \$25.00 or more annually. Summer camp operated for six one-week periods beginning July 9, with provisions to extend the season if needed. Those who registered before June 15 paid \$6 per week—after that date, \$8. The fee for camp, then as now, did not come anywhere near the cost of operating the camp; it barely covered the cost of food.

The junior officer conferences in 1933 were moved from Baiting Hollow and split into two sessions in order to save time and expense and to insure greater attendance. One was held on

March 25 at Riverhead and the other on April 11 at Central Islip. The tree planting program, started by Governor Franklin Roosevelt of New York the year before, had the Suffolk Scouts planting 5,270 trees to date with an additional 1,400 to be planted at camp May 20. The spring Camporee, held earlier that May, gave ten patrols their "standard patrol" rating by scoring a minimum of 600 out of 1,000 points in Scout skills competition. Summer camp overflowed to an extra camp period, and a Catskill Mountain trip was planned for August 22-31. Labor Day camp was held again, with the \$3.50 fee covering all costs. The Mortimer L. Schiff Scout Reservation, in New Jersey, was formally opened and dedicated that year, as well as the fourth World Scout Jamboree, at Godollo, Hungary. Suffolk Scouts took part in both.



In response to the request of President Roosevelt in a radio address delivered February 10, 1934, the Boy Scouts of America performed a nationwide "good turn"—collecting 1,812,284 items of clothing, household furnishings and foodstuffs for the distressed and needy. The collection in Suffolk was made under the supervision of local Scoutmasters, by means of a house-to-house canvass. Trucks delivered the goods to the local welfare agencies. The county council, now divided into nine districts, numbered one to nine, scored in the top ten percent of the region for their relief efforts. District Camporees were held in May, with the council Camporee planned for June 8 at Baiting Hollow. Summer camp was filled to overflowing, and improvements of facilities were being made at a record pace. That fall, a Scout Leader's Training School was held at the camp over the weekend of October 6-7. At the fifteenth annual pilgrimage to Roosevelt's grave on October 20, 18 Suffolk troops with 260 Scouts attended.

The entire Scout membership in America celebrated the Silver Jubilee of Scouting in 1935. For the first time, membership in the Boy Scouts of America passed the one million mark. Suffolk County Council now had 75 troops, with over 1,400 Scouts and almost 500 adult Scouters. The Suffolk Scout Congress, held on February 3, consisted of Scout officials not only from Suffolk but from Nassau County Council and Greater

New York Councils. Joseph Cermak of East Northport was Scoutmaster for the troop of Suffolk Scouts attending the first national jamboree in Washington, D.C., to be held that summer.

The districts held their own field days in early May, and the council again used Baiting Hollow as the site for the fourth annual Camporee, on Friday and Saturday, May 17 and 18. The eighth annual field day and picnic was held that Sunday, and ribbon awards were presented to the winning patrols. Neil R. Quackenbush, who was now the Council President, announced the appointment of the committee of nine: one man to represent each of the nine districts. This group was to plan, organize and promote the first council-wide exhibition and demonstration of Scouting, called the "Scouting Circus and Pageant," at Baiting Hollow on Saturday, July 20. Over 1,000 people attended this event, and despite the afternoon rain, it was huge, success. At Baiting Hollow that summer, the regular summer camp program was in full swing, and the Suffolk Council jamboree troop held its three-day preparatory camp there August 17-20. Only a few days before, the jamboree had to be cancelled due to an epidemic of infantile paralysis. The disappointment was short lived, since thirty-four of the jamboree troop Scouts went on an eleven-day adventure into the woods and lakes of the Adirondacks.

APPLICATION CAMP BAITING HOLLOW 1935
TO SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL, INC., PORT JEFFERSON, N. Y.

Registration fee enclosed of \$_____ being \$1.00 on account for each period checked below. I agree to live the Scout Oath and Law and to observe such rules as are adopted for the welfare of all. Member of

Troop No. _____ Age _____ Rank _____ Mail Address _____

Phone _____ Dated _____ 1935 Scout sign here _____

☐ July 7-14 ☐ July 14-21 ☐ July 21-28 ☐ July 28-Aug. 4
(A 5th period will be opened only after 4 have been filled)

I have read the camp announcement given to my son. This application has my approval and consent. I agree to have him examined by physician within 48 hours previous to his arrival in camp, on form to be sent by you. I will see that balance of camp fee is sent to the Council Office at least a week in advance of his arrival at camp. Should the camp director decide applicant requires medical attention I will pay the account. I hereby release the Suffolk County Council Inc. from any liability growing out of the activities provided by them.

Scout's Church Preference _____ Signature of Parent or Guardian _____
— For Office Use Only —

1935 SUMMER CAMP APPLICATION



Scout Circus and Pageant

Saturday, July 20

CAMP BAITING HOLLOW

3 Miles East of Wading River

You are cordially invited to attend the first big Scout Circus and Pageant ever produced by the Boy Scouts of Suffolk County, including exhibits, demonstrations by Troops, clown and menagerie features, water carnival, Father & Son contests, Indian Pageant and Court of Honor.

Circus begins at 2 o'clock

Water Carnival at 4

Father & Son Baseball Game at 7

Indian Pageant at 8:30 P.M.

Adult's ticket 35c Children under 16—10c.
Scouts taking part, free. Other Scouts 10c.
Cash admission at the gate after 5 P.M.
Adults 25c, children 10c.

These charges are made solely to meet cost of putting on these events. This is not a "benefit". Scout Troops are permitted to sell tickets for a demonstration of this type and will be given half the proceeds of their sales, for Troop expenses. Please do not buy tickets as a favor but only if you plan to use them. We want you to come. We will help you to have a happy time.

Refreshments at standard prices—hot coffee, ice-tea, fruit punch, hot-dogs, sandwiches, ice cream, pop corn, peanuts, candy, all of the best. Any profit to go to buy camp equipment.

Bring picnic supper if you wish. The camp will supply drinking water, women's retiring room, rest tent for mothers, and free parking space. No bathing for visitors.

GROUNDS OPEN AT 1 O'CLOCK

Suffolk County Council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America

AD FOR SCOUT CIRCUS AND PAGEANT



The Suffolk County Fair was held early, in order to allow more Scouts to take part. Wednesday, August 28, 1935, was proclaimed Scout Day at the fair, and all Scouts were admitted free of charge. Twenty-four Suffolk Scouts operated the service troop and handled their customary duties in a manner befitting the Boy Scouts of America. A father-son camp was held over Labor Day weekend. Attendance increased

considerably over the previous year, due to the cancellation of the national jamboree. Sixty-nine Scout leaders took part in the October training courses, and E. Urner Goodman, director of programs of the Boy Scouts of America as well as one of the founders of the "Order of the Arrow," was the guest speaker at the council dinner on November 17th.



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*On to Washington
The National Jamboree
August 21-30, 1935*

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NATIONAL JAMBOREE

August 21-30, 1935
Washington, D. C.

"IT IS appropriate that we are planning for the celebration of the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America, which will culminate in a great National Jamboree here in the Nation's Capitol. . . .

"I much hope that it will be possible to have every nook and cranny, every section of our Nation, represented."

Frederick W. Peterson



FRONT PAGE OF 1935 JAMBOREE BULLETIN



Camp Baiting Hollow

Eleventh Season - 1936

SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL INC.

Boy Scouts of America

[Office] PORT JEFFERSON, N. Y.



*160 Acres of Woods, Hills, Valleys and Lake
1800 feet frontage on Long Island Sound
"The Finest Camp Site on Long Island"*

To Parents

Camp Baiting Hollow, located on the north shore of Long Island, four miles east of Wading River, was bought in 1926 by public subscription, for the purpose of helping troops carry out the fundamental purposes of the Boy Scout program, described in the Federal Incorporation act as follows:

Section 3—"That the purpose of this corporation shall be to promote, thru organization and cooperation with other agencies, the ability of boys to do things for themselves and others, to train them in Scoutcraft, and to teach them patriotism, courage, self-reliance, and kindred virtues, using the methods which are now in common use by Boy Scouts."

Mr. Gard, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted a report further, which included:

"The Boy Scout movement is not one seeking to promote a juvenile military system, but it is intended to supplement and enlarge established modern educational facilities in activities in the great and healthful out-of-doors where may be the better developed physical strength and endurance, self-reliance, and the powers of initiative and resourcefulness, all for the purpose of establishing through the boys of today, the very highest type of American citizenship."

The program, activities and leadership at Camp, are all planned for the purpose of helping Scouts, Patrols and Troops to attain a higher degree of these important objectives of Scouting and at rates so low that they barely cover the actual costs of food, its preparation and minimum operating expenses while your son is there. The rates make no attempt to cover "overhead", upkeep of the property, supervision, interest on the \$23,500 mortgage and other necessary expenses. These are provided thru the Council's annual finance campaign for its budget, which included about \$4,000 camp expense each year or about 25% of our entire budget.

Regardless of whether your son comes with his troop or individually, we can promise adequate attention to the important matters of leadership, regular and nourishing meals, regular hours of sleep and rest, county and state sanitary regulations rigidly observed, medical supervision, Red Cross Life Guard duty at swimming periods, Catholic and Protestant services on Sunday, and a high spirit of enthusiasm, sportsmanship and honor.

We invite your personal inspection on visitors' days and will gladly answer letters of inquiry. A Scout's father may see him at any hour. Your cooperation in helping your son's troop come to camp for a week, is urgently requested. See his Scoutmaster or Troop Committee.

Camp Telephone—Riverhead 2261FG.
Office—Port Jefferson 143.

N. R. Quackenbush, President.
H. R. Reeve, Chairman Camp Committee.
G. A. Silliman, M.D., Chairman Health and Safety.
R. P. Anderson, Scout Executive.



IT WON'T BE LONG NOW



THE DATES THE RATES

Camp opens Sunday, July 5th, for five weeks. Owing to the possibility of leasing the property to the Girl Scouts, there will be no later periods even if all Scouts cannot be accommodated during these five weeks, so **DO NOT DELAY**. Get your pick of the periods now. See application card for details.

RATES ARE LOWERED

In spite of increase in food and other costs, the Camp Committee and Board of Directors have approved a one dollar cut in rates. The base rate is now \$7 per week instead of \$8 as heretofore, AND ANY SCOUT SIGNING UP BEFORE JUNE 15th, may have one or two weeks at \$6 per week. Scouts remaining longer than two weeks, pay \$10 per week, which is still less than cost. The plan of requiring a troop to send eight or more Scouts at the same time, in order to secure a \$6 rate has been cancelled.

The fifth period beginning August 2nd, is exclusively for those troops coming to camp with their own adult leadership and tent leaders. The Camp will furnish meals, tents and equipment as usual, a director and waterfront man and the rate is \$5 per person. Nearly all of the program features of the other periods will be available.

SCOUTS: CHECK THIS LIST

What more could you want?

EAT: Three times a day at regular hours plus the Trading Post open daily for candy, ice-cream, etc.

SWIM: That's popular too. Only one other camp in America has both salt and fresh water swimming. Swims twice a day for those who want it. Once in the Lake for special instruction and your choice of Lake or Sound in the afternoon. Spring board, diving tower, raft, boats and canoes in the lake. Lifeboat and lifeguard always on duty for instruction and safety.

CANOES: For those who pass necessary swimming requirements. Mr. Frowein, waterfront director, will give special instruction in canoeing, boating, swimming and safety.

ROW OR SAIL: Scouts not yet expert enough for canoes may use boats by passing lesser swimming requirements. Safety first. Three sailing dories may be used by those able to meet safety and skill requirements.

SHOOT: Archery targets available. Make your own bow and arrows in the handicraft shop. Rifle range and instructor open each week-day. You may bring your own rifle but none may be used except on the range when instructor is present. All firearms are kept stored by the camp director except when on the range.

PLAY: Baseball, handball, "monkey-ball", volleyball. There are both softball and regular baseball diamonds, two handball courts, two volleyball courts, horseshoes galore and other equipment. Bring as much of your own as you have.

HIKE: There are 160 acres of timber, trails and thickets, 1,800 feet of beach and miles of shore line just waiting for your exploration.

STUNTS: Campfires, Circus Week, Treasure Hunts, Canoe Jousting, and all sorts of good times. Bring some costumes or funny clothes if you can.

BOOKS: Stories, adventures, Uncle Dan Beard's books, Ernest Thompson Seton's books on Pioneering and Woodcraft and many others.

MUSEUM: Here is where you mount your collections, pen up your live exhibits of snakes, turtles, rabbits, etc., you catch and then turn them loose at the close of camp.

HONORS: Board of Review each Saturday afternoon and Court of Honor each Saturday evening. Two hours each day, the entire Camp Staff is available to assist you in climbing the trail of Scouting. Instruction in Merit subjects such as Canoeing, Swimming, Archery, Forestry, Indian Lore, Life Saving, Marksmanship, Rowing, Pioneering, Stalking, Seaman-ship, Angling and others. Do not ask for help in subjects which can just as easily be done at home in the winter months. If you expect to apply for advancement in rank you must secure and bring with you in sealed envelopes, the necessary evidence blanks from the **FOUR REQUIRED SOURCES**, just as you would at home.

The Camp Baiting Hollow bronze, gold and silver "rising suns" are available for those who meet the necessary standards of skill and conduct. Remember the "HALL OF FAME".

The Hall of Fame

The "Hall" opened last year and the names of the "famous" are listed below and also appear on the banner in the Camp Messhall. Several other Scouts made very creditable records and may "top the list" this year. Whether they do or not, the real value comes in **HOW HARD YOU TRY**. Did you put up a good battle? Did you do your best? Did you sacrifice for a worthy cause? Are you getting ready to "hit the line hard" again? The name, age, rank and record of Scout at the time of the event, is listed below.



LONG DISTANCE SWIM

1935—Star Scout Frank Albin—Troop 99, Babylon, aged 14, distance 2 1/2 miles.

This swim is around a 110-yard course, laid off in the lake, sixteen laps to the mile. Several Scouts swam more than a mile last year.

MARKSMANSHIP

1935—Life Scout Wm. Ahearn Jr., Troop 10, Bay Shore, aged 16, Score 41.

BEST CAMPER 1935

First Period—First Class Scout Dan Overton, Lone Scout, Southold, aged 14.

Second Period—Life Scout Wm. Doremus, Troop 8, East Northport, aged 16.

Third Period—Second Class Scout Gerald Greene, Troop 57, Bridgehampton, aged 15.

Fourth Period—Life Scout Wm. Paxson, Troop 21, Sayville, aged 16.

EXPERT CANOEIST

1935—Life Scout Wm. Ahearn Jr., Troop 10, Bay Shore, aged 16.

Important Information



- 1—No boy can be admitted who is not a registered Scout, presenting his medical examination on sheet provided by the Council, with his first week's fee, **PAID IN ADVANCE**, as we have no banking facilities at camp.
- 2—Both Protestant and Catholic services are provided. Scouts connected with these churches are expected to attend.

3—Parents (or troop officials) should plan auto transportation direct to camp and return. The opening meal each period is Sunday supper, the closing meal, Sunday noon.

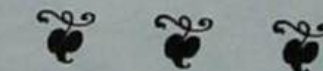
4—Swimming is at stated hours only, expert instructors and Life Guard.

5—If in the opinion of the Camp Director, a Scout needs attention of a physician, he will be taken to Riverhead, doctor's fee at parents' expense.

6—Saturday afternoon is visitors' day, **AFTER 1:30 P. M.** Sunday afternoon may also be used but no special program. A father may visit his son at any time. No meals served to visitors, except Scout officials on advance notice. Families not admitted either Saturday or Sunday until after 1:30 o'clock.

7—Please do not bring or send your son **ANY Eatables of ANY SORT**. The camp menus are ample. A special treat for your son's table of twelve Scouts, will be welcomed. Arrange it with the Camp Director, Mr. Ernest A. Andrews.

8—Patrols or Troops coming together, may have tents, tables, etc., together under their own leaders and as much of their program activity as desired.



What to Bring

You'll Need These

Mosquito net (or purchase at Camp.)
Three blankets or equivalent and a small pillow.
Three pairs socks, wool preferred.
Swimming suit. Extra shoes.
Raincoat or poncho.
Toothbrush, paste and comb.
Soap in box and two towels.
Handkerchiefs, wool shirt or sweater, notebook, pencil.

Bring These if You Have Them

Regular Scout uniform or shorts and sleeveless shirt, kodak, flashlight, knife and axe, handbook, compass, musical instrument, canteen, ball glove, duffie bag, suitcase or box, Bible or Prayerbook, needles, thread, buttons, etc., spending money, costumes, women's clothing and fancy dress for circus, stunt nights, etc., appropriate for the week.

Pup tent, pack sack, mess kit, etc., for overnight trips.

A tennis ball or similar size hollow rubber ball will do fine for handball. You may bring your own rifle if desired, but it must be left with the director at all hours except when in use on the range. Bring bow and arrows if interested. Mr. Andrews is an expert archer. Get a camp application from your Scoutmaster or write the Council Office, Port Jefferson. Bank your money at **THE TRADING POST**. Postcards, stamps, candy, ice-cream, etc. for sale.

Off For Canada

1936 WILDERNESS CANOE TRIP

Plans have already been announced proposing a 150 mile canoe trip from Ft. Edward, N. Y., up the Hudson river and canals into Lake Champlain to Ft. Ticonderoga and return, with an estimated cost of \$16 to \$18 per person from Port Jefferson.

Investigation is now being made which indicates that for a sum of \$25, a trip can be made into Canada which would be so much more enjoyable, that it will be well worth the difference in cost. No promises can be made just now but we suggest that older Scouts and leaders keep this in mind. A release will be made just as soon as facts are secured and the plans approved by the Board of Directors. Scout Executive Anderson will be in charge.



1936 SPECIAL CAMP FEATURES

- 1—The Wilderness Canoe Trip. Details announced soon. Trip in August.
- 2—Fifth Week is exclusively for Troop Camps, rate \$5.00 per person.
- 3—August 24-29. County Fair, Riverhead. Service Troop, maximum 32 Scouts, rate \$2.50.
- 4—Special Patrol Camp, Baiting Hollow, August 28-31. No charge but bring all supplies and equipment, just as for Camporee outings. Council will supply camp director.

CAMPOREE FINALS — FIELD DAY ANNUAL PICNIC

May 15-16 will be big days at Camp Baiting Hollow. The Finals of the Annual Camporee begin Friday afternoon, May 15th and close at 2 o'clock on Saturday. Then come the Field Day stunts, contests, races and a general good time picnic for all Scouts and their families and friends. This year no Scouts may remain over Friday night, except those in the Camporee but ALL SCOUTS, PARENTS AND FRIENDS ARE INVITED AS EARLY SATURDAY AS YOU CAN COME. See the Patrols at work in the Camporee; enjoy the Field Day events at 2 P. M.; bring a picnic lunch and all the family.

JAMBOREE 1937

Congress has passed the necessary legislation to permit the holding of the Jamboree and the loan to the Boy Scouts of America, of certain army tents and equipment. Many, if not most of the Scouts selected for the 1935 Jamboree, will have gotten over the age or dropped out, so that delegates will be mostly new Scouts. It is not too early for all Scouts who are interested, to begin making plans to go. This means two things particularly, money and the proper Scout rank, which of itself requires Scoutlike conduct.

Nearly half of our delegation planned for last year were "delegates at large", in other words, Scouts recommended by their troops as of the proper character, possessing the minimum rank and Merit Badge qualification and who were going to pay their own way, thus not requiring action of the Troop Committee or the raising of special funds.

We still will invite troops to send a troop delegate, but your troop will send but ONE and no Scout can be sure that he will be the ONE. The sure way to go will be for you to be a real Scout, so that you can get the Troop's approval, advance to the required First Class rank and merit badges in Safety, Personal and Public Health and work to save enough money to "pay your own way"; then you are sure of going and not otherwise.

Full details will appear soon in Boys' Life and the magazine Scouting. You have fourteen months to get ready. If you don't get to go, whose fault will it be?



Sea Scouts Playing Handball at Camp

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES AND LEADERS

- July 5th—First Period, Pioneering. Archery, Marksmanship and Woodcraft will be the features.
- July 12th—Second Period, Indian Week. Camp Director Andrews will give special attention to Indian Lore and a pageant. Bring feathers and material for costumes.
- July 19th—Life Saving and Sea Scout Week. Waterfront Director Frowein will be assisted by Scoutmaster James B. Schmitz, Red Cross Examiner, specializing in aquatic activities and the passing of Junior and Senior Red Cross requirements.
- July 26th—Circus Week. Another Camp Circus this year, Saturday afternoon, August first. All troops invited to prepare and put on an "act", in addition to those prepared by the campers.
- August 2nd—Troop Camp Week. Only troops which supply their own leadership are eligible. Special rate of \$5.00. Full camp program, Board of Review and Court of Honor.

The March 7, 1936, annual junior officers conference, the ninth such conference, had a special guest. Paul Siple, the Boy Scout representative of the first Byrd Antarctic Expedition and the chief biologist of the second expedition was present at the new Port Jefferson High School for the Saturday get-together. In addition to the junior leaders, all Sea Scouts were invited, as Paul was also a Sea Scout, holding the rank of "Quartermaster", the highest in the program. The annual



Rover Scout Badge



Explorer Scout Badge

the national director of Senior programs, was invited. He explained the programs as follows: While most of the Scouts in the country, as well as in our county, were between the ages of 12 and 16, almost one quarter of a million ranged in age from 15 to 21. Therefore, the senior program focussed on activities for these older boys.



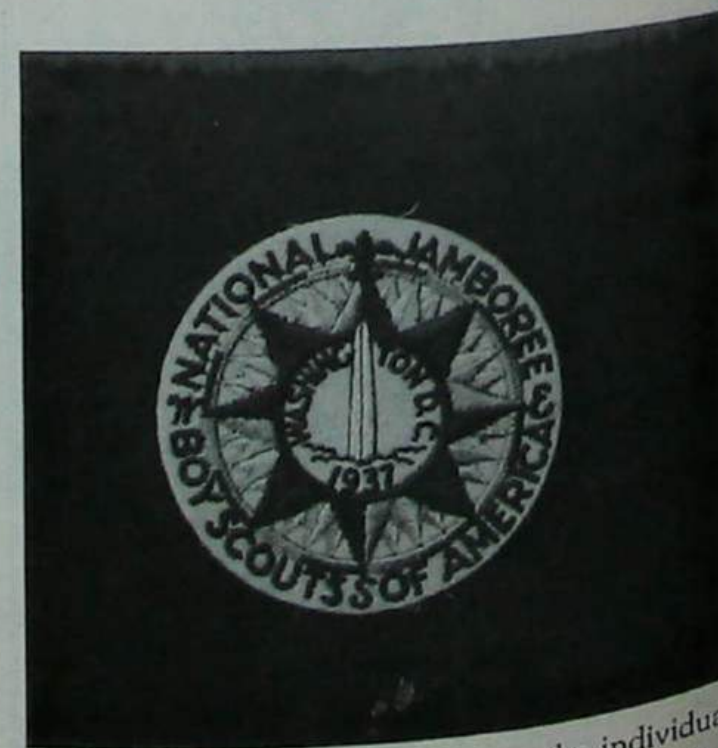
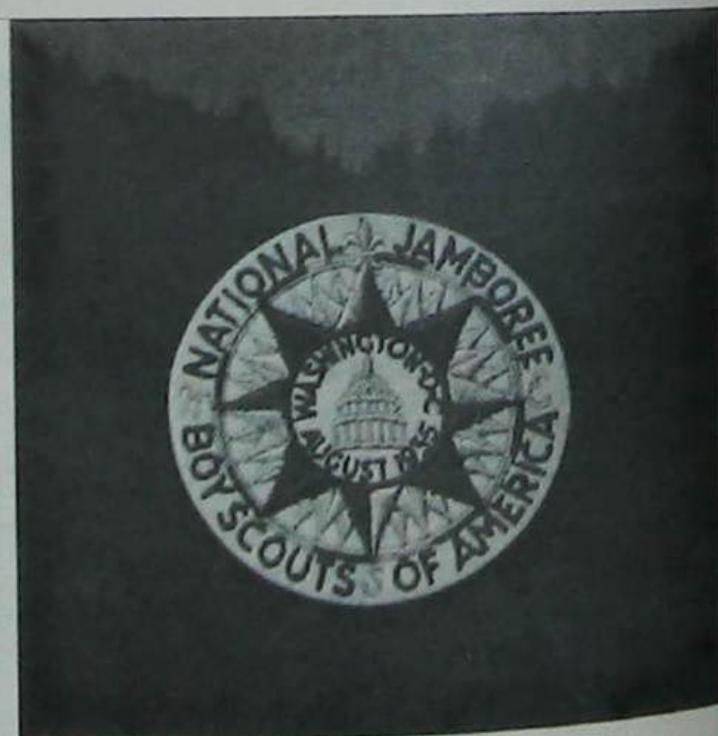
SEASCOUT QUATERMASTER

The Sea Scout program was the first for this age boy, but two new additional programs, known as "Explorer Scouts" and "Rover Scouts," had been developed and approved for local use. Scouts may become Explorers at age 15 but not invested as Rovers until age 18.

patrol camping contests were held by each district May 1-2, culminating in the council event on May 15-16 at Camp Baiting Hollow. The first weekend in June, the first Senior Scout Conference was conducted by a local council of the Boy Scouts of America. Frank W. Braden,



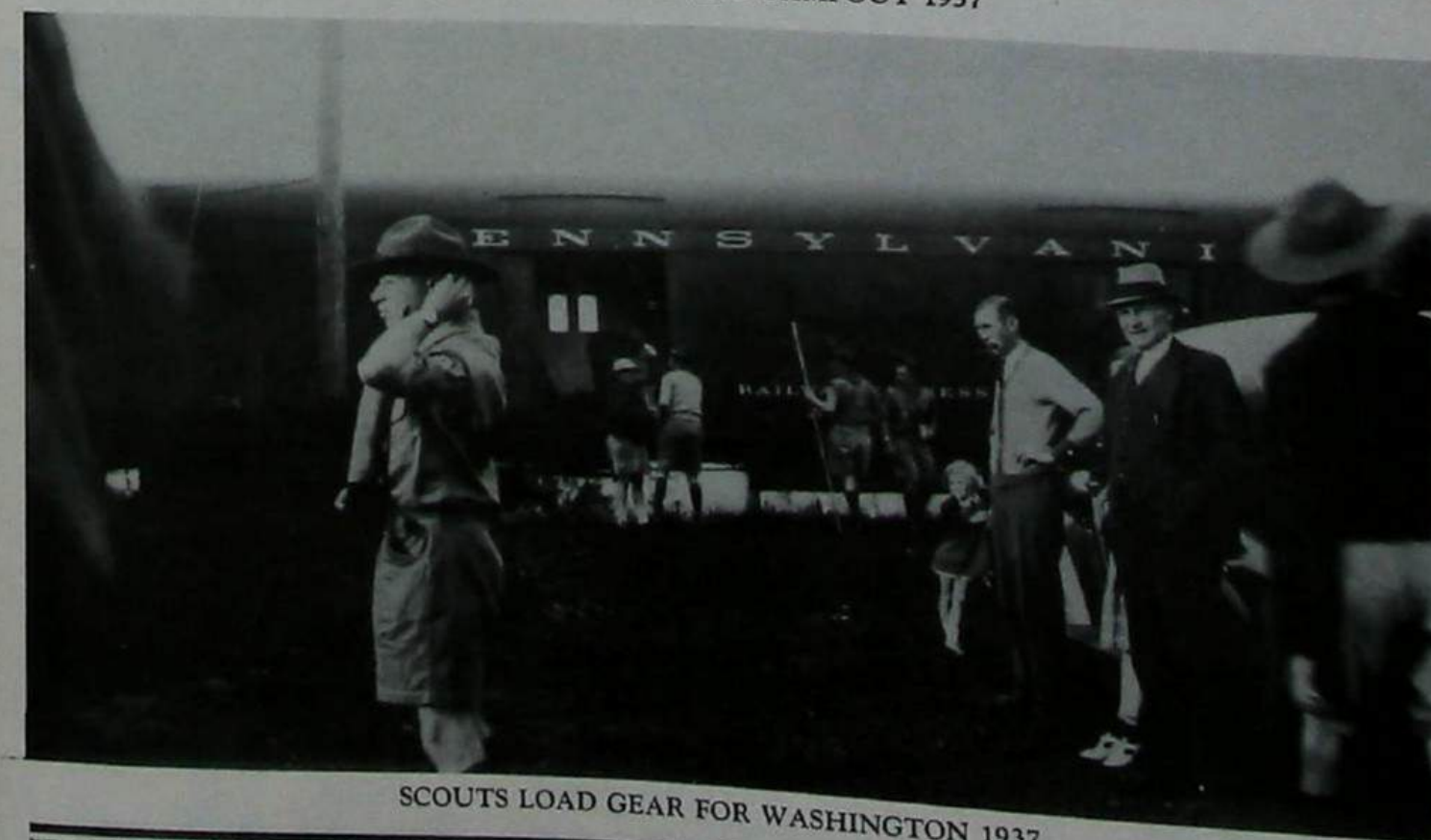
A big council Scout barbecue was planned for Thursday, July 2, just prior to the official opening of the camp season. Pre-registration totaled 440 "boy weeks," exceeding the previous year by at least one-third. July 4, 1936, was the date for the first Suffolk County Independence Day Parade, and the county officials asked the Boy Scouts to take part at the Patchogue festivities. Uneducated in the ideals of Scouting, the politicians did not realize the turnout would be less than expected, since a Scout troop's first obligation is to its own community. With the great success of the Adirondack trip for the jamboree boys the previous year, another one was planned this summer for older Scouts. Troop 8 of East Northport was given the honor of leading Division One, consisting of the troops from Suffolk, in the 17th annual Roosevelt pilgrimage. They were chosen because they were the only troop to have participated in every one of the previous sixteen outings.



with the district Courts of Honor, the individual troops would now hold their own. The change was very successful; the first twelve troop Courts of Honor would outdraw in attendance all the district courts combined for the year before. The jamboree troop shakedown campout was held at Baiting Hollow on June 26-28, after which everyone left directly for Washington, D.C. The Suffolk Scouts took with them an exhibit of "Home Sweet Home," a replica of the famous East Hampton residence. They also carried



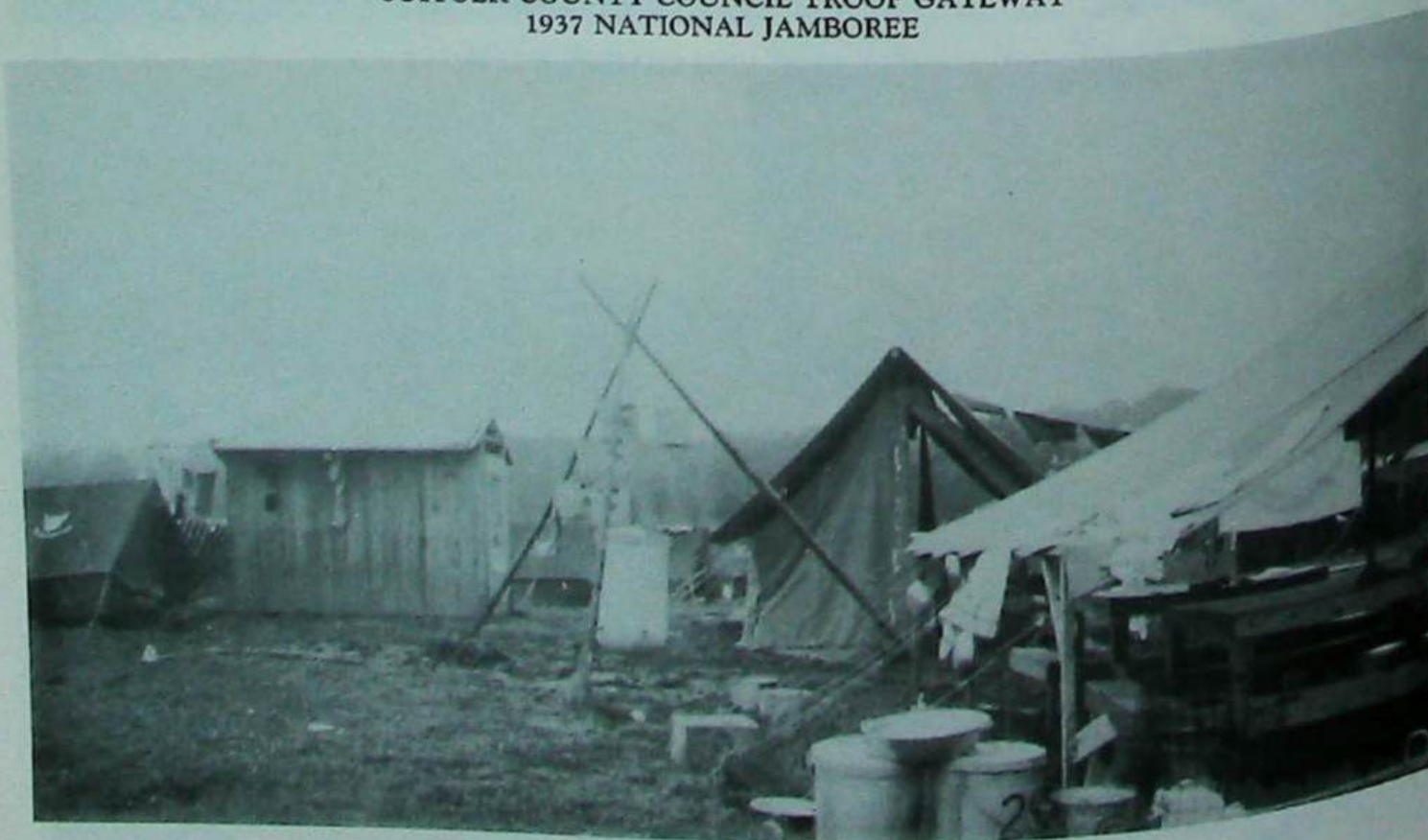
JAMBOREE TRAINING CAMPOUT 1937



SCOUTS LOAD GEAR FOR WASHINGTON 1937



SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL TROOP GATEWAY
1937 NATIONAL JAMBOREE



SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL TROOP CAMPSITE
1937 NATIONAL JAMBOREE



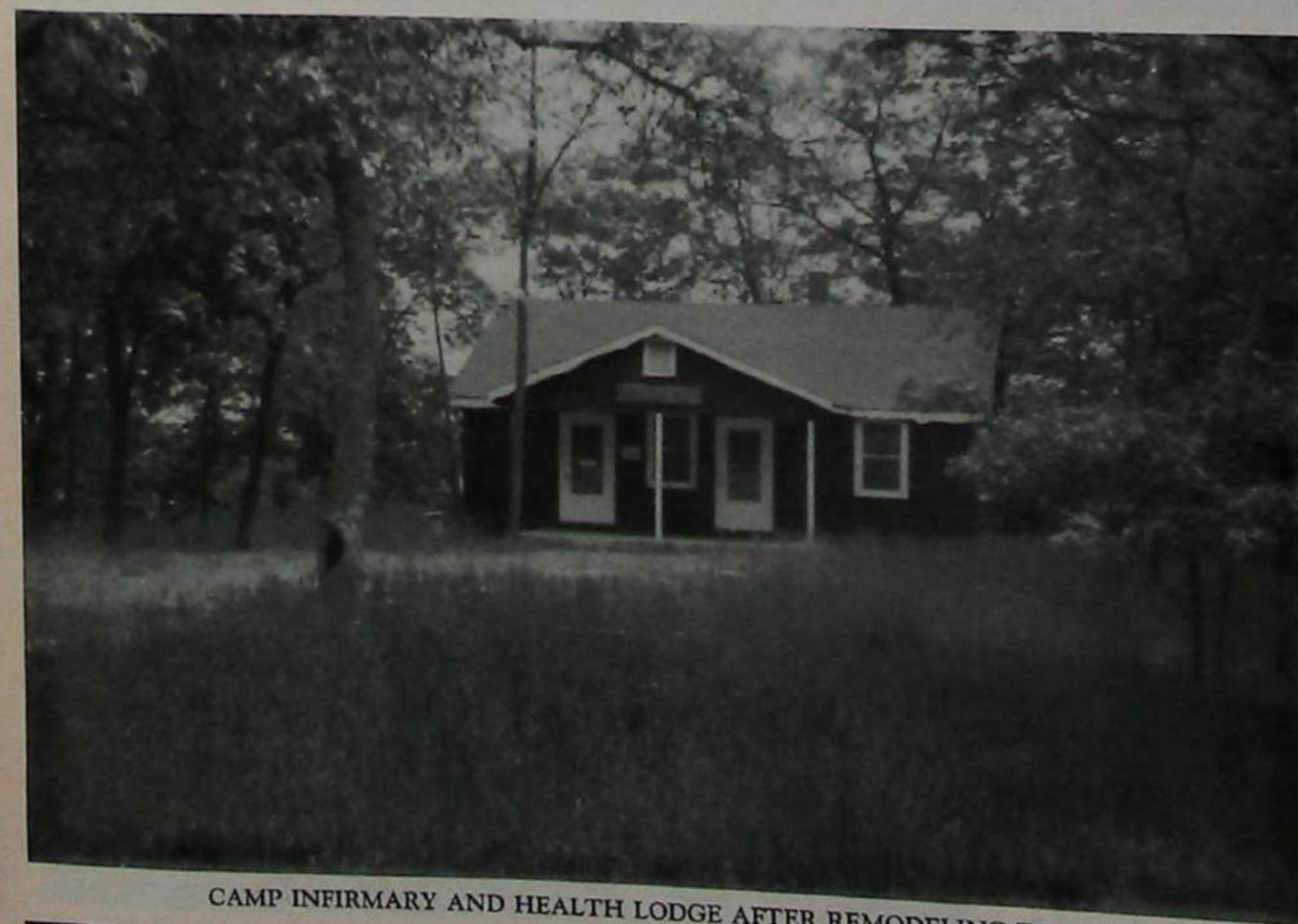
several thousand oyster shells to give out as souvenirs, as most Scouts from other states had never seen one. July 4 opened summer camp season, and Ernest Andrews, more familiarly known to Camp Baiting Hollow campers as "Pop," was again director of camp. As in all the summer camp sessions before, the big question this year was: could the camp handle all the Scouts who wanted to go? Plans were already underway for expansion.

Mid-July had the boys return from the jamboree, and all claimed they could hardly wait for the next one, planned for in another four years. That jamboree would not take place, as a First World War Austrian corporal had other plans for the youth of our nation.

The new, fully-equipped camp infirmary was officially presented to the council on July 28, during the monthly meeting of the county medical society held at Baiting Hollow for that purpose. The council circus was again held, with several hundred people pouring into camp to

take part. Suffolk Scout troops were second in line at the October 23 march to Oyster Bay. This Theodore Roosevelt pilgrimage drew troops from over 100 miles away, and National Scout Commissioner "Uncle" Dan Beard, although 87 years of age, presided and addressed the Scouts. The annual meeting of the Suffolk County Council, Inc. Boy Scouts of America was held on November 8, at the Port Jefferson High School, where 74 training certificates were presented to Scouters who completed training during the year. This year's recipients numbered more than any other year in the council's history. Among items of business transacted were authorizing the camp committee to arrange a lease of Camp Baiting Hollow to the Girl Scouts Camping Association for three weeks as of August 14.

The eleventh annual junior officers conference held on May 26, 1938, at the Riverhead High School, had a special feature of a demonstration camporee showing the use of all the Scout-made



CAMP INFIRMARY AND HEALTH LODGE AFTER REMODELING IN 1954



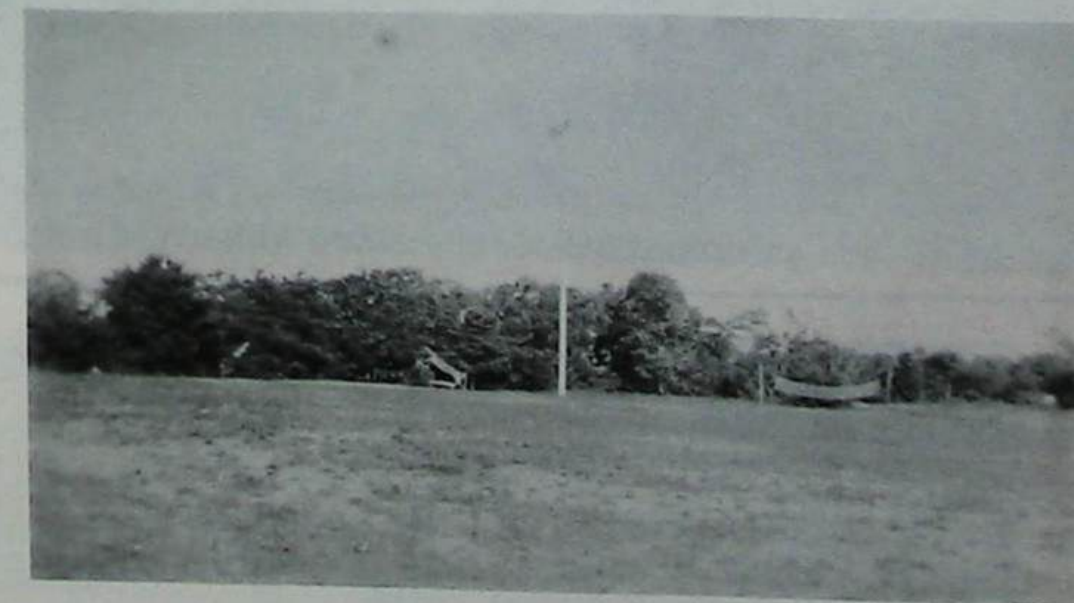
NEW CAMP MESS HALL SHORTLY AFTER COMPLETION IN 1939

equipment. Of the 41 patrols who competed in the county council spring camporee on May 14-15, 1938, 20 patrols, scored high enough to qualify as "standard" patrols, based on a set of qualifications formed by the county council. Summer camp opened July 3 to a new baseball backstop and five completely rebuilt canoes. The Huntington Rotary Club presented the camp with an Adirondack leanto campsite complete with central kitchen. Over 5,000 Scouts, representing most of the councils within a 100 mile radius, including Scouts from Suffolk County council, were present at the annual Roosevelt pilgrimage on October 22. At a meeting of the Council Finance Committee, held on November 20, a sum of \$3,080 was allotted to the camp committee, to be used towards the cost of constructing a mess hall. This money would not cover the total price of the 32 by 68 foot building with a 14 foot porch facing the Sound, but it was planned to get the extra monies from other sources. Eight troops of the Suffolk County council were awarded pennants for the troops' achievements during the September hurricane. The "senior scouts" of the council held a winter training camp over the Christmas to New Year's holidays, in hopes that the trainees would take their skills back to their respective troops.

A large majority of the 80 Boy Scout troops, as of 1939, entered one or more of their patrols in the district Camporees held that May. Districts 4 and 5 were the weekend of May 5 and 6, while Districts 1,2,3,6,7,8, and 9 were a week later on May 12 and 13. The council's finals were held on the last weekend of June, during a three-day Camporee. The dedication for the new mess hall also took place at the Camporee, and despite the rain, the entire affair was carried off without a hitch. Gifts of cups, dishes, silverware, etc., were coming in long before the completion of the mess hall, so that, by the time camp opened for the 1939 season, the mess hall was in full operation. A wilderness canoe trip to Algonquin Forest in Ontario was set for August of that summer, and, as in previous years, only older Scouts were permitted to go. The annual fall training courses for Scout leaders began the first week in November, with six courses being run so that any leader could attend a course that fit his schedule. The national membership figures issued at this time showed that Suffolk County Council had enrolled 54.6% of the entire 12 year-old boy population in the county. Not more than one out of a hundred of all the Scout councils in America had as good a record. In addition to the regular



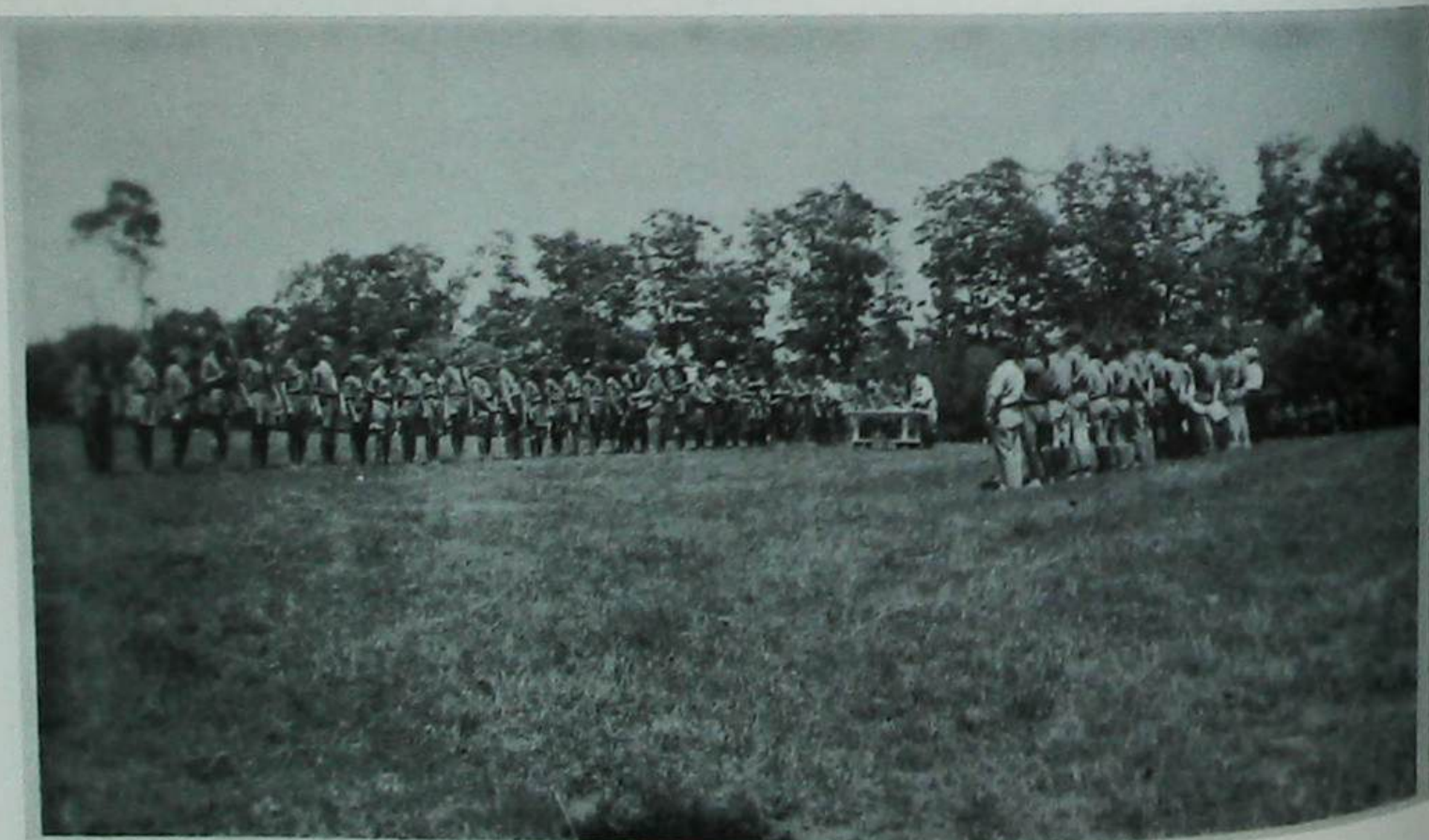
BAITING HOLLOW SWIM DOCK 1938



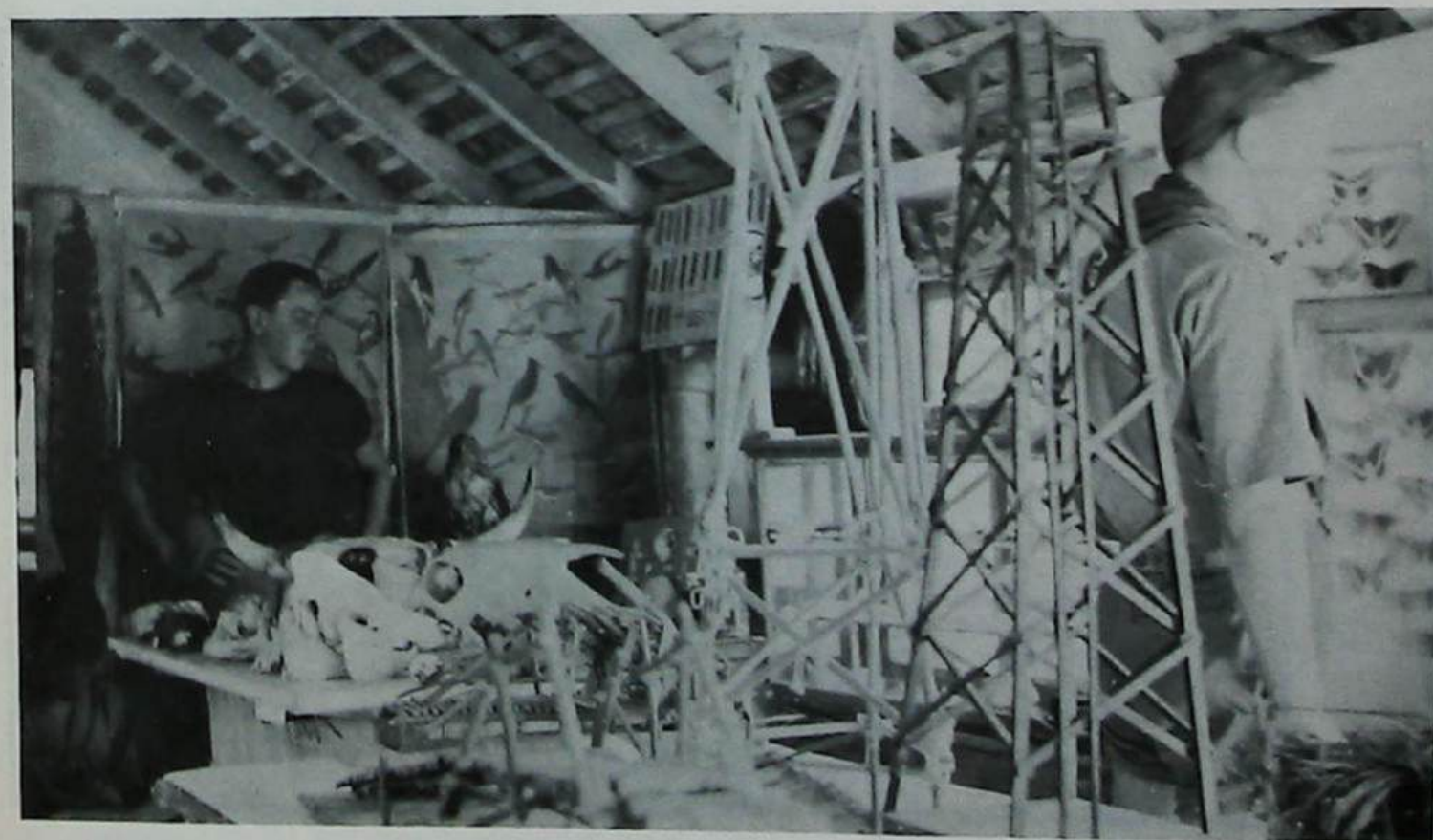
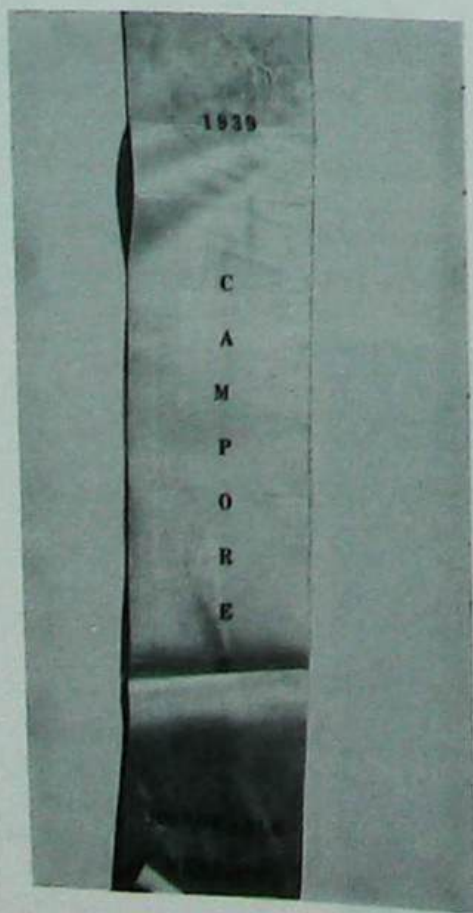
CAMPSITES AROUND PARADE GROUNDS BAITING HOLLOW 1938



BAITING HOLLOW HANDICRAFT SHACK 1938 TURNED INTO CAMP MUSEUM IN 1939



AWARDING CAMPOREE RIBBONS AT BAITING HOLLOW 1939



SCOUTS LOOKING OVER CAMP MUSEUM 1939



CHOW CALL IN FRONT OF MESS HALL 1939



NEW TOTEM POLE OUTSIDE MESS HALL 1940



NEW LEAN-TO BUILD ALONG SIDE OF THE LAKE USED BY WATERFRONT STAFF THROUGHOUT THE 1940s



training, three large Scout conferences for volunteers were held in 1940 for the first time—at Riverhead High School, January 14, Northport High School, January 21, and East Islip High School, January 28.

Safety on ice was stressed this winter of 1940. Scout troops put on demonstrations in the local communities, in the hopes of reducing accidents. With most of the world at war, relief work was put into high gear, with needy children having priority. By March of that year, 50 of the 85 troops in the county had collected over 80 tons of old newspapers and magazines, the proceeds of their sale going to charities both home and abroad. The Westhampton Beach Hotel hosted the annual conference for the junior officers of the Scout council with an activity filled day. June 27 opened the annual council Camporee with patrols competing in the finals of the District camporees held earlier that spring. Camping that summer started June 30 and ran to August 11, and the wilderness canoe trip, August 17. The Suffolk delegation of Scouts at the New York World's Fair added 299 to the total of 50,000 Scouts present to honor National Commissioner Daniel Beard on his ninetieth birthday. At the twenty-first annual pilgrimage to Teddy Roosevelt's, on October 19, Commissioner Beard was joined by 200 Suffolk Scouts as well as 4,000 Scouts from the tri-state area councils.

The caretaker's residence at Baiting Hollow burned to the ground on March 13, 1941, with a total loss of building and contents. The family escaped with only the clothes on their backs, but Scouting friends came to their aid and took them in. Dr. H. W. Hurt, the author of the Scout handbook at the time, was the guest speaker at the fourteenth annual junior officers conference on April 5. District Camporees were held on the weekends of May 2-3 and May 9-10, with finals at Baiting Hollow June 26-28. June was busy at camp. The seventh was the date of the first annual Cub Scout picnic, while the weekend of June 21 and 22 hosted the first Catholic Boy Scout retreat. July 6th opened the camp that summer, and before it closed on August 24, close to 600 "boy weeks" had been run. In the fall of 1941, requests for the services of large numbers of older Boy Scouts, to serve primarily as messengers to air wardens, fire departments and defense headquarter's officials,

came from various defense officials throughout the county. A special emergency service training course was held at Baiting Hollow October 25-26.

**Thirteenth
Annual
Junior
Officers'
Conference
WESTHAMPTON
BEACH
April 6, 1940**



**Suffolk County
Council Inc.
Boy Scouts
of America**

PARTICIPANTS PASS



FEBRUARY

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Scouting



IN MEMORIAM

Lord Baden-Powell

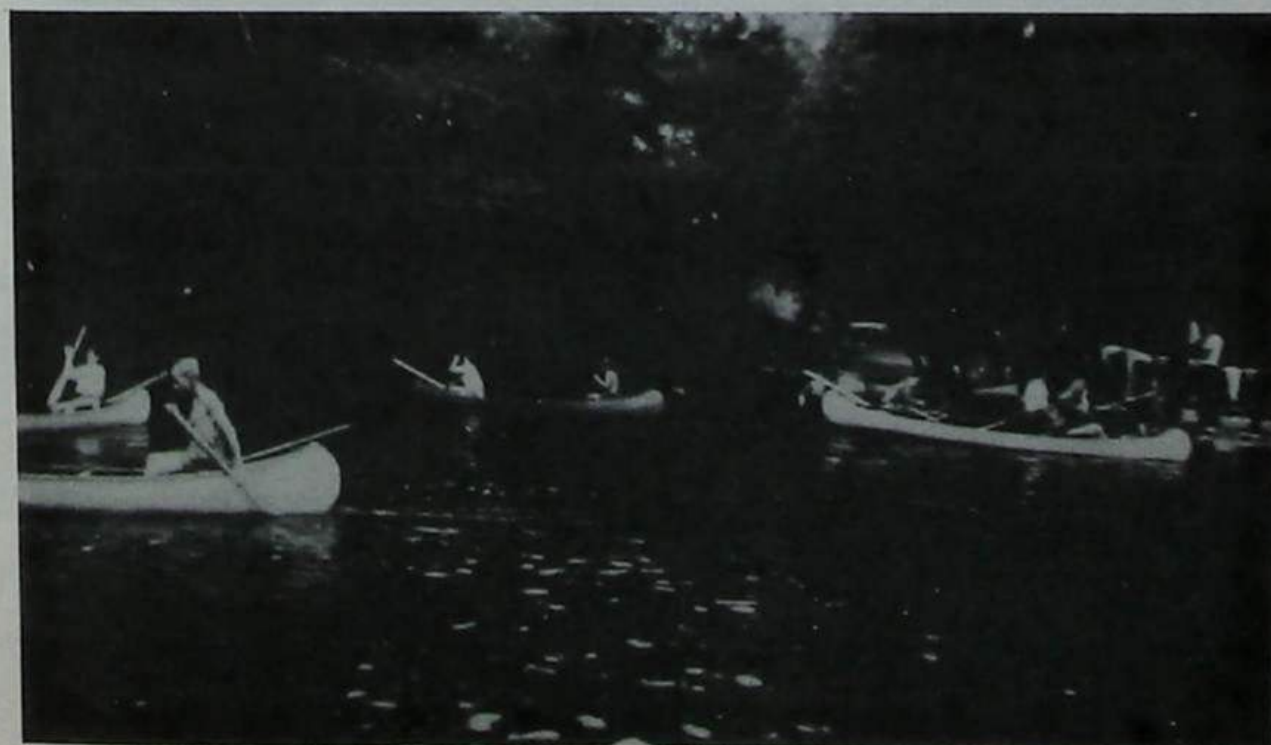
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CHIEF SCOUT OF THE WORLD

SCOUTING MAGAZINE COVER HONORS THE MEMORY OF LORD BADEN-POWELL WHO DIED ON JANUARY 8 1941 AT THE AGE OF 83



Camp Baiting Hollow



CANOEING - ROWING - SWIMMING - DIVING
WATER CARNIVALS AND PAGEANTS IN
OUR OWN FRESH WATER LAKE
AND OUR 1,800 FOOT BEACH
ON LONG ISLAND SOUND.

*16th
Season*

JUNE 29 - AUGUST 24

1941



THE CAMP EMBLEM—
THE RISING SUN

A chance to win a Camp Emblem for
your Scout uniform.

Conducted by
Suffolk County Council
Boy Scouts of America



WELCOME TO CAMP

TRAIL THAT APPLICATION FEE NOW....



THREE F's OF CAMPING

FOOD

Mrs. Florence Quinn of the Huntington High School Cafeteria, will be Camp Chef for the third year.

"NUF SED"

FUN

See the program and lists of many activities on these pages.

You have a wide choice.

FELLOWSHIP

Come and live with the fellows you have met at district rallies, Camporees, Junior Officers Conferences and in Camp. If possible, come with your own Patrol or Troop.

CAMP ACTIVITIES

Archery Rifle Marksmanship for those 16 years upward (State law)

Athletics Games

Horseshoes

Baseball

Softball

Volleyball

Handball

Bird Study Nature Collections
Handicrafts in leather, wood, metal
Hiking and Indian Lore
Campfire stunts - Wiener Roasts

EIGHT BIG WEEKS THIS YEAR

1st Week	June 29-July 6	For Camporee Patrols and Troop Camps only.
2nd "	July 6-13	Aviation Week and Opening Banquet July 6th.
3rd "	July 13-20	Indian Week. Bring paint and feathers.
4th "	July 20-27	Camp Pageant on Saturday the 26th.
5th "	July 27-Aug. 3	Pirates Week and big Treasure Hunt.
6th "	August 3-10	Water Carnival and Swimming Meet.
7th "	August 10-17	Sea Scout Activities For Scouts 15 upward
8th "	August 17-24	"Old Timers" Week. Closing Banquet 23rd.

REMEMBER that the regular program of activities such as are shown under "CAMP PROGRAM" on next page, are available EVERY WEEK. The special titles given above are "specialties" for those particularly interested and are IN ADDITION to regular activities. Take your pick. Registration will be limited to 100 Scouts per week. Those who sign up early will have first choice. Those who do not, may have to take other periods.

Cut out this application and mail at once.

RATES

\$7.50 per week. Register by May 31st and save one dollar per week, or sign up by June 20th and save fifty cents per week. Special rates for Troops coming with their own leaders. See your Scoutmaster about the whole troop coming to camp together.

Scouts remaining for more than two weeks, pay \$10.00 per week.

APPLICATION CAMP DAITING HOLLOW, 1941.
TO SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL, INC., PORT JEFFERSON, N. Y.

Registration fee enclosed of \$.....being \$1.00 on account for each period checked below. I agree to live the Scout Oath and Law and to observe such rules as are adopted for the welfare of all. Member of Troop No.....

Age Rank Mail Address Phone

Dated, 1941 Scout sign here

() June 29-July 6 for Patrols and Troops only. () July 6-13. () July 13-20. () July 20-27.
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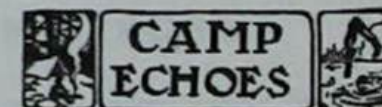
I have read the camp announcement given to my son. This application has my approval and consent. I agree to have him examined by physician within 48 hours previous to his arrival in camp, on form to be sent by you. I will see that the balance of camp fee is sent to the Council office at least a week in advance of his arrival at camp. Should the camp director decide applicant requires medical attention I will pay the account. I hereby release the Suffolk County Council, Inc., from any liability arising out of the activities provided by them. I understand that if for any reason above Scout does not attend, the \$1.00 per period will not be refunded.

Scout's Church Preference Signature of Parent or Guardian

— For Office Use Only —



CAMP PROGRAM



IN LAKE AND SOUND ON THE WATERFRONT

Swims twice daily.

Red Cross Life Guard in charge.

Swimming Crib for beginners.

Advanced instruction in all forms of aquatics, swimming, diving, life saving, rowing, canoeing, rescue work, use of low and high springboard.

There will be swimming races, water carnival on July 26th and both boats and canoes may be used by those qualified daily. Here at the waterfront is where a live Scout may secure many of the skills required for attendance at one of our Wilderness Canoe Trips.

Official Red Cross examinations given weekly in Junior and Senior Life Guard, with emblems for bathing suit.

WHY NOT STEP UP. A RANK WHILE IN CAMP?

There will be instructors in all forms of Scoutcraft for Second and First Class, also Merit Badge work in those subjects most appropriate in Camp. A weekly Board of Review and a Court of Honor will be held.

WHO'S WHO IN CAMP?

Assistant Scout Executive Joseph V. Kelly will be general supervisor and will be in Camp daily for short periods for that purpose. Other duties in the Annual Finance Campaign will prevent his further participation.

Fred E. "Davy" Crockett, Field Executive for Cubbing, will be Camp Director. Mr. Crockett is a graduate of the Camp Directors Training School and thoroughly qualified.

Frank W. Walter, our waterfront director for the past three years, will again be in charge, assisted by both Junior and Senior Staff.

Mrs. Florence B. Quinn of Huntington, comes for her third season as Camp Chef. All Scouts who know her, know she is "tops" in every way.

Franklin Heasley of Patchogue and Alfred University, a member of the "Junior Camp Staff" five years ago, will be on hand to assist in Sea Scout activities, waterfront, handicraft and anything else desired.

Harry M. Ruland, a College Senior, former member of Troop 39 of Mattituck, will be Camp Quartermaster and direct the music.

Several former members of the Camp Junior Staff will return as assistants to Senior Staff members and it is expected that two additional men will be secured for Program Director and Handicraft. Not all selections have been made as this goes to press.





IMPORTANT INFORMATION

1—No boy can be admitted who is not a Scout, presenting his medical examination on sheet provided by the Council, with his first week's fee PAID IN ADVANCE, thru the Council Office, as we have no banking facilities at camp. "Candidates" may complete tenderfoot requirements at Camp. Scouts who have made a reservation and who do not come, will not have the one dollar per week deposit returned, but balance of fee may be refunded in full if one week's advance notice is given to the Council Office at Port Jefferson.

2—Both Protestant and Catholic services are provided. Scouts connected with these churches are expected to attend.

3—Parents (or troop officials) should plan auto transportation direct to camp and return. The opening meal each period is Sunday supper, the closing meal, Sunday noon.

4—Swimming is at stated hours only, expert instructors and Life Guard.

5—If in the opinion of the Camp Director, a Scout needs attention of a physician, he will be taken to Riverhead, doctor's fee at parents' expense.

6—Saturday afternoon is visitors' day, AFTER 1:30 P. M. Sunday afternoon may also be used but no special program. A father may visit his son at any time. No meals served to visitors, except Scout officials on advance notice. Families not admitted either Saturday or Sunday until after 1:30 o'clock.

7—Please do not bring or send your son ANY Eatables of ANY SORT. The camp menus are ample. A special treat for your son's table of twelve Scouts, will be welcomed. Arrange it with the Camp Director.

8—Patrols or Troops coming together, may have tents, tables, etc., together under their own leaders and as much of their program activity as desired.



DUFFLE



WHAT TO BRING

MINIMUM

Toothbrush, paste and comb. Soap in box and two towels. Swimming trunks, change of clothes, extra socks, two or three blankets or equivalent. Handkerchiefs, sweater or extra warm shirt, notepaper and pencil.

DESIRABLE

Raincoat or poncho Mosquito net if season seems bad. (Can be bought at camp if needed). Scout uniform, regular or summer shorts and sleeveless shirt. Scout handbook, needles, thread and buttons, Bible or Prayer book.

USEFUL

One can use so many things IF YOU HAVE THEM but they are not necessary to your enjoyment. Use your judgment but don't spend your money for things you can't afford. Kodak, flashlight, knife, Scout axe, ball glove, compass, musical instrument, canteen, costumes for special weeks, pup tent and pack for overnight trips, tennis ball for handball, a little spending money, maybe you even want a small pillow. Do not bring a trunk. This is a camp not a hotel.

We suggest a most convenient way in which to pack your belongings. Get or make a box, not to exceed 14 inches high (so it will slip under your cot) and long and wide enough to contain your things. Fix it up nicely and with a good lock, and Oh yes, it will strap on a packboard splendidly and you are all set to go anywhere.

BANK YOUR MONEY

The Trading Post supplies a place to bank your spending money and to buy postage, paper, candy, ice-cream, leather craft and other things you may want to work with. Special storage may also be had for articles of unusual value, such as musical instrument, kodak etc.

NEWS ABOUT THE CAMPOREES

THREE BIG DAYS AT CAMP

The Camporee Finals will again be held for three days at Baiting Hollow, June 26-28, just before Summer Camp opens. There will be swims twice a day and several special features and about 400 Scouts will have a grand time. Be sure your Patrol is in.

THE FIELD DAY

Saturday afternoon, the closing day of the Camporee, June 28th, we will again hold the Field Events involving common sense skills of Second and First Class Scouting. Do you remember last year? BE PREPARED.

Be sure to invite your parents and friends to come.

PATROLS MAY STAY OVER

All Patrols in the Finals are invited to come prepared to remain over for an additional one to four days as you may plan.

Food supplies or extra equipment not to be used in the Camporee Contest, may be stored in Camp buildings until the Camporee is concluded. You may continue to use your Camporee site or you may move your Patrol down to the Lake or elsewhere.

The Council will furnish a staff member to supervise such Patrols remaining over and to be in charge of swimming periods. Be sure to arrange with parents or troop officials as to time for being called for, to return home.

Fresh milk, bread and other supplies can be ordered daily for delivery during these extra days. Write for further information, to the Council Office at Port Jefferson.

DO YOU PLAY ANY INSTRUMENT?

Scouts who play any instrument suitable for use in a camp orchestra, are invited to bring it to Camp, where it may be kept safely between uses. A Camp Drum and Bugle Corps will also be organized for use in evening Retreat ceremonies. If you play either, by all means bring your instrument.



CHAPTER FIVE

Scouting and The War Years

1941-1945



Collar pin for Scoutmasters
dress uniform used in the teens



Scoutmaster Lapel pin for civilian
wear used in the teens



Collar pin for Scoutmasters
dress uniform used from 1920 to 1968



Scoutmasters Lapel pin for civilian
wear used from 1920 to 1968

(pictures of pins enlarged)



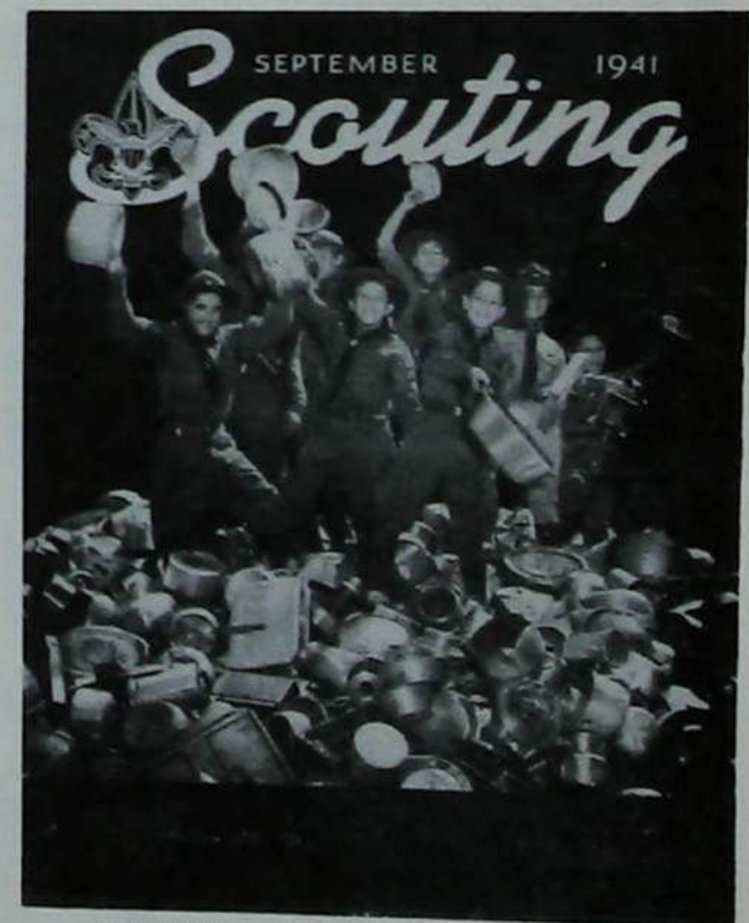
Scouting

January, 1942



"Yesterday, December 7, 1941, a day that will live in infamy" opened the speech given to the nation by President Roosevelt, referring, of course, to the bombing of our naval station at Pearl Harbor. Surrogate Richard W. Hawkins, president of the Suffolk County Boy Scouts, addressed a letter on December 8, 1941, to every Scout and Scouter in the county, asking that each do his share in carrying out the Scout motto "Be Prepared" in the war crisis. The letter stated, "It was just yesterday that the terrible news of Japan's attack came upon us. My first act this morning is to write the more than 1,800 Scouts in our council with suggestions as to how you can better carry out your motto 'Be Prepared'."

"Nowadays war is no longer one between armies of soldiers and fleets of ships or planes, but between whole populations, and in the countries already at war, boys of your age are taking their part. In the few remaining lands where Scouts are still permitted to exist, those Scouts are proving themselves worthy of their name, their Oath and Law and Traditions of service." Judge Hawkins was, no doubt, referring to the fact that in most of Europe as in Germany, all Scout organizations in invaded countries were made to



SCOUTS COLLECTING SCRAP METAL
WORLD WAR II

become part of the 'Hitler Youth'. Council President Hawkin's letter continued, "Every citizen of our land will have his place to serve. Some will be more prominent, more helpful, perhaps more spectacular than others, and our Boy Scouts certainly have a number of duties waiting to be done. You do not need to wait for some government agency or authority to work out a plan whereby you can serve your country and do your duty, for you have already been given a job."

The jobs Mr. Hawkins was speaking of would include but not be limited to distribution of defense bonds and stamp posters, collection of aluminum and wastepaper, defense housing surveys, victory gardens, distribution of air raid posters, cooperation with the American Red Cross, and by joint agreement with the Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization, services in these three capacities: messengers, assisting emergency medical units and fire watchers.

The first job the county Scouts took on was to distribute, and then collect after being signed, 25,000 copies of "The Consumer's Pledge for Total Defense." This pledge of cooperation put





out by the government was: "I will buy carefully; I will take good care of the things I have; I will waste nothing."

The county Civil Defense Council asked for and received the cooperation of the Boy Scouts in the schools to help work out plans for the prompt evacuation of younger children when air raid warnings are sounded.

Sunday, January 25, 1942, was "T" Day, as it was called (Training Day). Close to one thousand men, representing Cubs, Scouts, and Senior Scout units in the council, attended during different portions of the 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. session at the council office and additional rooms in the building in Port Jefferson. The time was spent planning the Scouts' war effort for 1942.

By February, over 200 tons of waste paper had been collected by the Suffolk Scouts, and the 92 troops in the county planned to continue their efforts "for the duration."

For the first time in the history of the Suffolk

County Scout Council, clergymen were added to the executive board. They were the Rev. Ralph J. Garvey, head of the Catholic Youth Organization of Suffolk County and Scout chaplain, as well as the Rev. L. R. Boyll, a Protestant minister and former district commissioner.

In February, more than one fourth of the county troops were hard at work training emergency service patrols to work with the county's Emergency Service Corps. Baiting Hollow was made available to the federal government in March, to be used in any way they saw fit. Council officials were aware that the camp was not large enough to accommodate any great number of soldiers, but it was felt that it might be useful as a headquarters for a motorized patrol on the North Shore. In 1942 the camp property extended to the shore line of the Long Island Sound. May was the time for the districts to hold their Camporees and, by the third weekend of the month, all were completed. May

was an exciting month especially for the younger Scouts. New York Governor Lehman signed a bill which permitted Scouts 12 years of age and upward to be instructed in marksmanship when on a range under the direction of a qualified instructor. Up until that time, boys had to be at least 16 years old to legally shoot a rifle. The bill, however, did not change the ownership laws. The minimum age to own a rifle, in 1942, remained at 16.

The camping season at Baiting Hollow was scheduled to open on June 28, with the first two weeks as "Senior Scout" training. It was planned to have these two weeks operated as a semi-military program with emphasis on ground school aviation, rifle training, map making and signalling. A majority of the older Scouts, who would have been involved in this training, had gotten summer jobs towards the war effort and, with pre-registration at only 32, the plans were dropped. The camp opened on July 12 for its regular season.

By the time summer camp came around that year, the Suffolk troops had done so much for the national war program, that county officials asked them to put a temporary halt on the waste paper collection. Scouts from the councils across the nation had amassed over three hundred million pounds of waste paper, and the redemption centers could not handle the volume at this time. However, the paper drives would continue at a later date. In addition to paper, 10,500,000 pounds of aluminum were collected, as well as 1,600,000 defense posters distributed. Five weeks of summer camp ended with more advancement in Scout skills than ever before in the 17-year history of camp. The more than 400 Scouts praised Camp Director Joe Kelly and his staff for "the best food and more to do than ever before."

There are many ways to make a name for yourself in history. It's a shame that some must die to do so. The August issue of the "Long Island Forum" carried the following: "IN MEMORIAM: The first Suffolk County Scout to give his life in this war, Eagle Scout Richard William Hartman, former member Troop 83, Amityville, New York, and to other Scouts who already have and the others who will make the supreme sacrifice."

At a meeting held at the Roanoke Avenue School in Riverhead on November 15, Council Commissioner Kelly presided over a Scout



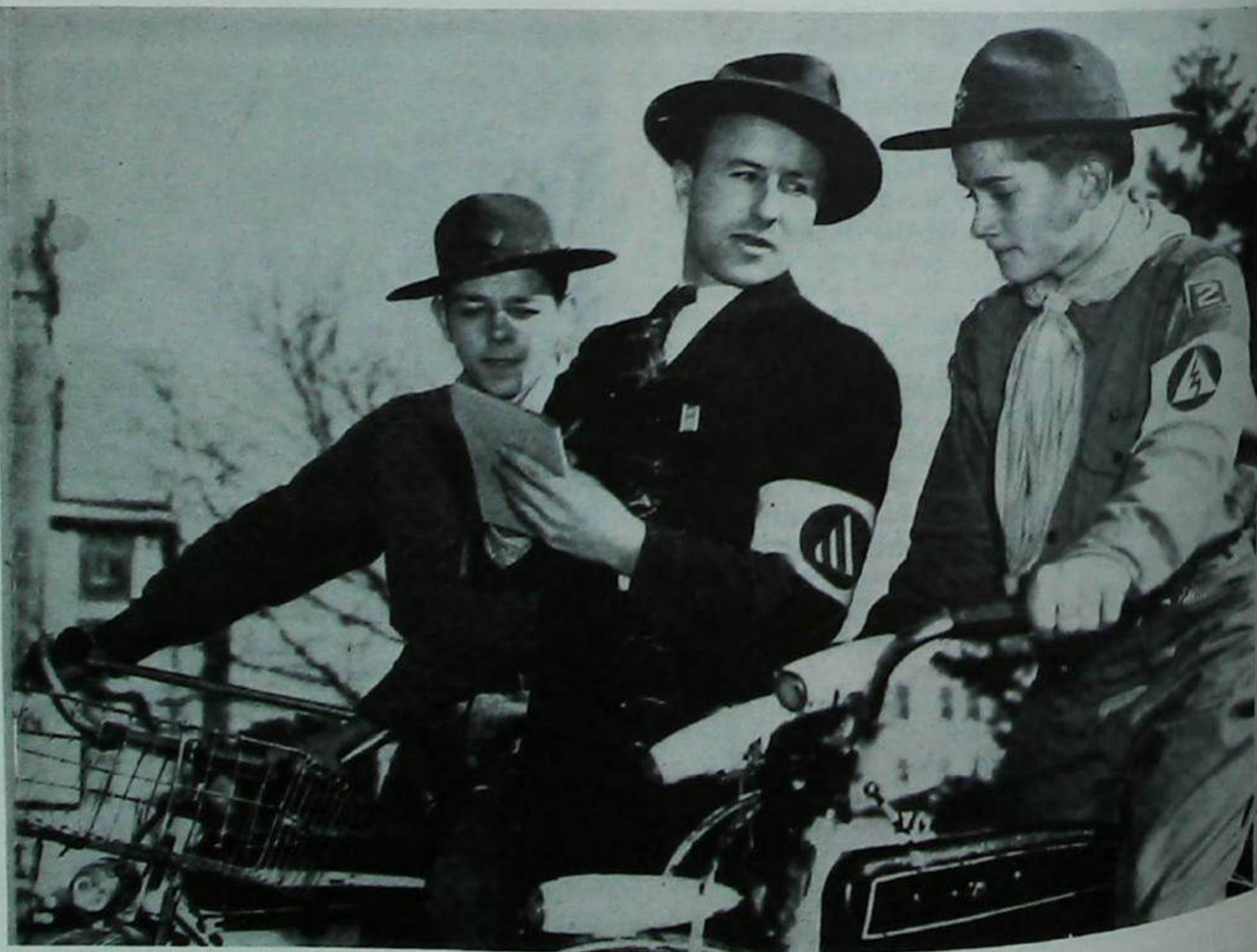
SCOUTS BUNDLE COLLECTED PAPER

leaders' panel discussion entitled "Scouting in Wartime." The guest speaker was Suffolk County Director of Civil Defense and Scoutmaster, Floyd Houston.

January 1943 took both our council executive and council commissioner into war service, Executive Anderson to work for the U.S.O. and Commissioner Kelly to active duty in the Army. Ernest A. Andrews, assistant Scout executive for the past year and a half, took over as acting council executive, while Neil R. Quackenbush, former president of the county council, was named Scout commissioner. Colonel B. W. Venable, U.S. Army General Staff, stated that winter: "Most Army officers of experience agree that the training of Boy Scouts is about the most complete all-around pre-induction training that can be given at age level." He went on to say, "It is a pleasure to receive men into the service or students into the R.O.T.C. who have had Scouting training because it is known they have a clear-cut sense of right and wrong, they live cleanly, they are independent yet know the value of cooperation. They know how to use a compass, how to cook, and generally take care



SUFFOLK COUNTY SCOUTS MEMORIAL DAY 1942



SCOUTS SERVING AS DISPATCH BEARERS WORLD WAR II

of themselves and they know how to do things with their hands."

During the winter of 1943 some of the troops in the council worked for the Grumman Aircraft Corporation of Bethpage, sorting miscellaneous airplane rivets. For this they were paid forty cents per pound, the money being donated to war relief.

Almost fifty Suffolk Scouts received their certificates as dispatch bearers after completing their training in June. After the May 30 deadline for the one dollar per week camp savings, 129 Scouts were registered for the first week of summer camp, doubling the pre-enrollment of the year before. Robert Skripak was the new camp director, with Clarence Nye as his assistant. The remainder of that year, and into the next, the troops continued with their collection efforts. The emphasis was now on scrap rubber. There was no synthetic rubber at this time, and all

rubber had to be imported from the South Pacific. The Japanese occupied all of the areas that exported rubber and they were being less than cooperative in allowing us to have the raw rubber. We therefore had to recycle what we already had. The Boy Scouts collected everything from rubberbands to huge tractor tires.

In the spring of 1944, the temporary was dropped from the Scout executive title, and Ernest A. Andrews was the official Suffolk County Council executive. Summer camp this year included a new swimming area complete with a new dock. The highlight of that summer season was the Baiting Hollow mortgage, burning celebration on Saturday, July 15. The executive board of the Scout council held its July meeting at the camp, especially for that purpose. After touring the camp and inspecting all the new camp improvements, the group assembled on the



parade grounds, where the actual burning of the document took place. The waste paper drive was started again in August, with a goal of one thousand pounds for every Scout or Cub in the county. August 4 was an exciting day for sixty Scouts and four leaders when they assisted the Army during maneuvers at the Island Hills Golf Course. Five hundred paratroopers landed on the grounds and proceeded on to their objective, after which the Scouts collected all the parachutes and equipment left behind, thus saving the military countless manhours of work.

October 28, 1944, was the day that Scouts and Scouters from many of the eastern states assembled at the grave of Theodore Roosevelt in Oyster Bay to pay homage to the memory of the "First Scout Citizen." Life Scout Howard Schow of Troop 36, Huntington Station, was chosen to deliver the Scout tribute at this, the twenty-fifth annual pilgrimage.

The results of the summer waste paper campaign were given at the January 21, 1945, ex-

ecutive board meeting. The Scouts from Suffolk collected 117,000 tons of scrap paper, passing their goal of 100,000 tons. The new Eisenhower Boy Scout waste paper campaign for March 1 to April 30 was started, with a 150,000 ton goal for the troops in the county. Scout John Moore from Troop 14, Huntington, was presented the Eisenhower Medal, for war work, in June, making him the first Scout in the county to receive it. The attendance for the camp the summer of 1945 broke all previous records; and for the first time in many years, the Council finances were in excellent condition. The camp improvements for this season included an entirely new dam at the lake, a new store room, new hot water heating plant, repainting and improvement of the kitchen and pantry, as well as painting of all the tent floors in the camp. The Army Air Force cooperated in helping to establish the Air Scout Program for the Boy Scouts of America; and in the fall of 1945, the first Air Scout squadron was started in Suffolk County.



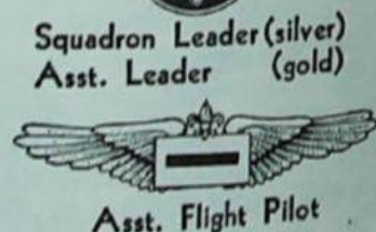
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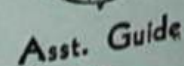
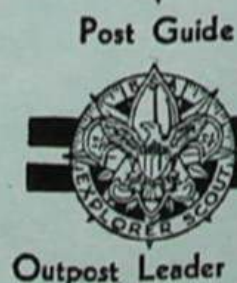
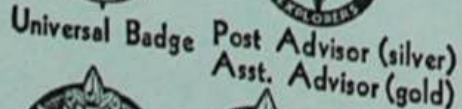
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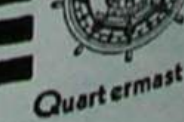
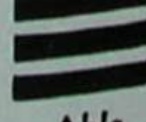
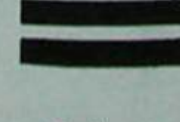
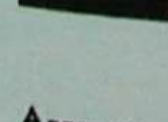
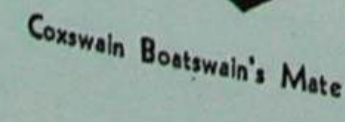
AIR SCOUTING



EXPLORER SCOUTING



SEA SCOUTING



CHAPTER SIX The Post War Scout Council 1946-1949



Fourth type Scoutmaster field uniform patch used from 1939 to 1956



Unlike the years that followed the First World War, the post war years of WWII were boom years for Scouting. Everyone in uniform was a hero, be he soldier or Scout; for as much as the civilian population was anti-military in the late teens and early twenties, they were more than double that in pro-military feelings at this time.

As the Suffolk County Council entered the year 1946, they had 99 Scout units, with membership of almost 3,000 Scouts and Scouters. The days of Scouts going door-to-door for collections was far from over. During Scout Week, February 8 to 14, 1946, the Scouts in Suffolk as well as throughout the country, helped their brother Scouts in the war-torn lands with a campaign called the "Shirt Off Our Backs." Scouts, now numbering nearly two million country wide, were collecting used but clean and serviceable Scout uniforms and camping equipment to be sent overseas to help the boys who suffered so much more than the Scouts of the B.S.A., resume their Scouting activities.

The post war years put great emphasis on the

Senior Scouting programs: Explorers, Air Scouts and Sea Scouts. On February 9, 1946, the first Senior Scout conference of the postwar years was held, at the Riverhead High School. The conference had an unusual name of "Rodgeroo," coming from a compound of the term "Rodger" used by the airmen of the time.

March of that year had the council's first Cub leaders Pow-Wow, split with the eastern Cubbers meeting in Riverhead and the western Cubbers at Central Islip. The program for both groups was identical. The last weekend of March had Baiting Hollow hosting the district and neighborhood Scout commissioners conference. Out of this meeting came plans for a special training weekend on April 6 and 7, to be held at Baiting Hollow. The outdoor experience was made available to all Scouters over the age of 18 who wanted training in the fundamentals of Scouting.

The spring of '46 started district Camporees once again, and it was left up to each of the nine districts to plan and hold its own.

Summer camp at Baiting Hollow opened on

July 7, under the leadership of John A. Montgomery as camp director, Frederic C. Freer and Lewis A. Wakefield as assistant camp directors and Carl Kauffman in charge of the waterfront.

Saturday, October 19, 1946, marked the 27th annual pilgrimage to the grave of former President Theodore Roosevelt and, for the 27th year in a row, the Scouts of Suffolk County Council participated.

The fall of the year brought the council a new executive, after the retirement of Ernest A. Andrews. The new executive was Daniel W. Earle, former executive from the Seneca council of upstate New York.

Following an executive board meeting held in Patchogue, three major announcements concerning the operation of the Suffolk County Council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America were made by council President Joseph V. Kelly. First was that Camp Baiting Hollow would increase its capacity by adding two new troop sites and a Senior scout base for the 1947 summer camp. Second, was that basic training courses for Scoutmasters would be held in every district in the county starting in January; and third, was that a new advancement procedure affecting Second and First Class Scouts would be instituted during the next six months.



MANUALS USED FOR THE AIR SCOUT AND AIR EXPLORER PROGRAMS FROM MID 1940s TO LATE 1950s

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CAMP BAITING HOLLOW

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1947 also brought the Suffolk County Council camp at Baiting Hollow a new ranger. Sigfried Peters, "Pete" as he was known to both Scouts and Scouters, had been a general contractor in the Medford area and active in Scouting since the mid 1930's. Pete was not only a "jack of all trades" but a master of most, and his skills in carpentry, plumbing, electrical work and masonry and the fact that he could make just about anything out of anything and make it



SIGFRIED "PETE" PETERS
BAITING HOLLOW SCOUT CAMP RANGER

work would be a great asset to the camp improvements that would come over the next twenty years.

With the addition of the two new sites at camp, the minimum weekly capacity would be brought up to 100 Scouts. Harold R. Reeve, Suffolk County Council camping chairman, stated that the Senior Scout base would feature hiking and bike trips throughout Connecticut, with stopovers at Narragansett Council's Camp Yawgoog on the Rhode Island-Connecticut border. This Senior Scout activity was first made available, to Scouts 15 years of age or older, in 1947.

Fifteen adult Scouters, the first members of the newly-organized Beaver's Club, spent the weekend of January 18 and 19 at Camp Baiting Hollow, starting a series of camp improvements that would continue through the spring.

July 5, 1947, was the date for the coronation of the Long Island Farmers Institute Festival Queen, followed by a parade. The contingent of Scouts from the Suffolk County Council brought the total of uniformed Scouts, both boys and girls, to 7,000.

The summer of 1947 had two important events take place. The sixth World Jamboree, in Moisson, France, had 1,151 American Scouts participate, including two leaders and seven Scouts from Suffolk.

The other event that took place that summer was the formation and chartering of the Order of the Arrow Lodge in Suffolk County. The "OA," as it is called, was started in 1915 to honor outstanding Scouts and Scouters. It is a fraternal organization made up of Scouts and Scouters who have exemplified the ideals of Scouting. One gains membership by being elected by both members and non-members. On July 25, 1947, the Shinnecock Lodge Number 360 was officially chartered in and for the Suffolk County Council, with Harold Chadwick as the first lodge chief.

September resumed the junior officers Scout conferences, not held since 1938. Major Russell Woinowsk, the Army Air Corps liaison officer for Region Two Boy Scouts of America, was the principal speaker to the over 500 leaders gathered on that September 27th evening.

In January, 1948, the council executive board approved moving the council Office from Port Jefferson to Patchogue. The new location 77 South Ocean Avenue, was only a few blocks





1947 WORLD JAMBOREE TROOP WITH SUFFOLK SCOUTS AND SCOUTERS

from the original office in Patchogue in 1919. A fire in the Port Jefferson post office, which was on the first floor of the building the Scout office was in, caused extensive damage to the council Offices, and a majority of the Scout records for the council were lost.

A "Scout-O-Rama" was held at Heckscher State Park in June of 1948, with over 1,000 Scouts taking part. The finale was the gathering of the Scouts around a 25-foot model of the Statue of Liberty while representatives from the troops carried American flags past the statue, with a commentator emphasizing the aims and purposes of Scouting.

Summer camp opened on July 10, 1948, with its biggest enrollment in 24 years. Nearly 1,000 "boy weeks" would be reached by the close of camp that year. Camp improvements that year included new row boats and canoes, a new gas range and two new refrigerator units for the

mess hall, and new showers and washing facilities for the troops.

Robert H. Pelletreau succeeded Joseph J. Kelly as council president in August of 1948. Executive Earle stated, during the ceremony at Baiting Hollow, that the enrollment figures for 1947 for the Suffolk County Council exceeded that of any of the other 72 councils in Region Two, which covers New York and New Jersey.

September started the push by Scouts of Suffolk, as well as nationally, in their "Fight on Forest Fires." The Scouts would use their knowledge of fire prevention to teach others, in hopes of preventing some of the over 310,000 forest fires nationwide that were burning over thirty million acres of land each year as of 1948.

The weekend of September 25 and 26 had 185 Scouts and Scouters taking part in a Scouting skills weekend at Baiting Hollow. They would then take these skills back to their home troops.



person, was a true, deep water sea captain who started his sailing career in 1908 and by 1948 had commanded sailing vessels through winds and waves of the seas of over half the world.

The schooner was available to any Sea Explorer, Air Explorer or Explorer Unit (Air Scouts and Sea Scouts were changed to Air Ex-

plorers and Sea Explorers in 1949). Day cruises could accommodate 15 Explorers including an adult leader, while overnight cruises could handle only 10 including a leader. Captain Brown was the ship's captain, not a Scout leader; therefore, all Explorer groups had to have adult leadership.



RANGER'S CABIN 1948



CAMP ENTRANCE 1948

In fall of 1948, there was a boost to Sea Scouting in the county. Erastus H. Munsen, then mayor of Babylon, presented to the Suffolk Council Council his 58 foot schooner, the "Amorita." The boat was moored along the dock at the Port Jefferson Yacht Club. Honor guards of Sea Scouts lined the dock as Mayor Munsen was escorted on board to officially turn the "Amorita" over to Council President Pelletreau.

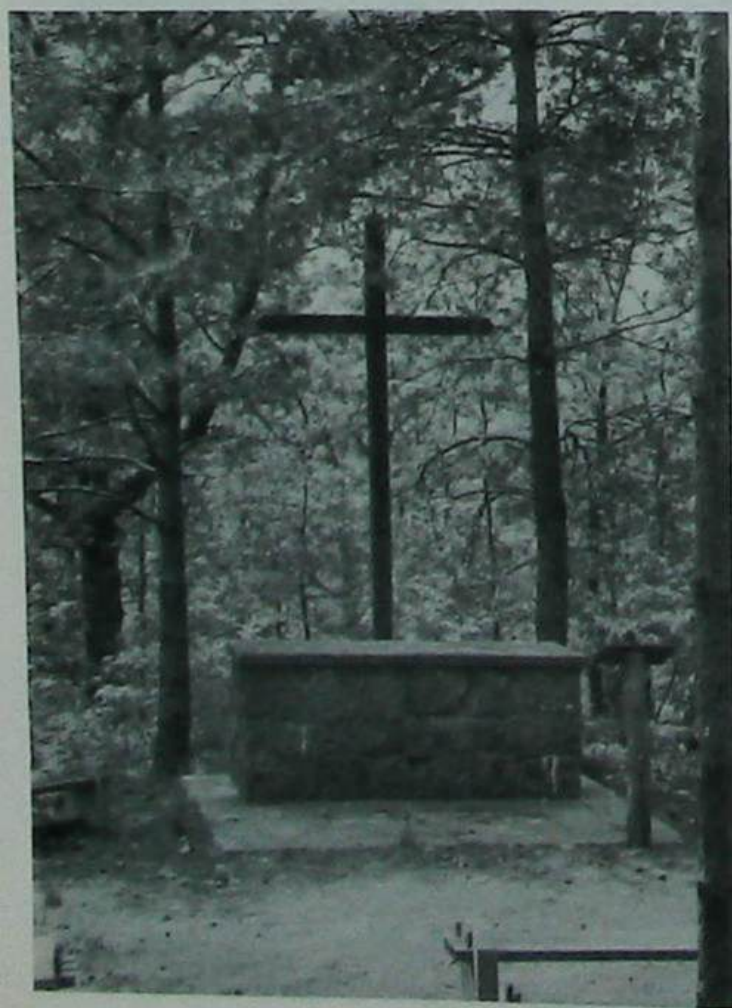
The "Amorita" was a Seawanhaka class stay sail rigged schooner, 58 feet 6 inches overall, with 38 feet at the waterline. It had a 12 foot beam and drew 8 feet. The schooner would be used during July and August for one, two and four-day cruises. The "Amorita" was built as a racing class schooner and therefore was not easily handled by inexperienced Scouts or Scouters. The council hired a professional sailing captain to take charge of the sailing of the schooner. Captain Frederic A. Brown, a native of Port Jef-



"AMORITA"



"PINE CHAPEL" 1949



ALTAR AT "PINE CHAPEL" 1949

The spring season of 1949 for Suffolk County Council was ushered in with a schedule of rallies and other diversified activities in which the nearly 3,000 Boy Scouts and Senior Scouts took part. The nine districts in the county held their own district events with the first one in March and the last one in May.

In June of 1949, National lowered the age levels throughout all Scout areas. The new ages were: Cubs, 8 through 10; Boy Scouts, 11 through 19; and Exploring, 14 and up. This represented an overall age reduction of one year in each of the Scout groups.

Summer camp opened on July 3, 1949, with seven standard troop sites, one site where the troop would do all its own cooking and one provisional site for boys going to camp on their own. A rustic outdoor chapel for religious services at Baiting Hollow was dedicated on Sunday,

July 10, 1949. The event was conducted by Archdeacon Charles MacLean of Riverhead and the Rev. Asa Ray Lewis of Westhampton Beach. The cross, candlesticks and other altar equipment were donated by Mrs. Grace Fullerton of Huntington, in memory of former Council President Abraham L. Field.

1949 had the first group of Suffolk Explorers make the trip to Philmont as a group. Up to



COUNCIL FIRE RING AT BAITING HOLLOW 1949

this point, any boy who went as a provisional camper. Philmont is a high adventure camp in Cimarron, New Mexico. The camp consists of 127,000 acres on the eastern slopes of the Rocky Mountain Continental Divide.

To meet the anticipated increase in the number of Cub Scouts in Suffolk due to the lowering of the minimum age, the Suffolk County Council started, in September, a series of 12 county-wide training sessions for parents, a prerequisite in the Cub program.

The 30th annual pilgrimage to Teddy Roosevelt's home would take place over the

weekend of October 14-16. In 1949 several hundred Suffolk Scouts added to the total, to bring the Scouts over the 3,000 mark.

After serving over 200 Explorers from Suffolk County Council, the council schooner "Amorita" was taken into the fresh waters of the Connecticut River to remove the barnacles from its hull and then to drydock at Greenport.

Daniel W. Earle, the council executive for the Suffolk County Council, resigned, in November of 1949, in order to report to his new post as council executive for the George Washington Council in New Jersey.



COOKHOUSE & LEAN-TO AT TUOCS CAMPSITE IN THE 1950's



BAITING HOLLOW CAMP GARAGE AND MAINTENANCE SHOP 1949

SCOUTS AT THE CRAFT LODGE 1950 SUMMER CAMP



First Baiting Hollow Camp Patch used until the 1950s. A small Roman Numeral centered in the patch was used to indicate how many years the scout had been to camp.



BAITING HOLLOW INIDAN HEAD PATCH USED DURING THE 1950s WITH COUNCIL ACTIVITY SEGMENTS AROUND IT



CHAPTER SEVEN
**Suffolk Scouting
in the Fifties**
1950-1959



Fifth type Scoutmaster field uniform
patch used from 1956 to 1970



The year 1950 started off with a new Council Executive. Ralph T. Gemmel reported for duty in January and began to get acquainted with his new job. In March of 1950 the Scout Council received good news from the Port Jefferson Rotary Club. As their project for the year 1950, the Rotary Club would underwrite the construction of three new shower-bath and washroom installations at Baiting Hollow, at a cost of around \$2,000. These units would be located in the newly-expanded sections of camp.

In addition to the July 9 to August 20 summer camp season at Baiting Hollow, high adventure trips in the Adirondacks and a trip to Canada were planned for the 1950 summer season. Camp improvements for the year included ex-

pansion of the Scoutcraft and Handicraft areas, construction of a camp garage and workshop and the completion of the new Ranger's cabin.

When the Second National Scout Jamboree was held at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, that summer, 99 of our Suffolk scouts and leaders took part in the week-long event.

The summer of 1950 opened up the use of the sailboat "Amorita" to out-of-Council groups, for an additional fee of \$10 per day. The in-council group fees were: two-day cruises, \$60; four-day cruises, \$120.

The following is a tentative typical schedule, which would be modified, of course, on the day of departure, the day of return, and any day in which the schooner might lie at anchor:

0600 Secure anchor watch	1630 Knock off ship's work
0630 Turn to—wash down decks	1700 Clear up the decks.
	Evening muster.
0700 Breakfast	1800 Supper. Relieve the watch
0800 Morning colors. Get under way, start the watch	Sunset—Lower flags. Set lights
0900 Quarters for muster and Inspection. Forenoon orders	1900 Stretch hammocks
1000 Relieve the watch	2000 Relieve the watch.
	Set the watch
1200 Lunch. Relieve the watch	Note: Anchor watch to be relieved every two hours until 0600
1300 Afternoon orders	Note: It is expected that the schooner will anchor for the night before dark.
1400 Relieve the watch	Note: Wheel and lookout to be relieved every ½ hr.
1600 Relieve the watch	

The pilgrimage to the Theodore Roosevelt Home was a weekend event again this year; and 236 Suffolk Scouts, representing 20 Troops, took part.

The Scout camp at Baiting Hollow was put to use the first weekend in April of 1951, when 65 Scouts and Scouters took part in an emergency service training session. The training covered such emergencies as fires, hurricanes, tidal waves and train wrecks, as well as a discussion of how Scouting could meet civil defense needs.

During the first weekend in June, 1951, the biggest council-wide event to date occurred at Baiting Hollow. Almost 100 of the 144 Scout units in the County were involved in the Weekend Scout Jamboree. The camp overflowed

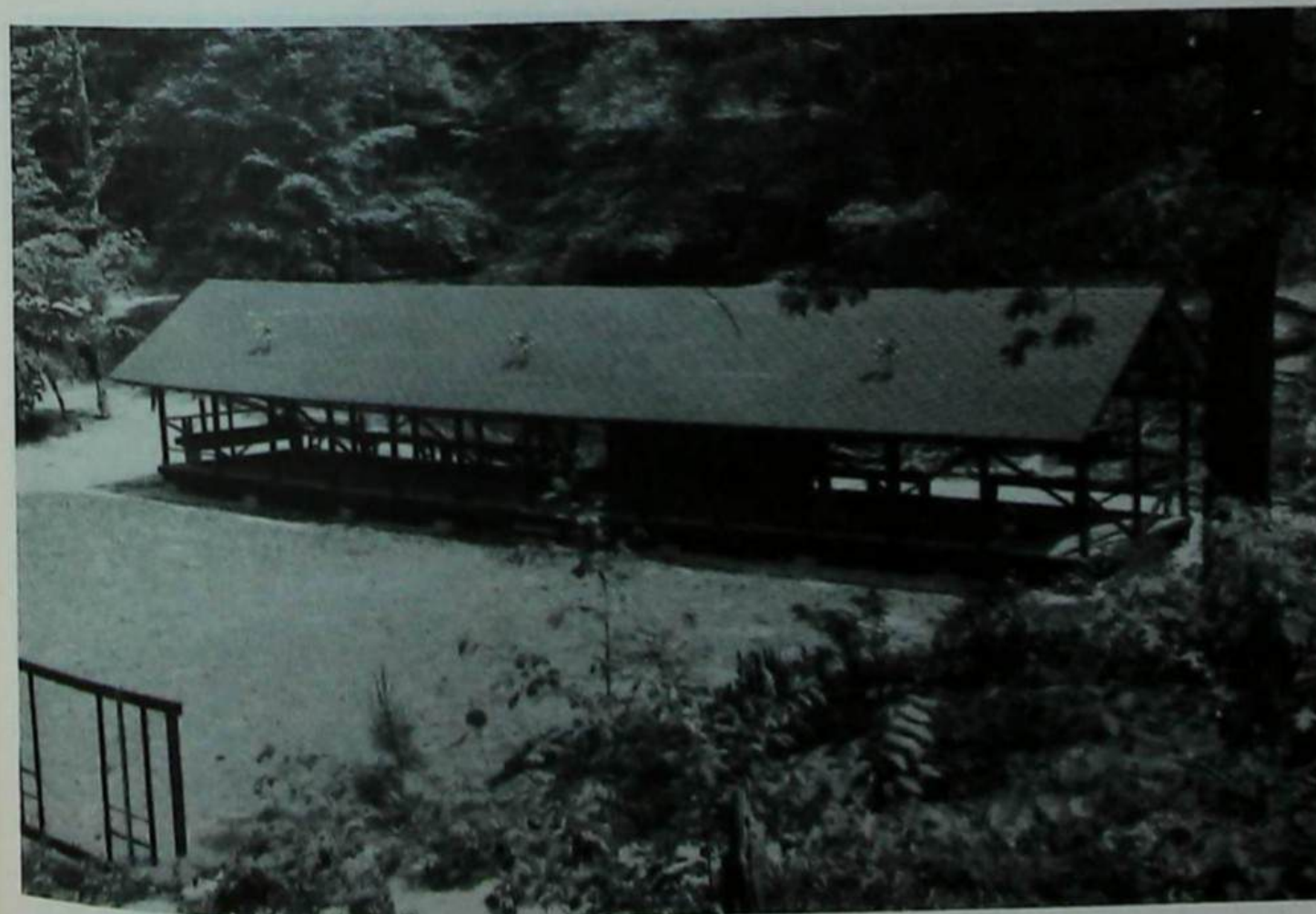
with close to 2,000 Scouts participating in the activities.

Summer camp ran from July 1 to August 26, and advance registration indicated a well-filled season. The rifle range was rebuilt and had 12 firing points finished by camp opening.

From August 3-13 the Seventh World Jamboree was held, at Bad Ischl, Austria. The three Scouts from Suffolk County Council were Harold Eggert, of Southampton; Wendell Barnes, of Halesite; and Gary Giles, of Port Jefferson.

For the third year a group of Suffolk Scouts made the trip to Philmont, New Mexico. In 1951, 18 Explorers went for a 23-day outing.

The Shinnecock Lodge of the Order of the Arrow held its first "Ordeal" weekend in



THE NEW CAMP RIFLE RANGE 1951

September, when 76 candidates elected prior to this weekend were formally inducted as full-fledged members of the Order. Prior to this weekend, candidates had been inducted during summer camp.

The Boy Scouts of America's three-year program "Forward on Liberty's Team" was launched during Boy Scout Week, February, 1952. The Scouts of the Suffolk County Council, along with Scouts throughout the nation, distributed over a million posters and 30 million Liberty Bell doorknob hangers in a "Get-Out-The-Vote" campaign.

April, 1952 saw 54 Explorer Scouts in the County in the first Scout Council "Duck Shoot," held at the rifle range at Baiting Hollow, even though they didn't really shoot ducks. However, Jerry Etherson of Huntington was presented with a live quacking duck for his first place score of 97 out of a possible 100 points. In the same month ground was broken

for the 30 by 60 foot Mess Hall extension. Materials for the project were donated by local Suffolk building supply firms, and the work was done by members of the local carpenter's union.

In addition to the Mess Hall improvements, other new facilities were added. A new troop site, named the Nathan Hale Site, was designed to hold 30 Scouts. At Tuocs, log cabin by the lake, a new lean-to was constructed.

A major change took place this year in the manner that the camp was run. Rather than have certain staff members having days off during the camp week, it was decided to reduce the camp week from 6 days to 5 ½ days, with the entire staff, except those on weekend duty, off at the same time. The new camp week would run from Sunday afternoon to Saturday morning. Previously, a Scout working on a swimming merit badge might have one instructor on Monday and a different one on Tuesday because of staggered days off.



STOREHOUSE AND GARAGE FOR CAMP FIRE TRUCK 1951



TWO STORY KITCHEN WING ON MESS HALL 1952

May 10, 1952, was tree-planting time at Baiting Hollow. Members of the Order of the Arrow, as well as Troop members from nearby Troops, were organized into several crews; they planted 10,000 white pine seedlings.

West Point Day arrived again in September. 400 Scouts and Explorers from Suffolk County

Council joined other Scouts at the U.S. Military Academy to see Army-South Carolina football game. This was the fifth year for the West Point Scout Day, and the Scout attendance from the New York and New Jersey Troops topped 10,000 uniformed Scouts.

The Council went through another redistrict-



HIGHWAY SIGN MARKING THE WAY TO CAMP 1953

ing in 1952, going from nine numbered districts to five named districts. Nathan Hale District took in Huntington Township. Pwamas District was on the south shore, taking in Amityville, West Babylon and surrounding areas. Penataquit, just to the east, had Bay Shore, East Islip and other towns in the area. Central District took in most of the rest of the County, with Commack, Smithtown and Port Jefferson on the north shore, and out to Patchogue on the south shore. The rest of the County, including both the North and South Fork, was in the Peconic Bay District.

In April, 1953, 100 Explorers from the Suffolk County Council spent a weekend as guests of the Suffolk County Air Force Base at Westhampton Beach. There they enjoyed movies, demonstrations, lectures and a trip in a C-47 transport plane.

The Third Annual Suffolk County Council Scout Jamboree was held over the June 5-6, 1953, weekend at Baiting Hollow. The climax of the weekend was a demonstration of Indian dances performed by Explorers from the Queens Council, who had previously performed at

Madison Square Garden.

The Third National Jamboree was held July 17-23 at the Irvine Ranch in southern California, and 18 Scouts, with three leaders, represented the Suffolk County Council. After the Jamboree was over, 13 of the Suffolk boys went on to Philmont for another 23-day event, returning to New York on August 24. With the Jamboree being held on the West Coast, not many boys could afford the trip; as had also been the case with the California boys coming to the East in 1937 and 1950.

On the 24th of August, another group of Scouts returned to Suffolk. 14 Explorers, representing the County Council, had been guests of the U.S. Navy aboard a U.S. Navy destroyer for a 10-day trip to Nassau in the Bahamas.

The second Catholic Scout Retreat was held in early October at Baiting Hollow, under the direction of the Rev. John J. Gorman of St. Francis de Sales in Patchogue. October was a busy month for the Senior Scouts of Suffolk. Forty-two Explorers attended Seamanship Training at Kings Point U.S. Merchant Marine



PENATAQUIT CABIN 1953

Academy, while seventy two Senior boys took part in the air encampment at the Suffolk County Air Force Base in Westhampton.

1953 ended with the dedication of a new winter cabin at Baiting Hollow, named "Penata-



SECOND CLASS SCOUT, JOHN NEWINS, BREAKING BOTTLE OF LAKE WATER ON BUILDING AND CHISTENING IT "PENATAQUIT."

quit." The ceremony culminated with Scout John Newins breaking a bottle of lake water on the porch. This, the newest of Baiting Hollow camp improvements, was formally presented by Dr. Ellis Brewster, President of the Bay Shore Rotary Club, to the Council. The Rotary built and paid for the entire project.

Because the Scout camp property at Baiting Hollow was an unfenced, open-bordered area, there were a number of instances in which people having no business at a Scout camp were found roaming the sites. There were a few times when hunters thought the camp was good place to look for deer. In 1954, Council Executive Gemmel requested from the Suffolk County Sheriff, William C. McCollom, that camp ranger Siegfried Peters be deputized. On March 3, 1954, "Pete" was officially made a special deputy sheriff of the County Sheriff's Department. Signs were posted throughout the camp, and problems with outsiders subsided.

The spring of 1954 started off in a frenzy of activity. In April, 50 Explorers went on another air encampment to the 519th Air Defense group at the Westhampton Air Base. At the same time Explorers of Suffolk, at the invitation of Harold Veeder, President of the Fort William Henry Corp. at Lake George, were guests for the Second Fort William Henry Expedition.



TRADING POST 1954

The First Suffolk County Council Explorers' Field Day and Jamboree was held at Baiting Hollow May 15-16, 1954. In spite of the rain, who said Scouting wasn't fun? The 64 Explorers had a swell time, with competition during the day and Philmont movies in the Mess Hall Saturday night. The younger Scouts were not left out of the Spring's goings on because on the weekend of June 4, 5, and 6, the Annual Council Jamboree was held at Baiting Hollow. 120 patrols from 53 Troops brought the Scout total to 1,037 for the event.

Summer camp season for 1954 had the distinction of being the first to host foreign Scouts for a portion of their American visit. Three British Scouts and two Puerto Rican Scouts spent their summer as guests of Suffolk Scout families. Perhaps the highlight of their stay was representing their countries on the International Friendship Float at the Patchogue 4th of July Parade.

The sixth Philmont expedition from Suffolk County Council had Mr. Stanley Babcock in charge once more. This year 22 Senior boys attended the 23 day outing. The bus trip started on July 8, and, after a number of stopovers for sightseeing, arrived July 15 at the 127,000 acre Scout Ranch. Explorer outings continued in late July, when the Grumman Aircraft Corp. flew 12 Explorers, plus leaders, and the British and Puer-

to Rican Scouts to Washington, D.C. as the guests of Grumman. The group spent an exciting day taking in the sights.

In every Scout camp, there are yearly inspections by National. After the summer of 1954 inspection of Baiting Hollow by Theodore V. Shearer, deputy regional executive, he com-



SCOUTER'S CABIN "HACIENDA" AROUND 1954



CHAPLAIN'S CABIN 1955

mented that, with the new kitchen, enlarged dining hall, and new trading post, the camp was one of the best he had seen.

Fort William Henry on Lake George, NY, hosted 95 Explorers and leaders during the weekend of September 17-19; however, this trip had special meaning to the boys from Long Island. On Saturday morning they were

transported by U.S. Navy PT Boats to "Long Island" in Lake George. The boys commented that it felt strange to be so far from Suffolk County yet still be on "Long Island."

Gerald Govland, an Explorer from Post 151, Islip, won fifth prize in the National Photography contest sponsored by Boy's Life, the national Boy Scout magazine. Gerald's picture of Niagara Falls was chosen from thousands of entries and made him the first member of the Suffolk County Council to ever win a prize in the yearly contest.

"Boy Scouts Deep in Debt, May Have To Close Down." This was the newspaper headline on February 10, 1955. The Council was over \$16,000 in the red, and, according to the news article imminent bankruptcy would soon force the Council to close up shop. In order to pay off its notes and operate for the year, more than \$77,000 would have to be raised. A "Save the Scouts" Campaign was started in mid-February when Edward T. Dayton of East Hampton was appointed as Chairman. By the end of March of the year, \$68,501 had been raised, even though



HANDICRAFT LODGE 1955



NORTHERN LIGHTS LEAN-TO SITE 1955

23 villages in the County had still not reported on their efforts.

Camp Baiting Hollow was humming with Scout activity on the weekend of June 3, 4, 5, when 1,145 boys from 51 troops held their Annual Suffolk County Council Jamboree. Director Robert Fuchs of Bellport reported that the 160 patrols competing made this their biggest Jamboree to date.

The 1955 summer camp featured a new nature lodge and new handicraft shop, both donated by the Huntington Manor Lions Club.

The last Friday in July was the return date for 91 Suffolk Explorers who had spent two weeks in Puerto Rico at Camp Cuajataka. Two Explorers from Puerto Rico accompanied the Suffolk boys as part of "Project Amigos," enabling Explorers from New York and New Jersey to become acquainted with their brother Scouts from the new members of their region, as Puerto Rico became part of Region Two.

After six years of cruising the Long Island Sound as the flagship for the Suffolk County Council Sea Scouts, the schooner "Amorita"

had to be sold. The ship had been built as a racing schooner and was never quite suitable to teaching seamanship skills. It took expert sailors to handle her, and Captain Brown had trouble when the entire crew for a trip had no knowledge of the basics of sailing. The design and construction of the "Amorita" did not lend itself to the alterations necessary to turn it into



ADIRONDACK CAMPSITE AFTER REBUILDING in 1955



a "teaching ship." The vessel was sold to a party in Mount Vernon, New York, in October, 1955, and for a couple of years could still be seen sailing the Sound. In March of 1948 it was sold to an owner in Miami, Florida, and a year later sold again and taken to England.

The 1955 Air Encampment had 50 Suffolk Explorers at the Westhampton Air Base, October 21-23, as guests of commanding officer, Colonel James H. Hancock. A flight over Long Island in a C-45 highlighted the weekend trip.

The 1956 Annual Scout Commissioner's Conference was in March at the Patchogue Hotel. The all-day conference was called by Council Commissioner James Thomas of Amityville for the purpose of training, inspection and fellowship of the district and neighborhood commissioners who were serving the more than 225 Cub packs, Scout troops, and Explorer units in the County.

April, 1956, was again a busy time for the County Explorers. Kings Point Merchant Marine Academy hosted 55 Explorers and leaders, while 80 boys and men went to their annual Air Encampment.

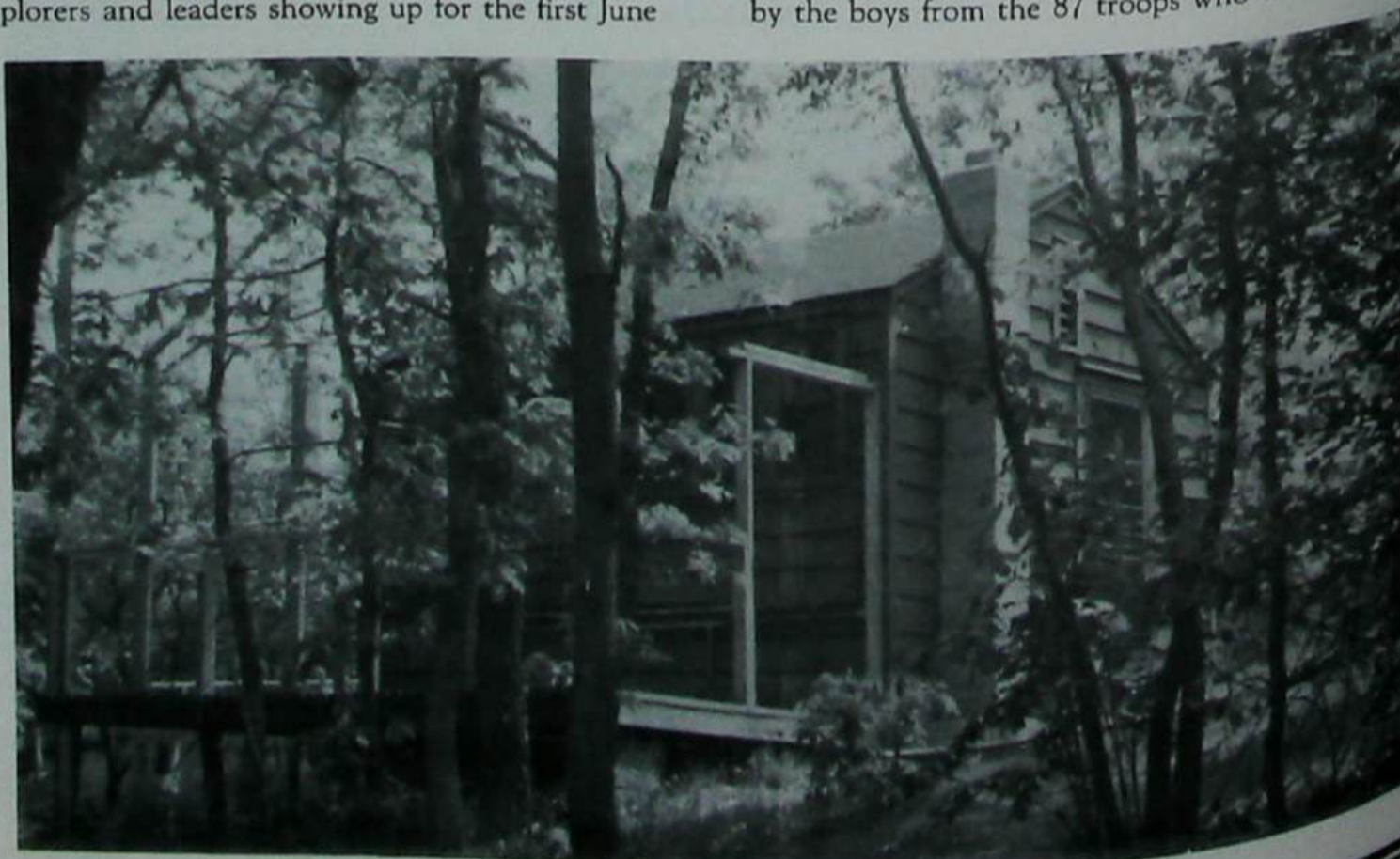
Baiting Hollow was again the site for the Council Jamboree, with over 1,600 Scouts, Explorers and leaders showing up for the first June



ARCHERY RANGE 1956

weekend get-together. Over 100 troops had patrols in the competitive Scouting events, with prizes going to the winners.

On July 1, summer camp opened, and it ran to August 23. Camp Director Martin A. Thomas expected well over 1,000 boys to participate during the summer, with many taking advantage of the new archery and skeet ranges. Advancement was especially high. Over 200 second class and 150 first class badges were earned by the boys from the 87 troops who went to

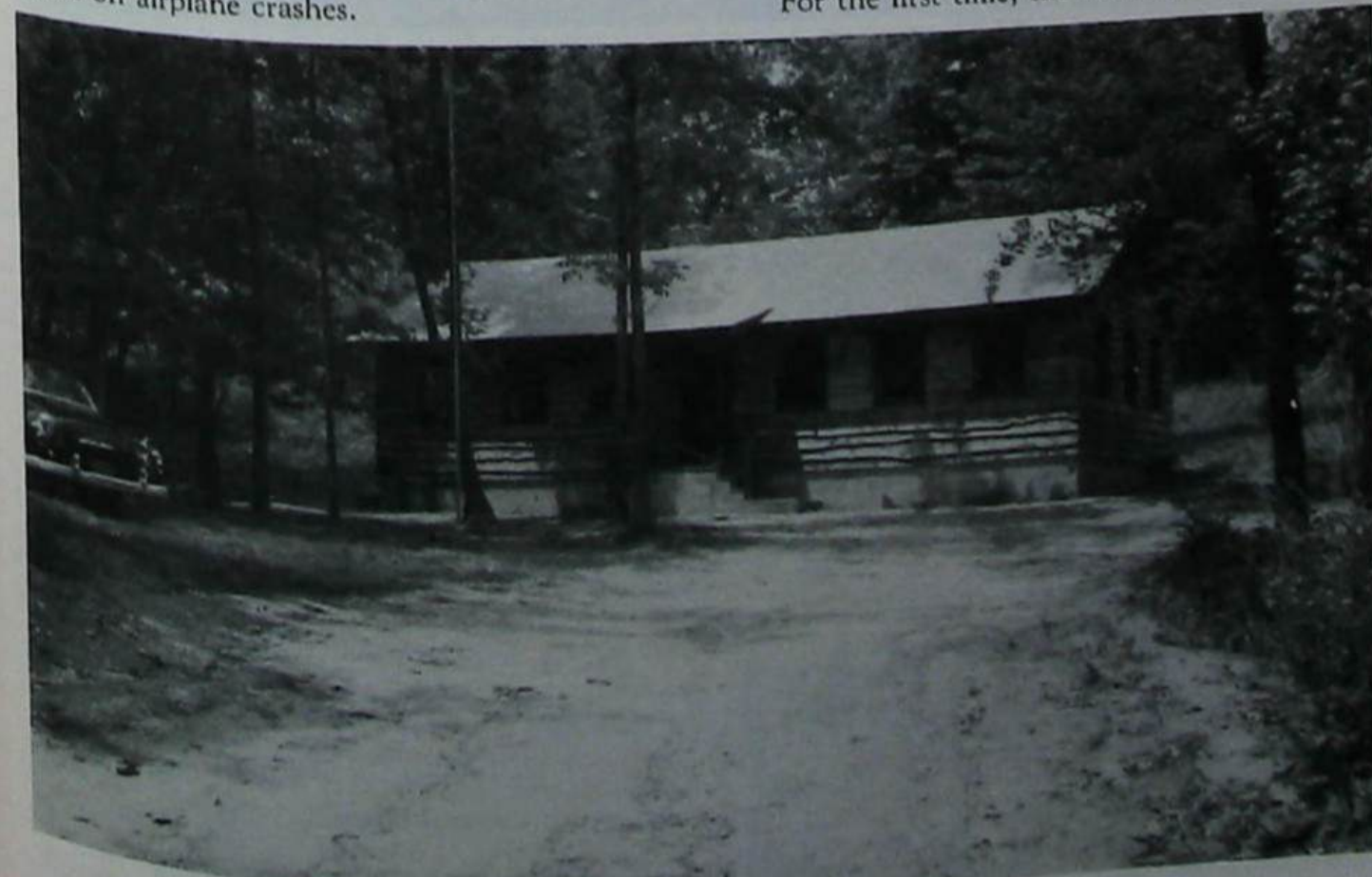


NEW HOT SHOWER HOUSE 1956

camp this year. Hot-shower facilities were added this season, and a record was set by 118 campers taking a shower within one hour. The 23 Explorers under the leadership of Al Gorman returned to the County on August 14, after their Philmont trip. The Philmonters of '56, as they called themselves, included, in their bus trip, stopovers at St. Louis, Kansas City, Denver and Colorado Springs, as well as Pike's Peak.

The invitation from West Point was answered by 744 Scouts and Explorers from the Suffolk County Council. A tour of the Academy ended with a football game between Army and Virginia Military Institute.

Emergency Service Field Exercises were held at Baiting Hollow on October 21 for the Explorers and leaders of Suffolk County. Due to the proximity of Baiting Hollow to the Grumman plant at Calverton, this particular training concentrated on airplane crashes.



GREENWOOD CABIN 1956

The Greenwood Memorial Cabin at Baiting Hollow, started in 1955, was finished and dedicated in 1956. The 24 x 40 foot cabin was constructed in memory of Suffolk County Council's late President, Ernest Greenwood, whose bequest made the facility possible.

The Catholic Scouting Committee for Suffolk was formed in December with the announcement of the appointment of Joseph A. Finn and the Rev. William J. Remey of St. Patrick's in Huntington to the Archbishop's Diocesan Committee on Scouting. The Suffolk County Council chaplain, Mr. Finn, who was now the County Chairman for Catholic Boy Scouts, would set up youth development programs for the Suffolk Scouts within their own parishes.

The 10,000-boy member mark was broken by the start of the 1957 Scout year, with the addition of 39 new units by the end of '56. As 1957 began, Suffolk County Council had grown to 253 units, with 13,972 boys and leaders.

The Explorers of the County held their spring campout the last weekend in March at Baiting Hollow. Over 200 boys, including the Air Explorer Squadron from Patchogue, attended.

For the first time, the Annual Suffolk County

Council Spring Jamboree was not held at Baiting Hollow. As the Council grew, the camp seemed to shrink, and it was becoming more and more difficult to hold Council events there.

One thousand five hundred Scouts were on hand for the June three-day Jamboree held in



BOATHOUSE 1956

Westhampton Beach at an area just north of the Air Force Base. Saturday night, each of the five districts held its own Council fires. Sunday afternoon was the time to present awards to the winning patrols.

The World Scouting "Indaba," which was held simultaneously with the Baden Powell Jubilee Jamboree in England, had one member of the Suffolk County Council in attendance. Terry Stamp of East Northport was there with his display of "Scouting on Long Island, U.S.A."

July 12 to 19 attracted 50,000 Scouts, Explorers and leaders to Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, for the Fourth National Jamboree. Four troops, made up of boys from throughout Suffolk, constituted the 160-member contingent



SUMMER CAMP ZOO 1956

from the Council. Prior to leaving for the Pennsylvania site, the troops held a three-day pre-Jamboree Training Camp in Patchogue. The camp duplicated as nearly as possible the conditions of the Jamboree and was designed to try out the equipment and team organization in preparation for the Jamboree itself.

The Navy came through again in August, when fifty Explorers and leaders selected to represent the Suffolk County Council went on board a U.S. Navy ship at the Brooklyn Navy Yard. During their eight days at sea they had ample opportunity to see firsthand how a Navy vessel operates. The November Army vs. University of Utah football game at West Point hosted 500 Scouts and Explorers from the Council for the Annual Army's Scout Day.

The "National Safety Good Turn" and the continuing "Onward for God and My Country" program were put into high gear for 1958. During Scout Week, February 7 to 13, 1958, the Scouts of Suffolk put displays in store windows throughout the County, depicting the importance of safety in the home. The "Paul Bunyan Bushwack" was held over a mid-April weekend at Baiting Hollow for Explorers. The axemanship activities were overseen by "Chief Logger," Tony Schussler of East Islip and his crew with a "log bustin'" weekend for the young men of the Council. The United States Merchant Marine Academy opened its doors again in April, 1958,



to the Senior Scouts of the County. The highlight of the weekend was, after being quartered with the Cadet Regiment, the Scouts following the standardized daily routine of a midshipman.

The Spring Council Jamboree found a new site in Yaphank. The area now known as Cathedral Pines County park was an ideal camp. Jamboree director Gil Menendez and his staff left no detail overlooked in making the May 23-25 weekend complete.

Thirty-six Explorers and three leaders had a five a.m. departure that first Tuesday in August for their Philmont trek, which would cover over 5,000 miles. Victor M. Reusch, Jr. of Bellport also left for a trip in August, representing the Suffolk County Council's Shinnecock Order of the Arrow Lodge. He attended the National Order of the Arrow Conference at the University of Kansas. The summer camp season at Baiting Hollow again ran to near capacity with over half the troops in the County sending boys.

By 1958, over 350 Scout units in the U.S. were serving handicapped boys. The Executive Board of the Suffolk County Council decided to establish a committee to formulate plans for implementing the program in the Council.

1959 started off with a move to new headquarters. The move this time was not due to a fire, as was the move from Port Jefferson. This time, the Council simply outgrew its office! Mov-



NATURE LODGE 1956

ing from the 900 sq. ft. office in Patchogue to the 3600 sq. ft. office in Stony Brook would allow the Council to add to its staff and thereby increase its effectiveness. The seven men and six women working in the second floor office over the D. T. Bayles Hardware store in the Stony Brook Shopping Center would soon be upped to eleven men and nine office workers.

Due to the success of the Paul Bunyan expedition of the year before, another one was held over the April 17-19, 1959, weekend. This year fathers were invited to compete with and against their sons. April was also the month for the dedication of the new offices at Stony Brook, with a Scout using an axe to cut the ribbon. A Council "Showando" took place at Baiting Hollow



CAMP VEHICLES 1957



WASH STATION & SHOWER HOUSE AT NATHAN HALE CAMPSITE

on May 2, with Scoutmasters, Assistant Scoutmasters, Troop Committeemen and fathers, both demonstrating and performing Scout skills.

By early May, the new 40-foot, \$30,000 dining-hall addition had been completed. The entire job was done, at no cost to the Scout Council, by 150 union carpenters and masons. With the new 250-seat extension, there would be no turning away Scouts from camp, as was done the years before when 800 boys were told there was no room.

Five Suffolk Scouts were surprised to see that the June issue of Boy's Life had their pictures on the cover. They most likely had all but forgotten their modeling job until the magazine came out. Creg Flessel of Huntington had painted the picture of the boys, in Indian costume, at the

boathouse at Baiting Hollow.

The Suffolk County Council's Ninth Annual Jamboree was again held at the grounds in Yaphank. More than 2,000 Scouts from 350 patrols were at the June 5, 6, 7 campout, and some 200 Scout skills judges were on hand to score their achievements.

Scout camp opened on July 5 and ran to August 27 and, with the expanded Mess Hall, camp capacity was raised by over 200. The first Council Webelo's Day was held in July, at Baiting Hollow, when hundreds of Cubs graduated to the ranks of Scouting. The Philmont trip this year was a little disappointing because only 19 boys took part out of an anticipated group of 36.

The Council's Annual Family Weekend, however, set a new attendance record. Over 400 persons, ranging in age from three months to 70 years, participated. September 10 was set aside to hold the first Century Club outing for the Council. Grumman's Peconic River plant hosted the day-long clambake for the Suffolk supporters of Scouting. By the end of the summer of 1959, the camping area in Yaphank, which had housed the two previous Council Jamborees, had been purchased by the Suffolk County Council. This new camp, called Yaphank Wilderness Scout Camp, would be used only for roughing-it style camping, and, other than sanitary facilities, no further improvements were planned.



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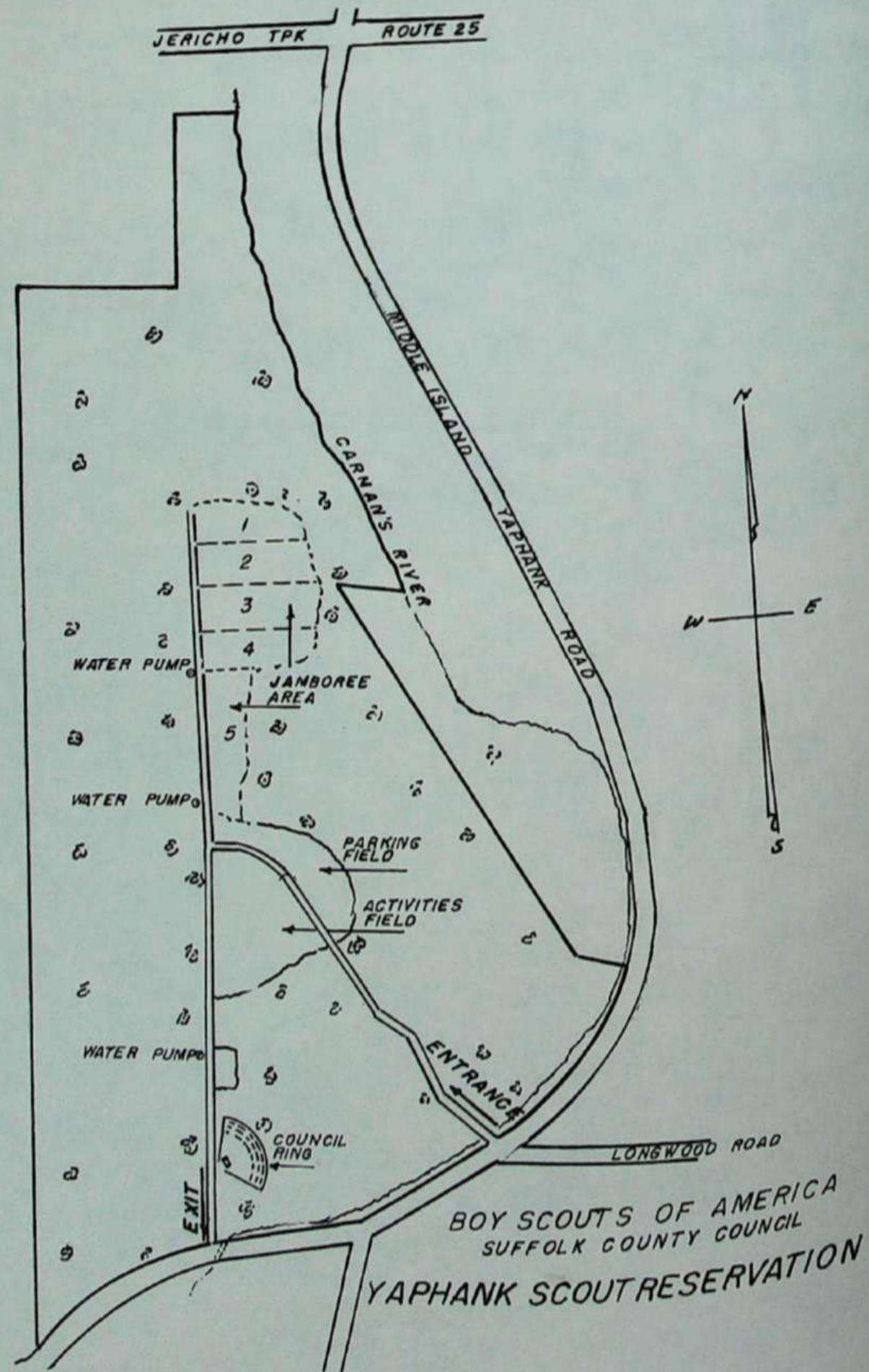
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CHAPTER EIGHT

The Council's New Camp

1960-1969



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The Suffolk County Explorers held their fifteenth annual field day at Baiting Hollow over the April first weekend, in the spring of 1960. On Saturday of that weekend, the Senior Girl Scouts from the County were guests of the boys. Events included an evening barbecue, campfire and square dancing. On May 7, 1960, the Council Jubilee Exposition celebrated Scouting's 50th anniversary. The day-long event was held at the Commack Arena, with Suffolk County Executive H. Lee Dennison officially opening the activities to the one hundred and fifty participating Scout units.

One hundred and eighty Scouts and Leaders made up the four and a half Troops from Suffolk County Council attending the Fifth National Jamboree at Colorado Springs. The Jamboree ran from July 22 to July 28, 1960, and was the largest Jamboree ever held, with 56,370 Scouts and Scouters participating. Baiting Hollow had a new chapel dedicated in August 1960; it was named the "Joseph Silverman Memorial Chapel," and it was built by the council Jewish committee.

Suffolk County Council Scout Executive, Ralph T. Gemmel, who had been the Council Executive for eleven years, died of a heart attack

on the last Friday in November.

By the end of 1960, the Scout Council had grown to 350 Scout units, with membership up to 13,700.

After the untimely death of Mr. Gemmel, 1961 started off with a new Council Scout Executive. Frank R. Fultz assumed the position at the end of January, after his previous assignment as Scout Executive of the Shawnee Council in Ohio.

The Boy Scouts of America's theme for 1961 was "Strengthen America—Character Counts," with continued emphasis on the older boys. As expressed by a Council spokesman at the time, "What better way to strengthen America than to have these young men, who are standing on the edge of tomorrow, meet and discuss social courtesies, physical fitness, citizenship obligations, vocational exploration, outdoor adventure and service opportunities?" With this in mind, ninety-six Suffolk Explorers participated in the Region II Explorer Conference at the University of Syracuse over the last weekend of June, 1961.

Since Baiting Hollow summer camp was again filled, some of the overflow Troops took advantage of the Yaphank Wilderness Scout Camp for the second year. Even though this camp did not



1960 DEDICATION OF THE "JOSEPH SILVERMAN MEMORIAL CHAPEL"



THE PAUL BUNYAN BUSHWACK CHALLENGE SHIELD WHICH WAS KEPT BY THE POST, SHIP OR SQUADRON WHO WON IT LAST

provide any waterfront or organized program, it did give the Scouts an excellent camping experience.

"Fit for Tomorrow" was the Scout program launched for 1962. By that year the Council had grown to 365 Scout units, and the problems of holding Council-wide events were becoming

enormous. It was decided that each district should have its own events around a central Council theme. Baiting Hollow and Yaphank Scout Camp both ran that summer; and some Troops, even though there was room at Baiting Hollow, decided to try the Wilderness Camp. The new Library Building at Camp Baiting

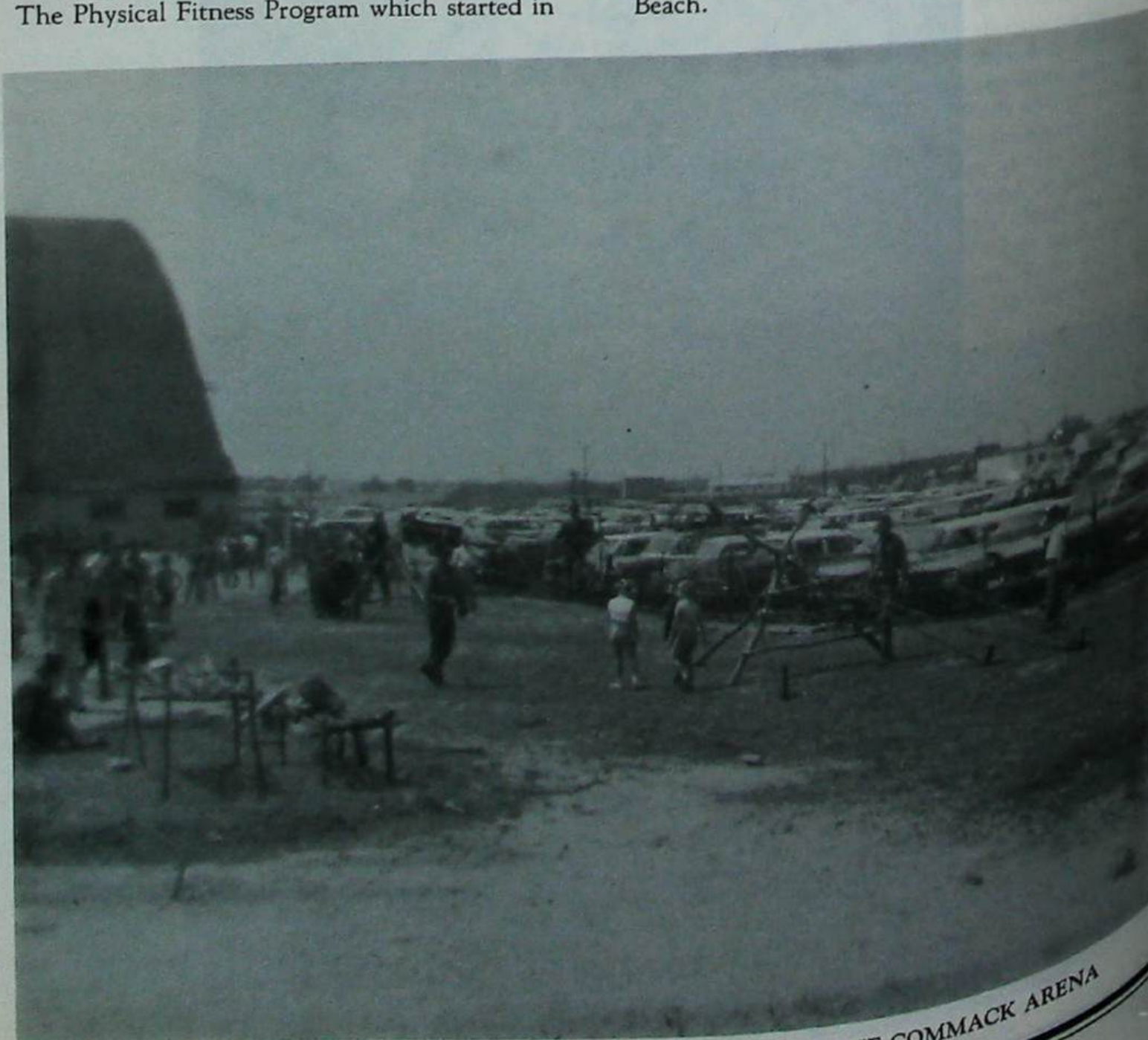


Hollow was dedicated in a ceremony on August 26, 1962. The facility was in memory of former District Executive Edward P. Clark. The "Fit for Tomorrow" program continued that fall, with the districts using the four point program set up by the County Scout Council:

1. A Medical check-up of every Scout.
2. Physical testing based on five tests developed by physical education authorities.
3. Individual exercises at home and vigorous activities on hikes.
4. Periodic retesting to show what improvements have been made and what areas need work.

The Physical Fitness Program which started in

1962 continued into 1963 with the "Strengthen America—Be Prepared" theme. On the second Monday of February, selected Scouts and Explorers participated in City Government Day, with the boys accompanying local and county officials in their daily routines. The Wilderness Scout Camp in Yaphank was used almost every weekend in the spring of 1963 by either individual Troops or Districts holding their camporees. A Council-wide "Jamboree-Camporee" took place from July 19-21 at the Yaphank site. In the fall of 1963 there were Scouting events throughout the County, with district camporees mostly at the Yaphank camp. Explorers went to the Suffolk Air Force Base at Westhampton Beach.



SCOUT DISPLAYS AT THE COUNCIL JUBILEE EXPOSITION AT THE COMMACK ARENA



BAITING HOLLOW SWIM AREA & BOAT HOUSE IN THE EARLY 1960s

During the 1964 New York World's Fair, a group of 30 Suffolk Scouts operated the Boy Scout Pavilion. The Pavilion, entitled "The Wonderful World of Scouting," used both exhibits and live demonstrations to depict the three (Cub, Boy and Explorer) phases of the Scout program.

By June of 1964, the Suffolk County Council was in money trouble again. The Camp Wilderness property purchase in 1959 was at the heart of the problem.

The 272 acres had been bought from the owner, Mr. Wood, for a price of \$170,000. A down payment of \$64,000 was obtained by taking out a five year mortgage on Baiting Hollow from the Peoples National Bank of Patchogue, while the balance of \$106,000 was a five year note held by Mr. Wood. By the time spring, 1964, came around, only \$6,000 had been paid on the mortgage with no hope of obtaining the rest. The National Office, after learning of Suffolk's money problems, advised the Council to sell the camp. Suffolk County Executive H. Lee Dennison, who was a member of the Scout Council, recommended to the County that the camp be bought by the County and added to the County's 8,500-acre park system.

This plan did not sit well with the Scouters of the County, and a "Save Camp Wilderness

Fund" was set up. Mr. Wood agreed to give the Scouts another thirty days on their note and the bank became more cooperative. However, fears of losing Baiting Hollow arose.

The first "A" rating for Camp Baiting Hollow was received the summer of 1964 after its annual inspection. Eighty-eight Troops, with 2,000 Scouts, used the camp that year, completely filling every site every week. This only added to the need to save Camp Wilderness. By July of 1964, the Peoples Bank eased up their policy and agreed to not press for payment for the time being. The Council now had time to breathe, but not to rest, and the "Save Camp Wilderness" campaign went full steam.

The Sixth National Jamboree was held on July 17-23 at Valley Forge State Park, Pa., the site of the second Jamboree fourteen years earlier. The Suffolk contingent had 146 boys and 15 leaders, forming four and a half Troops. The half Troop was made up of boys from Nassau.

Efforts to raise money to save Camp Wilderness continued throughout the summer. By early August, \$54,000 had been raised, which added some relief to the mortgage deadline. In late August, a benefit movie, "Becket," was shown in Huntington and Patchogue, with the proceeds going to the camp fund. The Suffolk County Board of Supervisors proclaimed August



SUFFOLK COUNTY SCOUTS ON PRE-JAMBOREE TRAINING FOR THE 1964 NATIONAL JAMBOREE



"Save Camp Wilderness and Scouting" month and called upon county residents to give generously to the Council's drive for funds. The summer ended with a total of \$70,000 raised to save the camp.

Putting that money together with the new remortgage of Baiting Hollow for \$100,000, both Mr. Wood and the Peoples Bank were paid. The new mortgage was negotiated with the Riverhead Savings Bank, the Union Savings Bank of Patchogue, the Southold Savings Bank and the Sag Harbor Savings Bank. The ten-year loan had monthly payments of \$1,085.30.

At the first "Leadership Gifts Dinner" held for the Suffolk County Council in December, 1964, Robert Moses, the President of the New York World's Fair Corporation as well as New York State Planning Commissioner, urged the Boy Scouts to "acquire" Gardiner's Island and turn it into the "Leading Scout headquarters of the East for all the world to use." The Gardiner family, of course, did not approve of his plans.

A mortgage-burning ceremony was held in May of 1965 at the Scout Council office in Stony Brook. The day was used to mark the complete payment of the indebtedness on Camp Wilderness. The event was a bit premature, because even though the portion of debt using Camp Wilderness as collateral was paid off, there remained that \$100,000 mortgage on Baiting Hollow. In essence, what was done was to mortgage one camp to pay the mortgage on the other.

The 1965 Philmont Expedition was filled to capacity and Baiting Hollow received another "A" rating following its July 13 inspection. The "Wonderful World of Scouting" pavillion at the New York World's Fair was again manned for a time by thirty-four Scouts and three leaders from the Suffolk County Council.

The First Annual Distinguished Citizen's Award dinner was held on December 9, 1965, at the Huntington Town House. A long-time supporter of Scouting in Suffolk, Ward Melville of Stony Brook, was the recipient of the honor.

The big Council event for 1966 was the Camp-O-Rama held at Heckscher State Park on May 20, 21, and 22. With 4,000 Scouts in attendance, this was one of the largest Council events to date. The Camp-O-Rama theme of "World Scouting—Peace Through Understanding" would set the tone for the World Jamboree the next

year. The Suffolk County Council Trust Fund was established in 1966. Through it friends of Scouting could give tax-free gifts and bequests to provide the future funds that the Council would need.

The format of the Council newsletter, *The Navigator*, changed in 1966 from an 8½ x 11 bond paper, to an 11 x 17 newsprint, allowing greater flexibility and nearly three times the space. As *Exploring* continued through the 1960's, more *Explorer* posts were becoming career oriented, and, in April of 1966, a post specializing in professional Scouting was started in the County. A Council "Showando" was held at Baiting Hollow on June 11, 1966, giving



SERVICE CORPS SCOUTS AT THE 1965 WORLD'S FAIR

Scouts, Scouters and parents hands-on Scouting. Summer camp at Baiting Hollow ran eight periods from July 3 to August 27 with every site filled every week. One hundred and thirty boys plus seventeen leaders made the trip to Philmont this year, leaving on July 13 and returning July 31. September 12, 1966, was kick off for the "1966 Roundup to Adventure." Each Scout unit was to hold an open house event in its own community to attract new members. Every boy who brought a new boy into his pack, troop or post, received a Roundup Recruiter Strip. The Council Campmaster Corps, started in 1965, held a training session at Camp Wilderness in the fall of 1966 in order to get more trained members. While their primary duties were at Camp Wilderness, they assisted at Baiting Hollow and other Council events whenever necessary.

The Second Annual Explorer "Friendship 6" was held at Baiting Hollow Scout Camp over the March 30 to April 2, 1967, weekend. This was a gathering of Explorers from the six Districts in the County. The Sixth District was formed when the Township of Smithtown broke away from the Central District in the mid sixties and formed the Smithtown District. The summer camp season again filled up early with Troops going to both Baiting Hollow and Camp Wilderness. Troops at Camp Wilderness still had to do all their own cooking as well as any other activities. The Second Annual Shinnecock Order of the Arrow Lodge Fellowship Weekend was held over the September 16-17 weekend, with new members being inducted.

Fifteen Suffolk County Scouts attended the Twelfth World Jamboree that summer of 1967 at Farragut State Park, Idaho. After the Jamboree ended, a group of seventy German Scouts and leaders were hosted by Suffolk Scouting families from August 27th to 31st. Scout recruitment continued with a "School Night for Scouting" on October 24, 1967. Hundreds of selected schools throughout the County were open to enlist new parent participation in the Scouting program, organize new units to take overflow and enroll new boys in existing Scouting units. A Beaver Club was formed in the fall to recognize those adults who were giving their time and talents in improving the camping facilities for the Council. The Cub Scout Webelos Program was started this year, and the Suffolk County Council recommended a ceremony to be



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Suffolk County Council



SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL BEAVER CLUB PATCH

used for the older Cubs going into the Webelos Den. The 1967 Fall Roundup for increased membership ran until December 15. Every unit leader, upon reaching his quota, received a personalized folding knife, inscribed with "In Appreciation, Suffolk County Council B.S.A." As the 1968 Scout year began, the Suffolk County Council was the 34th largest Council, by membership, in the country, with total boy membership of 22,655. This represented an 11.5% gain over the previous year and the sixth year in a row with a plus membership gain. The Council breakdown was as follows:

District	Total Units	Total Boys
Nathan Hale	128	5,471
Central	95	4,843
Peconic Bay	62	1,962
Penataquit	75	3,445
Pwamas	103	4,367
Smithtown	51	2,567
Total	514	22,655

Because of the continued growth in the Council, the means to pay for Scouting would stay on top of the priority list. The Council went through redistricting again in late 1968, to seven

districts. The Central District was split into the North Central and South Central District. As the districts were geographically realigned, the Smithtown District took in Troops which included sponsoring institutions from other townships. Therefore, the Council directed all districts to make sure their district names were of a non-geographical, non-descript nature. The new district names have carried through today: Nathan Hale, Nathan Woodhull, Penataquit, Pwamas, Peconic Bay, Dan Beard and Sunrise. The year 1968 ended with a milestone. Youth membership reached the 25,000 mark when Paul Agnello joined Pack 113 of Centerport, making him the 25,000th boy to join the Suffolk County Council Boy Scouts.

In the spring of 1969, the Council's "Treasure Oaks Program" started. It was a guided campout and training session for new troops, designed to give them a good beginning in their first camping experience. An area was set aside at Baiting Hollow, and the camp provided all Troop equipment. In June of 1969, the Scout Camp Ranger, Siegfried Peters, retired after more than twenty one years of service to the camp. His replacement was Robert P. Smith, who worked with



"Pete" for a short time in order to get to know the camp. Summer camp season ran from July 6 to August 23.

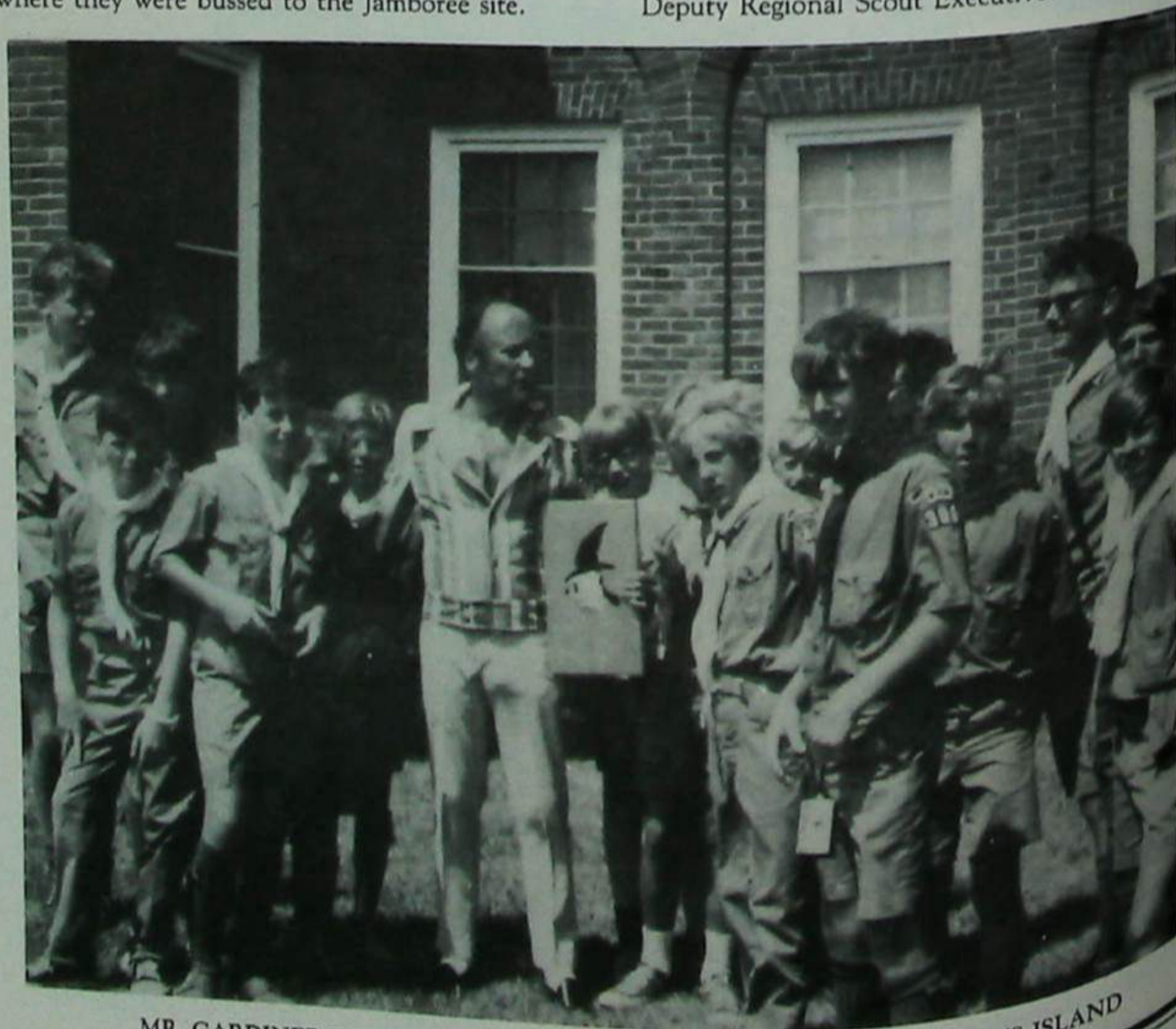
Robert D. L. Gardiner, Executive Board Member, extended an invitation to the Suffolk County Council to hold an encampment on Gardiner's Island. The encampment, which was called "Gardiner's Island by the Sea Camp," took place over the July 21-24, 1969, weekend. The camp consisted of two troops of thirty-seven boys and three leaders each. The Troops were made up of boys, by the quota system, from the seven districts.

The Seventh National Jamboree was held July 16-22 that summer, at Farragut State Park, Idaho. One hundred and twenty members of the Suffolk County Council Jamboree group left by plane on July 14 for Spokane, Washington, where they were bussed to the Jamboree site.

The Annual Council "Train the Trainers" conference, held on September 20, 1969, at the Suffolk Academy of Medicine in Hauppauge, was used to help experienced, as well as new, instructors in the skills and techniques of teaching.

Council Exploring Chairman, Ron Siegel, announced that the Suffolk County Council would launch the new "contemporary look" sport jacket, white shirt and tie, in exploring, at its first fall Exploring Planning Conference. The conference was set for Saturday, October 25, 1969, at the State University at Stony Brook.

In November of that year, Scout Executive Frank R. Fultz left the Suffolk County Council to become Council Executive for the Valley Forge Council in Pennsylvania. His replacement was Franklin H. Collins, who was already associated with the Suffolk County Council as Deputy Regional Scout Executive.



MR. GARDINER WITH SUFFOLK SCOUTS AT HIS HOME ON GARDINER'S ISLAND





CHAPTER NINE
**Six Decades
of Scouting
in Suffolk**
1970-1979



"Cornerstone" Scoutmaster patch
issued to Scoutmasters who completed
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BAITING HOLLOW SCOUT CAMP SUMMER CAMP 1970



As the Suffolk County Council entered the seventies, there were 620 Scout units: a total of 26,786 Cubs, Scouts and Explorers. Explorer Dale P. Mantell of Post 109, Lindenhurst, was one of the 150 Explorers selected from throughout the Country to be present at the April 11, 1970, Apollo XIII moonshot from Cape Kennedy. May 1st and 2nd had an "Interfaith Happening" at Baiting Hollow. The weekend event, sponsored by the Catholic, Jewish and Protestant committees on Scouting, was held in order to promote a better understanding among boys of all faiths. All campsites for all summer camp weeks had been taken by April of 1970, which meant most Troops would not have the chance to go to camp. Two new campsites, Treasure Oaks and Baden Powell, were added this year, easing the problem a bit. Fourteen new aluminum rowboats and four new super shark sailboats were also added in 1970. The Shinnecock Lodge Order of the Arrow of Suffolk County Council hosted for the first time the area 2J Conclave at Baiting Hollow over the September 11-13 weekend. Area 2J consists of the O/A Lodges from Suffolk and Nassau and the five lodges from New York and City Councils.

The 1970 Council Showando took place at Wilderness Scout Camp in Yaphank on September 19. Perhaps the most important event to take place in 1970 was a member of the Suffolk County Council being awarded the Silver Antelope. Mr. Ward Melville received this, the highest honor to be given on a regional level, at the 50th Annual Region Two meeting, held that November.

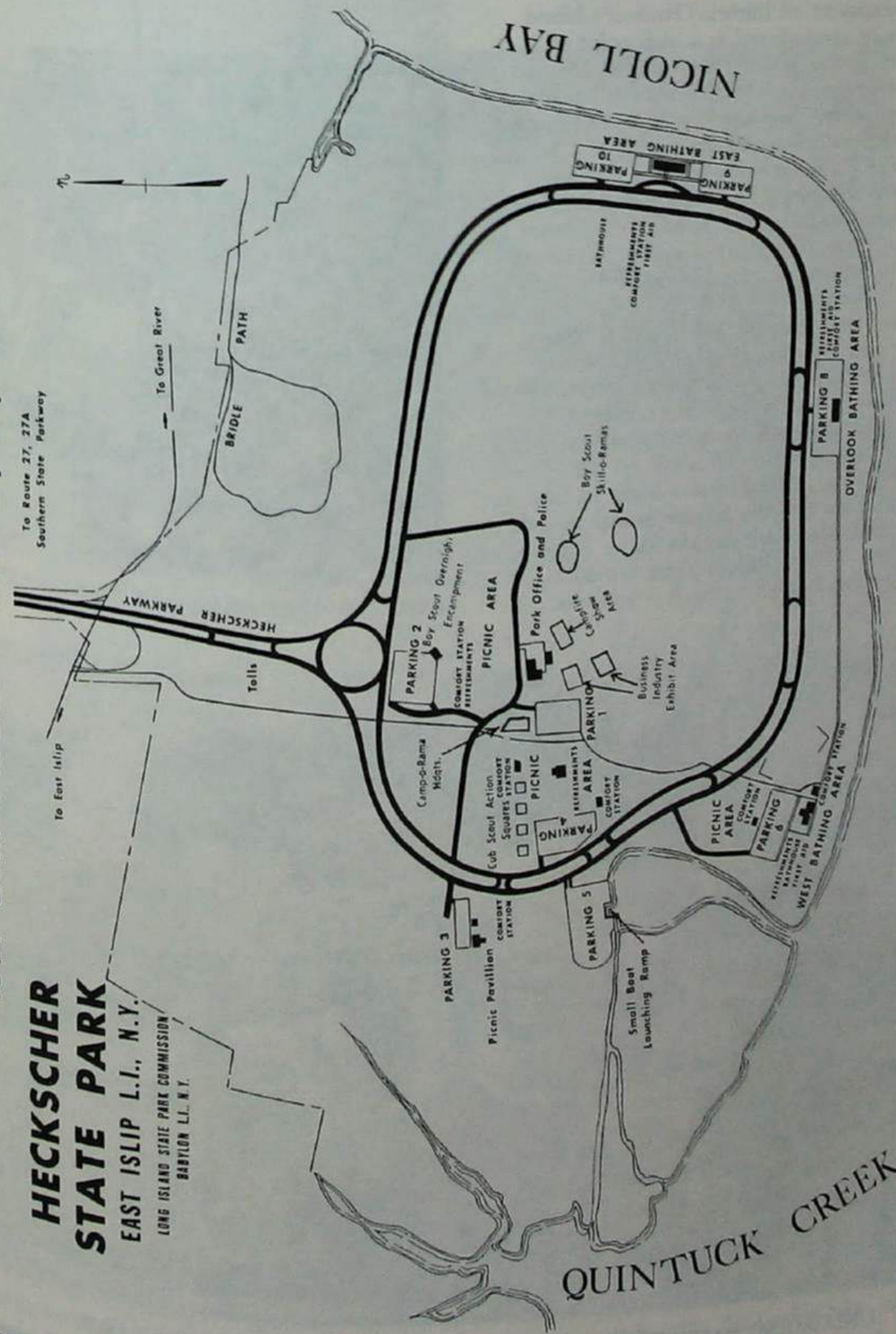
The first big Council event for 1971 was the "Camp-O-Rama" at Heckscher State Park. During the May 21, 22, and 23 weekend, over 400 units participated with action-exhibit booths in the Boy Scouts "Skill-O-Rama" and Cub Scout "Action Squares." In addition, there were six mini-stages with special features, and the Saturday night campfire was held before a four story stage built by Lilco and designed by Council Vice President Col. Alvin J. Blake. It was the largest campfire show ever seen on Long Island.

The summer of 1971 was a busy one for the Scouts of Suffolk. In addition to regular summer camp at Baiting Hollow, there were the Gardiner's Island Adventure Camp, the Thirteenth World Jamboree in Japan and Wilderness Scouts ing at the Yaphank camp.

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and leaders, the memory of their week-long troop encampment on historic Gardiner's Island will always be remembered as a high point of their Scouting experience. This "once in a Scout lifetime adventure," entitled "Gardiner's Island Adventure Camp," happened for these fortunate Scouts and Scouters during the month of August in 1971. It was made possible through the courtesy of Council Executive Board member Robert D. L. Gardiner, 16th Lord of the Manor. Gardiner's Island, comprised of some 3300 acres, has remained as the private domain of the Gardiner family since 1689.



SCOUTS & GEAR ARRIVE AT GARDINER'S ISLAND



UNLOADING NAVY BOATS FOR "GARDINER'S ISLAND ADVENTURE CAMP"

Reminiscent of a famous episode in the early history of Scouting (Lord Baden Powell's Brownsea Island Encampment), heavy emphasis was placed on "Self-Reliant Camping." Only units camping under their own home troop leadership were eligible to participate in the Gardiner's Island Adventure Camp program. One of the key aims of the Gardiner's Island experience was to provide troops the fullest possible opportunity to utilize the patrol method of operation. As at World and National Jamborees, all food preparation and cooking was done by patrol members on patrol sites, with the troop leaders rotating as guests of the patrols throughout the week-long camping period. No record exists of any leader suffering from starvation—although it may be conjectured that a renewed appreciation of home cooking may have resulted. Following the self-reliant theme, the program at Gardiner's Island Adventure

Camp was planned and carried out by the troops and their patrols, assisted by camp program commissioners and a small central staff. Reflecting the temporary nature of the encampment, the physical facilities were purposely kept as simple as possible. Equipment provided to the troops included two-boy Voyageur tents, patrol cooking and eating utensils, cook stoves, patrol dining flies and small wall tents for adult leaders. Central camp facilities consisted of a large central commissary and supply tent, temporary boating and swimming areas, an archery range, a trading post and First Aid Station. Program opportunities were bountiful—including aquatics, hiking, outport camping, fishing, field sports, nature and conservation projects, star gazing and exploration trips to all parts of the island. One of the rare privileges shared by Adventure Camp Scouts and Scouters was to participate in the weekly tour, of the

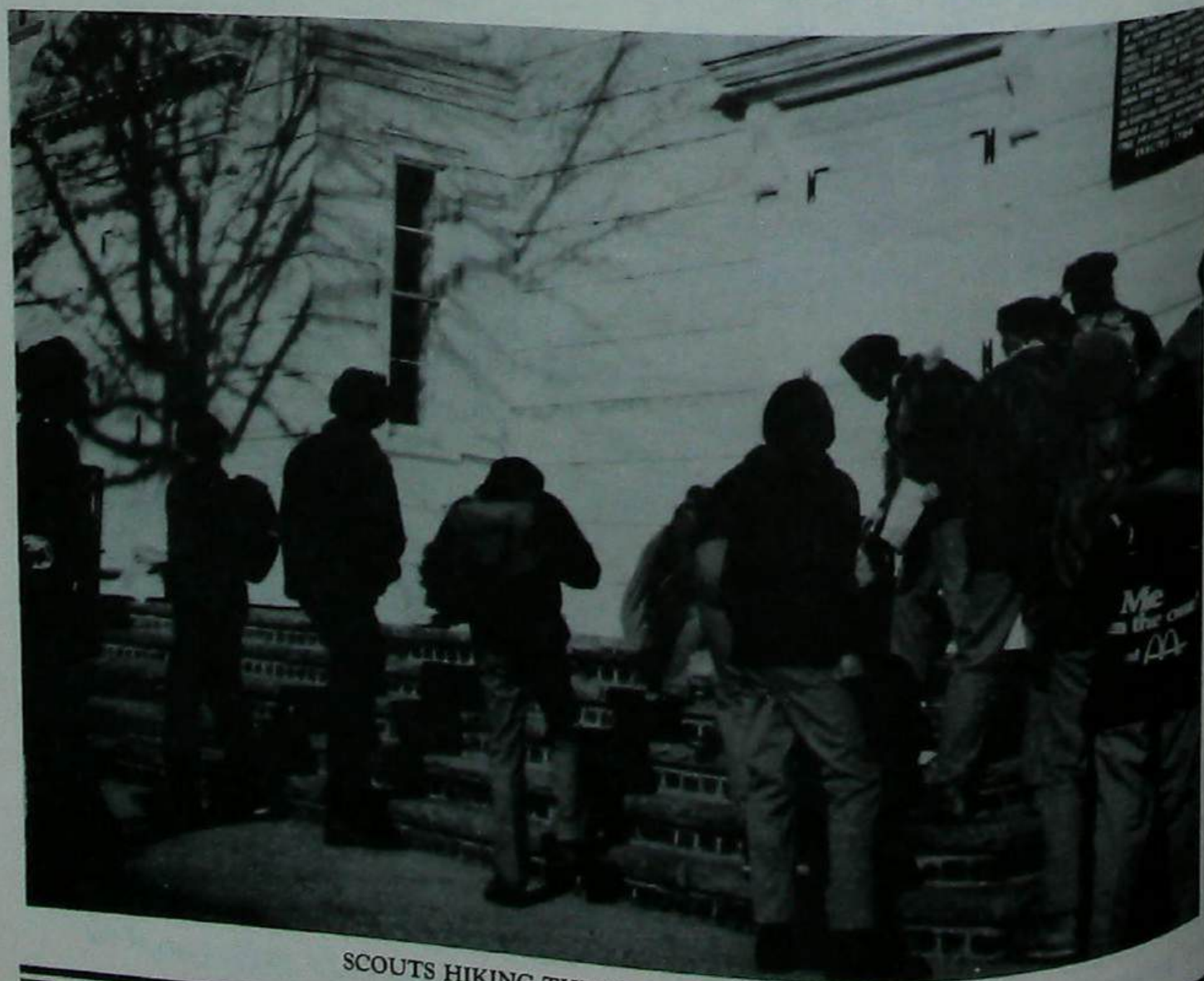


historic Manor House and the landmark windmill, which was personally conducted by the 16th Lord of the Manor, Robert David Lion Gardiner. When one of the Scouts became ill, Council Vice-President Col. Alvin J. Blake flew his plane into Gardiner's Airstrip and took the boy and scout master to the hospital. Certainly one of the unique experiences of the Gardiner's Island campers was the rare opportunity to live for a week on a secluded island virtually devoid of 20th Century gadgets (i.e., telephones, electricity, automobiles, etc.).

Official endorsement by the Council Executive Board was given to the Nathan Hale Historic Trail operated by the Nathan Hale Chapter of the Order of the Arrows. The eighteen-and-one-half mile trail starts at the Silas Wood house on Park Avenue in Huntington and ends with a visit to the Old Bethpage Village Restoration.



NATHAN HALE TRAIL MEDAL



SCOUTS HIKING THE NATHAN HALE TRAIL



The World Jamboree that summer took twenty Suffolk Scouts on a twenty-day trip to Japan. After an eight-day tour of the country, they set up camp at the base of Mount Fuji with 20,000 other Scouts from around the world.

For the second year in a row, a member of the Suffolk County Council was awarded the Silver Antelope. Louis J. Kovacs, the Suffolk County Council Scout Commissioner, received this honor at the Annual Regional Meeting in the fall of 1971.

In the Spring of 1972, a new County Council Scout Executive was ushered in when Mr. Collins was reassigned to Area Director of Field Operations for National. Robert L. Rose took over as Council Executive as of May 1, 1972; coming to Suffolk from the North Bay Council in Massachusetts.

In 1971, the Silver Fawn Award was approved as the counterpart of the Silver Beaver, with the purpose of providing recognition for women in Scouting. The first women to receive the Silver Fawn Award were: Eleanor Abrahamsen, June Klein, Lillian Frances McGarvey, Helen Moloznik, and Helen T. Smith. These honors were given at the Annual Council Fellowship Dinner on May 4, 1972 at the Colonie Hill.



In June of that year, the Order of the Arrow in Suffolk arranged to have the famous "Koshare" Indian Dance Team from La Junta, Colorado, put on three shows of authentic Indian dances at the Commack Arena. The "Koshares," officially Explorer Post 2230 of the Rocky Mountain Council, Colorado, started as a group of twenty-five Boy Scouts from La Junta who were interested in Indian dancing.

It was an experience enjoyed by hundreds of Long Islanders who attended the first exhibition in the New York area by the internationally famous Koshare Indian dancers. The shows, which were held at the Long Island Arena in Commack on June 18th and 19th, 1972, were sponsored by the Shinnecock Lodge Order of the Arrow.

The Suffolk County Council ran two summer camp programs in the 1972 season. The Baiting Hollow camp ran from July 2 through August 26, while a "North Country Adventure Camp" was operated for four one-week periods July 24 to August 27.

The thrills of camping in the fabled Adirondack Mountains became a reality for hundreds of Suffolk County Scouts and Scouters at the first council-sponsored long-term camp, during the month of August in 1972. North Country Adventure Camp was designed to provide a more rugged type of camping experience for Scouts who had graduated from the "Tenderfoot" level of outdoorsmanship. Because of the special outdoor Scouting skills and patrol and troop organization needed to have a successful self-reliant camping experience, only troops approved by the Council Camping Committee were permitted to attend.

The location of the 1972 North Country Adventure Camp was a tract of undeveloped land on the Sabattis Scout Reservation in Sabattis, New York, about 30 miles Southwest of Tupper Lake. Owned and operated by the Hiawatha Council, B.S.A. (with headquarters in Syracuse, NY), the 5,000 acre Sabattis Scout Reservation is situated in the beautiful Adirondack lake country adjacent to the waterways which make up the "Fulton Chain," long renowned as a Mecca for veteran canoeists and outdoorsmen.

Since the area designated for the campsite was located on a section of the Scout Reservation which was overgrown with brush, fallen trees, etc., considerable site preparation was required.



SCOUTS CANOEING AT "NORTH COUNTRY ADVENTURE CAMP"

During the late spring and early summer of 1972 a great number of man hours were spent by Suffolk County volunteer leaders in "bush-whacking" out areas to serve as Troop campsites, central staff headquarters, waterfront area, field sports areas, etc. Further credit was due these volunteers since they had to drive roughly 350 miles (one way) to reach the campsite—and endure the onslaughts of the legendary Adirondack "No-See-Ums" and vicious Black Flies. Certainly it was a "Banner Year" for the sale of various obnoxious-smelling homemade bug dopes offered by old timers in the nearby villages of Blue Mountain Lake, Long Lake and Tupper Lake.

The 1972 North Country Adventure Camp was operated over four eight-day periods, beginning on Saturday, July 29th, and closing on Sunday, August 27th. Arrangements were made to transport the contingents by busses, which departed from Smith Haven Mall on Saturday morning and returned eight days later on a Sunday afternoon.

Equipment provided by the camp included

patrol trail chef cook kits, griddles, cutlery, cooking stoves, food boxes, patrol dining flies and program equipment. Troops could either bring their own tentage or rent it from the Council at a nominal fee. Canoes, paddles and life jackets were also provided by the camp for those wishing to take advantage of the opportunities for canoe trips on the water routes in and around the Sabattis Scout reservation. Needless to say, this was a highly popular activity.

The North Country Adventure Camp offered troops a unique opportunity to practice the skills required in the self-reliant camping. The Patrol Method, originated by Scouting's founder, Lord Robert Baden-Powell, was used extensively in the operation of the camp. All meals were prepared by the patrols (Jamboree style) from raw foods and trail food packages issued each day by the camp commissary. The "Rotation System" was used within the patrols to give each Scout the opportunity to share in the various chores (meal preparation, cooking, serving, clean-up, etc.). In line with the self-reliant theme, the program at



SCOUTS LEARN EROSION CONTROL AT NORTH COUNTRY ADVENTURE CAMP

North Country Adventure Camp was planned and carried out by the troops and patrols with assistance, when requested, by a small central staff. Wilderness camping activities, including canoe trips, fishing, out-post camping and hiking expeditions, mountain climbing and conservation projects, were enjoyed by North Country campers.

Among the four-legged Adirondack "natives" who visited Suffolk Scouts' new living quarters were black bears and their cubs. It didn't take long for the Scouts from suburbia to learn that hungry bears show no respect for tents, packs or sleeping bags containing cookies, candies and other goodies. The hoisting of "Bear Bags" became a quickly acquired camping gimmick. Close-up encounters with white-tailed deer, the frequent sighting of beaver dams in the making, the forlorn call of the loon... all left lasting memories for Suffolk Scouts and Scouters who will always treasure their North Country adventures.

A contingent of 120 Scouts and twelve leaders left on July 9, 1972, for a high adventure outing at Philmont Scout Reservation in the Sangre de

Cristo Mountains of Colorado. On November 14, 1972, Suffolk County Legislature Resolution #1017-1972 was adopted. This resolution called for the vesting of title and acquisition of property for County Park purposes at Camp Wilderness, Middle Island, Brookhaven. This meant that the County used its rights under the State's condemnation laws to take the camp for County use. The Boy Scout Council did not do too badly on the deal, as the County paid over \$4,000,000.00 for the camp which cost the Scout Council only \$170,000. The profit from this sale was used to pay off the Council debts and purchase the new camp in upstate New York, and still left over one million dollars to be put into a trust fund and collect the interest every year.

The new Scout Headquarters and Service Center opened on June 4, 1973. The address then was Industrial Boulevard, Medford, but it was changed in November of the year to Scouting Boulevard. The new office was a vast improvement over the Stony Brook location, as there was now room for a self-service supplies area. The First Annual Golf Tournament and Awards Dinner was also held that November,

both taking place on the 18th, at the Colonie Hill Country Club.

The first Woodbadge Course to be run by Suffolk County Council, NE III-5, was held at the Sabattis Scout Reservation over the week of July 21-18, 1973, with Axel Krigsmann as Scoutmaster. Woodbadge training, originally started by Baden Powell while Scouting was still in its infancy, is used to train Scout leaders to become better "leaders." The Woodbadge means "Badge of Wood," or the two wooden beads on the leather thong worn by Scouters who have earned them. The original "Badges of Wood" came from a necklace of beads Baden Powell received from a Zulu chief when he was in Africa, and he presented two to each of the original Scouters in his training course.

The summer of 1973 brought the largest Suffolk County Council contingent to Philmont to date, with 148 Scouts and Scouters making the trek. Another National Jamboree was also held this year, and the group from Suffolk numbered



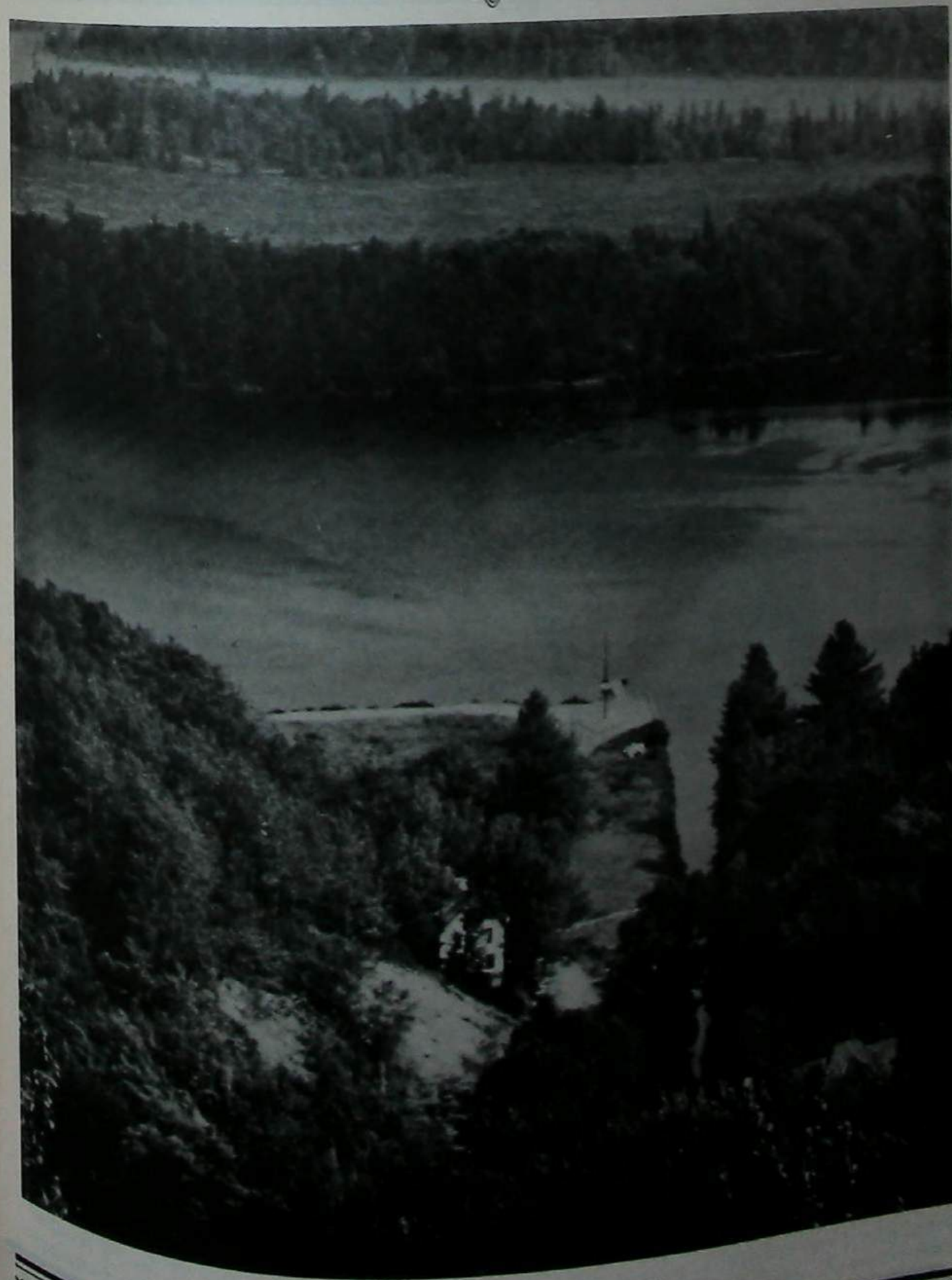
123 going to the Jamboree East in Moraine State Park, Pennsylvania, while only one troop made the trip to Jamboree West at Farragut State Park, Idaho. A Suffolk Scout group of 89 went to the Charles R. Sommars Canoe Base at the Maine National High Adventure Camp for the first time that summer of 1973. The year ended with the resignation of Council Scout Executive, Robert L. Rose. He left Suffolk County Council to accept his new position as Associate area director for New England.

Albert C. Smith was named the New Scout Executive for Suffolk County Council as of January 1, 1974. Mr. Smith came to Suffolk from his former position as Area Director of Field Operations for upstate New York. Council President H. Lee Dennison made the announcement of the purchase of 2,200 acres of land in the Adirondacks to be used as a Scout camp. The tract of land known as Hitchins Park was approximately 325 miles from Suffolk County via the Adirondack Northway, Rt. 87, in the area of Tupper Lake. This property was decided upon after Lee Koppleman and Col. Alvin Blake spent a whole summer camping by themselves searching for an appropriate site for the Council's Upstate (off-island) camp. In addition to the acreage, the park contained Hitchins Pond, Middle Pond and North Pond. There were three miles of frontage on Low's Lake and nearly two miles on both sides of Bog River. The park property was completely self-sufficient with its dam for water and power supplies.

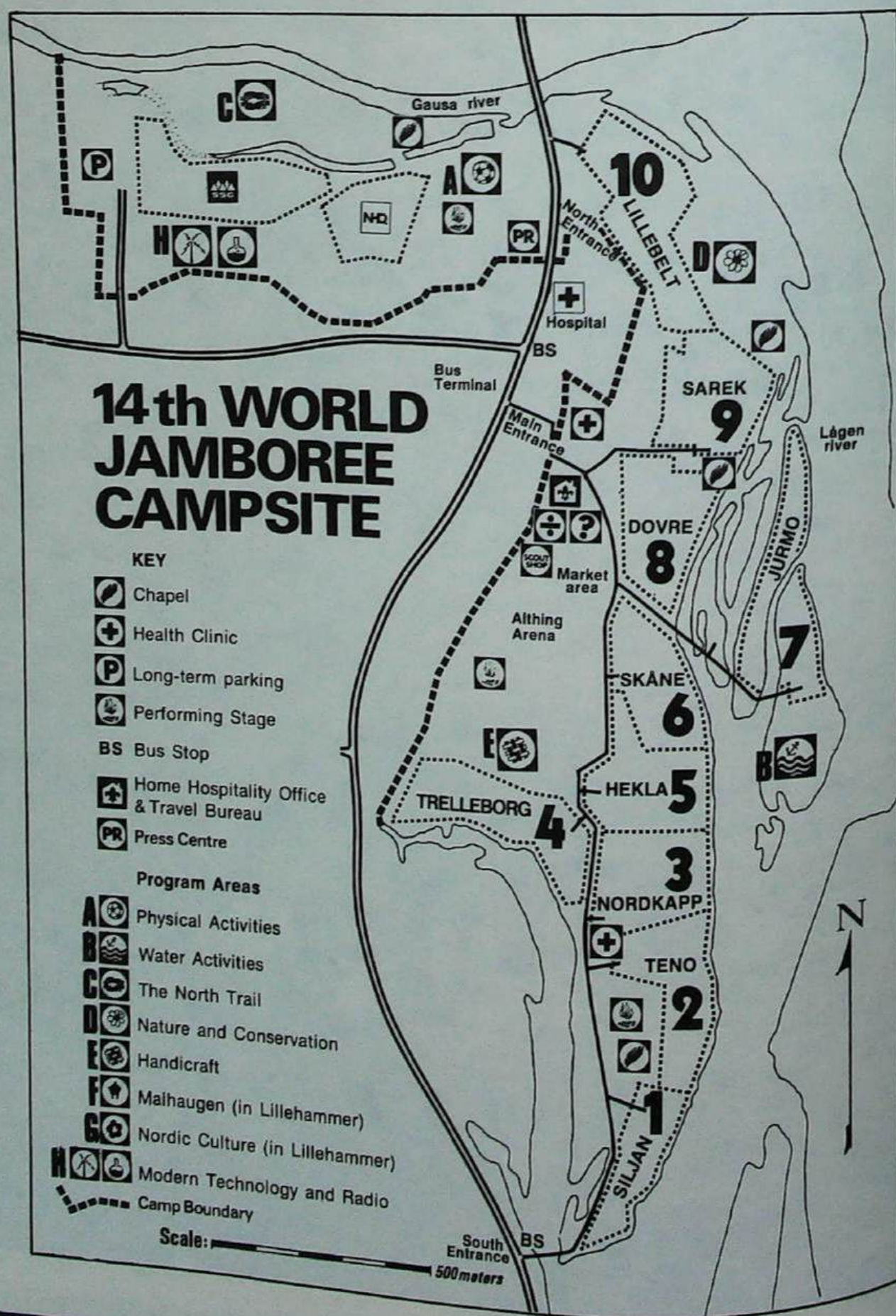
As of March 1, 1974, all Explorer Posts in Suffolk County Council came under the new Exploring Division, responsible to the Council Exploring Committee, with Col. Alvin J. Blake as Chairman.

On June 1 and 2, the Council Scout-O-Rama took place at the State University of New York at Stony Brook. Over 10,000 Scouts and Scouters participated in the tremendous display of indoor and outdoor exhibits. That summer of 1974, the Suffolk County Council operated a canoe base at its newly acquired Hitchins Park Scout Reservation. The base, located on Low's Lake, was the start of canoe trips through the Tupper and Branberry Lake regions. The 1974 Philmont tour topped the previous one by one Scout, bringing the total to 149 for the twelve day trek.

Council events for 1975 started off with a Cub Circus held on May 10th at Heckscher State Park. The Cub Packs put on ring acts, side shows and midway as well as many other events associated with a circus. The Cub theme was continued through the spring with a Cub Day Camp at Baiting Hollow. Bus transportation was provided for the Cubs who took part in either of the two one-week periods. As Cubs were not allowed to camp overnight, they were bussed to the camp each morning and home again in the afternoon. In addition to the summer camp season at the Council's camp at Baiting Hollow,



HITCHINS SCOUT RESERVATION



Hitchins Park Scout Reservation was put to use for canoe trips, backpacking trips, day hikes or plain old-fashioned camping.

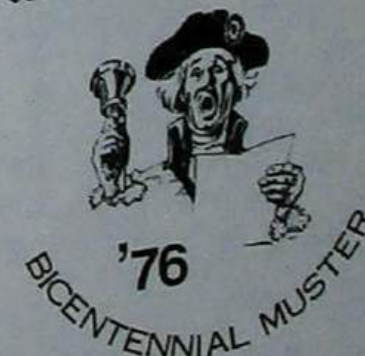
Two Suffolk County contingent Troops made the trip to Norway for the 1975 World Jamboree hosted by Norway, Denmark and Sweden. After spending the first half of the trip touring and spending time with Scandinavian families, they set up camp along with other Scouts from every country in the free world. The summer adventures of 1975 ended with the Suffolk County Council's 173-member contingent returning from Philmont.

The Council's fall membership roundup was given a boost when Julius Erving, "Dr. J.", star of the New York Nets, agreed to serve as Honorary Chairman. The Suffolk County Council was selected in the Fall of 1975, along with a few other Councils across the country, to participate in a pilot operation for unit fund raising. The product involved was GAF film and they provided the sales kits, advertising and other materials. Various items of used camp equipment, such as tentage, axes, lanterns, cook kits, compasses, stoves, rifles, ammo, canoes, sailboats, etc., were put up for sale by the Council on September 13th. Only registered Suffolk County Scouters were admitted to the sale, which took place at the camp Mess Hall.

After the sale of the Yaphank Scout Camp, it was felt that the Council Camp Master Corps was no longer needed. However, due to the increasing numbers of Troops using Baiting Hollow December of 1975.

1976 proved to be a very active Scouting year for the Suffolk County Council. The Twentieth Annual Eagle Recognition Dinner, held on February 17, 1976, had a special guest speaker. Alden G. Barber, then Chief Scout Executive for the Boy Scouts of America, gave the keynote address for all the Eagle Scouts and their sponsors. The Nassau County Council camp, Camp Wauwepex, just a short distance from Baiting Hollow, stopped operating as a long-term summer camp in 1976, and available space would be given to the Nassau Troops at Baiting Hollow. With this in mind, the Suffolk Troops were told in February to sign up early. The first weekend Woodbadge Course held by the Suffolk County Council took place over the March 5, 6, 7, March 19, 20, 21 and April 2, 3, 4, 1976, with a standard week-long course held later that year.

The weekend of May 14, 15, 16, 1976, was designated for our Council's salute of this Great Republic's 200th Birthday Anniversary. The Bicentennial Muster, as it was called, involved thousands of Scouts for the weekend at Heckscher State Park. On May 22, an orientation and introduction was conducted for the representatives of the twenty Troops who would be going to Hitchins Park Scout Reservation that summer of 1976, making it a "sold out" season. In May, 1976, the Suffolk County Eagle Association, with approval from the Executive Board, voted to disband the organization. At the same time, a local chapter of the National Eagle Scout Association was formed.



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On July 4, two birthdays were celebrated: America's 200th and Baiting Hollow's 50th. The birthday party at the camp was open to anyone who had used the camp during the last fifty years. Hitchins Park was used again that year for training when two Council Troop Leader Development Courses were held during the week of July 10-17 and the week of July 24-31, at a cost of \$80 per session.

The summer of 1976 was very special to four Suffolk County Eagle Scouts. As part of the



SCOUTS TAKE PART IN THE 1977 SCOUT TELETHON

Eagle Scout Bicentennial Celebration, the four Eagles earned their American Awareness Awards and were treated to an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C. to take part in the program with Eagles from all over the Country.

The sustaining membership rally on February 26th, 1977, held a special interest for the men, both young and old, who attended the Breakfast Rally that Saturday morning. Rina Messinger, Miss Universe, was on hand to present awards to the Troops and Packs. Anyone not taken with her looks and poise was certainly impressed by the fact that she was a pilot in the Israeli Air Force. The spring of 1977 put Baiting Hollow to use for training. The dates of April 2, May 22 and June 12 and 26 were set aside for skill awards, knife and axe, fishing and just about anything else that could be done at a Scout

camp, with instruction available for all. Suffolk County Council held its first Scout Telethon on May 1, 1977. The program was carried by Brookhaven Cable TV 6, Huntington Cable TV 6, Long Island Cablevision, TV 13, Suffolk Cablevision TV 6, and Teleprompter Cable TV 10. WLIX radio station also gave live broadcasts throughout the day.

Hitchins Park Scout Reservation had a new look for 1977. Rather than setting up their own camp on the shores of Bog River, the Scouts and Explorers moved into established campsites with tents, dining flies, cots, cook stoves, all set up along the shore line of Hitchins Pond. Every boy or leader going on a canoe trip received his own paddle to brand, paint and take back home as a keepsake. The Baiting Hollow Rifle Team of 1977 came in first in the Postal Rifle Matches



conducted each year under the auspices of the National Rifle Association. The camp team scores are recorded and sent to the N.R.A. for evaluation and to be compared with the scores of teams from other camps. The winners are determined by the N.R.A. without the teams actually competing with one another.

August 1 was the date that four and one half contingent Troops left for the 1977 National Scout Jamboree. At the Moraine State Park site, 135 boys and 13 leaders from Suffolk took part in the festivities, along with 28,000-plus other Scouts and Scouters.

Professional golf came in full force to Long Island in the summer of 1977. The LPGA and the Pinter Foundation joined forces to hold the Long Island Charity Classic. The August 10-14

event, held at the Colonie Hill, had Suffolk County Council Scouts and Explorers assisting with various portions of support services for the Tournament, including parking, security, raking, messengers, caddies and concessions. The four hundred-plus Scouts and Scouters were praised for their efforts by the Pinter Foundation, and the Council received a donation from them on behalf of the members who took part.

In keeping with the beauty at the SME Breakfast Rally theme set the year before, Miss U.S.A., Kimberly Louise Tones, made a guest appearance at the February 4, 1978 affair. The 52nd camp season opened on Sunday, July 9, at Baiting Hollow with the new kitchen in full operation. A joint High Adventure program with the Hiawatha Scout Reservation of



MISS U.S.A. JUDI ANDERSON AND NEW YORK YANKEE'S LOU PINELLA JOIN SCOUTS AT THE 1979 SME BREAKFAST RALLY



Syracuse Council was put to use for the 1978 summer, with Scouts from both Councils using one another's facilities. Together with Nassau County Council, a Webelos Scout Camp was held at Baiting Hollow from August 27th through the 31st. In addition to the Webelos Camp, each district held its own five-day Cub Day Camp.

The first Distinguished Eagle Scout Award to be presented by the Suffolk County Council, on behalf of the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America, was awarded to Jirah D.

were seven Scout Districts, one Explorer District, eleven full-time professionals, 375 chartered Partners, 552 Scout units, 8,000 adult volunteers and 18,279 young members.

A first for Suffolk County Council occurred in January, 1979, when Eagle Scout Jeff Herrman was elected National Chief of the Order of the Arrow. Not only was this a first for Suffolk, but it was the first time anyone from any of the Northeastern Councils was elected to this very prestigious office. During the next two years, Jeff traveled extensively throughout the nation in



fulfillment of his duties as National Chief and as the Youth Representative of the Scouting organization. During Scoutweek in February, 1979, Jeff was in Washington, D.C., where he delivered the Order of Arrow's Report to the nation. He also met with President Carter, then Honorary President of the Boy Scouts of America. As National Chief of the Order of the Arrow, Jeff served as Youth Representative on several national Scouting committees, including the Boy Scout Committee, the Program Development Committee and the National Camping Committee. Suffolk County Council's first Handi-



Camporee for Handicapped scouts was held at Baiting Hollow over the June 16-17 weekend. Fire-building, knot-tying, foil-cooking, archery, rifle shooting and boating were a few of the many events held at the Camporee. Saturday also held a fun-filled day of adventure for the Cubs of the County, with crafts and Cub skills adapted for them. After an active summer of long-term camping and High Adventure outings, the Scouts of the Suffolk County Council began to prepare for the "Long Island Roundup Blastoff." The Saturday, September 29th, Rally brought thousands of Scouts, Scout leaders, new recruits and parents together to the picnic grounds of Grumman Aerospace in Calverton. The Blastoff program of exhibits, displays and activities was not open to the general public, as its primary objective was to acquaint new recruits and their families with Scouting's

activities.

The very first Cub Leaders' Pow-Wow to be conducted on a council-wide level was held on Saturday, October 27, 1979, at the Islip Junior High School. The activity was designed for all leaders in the Cub program. There were programs for all, providing opportunity for experienced Cubbers to polish up a little as well as for newcomers to get off on the right foot.

During the 1979 Scout year, the Suffolk County Council put special emphasis on Scouting for the handicapped. The Council Advisory Committee on Scouting for the Handicapped had its activities funded through the Suffolk County Youth Bureau and the New York State Division for Youth. By the end of 1979 there were 19 special Scouting units bringing the Scout program to boys with disabilities.



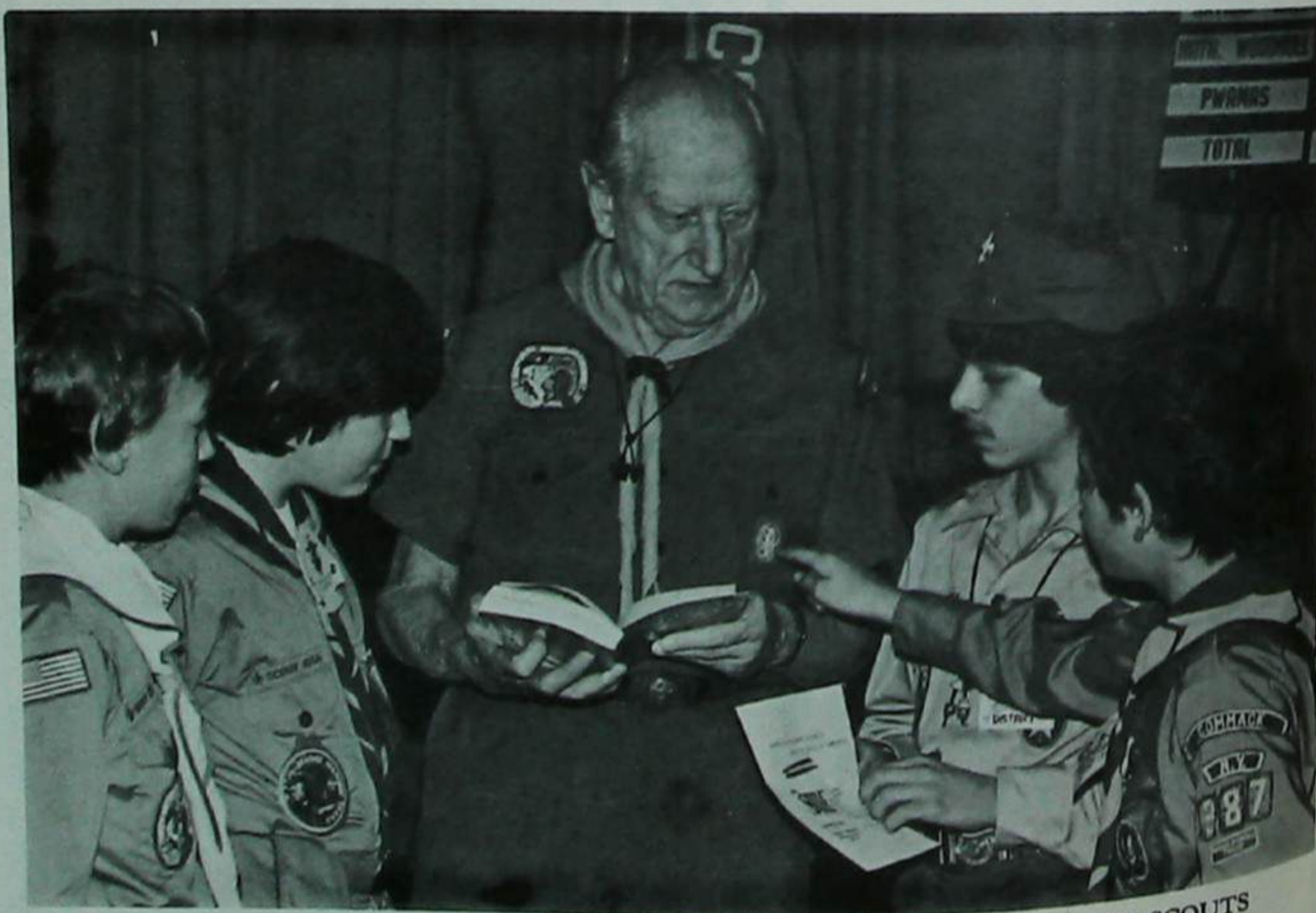
PROFICIENCY BADGES FOR THE SCOUTS IN HANDICAP DIVISION



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WILLIAM "GREEN BAR BILL" HILLCOURT SIGNING HANDBOOKS FOR SUFFOLK SCOUTS

1980 was the 50th anniversary of the Cub Scout Program for the Boy Scouts of America, and the Suffolk County Council celebrated with a golden anniversary day at Baiting Hollow Scout Camp. The May 31st events included kite flying, fishing and a pinewood derby, as well as refreshments for all. May was also District Expo month, with each district conducting its own program. The third Suffolk County Council Scouter to receive the Silver Antelope, the highest award given on a regional level, received it that May of 1980. Brig. Gen. Alvin J. Blake was presented with the Silver Antelope in connection with the National Scout Biannual Convention in New Orleans. "The Fabulous Human Machine" was the theme for the September 12th-14th weekend organized by the Suffolk County Council in conjunction with the Great Peconic Bay Half Marathon, which had attracted over 600 runners to the Sag Harbor area for the previous two years. Other events planned for the weekend included a golf tournament, a bicycle

race, a canoe race, a sailing race, dog sled races and competition in orienteering.

The Council became aware of the fact that some boys of Scout age were confined to their homes due to illness or a handicap. Arrangements were made to bring the "Wonderful World of Scouting" to them by reinstating the Lone Scout Program. The Order of the Arrow band was formed. It was called the Shinnecock Jazz and would be available to perform at any Scout function.

The first membership gain in almost ten years started off the 1981 Scout year with 555 Scout units totaling close to 18,300 youth members. The Council was on an upward enrollment. William Hillcourt, better known as "Green Bar Bill," was the guest of honor at the February 7, 1981, S.M.E. Breakfast Rally. Active in scouting since 1911, Mr. Hillcourt authored many Scouting books, including the current Boy Scout Handbook. A change of Scout Executives took place in May of 1981. Albert L. Smith left to

assume his new role in the Valley Forge Council, Pennsylvania, while our new executive, John A. "Jack" Brown came to us from the George Washington Council in New Jersey. Jeff Herman was in the news again in 1981 when he received the Boy Scouts of America's National Young American Award. The award was one of the only five given that year.

Billed as the greatest Scout Show on Earth, the "Scouting for Better Life on Long Island" show was held at Eisenhower Park, East Meadow, over the June 5-6-7 weekend. The five-

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part show, of the encampment itself, action skill displays, super Scout camp fire, district activity stations and competitive skills events, was a combined effort by the Suffolk County Council and the Nassau County Council.

The summer of 1981 was a busy one for the Scouts of Suffolk. Fort A.P. Hill, Virginia, hosted the 1981 National Scout Jamboree, with eight Troops from Suffolk in attendance. There were more Troops from the Suffolk County Council than from any other Council in the B.S.A. Baiting Hollow's 55th season ran from July 5 to August 15, while the Council's North Country High Adventure Base at Hitchins Scout Reservation Upstate New York offered activities during the same time period. Two crews of Senior Scouts and Explorers made the trip to Philmont New Mexico during June 28 to July 12.



The New York Arrows, indoor soccer team and league champions, lent their support for the 1981 Fall Scout Roundup. In addition to giving tickets to games, the team supplied two co-chairmen to head up the project. In the fall of 1981, the sale of the "Wet Lands" at Baiting Hollow, to the state, became final. The "Wet Lands" are the beach front on the sound and the marsh land just to the south. On October 14, 1981, the State of New York presented the Suffolk County Council with a check for \$302,000.00 in payment for the land. The camp still has the use of this area even though the Council no longer owns it.

The February, 1982, Boys' Life Magazine section, "Scouts in Action," was headlined "Rescued from Icy Waters." The story featured Suffolk County Council Scout, Anthony Chiviano, of Troop 60, Lindenhurst. Tony received the Medal for Heroism for the rescue of a friend. It was the first time a Suffolk Scout was featured in that Boys' Life section.



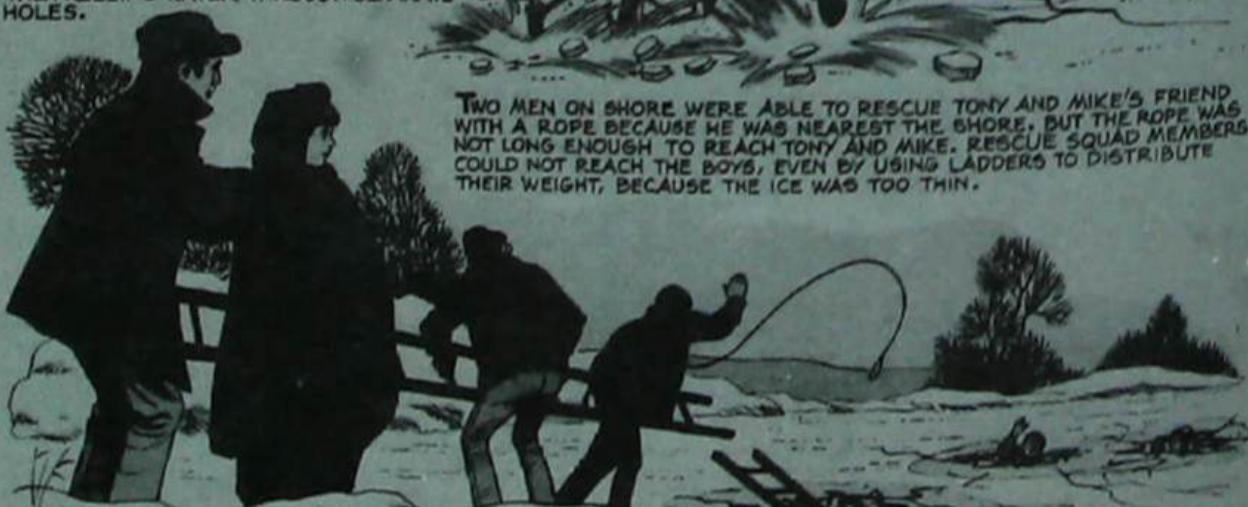
A TIME FOR SCOUTS IN ACTION

Rescued from Icy Waters!

ANTHONY CHIUSANO, 14, HIS COUSIN MICHAEL SCARANGELLA, 10, AND A FRIEND WERE RIDING THEIR BIKES ACROSS THE ICE OF FROZEN GREAT SOUTH BAY IN LINDENHURST, N.Y., ON JAN. 25, 1981. SUDDENLY, THE ICE BENEATH THEM BROKE AND ALL THREE FELL INTO THE FREEZING WATER THROUGH SEPARATE HOLES.



TWO MEN ON SHORE WERE ABLE TO RESCUE TONY AND MIKE'S FRIEND WITH A ROPE BECAUSE HE WAS NEAREST THE SHORE. BUT THE ROPE WAS NOT LONG ENOUGH TO REACH TONY AND MIKE. RESCUE SQUAD MEMBERS COULD NOT REACH THE BOYS, EVEN BY USING LADDERS TO DISTRIBUTE THEIR WEIGHT, BECAUSE THE ICE WAS TOO THIN.



WHEN MIKE BECAME EXHAUSTED AND BEGAN TO PANIC, TONY BROKE THROUGH THE ICE BETWEEN THEM AND SUPPORTED MIKE AGAINST THE ICE FOR 30 MINUTES. IN THE NUMBING WATER, MIKE BECAME UNCONSCIOUS AND SLIPPED BENEATH THE WATER. BUT TONY RETRIEVED HIM AND HELD HIM UP UNTIL A POLICE HELICOPTER ARRIVED TO COMPLETE THE RESCUE.



BY BEING PHYSICALLY FIT, STAYING CALM AND USING HIS HEAD, TONY SAVED HIS COUSIN'S LIFE AND EXEMPLIFIED THE SCOUTING TRADITION OF SELFLESS SERVICE.

ANTHONY CHIUSANO, A 6-STAR SCOUT WITH TROOP 60, CHARTERED TO ST. JOHN'S CHURCH IN LINDENHURST, WAS AWARDED THE MEDAL FOR HEROISM FOR HIS ACTIONS.

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The F.D.R. Division of Suffolk County Council came into official status, March 1, 1982, after three years of unofficial operation. The main reason for its existence was to offer programs, geared to the abilities of handicapped Scouts, which coincide with the programs and policies of the Boy Scouts of America. The concept was devised a few years before when a problem arose within our Council. As the awareness, by others, of disabled and handicapped people became more pronounced, it was found that we had a number of Scouts who were not being properly serviced by Scouting. Their individual handicaps made it impossible for them to participate equally in programs geared to non-handicapped Boy Scouts.

The new Tiger Cub program began in 1982 for boys of a pre-cub age. The program, developed by the Boy Scouts of America, would be used to bring the fun of Scouting to the younger boy. The first Tiger Cub group in the Metropolitan area was started in the Suffolk County Council when a group was affiliated with Pack 333 of

Setauket. In conjunction with the Council's committee on handicapped Scouting, a very special camporee has been held for the past four years for all Scouts to participate in, regardless of ability. Now that the new F.D.R. division was in full swing, the fifth "We are Capable" Camporee was held over the June 3, 4, 5 weekend. Over 150 special Scouts from not only Suffolk, but Nassau County Council, Westchester and New Jersey, attended the Camporee, assisted by 100 Order of the Arrow members.



CUBS AT CUBDAY CAMP



August 28, 1982, to September 5, 1982, a Woodbadge course was held by Suffolk County Council at Baiting Hollow for the first time. Prior to this all courses had been held off Island. Out of the 120 Councils in the North East Region, Suffolk County Council ranked fourth in total enrollment in 1982.

With the addition of the Tiger Cub Program and the F.D.R. Division, the Suffolk County Council showed gains in membership for the third straight year. By the start of the 1983 Scout year, the Council had grown to 574 Scout units, with total youth membership at 19,604.

For the second time since 1920, the World Scout Jamboree was held in North America, from June 30th through July 16th, 1983. It took place in Calgary, Canada. In 1967 the North American location was in Idaho, U.S.A.

Specialty camps were the theme for the 1983 Baiting Hollow season. In addition to Bike

Camp, Aquatics Camp and Field Sports Camp, three new programs were added. Troop leader training camp was an in-camp training program for boy leaders designed to develop personal leadership and scoutcraft skills. The Fifty Miler Afoot-Afloat ran two periods: The trip included backpacking and canoeing to total fifty miles required for the Award. Perhaps most important for the older boys was the new Eagle Candidate Camp. This Camp was available to Life Scouts working towards Eagle. All merit badges required for Eagle were available from specially prepared counselors. There were also sessions on finding, developing, carrying out, and evaluating an Eagle project, as well as a session on the paperwork involved in the Eagle Award Application, and preparing for the Eagle Board of Review.

On November 18, 1983, nine-year-old Jeffrey Gulle of Oakdale made history when he joined

Cub Pack 435 and became the Suffolk County Councils 20,000th youth member. A number of gifts were bestowed upon him, to celebrate the event, including a free uniform and a free week at Cub Day Camp.

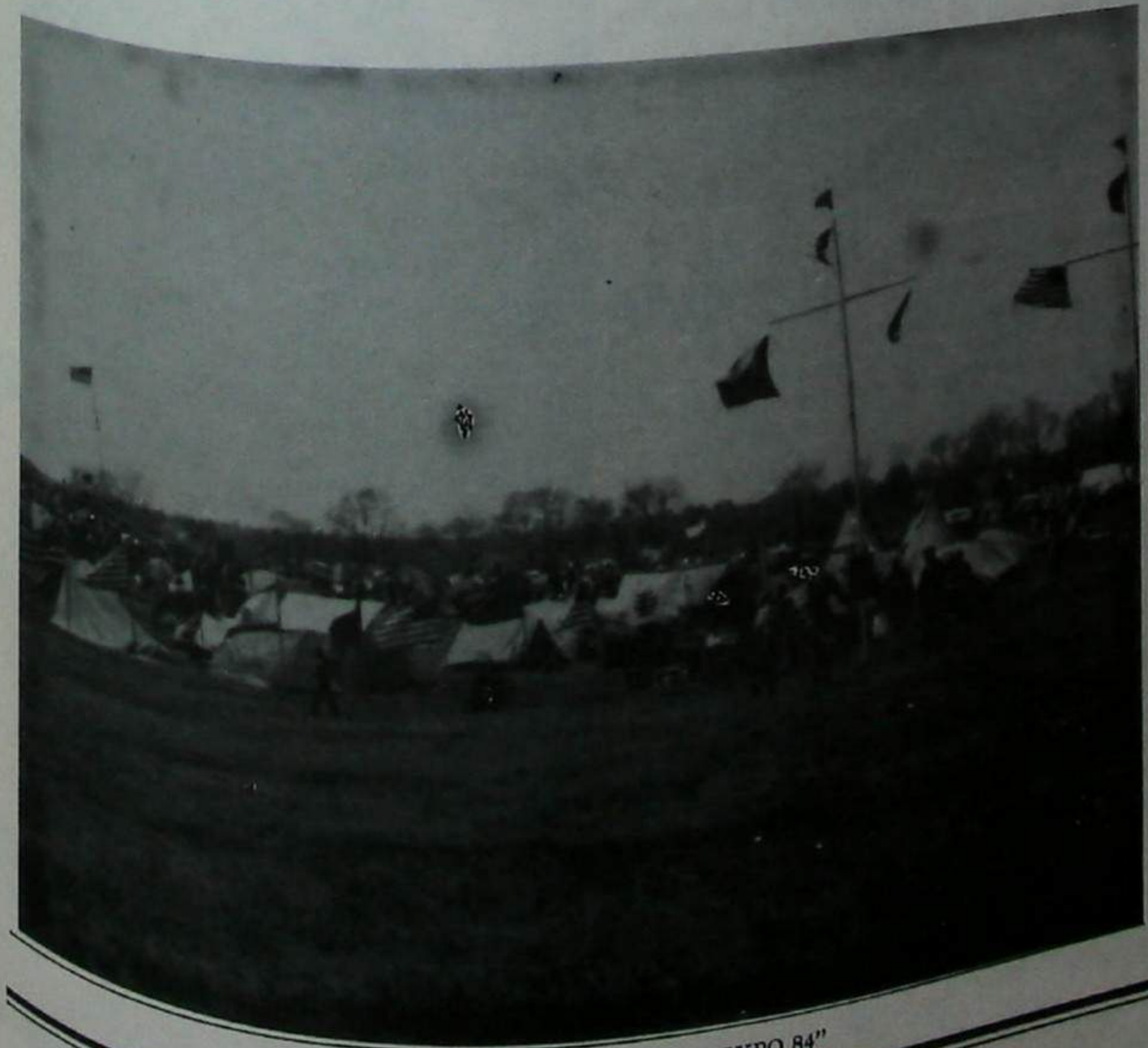
Over 6,000 Scouts and leaders, representing 200 Scout units, gathered from throughout the County to take part in the "Expo 84" held at Grumman over the May 4-6 weekend. The events included action displays and show and do's. The actual encampment was topped off by the Saturday night show. With the success of the Eagle Candidate Camp held the year before at Baiting Hollow, a second specialty camp for Life Scouts was held the summer of 1984. A full six weeks of camping were run, that year, in addition to the four specialty camps the same as the year before.



ACTIVITIES AT "EXPO 84"



JEFFREY GULLE JOINS THE CUB SCOUTS



SCOUT ENCAMPMENT AT "EXPO 84"



After seven years of extensive field testing, the Boy Scouts of America kicked off its new "Varsity Scout" program in the fall of 1984. This new program was designed for boys 14 through 17 years old and specifically aimed at the nearly 90 percent of the boys in that age bracket who had never been in Scouting. High adventure was heavily emphasized as well as encouragement to advance in rank towards Eagle. Work on service projects, participation in special programs at Council, Regional and National levels, continued personal development in leadership, physical fitness, citizenship and social and spiritual fields were also stressed. The new varsity Scout units would be called Teams, with the first Team in Suffolk County being Team 65 of Coram.

The Shinnecock Lodge of the Order of the Arrow hosted the 1984 section conclave, September 14-16, at Baiting Hollow. It had been many years since the Suffolk County Council, Order of the Arrow Lodge, had hosted this event.

1985 brought with it a lot of activity for the Scouts of the Suffolk County Council. In February of that year, The Diamond Jubilee for the Boy Scouts of America was celebrated. To help with this seventy-fifth anniversary, the Council produced a "Guidebook of Jubilee Activities." The book described each of the Jubilee activities available to the Scout units and how the souvenir patches could be earned.

Many summer adventures were planned for the Cubs of Suffolk in 1985. New for that year was the Mom and Me Weekend just like a Cub/Dad Weekend. A Webelos Camp was offered August 18-22 for Cubs to earn their Webelos Activity Badges. A new Cub Bridge Camp, held from July 21-27 and July 28-August 3, was held to help the Webelos Cubs cross the bridge to Boy Scouts, by introducing them to basic Scout skills. Following the success of the summer Cub/Dad weekends, a fall weekend was held. A new specialty week for Scouts was added the summer of 1985 when a week of Computer Camp was run from August 4 to 10. Taking part in the Baiting Hollow events that year were twenty-four English Scouts. They spent two weeks at Baiting Hollow and one week with American Scout host families.

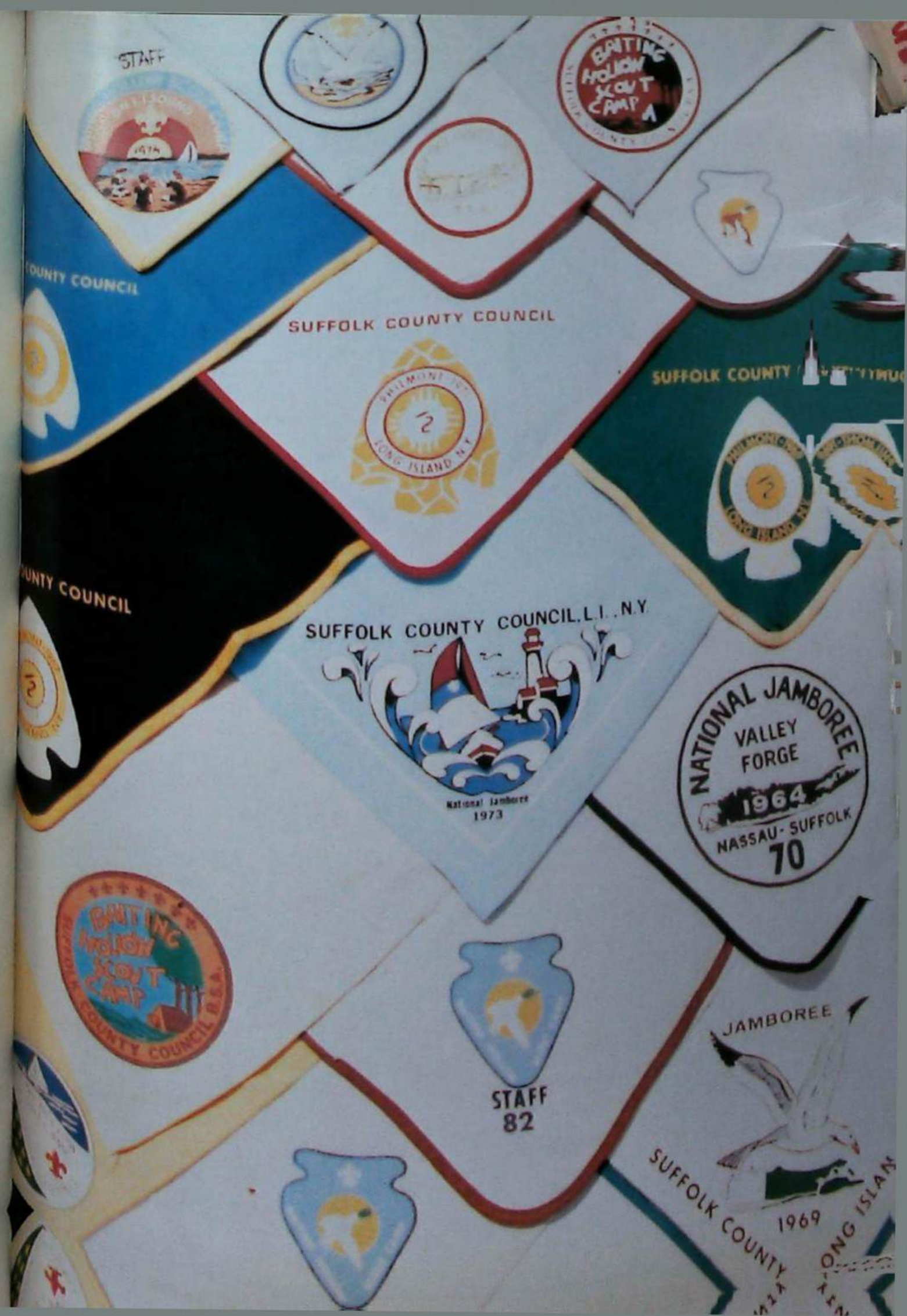
Another big event for the 1985 year was the National Jamboree at Fort A.P. Hill, Virginia. Suffolk County Council sent five troops of 195

Scouts and 22 leaders. A highlight came for one of the Suffolk Scouts, John Brodt; he was the first Scout from Suffolk County to play in the Jamboree Band. The national Scouting Booth at the Jamboree was designed, built and manned by the Scouters of the Suffolk County Council under the direction of National Council member General Alvin J. Blake and Mr. Anderson of the Garvin Advertising Company. It won the top exhibitor award.

The first All Faiths Retreat was held in the West Hills Park in Huntington over the September 19-21, 1985, weekend. Officially titled "The Brotherhood of Scouting All Faiths Retreat," it has 467 Scouts and leaders, as well as 73 volunteers to help run the conclave.



JOEY LYNCH, SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL
"SPECIAL SCOUTING" POSTER

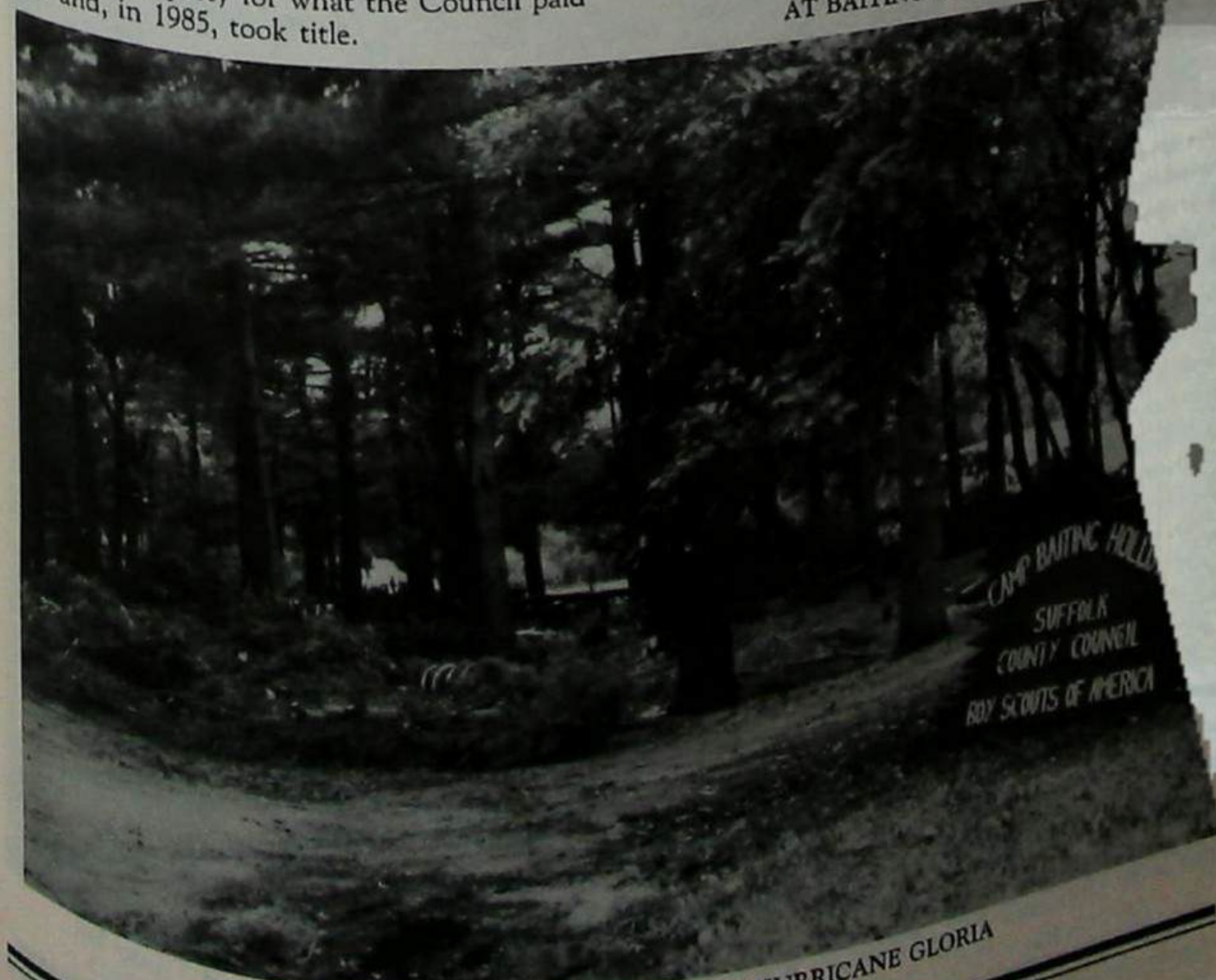


In October, Hurricane Gloria paid a visit to Baiting Hollow and, after it left, the camp had to be closed. The wreckage caused by its fury was extensive. More than 300 trees were downed, causing extensive destruction to campsites. Electric lines were down and there was damage to the mess hall foundation.

The Medford Scout Council Office was also struck and needed a new roof. The damage at the camp caused the postponement of the Council's Commissioners' Conference and the Council Showando. In the mid-1980's it became apparent that the Hitchens Scout Reservation, purchased in the 70's, was under-used and operating at a loss. The main reason for this was that the camp was an eight-hour drive from Suffolk County, which just about ruled out weekend use. It was never used to its capacity for summer programs, and a lot of scouters would not travel the distance for training courses. It was decided that the camp would be sold. The State of New York bought the property for what the Council paid for it and, in 1985, took title.



HURRICANE GLORIA DAMAGE
AT BAITING HOLLOW



TREES & CAMP SIGN DOWN AFTER HURRICANE GLORIA



TROOP 404, SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL'S ON TO ENGLAND CONTINGENT, LEAVE KENNEDY AIRPORT ON MONDAY, JULY 28, 1986, ENROUTE TO ENGLAND. THE TROOP RETURNED ON AUGUST 18, 1986.

1986 started off with plans to send a Suffolk County contingent Troop to England in the summer as part of the exchange Scouting program that began when the English Scouts were in Suffolk the summer before.

Expo "86" was to be the biggest event to date for the Suffolk County Council. The May 2, 3, 4 weekend was to celebrate the Council's 60th anniversary, as of the start of 1986, since it was thought that the Council was formed in 1926 when it was actually formed in 1919. Much work and planning went into the event, to be held at the Grumman site in Calverton, before

it had to be cancelled due to administrative problems at Grumman.

The Suffolk County Council acted as the Service Corps for the historic 1986 U.S. Open Championship that was held at the Shinnecock Golf Club, June 9 through June 15. The Scouts and Scouters helped in keeping the grounds neat, served as runners and scorers and worked any other areas needed. July 3, 4, 5, 1986, offered a new program at Baiting Hollow when the Council's first Family Camping Weekend was held. The thirty-six Scouts and six leaders of the Suffolk County Council England Troop left



Kennedy Airport on July 28, 1986, for their three-week stay. The trip included two weeks with English host families and a week at Kingsdown International Scout Camp atop the white cliffs of Dover overlooking the English Channel. Baiting Hollow ran eight specialty weeks as well as their regular summer camp program for the summer of 1986. The Third Annual College of Commissioner Science was held at Bayberry Land, Southampton, September 26, 27 and 28. The theme was "Prepare to Serve," and courses were taught to help council commissioners and Scouters attain their certificates and degrees in Commissioner Science. After the success of the summer Mom and Me Cub weekends, a fall weekend was planned for Baiting Hollow.

The fall Order of the Arrow weekend of November 1 and 2 at Baiting Hollow did not have an auspicious beginning when the camp storeroom and workshop burned to the ground just a day earlier. The fire destroyed not only

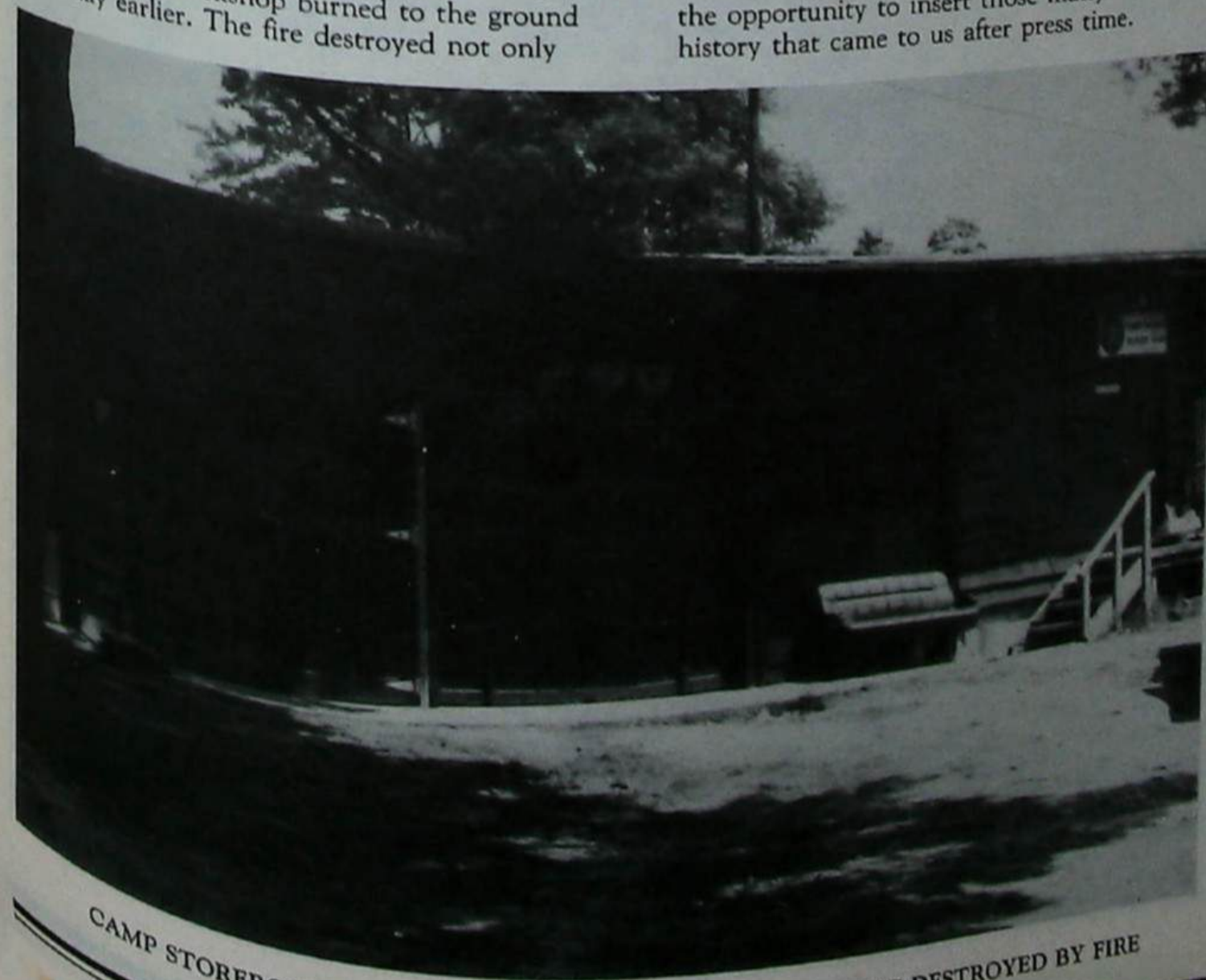
the building, but the camp supplies, equipment and all the tools and machines in the workshop.

The Suffolk County Council chapter of the National Eagle Association, "NESA," had its third annual dinner on November 11, highlighted by a slide presentation on the history of the Eagle badge.

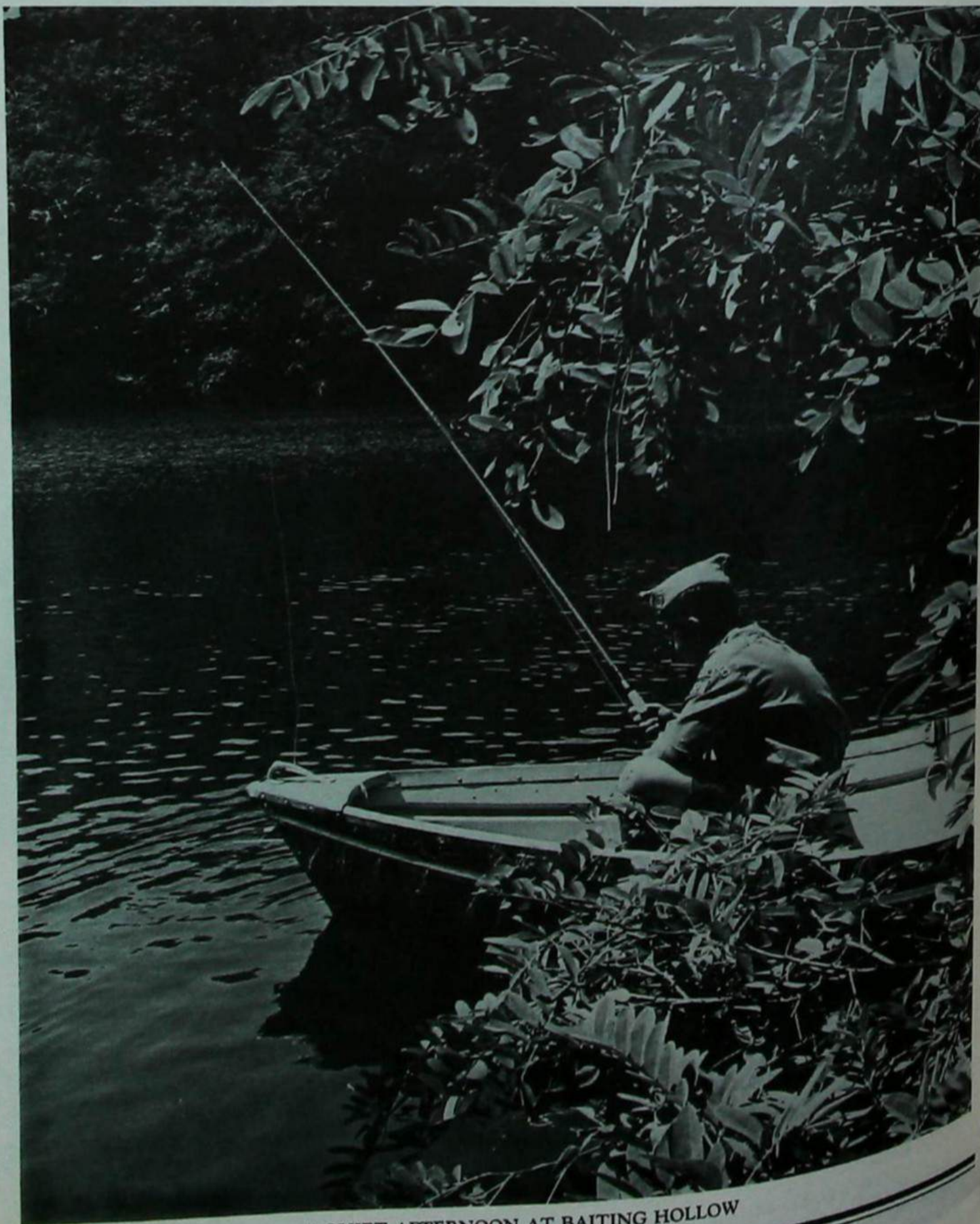
The Distinguished Citizen Award Dinner was held at the Colonie Hill in Hauppauge, on December 5, 1986, and closed out the Council events for the year.

A fourth national award for service on the regional level was received by a member of Suffolk County Council, when the Silver Antelope was presented to George T. Hoffman in 1986.

Some things are happening as we go to press, and it is planned that an update of the history of our Council will be written in 1990, its 71st birthday. Also, the Council historian will have the opportunity to insert those many bits of history that came to us after press time.



CAMP STOREROOM & WORKSHOP THE SUMMER BEFORE BEING DESTROYED BY FIRE



A QUIET AFTERNOON AT BAITING HOLLOW



THIS HIKE IS OVER



CHAPTER ELEVEN

Scouting's Future in Suffolk County



1989 will celebrate Suffolk County Council's seventieth anniversary. As we look forward to scouting in Suffolk in its eighth decade, we can anticipate some changes. According to a report prepared by the Council Long Range Planning Committee, a number of recommendations were made for the future of the Council. Even though statistics show that by 1990 the school age population of Suffolk is expected to decline by 2.6% in the 10-14 age group and 24.8% in the 15 and older age group, it is still expected that Scout membership will increase. Estimates were given to reflect the following: By the year 1990, total Scout units should reach 683, with total Scout membership reaching 26,995. These figures represent an increase of nearly 50 scout units and 2500 scouts over the 1986 figures. In order to accommodate these increases, it was recommended that the professional staff be increased, bringing the total to 17 professionals, and the clerical staff increased by 2 full-time and 1 part-time respectively, over the 1986 figures. It was also recommended that the summer camp staff be raised from 40 to 48 by the year 1990.

The Council training program is good but could still use some improvement. The Planning Committee suggests that "Every Boy Deserves A trained Leader" should be the slogan of the

Council Training Committee into the next decade.

With the sale of Camp Wilderness and Hitchens Scout Reservation, the Council's only camp is Baiting Hollow. In order to use this camp to its fullest into 1990, the Planning Committee recommends that a swimming pool and showerhouse be built, leaving Lake Arrowhead for boating. The Committee further recommends renovations of the kitchen in the dining hall, as well as new roof, resurfacing of the parking lot and upper roadway and reconstructing the lower roadway. The long-range plan by the Council Committee was prepared many months before the storage and workshop building burned down. However, in that report the refurbishing and enlarging of that building had been recommended. Other proposals include the modernization and winterization of the camp's eight out-buildings and construction of modern flush toilet facilities in order to meet the Suffolk County Health Code requirements. It is the opinion of all those who are concerned about the welfare of our youth that, if we continue to dedicate our efforts to the ideals of Scouting, the Suffolk County Council will continue to grow and prosper in the years to come and it will maintain its high standing in the national rankings of the Boy Scouts of America.

APPENDIX





PAST SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL, B.S.A. EXECUTIVES



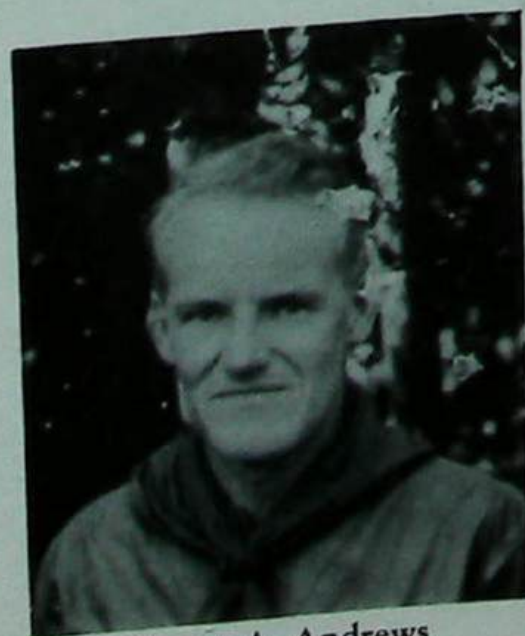
Frank C. Cobb
1919-1922



A. Royce Wolfe
1925-1928



R.P. Anderson
1928-1943



Ernest A. Andrews
1943-1946



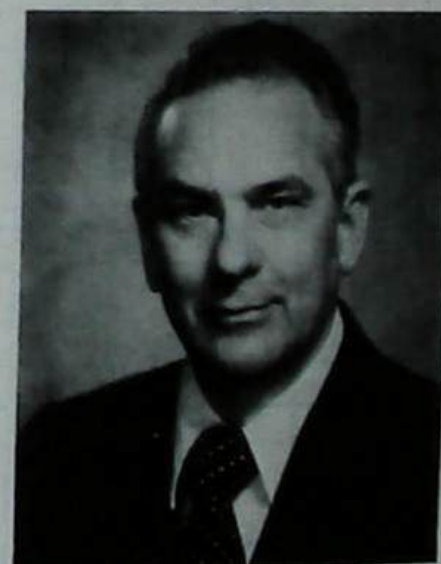
Daniel W. Earle
1946-1949



PAST SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL, B.S.A. EXECUTIVES



Ralph T. Gemmel
1950-1960



Frank R. Fultz
1961-1969



Frank H. Collins
1970-1972



Robert L. Rose
1972-1973



Albert L. Smith
1974-1981



SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

FIRST EAGLE 1918

Year	Scouts	Boy Scouts	Cubs	Explorers	Sea Scouts Ships	Air Scout Squadron	Explorer Scout Posts	Explorer Units	Troops	Pack	Adults	Cub Leader	Eagles
1919	1065								43		63		
1920	1200								50				2
1921	1160								56				
1922	964								47				1
1923	768								38				3
1924	572								29		72		5
1925	373								19		74		1
1926	838								35		101		6
1927	1036								49				10
1928	1407								69				9
1929	1432								68				8
1930	1494								82	11	797	41	19
1931	1801								75	9	654	26	14
1932	1627								72	7	698	19	8
1933	1613								70	10	481	7	5
1934	1478								65	4	461	9	10
1935	1433								65	5	621	14	5
1936	1460								76	11	620	17	8
1937	1462								73	10	641	27	18
1938	1526								74	10	756	85	12
1939	1748								85	26	810	115	7
1940	1799								88	21	923	63	7
1941	1910								92	12	824	57	9
1942	1804								87	13	446	100	15
1943	1556								77	17	609	135	7
1944	1740								79	18	663	175	4
1945	1632								81	22	731	277	7
1946	1736								81	30	733	445	6
1947	2056								85	42	798	620	24
1948	2100								85	49	835	729	35
1949	2409								90	52	888	787	54
1950	2475								93	60	856	1010	19
1951	2700								97	69	986	1207	6
1952	3000								102	67	1006	1047	12
1953	3197								99	68	1026	1600	23
1954	3636								103	94	1138	2032	31
1955	3869								112	111	1284	2208	25
1956									112	116	1583	2228	20
1957									125	120	1746	2200	39
1958									132	126	1723	2464	40
1959									138	139	1886	2498	41
1960									148	148	1872	2651	44
1961									154	149	2010	3273	74
1962									170	156	1900	3721	46
1963									172	174	2522		58
1964									169	197			
1965									184	221			
1966									205	238			
1967									224				



Suffolk County Council Membership (cont'd)

Year	Youth Members	Adult Members	Units	Eagles
1968	25496	8282	640	71
1969	26605	8743	668	82
1970	28176	9392	707	66
1971	29631	9877	744	89
1972	32015	10671	759	97
1973	30544	10181	770	163
1974	27694	9231	731	130
1975	27238	9079	697	99
1976	24327	8709	660	121
1977	22866	8312	631	124
1978	19949	7124	585	96
1979	18177	6491	552	121
1980	18528	6609	559	117
1981	18540	6618	555	113
1982	19604	6656	569	127
1983	21333	6564	574	127
1984	23281	6575	580	131
1985	25497	6334	596	132
1986	26630	6637	609	142

In 1986 Suffolk Council is 34th Largest Council in U.S.A.



WE, TOO, HAVE A JOB TO DO



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