

1963 Activities Planned For County Boy Scouts

The 53rd Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America will be celebrated in the St. Lawrence Council by the 77 different units in many different ways. Cub packs will be conducting their annual Blue and Gold Dinners for parents involved followed by awards of achievements earned in past months. Boy Scout Troops and Explorer Posts will be having Courts of Honor recognizing ranks earned conducting Open Houses and Scout-Dad Dinners.

One of the events this year being participated in by many units is a county-wide Boy Scout Week Window Display Contest. In display will be objects made during the year in Cubbing, flags, pictures, examples of camp fires, tenting and equipment displays, and all items used during the course of the year. Signs are to be included telling unit number, meeting place, leaders' name, and telephone number, and sponsoring organization. Ribbons will be awarded based on a point score basis.

Several activities being established by the Council Executive Board and the Oswegatchie District Committee are:

Local Boy Scouts in Potsdam will join with other Scouts across the nation next week in celebrating Boy Scouts of America Week from Feb. 7 through 13.

On this 53rd Anniversary of Boy Scouting, Scoutmaster Ernest Routh has entered Troop 15 in the Sandgralaw District Window Display Contest.

Local Scouts are busy completing a display in the window of the Sussman building, where Kriff's Store was located, this week. In the interest of Scouting, all residents are urged to stop by and see what kind of work the Boy Scouts have done.

Feb. 10 is Boy Scout Sunday and Scouts in Potsdam will attend church services in uniform.

A Parents Night has been planned for next Monday in the Civic Center starting with dinner at 6:15 p. m. The Rotary Club will make a charter presentation to the Scouts, followed by a Court of Honor and entertainment by the Order of the Arrow Dance Team.

trict Committee and Sandgralaw District Committee for the balance of the year are:

Year's Activities
A Klondike Derby involving "gold Nuggets", home made dog-sleds, snow shoes, and cooking out of doors in February.
A three-day training event for Volunteer Leaders called Scouters Rendezvous, is to be conducted at the New York State Ranger School, Wanakena, on Feb. 22-23-24.

A meeting of all Central School Superintendents and Principals, PTA Presidents and Guidance Directors is being arranged at the Canton Central High School with the Boy Scouts of America National Director of School Relationships on Monday Mar. 4.

An Air Encampment is being planned for Explorers to spend three days at Plattsburgh Air Force Base during Easter school vacation.

A possible Cubbing Kite Derby is scheduled for May.
A Council-wide Camp-O-Rail is being planned to take place in June at Barnhard Island State Park if all arrangements can be completed.

Cub Day Set
A Lion rank & Webelos rank Club Day is scheduled for Saturday, June 29 at the councils Camp Vigor-of-the-Woods, south of Parisville.



HEALTHY, HEARTY, AND HAPPY — These are the best words to be found to describe three young Boy Scouts from Potsdam, as they peer from their tent at the Courier photographer. This picture was taken last May at the Sandgralaw District Camporee. Activities similar to this have been planned for the coming months, as the county Scouts help celebrate their 53rd Anniversary.

Camp Vigor-of-the-Woods opens for a five-week summer session on Sunday, June 30 and closes on Saturday, Aug. 3.

Explorers representatives from each Explorer Post are expected to attend the two-state-wide Explorer Delegates Conference at Syracuse University on June 24, 25, & 26.

Camp Vigor state and national inspection is to be conducted on Wednesday, July 17.

The Explorer Planning Cabinet is arranging plans for a week-long canoe trip during late August into northern Canada. Several Explorers and adult leaders have reservations to travel to and spend 12 days at Scouting's western ranch, Philmont Ranch, at Cimarron, New Mexico.

Unit Leaders
All unit leaders are to meet on Aug. 7 for receiving supplies and do year long, unit program planning.

A National Training Conference for professional leaders is scheduled at the University of Illinois for several days in late August and first part of September.

A Scouting Fair of two and a half days and two nights is being prepared for mid-September to be conducted near the Ogdensburg-Prescott Bridge. Boy Scout Troops and Explorer Posts will camp overnight and put on demonstrations. Cub Packs are being invited to visit. It is expected that several Canadian Boy Scout Troops will be participating.

The successful 1963 Uniform Inspection Day of all Cubs, Boy Scouts, and Explorers will be repeated during September of 1963.

Volunteer Help
All of the foregoing events stem from successful unit operation due to parents and volunteer leaders participating and assisting their sons. Emphasizing Boy Scout Week and the importance of the unit, the following is taken from a presentation by the Chief Scout Executive of the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, Joseph A. Brunton, Jr. in a recent address:

"Most of the people who make Scouting happen for boys are clustered around the unit. Boys and their friends, their parents and relatives, the officers and members of their sponsoring institutions. For these people close to each unit and for the whole community, Boy Scout Week can serve to really put the spotlight on the scope of the Scouting program — on its outreach to the American life, and especially on the way Scouting not only gives the boy things to do, but things to live by. Our Boy Scout Week theme is 'Strengthen America... Be Prepared... Be Fit'.
"Let us use this important

Accident

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The accident occurred just 90 yards past the railroad crossing on Route 11, Potsdam. Police and the local Rescue Squad unit responded to the alarm with two ambulances, a rescue truck, and several men along with local police.

Dr. Hans Levi, coroner physician, pronounced Mr. Jones dead at the scene. He was removed to the Potsdam Hospital morgue.

The tractor-trailer rig was operated by Lee Tocci, 48, of Utica. He escaped injury although the trailer was badly damaged. The entire front on the Jones vehicle was a mass of mangled metal.

The accident is being investigated by Investigator Rex Rexford and Deputy Malcolm MacGregor of the Sheriff's Department.

The 1955 sedan the couple were operating at the time of the fatal crash was owned by Mrs. Thelma Lansign, an employee of the oil firm Mr. Jones managed.

Third Death
Jones was the third member of MCH, modern oil heat institute, to be killed in an auto accident within the past year.

Several months ago Lem Collette and George Madden of Ogdensburg were killed in a car crash near Canton.

Mr. Jones' mother and father were vacationing at Sobren, Fla., and Mrs. Jones rushed back to Gouverneur. His father, a retired banker, was too ill to make the trip.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 2 p. m. from the Sanctuary of the First Presbyterian Church of Gouverneur with the Rev. Frank R. Hossman, pastor, officiating. The couple had three children, Nancy, 14, Converse, 11 and Betsy, 4. They are in the care of Mrs. Beatrice Michens, the family housekeeper.
Born in Rome
Charles A. Jones was born May 4, 1927 in Rome, N. Y., the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Con-

Elm Trees

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only, and that the situation would have to be reviewed. The Board's decision last Monday was based on Anderson's report that the previous action of letting the theatre organization use the hall had caused protest and that, if the theatre group was permitted to use the auditorium, all organizations would have to be allowed the same privilege.

The contention of the representatives of the Potsdam Community Theatre, President Harold Holden and Assistant Treasurer Margaret Weitzmann, was that the Board and village should support the thespians as a needed cultural activity in

verse Jones. He was graduated from Rome Free Academy and Syracuse University. His wife was the former Frances Simons, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Simons of Gouverneur. She was graduated from Gouverneur High School in 1942 and later from Syracuse University. The couple were married July 26, 1947.

In 1950 Mr. Jones joined the W. B. Simons Fuel Company, which is presently known as the Simons Fuel and Supply Company. The company was owned and operated by Mrs. Jones' parents for a number of years. At the time of his death Mr. Simons operated the company. Mr. Jones was a veteran of two years in the Navy, serving in 1945 and '46.

Mr. Jones had been very active in scouting since 1950. He was Past President and a Charter member of the Gouverneur Rotary Club. A former director of the Gouverneur Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Jones served as a Special Agent for North West Mutual Life Insurance Company of Rome. Mr. Jones was also a member of the Gouverneur Elks Club, Country Club, National Speleological Society and the Roman Lodge 223 F and A M. He was an active member of the Presbyterian Church.

Farm Bureau State Institute

A Farm Bureau State Institute will be held at Hotel Utica in Utica today and tomorrow, according to Floyd M. Fisher of RD 1, Madrid, president of the St. Lawrence County Farm Bureau. Attending will be county leaders from throughout the state with County Presidents, and the county chairman of the Women's Committee, the membership committee, and the national affairs committee invited.

Purpose of the Institute is to furnish an opportunity to discuss effective methods in carrying out the Farm Bureau program.

The program will feature T. C. Peterson of Chicago, who heads the American Farm Bureau Program Development Division. E. H. Fallon, General Manager of GLF is scheduled as banquet speaker.

POLICE APPOINTMENTS
Police Commissioner William Lowe requested that Richard J. Brown be made a provisional patrolman with the Potsdam police force, and that Mildred Gilmore be appointed Clerk of the Traffic Court with the specific duty of issuing parking tickets in the downtown area. Both requests were granted.

After the regular meeting, the Board went into Executive Session, and then viewed the film on the Elm tree problem shown by Village Tree Warden Roland Cornish.

MYERS LETTER
Mayor Anderson read a letter from Elden Myers, property owner at 83 Maple St., who complained bitterly about the new restaurant which has been opened next to his home on 81 Maple St. by Stanley LaValley. Myers stated the gaudy signs and flashing lights on the outside of the home at 81 Maple, which has been converted into a restaurant, as well as the noise, was disturbing the residents in the neighborhood and depreciating the value of his property.

Village Attorney William Culey stated that if the complaint was found valid, action by the village could be taken. Mayor Anderson stated that LaValley had complied with all village regulations, and the restaurant had received a certificate from the State Board



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