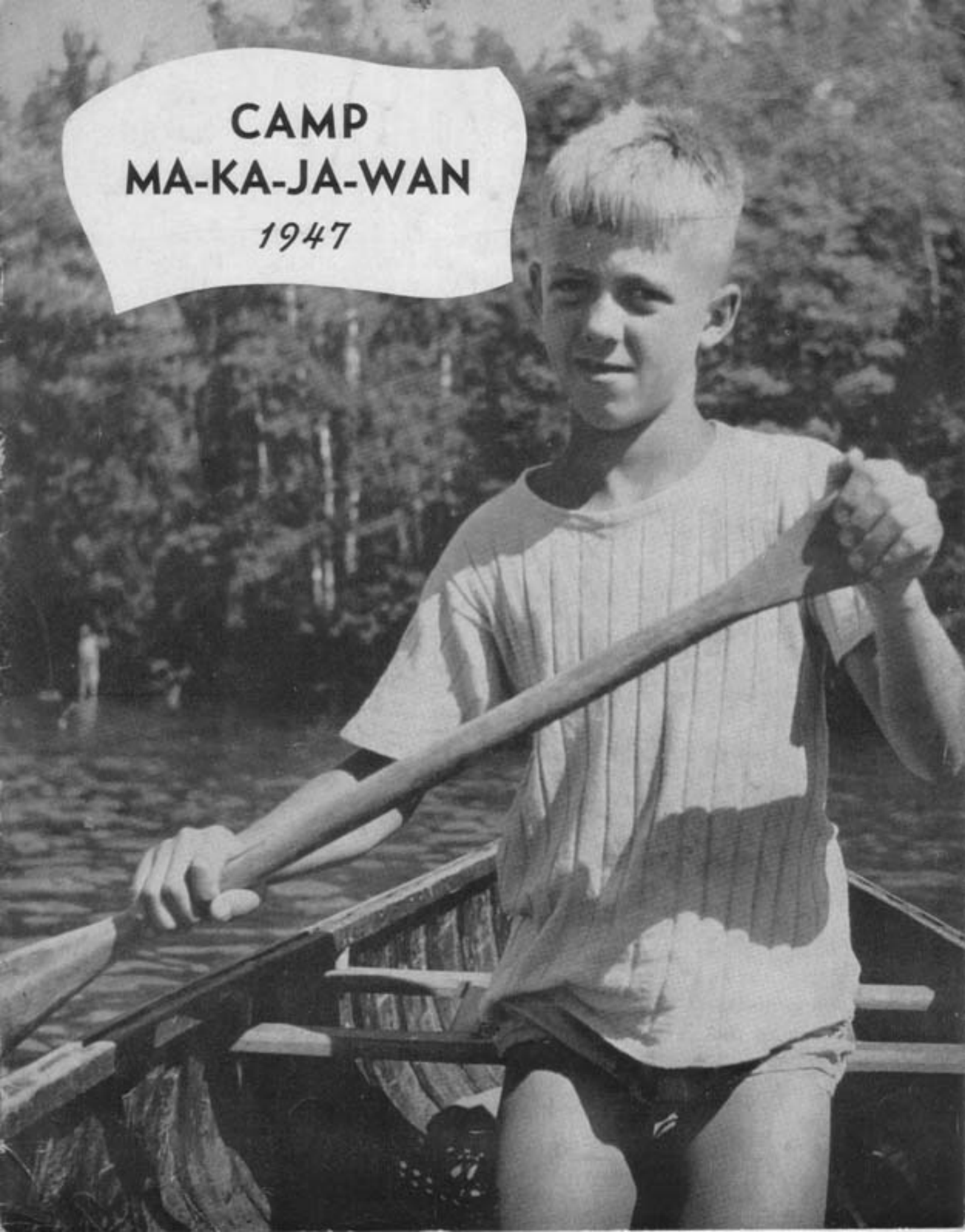


**CAMP  
MA-KA-JA-WAN**

*1947*



# An Open Letter to All Parents of Scouts

## DEAR PARENTS:

*Since way last summer, or since the day he entered Scouting, your son has been dreaming long, long dreams about Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan. To him it is part of his year-round Scouting -- A real chance to live, and play, and work with his fellow patrol and troop members . . .*

The pages of this Camp Folder of 1947 will give you information about Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan.

This is the nineteenth year of operation of this North Shore Area Council Camp, maintained for Scouts of this Council. Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan is comprised of 437 acres of timberland, and is 270 miles from the North Shore Area Council in the heart of the vacation-land of Wisconsin. The Council owns a complete lake—Spring Lake (Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan is Indian for Spring Lake). Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan is the camp that thousands of Scouts dream about with the coming of summer.

Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan has fifty-one buildings: a main lodge (frequently spoken of as the dining hall), headquarters office, Quartermaster building, store-house, Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan light and power building, hospital, museum, library, handicraft building, and eight cottages for permanent staff, boat house, waterfront building, Senior Camp Mess Hall, 29 Scout cabins, in addition to equipment for six Troops.

The record of Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan is one of the finest of any camp in the country. It has a waterfront that is the last word in safety, as well as in fun and accomplishment; an extremely cautious set-up of drinking water and all items of food and everything that goes into the program of health—this is Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan. If a registered physician is not available for full time duty in the camp, we will again use a registered nurse, with a registered M.D. on call 24 hours per day.

Parents considering having their sons attend this far-famed Council Scout Camp should know that it is only through the generosity of North Shore Area Council citizens in providing money for the Council budget that has made this camp possible. Only 60% of the cost of camp is paid for by the parent of the Scout. The other part is paid for through the Council budget. This low rate can be arranged only because the North Shore Area Council is a non-profit organization.

Respectfully,

THE NORTH SHORE AREA COUNCIL  
CAMP COMMITTEE

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## CAMP MA-KA-JA-WAN

A boy becomes a Scout to have fun. His greatest desire is to go camping—to camp and camp and still to camp some more. His hopes can best be realized by participating in the camping program provided for by the North Shore Area Council at Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan. As a matter of true fact this Scout doesn't have what the Scouting program provides unless he CAMPS and has fun in the great out-of-doors program.

Thousands of Scouts have camped at Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan—approximately 4000 of them. Old timers among Scout men, veterans in Camping and Adventure and Out-of-doors numbered in the many hundreds who have seen Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan acclaim it as one of the truly great camps of America. Everything is present at Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan to make it so—great rolling land, a pure spring-fed lake, hundreds of acres of woods, adjoining thousands of more acres of forest—a great Camp Staff—good wholesome food a plenty—a program developed for boys—special events—row boats, canoes, sail-boats, war canoes—safety, protection, health.

In 1946 Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan, an already beautiful, healthful, and well managed camp had its "face lifted." Nearly \$20,000—just think of it—was expended on capital improvements to make this camp even safer, more healthful, and to provide greater opportunities for real Scouts to do real Scouting and Camping. The camp did not lose any of its ruggedness. It did not become a "Summer Resort". During the winter of 1945 and Spring of 1946 the Camp Committee of the North Shore Area Council made these needed and desirable improvements. Working under the direction of a very capable committee of Sanitary Engineers and Medical Doctors of the North Shore and under the direction of the expert guidance of the Camping and Engineering Departments of the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, the Council Camping Committee completed the following: (1) 15 two room cabins for sleeping quarters; (2) timber cleared

and Electricity brought into Camp; (3) approximately 2500 feet of pipe was laid, bringing drinking and washing facilities in to every village; (4) a 9920 gal. water reservoir and a completely new water system for the entire camp—complete with a Proportioners Chlorination system; (5) a new sanitary latrine in each village; (6) two large additions to the mess hall; (7) a completely new and sanitary sewage disposal system for the camp; (8) a new central shower—having 12 shower heads and an efficient hot water system; (9) a new dishwashing room with an electric dishwasher and separate storage space for clean dishes; (10) a new bake room—light and clean—with bake ovens and electric mixers, etc; (11) complete electric refrigeration including a new walk in box; (12) Kitchen remodeled.

In the Spring of 1947 this improvement and reconditioning will be continued and some of the jobs which could not be finished because of lack of materials and labor will be completed. The Executive Board of the North Shore Area Council has approved the expenditure of approximately \$4000.00. It will be used to do the following—all in the interest of health and safety and good scouting for your son: (1) a new bake oven; (2) stainless steel silverware; (3) redecorate the kitchen; (4) 5 new rowboats; (5) recondition and paint the canoes and sailboats; (6) a new boat dock; (7) decorate and make more safe the swimming area; (8) build a diving tower and other equipment for the waterfront; (9) rebuild Barge docks; (10) screens on every window and every door in all sleeping cabins.

Work on the camp will be started as soon as the snow and ice goes out—and then before camp opens it will receive a rigid inspection by a committee composed of members of the Camp Committee and members of the Advisory Health and Safety Committee of the North Shore Area Council.



# IMPORTANT FACTS —

## CAMP DATES

There will be three periods of two weeks each at Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan in 1947. The dates are:

FIRST PERIOD—Tuesday, June 24 to Monday, July 7;

SECOND PERIOD—Tuesday, July 8 to Monday, July 21;

THIRD PERIOD—Tuesday, July 22 to Monday, Aug. 4.

Each period will start at dinner time (evening) on Tuesday and close on Monday of the second week after lunch. For Scouts returning home on the train, supper will be provided by the camp.

## CAMP FEE — NO ADVANCE OVER 1946

The cost will be slightly higher than two dollars per day exclusive of transportation. The fee is \$29.00 per period—no discounts for early reservations.

Transportation: Railroad fare and transportation to camp and return is \$12.27.

Total cost Camp Fee and Transportation per period is \$41.27.

## TRANSPORTATION

Transportation of Scouts to Camp is to be handled by the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad. Scouts will travel both ways on the "Flambeau" boarding the train at Highland Park and being discharged there on the return trip. Detailed schedules will accompany instructions sent out to all registered campers.

## LOCATION

The Camp is located in Langlade County, Wisconsin, about 270 miles from the North Shore. It is on Spring Lake, just 23 miles Northeast of Antigo or about 50 miles Northwest of Shawano, in an area which is ideal for camping, never too warm and always cool enough at night to insure sound sleep. The Camp is surrounded by thousands of acres of woods and many lakes.

## COMMUNICATIONS

Scouts can be reached by letter, telephone and telegraph.

Mail address, Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan, Pearson, Wis.

Telephone, Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan, Pickerel, Wis.

Telegraph, Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan, Antigo, Wis.

Scouts sending telegrams or calling home by telephone will be instructed to send messages "Collect." Calls to campers should be put through "Person to Person."



## THE CAMP STAFF

The outlook for 1947 is the best in the history of the camp.

Chief Camp Director: George R. Boardman, Scout Executive of the North Shore Area Council. Mr. Boardman has had 21 years of professional service in Scouting and camp operation and management. He is an Eagle Scout and a Vigil Honor member of the Order of the Arrow.

Camp Director: J. S. (Jerry) Knowlton, Ass't Executive of the North Shore Area Council. Mr. Knowlton is an Eagle Scout, and he has had a wide experience in 25 years of camping as a Scout, Camp Counselor, and Camp Director. He is a World War II veteran. He is serving his second year as Camp Director of Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan.

Ass't. Camp Director: Arne Makela, Ass't. Executive of the North Shore Area Council. He has actively participated in Scout Camps as Counselor and Director for 21 years. He is an Eagle Scout, Silver Beaver and Vigil Honor member of the Order of the Arrow.

Camp Staff: Most of the following will be Counselors for the complete duration of the Camp season: Ken Margeson, Robert Smeltzer, George Christenson, Bill Fox, Robert (Uncle Bob) Newell, Fred Herlocker, Leroy Miller, Jim Noonan, Ted Beilecki. Other qualified Counselors who will be on the staff for one period or more are: Ward Lowe, Ray Kroeschell, Craig Stoddard, Bill Russell, Jim Russell, Lloyd Moon, Jerry Muzik, Maurice Thomas, Ollie Peifer, and Gene MacCoy. Other qualified camp staff members will be added before the opening of camp.



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VILLAGE COMPETITION



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CHOW TIME



LONG LONG DREAMS

A SCOUT IS REVERENT



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EXPLORATION



REAL PALS



THE OLD SWIMMING HOLE!



# IMPORTANT FACTS



## WHAT TO BRING

### Necessary

- 4 woolen blankets (10 pounds)
- 1 Scout Uniform.
- 2 extra shirts.
- 1 extra pair of shorts.
- 1 extra pair of trousers.
- 1 heavy sweater or jacket.
- 1 poncho or raincoat.
- 2 changes of underwear.
- 4 pairs of stockings.
- 6 handkerchiefs.
- 2 bath towels.
- Toothbrush.
- Swimming suit or trunks.

### Desirable

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|----------------------|----------------|
| Small mirror         | Camera         |
| Pocket knife         | Rope           |
| Safety pins          | Sewing kit     |
| Scout Handbook       | First Aid kit  |
| Pajamas              | Haversack      |
| Pencil               | Canteen        |
| Flashlight           | Fishing tackle |
| Compass              | Mosquito bar   |
| Bible or Prayer Book |                |

Baggage should consist of one suitcase and a blanket roll. No responsibility will be accepted for possible loss. All clothing and equipment should be plainly marked with the camper's name.

## FOOD

All meals are carefully planned and prepared under the most exacting sanitary and healthful conditions. Proper balance and ample nourishment are the keynotes. Fresh pasteurized milk, fruit, and fresh vegetables are a part of each day's menu. An experienced chef and dietitian will be in charge of food preparation and handling.

## NATURE LORE

The area in which Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan is located is abundant with all forms of wild life. Deer, Porcupine, Beaver, Muskrat, Ducks, Geese, Song Birds, Frogs, Fish, Trees, Plants, and Shrubs are all represented with many species. "Nature can be studied best where nature is." Nature is at camp.

## WATERFRONT

Safety will again be the keynote of the Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Waterfront. All activities will be directed by a qualified Waterfront Director. The Buddy System will be in use and waterfront activities will be carried on only at specified times and under adequate supervision. Included in the emergency life-saving equipment is an Inhalator which will be immediately available in case of need.

The Waterfront at Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan will carry on a balanced program of water activities. Scouts unable to swim will receive special attention and capable instruction. Scouts who know how to swim will receive advanced instruction and may qualify for Merit Badges in Swimming, Rowing, Canoeing, Life Saving, Seamanship and receive Scout Life Guard Training. Feature of each period will be a Water Carnival with each Scout participating, according to his ability in the swimming, rowing, canoeing, diving and novelty events.

## CANOE TRIPS

One, two, and three day canoe trips on the Wolf River will be part of the program for qualified Campers and Swimmers.



## BOATS AND CANOES! SAIL BOATS!

Fifty water craft, including canoes, rowboats, sailboats and two War canoes, will provide each Scout with an opportunity to enjoy rowing, canoeing and sailing. Each Scout will have a chance to use the boats and canoes at designated times following careful training. All water activities are under careful supervision and in keeping with the best safety practices. Expert instruction will be provided.



## ADVANCEMENT

Scouts realize that Scout Camp is the most satisfactory place to advance in Scouting. Requirements are not made easier, but with the instructors and the Scouts all living Scouting 24 hours a day, it becomes more convenient. All Scouts can find at camp the ideal opportunity to really learn the way of outdoor living. Special time is set aside each day for instruction in all Second Class, First Class and outdoor Merit Badge instruction.



## SPECIAL ACTIVITIES MOVIES AT CAMP

Added to the regular daily program will be such special activities as Stunt Nights, Water Carnivals, Swimming Meets, Track Meets, Nertz Olympics, Kangaroo Courts, Scout-craft Rallies, Minstrel Shows, Camp Circus, Order of the Arrow, Watermelon Scrambles, "A Day Out of Camp Picnic," Fishing in Spring Lake, Flycasting and Bait Fishing in Wolf River, Sailing Regattas, and many other "fun galore" activities. Something new and exciting every day. Trips to many neighboring points of interest are included in the special activities.

Electricity in our main buildings will make it possible to have sound movies, news events and cartoons at least once each period—possibly more often!

## HANDICRAFT

Ken Margeson, Scoutmaster of Troop 30 will be our handicraft instructor. "Ken" as he is known to thousands of boys on the North Shore is a master in Scout handicraft and in the art of making things. Scouts who work with Ken always leave the Handicraft Lodge with much more than the simple article he has made—each Scout has had individual attention from a fine "boys' man."





## HEALTH

Constant attention is given all matters of health and safety. A registered M.D. or a registered nurse will be on duty at all times. The hospital is well equipped and there is a daily check of each Scout's health. The health of each Scout is an ever present thought and responsibility of Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan.

## TRADING POST

A Camp Trading Post and Q.M. is maintained by the camp for the convenience of campers. There is a rather complete line of Scout Equipment and sundries as well as candy, pop and ice cream. Scouts are limited to 10 cents per day for candy, pop and ice cream.

## ORDER OF THE ARROW

Whip-Poor-Will Lodge, Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Chapter, Order of the Arrow—these words are familiar to every Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan camper. Every Scout may look forward to the opportunity of membership in a National Honorary Fraternity of Scout Campers. Elections are held each period. "Cheerful service" is the keystone of this organization.

## VILLAGES

Villages are the living quarters of the Scout Troops of the North Shore Area Council. The Villages are:

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| MENOMINEE | CHEYENNE |
| DELAWARE  | MOHAWK   |
| CHIPPEWA  | SHAWNEE  |

## WORKING AND PLAYING TOGETHER

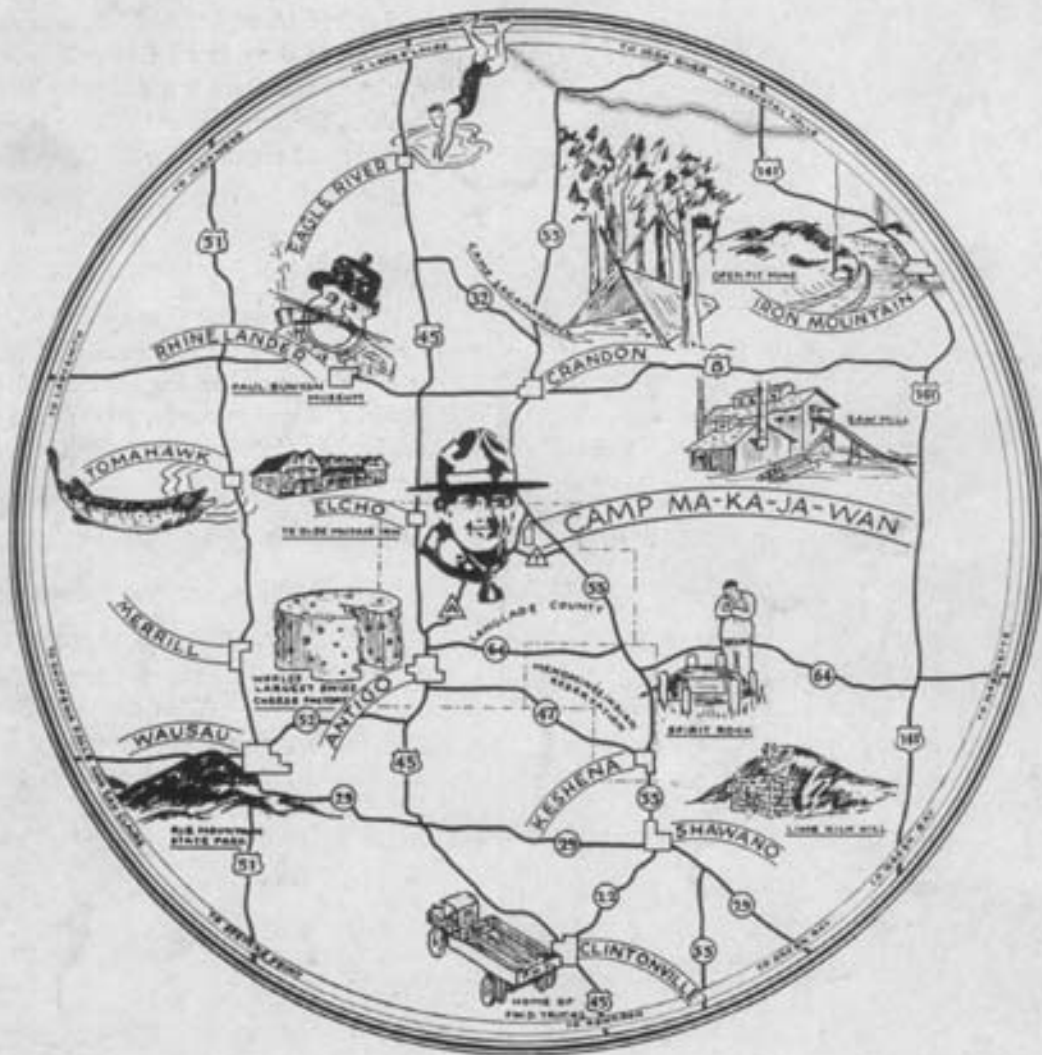
The Patrol is the fundamental unit of Scouting. As a small, closely knit group of boys, who play, work, eat and sleep together your boy will gain much valuable experience. As much as possible your son will continue to work with his own "home" patrol and Troop, but no boy will be left out of the fun even though his "own" patrol is not at camp.

## VISITORS

Visitors are welcome at Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan. Meals may be secured at a nominal price. We suggest, whenever possible, that the Camp Director be notified well in advance of your arrival, otherwise your son may be on a trip out of camp.

## MUST BE A REGISTERED SCOUT

Every boy who attends Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan must be registered as a Scout in the North Shore Area Council.



#### HOW TO GET THERE

Railroad service to camp is via the Chicago & North Western Line to Antigo. Best service is on the "Flambeau," fast afternoon train, six hours from Chicago. In driving to Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan, take U.S. 41 to Oskosh. From there take U.S. 45 to Clintonville; Route 22 from Clintonville to Shawano; Route 55 from Shawano to County "A" 10 miles beyond Lily. Turn left on "A" 1 mile to entrance. This is the shortest and preferred route.