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MA-KA-JA-WAN
Scout Reservation



1975 GUIDE BOOK



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Dear Scout Leader:

This 1975 Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Guide Book is presented to you in order that you may take full advantage of the great adventure that awaits you and your unit at Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan. It is intended to do three things:

First it should serve as a guide for pre-camp planning.

Second, it should acquaint you, the troop committeemen and the troop's boy leaders with the program resources available at Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan.

Third, it is intended to be a continuous source of information throughout your camping stay.

Over the past years the Northeast Illinois Council has developed a camp staff which rates among the best in the country. Its goal is to serve the troops which come to Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan so that they will have a meaningful, fun-filled experience. We are looking forward to having you and your troop in camp this summer.

Thank you for giving your time to bring a "Northwoods High Adventure" to the Scouts of your troop.


Administrator

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MA-KA-JA-WAN SCOUT RESERVATION

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1975 CAMP CALENDAR

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| Wilderness Engineering Society Spring Work Weekend | May 2-4 |
| First Lad and Dad Weekend | June 13-15 |
| Second Lad and Dad Weekend | June 20-22 |
| Staff and C.I.T. Training | June 15-20 |
| Council Woodbadge Course | June 21-28 |
| Troop Leader Development Course | June 22-28 |
| Order of the Arrow Callouts - July 4, July 18 (Vigil), Aug. 1, Aug. 15 | |
| Wilderness Engineering Society Fall Work Weekend | Sept. 19-20 |

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| PERIOD 1 — June 29 to July 5 | PERIOD 5 — July 27 to Aug. 2 |
| PERIOD 2 — July 5 to July 12 | PERIOD 6 — Aug. 2 to Aug. 9 |
| PERIOD 3 — July 12 to July 19 | PERIOD 7 — Aug. 9 to Aug. 16 |
| PERIOD 4 — July 19 to July 25 | PERIOD 8 — Aug. 16 to Aug. 22 |

about our camp...

Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation has been owned and operated by the Northeast Illinois Council, B.S.A., since 1929. It consists of 1560 acres located 25 miles northeast of Antigo, Wisconsin. Heavily wooded with a multiple forest stand, the terrain offers a variety of northwoods experiences for Scouts. Two major lakes and one stream are located within the boundaries of the Reservation.

The Reservation operates three camps for Scouts and a family camp facility.

EAST CAMP — The final of eleven new conservation-type campsites will be in operation this year. Complete program, facilities and staff. Capacity: 250 campers.

WEST CAMP — Eleven campsites. Complete program, facilities and staff. Capacity: 250 campers.

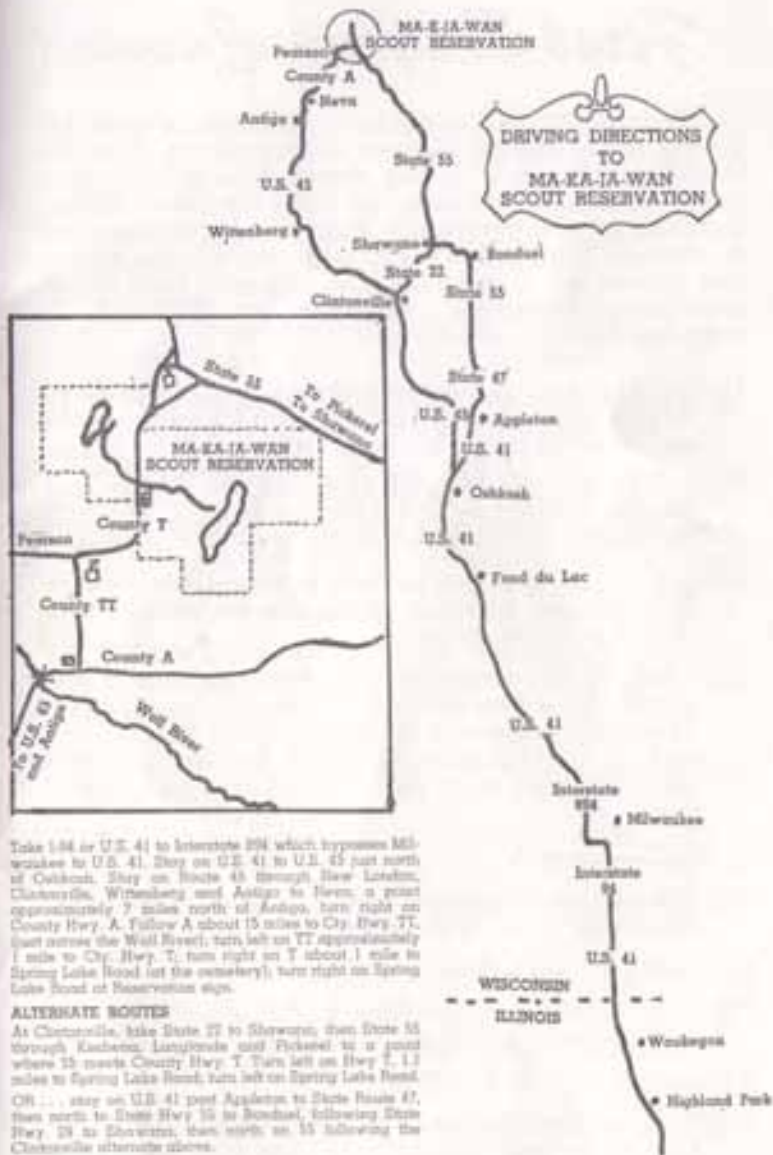
WABANINGO — Two "wilderness" campsites and one "pioneer" campsite. Limited facilities. Troops provide own program. Support staff only. Capacity: approximately 100 campers.

FAMILY CAMP — Cabin and recreational vehicle facilities for about 80 people.

Mailing Address

MA-KA-JA-WAN SCOUT RESERVATION
PEARSON, WISCONSIN 54462

Telephone: (715) 484-2346



Take I-94 or U.S. 41 to Interstate 94 which bypasses Milwaukee to U.S. 41. Stay on U.S. 41 to U.S. 45 just north of Oakleaf. Stay on State 45 through New London, Dodgeville, Wausau and Antigo to Wausau, a point approximately 7 miles north of Antigo, turn right on County Hwy. A. Follow A about 15 miles to Cty. Hwy. TT, (just across the Wall River), turn left on TT approximately 1 mile to Cty. Hwy. T, turn right on T about 1 mile to Spring Lake Road (at the cemetery), turn right on Spring Lake Road at Reservation sign.

ALTERNATE ROUTES

At Dodgeville, take State 22 to Shawano, then State 55 through Keshena, Langdonville and Fiskeel to a point where 22 meets County Hwy. T. Turn left on Hwy. T, 1.2 miles to Spring Lake Road, turn left on Spring Lake Road.
OR... stay on U.S. 41 past Appleton to State Route 67, then north to State Hwy 55 to Bondel, following State Hwy 23 to Shawano, then south on 55 following the Dodgeville alternate above.

First Day at Camp

Stepping off on the right foot in camp is most important to the success of your unit's program. Leaders should plan to arrive at camp ahead of the troop so they can be settled in their campsite when the Scouts arrive. Get to know your troop guide and Commissioner as soon as possible. They will help you and your unit get settled and answer any initial questions you may have about procedures, regulations, schedules, etc. Following is a typical first day schedule.

- 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. — Scoutmaster checks in at camp office, receives flag, security box, signs up for swim checks and receives meal time assignment
- 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. — Medical re-checks for Scouts and Leaders arriving by private transportation. This will be done in the Health Lodge or West Camp office.
- 1:30 p.m. — Buses arrive. Leaders will meet their troops. Pick up gear from bus. Campsite guides will lead you to your campsite.
- 2:00 - 5:00 — Get settled in troopsite. Each troop will sign up for a time period for swim checks. Be there **10 minutes early** with medicals, buddy tags, towels and shoes. Guides will have buddy tags and will stay with your troop as long as you have need of them.
- 5:15 p.m. — Vespers
- 5:45 p.m.—Campwide retreat. Meet at the central flagpole. Waiters report to the dining hall.
- 6:00 p.m. — Dinner. Enter in assigned order.
- 7:00 p.m. — Camp orientation tour. Campsite guides will lead troops and adult leadership on the tour.
- 9:45 p.m. — Taps and bed check.
- 10:00 p.m. — Scoutmaster - S.P.L. crackerbarrel in dining hall. Bring your Camp Guide Book with you.

camp policies . . .

With Scouts and Scouters living the Scout Oath and Law, only a minimum number of necessary policies need to be stated.

- Alcoholic beverages are not permitted in the camps.
- Liquid fuels and liquid fuel burning equipment may be used by **ADULTS ONLY**. All liquid fuels **MUST** be stored in a locked cabinet.
- Ammunition, rifles and archery gear may not be brought to camp by Scouts for any reason.
- Washstands are to be used for washing of the person only. **Absolutely no washing of cooking equipment, cleaning of fish or washing of clothing.** This regulation is in compliance with the State of Wisconsin Department of Health regulations. **There are no exceptions to this policy.**
- Holes for pit fires or camp fires are not to be dug in the cleared area of the conservation patrol sites.
- Tents are not to be trenched.
- Vehicles are to be parked in designated parking areas only.
- Speed limit on all camp roads is 20 miles per hour or as posted.
- The cutting of any standing tree or removal of bark is strictly prohibited.
- Leaders are to notify their camp office if they intend to leave the reservation for any reason.
- Each troop is to make a visual check for attendance at all meals and at taps.
- Shoes are to be worn at all times except while participating in waterfront activities.



for your information . . .

CAMP CHAPLAIN SERVICE

A full-time resident camp chaplain is a part of the staff of Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation. He will be available to counsel with Scouts and leaders of all faiths.

Protestant, Catholic and Jewish services will be conducted by a minister, priest and rabbi each Sabbath. Any other religious service can be arranged through the reservation administrator.

Encourage your Scouts to bring Bibles or prayer books to camp as part of their personal equipment.

RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCES

JEWISH SERVICES

Friday Evening at 5:00 and Saturday Morning at 7:00

CATHOLIC MASS

Sunday Morning at 9:00 o'clock

PROTESTANT SERVICES

Sunday Morning at 10:00 o'clock

INTER-FAITH VESPERS

Sunday Evening at 5:15

All services will be conducted in the
Reservation Chapel

ORDER OF THE ARROW

The Order of the Arrow, a national brotherhood of honor campers, is an important part of the camp program at Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation.

Lodge No. 40 will conduct four traditional "Callout Ceremonies" during the summer of 1975. The large Arrow Bowl fire will highlight this impressive ritual on the Friday evenings of July 4, July 18 (Vigil), August 1 and August 15. Parents and visitors are welcome to attend these ceremonies.

The Brotherhood Honor callout and induction ceremony will follow the Ordeal ceremony.

Special arrangements will be made by the Lodge to provide opportunities for Scouts who are attending camp for one week to be called out during that week or at a later date.



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TRADING POSTS

There is a trading post located in East and West Camps. These are operated for the convenience of all troops and offer the following services:

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| MOCCASIN KITS | CAMP STATIONERY |
| BASKETRY KITS | TOOTHPASTE SOAP |
| LEATHERCRAFT KITS | CAMP MUGS |
| WHITTLING KITS | FLASHLIGHTS BATTERIES |
| HANDICRAFT SUPPLIES | CAMP NECKERCHIEFS |
| FISHING SUPPLIES | CAMPING SUPPLIES |
| CAMP T-SHIRTS | SCOUT HANDBOOKS |
| CANDY SOFT DRINKS | MERIT BADGE PAMPHLETS |
| ICE CREAM COOKIES | SONG BOOKS |
| POSTCARDS STAMPS | LEADER'S HANDBOOKS |
| BOOKS OF OUTDOOR AND SCOUTING INTEREST | |
| AND — MUCH, MUCH MORE !!! | |

TRADING POST HOURS —

9:00 to 11:30 a.m., 1:00 to 4:30 p.m., 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

COUNTRY STORE

The Reservation Country Store is located in the Family Area and offers a full line of grocery items, as well as sundry and souvenir articles.

Scouts may visit the Country Store if accompanied by a parent or leader.

QUARTERMASTER

The Quartermasters of both East and West Camp will be open on a limited basis this summer. Please plan to acquire any items from the Q.M. during the following hours:

8:45 to 10:00 p.m., 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Housekeeping supplies will be available in East Camp at the Outpost Commissary during its open hours.

BUGLE CALLS

REVILLE — 7:30 A.M.

WAITER'S CALLS — 7:45 A.M., 12:15 P.M., 5:45 P.M.

TATTO — 9:30 P.M.

TAPS — 9:45 P.M.

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CHECK IN AND CHECK OUT

Camp sessions open at 2:00 p.m. on the day your unit is scheduled to arrive at camp. All troops arriving by private transportation should plan to be at camp no earlier than 1:00 p.m. and no later than 3:00 p.m. Charter buses will leave camp at approximately 2:30 p.m. on the day your unit is scheduled to depart. Units furnishing their own transportation may check out of camp any time following breakfast if all clearances have been made with their commissioner.

MA-KA-JA-WAN VISITORS

Visitors are welcome at any time at Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation. However, accommodations are very limited and should not be planned on. When available, camping space for self-contained recreation vehicles can be rented at \$3.00 per night.

Several commercial accommodations and public campsites are available in the Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan area. The Pickerel Area and Langlade County maps and tourist guides may be obtained by mailing your request to:

Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation
Pearson, Wisconsin 54462

Parents should understand in visiting at camp, that their son is engaged in a busy camp schedule. They should be encouraged to not ask permission to take their son from the camp for any period of time. His leaving disrupts his camp schedule and cancels his accident insurance when off camp property.

All parents visiting camp may spend time with their son in the Family and Visitors Area. This portion of camp is the reception area for all visitors and makes available to them many of the facilities. A country store is open to all and a special picnic area is maintained for visitors on the south shore of Lake Killian.

Sunday afternoon is Visitor's Day at Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan. Campsites and activity areas are open for visitation from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. only.



Medical and Health Services

Scouts are a healthy lot. Most boys in camp never have a need for any kind of medical attention. For the protection of every Scout, a central Health Lodge is provided in East Camp. A registered nurse or qualified health officer is on call 24 hours a day.

MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

All Scouts and leaders camping at Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan are required to have a pre-camp physical examination report completed by a licensed physician. You may obtain this form, (Health and Medical Record) at the Scout Service Center. These **MUST** be brought to camp with your unit.

HEALTH CHECK OR MEDICAL RE-CHECK

A medical inspection on the day of arrival at camp is a vital part of the camp health program. However, this **does not** take the place of the aforementioned medical examination. Every Scout going to camp on the Council charter buses will be given medical re-checks prior to boarding. Scouts arriving at camp by their own transportation will receive re-checks upon arrival.

CAMP MEDICAL SERVICES

In case of an accident or illness in camp, medical services will be provided at the health lodge. If the medical officer in charge determines the accident or illness to be of a serious nature, the patient will be transferred to the Antigo Medical Center or Langlade County Hospital for treatment. All related expenses are covered by the camp insurance.

IMPORTANT—A Scout is not covered by this insurance unless his name appears on your camp roster, and he is currently registered with the B.S.A. and the Scout's total camp fee has been paid.

DAILY SICK CALL

West Camp — 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. — Camp Office
East Camp — 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. — Health Lodge
Wabanningo — Troop leaders are responsible for their Troop's sick call. If medical attention is required, the Scout should be transported to the Health Lodge.

HEALTH LODGE HOURS

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m.
1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and on call

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES . . .

In the event of a waterfront or fire emergency, all campers, along with their leaders, are instructed to return to their troopsites immediately.

WATERFRONT EMERGENCY

A **STEADY BLAST** on a high pitch siren in West Camp, a low pitch siren in East Camp. Immediately account for all your campers. Send a runner to the camp office with information that all are accounted for, or if one is missing—WHO IT IS.

FIRE EMERGENCY

A **SERIES OF SHORT BLASTS** on a high pitch siren in West Camp and a low pitch siren in East Camp. Assemble campers in troopsite, account for all personnel. Await further instructions.

SEVERE WEATHER EMERGENCY

Campwide alarm will be announced for severe weather emergency. Word will be passed from camp office with instructions for appropriate action needed, depending on the nature of the weather emergency.

PROCEDURE REVIEW

These procedures will be reviewed again at the troop leader's roundtable at camp. You will have an opportunity to ask specific questions pertaining to all emergencies at that time.

WABANINGO EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

WATERFRONT EMERGENCY

Troop leaders will conduct Lost Bather's Drill as Outlined in 10-Point Safe Swim Defense Plan. A runner should be dispatched immediately to the Ranger's office to report emergency.

FIRE EMERGENCY

A runner will be dispatched to report emergency to Ranger's office. Troop leaders must remain with the unit and carry out any prudent actions they deem necessary until fire fighting equipment arrives.

SEVERE WEATHER EMERGENCY

Units will be notified of emergency and what action is to be taken, depending on the nature of the emergency.

for your information . . .

UNIFORMS

Scouts and leaders are encouraged to wear the Scout uniform while in camp. However, it is not required for participation. An alternate day activity uniform is the Scout trousers and a camp T-shirt. For those with a limited number of uniforms, emphasis for wear should be placed on evening meals, retreat, religious services, courts of honor, campfires and all other ceremonies.

TROOP PHOTOGRAPHS

One of the finest mementos and souvenirs of camp is a photograph of your camp troop. The Reservation photographer will arrange an appointment with your troop so your picture will be ready before you depart for home.

Cost of the 8 x 10 finished print is \$1.25, and for each troop ordering prints for all persons in the photo, they receive a free 11 x 14 wall size print for their troop meeting room.

BED CHECKS

The camp administration requires that visual bed checks be made by the Scoutmaster at "taps". The camp office will be notified immediately if any Scout is not present when check is made.

CAMP TELEPHONE USE

The camp telephone should be used for emergencies only. All calls placed from camp must be "collect". Due to the size of the reservation and the great number of people encamped here, it is impossible to call persons to the phone. In case of an emergency, you may contact the Reservation office at (715) 484-2346. Arrangements will be made for the person in question to return the call.

CAMP NEWSPAPER

The official camp newspaper, "Smoke Signals," will be published daily throughout the camping season. Be sure to check each issue for special program events and announcements.

Staff and Unit Leadership

Each of the young men serving as a part of your Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan staff is dedicated to serving your troop's needs and working with you to help plan the best programs possible. Their job is to work through you and their goal is to help you be a successful camp leader. The majority of the key staff are graduates of the National Camping School, BSA.

The camp staff functions in two parts — Program and Service.

PROGRAM DEPARTMENT

This group includes both camp directors, commissioners, scoutcraft aides, handicraft specialist, aquatics staff, conservation counselors, field sports counselors and counselors-in-training.

THE SERVICE DEPARTMENT

This includes the reservation administrator and the people who administer the camps from a central office. The branches of the service department include: Ranger Service (transportation, maintenance, quartermaster), Food Service (dining lodges, commissary), Medical Service and health lodge, Chaplain Service, Family Camp Staff, Trading Posts and High Adventure Staff.

CAMP COMMISSIONER

Your troop commissioner is the fellow you will be working with most closely. The commissioner and his aide's job is to help a troop get the maximum benefits from the program opportunities available at camp. He will not take over for you, but will be available to assist and support you in every way.

CAMP LEADERSHIP

Troops must have an adult leader (21 years of age or older) in charge of the unit at all times.

An 18-year-old Scouter may be used as an assistant leader only. No charge is made for leaders on a ratio of one leader for each eight campers. A leader out of this ratio will be charged \$15.00 per week.

To qualify as a "camp leader" and receive the staff neckerchief and coffee mug, a Scouter must be in attendance at camp for a period of at least five days.

Food Service . . .

As in the past Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan will continue to offer two major methods of feeding — the traditional dining halls in East and West Camps and the program-oriented patrol cooking in the campsites.

DINING HALL

A change will be implemented this summer in the method of serving food in the two dining halls with the use of a "semi-cafeeteria" style. Those in the cafeeteria line will generally be served the three main meal items, i.e., the meat dish, potatoes and green vegetable. The remainder of the meal will have already been placed on the troop's table by their waiter.

Troops will be assigned tables and eating times. They will supply one Scout waiter for every ten persons in attendance at camp. Waiters will report to the dining hall at "waiters call" or 15 minutes prior to meal time and are responsible for setting and clearing the tables.

PATROL COOKING

Patrol cooking is the ideal way to camp — the adventure of doing it yourself with pre-tested boy-type menus with step-by-step instructions that even the most inexperienced Scout can accomplish.

Cooking is over charcoal fires, and the raw food may be picked up twice a day from the East Camp outpost commissary building, the West Camp Dining Hall, or it is delivered to the troopsites at Wabaningo.

All meals are prepared and served on a patrol basis using the patrol rotation plan.

East Camp Outpost Commissary Hours

7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. — Units will pick up breakfast and lunch supplies.

4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. — Dinner supplies may be picked up during these hours.

The outpost commissary will also have available for issue many housekeeping supplies that normally would be obtained from the Q.M.



EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE FOR PATROL COOKING

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| CHARCOAL GRILL | GARBAGE CANS & LINERS |
| CAMPFIRE GRILL | DUNKING BAGS |
| PATROL COOK BOX | AXE, FILE, SAW |
| CHEF COOK KIT | PACK FRAME & BASKET |
| CHEF TOOL KIT | ICE CHEST |
| DUTCH OVEN | CHARCOAL |
| GRIDDLE | PAILS |
| WATER JUGS (2½ gal.) | DINING FLY |
| | COOKING FLY |

FOOD FOR HIKES AND COOK-OUTS

All special food requests must be through your commissioner or H.A.P. staffman. It will help you and the camp if these requests can be made at least 24 hours in advance of the day food is needed. Pickups are at the same locations and times as for patrol cooking food.

Trail foods will generally be dehydrated and freeze-dry food (trail-pack). However, fresh foods are available on request.

First and Second Class cooking—Raw food is available for these cooking requirements, as well as cooking skill award and merit badge.

DIETARY LAWS

Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation is unable to serve kosher foods and it is recommended that troops or individuals desiring kosher foods prepare their own meals. Pork products will be served periodically in each camp. Special pork-free menus will be made available to those troops doing their own cooking in troop sites if a request for this service is made in writing to the reservation administrator prior to June 20.



Program Planning . . .

The program in camp is based on the needs, desires, and interests of patrols, troops and individuals, as expressed in the troop program schedule. Each troop will have its own program highlights.

The camp director and staff will coordinate the various troop programs. The entire camp staff is at the service of the troop.

FOUR GENERAL PROGRAM AREAS

When planning your summer camp program, you should consider the following:

ACTIVITIES in which your troop takes part with other troops

ACTIVITIES for all members of your troop,

ACTIVITIES geared to the patrol and the building of patrol spirit.

ACTIVITIES (informal) suited to individuals or a few boys of like interest.

PLANNING THE UNIT'S PROGRAM

1. Explain to your Scouts what the camp has to offer. (Use this book as a guide).
2. Determine what your Scouts need at camp. The advancement chart will indicate needs.
3. Find out what Scouts want. Ask them, don't guess. They probably have definite things in mind.
4. Plan what you will do — by patrols and troop.
5. Strengthen your patrols. Stay with the troop's natural patrols at camp.

COMMISSIONER SERVICE

The camp commissioner and his aides have the responsibility of assisting you and your troop in program planning and insuring that the camp supports your troop program. The commissioner and his aide are of service in your campsite or wherever effective program can be implemented.

SCOUTCRAFT COMMISSIONER AIDE

He will provide counseling in campcraft-related merit badges as well as instruction in Scouting skills and skill awards.

HANDICRAFT COUNSELOR

A specialist in handicraft skills. He will counsel in the handicraft merit badges and supervise all handicraft activities in a central handicraft area.

ECOLOGY-CONSERVATION

The "nature" department is available for counseling in all nature and conservation merit badges. In addition this department will coordinate and supervise patrol and troop conservation projects.

FIELD SPORTS

The Field Sports area is available for merit badge work and for individual, patrol and troop activities.

In this area you can participate in .22 rifle target shooting, .410 shotgun trap shooting, target archery, field archery, and action archery.

AQUATICS

The waterfront area is the center of all aquatics activities, swimming instruction, troop swims, rowing, sailing, canoeing and the related merit badges.

Advancement in Camp . . .

Advancement should not be considered easier at camp. However, advancement opportunities are more readily available in camp, for the out-of-doors is a natural place for Scouts to attain knowledge and skills which are not always available in a regular troop meeting place.

Advancement at Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan is accomplished in five steps:

1. **PREPARATION** — No better place for this than at camp.
2. **QUALIFICATION** — Through examination conducted by unit leader and unit staff.
3. **REVIEW** — Our staff can assist you in securing help for a board of review.
4. **RECOGNITION** — If possible, plan to conduct a court of honor in camp. Skill awards, Tenderfoot, Second and First Class, Star and Life badges are available in camp.
5. **RECORDED** — Turn in advancement record to camp office on official advancement record form.

SKILL AWARDS

Scout outdoor skills can and should be a big part of your camp program. Most of these can be handled in the course of regular patrol and troop activities and should be a natural result of a good Scouting program. Special help is available through your camp commissioner in skill awards.

MERIT BADGES

Printed on the following three pages is a special section devoted to the merit badges offered at camp. This is presented in response to the many requests of leaders for such a guide.

POLICY ON EAGLE SCOUT SERVICE PROJECTS

All Scouts desiring to perform an Eagle Scout Service Project at Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation during the 1975 camping season **MUST** submit their proposal for said project to the Council Advancement Committee for approval prior to May 31, 1975.

Merit Badge Counseling . . .

The Merit Badge program at the Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation is an integral part of the overall program of the camp. Merit badges, however, are not the entire program and it is felt that no Scout should come to Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan exclusively to earn merit badges — there is just too much else to be seen and done during the Scout's short stay. For this reason, and from past experience with boys, it is felt that most Scouts should be encouraged to pursue no more than three or four merit badges at one time, and for some Scouts, one or two is plenty.

Scouts completing only a portion of a merit badge will be given a "partial completion" slip from the camp counselor. He may then complete the badge with a merit badge counselor at home.

The badges listed are those that are offered at Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan, along with a brief description of each one. It is wise for a Scout to obtain the merit badge pamphlets for the badges he plans to work on prior to arriving at camp. Some require preparation prior to camp, extra time after camp or extra money or supplies. The Scout will benefit most if he understands these "extras" before he arrives at camp. Merit badge pamphlets and most supplies the Scout will need are available at camp.

Merit badges indicated (*) are on the required list for Eagle.

ECOLOGY - CONSERVATION

NATURE — Most of this one can be done at camp, but there are several requirements that take 30 days.

ASTRONOMY — A good merit badge, assuming the nights are clear. Can be done at camp easily.

WEATHER — Plan to start this one at home or finish it after camp. You need to keep weather readings for one month.

FORESTRY — A good merit badge for camp. All the projects can easily be done on the reservation under the supervision of the Ranger.

REPTILE STUDY — Scouts should plan to finish this one at home—one requirement includes keeping a reptile for one month. **Reptiles captured on the Reservation MAY NOT be taken home.**

BIRD STUDY — This one can be completed at camp, but younger Scouts may find it a bit difficult unless they have had previous bird-watching experience.

MERIT BADGES — (continued)

- ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE — A very good merit badge to be completed at camp.
- GEOLOGY — This merit badge can be completed at camp, but Scouts are advised that due to the geology of the area completion may be rather difficult.
- BOTANY — This merit badge can be completed at camp, but younger Scouts with little experience with Botany may get discouraged.
- FISH AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT — A good camp merit badge. Can easily be completed in either one or two weeks.
- INSECT LIFE — Two requirements make this a difficult badge to get at camp. Unless you have an insect collection started and can find a caterpillar to raise, this one is better done at home.
- MAMMALS—Prior work on this merit badge is suggested. Scouts may find that they are not able to complete the merit badge due to Requirement 4.
- SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION — This badge can be completed at camp, but will require a good bit of time and work.
- FISHING — Lots of fun. The ease of completion depends on luck and skill as a fisherman.

HANDICRAFT

- WOODCARVING — A good merit badge for the first year camper. He will need a good knife for carving or money to purchase one at camp.
- BASKETRY — A good badge for the first year camper — simple and yet challenging. He will need money for a basketry kit.
- LEATHERWORK — Scouts will need notes stating that they take care of their shoes and other leather goods. Leather and tools will be provided.

FIELD SPORTS

- ARCHERY — An inexperienced archer may have trouble with this one. Plan to spend time each day practicing. No expense except for broken arrows.
- RIFLE AND SHOTGUN — This one can be completed at camp, but Scouts should be warned that the badge may cost \$5.00 or more, depending on their experience with rifles and shotguns.

MERIT BADGES — (continued)

COMMISSIONER SERVICE (SCOUTCRAFT)

CAMPING — Make sure the Scout has fulfilled the 20 days and nights requirement for this merit badge. Otherwise, it's easily done at camp.

COOKING — A good camp merit badge. Food will be available through the Food Service department.

PIONEERING — A good camp project. Have the Scout start thinking of a pioneering project early.

HIKING — This one can be completed at camp if the Scout is in shape and willing to give up at least five half-days and one full day to hiking.

ORIENTEERING — This one is easiest if the Scout has had some previous orienteering experience or is willing to put in quite a bit of time setting up courses.

WILDERNESS SURVIVAL — An interesting merit badge that can be completed at camp.

HORSEMANSHIP — Scout should have previous experience with horses. It may cost over \$10 in horse rental fees to complete the badge.

AQUATICS — (All merit badges are able to be passed at camp. Scouts should be advised that they are often difficult to complete at home.)

●**SWIMMING** — Good for the young Scout. He must be a "swimmer" to qualify.

ROWING — Good merit badge for the young Scout. Plan to spend at least two hours each day at the waterfront practicing or in meetings with the counselor. Scouts must be "swimmers."

CANOEING — Plan to spend at least two hours a day at the waterfront in practice or with the counselor. Scouts must be "swimmers."

●**LIFESAVING** — Scout must have the Swimming Merit Badge. This can be a very difficult merit badge for the young or small Scout or for the weak swimmer.

MOTORBOATING — Due to limited equipment, the waterfront director may have to limit the number of Scouts taking this badge. Scouts must be "swimmers."

SMALL BOAT SAILING — Due to limited equipment, the waterfront director may have to limit the number of Scouts allowed to take this merit badge. Scouts must be "swimmers."



The "high adventure" program at Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan is offered in two categories:

First, the established high adventure activities which are available to all campers, and,

Second, the special programs that are customed-designed for the older Scouts in your unit.

The regular rubber raft run down the rapids of the Wolf River will continue to highlight our program. This popular activity is great fun for all members of your troop—including the leaders!

Horseback riding is now offered on the reservation. Check with your commissioner to schedule a trail ride for your troop or one of your patrols.

If you are interested in a special activity for qualified Scouts in your unit, contact one of our H.A.P. staffmen. He will help you plan an exciting trip — whether it be afloat, aloft, or horseback. Just a few of the special high adventure trips you can schedule are: long-term back-packing and canoe adventures, wilderness survival hikes, overnight raft runs and horseback trips—and more!

H.A.P. FEE SCHEDULE

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| Wolf River Raft Run (per person) | \$3.00 |
| (includes round-trip bus fare, raft rental, picnic lunch and High Adventure patch) | |
| Horseback Trail Ride (per person) | \$2.00 |
| Wolf River Canoe Trip (per person) | \$1.00 |
| (includes all transportation of canoes and boys) | |
| Canoe and Trailer Rental (per person) | \$0.50 |
| (you supply all transportation) | |
| Custom High Adventure trip rates will be determined on an equipment time-use basis | |



FAMILY CAMP AND VISITORS' AREA

The Family and Visitor Area of Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation offers a unique concept in camping to the wives and children of troop leaders attending camp with their troops.

A full schedule of things to do and places to go is offered by a congenial Family Area staff, who is concerned for the families' comfort and safety. A varied program of activities—both on the Reservation and at nearby points of interest—are available to guests.

FAMILY AREA RENTAL FEES

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| Cabin Rental, Periods 1-2 | \$35.00 | week |
| Cabin Rental, Periods 3-8 | \$49.00 | week |
| Cabin Rental | \$15.00 | night |
| Recreational Vehicle Space Rental | \$15.00 | week |
| Recreational Vehicle Space Rental | \$ 3.00 | night |

CHECK-IN PROCEDURES

When you arrive at Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation check in at the gatehouse or administration building. You will be directed to the Family Area Recreation Room where you will meet a member of the staff. She will direct you to your cottage and help you get settled.

Check-in time is approximately 2:00 p.m. of the day your troop arrives at camp. Because troops will be arriving and departing on the same day it may be necessary for you to wait past your check-in time so your cabin can be made ready for you.

HOUSING

Most cottages are two bedroom and are equipped with sleeping facilities to accommodate from four to six people. Mattresses are provided, but bedding is not included. Each unit is equipped with cooking facilities and eating utensils. Heating is by gas space heater or wood stove. All cabins have a refrigerator and kitchen sink. Toilet facilities are in each cabin with a central shower house for men and women.

COUNTRY STORE

The Country Store is located in the Family Area and provides groceries for families residing there. In addition many sundry items and souvenirs are available for sale to visitors as well as Scouts of the Reservation.

Canned goods, bakery products, dairy products, fresh produce and frozen and fresh meats are available.

RECREATION ROOM

In the Country Store building there is a recreation room that may be used by all guests. A television set, stove, refrigerator, etc., is provided. This is an ideal place for a cup of coffee and a visit with your camp neighbors and friends.

LAUNDRY FACILITIES

Coin-operated washers and dryers are located in the rear of the Country Store building. Due to the fact that there is a heavy demand upon these machines you are requested to do no one's laundry but your family's.

FAMILY CAMP WATERFRONT

The waterfront facilities are available to all those residing in and visiting Family Camp. However, certain safety rules and regulations must be strictly adhered to. Following are several procedures and rules of this area.

SWIMMING

Swimming hours will be posted near the waterfront. No swimming is permitted except during those hours. In case of cold or inclement weather, any changes in the swimming hours will be announced by the staff member in charge of the waterfront.

Swimming lessons will be scheduled each day for children. The instructor will be from either the East or West Camp aquatics staff.

In order to insure a safe waterfront, persons are not permitted to be in the waterfront area unless they are swimming or using a boat.

Shoes are not to be worn of the swimming dock.

A parent is to be present at all times whenever they have a child in the water. This regulation pertains to children six years of age and younger.

Swim checks will be given to all Family Camp residents who wish to use the swimming facilities. Visitors may use the waterfront area only after a swimming permit release form has been signed.

BUDDY BOARD

To maintain a safe waterfront and to comply with the regulations of Boy Scout camps, the "buddy check" system is used at the waterfront. After your swim check, the lifeguard will present you with a buddy tag. This is hung on the buddy-board under the section marked for your swimming ability. The tag is transferred from the right to the left side of the board when you go into the water or use a boat. At all other times this tag is to be on the "out" side of the board. Violation of this rule will result in an automatic "beaching."

BOATING

A qualified swimmer must accompany a child while boating. The general rule for watercraft capacities is: No more than two in a canoe or three in a rowboat.

Everyone must have a lifejacket or cushion float when using any watercraft. This is a Wisconsin State law.

Boating hours are posted near the waterfront area. Special hours can be arranged with the staff member in charge of the waterfront.

FISHING

All persons, 16 years of age or older, must have in his possession a valid Wisconsin fishing license whenever fishing on any Reservation lakes or streams. Licenses are available for purchase at the Country Store. Fishing is not permitted off or near the swimming dock.

PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

The program offered to the members of Family Camp is varied from period to period depending upon attendance and interests. Many activities are available, including: nature hike, O.A. callout, camp retreats, campfires, cooking demonstrations, handicraft instruction. Also, there are many outside areas of interest: cook-outs, horseback riding, raft trips, visits to surrounding towns and places of interest. The Family Camp staff will arrange for any of these activities that may appeal to you.

MEDICAL INFORMATION

You have been provided with a medical report form. Be sure that it has been completed and that you have it with you when you arrive at camp.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

See the Emergency Procedure section of this guide book. Sirens are located on the East and West Camp waterfronts and on the Country Store building.

Waterfront Emergency (steady blast of the siren). Mothers are to account for each of their children in Family Camp, then report to the staff member in charge of the waterfront.

Fire Emergency (series of short siren blasts). When the fire siren blows, immediately account for your children in Family Camp and report to staff member in charge.

THE LEADER AND FAMILY CAMP

The adult leader's primary responsibility at camp is his troop, although he will be able to schedule time with his family in the Family Camp. It is important that the family understand that Scouts and troop are the main concern of the leader while they are attending camp.

SCOUT CAMP RESTRICTIONS

Except during regular visiting periods, residents of Family Camp are not permitted in the regular Scout camps. However, you may attend special events such as OA callouts, campfires, retreats, water carnivals, etc.

ORDER OF THE ARROW CALLOUTS

Order of the Arrow callouts will be conducted on the Friday evenings as indicated on the Camp Calendar. At 7:30 p.m. all families and visitors will assemble near the Country Store where a member of the OA will explain the rules governing the ceremonies.

All persons present at this orientation will go to the callout and return as a group with a Arrow member acting as their guide.

HELPFUL HINTS

Include some warm clothing in your wardrobe, as well as rainwear. Northern Wisconsin is noted for sudden changes of temperature and long periods of wet weather. However, don't forget your swimsuit, as more than likely the sun will be shining for your entire stay.

Remember, bedding is not provided in the cabins, so be sure to bring necessary bed clothes, towels, etc. Most cabins are furnished with bunk beds.

If you have small children, sand and water toys would be appropriate.

Small appliances, such as an electric perculator, iron, radio, portable TV, etc., are not necessary but convenient.

CHECK-OUT PROCEDURE

Any bills payable to the Reservation will be paid at the Administration office.

Check-out time is 10:00 a.m. Cabins are to be left as found.



Who hath smelt wood-smoke
at twilight?

Who hath heard the
birch log burning

Who is quick to read
the noises of the night?

Let him follow with the others,
for the young men's feet are turning
to the camps of proved desire
and known delight !

(Rudyard Kipling)

