



DOWNRIVER



ORDER OF THE ARROW

winter camp iv

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D-A SCOUT RANCH

The Downriver Chapter Winter Camp has become noted for being one of the most intensely enjoyable camping experiences possible. The program for Winter Camp, unlike many O-A events, has as its main goal an aim of bringing excitement and self-fulfillment to the lives of Arrowmen. An unsurpassed program of group and individual activities has been designed to meet this aim. All activities have been planned to develop a true spirit of enthusiasm among the members. Other objectives of the Winter Camp program include: providing service to the camp; providing training for O-A members; developing Scouting skills in cooking, eating, and outdoor adventure; and encouraging fellowship among Arrowmen to strengthen the bonds of Brotherhood. To accomplish these objectives, patrols of seven to nine Arrowmen will be formed to provide a suitable organization of the group.

RULES

Although the Winter Camp program has been traditionally much more permissive than many Scout activities, all rules established by the various governmental units, the Boy Scouts of America, and the Detroit Area Council are in effect. While members are not forced to go to bed at any specific time, consideration for the desires of their fellows will be strongly stressed. Since very little of the equipment is owned by the chapter as a whole, participants must respect the property of others and will be expected to pay for damages resulting from their stupidity or carelessness. Other rules, while usually at a minimum, may be issued by the chapter leaders or camp rangers to preserve the health and well being of the group and of the camp.

INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Being an intense fellowship experience, Winter Camp requires much cooperation from each member. Since the chapter owns very little camping equipment, each participant is expected to bring his fair share of the supplies necessary for cooking and group activities. Members may secure this equipment either from their troops or own homes. A duty roster will be issued for meals and other responsibilities to divide the work evenly among the participants. Members will be expected to share in transportation to and from Winter Camp as needed. While parts of the program will involve free time, everyone will be expected to participate in group and patrol events. Personal equipment brought to Winter Camp should include: several changes of clothing; toilet articles; sleeping equipment; complete Scout uniform and O-A sash; Christmas decorations for the cabins; compass and Scout knife; Bible or prayer book, according to faith; personal silverware and cup; paper, pencil, and printed material as desired; toy weapon for murder game; and a board game for the game festival.