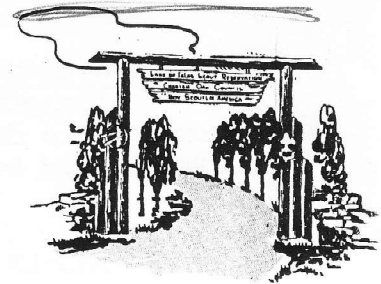


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October 19, 1965

Dear Camp Staff Member:

Enclosed is your copy of the 1965 Lake of Isles Operations Report. Read it carefully, as it tells a success story of which you played an important part.

The Camping Committee and the Lake of Isles Directors wish to sincerely thank you for your loyal dedication to the past summer's program. Because of it, some 2,300 individual Scouts enjoyed an enriched camping experience they will not soon forget.

We hope that 1966 will be an enjoyable and profitable year for you.

Sincerely,

Carl E. Bovay
Reservation Director
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Our Apache Chef, James Lee and our Pequot Chef, Gilbert Mackintosh again did an outstanding job of raw food preparation and cost control. We are indeed fortunate to have men of this caliber with us on such a long term basis. Mac finished his sixth summer with us, and Jim completed his fourth. Assisting the Chefs in the kitchens were:

John Felber	Asst. Chef	Dana Carlson	Kitchen Steward
Frederick Arnold	" "	David Thayer	" "
Ronald Blackwood	Chief Kitchen Steward	William Harvey	" "
Ralph Whitman	" " "	Keith Wilson	" "
Randall Jenks	Dining Hall Steward	Scott Montgomery	" "
Walter McNally	" " "	Craig Fowler	" "
Gerald Phelan	" " "	Timothy Pahl	" "
Allan Smith	" " "	Kevin Norige	" "
		Gordon Andrew	" "
		Robert Tourison	" "

These young men performed their duties in an outstanding way.

ADMINISTRATION

Assistant Reservation Directors, David Hebert, Moray Roy and Oliver Suhonen handled the operations end of the Reservation Office. They were in camp on a staggered basis as mentioned under the Commissary Section of this report. These able assistants were responsible for the proper assignment of all Scouts and Leaders to their scheduled troop-sites and for the issuance of the official camp lists to all concerned. They were also charged with the responsibility of the overall operation and supervision of the Reservation Office to include the proper accounting of all Trading Post Receipts and miscellaneous monies. The Scoutmaster's Family Area was directly supervised by the Assistant Reservation Directors. These men provided a strong right hand to the Reservation Director and much of the success of the Administration of the Lake of Isles can be traced to their fine work.

The Reservation Office was staffed by:

James Trainor.....Office Manager
 Ronald Dionne.....Office Assistant

Camp Apache was directed by Oliver Suhonen for the first six weeks of operation, and by Moray Roy for the last two weeks. Camp Pequot was directed by Leonard Thompson for the entire season. The directors were directly responsible for the proper execution of the Camp programs through the Staff. The wonderful response and comments from our Troop Leaders as to their Scout's experience is tribute enough for the efforts the directors put forth.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Dr. Harold S. Barrett, Charter Oak Council Health and Safety Chairman, was again in camp serving as our Health Officer. His business and work schedule really kept him on the go. We owe him a special vote of thanks for his splendid service.

Dr. Barrett will have a complete report to make at a later date, so we will merely state that the Lake of Isles enjoyed one of the best seasons from a Health and Safety standpoint.

Assisting Dr. Barrett was Mrs. Antoinette Ipacs, R.N. for two weeks, and Mrs. Ruth Nettleton, R.N. for four weeks. Our nurses performed their duties with efficiency and proved to be an asset to the total operation.

Staffing the Health Lodge:

Robert Smith	Chief 1st Aid Assistant
William Dripchak	First Aid Assistant
Kevin O'Hurley	First Aid Assistant
Irwin Darack	First Aid Assistant
Robert Widger	First Aid Assistant

The first aiders performed well in all areas of their assignment.

REPAIRS AND REPLACEMENT

Rangers Ernie Plude and Robert Butler always play an important part in making the season a safe and happy one. Our special thanks for their efforts and help. The Rangers were assisted by:

John Viets	Quartermaster
James Gillman	"
William Thomsen	"
Roger St. James	"

The report of the Rangers follows:

WORK ACCOMPLISHED....SUMMER 1965:

1. Completed Asst. Ranger's house & 2 family cabins. Worked with and supervised all projects.
2. Completed installation of paving around both Dining Halls. Worked with & supervised all projects.
3. Installed 1,000 gal. gas tank underground; also an electric gas pump. Worked with & supervised.
4. Installed concrete slab foundation for gas & oil metal bldg. Erected metal gas & oil building.
5. Worked with and supervised 2-week program with prisoners.

Painted row-boats, whale boats and "A" docks; also carpenter work repairs on kitchens and Dining Halls.
Painted Dining Hall tables, mowed grass.

6. Worked with and supervised a 2-week program with Youth workers.
 1. Cutting trees and brush along Res. road.
 2. Cut trees and brush along new road to observatory island. Project.
 3. Painted 2 family cabins.
 4. Graded and raked asst. ranger's area.
 5. Cut out brush for parking area at Explorer Base.

1966 WORK LIST (continued)

15. Reconstruct 26' boat for rowing whale boat.
16. Rebuild dish storage racks in both kitchens.
17. Cut out dangerous trees overhanging power lines.
 - A. Use 6-8" trees for log railing fence.
 - B. Burn brush during winter...weather permitting.
18. Build foundation-pour slab-reconstruct walls on family room at Ranger's house.
 - A. Paint interior of ranger's house.
19. Make repairs on Dodge Power wagon and install snow plow on same.
20. Build open storage building for vehicles on equipment. 24'x60'.
21. Build garbage disposal room on Apache kitchen.
22. Paint all buildings built in '59 and '60.
23. Secure large sinks to wall in both kitchens.

PROGRAM AREAS.....

The Rifle Range, headed by J. Wesley Sunderland, provided our Scouts with highly qualified instruction in the safe handling of 22 Cal. fire arms and the knowledge in how to hit that small target more than once in a 100 times. The sound of firing was common at all times during a typical camp day. Assisting on the Rifle Range was:

Thomas Coste

Assistant Range Officer

The Nature Area again this year proved to be one of the most popular spots at the Lake of Isles. Director Richard Lawrence and his staff did their most to provide a well-rounded program for the Scouts who attended. Their efforts prompted many Scout visitors to remark that the Lake of Isles Nature Area was the finest they had ever seen, anywhere. Director Lawrence's staff included:

Allen Johnson	Assistant Nature Director
David Berwick	Nature Assistant
Gerald Parone, Jr.	" "
Ted Wysocki	" "
John Furnell	" "

The Sailing Program, under the direction of one of the most able sailing men we have ever had, continued to grow by leaps and bounds. There were very few days when one could not see the entire Lake of Isles fleet under way. Fred Prella gave outstanding leadership to the Sailing Base and he was assisted by:

Jeffrey Martell
Kevin Murphy

Assistant Sailing Director
Sailing Assistant

The Waterfronts, always one of the most popular areas in a Scout's camping experience, were led by Ed Ota and James Dyber. James Wheaton had as his responsibility the over-all Lake of Isles Aquatic Program Co-Ordination. A large number of Scouts learned to swim, while advanced swimmers, by the hundreds, passed many aquatic merit badges and the mile swim. The Waterfront Staffs did a fine job in this area. The Waterfront Staff assistants are as follows:

Jonathon Ely	Assistant Waterfront Director
David Lambert	" " "
Benjamin Congdon	Waterfront Assistant
David Cencak	" "
Richard Morton	" "
James Martinez	" "
Anthony Foran	" "
Paul Whitman	" "
Donald Evans	" "
Tad Bailey	" "
Jay Birden	" "
Aarons Olmsted	" "
Alan Frez	" "

The Campcraft Areas, their second year in the Divisions, continued to expand in area and program quality. Directors Stephen Johnson and Edwin May enthusiastically and efficiently directed a program which gave many Scouts an opportunity to learn more about Woodcraft in the out-of-doors. Assisting the Campcraft Directors were:

Richard Stewart	Campcraft Assistant
John McCullough	" "
Robert Brandon	" "
Frank Griskus	" "

A popular activity at the Lake of Isles this year was the Handicraft Program. Roger Ogren and Greg Tower did a fine job in teaching Scouts the best way to paint a slide, or to braid a lanyard, or to carve a totem pole. The Handicraft Lodges were always filled with eager learners.

The Fieldsports Program always affords Troops and individual Scouts many hours of pleasure, skill accomplishment, and physical fitness. This year again was no exception. From archery to track--to mo-skeet, the Field Sports Staff provided a program, enjoyable to every single Scout who participated. John Rothwell, III and Peter Coste directed the Program and they were assisted by:

Donald Stern	Assistant Director
David Cross	" "

The Trading Posts, while not strictly a program area, give many Scouts a place to congregate for fun and fellowship while sipping on a soda or buying a Lake of Isles patch. Excellent business operations were run by Trading Post

Managers Harold Barnum and Edward Smith. These men were assisted by:

Martin Ritter	Trading Post Assistant	:
Chris Albair	" " "	

For the second year, we were aroused in the morning and soothed to sleep at night by buglers, Joseph LeBlanc and Thomas Weaver. These versatile young men also assisted at the Trading Post and at the Camp offices.

LEADERSHIP.....

Besides the group of fine chartered Scoutmasters who brought so many Scouts to the Lake of Isles this summer, there was a group of men who acted as leaders of Scouts who were not fortunate enough to have their own Scoutmasters present. These Provisional Leaders were responsible for providing a program for a widely diverse group of Scouts, from all over Charter Oak Council. In the execution of their duties, they performed in an outstanding manner. This group included:

Joseph Avore, Jr.	Provisional Scoutmaster
James Bristol	" "
William McKay	" "
J. Rockwell Allen	" "
Robert Kaufman	" "
Donald Kaufman	" "
Richard Molenaar	" "
Rudolph Arnold	" "

Mark Siegel	Junior Assistant Scoutmaster
Craig Watson	" " "
Richard Andersen	" " "
Timothy Sercombe	" " "
Laurence Phelps	" " "
Robert Pease	" " "
Walter Reed	" " "
Gary Heard	" " "

MERIT BADGE PROGRAM.....

A summary of the advancement through the Merit Badge program follows this paragraph. The excellence of the Merit Badge program was due in large part to the fine talents of the program members of the Staff. Also the Advancement Committee of the Charter Oak Council established a policy this year with regard to what Merit Badges would be offered at the Lake of Isles to their full completion & those because of time requirements, would be offered only as partial completions. The number of total merit badges are down from last year, but we feel that the quality of the instruction was at the highest level ever.

MERIT BADGES.....

	<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>		<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>
Astronomy	1	2	Cooking	46	78
Athletics	75	79	First Aid	111	0
Archery	92	70	Fishing	0	2
Bugling	10	2	Forestry	32	29
Camping	60	57	Life Saving	136	85
Canoeing	215	342			