

SCOUTERS' DIGEST

SAFE BOATING WEEK. Scout and Cub Scout leaders can use the week of July 4-10 as a good time to teach their kids about the importance of safety whenever they venture out on the water, boating, canoeing, swimming.

JEFFERSON EXHIBIT. If you're planning a tour of the nation's capital, include a trip to the National Gallery of Art, Sixth St. and Constitution Ave. N.W. From June 5 to September 6, you can view an outstanding exhibit, *The Eye of Thomas Jefferson*, containing: paintings showing life in Colonial Virginia; models of buildings Jefferson had an interest in or helped build including his home, Monticello; art objects T.J. designed or commissioned; books and papers he wrote; gardens showing some of the third president's favorite plants; plus lots more. Exxon is supporting the free exhibit.

PINEWOOD DERBY CORRECTION. There was an error in one of the derby racer dimensions in our article, "It's Pinewood Derby Time" (Jan-Feb 1976), and on the spec sheets included in some derby kits. The overall racer width should not exceed $2\frac{3}{4}$ inches; the length should not exceed seven inches. Some derby plan sheets do not show the correct measurements. If a Cub Scout follows the instructions which may read "three inches" instead of $2\frac{3}{4}$, he should not be disqualified.

Extra car spec sheets are available by writing to: Supply Division, BSA, North Brunswick, N.J. 08902; or directly from your local Scout equipment distributor.

WOOD BADGE REUNION. "Back to Gilwell, happy land . . ." is sung loudly whenever Wood Badge Scouters gather. They and all others with \$544 can sing to their hearts content at Gilwell Park,

England, home of Wood Badge. The occasion is the 50th anniversary Wood Badge Reunion.

A special BSA pilgrimage to England lasts from August 29 to September 6. September 4 and 5 are the reunion dates. Rest of the time will be spent touring places in England of special interest to Scouters.

For more details, write to: International Division, BSA, North Brunswick, N.J. 08902.

NATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING. From May 19 to 21, New York City will welcome council Scouters from all over the country as they assemble for the big biennial national council meeting. BSA President Arch Monson bangs the gavel to start on May 20. From then Scouters gather for interest group sessions and seminars to carry back to their home-grounds techniques to improve all phases of their local council operation.

LONE SCOUT REUNION. Under the sponsorship of a group known as the Lone Scouts of America, Lone Scouting began in 1915 and lasted until 1924. Then the BSA took over the program to continue to serve rural boys and others who wanted Scouting but who could not belong to a troop because there was none nearby. Members in the early days could keep in touch through local or mail "tribes" or special news columns in farmer's magazines or in *Boys' Life*.

Any former Lone Scout is invited to a reunion at Camp Barnhardt, New London, N.C., Oct. 14-16. For more details, send a stamped, self-addressed, long envelope to: Theodore E. Tindell, Box 134, Alcoa, Tenn. 37701.

NEW ADULT UNIFORMS. At the May National Council meeting in New York City BSA President Arch Monson will officially announce these changes in the adult Scouter's uniforms: The official dress uniform for ladies will be a navy blue blazer with a detachable emblem to denote either Cub Scouting, Scouting, Exploring, or universal (all programs.) In addition, Cub Scout ladies may wear: a light gray, A-line skirt (slacks optional), gold long or short sleeve blouse and blue tie. Scout ladies: light gray, A-line skirt (slacks optional), with white blouse and red tie. Explorer ladies: red, A-line skirt, white blouse and tie with color optional. Ladies without any particular program affiliation:

light gray, A-line skirt (slacks optional), white blouse with a red, white and blue striped tie.

The navy blue blazer with appropriate emblem and gray flared trousers and a white long or short sleeve shirt will be the official men's dress uniform. A distinctive tie completes the outfit. Cub Scout men: blue and gold striped tie; Scout men: red and white striped tie; Exploring men: red and blue striped tie; universal men: red, white and blue striped tie. Shoe is brown or black and blue or black socks are recommended.

The blue blazer uniform will be the only official adult dress uniform effective January 1, 1977. The men's green blazer uniform will be optional until then. A schedule of the availability of uniform parts will be announced soon.

KODAK PHOTO SCHOLARSHIPS. Six Scouts zoomed in with the winning techniques in the 1975 Scout Photo Scholarship Awards sponsored by Eastman Kodak. Randal Boretos, Rockville, Md., won the \$1,000 first place scholarship in the black and white category; Jacob Getz, Miami, won first in color. Myron Kwan, Los Angeles, and John S. Atchison, Alexandria, Va., copped second place scholarships of \$500. Third place scholarships of \$250 went to Scott Dow, Marshfield, Mass., and Stephen Siu, Jefferson City, Mo.

Besides the scholarships, 79 certificates of merit were awarded for other photos. The 1976 contest is open to 11-through 15-year-old Scouts who have earned the Photography merit badge. Entries will be accepted through October 1. For entry blank and rules, send a long self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Scout Photo Scholarship Awards, Scouting Division, BSA, North Brunswick, N.J. 08902.

SLOGANS USA. Here are the winners of the BSA phase of the SLOGANS USA Contest: Explorers: Cathy Jean Ehmann, Baltimore — "America — We've only just begun;" Reed Markham, Provo, Utah — "Each man makes of himself what he makes of his country." Scouts: Roger Sather, Jr., Perley, Minn. — "The liberty bell rings on;" Kevin Dixler, Highland Park, Ill. — "The spirit lives on;" Matt Roth, Peoria, Ill. — "I can, you can, *American!*" Brian Fike, Tampa — "America *together* means *forever*." Cub Scouts: David Reed, Maple Glenn, Pa. — "Keep the spirit of America!" Curt

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