

30,000 Area Boy Scouts To Display Skills In 11th Biennial Exposition

One of the major attractions for Scout-O-Rama '28, the huge Detroit Area Council Boy Scout show at Michigan State Fairgrounds on June 7, 8 and 9, will be the colorful World Friendship Pavilion built around the large reflecting pool at the Fairgrounds.

Hundreds of Cubs, Scouts, Explorers and leaders will depict Scouting skills, customs and traditions of 23 nations in the World Friendship show area. Included will be Mexico, Chile, Japan, Greece, Italy, Thailand, Austria, Norway, Ghana,

England, the Congo and the Netherlands.

Small children who visit the show will be offered a ride in an authentic Chinese rickshaw pulled by members of Scout Troop 254, Redford District, who will also offer mothers genuine Chinese rice and other oriental dish recipes.

Scouts from Troop 230, Sunset District, which includes Livonia, Plymouth, Redford and Garden City, will decorate themselves with body paint and colorful costumes as they present Composee dances.

Cubs from Pack 272, Cadillac Square District, will present an exciting Mexican bullfight skit complete with gaily costumed torreadors and a fierce boy-sized bull.

OF SPECIAL INTEREST to all present and past Scouts and Scout leaders will be the historic Brownsea Island Camp re-enacted by the Scouts of Troop 204, Greenfield District.

Brownsea Island was the site of the very first Boy Scout campout ever held by the founder of the Scouting program, Lord Baden-Powell, back in 1907. The members of Troop 204 will be clad in the knickers and clothes of that era.

The feats of Robin Hood and his merry band will be portrayed by Troop 99 of Cadillac Square District, and they'll even be fashioning their own bows and arrows at the show.

They couldn't borrow the Leaning Tower of Pisa, so the Scouts of Troop 1426 did the next best thing, they've constructed a gondola which will ply the waters of the reflecting pond as they give small fry an Italian boat ride. Sailing the same waters will be a dug-out canoe fashioned by members of Troop 1630, Michigan District, as they bring the Philippines to the Fairgrounds.

Other nations and nationalities that will be represented include Guatemala, Denmark, Haiti, Germany, India and Israel. Much of the material and clothing that will be worn and displayed by the Scouts is the real thing, borrowed from sources near and far, including paintings, native artifacts and souvenir items.

THE WORLD FRIENDSHIP area is but one of dozens of show features that will provide thousands of visitors with a panoramic vista of Scouting in action.

All of the major facilities of the Fairgrounds will be packed with booths and action displays featuring Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Explorer activities. Nearly all of the available outdoor space will be devoted to pioneering, camping, cooking and conservation areas.

Show visitors will be offered taste-tempting samples of meals prepared by Scout cooks, including pancakes mixed in a cement mixer, a new one incidentally, which meets with health department regulations!

A string of horses from the Scouts' D-Bar-A, Scout Ranch will provide thousands of little tots an opportunity to take their first horseback ride. A giant, 100-foot long Pinewood Derby track will be erected on which hundreds of tiny, boy-dad constructed Pinewood Derby racers will compete.

Scout officials indicate that nearly 30,000 Scouts and leaders will participate in the show, not (as they point out) all at one time, but during the course of the show on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 7, 8, and 9.

The general public is invited to attend the show and tickets may be purchased from Cubs, Scouts and Explorers in this and other communities throughout the metropolitan Detroit area. Tickets are \$1 for adults, children under 12 are admitted free when accompanied by adults, one per adult.



THINGS ALWAYS something interesting to the creation of your sites at the biennial Exposition. This one is wondering just what that long piece of wire is going to do.

ROPE BRIDGE, constructed by Boy Scouts, is a super attraction at the annual Exposition. This picture shows how the youngsters take to trips across the bridge. It doesn't look safe but nary a boy has been lost yet.



AN ADDITIONAL TREAT for youthful visitors is an opportunity to ride a horse or pony around the rodeo course. This shot shows how the kiddies line up to get a chance for a free ride.



OBSTACLE COURSE has the attention of this Scout. Just like their older brothers have to take training in such obstacles in the Armed Services, the senior Scouts get a taste of it early.



MOM CAN'T COOK any better than these Scouts. At least that's the impression they try to give in their Israeli shish-kabob. And believe it or not, most Moms enjoy the chance to have their sons cook a meal.



ANYONE for fly-tying? This Scout isn't disturbed a bit by visitors watching him making some fishing equipment—he's so intent on his work, he hasn't time for anything else. The fly-tying exhibit is always one of the most popular at the biennial Boy Scout show—the biggest in the Midwest.

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