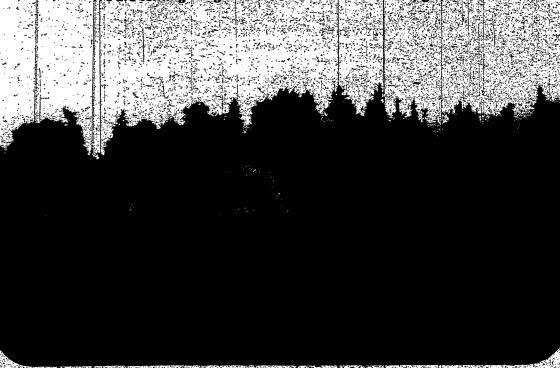


An outdoor project during the Scouts' annual campout retreat at St. Bernard's Seminary.





The 1975 St. George and Bronze Pelican awards for adult scouters were present dinner. Bishop Joseph L. Hogan made the presentations. In front row, from George Wood, Otetiana Council; Bishop Hogan; Father William Darling, Otet nard G. Newcomb, Otetiana; back row, Clemens J. Salber Jr., Otetiana; Jame Fuertes Council; Frederick C. White, Steuben Council; Mrs. Lillian Rivaldo, O Lare, Otetiana: Richard Batz, Otetiana, and Albert Piccola Otetia

## Boy Scouts. A Spiritual Side Al

Training of boys to be "better citizens, more active, more devoted to the common good of the Temporal City," as Pope Pius XII said as well as to be better sons of the Church," is promoted by the Plan of Cooperation, developed in 1934, revised in 1968, by the U.S. Catholic bishops and leaders of the Boy Scouts of America.

The Plan of Cooperation, us well as the ideals and principles of the Scout movement, underlines the importance of the spiritual welfare of each boy entering the

The purpose of Catholic Scouting committees is to implement effectively this plan and to give guidance, direction, leadership and vitality in the spiritual phase of Scouting to all Catholics in it.

The program of the diocesan Scouting committee supplements the training program of the BSA with special instructions and activities in the spiritual phase of Scouting as it relates to Catholics. It also tries to make the program available to increasing numbers of boys.

The diocesan committee cooperates with the region and the local councils of BSA within the diocese. Area committees (one for each Scout council within the diocese) are extensions of the "parent" diocesan committee.

The diocesan committee normally serves the parish through the area committee which works closely with the local scout council and its regular committees.

In the spiritual realm, the diocesan committee develops a program of training and activities and provides positive leadership for local committees.

Local units develop schedules and set up programs of activities for all Scouts under Catholic auspices in addition to but not in conflict with council or district activities.

The area committee strives to reach all Catholic boysand adult Scouters in other sponsored units with the hope. they will participate in activities sponsored by the committee It meets bi-monthly on diocesan and area levels to carry out its program.