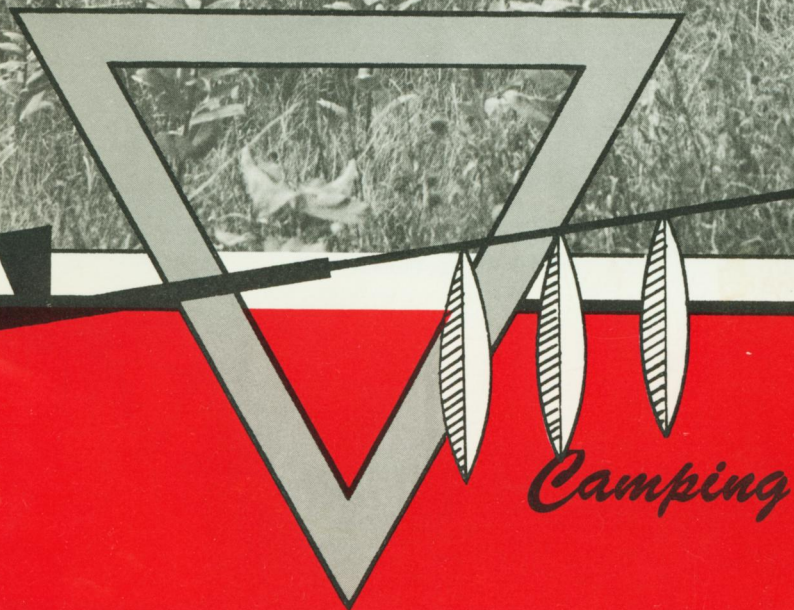




Camping is a way of life

CAMP MAHN-GO-TAH-SEE - HALE, MICHIGAN

ADVENTUROUS EXPERIENCE OF OUTDOOR LIVING

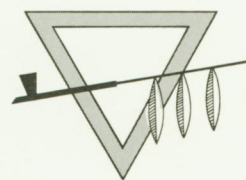
The adventure of living together in a woodland setting, in harmony with the unspoiled out-of-doors, is one of the most memorable experiences in a boy's life. Mahn-Go-Tah-See is a retreat from the complexities of modern urban living—a new frontier where a boy can grow in wisdom, in stature, and in his relationships with God and his fellow man.

There are many features of life at Mahn-Go-Tah-See which make it an outstanding place for your son to spend a part of his precious youth. Among these are:

- Spacious forest-studded grounds on beautiful Loon Lake, far removed from the distractions of city life.
- A mature professional administrative staff with many years of camp leadership experience, assisted by a fine staff of young men of college age, selected for their enthusiasm, resourcefulness, interest in boys, program skills and personal character.
- Freedom to make daily activity choices from a diversified, fun-filled yet challenging array of program offerings.
- Lots of good wholesome food prepared by an experienced cook staff in Camp's well-equipped kitchen.
- An abundance of excellent physical facilities—a dining lodge, nature center, crafts center, archery and riflery ranges, navigation center, health center, the large Seaholm recreation lodge, well-equipped waterfront with a fleet of sailboats, canoes and rowboats, and several busses and trucks.
- Special emphasis on health and safety in all phases of the camp program.

At Mahn-Go-Tah-See, camper experiences are geared to the age and maturity level of the campers, with progressive challenges and responsibilities as a boy develops through several seasons of camp life.

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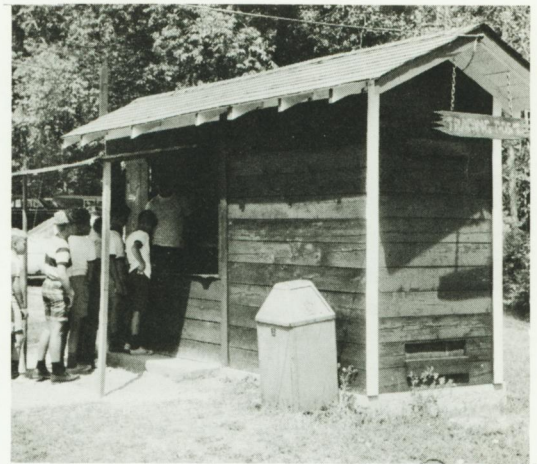
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The big bus comes to a stop near Loon Lake's shore and a group of new arrivals eagerly unloads.

At the Camp...

A rustic cabin, equipped with double-deck bunks and storage facilities, soon becomes a comfortable home for a group of campers and their own special counselor.



Writing materials, tooth paste, or a bit of candy can be purchased at the Trading Post once each day.

Lynd Lodge, better known as just plain "dining lodge", is the scene of ravenous mealtime activity!



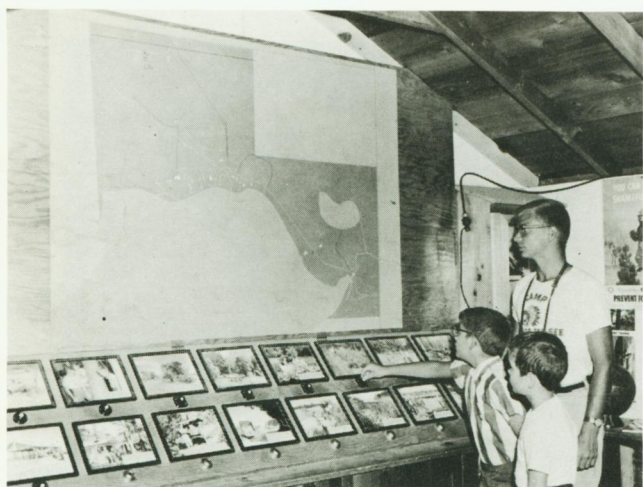
Nature...



An interesting group Nature project---posting the Camp land with "Wildlife Preserve" signs.



When it's blueberry time, the nature hikes "just happen" to lead to some fine berry patches!



Inside the Nature Center, the big electric map of the Camp and its activity areas gets a work-out!



Nature hikers make a fascinating discovery---a nest full of just-hatched chipping sparrows!



One of the older boys explains some of Nature's marvels to younger campers.



Out in the forest, boys learn about the jack-pines and their relationship to birds, deer, and good soil cover.



A group of hikers gathers in front of Mahn-Go-Tah-See's well-equipped Nature Center to learn about one of Camp's amusing "natives".

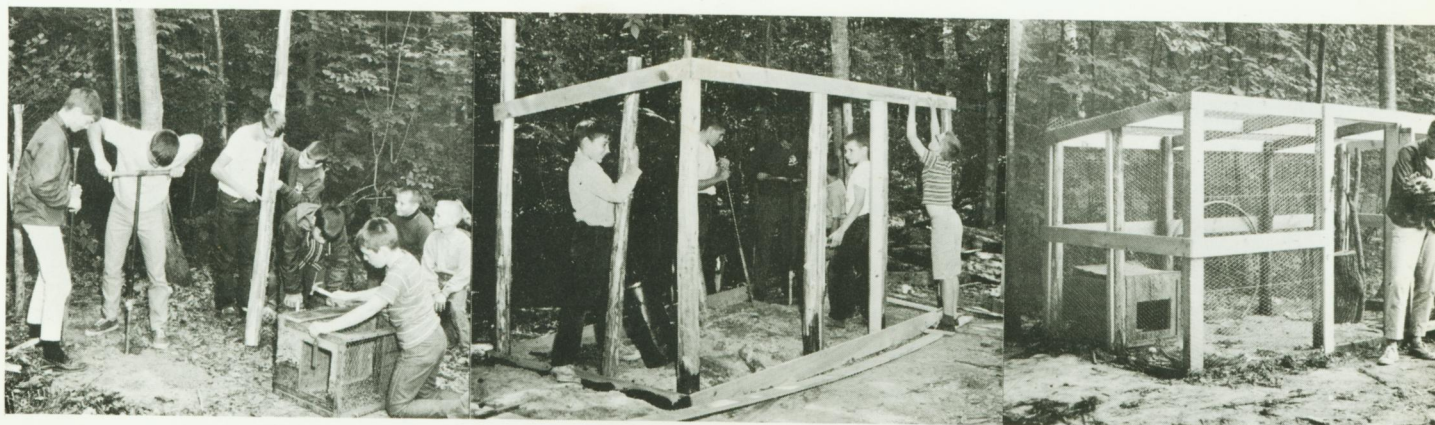
Natives!...



Another "native" — a large but harmless water snake.



Who is more interested in whom?



The need for new facilities has often resulted in fascinating camper-counselor construction projects, like this walk-in home for a pet raccoon.



On a trip to the north, some Hurons compare their sizes with Paul Bunyan up near Thunder Bay.

Beat you to the bottom! The towering "high banks" of the Au Sable provide an exhilarating trip destination for campers of all ages.



Trips and Cook-outs...

One of the several highlights of an overnight experience is the evening meal, cooked over an open fire with quite primitive but suitable equipment.



Pow-Wow...



From "far across old Loon Lake's waters", Chief Mahn-Go-Tah-See arrives for a tribal pow-wow,

is greeted by one of the chiefs, and later inducts the new braves into the tribe in a colorful ceremony.



The Pow-Wow, a traditional closing feature of each camp period, dramatizes the individual achievements of the camper during his stay in camp, helping to motivate a wide selection of program activities by each boy.

Boating...

Boating in a peppy little dingy—one of the many Waterfront activities at Mahn-Go-Tah-See.



The crew of a "Lightning" maneuvers to get every ounce of strength from a light breeze! Several sleek fiberglass boats have been added to Mahn-Go-Tah-See's sailing fleet.

Individual instruction in canoe paddling and handling assures skill and safety when, later on, boys go on long canoe trips around the lake or on the Au Sable River.

A crew of fourteen is a light load for an imaginative sea-faring adventure on the big "Cal-cite", Camp's "fun-boat" and a relic of the Great Lakes.



Loon Lake...



A wonderful setting for a solitary canoe trip down the wooded shore of Loon Lake!



An expedition into Turtle Cove brings anticipation and excitement as a turtle is about to be netted. Here too lurk scrappy bass and perch—a challenge to Camp's many fishermen.



A group of hikers learn about the way the glacier formed Loon Lake and rimmed it with rolling hills and deep ravines.



Loon Lake's clean, clear waters lure hikers as well as swimmers, boaters and fishermen. The lake is a focal point for many of Camp's most interesting activities.

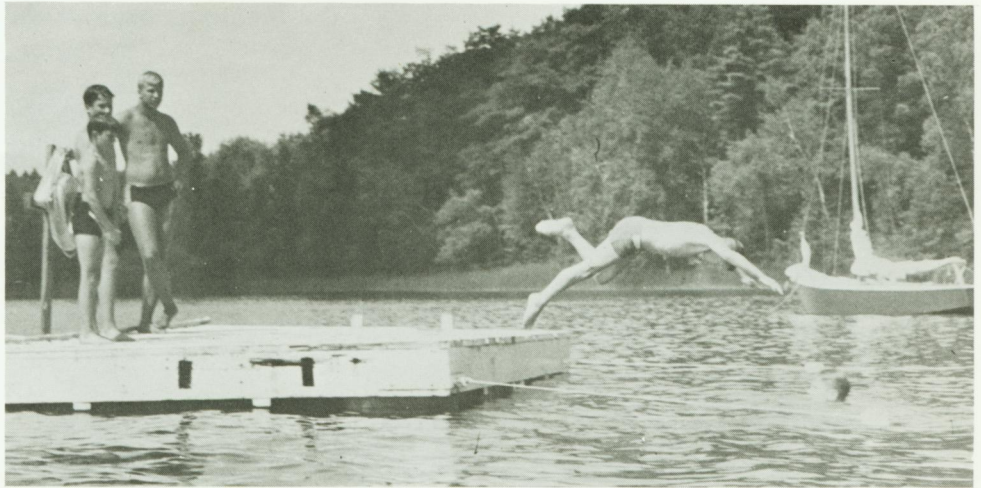
Swimming...

A hot, lazy summer day finds boys doing a variety of relaxing things at the Waterfront under the watchful eyes of the lifeguards.

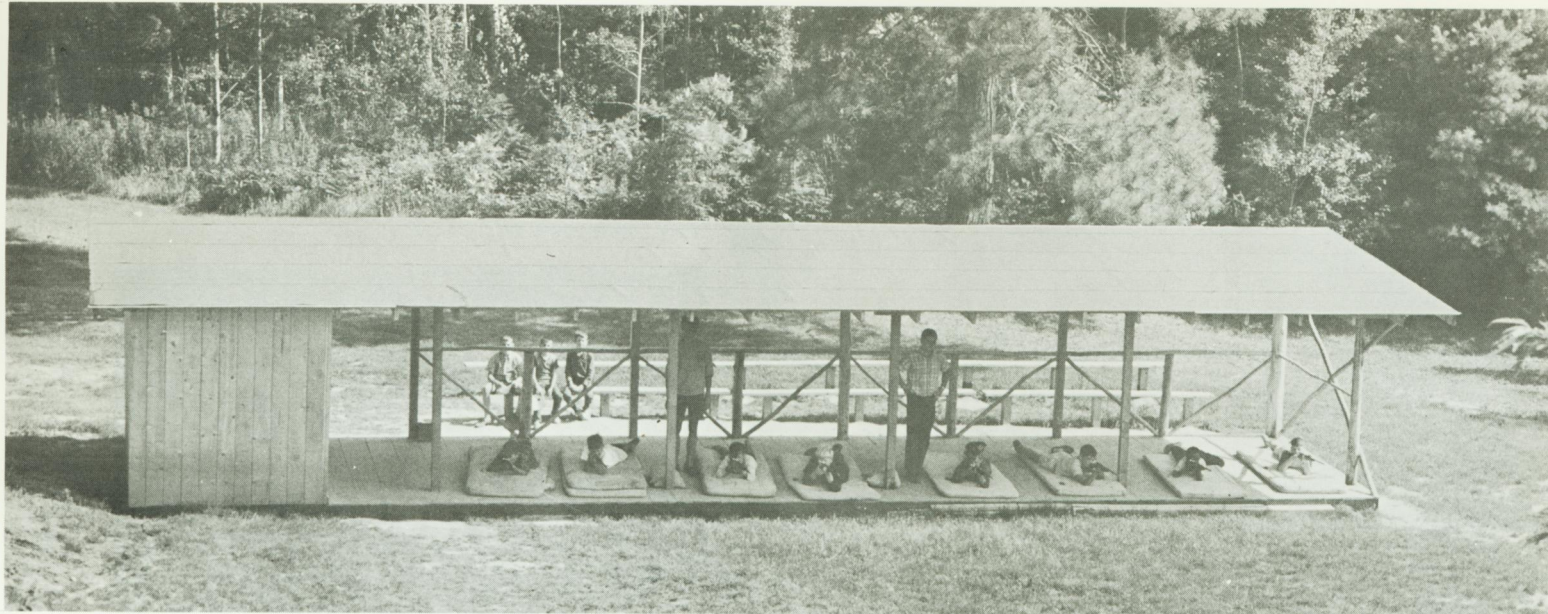


Buddy call! Good supervision and frequent safety checks are "musts" at Mahn-Go-Tah-See.

The raft—a special fun place for campers who have qualified for the privilege by passing their Red Cross Swimmers test.



The winners! A commando-race entry---a full cabin of exuberant Hurons---pulls its plastic boat up on shore and is judged the winner! It's a Water Carnival special!



Ready, aim, fire! Under skilled National Rifle Association leadership, boys learn the rules of safety and enjoy the fun of marksmanship at Mahn-Go-Tah-See's spacious Rifle Range.

Archery and Rifle Range

Against a backdrop of tall and ancient pines, campers participate in Archery—the sport of kings.



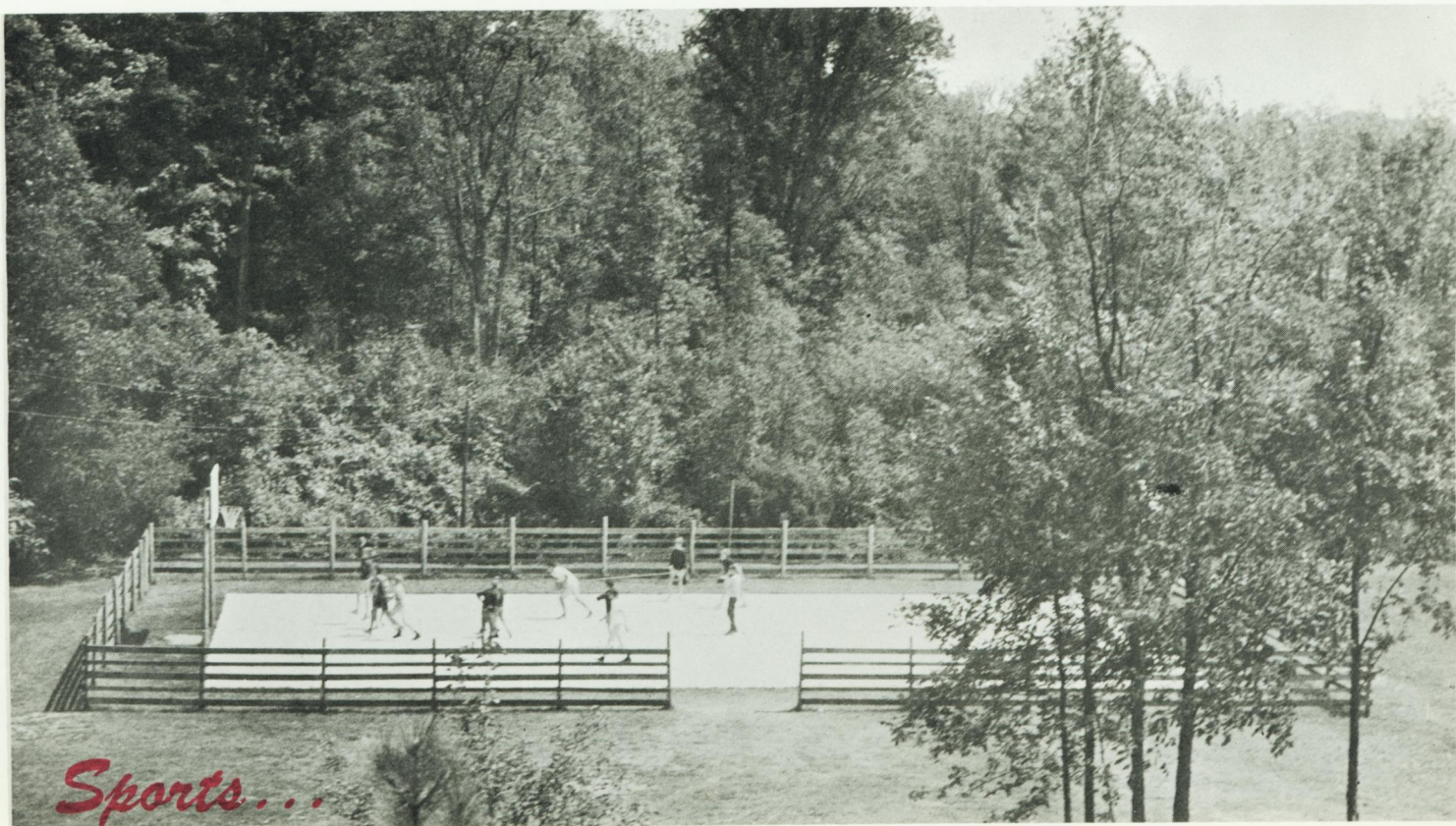
Handicrafts...

Basketry is one of the most popular activities up at the Handicraft Lodge, where campers create useful gifts for themselves and their families back home.



Many crafts from a wide variety of materials offer interesting challenges to boys of all ages. Here, older boys try their hand at clay work on the potter's wheel.

The Sports Court is a much-used multi-purpose area where boys play basketball, dodge ball, and a variety of other team sports in leisure hours.



Sports...

Outpost...

The Ottawas, oldest of Mahn-Go-Tah-See's camper groups, use their "primitive outcamp" headquarters at Jeffers Outpost as a base for far-ranging adventures throughout Michigan's north country.



Land Cruiser...

The Land Cruiser heads back into Camp after a several-days trip to some of Michigan's beauty spots in the Upper Peninsula.



'Though rustic in appearance, the "Leonard" (main washroom) contains large Bradley lavatory units, hot water, and modern flush toilets.

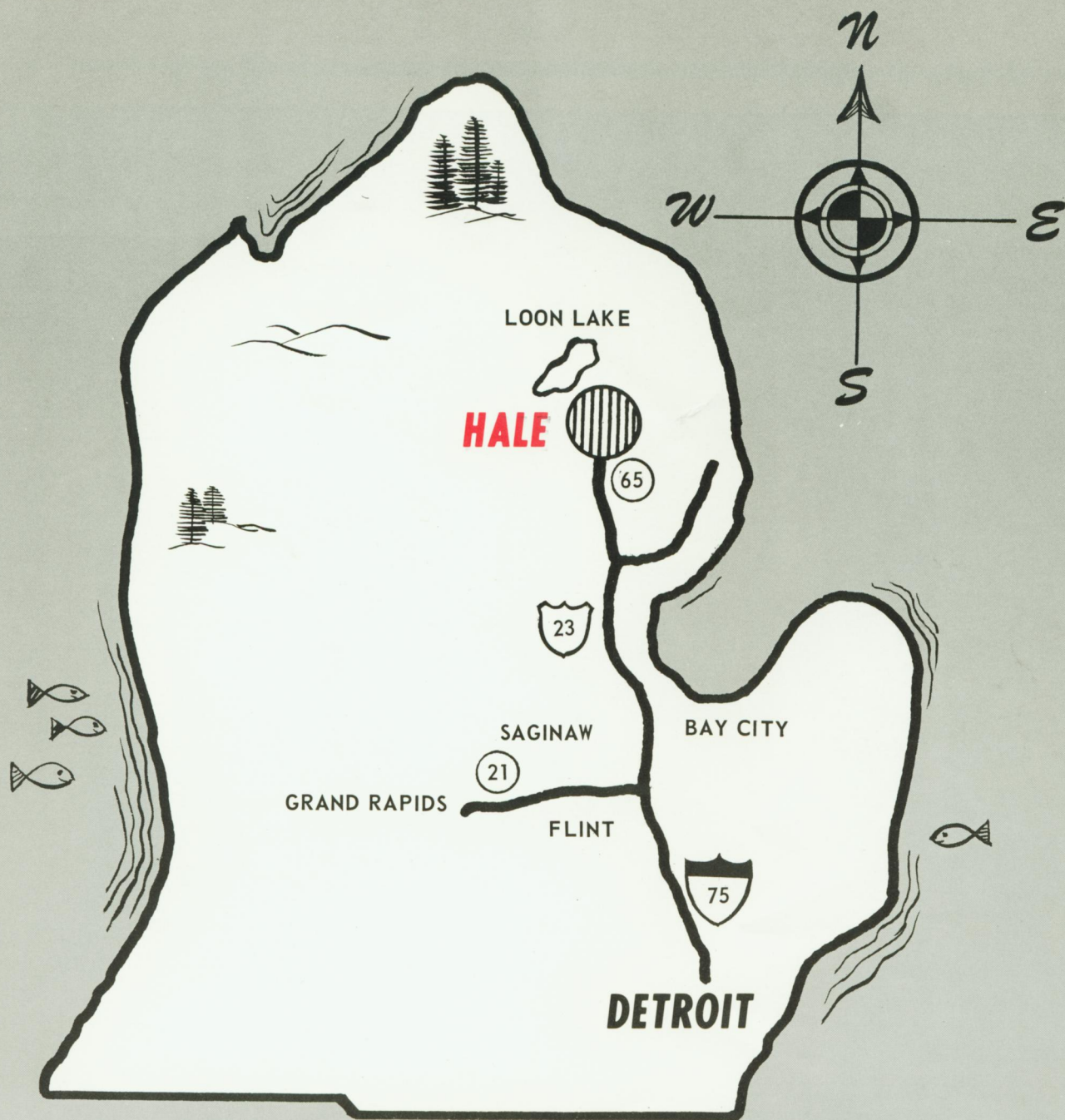
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We knew the desolation of great heights
 And the contentment of deep valleys;
 We saw the moon leap silver from the mountain peaks
 And watched the red sun die in a welter of mists on the horizon;
 We knew the white, swift decline of vast snow fields
 And the small beauty of forest flowers;
 Our dreams rose with the smoke of our camp fires in the wilderness
 And our friendship glowed with the embers of fir-fires;
 We shared hunger, thirst and the great struggle toward the mountain top
 As we shared the peace, good food and pleasant rest of our night camp;
 All these things entered into the pattern of our friendship and made it fine.
 These things we knew together
 And these things we will remember.

— Author Unknown

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At the edge of the vast Huron National Forest and close by the historic Au Sable, Mahn-Go-Tah-See is ideally located for a summer camp. Its mile of sandy shoreline along beautiful Loon Lake, its more than 250 acres of wooded hills and rolling meadows, its forests of oaks, birches, and stately pines where wildlife abounds—all these combine to create an unmatched environment where boys can live, play, and explore to their hearts' content.



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