

Indian Boy Scouts

North Brunswick, N. J. — Representatives of major U.S. Indian tribes will gather next month in Flagstaff, Arizona, to discover new and improved ways of bringing a meaningful Scouting program to the Indian youth of the Nation.

The 15th annual American Indian Tribal leaders' Conference on Scouting will take place August 1-4, 1972, at Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff.

Represented at this important assemble will be members of 43 Indian tribes from as far away as Alaska, covering 68 BSA councils that serve or are adjacent to Indian reservations in the largest conference on Indian Scouting yet held.

Conference objectives include developing methods for bringing Scouting to one third of all American Indian youth; utilization of the rich cultural heritage of the Indian; and recruitment of volunteer Scouters.

Brantly Blue, a member of the Indian Claims Commission, Washington, D.C., is conference chairman; assisting him is Stanley Speaks, of Intermountain School, Brigham City, Utah.

Keynote speakers include Alden G. Barber, Chief Scout Executive of the BSA; Louis R. Bruce, Jr., Commissioner of of Indian Affairs; and the Hon. Ben Reifel, former Congressman now with the National Park Service of the Department of the Interior.