



# TROOP 510



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## Scoutmasters Report

**Mr. Lenagh**  
Scoutmaster

Scouts, if you're like most boys, you don't think of your parents very often. Oh, they're around all the time, of course, and sometimes they make you do things you don't want to do.

But how often do you think of what your parents want from you? Probably not very often. Maybe you give them gifts at Christmas and their birthdays. But most of us don't go out of our way to help our parents as much as we might.

I have a suggestion. Do you know what is the best gift you can give them? I'll tell you.

Parents want most of all, and have a right to expect, that you will do your best to make them proud of you. I don't mean by becoming rich or famous, or even by getting all A's in school - although I hope you do your best at your studies.

The best gift you can give them is to become the best person you can be. There is no better way to do that than by living up to the Scout Oath and Law. That is a gift you can give them right now and all the time, and it is a gift they will cherish above all others.

Next month (September) we will be going back to wearing Class A uniforms for our weekly meeting. I hope that everyone has had an enjoyable summer. But, as usual summer comes to an end and school will be starting soon.

## Madeline Island Campout – Part II

**Mark Schaezner**  
3<sup>rd</sup> in charge

On June 24<sup>th</sup>, 12 boys and five leaders headed out for a camping trip to the Apostle Islands. To take full advantage of the trip we left on Friday morning. The drive up included picking up Mrs. Timm in Amery Wisconsin. Mr. and Mrs. Timm were the gracious hosts for the weekend.

The drive up was very uneventful with stops to stretch and eat lunch at DQ in Turtle Lake Wisconsin. The DQ manager with a very worried look came up and asked Mr. Lenagh if the dates of Tomahawk had changed from Saturday to Friday. Much to the manager's relief, Mr. Lenagh assured her that the dates for Tomahawk had not changed and that we were on a weekend trip. We did stop at the Apostle Island visitor center outside of Ashland, Wisconsin. The boys enjoyed the movie and history of the area. Each of the boys received a poster for successfully completing a search for displays throughout the museum.

Arriving in Bayfield, Wisconsin the boys got their first chance to throw rocks into Lake Superior and see how cold the water was. In the end throwing rocks into and swimming in Lake Superior became a daily event. We boarded the ferry as the cars were being loaded. The trip to Madeline Island took twenty minutes, our next stop the Timm's cabin.

We arrived at the Timm's cabin to find Mr. Timm cutting the grass and preparing a great place for us to set up our tents for the weekend. Not only did we have the Timm's yard for camping, cooking, and campfires; we had access to the yard across the street for games. During the weekend there were many games held in this yard including: Megabase baseball and ultimate Frisbee. Typically the non-cooks would organize a game in the yard.

The weather throughout the weekend was nearly ideal, warm days and cool nights. Saturday morning after breakfast we headed off to explore the island. We visited a beach and explored a little village right out of Gulliver's travels, a complete village of miniature houses and buildings deep in the forest.

After lunch we headed to the beach for rock skipping, digging in the sand and swimming. Yes swimming, nearly all of the boys and a couple of the adults went in the water. Not just in the water, but fully immersed in the cool water of Lake Superior. It is not too bad once you get numb. After a couple hours at the beach we walked back to the Tents for rank activities. Another highlight of our day at the beach was a bald eagle flying at tree top level right over our head.

Rank activities included two boys completing the Tenderfoot requirements and most of the first year Scouts completing their fireman and totem chip requirements. The second year Scouts were very helpful to the first year Scouts in working and completing requirements.

**Editors note:** Evidently this was one heck of a campout. As far back as records go for the Troop 510 newsletter, this is the first time there have been two (2) camping reports for the same trip. I bet this one show up on the calendar again!

## PLC Notes

Various Scouts  
Troop Scribe Standin

### August

- 16 Family Picnic – Site to be determined
- 23 Highway cleanup

July 20/August 4: National Jamboree