



TROOP 510



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Scoutmasters Report

Tom Lenagh
Scoutmaster

Scouts, I have a sort of trick question for you. Think before you answer. What's the most important thing for a first aider to do?

Call for help? No, that's often very important, but it's not the first. Check for breathing? No - again, that's obviously vital, but it's not the first thing.

The most important thing for a first aider to do is this: Stay cool. Don't act in a panic. Think first!

Often you must act fast when a person needs first aid. But think first! That's not always easy to do in a real-life accident or serious illness, but it is essential. It's easy to be calm and cool when we're practicing first aid here in the troop room. It's not so easy when an accident victim is not breathing or when blood is spurting out of a severed artery. In those situations you must act fast.

But begin training yourself now to stay cool and think before you take action. Then if you're ever in a real crisis situation, you will remember the first aider's first rule - stay cool and think.

A few events the troop planned for this year:

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| 7 February | OA Elections |
| 10-12 February | Fort Rice |
| 21 March | Spring Court of Honor |
| 5-7 May | WEBELOS Woods |
| 8-15 July | Tomahawk |

How many of these activities are you planning on attending?

January is also the time for re-charting. If you are not getting Boy's Life magazine this is a good time to start. Boy's Life (BL) has many good articles and stories of things going on in BSA. Please contact Linda Offerdahl or myself if you would like BL.

PLC Notes

The Unknown Scout
Isaac Mensink

January 3 - The Old Fogie patrol has opening closing and a game. We are planning the Cub Scout visit and Kipling cabin.

January 10 - The Twinkly Twinkies have opening closing and a game. We are hosting a Cub Scout visit.

January 14 - Eco Backen

January 17 - The Bacon patrol has opening closing and a game. We are planning and having uniform inspection.

January 20/22 - Kipling Cabin

January 24 - The Dragons have opening closing and a game. We are planning Fort Rice.

January 31 - PLC all patrols need to be represented at all PLCs

Merit badges - Family life and Traffic safety

OA News

Mr Hammer
Assistant Scoutmaster

If you plan on being with Troop 510 to assist Troop 345 with their OA Elections, please attend the OA Election training at Chief Black Dog (CBD) Roundtable this month. We must have youth and leaders trained or no elections can be held. The CBD Roundtable is held January 12th at the LDS Church. Training starts at 7:00 and it is located at 651 E Southcross Drive W, Burnsville. Don't forget to wear your sash!

From Mr. Paulson:

The first year of the Leadership in Service award has ended. For all of you who have completed the service requirements, it is time to turn in your service tracking form with \$5.00 for the first year dangle. I will be at the January Roundtable to collect forms and payment. Please call me or send me an email if you have any questions.

The end

Mr Hammer
Assistant Scoutmaster

Nope. No statement here about Boy Scouts reading the newsletter, talking to Mr. Hammer and getting \$1. Not this month. Maybe it will be next month. I am just trying to fill up this second page since it is a slow news month. Only the Holiday Party happened in December which was a fun time by all. Mr. Hammer almost had to do the cream puff eating contest. But, he was saved by Mr. White who expressed interest in doing it. One more year Mr. Hammer lucked out! Maybe next year?

Well, this page is getting closer to being filled up. Still more white space to fill up. What do we talk about now? How about the upcoming camping trips to Kipling Cabin or Fort Rice? Kipling Cabin should be a great time. Plenty of snow is around to make it a great camping weekend. I don't know the theme for the trip but I suspect it will be a fun one. Sign up early to get a good spot!

And then there is Fort Rice. The place looks like an old western military post with guard towers, tall walls around the fort and a bunk house that is the best in the nation! Okay, maybe not the best but it does have indoor toilets! No Boy Scout has ever come back from a Fort Rice campout and not had a good time. It just isn't possible.

Well, it seems there is still some white space at the end of this page. Any idea how I can fill it up? Please, somebody help me. It just won't go away. It gets smaller but it is still there. Oh well, maybe it just isn't possible to fill it up.

Well, I tried my best!