



TROOP 510



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Scoutmasters Report

Tom Lenagh
Scoutmaster

Did you see this cartoon in this month's Boys Life? it's a story of how a Scout saved a life. I read it every month and I hope you do, too.

In just about every story, the Scout showed a lot of guts in making the rescue. But have you noticed that he usually demonstrated some skill, too?

More often than not, in water rescue cases, the Scout uses one of the methods we teach in the troop. The same thing with can be said about rescue breathing cases.

The point is, it takes more than guts to save a life. It takes skill - the kind of skill that only comes from practice, practice and more practice.

Maybe you get a little tired sometimes of practicing rescue breathing, or life saving carries, or some other skill over and over again. But remember, each time you should be improving your technique a little bit - and that little bit of extra skill could mean the difference between life and death if you are called upon to use it some day.

During our last JLT, quite a few of the scouts could not tie a lashing. Knots can also be very useful during a rescue. These skills should be reviewed / practiced every month as a troop meeting skill. Patrol leaders talk to your patrols and lets refine some of our basic skills.

Congratulations to all of the scouts and adults who attended and participated in the Fall Camporee in September, this includes the WEBELOS from Packs 104, and 517.

PLC Notes

Trevor Janke
Troop Scribe

October

Oct 1/2 – JLT

Oct 5 – The Chinchillas Patrol has opening, closing and a game. The new Scouts have Orienteering. The remainder of the Scouts will plan Good Medicine.

Oct 12 – The Enigma Patrol has opening, closing and a game. The new Scouts work on First Aid. The remainder of the Scouts will plan Good Medicine. **Uniform Inspection!**

Oct 19 – The Younglings Patrol has opening, closing and a game. The new Scouts work on Orienteering. The remainder of the Scouts will plan the Court of Honor and Good Medicine.

Oct 22/24 – Good Medicine campout and Fall Court of Honor (23rd).

Oct 26 – PLC @ 6:15 p.m. followed by Halloween Party @ 7:00 p.m. **Bring 6 (six) treats!**

November

Nov 2 – The Old Fogies Patrol has opening, closing and a game. The new Scouts work on rank. The remainder of the Scouts will work on Polaris campout. **Remember to vote!**

Nov 5/7 – Polaris Cabin campout @ Cedar Point Scout Reservation.

Nov 9 – The Chinchillas Patrol has opening, closing and a game. The new Scouts will work on rank. The remainder of the Scouts will plan the holiday party.

Nov 16 – The Enigma Patrol has opening, closing and a game. All Scouts will plan the holiday party.

Nov 23 – The Younglings Patrol has opening, closing and a game. The new Scouts work on something. The remainder of the Scouts will plan the Cub Scout visit.

Oct 30 – PLC @ 6:15 p.m.

Venture Crew 510 Notes

Trevor Janke
Scribe

- October 9th Tentative date for first nighter
- October 12th Crew Elections
- November 13th Tentative date for White water talk and climbing at REI
- March 25-27, 2005 Tentative date for White water rafting trip down the St. Louis River
- March 25 Date of Commitment
- May 20-22, 2005 Tentative date for white water rafting trip down a river in Wisconsin.
- June 23-30, 2005 Tentative date for white water rafting trip.

September Campout

Mr. Hammer
Assistant Scoutmaster

The September Troop 510 campout took us to the Chief Black Dog Fall Camporee on 24 to 26 September. It was held at Phillippo Scout Reservation in Father Brown's Field. Camping was setup Jamboree style which meant each Troop had a section of the open field to setup camp. Troop 510 was joined by Webelos from Pack 104 and 517 for the weekend.

We met at the church on Friday evening and headed down to Phillippo SR. When we arrived there was plenty of sunshine. However, the sun started to fade as we got the trailer and vehicles unloaded. It became more interesting to setup the tents and campsite in the dark. Our knowledge as Scouts and Scouters along with flashlights helped us get the task done. It also helped that there was a full moon for additional light. We got the campsite setup with plenty of time for everyone to have some evening fun. The evening ended with cracker barrel.

Saturday morning brought a beautiful day. There also was plenty of dew around which provided some with cold and wet feet. The theme for this year's Camporee was "Physically Strong, Mentally Awake and Morally Straight". The Scouts were challenged throughout the day on these topics by events that included a baseball throw, soccer kick, free throw, map reading skills, patrol math, scout history, and sessions on ethics. Each event was judged on how well the patrol accomplished the task for a maximum of 25 points and another 25 points for Scout spirit. The Scouts I accompanied during the day had a good time and worked together well. The Troop 510 patrols finished right before or after lunch which provided them with plenty of free time for exploring and playing touch football. The weekend also included a cook-off competition. The evening concluded with a campfire. Each Troop did skits which were all excellent.

On Sunday morning it was break camp, eat breakfast, pack the vehicles and clean up the campsite. At the closing ceremony we found that we didn't win any awards as we did last year. However, I believe everyone had a great time, especially the Webelos. That counts more than anything.