



# TROOP 510



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## Scoutmaster's Report



Tom Lenagh  
Scoutmaster

When a Scout becomes an Eagle Scout, he's still a boy. Only a little more than a million Scouts have ever advanced to Scouting's highest rank. Since the beginning of Scouting in America, some 1.5% of the more than 40 million Scouts who started out on the Eagle trail have completed the trip. The Eagle has tramped a long, rugged and rewarding trail. No two Eagle Scouts are exactly alike, yet all are fundamentally alike. By noting some of these fundamentals, an insight might be glimpsed of what an Eagle Scout is. The final result is how the boy makes use of them as he grows into manhood.

- He has learned that reverence to God comes before all other things.
- He knows that respect for the rights and convictions of others are part of his duty to God and his fellow man.
- He demonstrates the true meaning of loyalty, although he may not be able to define it.
- He has learned discipline and teamwork and how to apply them in his daily living.
- He has developed his own code of honor based on the ideals of Scouting.
- He has learned that physical bravery may require less courage than standing up for one's convictions.
- He has perseverance and determination; he must have if he is to attain Eagle rank.
- He has the knowledge that nature gives to those who seek it.
- He has Scouting skills that will be invaluable to him all his life.
- He presents a cheerful outlook on life even in the face of hardships and disappointments.
- He has more than a vague idea of what duty to his country is - he knows it starts with duty to God, his family and himself.
- He eagerly seeks the underlying peace offered by God through his wilderness and wildlife.
- He's a qualified junior leader.
- He realizes his obligation to the movement that gives him the opportunity to gain and develop those attributes of character.

We may not all be Eagle scouts, but these fundamentals could / should be part of all of our daily lives. How do you measure up? Could you be an Eagle Scout?

# Fall Fundraisers

Newsletter Editor  
Ms. Kimball

Hey Scouts,  
if you haven't started selling,  
get started!

October brings two opportunities for the boys in Troop 510 to earn money for camping expenses throughout the next year.

All scouts should have received the information for wreath and popcorn sales. If you haven't, please see Mr. Mensink for popcorn information or contact Ms. Kline (651-683-9747) to get wreath information.

October is a challenging time for the boys to conduct their sales... it's the end of their fall sports, MEA break, possible family vacations and a dwindling amount of daylight. Remember that you don't have to do your sales all in the same day, each little bit adds up.!

Take advantage of your free time and use it for your sales. Your TV, GameBoy and your other electronics will always be there but the opportunity to earn money will disappear soon! It gets dark early so make sure to ask your parents permission before leaving the house to sell. Younger Scouts, your parents will want to be with you when you when you visit other homes.

## ***What shirt do I wear when I go selling?***

- When a scout sells only Boy Scout popcorn OR wreaths **and** popcorn, he is required to wear his Class A shirt because he is representing the Boy Scout Council, which sponsors the popcorn fundraiser.
- When a scout sells **ONLY** wreaths, he is not allowed to wear his class A shirts because he represents Troop 510 and its individual choice for fundraising. If it is warm enough to be without a jacket, it's a good business idea for the scout to wear a Troop T-shirt or a Tomahawk T-shirt for his customers to see.
- Whether wearing a Class A shirt or T-shirt, our Scouts' behavior and speech will be

## **Popcorn**

The fall popcorn sale started on Saturday, October 4 and will run through Sunday, November 2nd. Please turn in your orders at the troop meeting on November 4.

Popcorn is a sales project sponsored by the Boy Scout Council and only a percentage of profit goes into the seller's account while the other portion goes back to the Scout council. This year Scouts may sell popcorn they are carrying to show the customers or take orders.

In his September email, Mr. Mensink explained the incentive prizes offered by Trails-end, such as sales to 15 separate customers earns the Scout a free ticket to a Swarm Lacrosse game or for sales to 25 separate customers earns him a free ticket to Waterpark of America.

The "popcorn sales blitz" part of the sale has ended as of Sunday Oct 9. Any boys who have qualified for a free Vikings ticket should contact Mr. Mensink by phone, email, or at the Oct 14 meeting to let me know that they have sold \$400 worth of popcorn.

## **Wreaths**

Visit your neighbors! Call Aunt Martha who lives across town or ask Mom and Dad if they will let their work mates see what you have for sale. You'll be surprised how *many* people buy wreaths and other greens while they prepare for the holidays.

**Find out how many people will purchase their holiday greens from YOU!**

Hurry because other Scouts from other troops also sell wreaths and greens. Let your neighbors buy from you instead of a stranger. Order forms will be turned in at the Troop meeting on Tuesday, October 28.

The profit from Christmas wreath sales goes directly the scout's account. The amount of profit varies depending on the item and will be calculated at the end of the sales period; you will earn according to the amount of effort you give to your project.

Earnings of \$50, \$100, \$300 and higher have been reached by Scouts in the past. Let's see what you can do!

# Fall Camporee

Mr. Mensink

Assistant Scoutmaster

Friday, September 26 marked the gathering of three different Scouting groups at Camp Philipo Scout Reservation in Cannon Falls, MN. Scouts from Rolling Hills, Prairie Lakes and Chief Black Dog districts arrived to spend the weekend and compete in this year's theme entitled "The Amazing Race". Fall Camporee is the first chance for many Cub Scouts to get an idea of what Boy Scouts is about. First year (4<sup>th</sup> grade) and Second year (5<sup>th</sup> grade) Webelos were invited to the Camporee this year. A total of 9 Cub scouts and 6 parents joined us for the weekend.

Six boys from Troop 510 including Wesley, Josh, Pat, Eric, Mitchell, and Davis, gathered at the church with Mr. Schwarzbauer (leader in charge), Mrs. Schwarzbauer, Mrs. Larson, and Mr. Hammer to meet several Cub scouts, and parents, from Pack 517 and Pack 104, load the trailer, and set out for camp. Mr. Hammer was kind enough to pull the trailer to camp but couldn't stay for the weekend. Isaac and I joined the group later in the evening at camp. Once the group arrived at camp and met up with Mrs. Lenagh, personal and leader tents were assembled and the new dining fly was raised for the first time! Mr. Lenagh joined the group shortly after they reached camp as well. After camp was set, Wesley and Mr. Schwarzbauer attended a camp roundtable while the rest of the group enjoyed cracker barrel and had a campfire. Lights were out at 10:30.

On Saturday morning we arose and enjoyed a breakfast of eggs-in-a-bag as several other Cub Scouts arrived to spend the day and night with us. While omelets were cooking, everyone made their own sack lunch of peanut butter or turkey/cheese sandwiches and gorp for the day ahead. At 9:00 we gathered with the entire camp in Father Brown's field for flags and the day's instruction. The boys were tasked with a busy day of completing multiple different stations for points as they competed in archery, BB or rifle shooting, tomahawk throwing, barrel racing, knot tying, tent building and multiple other events. In between waiting for events they were challenged with a scavenger hunt which included such things as finding a Susan B Anthony dollar, finding a 1985 penny, different scouting items, etc. It was a full day for everyone. The inexperienced scouts (Webelos, Tenderfoot, and Second class) were separated from the experienced scouts (First class and up) for the days events to

make things a bit more challenging for the experienced scouts.

In the late afternoon when our boys had completed their stations and had all returned to camp, dinner was started. A delicious meal of spaghetti bake with garlic bread was prepared by the boys and served. Mrs. Lenagh and the other female adult leaders prepared a terrific-as-usual dessert -- four different cobblers and we ate like royalty.

After dinner we cleaned up and headed back to Father Brown's field for a camp wide bon fire and entertainment. When the gasoline for the generator ran out, the lights went down and the evening closed with Scout vespers.

Sunday morning included packing up camp, breakfast and the Scouts own service. After the service, several awards were handed out. Troop 510 took second place in the Dutch oven cook-off and chose a nice skillet as a prize. We headed back to Eagan and everyone departed after unpacking the trailer and dividing up the take home items and left-over's.

## TROOP 510 BUSINESS

### Committee Notes

Mrs. Arbogast

Committee Chair

Our annual Troop Halloween Party will be October 28th at 7pm. This fun event takes place right after PLC. Scouts will need to bring six treats to share. The treats can be homemade. The Committee will be planning fun games and activities for the scouts. We can always use parent volunteers to help with this event.

The next Court of Honor will be at Good Medicine on October 25th. The troop fixes a turkey dinner which is served at 6pm. Please plan on attending. Make sure your family signs up for the dinner if you are eating with the troop. If you are unable to make dinner, the ceremony begins at 7pm. At this COH we will be having the troop's volunteer sign up posters. We are in need of families to take charge of the Fourth of July Parade/Grounds Clean-up and also organizing the booth. There are many other volunteer positions to choose from to help the troop.

All Scouts are free to attend PLC, whether they hold a position or not. If a scout has a position, they need to attend. PLC is always the last Tuesday of the month at 6:15. It lasts until 7. If a scout from a patrol is unable to attend, they need to find a replacement.

As always, parent meetings are the third Tuesday of the month at 7pm. Even if your son can't attend the scout meeting, it's a good idea to come to the parent meeting. They usually last 10-15 minutes and helpful information is given. It's a good way to stay current with the troop. All input is encouraged and welcome.



## PLC Notes

Eric Smith  
Troop Scribe

**October 7** – The El Pedro have opening and closing. New scouts will work on cooking. Experienced Scouts will be planning Good Medicine. Merit badges to work on will be Citizens in the Nation. Inter-patrol activities will be Flying Eagles skills

**October 11** – Make up JLT, 7-2

**October 14** – The Pheasants will be doing opening and closing. Older Scouts will continue planning Good Med.

**October 18** – Braden Tunseth's Eagle Scout Court of Honor

**October 21** – The BatMen patrol has opening and closing. Newer Scouts will work on First Aid badge. Older Scouts will be finish planning for Good Med and planning skits with our patrols.

**October 23** – Shopping for food for Good Med. starting @ 7:00 at Cub Foods.

**October 24-26** – **Camping at Fred C. Anderson Scout camp in Good Medicine Lodge.**

**October 28** – PLC @ 6:15. All patrols should be represented.

The **HALLOWEEN PARTY** will be at 7:00 right after PLC meeting. *Each Scout should bring 6 treats to share...* they can be homemade.



## Fall Court of Honor at Fred C. Anderson Scout Reservation

Ms. Kimball  
Newsletter Editor

Make your reservations! This is an important campout for it is the venue for the fall Court of Honor when the boys are honored for earning more new merit badges or reaching new ranks. All families are invited to join the troop on Saturday evening for a turkey dinner with stuffing and all the trimmings, followed by the Court of Honor ceremony. I suggest carpooling with other Scout parents due to lack of parking space and bring a **flashlight** for your return trip to the car.

This camping trip marks the start of the lodge/cabin camping season and the campers sleep inside, not in tents. At this outing the Troop and leaders sleep in the **GOOD MEDICINE** Lodge (thus the name) at Fred C. Anderson Scout Reservation on the banks of the St. Croix River near Houlton, Wisconsin a few miles north of Hudson.

Parents, this is a terrific evening! Delicious food in the lodge, great entertainment by the Scouts, the Court of Honor, dessert and the grand finale... a campfire where Scouts and their families get to be part of 'retiring the American flags' that have become worn out and unusable.

1. **Reserve** your spot now so we know how many meals to plan for. Call Mr. Suiter 454-1706, the keeper of the sign up lists, or sign up at a Tues. Meeting.
2. Attend the **parent meeting** on October 21 and find another family to ride with.
3. Learn where Fred C. Anderson Scout Reservation is, enjoy your son's Court of Honor, a terrific turkey dinner, camaraderie with other Scout parents. Your son will be happy you made the trip for him.

## Scout Accounts

Troop Treasurers  
Terri Scott  
688-7240

Please try to maintain at least \$50 balance

Sunset now occurs at 6:29.

Time pack differently  
for campouts!

Plan to dress in layers long  
sleeved T-shirts,  
sweatshirts, fleece jackets,  
gloves and socks.

Sweatpants will keep your  
legs warmer than jeans.

Soon you will need to bring  
clothing for snow play!

## TROOP AT A GLANCE

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### October

|       |  |      |
|-------|--|------|
| 7     | Troop Meetings   | 7:00 |
| 14    | Troop/Committee Meeting                                  | 7:00 |
| 21    | Troop/ <b>Parent</b> Meeting                             | 7:00 |
| 24    | Shopping for campout – Cub in Eagan                      | 7:00 |
| 24-26 | Good Medicine Lodge-Fred C Andersen,<br>campout/fall COH | 5:00 |
| 28    | PLC  | 6:15 |
| 28    | Halloween Party  | 7:00 |
| 28    | Wreath Sales Due   |      |
| 29    | Braden Tunseth's Eagale COH                              |      |

#### November

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| 4  | Troop Meeting           | 7:00 |
| 4  | Popcorn Sales Due       |      |
| 11 | Troop/Committee Meeting | 7:00 |
| 18 | Troop/Committee Meeting | 7:00 |
| 25 | PLC Meeting             | 6:15 |

#### December

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| 2  | Troop Meeting                | 7:00 |
| 9  | Troop Meeting                | 7:00 |
| 16 | Troop/ <b>Parent</b> Meeting | 7:00 |
| 23 | No Meeting                   |      |

### SCHEDULED CAMPOUTS

**October 27-19** Good Medicine Cabin, Fred C.  
Anderson SR - Fall COH on 28<sup>th</sup>

**November 10-12** Gebhearth Lodge

**January TBD**

**February**

**March**