



# TROOP 510



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## Scoutmaster's Report



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Scoutmaster

This year we're going to be celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America. But Scouting is even older than that. It really began 102 years ago on a little island in England. British general named Robert Baden-Powell took 21 boys camping on this island and tested his ideas of Scouting for boys.

From that first camp, the idea grew into a worldwide movement. Baden-Powell was a remarkable man. You can read a little about him on pages of your handbook. Baden-Powell wrote the first Scout Oath and Law and motto, "Be Prepared". He developed the idea for patrols within a troop, and he taught many of the outdoor skills we learn today.

If I gave you a choice, which would you rather have, the apple or the seeds? I guess most of us would choose the apple. A long time ago there was a guy who would have taken the seeds. He was a nut about apple seeds - so much so that people called him Johnny Appleseed. For many years he walked across hundreds of miles of our country, back when most of it was frontier land, and everywhere he went he planted apple seeds. The trees from those seeds fed many thousands of people in later generations. That's real long range planning! Many of us are interested mainly in the present. We don't think ahead like Johnny Appleseed.

Maybe you don't want to go around planting apple seeds like he did. But there's another kind of seed you should be planting every day - the seed of good feelings between you and your fellow man.

You can do it by living our slogan, "Do a Good Turn daily." Every time you do a Good Turn, you are planting a seed of good feeling. That seed may start the growth of a tree of Good Turns in each person you help. So that one Good Turn may lead to many other Good Turns through the years, affecting the lives of hundreds of people.

The troop also has a few major events planned for this year:

15-17 January	Snow Base (Spearhead)
12-14 February	Shelter #3 at Fred C. Anderson
16 March	Spring Court of Honor
21-23 May	Star Camp
10-17 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.

## Eko Backen Tubing Trip

**Adult volunteers are needed** on **Saturday, January 9, 2010**, to escort our Scouts to the Eko Backen Snow Tubing. Please contact Mr. Lenagh if you are available or have questions. Thank you.



## Volunteers Needed

As you know, the Troop is dependent on volunteers. We are in need of someone to coordinate the July 4<sup>th</sup> Funfest activities. Please contact our Committee Chair, Mrs. Offerdahl, if you're interested. Thanks!



## Troop 510 Business

### PLC Notes

Josh Bleichner

**January 5<sup>th</sup> – Old Fogies** have opening and closing. Leadership has a survival skill. New scouts have cooking. Finish planning Patrol Olympics. Talk about Snow Base.

**January 12<sup>th</sup> – Penguins** have opening and closing. **Patrol Olympics/Cub Scout visit.**

**January 19<sup>th</sup> -- Link and His Posse** have opening and closing. Electronics merit badge. Plan February campout. Thorns/roses for Patrol Olympics.

**January 26<sup>th</sup>** PLC at 6:15 PM. Holiday Party at 7:00 PM

## TROOP AT A GLANCE

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### January

5	Troop Meeting	7:00PM
9	Eko Backen	10:00AM
12	Troop/Committee Meeting	7:00PM
14	Shopping for campout at Cub	7:00PM
15-17	Snowbase (Spearhead)	5:00PM
19	Troop/Parent Meeting	7:00PM
26	PLC	6:15PM

#### February

1	Troop 345 OA Elections	7:00PM
2	Troop Meeting	7:00PM
7	Scout Sunday	
9	OA Elections	7:00PM
	Troop/Committee Meeting	7:00PM
11	Shopping for Campout at Cub	7:00PM
12-14	Fred C. Anderson Shelter 3	5:00PM
16	Troop/Parent Meeting	7:00PM
23	PLC	6:15PM

#### March

2	Troop Meeting (Elections)	7:00PM
9	Troop/Committee Meeting	7:00PM
16	Spring Court of Honor	6:00PM
23	PLC	6:15PM

### SCHEDULED CAMPOUTS/EVENTS

<b>January 15-17</b>	Snow Base
<b>February 12-14</b>	Fred C. Anderson Shelter 3
<b>March 12-14</b>	Fireside/Igloo Lodge
<b>April 16-18</b>	Forestville S.P.
<b>April 24</b>	Scouting for Food
<b>May 21-23</b>	Star Camp
<b>July 10-17</b>	Tomahawk