

2017-2018 Troop 505

July – Summer Camp - Ransburg, IN

We were well represented by the 29 scouts and 10 adults attending summer camp when we were awarded a Certificate of Excellence at the closing campfire. All the boys were productive as shown by earning of 119 merit badges with 17 partials. Another milestone was reached when all participants returned safely from a Friday night/Saturday morning hike around the reservation.

August – High Adventure – Seabase SCUBA Trip - Seabase FL

Blub, Blub, Blub

August – Scoutmaster Surprise Campout – Camp Freeland Leslie – Oxford, WI

A day at Kalahari waterpark and a movie w/ popcorn under the stars.

September – Hunger Games & Webelos Campout – Blackwell Forest Preserve– Warrenville, IL

No Webelos were harmed in the making of this adventure.

October – Civil War Days Campout – Camp Belzer – Indianapolis, IN

Food, fires, wood smoke, knives, explosions, root beer jugglers with flaming batons, and cannons! What's not to like? Did we mention food?

November – Thanksgiving Feast – Devil's Lake State Park – Baraboo, WI

Thanksgiving around a camp fire. What else needs to be said!

December – Survival Campout! – Grand Junction, MI

Welcome to the frozen tundra of Camp Chobak, Michigan in December. Grab a tarp and design your shelter and redesign it and design it again. Minimalist camping. Cooking and eating over open fires. Thinking of snow. Making great memories.

January – Ski Trip Cascade Mountain – Portage, WI

Awesome snow, weather, snowboarding and skiing

January – Klondike Derby – Von Oven - Naperville, IL

Chopping trees with axes

February – Tobogganing Campout- Muskegan Winter Sports Complex – Muskegon, MI

Where is the snow??? I want my money back!

March – New Scout Camp-in – Knox Presbyterian Church – Naperville, IL

New scouts all working with older scouts learning how to use the troop camping equipment in the dark, and having fun. With 25 new scouts and headlamps not so dark after all in the gym.

April – Advancement Campout - Rainbow Council – Lockport, IL

Older scouts teaching younger scouts. The weather was challenge, cold and rainy but everyone came together showing great character. Where was this weather in Feb?

April – Grant’s Pilgrimage – Galena, IL

Who’s buried in Grant’s tomb? If you finished the medal hike you would know. We marched in the parade and even managed to get all of our scouts out of the Atomic Toy Shop. A good time was had by all, many gag gifts purchased and the best ice cream in Galena was located.

May – Canoeing Camp – Kankakee State Park – Bourbonnais, IL

Splitting into groups of three per canoe, the scouts paddled form Bird Park to Fisherman’s landing. We stopped at David Creek for a quick lunch and trading positions. Great weather made this trip all the more fun.

June – OA Spring Fellowship – Camp Freeland Leslie – Oxford, WI

6 Candidates completed their ordeal

June – Demolition Derby – Greene Valley Forest Preserve – Naperville, IL

5 mile hike and go to Route 66 Raceway in Joliet to see a demolition derby