

2001/2002 TROOP 505 SCOUTING TOUR

June/ July

Summer camp at Ransburg: Week #1 at hilltop, patrol cooking, good food, hot. Week #2 at otter slide, dining hall fun, rain, overflowing creek.

August

Florida Sea Base: 4 crews sailing, snorkeling and fishing in paradise, edge of a hurricane, waterspout, no key lime pie.

September

Hunting & fishing show: enormous fishing tank, capture the flag

October

Camperall at the ranch: tiny campsite, dining in the cornfield, WWII Demonstrations, laser light show, fireworks, adult vehicles in the mud

November

Maquoketa caving in Iowa: Hilltop camping at the state park, adults cooked as scouts got dirty, Turkey dinner in the daylight.

December

Survival at the TFC ranch: Shelters in the river grass, open fire cooking in coffee cans, sardines, no dirty tinder for Sunday's fires.

January

Ski trip to Crystal Mountain: Great Skiing, tired legs, fabulous food.

February

Klondike Derby: Fun with kid powered sleds, only weekend with snow, cold, foam sleeping pads, biscuits in dutch ovens, frozen coyote

March

Advancement at Rainbow: New Scouts, tenderfoot stuff, firstclass cooking, merit badges, flags raising, frisbees.

April

Backpacking at starved rock: Beautiful scenery, building a dam in the creek, freeze dried food, horizontal rain at 2am.

May

Illinois Railroad Museum: Scout day, camping at the hollows

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Summer camp at Ransburg: Coyote pass and crows nest, dining hall, ready for adventure

July/August

Philmont on the trail: 3 crews, getting ready for all year long, view from the mountaintop.