

2015-2016 Troop 505

Mini High Adventure- 6/10-6/14/2015 Elroy Sparta Trail

Biking, Canoeing the Kickapoo or Baraboo River, hiking to the top of Wildcat Mountain State Park in southwest Wisconsin, swimming, and maybe some fishing, too! Watch out for falling trees!

Seabase US Virgin Islands 6/13-6/19/2015 St Thomas 00802, USVI

Not since Captain Jack Sparrow has the Spanish Main seen such intrepid and fearless nautical adventure! Two crews were cruisin' along the coast of Virgin Islands circumnavigating St. John and along the way we did snorkeling, fishing, sleeping on deck, ate hearty and gaze at millions of stars at night.

Summer Camp 7/5-7/11/2015-Camp Ransburg in Bloomington, Indiana.

Summer camp fun! Swimming, boating, advancement, bonfires and more. The wettest week we have ever been on, the track next to the camp site was a veritable river at times, but unbelievably the boys stayed dry!

OA Fall Fellowship 9/11-9/13/2015 TFC Scout Ranch Rochelle, IL

Congratulations to our New Ordeal Members and New Brotherhood Members. With great weather, over 300 Arrowmen did an amazing amount of work to benefit the camp!

There was another amazing Vigil call out. Can you say fire dancers?

Scoutmaster's Surprise Campout 9/18-9/20/2015 Turkey Run, Indiana

Despite the heaviest rainstorm in the history of mankind, the troop managed to make their secret destination. Rain overnight finished up creating a lake by the adults table! Clear weather for hiking all day.

Driest Campout yet...by comparison!

Jamberall 10/2-10/4/2015 Sandwich, IL

Joined thousands of fellow Scouts, at THE premier fall camping and Scouting outdoors skills event! Seven HUGE Event Zones, the Nazi re-enactment guys had a howitzer were all awesome.

The evening ceremony featured a cool Hawaiian fire dancers.

Thanksgiving 11/6-11/8/2015 Weldon Springs State Park, Clinton, IL

Feast on turkey and all the trimmings by beautiful Lake Weldon. The fall weather was good and the climbing was fun. Look for the picture taken by Will outside at the top of his 120' climb!

Survival Campout 12/5-12/6/2015 Chobak Family Resort, MI

This year saw the boys surviving 50 degree weather and has to be the first where scouts sunned themselves. Terrific food as always and Mr. Warren wins the prize for the best wookie hut again.

Ski Trip 1/22/16-1/24/2016 Cascade Mountain, WI

Fun and games with movies and cabin camping at CFL and skiing the next day at Cascade. Some got their Snow Sports merit badge, and several had their first ski experiences, well done to both.

More experienced boys searched out the black runs to challenge themselves.

Scoutmaster's Surprise Campout 2/5-2/7/2016 Wilmot Mountain

Entire day of tubing at Wilmot. Great conditions achieved 40+ mph and variable supervision meant we could hook multiple tubes together. A great day of speed.

Big Deal 3/4/2015-3/6/2015 Harley Museum, Green Bay Packers stadium and a water park!

The first Big Deal without a bus...CARAVAN! Scouts completed the Engineering merit badge at toured the Harley Museum. Toured the Packers Stadium and finished with the Kalahari water-park, do they know the Kalahari is a desert in Africa with no water?

New Scout Camp-in 3/11-3/12/2016 Knox Presbyterian Church

Eight new scouts all working with older scouts learning how to use the troop camping equipment, completing advancement and having fun. Who said putting up a tent in the dark is not fun?

We had a great breakfast -these kids can cook! Now if they would only learn to share with the adults.

Advancement Campout 4/22-4/24/2016 Starved Rock State Park IL

Taught younger Scouts outdoor skills for outdoor experiences. Used nearly every tent and every Dutch oven for some great cooking.

Excellent campfire finished up the night after a tiring 5 mile hike from Mr. Zahn that included bush bashing the way back to camp!

Indy 500 Time Trials 5/20-5/22/2016 Indianapolis Motor Speedway & Camp Belzer, IN.

Indy 500 Time Trials, lapping at about 230 mph! The adults had the pleasure of one driver clipping the wall around corner 2 and leaving much of his car scattered down the track.

Finished the day with a nice camp fire.

OA Spring Fellowship 6/3-6/5/2016 Camp Freeland Leslie

Five new Ordeals, one new Brotherhood braved the weather to get the camp ready for summer..

Webelos Overnighter 6/3-6/5/2015 Green Valley forest preserve

The annual Webelos Overnighter with a chance to show off Troop 505 to the cub scouts. Eight boys and adults taught the new requirements for some of the Cast Iron Chef, Camper and Scouting adventures.

Which means we are still all about tents, cooking eggs and building fires!