



Troop 505 Calendar for 2009-2010

Please note that the following dates are tentatively set by scout leaders at the beginning of the school year so that girl scouts and their families have an idea of what is planned for the year. Events and activities may change based on scout's level of interest, etc.

August 26

Wednesday

(3-5 PM) Kick off party at Pump It Up!

All third grade Brownie Scouts are invited to jump and play as we kick off this year in scouting. We'll be serving pizza, too!

NOTE: It is mandatory that one parent for each scout stay for a short meeting. Please arrive at Pump It Up with your girl at 3 so we can begin the meeting by 3:15. Also, be sure to turn in the waiver form that Pump It up requires when you arrive with your girl.

Permission slips due to Beth Deeg by August 19th. Scout's cost is being covered by troop.

Siblings' reservations and money due to Beth Deeg by Aug.19th.

September 9

Wednesday

(2:45-4:30) Geocaching & Hiking at Wesselman's Park

We're going to do a little hiking as we set out to find hidden treasures using GPS technology! Wear your hiking shoes (or comfortable tennis shoes) and you might want to change into clothes that can get a little dirty.

Note: If any parents have geocaching experience or own a handheld GPS device, we could use another volunteer. ☺

Permission slips due to Karen Martin by Sept. 4th. (Free)

Septemeber 12

Saturday

The Cub Scouts of Pack 362 have invited GSS girl scouts to attend a party at Skate World from 4-6 p.m. Free admission. There will be a charge for skate rental.

September 19

Saturday

(9-11:30) Religious Awards Workshop at St. John's Newburgh

Scouts and their parent(s) are encouraged to attend this workshop to learn more about and actually begin to earn the "Family of God" Catholic religious award suggested for brownie scouts in the 3rd grade. This award requires the girls to meet on several occasions before the due date of April 1st so we have built in several dates that we hope will allow time to complete the requirements. The bishop will present the awards at a mass on May 16, 2010. Cindy Block has agreed to be our troop's coordinator for this award.

Workbooks will cost \$5 per scout. We're not sure about the cost, if any, for the award.

Reservations & money will be due by Sept. 9th to any leader/Cindy.

FYI- There is a non-catholic religious award called "God and Me"
If anyone is interested, learn more by googling "P.R.A.Y."

September 25
Friday

SWAP Workshop at Methodist Temple from 6-8 p.m.

This is an event being offered to scouts by the River City and Eastside Service Units. We are not attending this as a troop, but our scouts are invited to attend with their parent. I e-mailed everyone a flyer and permission slip. The permission slips are to be turned in at the event. RSVP by 9-18 to the coordinators at mlwinstead@insightbb.com or 909-0935. The girls will be making SWAPS (special whatchamacallits affectionately pinned somewhere) to trade when they attend Journey on 10-3.

October 3
Saturday

(9:15-4:00) Journey through the Girl Scout National Forest

This council-sponsored event funded by Alcoa Foundation offers an adventure in nature at Burdette Park. A flyer and permission slip have been e-mailed to you.

Permission slips are due to Beth Deeg by Sept. 15th

Though the cost is noted as \$15 per person, the troop will cover \$10 per scout; scout cost is then just \$5.

October 14
Wednesday

(2:30-TBA) Brownie meeting related to religious award

We have set aside this date to work towards earning the "Family of God" religious award. The requirements for chapter 6 were met during this meeting.

November 1
Sunday

Tri-State MS Association Autumn Walk

This is not a troop activity, but we're helping promote the walk. A group of us plan to meet up to "walk for Jacob's dad" (Hirsch) in this year's Autumn Walk that benefits the Tri-State Multiple Sclerosis Association.

The walk is very short-around Harrison High School-and there will be a light lunch, silent auction, and booths to visit so bring your family, your stroller/wagon, and come join us! We'll be wearing our scout shirts to the walk. There is no cost for the walk, but collecting a few pledges is appreciated.

November 7

(6-8:30) Mother-Daughter PJ Party in the GSS gym

This annual event is a big hit with the girls from all the troops at GSS. Permission slips went home on 10-14 and are due back to Beth by 10-23. Our troop is covering the \$5 for our scouts. When the flyer is available, we'll send it out; each scout will be asked to bring a homemade/store bought dessert.

November 18
Wednesday

(2:30-TBA) Brownie Quest-Key #3!

In the 2nd grade we set off on a quest to find 3 keys. First we found the key to DISCOVER and then we found the key to CONNECT. What will be the third key? And what do these 3 keys do when you put them all together? Come and see!

- November 22nd** **(Time TBA) Christmas Parade**
 We plan to take part in the annual downtown parade again this year. Bring a bag of candy to throw to the crowd. More details will follow with the permission slips.
- December 16** **(Time TBA) The gift of giving to celebrate Christmas**
 Wednesday
 Last year our scouts made Build-a-Bears that we hope to deliver to the Ronald McDonald House on this date (the building is still underway so we hope they are on target for a late fall opening!). After the tour, we'd like for families to meet at Greek's Pizzeria for pizza and soft drinks. More details to be sent home later.
- January 8-22** **Cookie sales time!**
 You can sell to family and friends over the holidays, but the official cookie sells begin on January 8th. Delivery is expected the week of Feb. 15th. Be sure to thank Kim Fruit for being our cookie mom again this year. Remember, cookies sales help us pay for brownie activities year round! Thanks for your efforts!
- January 20** **(2:30-4) Brownie/Parent meeting & prayer service**
 Wednesday
 Scouts will work on Ch. 2/Ch. 3 items during after school meeting and then we'll have a brief prayer service with parents and siblings invited to the chapel towards the end of the meeting time. More details to follow.
- February ??** **Cookie Booth**
 All scouts are required to work at least one shift at our troop's cookie booth. This is an excellent way for our scouts to learn skills such as greeting customers, assisting with sales, using their manners, and practicing social skills.
 A sign-up sheet will be made available after the first of the year. Contact Kim Fruit or Amanda Larner with any questions.
 Cost: You may want to send snack bar money with your scout.
- February ??** **(10:30 mass) Scout Sunday**
 Sunday
 A mass honoring all Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts at Good Shepherd will be held. Details forth coming. (Free)
- February 17** **(Time TBA) "Eat Right & Stay Healthy"**
 Wednesday
 We'll be earning a try-it patch during this meeting...all while preparing and enjoying some healthy treats like smoothies. Mmm! Each scout will be asked to bring some ingredient/otherwise free.
- March 3** **(Time TBA) Brownie meeting**
 Wednesday
 We have set aside this date to finish off the "Family of God" religious award; details TBA. The girls will also be finalizing plans for the fun outing to be held in March. (bracelet making?)
- March 17?** **(Time TBA) Fun outing** to be chosen by the brownie scouts
 Wednesday

April 14
Wednesday

(Time TBA) Holly's House service project

We will be making comfort blankets for Holly's House, a safe place for families affected by violence. (www.hollyshouse.org) Costs being covered through granted money.

April ??

(Time TBA) Day trip to Camp Koch

Parents are invited to travel with their girls on this day trip to Camp Koch in Cannelton, IN (near Tell City). This is a great chance to see a Girl Scout camp located so close to home. More information to follow...we'll need parents to help with this one!

Spring: April/May

Half Campout

The Fruit Family is hosting a half campout in their backyard. We'll set the date closer to time, but plan for an evening of family fun. This will be good practice for getting ready to go camping. More details later.

May ??

(Time TBA) Father-Daughter Dance

This is another favorite for so many girl scouts...a chance to dance with dad! All GSS troops are invited to attend.

May 16
Sunday

Mass with the Bishop for Religious Awards

May ??

End of year celebration! Visit or stay overnight at camp!

You know you're advancing to Junior Scouts when you're going camping! Details are still unfolding, but we hope to offer some traditional camping experiences at the Grimes House on the campus of USI. All scouts are welcome to come for the day and scouts can stay overnight with a parent/adult guardian along. A parent meeting will be announced closer to this date.



What are we striving for through fun scouting activities?

Building and sustaining the three C's in every girl...

COURAGE
CHARACTER
CONFIDENCE

We'll use the three keys

DISCOVER
CONNECT
TAKE ACTION

to help your daughter learn more about and practice

LEADERSHIP

to make the world a better place!

(Go to www.girlscouts.org/gsle to learn more about the GS Leadership Experience)



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If you have any questions about girl scouts or the activities we have planned for our troop, please don't hesitate to call us. We want this to be a positive experience for your daughter. Thank you for your support and involvement! If you'd like to know more about becoming a leader or assistant leader, please call one of us or contact the Raintree Council at 421-4970.

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