



Troop 23
Rock Cut State Park
September 8th -10th, 2017

General Description:

Troop 23's first outing of the year will be to Rock Cut State Park for fishing and hiking!

Chiseled out of the state's far northern region is Rock Cut State Park in Winnebago County. Nearby are other "rocky" landmarks - the mighty Rock River and the place where wagons once forded it, Rockford. It's an area of rolling plains, interesting history and a wide variety of recreational opportunities.

Rock Cut's 3,092 acres include two lakes: Pierce Lake, with 162 acres, a retreat for people wanting to fish, ice fish or ice skate; and, the 50-acre Olson Lake. The park has hiking trails and wildlife watching.

Rock Cut is home to abundant wildlife with waterfowl, deer, fox, muskrat, woodchuck and beaver, opossum, raccoon and both gray and fox squirrel. Over 100 types of wildflowers offer a showy display each spring and summer, while hardwood trees dazzle visitors each fall.

Departure Information: PLEASE DO NOT BE LATE!

We will meet at the Presbyterian Church at 5:30 pm to load up and depart by 6:00pm. We will not stop for dinner.

Permission Slips and Waivers:

Permission slips and fees need to be turned in at the **August 31, 2017** meeting or to the Outings Coordinator Jim Brock at 213 N. Prospect Manor Ave.

Gear Needed.

Fishing gear (poles), Comfortable hiking shoes, small backpack for water and raingear. Watch the weather and bring layers if needed (light jacket, hat). **Be Prepared!!!**

All Adults and Scouts 16 years or older need to secure a fishing license prior to the outing (if you plan to fish). **No License, No Fishing!**

You can do this online at for \$5.50. The link is below - click on "online" in the column next to "Resident Sport Fishing License (24 hours)"

<https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/lpr/pages/fishinglicensesfees.aspx>

Travel information:

It is mandatory that you wear your scout shirt on this outing. **Travel time is about 1 ½ hours.** We will arrive back Sunday afternoon.

Cost:

The cost of this outing is \$ 40

Please don't hesitate to call if you have any questions about the outing.

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