

Troop 850 – Trip Description

February 19, 2018 Ice Climbing

Ice Climbing in the Catskills

Date: Monday February 19, 2018 (Presidents' Day)

Departure: Leave from MUMC – 7:00 am

Return: Approximately 8:30 pm

Location: Meet our guides in New Paltz, NY.

For climbing locations check out:

<https://alpineendeavors.com/reference/locations/catskills-ny>

Description: We'll drive to the Catskill mountains for some ice climbing, exact location TBD depending on weather conditions. We'll get all our equipment at the beginning of the day when we meet our guides; all we need to bring is lunch and appropriate clothing. (More on clothing later.) We'll finish climbing by 5pm, stop for quick food on the way home, and be home by 9:00pm. We'll be using guides provided by Alpine Endeavors with a 4:1 or better climber to guide ratio.

Limited to scouts ages 12 and up at the request of our guides!

<https://alpineendeavors.com/>

<https://catskilliceclimbing.com/>



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Platte Kill Falls

Cost: \$150 per scout payable to Troop 850

Leaders: Scoutmaster Bob Steen; scout fathers Eric Johnson and Rahul Shah

Signup: Signups via <http://www.bsatroop850.com/tripsignup.html>

If we have high demand we may need to put scouts on a waiting list depending on how many guides and drivers we can find.

Deadline for signups and payment: Sunday February 4, 2018

Bring: Clothing appropriate for spending a full day outdoors. Unless we have unexpectedly warm conditions this will include a heavy coat such as a ski jacket, good gloves and hat, and long underwear.

We will provide all the climbing gear required plus small chemical heat packs.

All scouts should bring a bag lunch as well.

Preparation: No preparation is required although we do highly recommend a few hours of indoor rock climbing if you haven't done that recently. I like the Rockville Climbing Center but there may be other options as well. <https://www.rockvilleclimbing.com/>

Note that this is a "school night" at the end of a long weekend! Your scout should have all school assignments completed before the trip.