



**What: Philmont Boy Scout Ranch, Trek 2009**

**Who: Scouts age 14 & over\***

**Where: Cimarron, New Mexico**

**Why: Why not? Because it's there for Scouts to enjoy!**

**How: With lots of planning & training.**

**Philmont Scout Ranch** is a national camping area, owned and operated by the **Boy Scouts of America**. <http://www.scouting.org/philmont>  
Philmont is large, comprising 137,493 acres or about 215 square miles of rugged mountain wilderness in the Sangre de Cristo (Blood of Christ) range of the Rockies. 32 staffed camps and 50 unstaffed camps are operated by the ranch. Philmont has high mountains which dominate rough terrain with an elevation ranging from 6,500 to 12,441 feet. The elevation of Madison's Lake Mendota is 849 feet above sea level. (<http://www.geography.wisc.edu/sco/maps/WIstatistics.php>)

Explore the Philmont High country on a 12-day backpacking expedition. Experience the thrill of climbing mountains over two miles high! Discover the wonder of Scouting's paradise as over 800,000 Scouts, Venturers, and leaders have since 1939

**Dates of 2009 Trek:** Arrive at base camp July 12, depart from camp July 24. This does not include travel time to & from New Mexico. (expect to leave early July 11, returning July 25)

**Crew/Trek size:** 12 per crew 8-9 scouts, 3-4 adult leaders.

**Age requirement:** 14 by January 1, 2009 or completed 8<sup>th</sup> grade and be at least 13 prior to trek participation.

**Leadership:** 2 adult leaders per crew required minimum, 4 maximum, highly recommended to have at least 3 adult leaders.

**Cost:** Approximately \$1000 - \$1500 per person. This does include travel costs to Cimarron, New Mexico and training costs (training = pre trek hikes to area state parks to prepare for the hike)

**Adult Training required:** Wilderness First Aid certification by at least one adult leader, preferably two. Ask for additional information.

Every Philmont trek involves hiking with a 35-50 lb. backpack between 6,500 and 12,500 ft. elevations. Philmont recommends that participants carry a pack weighing no more than 25-30% of their body weight. (<http://www.oa-bsa.org/programs/tcrew/#dates>)

To secure your spot for the 2009 Trek to Philmont, please fill out the second page and return the sheet with a deposit of \$200.00 per scout to Christine Weidner by June 1, 2008. At that time, any unfilled slots will be opened up to other scouts from the Glaciers Edge Council. Any questions, please call Christine @ 838-9896 evenings.

Philmont 2009  
July 12-24  
Form Deadline: June 1, 2008

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Scout name: \_\_\_\_\_

Scout Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Age as of January 1, 2009: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment information: \_\_\_\_\_

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