

PROMOTIONAL HELP

Philmont has two Videotapes: "Philmont - The Right Stuff" and "Introduction to the National High Adventure Bases". Check with your local Scout service center to borrow a copy or contact Philmont's Mail Order department at the Tooth of Time Traders to order your own copy. Your local council has copies of all Philmont's printed material or you may call Philmont to obtain brochures.

TRADING POST

The Tooth of Time Traders offers a full line of camping and hiking equipment and souvenirs. Mail order is available. To obtain a copy of the current catalog, contact the Tooth of Time Traders at 505-376-2281 x 243 or email toothoftimetraders@philmontscoutranch.org.

PRESERVING THE PHILMONT WILDERNESS

Philmont is a magnificent wilderness camping area with an immense network of trails and camps tied together by service roads designed for service and protection of both campers and land.

Each camper and advisor is asked to sign the PHILMONT WILDERNESS PLEDGE which declares that he or she will do everything possible to preserve the beauty and wonder of the Philmont Wilderness through good Scout camping. It is expected that Philmont campers will carry this pledge to all camping areas that they might visit throughout America.

The major areas of emphasis involved in the PHILMONT WILDERNESS PLEDGE are:

LITTER/GRAFFITI - Each camper should make sure that all trails and campsites are left neat and clean. Camping Headquarters should be left in a like manner.

WILDLIFE - Respect wild (and domestic) animals. Do not feed or harass any wild animals.

WATER - Remember, you are in a land where water is scarce and very precious. Conservation and wise use of water has been practiced since the first person entered this land. You should never bathe or do laundry or dishes in or near a spring or stream. Do not throw rocks in springs or touch any solar pumps. They are easily damaged and the flow of water can be disrupted.

TRAILS - Pledge yourself to respect all trails of Philmont. Do not cut green boughs or trees, or mark them. Do not cut across switchbacks, and do not alter or change trail signs.

CAMPsites - Each crew is responsible for leaving a neat and orderly campsite. Whether it be in Camping Headquarters, staffed camps, or non-staffed camps, your campsite should be left litter-free with its latrine and sump clean. Fires must be left DEAD OUT. Leave a courtesy woodpile when possible.

Philmont typically serves 20,000 Scouts, Venturers and their advisors each year. Consequently, some trails and camps, especially around commissaries, are subjected to heavy use. Nevertheless, it is not the wear of so many pairs of boots that mar Philmont. It is the carelessness and thoughtlessness of inconsiderate Scout Campers. It is our sincere hope that through your commitment to the PHILMONT WILDERNESS PLEDGE, Philmont will always remain a beautiful and clean place to enjoy high adventure.

Coinciding with the wilderness pledge is a practice at Philmont called "Low Impact" or "Leave No Trace" camping. For Philmont to survive intense backcountry use year after year, each participant must make a personal commitment to the environment. However, we realize that there will be some High Impact areas in Philmont's backcountry due to the number of participants in our program each year.

The philosophy of "Low Impact" or "Leave No Trace" is that we leave minimum evidence of our passing in the wilderness. In other words, a conscientious camper should erase any sign of a camp. It is the genuine desire of the Philmont staff to instill the "Low Impact" or "Leave No Trace" philosophy into our participants. We hope they carry this way of camping into other primitive and delicate areas around the nation. Take with you precious memories, leaving only footprints.

PHILMONT GLOSSARY

EXPEDITION NUMBER - the number assigned to a chartered unit expedition or council contingent expedition by the Philmont Camping Registrar to identify an expedition and its crews. A crew arriving at Philmont on June 20 will be assigned a 620 number along with a letter of the alphabet (e.g., 620-A, 620-B, etc.). A multicrew expedition will be numbered further (e.g., 620-A-1, 620-A-2, etc.). Please use your correct expedition number in all correspondence with Philmont.

ARRIVAL DATE - reservations made with Philmont designate the arrival date at Philmont. Each expedition hits the trail the day after its arrival and returns on its twelfth day.

DEPARTURE DATE - operating daily with a 12-day cycle, departure from Philmont is on the morning of the thirteenth day. Arrival day is day one.

COUNCIL CONTINGENT - a provisional expedition composed of Scouts, Varsity Scouts and/or Venturers and leaders from a district or council. Contingents with multiple crews should designate a contingent advisor, responsible for transportation (lodging, meals, tours, etc.) and serves as the liaison for the group.

CHAPLAIN AIDE - a youth member who accepts responsibility to conduct appropriate religious activities during the trek.

CHARTERED UNIT - an expedition composed of members from a chartered Boy Scout Troop, Varsity Team or Venturing Crew with its own registered leadership.

CREW - a group varying in size from 7 to 12 people. Youth must be in the majority and no more than 4 adults.

COED CREW - A Venturing Crew with male and female participants. Must have adult male and female advisors at least 21 years of age.

CREW LEADER - a member of a crew and elected by the crew to be its leader. This is the same relationship a patrol leader has to a patrol. Ideally this young person will have attended council junior leader instructor training or a previous Philmont trek.

ADULT ADVISOR each crew is required to have at least two adult leaders, one of whom must be at least 21 years of age. The second adult must be at least 18 years of age. There are no gender restrictions for adult leadership. The advisors' leadership is primary coaching, counseling and advising the crew leader. During emergencies the advisor may assume direct leadership of the crew.

RANGER - upon arrival at Philmont, each crew will be met by a Philmont Ranger. The Ranger stays with the crew for three days serving as guide and trainer in camping and teamwork skills.

ITINERARY - each crew has an itinerary which is the hiking schedule for the 10 days on the trail. The itinerary outlines the trails to be taken and the crew's daily destination (either staffed or unstaffed camps.) The itinerary will be selected after receiving the March mailing of the *2005 Trek Itinerary Guide*.

MOUNTAIN CAMPS - these may be camps with a staff (camp director and three or more program staff) or unstaffed trail camps. Dry camps are trail camps with no water.

SPECIAL INDIVIDUAL TREK EXPERIENCES

RAYADO TREK - Older Scouts and Venturers (not coed crews) who have mastered basic outdoor skills should consider applying for the challenging and selective Rayado Trek program. Rayado participants will experience more of Philmont's backcountry and will have program opportunities not available to Expedition campers. Rayado is unparalleled for developing outdoor leadership, group dynamics, wilderness problem solving and advanced outdoor skills. A Rayado Trek encourages participants to attain a high level of personal growth and self-reliance.

2005 Dates: Sessions #1: June 19 - July 9 #2: July 17 - August 6
Cost: \$575 Length: 20 days and nights
Age: 15 by January 1, 2005 or completed 9th grade prior to participation, but not 21 by its conclusion

R.O.C.S. (Roving Outdoor Conservation School) - The Roving Outdoor Conservation School is an exciting program for Scouts and Venturers who have an interest in conservation and natural resource management. As the crew hikes the ranch, the participants will camp in many of the different forest types and participate in activities in some of the following areas: forestry, fire ecology, fisheries management, wildlife management, geology, watershed management and range management. The crew will spend six days building new trails and rebuilding some existing trails.

2005 Dates: Sessions #1: June 10 - July 1 #5: July 8 - July 29
#2: June 17 - July 8 #6: July 15 - Aug 5
#3: June 24 - July 15 #7: July 22 - Aug 12
#4: July 1 - July 22 #8: July 29 - Aug 19
Cost: \$350 Length: 21 days and nights
Age: 16 by program start date, but not 21 by its conclusion

RANCH HANDS - Ranch Hands is a program for Scouts and Venturers who have knowledge of horsemanship and horse care and want to expand their skills and experience. The Ranch Hand crew will spend eight days working in the horse department hauling hay, saddling, daily chores and other horse program tasks. Then they will participate in their own special Cavalcade itinerary trek for eight days.

2005 Dates: One Session Only: July 7 - July 23
Cost: No fee Length: 16 days and nights
Age: 16 by program start date, but not 21 by its conclusion

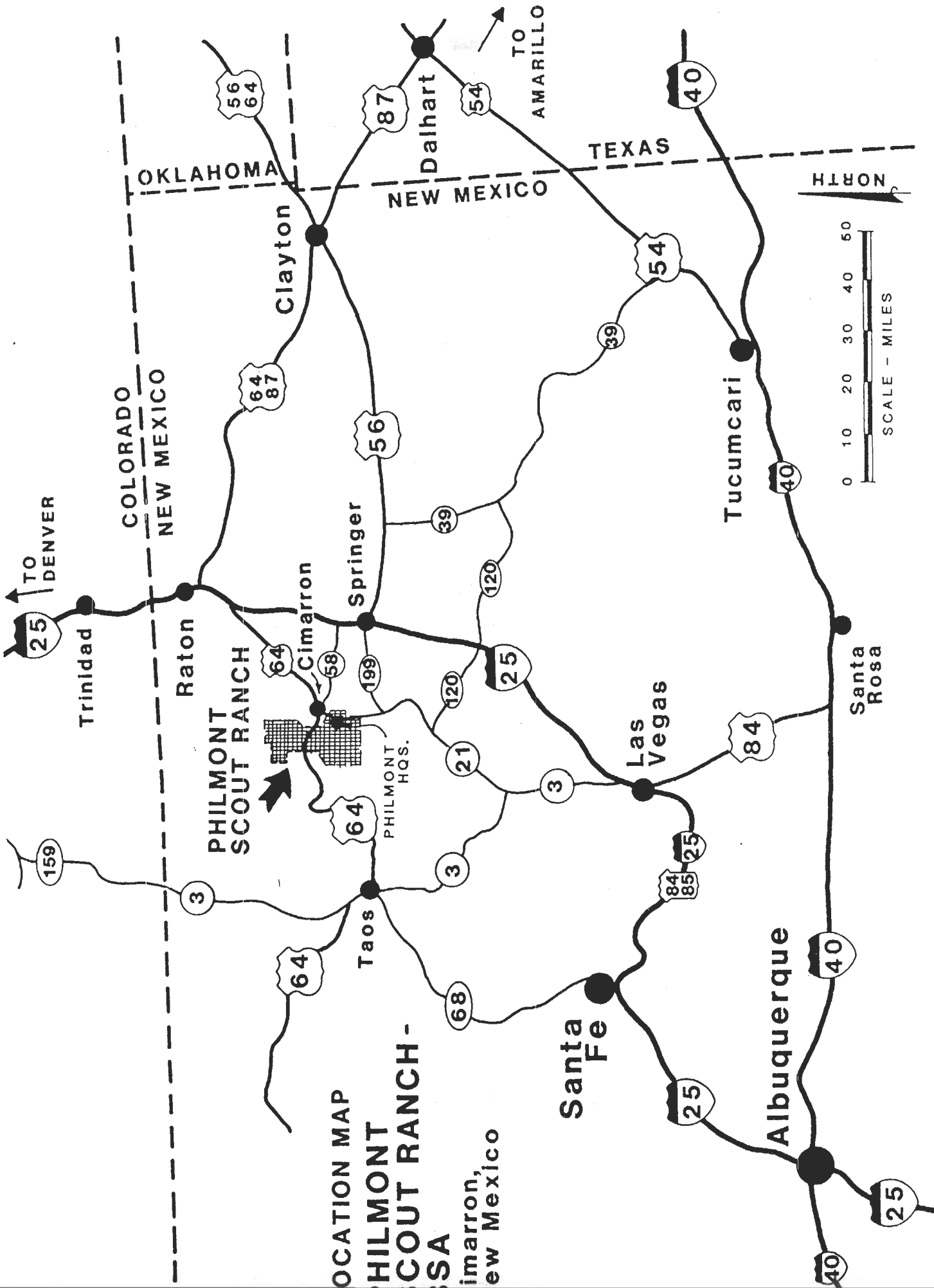
ORDER OF THE ARROW TRAIL CREW - The Order of the Arrow is offering an opportunity for Arrowmen to join together in cheerful service and the formation of lasting brotherhood on the trails at Philmont. The first week focuses on trail construction and maintenance under the guidance of Philmont trail crew foremen. The second week is a seven day backpacking trek that is designed by the participants.

2005 Dates: Sessions #1: June 8 - 22 #4: June 29 - July 13 #7: July 20 - Aug 3
#2: June 15 - 29 #5: July 6 - 20 #8: July 27 - Aug 10
#3: June 22 - July 6 #6: July 13 - 27 #9: Aug. 3 - 17
Cost: \$150 Length: 14 days and nights
Age: 16 by program start date, but not 21 by its conclusion

For additional information about any of these special individual Philmont Experiences please contact Philmont Scout Ranch at 505-376-2281 or camping@philmontscoutranch.org

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