

Troop 41 Scouts of Mountain Lakes explore New Mexico's backcountry

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Troop 41 of Mountain Lakes, from left are: (top row) Bob McNaughton, Scott Goldthwaite, Chatham Abate, Joe McNaughton, Ethan Weiss, Jacob Goldfischer and Bob Muilenburg; (second row) Jake Muilenburg, Miles Harris-Hohne, Jared Goldfischer, Owen Goldthwaite and Owen Plante.

On June 26, Troop 41 of Mountain Lakes sent nine Scouts and three adults to the New Mexico backcountry for a hiking trip that spans 10 days and covers over 70-miles.

Philmont, the Scout reservation where these hikes take place, is a 137,500-acre camp that is also a working cattle ranch.

Scouts on this trip include: Joe McNaughton, Jake Muilenburg, Owen Goldthwaite, Chatham Abate, Owen Plante, Ethan Weiss, Miles HarrisHohne, Jacob Goldfischer and Crew Chief Jared Goldfischer, led by Advisor Scott Goldthwaite, Bob Muilenburg and Bob McNaughton.

Troop 41 prepared for months to ensure successful completion of this arduous trek, holding weekly meetings planning every detail with special focus on equipment and the exact path of the trek.

The other main focus was physical fitness. The crew has spent several weekends hiking, including hiking a section of the Appalachian Trail.

Follow Troop 41's adventure with daily updates and videos online at www.ml41.com.