

Proposed Program

2012 Philmont Adventure

Patriots' Path Council, BSA, Scouting Alumni and Executive Board

October 10th through 14th,

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Wednesday, October 10th

- After arrival at the [Albuquerque International Sunport](#) (airport) if so inclined start your adventure with an exciting ride on the [New Mexico Rail Runner Express](#) to Santa Fe. Otherwise take the [Sandia Shuttle Express](#) to check-in at the [Inn of the Governors](#) no later than 6:00pm.
- We begin with a 7pm kickoff dinner in our Santa Fe home - the [Inn of the Governors](#).
- Enjoy a short evening walk through the Plaza by the historic [Palace of the Governors](#) and the [La Fonda Hotel](#); the "Inn at the end of the Trail". Maybe even a stop at [La Fonda Fiesta Lounge](#).

Thursday, October 11th

- Rise and shine for a wonderful hot 8am Mountain Sunrise Breakfast buffet in our Inn.
- At 9:30am we are off on a three hour walking tour of old town [Santa Fe](#), the Plaza, the [Palace of the Governors](#), [Loretto Chapel](#), the [Capitol](#), and sights and sounds of this most important historic city. During this comfortable stroll there will be plenty of opportunity to take in the sites, take pictures, and plan for additional afternoon activities including lunch and dinner at venues and restaurants of your choice. Be certain to bring comfortable walking shoes.
- An evening walk through the Santa Fe Plaza and square is recommended. Close our first day with a stop at [Del Charro Saloon](#) in our home for the night; the [Inn of the Governors](#)

Friday, October 12th

- Rise and shine for another wonderful hot 7am Mountain Sunrise Breakfast buffet in the Inn.

- Board our stage coach (bus) at 8:00am for a spectacular ride to [Puye Cliff Dwellings](#). After our ancient cliff dwellings visit saddle up and head for the Spanish village of [Chimayo](#) and 11am [lunch](#).
- A quick 1:30pm stop in the village of [Taos](#) to explore the little town made famous by Kit Carson, Pueblo Indians, and many very well-known Twentieth Century artists and writers. You may remember the Taos Rendezvous from your grade school history. Well these days winter in Taos is the vacation rendezvous for large crowds of [Taos Mountain](#) skiers. Taos continues as a magnet for artist, and writers.
- Back on our Stage Coach at 2:15pm for a spectacular ride along the [Enchanted Circle](#); Taos Canyon, a stop at the [Vietnam Memorial](#), through Angle Fire, Eagle Nest, Marino Valley, Cimarron Canyon and on into [Cimarron](#) and the [Philmont Training Center](#) about 4pm.
- Let's get settled in our Philmont home for next two days and experience a little down time on this beautiful campus. Then off to [Casa del Gavilan](#) for a reception and authentic western ranch music.
- We will bring the day to a close with a Western steak dinner followed by stargazing on the [Villa Philmonte](#) lawn.
- A nighttime walk across the starlit Training Center Green Sward (lawn) to our cabins for a good night's sleep will top off the day. Sleep tight, lots to do tomorrow. Cabins include bath, living & bed room.

Saturday, October 13th

- Sunrise on the Tooth. This is going to be a big day let's start with a fun fellowship breakfast in the Training Center Dining Room at 7am.
- At 9am we will start our day with a tour of the:
 - Villa Philmonte
 - Philmont Training Center
 - Philmont Museum, Seton Memorial Library, Historic Western Wagon display
 - Camping Headquarters and [Tooth of Time Traders](#).
- It's noon. Must be time for a trekkers trail lunch in the great outdoor room of the Silver Sage Staff Activity Center. I am certain this structure will amaze you. What do you think, should we build one of these at Sabattis?
- Now it is your chance to decide what you want to do this afternoon:
 - Backcountry Suburban Tour

- Three hour hike in the mountains
 - Fly Fishing on one of Philmont's many rivers and streams
 - Revisit places of interest spotted during the morning tours
 - Or simply wander around this incredible BSA facility.
- Take a break and get ready for our 5pm ride to Rayado and a Round-Up Buffalo BBQ Banquet. We will ride the Santa Fe Trail to Rayado, tour this National Historic New Mexican village, and learn about the important contributions of Lucian Maxwell and Kit Carson. But there is more to the story of Rayado. In the earliest days of Philmont this was called Carson Maxwell Base Camp. We will learn of the Wagon Trains that pulled out of here with scouts beginning their 25 day trek which circumnavigated the entire ranch. After our banquet we will return to Base Camp.
 - Hiking the stunning nighttime trail from Camping Headquarters, past the Philmont Museum and the historic wagon display to our cabins is a wonderful way to end our Philmont day.

Sunday, October 14th

- The chuck wagon bell is ringing. It is 6am and must be time to rise and shine. Breakfast is at 7am and departure for Albuquerque is at 7:30am. We expect to arrive at the [Albuquerque International Sunport](#) (airport) at 11:30am, plenty of time to make a 2pm flight. For the first few hours it is certain some will chose to sleep. When fully awake we will take a one hour real live [video trek](#) in Philmont's backcountry. You will want to be wide awake for this final celebration of our journey to the old west, New Mexico, and Philmont.

Adios!

Notes:

- There will be 11 meals on our tour. You will be responsible to pay for only two of them; lunch and second dinner on your own in Santa Fe.
- The Rail Runner Express fee is \$7 plus short cab rides at both ends.
- The Santa Fe Shuttle costs \$27, direct from the Albuquerque Airport to the Inn of the Governors. Plan to arrive in Santa Fe no later than 6pm Santa Fe time.
- Check out the program above and come prepared with clothing and gear required to participate in the activity of your choice the afternoon of Saturday the 13th. All will complete a medical record.