

PHILMONT EXPEDITION 2011 - JULY 10 to JULY 26, 2011

Norwela Council will be sending two (2) crews to the back country of Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron, NM in 2011. The dates of the trip are July 10 through July 26, 2011. The estimated cost of each participant will be \$1500.00. This fee includes all travel, training costs, Philmont fees, and contingent memorabilia. Those participating can anticipate an additional cost of \$300 to \$600 if quality hiking boots, back packs sleeping bags, cold weather and rain gear, etc, if they have to be purchased. Borrow what you can. There will be two (2) mandatory shake down hikes in beginning in 2011. There is a height and weight standard that all youth and adults must meet. This can be found on line the BSA web site or at the SSC in Shreveport, Louisiana. Every effort will be made by the contingent leadership to prepare participants for this adventure. The council contingent leader does reserves the right to dismiss any participant who does not make the height/weight limit by March 1, 2011, misses the training hikes without reasonable cause, irresolvable medical issues, or for discipline issues. The Philmont experience is a back packing adventure that challenges participants physically, emotionally, and mentally. This trip is a first come first serve opportunity for the 16 youth that will participate. If an adult would like to attend, such as a father with his son, they must call me at 318-471-0533 before making their deposit. The SSC will not accept an adult deposit until I notify them. There is a \$200.00 participation deposit required at sign up which is non-refundable. There are 16 youth spots available. After these spots are filled all others will be put on a waiting list which requires the deposit. This deposit is 100% is refundable if the applicant does not get the opportunity to go. Open registration will begin on Tuesday, February 16, 2010 at the SSC. Someone must do this in person with the completed registration form information and deposit money. Please remember this is first come first serve opportunity. All questions should be directed to Jim Babcock, at 318-471-0533 or ocaddo@aol.com. Please call first if you have any questions before making your deposit. **Age Requirements:** All youth participants must be 14 and not older than 21 by September 1, 2011. Everyone else is considered to be an adult participant. Everyone must be able to pass the BSA high adventure physical to participate in this activity.

Please remember before signing up for this trip that this is not summer camp or a weekend back packing hike in north Arkansas. This is the real deal. The Philmont Experience is a high adventure, physically strenuous, experience for serious back packer who likes to hike in remote wilderness areas carrying 35 to 50 pound backpack for 80 to 100 miles at altitudes between 6500 and 12,500 feet for ten (10) days. This is said not to discourage anyone from participating but to challenge the hardy. When a participant goes on the trail at Philmont they are become part of the crew whose members always finish the trek together.

NORWELA COUNCIL 2011 PHILMONT REGISTRATION:

YOUTH REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
HOME PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____ WORK PHONE: _____
EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ TROOP NO. _____ DOB _____
CURRENT RANK: _____ CURRENT SCOUT MASTERS NAME: _____
PARENT AND/OR GUARDIAN INFORMATION: NAME _____
ADDRESS: _____
HOME PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____ WORK PHONE: _____
PARENTAL/ GUARDIAN SIGNATURE FOR PARTICIPATION:

_____ (Please print name under your signature)

ADULT REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
HOME PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____ WORK PHONE: _____
EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ TROOP NO. _____ DOB _____
BRIEF SCOUTING BACKGORUND & PERSONAL HISTORY: _____

