

# Philmont 2008

Philmont is the adventure of a Scout's (or Scouter's) career and may be the adventure of a lifetime!

## Now is the time to start preparing for Monmouth Council's Philmont 2008 Trek.

The Trek will leave New Jersey on June 26, 2008 and fly to Colorado where we will spend two-and-a-half day's en-route to Philmont ascending Pikes Peak on the Cog Railway, visiting the US Air Force Academy, white-water rafting on the Arkansas River and visiting the Koshare Indian Dancers at their Kiva.



Upon arrival at Philmont on June 29, 2008, there will be a whirlwind day of preparation before embarking into the Philmont back country (also know as God's Country) for 10 days of backpacking, hiking, and programs such as horse-back rides, homesteading, spar pole climbing, gold panning and a mine tour, burro racing, rock climbing, fly tying, 30-06 rifle shooting, tomahawk throwing and many more. You will hike from 50-75 miles over terrain ranging from 6,600' to 12,441' above sea level.

You will see yourself and your crew members grow in personal confidence and capability and will learn what makes you and them tick.

At the end of the trail, you will enjoy the sense of accomplishment of having met the challenge that is Philmont and on your way out of camp you, like so many others around you on the bus will turn around and look at the arrowhead formation that was the inspiration for the Philmont Arrowhead Award that you just earned and now wear proudly on your uniform. You will then start thinking about when you will return to Philmont again.

If you are a Scout who will be 14 years old or older as of January 1, 2008 (or are 13 and will have completed the eighth grade by June 26, 2008) talk with your fellow Scouts and your adult leaders about joining us in 2008. And join us for the Open House and Sign-up on Thursday, August 23, 2007 at 7:00 pm in the Service Center in Morganville, NJ.



If you are unable to attend the Open House, applications are available on our website at [www.monmouthbsa.com/philmont](http://www.monmouthbsa.com/philmont) or at the Service Center in Morganville.



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