

# TRAINING TOPICS

## Philmont Training Center

Are you ready to take your  
Cub Scouting skills to the next level?

**Cub Leaders check out these learning opportunities available at the Philmont Training Center in 2016!!!**

### **Elevate ... to a High-Performing Cub Scout Pack! -**

Learn what it takes to move your pack to the next level. Take a deep dive into topics such as: effective recruiting practices, growing your pack, supporting Cub Scouts on their advancement journey, converting parents from bystanders to engaged pack volunteers, and leading fun and exciting pack meetings. Move your pack from "great" to "epic" by ensuring you know what it takes to deliver the life-changing experiences only Cub Scouting can provide! Designed for pack committee members, Cubmasters, and unit commissioners.

- ☺ Week 3: June 19-25, 2016
- ☺ Week 6: July 10-16, 2016
- ☺ Week 9: July 31-August 6, 2016
- ☺ Week 11: August 14-20, 2016 (title this week - "Building Successful Packs")

**Cub Scouting's Outdoor Skills & Fun!** Put the "outing" back in Scouting ... Cub Scouting that is! Learn fun ways to teach boys about the outdoors. Develop new strategies to ensure more of your Cub Scouts experience the outdoors and engage in the "wilderness" around them. Learn how to enhance their outdoor experience with new games, fun, and more! From campfire songs to outdoor award requirements, you'll become an expert in leading Cub Scouting's outdoor skills and fun. Designed for Cubmasters, den leaders, camp committees, and program planners. Seminar includes a family campout overlooking Mt. Baldy from the newly acquired Cimmaroncita property. Seminar will be led by Dennis Kampa, chief editor of the B.A.L.O.O. Training Syllabus.

- ☺ Week 3: June 19-25, 2016
- ☺ Week 7: July 17-23, 2016

**Fun in Dens and Packs!** - Do you ever sit through long, boring, and chaotic den or pack meetings? Not in your den or pack, right? Learn ways to keep your great meetings going throughout the next Cub Scouting year! From planning and preparation to meeting sparklers, new songs, skits, and more, you'll develop the knowledge, strategies, and skills to ensure your Cub Scouts are engaged and having fun. You'll learn about the tools and resources available to help you deliver a great Cub Scouting experience! Designed for den leaders, Cubmasters, and pack committees.

- ☺ Week 8: July 24-30, 2016
- ☺ Week 10: August 7-13, 2016

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## Philmont Training Center Info

**Philmont Scout Ranch** is the Boy Scouts of America's premier high-adventure base. It covers more than 200 square miles of rugged New Mexico wilderness from the Great Plains up into the beautiful Sangre de Cristo Mountains.

**Philmont is High Adventure** – Much of Philmont is used for backpacking treks, horseback cavalcades and other high adventure challenges for Scouts and Venturers.

**Philmont is History** – Philmont straddles the mountain branch of the Santa Fe Trail. See the world's only known

**T - Rex** track and view centuries old Anasazi rock art. There are archeological sites and museums on site. The nearby town of Cimarron boasts several historical buildings from the old "wild" west.

**Philmont is a Working Ranch** – Horses, cattle and bison are all raised at Philmont. There are real cowboys, wranglers and ranch hands working there.

**Philmont is Training** - Adults have opportunities of their own at the Philmont Training Center. World-class courses and seminars cover all aspects of Scouting—all amid Philmont's dramatic scenery. If you want the best of Scout leadership training, Philmont is for you and your family!

**Philmont Training Center** (36°27'30"N, 104°57'W)



Of particular interest to **Cub Scout Leaders**, the National Volunteer Training Center of the Boy Scouts of America provides a unique environment for Scouting Conferences each summer and fall. In addition to hosting these Conferences, the Training Center also provides the opportunity for the entire family to be together – Scouts, Scouters, non-BSA Adults and Youth enjoying a wide range of Family Programs. This is what makes the Philmont Training Center experience one of a kind.

**Attendance:** Attendance is open to all Scouters - All you have to do is apply either on-line or contact your local council or call the Philmont Training Center (575-376-2281) Go to a Roundtable and ask about the

Philmont Training Center. Most Cub Scouters who attend training conferences get interested by talking to others who have been there or by asking their DE. Scouters are encouraged to bring immediate family members with them. There is **FUN** for all!!!

**Conferences:** Approximately 100 separate weeklong conferences are scheduled each year. Conferences will cover almost every aspect of Scouting—from Cub Scouting and Boy Scouting to Council and District Operations, from Venturing and Professional Development to Scoutreach and Finance.

The Conferences are conducted by divisions and committees of the National Council and are led by a faculty of outstanding volunteer and professional Scouters. Each Conference is designed to discuss specific Scouting issues, share information from all over the B.S.A., and train using the "best methods" that will enhance the Scouting program for youth and adults.

**Why Should You Go?** Because Philmont training has consistently been the most popular and most effective training for Cub Scouting in the last half century. The best improvements in packs, districts and council Cub Scouting I have seen has come from PTC trained people. Philmont Training is family oriented, program directed and fun. What more could you ask for?

**Here is the complete 2016 conference schedule.**

#### Key to Courses -

- 🚩 **Courses with a flag and in green are new for 2016.**
- 😊 **Courses with a smiley face and blue highlight Cub Scout leaders will especially enjoy.**
- B Courses with a B and a red highlight Boy Scout leaders will enjoy.**
- C Courses with a C and a purple highlight Commissioners will enjoy**

#### Week 1 — June 5-11

- 🚩 **The Council/District Training Committee**
- ★ Creating Organizational Excellence
- B Games with a Purpose**
- 🚩 **Growing Venturing in your Crew and Council**
- ★ Philmont Ambassador Seminar
- B William T. Hornaday Adviser Training**

#### Week 2 — June 12-18

#### **Commissioner's Week - Come out and meet Tico!!!**

- C Advanced Leadership Skills for Administrative Commissioners**
- C The Council Commissioner**
- C Delivering Commissioner Service to Changing Communities**
- C District Commissioner and Assistant District Commissioner Training**
- C Effective Roundtables**
- ★ International Scouting
- ★ Mechanics of Advancement
- B Smarter, Strategic, and Sustainable Troops**
- C The Unit Commissioner**

#### Week 3 — June 19-25 – Southern Region

- ★ Council Key 3
- 😊 **Cub Scouting's Outdoor Skills & Fun!**
- ★ District Key 3
- ★ District Operations 2
- 😊 **Elevate!...to a High Performing Cub Scout Pack!**
- B Multicultural Scouting in Today's Diverse Communities**
- 🚩 **New Units: A Must!**
- ★ Order of the Arrow: Developing Youth Leadership Seminar
- 🚩 **Reconnecting & Cultivating Scouting's Alumni**
- ★ National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE)

#### Week 4 — June 25-July 01

- ★ LDS Scouting Leadership Conference (by invitation only)

#### Week 5 — July 2- 8

- ★ LDS Scouting Leadership Conference (by invitation only)
- ★ NAYLE

#### Week 6 — July 10-16 – Western Region

- 😊 **Elevate!...to a High Performing Cub Scout Pack!**
- ★ T-Cubed (T3) – Train the Trainer
- 🚩 **Venturing Blast! (by invitation only)**
- 🚩 **Western Region: New Strategies to Help Scouting Thrive**
- ★ NAYLE

### Week 7 — July 17-23 – Central Region

#### **B #Awesome!-STEM Explorations (14-20 age youth)**

- ★ Council Key 3
- ☺ **Cub Scouting's Outdoor Skills & Fun!**
- ★ District Key 3
- ★ District Operations 2
- 🔗 **Planning Programs That Rock**
- B STEM-Tastic Scouting- Inspiration, Imagination, and Innovation**
- 🔗 **Training Effective Unit Leaders**
- 🔗 **Venturing Blast! (by invitation only)**
- ★ NAYLE

### Week 8 — July 24-30 – Northeast Region

#### **Relationships Week - Learn about Duty to God**

- 🔗 **Building Successful Youth-Led Units: Training You to Train Your Youth and Adult Leaders**
- 🔗 **Chaplaincy Training**
- ★ Council Key 3
- ★ District Key 3
- ★ Exploring and Learning for Life Programs: Best Practices and Strategies
- ☺ **Fun in Dens and Packs!**
- 🔗 **Growing Venturing in your Crew and Council**
- ★ Scouting in the Catholic Church
- ★ Scouting in the Church of Christ
- B Smarter, Strategic, and Sustainable Troops!**
- ★ NAYLE

### Week 9 — July 31 - August 6

- B Advancement Issues and Solutions**
- ☺ **Elevate!...to a High Performing Cub Scout Pack!**
- ★ Energize Your Enterprise Risk Management Committee
- ★ Leading Varsity Scouting in LDS Teams
- B Planning Programs That Rock**
- 🔗 **Training Effective Unit Leaders**

★ **Visual Storytelling Workshop**  
Check out the story in the Jan-Feb 2016 issue of Scouting Magazine. Great course!!!  
Commissioner Dave's loved it!!

- ★ Wilderness First Aid Instructor Certification
- 🔗 **Youth Protection Champions**
- ★ NAYLE

### Week 10 — August 7-13

- 🔗 **The Council/District Training Committee**
- B Engaging Millennial Parents in Scouting**
- B Finding Your Way – Night or Day**
- ☺ **Fun in Dens and Packs!**
- 🔗 **Growing Venturing in your Crew and Council**
- B Putting More Outing in Scouting**
- B Serving More Scouts with Disabilities in Your Local Council**
- 🔗 **Becoming a Powerful Program Chair**
- B Wood Carvers Round Up**
- ★ NAYLE

### Week 11 — August 14-20

- B Applying Outdoor Ethics in Your Unit, District and Council**
- B Be Prepared for High Adventure**
- ☺ **Building Successful Packs: Training Unit Leaders to Build and Sustain Cub Scout Packs**
- C Key Concepts of Commissioner Service in Scouting's Second Century**
- ★ Philmont Ambassador Seminar
- B Putting More Outing in Scouting**
- ★ T-Cubed (T3): Train the Trainer

### \*Fall Week — September 18-24

- Come listen to the Elk bugling**
- Check out the Thunderbirds!!**
- B BSA Fishing Train the Trainer**
- ★ Climbing Director Certification
- ★ COPE and Climbing Design, Construction, Maintenance, and Inspection Advancement Issues and Solutions
- ★ COPE & Climbing Program Manager Certification
- ★ COPE Director Certification
- ★ Facilities Management
- ★ Implementing the National Camp accreditation Program
- ★ Philmont Leadership Challenge
- 🔗 **Shooting Sports Director Re-Certification**
- ★ Take Aim at Year Round Shooting Sports Programs
- ★ Trek Leader Planning and Advanced Outdoor Leader Skills

#### **B Wilderness First Aid Instructor Certification**

**For a full schedule of 2016 Conferences with descriptions of each course, go to:**

<http://www.scouting.org/philmont/>

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While Conference time is important, ample opportunity for a Scouter to enjoy the majesty of Philmont with his or her family is part of the schedule of most Conferences. There is also plenty of time to meet and socialize with other Scouters from all parts of the country. Making life-long friendships is a regular occurrence at Philmont.

2016 Conferences and Family Program Information		PhilmontTrainingCenter.org	
<b>Sunday</b>	2-4 PM Check-In Dinner Opening Program	<b>Monday</b>	Breakfast Conference/Program Lunch Conference/Program Dinner Cracker Barrel
<b>Tuesday</b>	Breakfast Conference/Program Lunch Conference/Program Dinner Western Night	<b>Wednesday</b>	Breakfast Conference/Program Lunch Family Time Dinner Movie Night
<b>Thursday</b>	Breakfast Conference All Day Program Hikes Lunch Conference/Program Dinner Cracker Barrel	<b>Friday</b>	Breakfast Conference/Program Lunch Conference/Program Dinner Closing Program
<b>Saturday</b>	Breakfast Depart		

Schedule overview

**Family Program:** One of the great joys of attending a Philmont Conference is that your whole family can share in the experience. You can think of it as a Scouting Family vacation. The schedule is relaxed and the pace is comfortable.

The Philmont Training Center offers a full, organized program for every member of the family—from infants to spouses. Family members are joined by others in their age group and participate in carefully designed, age-appropriate programs under the leadership of trained and experienced Philmont staff.

### Family Program Groups

**Nursery (2 months to 2 year olds)** - A fully equipped nursery is available for the youngest family members. Parents may leave their children during family program times. They may be left for an hour or two, or for the entire morning or afternoon as determined by your group or conference schedule. Care is provided according to your instructions.

**Small Fry (3-5 year olds)** - The Small Fry Center is located next to the Handicraft Lodge. Philmont staff provides activities, games, pony rides, and supervised play during each program session.

**Cowgirls, Cowpokes (6-7 year olds)** - These individual groups participate in nature hikes, pony rides, games, songs and skits, crafts, museum tours, and an all day hike.

**Ropers, Deputies (8-9 year olds)** - Ropers and Deputies individual programs include hiking, Villa and Museum tours, archery and air rifles, pony rides, games, crafts and an all day hike.

**Sidewinders (10 year old boys)** - Sidewinders enjoy hiking, sports, crafts, archery and air rifles, Villa and Museum tours, and a Sidewinder/Parent overnigher.

**Mustangs (11-13 year old girls)** - Mustangs have fun enjoying horse rides, archery and air rifles, hiking, handicraft projects, nature activities, outdoor cooking, games, Villa and Museum tours, and an overnight camping trip in Philmont's backcountry.

**Trailblazers (11-13 year old boys)** - This group participates in day hikes, nature activities and games, horse rides, archery and air rifles, handicrafts, and an overnight camping trip in Philmont's backcountry.

**Broncos (14-21 year olds)** - The Broncos program is designed to accommodate those teenagers who choose not to participate in the mountain trek program. Broncos will stay at PTC with their families, but enjoy a week of activities built around participation in Philmont's C.O.P.E. course, day hikes, and horse rides.

**Mountain Trek (14-20 year olds)** - Mountain Men and Mountain Women treks are backpacking expeditions that provide the opportunity to experience the rugged challenges of Philmont's mountains. Mountain Trek crews travel approximately 20-30 miles in Philmont's backcountry.

*I have been told that teen-age girls are the most enthusiastic participants at Philmont. Bill*

*I must concur, my daughter went as a participant three times as a teenager - 2 Mountain Treks and an 11 day trek, and then worked five years on staff. CD*

**Silverados (spouses and other adults not attending Conference)** - Silverados find that a wide-range of exciting activities are available throughout the week. Activities include museum visits, day hikes, a pottery-making demonstration, Villa tours, COPE, horse rides, and trips to nearby resort towns.

**Facilities:** Tent cities accommodate Training Center participants and their families. Tents are large, two person wall tents with wooden or concrete floors, electric lights, an electrical outlet, wardrobe, and two twin sized beds with mattresses. Each tent city has restrooms and hot showers. Cots and cribs are available for use during the week.

A **FANTASTIC** recent addition has been the family and handicap restrooms. All restrooms in each Tent City are Family-sized. They are similar to the Family or Companion Assisted Restrooms in the malls and other places. Each room has its own shower, toilet, sink, etc. You can wheel your chair into the shower in the handicapped ones. There are diaper tables in most. Mom and/or Dad can take all the kids into the rest room and have them use the toilet, shower and clean up in privacy. No more dealing with others in the main shower house. No more sneaking sonny into the Ladies Room or daughter into the Men's Room.



Meals are served in the cafeterias at the Center. Family members who are in camp eat together. Camp meals are provided for those on the trail or in the back country. There is a new (last summer) porch so you can eat and look at the Tooth and gab about your week. They have a fully trained staff to properly serve (No cross contamination) gluten-free, vegetarian, kosher and other specialty meals.

Conferences are conducted in fully equipped conference rooms or at various locations in Philmont's backcountry. Family Program facilities include the Small Fry Center, the Handicraft building, and Pony Ring. However, most of the time family members will be enjoying the best facility of all-Philmont's 137,493 acres of "Scouting Paradise."

2016 Fees	
Conference	\$530
Non-Conference Adult (20+)	\$375
Mountain Trek (Ages 14-20)	\$415
Children (Ages 14-20)	\$315
Children (Ages 6-13)	\$200
Children (Ages 0-5)	\$100
NAYLE Participant	\$395
STEM Youth Conference	\$395

Fees include all conference materials, Family Program, meals and lodging.

Scholarships available. Download form: [www.philmonttrainingcenter.org](http://www.philmonttrainingcenter.org)

I (Bill Smith) have attended four different Conferences at Philmont. At each one, I learned a lot, had a great time, met wonderful people and had my Scouting spirit lifted to new heights.

Every family member who was with me still talks about their experiences in glowing terms. I am continually impressed with the quality of the staff members who run the family programs. They are special people.

*I have been at more than a dozen courses and agree most heartily with Bill's statement. I was there three times in 2014 and twice in 2015. I have facilitated and taken courses. In 2013 I took VISUAL STORYTELLING and my picture is in the Scouting Mag story about it. A really great course. CD*

Links –

Memories from Scouters who were there:

[Star Scout Cody Welch – his experience](#)

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