2026 High Adventure Trip - Philmont Scout Ranch

Plans are being finalized for our June/July 2026 high adventure trip to the Philmont Scout Ranch in Philmont, New Mexico. Specific details of the trip are being finalized but it presently appears that the Scouts and Leaders will be flying into Albuquerque, New Mexico on June 17th, touring on the way to the Philmont Scout Ranch, hiking a trail through the Ranch and then returning to BWI on July 1st. Specific times and activities are presently being determined by Crew Leaders.

A limited number of spots are available for this unforgettable trip. Interested Scouts over the age of 16 and physically fit for the demanding trail should contact Frank Strueber to get further details and contact Kevin Shaffer to sign-up for this adventure. Spots are limited and will be secured first come-first served to Scouts/Leaders that are current with the payment schedule. A waiting list will be tracked for interested participants after spots are filled in case of cancellation.

The estimated cost for Philmont 2026 is \$2,700 per Scout/Leader including airfare (subject to change based upon transportation costs and final activity itinerary).

Please make trip deposits to the Troop Treasurer in full or according to the following schedule:

	<u>Payment</u>	Paid Amount
November 2025	\$300	\$300
December 2025	\$400	\$700
January 2026	\$400	\$1,100
February 2026	\$400	\$1,500
March 2026	\$400	\$1,900
April 2026	\$400	\$2,300
May 2026	\$400	\$2,700 (Tentative Final Amount)

Payments should be made from Family Account, by cash payment or by check made out to "Boy Scout Troop 497". Please note participant name on check.

Payments can be made at Troop meetings or checks can be mailed to the Troop Treasurer at:

Kevin Shaffer

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