

# Troop 849 Newsletter



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**July 2016**

## Philmont Longterm

On July 5<sup>th</sup> 12 scouts and 8 adults will be off to Philmont Scout Ranch for a 12 day 75 miles backpacking trip and Program activities including: Shotgun, 30-06, Blackpowder, Tomahawks, Archery, Fly Fishing, Burro Racing, Gold Mining, Blacksmithing, Spar Pole and Rock Climbing. Along the way the two crews will be peaking Mt Phillips & Trail Peak (A rated peaks) and lastly Tooth of Time Peak before hiking back into base camp. Our group leaves by Amtrak train, and returns on July 19<sup>th</sup> flying back to LAX. Scouts must be 14 year old or older to go, and two of the Adult/Scouts going are 18 year old Eagle Scouts and can participate in all of the youth activities. It will be Mr. Reeley's 4<sup>th</sup> trek, Nick Barber's 3<sup>rd</sup> and Eric Furth, Steven Lambert, Cullen Barber and Mr. Lance Siegel's 2<sup>nd</sup> trek.

## Summer Camp

This is a reminder that summer camp is fast approaching. Now is your time to get your gear together for a fun and exciting week.

## Little Jimmy's

**Contributor:** Jaden Levin

Little Jimmy is an excellent hike for beginners. It is an excellent hike because it is easy, local, and fun. It is only 2.4 miles long and it is only a little bit uphill for a little over half the hike. The way back down is also tireless and fast. Little Jimmy is local too. Little Jimmy is 2 hours away. On the way, the scenery is beautiful and it feels like time blows by because everything looks cool. Lastly, Little Jimmy is very fun. Little Jimmy is a campsite with hills nearby it everywhere so you can witness the sunset and explore as you wish. In addition, there is a peak that is roughly a mile away from the camp that is very easy for beginner backpackers. There is also the experience of collecting firewood and playing games with the other scouts. All in all, Little Jimmy is a great experience that is fun, local, easy, and a great all around beginners hike.

## Deep Sea Fishing Trip

**Contributor: Erik Lilligren**

Troop 849 is going deep sea fishing on September 23<sup>rd</sup>. Now's your chance to catch your 400 lb tuna. We will leave for San Diego on Friday the 23<sup>rd</sup> and stay at a hotel overnight. The early the next morning we will go to the fishing area were we will begin fishing. After we are done we will divide up the fish and head on home. This will be a very fun and exciting trip for everyone. Hope to see you there.



## Split Mountain

**Contributor:** Cedric Tuck-Sherman

This was an "extreme" hike for our most experienced hikers that included difficult 4WD access to the trailhead and a hard to follow mountaineer's route to camp. On the first day we encountered temps in the mid-90s with direct sun making the 4,000' ascent to Red Lake exhausting. It took six hours; the last 30mins in the dark. The next day, after breakfast, we packed our peak-bags including ice axes, crampons/micro-spikes, rope, harnesses, and helmets and set off for the summit of Split Mountain. The conditions were perfect but we were still exhausted from the prior day and after climbing only 500' it was apparent that we would not make the remaining 3,500' to the top. We had to make the difficult decision to give-up the summit. Instead, we used what little energy we had left to spend an hour practicing mountaineering techniques (self-arrest and glissading) on a nearby snow field just above 11,000' before heading down the mountain and back home. The group learned much preparing for and working as a team on the hike. While we didn't make the summit this time, we will be back to climb Split Mountain again.



## July 2016

Date	Event	Leader
5-19	Philmont	Reeley/Siegel
5	Outdoor Cooking	SPL
7	Neighbor to Neighbor	Tauber
12	Troop Meeting	
19	Chawanakee prep Meeting	
30-4	Onion Valley	Reeley
31-6	Camp Chawanakee	Rolandelli

## August 2016

Date	Event	Leader
2	No Meeting	
4	Neighbor to Neighbor	
9	Troop Meeting	SPL
16	Troop Meeting	SPL
23	Troop Meeting	SPL
30	Troop Meeting	SPL
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### Submissions Are welcome

If you went on a great troop trip or event feel free to submit an article to me that is 200 words or less by the 29<sup>th</sup> of the month. I will gladly put it into the next months newsletter.

### Neighbor to Neighbor

**Contact:** Mr. Tauber

**Date:** July 7, 2016

**Location:** South Bay Community Church of the Brethren  
**Time:** 6:00 pm-7:00 pm

It is true that volunteering has a positive and meaningful impact on our community but you already know that it has many personal benefits for us, too. Recently, many of you had participated in the event, thank you. It is what I am looking for, so let's keep the good service work up.

I encourage you to continue with your service, it is of a great help. For those of you who haven't had the opportunity to participate in this service event, this is your time to, and I would like to see your attendance.

I repeat, this is a great opportunity to give some of your time and effort, and enjoy a unique chance to learn and grow stronger.

On the practical side, all Scouts in full Class A uniform, and registered adults who participate will **earn two community service hours**.

Upon arrival, please park behind the church (one street north of 190th on Armour Lane) in the back parking lot and 2come in through the back gate.

**Just the time of the month for our troop's monthly service event!**

### FUTURE NEWSLETTERS CONTRIBUTIONS

**Contributor:** Erik Lilligren

We would love to have you your contributions to next month's newsletter. If you would like to have your contribution considered please contact me at [tim@lilligrencpa.com](mailto:tim@lilligrencpa.com) or upcoming troop meetings. I want to finalize the August Newsletter by August 2 so please have all contributions to me by August 29. Also, pictures that are submitted need to be as a JPEG attachment, not embedded, and not from third party programs.