

# TROOP 96 GAZETTE

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## *Resolutions for scouting excellence*

- ✦ **Participate in more campouts with the troop.**
- ✦ **Bring ideas and attend more PLC meetings.**
- ✦ **Advance one or more rank in the next 6 months.**
- ✦ **Learn a new scouting skill.**
- ✦ **Teach another scout a new scouting skill.**
- ✦ **Wear the uniform and wear it well.**
- ✦ **Organize a patrol meeting.**
- ✦ **Always remember to 'do a good turn daily.**
- ✦ **Live the scout oath and law.**
- ✦ **Have fun !**

## **Philmont 2015**

Philmont Crews have one open spot, if any eligible scout would like to attend please let Mr. McCall know. The full cost is \$1400 plus personal gear. To be eligible you need to be 14 and first class by July. Scouts need not from Troop 96, but should be available for crew training activities.

*The next payment is due Feb 2nd, for most participants that is a \$500 payment, all participants should have paid \$1100 by Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>. If you want to know where your account stands please see Mr. McCall.*

Participants both youth and adult should be getting their medical forms completed in the next few months. Here are the Philmont Medical requirements.

### **HEALTH AND MEDICAL RECORD Requirement**

Every camper and Advisor is required to have a medical evaluation within twelve (12) months of their participation date by a physician licensed to practice medicine. An examination conducted by a physician's assistant or a nurse practitioner will be recognized for states where they may perform physical examinations to students enrolled in public school systems. The BSA Annual Health and Medical Record must be used.

This form is available through our website, [www.philmontscoutranch.org/Camping.aspx](http://www.philmontscoutranch.org/Camping.aspx) or [www.scouting.org/Home/HealthandSafety/ahmr.aspx](http://www.scouting.org/Home/HealthandSafety/ahmr.aspx). Philmont is mailing three copies of this new Annual Health and Medical Record, to each of point of contact. Advisors are to collect completed forms for each participant, Parts A, B and C, and make sure a copy of the participant's Health Insurance Card is attached. These forms will be turned into the infirmary upon arrival at Philmont which is part of Day One's processing.

Philmont Scout Ranch Supplemental Information should be read by each participant and parent or guardian, if under 18 years of age, and shared with the medical provider completing the medical evaluation. The Supplemental Information contains helpful information and interpretation.

*An individual should always contact the family physician first and call Philmont at 575.376.2281 if there is a question about the advisability of participation. Philmont's chief medical officer and other medical staff of the Health Lodge reserve the right to make medical decisions regarding the participation of individuals at Philmont.*

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## **January 2015 Campout**

The Troop will camp Jan. 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> at Camp Crown, indoors at the Jadel Center we'll meet at St. Gilbert's parking lot at 5:30 pm. Activities will be Okpik introduction by Mr. Wehde, Winter snow activities during the day, "Be Prepared", and games and movies at night. Permission slips and \$15 food money for the campout are due on Monday, Jan 12 (no exceptions).



**January - February Meeting Plan**

Scribe: Kevin G.

<p><b><u>Monday, Jan 12th</u></b>                  Campout Prep</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-campers to stick with patrols to give menu ideas</li> <li>• Ice safety skill session – Alex K., Cameron D.</li> <li>• The Umm... Game Tournament – Cameron D.</li> </ul>	
<p><b><u>Monday, Jan 19th</u></b>                  Civil Rights: Ethics In Action – Kevin G., Collin J., Justin J.</p>	<p><b><u>Monday, Jan 26th</u></b>                  Court of Honor MC's Alex K, and Zach L. Families encouraged to attend</p>
<p><b><u>Monday, Feb 2nd</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Retort Cooking – David H.</li> <li>• Pancake Flipping Game                         <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Pancakes Provided by Cameron D.</li> <li>○ Run by Andrew G.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Monday, Feb 9th</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strains, Sprains, and Breaks First Aid – David H.</li> <li>• Stretcher Relay – Joey C.</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>January Campout, Jan. 16th – 18th</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lock-in at Jadel Center</li> <li>• OKPIK intro by Mr. Wehde</li> <li>• Snow activities during day</li> <li>• Games and Movies at night (Movies to be brought by campers)</li> </ul>	
<p><b><u>Intro To Leadership Skills: Sat. Jan. 24<sup>th</sup></u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9:00 to Noon</li> <li>• Show at 8:30 if possible</li> <li>• All members of the PLC with a troop position should attend</li> </ul>	
<p><b><u>Make it or Break It; First Aid Meet: Sat. March 7</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$5 cost- \$6 after Feb. 1</li> <li>• \$8 day of</li> </ul>	

activities that they and their patrols would like to do at future meetings. ***The next PLC meeting will be 7pm date to be determined.***



the Scoutmaster's Corner  
by Pat Klemens

We will be **camping this month** at Camp Crown on Jan 16-18. We have the (free) use of the Jadel Training Center thanks to our contributions as a troop in the 2014 Friends of Scouting campaign. Permission slips and \$15 cash for food are due on Jan 12.

The **Winter Court of Honor** is scheduled for Jan 26. Zack L and Alex K will serve as our emcees. You only have a couple of weeks to finish up your rank requirements or merit badges if you want recognition at this ceremony. All parents, families and friends are invited to attend and help celebrate our Scout's accomplishments.

The annual **Friends of Scouting** presentation will be made at our Jan 26 Court of Honor. We are among the most generous units in all of the Northeast Illinois Council (and have been for years). Thank you for making good Scouting a priority.

**Scout Sunday** is Feb 8, on the anniversary of Scouting. Scouts should plan to participate in services wherever they worship. More details soon.

Soon it will be **Webelos Crossover Season**. New Scouts will begin arriving in February.

- a. Scouts from several Packs are likely to join the troop.
- b. Troop Guides are needed to work with the new Scouts. Please see Mr. Mack if you can serve in one of these important positions.
- c. Parent's Meeting will be held in early March.

**OA Elections** will be held before the end of March. Mr. Judge is working on determining which Scouts are eligible. (A Scout must be First Class and have at least 15 nights of camping in the last two years with five of those nights at summer camp or other long-term venue.)

**Philmont 2015** will be here sooner than you know it. We have three crews heading to the mountains of New Mexico this summer. They have been training for months and are getting anxious to go.

**Philmont 2016**. Did you want to go to Philmont this year and couldn't make it? Or maybe you think you'll want to go again in 2016? See Mr. Klemens on or before Jan 19 to get your name on the short list available. A \$100 deposit is required. Expected costs not to exceed \$1500.

**Upcoming Adult and Unit recognition dinners:**

The District Dinner is on February 7 and the Silver Acorn goes to...  
*David Cibula*

The District Dinner will also see the Award of Merit go to...  
*Cheri Blenniss*

Any troop adults who would like to attend the dinner are invited. Please register at the NEIC website (under North Star district).

**National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)** in 2015. We are sending four Scouts to go this summer for the weeklong session at MaKaJaWan Scouts who are interested need to see Mr. Klemens before the end of January to be considered for attendance.

**NanoTechnology Day** is March 7. We need to quickly recruit five Scouts (sixth grade or higher) to participate in this unique event at Northwestern University. Cost is \$10 per participant and each unit makes a presentation to the others. See Mr. Judge if you'd like to take advantage of this special opportunity to learn more about this fascinating subject.

You can always check the Troop Website ([www.BoyScoutTroop96.com](http://www.BoyScoutTroop96.com)) for the latest news.

Pat Klemens, Scoutmaster

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**Scout Sunday February 8<sup>th</sup> 2015**

Scouts are encouraged to attend their place of worship in uniform. Scouts who are members of St. Gilbert, should attend mass in uniform, we will meet at church at a time to be determined, listen for the announcement at the troop meeting.

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Looking forward to another great Troop 96 year of Scouting

**Camping Plan Schedule**

- - January 16th-18th: Lock-in at Jadel center (Camp Crown).
  - - February 20-22: Skiing, Snowboarding, and Tubing at Sunburst in Kewaskum WI, Cabin
  - - March 20-22: New scout training at Camp Lakota near Woodstock. We will get the Gould Shelter (open shelter) in case in turns rainy
  - - April 17-19: Horseback Riding, likely near Kettle Moraine in Wisconsin
  - - May 15-17: Bike-riding trip, location pending
  - - June 19-20: Kayaking Trip, location pending
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## BSA TROOP 96 PERMISSION SLIP

**SIGNED PERMISSION SLIPS DUE:** Monday, January 12, 2015

**EVENT DATES:** Friday, Jan 16 to Sunday, Jan 18, 2015

**EVENT LOCATION:** Camp Crown near Wilmot, Wisconsin

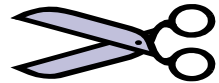
**Meeting time:** 5:30pm Friday afternoon – St. Gilbert Parking Lot

**RETURN:** approx 12:00 noon, Sun, Jan 18 (Call 847-223-7233 after 9AM for a better estimate)

**EVENT COST:** \$15/per scout for food. Payable in CASH to Patrol Leader on Jan 12

**UNIFORM / CLOTHING:** CLASS A UNIFORM for the drive and assemblies.

**TRANSPORTATION:** Adult leaders/parents will provide transportation.



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### BSA TROOP 96 PERMISSION SLIP – Winter Fun Campout

**EVENT DATES:** Friday, Jan 16 – Sunday, Jan 18, 2015

**EVENT LOCATION:** Camp Crown near Wilmot, Wisconsin

**DEPART:** 5:30pm Friday afternoon – Church parking lot

SCOUT(S) \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ has my permission for full participation in BSA programs, subject to the limitations noted herein. I further agree that Troop 96 and its Junior and Adult Leaders, as well as the St. Gilbert Church and the Knights of Columbus shall be held free from liability, financially or otherwise, for any injury or accident incurred by my son during this event. I have also included a separate sheet with any special instructions regarding my son.

In case of emergency, I understand every effort will be made to contact me (or someone else if noted on this form). In the event I cannot be reached, I hereby give my permission to the medical personnel selected by the adult leader in charge to secure proper treatment, including hospitalization, anesthesia, surgery, or injections of medication for my child.

Parent (Guardian) Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ **Can Drive?: Y / N**

Parent phone number in case of emergency: \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies or other important information in an emergency: \_\_\_\_\_

Medications: \_\_\_\_\_

**SPECIAL NOTE TO PARENTS: ONLY PARENTS OR OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS CAN PICK UP YOUR SCOUT. IF ANYONE ELSE IS TO BRING YOUR SON HOME YOU MUST PROVIDE THAT AUTHORIZATION BELOW:**

(NAME) \_\_\_\_\_ (CELL) \_\_\_\_\_ IS AUTHORIZED TO PICK UP MY SCOUT  
AT THE CHURCH (PARENT SIGNATURE) \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_