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3/26/2018. Note: not all costs shown are 2018 updates

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(Don't forget to copy a parent on any correspondence!)

T/C 56 ACTIVITIES FALL 2018-SPRING 2019

The following is a listing of trip possibilities for the year 2018-2019. Offered this scouting year is a 12 day hiking trip in Philmont, New Mexico, July 2019. In order to qualify for the trip the Philmont scouts have specific age requirements plus other reqs, some of which all scouts participate in.

Philmont Requirements include:

- Community Service Trip
- Wilderness First Aid
- 2 qualifying hike s (backpacking, or snowshoe to a hut)
- Formal Shakedown (Memorial Day Vacation)

We offer 3-4 hiking trips for all the scouts during the year, of which 2 trips Philmont participants must sign up for. In addition, we offer a community service trip for all the scouts. The Wilderness First Aid and the Shakedown are for the Philmont participants only so are not listed below.

Trips for SEPTEMBER, APRIL, MAY

HIKING

QUALIFIERS FOR PHILMONT BUT ALL SCOUTS CAN PARTICIPATE:

Mt. Monadnock, NH:

“Grand Monadnock is a spectacular isolated mountain that offers commanding expansive views of New England. The vast majority of first time hikers ascend the 2 mile White Dot Trail to the summit. It is a short steep direct trail to the summit. There is, however, much more to see by exploring the 35 miles of current hiking trails. All the trails offer different scenery. Explore a mossy low elevation woods walk to warm up before heading up”. Overnite tent camping at Camp Wanocksett in Dublin,NH

Wapack Trail (Midstate), MA (good September trip)

Two-night camping and 2 days of hiking.

Cost: \$25

Adult Leader:

Youth Leader:

Appalachian Trail: Two-night camping and 2 days of hiking on the legendary Appalachian Trail, which covers 2180 continuous miles of trails, crossing 14 states. We would hike a portion-- either the Connecticut A.T. or the Bear Mountain A.T.in New York.

Cost: \$25

Adult Leader:
Youth Leader:

Mt. Greylock: Berkshires. MA “At 3,491 feet, Mount Greylock is the highest point in Massachusetts. Rising above the surrounding Berkshire landscape, dramatic views of 60-90 miles distant may be seen. It became Massachusetts' first wilderness state park, acquired by the Commonwealth in 1898, to preserve its natural environment for public enjoyment. Wild and rugged yet intimate and accessible, Mount Greylock rewards the visitor exploring this special place of scenic and natural beauty.”2 nights camping, two days hiking. 2hr.42 min drive from Cambridge

Cost: \$25
Adult Leader:
Youth Leader:

White Mountains, NH (month of May)

Mt.Cardigan Though not one of the highest mountains in New Hampshire, **Mt. Cardigan** is extremely popular among hikers in the Northeast. Mt. Cardigan is widely popular due to its variety of trails, accessibility to Boston and, and that its bald summit gives 360 degree panoramic views. .

Cost: \$25
Adult Leader:
Youth Leader:

Backpacking Cape Cod: Sandy Neck tent camping is 3.3 miles from the parking lot. Hiking is level. Good beginner backpacker trip. Possible months: Sept, April, May, June.

OCTOBER

MASSJAM 2018. On Columbus Day weekend, Oct 6-8, 2018. Thousands of Scouts, Webelos, and Venturers from Massachusetts and surrounding states will descend on the Barnstable Country fairgrounds in East Falmouth, Massachusetts for three days of Scouting fun, exhibits, challenging activities, competitions, entertainment, and fellowship. Cost:\$35/scout

Registration for MassJam 2018 is NOW OPEN. Visit <http://www.massjam.org/> to register. The Leader's Guide will be available early spring.

Trips for NOVEMBER

Hiking and Turkey Roast

Travel to Hale Reservation on Friday night. Hike and prepare a turkey roast on Saturday. Camp Saturday night and return on Sunday.

Cost: Camping and food: \$25/scout.

Female Adult Leader:

Male Adult Leader: Youth leader:

Weekend with Mountain Bear Programs and Guide Service

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Instructor: Lou Falank. Stay at Wuh-Tut-Ca Scout Camp

Cost: Adult Leader”

Youth leader:

COMMUNITY SERVICE. REQUIRED FOR PHILMONT, PLUS SCOUTS TYPICALLY ENJOY THIS TRIP:

Cape Cod Conservation Trip, Dennis Conservation Trust, Dennis, MA

Bulb planting or trail maintenance. Stay at Maushop Lodge, Camp Greenough Scout

Reservation, Yarmouth Port, MA Nov 4 or Nov 18, 2018. Contact: Tyler Maikath

Cost: \$30/scout

Female Adult Leader:

Male Adult Leader:

Youth leader:

Note: if we do not do conservation trip in November, we can do beach clean-up Mar 30 instead

Christmas Tree Sales start in November

Trips for DECEMBER

DAY TRIP ONLY MUSEUMS/EDUCATION

Boston's Black Heritage Trail

Self guided tour in Beacon Hill, ending at the African Meeting House:

“During the 19th and 20th centuries, Boston’s free African American community led the nation in the movement to end slavery and to achieve equal rights. These remarkable patriots established businesses, founded organizations and created schools. Their houses of worship, homes, schools, and Underground Railroad sites make up Boston’s Black Heritage Trail”.

Medieval Museum/Hammond Castle #1

Idea: day trip to Hammond Castle with 90 minute Arms and Armor tour.

Estimated cost: \$160 for up to 20 people.

Total: about \$16/scout

Adult Leader:

Youth leader:

Indoor Climbing Gym: Boston Rock Gym, Woburn, MA. Spend a weekend day learning rock climbing skills, belay.

Cost: \$20/scout for 2hrs

\$50/scout for 4 hrs; Rock Climbing Merit badge

Adult Leader:

Youth Leader:

USS Constitution and Navy Yard, Charlestown, MA: Visit Old Ironsides, an old Navy ship first launched in 1797, on a Monday, afterschool. Visit the museum and the Navy ship.

Cost: Free ship tour, museum donation.

Adult Leader:

Youth Leader:

Old Sturbridge Village – Blacksmithing/Tinsmithing/Pottery (Day trip in December)

Idea: Spend a day learning skills from times past and earn advancement. Each of these 3 workshops can accommodate a total of 6 to 8 Scouts and an adult must accompany each workshop.

Cost: \$40/scout.

Adult Leader:

Boda Borg Boston: Are you ready to break out of prison, win a TV game show, explore a haunted house and run an obstacle course? You'll do that and so much more in a visit to Boda Borg Boston. Each of our many Quests offers challenging fun for your team of 3-5 in an environment unlike anything you've experienced before. Come for a few hours or stay all day and find out what has captivated Sweden for nearly twenty years. 90 Pleasant Street, Malden, MA 02148; Sunday: 10am to 10pm, Friday and Saturday: 10am to Midnight. Cost: Two hours: \$20 per person, as long as you like: \$30 per person

Female Adult Leader:

Male Adult Leader:

Youth Leader:

Christmas Tree Distribution: One early weekend in December

Trips for **JANUARY, FEBRUARY**

**JANUARY/FEBRUARY
SNOW SPORTS**

Snowshoeing

Snowshoe trip to Zealand or Carter Notch Hut in the White Mountains. We travel to the AMC Highland Center Lodge, spend the night and hike the next day to one of the huts, spend the night there and return the following day. This would be a Philmont qualifier. Possibly split into 2 groups and have one group snowshoe on trails closer to the lodge.

Cost: Highland Center and Zealand Hut, including some meals, and other food: \$65/scout. (With Scoutmaster English's AMC discount.)

Adult Leader:

Youth Leader:

Noble View AMC, Russell, MA, Western Massachusetts .

“One of the Appalachian Mountain Club's larger land holdings, Noble View Outdoor Center's 358.5 acres of rural solitude maintains the ambiance of the original 1800s New England farmstead. A quiet, pristine mountaintop location offers breathtaking views of the Pioneer Valley east to Mt. Wachusett.”

Cost: \$15/scout lodging, food:

Female Adult Leader:

Male Adult Leader:

Youth leader:

Cross-country skiing

Cross-country skiing in New Hampshire White Mountains

Cost: Joe Dodge Lodge \$36/scouts 2 nights with breakfast and dinner. \$7 Saturday lunch and snacks. Trail access:\$X

Female Adult Leader:

Male Adult Leader:

Youth Leader:

Feb. Vacation: Cooking Merit Badge with Tano Holmes. Exact date TBD

Learn to Ice Fish (winter)

Idea: Learn to ice fish with one of the Mass Dept of Fish & Wildlife's or NH Dept of Fisheries free classes. Held throughout Massachusetts & NH in January through March.

Cost = \$30.

Adult Leader

Youth leader:

Camping and merit badge at NE Base Camp (=Camp Sayre). Maybe cover swimming merit badge or archery or other?

Mt Norris Scout Reservation, Eden, VT , 3.5 hr drive from Cambridge.

Winter Skills Training, Cross country Ski and Snowshoe a route through the camp. Shoot .22

rifle & archery. Winter games and fun

Meals include hot breakfast, lunch, and dinner on Saturday and continental breakfast on Sunday.

Crackerbarrel at 9:00 pm on Friday. Indoor campfire program following dinner on Saturday

Program equipment is provided, but you may bring your own skis or snowshoes.

\$75/scout meals included

TRIPS FOR MARCH

COMMUNITY SERVICE. REQUIRED FOR PHILMONT:

Cape Cod Conservation Trip, Dennis Conservation Trust, Dennis, MA March 30. Beach clean-up. Stay at Maushop Lodge, Camp Greenough Scout Reservation, Yarmouth Port, MA

Cost: \$30/scout

Female Adult Leader:

Male Adult Leader:

Youth leader:

Wilderness Survival Weekend

with Mountain Bear Programs and Guide Service

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Instructor: Guide: Lou Falank. Stay at Wuh-Tut-Ca Scout Camp

Cost: Adult Leader"

Youth leader:

Geocaching & Orienteering Trip

Idea: Travel to and stay at a Scout camp in Massachusetts for a weekend, camp out or stay in a cabin and do geocaching and orienteering activities. Scouts who are interested could complete some of the requirements for the orienteering merit badge.

Cost: Campsite rental and food: \$20/scout.

Adult Leader"

Youth leader:

Trips for JUNE

WATER SPORTS

Camping on Block Island take ferry and camp at [Sandsland Reservation](#) (Narragansett Council Boy Scout Camp). Camp is 1.1 miles from the ferry. Might need a support vehicle (no water at the camp; need to bring own firewood). Maybe bring bikes? Might be possible to arrange a service project with Nature Conservancy or the local town (see info in the camp link). Might be possible as beginner backpacking trip (carry own packs & gear from ferry to camp and back). Might be able to include Webelos.

Sea Kayaking Essex River Basin Adventures, Introductory Gilligan Tour (3 Hours). A tour of the scenic estuaries of the Essex River Basin. Perfect for the beginner or intermediate paddler. Estimated cost: \$52. Scouts bring own lunch.

Adult Leader:

Youth leader:

Kayak to Boston Harbor Islands (one day trip)

Idea: Kayak tour with EMS guide from Hingham to a few of the inner islands and the northern tip of Worlds Ends Reservation. Later in the day stop on one of the islands and have a snack as we talk about the extensive preservation work that has allowed this area to become a vital resource for visitors. Trip runs in September, May and June.

Cost: \$65 (NOT 2019 price), includes kayaks, guide and equipment.

Adult Leader:

Youth leader:

Canoeing on the Ipswich River

Idea: Canoe the Ipswich River, discovering the animals and plants of the floodplain forests and marshes, camp overnight at the Audubon Ipswich River Wildlife Sanctuary, and hike the grounds with an Audubon naturalist the next morning. Offered September, October, May and June

Cost: Approx. \$35/scout including canoe rental, guide and food.

Adult Leader:

Youth leader:

Beach

Idea: two-night camping trip near a beach. Example: Burlingame State Park, Rhode Island.

Estimated cost: Camping: each site is \$20 and holds up to six people in two tents.

Beach parking about \$14.00 per vehicle.

Total: about \$24/person

Adult Leader:

Youth leader:

Boston Harbor Islands

<http://www.bostonharborislands.org/campground-reservations> Two nights camping on Lovells

Island or Grape Island, with side trips to other islands (Note: ferry service starts approx. 3rd week in June)

Cost: Group campsite: \$25 plus \$9.25 reservation charge

Ferry: \$14/person to Georges Island plus \$3/day/person for inter-island shuttle

Food: about \$12/scout

Total: approx. \$32 (assuming using inter-island shuttle first and last day)

Adult Leader:

Youth leader:

BICYCLING

Cape Cod Bicycle trip

Idea: Two-night camping trip including ride on Cape Cod Rail Trail

Estimated cost: Greenough Scout Reservation campsite \$75.00

Food \$12/scout

Bicycle rental: \$10/person as needed

Total est. \$20-\$30/scout

Adult Leader:

Youth leader:

Nashua Bicycle trip

Idea: Bicycle the Nashua River Rail Trail, a former railroad right of way that travels 11 miles through the towns of Ayer, Groton, Pepperell and Dunstable, continue into New Hampshire to a campground. Stay overnight and return the next day, possibly by a different route.

Cost: Campsite and food: \$25/scout (not including bicycle rental, if needed.)

Adult Leader:

Youth leader:

Martha's Vineyard Bicycle trip

Idea: Bicycling on Martha's Vineyard. Take the ferry from Woods Hole with your bike and camp for two nights at BSAs Camp Duarte. Explore the beaches, lighthouses, and more. Regular ferry runs Sept., Oct., May and June.

Cost: Ferry per person w/bike, \$24, plus campsite and food. Estimated total: \$50.

Adult Leader:

Youth leader:

ARCHERY/RIFLERY/FISHING/WILDERNESS SURVIVAL SKILLS

Archery/Riflery/Fishing

Idea: Two-night camping at T.L. Storer, with archery, riflery and/or fishing

Estimated cost: Camp site: \$40.00.

Food: about \$12/scout

Total: about \$16/scout (possible add, charge for ammunition)

Adult Leader

Youth leader:

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Cost: Campsite rental and food: \$20/scout.

Adult Leader:

Youth leader:

Learn to Fish (spring)

Idea: Learn to fish with one of the Mass Dept of Fish & Wildlife's or NH Dept of Fisheries free classes. Held throughout Massachusetts & NH in May and June.

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Youth leader:

[St. James Parish Retreat: June 16-17, 2018](#)