

**Join the National Jewish Committee on Scouting  
Philmont Training Center  
2024 Religious Relationships Week, July 7-13, 2024**



Friends in Jewish Scouting,

The National Jewish Committee on Scouting plans to be in the forefront at Religious Relationships Week at the Philmont Training Center this summer: Sunday, July 7 through Shabbat, July 12-13.

**Please consider coming to join together in Jewish Scouting at a spectacular site for a very special week devoted to Faith in the Scouting Program, with specific sessions geared toward Jewish Scouting.**

For those who have never attended “Faith Week” at the Philmont Training Center (PTC), it is a week devoted to the twelfth point of the Scout Law. The PTC hosts more than 200 Scouters, each of whom is deeply committed to his or her own faith, yet curious to learn about the customs, traditions, and concerns of other faiths so that they can provide a fantastic Scouting program that is accepting and welcoming to all youth. It is a microcosm of the way the world should be.

The week will be a one with a variety of training options, but with plenty of time to experience Philmont’s gorgeous country: several half days are set aside for field trips and Wednesday afternoon is off for family time (yes, your family is invited to join you at PTC with special activities planned just for them).

Other times will be set aside for faith committees to meet (NJCOS in our case). Several members of the National Jewish Committee on Scouting have already registered for the Religious Relations Week at PTC and we hope that you decide to join us in becoming better leaders.

There will be an opening outdoor evening program, two sunrise interfaith services at the Chapel, and an evening closing program at the Jewish Chapel after Shabbat services on Friday evening. In addition, the



Jewish Chaplain at Philmont will be holding evening services every evening at 7 PM at the Philmont camping center. And the PTC will have, as usual, a Western Night (including branding items) and the famous Dutch Oven Cobbler Night.

As luck would have it, our NJCOS Jewish-Focused Philmont Trek comes out of the back country on Wednesday, July 10, and we will be there to greet them and learn of their exploits while they are fresh. Hear from the Scouts firsthand about how the Jewish Focus Treks have impacted them. The PTC knows that there are those of us who will plan to stay until after Shabbat and depart on Sunday, July 14, so that option is available for those interested.

To register for this event, go to this link:

<https://www.philmontscoutranch.org/ptc/ptc-conferences/>

If you need financial assistance, please let our NJCOS President, Philip Sternberg know.

Finally, if you are planning to attend, please let us know as you make your plans.

We hope that you can join us for this wonderful event.

See you there!

Yours in Jewish Scouting

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