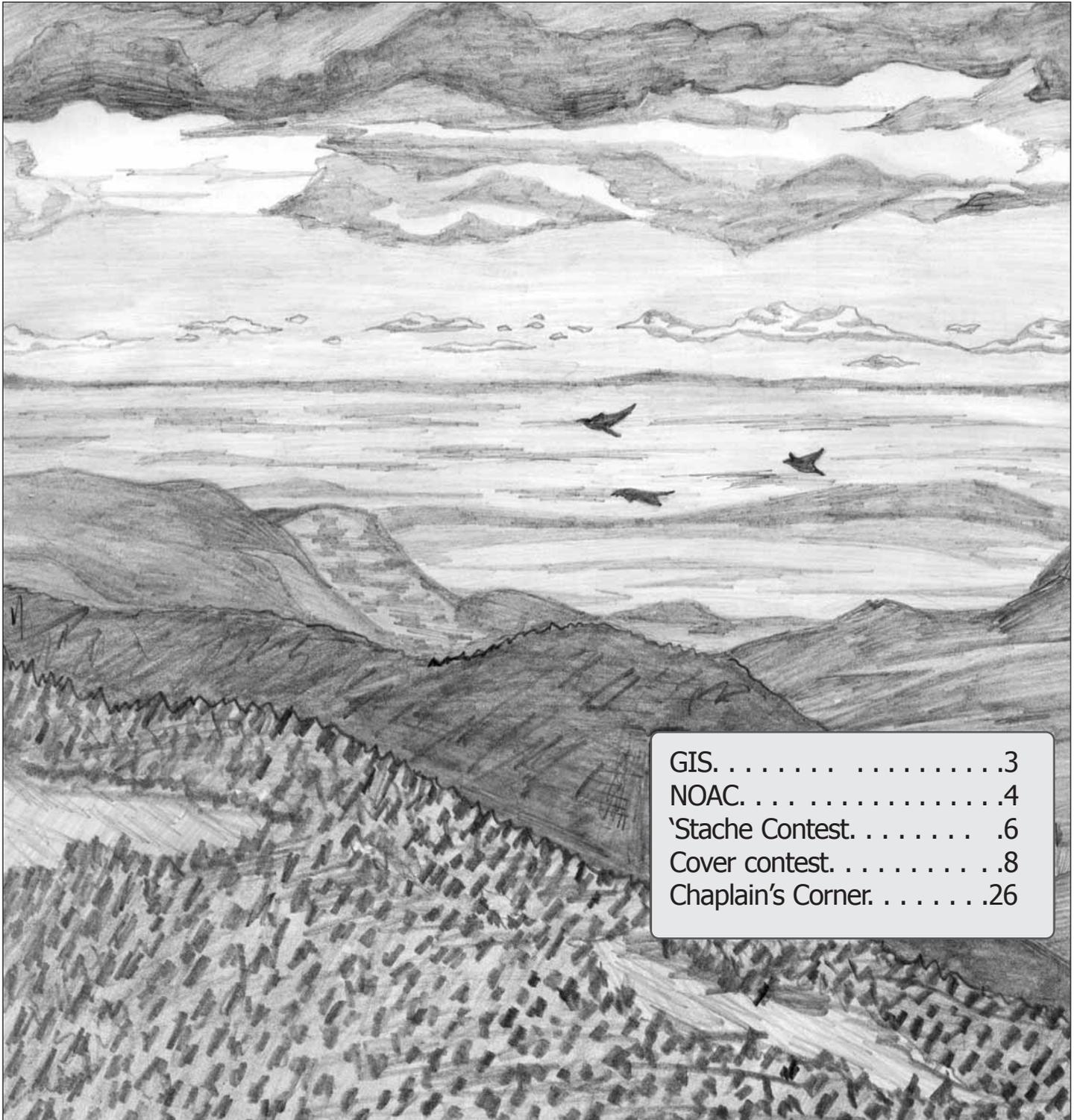


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Miles From Nowhere...

BY BENJAMIN FOOTE
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The end of the summer is upon us. Some of us have left already, and many more of us are scheduled to leave in the next few short weeks.

Even those of us who will remain — either through fall and winter or year-round — will discover that, although the magic of Philmont never fades, the vibrancy and excitement of the summer season are irreplaceable.

Philmont is an experience, a community, an attitude, a way of relating to the world around us — and a way of relating to ourselves.

None of these things end when we drive past the buffalo pasture, looking back at the Arrowhead Rock over our shoulder to begin our journey home. . . not if we don't let them.

We have grown and changed and learned this summer, and we will return home improved, slightly different people.

There is nothing like returning to a place that remains unchanged to find the ways in which you yourself have altered.

~Nelson Mandela

We will bring home with us many things acquired from our summer here in Scouting Paradise: a socially awkward suntan, articles of clothing or jewelry we made or that others made for us, books we borrowed and loved, that ridiculous item we made out of duct tape, a Philmont Staff patch and mug, lots and lots of pictures.

But a suntan is only a reminder of the many gratifying hours on the trail.

A 4"x 6" print or digital image on a monitor of a Philmont vista is only a reminder a view that extends from one end of your vision to the other, and well beyond.

Because the most important things we bring home from Philmont are not packed in our luggage, but are carried in our hearts: memories and friendships.

The summer may be over, but Philmont never is. Philmont is more than just a place, much more than a 137,000 acre piece of land.

Back in the "real" world, we will be faced with a choice every day. We can choose to hold onto our Philmont selves — our renewed appreciation for Life, in all its forms, and all that is in it.

Or to regress back into our pre-Philmont selves, actively rejecting or just letting fade away the time we spent this summer in God's Country, Scouting Paradise, Philmont.

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**On the cover:
"View from Baldy Town Porch"**

CHRIS BENNETT
Baldy Town PC

The Past and Future are bright for GIS

BY ANGELO POMPEO

PhilNews Staff

When the United States Geological Survey stopped making maps for private agencies in 2001, Philmont's Geographical Information Systems (GIS) branch of the Conservation Department was born.

By the summer of 2003 three they had produced maps of South, Central, and North Country using some GIS data, but they still used information from the old USGS maps.

The 2005 winter season was a stepping stone for Philmont GIS. It marked the first time Philmont's maps were composed of entirely GIS data. The new maps divided Philmont into NE, NW, SE, and SW sections.

As part of this project they also had to recollect data at all backcountry camps to have a full inventory of and exact location for fire rings, sumps, bear cables, latrines, roads, trails, and trail signs among others.

They are also the group responsible for the new campsite maps which are now in color and give pictorial representations of the features at the camp. They replaced the hand written ones, which used the camps geographical coordinates that you might remember.

To some it would seem that after the new maps were completed the work would be nearing end for the GIS team. This is not the case according to Mic Mullins, the Associate Director of Conservation in charge of GIS.

"Things are always changing and moving and the job we do constantly gets more complicated and more involved," he said.

The remapping of Philmont is the pri-

mary project for GIS, but it was not the only thing they were working on. In 2002, during the Ponil Complex Fire, GIS was called on to analyze the impact of the fire on the North Country. They also mapped and are still monitoring the rehabilitation effort.

In 2004 a forestry program was implemented into GIS. The goal of this project is to map all past forestry operations conducted on the ranch from 1994 to present including logging, encroachment projects, and the state of rehabilitating forests.

"Once the remapping is finished we can start to focus on the other projects we've started like forestry and fire rehabilitation analysis and the ones we have plans for," said Mullins. "We are going to build a new GIS station on Tooth Ridge, we also have plans for an archaeology project, a mines project, and a latrine project."

The new station will allow more accurate measurements on Philmont features to be made by the GIS team. Right now they have to depend on stations in Pueblo, Colo. or elsewhere to record satellite data.

The archaeology project will be a way of tracking and protecting all historical points that might be destroyed by natural disaster such as fire or by unknowing individuals such as bulldozer operators.

The mine project will collect points on all the mines that Philmont sealed and closed off in the 1990s. There are also mines that still need to be mapped around Baldy. The data collected on the mines allow Philmont to monitor the mines in case they should collapse and reopen.

GIS has also been assigned to make sure all the latrines on Philmont are at least 200 feet from a water source.



Amanda Rawding, Logistics staff, uses the GIS maps to help crews understand their itinerary.

PHOTO BY ANGELO POMPEO, *PhilNews Staff*

Right now, slightly less than half of the latrines meet this requirement. This is to ensure that there is little or no impact on water quality, and to keep the state of New Mexico from making Philmont change to a more modern latrine system.

These are just some of the ways the GIS department is expanding its role and impact on the Ranch. They often go unnoticed, but the amounts of data they have amassed allow the ranch to progress and run more smoothly and efficiently while helping the thousands of people who visit the Ranch throughout the year.

Galloway, Dowty receive highest OA award

BY ERIC STANN
Philnews Staff

The Order of the Arrow (OA) recognized two Philmont staff members this year for their dedication and service to Scouting's National Honor Society.

General Manager Keith Galloway and Order of the Arrow Trail Crew Foreman David Dowty were two of 40 recipients to receive the Order of the Arrow Distinguished Service Award this year during the 2006 National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC). Dowty was the 2004 National Vice Chief of the Order of the Arrow.

"Having the two of us being recognized from Philmont was very meaningful to me," Galloway said.

Created in 1940, the Distinguished Service Award honors Order of the Arrow members who have rendered distinguished and outstanding service to the Order of the Arrow on a sectional, regional or national basis. To date, approximately 500 Distinguish Service Awards have been presented at NOAC, which began in 1948 and meets every two years.

"It is the highest honor the Order of the Arrow can bestow on anyone," said Associate Director of Program John Van Dreese. He was one of Philmont's staff members to attend this year's NOAC.

Between 70 to 75 percent of the recipients of this award are in current OA leadership positions. Only about 25 percent of the recipients are adults who are honored for their commitment to the Order of the Arrow.

"I think it's clearly because of the relationship between the Order of the Arrow and the high adventure bases that I got the award," Galloway said. "I have always been very active with the Order of the Arrow throughout my career as a professional Scouter."

"The Distinguished Service Award is one of the few awards in scouting that professionals are eligible for," said Van Dreese.

Galloway found out at the National Annual Meeting in May that he was going to be receiving the award at NOAC. Galloway said the Order of the Arrow does it this way because the recipients need time to try to get their families to come at NOAC for the official presentation. Galloway was presented the award in front of his wife, Jean, and his two sons.



General Manager Keith Galloway recieved a sterling sliver arrowhead and a plaque at NOAC for the Order of the Arrow Distinguished Service Award.

PHOTO BY ERIC STANN, PhilNews Staff

As well as being able to have the family in attendance, the recipients can also choose their own presenter. Dale Siefker, one of Galloway's fraternity brothers as well as a 2003 recipient of the Distinguished Service Award, presented the award to Galloway.

"Having Dale present that award was especially poignant to me," he said.

"It was a humbling experience," Galloway added. "The award was more symbolic of what Philmont, Northern Tier and Sea Base does."

Philmont, Northern Tier and Sea Base all offer OA work programs. Philmont


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offers OA Trail Crew, Sea Base offers Ocean Adventure and Northern Tier offer Wilderness Voyage.

Galloway credits his work as an Order of the Arrow area director in helping him get the Distinguished Service Award.

“I probably paid more attention to my duties as an area director than others,” he said. “People notice those little things that you do.”

Approximately 8,000 Order of the Arrow members attended NOAC this year, which was held at Michigan State University in East Lansing, Michigan from July 29 to August 2. NOAC offers a wide variety of training for OA members through workshops.

“One of the things I’m most impressed about the Order of the Arrow is the amount of training [they do],” Van Dreese said. “The OA has taken the lead [in training] and therefore brought [the amount of training in other BSA programs] up.”

Along with many members of the OA Trail Crew staff, Backcountry Manager Gene Schnell, Activities Manager Steve Willis, activities staff member Will Kelly, VanDreese and Galloway were among those who represented Philmont at NOAC.

While each of the three Boy Scout high adventure bases focused on promoting themselves at NOAC, Philmont’s primary objective was to have a booth that promoted OA Trail Crew as well as staff positions to members of the Order of the Arrow.

Philmont’s OA Trail Crew staff members were so busy with other duties during NOAC that some of Northern Tier’s staff members helped out at Philmont’s booth, Van Dreese said.



Along with Keith Galloway, OA Trail Crew Foreman David Dowty also received the OA Distinguished Service Award at NOAC.

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“It was really neat to see the OA Trail Crew guys from Philmont take big roles in the training sessions,” he said.

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1st Annual Philmont Moustache and Beard Competition

BY KATE SHIPLEY
Philnews Staff

Growing a beard takes two things: being male and time. But for some, facial hair is more than not shaving, it's a quest for perfection.

That's why this year, Adrian Varnes, Logistics staff, organized the First Annual Philmont Mustache and Beard Competition to recognize those with the dedication to grow truly awesome facial hair.

"We would like to highlight those who have the courage and tenacity to commit to growing facial hair," Varnes said. "There is a great history of facial hair at Philmont."

To commemorate that greatness, he and his fellow facial-hair wearers decided it was time to show the world their furry faces.

Varnes heard from someone that August is Mustache Month, but he could never confirm that it actually is. In lieu of this, he decided to pro-

claim August "Philmont Mustache Appreciation Month."

Although the competition went well this year, he hopes that it will continue to grow, and that staff will come next summer ready to battle.

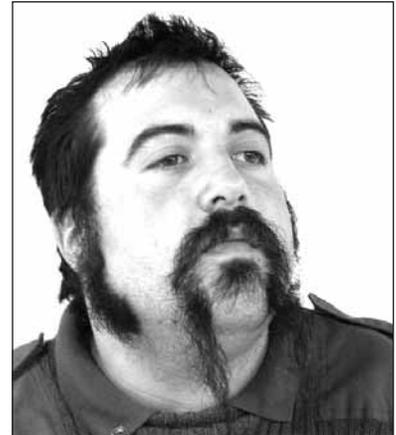
"I hope that at the beginning of the summer people come into camp with a competitive attitude to grow manly facial hair in a multitude of fashions," Varnes said. "Get your facial hair game face on."



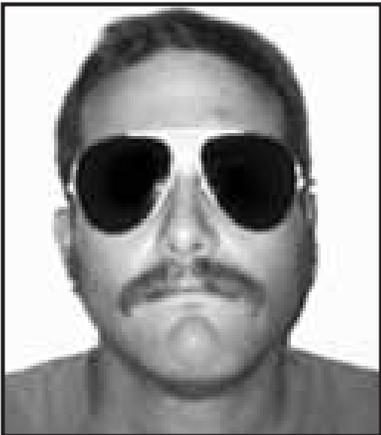
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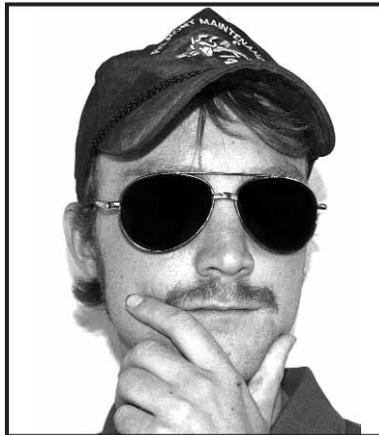
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Patty Davis, Pueblano



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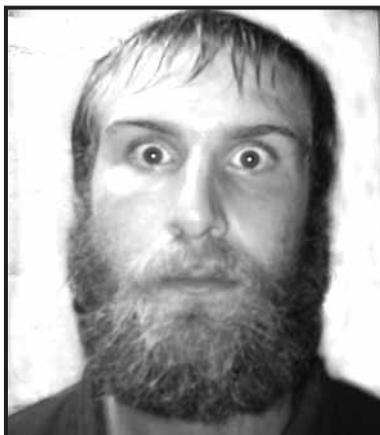
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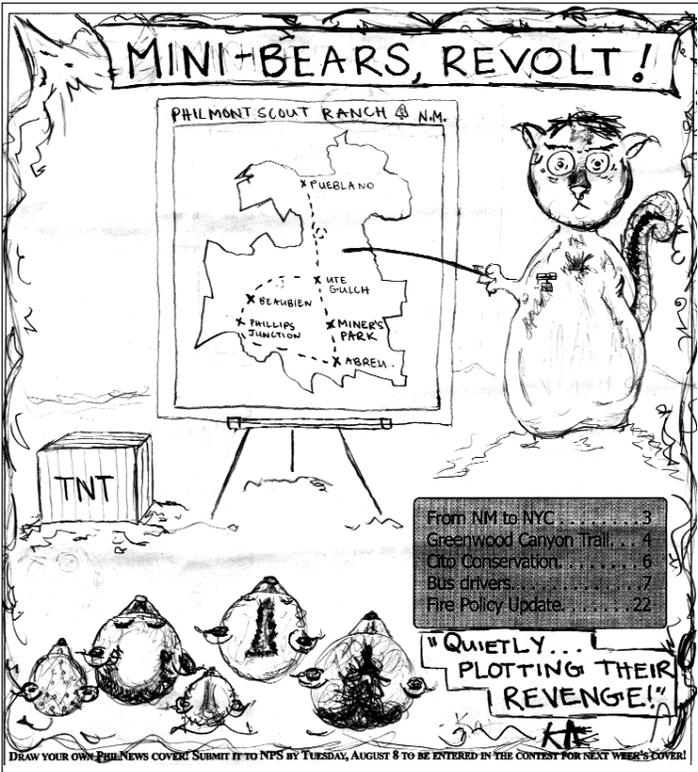
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The Manly Men of Pueblano Know All

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Q: Why are Phil-tans so sexy?

~Suddenly Single Studettes

A: They show that an individual can do a hard day's labor in the sun and that he or she doesn't laze around in the shade or hide out in the lemur room. A person that takes initiative is definitely attractive.

Q: What happened to the married loggers' wives?

~Curious at Crooked Creek

A: Well it's quite sad actually. After we constructed a log flume from the creek here, the trout were extremely

irate at the destruction of their ecosystem. Needless to say, they snuck out at night and slit the throats of our logger women... hence the name, Cut-throat trout. Freakin' fish... killed our women! What's the world coming to?

Q: Why won't it rain here?

~High and Dry at Harlan

A: I'm not sure what your problem is. It's been raining here every day. Maybe if you started spitting on each other, it might encourage the weather. Lead by example.

Q: In your opinion, which are more attractive, blond or brunette bears?

~Undecided at Ute Gulch

A: Now that's very shallow of you, labeling bears by their appearance. But logically,

knowing bears are nocturnal creatures, they probably all look the same in the dark. However, we do have a very warm and special disposition for a certain bear at French Henry. I do believe that bear is a brunette, since that sort of thing is important to you.

Q: Why are loggers mostly single?

~Looking for logger love

A: Now that's just not true. Only a third of us are single, which is not mostly. And no matter what our relationship status is, it's the sure-fire result of our respectable logging company. We take things seriously, especially our friendships. We really have no choice but to remain single until the "ists" let us start killing the trout again.

Tell us your troubles!

The wise and compassionate men at Pueblano are anxiously waiting to help *you*. I-camp your questions to the News & Photo Service to get answers and have your problems spread all over the Ranch. But wait until next summer, because it's too late for this one.

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What's Going On Around the World...

Peace effort, fighting for Lebanon continues

The UN Security Council is discussing a draft resolution to end fighting in the crisis in Lebanon between Israeli forces and Hezbollah militants. The draft under discussion, which was written by the US and France, calls for an immediate cessation of hostilities and sets the stage for a second resolution that will install an international peacekeeping force in Lebanon. The Arab League is expected to advocate amendments to the current draft, including Lebanon's request for an immediate withdrawal of Israeli troops; Russia says it will not support any resolution that does not have approval from Lebanon. Israel says it is broadly happy with the text. US President Bush says he wants the resolution passed as soon as possible — a vote is expected on Wednesday.

In what Israel calls an "interesting step," Lebanon has called up 15,000 reserve troops to be deployed in southern Lebanon once Israel withdraws. Lebanese politicians who are members of or support Hezbollah support the decision. Israel says such a move must be accompanied by a disarming of Hezbollah guerillas.

Despite diplomatic efforts and growing concerns over the deteriorating humanitarian situation of Lebanese civilians, the fighting continues. Hezbollah continues to launch rockets into Israel: as many as 230 per day, striking as far as 50 miles south of the border. Israel continues to launch air strikes — 80 on Monday — and continues its ground offensive pushing towards the Litani River. Last Wednesday, Israel also conducted a daring commando raid in Baalbek, 60 miles north of the border. In almost four weeks of fighting, more than 900 Lebanese and 90 Israelis — mostly soldiers — have been killed; Hezbollah casualty figures are unconfirmed.

BP shuts down Alaska oilfield

About eight percent of the nation's domestic oil production was shut down early Monday after BP discovered "unexpectedly severe corrosion" in its pipelines in Alaska's Prudhoe Bay. Corrosion was discovered in Prudhoe Bay's transit lines and BP said that most of those 22 miles of pipeline will need to be replaced. The problems caused the first ever shutdown in what is the biggest oilfield in the United States, and production may not resume for many weeks. BP officials don't know how long the field would be shut down for or how much the problem will cost. The Energy Department said Monday that it is prepared to provide oil from the government's emergency reserves if a refinery requests it. About 700 million barrels of oil are in government storage on the Gulf Coast in case of serious supply disruption. Joe Sparano, president of the Western States Petroleum Association, said it is too early to tell how the shutdown will ultimately affect consumers. The loss is supposed to hit the West Coast very hard

because most of the crude oil produced in Alaska each day goes to refineries in Washington, California and Hawaii. Alaska is also supposed to also take a hard hit because 89% of that state's income comes from oil revenue, mostly from Prudhoe Bay. Prudhoe Bay produces about 400,000 barrels a day, and at today's oil prices, Alaska may lose about \$6.4 million in royalties and taxes.

Astronaut Glenn, wife leave hospital after wreck

Former senator and astronaut John Glenn, 85, and his wife, Annie, 86, were discharged from a Columbus, Ohio area hospital Sunday after recovering from what Glenn called a "very serious" car accident. Neither Glenn nor his wife was seriously injured. Dr. Paul Beery said the former astronaut suffered a minor fracture in his sternum and Annie was recovering from "bumps and bruises." The accident happened late Friday as the Glens were returning home from a fundraiser for Ohio gubernatorial candidate Ted Strickland. When John Glenn tried to make a left turn onto a highway ramp, an oncoming car hit the front end of Glenn's car. The driver of the oncoming car, Amy Myers, was not injured. Police cited Glenn for failure to yield, Glenn's former press secretary Dale Butland said.

Castro expected to return within weeks

Cuba Vice President Carlos Lage and Venezuela President Hugo Chavez made optimistic remarks Sunday about Fidel Castro's health, saying Castro was recovering quickly from intestinal surgery and should be back working within weeks. In speaking to reporters in Bolivia while attending that country's constitutional convention, Lage said "in a few weeks he'll be recovered and he'll return to his duties." Cubans were told that most of the details of Castro's health would remain "a state secret" to prevent Cuba's enemies from taking advantage of his condition. In fact, officials have not said what exactly is ailing Castro or what surgical procedure he underwent. Chavez said Castro was out of bed

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and talking following the surgery. Chavez hinted to this during his weekly TV and radio program, when he said "how are you, Fidel?" which suggests that he believed the sick Cuban leader was watching. Get-well wishes for Castro poured in from all over the world, including one from the leftist Revolutionary Armed Forces of Columbia, Columbia's largest rebel group.

PIEDRA to run against Venezuela's Chavez

Benjamin Rausseo launched his presidential campaign Sunday, insisting that the standup comedian's effort to unseat Venezuela President Hugo Chavez is no joke. Rausseo, widely known in Venezuela for his irreverent and often vulgar jokes, spoke to hundreds of supporters at Venezuela's Margarita Island after casting a mock ballot into a box while they shouted, "Long live the emperor!" Rausseo's candidacy has created a lot of gossip and jokes in Venezuela, and some question his real motivations for the campaign. He insists, however, that he is running for president and has submitted paperwork to register his one-man party - the Independent Party for Advanced Answers (PIEDRA). The party's slogan "Vota Piedra" is a pun meaning both vote for the party and get angry at the situation of the country. Rausseo says he is serious about fighting crime and trying to create jobs in Venezuela.

Congo's president leads early presidential tally

One week after Congo's July 30 presidential elections unfolded in relative peace, the country's disorder and chaos crept back into the counting process Monday, raising questions about the fairness of the outcome of the election. Unmarked ballots were blowing in the breeze, and pieces of concrete were weighing down the stacks of vote tally sheets to keep them from blowing away. Human Rights Watch's Anneke Van Woudenberg, one of 2,000 international observers in Congo for the election and vote count, said "there was widespread chaos at counting centers" so that "there's a possibility for significant tampering." The first citywide results from the election Monday showed the current Congo President Joseph Kabila as the favorite with 87 percent of the vote. The remaining votes were split between two rebel leaders who became vice presidents under Kabila, in the postwar, interim government. Official, countrywide results may not be announced for weeks.

Psychics predict panda pregnancy

Two psychics, enlisted last Friday by Zoo Atlanta to predict an eight-year old female panda's pediatric prospects, reached a consensus that the giant panda Lun Lun may be pregnant. The first psychic, Helene Frisch, said she telepathically connected with Lun Lun using "tone vibration." Frisch said she learned that not only is the giant panda preg-

nant, but that she will likely bear a male cub by September 4. The second psychic, Andy Liu, used the ancient I Ching to calculate a 65 percent chance that the panda is pregnant. According to Zoo officials, the tests were done "in the spirit of good fun." Lun Lun was artificially inseminated last March, said Zoo spokeswoman Jennifer Waller.

Veterans Affairs loses another computer

The Department of Veterans Affairs announced Monday that another computer with veterans' personal information is missing. Outside contractor Unisys lost the computer, which had information for as many as 38,000 living and deceased veterans. The lost information included veterans' names, addresses, Social Security numbers, dates of birth, insurance carriers and billing information, dates of military service, and claims data. The VA said Unisys notified them that the desktop computer was missing on August 3. Unisys was hired to help with insurance collections at VA medical centers in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh. Only veterans that received treatment in the past four years at the two VA medical centers in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh were impacted by the theft, the VA reported. After seeing no obvious signs of a break-in at the Unisys office where the desktop was stolen, the company initially considered the computer to be misplaced.

Meanwhile, two teenagers were arrested Sunday in the theft of a laptop that contained sensitive data on more than 26.5 million veterans and military personnel. Jesus Alex Pineda, 19, and Christian Brian Montano, 19, both of Rockville, Maryland, were arrested and charged with first-degree burglary and theft over \$500. The laptop was stolen May 3 from the Maryland home of a Veterans Affairs employee. It was turned into the FBI June 28 by an unidentified person. It contained the names, Social Security numbers, and birth dates of veterans discharged since 1975. The suspects did not specifically target the VA and did not know the contents of the laptop's hard drive until the case was publicized.

Reuters drops photographer over altered images

All 920 photographs by a freelance Lebanese photographer were withdrawn from Reuters database Monday after a review of his work showed that he had altered two images from the conflict between Hezbollah and Israel. Reuters ended its relationship with photographer Adnan Hajj Sunday after one of his photographs taken of the aftermath of an Israeli air strike was found to have been manipulated using Photoshop software to show more and darker smoke rising from the buildings. Immediately Reuters inquired into Hajj's other work, and found Monday that one of his photographs of an Israeli F-16 fighter jet over southern Lebanon had also been manipulated to increase the number of dropped flares by the plane. Hajj told Reuters on Sunday that the reason he altered the photograph of the Israeli air

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strike is that there were dust marks on the image that he wanted to remove. These two images were among 43 that Hajj filed directly to the Reuters Global Picture Desk instead of through an editor in Beirut.

Due to the incident, only senior staff will now edit pictures from the Middle East at the Global Pictures Desk, Reuters said. In what Reuters Global Picture Editor Tom Szlukovenyi called a precautionary measure, Reuters removed all of Hajj's 920 photographs from its database, saying that the two manipulated images had undermined trust in the entire body of work. The decision was announced in an advisory note to Reuters photo service subscribers. The accuracy of the manipulated images came into question after the photo of the Israeli air strike appeared on news Web sites on Saturday.

Protestors board U.S. plane in England

Seven anti-war protestors were arrested early Monday morning by British authorities after they boarded a U.S. cargo plane at a Scottish airport to search for evidence of U.S. weapons being transported to Israel. The anti-nuclear campaign group Trident Ploughshares said its seven activists cut through a perimeter fence and boarded the plane in search of evidence of arms shipments to Israel. The group's spokesman David Mackenzie said the group didn't find any weapons aboard the plane, whose destination was unknown. Two men and a woman were arrested by local police after getting on the plane at Preswick Airport, near Glasgow. The rest of the seven members were arrested at the airport later that morning. Four other members of the same group were arrested Sunday after they ran onto a runway at the airport. Last month, a U.S. plane carrying missiles to Israel stopped over at the same airport, sparking intense criticism in Britain. President Bush has apologized for the flights' stopping without declaring their cargo destined for Tel Aviv, said Prime Minister Tony Blair's office. About 70 protestors chanted anti-war slogans outside the entrance to the airport last week.

208.6 million dollar Powerball of cheese

About 100 cheese company workers returned to their jobs Monday after the group said it held the only winning ticket in Saturday's \$208.6 million Powerball jackpot drawing. The Sargento Foods workers in Plymouth, Wisconsin, turned the winning ticket over to an attorney. The group expects each person will receive between \$500,000 and \$700,000 after taxes, if he or she chooses to take a lump sum. The workers of different ages do a variety of jobs, including cutting and shredding cheese, loading trucks, and doing maintenance. Their salaries range from \$30,000 to \$50,000 a year, said Sargento Chief Executive Officer Lou Gentine, who met with most of the winning workers Monday afternoon before they started work. The winning ticket was sold at Ma and Pa's Grocery Express in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. The store is along what is called the "Miracle Mile," a stretch of South Main Street in Fond du Lac where several stores sold multi-million-dollar lottery tickets in the 1990s. Ma and Pa's sold the winning Megabucks ticket worth \$6.5 million in 1994 and since then has sold winning tickets of \$500,000, \$250,000, and \$100,000.

Mauled tiger owner loses lawsuit over big cat

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A tiger owner, who sued the city of New York and its police department over searching his apartment without a warrant to confiscate his pet Siberian tiger, had his case dismissed Monday by U.S. District Judge Sidney Stein. In 2003, authorities discovered Antoine Yates was hiding a ten-foot long tiger and a six-foot long alligator inside his fifth floor apartment. Yates was mauled and hospitalized by the tiger named "Ming" he had raised since it was a cub. Ming was shipped to an animal refuge in Ohio but Yates said he hopes to get the tiger back so he could open his own animal sanctuary in upstate New York. Yates claimed his constitutional rights had been violated by the police searches. Police learned Yates kept the wild animals in his apartment after an anonymous tip led them to find Yates in pain from wounds sustained by the tiger. A neighbor also said large amounts of urine had been falling below into her apartment.

HondaJet to fly in 2010

The Japanese car firm revealed last month that it's setting up a new US business to oversee the production of a seven-seat mini passenger jet, which it plans to launch in 2010. The Honda Aircraft Company, whose headquarters will be in Greensboro, North Carolina, is being led by engineer Michimasa Fujino, who has researched the HondaJet for the last 20 years. Honda sees the private jet market as an

increasingly attractive mode of transport for US company bosses traveling cross-country. The car company says their jet will be roomier, faster and more fuel efficient than the others in its class. Production will occur at Piedmont Triad International Airport, where the prototype model was built and tested. Piper Aircraft will work with Honda to sell and market the aircraft, which Honda will begin taking orders for in October when it reveals its price. In a process that could take up to four years, HondaJet has yet to be approved by safety regulators.

Local Washington police nab stolen doughnut truck

An all-points bulletin for Benton County, Washington, was issued early Friday morning moments after someone stole a Viera's Bakery van in Kennewick, Washington. A Benton County sheriff's deputy spotted the truck a short time later, and a 30 to 35 mph chase ensued. Richland, Washington police were able to stop and arrest the driver, 19-year old Steve Swoboda, for investigation of auto theft and felony escape. The entire load of glazed, sugar and cream doughnuts, as well as some apple fritters, remained intact. Swoboda took the truck while the driver, Giberto Gonzales, left the engine running during a delivery stop. Richland Police Captain Randy Barnes said, "In 24 years of law enforcement I've never had a call like that."

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Landis fails second drug test

The results of Tour de France winner Floyd Landis' second urine sample taken after his incredible stage 17 ride, once again came back negative. He again denied the use of steroids and performance enhancing drugs; he is expected to appeal the results. But because his level of testosterone was more than 3 times the allowed limit, and some of the testosterone is reportedly synthetic, chances are very thin that he will be found innocent. His defense is that it does not make sense that only one of his seven samples taken the Tour was found to have steroids. He said "no rider in their right mind would take testosterone only once because that is not the way the stuff works." Unless there is way Landis can prove that his body is naturally producing synthetic testosterone, he will become the first winner in Tour de France history to be stripped of his title due to doping and will be suspended for cycling for two years.

Six inducted to NFL Hall of Fame

This Saturday six new members were inducted into the Football Hall of Fame. Among them was one the NFL's most respected, feared, and remembered linemen, the late Reggie White. At the time of his retirement, he had more sacks, 198, than anyone in history His son presented the award and his widow delivered a very emotional acceptance speech. White was a two time defensive player of the year, 13 time Pro Bowler, and Super Bowl winner with the Green Bay Packers. The Dallas Cowboy's legendary quarterback Troy Aikman was also accepted. Aikman won 90 games in the 1990s, the most by any quarterback in one decade. He led the Cowboys to three Super Bowl titles in four seasons and made six Pro Bowls. Legendary sportscaster and video game tycoon John Madden was also accepted into the Hall for his years of coaching with the Oakland Raiders. He is still the all time winningest coach with a career record of 103-32-7. He had no losing seasons and led the Raiders to a Super Bowl victory in 1977. He is 36-16-2 against all the other coaches in the Hall. Quarterback Warren Moon formerly of the Houston Oilers,

Minnesota Vikings, Seattle Seahawks, and Kansas City Chiefs became the first African American Quarterback to be inducted into the Hall. In his 17 NFL seasons he passed for more than 70,000 yards. He is the only one of this year's inductees who never won a Super Bowl.

These four men joined legendary linebacker Harry Carson and Rayfield Wright. Carson played in nine Pro Bowls and won a Super Bowl with the New York Giants before retiring in 1988. Wright played 13 seasons, won two Super Bowls, retired in 1979 and was voted in by the seniors committee.

Team USA begins exhibition games with a bang

In a warmup for the World Championships in Japan later this month, Team USA played its first exhibition game versus Puerto Rico last Saturday. They looked like the 'Dream Team' of old rather than the team that finished in eighth place at the Athens Olympics. The American dominated throughout the game and won 116-82. Carmelo Anthony of the Denver Nuggets led the team with 23 points in a game that turned out to be a small bit of revenge against the team that dropped the Americans 92-73 in the 2004 Olympics.

Two days later, the Americans took on China and continued their dominance. With Yao Ming sidelined on the China bench due to injury, the Americans took control early and never slowed down, giving them the 119-73 blowout victory. Lebron James of the Cleveland Cavaliers contributing 22 points in the win. Carmelo Anthony was again steady, adding 18.

In an unfortunate turn of events, Team USA lost Carmelo Anthony to a knee injury Tuesday as they edged Brazil, 90-86. Anthony hyperextended his knee while chasing a loose ball in the second quarter and did not return. Team USA assistant coach Mike D'Antoni believes with a couple of days rest, Anthony should be okay. LeBron James, Elton Brand, and Joe Johnson came up with some huge plays in the final minute to give Team USA the win.

Cincinnati Bengals begin jerk patrol

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else. Starting with Sunday's preseason home opener against the Washington Redskins, bad behavior in the stands could prompt a cell phone call to the jerk patrol. By calling 381-JERK, Bengals fans can now alert the stadium security to check out the complaint on camera, rather than in person if the action is warranted. Security will warn fans using too much foul language. For those that let their actions continue, ejection and removal of season tickets and personal seat licenses are possible consequences. More serious offences may lead to arrest. Bob Bedinghaus, the Bengals' director of development for Paul Brown Stadium, said "We're not going to be the curse police. You need to understand you're coming to an NFL football game." Bedinghaus added that there are 38 video cameras throughout Paul Brown Stadium, and more than 500 security personnel are on duty during each game.

Wie fires caddie after Women's British Open

Michelle Wie couldn't make it through her first year as a professional golfer without firing her caddie. Wie got rid of caddie Greg Johnston after tying for 26th in the Women's British Open. Johnston began working for the 16-year old Hawaiian in her pro debut last October. Wie finished no worse than a tie for fifth in her first six LPGA Tour events this year. Her finish at the Women's British Open was her worst on the LPGA Tour in two years.

MLB Standings

American League

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10
NY Yankees	66	43	.606	-	7-3
Boston	65	46	.586	2.0	4-6
Toronto	60	54	.526	8.5	3-7
Baltimore	51	64	.443	18.0	4-6
Tampa Bay	47	67	.412	21.5	4-6
CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	L10
Detroit	76	37	.673	-	6-4
Chicago Sox	66	45	.595	9.0	6-4
Minnesota	66	46	.589	9.5	7-3
Cleveland	47	64	.443	28.0	2-8
Kansas City	39	73	.348	36.5	3-7
WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10
Oakland	62	51	.549	-	9-1
LA Angels	59	54	.522	3.0	6-4
Texas	56	58	.491	6.5	5-5
Seattle	55	57	.491	6.5	6-4

National League

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10
NY Mets	67	44	.604	-	7-3
Philadelphia	55	58	.487	13.0	6-4
Florida	52	60	.464	15.5	4-6
Atlanta	52	61	.460	16.0	4-6
Washington	49	63	.438	18.5	3-7
CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	L10
St. Louis	61	51	.545	-	3-7
Cincinnati	58	55	.513	3.5	3-7
Houston	52	60	.482	7.0	6-4
Milwaukee	52	60	.464	9.0	4-6
Chi Cubs	48	64	.429	13.0	7-3
Pittsburgh	42	71	.372	19.5	5-5
WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10
San Diego	58	54	.518	-	4-6
LA Dodgers	58	55	.513	0.5	10-0
Arizona	57	56	.504	1.5	5-5
Colorado	54	58	.482	4.0	5-5
San Francisco	54	59	.478	4.5	3-7

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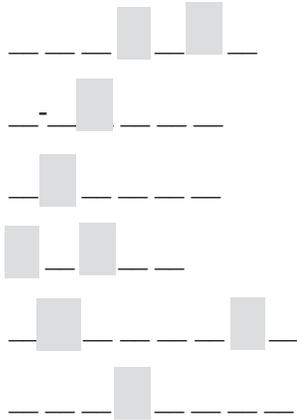
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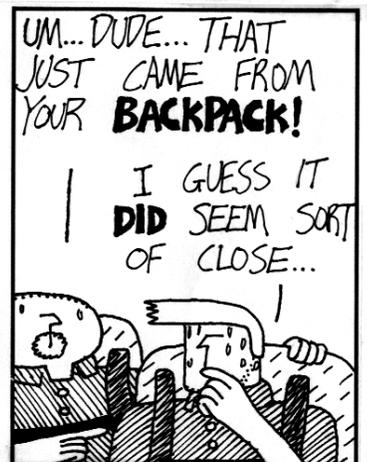
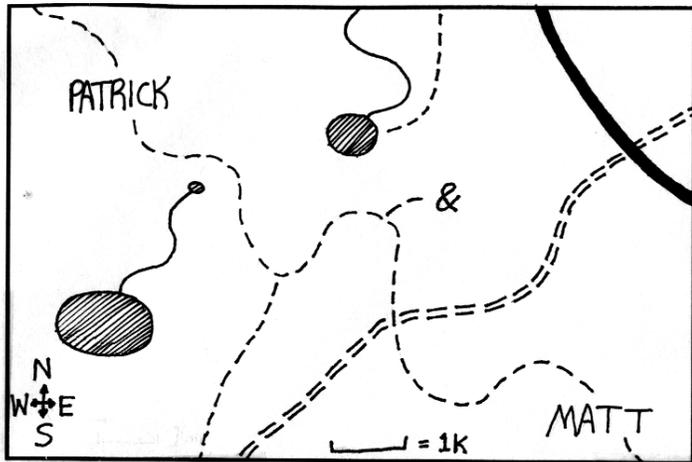
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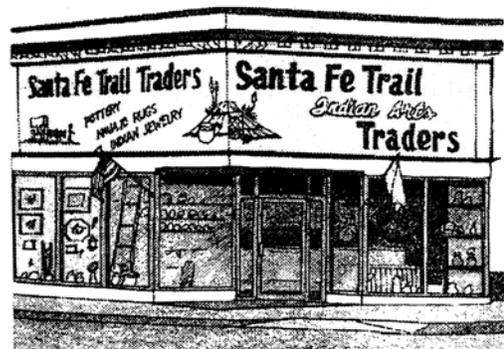
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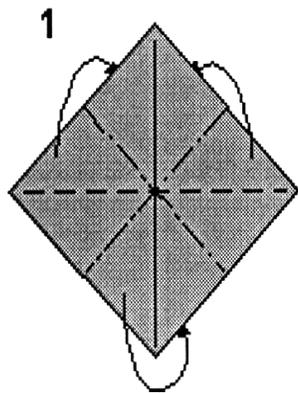
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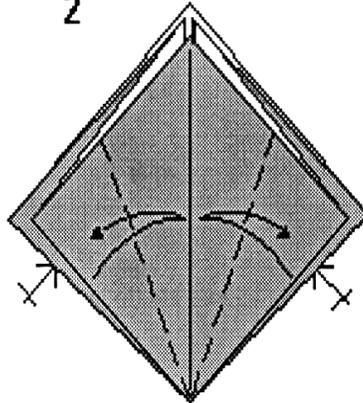
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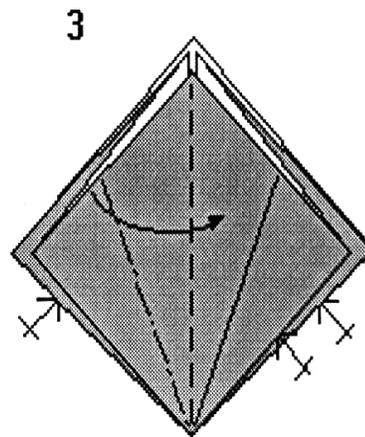
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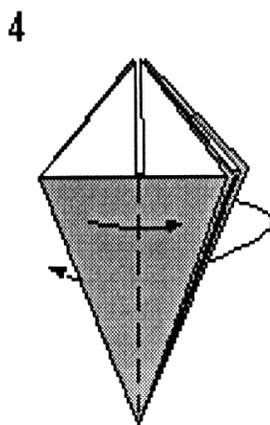
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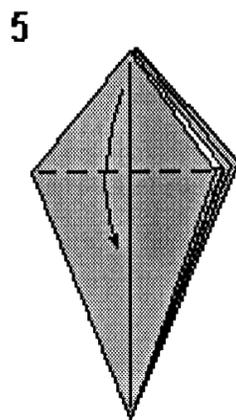
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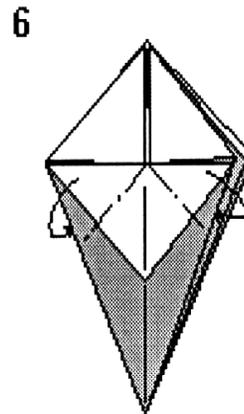
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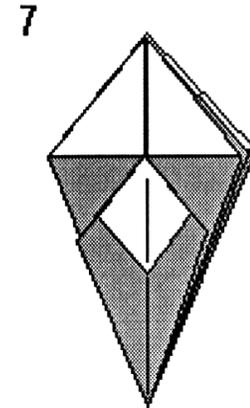
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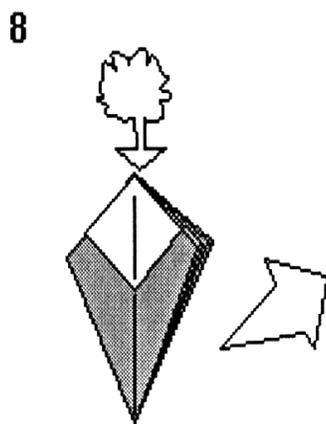
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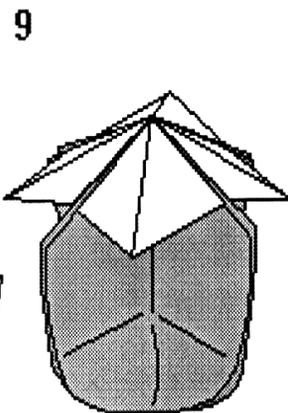
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Correction: Greenwood Canyon Trail... A Team Effort

BY ALEX ANDRUS

Assoc. Dir. of Conservation

I would like to express my appreciation for PhilNews' coverage of the completion of the new trail connecting Copper Park to Greenwood Canyon ("Greenwood Canyon Trail: Trail-way to Heaven," PhilNews, August 4, 2006). The inestimable number of man-hours of hard labor and cheerful service that went into constructing this trail are deserving of this laudatory article.

I would like to note, however, that due to constraints of time and space in the PhilNews, a few interesting details may have been overlooked. First, and most importantly, the article could easily be construed to suggest that trails at Philmont are "owned" by a single group. At Philmont the OATC builds trails, as well as the Work Crews, the ROCS participants, the Conservationists and thousands of campers,

PTC staff, NAYLE participants, PSA members, and even the occasional Ranger work crew. No single group or individual can "claim" a trail and it takes the collaboration of many people from across the Ranch to take a trail from concept to completion.

The Greenwood Canyon Trail was only opened on July 25th, five full days after the last OATC foremen and participants left Copper Park. Thanks to the hard work of the Conservation Department's work crews, the last 3,500 feet of trail were cut in the course of six days' labor.

This summer the various parts of the Conservation Department have surveyed, constructed, and maintained miles of trail all across the Ranch, we have maintained and installed new sumps, fire rings, and bear cables; we have relocated entire trail camps due to safety hazards; we have completed timber stand improvement projects to make

healthier forests; we have worked to rehabilitate stream beds rendered unhealthy by the 2002 Ponil Complex Fire; we have updated the sectional and campsite maps; and we have tested and installed new styles of latrines, including self-composting and plastic pilot to bombardiers.

These are just a few of the projects that the Conservation Department has completed this summer.

Many of these projects require many difficult hours of labor and are not remotely glamorous; yet our staff members do not seek acknowledgement of their efforts but rather find satisfaction in the work and in knowing that thousands of Philmont staff and participants will better enjoy our wilderness because of their efforts.

Tour the Villa Philmonte

See the summer home of Waile and Genevieve Phillips. Built in the Spanish-Mediterranean style in 1927, it is 16,000 square feet in size and still holds the original furnishings. Fresco paintings decorate ceilings and a very fine Kanbe piano can be played in the living room.

Custom Gifts in the Bookstore

As your eyes turn towards home, and you're looking for those small, custom gifts to take with you, consider the following in our book store:

- 1) Custom sport socks from defeet.com: basic blue with UU and WP in contrasting green on cuff. (Cyclists love them!) Sizes S, M, L. \$8.50/pair.
- 2.) Hand-made ornaments highlighting the Villa, Omar, UU, etc. (Heirlooms of the future.) \$12 and \$14.
- 3) Mouse rugs, coesler sets, book marks with rich colors and designs of carpets from around the world. (Great Mom presents!) \$3 and \$20.
- 4) Wildflower seeds - over 90% germination rate. Mixes in well as individual flowers. \$2 and \$4.

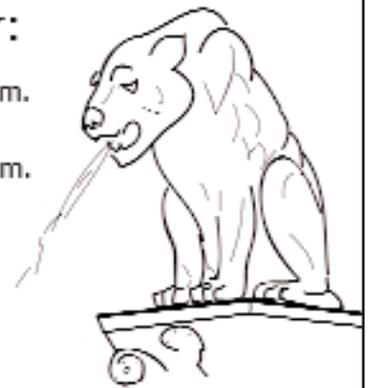
Our book store is in the Waile Phillips Gallery off of the Villa Courtyard. Open 8:00 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. and often during lunch. Call us at extension #271.

We are open for tours 7 days a week.

Tours begin on the hour and half hour:

8:00 a.m. — 11:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m. — 4:30 p.m.



Please make reservations at the Philmont Museum / Seton Library. See you soon!

Don't take life for granted

BY GORDON GROSS
Protestant Chaplain

It was a solemn time... Last Saturday morning Conservation leadership gathered at the Protestant chapel to remember one of their own — Trey Jones. Last Christmas Eve Trey was separated from us, and from his family and friends back home, by a tragic car accident.

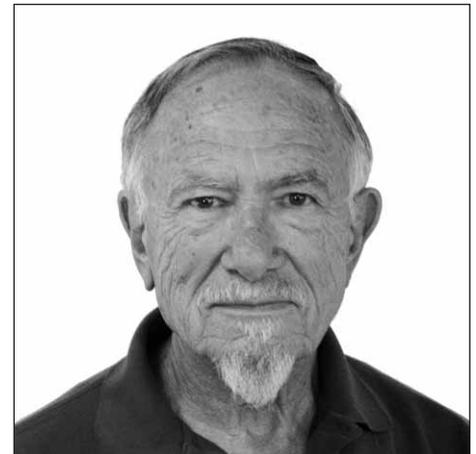
Trey's mom and sisters joined the Cons men and women in a special memorial service with Trey present — in the form of his ashes and his spirit. It was followed by a memory-sharing special bar-b-que. The stories rolled — a lot of laughing among the tears...

Here is some more about Trey. He loved Philmont. Mom said, "He considered Philmont 'home', and the Cons staff were his 'brothers and sisters'." In 2001 he was

a ROCS participant. In 2003 he moved to conservation work crew staff. In 2004 Trey came for Philbreak in the spring, and later went to Conservation again that year as Work Crew Coordinator. In 2005 he was Associate Director Conservation - ROCS. Trey had two homes, one in his beloved North Carolina and the other at Philmont.

In Trey's memory the family has established a foundation to annually send a worthy camper who has financial need to Philmont. If you are interested in helping the fund, your memorial may be made through the Old Hickory Council, BSA. Designate it for the Trey Jones Philmont Scholarship Fund, 6600 Silas Creek Parkway, Winston-Salem, NC 27106.

Don't take life for granted! We tend to live this gift of life from God as though it will always be in our hands. Conservation



Staff won't anymore; one of their own is gone. It's a sobering thought that is also a reality check. We need to face it.

By the grace of God we can say, "Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff they comfort me..."



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Cantor Charles Osborne Jewish Chaplain

Cantor Charles Osborne, a native of Suffern, New York, was a member of Troop 21. An award winning musician at Suffern High School who was inspired by his cousin, Metropolitan Opera bass Justino Diaz, he attended the Hartt College of Music in Hartford, Connecticut, intent on a career in opera. There he met and married his wife of nearly 35 years, Kathryn. Upon graduation, he embarked on a singing career that has led him to numerous opera performances in the United States and Germany, and solo appearances in New York, Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, El Paso and Jerusalem.

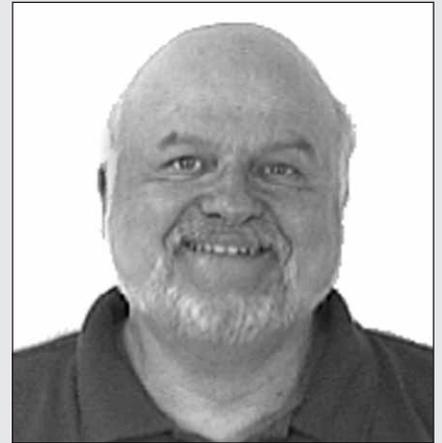
As a composer, Cantor Osborne has received critical acclaim. His oratorio, *Souls On Fire*, is based on the book of the same name by Nobel Prize winner Elie Wiesel. In 2005, Osborne's oratorio *Kings and Fishermen* received its Lincoln Center debut, featuring the narration of Theodore Bikel. In addition to three full-length oratorios, he has also composed a symphony, concertos for flute, viola and guitar, numerous other orchestral pieces, a string quartet, and over 150 pieces for chorus and solo voice.

In 1987 Cantor Osborne graduated from Jewish Theological Seminary and accepted a position at Temple Emanuel in Newton, MA. In addition to his cantorial duties, he has taught at both his alma maters and at Northeastern University in Boston.

Cantor Osborne founded Kol Rinah (A Voice of Joy) - The Jewish High School Chorus of Greater Boston. Kol Rinah has performed at numerous events in the Boston area and

throughout New England, New York, and Israel in the summers of 1996 and 1997.

With the exception of 1996 and 1997, Cantor Osborne has served at least part of every summer as a Philmont chaplain since 1991.



In 2006, after 19 years at Temple Emanuel, Cantor Osborne accepted an invitation to become spiritual leader of a new synagogue, Adath Shir Rinah ("Congregation of Joyful Song"), also of Newton, MA. In addition, he teaches in the Prozdor (High School division) of Hebrew College of Boston, in their Masters-level Cantor-Educator program, and at the Gann Academy, a Jewish High School located in Waltham, MA. This fall, Cantor Osborne will begin serving both as district commissioner in the Viking District of Knox Trail Council as well as chairman of Knox Trail Council's Jewish Committee.

Catholic, Jewish, LDS and Protestant services are held every night at 7 p.m.

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 ~Edward Abbey

CHQ Activities Calendar

Friday	August 11	Movie Night	8:00 p.m.
Saturday	August 12	Ice Cream	8:00 p.m.
Sunday	August 13	Volleyball	8:00 p.m.
Monday	August 14	Bratwurst Barbeque	11 - 1 p.m.
Tuesday	August 15	Drive-In Movie	8:00 p.m.
Wednesday	August 16	Ping Pong	8:00 p.m.
Thursday	August 17	Ultimate Frisbee	8:00 p.m.
Friday	August 18	Movie Night	8:00 p.m.

PTC Evening Schedule

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Opening Program 8:15	Handicrafts 6:30 Cracker Barrel 7:00	Western Night 6:30	Movie Night 7:30	Handicrafts 6:30 Cracker Barrel 7:00	Closing Program 7:30	No events scheduled

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