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Work Worth Doing

Mark Anderson
Director of Program,
Unit 2

Thank you for your participation in the May 29th All Staff Training and Opening Day Activities. What a wonderful beginning for the summer:

- Celebrating together with our staff photo was a fun start to the day.
- Laughing and learning from the "Uniform Fashion Show."
- Learning and sharing in small groups under the leadership of our camp directors and ranger trainers help orientate us in many subjects

"Truly our work as members of the Philmont staff is work worth doing."



Samantha Waidler/Photography Manager 2011

that are important to the summer operation.

- Enjoying the banquet prepared by our Dining Hall Team was a chance to share in fellowship with new friends.
- Sharing in the recognition of Bob Birkby for his contribution to Scouting and the inspiration that he gave us as he discussed his life's journey since working on staff many years ago.
- Celebrating the coming of the one

millionth participant and receiving the special patch.

- Enjoying music and fellowship with the "One Thousand Pound Black Bear" band as we capped off the evening.

Training is now in full swing with one focus in mind to be prepared for June 8th and the start to the Philmont Training Center and Camping programs. At the end of each day, I hope you have felt better prepared

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Bear Safety Tip of the Week

Report all sightings of bears and mountain lions. Some participants believe that bear reports can be a death sentence for an animal. This is not true. Negligence on bear reports can lead to greater danger, especially for younger bears. We need all available information without exception.

What's New at Philmont

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Doyle Maurer/PhilNews Photographer

Anthony D'Auria throws a bag of trail food over **Kassidy O'Donnell** and **Abbey Miller** to **Steven Smith** in **Camping Outfitting Services**.

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June 6-June 15

Friday, 6	Saturday, 7	Monday, 9	Tuesday, 10	Wednesday, 11	Friday, 13	Sunday, 15
8 p.m. Telluride Film Festival at the Hardesty Casa Central	7:30 p.m. Opening Campfire Rehearsal at the Opening Campfire Bowl	8 p.m. Table games tournament at the SSSAC	11 a.m. Brat Day at Baldy Pavilion	8 p.m. Dodgeball at Baldy Pavilion	8 p.m. Friday floats at the SSSAC	8 p.m. Humans vs. Zombies at Badly Pavilion

“You cannot escape the responsibility of tomorrow by evading it today.”
--**Abraham Lincoln**

“Think of all the beauty still left around you and be happy.”
--**Anne Frank**

“A man can fail many times but he isn’t a failure until he begins to blame someone else.” --**Waite Philips**

“In three words I can sum up everything I’ve learned about life: it goes on.”
--**Robert Frost**

“Experience: that most brutal of teachers. But you learn, my God do you learn.”
--**C.S. Lewis**

“I’ve learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.” -- **Maya Angelou**

Visit the PTC Craft Center this Summer

This winter the PTC craft program underwent a huge transformation – from the name to the building to the projects inside! One of the most historic buildings at PTC, the Craft Center building is now home to exciting new and fun craft projects including: woodworking, leather, ceramics, tie-dye, glass mosaics, welding, jewelry and much more!

New activities include awesome tie-dye, glass mosaics, sand art, wood working, and updated ceramic options.

The PTC Craft Center is open 8:30 a.m. till 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and also Monday, Wednesday and Thursday nights from 7 to 9 p.m. You are welcome any time!

Make your own Philmont coffee mug in the ceramics room, or design your own staff belt. Make a map pendant necklace with your favorite backcountry camp on it! Create a gift for someone special or just enjoy a few hours creating something beautiful.

Our Craft Center staff is on hand to help you learn a new skill or help you take your talents to the next level. Beginners, experienced artists and all ages are welcome!

Call the Craft Center at ext.1267 to sign up for special craft classes or just drop by and create a beautiful project. And don’t forget – staff get ten percent off!



Come visit the PTC Craft Center this summer where creativity abounds! **Staff get 10% Off!**

The PTC Craft Center is open 8:30 am till 5:00 Monday through Friday. You are welcome ANY time!

Our special staff workshop and design hours are Wednesdays from 1pm-5pm and 7pm to 9pm.

Anytime Projects: Make your own Philmont coffee mug in the ceramics room or design your own staff belt. Make a map pendant necklace with your favorite camp! Create a gift for someone special, or just enjoy a few hours creating with ceramics, jewelry, leather stamping, mosaic glass, or tie-dye.

Sign Up: Take a welding or wood lathe class (Call ext. 1267 and look for flyers; space limited; fees apply).

In our Arrowleaf area you can enjoy a cup of coffee or tea, or purchase some lemonade and relax while reading a book or just enjoying the fun.

Staff Workshop/Class Dates
604, 611, 618, 625
716, 723, 730, 806, 813



What's New: Customer Services

Scott Allen
Staff Writer

Piles of plastic meal bags fill up a large crate, tents are sorted and incoming backpacks are organized according to size. Camping Outfitting Services is changing to become more efficient during the summer of Philmont's one millionth Scout.

Christine Salisbury, camping outfitting services manager, said there have been many changes since last year. One important aspect is that the hours of operations have been extended.

"Our hours of operation are

"The number one goal is customer service and to be accommodating for all the crews and staff."

7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. for food and 7:30 a.m. to 6:45 p.m. for equipment," Salisbury said. "Our hope is that crews can come by pretty much anytime. There's not a one o'clock rush like there has been in the past ... The number one goal is customer service and to be accommodating for all the crews and staff."

The "rush" that she discusses refers to the post lunch bottleneck that incoming crews experience during their check-in process. By having longer hours, Salisbury said they hope to alleviate this problem and help late arriving crews.

"I'm going to have one staff from 5 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. specifically for filling up fuel bottles for day one crews, renting packs and focusing on last day crews as they come off the trail late and are able to get through their check-out procedures," Salisbury said.

Another change that they're implementing deals with fishing

licenses. The adult and youth fishing licenses are already available through the Trading Post, but starting this year, the youth will be able to get their fishing license at any of the Camping Outfitting Services counters.

"We can sell them either at the food window, the equipment window or packs and gas," Salisbury said. "Pretty much anywhere my staff are."

Each section will have its own change. The food pick-up area, where trail meals are picked up, features a food wall where staff can pick up three snacks per day. Salisbury said this year the food wall will contain apples, oranges and possibly pears and the containers holding the food will be plastic instead of cardboard.



Doyle Maurer/Photographer

Workers at Camping Outfitting Services prepare for participants to arrive on June 8th.

Multiple changes are occurring for the equipment section as well.

"This year we have 500 new 2014 MSR Thunder Ridge tents that are very similar to the 2013 tents," Salisbury said. "There's also new dining flies that we will eventually

have."

Also, there will be a new food strainer, the dining fly poles will come in three sections instead of four and the equipment will be displayed in the pavilion for crews

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Prepping for Scatter

Kyle Nutter
Staff Writer

The backcountry warehouse has been busy preparing for Scatter.

Packed, eight-foot tall shelving units, guitar cases and stacked boxes serve as evidence of these preparations. All of the supplies are gathered there to be transported to the backcountry camps.



MORGAN COURT/PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER

Julie Vigil, backcountry warehouse manager, has worked at Philmont for the past 30 years.

"CDs [Camp Directors] request what they need for their camp," said Julie Vigil, the backcountry warehouse manager at Philmont.

In the last 30 years, Vigil has worked in many different jobs ranging from PTC, Logistics, conservation, camp director, backcountry manager, and backcountry warehouse.

"These jobs are a blast to work," Vigil said.

The program gear and supplies are stored at the backcountry warehouse and organized into large wooden boxes in preparation to be scattered.

After the backcountry staff relocates to their camps, camp directors can file a request form for any item they need. When asked what the strangest request was for a backcountry camp, Vigil replied that once she received an order for a melon baller.

Along with the mail room, services, infirmary and commissary, backcountry warehouse is a necessary stop for anyone heading into the backcountry. These departments consolidate trips to save time and gas.

In a large hallway behind the warehouse, Tim Crofton, an animated man working as an interpretive consultant to Philmont, fabricates interpretive clothing. He teaches the interpretive staff acting

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Dallas on Days Off

Not sure of what you would like to do on your days off? The following are several ideas in case you feel yourself developing a bit of cabin fever in Base Camp.

Dallas Elmore
Staff Writer

The backcountry and the rest of the Sangre de Cristo Range offers a playground of opportunities for staff on days-off that no other camp in the world can match.

The mountains provide a dream-like arena to discover the history and legacies of Native Americans, Spanish conquistadors and American pioneers. In addition to the rugged Philmont backcountry, opportunities for adventure and exploration lie in every direction.

For a short trip, Cimarron hosts several art galleries, restaurants and shops as a link to the outside world. In addition, the town delivers a glimpse into the Colfax County history and the legacy of the Maxwell Land Grant.

North on State Highway 64 lies the old mining towns of Raton and Trinidad, gateways to national parks and wilderness areas.

Raton boasts a historic downtown, a July balloon rally and the

highest point on the Santa Fe trail.

Trinidad, in southeastern Colorado, is a hotbed of creative activity as the host of a certified Colorado Creative District, along with camping and hiking around Trinidad Lake State Park.

Moving west from Cimarron on State Highway 64 is Taos, N.M., shadowed by Wheeler Peak and Taos Mountain. One of the oldest continuously inhabited settlements in the Americas, Taos is a mix of Indian pueblos and Spanish conquest. The combination of the history and the natural beauty of the Taos mountains sparked the creation of an artist colony that thrives to this day. Over 80 galleries and three museums are maintained in the town.

Even at Philmont, days off can be spent in the backcountry, hiking a wilderness area that has drawn adventurers and explorers for hundreds of years. The same mining, logging and ranching activities that brought settlers here are represented at staff camps throughout the backcountry.

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Morgan Court/Photographer

The Living History Closet stores all the attire and supplies the interpretive camps will need in the backcountry.

skills. Having done interpretive work for 30 years throughout Canada and the United States, Crofton has brought expertise to the interpretive programs for the last nine years.

"Philmont is one of the biggest interpretive operations in North America," said Crofton. There is over 100 interpretive staff at Philmont.

The backcountry staff can be observed preparing for Scatter, too. Mountain bikes are peddled and greased. Musical instruments are tuned and exercised, anticipating campfire programs.

The backcountry warehouse distributes equipment to the backcountry camps and acts as a tether, the vital link between the camps and Base Camp.

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Ask the Rangers

Emet Ramirez-Blood

Staff Writer

Every summer, participants come through and almost always have questions, many of which range in similarity. Here are a few frequently asked questions by participants and the appropriate answers given by our rangers.

Q: How much water should I carry?

A: We recommend three to four liters per person and extra collapsible water containers for dry camps.

Q: Do we need hats and gloves?

A: We recommend, based on your troops itinerary, that you bring a sun hat, a warm cap and as a pair of lightweight warm gloves.

Q: What are smellables?

A: Smellables are anything with an odor that may attract bears. Smellables are not necessarily all food related. Smellables can also include items such as ChapStick, film and batteries. Before the crew's first night in the backcountry, the Ranger will read through a comprehensive list of smellables from the Ranger Field Book.

Q: How many days will our Ranger be with us?

A: Rangers spend one day in Base Camp with their crews helping them prepare for the trek, then two full days and a third morning in the backcountry before heading back to CHQ.

Q: What kind of footwear should I wear on the trek?

A: We recommend a sturdy pair of broken-in boots. Most importantly, you should have already trained in your footwear and be comfortable carrying a heavy pack with it.

Q: Why can't I bathe in the streams?

A: A number of reasons, but mainly it goes against Leave No Trace. Health and safety becomes an issue and some streams in the backcountry are resources for drinking water.

Q: Are Jet Boils™ recommended for the backcountry?

A: We recommend using a white gas stove such as the MSR WhisperLite that will allow the crew to cook for the entire group in one pot. If a white gas stove is unavailable, Jet Boils may be used to heat water. However, crews must continue to use the Patrol Method while cooking, with two cooks preparing the meal for the entire group each night rather than individuals or pairs preparing their own meal separately.

Q: Why can't we use our own ropes?

A: The bear lines require a thicker static cordage as opposed to what a lot of participants bring (which is paracord or more elastic cordage). If you show your Ranger what rope you've brought and it meets all the requirements for the policies and safety measures, exceptions can sometimes be made.

Q: Can we use the Turkey Bag cooking method so that we don't have to wash the pot every time we use it?

A: No. Philmont prohibits the use of turkey bags for two reasons. First, it eliminates the role of dishwasher, one of the important daily duties which rotates between crew members and gives participants a chance to take leadership over an important backcountry skill. Second, each used turkey bag has to be disposed of somewhere -- 23,000 participants over the summer would create over 50,000 bags that have to be hauled from the backcountry by vehicle before eventually ending up in a landfill.

Q: Can we use clotheslines in the backcountry?

A: Yes! Beginning this year, Philmont is allowing the use of clotheslines in an effort to encourage crews to wash dirty hiking clothes during their trek. Clotheslines must be taken down before sunset, however, and sticks must be used under the rope when securing clotheslines to trees, just as with bear bags.



John Mitchell/Photographer

John Nagib, ranger service academy coordinator, helps rangers get ready for training.

The Ranger Mile:

Exploring Philmont's Southwest Country

Welcome to The Ranger Mile, a weekly column in which members of the ranger staff will profile various hiking opportunities for staff on days off. We will begin in a corner of Philmont where some of its most beautiful terrain can be found: the southwest. Because of its distance from Base Camp, the southwest may seem a daunting outing. In reality, it's more accessible than you think and worth the trip.

Matt Hart

Associate Chief Ranger



John Mitchell/Photographer

Rangers hang out at the Welcome Center while they wait to continue their training.

Getting There

The easiest access to the southwest country usually comes via Phillips' Junction (PJ) or Beaubien, with vehicles traveling to these camps on a daily basis.

Arrive at the Backcountry Warehouse (next to the Mail Room) ready to roll at 7:30 a.m. and politely inquire about the availability of rides to PJ or Beaubien. Better yet, scout out a ride the afternoon before. Don't plan on heading to the

Things to Remember

- Always carry the ten hiking essentials and follow Philmont backcountry procedures.
- Complete a staff backcountry access permit and check the water conditions of any trail camps you plan to visit in Logistics.
- Arrange a ride back to Base before beginning your trip. Finish your hiking well in advance of your planned departure time.
- When visiting staff camps, represent your department well by treating backcountry staff and crews respectfully. Always allow participants to engage in program before you do.

southwest if you only have a single day off. Your visit will be too rushed and you don't want to get stranded without a ride back.

Suggested Routes

If you have a night or two to spend in the southwest, the opportunities for exploration are numerous.

From PJ, head north to Crooked Creek for an evening of milking cows and admiring one of the Ranch's most picturesque meadows, or take the lush creek-side trail further up the Rayado to Clear Creek,

where you can try your hand at black powder rifle shooting while paying the mountain man staff a much-needed visit.

If you're up for an ambitious trip, get an early start and climb Mount Phillips the next morning before heading down to Red Hills Camp. From there, follow the Comanche Creek back to the Rayado River trail or stay in the high country and tag the summits of Big Red and Bonito Peak before dropping down to Beaubien.

Another option is to head southwest from PJ, climbing through expansive meadows near Buck Creek and Bear Canyon trail camps before arriving at Apache Springs. Spend the night there, sampling the archery program and side-hiking Apache Peak for one of the Ranch's best sunsets.

Or if you prefer solitude, head to nearby Lost Cabin trail camp, a hidden gem amidst enchanting aspen groves and meadows.

In the morning, take the switchbacks down to the Rayado River and stop by Fish Camp for a lodge tour and a fly-tying or casting session before heading upstream back to PJ.



Cassidy Johnson/Photographer

Participants talk to 2013 Trading Post Manager Adam Kratt on Saturday, July 27 at Phillips Junction.

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and more confident. E.L. Matthews wrote, "Unless a person has prepared themselves for their chance, the chance will only make a person look ridiculous. A great occasion is worth to a person exactly what their preparation enables that person to make of it." Our summer will truly be a great occasion.

As your team concludes their training you will receive the Philmont Arrowhead Staff Patch. This will be a lasting reminder of the special time we have had together this summer. When you look, it will remind you of the role we each must play to ensure that all parts of the brand of Philmont are accomplished. This way, we may achieve our goal and deliver wilderness and

learning adventures that last a lifetime.

As you receive your arrowhead patch you will also be given information about three special awards that each staff member has the opportunity to earn this summer by participating in the Duty to God, Wilderness Pledge Achievement and Trail of Courage programs. Please take time to study the requirements and make plans to earn the awards.

I look forward to working with you this summer. As my good friend Theodore Roosevelt said, "Far and away the best prize that life offers is the chance to work hard at work worth doing."

Truly our work as members of the Philmont staff is work worth doing.

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Doyle Maurer/Photographer

Camping Outfitting Services provides tents and other backcountry needs for participants.

to observe beforehand.

At the packs and gas area there will be two new different backpacks: the Kelty Coyote 70 liter and 75 liter which is a womens pack, and the Jansport Klamath 65 liter and 75 liter.

Next to packs and gas is the backpack scales which will now feature a chart showing the recommended pack weight for participants.

"We're going to have a chart out there that shows average body weight and recommended pack weight," Salisbury said. "It's so crews can check if they're in the

right weight range."

Currently, Salisbury is training her staff to be as knowledgeable about their products as possible. She emphasizes having fun and believes her group will have a good time while being a viable resource for all who need help.

"The people I work with are great," said Sam Spalding who is a first year staffer at Camping Outfitting Services. "We're lucky to have such a good group."

Throughout training, Camping Outfitting Services will be open periodically until June 8th when everything opens for the summer.

Chaplain's Corner

Meet the Chaplains

John Lampley, Protestant Chaplain

It is a great privilege to return to Philmont as one of the protestant chaplains this summer. I have been happy to see many friends from last year and to begin meeting new ones.

I have been married to my wife Claudia for 30 years and have three grown children. Both my sons are Eagle Scouts and participated in OATC in 2012. They are both on staff at Philmont this summer.

In my free time, I enjoy hiking, backpacking and skiing. I have a real passion for motor sports and have raced numerous classes in the Sports Car Club of America competition. I hope to complete the restoration of a vintage Formula Vee and get it on the track by the end of the year. I have also been privileged to work as a professional, high performance and off-road driving instructor.



Bethany Nilson/Photographer

Certainly one of the most rewarding things to me is the time I spend here at Philmont, either on the trail or as a chaplain. I look forward to a busy and exciting summer of 2014.

Ever upward.

Todd Zinn, Jewish Chaplain

It's good to be home!

I'm excited to be serving as the Jewish Chaplain for all of this summer. It has been seven long summers since I was last at Philmont. When I spent three straight summers on staff as part of the conservation department where I

was a conservationist and work crew foreman.

I live in Los Angeles where I am currently studying to be ordained as a Rabbi. I am originally from Massachusetts and I maintain my strong allegiances to Boston's sports teams. Before moving to Los Angeles,

I spent two years living in Israel, where I spent a large amount of time hiking and biking my way across the Holy Land. In August I will return to Los Angeles, where in addition to my studies, I will be working at the University of Southern California's Jewish Student Association.



Morgan Court/Photographer

Fr. Dennis O'Rourke, V.F., Catholic Chaplain

I'm Fr. Dennis and I'm happy to return to Philmont for the 24th time!

I started off in 1986 at the Training Center, working as conference faculty for seven summers. The first time I was a Base Camp chaplain was in 1995. I've missed two summers since then. This is a wonderful place, as you all know.

I have been a priest for 34 years and am currently pastor at St. Gabriel's Church in Cave Creek, Ariz. about an 11 hour drive from here. I've been coming up every summer since 1999 to open the Catholic chapel, about a week before

the majority of staff arrives. It is a great trip. I usually spend about six hours at the Ranch, then head back to Arizona. For the past few years, my 89-year-old uncle has joined me for the road trip. He loves it as well.

You may have noticed the initials "V.F." after my name. My bishop in Phoenix has appointed me a Vicar Forane. That means that I am his official representative in a geographical area of the diocese called a Deanery or Vicariate. Mostly it means more work!

St. Gabriel's is a fairly good size Catholic Parish with about 1,600 households. They range from senior citizens to young families with

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children and everything in between. We always have something going on there for all age groups. Since I started there in January of 2006, we have started a Boy Scout troop (already produced four Eagle Scouts), a Venture Crew and a Cub

Scout pack. It is truly a Scouting parish. There is another priest there full time. I also have been able to find a priest from India to come to replace me during my Philmont stint.

My time this summer is only three weeks, but I'm happy to be back. My experiences at Philmont have allowed me to be with some amazing people over the years. Many have become good friends. It is a wonderful opportunity to work with great chaplains from other faith groups as we are a chaplaincy team here. Other than our evening religious services, only occasionally are there denominationally specific

issues we need to handle.

I am consistently impressed with the quality of the seasonal staff. At no time is it uneasy to hold intelligent conversations with any staff member, and I am made to feel welcome any place I go while at Philmont. You people are amazing! You have so much to give, and in giving you are blessed by God, and so bless others.

I am also impressed with those who come to hike this wonderful place. The vast majority are prime examples of the goodness of the youth of our country and of the B.S.A.

I'm happy to be back, even for such a short time.

Chaplain's Corner



Kaitlyn Chaballa/Photographer

Bishop Gerald A. Gettelfinger, Catholic Chaplain

My name is very long: Bishop Gerald A. Gettelfinger, however it describes very briefly who I am and what I have been doing for a long time. Due to the length of my name and its contents, some folks shy away! "What do you say to a "bishop?" Or "what do you call him?" For all engaged with the Boy Scouts of America you

need not stand on ceremony or protocol. I "squished my name and title" to: +Padre. The "+" simply indicates that I am a Roman Catholic Bishop. Feel free to call me +Padre. In short, I have been a Roman Catholic Priest for 53 years. The first 28 years I served as a priest in Indianapolis. For 22 years I was the Roman Catholic Bishop of the Diocese of Evansville. As a bishop, I was appointed as Liaison to the National Catholic Committee on Scouting and the Boy Scouts of America in 1998.

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Will Frei, Catholic Chaplain

My name is Will Frei. Although I have Swiss citizenship (due to my father being born there), I don't believe I meet the qualifications needed to join the Swiss Guard. So, I decided to do the second best thing: namely, to join the Philmont chaplaincy.

Actually, Bishop Robert Guglielmone, bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Charleston, who is very involved with the Boy Scouts of America and Philmont, graciously invited me to spend the summer as a Catholic chaplain.

I am a native South Carolinian, having grown up in the small town of Aiken which

"I was not always strong in my faith. It was not until my high school experience, when I was challenged to learn more about the teachings of the Catholic Church that I grew to love being Catholic."

is about 35 minutes east of the Augusta National Golf Course, where the Masters is held. I have two loving parents and three

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Philmont Staff Features

Emet Ramirez-Blood
Staff Writer

For 49 percent of the staff, it's their first year at Philmont. For the next few months, a lot of them will not get a chance to be around their families and friends from home. Don't despair though, because Philmont is an amazing resource for meeting and befriending new people.

There is no reason to be afraid to introduce yourself this summer with a welcoming smile. You never know who you may meet in this beautiful place.

It can be nerve-racking to talk with someone that you might not know, but it's an amazing part of the human experience. If you get an impulse to reach your hand out and introduce yourself to a stranger at camp, do it. If you keep to yourself, you may regret not making friends with the incredible people that are drawn to the magic of Philmont.

To get started on a summer full of new faces, here are a few first year staffers you should meet.



Cassidy Johnson/Photographer

James Gallegos, 49, Activities Manager
“This department will be that extra degree. At 211 degrees Fahrenheit water is hot. At 212 degrees Fahrenheit water boils and creates steam. Steam can move locomotives.” “My goal is to make this the best year for activities staff. We are going [to move] from good to great!”



Christine Henri/Photographer

Jamie Dzierzak 27, Front of the House Dining Hall Staff
“I’m here for the days off and hiking as much as possible.” “I want to do all the challenges I can. I plan on meeting up with my dad and his crew while they are here.”



John Mitchell/Photographer

Erin Irwin, 21, NPS Photo Assistant Manager
“I’d like to gain some leadership experience and I want to help my staff accomplish all their summer goals.” “I’d like to practice night photography out at Ring Place and I’d love to hike Baldy as well as explore north country”



John Mitchell/Photographer

Eric Spoerl, 19, Infirmary Secretary
“I want to provide helpful services to the participants and staff and save lives through indirect means.” “I want to complete the Ranger challenge.”

Philmont Staff Features



John Mitchell/Photographer

Mack Follingstad, 21, Clerk at Tooth of Time Traders

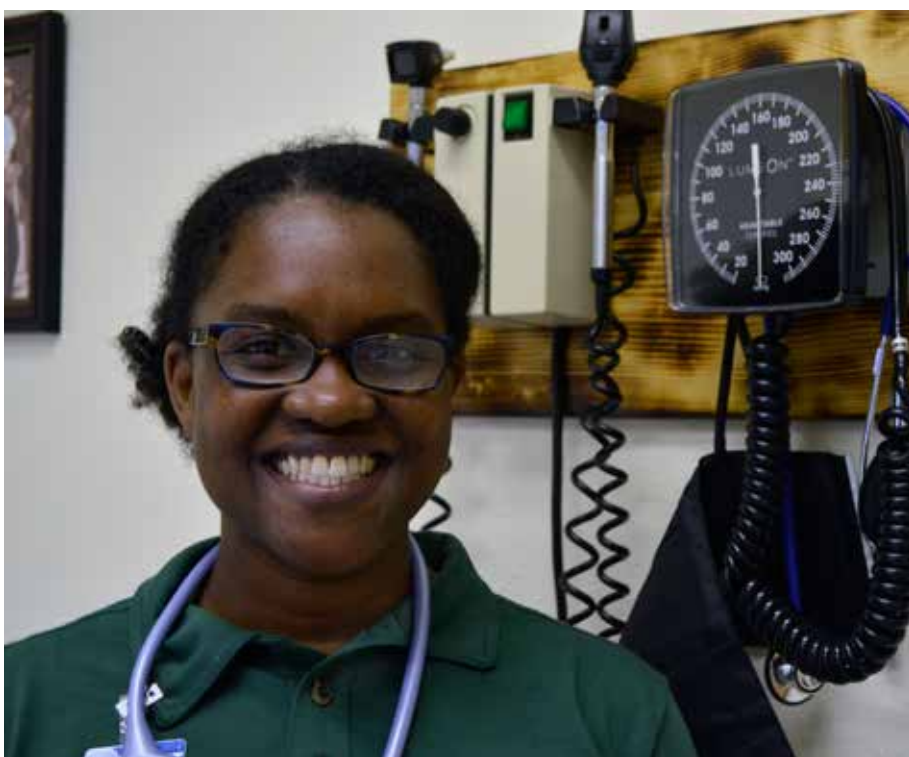
"I'm expecting to take a lot from my time with retail this summer. I've been coming to Philmont every summer since age 14 and this summer I will finally hike Mount Baldy."



John Mitchell/Photographer

Angie Smith 52, Seasonal Camp Registrar

"I'm looking forward to enjoying the workings of Philmont, getting to meet a lot of new people and a chance to experience the beauty of this place. I've never hiked here before so I hope to get out there with my husband and see the backcountry."



John Mitchell/Photographer

Tity Kpandeyenge, Philmont Infirmary Medic

"I hoping that I can experience the backcountry and the outdoors. I am excited to move outside my comfort zone through caring for patients. I feel it will be a challenging but rewarding experience."



John Mitchell/Photographer

Will Pike 21, Temporary Logistics

"I want to get out in the woods and I really want to make an invaluable impact on the kids that come out this summer. I've got to prove that Philmont is as fantastic as people say." "I want to visit as many staff camps as possible and I want to learn how to knock 'em dead with a proper two step."

Weekly Advice Column

Ask the Mail Room Staff

Ask Registration

Scott Allen
Staff Writer

A Philmont truck pulls up to the back of the mail room with its bed full of boxes. The shipment is processed before being sorted into the respective departments. Little cardboard squares of all sizes clutter the back of the loading dock for almost an hour as everything is organized. The mail room staff works diligently in a timely manner.

Linda Anderson, camping mail room manager, oversees her five staff members as they coordinate where each package should go.

What types of mail do you guys handle?

We handle US Postal, FedEx and UPS deliveries for seasonal staff and participants. We also ship out US Postal and UPS. The mail room is a UPS depot and we can ship UPS because Philmont has a corporate account, but FedEx packages can only be shipped if the person sending the package goes online and prints the label.

What is an I-camp?

An I-camp is any mail that needs to be delivered within Philmont property. We process I-camps to anywhere on the Ranch, which can be anything from a small note to a watermelon. We've had a few hula hoops and other strange things in the past.

What are some things staff should keep in mind when mailing things?

Please don't use any duct tape. We have plenty of clear plastic tape that is free for anyone who needs it. Also please don't ship any hazardous materials such as matches, lighters, hairspray, iso propane containers or anything that has fuel in it.

Where are you located and what are your hours?

The mail room is located next to the backcountry warehouse and is open everyday from 8 a.m. and 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. They offer all the materials needed to send a package and shipments



DOYLE MAURER/PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER

Alex Brehmer, logistics, has a package sent out with Linda Anderson, camping mail room manager.

arrive at various times.

What kinds of things do you ship out for crews?

The mail room can ship out fuel bottles back to crews. The requirement for shipping fuel containers is that the bottles must be washed with hot, soapy water and air-dried for 12 hours before shipping. What we do is take all of that stuff in an open box and do the air drying for them and package them up and send it out the next day. Another thing they do to help the crews is ship out gear. Anderson said since airlines are charging \$100 to \$150 to send backpacks, crews are much more likely to just ship their gear for about \$40.

What can the mail room ship internationally?

Since the mail room is not a real post office, they don't ship packages internationally, but are able to send letters, postcards and flat large envelopes all around the world.

What's my return address?

People always ask us 'what's my return address?' It's on the back of your name tag. It would help out a lot if people put down their return address with the department where they work.

When does the mail usually arrive?

We usually get US Postal Services between 10:30 a.m. to noon. UPS usually comes in right before lunch or within an hour after lunch. FedEx is kind of random, in the afternoon, sometimes as late as 4:30 p.m. or 5 p.m.

What should I do if I come to pick up my mail and people are going through boxes on the loading deck?

Another thing that staff members should know is that if they go to the mail room and see the loading deck full of boxes, they should come back at a later time in order to expedite their request. Duct tape shouldn't be used because it jams shippers machinery and conveyor belts.

Do you ever recycle cardboard or other packaging materials?

We do a lot of recycling here. Any box or packaging material that people give us we re-use to ship something.

Scott Allen
Staff Writer

When crews arrive at Philmont, the first place they go is the Welcome Center. Staff members help guide them as they enter and leave the Ranch, but who guides the staff?

The smiling faces of registration are the ones responsible for this. When staff first get to Philmont, this is where they go. It's also the last place they stop before leaving the Ranch. It's an important step in making sure the paperwork and documentation is collected.

Jo Duran, camping registration safekeeping clerk, and Amanda Martinez, seasonal payroll, are some of the faces that greet staff when they come to registration.

When is registration open?

They are open seven days a week from 7:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. until the summer season ends on August 22nd.

When is payday?

Payday is on the 7th and 22nd of every month. Pay periods go from the 1st-15th and then the 16th until the end of the month. It's confusing, but that's done to make sure everyone's pay is correct.

What is different about payroll this year?

Payroll has gone paperless. All staff must register with the ADP system in order to see their paycheck. New staff that did not have direct deposit last year will probably get one live check before they go into the paperless system. Another change is that Owen McCullough, who was the Associate Director of Program, has been promoted to BSA Customer Marketing and Sales. Chris Sawyer has taken over his role.

How many staff does you have?

Registration has four full time staff that work year round as well as six additional season staff.

What is a good resource for when staff have questions?

A lot of the things staff should know can be reviewed in the packet that they received when getting hired. We are happy to help anyone who has any additional questions.

What do you guys do at registration?

We take care of all of the personnel issues such as payroll, when you're leaving and coming and we're responsible for sending out all of your staff packets. Once you're hired, we send out your emails. When we get all that back, we get you guys into payroll and make sure that all of your files are together. We're here to help staff find their way around camp, answer questions that might not have been included in the staff packet and just try to help everybody have a great experience.



Bethany Nilson/Photographer

Jo Duran and Amanda Martinez collaborate to answer Bryan Delaney's inquiry at the Personnel desk in the Registration office.



Doyle Maurer/Photographer

Camping mail room workers unload mail from the mail truck on Friday morning.

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I served in that capacity until 2011. I came to Philmont every year thereafter to participate in the PTC week of Scouting in the Catholic Church. That very first year I did the first of five St. George Treks. I was sixty-three for the first one and seventy-one for the last one!

I retired on June 29, 2011, now a bishop 25 years. I immediately jumped in my car and drove directly to Philmont to serve as a Philmont chaplain for July and August that year. I was a Catholic chaplain here all last summer. This summer I will serve until July 4, 2014.

My avocation is that I am a trained high school teacher, guidance counselor and principal. My favorite high school class was sophomores!

I am also an avid outdoorsman. It's all the fault of the Scouts of BSA Troop 174 in

Indianapolis.

The Scouts introduced me to canoing the Boundary Waters of Canada. In addition I have paddled the Albany, the Alanwater, Ogoki and Caribou Rivers further north in Canada. I did 41 treks in 39 years, the first 35 of them consecutively.

My chosen winter sport is downhill Alpine skiing. With the Scouts of Troop #174 I learned to ski at Boyne Highlands in northern Michigan. For the last 31 winters, I have been skiing Taos Ski Valley with a priest friend from Indianapolis.

Lastly, the Scouts kept talking about a "magic place" called Philmont. You see, I was never a Scout; as a boy we did not have Scouting, so I belonged to the 4-H Club in our farming community. I could never quite understand what the big deal was about Philmont!

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younger siblings. I attended a Catholic grade school and middle school, followed by a public high school, Aiken High.

I was not always strong in my faith. It was not until my high school experience, when I was challenged to learn more about the teachings of the Catholic Church, due to being around students of so many different faiths, ethnicities, and backgrounds, that I grew to love

being Catholic.

I was a very competitive soccer player growing up, intending to play college ball one day. However, after growing stronger in my faith in high school, and after having the opportunity to take a pilgrimage to Europe (with the destination being the cell of St. Maximilian Kolbe at Auschwitz), I decided to enter college seminary after graduating from high school.

I went on to spend two years living at Holy Trinity Seminary in Irving, Texas, and studying philosophy at the University of Dallas. I then transferred to the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., in order to enter a philosophy program in which I would receive a bachelors in philosophy after graduation, followed by a masters the following year. After finishing my first year in this new program (thus, completing three years in seminary), I have two more

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years of philosophy, followed by four years of theology before, God-willing, ordination to the Catholic priesthood.

I am very excited to be here at Philmont until July 29! I believe this will be an incredible summer, full of many pastoral experiences.

Please know that I am here for each of you and for anyone who will be spending any time at Philmont this summer. I look forward to meeting as many people as I am able, and learning about and from you. Be assured of my prayers through this summer!

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History Blurbs of the Week

Chase Ranch Wrangles Cimarron History

Railroad History Steams into Metcalf Station

Dallas Elmore
Staff Writer

The 11,000 acre addition of the Chase Ranch to Philmont has the potential to tie all parts of the Ranch's history together for both staff and participants. The Chase Ranch was founded by Theresa and Manly Chase in Ponil Canyon in the late 1860's. Manly, who was ahead of his time, incorporated Spanish era sheep herding and enclosure based ranching that now defines Western agriculture. The couple moved West following the tragic deaths of their two children. The couple was looking for a way to take the virgin lands of the frontier and make them their own. After leasing property in Vermejo from Lucien Maxwell in 1867, he established the Chase Ranch on the Ponil Creek in 1869. It remained in their family until 2012 at the passing of their great-granddaughter, Gretchen Sammis, who was a nationally renowned cowgirl. With a large expanse of land and a four room house that stands to this day, Manly set about turning it into a forward-looking ranch. He built irrigation ditches throughout the property to water his crops. Fruit trees were brought in from the East in order to begin growing apples. The Ranch expanded, and Manly began to sell and herd both sheep and cattle. The sheep were regarded for their fine Merino wool and tender meats, while the cattle were taken North to Colorado meat markets and eventually East to the railheads at Kansas City. Along with other ranches in the Cimarron area, the Chase Ranch transitioned from free grazing to fencing the entire property. In addition to agricultural exploits, the Chase Ranch saw many changes not only in Colfax County but to the whole West. Lucien Maxwell's million and a half acre land grant was finally surveyed and rendered legitimate by the Supreme Court, ending the violent and sprawling Colfax County Wars. The railroad passed through Springer, linking northeastern New Mexico with the rest of the world. Native Americans,

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Doyle Maurer/Photographer

The Chase family house was first built in 1870.



The original engine for the Cimarron and North Western Railroad ran through Ponil Canyon. Photo contributed by Seton Memorial Library.


Dallas Elmore
Staff Writer

The long-awaited arrival of Metcalf Station as Philmont's newest staff camp pays tribute to the brief but important history of the Cimarron and Northwestern Railway Company in northeastern New Mexico. Railroadng in the Philmont area is linked the logging business of the Continental Tie and Lumber Company in Ponil Canyon. Recognizing that a railroad could directly transport needed timber from its source in the mountains to the coal mines farther east, Theodore A. Schomburg incorporated the logging company and the Cimarron and Northwestern Railway. With himself as owner, Schomburg ordered the construction of a telephone line to run directly along the route of the railroad, facilitating easy communication between construction crews, engineers and management. The workers were often miles of broken terrain apart. The revolutionary addition of the telephone line cut costs to the point that it made feasible a railroad project that in 1907 the Cimarron News called "one of the neatest achievements in railroad building in the southwest." After the completion of the railroad, the lumber foreman would establish camps along the route. Here, wood cutters logged stands of good timber and either rough cut them at a small sawmill or loaded them on the train for cutting at the mill in Cimarron. Logs were cut as mine props for use in the coal mines located in the north of the Maxwell Land Grant. Others were logged for lumber products and more were cut for use as rail ties to be finished in Trinidad, Colo. or Des Moines, N.M. The railroad line operated for from 1908 to 1930. Once the timber stands in Ponil Canyon, and later the South Ponil, were finished, it was no longer economically viable to maintain the line. Without the necessary demand



An old trailer displays the famous heart brand of the Chase Ranch.

Doyle Maurer/Photographer



This photo of the caboose of the Cimarron and North Western Railway was found in a drawer at Chase Ranch. Photo contributed by Seton Memorial Library.

PhilStars: Week of June 6th-12th

Scott Allen
Staff Writer

Here at Philmont, there's plenty of opportunities to observe the night sky. The solitude of the backcountry and absence of light pollution create perfect conditions for star watchers.

This summer, we're going to be posting weekly predictions and charts that discuss what to look for and when to see it.

At the start of the Lunar month (Oak Moon) on May 29th, Mercury wasn't that bright, but it quickly brightened and moved into the sunset. According to The American Boy's Book of Signs, Signals and Symbols written by Dan Beard in 1918, there were "Indian" names for each month. For June, Native Americans called the full moon the "Strawberry Moon" because it signaled the time to harvest the ripening fruit.

There is a lot to do this time of the year and here's some things you should look for when spending those peaceful nights in the backcountry.

Note: The faintest magnitude, or level brightness, the naked eye can see is 6 and any number above requires

a help with binoculars or a telescope. The brightest magnitude regularly seen is -13 which is a full moon.

June 6th: Asteroids 1 Ceres and 4 Vesta continue to track next to each other across the starry backdrop of north-central Virgo. Vesta shines at magnitude 6.6 and Ceres at magnitude 7.9.

June 7th: The moon will pass within two degrees of Mars in the evening sky. The waxing gibbous moon will be at magnitude -12.2 and Mars will shine at magnitude -0.4, four times brighter than the 1st-magnitude star. Look for both objects high in the eastern sky just after sunset. The pair will be visible in the west later

on and will remain visible for six hours after sunset.

June 8th: Although Saturn reached its peak nearly a month ago, it remains a stunning sight. It is on display among the background stars of central Libra from nightfall until the start of morning twilight. You can find the planet in the southeast as darkness falls and high in the south around 11 p.m. local daylight time. Saturn shines brightly, at magnitude 0.2. The moon resides near Spica (brightest star in Virgo).

June 9th & 10th: The moon

hovers in the vicinity of Saturn and should be a great opportunity to capture the two together.

June 11th: The moon resides near Antares, a red supergiant in the Milky Way Galaxy.

June 12th: Full Moon will be at

10:11 pm, MDT.

Coming Up June 25th-29th: Rocky Mountain Star Stare in Westcliffe, CO (3 hours from Philmont). To reserve a spot go to <http://www.rmss.org/>

Information used was taken from Astronomy.com



Erin Irwin/Photographer

News and Photo Services photographers practice shooting stars, light paintings, and star trails near the base of the Tooth of Time with Michael Roytek, a BSA photographer.

PhilFlashback: Doctor Schley

Emet Ramirez-Blood
Staff Writer

Phillip "Foxy" Schley (pronounced "sly") is a surgeon at the Health Lodge Infirmary. He first came to Philmont in 1948

as a participant on a wagon train trek. It featured a combination of standard and cavalcade trek activities and lasted 21 days. The crew traveled from camp to camp with several horse-drawn wagons filled with supplies.

"It was grand," said Schley. "I couldn't believe the beauty of the country."

The story of how Schley gets his nickname "Foxy" illustrates his memorable presence here at camp.

In 1951, he came back to be on staff. In those days, staff would hike from staff-camp to staff-camp to share dinner and play a game of cards. One staff member, Shorty, ran the mule train from Crater Lake to Fish Camp, which was then called Rayado. Shorty hosted a regularly scheduled card game that well attended by staff.

One night while playing poker, Schley noticed Shorty was pulling cards from the discard pile. He asked if he was cheating to which Shorty replied, "why sure."

After a few more hands, Shorty spoke up. "You're pretty

foxy ain't you Schley?"

The nickname stuck and quickly spread around camp. Philip has gone by "Foxy" Phillip Schley ever since.

His rich history with the Ranch brings a certain level of awareness to the progression of Philmont.

Philmont was officially opened in 1938, but didn't attract a lot of attention until 1948 because of the World War II. There were about a thousand participants that year and when Schley returned to be on staff in 1951, there were about 7,000 participants.

"It was just a remarkable thing to be able to come to Philmont from time to time and say the Philmont grace and sing 'Silver on the Sage,'" said Schley.

In the last thirty years, he has brought three different groups of Scouts to Philmont.

"The main reason being, I wanted to come back to where I served on the staff," Schley said.

One would expect that with the amount of traffic Philmont brings in, that the land would become degraded over time. However, Schley believes well-maintained lands helps preserve nature's beauty.

"When I'm here at the health lodge, I'll go back up into the backcountry and it's the same as it was in 1951," Schley said. "No trace left behind really works."

His enthusiasm for Philmont staff and their positive impact on the participants and the Ranch goes further than the words he has spoken. It is a permanent feeling.

"You don't get over being a Philmont staffer it's just something that sticks with you from now on," Schley said.



Kaitlyn Chaballa/Photographer

Wanted: Whiskers



Erin Irwin/Photography Manager

“I’ve always had a beard but I’ve been growing the mustache for six months now.” -- Alan Brock

Emet Ramirez-Blood

Staff Writer

This week at Philmont, we’ve chosen the first of ten facial hair styles that will be covered each week as homage to the respectable ability of growing a beard.

This week’s style is known as the friendly mutton chops. It is a full beard with a few modifications: hair is cut from each corner of the mouth vertically, clearing to the chin and neck with a definitive line below the jaw.

This style allows a glorious display of beardage followed up

with an always alluring curled mustache that brings it all home to the original gentlemen.

Mutton chops were originally called sideburns, sideboards or side whiskers. They are patches of facial hair grown on the sides of the face, extending from the hairline to below the ears and worn with a unbearded chin.

The term sideburns is a 19th century corruption of the original burnside’s. It is named after the American Civil War General Ambrose Burnside, a man known for his unusual facial hairstyle that connected thick sideburns by way of

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moustache, but left the chin clean-shaven.

Burnsides became sideburns because of their location on the face and for the somewhat incompetent Burnside’s tendency to “get things the wrong way round.”

For next week’s feature, stop by the News and Photo office to show how crazy or historically correct can you shape your facial hair manliness.

Attention: If you are interested in being featured in the next

“Wanted: Whiskers” please stop by the PhilNews office in the News and Photo Services Building

Is it Really Raining?

Kyle Nutter

Staff Writer

Driving over changing elevation is like swimming in a lake. Temperature changes depending on height or depth. Shifting elevations expose drastic changes in temperature, making opposites easily comparable. This year, there has been a drastic change in the amount of precipitation that has fallen on northeastern New Mexico versus last year.

According to The Weather Channel, Cimarron, N.M. received 0.76 inches of rain in May 2014. Lately, dark clouds have hovered around the Cimarron Range. Rain has pelted Cimarron and Philmont Scout Ranch sporadically, occasionally freezing into hail.

Last year, during the month of May, 0.14 inches of precipitation fell according to the National Weather Service.

The recent rain has eased the immediate worry of wildfires. However, because Philmont experienced a below average snow and rainfall, the Ranch has placed fire restrictions on the property. These restrictions can be found in the 2014 Philmont staff schedule

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packet and PhilNews Banquet Issue.

Thunderstorms, which often accompany rainfall, can also be a problem for the area. If there is a lightning strike, a wildfire could ignite.

In June 2013, a lightning strike started the Whites Peak Fire. Philmont’s south country staff and participants were evacuated and relocated to other camps. Therefore, though rare, the threat of fire is ever present and Philmont staff should adhere to the fire restrictions and be on the lookout for smoke.

The first week of June will bring a change to the weather. The Weather Channel forecasts clear, sunny skies with a zero chance of rain. The temperature is predicted to be in 80s during the day and the 40s at night.

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who had been living in the Cimarron area, were moved to reservations and the Indian Affairs agency disbanded. This marked the end of an era in Native American relations in the Cimarron area.

However, while other ranches came and went, the Chase remained.

“The ranch is the consistent factor of our local history” said David Werhane, the museum director of Philmont Museum and Seton Memorial Library.

Even the two story adobe house that Theresa and Manly installed on the property remains. Cattle still graze those lands as often as they did a century ago. The apple trees

“However, while other ranches came and went, the Chase remained.”

still stand as well.

The legacy the Chase’s left behind will be augmented by Philmont’s leasing arrangement with the Chase Ranch Foundation.

In exchange for rights to use the property, Philmont will maintain structures and use the original house on the ranch as a historic home museum that Scouts can visit after being dropped off at the new Chase Turnaround.

Archbishop Celebrates 75th Birthday



Cassidy Johnson/Photographer

The Catholic Chapel waits for Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe Michael Sheehan to visit in August with the National Conference on Catholic Scouting on Sunday, June 1.

Dallas Elmore

Staff Writer

This summer, God's country will celebrate the 75th birthday and career of one of the most highest officials in the Catholic community.

Archbishop Michael Sheehan of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe, will tender his letter of resignation to Pope Francis after his 75th birthday.

His birthday and resignation will be marked by a celebration of his years of service not only to his diocese but to his committed relationship to the Boy Scouts of America and Philmont. Not only does his district cover Philmont, he

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has an active involvement with the Ranch.

For the past 21 years, Sheehan has attended the August National Conference of Catholic Scouters at the Philmont Training Center. The conference gathers the laity and clergy alike to discuss how Scouting

promotes good citizenship both in the community and the church.

The collection of Scouting's best at Philmont gives the archbishop a flock that few others can boast of.

"The Ranch takes youth from all over the country and puts them in [Sheehan's] archdiocese" said Father Gerald Gettelfinger, otherwise known as Padre.

In addition to conducting mass for the Catholic Scouting conference in his August visit, the archbishop has also spent time in the backcountry fly-fishing and hiking around the property, enjoying the same trails and streams the Scouts do.

"The spiritual dimension of each trek gives Scouts a chance to see God's creation in all its glory" said Sheehan. "I see [Philmont] as a wonderful opportunity for men and women to experience a wholesome lifestyle as opposed to sinful and selfish living."

The archbishop's favorite part of the Ranch is the welcome center. Seeing the bustle surrounding every visitor's first stop at Philmont reminds him that youth from around the country are willing to have an incredible experience in the outdoors.

He believes that Philmont

offers a tremendous opportunity for Scouts to experience the outdoors while developing wholesome and effective leadership talents that do justice to the Scout oath and law.

While performing the mass at Philmont, Sheehan also appreciates the deep reverence and attention to prayer that Scouts show attending the daily mass. Even in Santa Fe, the archbishop celebrates Boy Scout achievements by conducting a special presentation at the cathedral in June.

Once Sheehan has sent his letter of resignation to Pope Francis, a new archbishop will be appointed. Once his successor is chosen, hopefully by summer 2015, the archbishop will be released from his duties and allowed to retire.

After a lifetime of serving his church and community, he will make the short trip from his administrative base in Santa Fe to Albuquerque, where he will take up residence. After 50 years in the priesthood, it would seem Archbishop Sheehan would consider a break. However, like many who experience Philmont, the archbishop has other ideas for retirement than golfing.

"I plan to stay active in the Ranch" said Sheehan.

Stop Smoking: Risks and Rewards

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No matter what your age, your health will benefit almost immediately if you stop smoking.

Just 20 minutes after your last cigarette, your heart rate goes down. Twelve hours later, levels of carbon monoxide in your blood return to normal. Lung function improves and your circulation starts to get better within three months. After a year, your risk of having a heart attack because you smoked drops by half. And after five to 15 years, your stroke risk will be the same as that of a nonsmoker. If you've tried to stop smoking but failed, don't give up. Most smokers make many attempts to stop before they have long-term success. You're more likely to succeed by using:

- *Behavioral counseling* — This can help you develop the skills to stay away from tobacco over the long run. Your doctor may recommend local support groups or a counseling program. In addition, every state has at least one telephone quit line, which you can now access by calling 800-QUIT-NOW (800-

784-8669).

- *Medications* — These can help with withdrawal symptoms.

Due to recent reports about the side effects of drugs to help you stop smoking — including depression, agitation, unusual behavior and even suicidal thoughts — some people may be reluctant to use medications to help stop smoking. However, side effects of these medications are usually infrequent, minor and manageable, either by reducing doses or switching to another medication. If you think you're experiencing side effects, contact your doctor right away.

In contrast, the toll that continued smoking takes is severe. Smoking increases heart disease and stroke risk by two to four times, lung cancer risk by 13-23 times, risk of dying from other lung diseases by 12 to 13 times and increases the risk of bone loss and fractures. Risk of infection, slow wound healing, gum disease and other health problems are higher. Secondhand smoke raises the risk of health problems of those around you.

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However, the relatively brief life of the railroad does not lessen its importance. Its close work with the Continental Tie and Lumber Company and the relationship Schomburg's two companies enjoyed with the coal mines represent the kind of railroading that was typical of the American West.

Even Schomburg's financial work with the companies was ahead of his time. Using dual management, he was able to play the books of the companies against each other, funneling funds from the railroad to the logging company and vice versa.

This summer, Scouts will make the land ready for a railroad near the hundred-year-old tracks of the Cimarron and Northwestern Railway.

"We'll be working as section crew that maintained a piece of the track" said Kyle Soyer, a program counselor for Metcalf.

For Scouts, the Metcalf Station will present an opportunity to touch history where it was made from 1908 to 1930.

Once the timber stands in Ponil Canyon, and later the South

Ponil, were finished, it was no longer economically viable to maintain the line. Without the necessary demand for commuter service, the railroad was allowed to pass into history.

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Philmont Museum: Friendly Borders



Erin Irwin/Photographer

The “Partners On The Ponil: Crossing the Fence with High Adventure” exhibit details Philmont’s partnerships with neighboring lands.

Kyle Nutter
Staff Writer

Philmont thrives on partnerships with neighboring lands. The “Partners on the Ponil: Crossing the Fence with High Adventure” exhibit at the Philmont Museum features the history and current uses of bordering ranches and properties. These neighbors have worked with Philmont to ensure environmental stewardship, while offering thousands of acres for exploration and conservation work by the Boy Scouts of America.

Philmont is not new to these agreements. In 1964, Philmont partnered with the state of New Mexico, gaining access to the Elliot-Barker Wildlife Area. This was Philmont’s first “Ponil Partner.” Since then, five more partnerships have evolved, including Chase Ranch in 2013.

“Although, we’ve been using these properties, we realized it’s confusing,” said Dave Werhane, Director of Museums at Philmont. “Some don’t understand the value of the land, the rules and the benefits given back to

landowners.”

The exhibit helps to remove confusion and demonstrates the importance of these partnerships.

The agreement with each landholder is not without restrictions. Camping is not allowed on Ponil Ranch and Elliott Barker Wildlife Area. Hikers are only allowed on Ponil Ranch property between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. There are many other restrictions for each property, but these rules do not hinder both parties from benefiting by sharing the land.

In return for environmental stewardship, Philmont gains access to neighboring lands for treks.

“We abide by their rules and give back,” said Werhane.

Philmont crews build trails with techniques that minimize environmental damage. They conduct research and conserve the land by completing land management projects including fire rehab after the Ponil Complex Fire in 2002, watershed management and installation of wells. Philmont works with local landowners to improve the community and environment.

Chase Ranch is the newest “Ponil Partner.” Manly and Theresa Chase founded the ranch in 1869. In 2012, Gretchen Sammis, a great-granddaughter of Manly and Theresa,



Erin Irwin/Photographer

The Philmont Museum recently installed the “Partners On The Ponil: Crossing The Fence With High Adventure” exhibit, which details the past and present uses of each property.

started the Chase Ranch Foundation.

“It [the Chase Ranch Foundation] kept the land from being split up into smaller ranches,” said Alan Kelso, program counselor at the Chase Ranch Museum.

Philmont carries out the foundation’s goal to preserve the history, culture, and tradition of the southwest.

In the Valle Vidal, Philmont’s staffed camps offer services to the Carson National Forest.

“We act as eyes and ears for the forest service,” said Werhane. The staffed camps double as fire lookouts and quickly inform the forest service and Philmont of any wildfires.

The permitted use of neighboring lands allows Philmont to accommodate all the Scouts that wish to enjoy New Mexico. The lands connect existing Philmont property and neighboring lands that were previously difficult to access. Twenty percent of Philmont programs take place on neighboring properties, and 22 itineraries cross them.

The Philmont Museum features two other exhibits. The first is the “Philtown Rocky Mountain Scout Camp” exhibit that focuses on the early history of Philmont. This exhibit reveals the differences between hiking on the Ranch during its first year of operation versus now. Black and white photos chronicle the first trek, and a fun comparison of dated and modern backpacking equipment makes this exhibit interactive.

The attached Seton Memorial Library holds the artworks and writings of Ernest Thompson Seton. Seton co-founded the Boy Scouts of America. Currently, there is a new selection of his work displayed.

“There is a little bit of everything to get an idea of his talents,” said Werhane.

Seton studied animal behavior and cataloged his findings through drawings and paintings.

The Philmont Museum-Seton Memorial Library is a must-see for anyone heading into the backcountry.




Erin Irwin/Photographer

The “Partners On The Ponil: Crossing the Fence with High Adventure” exhibit features artifacts of the “Ponil Partners,” including guns, photographs, and china.

How Camps get Their Name: The South Edition

Philmont has a total of 35 backcountry camps. Like Philmont, each camp has a rich history and story behind it. The following is a summary of how each south backcountry camp got its name.

Scott Allen Staff Writer	<p>in term of campsites and crew loads and in the 1940s it was known as Rincon Bonito.</p> <p>Carson Meadows: The newest staff camp at Philmont, it has been a staffed camp since 2005. Carson Meadows is a search and rescue camp and is located near Abreu and Zastrow.</p> <p>Crater Lake: Waite Phillips used Crater Lake as a pack station for his trips to Rayado Lodge (Fish Camp). It has been a staff camp since 1947.</p> <p>Crooked Creek: Located just west of Porcupine Camp, it is one of two staff camps that cannot be reached by vehicle. It is named Crooked Creek because it lies next to an area of the Rayado Creek that bends.</p> <p>Fish Camp: Was the site of Waite Phillips fishing lodge-- called the Rayado lodge. In 1908, a cabin was built by George H. Webster (for which Webster Pass is named after) for his Urraca Ranch, but it wasn't until Phillips arrived that Fish</p>	<p>Camp acquire its status.</p> <p>Miners Park: Once served as a meadow that was used as a Sunday gathering spot for miners and their families in this area, this camp has been run by staff since 1966.</p> <p>Phillips Junction Commissary: Was referred to as Porkado in the late 1960's and has been a commissary since 1974. It changed names to Phillips Junction in 1975 and is commonly referred to as PJ. For many years, burros were used to haul food from PJ to Apache Springs, Clear Creek and Fish Camp. In 1989, an experiment using llamas to make food runs was conducted, but was switched back to burros the following year.</p> <p>Rayado: Located on the first permanent settlement of the Beaubien-Miranda Land Grant. It was the site picked by Lucien Maxwell the late 1840's and Kit Carson lived here from 1849-1851. Rayado currently means "striped" in Spanish, but formerly meant "line"-- as in boundary line. It was used as a base</p>		<p>The old Abreu lodge in 1952.</p> <p>camp in 1947 and at the time was called Carson-Maxwell or Car-Max.</p> <p>Urraca: Spanish for "magpie", a large black and white bird that is frequently seen around the area. It became a staff camp in 1969 and has featured astronomy, rock climbing, bow hunting, survival and search and rescue</p> <p>before becoming a challenge course camp.</p> <p>Zastrow: Chosen for Paul Zastrow, a Russian immigrant who settled on 600 acres west of the Abreu home (Rayado Camp) in the 1910's, it was one of the first places where Wood Badge courses were offered.</p>
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Chicken Fajita Pizza

- Ingredients**
- 1 packet of Taco seasoning or Fajita seasoning
 - 1 lb. (2) boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cut into 1/2-inch pieces
 - 1 packet of pizza crust dough
 - 1 can of tomato paste
 - 1 diced tomato
 - 2 cups Cheddar and/or Mozzarella Cheese
 - 1/2 cup chopped bell pepper
 - 1 15 oz. can black beans, drained
 - 1/2 onion, cut into thin slices
 - Sour cream, optional

- Directions**
1. Prepare pizza dough according to directions on package. While the dough is rising, follow directions on seasoning packet to prepare chicken.
 2. Place crust on baking sheet or pizza pan. Spread tomato paste over crust; top with chicken, cheese, tomato, bell pepper, black beans and red onion.
 3. Bake in preheated 400°F oven 15 minutes, or until cheese is melted. Serve with sour cream, if desired.

Recipe adapted from thecomfortofcooking.com

Backcountry Apple Pie

- Ingredients**
- 5 Granny Smith apples, peeled and sliced
 - ½ c. firmly packed brown sugar
 - ½ c. sugar
 - 2 tbsp. all-purpose flour
 - ¼ tsp. salt
 - ½ tsp. cinnamon
 - Juice of ½ lemon
 - 1 pie crust
 - 6 tbsp. butter
 - 1 c. graham cracker crumbs

- Directions**
1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees F.
 2. In large bowl, stir together the apples, brown sugar, sugar, flour, salt, cinnamon and lemon juice. Set aside.
 3. With a rolling pin, roll out the pie crust in a large circle. Be sure to roll the dough from the center outward. Place the dough into a pie plate.
 4. Place the apple mixture on crust. Cut 2 tbsp. of butter into smaller pieces and distribute throughout the pie.
 5. Melt the remaining 4 tbsp. of butter. Pour over graham crack crumbs and mix until crumbs are slightly moistened. Sprinkle crumbs over the top of the pie.
 6. Bake until the filling is golden and bubbly, 30 to 40 minutes. If the graham cracker crumbs appear to brown too quickly, cover the top with aluminum foil for the remaining baking time.
 7. Allow pie to cool. Drizzle with caramel sauce before serving.

US News

Wisconsin girls charged with 'Slenderman' stabbing

Two 12-year-old girls in the US state of Wisconsin have been accused of stabbing a classmate in order to please an online fictional character.

Morgan Geyser and Anissa Weier have been charged with attempted murder and face up to 65 years in prison.

The unnamed victim was stabbed 19 times on Saturday and left in the woods.

The girls reportedly planned the crime to demonstrate dedication to Slenderman, a character who appears in stories on the website Creepypasta.

The victim, 12, was reportedly found by a cyclist on Saturday after crawling from the woods with stab wounds to her arms, legs and torso.

She was said to be in stable condition as of Monday evening, local media reported.

Both suspects were later found walking near a local highway, and a knife was found in one of the girls' backpacks, police said.

US army chief Dempsey: Bowe Bergdahl could be prosecuted

The top-ranking US military officer has raised the possibility Sgt Bowe Bergdahl could be prosecuted if he abandoned his post before his capture.

Gen Martin Dempsey said the Army would not ignore misconduct but the 28-year-old was "innocent until proven guilty".

Sgt Bergdahl was released on Saturday after five years in Taliban captivity.

US President Barack Obama has defended the decision to free five senior Taliban leaders as part of the deal, amid criticism it puts lives at risk.

Addressing the accusation from Sgt Bergdahl's fellow soldiers that he deserted his post before capture, Mr Obama said the US had a "pretty sacred rule" not to leave soldiers behind.

"We don't leave our men or women in uniform behind and that dates back to the earliest days," Mr Obama said at a news conference in Warsaw.

US to consider drone licences for film and TV

US authorities have said they are considering allowing the film and television industries to use drones.

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) said there could be "tangible economic benefits", but cautioned safety hazards must be "mitigated".

Seven aerial video and photography firms have petitioned the FAA for exemptions to the agency's current ban on commercial drone use.

The FAA did not set a timeline for determining the exemptions.

Businesses have been pushing hard for permission to use drones, which are much less expensive to run than manned aircraft.

But the FAA has been cautious, arguing that the US has some of the busiest airspace in the world.

It wants to be sure that drones can be integrated with existing commercial and military traffic.

Hope fades for climbers missing on US Mount Rainier

Hopes are fading for six climbers who have gone missing on Mount Rainier in the north-western US state of Washington.

A Mount Rainier National Park spokeswoman said camping gear had been found and distress signals heard from the group's avalanche beacons.

She said there was little chance for survival.

The group, from Seattle's Alpine Ascents International, was last heard from on Wednesday.

There were two guides and four clients in the party, which began a five-day expedition last Monday.

The park spokeswoman, Fawn Bauer, told Reuters the camping gear was found more than 3,000ft (900m) below the group's last known position and the group may have been caught in an avalanche.

"We don't believe there was a viable chance for survival," she said.

The search effort has been suspended.

US alarm at growing number of illegal child migrants

President Barack Obama has described the growing influx of unaccompanied children migrating to the United States as an "urgent humanitarian situation".

Latest estimates say as many as 60,000 children, mostly from Central America and Mexico, will enter the US illegally this year.

The White House has asked Congress for an extra \$1.4bn (£836m) to cope with the situation.

It said the US would temporarily house the children at two military bases.

More than 90% of children caught trying to cross the Mexico-US border without parents come from Honduras, Guatemala and El Salvador.

Many are escaping domestic abuse or the violent gangs that prey on them.

Others are driven by poverty in their home countries.

In the US, many of the children hope to reunite with a parent or other relatives.

World News

'Dozens killed' in Boko Haram attack on Nigeria villages

Boko Haram militants have killed dozens of people in fresh attacks on villages in Borno state in northern Nigeria, the BBC has learnt.

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Pakistan MQM leader Altaf Hussain arrested in London

Police in London have arrested the leader of Pakistan's powerful MQM party, Altaf Hussain, on suspicion of money-laundering.

Officers are searching a residential address in north-west London where they say a 60-year-old man was detained.

Mr Hussain has lived in the UK since 1991, saying his life would be at risk if he returned to Pakistan.

His party, which controls Karachi, has urged supporters to stay calm amid outbreaks of violence there.

The British and Pakistani authorities have in the past expressed concerns that any arrest of Altaf Hussain could lead to violent protests in Karachi.

Shootings have been reported from some parts of Pakistan's largest city, which BBC correspondents say is tense.

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Syria election: Assad win expected amid civil war

Syria has held a presidential election in government-held areas, amid heightened security.

President Bashar al-Assad is widely expected to win a third seven-year term in office.

However, critics of the Syrian government have denounced the election as a farce.

Syria is three years into a civil war in which tens of thousands of people have died and millions more have been displaced.

Polls closed at midnight (21:00 GMT) after state media said voting had been extended for several hours because of a high turnout.

Analysts say Syrian officials have gone to great lengths to present the vote as a way to resolve the crisis.

This is the first time in decades that more than one name - just a member of the Assad family - has appeared on the ballot paper.

Beijing tense on Tiananmen massacre anniversary

Chinese security personnel have swamped Beijing's Tiananmen Square on the 25th anniversary of the Beijing massacre.

Foreign journalists were ushered away from the square and passers-by were searched and had their papers checked.

In recent weeks, the authorities have detained dozens of activists to ensure their silence on the anniversary.

The 1989 protesters wanted political reform, but the crackdown was ordered after hardliners won a power struggle within the ruling Communist Party.

The authorities classify the 1989 protests as counter-revolutionary riots and hold no memorial.

In Hong Kong, however, thousands are expected to take part in a Tiananmen remembrance rally.

Entertainment

Casey Kasem hospitalized as feud between wife, daughter continues

The bitter family dispute over the care of renowned radio announcer Casey Kasem got more bizarre Sunday.

Before paramedics wheeled Kasem to an ambulance, his wife, Jean, threw a hunk of meat at one of his daughters who had come to accompany her father to the hospital, officials said Monday.

It is the latest incident in the feud between Kerri Kasem and Jean Kasem, who has been married to the former host of "American Top 40" and "Casey's Top 40" since 1980, over who should decide his medical care.

'Missing' Casey Kasem spotted in Seattle 'Missing' Casey Kasem spotted in Seattle Kasem's daughter: We want our dad back

Casey Kasem has Lewy body disease, the most common type of progressive dementia after Alzheimer's. He is in stable condition at a medical facility in Washington, according to a representative for Kerri Kasem.

Brad Pitt speaks out on attacker

Brad Pitt has a warning for his accused attacker, Vitalii Sediuk: "If he tries to look up a woman's dress again, he's going to get stomped."

Brad Pitt's Red Carpet Crasher's history

That's what the actor said on Monday in a statement released to People magazine, referring to the former Ukrainian TV reporter who has had two recent run-ins with actors at red carpet events. On May 28, Sediuk jumped the rope on the red carpet at the "Maleficent" movie premiere and attacked Pitt. Earlier that month, Sediuk went after actress America Ferrera, jumping under her dress on the Cannes Film Festival red carpet.

That incident resulted in his being fired from his position with Ukrainian television channel 1+1, and Sediuk was later charged with one count of battery, one count of assault and two violations of the Los Angeles municipal code following his altercation with Pitt.

Copyright infringement suit filed against Led Zeppelin for 'Stairway to Heaven'

A lawsuit has been filed claiming that the iconic Led Zeppelin song "Stairway to Heaven" was far from original.

The suit, filed on May 31 in the United States District Court Eastern District of Pennsylvania, was brought by the estate of the late musician Randy California against the surviving members of Led Zeppelin and their record label. The copyright infringement case alleges that the Zeppelin song was taken from the single "Taurus" by the 1960s band Spirit, for whom California served as lead guitarist.

"Late in 1968, a then new band named Led Zeppelin began touring in the United States, opening for Spirit," the suit states. "It was during this time that Jimmy Page, Led Zeppelin's guitarist, grew familiar with 'Taurus' and the rest of Spirit's catalog. Page stated in interviews that he found Spirit to be 'very good' and that the band's performances struck him 'on an emotional level.'"

'Homeland' recruits two actors for season 4, including 'House of Cards' alum

Showtime is sharing a few pieces of intel about "Homeland." Two new roles have been cast for the upcoming fourth season.

Corey Stoll — who earned a Golden Globe nomination for his role on "House of Cards" and whose credits include "The Normal Heart" and "Midnight in Paris" — will guest-star as Sandy Bachman, the CIA chief of station in Pakistan who's a rising star within the agency. The number of episodes Stoll will appear in is being kept under wraps.

In addition, Laila Robins will join the cast as a series regular in the role of Martha Boyd, U.S. ambassador to Pakistan. Martha is described as "professional and put together, with a ship-to-ship voice and the personality to match." Robins, who appeared in multiple episodes of "Bored to Death," "Law & Order," and "The Sopranos," also starred in the big-screen comedy "Planes, Trains, & Automobiles."

Miranda Lambert's 'Platinum' shines

The world of country is Miranda Lambert's oyster - for this week, anyway.

The country superstar released her new album "Platinum" on Tuesday to glowing reviews, and is poised to have a very big night at the CMT Music Awards on Wednesday, where she holds the most nominations.

But in case anyone thinks that Lambert's success has gone to her head, the 30-year-old singer-songwriter is quick to clarify that "Platinum" isn't about her chart dominance - it's a lifestyle.

"When you're in the industry and you hear 'platinum' you think platinum album. But platinum is a lot of things: it's hair, it's diamonds and platinum, it's Bud Light Platinum, it's the color of an Airstream," Lambert explained to Billboard. "So I hope that other people don't look at that title and think, 'oh my God, she's thinking her album's gonna be platinum.'"

Sports

Spurs' Parker plans to play in NBA finals game 1

Tony Parker plans to play in Game 1 of the NBA Finals.

The San Antonio Spurs open their rematch with the Miami Heat on Thursday, and their star point guard is nursing a balky left ankle.

"He's getting better every day, and I expect him to play," coach Gregg Popovich said Tuesday.

Parker aggravated the injury Saturday, missing the second half of San Antonio's series-clinching victory over Oklahoma City in the Western Conference finals.

Parker didn't practice Tuesday, but said he expects to be back Wednesday.

Parker is averaging a team-leading 17.2 points and 4.9 assists this postseason but has been bothered by injuries the past two rounds.

New York vs. LA can be as big as it gets

The last time New York and Los Angeles teams met in a big championship final, the Dodgers found themselves up against a pitcher who had undergone Tommy John surgery.

How long has it been? Well, here's a clue: The lefty on the mound was Tommy John himself.

Thirty three years after the Dodgers won a World Series against John and the Yankees, L.A. and New York finally meet again. This time it's on the ice, with the teams from the country's two biggest cities squaring off in the Stanley Cup final.

It may not bring thoughts back of Willis Reed limping onto the court, willing his team to a win in Game 7 of the 1970 NBA Finals. Or Reggie Jackson hitting three home runs in one game in 1977 as the Yankees beat the Dodgers.

Abreu homers again in Chisox win over Dodgers

After 19 consecutive starts without a victory, Hector Noesi finally got one against the struggling Los Angeles Dodgers. And his teammates were just as happy as he was to see the drought end.

Jose Abreu homered for the second straight game after coming off the disabled list, and Tyler Flowers also went deep to lead the Chicago White Sox to a 4-1 victory on Tuesday night.

"It was good for Hector to get that off his back, and hopefully it just keeps going for him," manager Robin Ventura said. "You're happy for him with everything he's been through this year - being on a bunch of teams. And pitching the way he did tonight was a little icing on the cake. For him to go through a lineup like that was impressive."

Brewers lost to Twins, game delayed after fan fall

Trying to rally past the Minnesota Twins became of little concern to the Milwaukee Brewers after a fan fell into their bullpen Tuesday night.

The man was motionless for some nervous moments, and reliever Brandon Kintzler thought the fan had died.

Medical personnel rushed to the scene and the man regained consciousness before being carted off on a stretcher, delaying the start of the eighth inning of the Brewers' 6-4 loss to Minnesota.

"He didn't move for a few minutes. I thought he was dead," Kintzler said.

The fan fell before he started warming up to enter the game, and Kintzler had to take his practice tosses with paramedics and security still in the bullpen.

Florida beats Alabama 6-3 to win national title

Florida coach Tim Walton took a chance, and it paid off and helped Florida win its first NCAA softball championship.

Walton chose not to start ace pitcher Hannah Rogers, but she entered the game in the sixth inning after Lauren Haeger and freshman Delanie Gourley handed her a lead. Rogers gave up one run in two innings and earned the save as the Gators defeated Alabama 6-3 on Tuesday night to sweep the best-of-three championship series.

Walton told Haeger Monday night that she would start Tuesday, and Walton said he didn't sleep well afterward because Rogers had been nearly untouchable during postseason play. He still thought the decision made sense because he felt depth was important in a best-of-three series, and he was confident in the rest of his staff.

Technology

Batman becomes latest 'blockbuster' game to suffer delays

The release date for the latest Batman video game, Arkham Knight, has been delayed until the beginning of 2015.

The adventure, which is the third in a series, was initially scheduled to go on sale for PlayStation 4, Xbox One and Windows PC platforms later this year.

The postponement follows a spate of delays to other high-profile games, including Dying Light, Mad Max, Quantum Break and The Order: 1886.

They are all "next gen" games, which use the most complex visual effects.

Mark Ward, a spokesman for Warner Bros Games - which owns the London-based developers of Batman, Rocksteady - said the decision to "extend the development of the game" was taken "to ensure that the trilogy gets the epic conclusion that Batman fans want and deserve".

Pixar to give away 'Toy Story' 3D RenderMan software

The 3D rendering software behind films such as Toy Story, Monsters Inc and Harry Potter is to be given away free for non-commercial use.

RenderMan, which is developed by Pixar, has faced increased competition from rival animation rendering programmes such as V-Ray and Arnold.

Although Pixar, which is owned by Disney, produces its own films, it licenses RenderMan to rival studios.

The company has also cut the price of its software for commercial use.

Anyone with an interest in computer graphics will have free access to a state-of-the-art renderer

In a statement, the firm said it would release a free version of RenderMan "without any functional limitations, watermarking, or time restrictions".

Apple takes on Dropbox and WhatsApp with integrated apps

Apple has taken on Dropbox and WhatsApp with a series of software upgrades that mimic the rival apps' services.

At its annual conference for software developers, the firm unveiled iCloud Drive, an internet-based storage app, which works on Apple systems and PCs.

In an effort to keep customers using all its technologies, Apple improved integration for calls and messages across its devices.

It also unveiled new mobile and desktop operating systems.

Apple's iMessage app was given extra features, some of which are similar to rival service WhatsApp, recently acquired by Facebook for \$19bn (£11.3bn).

Users will be able to easily create and modify group messages, send voice clips with a single swipe, and even create and exchange short video clips.

The ability to send and receive text messages across all Apple devices was also introduced.

Russian Evgeniy Bogachev sought over cybercrime botnet

The US has charged a Russian man with being behind a major cybercrime operation that affected individuals and businesses worldwide.

Evgeniy Bogachev, said to be known as "lucky12345" and "slavik", is accused of being involved in attacks on more than a million computers.

The charges came as authorities seized control of a botnet used to steal personal and financial data.

Computer users were urged to run checks to protect themselves from the threat.

In a press conference held on Monday, the US Department of Justice said it believed Mr Bogachev was last known to be residing in Anapa, Russia.

Cooperation with Russian authorities had been "productive", a spokesman added.

In an entry added to the FBI's Cyber Most Wanted list, it stated: "He is known to enjoy boating and may travel to locations along the Black Sea in his boat."

Apple warms to apps using virtual currencies

Apps accepting payments made with virtual currencies, such as Bitcoin, could soon appear in Apple's app store.

The firm has changed its policy for apps to allow software developers to use "approved virtual currencies".

Apple has yet to publish a list of which virtual currencies it considers to be "approved".

Many have taken this to mean that the Bitcoin cyber-cash system will soon be included in Apple apps as it is the most widely used virtual currency.

The policy change marks a significant shift for Apple, which before now has been aggressive in its policing of apps that use virtual currencies.

In late 2013 and early 2014 Apple took action against apps that used virtual cash even though many of the programs had been available on the store for months. Some apps removed virtual currency code from their program so they could stay on the store but others were forced out altogether.

Health

Mers virus: Saudi Arabia raises death toll to 282

Saudi Arabia says 282 people are now confirmed to have been killed by the Mers virus, almost 100 more than initially thought.

The increase came after a national review of hospital data from the time the virus emerged in 2012.

The deputy health minister, who has been criticised for his handling of the crisis, was sacked on Monday.

Cases of the virus, for which there is no known cure, have been confirmed in almost a dozen other countries.

Saudi authorities said there had now been 688 confirmed Mers (Middle East Respiratory Syndrome) infections in the kingdom. Before the revision the number of cases was believed to be 575.

'Millions denied end-of-life drugs'

Lack of access to pain relief for dying patients is a "public health emergency", say experts.

Figures suggest almost 18 million people - mainly in developing countries - died in unnecessary pain in 2012.

In Ethiopia, there are reports of cancer patients throwing themselves in front of trucks to escape pain.

The Worldwide Palliative Care Alliance says part of the problem is the refusal of governments to give patients access to painkillers such as morphine.

It says restrictions are in place because of exaggerated fears about the risk of addiction.

Last month, health officials from almost 200 countries met at the UN and pledged to make palliative care a higher priority.

This is the first time the specialty has been recognised in this way and championed by the World Health Organization (WHO).

UK employees leave Sierra Leone over Ebola threat

A number of "non-essential" staff at a British firm in Sierra Leone have left the country following an outbreak of the deadly Ebola virus.

London Mining has restricted some travel to the area but said production at its Marampa mine was unaffected.

It said it was working with local and international agencies to monitor the situation.

The incurable and highly contagious disease was reported in the west African country last week.

There are already about 50 suspected cases in Sierra Leone and five people have died. There have been more than 100 deaths in neighbouring Guinea where the outbreak started, with cases also reported in Liberia earlier this year.

Skin cancer trial results 'exciting'

The results of two international trials against advanced skin cancer have been hailed as "exciting and striking".

Both treatments, for advanced melanoma, are designed to enable the immune system to recognise and target tumours.

The findings were released at the American Society of Clinical Oncology conference in Chicago.

The experimental drugs, pembrolizumab and nivolumab, block the biological pathway cancers use to disguise themselves from the immune system.

Advanced melanoma - skin cancer which has spread to other organs - has proved very hard to treat.

Until a few years ago average survival was around six months.

Smoking and breast cancer gene combine 'to raise risk'

Smoking and the breast cancer risk gene BRCA2 combine to "enormously" increase the chance of developing lung cancer, a study of 27,000 people has suggested.

The research, published in the journal Nature, found the gene could double the likelihood of getting lung cancer.

And some men and women faced a far greater risk, a team at the Institute of Cancer Research in London said.

Cancer Research UK suggested drugs targeted at breast cancer may work in some lung cancers.

The links between variants of the BRCA genes and breast cancer are well established - a diagnosis led Hollywood actress Angelina Jolie to have a preventative double mastectomy - but it has also been linked with an increased risk of other cancers affecting women such as ovarian cancer and prostate cancer in men.

Environment/Science

Minister attacks myth of girls' jobs and boys' jobs

A minister is set to challenge a "persistent and debilitating myth that girls don't do science".

"No student should feel restricted by their gender", Jenny Willott, Women and Equalities Minister is expected to say.

She will be speaking at the launch of a project to "stamp out gender bias" in schools and get more girls to study maths and sciences at A-level.

"There really is no such thing as jobs for boys and jobs for girls", Ms Willott will argue.

The project, Opening Doors, follows a report from the Institute of Physics (IoP) last December which suggested almost half (49%) of state schools are "reinforcing gender stereotypes" in terms of the subjects students study at A-level.

The plan is to send young female scientists and engineers, working in industry or in universities, into schools to describe their careers and inspire other young women to follow in their footsteps.

Koalas hug trees to lose heat

Hugging trees helps koalas to keep cool, a study has revealed.

In a study published in the Royal Society journal Biology Letters, scientists used thermal cameras to reveal that, in hotter weather, the animals moved to the lower, cooler parts of the trees.

They also pressed their bodies even closer to the trunks.

The team, led by researchers from the University of Melbourne, was studying how koalas regulated their temperature.

This is part of a wider research project investigating the effect of climate on land-dwelling animals in Australia, a country which experienced an extreme heat wave earlier this year.

Briscoe was studying the koalas' behaviour, she noticed that in the winter the animals would stay high in the trees - up near the leaves feeding.

In the hotter summer weather though, they would move down.

Dr Michael Kearney from the University of Melbourne explained: "They'd just flop over the [lower] tree trunks.

Dungeness B nuclear plant operator wants safety limit raised

A key safety limit at one of Britain's nuclear power stations is being raised to allow the life of the reactor to be extended, the BBC has learned.

The regulator has agreed to increase the amount of weight graphite bricks at the core of the reactor at Dungeness B in Kent will be allowed to lose.

The bricks, which degrade over time due to radiation, are vital for safety.

The Office for Nuclear Regulation said it was a "robust" body but one expert accused it of "moving the goalposts".

The nuclear reactor at Dungeness B would have breached the safety margin within months which could have forced the Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR) to prosecute or even shut it down.

The safety margins cover thousands of graphite bricks at the core of Britain's 14 elderly Advanced Gas-cooled Reactors (AGRs).

Autism linked to 'male hormones'

Exposure to high levels of "male" hormones in the womb increases the chance of a baby boy developing autism, according to researchers.

The University of Cambridge researchers say their findings from more than 300 boys help unravel the causes of autism - a condition that affects both sexes but is far more common in males.

But they say it does not mean a prenatal test for autism is near.

Nor will it necessarily be possible to stop autism by blocking the hormones.

Because some of these hormones are produced in much higher quantities in males than in females, this may help us explain why autism is more common in males"

The hormones in question - testosterone and three other steroid hormones - were important for foetal development, which meant it could be too risky to block them, they told the journal Molecular Psychiatry.

Airbus drops model 'space jet'

Airbus has released pictures of the recent "drop test" it conducted for its spaceplane concept.

The one-quarter-scale demonstrator was released from a height of 3,000m to learn more about how a real vehicle might behave as it returned to Earth.

The Airbus project has been on a slow burn since being announced in 2007.

If it were ever to go into production, the plane would be aimed at the tourism market, to take passengers on short hops above the atmosphere.

The drop test took place in May, just off the coast of Singapore and was supported by the Singapore Economic Development Board.

It involved a helicopter lifting the model off a barge and then carrying it aloft.

On release, the demonstrator descended under the control of a remote pilot based back on the support vessel.

Business

Australia beats growth forecast

Australia's economy grew more than forecast in the first three months of the year, boosted by a rise in exports and domestic consumption.

Growth was 1.1% in the January-to-March period, from the previous quarter. Most analysts had forecast growth of 0.9%.

The annual growth rate was 3.5% - the highest in nearly two years.

However, some analysts said the figures indicated that Australia's economy was still too heavily reliant on the mining sector - which has been a concern.

Mining accounted for around 80% of growth in the quarter, according to the figures by the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

On Tuesday, the Reserve Bank of Australia left its interest rate unchanged at a record low of 2.5%.

US seeks fresh China solar tariffs

The US has proposed higher and more extensive tariffs on Chinese solar panels.

The Department of Commerce said it plans to impose duties of between 18.56% to 35.21%. That is much higher than the tariffs announced in 2012.

The duties will be levied on solar panels and the cells used to make them. Previously they covered just the cells.

The US has said that import duties will help offset the subsidies given by China to solar panel makers.

China is the world's biggest maker of solar panels. But US manufacturers have alleged that government subsidies have helped Chinese manufacturers flood the US market with cheap goods, hurting US companies.

They have argued that higher tariffs would ensure a level playing field for all.

US car makers report strong sales figures for May

US car makers reported strong sales figures for May, helped by five sunny weekends in parts of the nation.

Chrysler said sales were up 17%, driven by its Jeep brand which saw sales jump 58% after it introduced new models.

General Motors reported a 12.6% rise in sales compared with the same period last year.

Ford posted a better-than-expected 3% increase in sales, helped by increasing demand for sports utility vehicles (SUVs) as well as its Fusion sedan.

Ford saw its truck sales drop 4% as it cut back on incentives in preparation for the launch of its new F-150 pick-up truck, which is the best-selling vehicle in North America.

Ford also said it was shutting down some truck plants for a total of 13 weeks in an effort to plan for the launch.

Tesco reports sharp fall in sales

Tesco has reported a third consecutive quarter of falling sales as the UK's largest supermarket chain faces increasing competition from rivals.

For the three months to 24 May, the supermarket said like-for-like UK sales including VAT and excluding petrol fell by 3.7%.

Chief executive Philip Clarke said trading would remain challenging "throughout the coming quarters".

Tesco reported a 6% fall in annual profits in April.

Tesco has faced intense competition from discount rivals including Aldi and Lidl as well as from more upmarket retailers such as Waitrose.

Industry figures continue to show the UK's largest supermarket suffering a decline in its share of the grocery market.

Mexico's Pemex sells majority of its Repsol stake

Mexico's state-owned oil giant Pemex has sold the majority of its stake in Spanish energy firm Repsol for approximately 2.2bn euros (\$3bn; £1.8bn).

Pemex has been a shareholder in Repsol for more than 25 years.

But the relationship has been under pressure since 2011 when Pemex backed a failed bid by Spanish construction group Sacyr to take control of Repsol.

And recently Repsol appointed a chief executive not supported by Pemex.

Pemex, which is Repsol's third-biggest shareholder, sold 104 million shares, or 7.9% of Repsol's total market share.

The sale was revealed in a regulatory filing by Repsol.

Mexican President Enrique Pena Nieto is due to make his first official visit to Spain next week.

State Capitals Part One

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Annapolis	Boston	Hartford	Juneau	Sacramento
Atlanta	Denver	Honolulu	Lansing	Saint Paul
Augusta	Des Moines	Indianapolis	Little Rock	Springfield
Baton Rouge	Dover	Jackson	Montgomery	Tallahassee
Boise	Frankfort	Jefferson City	Phoenix	Topeka

State Capitals Part Two

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Albany	Cheyenne	Helena	Oklahoma City	Richmond
Austin	Columbia	Lincoln	Olympia	Salem
Bismark	Columbus	Madison	Pierre	Salt Lake City
Carson City	Concord	Montpelier	Providence	Santa Fe
Charleston	Harrisburg	Nashville	Raleigh	Trenton

Star Wars

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Amidala	Dark side	Emperor	Lucas	Rebellion
Battleships	Darth Maul	Han Solo	Naboo	Skywalker
Chewbacca	Darth Vader	Jabba	Obi-Wan	Tatooine
Chosen one	Death Star	Jedi	Princess Leia	The force
Clone Wars	Droids	Lightsaber	Qui-Gon	Yoda

Lord of the Rings

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