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DELIVERING WILDERNESS ADVENTURES THAT LAST A LIFETIME

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Have a thought, story, comic, drawing, photo or idea that you'd like to share with the Philmont community? The PhilNews welcomes submissions and letters to the editor. Feel free to I-Camp your submission to the PhilNews or drop it by the NPS office. Please remember that all submissions must include your name and location! For a submission to be considered for the next issue, please have it to us by Sunday at 5:00 PM. **All submissions become property of Philmont Scout Ranch.**

## MARK'S MINUTE

### Are we LISTENING?

#### Listening is ...

Listening is ... the ultimate mark of *Respect*.  
Listening is ... the heart and soul of *Engagement*.  
Listening is ... the heart and soul of *Kindness*.  
Listening is ... the heart and soul of *Thoughtfulness*.  
Listening is ... the basis for true *Collaboration*.  
Listening is ... the basis for true *Partnership*.  
Listening is ... a *Team Sport*.  
Listening is ... a *Developable Individual Skill*.  
Listening is ... the basis for *Community*.  
Listening is ... the bedrock of *Joint Ventures that work*.  
Listening is ... the bedrock of *Joint Ventures that last*.  
Listening is ... the core of *effective Cross-functional Communication*.  
Listening is ... the engine of *superior Execution*.  
Listening is ... the key to **Customer Service**.  
Listening is ... the key to *Learning*.  
Listening is ... the *sine qua non* of *Renewal*.  
Listening is ... the *sine qua non* of *Creativity*.  
Listening is ... the *sine qua non* of *Innovation*.  
Listening is ... *Strategy*.  
Listening is ... *Source #1* of "Value-added."  
Listening is ... the basis of *Relationships*.

**Listening underpins ... Commitment to EXCELLENCE.**

These words come from the book "The Little Big Things" by Tom Peters.

I encourage you to find a quiet place and read through the list. Stop and reflect on the message related in each line.

Each of us needs to focus on the importance of listening at all of its levels. We need to know the difference between **listening** and **hearing**. Each of us needs to take the next step and commit ourselves to becoming better more effective listeners.

#### Listening is ...

Mark Anderson  
Director of Program

**Announcement:** During the Shining Light Ceremony (a celebration of 100 years of Scouting in America) at the Baldy Pavilion tomorrow, Saturday, July 31, 2010, the wireless will be turned off from 5:00 PM until the end of the ceremony.

Regards from IT Staff,  
Michael Johnson



## OWEN'S SECTION

### PRO-SCOUTING INTEREST RECEPTION

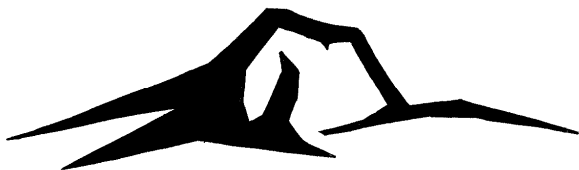
The Boy Scouts of America is the largest youth organization in the world, serving almost 4 million youth and adult volunteers through a network of local councils in every state in America. Volunteers and programs are supported by over 300 councils operating as part of the Boy Scouts of America, and each one hires a team of professional and support staff.

In a local council there is a position called the District Executive. This is a full-time position hired by the council to support the volunteers and programs within a geographic area of the council known as a district. The District Executive is the person the community in that district has to help support their Scouting programs through helping to organize their membership recruitment, fundraising, volunteer recruitment and training, and program support.

The Boy Scouts of America is looking for individuals who may be interested in a profession with a purpose; this is the District Executive. Starting salary begins at around \$30,000 per year plus benefits, and raises are earned annually based on performance. You must have a 4-year college degree, and either be a US Citizen, or have declared your intent to become a citizen. Within the Scouting program there are a wide variety of career paths, and employees with tenure are valued.

On Monday, August 2, 6:30 PM, there is a reception being held at the Villa Philmonte Gallery Room for individuals who are interested in learning more about Professional Scouting. Joining the reception are several Scout Executives who are the CEO's for local councils, as well as representatives from the regional and national offices of the Boy Scouts of America to answer questions about professional Scouting.

If you are interested in attending the reception or want to learn more about professional Scouting, contact Owen McCulloch at Camping Headquarters, 575-376-1131 (office) or 575-447-2115 (mobile), or I-Camp your name and department. Be sure to contact Owen if you are interested in attending the reception so you will receive an invitation.



### A WORD FROM WATSON

For most of us Philmont is more than just a job. It's also the chance for us to indulge in our favorite hobbies and get paid for it. So what types of hobbies to staff get to practice here at Philmont?

Most of us could come up with hiking and camping. But what about bird watching and astronomy? I know of several people working on quilts. And I personally have been collecting stamps, coins and patches all summer long.

Reading is another wide-spread hobby. I think every staff camp has at least one voracious reader. I know Bin at Baldy Town does something with yarn and needles-I'm not really sure what it is, but with those sharp needles I'm going to guess knitting.

So let me suggest that if you still haven't found anything else to do and you're bored just sitting around base camp, try something different. Ask your Phil-Friends what they hobbies they have and try something new. And of course, if nothing else interests you, take a hike!



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## Staff Wilderness Pledge *Guía*

Philmont Scout Ranch is a magnificent wilderness camping area with an immense network of trails and camps tied together by service roads. For more than 30 years Philmont has asked each participant and staff member to sign the Philmont Wilderness Pledge which declares that he or she will do everything possible to preserve the beauty and wonder of the Philmont Wilderness and our neighbor's properties through good Scout camping.

Philmont typically serves 21,000 youth participants and their Advisors and is also home to over 1,000 seasonal staff members every summer. Consequently, some trails and camps are subjected to heavy use. Nevertheless, it's not the wear of so many boots that mar Philmont but the carelessness and thoughtlessness of individuals. It is our sincere hope that through the commitment of every participant and staff to the Philmont Wilderness Pledge, Philmont will always remain a beautiful and clean place to enjoy high adventure.

Over the years the encouragement of sound wilderness ethics has evolved. Most significantly has been the endorsement and incorporation into the Scouting program of the principles of Leave No Trace. Leave No Trace is a cooperative educational program that helps foster stewardship of public and private lands through education and training.

To place added emphasis on the practices of wilderness ethics, Philmont Scout Ranch is incorporating the traditional training of the Philmont Wilderness Pledge and the Leave No Trace Principles for all crews and staff that utilize the backcountry.

Philmont is asking you to participate by becoming a Staff Wilderness Pledge Guía (Guía = Spanish word for Guide). As a staff member participating in this program you will help and assist fellow staff and campers better understand the principles of the Philmont Wilderness Pledge and Leave No Trace. You will be able to help crews, backcountry users, and fellow staff focus on camping practices that will adhere to the wilderness ethics as outlined in the two approaches. As a Staff Wilderness Pledge Guía you can receive guidance from LNT Master Educators and Trainers, supervisors and the Ranger Department throughout the summer.

### Duties of a Staff Wilderness Pledge Guía::

Work with LNT Master Educators and Trainers, supervisors, and the Ranger Department to learn the principles of the Wilderness Pledge and Leave No Trace. Assist crews, backcountry users and staff in implementing these principles throughout their experiences at Philmont Scout Ranch.

Guide crews and staff in discussions about wilderness ethics by focusing on the seven principles of Leave No Trace throughout the summer.

Help crews, backcountry users and staff follow all camping practices including the Philmont Bear Procedures as outlined by the Ranger Department.

Help and assist crews, backcountry users and staff earn the Wilderness Pledge Achievement Award.

#### Leave No Trace Principles

Plan ahead and prepare.  
Travel and camp on durable surfaces.  
Dispose of waste properly.  
Leave what you find.  
Minimize campfire impact.  
Respect wildlife.  
Be considerate of other visitors.

#### Philmont Wilderness Pledge

Through good Scout camping, I *pledge* to preserve the beauty and splendor of the *Philmont wilderness*. I commit to:

1. An absence of litter and graffiti.
2. Respect for Philmont's Wildlife.
3. Conservation & proper use of water.
4. Respect for trails and trail signs.
5. Proper use of campsites.

### Staff Wilderness Pledge Achievement Award

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Staff Position \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Each staff member can earn the Wilderness Pledge Achievement Award. This award will include four requirements. After completion of the four requirements you are able to submit this form at the Tooth of Time Traders and purchase the award. (*All proceeds from the purchase benefit the continuation of Philmont's sustainable and recycling efforts.*)

#### Wilderness Pledge Achievement Award Requirements

1. Take part in a discussion with a crew, backcountry user or staff member about the Wilderness Pledge and Leave No Trace Principles.  
\_\_\_\_\_ (crew expedition number or signature of backcountry user or staff member)
2. Practice all Philmont Wildlife and Bear Procedures throughout your time at Philmont. Assist a camp in campsite checks and explain to crews the importance of these procedures **or** visit with a crew's Wilderness Pledge *Guía* and discuss the importance of Philmont Wildlife and Bear Procedures.  
\_\_\_\_\_ (Camp Director, camp staff signature or crew number)
3. Explain to a supervisor, LNT Master Educator/Trainer, or Ranger Leadership the importance of the camping practices that are conducted at Philmont.  
\_\_\_\_\_ (Supervisor, LNT Master Educator/ Trainer, Ranger Leadership signature)
4. Take part in a discussion(s) with fellow staff members, backcountry users, or crews that includes each of the seven principles of Leave No Trace. Incorporate specific examples of the principles found at Philmont in the discussion.

## MEET CHAPLAIN STEVE HICKLE

Seems like everyone begins with Philmont creds. Mine pale against many of the stalwarts who both energize and stabilize Philmont life, year by year. I'm an Eagle Scout, Wapsipinicon Area Council in Iowa, now merged with Winnebago. My first Philmont trek was in '66, then as an advisor in '95, '96, and '01. I'm in the middle of three generations who have stood on The Tooth of Time, where my wife Peggy also climbed in 2004. That was the year it was my privilege to serve as chaplain here for the entire summer. I'm as privileged to be here for the last month of the 2010 season.

With roots in Iowa and a degree in fisheries and wildlife biology from Iowa State, I proceeded to Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, where I received a master of divinity degree. Since 1975, I have lived in North Carolina, serving four United Methodist pastoral appointments. I am in year 21 of my current assignment, a good fit for me – the kind of people who will “let” their pastor go to Philmont oh, let’s say, five times?!

Of special significance for me is my involvement with Stop Hunger Now ([stophungernow.org](http://stophungernow.org)), an international hunger organization founded in 1998. Since 2000, it has been at home in Fairmont United Methodist Church, Raleigh, NC, where I am pastor. During the past five years, a dehydrated meal packaging program has taken root, involving over 100,000 volunteers, preparing nearly 30 million meals. The earthquake in Haiti has added great energy to this effort, as 1.5 million just-delivered meals were in place to feed 50,000 people a day. We have multiple operations in NC and VA, as well as in Jackson, MS, Phoenix, AZ, and with expansions this year into Philadelphia and Atlanta. Okay, enough – but ask me, and I'll tell you more!

North Cardma's Occoneechee Council lately hosted an “Eagle Summit,” inviting adult Eagle Scouts to reconnect with Scouting, using professional capabilities and connections to advance Scouting. I am learning other councils are doing that, too, and commend it as a fine to give back what has been so richly given to us.

A huge thanks to Philmont staff members who have welcomed us. I am grateful for this opportunity to lift up Scouts' reverence!

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Philmont can feel like a “world away” from the things that concern us day by day. But one thing pastors and other writers do is make connections. On the day I was to arrive at Philmont, I was reading in the devotional magazine, *The Upper Room*, and it began with Psalm 46. That stirred in me a memory of 9/11. On what is sometimes called “The Sunday After Tuesday,” many communities of faith read Psalm 46. Then on my first night at Philmont, it only seemed right to read Psalm 46 – minutes before a deluge!



Photo by: Andrew Dunheimer

I won't make you look it up, so here it is, in part:

*God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.  
Therefore we will not fear,*

*Though the earth should change,  
Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,  
Though its waters roar and foam,  
Though the mountains tremble with its tumult.*

*There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God.*

*The holy habitation of the most high.*

*God is in the midst of the city, it shall not be moved.*

*God will help it when the morning dawns.* (Psalm 46:1-5, NRSV)

That gets at more tumults than the one that changed life-as-we-knew-it on that September morning. The whole Philmont experience can be “dislocating” – trekkers are invariably in new climes and climbs, situations and stresses. And for all of us, our “earth” moves, the most stable parts of life, as vast mountains, tremble. In the face of that, what do we have?

One of my great joys is playing trumpet with The Fairmont Gospel Revue, a gospel jazz ensemble you might not expect to hear in church (I'll just say it's not your parents' praise band). In the midst of the old rock standard, “Stand By Me,” we read the above verses from Psalm 46. As people of faith, we claim in every adverse circumstance that God does indeed stand by us, stand with us, and when we can't stand, picks us up.

So, Philmont people, take note. God *is* our refuge and strength, a *very present help* in trouble, therefore *we will not fear!* May we in every way celebrate this “holy habitation of the most high.”

Peace,  
Steve Hickle, July 25, 2010

# WEATHER



## SATURDAY, JULY 31

Scattered T-storms  
High 77°  
Low 56°



## SUNDAY, AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup>

Scattered T-storms  
High 81°  
Low 55°



## MONDAY, AUGUST 2<sup>ND</sup>

Scattered T-storms  
High 84°  
Low 55°



## TUESDAY, AUGUST 3<sup>RD</sup>

Isolated T-storms  
High 83°  
Low 54°



## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4<sup>TH</sup>

Isolated T-storms  
High 82°  
Low 53°



## THURSDAY, AUGUST 5<sup>TH</sup>

Scattered T-storms  
High 80°  
Low 54°



## FRIDAY, AUGUST 6<sup>TH</sup>

Scattered T-storms  
High 82°  
Low 54°



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## US NEWS

### IOWA DAM FAILS; LAKE DISAPPEARS

Iowa's nine-mile-long Lake Delhi drained away last weekend in less than a day. Heavy rains breached the dam Saturday morning, pushing record-high floodwaters down the Maquoketa River. Towns below the lake were evacuated, but the massive flood expected never came, as floodwaters spread over miles of flat farmlands. Gov. Chet Culver vowed Sunday that he would restore the lake. About 900 lakefront vacation homes now look out onto an empty lakebed.



### HOSPITAL MISIDENTIFIES CAR CRASH VICTIM

Marlena Cantu, Abby Guerra and three other friends were returning home to Arizona from Disneyland last week when a tire blew and the car rolled. Cantu was killed in the crash, and Guerra survived with extensive injuries, but the hospital mixed up the two girls. It was 6 days after the crash when dental records cleared up the confusion. Guerra's family had spent the week planning their daughter's funeral while the Cantu family prayed over Guerra's hospital bed, thinking she was their daughter.

### OBAMA TO APPEAR ON 'THE VIEW'

President Obama will film with the daytime talk show 'The View' on Wednesday for the show that will air on Thursday. According to a press release, he will be speaking about his administration's accomplishments, jobs, the economy, the Gulf of Mexico oil spill and family life inside the White House. Obama has been on the show before—in 2004 to promote his book and in 2008 during his presidential campaign. Barbara Walters has been absent from the show since her heart valve replacement surgery in May, but will be back on for the special appearance.

### THUNDERSTORM CUTS POWER TO THOUSANDS IN D.C. AREA

A severe thunderstorm with high winds blew through the Washington D.C. area Sunday afternoon, downing trees and power lines in its path and killing at least two. About 280,000 residences were powerless Monday morning in D.C., Maryland and Virginia. Winds during the storm reached 60 mph. Utilities companies say it will be several days before power is restored to the area.

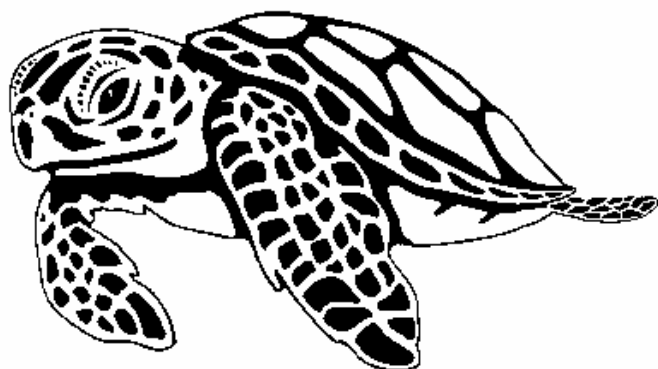
### COLORADO SENATE CANDIDATE REGRETS SLAMMING TEA PARTY

Colorado Republican Senate candidate Ken Buck is apologizing for a comment made during a campaign stop in June. Referring to Tea Partiers who question President Obama's birth certificate, Buck said he wanted someone to tell those "dumba---s" to stop asking him about birth certificates on camera. The comment was secretly recorded by a Democratic operative who had been following him trying to catch such a slip. Buck has positioned himself as the Tea Party candidate, so the comment could potentially damage his success in the upcoming election.

## US NEWS

### NEW BRIDGE IN NEW YORK

The new Willis Avenue Bridge arrived by barge on Monday to replace the 109-year-old bridge across the Harlem River connecting Upper Manhattan and the South Bronx. It will be installed just South of the old Willis Avenue Bridge and is scheduled to be operating by November. The bridge was built in Coeymans, N.Y. and was then transported 130 miles to Bayonne, N.J. on the Hudson River, and finally 15 miles north up the East River to its final location.



### PROTESTORS IN BELL, CALIF. DEMAND RESIGNATION OF MAYOR AND OTHER OFFICIALS

It was recently revealed that officials in Bell, Calif., one of the poorest cities in Los Angeles County, are paid unusually high salaries (\$376,000—\$787,000) in comparison to their counterparts elsewhere. They even earn more than President Obama. Over 200 Bell residents marched to Mayor Oscar Hernandez's home Sunday to protest the high salaries. Residents of Bell started a group called Bell Association to Stop the Abuse after the Los Angeles Times reported on the salaries of Bell's city officials July 15. The protestors are not only asking for the reduction of salaries, but the resignation of city officials and many city council members.

### GULF TURTLE RELOCATION CAUSES DEBATE AMONG SCIENTISTS

Scientists are moving up to 700 sea turtle nests, including loggerhead turtles, from the Gulf Coast to Florida's Atlantic coast. The eggs are being transported to the Atlantic coast, where they are then incubated, hatched and released. The relocation is raising unanswered questions about whether the turtles will be able to cope in their changed environment. A turtle relocation of this scale has never been attempted before.

Meanwhile, other scientists working on Padre Island in Texas are choosing to release Kemp's Ridley turtles back in the Gulf. They are hoping that BP will have cleaned up enough oil by the time the baby turtles make it that far into the Gulf. The scientists working in Texas spent several days trying to decide if they should release the turtles in the Gulf, weighing the risk of the oil against the risk of harming the turtles by keeping them in captivity for too long.

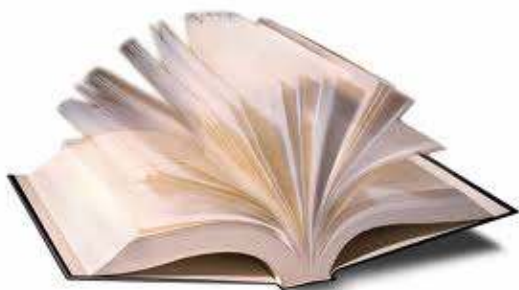
### PROSECUTOR: BLAGOJEVICH GUILTY OF SHAKEDOWN

A federal prosecutor told jurors Monday that former Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich was so desperate that he shook down everyone he could find for money, including a racetrack owner, a children's hospital executive and president-elect Barack Obama in late 2008. He was trying to get as much money as he could before a new ethics law took effect in January 2009 that would limit the amount of money he could accept from people doing business with the state. Blagojevich is accused of scheming to trade or sell Obama's old Senate seat and illegally pressuring people for campaign contributions. Blagojevich has pleaded not guilty to his charges. If convicted, he could face up to \$6 million in fines and a sentence of 415 years in prison.

## WORLD NEWS

### 152 KILLED IN CRASH AT PAKISTAN

All 152 passengers and pilots of the airbus leaving Pakistan died in crash just outside of Islamabad, Pakistan's capital. A black box was discovered midst the debris at the crash sight, which may be a data recorder or a cockpit voice recorder, says Pakistan's Ambassador to the United Kingdom, Shamsul Hasan. Resources say that two of those that died in the crash were Americans.



### GERMAN LOVE PARADE TURNS DEADLY

19 people were killed in what started out as a Love Parade in Germany on July 25, 2010. A stampede occurred when a panic stirred among the techno-music festival, leaving 19 people trampled and killed by the human stampede. In addition to those who died dozens were left wounded.

### FIDEL CASTRO'S NEW BOOK

Fidel Castro is expected to publish a new book come this August. The pages are expected to be a history of the recent war between former dictator's 10,000-strong army and some scruffy (300) fighters that somehow overwhelmed the larger army. The title is still undecided but will be something along the lines of "Batista's Last Offensive." Fulgencio Batista was the dictator who led a 10,000-strong army in against Fidel Castro's 300 guerillas during Operation Verano in 1958. The guerillas, though badly outnumbered, scored a great victory against the much larger force and eventually put Castro in power.

### MURDERS MORE THAN 60 YEARS OLD FIND RETRIBUTION

From January 1942 to July 1943 Samuel Kunz earned the title of third most wanted Nazi-suspect. Now 88 years old, he has been convicted with charges of aiding in the murder of 430,000 Jews during the movement of the Third Reich. Kunz has not been detained as the officials that interviewed him believe he will not try to flee from his home of Bonn, Germany.

### FRANCE COMES ABOARD THE WAR SHIP

It is commonly known that France has not been anxious to offer assistance in the U.S.-led effort against the al-Qaida group. When a terrorist killed a French-aid worker however, Paris changed their tune to a war march, declaring that they had joined the war against the extremist group. "We are at war with al-Qaida," says French Prime Minister Francois Fillon on Tuesday, July 27, 2010. The French aid worker was a 78-year-old hostage, Michel Germaneau, who was abducted in Niger in April and reportedly beheaded by al-Qaida members.



## WORLD NEWS

### COLUMBIA AND VENEZUELAN ALLY GETS PUT ON THE ROCKS

Columbian government accuses Venezuela of harboring terrorists, at which Venezuelan President, Hugo Chavez, broke ties with his neighboring country. The two countries import goods from one another and there is definitely concern over what these tensions do for the economy of the two countries. As Russian economist Luis Alberto put it, "Economic integration has helped to improve the quality of life of our countries and our hope was that this would help avoid conflicts like the one we're going through right now."

### MEXICAN VIOLENCE FEARED TO INCREASE

Upon arriving to the scene where a police officer was reportedly lying wounded on the ground, the rescue team reached the site only in time to have someone detonate a car bomb from a cell phone. Three rescuers, including a doctor were killed during the explosion in Ciudad Juarez, just south of El Paso, Texas. The very next day 17 more people were killed by open fire at a wedding celebration only a few hundred miles south, in the city of Torreon. Many of the residents are saying that these deaths are related to the War on Drug Cartels officially begun in 2006 under President Calderon. With 22,000 deaths since then, some residents are saying the fear they used to live under is preferred to the fear they live with now. "Overall, people believe President Calderon is basically honest and trying to do the right thing," says Eric L. Olson a senior associate to an institute of education in Mexico. "But in general, people believe he is failing."



### 6 KILLED AT BAGHDAD NEWS STATION

6 people were killed in a suicide bomber attack on July 26, 2010. One surviving lawman was buried alive under the rubble of the crash. The news station employed both Iraqi and foreign journalists. The nationalities of the journalists have not been released.

### FORMER CIA CHIEF PASSES ON

Jack O'Connell, at 88, passed away on July 12, 2010. He died of congestive heart failure. Mr. O'Connell was Chief for the Amman, Jordan CIA station. O'Connell became King Hussein's diplomatic advisor and closest US confidant which kept the US ally strong. He died in the Arlington, Virginia Hospital Center.

## SPORTS

### CONTADOR WINS 3<sup>RD</sup> TOUR; ARMSTRONG FINISHES HIS LAST

Alberto Contador of Team Astana won his third Tour de France in four years on Sunday, July 25<sup>th</sup>. Contador held off Andy Schleck of Luxemburg in a dramatic time trial challenge on Saturday to win by 39 seconds. The 27-year old Spaniard's time trial showing and performance in this year's tour has earned him the title of "cycling's new superstar".

However, for former cycling great, Lance Armstrong, it was the last ride. In his final Tour de France, Armstrong, who won seven consecutive Tours from 1999-2005, finished 23<sup>rd</sup> at 00:39:20 behind Contador, his former teammate and rival. This year's performance was well below last year's, when Armstrong finished in a solid 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

Denis Menchov of Russia finished 3<sup>rd</sup> overall. The green jersey ("best sprinter") went to Alessandro Petacchi of Italy, while Anthony Charteau of France snared the polka dot jersey ("best climber"). Schleck garnered the white jersey ("best young rider") for the third straight year and Team Radio Shack won

### WHITNEY HERZOG TO BE ENSHRINED IN MLB HALL OF FAME

On Sunday, July 25, Whitney Herzog, the famous manager for the Kansas City Royals and St. Louis Cardinals was inducted into the Hall of Fame. Herzog holds a career record of 1281-1125 (.532 win percentage over 18 years) and led his teams to 6 division titles, 3 league pennants and a World Series Championship with the Cardinals. Andre Dawson, umpire Doug Harvey, broadcaster Jon Miller and sports writer Billy Madden, with the Daily News of New York, will also be inducted.

### BRYANT WOWS AT FIRST DAY OF TRAINING CAMP

Dez Bryant, the former Oklahoma State wide receiver, showed up big on the first day of the Dallas Cowboys' training camp in San Antonio. Bryant ran onto the field 45 minutes before the start of practice Saturday (July 24) and stayed long after everyone else left, talking to fans and giving autographs.

The rookie receiver showed why he was a first round pick in the 2009 NFL Draft, making acrobatic catches and bleeding energy and vitality. Head Coach Wade Phillips, describing Bryant's attitude, said Brant "attacked" practice and was thrilled to be back on a football field. Owner Jerry Jones was in attendance.

### BILL COWHER'S WIFE DIES

Kaye Cowher, the wife of former Pittsburgh Steelers head coach Bill Cowher, died Friday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, of skin cancer. She was 54. Mrs. Cowher met her husband, Bill, when she was a basketball player for North Carolina State and played in the Women's Professional Basketball League, the forerunner for the Women's National Basketball Association.

Mr. Cowher said in a statement that his wife was, "the foundation of our family... and the rock we could all lean on". Mrs. Cowher is survived by her husband and three daughters, Meagan, Lauren and Lindsey. The memorial service was held on Monday.

### MCMURRAY WINS BRICKYARD 400

Jamie McMurray followed Earnhardt-Ganassi Racing teammate, Juan Pablo Montoya, around the track for most of the race, until Montoya lost control of his car in the 87<sup>th</sup> lap. Montoya started as the pole leader and lead for 86 of 160 laps, until he crashed into the wall and hit Dale Earnhardt Jr. trying to regain the lead after a restart. It was Montoya's 2nd consecutive defeat at Indianapolis Motor Speedway in two years.

McMurray claimed the win and became only the 3<sup>rd</sup> driver (after Dale Jarrett, 1996, and Jimmie Johnson, 2006) in NASCAR history to win the Daytona 500 and the Brickyard 400 in the same season.

**MLB STANDINGS AS OF 7/28/10**

<b>American League</b>					
<b>East</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>	<b>Streak</b>
New York Yankees	63	36	.636	--	Lost 1
Tampa Bay Rays	61	38	.616	2	Won 4
Boston Red Sox	57	44	.564	7	Won 2
Toronto Blue Jays	52	49	.515	12	Won 2
Baltimore Orioles	31	69	.310	32.5	Lost 4
<b>Central</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>	<b>Streak</b>
Chicago White Sox	55	44	.556	--	Won 2
Minnesota Twins	55	46	.545	1	Won 4
Detroit Tigers	51	48	.515	4	Lost 2
Kansas City Royals	42	58	.420	13.5	Lost 3
Cleveland Indians	42	58	.420	13.5	Won 1
<b>West</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>	<b>Streak</b>
Texas Rangers	59	41	.590	--	Won 2
Oakland Athletics	50	49	.505	8.5	Lost 1
Los Angeles Angels	52	51	.505	8.5	Lost 3
Seattle Mariners	39	62	.386	20.5	Lost 2
<b>National League</b>					
<b>East</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>	<b>Streak</b>
Atlanta Braves	57	42	.576	--	Lost 1
Philadelphia Phillies	54	46	.540	3.5	Won 6
New York Mets	51	49	.510	6.5	Won 1
Florida Marlins	50	50	.500	7.5	Lost 1
Washington Nationals	43	57	.430	14.5	Won 1
<b>Central</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>	<b>Streak</b>
St. Louis Cardinals	55	45	.550	--	Lost 1
Cincinnati Reds	56	46	.549	--	Won 1
Milwaukee Brewers	48	54	.471	8	Lost 1
Chicago Cubs	46	55	.455	9.5	Lost 1
Houston Astros	41	59	.410	14	Won 1
Pittsburgh Pirates	35	64	.354	19.5	Won 1
<b>West</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct</b>	<b>GB</b>	<b>Streak</b>
San Diego Padres	58	40	.592	--	Lost 1
San Francisco Giants	57	44	.564	2.5	Won 1
Los Angeles Dodgers	54	46	.540	5	Won 3
Colorado Rockies	51	49	.510	8	Lost 7
Arizona Diamondbacks	37	63	.370	22	Lost 5

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# Blast from the Past

Since this year marks the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Scouting in America, this summer PhilNews is reprinting articles from past editions. This article was originally published on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2001.

## Shiver Me Timbers!

By "Blackbeard with Blonde Roots" Virginia Detjen  
(One Staffer's Master Plan for a New and Wetter Philmont Adventure)

Yarr! 'Tis a fine day at yea ole Boy Scout ranch, but would be a much finer one if a group of pirates took over, turning Philmont into a Jolly Roger ranch. Instead of the drab boy scout uniform, we could all wear eye patches, pirate hats, have wood legs and, of course, carry a parrot on all our shoulders! There would be a mandatory scarring session, cause every pirate has at least 4 good visible scars. And of course we would require every Scout to get big gold hoops through their noses and ears.

Once we all appear to be pirates, there would be extensive training on the nature of how a pirate acts.

First, would be the speech therapy. "Yarr" is now equivalent to almost any response such as "yes," "yup," "OK," "hello," "of course," "please," "shucks," "good bye," "golly," "hey," "excuse me," "I'm sorry," "thank you," "gee whiz," "sure thing," "I love you," "where's the bathroom," "how much," "leave me alone," or "I want to run around like a pony." Of course, this is all depending on how you accentuate the y's, a's, and rr's. With just a few weeks of practice you will be fluent and conversing with the masters.

Secondly, there is the posture and walk of a pirate. Everyone will be taught how to slouch and lean against walls to improve their coolness factor. Then, they will learn how to jump from high places and swing around on ropes with knives in their mouths without endangering themselves too much, but even if you do stab yourself in the cheek, it's just another scar to add to your collection.

Now that we all look and act like pirates, it comes time to transform this barren wasteland into real pirate scenery—an ocean! We'll have to throw water conservation out the window and flood the whole 214 square miles of Philmont with all our drinking water for the rest of the summer. We won't have to worry about purifying it cause pirates have a mean digestive tract and can handle any disease. All adobe and rustic wood buildings will be converted into pirate ships and the



only land will be the tops of the mountains. We would now have Baldy Island, Tooth 'o' Time Island, Black Island, Phillips Island and Touch-Me-Not Island, which is where all the commissaries will be relocated to.

As far as activities are concerned, each crew will be given a buried treasure map and will travel around on their own pirate ship in search of it, little do they know that the treasure is just some old caramel corn. Also, there will be daily battles between crews. Of course, real cannons and torpedoes will be used, so a loss of Scouts is expected (or at least a few body parts for each crew). And there is the ongoing battle between the Sea Scouts and the Philmont Pirates case the pirates were once Sea Scouts but turned rebel when they could no longer stand the strict regiment and silly looking outfits.

Pirates are rapidly being forgotten in our society, which really upsets me. They are the cornerstone of our past. Without pirates, there wouldn't have been movies such as The Goonies, Peter Pan, Swiss Family Robinson, and Waterworld. Who would have robbed all the rich conquistadors and explorers back in the day? There wouldn't be any skull and cross bones apparel, which I really think enhances everyone's wardrobe. Anyway, if this doesn't sound yarrific to you then you don't deserve to be part of the pirate revolution.

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## ROCKIN' OUT WITH THE WANNA BE BAND

Article by Amy Hemsley, staff writer

STEVE WEIS



The Wanna Be Band has some 'wicked' musicians playing with the group: With mainstays like Larry Danna, Dale Hiatt, Steve Hentzleman, Charlie Nutter, John Clark, Julia McCulloch, and some new staff members and pick-ups like guest guitarist Steve Wilkersen, violinist & fiddler Ellyn Washburne, Amanda "Annie" Allred, and Austin McKenzie in the rhythm section. "This is Ellyn's and Austin's first year with the band, and they are a terrific fit," the other band members agree. The band even has an open invitation to those who want to bring an instrument of their own: From vocals to a harmonica, they have seen a lot of talent from week to week.

The band was started in the late 90s, with Dave Anderson as the band leader. In 1998 Larry Danna came to the Philmont Training Center as a participant and played guitar with the group as 'pick-up' talent from the audience. He wowed the group again the next year, and became a pillar of the band in 2003 when he became a Philmont staff member. Since then Larry has been a mainstay in the truest sense, missing only one performance.

Larry points out that others have been quite dedicated to the band over the years as well. A man by the name of Jon Lanenga (a faculty member at the PTC during LDS weeks) donated his banjo to the band a few years ago, and will still come play that banjo when he is participating at the PTC.

Each of these band members really seems to enjoy themselves. They play and sing the music for the sake of the music and for the fun it brings. Though they have recorded 3 CDs, they aren't for sale due to the concerns of right for sale (an intellectual property hassle for any artist). As far as the band is concerned, 'it is both fun to record and fun to perform'- and that's

enough for these "Wanna Bes".

The band plays each Monday night at the PTC in East Tent City. The performance is made up of band members' favorite songs and requests from the crowd. With a "Wanna Be Band Song Book" in the hands of each audience member selection is made easy with a plethora of choices. The chance to request songs and hear true talent guarantees a satisfied audience. It's even fun for the band, as Dale Hiatt the guitarist reminds, "It's a lot of fun, especially when the crowd really gets into it."



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## CHATting WITH DAVE

Article by Timothy Bardin, staff writer

ANDREW DUNHEIMER



DAVE KOPSA—ASSOCIATE  
DIRECTOR OF PROGRAM

Dave Kopsa is a man who loves the outdoors. As an adult and as a Scout, he has spent large amounts of time camping and hiking in wilderness settings. From national forests to Philmont Scout Ranch, Dave has sampled the magic of many of nature's finest locales.

As one of the Associate Directors of Program at Philmont, Dave is able to spend a lot of his time in the backcountry. His job is to coordinate with the Backcountry Managers and insure that the staff camps are delivering high-quality program. Dave also oversees the efforts to address the various issues that accompany a backcountry camp, such as food delivery, trash disposal and transportation to and from the backcountry for campers and staff.

Dave grew up in Iowa City, Iowa. He graduated from the University of Iowa with a degree in Sports and Recreation Management, and a minor in Spanish. When asked if he still spoke Spanish, Dave replied, "No, but I surprise a lot of people around here by properly pronouncing their names."

His first trip to Philmont was with his troop on a trek in 1997. He returned the next year to participate in Order of the Arrow Trail Crew (OATC), a 'special trek' offered by the Philmont Conservation

Department. Dave said he was also "very involved in the camping and hiking aspects of Scouting".

Dave applied for summer staff after his experience with OATC. He spent seven years (1999-2005) as a seasonal staff member. His first summer on staff, Dave worked with CHQ Maintenance, then spent the next six years working for various backcountry staff camps. He has worked at Head of Dean (twice), Indian Writings, Urraca, French Henry and Cypher's Mine.

In 2006, Dave became the Base Director for Double-H Ranch. He served as Director from the camp's inaugural year in 2006 until the Double-H's final year in 2009.

What is Double-H Ranch and what was Dave's responsibility as it's director? Double-H was a High Adventure Camp operated by the BSA from 2006 to 2009. Dave was responsible for overseeing and coordinating the operation of the Ranch.

Located 2 hours south of Albuquerque in the Cibola National Forest, where the Galinas Mountains meet the Plains of Saint Augustine, Double-H is a true wilderness area with no established trails. The Ranch offered 7-day treks that were open only to youth-led crews. These crews would build their own itineraries and hike cross-country with a Wilderness Guide for the duration of their trek.

At Double-H, Wilderness Guides were a cross between a Philmont Ranger and Backcountry Program Counselor. They trained the crews in wilderness survival and provided programs such as: geocaching and GPS navigation, astronomy, map and compass skills, and Search and Rescue training.

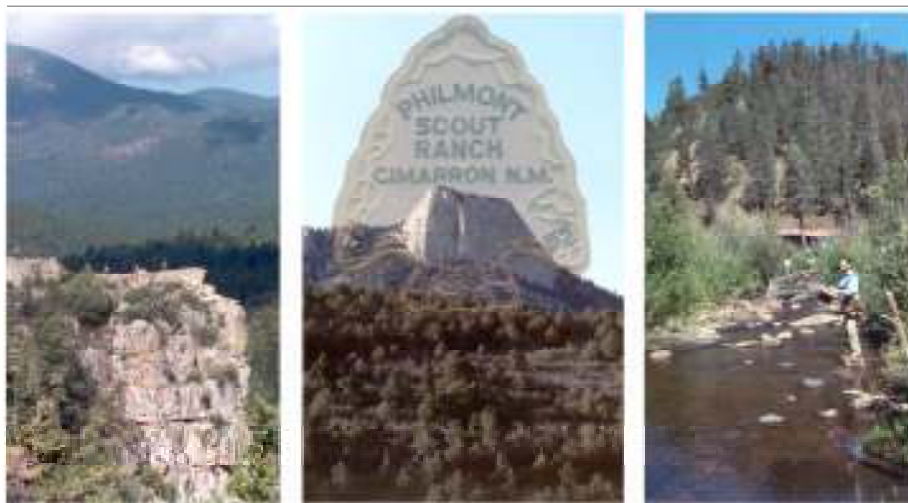
Double-H hosted only a base and one backcountry camp, Martin Camp. Martin Camp offered black powder, archery and a western-style chuck wagon dinner.

When asked why the Double-H Ranch was closed down last year, Dave replied, "The sponsors [Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation] decided they wanted to go a different direction. They originally approached us [the BSA] because they wanted to implement a youth program at Double-H."

As the Associate Director of Program, and a Professional Scouter with Philmont Scout Ranch, Dave is well positioned to make an impact here among the campers and seasonal staff. His broad experience, and the passion he has for this beautiful land, will serve him well in the years to come.

## ABOUT PHILMONT

### PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH



### SCOUTING PARADISE

**PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH** is a 137,000 acre wilderness area located in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains in northeastern New Mexico. Elevation ranges from 6,500 to 12,500 feet and includes diverse plant and wildlife communities. The ranch is rich in history and includes gold mines and homesteads from the 19<sup>th</sup> Century as well as prehistoric petroglyphs and archaeological sites, including the only known T-Rex fossil footprint in the world. It began operation in 1939, and to provide its great programs, a permanent staff of 80 and a trained seasonal staff in excess of 1,000 are employed by the Boy Scouts of America.

**EACH SUMMER** over 21,000 Scouts participate in 12-day backpacking adventures on some of Philmont's 400 miles of steep and rocky wilderness trails. They camp in beautiful valleys and alongside mountain streams. They visit several of the 34 staffed backcountry camps where they participate in interpretive historical programs, as well as in challenging wilderness outdoor skills at some of the more than 71 trail camps. They may choose a trek involving horses or burros, or mountain bikes or black powder shooting. They sleep on the ground, carry their own food and equipment and in some areas, all of their potable water. Bear, deer, elk, rattle snakes and birds of all kinds will share their space with these trekkers.

**AT THE PHILMONT TRAINING CENTER**, 3,000 adult leaders and their families attend 7-day training experiences designed to bring great program techniques back to their hometown Cub Scout Packs, Boy Scout Troops and teen age Venture and Varsity Scouting groups. In addition to the varied training courses provided, a full, organized program is offered for every member of the family-from infants to spouses. Participants and their families live in large, two person wall tents with permanent floors, electric lights, wardrobe and two twin-sized beds with mattresses. Restrooms and hot showers are available nearby and meals and a wide variety of activities are provided.

**PHILMONT IS ALSO A WORKING RANCH** with a herd of 300 horses, 250 cows, 100 burros and 100 buffalo. It produces its own hay crop to feed these animals and maintains more than 300 miles of unpaved mountain roads.

**TO SUPPORT** all of these activities are a fire department, commissary, maintenance shops, water treatment facilities, infirmary, garage, administrative offices and additionally four dining facilities, a staff recreational center, 3 museums, a library and five places of worship (4 at CHQ and 1 at the PTC).

**DURING THE SUMMER SEASON'S** full operation, Philmont is the 37<sup>th</sup> largest community in the State of New Mexico, with a population in excess of 4,500.

**We're glad you're here!**





# PHOTO CONTEST 2010

*Rules are as follows:*

Photos must be of scenes at Philmont and must have been taken this summer by a current staff member.

No digital alterations (e.g. “photoshopping”) are permitted, except in the Digital Creations category.

Photos can be I-Camped to, dropped off in person, or downloaded at the CHQ Activities Department, or sent to [philmont.activities@scouting.org](mailto:philmont.activities@scouting.org).

All photos will be printed in 8x10 sizes. Printed photos will be scanned and reprinted.

All photos submitted will become property of Philmont Scout Ranch.

All photo entries must be labeled clearly with photographer’s name, department, category, and title of photo. Note: Any photo missing any of this information will not be accepted.

Photos must be submitted to the CHQ Activities Department on or before August 1<sup>st</sup>.

*Categories:*

Landscape  
Sunrise & Sunset  
Wildlife  
Digital Creations  
Camper Activity  
Porch View

Storms & Rainbows  
Flowers & Plants  
Humor (no vulgarity)  
Staff Activity  
Black & White

Winning photos will appear in the Philnews at the end of the summer and be displayed in the Silver Sage Staff Activities Center.

## Philmont Staff Photo Contest 2010 Entry Form

Please submit one entry form per photo

<b>Name</b> _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Category (check one):</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Wildlife
			<input type="checkbox"/> Humor (no vulgarity)
<b>Department</b> _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	Landscape	<input type="checkbox"/> Digital Creations
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SOMEBODY."

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"THE ONLY THINGS WE KEEP PERMANENTLY ARE THOSE WE GIVE AWAY."

~ WAITE PHILLIPS



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"I GET MAIL, THEREFORE I AM."  
~ SCOTT ADAMS



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"MY MOM SAID THE ONLY REASON  
MEN ARE ALIVE IS FOR LAWN CARE  
AND VEHICLE MAINTENANCE."

~ TIM ALLEN



## THE BACK AND FORTH OF THE BACK COUNTRY : MINERS PARK



ROSENDO GELLEGOS—CD, BRANDON TIO, ELIZABETH ARMSTRONG, ADAM GAULT, KELLY TOBIN, ABDALLAH EL-HALAFAWY, MATTHEW HUBBARD, SIMON HENRY BERNNARD, TYLER LIVERMORE (NOT IN ORDER)  
(NOT PICTURED) JOHN SMITH, HARVEY BURCHETT

Nestled in the hills between Fowlers Mesa, Trail Peak, and Shafer's Pass, Miners Park is perfectly positioned as a rock-climbing camp. The 30-minute hike to the climbing area is well worth the view and exciting program this camp offers. Miners Park also boasts a shower house, environmental awareness training, a climbing tower and a bouldering wall.



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EVERYONE WANTS TO LIVE ON  
TOP OF THE MOUNTAIN, BUT  
ALL THE HAPPINESS AND  
GROWTH OCCURS WHILE  
YOU'RE CLIMBING IT."  
~B. BANCARD



## THE BACK AND FORTH OF THE BACK COUNTRY : **PUEBLANO**



PETER WEBER—CD, HENRY LESSEN, DEREK ROBERTS, IAN VARDELL, LUKE MILLER, STEPHEN RICH, ARDUN “ZAK” BUTLER (NOT IN ORDER)

The South Ponil Log Dogs are headquartered at Pueblano, a lively interpretive camp that offers spar-pole climbing and railroad tie construction as part of the Continental Tie and Lumber Company, as well as a “Philmont Story” evening campfire program. But the undisputed favorite offering of Pueblano is the Loggerball game held every evening right after dinner.



“WHEN YOU BELIEVE A THING,  
BELIEVE IT ALL THE WAY.  
HAVE CONFIDENCE IN YOUR  
ABILITY TO DO IT RIGHT. AND  
WORK HARD TO DO THE BEST  
POSSIBLE JOB.”  
~ WALT DISNEY

## THE BACK AND FORTH OF THE BACK COUNTRY : URRACA



ELIZABETH URIBE—CD, TIMOTHY BASKIN, MASON SPANGLER, EMILY ALESANDRINI, JACK CHINN, BRIANA HOWLAND, JOHN NAGIB (NOT IN ORDER)



Positioned on the northeast side of Urraca Mesa, Urraca Camp is ideally situated for watching breath-taking sunrises from Inspiration Point. Urraca offers a ropes and challenge course designed to foster crew unity and build teamwork. The camp also presents a “Philmont Story” performance at their evening campfire program.

**“TEAMWORK IS NO ACCIDENT. IT IS  
THE BY-PRODUCT OF GOOD  
LEADERSHIP”  
~ JOHN ADAIR**

# THE BACK AND FORTH OF THE BACK COUNTRY :

## ZASTROW



ALEXANDER "ALEX" MELVILLE—CD, WILLIAM BURGE, THOMAS OATES, MATHHEW HUNT, BRAD PRESCOTT, KYLE BURGESS (NOT IN ORDER)

Zastrow is located in the lush Rayado River Valley in Philmont's South Country. The camp resides next to the Rayado River, where the surrounding vegetation is beautiful and plentiful. Zastrow's program offerings include: land navigation training, such as map and compass orienteering skills, Dutch-oven cooking and a Scout re-dedication ceremony.

I WENT TO THE WOODS BECAUSE I WISHED TO LIVE DELIBERATELY, TO FRONT ONLY THE ESSENTIAL FACTS OF LIFE, AND SEE IF I COULD NOT LEARN WHAT IT HAD TO TEACH, AND NOT, WHEN I CAME TO DIE, DISCOVER THAT I HAD NOT LIVED. ~HENRY DAVID THOREAU





## SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT

Article by Sarah Burgess

### “RECYCLING IN THE ENCHANTED CIRCLE”

What happens to that cardboard box you drop in the Recycling Trailer after you pick up your care package from home or receive your new piece of equipment that you got on an awesome pro-deal?

As the trailer slowly leaves the Philmont premises, making its way through base camp and over the speed bumps, it is driven 36 miles east through the winding, beautiful Cimarron Canyon and village of Eagle Nest until it reaches the turn-off for the Angel Fire Collection Center.

Three of the Angel Fire Solid Waste Department employees greet me and start unloading the trailer bins and sorting the material. All the plastic bottles and aluminum cans are sorted by hand into storage bags. The plastics and aluminum have to be baled separately. Recyclable materials are baled because it compacts lots of materials into one solid brick that can easily be moved with machinery between trucks and sorting facilities. When 20 cubic-yard polymer storage bags are filled with plastics, they are then baled into a brick that is approximately 1 cubic yard in size. The aluminum cans are dumped into a small, vertical baler and compacted immediately.

Cardboard is the largest drop made each week at the recycling center by Philmont. We unload 2-5 cubic yards of loose material that is then baled into several 1000 lb. bales. Usually, at least one bale is produced from Philmont's cardboard drop off before I depart.

After the materials are baled they are stored



SARAH BURGESS

outside the warehouse under a shelter until enough bales of each material warrant a pickup or shipment to other recycling plant. Forty bales, which is equivalent to 40,000 lbs., of cardboard need to be accumulated and then a pickup occurs that transports the bales to a plant in Pruitt, NM, that processes all of it into recycled paper products. The same company that transports the cardboards also picks up the plastic bales and ships them to a recycling facility in Arizona. The aluminum is trucked past Angel Fire all the way to a scrap metal recycling plant in Pueblo, CO. It takes about a year to accumulate enough aluminum can bales to make the trip to Colorado efficient.

The Collection Center also accepts many other materials for reuse and recycling efforts including: scrap metals, lead-acid batteries, rechargeable batteries and cell phones, CFL light bulbs and yard waste.

The gentlemen that work at the Recycling Center are friendly, helpful and very committed to the recycling and reuse objectives of Angel Fire and its surrounding communities. Dropping off most of the materials is even a free service to the community. Because of their generosity we have on loan the large, green recycling trailer that is parked outside the Trading Post Warehouse and will soon be next to CHQ Dining Hall to accommodate their need for storing cardboard.

The collection center staff are: Scott Gibson, Butch Steinman, Les Regensberg, John Nelly, Brian Bredthauer and Ryan Sneath.



SARAH BURGESS



## Spotlighted Departments of the Week:

**Backcountry Camps** have been doing an excellent job helping Philmont's recycling efforts. In particular, *French Henry* should be applauded for their efforts to recycle that began even before the idea was introduced two weeks ago. Along with their resident geologist, this dedicated staff personally carried bottles and cans when they came down to base camp on their days off.

*If you know a Philmont Department that is doing sustainable things, please  
I-Camp Sarah @ Conservation.*

### SHOUT-OUT!

Thanks to Nicky & Jake from the Activities Staff. They cheerfully helped sort recyclables for the trailer last week. And, the staff came up with an excellent idea to label their bins by using extra cardboard and cutting bottle/can holes as lids! Awesome initiative Activities Staff!

## HUMANS VS. ZOMBIES: A NIGHTMARE OR A GAME?

Article by Amy Hemsley

Since June 23<sup>rd</sup> 2010 the activities staff, namely Jason Kirby, has headed up a live-action-role-playing ("larping") game of Humans vs. Zombies. (<http://humansvszombies.org>) A popular game all over the world, it is especially popular on college campuses where games can last for hours or even days. Here at Philmont, the fun began with a rules meeting where those who wished to participate were briefed on the rules of the game that would be followed by staff members.

This 'larping' game is set up to figuratively gain domination of a race. While the objective of either team (Humans or Zombies) is to win, the zombies win by making the human race into zombies and the humans win by surviving until the end of the time specified. The games so far have been about two hours each.

Three missions have been played in this game this summer, and each mission has a unique purpose. Kirby designed the first mission and now designs the others with the assistance of Activities staff members, so everyone can join the fun, behind-the-scenes work that is tied to the game.

There are different types of missions for Humans Vs. Zombies (or HVZ as it is known to those who play it): There are rescue missions, cache missions,

survivor missions and even a "last stand" mission (where anyone who is left playing as a human wins).

OZ is the initial zombie of the group who is taking over the human population- either one at a time, or sometimes groups at a time. You could say, this is what he 'lives' for.

Keep "larping" my friends- keep larping...



The entire Philmont Humans Vs. Zombies group  
Day one- let the tag begin!



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abbreviated to accommodate meal times.)**

## IMPORTANT THINGS WITH TREV:

Article by Trevor Roberts, photographer

We all go through changes in our life. Philmont has the ability to change your life every year on staff. Your life in the offseason might change. Sometimes change is sought after and other times it is brought upon us.

Changes in our routine keep life fresh and full of new adventures. It's our attitudes and how we deal with the changes that make the difference.

The staff, as well as the Boy Scouts, learn life lessons at Philmont. But what's really important is the lessons we take home with us.

I needed to make a change in my life. My friends encouraged me to get out to Philmont. My family supported my decision to come to Philmont and assisted me in preparing for a new experience.

Philmont gave the opportunity to make the changes I needed in my life. I am very grateful to be on staff. I want to thank all my friends and family who brought me to Philmont as well as those who supported me along the way.

A Special Thanks to Hardy Fimps at Beaubien.



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## STAFF SUBMISSIONS

## “Do Me a Favor”

Article by: Eden Hafernik—PC, Seally Canyon

Hike to Ponil Park. On your walk, take a moment to see the massive rock formations which have been shaped over time and border the road there.

No, do not stop to “see” them—close your eyes and feel them; their stories are greater than you or I can imagine. They have watched cowboys and Indians, miners and railway workers, trains, planes and automobiles pass through. “Living history” at its finest. Gaze wide-eyed at these monoliths of nature and bow your head respectfully at the time-keepers of history. And press on.

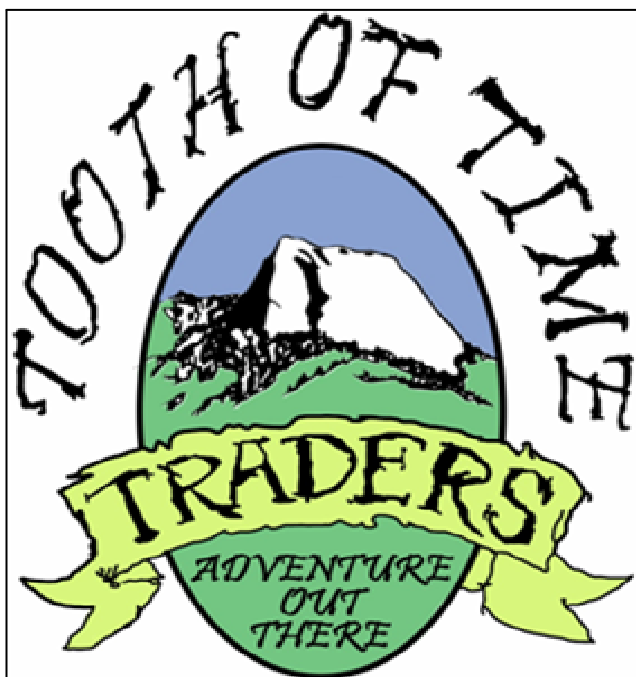
When you arrive at the edge of this small ghost town, close your eyes. Picture a thriving community—complete with train whistles and the laughter of children at play. Now open your eyes and drink in the picture of life that has been left behind. A few roughly-hewn log cabin foundations, railroad ties, and a train trestle are the only remaining artifacts that hint at what used to be. Sadly, cattle are the only living creatures that frequent this ghost community on a regular basis.

Poke your head inside the mostly-intact cabin—I promise you will not be disappointed. The interior is now host to mother nature and father time; a garden including a baker’s dozen of vibrant colors fills the small, two-room log home. Pick your way carefully across the park—and you will find stove parts and pipes, pottery, and possibly the now antiqued mechanisms of what used to be a pocket-watch, once upon a time. Stare in silent confusion at the random, yet purposefully-made wood piles throughout the area; close your eyes and ponder their functions for this

once lively park. Better yet, take out the wilderness journal you’ve been carting around all summer and pen an entry with your own thoughts on the subject. When you have exhausted your feet and quenched your thirst for curiosity concerning the small ghost town, hike to where a stream cuts a meandering path through the canyon. The water is clear, clean, and refreshingly cool even on the most sweltering of days. Remove your Go-Lite boots, Smart Wool socks, bandaids, moleskin and duct tape. Roll up your Scout pants and dip your toes into the icy deliciousness—and sit. Close your eyes. Don’t move, rather imagine yourself a logger employed by the Rocky Mountain Timber Company—on your hard earned mid-afternoon “company thirty.” Break out your lunch pail and bite into a crisp, red apple and refill your Nalgene. Enjoy your lunch—and mentally prepare your tired shoulders, calloused hands and sore muscles for another round of felling small monarchs of the forest.

Open your eyes. Take a few mental pictures and store them in your mind’s eye—file them away in the drawer marked “Philmont, Summer 2010.” Wait for sunset. The creeping, finger-like rays of pink, purple and blue bouncing off of clouds cover the decaying town in an ethereal silence; your breath catches and your mind clears. Un-zip your real camera case and snap a few photographs. Re-apply the moleskin and drag your socks and boots back on. Shoulder your pack—and hike on; taking comfort in an afternoon well spent, a deserving piece of history re-lived, and character well-built.

Do me a favor—and never forget.



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**Friday-Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup>**

**10:00 a.m. - 6:45 p.m.**

**Sunday, August 1st**

**10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

## FUN FOR THE WEEK

### STAFF STATISTICS

Years on Staff	Number of Staff
First	475
Second	246
Third	130
Fourth	67
Fifth	40
Sixth	23
Seventh	13
Eighth	14
Ninth	5
Tenth	10
Twelfth	2
Thirteenth	1
Fourteenth	1
Fifteenth	1
Sixteenth	1
Seventeenth	1
Nineteenth	1
Twenty Sixth	2
Thirty-First	1

Female staff	298	29%
Male staff	736	71%

Men's Names		Women's Names	
Andrew	35	Sarah	9
Michael	28	Elizabeth	9
Matthew	27	Kimberly	6
Christopher	20	Emily	6
David	18	Amy	6
Daniel	18	Amanda	6
John	17	Samantha	4
Robert	14	Rebecca	4
James	13	Rachel	4
Adam	13	Mary	4
William	12	Kelly	4
Kyle	12	Catherine	4
Stephen	11	Caitlin	4
Joseph	11	Anne	4
Jacob	11	Allison	4
Alexander	11		

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## ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK'S GAMES

1	G	2	A	3	S		4	A	5	N	6	A				7	M	8	O	9	O	10	N
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32	C	B	A				33	A	U	R	A	34	S		35	S	T	36	O	37	M	38	A
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57	M	A	Y				58	D	E	A	L				59	P	N	O	60	I			
61	A	L	D	62	A			63	W	I	L	64	D	65	O	66	N	I	O	N	S		
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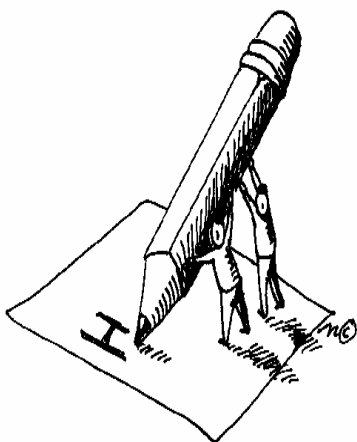
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### EASY

9	8	5	6	4	7	2	1	3
2	7	6	3	9	1	5	8	4
3	1	4	5	8	2	6	9	7
8	9	3	1	2	4	7	5	6
1	4	7	9	6	5	8	3	2
5	6	2	7	3	8	1	4	9
7	2	9	8	5	3	4	6	1
6	5	1	4	7	9	3	2	8
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### HARD

6	4	5	9	1	8	7	2	3
7	2	1	3	5	6	9	4	8
8	9	3	4	7	2	1	5	6
4	3	2	5	9	1	6	8	7
1	8	6	2	4	7	3	9	5
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### MEDIUM

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5	8	1	2	3	9	7	4	6
9	2	6	5	4	7	8	3	1
3	7	4	1	6	8	2	9	5

### JUST GIVE UP

4	8	5	6	7	2	3	9	1
3	7	6	9	8	1	5	2	4
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7	5	3	8	9	4	6	1	2
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5	6	4	7	1	3	2	8	9
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## GAMES

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MEDIUM

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HARD

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		2	9	1				
			4	7				
1	7				3	4		

HELP ME!!!

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			5			6		
		5	1	2	4	8		
		2			7			
9	7			1				2
	3				5			
	2	1		9				

ANSWERS WILL BE IN NEXT WEEK'S PHILNEWS!!

# **Philmont Word Search:** Provided by the Villa Philmonte Staff

I	R	W	V	I	L	L	A	P	H	I	L	M	O	N	T	E
E	B	S	K	I	R	E	W	O	T	L	I	H	P	Z	N	R
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## **Find:**

**Charles Dawes**

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## **PTC CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**

### **WEEK 9**

**AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup> - AUGUST 7<sup>TH</sup>**

**ADVANCED COMMUNICATION AND COUNSELING SKILLS  
WORKING WITH SCOUTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS  
DISTRICT KEY THREE—KEY LEADERSHIP FOR THE FUTURE  
TRAINING VENTURE LEADERS—YOUTH AND ADULTS  
ADVANCEMENT POLICY AND PROCEDURES  
CUB SCOUTS IN 2010 (FAST TRACKS)  
STRICTLY FOR THE VENTURING CREW ADVISOR  
SCOUTING IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

### **WEEK 10**

**AUGUST 8<sup>TH</sup> - AUGUST 14<sup>TH</sup>**

**MEMBERSHIP GROWTH FOR DISTRICTS AND COUNCILS  
BECOMING A STRONGER EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER  
HEALTH AND SAFETY/RISK MANAGEMENT  
DISTRICT COMMITTEES HELP STRENGTHEN UNITS  
COUNCIL PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION  
PLANNING AND CONDUCTING A UNIVERSITY OF SCOUTING  
RECONNECTING SCOUTING'S ALUMNI  
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## **CONTINUED TRAINING SCHEDULE**

**730 AND 801—PHILMONT HISTORY**

**802 AND 804—NATURE WRITING**

**803 AND 805—TRACKING**

**806 AND 808—BACKCOUNTRY COOKING**

**807 AND 809—HISTORY OF BACKPACKING**

**810 AND 812—CAR CARE**

**811 AND 813—OUTSIDE PHOTOGRAPHY**

EVENTS  
**JULY 30<sup>TH</sup> — AUGUST 12<sup>TH</sup>**

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
<b><u>30</u></b> <b><u>PSA Trek/</u></b> <b><u>Reunion</u></b>  <b><u>Bratwurst Day</u></b> <u>@ S<sup>3</sup>AC, 11:00</u> <u>AM</u>	<b><u>31</u></b> <b><u>PSA Trek/</u></b> <b><u>Reunion</u></b>  <b><u>Shining Light:</u></b> <b><u>BSA 100yrs</u></b> <b><u>Celebration</u></b> <u>Baldy Pavilion</u> <u>@ 5:00 PM</u>	<b><u>1</u></b> <b><u>Photo Contest</u></b> <b><u>Deadline</u></b> <u>S<sup>3</sup>AC</u> <u>@ 5:00 PM</u>  <b><u>Tie-Die Night</u></b> <u>@ Fitness Center</u> <u>Pavilion</u> <u>8:00 PM</u>	<b><u>2</u></b> <b><u>Blood Drive</u></b> <u>S<sup>3</sup>AC</u> <u>9:00 AM-3:30 PM</u>  <b><u>Kickball</u></b> <u>@ CHQ Fields</u> <u>6:00 PM</u>  <b><u>PTC Wannabe</u></b> <b><u>Band @ 7:00 PM</u></b>  <b><u>PTC Trivia Night</u></b> <u>@ 7:00 PM</u>  <b><u>Handicraft @ 7:00</u></b> <u>PM</u>  <b><u>PTC Cobbler @</u></b> <u>8:00</u>  <b><u>PTC Villa Tour</u></b> <u>6:30 PM, 7:00 PM,</u> <u>7:30 PM</u> <u>(Every Monday)</u>	<b><u>3</u></b> <b><u>Blood Drive</u></b> <u>S<sup>3</sup>AC</u> <u>9:00 AM-2:00</u> <u>PM</u>  <b><u>Movie Night</u></b> <u>Baldy Pavilion</u> <u>@ 8:00 PM</u>  <b><u>PTC Buffalo</u></b> <b><u>BBQ @ 5:30</u></b> <u>PM</u>  <b><u>PTC Country</u></b> <b><u>Dance @ 7:00</u></b> <u>PM</u>	<b><u>4</u></b> <b><u>Volleyball</u></b> <u>CHQ Fields</u> <u>@ 6:00 PM</u>  <u>Yoga @ PTC</u> <u>Small Fry, 7:00</u> <u>PM</u>  <b><u>PTC Movie</u></b> <b><u>Night @ 7:00</u></b> <u>PM</u>	<b><u>5</u></b> <b><u>Smoothies</u></b> <u>S<sup>3</sup>AC</u> <u>@ 8:00 PM</u>  <b><u>PTC Bingo @</u></b> <u>7:00 PM</u>  <b><u>PTC</u></b> <b><u>Branding @</u></b> <u>7:00 PM</u>  <b><u>Handicraft @</u></b> <u>7:00 PM</u>  <b><u>PTC Cobbler</u></b> <u>@ Tent Cities,</u> <u>8:00 PM</u>  <b><u>PTC Villa</u></b> <b><u>Tour</u></b> <u>6:30 PM, 7:00</u> <u>PM, 7:30 PM</u> <u>(Every Tues.)</u>
<b><u>Ranger CT:</u></b> <u>Philmont History</u>		<b><u>Ranger CT:</u></b> <u>Philmont History</u>	<b><u>Ranger CT:</u></b> <u>Nature Writing</u>	<b><u>Ranger CT:</u></b> <u>Tracking</u>	<b><u>Ranger CT:</u></b> <u>Nature Writing</u>	<b><u>Ranger CT:</u></b> <u>Tracking</u>
Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
<b><u>6</u></b>  <b><u>Ultimate</u></b> <b><u>Frisbee @ CHQ</u></b> <u>Fields, 6:00 PM</u>  <u>Yoga @ Fitness</u> <u>Center, 8:00 PM</u>  <b><u>PSA Silent</u></b> <b><u>Auction</u></b>  <b><u>Ranger CT:</u></b> <u>Backcountry</u> <u>Cooking</u>	<b><u>7</u></b>  <b><u>Phil-Carnival</u></b> <u>@ Baldy</u> <u>Pavilion, 3:00-</u> <u>8:00 PM</u>  <u>Yoga @ Fitness</u> <u>Center, 8:00</u> <u>PM</u>	<b><u>8</u></b>  <b><u>Banana Splits</u></b> <u>@ S<sup>3</sup>AC, 8:00</u> <u>PM</u>  <u>Yoga @ Fitness</u> <u>Center, 8:00 PM</u>	<b><u>9</u></b>  <u>Soccer @ CHQ</u> <u>Fields, 6:00 PM</u>  <b><u>PTC Wannabe</u></b> <b><u>Band @ 7:00 PM</u></b>  <b><u>PTC Trivia Night</u></b> <u>@ 7:00 PM</u>  <b><u>Handicraft @ 7:00</u></b> <u>PM</u>  <b><u>PTC Cobbler @</u></b> <u>8:00</u>  <u>Yoga @ Fitness</u> <u>Center, 8:00 PM</u>	<b><u>10</u></b>  <b><u>Bratwurst Day</u></b> <u>@ S<sup>3</sup>AC, 11:00</u> <u>AM</u>  <b><u>PTC Buffalo</u></b> <b><u>BBQ @ 5:30</u></b> <u>PM</u>  <b><u>PTC Country</u></b> <b><u>Dance @ 7:00</u></b> <u>PM</u>  <u>Yoga @ Fitness</u> <u>Center, 8:00 PM</u>	<b><u>11</u></b>  <b><u>Capture the</u></b> <b><u>Flag @ CHQ</u></b> <u>Fields, 6:00 PM</u>  <u>Yoga @ PTC</u> <u>Small Fry, 7:00</u> <u>PM</u>  <b><u>PTC Movie</u></b> <b><u>Night @ 7:00</u></b> <u>PM</u>	<b><u>12</u></b>  <b><u>PTC Bingo @</u></b> <u>7:00 PM</u>  <b><u>PTC</u></b> <b><u>Branding @</u></b> <u>7:00 PM</u>  <b><u>Handicraft @</u></b> <u>7:00 PM</u>  <b><u>PTC Cobbler</u></b> <u>@ Tent Cities,</u> <u>8:00 PM</u>  <b><u>PSA Campfire</u></b> <u>@ Baldy</u> <u>Pavilion, 8:00</u> <u>PM</u>  <b><u>Ranger CT:</u></b> <u>Car Care</u>
<b><u>Ranger CT:</u></b> <u>Backcountry</u> <u>Cooking</u>	<b><u>Ranger CT:</u></b> <u>History of</u> <u>Backpacking</u>	<b><u>Ranger CT:</u></b> <u>Backcountry</u> <u>Cooking</u>	<b><u>Ranger CT:</u></b> <u>History of</u> <u>Backpacking</u>	<b><u>Ranger CT:</u></b> <u>Car Care</u>	<b><u>Ranger CT:</u></b> <u>Outside</u> <u>Photography</u>	<b><u>Ranger CT:</u></b> <u>Car Care</u>