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Sustaining Philmont for the Future

By Ben McNair, PhilNews Writer

At a place like Philmont, where participants have the opportunity to become one with the wilderness, it only makes sense that sustainability is a priority. Out of nearly 1,100 staff members across the Ranch this summer, there is one who oversees all of Philmont's sustainability efforts: Sarah Burgess, Sustainability Resource Specialist.

In the past few years, recycling has become an increasingly important priority for the Ranch. Thanks to Burgess, recycling programs have taken off. Since she took over the position last year, an increasing number of recyclable items never once see a dumpster.

Like any recycling program, it has taken several years to create the infrastructure to support the program in place today. There are "a lot of baby steps leading up to the best solution for us," Burgess says, adding that an effective recycling program is only possible after five conditions are met.

First, one must find a market for the recycling, or "product." The next step is education, followed by collecting the product. Storage is another important consideration; at Philmont, this step requires storing the product in bearproof containers. The final step is transporting the product to a recycler.

One of the most drastic changes has been how the Ranch deals with cardboard waste. "If all of the cardboard was in storage or in dumpsters, it would cost...

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ROCS: School's in for Summer

By Nicole Butler, PhilNews Writer

"This [quote from Confucius] just puts a wrap on how this program is...'Tell me and I will forget; teach me and I will remember; show me and I will learn," says ROCS participant Hannah LaRue.

The Roving Outdoor Conservation School (ROCS), which began in 2001, is a 21day program that focuses on environmental education, leadership and conservation. Each day the participants, who range in age from 16 to 20, hike through Philmont in crews of four to eight people, are taught lessons and participate in conservation projects.

"The best part of the environment is that it doesn't have to be something that you're going into. It's just a part of all of our lives because we all live out here, and we all need to know at least a little about ecology and how to take care of our land," says ROCS participant Olivia Sanders.

Instructors and guest speakers, most of whom have backgrounds in education or the natural sciences, teach a different lesson each day, such as a lesson on ecology, botany, biology or subjects more specific and out of the ordinary, such as aquatic etymology or dendroecology. "There are also a lot of learning opportunities along the way, things we call teachable moments," explains Conservation Coordinator-Environmental Education Andy Sheets.

In order to supplement their lessons, participants in the two men's crews and one women's crew complete around 20 hours of conservation work at both established conservation sites and along the trail, with work such as trail building and meadow encroachment. This allows participants to "take a lot of the things they learn and directly apply them right away, and that is really important...especially for them to get the most out of what ROCS can be," explains Sheets.

Participants also learn Leave No Trace Camping, which complements their lessons on environmental impact. Crews usually stay at six or more Leave No Trace campsites that do not have bear lines, fire rings or sumps. These sites also allow participants to experience different parts of the Ranch and even see locations that no one has been to for 20 years.

In addition to learning about environmental aspects, participants also learn new ways of thinking. The program encourages Scouts to "really pick up a different way of learning...to become lifelong learners," explains Sheets. "That really involves thinking critically about your surroundings, things you encounter everyday, asking a lot of questions and seeking out the answers to those questions... Hopefully they take that inquisitiveness and ability to think and question things back home," he adds.

"There's a lot more modern problems that we don't recognize when we go camping at home...We don't really see the bigger picture of things, and the Conservation Department really teaches you to do that," explains ROCS participant Angela Houters.

Many of the ROCS participants do apply what they learn during the program to their lives back home. Sheets explains that many participants later go



ROCS: Olivia Sanders works trail conservation with Women's ROCS Crew 2011 on July 16.

on to enter fields of forestry, conservation biology, biology and other fields related to the program. "It really has impacted them in ways that change their perspective and their views of what they want to do in the world and what they want to pursue as a career,"he adds.

Others apply to the program because it relates to their future plans and goals."I want a career in this field, so I really thought this would be more hands on than any class could teach me, and it's a real living example of what I want to do. Plus I get to see all these people with the jobs that I could potentially have," explains Sanders.

"It's really great to see the growth in the participants throughout the trek, especially the ones who don't really expect that coming in, and then once they come off the trail, they're really excited and they've learned a lot," says Sheets.

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pg. 9: Nick Parker is one the left and Asa Gurden is on the right.

Activities Calendar July 21 to Aug. 3

Thursday 21	Friday 22	Saturday 23	Sunday 24	Monday 25	Tuesday 26	Wednesday 27
6 p.m. Ranger CT: Ultra-Light Gear	6 p.m. Ranger CT: Outlaws	6 p.m. Ranger CT: Sandia	4:30 p.m. *Interfaith Chapel Service @ PTC	Art and Photo Contest Entries Due!!!	5:30 p.m. *Buffalo BBQ @ PTC	5 p.m. Philmont 5K Run!!!
7-9 p.m. *PTC Handicraft Night 8:15 p.m. Casino Night in the S ³ AC	and Gunmen of Colfax 6:15 p.m. Humans Vs. Zombies at Rayado 7:15 p.m. *PTC Closing Program 8:30 - 9:30 p.m. Yoga w/ Jason	Search Dogs 7-9 p.m. Villa Philmonte Musical Experience @ the Villa 7:30 p.m. Captain America in Trinidad. Meet in the staff parking lot.	6 p.m. CT: Outlaws and Gunmen of Colfax 7:15 p.m. *PTC Opening Program 8:15 p.m. Tie-dye Night in the Fitness Center Pavilion	 6 p.m. Ranger CT: Sandia Search Dogs 7 p.m. *Wanna-Be Band 7-9 p.m. *PTC Handicraft Night 8:15 p.m. Game System Night in the S³AC 8:30 - 9:30 p.m. Yoga w/ Jason 	 6 p.m. Ranger CT: Poops and Prints 7 p.m. *Western Dance @ PTC 8:15 p.m. Humans Vs. Zombies in the S³AC 	 6 p.m. Ranger CT: Tracking 7 p.m. Yoga w/ Julia @ PTC 7 p.m. *Follow Me Boys @ PTC 8:15 p.m. Salsa Night in the S³A hosted by the PSA
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Unstoppable Movie Night @ the S ³ AC	8:15 p.m. Soccer Night @ field by Health Lodge 8:30 - 9:30 p.m. Yoga w/ Jason	Dance/Rave @ the S ³ AC	*PTC Opening Program	7 p.m. *Wanna-Be Band 8:15 p.m. Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory Movie Night & candy @ the S ³ AC	Professional Scout Reception 7 p.m. *Western Dance @ PTC 8:15 p.m. Ultimate Frisbee in field by Health Lodge	Yoga w/ Julia @ PTC 8:15 p.m. Craft Night @ S ³ AC

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Weather Forecast July 21 to July 30

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Mark's Minute **Greetings and Goodbyes!**

By Mark Anderson, Director of Program

guest throughout the summer. As I read evaluations each

As the summer continues to pass and hundreds of participants come and go, we can sometimes lose the edge that we had at the first of the summer. We are no longer excited about greeting another new person or crew or hearing someone's story. The faces run together, and we long for the end of the day.

If you find yourself falling into this trap, please stop and take a moment to reflect on the dreams and goals that you had at the beginning of the summer. Think about the discussions you have had with your team and the impact that your team planned to have with each participant and

day, I know that we are continuing to meet the expectations of each person. However, we are challenged to connect our part of the experience when they are tired or when part of their journey on the Ranch has not gone well. At that moment one of the best things that we can do for people is to expect the best of them. John Maxwell says that to help him in this area he puts a "10" on everyone's head. Benjamin Disraeli said, "The greatest good

you can do for another is not just

to share your riches but to reveal

Often the change in a person's attitude or outlook can occur with a heartfelt greeting and can continue along the journey with a sincere goodbye. It grows in each person as we share our love for the experiences obtained while at Philmont. Ultimately WE grow as we watch the transformation happen in those we come in contact with. Before we know it, the day has passed, and as we discuss the events of the day with our Philmont Family, we know the satisfaction of making a difference.

When I reach that moment. I look forward to tomorrow and the chances to help the people I



encounter become a "10."

Start with the greeting, share in the experience and end with a sincere goodbye.

One of my favorite quotes is from John Quincy Adams: "If your actions cause others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more you are a leader."

Remember what your actions can cause in the life of each participant, visitor and fellow staff member.

Owen's Corner Philmont Recruits Staff Year-Round By Owen McCulloch, Associate Director of Program

As we round the half-way more about Philmont. mark of our summer, many of us begin to contemplate, "What in moved online with YouTube the world will life be like after I videos, college job boards, mailing leave Philmont this summer?" Will you find yourself trying to explain to friends why you feel the of recruiting is still staff telling need to eat bratwurst every 10 days, their friends about Philmont and give porch talks to anyone who encouraging them to apply. Many walks by your front door or burst of our staff are great recruiters; into Lee Greenwood songs? It is this is easy to see when we look at difficult to explain to those that campus representations. have not experienced Philmont, but there is an opportunity to help to earn a few extra bucks on a educate them: recruit them for the referral. Did you know you can 2012 staff!

Each year, Philmont visits 20 to 40 college campuses across the a season at Philmont? country, usually where we have a staff from that school. Events we are looking to identify some include general job fairs, summer Philmont Recruiters to help. camp job fairs or specific recruiting These recruiters will either host events (such as pizza parties) held an event or represent Philmont for people interested in hearing at a job or recruitment fair. The

to him his own."

Much of our recruiting has letters and direct email campaigns, but our most effective method

Also, it can be a great way get \$25 for every person you recruit that gets hired and works

We are looking to expand significant number of previous our on-campus recruiting, and

expenses for the event will be paid for, recruiting materials sent to you and the opportunity to recruit some great talent from your area should be the goal. Training will be provided at Philmont before the end of the summer season.

If you have an interest in being a Philmont Recruiter on your campus or in your area, send an I-Camp to Owen McCulloch at Camping Headquarters with the following information: name, current Philmont position, campus(es) or area(s) you could recruit in and your preferred recruitment venue (small pizza event, a booth at job fairs, etc.).



Pro-Scouting Interest Reception—Tuesday, August 2, 6 p.m., Villa Gallery

On Tuesday, August 2, 6 p.m., a reception will be held at the Villa Philmonte Gallery Room for individuals interested in learning more about professional Scouting. Joining the reception are several Scout Executives, who are the CEOs for local councils, District Executives and 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. Please RSVP.

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The application deadline is August 31, 2011. Applications may be submitted to the box provided in the Silver Sage Staff Activity Center or mailed to:

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Chaplain's Corner Looks Can Decieve!

By Padre Gerald Gettelfinger, Catholic Chaplain

Due to lack of rain, the bears have little to eat. They are hungry. God has indeed blessed us with such an awesome place to visit, but we must never forget that we are guests. This is the home of wild animals that search for food daily to survive. It is our responsibility to do all that we can to prevent feeding a bear by policing our campsites, following the safety rules of Philmont and not being guilty of tempting the animals by our carelessness.

The Wilson Mesa fire last week was yet another reminder that the lands of Philmont are indeed a wilderness. It was a blessed happenstance that members of the Head of Dean camp staff spotted the fire in the distance as it was ignited by lightning at about 9 p.m. Their prompt reporting set in motion a chain of events that made it possible for Philmont firefighters to get to it quickly and bring it under control.

An element that made it possible for the firefighters to approach the fire was that it was accessible from the Rich Cabins road. Using a bulldozer, they were able to contain the fire by encircling it with a fire break.

The original fire grew very rapidly to consume one acre; it soon spread to engulf five acres. Although by 1:30 a.m. the fire crews had the fire contained, the fickle nature of the wind was always a grave and ever-present concern, as it was not far from Pueblano camp and there were other campers in trail camps in the area.

Pueblano camp was evacuated and closed for a brief time to keep the roads and trails free for firefighters while keeping campers and staff safe.

With coordination from Basecamp, Rich Cabins became a staging area for campers to gather. The camp staff members roused crews from their tents at 1:30 a.m.

A member of the Rich Cabins staff hiked 101 campers and advisors the six miles from Rich Cabins to the Ponil Complex arriving around 4 a.m.

All displaced staff and trekkers were transported to a staging area at the Atmore Ranch gate and sent on their way by noon.

Due to the efficiency of the Philmont Staff and the ability to serve campers in 34 backcountry camps, one can easily be led to believe that Philmont is not a wilderness area. Philmont is indeed a wilderness area and the management and staff of Philmont have the safety of all trekkers as their first and foremost concern for which we must always be most grateful!

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Sustainability Statement Conserve Water to Support Sustainability

By Sarah Burgess, Sustainable Resource Specialist

WATER—a resource we must have to survive. It is a precious one to be had these days in our dry southwest desert climate, especially in the midst of drought conditions and extreme fire danger. We, as a responsible population in this environment, should be cognizant of how we use such a vital resource. There is much to be said about our water at Philmont; it serves 23,000 participants in the backcountry, thousands in our Basecamp and training center facilities and we use a significant amount for agriculture.

Our benefactor, Waite Phillips, was a landowner invested in ranching, using irrigation systems for his rangeland and having potable water for himself and visitors. He purchased his water rights for a large sum, and when his land was endowed to the Boy Scouts of America, those valuable resource rights came packaged with the land grant. We are fortunate in so many ways for Waite Phillips's generosity, but having access and exclusivity to our water sources remains one of his most valuable gifts.

During the beginning of Philmont as we know it today, there was headquarters at Ponil camp called Philturn Rocky Mountain Scout Camp. The Calvacade treks got their drinking and cooking water from the stream. Bacteria such as Giardia and Cryptosporidium, nasty viruses that lurk in our untreated water sources on the Ranch now, were not much of a concern back then, nor were there any governmental regulations on potable water sources. Presently, each of our potable water sources are sampled every month and sent to the state of New Mexico Environmental Department to ensure that our water sources are meeting health and safety standards testing.

For over 30 years, Philmont Scout Ranch has operated its backcountry camp's water systems utilizing solar energy. Panels are found everywhere, from behind a staff cabin to a few trail camps Basecamp operate using to solar energy to power the water pumps on a direct current (DC), versus the alternating current (AC) power used commonly in buildings around Basecamp. These water systems in the backcountry use a pump to reach groundwater. Depending on the amount of shade that might be covering the solar panel powering the pump, water can be pumped anywhere from 1.5 gallons per minute to 10 gallons per minute. Most of our staffed camps operate readily at the lower gallons per minute of the spectrum. Potable water at camps is tested several times a day for a residual, or amount of chlorine that remains at the end of the line after organic particulates are dosed with sufficient chemical.

There are two kinds of water sources we draw from at Philmont Basecamp. Our potable water, suitable for drinking, showering, laundering and dishwashing, comes from Urraca Reservoir, commonly referred to as the Philmont Reservoir, that the North Fork Urraca empties into. This manmade reservoir was built by Philmont as a supplement to Phillips Reservoir, that Waite himself dammed to create a recreational and potable source for his family and visitors. Urraca Reservoir is fed by the 6,500 acre watershed of Black Mountain. Through combined efforts of Philmont Maintenance and the GIS Specialists, we have created a profile of this reservoir and gained more accurate volume

measurements than we have ever had before.

Our second source of water is irrigation water used for watering the Villa Lawn, PTC greensward and alfalfa fields between the PTC and Administration. Five Points Lake is located northwest Headquarters of Camping and provides the agricultural irrigation water from the inflow of the Cimarron River. Timers are set to water the Villa Lawn on a schedule, usually taking advantage of low light times of day at dusk and dawn. Watering our lawns meets many needs: holding down the dust and reducing erosion problems are key, as well as taking care of antique trees. We meet customer expectations by having shady, inviting lawn spaces for crews, visitors and staff to enjoy at their leisure. In receiving the gift of Philmont from Waite and Genevieve we agreed to uphold their vision of this ranch, and as their surviving family members can attest to, the Villa Philmonte and headquarters look as beautiful as they did 80 years ago.

As we all anxiously await more rain for the Ranch and surrounding areas this season, we should strive to conserve as much as possible. In or out of drought conditions, conserving our use of water is part of the Philmont Wilderness Pledge, part of living here in a desert climate and part of our duty to remain environmentally conscious wherever we find ourselves adventuring.

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Ventriloquist at PTC

By Danielle Edwards, PhilNews Writer



PUPPET: Ronn Lucas, renowned ventriloquist, has Greg Gamewell dance to music while his fake mouth is controlled via a remote hidden behind his back.

"I haven't laughed that hard in a long time," said one PTC participant after Ronn Lucas, Ventriloquist, performed Tuesday night, July 13, in the PTC Assembly Hall. Lucas is a world-renowned ventriloquist and entertains audiences from Hollywood stars to various Presidents of the United States to PTC participants at Philmont.

"I don't believe they're real; I never have. They're just props and extensions of what I like to express myself, but it's fun how people react like they're real," said Lucas as he talked about his puppets. Lucas has never been to Philmont before but has always wanted to come here.

He was able to come to Philmont through his friend and Public Relations agent, Jim Ellis. Ellis works here at Philmont as a Quartermaster for the National Advanced Youth Leadership (N.A.Y.L.E.)Experience program. "As a result of phone calls I made and the Philmont managers saying 'that sounds like a great idea,'you're stuck watching Ronn Lucas instead of Follow Me Boys," said Ellis as he introduced Lucas before the show.

Lucas has logged more than 50,000 hours working on his "full-frontal puppetry" acts, as he likes to call them, and has received many prestigious awards such as "Ventriloquist of the Year" from his peers in the American Society of Ventriloquists.

Lucas' ventriloquism all began one Christmas when he was a young boy. He said during the show that his inspiration was his grandfather who entertained him and his cousins with a sock puppet. "My grandfather was big on variety and ventriloquism...so he helped me," Lucas said after the show.

During the show, people laughed at the comments made by Lucas's puppets, Cowboy Buffalo Billy and Chuck the Punk Rocker. The hardest laughs were when Greg Gamewell, Associate

Director of Program, became Lucas's puppet. Gamewell stood on stage with a small hat on his head, a felt tux front (a type of false shirt front) and a dummy mask over his mouth and cheeks as Lucas made him answer questions and sing.

Gamewell looked hesitant at first but near the end of the act, when Lucas started to make him sing, Gamewell swayed and moved to the song "When You Smile." The crowd applauded loudly, especially the PTC staff, as Gamewell quickly left the stage to sit down.

Even Lucas becomes nervous before a show and spends five to 10 minutes by himself to think and take a couple of breaths before he steps on stage. Once he's on stage, he said, "I feel like I'm home. It's my comfort zone. I'm very comfortable there doing ventriloquism."

Features

Local Food Review: The Porch

By Bo Bordas, NPS Marketing Staff

A sandwich shop 13 years in the making settled itself in tiny Cimarron: a gorgeous porch bustling with friendly voices, with pots of pretty flowers, with bread, meats and Arizona Green Tea. It was like Sunday morning brunch for us on a weekday. I love the way food tastes different when you eat it outside. The flavors come alive on your tongue as wind mixes into your chewing. The chicken salad was what I had.

A favorite of the house, the wheat bread was soft and tasty. I was, however, harboring a great ball of jealousy for the sandwich beside me, boasting its ciabatta bread that I hadn't had the patience to read about on the order slip. 'Next time,' my taste buds assured me, and the next bite reminded me that I still had the better sandwich. The pasta salad was bright with flavor and the shade of the place, the whole sweet picture we painted while munching at the table, was perfect. It was everything I had needed that day (or maybe sooner). It was like we had escaped into another time where instead of the backs of buildings, croquet players should have taken up our view on rolling hills broken up by the sight of fountains. Such a simple meal, such simple delights, such simple words are enough to describe how I felt.

We ordered on pieces of paper, mixing and matching our bread preferences to our meat to our condiments to our sides. I've found, in my eating explorations throughout this town, that organic, fresh and local are three very important adjectives for Cimarron's food. The Porch has the same high standards. They even bake fresh bread every



Friday and recently introduced smoothies to their menu: fresh fruit blended with yogurt, apple juice and ice. Simple sweetness! They also offer homemade soups, breakfast burritos, homemade granola, giant bagels, croissants and free WiFi. They are open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Sundays for brunch from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Although they are not open Saturdays, the fresh produce market right next door is, where I sampled blood oranges and bought myself some gooseberries to snack on. So delicious!



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Photo Contest Rules and Entry Form

Contest Rules

- 1. Photos must be scenes at Philmont and must have been taken this summer by a current staff member.
- 2. No digital alterations (e.g "photoshopping") are permitted, except in the Digital Creations category.
- 3. Photos can be I-Camped, dropped off in person, downloaded at the CHQ Activities Department or sent to chqactivities@yahoo.com.
- 4. All photos will be printed in 8x10 sizes. Printed photos will be scanned and reprinted. Highest resolution should be used when taking photos (at least 200dpi).
- 5. All photos submitted will become property of Philmont Scout Ranch.

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Meet the New Philmont Chaplains

Chaplain Clark Scalera, Protestant Chaplain



The dusty mountains of northern New Mexico are quite a surprise for this Florida-born minister. My name is Clark Scalera, and while the highest point in my home state is a paltry 345 feet above sea level, I grew up with a great love for hiking and the outdoors. And perhaps because as a youth I didn't regularly see any hills taller than my house, now whenever I encounter real mountains I am filled with deep appreciation and an abiding sense of wonder. As you can imagine, arriving at Philmont has been an awe-filled experience for me.

While the landscape of Philmont is new to me, I have not felt like a stranger to the people of Philmont. In my short time here, I have been repeatedly impressed by the friendliness, helpfulness and hospitality that seems to touch all aspects of the Philmont culture. This whole place appears to function like one big family, and I am glad to gradually be becoming part of this wild and wonderful community.

I am also glad to be joining a fine and diverse staff of chaplains that is striving to provide for the spiritual nurture and welfare of the Philmont family. They have been quick to instruct me that our role as chaplains is to live out our own faith fully while also encouraging others as they pursue their duties to God, regardless of their religious background or faith tradition. It is a compelling task to equip people to live more fully, honorably and gratefully before their creator. I will strive to support people wherever they are on their journeys of faith.

"Our role as chaplains is to live out our own faith fully while also encouraging others as they pursue their duties to God, regardless of their religious background or faith tradition."

For me personally, I have been seeking to fulfill my duty to God as a Presbyterian minister. If you are unfamiliar with Presbyterians, we are part of the broad Christian family and our faith emphasizes the love and grace of God that we believe has been most fully revealed in Jesus Christ. We hold the whole of the Bible in very high esteem as our uniquely authoritative witness to God and God's actions in the world. We tend to be very community-minded and strive to live out our faith by finding ways to serve our communities and our neighbors around the world.

In seeking to live out my faith, I have developed a keen interest in knowing and understanding people from a wide variety of cultures and contexts. I have lived and worked in many parts of the country and internationally in Haiti, Italy, Israel and Palestine. I am very interested in hearing people's stories and thoroughly enjoy meaningful and deep conversations.

If you see me around Camping Headquarters or are wandering the back trails, please feel free to stop me and introduce yourself. Or, send me an email at clscalera@gmail.com to set up a time to sit down and talk. I'd love to know you better, to know your stories and to know how to support you as we all strive to keep the Philmont family happy, healthy and faith-filled.

Cantor Michael Dzubin, Jewish Chaplain



I am an Eagle Scout and Vigil Honor Member of the Order of the Arrow from the area of Miami, F.L. I started as a Cub Scout and have been involved pretty much ever since. After earning my Eagle, I stayed on as an Assistant Scoutmaster and Advancement Chair, and for a couple of years served as Scoutmaster. I served as Chapter Chief in the OA for two years. After receiving the Vigil Honor, I served as the Vigil Selection Committee Advisor. In addition to all of that, I also served two summers as the Aquatics

Director at Camp Lone Oak for the South Florida Council's summer camp program, so I do have experience in spending a long summer on camp staff!

When I started to train to become a cantor (the person who leads the Jewish services by singing the prayers in Hebrew), it became hard to do as much camping. I stayed active, however, through the meetings, training and summer camp trips. In my old troop, in addition to my role in the weekly meetings and the monthly campouts, I used to take the older Scouts on the week-long high adventure trips every summer.

When I moved out west to serve as the cantor for a congregation in Albuquerque, N.M., I was kept too busy to be involved in Scouting and lost my 'active' status. I moved back to Miami a few years ago and was recruited to join the JCoS (Jewish Committee on Scouting). I have been conducting Friday night services at camporees, conducting religious medal workshops, and in 2009, helped start a Jewish Boy Scout Troop (Troop 18 of Hollywood, FL), of which I am currently the Assistant Scoutmaster.

I fully believe that the youth are our future, in the importance of maintaining and transmitting our Scouting and Jewish traditions to the next generation, as well as educating people of all faiths about Judaism in order to dispel myths and misunderstandings about Judaism.

Despite my almost 30 years in Scouting and being the cantor in Albuquerque, N.M. for three years, I never made it to the legendary Philmont Scout Ranch (my duties and work schedule would never let me get there; so close, and yet so far!). I am thrilled to have been given the opportunity to rectify that! I am excited to finally be here and to have the opportunity to represent the Jewish clergy at Philmont!

Chaplain J. DeLair, Protestant Chaplain



This is Chaplain DeLair's fourth season on staff at Philmont. He is a native of the Greater Buffalo area of New York State and a member of the Greater Niagara Frontier Council # 380, the council in which he attained the rank of Eagle Scout and the HO-DE-NO-SAU-NEE Lodge #159, of which he is a Vigil Honor Member. Chaplain DeLair serves the community of faith at Southtowns Christian Center, a non-denominational congregation associated with the International Communion of Charismatic Churches.

Chaplain DeLair entered the ministry after a seven-year term of military service with the primary area of specialization as a Military Police Specialist (95B2Q9). During his service as a DARE Officer and juvenile crime intervention specialist, he chose to leave the military to pursue a career in education. He currently teaches Regent Earth Science for the Kenmore West Senior High School in Kenmore, N.Y. and currently serves as the supervisor of student activities. These are opportunities to work with and counsel youth and to carry the ideals of the Order of the Arrow and Scouting to those who are not involved in the program. In addition to certification to teach

in New York, Chaplain DeLair holds a Bachelor's degree in Geosciences with a minor in Astronomy. During his practical teaching in Arizona he felt a renewed call to ministry, which led to that attainment of a Master's in Multidisciplinary degree Studies with a concentration in Cultural Dynamics of Education, and a Doctorate in Religious Studies with a concentration in Organizational Management and Servant Leadership. Chaplain DeLair attributes to the Scouting program the continued desire to minister to youth and adults as well as the desire to teach. train and instill in others the principles of Duty to God and Country, Citizenship, Physical Fitness and the selfless service to others through Scouting and the community of faith.

<u>Features</u>

Crews Build Brotherhood

By Ben McNair, PhilNews Writer

In addition to traditional treks through the Sangre de Cristo Mountains, Philmont Scout Ranch also offers individual opportunities that focus on environmentalism and leadership. One of these is the Order of the Arrow Trail Crew (OATC).

The OATC is a two-week program that draws Arrowmen ages 16 to 20 from all over the country. On average, 160 to 180 Arrowmen participate in the program each season. OATC treks differ from traditional treks, and even from other special treks. A key difference lies in the educational aspect of the program. While participants learn about trail building and responsible interaction with the environment, there are also elements of the program that focus on the ideals of Scouting and the Order of the Arrow. Participants are also encouraged to perform service while they venture through the backcountry.

Every Order of the Arrow Trail Crew trek is structured with two distinct parts. For one week, participants work on building a trail. The current work site goes through Trail Canyon. The trail there is "completely new construction," says Conservation Director Rick Smith. The trail starts at mile nine on Ponil Road, goes over the top of Dean Skyline and down to Chandler Canyon. According to Smith, "it's going to provide a more direct hiking route that doesn't involve a whole lot of roads between Ponil and Dean Cow."

During the second week, participants hike through Philmont. "Unlike a lot of programs, participants have the freedom to come up with their own itinerary," says OATC Coordinator Robert Clemmer.

OATC treks are attractive to Arrowmen for several reasons. Besides being a considerably less expensive way to experience Philmont, they also provide a challenge and a way to meet new people.

Participant Ricky Siska says that his trek has been "a good team building experience... It's different from a regular trek because you're not coming out with your troop. Everybody is new to you." He adds that "being an Eagle Scout and knowing what leadership and everything is, it's helped a lot because it puts those skills to the test."

"It's exhilarating knowing that the trail we build now will still be here 100 years from now and it'll be hiked on by thousands and thousands of hikers who won't even know our names," says participant Ghilit Lagard. "We're the thankless people who've given work to Philmont, and we enjoy it."

"To have a physical impact on Philmont makes me pretty happy," says participant Andy Wilson. "It's going from just walking on the trail and not appreciating it to, 'Man, this is going to be here 50 years from now, and possibly a child of mine will walk on it when he's in Scouts.'It's pretty cool."

During the work week, "you're not quite sure why you're doing it," says participant Daniel Denette. During the trek week, however, "you realize that you loved working on that because you got to give back to something that you love so much."

Each Order of the Arrow Trail Crew is paired with two foremen, Philmont staff members who play different roles throughout the two-week trek. Foreman David Scrivener explains that during the work week, they act as conservationists and work crew foremen who guide participants through trail building. During the trek week, their role changes to that of an adviser, and in between the weeks, they act as Rangers and teach crew members essential skills.

"There's something special about these hills and these mountains," says Foreman Marshall Strong. What draws Arrowmen to the program, he adds, is "being able to do something really important, something that'll last and that will make a difference for people out here."



Matt Prokosch—PhilNews DANCER: Zach Zuniga, a member of the Kwahadis Dancers, performs on Monday, July 11.

Flashes of color and tinkling bells echoed through the Assembly Hall at PTC on Monday nights, July 11 and July 18.

The Kwahadi (Venture Crew 9) and Koshare (Venture Crew 230) performed Native American dances and songs that had been passed down through the years.

"I came and saw a show when I was a Webelos Scout...I was 10 years old and signed up...I've been in it ever since," said Nick Wilson, 17-year-old head chief of the Kwahadi group.

The two crews, ranging from ages 10 to 21, came from Amarillo, Texas (Kwahadi) and from La Junta, Colo. (Koshare) to Philmont because they have come in the past and enjoy it. The Kwahadi group formally began in 1944 when a group of Scouts dressed up like Native Americans for a campfire skit, singing and dancing how they thought Native Americans would. According to Debbie Stich, Kwahadi Girls Adviser, the Scouts "had so much fun that they said 'let's go over to New Mexico and see what they really do."

Later, a man named James F. "Buck" Burshears, from La Junta, Colo. moved to Amarillo, Texas and brought songs and dances he knew with him and taught the group. "He shared what he knew, and the whole thing has just grown...until we were fairly authentic in terms of the look that we have and the way that [we] sing," said Stich.

Since 1944, the Kwahadis have had over 1,600 young men and women perform over 5,000 times in 46 states and overseas. They were given the name "Kwahadi" from the Elders of the Comanche Nation and were chosen to represent the United States at the International Festival of Arts in Amman, Jordan. They were also chosen to represent the North American continent at the TreX-Games in Busan, South Korea in 2008.

The Koshare group has been around since 1933 and was founded by Burshears. It was originally called the Boy Scout Indian Club but was changed to Koshare, meaning "delight-maker" in the Hopi language, because Burshears thought it was more appropriate for the group of young Boy Scouts who studied and interpreted Native American dances and songs. They first performed in September of 1933 at the St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in La Junta, Colo.

Stich loves the program and said, "If you want to be involved with your kid, come do Kwahadi because we all travel together, we make their regalia together...this is the program to do."



Haylee Train—PhilNews ARROWMEN: OATC crew members pitch in at French Henry on July 16.

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The Crater Boys

By Nicole Butler, PhilNews Writer



ENTHUSIASM: Karl Smith of Pittsburgh, PA, introduces himself during the Crater Lake campfire on June 16.

At Crater Lake "we turn boys into men, and we turn girls into men," says Program Counselor Carl "Sparks" Smith.

Crews arriving at Crater Lake interpretive logging camp find themselves in the year 1914, seven years after the founding of the Continental Tie and Lumber Company and just in time for the seventh annual company meeting.

Before attending the company meeting, which is the camp's evening campfire show, Scouts have the opportunity to climb spar poles and listen to stories on the porch. "There is no program, only manly logging work here," Camp Director Zak "Nine Pound" Butler tells the arriving crews during the porch talk.

The Scouts are then shown to the spar poling area. Here the crews climb the tall wooden poles using their harnesses and gaffs, which are boot attachments with metal spikes that are stabbed into the poles. Program Counselor Jared "Rabbit" Wicker explains to the Scouts that they must "hug the tree like a hippie," and once they get to the top, they have to strike a manly pose, kiss Miss Carrie Beaner (the carabiner connecting harness rope at the top of the pole) and "yell something manly, like 'Bacon!' or 'I respect women!""

After the Scouts finish climbing or while they wait for their climbing time, they can listen to stories or music on the porch. Smith, who tells many of the stories on the porch, says he "likes to play on the stories before telling them" and tries to make them "as dark and sinister as possible." Following the stories, the staff entertains Scouts by strumming their multiple instruments, sometimes playing three separate songs at once.

Once the five to 10 crews that spend the night at the camp return to their campsites for dinner, the cabin becomes the Crater Lake Institute for the Culinary Arts, explains the staff. "We have spices from all over the world," says Butler.

The staff also uses their dinner time to prepare for their campfire show. They rehearse their set and build up their energy for the Scouts. "You have to light yourself on fire and be the 90 watt light bulb that illuminates the night," explains Smith.

By the time 8 p.m. arrives, the six member staff is ready to perform for the campers. The Crater campfire involves an array of songs featuring music from a bass, fiddle, guitar, banjo, washboard, tambourine, mandolin, ukulele and harmonica. Program Counselor Stuart Babcook, who normally plays piano, says he will "play anything I can get my hands on."

Crowd and staff favorites include "Mariner's Revenge" by the Decemberists, which not only showcases the staff's talent but also features Wicker in a blond wig to sing the female part of the song. "Shakespeare's got nothing on us," jokes Smith. The campfire also features stories such as tales of friendship and of famous loggers.

Towards the end of the performance, Butler gets serious with the Scouts, telling them of his actual experiences at Philmont and all that they can expect from their experiences here. He also adds in a few words of advice to the Scouts, such as "Maturity is for suckers. Never grow up."

Despite the late hour that the performance ends, the staff continues to work, talking to Scouts and one another about what went well with the show and what could be improved. The staff explains that their goal for the summer is to have the best campfire on the Ranch.

Staff Feature Submission: Halfway to Heaven

By Eden Hafernik, Rich Cabins Program Counselor

Strains of a banjo, guitar and mandolin mixed amid angelic voices will be the first clue one has neared Pueblano. Upon first arrival taking in the sights and sounds, your casual hiker might not put much stock in a single-room cabin, a rundown miniature baseball field, an overgrown dugout and a smattering of red roofs and tents. But on the porch of that small cabin is wherein lies all the color and passion that are the Pueblano Boys.

Grizzo will be playing the guitar, Oscar Pope on the banjo, Moose and Bluenose singing and harmonizing with all their might, Crazy Gun violently strumming the mandolin and tossing in the odd song mash-up every now and then. If you peek into the kitchen you will find the Reverend Doctor singing and cooking up a feast. Red is there, too, honorary baker of the troupe, concocting a dessert delicacy fit for princes and kings.

If you are there for dinner, these talented young men will insist upon doing the dishes and cooking for you, their esteemed guest. And though they will deny your attempts to help, they encourage their visitors to carouse them in a jolly game of Loggerball, for they dearly love to play. Don't ask them for rules; they won't tell you. Just be certain to pay close attention as the game progresses. Moose will gainfully distract all batters as he pitches by strutting his backside, and Red, playing catcher with an oven mitt, will make several choice comments about your hitting skills or your mother. The game is played with workman's gloves, a pail and a rock that has been rolled in several dozens of layers of duct tape. Axe handles serve as baseball bats and tree stumps are the bases. The boys will climb on top of and sit perched on the dugout like birds, shouting colorful insults at their teammates as they go up to bat, so don't feel singled out by their good-natured humor. All is fair in Loggerball and war. Don't be thrown off by their ridiculous silver hardhats and overalls; these boys can play ball. They are hardly ever beaten at their own game, but it does happen occasionally.

The Pueblano Boys are mad talented at making their guests feel at ease. They can even make a rather lopsided porch swing look like a feather bed as they crowd around it and sing their hearts out. If you're lucky, they'll break out into Rebecca Black's "Friday," crooning it with the utmost respect, of course. You might fall out of your seat laughing, but that is the point, after all.

The upside-down horseshoe hanging on the porch wall seems to have no effect on their luck running out or love of life at Pueblano; their spirits will never lack enthusiasm or energy, though the year is only 1914. Who needs the Internet or cable when you have the a capella skills of these young men? The old faithful they have flying in the yard represents not just the pride they have for their country but also in themselves, as well they should.

If you happen to visit, you'll see a sign on their front porch that says it is "halfway to heaven;" although to some it might only be a camp known as Pueblano with a few energetic young men as its occupants, to these boys it most certainly is. And having the privilege to have visited their camp and be their guest, I wholeheartedly concur.

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Pueblano in Five-Part Harmony

By Nicole Butler, PhilNews Writer



Ephraim Moore—PhilNews CAMPFIRE: From left: Austin St. George, from Farmington Hills, Mich., and Jack Daly, from Flower Mound, Texas, check the crowd's energy level at the Pueblano campfire.

Pueblano, an interpretive logging camp that depicts the Continental Tie and Lumber Company in the year 1914, is known for its programs. The approximately 22 crews that pass through the camp each day have the opportunity to climb spar poles, make railway ties, play Loggerball and enjoy the staff's performance at the campfire.

The spar-poling and tiemaking activities, the logging camp's day programs, allow Scouts to climb several tall poles and chop and form logs into railway ties. "It's kind of a unique camp because.... we get to use a lot of unique tools that you really don't get to use otherwise...like broad axes... and gaffs for the spar poles," says Program Counselor Tyler "Crazy Gun" Woodard.

During the programs, Scouts learn "confidence in themselves and...how to work together," explains Program Counselor Paul "Lefty"Jackson.

After a long day of manly logging work and dinner, the staff helps Scouts to relax and have some fun with their evening programs, starting with a rousing game of Loggerball. "This is the pinnacle of manliness, the most awesomest sport of all time...After Loggerball [life] is a downward spiral into a cesspool of lameness and boring," Program Counselor Jeremy "Bluenose" Ralstin tells participants.

Following the game, the staff entertains the crews with their campfire show.

The performance features songs, stories, a game of Logger Love Connection and Motivational Moments with Crazy Gun. As the show draws to an end, Camp Director Josh "Moose" Standard tells Scouts of his own experiences and connections to Philmont, encouraging them to make the most of their trek.

Once the campfire is over, the eight member staff sits down to reflect on the day and bond. As a group, they do Roses, Thorns and Buds every night and always throw in a fun fact at the end.

According to Program Counselor Austin "Otter" St. George, the best part of the camp is "the excitement that all the staff brings to it." In their free time the staff is currently working to develop their band, The Gene Schnell Family Band, and its first album, The Cold Trout Jubilee.

"There is a unique kind of thing that we get to offer these kids that they don't get a chance to do in a lot of different places" says Woodard.

"HOD" est Challenges

By Ben McNair, PhilNews Writer



Ephraim Moore —PhilNews CHALLENGE: Regina Engle, from Mooresville, Ind., acts as a spotter for participants during a team building activity on the challenge course, July 13.

Living with six to 11 other people in the wilderness for two weeks can bring out the best in people. It can also bring to light problems among crew members: issues with communication, for example. The staff at Head of Dean, HOD for short, deals with issues like these on a daily basis as crews go through the camp's challenge course.

The course has some of the same elements found at Urraca and Dan Beard, Philmont's two other challenge camps, including the Whale Watcher, King's Finger, Portal and The Wall. However, "every challenge course is different for every crew," says Camp Director Regina Engle.

Each of the 14 to 16 crews that goes through the course daily spends about an hour and fifteen minutes working through challenges, and each usually completes three or four elements. Many times, crews do not know what to expect. "A lot of crews come up and think they're just going to have fun and play a bunch of games," says Engle. "Then they come out here and they're like, 'Wow, this is why we're struggling setting up our campsite. This is why it's hard to get our bear bags up. This is why it takes three hours to tear down camp in the morning. It's because we can't communicate,' and we at least help them realize that and help them work on it a little bit."

Engle starts each crew off by outlining the five most important things on the course: safety, participation, respect, leadership and positive attitude. Once crew members have agreed to uphold all five of those priorities, they make a fist, "lock it in" with their neighbors and move on to a name game. Although some crews are comprised of members of the same troop, others are made up of individuals who do not know each other. The name game benefits each type of crew, as crews get to know Engle and each other if they do not already.

Engle then moves on to a game on the ground. Engle's favorite is Helium Hoop. In this element, crew members stand in a circle and put out their index fingers. Engle rests a hula hoop on top of their fingers and, using teamwork, the crew must lower the hula hoop to the ground with every member touching the hoop all the while. It's harder than it sounds.

For Head of Dean staff, exercises on the ground serve as a sort of diagnostic test, in that they give staff a clue as to which elements to go to from there. After Helium Hoop, Engle can determine "how hard I can challenge them and whether I can trust them to do things like spotting," she says. "If I can't trust them to do things like spotting on this or other elements, then they don't get to do things like The Wall or King's Finger."

For many crews, The Wall seems the most daunting. "I actually don't think that it's our most challenging thing, but it looks the most intimidating," Engle says. It is also Engle's favorite element on the course because of "the feelings [the participants] have after they get done - they're so excited. There's so much joy and excitement. They're just, like, 'Yes! We just conquered this wall! It's awesome!' I like the crew's reaction on that, and just knowing that none of them could do it by themselves."

While the purpose of the challenge course is to increase a crew's ability to communicate and work together, Engle and the rest of the staff realize that problems are rarely fixed during a crew's time there. "We can't work miracles in an hour and fifteen minutes, but we can try," she says. "We can always hope."

<u>Basecamp</u>

Conserving Philmont

By Ben McNair, PhilNews Writer

Day in and day out, the Conservation department is busy saving the planet. Philmont, at least.

Conservation, "Cons" for short, is made up of both educational and behindthe-scenes components. The department was established in 1971, but more recent additions include Environmental Educators, special trek coordinators and Sustainability and Invasive Species Specialists.

"Our primary role is backcountry infrastructure, specifically camps and trails," says Conservation Director Rick Smith. "The conservationist program mainly focuses on building new [trails]," he says, and "rehabilitating the old ones back to the way nature wanted them to be."

Conservationists guide crews through their conservation requirements. This is not the only chance for Scouts to learn about the environment, however. In 2009, the Backcountry Environmental Education Program (BEEP) was undertaken to "include more environmental education into a typical participant's everyday backcountry experience around the Ranch," says Andy Sheets, Coordinator of Environmental Education.

Through BEEP, Scouts are exposed to environmental lessons at different backcountry camps around the Ranch. Sheets'ultimate goal is to have a BEEP at every backcountry camp. Programs can take up to a week to develop before Environmental Educators train backcountry staff in the environmental lessons.

For more extensive opportunities in environmental education, the Conservation department also sponsors special treks, such as Trail Crew Treks, Order of the Arrow Trail Crew Treks and the Roving Outdoor Conservation School. These treks are "focused a little more on trail building, leadership and



Brendan Best—PhilNews CONSERVATIONISTS: Andy Sheets, environmental educator coordinator, works in the conservation office on July 15.

conservation," says Sheets.

While Conservationists, Environmental Educators and backcountry staff facilitating BEEPs directly impact Scouts' experiences, some Cons positions are a bit more behind-the-scenes.

Members of the Invasive Species Team, a sub-department created last summer, find and map where invasive plant species take root across the Ranch. While team members develop educational materials to be distributed amongst staff and crews, most of their time is spent controlling those invasive plants.

The team, which consists of three staffers, sometimes has help from other departments. Many Ranger work days are focused on thistle removal ("They love that," jokes Katie Fyhrie of the Invasive Species Team), but the trio also spends time spraying herbicide.

"We're working on releasing biological controls for plants," Fyhrie adds. This long-term control method entails introducing insects into the environment, which "become a permanent part of the natural ecosystem here to become a natural predator of these plants."

Sustainability is another of the lesser-known aspects of Cons. Sarah Burgess, Sustainability Resource Specialist, oversees all of the recycling efforts across Basecamp and in the backcountry, as well as responsible resource consumption.

Maps are one of the most commonly-used resources on the Ranch, but are also often taken for granted. In a side office in the Conservation building, three Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Staff use global positioning and satellite technologies to map Philmont's trails.

"A lot of people think that because everything is already mapped, our job is over with," says GIS Coordinator Charlie Devine. "They don't realize that we have to go back and update the maps every summer because things get moved around by work crews or by maintenance."

Maps are updated by walking through the backcountry with Global Positioning System (GPS) units, which transmit information to a University Navstar Consortium (UNAVCO) station on Tooth Ridge. That information is later processed through specialty software.

This season, the Conservation department is celebrating its 40th anniversary. Though some aspects of the department have changed over the years, its mission to educate people about the environment and responsible resource management, together with keeping Philmont beautiful for generations to come, has stayed the same.

Merchandise Warehouse

By Danielle Edwards, PhilNews Writer



Haylee Train—PhilNews BOXES: Eric Wardlaw, Merchandise Warehouse clerk, prepares boxes of toilet paper to send out to other Philmont departments on July 14.

"We're like the mini Walmart of Philmont," said Leonard Montoya, Merchandise Warehouse Manager, on July 14 as the other three staff members nodded their heads in agreement.

Merchandise Warehouse is located down the highway from Camping Headquarters and PTC in a long L-shaped building near Administration. They have everything that is needed at the Ranch for all departments.

"We have toilet paper to cooking utensils to gloves to printing paper," said Eugene Gonzales, Merchandise Warehouse Clerk. There is a small warehouse where they have items that are needed on a regular basis and a large warehouse, next to the fire station, where they keep all the big bulk items of what is in the smaller warehouse.

Eric Wardlaw, Merchandise Warehouse Clerk, said, "We have everything that everybody needs... if we don't have it, we can order it." If a department or a backcountry camp needs something, they send a request for the item to the Merchandise Warehouse, and it will be filled as soon as possible. Wardlaw said that they will have something one day and then the next day they will be out of it. He gave an example of a time when there were many green scratch writing pads and the next next day he came back they were all gone.

Another responsibility they have at the Merchandise Warehouse is printing brochures, applications and health forms in the printing room. They have a folding machine, a two-tone printer and a laminator. They printed and folded the PhilNews last year at Merchandise Warehouse. It was then sent to the News and Photo Services building for the staff to collate because the warehouse does not have a collating machine.

The Merchandise Warehouse used to be horse barns over 100 years ago and housed horses on the Ranch. The rounded adobe walls are still there even though it has changed significantly over the years. Montoya said that instead of housing hay, it now houses paper and added jokingly, referring to himself and the other men, that instead of housing horses the warehouse now housed working mules.

When they have a little down time from receiving orders, deliveries or printing items, they clean up the the warehouse by stacking the delivered items and helping collate printed items that were sent by different departments.

"We go the extra mile," said Gonzales as he talked about collating the Eagle Scout handouts they had printed and folded.

When they are not busy, they, as Gonzales said, "have fun."

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<u>Basecamp</u>

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RECYCLE: Conservation sustainable resource specialists Sarah Burgess teaches about the necessity of recycling on July 15.

...the Ranch \$3,000 for the entire season," says Burgess. Last year, she learned that corrugated cardboard "is a really big market item all over the U.S." Among its draws are its ease to collect and bale and its selling price of \$160 a ton.

The baler behind the Commissary crushes boxes using over 62,000 pounds of downward pressure. Once flattened, the cardboard is baled and stored until a full load of 36 half-ton bales is reached. A recycling company based in Albuquerque, N.M. then picks up the bales and pays market price for the material.

While recycling cardboard seems lucrative, "the reason we recycle at Philmont is not because it makes us a lot of money, or is easy to do, but because it's the right thing to do," says Burgess.

A recent addition to Philmont's recycling initiatives is backcountry recycling, which began halfway through the last season. Now, plastic trail meal bags are collected at every staffed camp and should be placed in blue bear boxes behind the backcountry warehouse. Meal bags should be placed by themselves inside large clear or green bags so they can be easily identified. Recycling bins are clearly marked as such, both through blue and white paint schemes and instructions posted on the lids. The least satisfying part of her job, she says, is "feeling like the education or the signage (on recycling bins) doesn't work... There's sometimes a communication breakdown."

When Burgess is not crushing cardboard, emptying recycling bins or making a weekly trip to the recycling facilities at Angel Fire, she spends time writing weekly Sustainability Statements and researching sustainability initiatives that can be undertaken in the future. She also develops ongoing sustainability initiatives, such as her current plan to replace all incandescent light bulbs with compact florescent lamps (CFLs) in buildings and tents ranch-wide.

Burgess hopes that her efforts to decrease the amount of waste produced at the Ranch address more than immediate needs. While saving waste from landfills in northeastern New Mexico, which are being capped at an "alarming rate," she also hopes to "provide an outlet for Scouts, staff and visitors to make a conscious decision and effort to think about where their waste is going... [and] trigger a thought process here at Philmont [that] will cause them to take action locally in their communities."

For more information on Philmont's sustainability efforts or to suggest sustainability efforts for the future, stop by the Conservation office or send an I-Camp to Sarah Burgess.

Bear Researchers

By Nicole Butler, PhilNews Writer



Amber Wilson—Special to PhilNews BEAR: Philmont Bear Researchers Dani Techentin and Tim Collver assist Ty Jackson, Cimarron's game warden, in examining a captured bear on July 10.

"Sometimes we get really tired," says Bear Researcher Dani Techentin, "because bears definitely don't work from eight to five."

The two person Bear Researcher Department is responsible for Philmont's procedures, education and research regarding the Ranch's estimated 150 to 250 bears.

According to Bear Researcher Tim Collver, the researchers are responsible for three main tasks: education, response and research.

At the beginning of the summer the researchers talked to the staff and educated them about what to do when they see bears, how to respond and what to tell crews about the animals. "Early in the season, we try our best to get the right information delivered the right way to the right people," explains Collver.

Since then, the researchers have done continued bear education for some staff, which involves indepth information regarding bear biology and behavior. This often involves educating staff when bear problems arise in a camp, performing campsite checks and talking to crews in order to explain to Scouts about bears in the area. "It becomes a kind of program activity in the campsites to teach about biology and ecology, and not just what the bear procedures are but why they exist"Collver explains.

The department also provides extensive bear talks for the Roving Outdoor Conservation School crews and anybody else who wants to know why bears do what they do.

"That is one of the big things that we stress...when you talk about bear procedures, you want to know why they are important and why they are in place instead of just having rules that people don't understand," says Techentin. This understanding gives Scouts a sense of empowerment to take responsibility to protect their lives and the lives of others, which coincides with the aims and methods of the Boy Scouts of America, explains Collver.

One of the most important aspects of the department's responsibilities is the research aspect. The researchers must process, map and record all the bear reports that come in. This information is used to write a final bear report at the end of the year, which consists of geographic, trending and habitat analysis for the entire summer.

These reports "help future bear researchers to know exactly how the season went, as in how many aggressive bears there were, how many bear attacks there were, where they were, what kind of bear they were...and ultimately to compare across years and know what to expect in the future," explains Techentin.

When bears become a problem in an area, the researchers often must work closely with the Ranch Department and the New Mexico Game and Fish Warden, patrolling for the problem bears and helping to trap, tag and relocate the animals. Techentin explains they recently had to help relocate a mother bear and three cubs to land south of Philmont after an incident at Pueblano.

This year, the department has also had to deal with problems regarding mountain lions. "They have never had to hunt one before this year," explains Techentin referring the noticeable increase in mountain lion sightings this summer and an incident involving a "problem mountain lion."

In order to effectively observe and handle the bears, both Techentin and Collver have extensive knowledge and experience in the field. Techentin has a degree in wildlife management and has done extensive specialty research on bears. She also has prior Philmont experience. Collver has been working at Philmont for 10 seasons and knows the Ranch's bear procedures very well. He also has a degree in geography and geographic information systems, which is vital to compiling data gathered through the summer.

"Being able to do something different every day that all involves working with people, helping people and helping animals and altogether contributing to the wellbeing of the Ranch" is the best part of the job, says Collver.

"It's really exciting...and I love bears period. I love how amazing, intelligent and beautiful they are, and I love telling people about them and trying to help them understand exactly why they are the way that they are," says Techentin.

World News

Ghadafi Refuses To Step Down

Libyan leader, Col.Muammar Ghadafi, continues to refuse to relinquish power and step down from office. In a speech given Saturday, he rejected ideas of him leaving the country and referred to the rebel forces as traitors. Rebels Take City

Libyan rebel forces took control of the key eastern city of Brega after several days of close fighting within the city and its residential areas. Defeated government forces are retreating westward toward the city of Ras Lanuf, according to a spokesperson for the rebel forces, who hope to continue to expand westward toward the capital, Tripoli.

Libya Contact Group Meetings

Arab and NATO diplomats are meeting for the fourth time since March in Turkey to discuss the next steps in the campaign. NATO diplomats include U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and UK Foreign Secretary William Hague. Meanwhile, Russia refuses to recognize the rebel forces as the legitimate governing authority of the nation, fearing it would amount to chosing sides in a civil war.

Volcanoes

Indonesia

Mount Lokon in central Indonesia erupted Sunday, evacuating 28,000 people in the immediate vicinity. The eruption blew smoke and ash 11,500 feet into the air, rerouting all flights within a six-mile radius of the volcano. No immediate casualties were reported.

Antarctic Volcanoes Found

The British Antarctic Survey announced that a chain of giant undersea volcanoes were discovered off the coast of Antarctica. Many of the active volcanoes are the size of Japan's Mount Fuji, some reaching up to 10,000 feet. Scientists believe that the chain may lead to the discovery of new species that are able to survive in unique habitats.

Mumbai Bombing

India's economic center, Mumbai, was struck by three coordinated blasts on July 13. The bombs struck the city's Opera House business district, a hub for diamond traders, a southern district known for its jewelry shops and the city's gold market. At least 20 were killed and 113 were injured as a result of the blasts. The attacks are speculated to be the work of the Indian Mujahideen, a terrorist group known to have carried out similar attacks in the past; as of yet, no group has claimed responsibility for the attacks.

Chavez Returns to Cuba for Treatment

Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez returned to Cuba for continued cancer treatment. The leader delegated powers to Vice President Elias Jaua and Finance Minister Jorge Giordani for the first time since he came to power 12 years ago, but refused opposition's calls for him to delegate running the country to Jaua. Chavez has yet to disclose the nature of the cancer, how long the treatment will take and whether there will be future Cuban visits for further treatment.

Hacking Scandal

Multiple officials connected to News of the World (NoW) are being questioned as hacking accusations against the news source are investigated. Owner Rupert Murdoch announced the tabloid will close after 186 years in print. Former editors Rebekah Brooks and Andy Coulson were both arrested along with several NoW reporters. Metropolitan Police Commissioner Sir Paul Stephenson and Assistant Commissioner John Yates have also resigned among allegations connected to the hacking. U.S. officials are currently looking into allegations that NoW broke U.S. wiretapping laws as well. Murdoch continues to deny responsibility or knowledge of the scandal.

Sudan Update

Possible Genocide in Sudan

The United Nations issued a report claiming war crimes may be occurring in Sudan's South Kordofan region, which borders the newly formed South Sudan. The report called for an investigation into the area's conflict, which displaced 70,000 civilians. Satellite images of freshly dug mass graves containing around 100 bodies have also been reported by campaign groups monitoring the area, but are yet to be confirmed.

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South Sudan Joins UN

South Sudan become the 193rd member of the United Nations on July 14, following an unanimous vote by the United Nations Security Council to recommend the nation's membership. South Sudan is the newest member to the world council since 2006, when Montenegro joined.

Mass Breakout in **Mexican Prison**

Seven prisoners were killed and 59 others escaped following a prison riot in a northern Mexico jail located just across the border from Laredo, Texas. Five guards believed to have assisted in the breakout are also missing. Most of the escaped prisoners are drug traffickers and gang members, according to officials.

Rainbow Frog Rediscovered After 87 years

The Bornean Rainbow Toad, also known as the Sambas Stream Toad, was discovered in the forests of Southeast Asia, after being considered extinct for 87 years. Three of the rare toads, a female, male and juvenile, were discovered by a team of researchers from Conservation International and the International Union for Conservation of Nature's Amphibian Specialist Group in western Sarawak. The toad, known for its long limbs and splattered coloring, was photographed for the first time upon discovery.

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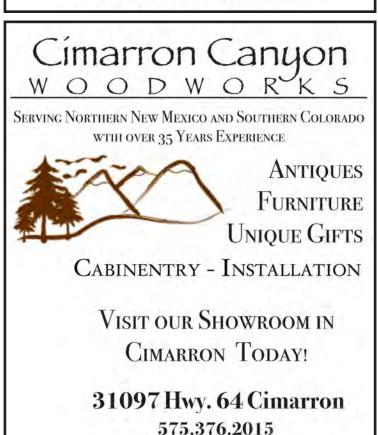
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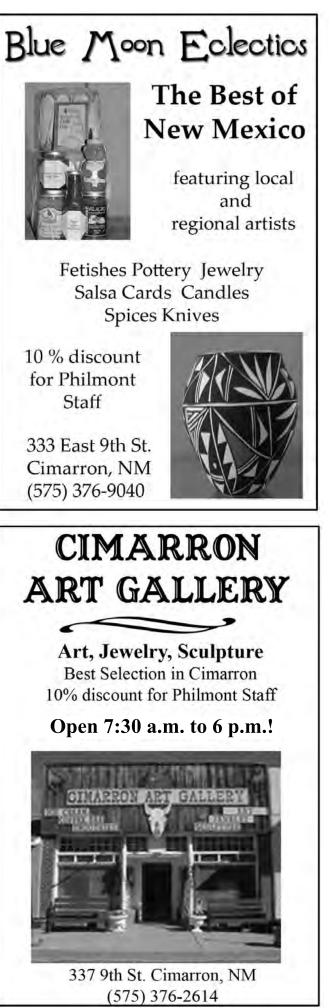
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Two Boy Scouts Die From Unrelated Accidents in Utah

Two 12-year-old Boy Scouts died on Wednesday, July 13, in two separate and unrelated accidents. One died after being struck by lightning and one drowned in Bear Lake. The first Scout died while another one was injured as a hailstorm was rolling in, and they both rushed for cover. The Scout was struck directly and CPR was performed. He was pronounced dead around 12:35 p.m. His friend was also struck and rushed to the hospital after suffering burns.

The second Scout was staying at the Bear Lake Aquatics Base on the Utah/Idaho border. He was scuba diving with his group when he became separated. He was pulled out of the water around 12:35 p.m. and rushed to the hospital in Logan, Utah, where he was pronounced dead.

Southwest Fire Update

Las Conchas Wildfire (near Los Alamos): The fire has burned nearly 156,000 acres and is 68 percent contained. Officials initiated burnout operations to help stop the fire from spreading. There are currently 1,050 firefighters assigned to the area. The Las Conchas fire is the largest in New Mexico state history.

Track Fire (near Raton): As of June 29, the Track Fire was 100 percent contained. Officials continue to monitor the area. Pacheco Fire (Santa Fe National Forest): The Pacheco Fire, located nine miles above Santa Fe, is currently 80 percent contained, and its growth potential has dropped to low. To date, it has burned 10,250.

Wallow Fire: The largest fire in Arizona history is 100 percent contained. 538,049 total acres were burned, 15,407 of them in New Mexico. Officials remain on site to monitor the area.

The Valle Vidal remains closed. Risk of mudslides in burn areas remains high.

Tropical Storm Threatens US

Bret, the second tropical storm of the 2011 Atlantic hurricane season, is expected to strengthen as it moves northnortheast from the Bahamas and out to sea, according to the National Hurricane Center. As of 2 p.m. on Monday, the storm was about about 100 miles (160 kilometers) north of Great Abaco Island but had been about 65 miles (105K) earlier Monday morning. The Grand Bahama Island and the Abaco Islands in the northwest Bahamas remained under a tropical storm warning Monday. It is possible that Bret could drop 2 to 4 inches of rain in the northwest Bahamas. The storm had continuous winds of 50 mph (85 kph) Monday afternoon with higher gusts.

Obama Meets with Dalai Lama, Upsetting China

President Barack Obama met privately with the exiled Tibetan Dalai Lama, despite adamant discouragement from China. President Obama expressed his support for the protection of human rights in Tibet, but also stated that the United States views Tibet as part of China and encourages direct dialogue to resolve the issues. Chinese officials, who urged the President not to receive or meet with the Dalai Lama, said the meetings have hurt relations between the United States and China.

Oil Spill in Montana

An oil spill on the FX Drilling Company oil field was discovered in northwestern Montana on the Blackfoot Indian Reservation after going unnoticed for more than a month. The spill resulted in 420 to 840 gallons of spilled oil. The company has since closed the pipeline between two wells where the spill occurred and are working on clean-up for the area.

U.S. Budget Talks Continue

U.S. budget talks continue as congressional Republicans clash with President Obama and Democrats. Congress is set to vote on the Republican "cut, cap and balance" plan this week, which would lead to immediate sharp cuts and caps on federal spending. The plan holds little chance of passing through Congress and will be vetoed if it reaches the President's desk. A bipartisan committee has also been formed to determine a budget plan before August 2, when the U.S. will default, if the debt ceiling is not raised. Officials report the committee's talks are going well and all involved agree on the necessity of a deal.

Gene Linked to 70% of Breast Cancer

In US research there has been a link found between a gene and 70 percent of hard-to-treat breast cancers resistant to hormone therapies. Published in Nature, the study uses a new technique of testing hundreds of genes at once instead of one at a time. Tumors can be forced by hormones and drugs that interfere with that process, such tamoxifen and aromatase inhibitors, are used as treatments. However, up to a third of breast cancers are not hormone driven and so these drugs do not work and fewer treatments are available for these patients.

Pentagon Admits Cyber Theft

The Pentagon announced that it suffered its worst cyber theft in March. Officials report losing 24,000 files of sensitive information to а foreign government but did not disclose which nation committed the attack or what the stolen files contain. Officials also announced that they will be working intensely on deeper defenses for the nation's computer systems to avoid attacks in the future.

MLB Scores as of July 19, 2011

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American League					
East	w	L	Pct.	GB	Streak
Boston Red Sox	58	36	.617		Won 3
NY Yankees	56	37	.602	1.5	Won 3
Tampa Bay Rays	50	44	.532	8.0	Lost 3
Toronto Blue Jays	47	49	.490	12.0	Lost 2
Baltimore Orioles	38	55	.409	19.5	Lost 1
Central	w	L	Pct.	GB	Streak
Cleveland Indians	51	44	.537		Won 2
Detroit Tigers	50	45	.526	1.0	Won 1
Chicago White Sox	47	49	.490	4.5	Won 1
Minnesota Twins	44	51	.463	7.0	Lost 2
Kansas City Royals	38	58	.396	13.5	Lost 3
West	w	L	Pct.	GB	Streak
Texas Rangers	55	41	.573		Won 11
LA Angels	51	45	.531	4.0	Lost 2
Seattle Mariners	43	52	.453	11.5	Lost 9
Oakland Athletics	42	54	.438	13.0	Won 2

National League					
East	w	L	Pct.	GB	Streak
Philadelphia Phillies	59	36	.621		Lost 1
Atlanta Braves	57	39	.594	2.5	Won 2
Washington Nationals	48	48	.500	11.5	Won 1
NY Mets	47	48	.495	12.0	Lost 2
Florida Marlins	47	49	.490	12.5	Won 3
Central	w	L	Pct.	GB	Streak
Pittsburgh Pirates	50	44	.532		Won 2
St. Louis Cardinals	50	45	.526	0.5	Lost 1
Milwaukee Brewers	51	46	.526	0.5	Lost 1
Cincinnati Reds	47	49	.490	4.0	Lost 1
Chicago Cubs	39	58	.402	12.5	Won 1
Houston Astros	31	65	.323	20.0	Lost 2
West	w	L	Pct.	GB	Streak
San Francisco Giants	56	41	.577		Won 2
Arizona Diamondbacks	52	44	.542	3.5	Won 3
Colorado Rockies	45	51	.469	10.5	Lost 3
LA Dodgers	42	54	.438	13.5	Lost 3
San Diego Padres	41	55	.427	14.5	Lost 1
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COPA Quarterfinals

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Colombia	0:2	Peru
Argentina	1:1 4:5 PSO	Uruguay
Brazil	0:0 0:2 PSO	Paraguay
Chile	1:2	Venezuela

ESPY Awards

The 2011 ESPY Award winners were announced on Wednesday, July 14 in Los Angeles.

Winners include the following individuals:

- Best Male Athlete: Dirk Nowitzki (Dallas Mavericks)
- Best Female Athlete: Lindsey Vonn (Olympic downhill champion)
- Best Coach/Manager: Rick Carlisle (Dallas Mavericks)
- Best Championship Performance: Tim Thomas (Boston Bruins)
- Best Male College Athlete: Jimmer Fredette (BYU)
- Best Female College Athlete: Maya Moore (UConn)
- Best MLB Player: Roy Halladay (Philadelphia Phillies)
- Best NFL Player: Aaron Rodgers (Green Bay Packers)
- Best WNBA Player: Diana Taurasi (Phoenix Mercury)
- Best Male Tennis Player: Rafael Nadal
- Best Female Tennis Player: Serena Williams
- Best Male Action Sports Athlete: Shaun White (Snowboarding/ skateboarding)
- Best Female Action Sports Athlete: Stephanie Gilmore (Surfing)
- Best Male Golfer: Rory McIlroy
- Best Female Golfer: Christie Kerr
- Best Game: Philadelphia Eagles' 38-31 Victory over NY Giants
- Best Upset: VCU (71-61 against Kansas in the Final Four)
- Best Sports Movie: "The Fighter"

Japan Wins Women's World Cup

Japan defeated the U.S. in Sunday's World Cup Final in Frankfurt, Germany. The two teams were tied 2-2 at the end of the match, but the Japanese edged the U.S. women 3-1 in a shootout. Sweden took third place after defeating France 2-1 on Saturday.

NFL Lockout Winds Down

The end of the nearly fourmonth NFL lockout could be over after team owners and lawyers negotiate a new labor contract on Thursday. Players were locked out on March 12 after the previous collective bargaining agreement expired The old agreement did not include a salary cap for players, which presents another complication in negotiations: some players say that owners owe \$320 million in unpaid benefits from last season The new agreement will include a cap on salary and benefits and a more rigid structure for rookie contracts.



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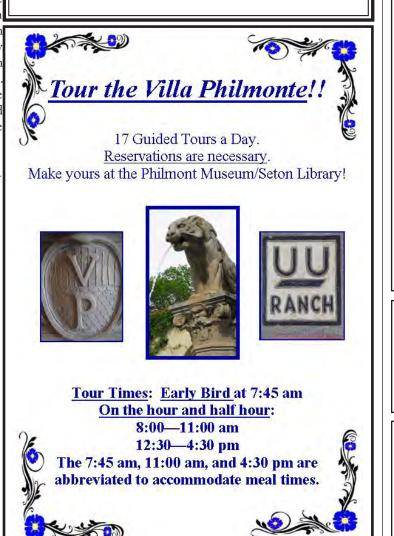
Exhibits at the Philmont Museum tell the history of Philmont, the Boy Scouts and Northeastern New Mexico. The Seton Memorial Library houses the personal library and artwork of Ernest Thompson Seton. Native American jewelry, art, collectibles and one of the largest book selections in the county can be found in the Museum Gift Shop.



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Tim McGraw Venue: Hard Rock Casino Albuquerque Presents The Pavilion Date: Thu, 08/04/11 Event Time: 12:00 a.m.

US Supercar Tour Featuring Ferrari, Lamborghini, Bentley, and Aston Martin Date: Saturday, August 20, 2011 Time: 7:30 a.m. Venue: : El Monte Sagrado Resort - A Kessler Hotel, Taos, N.M.

The Bigfoot Election - Angel Fire Premier

Filmed in Angel Fire, New Mexico! Cast and Crew will be in attendance! Date: Friday, August 5, 2011 Time: 6:00 p.m. Venue: Angel Fire Community Center, Angel Fire, N.M. 15 CS Ranch Rd., Angel Fire, N.M., 87710 http://www. Website: TheBigfootElection.com Tickets are \$10.

Gaga YouTube Channel Restored After Copyright Issues

Lady Gaga's YouTube channel was suspended on July 14 because of violations of YouTube's copyright policy. By that night, it was reactivated and working again. There is a report that the dispute was with a media company after Gaga's 10-minute set performance on the Japanese channel, Fuji TV. Footage from that performance been removed from has websites like YouTube and the "ladygagaofficial" site which is the one that was suspended.

Poussin Paintings Vandalized at Gallery

At the National Gallery in London, two paintings by Nicholas Poussin were sprayed with red paint by a vandal on Sunday, July 17. The two paintings were The Adoration of the Golden Calf and The Adoration of the Shepherds, painted between 1633 and 1634. A gallery assistant raised the alarm when they noticed a man spraying the works with an aerosal can. The police were called, responded quickly and a man was arrested. The oil paintings are a part of the gallery's permanent collection.

Final Harry Potter Film Shatters Box Office Record

Box office records in the U.S. and Canada were shattered when the final Harry Potter movie took \$168 million the weekend of July 15. On the opening day, July 15, it had already made \$92.1 million. The previous record was held at \$158 million on the opening weekend of the Batman film The Dark Knight.

Lopez and Anthony Divorce

After seven years of marriage, singers Jennifer Lopez and Marc Anthony announced they were getting a divorce on July 15. They were married in 2004 and have 3-year-old twins named Max and Emme. They told People Magazine that this was a difficult decision for them and appreciate people respecting their privacy.

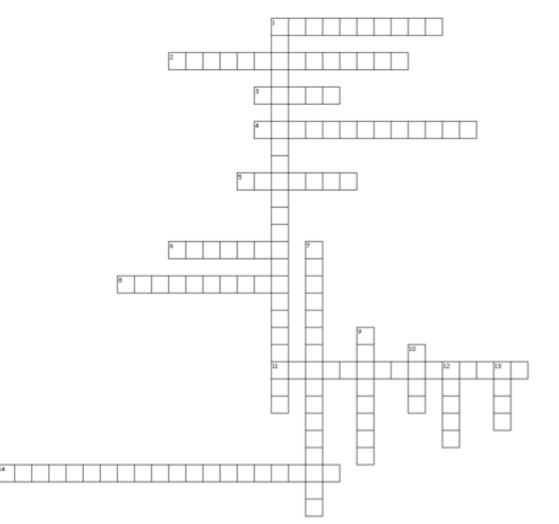
Rare Austen Text Sells for \$1.6 Million

The Watsons, a rare manuscript by author Jane Austen, was auctioned off at Sotheby's Auction House in London for 993,250 Euro, or \$1.6 million, on July 15. The manuscript was bought by the Bodleian Libraries of Oxford. A large grant from the National Heritage Memorial Fund (NHMF), helped with the purchase of the manuscript.

Schwarzenegger Returns to the Screen

63-year-old Arnold Schwarzenegger, former Governor of California, will make his return to the big screen in the Western film The Last Stand, as the leading man. This will be his first main role in a film since 2003's Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines. There is no release date yet, but the film will be directed by South Korea's Kim Jee-woon. JULY 21, 2011

<u>Games</u>



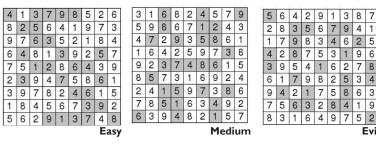
Across

- 1. Performs the song Mariner's Revenge in their campfire program
- 2. Recycling programs have taken off because of Sarah Burgess's hard work
- 3. Cowboy Buffalo _____ puppet
- 4. Ronn Lucas is a _
- 5. Native American dancers of Venture Crew 9
- 6. Native American dancers of Venture Crew 230
- 8. Challenge course camp similar to Urraca and Dan Beard
- 11. Main tasks are education, response and research of bears
- 14. Mini Walmart of Philmont

Down

- 1.Pueblano and Crater Lake depict the _____ Company in 1914
- 7. Guide crews through their conservation requirements
- 9. Make railroad ties, play Loggerball and climb spar-poles
- 10. Trek with two aspects: 1) work on building trials; 2) participants hike through Philmont
- 12._____ is the punk rocker puppet
- 13.21 day program focused on environmental education, leadership and conservation

Last Week's Answers



If you have games, Scoutappropriate jokes, how-to instructions or cartoons please send them to PhilNews. We would love to publish your work!



