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Visiting Foresters Share Knowledge with Scouts

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The Visiting Forester program, near the Hunting Lodge, brings foresters from all over the country to share their knowledge and passion. For the summer 2013 season, it even brought the Foster family together as Philmont staff.

“Actually, part of it was because of our daughter Danika. I had talked a number of times about coming back on staff and how much I’d like that. And she said, that ‘you should apply for this position dad.’ And because I’m a forest ecologist and I have a Ph.D in forestry, and I understand the forests here pretty well, we were able to apply ... and they invited us to come out for a work,” said Visiting Forester David Foster.

David Foster works as a forest consultant in Pennsylvania for a private company. He also teaches at Messiah College.

This family gathering was special to them, because they have all been to Philmont before, but never managed to time it all together. This summer, David and Meg Foster came to Philmont as Visiting Foresters while their two children worked as seasonal staff: Danika as Camp Director at Cypher’s Mine and Jon as a Ranger.

“Four years ago was our 20th anniversary, and we got to come out with my parents,” Visiting Forester Meg Foster said. “Danika, at that time, was [a] PTC [staff member] then, and had made arrangements for Dave and I and my parents to go to Crater Lake, and that was a pretty awesome experience.”

Aside from the personal



Visiting Forester Greg Hoss teaches participants about the various types of trees in the area and how they work with the environment on Sunday, July 7 at the Demonstration Forest Pavilion. Foresters from around the country volunteer to visit Philmont and teach crews for two weeks. CASSIDY JOHNSON/PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER

significance, the Fosters were excited to come out and share their passion of forestry with Scouts in the hope they might spark interest in some participants.

“For forestry, one of the critical things is why this demonstration is so important beyond Philmont,” said David Foster. “Forestry is greying out. We need qualified, careful young people to be interested in being foresters for the future. And that’s part of the reason this demonstration forest is such a critical service that Philmont provides, and that’s why I think a lot of professional foresters are so willing and eager to come

participate.”

According to Meg Foster, they have come “to share the trade.”

Their home state Pennsylvania has a big forestry industry, another reason forestry is so important to the Fosters.

“In Pennsylvania, where we come from, if Pennsylvania were a country, it’d be the 8th largest exporter of hardwood lumber in the world. If it was a country,” said David Foster. “And New Mexico is certainly a very important forestry source, also Montana, and a lot of folks come out of Missouri, where there’s good oak country.”

The Fosters made their talk engaging and interesting for the Scouts, so it will have a lasting impact.

“And that gets them observing,” David Foster said. “I think that’s the other thing. Get kids observing and asking questions. After they core a tree and they look at something like this, they’re going to be looking at every tree they go past and say, ‘I wonder what’s going on there.’ ... That’s one of the other reasons we’re here as foresters. How else are we going to reach this community about forestry?”

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Philmont Families

Mary-Kate Smith
Staff Writer

When Philmont shuts down at the end of the summer, 82 staff remain at the Ranch year round and some call Philmont home.

The spouses and families of these employees often live permanently on the Ranch in one of the 23 residences built on Philmont property. The lifestyle of these spouses exists as a unique Philmont experience and environment.

For John Watson, Associate Director of Program for the Training Center Andrea Watson’s husband, the move to Philmont involved a huge change of pace. John Watson went from working fulltime to becoming a stay-at-home-dad and moved from a big city to a rural area.

“I was a computer tech at Energy Northwest doing computer server work and computer maintenance,” John Watson said.

Now John Watson hangs out with his twin 21 month old sons Adam and Jack and serves as a Range Safety Officer for shooting sports at the Training Center.

“It’s fun especially in the summer time,” he said. “I bring the boys outside, and walk around Base Camp. The boys love running around and ... checking out the fish in the pond.”

Other parents on the Ranch watch their children enjoy the perks of growing up at Philmont.

“Me and my husband say, ‘Our kids are the luckiest kids because they get to grow up out here,’” said Dollie

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| Saturday, 20 | Sunday, 21 | Monday, 22 | Tuesday, 23 | Wednesday, 24 | Thursday, 25 | Friday, 26 |
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| 11 a.m. -1 p.m. Brat Day at Baldy Pavilion | 8 p.m. Philmont Coffee House @ Staff Dining Hall Photo contest ends | 8 p.m. Float Night @ SSSAC | 7 p.m. Western Night @ PTC Assembly Hall | 7 p.m. Ultimate frisbee on Villa Lawn 7 p.m. Yoga @ PTC Small Fry | 7 p.m. Pinball tournaments on the pinball machine @ Seton Museum | 8 p.m. Smore's Night and horseshoe tossing @ Baldy Pavilion |

Weather

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|  Friday, July 19 Scattered T-Storms High: 78 Low: 54 |  Saturday, July 20 Isolated T-Storms High: 75 Low: 53 |  Sunday, July 21 Partly Cloudy High: 78 Low: 53 |  Monday, July 22 Isolated T-Storms High: 83 Low: 54 |
|  Tuesday, July 23 Mostly Cloudy High: 85 Low: 54 |  Wednesday, July 24 Mostly Cloudy High: 84 Low: 54 |  Thursday, July 25 Mostly Sunny High: 82 Low: 53 |  Friday, July 26 Mostly Cloudy High: 83 Low: 53 |

2013 Philmont Photo 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 to, dropped off in person, downloaded at the CHQ Activities Department, or sent to chqactivities@yahoo.com

4) All photo entries must be

labeled clearly with photographers name, department, category and title of photo. Note: Any photo missing any of the information will not be accepted.

5) If your photos are emailed, please change the name of the photo to your name_department_photo title. (For example, John Doe_Activities_Sunrise from Baldy)

And in your email, please specify which category you want your photo placed in

6) 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).

7) All photos submitted will become property of Philmont Scout Ranch.

8) You may only submit 3 photos per each category.

8) Photos must be submitted to the CHQ Activities by July 21th.

Categories

Landscape

Storms & Rainbows
Sunris & Sunset
Flower & Plants
Wildlife
Humor (no vulgarity)
Digital Creations
Staff Activity
Camper Activity
Black & White
Porch View

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

Photo of the Week Contest

Submit your Photo to News and Photo Services and have it featured in PhilNews

During a summer that will be filled with remembering the history of Philmont, we at PhilNews are excited to be starting a new tradition. Starting in the next issue, each PhilNews will feature a staff-generated photo of the week. Any current Philmont staff member and PTC family may submit a photo. The picture must have been taken at Philmont or on Philmont used property this summer and be BSA-appropriate. Entries can be submitted in person at News & Photo Services, via I-camp, on a CD or flash drive or by an email to philmontnps@philmontscoutranch.org. Please include your name, your department or camp and a caption that includes information about where the picture was taken. Photos must be in .jpg format and at least 200 dpi. Philmont will retain the rights to use any photos submitted. Contact Photography Manager Katy Mooney or PhilNews editor Amanda Push with questions (575-376-2281 ext. 1246).

Please join us this week at the Philmont Museum-Seton Memorial Library for our Courtyard Art Program. Starting Monday, July 22 and running through Saturday July 27th artist & woodworker Russ Wolf will be demonstrating his skills and crafting Native American style flutes. Stop in, he'd love to tell you more about his craft, Native American Flutes and the Inspiration of Philmont.

Mark's Minute: Let's Keep Doing it Better



SAMANTHA WAIDLER/PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHY MANAGER 2011

Mark Anderson
Director of Program, Unit 2

This summer I have read the book "The Customer Rules" by Lee Cockerell.

Mr. Cockerell was the executive vice president of Walt Disney World and a great leader in guiding that organization to deliver sensational service every day.

The book features 39 indispensable rules for delivering customer service that keeps customers coming back for more.

Rule # 38, "Keep Doing It Better" struck me this week as we pass the midpoint of the summer.

Each of you have learned

your role in the Philmont experience and are dedicated to connecting with our participants and with each other every day.

Rule #38 encourages us to adopt the mentality of champion athletes, great artists, and visionary inventors: they never stop searching for ways to improve.

Doing it better is a never-ending process, it is a journey. You never arrive at better, it is always in the future, because there is always an even better way to serve our participants.

Each of us must work with our team to look for new ideas, new methods and new ways to deliver our programs. This quest must

be done every day.

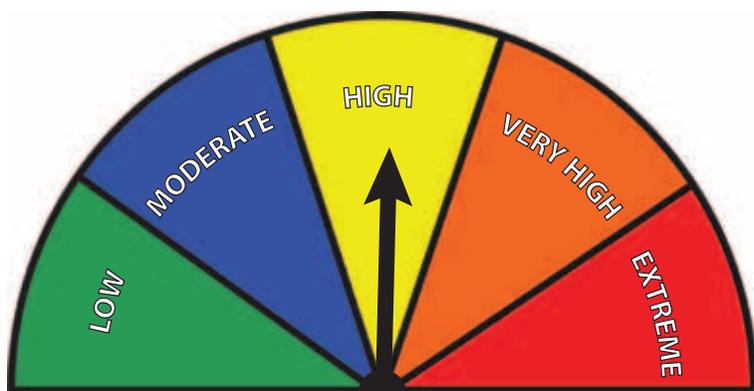
Once we think we have reached the pinnacle and become satisfied we immediately begin to loose our edge and we miss the opportunities that are around us and we miss connecting with each participant.

Today, ask the question, "How can we do it better tomorrow?"

Dr. Seuss said, "Think left and think right and think low and think high. Oh, the thinks you can think up if only you try!"

Together we will continue to create those special memories that last a lifetime, we will do this by striving to "keep doing it better" every day of the summer.

Fire Level Warning



Water Conservation Tip #7

When washing your hands don't let the water run while you lather.

Attention all staff! Philmont has experienced a below average snow and rainfall over the past 60 months. We are currently at a level three fire risk level.

As a result, staff and participants are prohibited from doing the following:

- Setting off fireworks

- Smoking except for in designated areas
- Starting open fires
- Program campfires are prohibited. Kerosene lanterns may be used.

Thank you for complying with our fire restrictions in order to keep Philmont a safe place.

Who's the Next Inspired Artist?

Last Chance Artists!!

YOU could be the next Inspired Artist?

As part of our popular exhibit, The Gift of Inspiration, the Philmont Museum has been hosting an art competition open to all 2013 summer staff. THIS WEEK IS YOUR LAST CHANCE TO ENTER! All art entries must be in by July 25th.

All forms of media and techniques are welcome including: painting, drawing, photography, ironwork, sculpture, mixed media, textiles, woodwork ...you name it.

On July 26th, we will place the winning piece on exhibit in our main gallery where it will remain until the show closes in January 2014.

Our only requirements are that it fit within a space 16" wide X 36" tall and as always PLEASE do not submit a piece with any "unpleasant odors".

Please intercamp or drop off your entry at the Philmont Museum-Seton Memorial Library.

Good Luck!



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O'Neill, PSA Summer Assistant and wife of Associate Director of Program for the Backcountry David Neill.

Dollie O'Neill sees living at Philmont as an incredible opportunity for her kids to understand nature and wildlife.

"They get in the mud, and they ride ponies and watch bears," Dollie O'Neill said. "As they get older they'll be doing more."

According to John Watson, the younger kids all look forward to going to small fry.

"The kids call it PhilSchool because they are not quite in preschool or elementary school," John Watson said. "The kids get so excited just going to it in the summertime. As it gets warmer the kids always ask, 'When are we going to Philmont School?'"

Julia McCulloch, Associate Director of Program for Base Camp Owen McCulloch's wife and PSA Office Manager, has older kids. She has seen them grow and become more involved on the Ranch.

For each family and spouse, there are many joys and opportunities involved in living on the Ranch.

"I feel like I've got opportunities to add to Philmont as a result of my husband working here," Julia McCulloch said. "You know I teach yoga. I do the high teas. I sing in a band. My daughter is a pony wrangler. My other daughter works at Small Fry."

In addition to providing opportunities for kids, living on the Ranch promotes a healthy and family oriented lifestyle.

"I've been running," Dollie O'Neill said. "You cannot move to Philmont and be a lazy person. It has been a lifestyle change in regards to being a healthier person, hiking, walking and running ... We don't over spend. We don't over eat. It just really kind of changed the way our family operates, in a good way, so you kind of have to embrace it is you are going to live out here fulltime."

According to John Watson, it takes a lot of time to drive places when things need to get done.

"It's 45 minutes to an hour drive to their doctor or the grocery store, but since it is so family oriented living around here, everyone helps out," he said. "Everyone has been really amazing since we've been here as far as helping watch the boys."



Dollie O'Neill and John Watson pose for a photo near the Villa Philmont on Friday, July 12 at the Villa. CONNOR SPURR/PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER

Dollie O'Neill said the spouses get along very well and look out for each other.

"It is a very interesting, fun dynamic when we get together because it's like, 'Oh hey, you're my neighbor. I haven't seen you in three months. How is it going? Did you see that bear in your yard?' It's just unlike any other kind of neighborhood," she said.

During the off season, the Philmont spouses and families get to visit to Backcountry and participate in the employee hunt.

"In the off season, we get to go in the Backcountry," Dollie O'Neill said. "We can pick whatever cabin we want, and if it's available, we can go and stay. We can have our family stay. We have been to Miranda a couple times."

At Christmas time, Philmont hosts a party for everyone who lives on the Ranch year round. It serves as the main attraction for the season.

"There is a nice big Christmas

party," John Watson said. "There is a Philmont tradition where they give out ham in a huge cooler with the dressing that go along with that, or a turkey. Mark Anderson comes rolling out in the Model T dressed as Santa Claus. It's all lit up with Christmas lights. They'll sing carols on the Villa Lawn."

Throughout every season, families at Philmont see a different side of the Ranch than the average Scout. They are committed to helping their spouses live the dream as fulltime Philmont staff and call the Ranch home.

"I love it," Julia McCulloch said. "It's a very unique experience, but one that we are very grateful that we have the chance to experience. I mean how many people have the chance to work on a Ranch in the middle of New Mexico. It's not for everyone, but it's for us. It's just been heaven. My kids love it. My husband obviously loves it. We think it's beautiful out here, and we feel very fortunate to have this experience."

Owen's Corner

Owen McCulloch
Associate Director of
Program, Unit 4

Vehicles in the Backcountry

A reminder that any private vehicle parked at any of the backcountry vehicle parking areas must display a current Philmont parking sticker. Private vehicles may not be driven beyond locked gates or past our designated parking areas. If your vehicle needs a parking sticker, please come by Camping Headquarters to have one issued.

In addition, the Elliott Barker Wildlife Area (accessed by the Ponil road aka Hwy. 204) is currently closed to the public, and to all non-Philmont vehicles. Any private vehicle entering the Barker Wildlife Area is in violation of state law and will be reported. Philmont has a permit allowing hike-through and necessary company vehicle traffic only.

Other Fall Employment Opportunities

The NRA Whittington Center near Raton is hosting the "F Class National Championship" August 18-22 and the "F Class World Championship" August 23-27 shooting events. They are looking for Target Pullers, and pay \$80 per day. Targets are mounted in a steel carrier that moves up and down like a window. There is a concrete wall to protect the target pullers. The target area is called the target pits and the people who work there are "pullers" or "markers". Hotels in Raton have special rates, and tent camping is available at the Whittington Center for \$12 per day. Contact John Gaines at (210) 863-9070 or jrgaines@gvvc.com.



**KATY MOONEY/
PHOTOGRAPHY MANAGER**

Pro-Scouting Interest Reception – Thursday, July 25, 6 p.m., Villa Philmonte Gallery

On Tuesday, June 25, 6:00 PM, there is a reception being held at the Villa Philmonte Pool Garden for individuals who are interested in learning more about Professional Scouting.

Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served, so come for dinner. 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.

An invitation is not required, but please RSVP so we have an accurate count of attendees.

Philmont Autumn and Winter Staff Opportunities

The deadline for applications to be submitted for autumn and winter employment is Thursday, July 25, at 5 p.m. Applications must be received at Camping Headquarters by the deadline.

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As Visiting Foresters, David and Meg want to help people understand the forest and what that means out here at Philmont. To do that, they demonstrated a tree's history with a cross section of an old tree.

"We try to help people understand. The ecology of forests centers around three things here, and that's fire, insects and water. And the way we would often start ... It started in 1584 and grew to 1996," said David Foster.

As he talked about the different years on the cross piece, he also was able to give a history lesson for context.

"The first fire it healed completely from was 1601, but then you have a whole series of fires about every 25 years until 1890. And it was neat. One of the fires was in 1801, so you can talk about Lewis and Clark, and one was in 1842, so the Santa Fe trail and how livestock, particularly sheep changed the forest structure here."

To David Foster, it became about how to use history as a way to discuss the present.

"Then you can start to talk, 'well, how old are these big ponderosas right here? How much water do they take in? Why would a forest that looks like that be better for fire and less stress on the trees, and make them less susceptible to insects than the forest over here that's just a wall of green sticks full of ladder fuel?'"

To Meg Foster, it became a way to address future careers.

"... It is potential careers for these guys. You say this is dendrochronology, and this is actually looking at this tree and then you can cross section it and find out where in this country, where in this world, would this tree had lived to have gotten this deprived of rain over this amount of time versus a lot of rain here."

All that is good information for professional forestry researchers.

Discussions with the crews were also very important to both David and Meg.

"Yesterday we spent a little over three hours with a ROCS crew.

And that was really good because you can get into a lot more detail in terms of inventory techniques, cutting, operator safety and all kinds of good things," said David Foster.

"And then just conservation. Why do we need to conserve this? And it's great even with some of the discussions with the kids that come through," Meg Foster added.

The discussions the foresters go through can be overwhelming. Some days are relaxing with hours passing between crews, and other days are busier.

"It can be quite busy. Yesterday we had 21 crews," David Foster said. "We had contact with crews where we talked about the forest and did some demonstration things, with more than 1600 participants this week. About 260 crews [over the week]."

Hosting these crews, whether passing through or staying the night, is equally daunting for Hunting Lodge.

"The Hunting Lodge staff is really awesome. They were a great staff. They work really well together, and they welcomed us. I think for them that's got to be pretty hard to have every week new people," Meg Foster said.

"They have six total staff," said David Foster. "From the Visiting Forester program, they have 14 additional staff over the course of the summer, with them rotating in for a week at a time. They were very gracious."

"And that's the best part of it," Meg Foster said, "just connecting to other people."

"Scouting is about hands on learning, it's not school. And that's why kids thrive on it. So if you can catch their attention with some goofy stories, or things they can do, then you can also talk about more serious things as well," David Foster said.

"Well, I think too, our goal is to take it ... back to the Scout Law, caring for everything that's around, being a good Scout. Protecting these things, and not taking it for granted while it's here, and it's awesome and it's wild."

Learning from the Little Ones

Hope Kirwan
Staff Writer

Parents in conferences at the Philmont Training Center (PTC) are not the only ones learning each week.

The staff of the Small Fry program work to provide their little participants with a week of fun, yet educational activities.

"I try to stay away from the stigma of just a day care where you just drop your kid off and they just play for the whole day," said Gabby Butler, Small Fry Director. "I actually want them to come out learning."

The Small Fry program cares for children of PTC participants as well as Philmont staff. Children, up to the age of five, can come to the Small Fry center and enjoy a variety of themed activities.

"It's important here that we keep the activities consistent, and we try, especially with the older kids, to do stuff with them so that way they're not just thinking 'I miss my mom or dad,' they're thinking 'I'm having fun!'" said Butler.

The Small Fry staff try to incorporate activities to work on motor skills and creativity, but also

introduce Philmont and western culture to the participants. Field trips to the Villa and to visit the PTC's ponies are incorporated into their weekly schedule.

"We're starting to show them that there's a world outside of just this building," said Butler. "[On] Western Day, we're trying to help them understand that there's a western culture here. [For example,] with the whipped cream finger painting, we practice the branding symbols."

Not only are the participants at Small Fry learning, but the staff are able to obtain a better understanding of early childhood development.

Group Leaders for the family programs rotate every week, so every Leader has the opportunity to work with the kids at Small Fry. For many, working with this age group is new.

"One of the fun activities that I had during training week, I had a diaper changing contest. And afterwards I asked 'How many of you had not changed a diaper before?' and I had like five. So this is a really good experience," said Butler.

With attendance at Small Fry increasing significantly during

LDS week, many volunteers from both PTC and Camping Headquarters have stepped up to volunteer at Small Fry. When asked what motivated her to volunteer to work with the Small Fry participants, Lauren Campbell, a Fabric Stamper at Handicraft, said she wanted to try something new.

"Just to have a new experience. I love it [at Handicraft], but to kind of see what other opportunities Philmont offered for me to grow and experience," said Campbell.

Many of these volunteers come from unexpected departments, but with Butler and her staff's help, they successfully make the Small Fry participants' Philmont experience even better.

"It really brings out the talents of the Rangers that we have volunteer. We have people who you wouldn't expect to be good with kids," said Campbell. "We had this one Ranger yesterday and he was the best with the little kids. He would just sit there and he could calm any crying baby."

Together, the Small Fry participants and Philmont staff are learning about Philmont and the people that call the Ranch "HOMe."



The Small Fry program at the Philmont Training Center teaches children motor skills and creativity. CONNOR SPUR/PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER

Doorway to Past

Joe Bruner
Staff Writer

Rayado Rancho is a historically rich Backcountry stop, and despite there being no spots for crews to camp, it ties together all the important people who influenced the land that became Philmont Scout Ranch.

“My job here is to do three things,” Camp Director Jimmy Lowe said. “I try to make it exciting, I’m also here to clean up the site and rebuild the infrastructure, and to oversee the first of eight redevelopment years.”

The redevelopment of the camp is part of a project to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Santa Fe Trail and to revamp the program at Rayado Rancho Camp and Kit Carson Museum.

Rayado Rancho connects all the other camps together, according to Lowe. People encounter interpretive camps such as Abreu, Beaubien and Miranda, and Rayado shows participants how those names relate to each other.

Part of the museum is the Abreu Cemetery.

“In fact the Abreu family still comes

through today to visit it,” Lowe said.

The family came to the property when Petra Beaubien, Charles’ youngest daughter, married Jesus Abreu in 1849.

Also at the camp is the Maxwell-Abreu House, the house the families lived in, and then sold, eventually making its way into the hands of Waite Phillips.

Lucien Maxwell came into the picture when Luz Beaubien, Charles Beaubien’s eldest daughter, married him in 1844. Lucien Maxwell later sold the Beaubien-Miranda Grant to an English company in 1870.

The property first came to the Beaubien family in 1837. Manuel Armijo, Governor of the New Mexican territory, made a grant to Charles Beaubien and Guadalupe Miranda. The intent was to create a buffer between Mexico and the United States.

Today, the area is used to showcase daily life in the times of the Santa Fe Trail travelers.

The camp has several areas. It has blacksmithing, woodworking, gardening and cooking to demonstrate the various aspects of daily life.



Camp Director Jimmy Lowe starts a fire in the forge on Sunday, July 7 at the Kit Carson Museum. CASSIDY JOHNSON/PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER

“The whole settlement is about making money,” said Lowe.

And while money making is no longer the purpose of the site, the staff still practices activities of the day, such as cooking their own tortillas, according to

Lowe.

The last demonstration area is the tomahawk range, which allows the Scouts to try their hand at throwing tomahawks.

As an interpretive camp, Rayado

Rancho gives the Scouts a taste of life back

in the time of the Santa Fe Trail travelers. It also teaches Scouts about the history of influential people to the Philmont land designated to other Backcountry camps, and how they all interrelate to each other.

Future Developments Planned for Rayado Rancho

Joe Bruner
Staff Writer

In preparation for the Santa Fe Trail’s 200th anniversary, Philmont is revamping the Rayado Rancho camp to engage participants, staff members and the general public to join in the celebration.

“2021 is the 200th anniversary of the first wagons on the Santa Fe Trail,” said Director of Program Mark Anderson.

The problem with restoring the camp to a historical time period is there are too many significant eras.

“We can’t just restore the camp to any one time frame,” Anderson said.

As a result, the plan attempts to highlight numerous eras by identifying objectives to accomplish over the eight years.

One focus of the project will be to restore an interpretation of the site over the general history

through historic themes rather than a chronological framework. Examples of the themes include agriculture, trapping, trading, business and development and Scouting.

Another important objective is to have Rayado Rancho viewed as a cultural landscape and to amend nominations to the State and National Registers.

Philmont is working with the Technical Preservation Services of the National Park Service (NPS) to identify what is the cultural landscape.

A cultural landscape is “a geographic area, including both cultural and natural resources and the wildlife or domestic animals therein, associated with a historic event, activity, or person or exhibiting other cultural or aesthetic values,” according to the NPS website.

Finally, Philmont wants to make

the site an inviting and engaging place both to the general public and to all stakeholders in the project, which includes Philmont participants, family members and staff.

“We want to make it an inviting place, to make people come,” Anderson said.

To accomplish this, Philmont wants to expand on its current program. The current museum will be a part of a larger demonstration area. The demonstration area will include buildings offering information on trade and business of the Santa Fe travelers, war and revolution, Indians and land grants. It will also have program areas for kids with games played in that era, such as marbles. It will portray daily life back in the day of the Santa Fe Trail, such as clothes making, baskets, soap making and candles and lamps.

The Maxwell-Abreu House will have several rooms open to offer facts about the arts, the land grant with Maxwell and other historic figures.

A big highlight will be the

observation of the Santa Fe Trail ruts that are still visible. There will be twilight tours, and presentations about wagon trains and commerce.

Finally, Philmont is preparing to plant an orchard there for spring of 2014. They are expecting

to plant around 150-170 fruit trees from Philmont Scout Ranch, Chase Ranch and Dawson. They will use the acequia water system to add history to the orchard as well.

As they work on the construction, the workers must be careful as artifacts are still being found. Recently, a ceramic doll’s head was found that dates back to the 1860s as well as shards of pottery and glass.

“It starts to tell more of the story at that site,” Anderson said.

As construction picks up, they will be able to foresee the production

schedule.

“When we see what we can get done this year, that will help us figure out how to space out the rest of the

years, and that’s when we will see a strategic plan for 2014 and 2015 and so on,” Anderson said.

The plan for 2013 is mostly repair work on existing buildings, and to put in signs so as visitors come, they can learn about the history of the area without needing to be guided.

Eventually, the goal of this project is to “create an Experiential Learning Center that utilizes the unique cultural landscape found at Rayado Rancho to engage each visitor in a meaningful experience,” according to the strategic plan for the project.

“This plan broadly highlights what we want to accomplish and historically protect,” said Mark Anderson.

“We want to make it an inviting place...”

New Camp Opens for Leadership Training Program

Joe Bruner
Staff Writer

As the newest Backcountry camp on Philmont property, the Rayado Ridge Leadership Camp is the new home to the National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE) program.

"NAYLE is a national junior leader instructor course. It is about applying leadership skills," Course Director Greg Plumb said.

It expands the skills learned in the National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) program, a pre-requisite to participate in NAYLE.

NAYLE covers a variety of team-building activities and discussions.

Early on in the program, participants will take part in challenge events to start working as a team. Outdoor activities include

Wilderness First Aid (WFA), several Search and Rescue (SAR) simulations, a conservation project and hikes in the Backcountry.

What makes this program different is that it is a youth led training program.

"We help with travel, administrative duties, safety and answering questions the Senior Crew Leader might have," said Assistant Course Director Cindy Carter.

Otherwise Nathan Jarosz, the Senior Crew Leader, runs most of the activities, along with the staff he oversees.

Typically the staff works with about 48 crew members in the week long session. The members are divided into six crews. Each crew is assigned a name, which relates to someone influential to the Philmont property such as Abreu and Maxwell.

Those 48 members are part of a select group that attends NAYLE at Philmont.

"Out of 6,000 to 8,000 eligible candidates, about 300 per year come here," said Plumb.

The participants come over the course of six weeks, with a new staff coming in for each session.

"We come in and stay for two weeks. The first week we're training and getting ready for our participants, the second week we run the course," said Jarosz.

Often times, during that second week, the next staff has already arrived and is preparing for their week.

While the NAYLE staff are switching, Camp Director Charlie Nutter stays around to maintain the camp.

"I'm the only Philmont staff member up here," he said. "I help supply everything that NAYLE needs."

He helps all the NAYLE staff and

participants navigate the camp needs.

"This camp is brand new. It's not even finished yet," said Nutter.

At the flag pole site, where Reveille and Taps are held every day, there is a group of rocks in the shape of the Philmont Arrowhead. Alongside this is a trail border of identical rocks leading to the camp's fire ring.

It currently stops by the flag pole, and plans are being considered to extend it farther.

While finishing touches are still being made to Rayado Ridge, it has been around for a while. It was the original home to the NYLT program back in the 1960s. They moved the program's location to the Rocky Mountain Scout Camp until 2013, when they brought the program back to Rayado Ridge.

Meanwhile, the program continues to teach participants leadership skills.

"It's pretty exciting to see the growth of the youth," Assistant Course Director Becky Speller said.

The staff continues to be amazed at how quickly the participants grow together and can see the effects in their crews.

"We've already seen changes in the group," Carter said, "and it's only day two."

"It's pretty exciting to see the growth of the youth."

Exploring the American West

Hope Kirwan
Staff Writer

The staff of Beaubien offer Scouts the opportunity to experience the American West.

"It's a horse camp, Western lore," said Tanner Shaw, Beaubien Horseman. "That's what this is based on, that's why we're here. That's why everybody on this Ranch is here, because Waite [Phillips] decided he wanted people to have that Western experience. And it ain't too Western without a horse at some point."

When Waite Phillips gave Philmont to the Boy Scouts of America, one of his only requests was that the land remain a working ranch. To this day, the Ranch department cares for a variety of livestock including cattle, horses, burros and

bison.

"Being able to portray one of the most important points that [Waite Phillips] wanted to keep at Philmont, being part of this kind of program and Western in general, you're almost honored to be able to do it because this is how it all started," said Claire Ficke, a Program Counselor at Beaubien.

Another important way that Philmont preserves the ranching lifestyle is through its western lore camps.

Baubien hosts many activities relating to traditional cowboy culture, such as roping, branding and horseshoes.

"There's always something to do here," said Caroline Davis, Camp Director of Beaubien. "They don't have to wait on program time

because we're always on the porch, we always fit them in. We've never had a scheduling issue, because all of these things they can do at leisure and we're always there to help them with that."

Participants at Beaubien also help make a traditional chuckwagon dinner. Not only is this a delicious experience, but the staff of Beaubien use the chuckwagon as an opportunity to teach Scouts more about a cowboy's lifestyle.

"We give them this big old spiel beforehand so they know what they're getting into," said Davis. "This is similar to a meal they might have had on the trail and just like you guys on the trail, food is the main lifeline for humanity so even back then, they needed a hot meal just like you guys do. And often times it's raining in the afternoon now, and people are cold and tired and hungry by the time they get to chuckwagon so it's good to have a really warm meal, and we get them to help out and everybody is super enthusiastic about helping."

Baubien hosts a horseback riding program in addition to their other Western lore activities. These rides are led by several of the Ranch's wranglers and help make participants' cowboy experience even more genuine.

"Mostly we're here just for these horses and these rides," said Shaw. "We enjoy taking kids out that a lot of them have never seen a horse, never been on a horse, never touched one and it's cool to see that first time, that light in their eyes, and that sheer terror when they're up on them and the take a few trotting steps, and just let them know 'you're doing alright,' just making sure they stay safe. That's our biggest deal, just watching and making sure that everybody stays safe."

The experience of riding a horse through Beaubien's lush meadow, or even seeing them graze on green grass in a rustic corral, is what truly connects Scouts the lifestyle of a cowboy.

"Seeing a horse, you don't even have to ride them, ... at least in my experience when I came on trek, it gave you that sense that this is still the west, this is still what we're doing. This



Program Counselor Rachel Solomons demonstrates proper lasso technique at Beaubien on Wednesday, July 10. CONNOR SPURR/PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER

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American West

Sport Shooting at Sawmill

Hope Kirwan
Staff Writer

The staff of Sawmill hope to give Scouts the opportunity to experience a program offered only at Philmont Scout Ranch.

Sawmill is the only camp approved by the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) to offer .30-06 reloading. Until the Summit Bechtel Reserve opened this summer for the 2013 Jamboree, Sawmill was also the only BSA camp offering high power rifle shooting.

Reloading is the process of creating ammunition with used cartridges. Participants have the opportunity to learn how to reload ammunition then practice these skills by making three bullets that they can later fire at the camp's rifle range.

"I joke that it's making your cake and blowing it up too," said Justin Kernes, a Sawmill Program Counselor.

The staff at Sawmill believe that reloading has many benefits for those in sport shooting.

"It saves money, it uses fewer resources, its fun and you can make your bullets more consistent so it makes the shooting more accurate," said Jeffrey

Shortridge, the Camp Director at Sawmill.

Because of the unique nature of the camp's program, the staff of Sawmill try to help every camper enjoy their program. Whether a participant is an experienced marksman or has never shot before, Sawmill facilitates all levels of experience.

"Like other programs, rock climbing in particular, shooting a huge gun is scary for a lot of participants so a way in which we add to their experience is helping them through something that is very intimidating to a lot of them, [it's] something that they're not used to," said Shortridge.

The Sawmill staff went through a lot of training before being able to teach participants about high power rifle shooting.

"We had four companies come to train us on how to train the campers," said Carter Smith, a Program Counselor at Sawmill. "They're normally competitors so I was expecting an air of hostility which there wasn't at all. They all came together as a group to train us, they were all very excited about what they were doing, and we were all certainly starstruck and nervous around them."

These companies, including

Hornady, Dillon, Lyman, and RCBS, also donate a majority of the equipment and materials that are used by about 5,000 participants every summer.

"[The companies] donate their time, their money and their equipment to us because we introduce so many people to the sport of shooting and the hobby of reloading every year. I'm sure this camp would be nothing without them," said Smith.

The Sawmill staff believe that shooting is not only a fun program activity but also an opportunity to educate Scouts about the sport.

"I think that's our big thing, to get kids introduced to what a firearm actually is," said Thomas Claggett, a Sawmill Program Counselor. "It's not just a weapon, it's used for sport, it's used for fun. I think that's why we enjoy coming out here as well."

These staff members work to provide this education because of its relevance to current events. With many people more aware of gun regulations, Sawmill staff believe that teaching Scouts that shooting can be an enjoyable hobby or sport is an important and relevant topic.



Program Counselor Justin Kernes helps Scouts reload .30-06 ammo on Monday, July 8 at Sawmill. Scouts are able to make and fire three cartridges at the Sawmill rifle range. DAVID SPITZNAGEL/PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER

"The NRA teaches its all about attitude, that you have to have a really great attitude. So that's what we try to do here: impart the importance of how reloading and shooting is a fun sport, it's not just all that negative thing. It can [be], but it's all about your attitude," said Kernes.

While Sawmill staff can't teach participants everything about reloading and shooting high power rifles, they strive to give Scouts exposure to this unique

sport. The staff hope to give the Scouts a new interest they can pursue once they leave Philmont.

"What does Boy Scouting teach about merit badges? You don't learn everything about a merit badge, you just get your toes wet and that's what Sawmill is supposed to do, its just supposed to get your toes wet in something else," said Kernes. "We try to immerse the kids in everything that we've learned about

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Cyphers Mine Offers Rare Insight into History

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Staff Writer

Scouts visiting Cyphers Mine are looking for a lot more than gold.

Portraying the year 1912, the staff at Cyphers work to teach participants about the life of a gold miner. Scouts pan for gold, tour the gold mine and even make something as a crew at the forge.

The camp's history is what makes Cyphers Mine unique to Philmont. The mine was active until Waite Phillips bought the land, with one of the original structures still used for program today. Because so much is known about the mine and the land's historical use, the staff's representation provides Scouts an uncommon look at the past.

"We are supposed to be portraying what life was like when Mr. Charlie Cyphers was actually the manager here, because he was a real person and he did run this camp for many years from about 1902 to about 1922," said Samuel Hopwood, a Program Counselor at Cypher's Mine.

Another distinctive part of staying at Cyphers Mine is the opportunity for

Scouts to sleep in adirondacks. These three-sided cabins allow participants to experience a different style of camping that is more comfortable for the terrain.

"We have a lot of rocks so we have our adirondacks, which we refer to as muckshacks," said Hopwood. "It's just an open-air cabin of sorts, since you can't set-up tents and we need to provide them with somewhere to sleep."

As a part of the mine tours, Cyphers Mine hosts two visiting geologists that teach Scouts more about the natural significance of the mine.

"I think that sometimes you need to help them put into words what they're really looking at," said Rick Davison, one of the visiting Geologists at Cyphers Mine.



Program Counselor Travis Scherschel takes Scouts on a tour of Contention Mine on Monday, July 8 at Cyphers Mine. Cyphers Mine also offers blacksmithing and an evening musical performance called The Stomp. DAVID SPITZNAGEL/PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER

"There are a lot of kids, looking around, the rock is only what you kick down the trail in front of you because its making you stumble. But if you can add a bit of wonder into everything they see around them ... it really makes this a special place. And that's another thing they can take away from Philmont."

Cyphers Mine also has a forge where crews can learn about the art of blacksmithing and make a candlestick holder that would have been used in the mines. The staff hope to give Scouts the opportunity to learn about this important but rare trade.

"It's so different, its not something that they get to do a lot of places. Watching them and seeing how much they appreciate that is very rewarding," said Travis Scherschel, a Cyphers Mine Program Counselor.

Before being able to give mine tours or teach blacksmithing, the staff of Cyphers Mine went through training in both of these fields. The staff had a workshop with

Steve Rick, a local blacksmith in Cimarron and visited the Western Museum of Mining and Industry in Colorado Springs, Colo. The staff also completed research and training to accurately portray miners of 1912.

Although constantly interpreting people of another century can be difficult, the Cyphers Mine staff hope that their depiction allows Scouts to understand history in a new way.

"It can be difficult sometimes because you're sitting there acting like it's 1912 when clearly it's not," said Scherschel. "Just trying to bring them into that world, hoping that they'll get something out of it and see what the life of a miner would be like. It's very rewarding in that you take them out of the time that they're really in and put them someplace else and have them hopefully learn something about that."

While mining and blacksmithing activities are educational, participants and staff both agree that The Stomp is their favorite part of Cyphers Mine.

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Interp Training Offered

Mary-Kate Smith
Staff Writer

Tim Crofton, interpretation consultant originally from London, has been helping to provide acting training and costuming services to Philmont employees since 2006.

Crofton, an educator and actor, serves as the Head of International Baccalaureate Theatre Arts at the United World College of the American West. He gained interpretation expertise throughout his career by writing, acting and producing many historical interpretative roles including Captain Cook and Captain George Vancouver.

"Definitely, historical interpretation has been a major aspect of my professional work as a performer," Crofton said.

Interpretation education definitely serves as his main role at Philmont. At the beginning of each summer, Tim provides training to the 83 living history employees that work at the 13 historical and interpretive camps. Then in early July, he revisits each camp to evaluate their performance and answers any questions they may have.

"In this full week period, I saw seven [camps], and next week I will see another six," Crofton said. "Then what I'll do is I will write up reports for each camp to the Camp Director, so they can then disseminate any observations that they think are relevant to their group."

This summer, Crofton's role expanded to help promote the Certified Philmont Interpreter Program. On Monday June 8, Crofton lead an interpretive workshop at Rayado open to all Philmont employees.

"Tonight Tim is doing one of the workshops for continued training for our staff and these are workshops that will be a part of our certified Philmont interpretive program," Associate Director of Program David O'Neill said. "Tim is just doing a follow up workshop on acting and interpreting."

This follow up workshop was a crash course in interpretation that gave non-interp staff a chance to see what those jobs are all about.

"The focus of the program was to introduce those who know nothing about interpretation to what the world of interpretation includes and involves and to those who have done a bit to further their understanding," Crofton said.

According to Rayado Camp Director Jimmy Lowe, Crofton helps to give the



Historical Interp Specialist Tim Crofton instructs and troubleshoots Rayado staff on their interpretive program delivery Thursday, July 11 at Rayado. KEVIN BOUCHER/PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER

staff the necessary drive, understanding and tools to start developing characters.

"Tim helps by really prompting that energy and enthusiasm," Lowe said. "He also helps us to learn how to develop a back story ... You need to be able to stay snappy, so he helps with a lot of methods to be able to do that. His role at the beginning of the season during training ... is to get [new staff] into the mindset that they are walking back in time."

Tim is not only a resource for acting and interpreting but also plays a large role in costuming the staff.

"He is an immense resource for our interpretive clothing and what looks and feels right," Lowe said.

For the past several years, Crofton has been responsible for costuming all the interpreters. He maintains, repairs and replaces costumes throughout the summer.

"It's not a full time position," Crofton said. "I live close enough to the Ranch to be able to come in for a couple of days a week to do the repairs and to do other stuff that is necessary. So I've morphed into more of a wardrobe master, which is great because that is certainly an aspect of historical interpretation that I love."

Crofton is a great believer in learning through doing. For that reason, he supports Philmont's method of educating Scouts and staff through interpretation.

"There is something about Philmont," he said. "I don't know how

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Civil War Veterans of Black Mountain

Hope Kirwan
Staff Writer

Black Mountain is one of Philmont's many interpretive camps, however, the time period that is portrayed is unique for the Ranch.

"We're veterans of the 2nd Colorado Volunteers Company B and we fought in the Battle of Glorieta Pass right outside of Santa Fe," said Reid Shortridge, Camp Director of Black Mountain. "Now we're out here in this hole, looking for gold, looking to make a living."

Instead of portraying a lifestyle during a general time period like many of the other interpretive camps, the staff of Black Mountain portray a defined group of people at a specific point in time. These qualifications for their interpretive characters present unique challenges and benefits for the staff.

"I feel like it really anchors it in time," said David Scrivener, a Program Counselor at Black Mountain. "With logging camps, that could be a huge swath of time when logging was going

on in the region. But as a post Civil War camp, the fact that we're still wearing our uniforms, I think that is very indicative of the fact that we are recently out of the Civil War and I feel like that really ties into a time period."

Another way that Black Mountain is different from many other interpretive camps is the lifestyle. Located at the foot of Black Mountain, this camp is inaccessible by road and goes without even some of the primitive facilities enjoyed by other camps.

"Whereas other camps will act interpretively, we live interpretively," said Shortridge. "We have no running water; outside of the radio, we have nothing here. Everything is made by ourselves, we have to carry everything in. We live the interpretive lifestyle and that really comes across to campers."

Through their interpretive program, the Black Mountain staff provide a variety of different program activities. From shooting .58 caliber black powder rifles to blacksmithing to gold panning, these activities give Scouts the opportunity learn about technology

of the time period.

Black Mountain is one of three Philmont camps that offer black powder rifle shooting. Although they are all the same type of rifle, Black Mountain presents a different use for the weapon.

"We shoot .58 caliber rifles. We have four Springfield rifles and one .58 caliber Enfield rifle. All the campers get to shoot three shots," said Shortridge. "We try and keep it as if we were trained in the military and we try and train them into the steps of loading and how to fire."

In addition to black powder rifles, Black Mountain also teaches Scouts about blacksmithing. An important trade during their interpretive time period, the staff of Black Mountain make important tools for their camp and neighboring camps in addition to helping Scouts make items they can take home.

"We make all kinds of things in our forge," said Shortridge. "We mostly make various types of hooks: S hooks, J hooks for the campers and then we make things for other parts of the Ranch."

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Continued Training: First Round Sign-Up

Continued Training sessions are educational courses taught primarily by Ranger Leadership to improve the experiences our crews receive. They are held in the Walcutt Room of the SSSAC 6-6:45 p.m. every night of the summer. All staff members are welcome and encouraged to attend. Courses such as Geology, Flora and Fauna, Astronomy, GPS use and Navigation and Stove Maintenance are all taught. Each session is conducted twice to catch as many staff members as possible. If you are interested in teaching Continued Training session, contact Eric Martinez, Associate Chief Ranger, ext. 1222. Remember to stop in to visit with Eric at least 7 days before your first night of presenting to discuss your plans.

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| 7-22 & 7-24 | Special Treks | 1. Matthew Hauser 2. Justin Fletcher |
| 7-23 & 7-25 | Backcountry Cooking | 1. Nick Deacon 2. Will Suggs |
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| 7-27 & 7-29 | History of North Ponil Canyon | 1. David Coon 2. Matt Leberknight |
| 7-30 & 8-1 | Meteorology | 1. Caleb Burns |
| 7-31 & 8-2 | History of Outdoor Youth Programs | 1. James Cox |
| 8-7 & 8-9 | Tracking & Scat | 1. Sarah Johnson |

Service Academy Rangers

Mary-Kate Smith
Staff Writer

Every three to four weeks in the summer, Philmont receives a new set of Rangers as part of the Service Academy Program.

The program originated in 1972 when the United States Air Force Academy partnered with Philmont and provided several Academy Rangers to Philmont for the entire summer. Forty-one years later, the Rangers stay for shorter blocks of time, but the program has expanded to include Midshipmen and Cadets from the United States Naval Academy and the United States Military Academy at West Point.

According to Service Academy Coordinator, Kyle Knoll a total of 61 Academy Rangers will participate in the program this summer including: 18 Air Force Cadets, 34 Naval Academy Midshipmen and 9 West Point Cadets.

"They have the same role as Rangers," Knoll said. "The purpose of the program is for them to gain experience with small group development and improve upon their leadership skills, similar to what they will be doing as officers when they graduate. For a lot of them, it's their first chance to lead a group of people, and working with youth is a good opportunity."

The majority of the Academy Rangers that come through are rising juniors and seniors at school.

"The first two years at the Academy they are teaching you to be a follower,"

Naval Academy Ranger Morgan Oswald said. "What makes a good leader is being a good follower. They really stress listening. They don't really give us many leadership opportunities, so during the transition from sophomore to junior year ... they want to give you more leadership opportunities. They are getting you ready for your fleet."

This has been one of Oswald's first leadership opportunities through the Academy as a rising junior.

"Being out here has given me the opportunity to finally see what kind of leader I want to be and practice leading people and dealing with situations," she said.

The Academies divide each student's summer into three blocks: professional training, leadership training and leave. Oswald applied for the Philmont Service Academy Program as her leadership training. Two weeks into her four week stint at Philmont Oswald had already led out two crews. Typically, Academy Rangers will take out three to four crews during their time at Philmont.

"So far it has been fantastic," Oswald said. "[My crews] have accepted me as part of their family for those four days that I'm with them. It's been a wonderful learning experience ... I actually just got a text from my first crew ... They sent me a picture. They all actually ended up doing pushups on the top of Baldy after they hiked it because they said I inspired them. That was a really cool feeling because my whole thing is that I want to inspire people and change lives."

Leading small groups of Scouts is beneficial to the Academy Rangers because the age difference and group size is similar to that of the groups they will be leading after graduation.

"Philmont is glad to continue the Service Academy Program because they see the reciprocity and the mutual benefit for both Philmont and the Academies," Service Academy Coordinator John Nagib said. "The Academy Rangers get an opportunity for leadership training, but in a civilian setting. It is really important for tomorrow's military leaders to get to interact with teenagers and figure out how to communicate in a very non militaristic way."

Philmont has developed a strong relationship with the Academies. In 2012, the Air Force Academy was the first organization to receive the Silver Sage Award, which typically goes to an individual who has greatly benefited Philmont. Each summer several troops will specifically request a Service Academy Ranger because they have a military connection, have a Scout interested in attending one of the Academies or simply because they have heard of the caliber of Academy Rangers.

"The Academies really like [the Philmont Service Academy Program] because it's a huge recruiting tool" Nagib said. "With an audience of 25,000 teenagers, it's the perfect opportunity to talk about the Academies. [Academy Rangers] like to recruit and talk highly of their experiences at school."

According to Nagib, the program is



Service Academy Ranger Ryan Mavity discusses itinerary details for Crew 709-T-01 with Crew Leader Justin Lynch and Advisor John Ware on Tuesday, July 9 at the Welcome Center. KEVIN BOUCHER/PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER

competitive within the Academies.

"About 200 from the Naval Academy and 200 from Air Force Academy apply for this program," Nagib said. "They typically interview about 60 of those people that apply. Currently we have about 34 from Navy and about 18 from Air Force, so it highly competitive."

Many of the students selected to be Academy Rangers are Eagle Scouts while others have never previously been involved in Scouting.

"Typically up to 70 percent of the Academy Rangers are Eagle Scouts and have been on a trek before," Nagib said. "Some of them have even done special treks such as ROCS, OATC, and Rayado."

According to Knoll, the people he meets are the most exciting thing about being a Service Academy coordinator.

"We have people that want to be

fighter pilots or helicopter pilots, people who want to do Explosive Ordnance Detail, people who want to be Navy Seals; they just bring a very broad range of knowledge and experience," Knoll.

Scouting and the Academies share so many of the same values. As a result, the Academy Rangers are able to preserve the values of Scouting while still bringing in a new perspective. In addition, they bring knowledge, skills and services that greatly benefit both the Ranger department and Philmont as a whole.

"I love the energy they bring to the department," Nagib said. "They are invested in what Philmont is, and they are excited to be out here and share some of their leadership training with Scouts, which I think is phenomenal. That reciprocity is great for both the military and for Philmont."

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Program Counselors Evan Withrow and Jason Windsor prepare to shoot their rifles on Wednesday, July 12 at Black Mountain Camp. Black Mountain is the only Civil War interpretive camp. CONNOR SPURR/PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER

We are working on some things with Beaubien, particularly with the Wranglers. We made some things for Miranda, various items around the Ranch as people need them and for our camp as well."

Besides being a useful resource for Black Mountain and other camps, the staff enjoy blacksmithing for its versatility.

"It's almost impossible to mess up. You can always make something out of something else. You can usually fix it or weld on more metal and continue on. It's interesting how you can make pretty much make anything at any point," said Jason Windsor, a Program Counselor at Black Mountain.

Both of these activities required

plenty of training for the Black Mountain staff before the start of the summer.

"We went through about three days of NRA instructor training, range safety officer training and muzzle loading training," said Shortridge. "We did about an afternoon's worth of training with Steve Rick, who has a [blacksmithing] shop in Cimarron. And we all took turns in the forge ... down at Kit Carson."

Another way the staff of Black Mountain provides Scouts the opportunity to learn about Civil War veterans is through their nightly variety show. While the historical significance is present, the staff strive to make the show entertaining more

than anything.

"The campers will tell skits and we will tell war stories from when we were in the Civil War, how we got our names. Its basically a big comedy show," said Shortridge.

Learning about history of what Black Mountain represents is still the focus for these five dedicated staff members.

"The Civil War in the west is totally unknown. When you think of the west, you think about Pecos Bill, you think about Kit Carson, you don't think about the War in the west," said Scrivener. "[The west] has tons of history that people never realize. It's kind of nice because this ties it back home with people."

Service with a Smile

Employees at the TOTT are dedicated to giving Philmont participants the best experience possible, whether it is in the store or on the trail.

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Staff Writer

At the Tooth of Time Trading Post, the staff has a simple motto.

“We provide everyone with expected and unexpected service,” said Casey Migacz, TOTT Store Inventory Manager.

Expected service is

obvious. It’s a friendly smile when a customer walks in the store, an offer to help someone who looks lost find something and walking people to items instead of just pointing.

Unexpected service, though, is about making the things people thought were impossible happen. It’s finding the right interchangeable part

to make an Osprey pack fit or bringing an advisor a new pair of shoes on the trail.

On the trail, things go wrong. Some things are beyond the control of anyone. Others, like a broken hiking boot or camp stove, can be fixed.

“If you’re hiking somewhere where there isn’t a store, you can’t get it,” said Migacz. “But here, you can.”

Stoves and shoes are the most common items that get delivered to people on the trail, but sometimes other goods, such as underwear, are delivered on the trail.

So far this year, six pairs of boots have been sent to people on the trail. Migacz usually gets the call via radio and then sends the item out to the trail the next morning. Shoes usually take one to two days to get to people on the trail.

The shoes sent to people are designed to break in easily and are relatively cheap at \$80 to \$85 a pair. People don’t have to pay on the trail, but can pay at the TOTT when they get

back.

“I always send a handwritten note, so it is personalized and not just a piece of paper saying you owe money,” said Migacz.

Stoves tend to get to crews a bit quicker than hiking boots, averaging about a day, because “they have to eat” and “can be a fire hazard,” said Migacz.

Once people get off the trail and come back into the store to pay, they are usually impressed with the services provided.

“People are always very thankful when we send them stuff,” said Migacz.

In the store, the goal is to make the customer’s shopping experience as smooth and pleasant as possible.

“People don’t like to hang out in stores,” said Migacz. “They don’t want to search if they need to get on the trail.”

The store only carries high quality products and the clerks



Trading Post staff member Matt Dunn shows pocketknives to PTC participants Brooklyn, 7, and Luke Sibley, 9, on Friday, July 12 at the Tooth of Time Traders. “I like to work customer service because that means I get to walk around and help people. It really has the most rewarding quality to it,” Dunn said. CASSIDY JOHNSON/PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER

are extremely knowledgeable to better assist customers.

“Our goal is two-fold,” said Snack Bar Specialist Christina Chambers. “We want to help them find what they want, but also educate them ... we do a lot of education about stoves, socks and packs.”

The staff is trained not only in the products, but also in how to be there for people, without stalking them. They are friendly and dedicated to helping customers find what they need, but they are also willing to be a listening ear for someone.

“It’s about focusing on that one person,” Migacz said. “You make it all about them.”

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How to Make A Burro Love You



A participant leads Slacker the Burro on Saturday, June 29 at Ponil. Crews check out burros at Ponil and hike with them to Pueblano. DONOVAN COLE/PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER

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Staff Writer

Burros are stubborn creatures, infamous for their slow, steady pace. However, it is possible to make your burro love you and quicken its pace. You just need to follow these simple tips.

1. Build trust: When you first get to the burro pen, the Wranglers will have already picked out a burro for you. Once they tell you which burro is yours, approach it slowly. Stop when you are within a few feet of it, and hold out your hand as if you want to pet it. In a few seconds, the burro will walk to you for a pet, and a bond is formed.

2. Name your burro: No one, not even a burro, wants to be called "It," so give it a name. Suggestions include Blue, Jackson McLovin and Mark Anderson. Also worth noting, all the burros used by Scouts are male. Therefore, use the pronouns he or him, not she, her or the dreaded it.

3. Learn how to take care of him: Burros carry up to 50 pounds of gear for you, and nothing will make them crabbiest than if the gear isn't properly packed. If you

have any questions about where the ropes go or what knots to use, ask the Wrangler. And remember, walk on the roads, feed the burro a quarter bale of hay at 6 p.m. and make sure they have water.

4. Pet him: Burros love to be pet, so spend some time figuring out your burros favorite spot is to be pet.

"Where they like to be pet depends on the burro," said Wrangler Jackie Bellaci. "Some are fine with the face, some freak out. The neck is usually pretty safe, but stay away from the rear end."

5. Bribe him: Like politicians, burros are highly susceptible to bribery. But instead of money, burros are after food. While burros will eat almost anything, that doesn't mean they should. Only feed your burro unprocessed food.

"They love fruit and LaraBars," said Bellaci. "Anything that has not been processed. They have sensitive digestive systems."

In other words, don't feed them your beef jerky.

6. The proper way to lead a burro: If you whack a burro with a stick, he will harbor feelings of resentment. So no matter how slow

your burro is walking, leave the big stick on the ground.

Instead, use the two person method. The two person method requires that one Scout stand by the head of the burro and lead it while a second Scout stands behind the burro and makes 'scary hands.'

"You just kind of wave your hands around to keep him moving," said Bellaci.

If scary hands aren't cutting it, Bellaci recommends making some noise. Talk loudly, clap or whistle. Whistling is one of the more effective approaches as that is how Wranglers move burros around in the pens. Don't yell at the burro though.

If noise is failing, resort to bribery. Dangle an apple or orange in front of his face, and the burro is almost guaranteed to hurry up.

Finally, when 'crazy hands,' whistling and bribery have all failed you, it's time to find a small stick. Poke the burro's rear with the stick, and he will speed up.

7. Love him: If you love your burro, your burro will love you back.

"Treat him like a puppy," said Bellaci.

Burros Key Part of Philmont Experience

Katie Landeck
Staff Writer

In early June, a small herd of burros could be seen in the streets of Cimarron. The Wranglers, all on horseback, driving them as fast as a burro can reasonably go through the town.

"It's a lot easier than a horse drive," said Wrangler Jackie Bellaci. "We make a kind of moving corral around them, and they're a little afraid of horses."

The 85 burros are penned at Ponil and Miranda, the two staff camps that support burro packing. Once there, they spend the rest of the summer shuttling crew gear back and forth between the two camps.

Burro packing might be one of the most contested programs offered at Philmont. Some crews hate them and will specifically select itineraries that do not include them (it says in big bold letters in the 2013 Philmont Itinerary Guide that crews who choose a burro itinerary "must take the burro"). Other crews love their burro.

"I always recommend that my crews select an itinerary that includes burros," wrote Base Camp Manager Sid Covington on his website. "They provide an experience that our kids (and adults) generally don't have."

"An experience" is a good term for it.

At about 9:30 a.m., the Wranglers at Ponil are helping crews to pack their burros. The crew were assigned to a specific burro before they even arrived at the pen, a practice Bellaci says helps to keep the burros healthy.

"We assign them so we can give all the burros a break and make sure they aren't getting sore," said Bellaci.

The burros all have colored number tags around their necks that are used to differentiate them. The numbers are reassigned every year.

"We don't name the burros," said Jay Macheda, who works with

the burros at Miranda. "They are too hard to tell apart.

In the pen, the crews are already starting to develop feelings for their new trail companion. One crew is getting along swimmingly with their burro, giving him a neck rub and naming him Jackson McLovin. Other crews are doing less well. One crew member has his burro in a headlock, as the burro drags him around the pen in his bid for freedom.

However, by 10 a.m., all the burros are out on the trail with the crews, slowly plodding along.

"The burros grow on you," said Macheda, who like most people, wasn't wildly fond of his charges at first.

While the main purpose of the burros is the burro packing program, burros do have other jobs on the Ranch, some program related and some work related.

At Harlan camp, Scouts can participate in burro racing. To race, crews lead burros on a mad sprint to one side of the meadow, around a red-painted rock and back to the other side of the meadow. Some crews do very well, others get stuck in the center of the meadow.

"Organized chaos at its finest. Our burro race pits one stubborn crew against one stubborn jack** ... Great, great fun," said Harlan Camp Director Bruce Wagner.

Burros can be found at several other Backcountry camps, such as Rich Cabins and Abreau, but at the camps the burros are mostly for "show," according to Bellaci. At Rich Cabins, they are caring for a baby burro named Victoria, who was born at the start of the season.

"She's adorable," said Bellaci. "But she's entirely for show."

More practically, the Ranch uses the burros as a UPS service, relying on them to carry food shipments to Black Mountain Camp and move other items around.

"At heart, they're pack animal," said Bellaci.

Chaplain's Corner

Assisi Conference October 2012

Fr. Ray Fecteau
Catholic Chaplain

I am very proud to be a BSA Chaplain. Father Leo LeBlanc, World Chaplain of the International Catholic Committee on Scouting (ICCS), asked me to represent the Americas at the Third Ecumenical Encounter held in Assisi, Italy.

ICCS conference participants stayed at the "Oasis of the Sacred Heart" retreat house. This Benedictine house of prayer is located in the shadow of the historic city.

It is the same place where world religious leaders resided when Blessed Pope John Paul II held the World Day of Prayer for Peace at Assisi in October of 1986.

The three day conference included opportunities for prayer, formal/informal presentations, small group discussions, and dialog between Roman Catholic and Orthodox Catholic Scouters from several continents.

There were Scouters from England, Ireland, Spain, Germany, Italy, Lebanon, Croatia, Serbia, Tanzania and the United States.

English was the official conference language. However, Italian and French were also used, especially when discussions became rather animated.

Participants from every country were given the opportunity to comment on the state of Scouting as youth ministry in their own countries.

Each presentation contained stories of both trials and triumphs, and each presenter allowed open time for Q and A.

On each day of our

conference, Morning Prayer was offered in the Roman Catholic, the Reformed Catholic (Protestant), or the Orthodox Catholic tradition.

We visited the ancient city and its churches, notably the Basilica of St. Clare and the Basilica of St. Francis.

On our final day we were privileged to celebrate Sunday Mass at the monastery of San Domiano. San Domiano is the church in which Jesus spoke from the cross to St. Francis.

Local Italian Scouts and Scouters joined us for worship, and they provided our readers, altar servers and musicians.

I was deeply humbled by my experience in Assisi.

Unlike the Scouts and Scouters in most of the countries represented at the conference, we American Scouts and Scouters are free from civil war and free from religious persecution. Unique, too, is the way our Scout Chaplains work together in the USA.

As witnessed at Jamborees and at Philmont Scout Ranch, our Scout Chaplains serve not only Scouts and Scouters of their respective traditions, but also serve Scouts and Scouters of all faith traditions.

In all of the countries represented, it was noted, most unfortunately, that Scouting is becoming more and more secular.

Only BSA has "A Scout is Reverent" as part of the Scout Law.

In Assisi, I came to a deeper realization of the importance of Scouting in our country, and to a greater appreciation of the example that BSA gives to countries throughout the world.

J. DeLair Bio 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 which is covered by 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 which is 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, New York and currently serves as the supervisor of student activities. These are opportunities to work with and counsel youth and carry it 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 State Chaplain DeLair holds a bachelors 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 masters degree in Multidisciplinary Studies with a concentration in cultural dynamics of education, and a doctorate degree 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, teach, train, and work with to instill others with the principles of Duty to God and Country, Citizenship, Physical Fitness and the selfless service to others through Scouting and community of faith.

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aware it is as an organization of the enormity of the program and how exciting a program it is ... Relative to what else is out there and available to the public, it's colossal. It's huge. I think, not only does it give crews an amazing experience, but it gives 80 to 90 young people an incredible opportunity to have an incredible experience as historical interpreters."

For Crofton, coming to Philmont has brought him full circle.

"What brought me to North America originally was to work at a camp on Vancouver Island," he said. "That is where my wife and I met, and it's where we got married. It's ultimately what turned me from being a property developer into an educator and an actor. There was something rather sweet and definitely very meaningful 25 something odd years later working at the biggest summer camp in the whole wide world and teaching and working with young people doing theater."

According to Crofton, Philmont creates a learning and interpretation environment unlike any other.

"I think Philmont is just an extraordinary organization," Crofton said. "We are all teachers, and we are all learners. And I think that's what's so lovely about Philmont is that it encourages us all to be learners and us all to be teachers."

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Unlike most campfires at Philmont, The Stomp takes place inside a cabin built by Charlie Cypher himself. The staff stand on a stage and entertain the Scouts with songs and stories alike. Always keeping the Scouts involved in the tale or ballad they're telling, the Cyphers Mine staff are a rowdy bunch that have a lot of fun performing for the participants.

"We try to do a mixture of time period appropriate songs," said Hopwood. "We'll play more contemporary songs, like we play some Decemberists songs but it's all ones that we can tie into the life of the miner in one way or another."

The Stomp is one of many ways that the staff of Cypher's Mine help participants understand the life of a miner. Through their stories and songs of the difficulties of life in the mines, the staff relate these hardships to those that the crews are going through on their trek. They hope that this

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shooting so that if they decide they like it they can do it elsewhere."

The staff of Sawmill not only teach Scouts responsibility on the rifle range, but work to provide the same learning experiences whenever they interact with crews.

"Philmont as a whole, in my mind, is here to make the youth mature and reasonable adults that are going to go out and make a difference in the world," said Smith. "And at this camp we show the kids that we're not giving you the rules, you need to figure out what's reasonable in your own head."

Besides offering Scouts the opportunity to shoot high power rifles, Sawmill also hosts Sunrise Coffee. Scouts and Advisors alike congregate on the cabin's porch at 5:00 a.m. to peacefully watch the sun rise through the valley below.

"I legitimately volunteer to get up at 5:00 a.m. to go see the sunrise," said Kernes. "It's unlike my personality; I hate getting up in the morning. Make coffee, go see the sunrise, have that little bit of nature time, it's completely worth it."

relation provides crews with the inspiration to work through their problems.

"I like at the end of the day to relate the jobs in the mine to the jobs in their crews and talk about the importance of working together as a crew," said Danika Foster, Camp Director of Cypher's Mine.

While interpreting history is present at many camps throughout the Ranch, Cypher's Mine staff hope that they can respectfully represent the men that worked on the land for many years before the Boy Scouts' or even Waite Phillip's time.

"While we're here, we're trying to bring Charlie Cypher back to life as well as the mining," said Foster. "To be able to connect the Scouts and say Charlie Cypher is a real part of our history, even though we're characters and have fake names, Charlie Cypher was real, he built that cabin right there, I think that really brings it home for the Scouts as well."

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is why we're here, that working cattle ranch, giving people that experience, that western way of life."

Although Beaubien is home to many different departments from across the Ranch, a real sense of community is undoubtedly present.

"We have a huge number of staff and we can all, anybody, just sit and talk with each other, have a good time. It's like a family up here. I've always said that the Ranch department, we're a family, we got to trust each other. And we got up here and this is just a continuation of that," said Shaw.

New this year to Beaubien's program is that the staff have decided to become an interpretive camp set in a different time period. All of the

staff of Beaubien work to accurately represent what life would have been like for a cowboy in the 1938.

"When I was working here in the off-season, Bob Ricklefs, the Head of the Ranch department, would come through registration everyday ... and he'd say 'Caroline, this is more dusty than the dust bowl was,'" said Davis. "So together with my Assistant Camp Director, we started looking up when the Dust Bowl was and it was a very prevalent time in the ranching community so we were like 'well, we might as well set it in the time that the Dust Bowl' and what better year than 1938 for the 75th Anniversary."

While Philmont has many interpretive camps scattered throughout the Ranch, the staff of

Baubien believe that portraying the cowboy lifestyle is important to help Scouts understand the past.

"They always try to get us to connect New Mexico history because this land is so old and it does have a rich heritage because so many different people passed through during different periods," said Nathan Ford, Assistant Camp Director of Beaubien. "It just kind of reminds the kids that long before they were here, there were other people trying to make their lives here and struggling through other issues ... It's just fun to be able to relate that part of the history to them and remind them that there was a world before Twitter and the Internet and cell phones and that's kind of the reason that I really enjoy it."

Music played a main role in a cowboy's lifestyle, and for the staff of Beaubien, music is also a necessary part of the atmosphere.

"I think that ... music was very important to [the cowboys] to help them relax and have a good time in the evenings but it also reminded them of the places and the people that they left behind. That's what I feel like a lot of our music does too, its a form of remembrance for us, to bring pieces of our lives from back home and share them with the people that we work with," said Ford.

Music is just one of the many passions that the staff of Beaubien hope to impart on participants.

"Everybody on the entire Ranch, they have that job and they know what they were getting into when they signed up and most all of them. Say [Indian Writings], most everybody up there I'm sure is passionate about archaeology.

Pueblano, they all wanna have a great logging program, they want to teach kids about that. We just happen to love horses and want to teach kids about that," said Shaw

The staff of Beaubien not only hope to capture the western lifestyle that Waite Phillips loved, but also his charitable nature that allows thousands of Scouts to enjoy Philmont every year.

"Charity was important to Waite Phillips as well," said Ford. "We try to impress on the kids that we are extending that same kind of kindness that

Waite Phillips has shown to us and to the Boy Scouts of America. We're extending that same kindness from our staff to each camper that comes through."

"We just happen to love horses and want to teach kids about that."

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Three Generations Hike at Philmont

Jim Vornberg
Philmont Participant

I was on my way from Dallas to Colorado for the summer with my wife when I received a text message from my son Scott that an adult who was scheduled to go to Philmont with their trek could not go at the last minute. It was five days before the trek was to start. I had put my name in a year earlier to be part of this trek with my son and my grandson, Tyler, but when the list was finalized I had only made it on as an alternate leader, since so many adults from the Troop 989 in Rockwall had also asked to go. I needed to make a quick decision if I was to go. I had only taken one recent hike with the group since I did not anticipate going, but I had done my annual physical with my doctor

in January, so that was complete. The doctor who had also gone to Philmont a few years earlier had discussed with me that he recommended hiking and doing some training before summer. That had

not happened the way I would like it to have occurred; however, I had at least been doing some workouts semi regularly as I was accustomed. So after 36 hours of consideration, I called Scott and told them I would meet them at Philmont and join the group.

Of course, one of the main reasons I wanted to go with the troop to Philmont was that I had been there twice when I was a Scout, so I wanted again to have this experience—but now with my son and grandson. In 1958 I had been there on a Training Center Trek when my Dad went to take a Scoutmasters Conference there. Then in 1963 when in college a fellow Scout and I had organized a trek of 11 friends from St. Louis Council to go, but we all had busy summer schedules so we arrived on the last day treks could begin that summer—Aug 13—Trek 813C. He had turned 21 and I was 19 that summer, so we were excited to be cutting a new experience for ourselves as organizers. I still had wonderful memories of that group and have kept up with many of them. When I signed up for this year's trek,

“I had first begun to hear of Philmont through Scout friends...”

it still hadn't occurred to me that this one was the 50th anniversary of the 1963 trek.

I had first begun to hear of Philmont when I was in junior high school through Scout friends who had at one time lived in New Mexico. Ned Gold, Jr., was in Scouts with me and he was from a long time Scouting family who had visited the

Ranch before moving to St. Louis area. Almost the first words out of Ned's mouth were the stories he knew about Philmont. He became a Philmont Ranger when in college and also later was the founder of the Philmont Staff Association, which has more recently had a significant impact on building some of the facilities used at the ranch. Ned and I had been in band together in high school and also were OA Lodge officers in St. Louis. We continue to stay in contact and have seen each other at Jamborees and most recently at the BSA national meeting in Texas.

I met my son and grandson, and the two treks from Troop 989 at the Welcome center at Camping headquarters on 6/15. We began the usual process of checking in and becoming organized for the start of the trek, getting gear sorted out and picking up the needed items we were to include. Our itinerary (# 20) had us heading north and going into the National Forest service area off the Ranch proper for part of our trek. In both of my other treks I had been in the south part of the Ranch, so this was to be a new addition for me. As the days commenced, we would later cross back into the Ranch property and head back into the Ponil area of the Ranch. Also the forest fires

just south of the Ranch had many treks rerouted for several days, so the north area available for treks were busier than usual with additional groups using the trails and campsites. The northern territory now in many of the trek itineraries added a new

“We experienced some interesting landscapes...”

and different environment that was not earlier available to groups. It also added the possibility to choose a

variety of routes including off trail routes that might be more convenient for hiking distances anticipated. Still there were the ups and downs for many of the choices, cross country or on the map trails. Our trek members were pleased to be on the north country for part of the trek due to the changes that were seen in the terrain. We experienced some interesting landscapes and also had the experience of large open areas hiking next to lakes—although several were dry due to recent droughts. As we trekked along it was somewhat disturbing to observe the damage areas due to the forest fires both on and off the Ranch a decade ago. Although these are actually normal and necessary for forested areas, they still are somewhat depressing when you hike thorough long areas that were burned.

Issue Six Sudoku Answers

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Philmont's 75th Anniversary

Celebrating Philmont's 50th Anniversary

Hope Kirwan
Staff Writer

The year 1988 marked the celebration of 50 years in Philmont's history. Similar to this year's celebrations for the 75th anniversary, the staff of Philmont wanted Scouts to know the importance of this milestone on the Ranch.

"I think that the participants that came through there had a sense of being living history," said Susan Smith, who worked as a Ranger during the summer of 1988. "I think they had a heightened appreciation for their time at Philmont."

A committee was created in 1986 to begin the planning for the event. Many of these committee members were seasonal staff, giving the committee a unique perspective for the celebrations.

The summer of 1988 began with the annual Staff Banquet held on the Villa Lawn. All previous staff members were invited to join the summer's staff and enjoy a dinner of prime rib, complete with cherry cobbler for dessert. Nearly 1,000 people attended the event, including the 600 seasonal staff for that summer.

Every year the Staff Banquet hosted a keynote speaker, and 1988's guest was Jack Rhea, former Director of Camping from 1954 to 1962. An important contributor to the creation of the Ranger Department, Rhea helped begin the crew schedule that is

still followed today, with Rangers only guiding crews for the first few days of their trek.

Another important, yet less known, figure in Philmont's history also was present at the 50th Anniversary Staff Banquet.

John Westfall was a 17-year-old Scout when he visited Philmont in 1945. While camping at Cimarroncito, Westfall first wrote the poem "Silver on the Sage" which would later be put to music and become what we know as the Philmont Hymn.

In a letter to Stephen Zimmer, the museum curator during the 50th Anniversary, Westfall wrote:

"It's a great thrill to me to have left a little of myself in the happy memories of thousands of young people over these years as they think of their Philmont experience. Philmont is truly 'God's Country' and perhaps those words and the tune I wrote will carry them back to those happy times and mountain places as it does me."

For the closing event, Westfall led all those present in singing the Philmont Hymn that he penned over 40 years before.

The summer of 1988 hosted almost 19,000 participants on the Ranch, the



These represent a few examples of the commemorative patches and items from Philmont's 50th anniversary in 1988. KEVIN BOUCHER/PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER

most that Philmont had ever seen.

But the celebration of the 50th Anniversary didn't end at the 1988 summer season.

The next summer, Philmont celebrated another anniversary: 50 years of Scouts hiking on Philmont property.

"We were given Philmont in late 1938, but obviously the first campers didn't come here until '39," said Dave Werhane, Director of Philmont Museums.

"Next year will be the 75th year that a kid hiked on Philmont," said Werhane. "I think next year is really cool because it will not only be the 75th anniversary of kids hiking on land given to us by Waite Phillips, on Philmont, but we'll also have our millionth kid."

Philmont continues to celebrate new milestones as more and more Scouts come "HOME."

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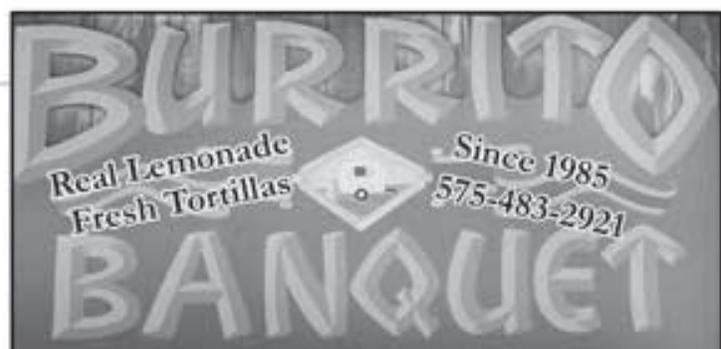
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Philmont Staff Association Announces Second Annual Writing Contest

The Philmont Staff Association (PSA) is holding its 2nd annual writing contest for Philmont's seasonal staff members.

The deadline for submissions is July 20. The Philmont Staff Association will announce the winners on August 3. Winning entries will appear in "High Country," the magazine of the Philmont Staff Association. Composers of winning entries will also receive a gift certificate to the Tooth of Time Traders.

The judges for the contest will be a panel made up of the Publications Committee of the Philmont Staff Association. Warren Smith will chair the panel. Smith is a past editor of "High Country" and a writer for WORLD Magazine, one of the nation's largest news magazines. He has also written or edited 10 books, including "I Wanna Go Back:

Stories of the Philmont Rangers."

"Last year we got a lot of great submissions, and I'm hoping that this year we'll get even more," Smith said.

The Philmont Staff Association Writing Contest will recognize a winner in the following categories:

Adventure Story: Has something strange or unusual happened to you or someone you know at Philmont? A near miss or close call? A dream realized - or deferred? A crazy day-off road trip? Let us hear about it.

Spiritual/Personal Memoir: From Henry David Thoreau to John Muir to Annie Dillard, the "green world" has provided powerful settings for reflection on spiritual matters. What has Philmont taught you about your life or your God?

Poetry: All forms welcome.

Fiction: Lew Wallace, D.H.

Lawrence, Walker Percy, Willa Cather, and Zane Grey are just a few of the great novelists who have used New Mexico as a setting for fiction.

Smith offered this advice to those considering submission. "Philmont has such obvious beauty and because we love it so much, it is too easy to fall back on clichés and sentimentality," he said. "The trick to writing about Philmont - especially when you're writing for people who already know about Philmont -- is to take what is familiar and somehow make it new. That's what will catch the judges' attention."

All submissions must be submitted by email, as a Microsoft Word attachment to an email. Email all submissions to wsmith@worldmag.com by midnight, July 20, 2013. Please limit all submissions to 1500 words.

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First Impressions of the Jamboree

After days of travel Philmont ambassadors Allison Vinson and Sam DeFrees arrived at The Summit Bechtel Reserve on July 11th. The local communities in West Virginia were prepared for the coming deluge of Scouts; signs on the interstate welcomed Jamboree participants and local shops and gas stations had welcome messages on their marquis.

The Summit itself was abuzz with activity as a wave of 3,000 staff arrived throughout the day and found their way to their tents and work locations. Landscaping crews made last minute adjustments laying sod and planting trees in areas that still showed that the facility has been under construction for years leading up to the event. Tent crews worked to erect the large circus tents for exhibits, programs, and action stations.

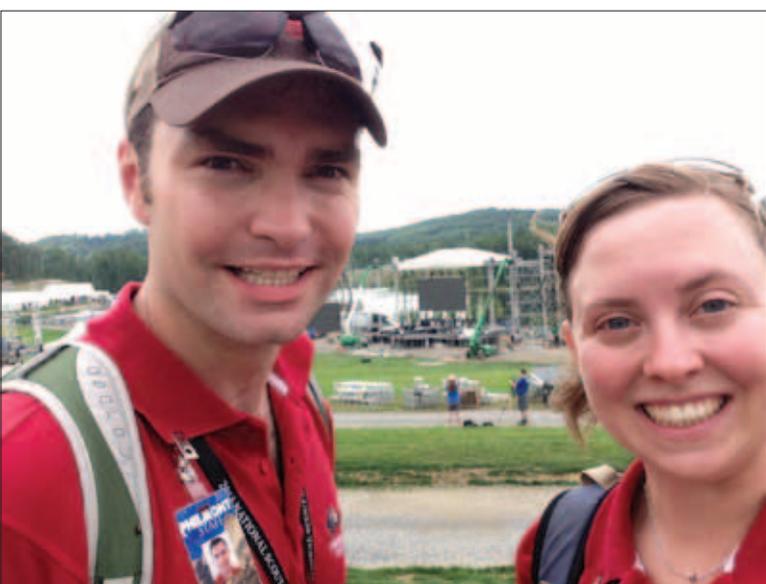
Friendly faces, an efficient check-in process, and a user friendly trail system make navigating the first day at The Summit a straightforward experience' but be prepared to walk. Jamboree staff housing, or tent city 'Echo', is located over 3 miles from the Summit Center, or public access area, where the high adventure booths are located.

Walking around the main parts of the facility can easily take you over 10 miles throughout the day.

Allison and Sam had been able to tour part of The Summit property with former Philmont staffer, Dave Kopsa, in the fall of 2011. "The property has changed significantly in the past two years," Sam said "I remember when we visited, Dave pointed to a field and said 'That's going to be a lake at some point'. the whole place is unrecognizable."

Staying in floored wall tents that house four people each in bunked beds, Allison and Sam join the 6,500 staff working to put on the event. The staff dining hall is a gigantic open-walled tent stretching nearly 200 yards in length and is capable of seating 3,000 people at one time. The shower houses, constructed from timber harvested on site, provide 'ambient temperature' water, which they discovered is a fancy word disguise for really really really cold showers. (Seriously, it's painfully cold.)

Allison and Sam are promoting Philmont at the Jamboree to nearly 40,000 Scouts and staff throughout the 10-day event and will continue to provide updates to the PhilNews about their experiences.



Philmont ambassadors Sam DeFrees and Allison Vinson visit The Summit in West Virginia in order to promote Philmont to the 40,000 Scouts and staff attending Jamboree.



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Romeo and November Conservation Work Crew Chicken Dinner

Ingredients

Chicken Breasts
Cheddar Cheese
Mozzarella Cheese
Bacon
Ham

Directions

1. Pre-heat oven to 350 degrees F.
2. Lay out chicken breasts on a flat surface
3. Shred cheeses and dice ham.
4. Place shredded cheese and ham on top of chicken.
5. Roll chicken and wrap in bacon
6. Bake at 350 degrees for 40 minutes or until bacon looks done.



Reviews for Chicken Dinner

"The bacon wrapped around the chicken kept the chicken moist. How can you go wrong with pork wrapped in chicken wrapped in pork? — J.D. Griggs, CHQ Kitchen Staff

"I love how the flavor of the bacon and the cheese blends with the chicken!" — Savannah Moore, Tent City Manager

Brown Sugar Bacon

Ingredients

1/2 cup brown sugar
1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
1/4 pound sliced bacon

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 400 degrees F.
2. In a large plastic zip-top bag, combine brown sugar and mustard. Add bacon and toss to coat.
3. Line a baking sheet with aluminum foil or parchment paper. Place a cooling rack on the lined baking sheet.
4. Put bacon on rack and roast in oven for 20 minutes.
5. Let drain for a few minutes on the rack and serve.

COUSCOUS

Ingredients

1 cup couscous
1 cup boiling water
3 tablespoons olive oil
1 clove garlic, minced
1/4 cup diced red bell pepper
4 green onions, sliced
1 cup cherry tomatoes
1 pinch salt
1 pinch ground black pepper
1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C).
2. Stir couscous into boiling water and return water to a boil. Cover and remove pot from heat. Let stand 5 minutes, then fluff with a fork.
3. While the couscous is cooking, heat oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Stir in garlic, green onions and peppers; saute briefly. Stir in tomatoes, cooked couscous, salt and pepper. Mix together and transfer to a 1 1/2 quart casserole dish.
4. Bake in a preheated 350 degrees F (175 degrees C) oven for 20 minutes. Sprinkle with Parmesan cheese while still warm.

Arts & Entertainment

Timberlake, Perry set for Vegas Event in September

By Mesfin Fekadu
AP Music Writer

NEW YORK (AP) -- Justin Timberlake, Elton John and Katy Perry are among the A-list performers set for the iHeartRadio music festival in Las Vegas this year.

Clear Channel announced the performers Monday. Chris Brown, Bruno Mars, Maroon 5, Keith Urban, Miguel, J. Cole and fun. will also perform at the two-day festival Sept. 20-21 at MGM Grand Garden Arena. Ryan Seacrest will host.

"We try to cover every genre our stations play with the lineup," said Tom Poleman of Clear Channel. "Someone like Elton John has been an icon on our radio stations for years, and for him to take the stage alongside people like Justin Timberlake and Katy Perry I think really speaks to what makes the festival unique."

Tickets for the third annual festival go on sale Saturday.

Halle Berry Ties Knot at French Chateau

By Elaine Ganley
Associated Press

PARIS (AP) -- Halle Berry married her fiancé, French actor Olivier Martinez, in a weekend ceremony in a village church where princes are buried in France's Burgundy region.

The owner of the Chateau de Vallery, where the couple stayed with their 60 guests, said on Sunday that the betrothal a day earlier ended with a dinner and an unusual fireworks display - of water, fire and snow - in the chateau gardens. A wedding cake followed.

Patrice Vansteenberghé said the actress - 46 and pregnant - and her 47-year-old husband "were very beautiful and very happy."

Berry's publicist, Meredith O'Sullivan Wasson, confirmed the marriage.

Vansteenberghé would not say who attended the gala wedding. But he said the bride was coy about her long, white dress, wanting to keep it from public view.

JK Rowling Revealed as Writer of Crime Novel

By Sylvia Hui
Associated Press

LONDON (AP) -- An ex-military man tries his hand at writing, publishes a debut detective novel, and wins critical acclaim. But here's the twist in the tale: The true identity of the author is none other than "Harry Potter" creator J.K. Rowling.

It's impressive literary wizardry by Rowling, who said she relished the freedom of writing "The Cuckoo's Calling" under her pseudonym, Robert Galbraith.

"I hoped to keep this secret a little longer because being Robert Galbraith has been such a liberating experience," she said in a statement released by her publicist on Sunday. "It has been wonderful to publish without hype or expectation, and pure pleasure to get feedback from publishers and readers under a different name."

"The Cuckoo's Calling," a story about a war veteran turned private investigator who is called in to probe the mysterious death of a model, was published to rave reviews in April by Sphere, part of publisher Little, Brown & Co.

Here Comes 'Honey Boo Boo' Back for Season 2

By Frazier Moore
AP Television Writer

NEW YORK (AP) -- The message of "Here Comes Honey Boo Boo" seems to be: Don't worry, be happy, consequences be damned.

This devil-may-care philosophy seems to work fine for June Shannon and her outrageous household, at least as captured for the TLC reality show that burst on the scene last summer as a backwoods celebration of mischief-making, fart jokes and dietary excess that would rattle Paula Deen.

It returns Wednesday at 9 p.m. EDT with more of the same.

Set in tiny McIntyre, Ga., the show continues to plunder Southern and rural stereotypes. On a hand-painted sign, "Peaches" is spelled "Peches" (proof that Southerners can't read or write). The soundtrack is larded with cornpone country music. And to reinforce the notion that this is an alien culture whose spoken tongue is unintelligible, the dialogue is often subtitled.

To its credit, "Boo Boo" has a sweet tone. It remains a big-hearted show.

Cory Monteith, Star of Hit Show 'Glee,' Found Dead

By Lynn Elber and Jeremy Hainsworth
Associated Press

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AP) -- Cory Monteith, the heartthrob actor who became an overnight star as a high school quarterback-turned-singer in the hit TV series "Glee" but had battled addiction since his teenage years, was found dead of undisclosed causes in a hotel room, Vancouver police said. He was 31.

Police said Sunday that an autopsy is expected to take place Monday to determine the cause of death. Acting Vancouver Police Chief Doug LePard said late Saturday there was no indication of foul play.

The Canadian-born actor, who played Finn Hudson on the Fox TV series about a high school glee club, was found dead around noon Saturday in his room on the 21st floor of the Fairmont Pacific Rim Hotel on Vancouver's waterfront, according to police.

Monteith had openly talked about struggling with addiction since he was a teenager, saying he had a serious problem and took just "anything and everything." He told Parade magazine in 2011 that he was "lucky to be alive."

In April, Monteith checked himself in to a treatment facility for "substance addiction" and asked for privacy as he took steps toward recovery, a representative said at the time. It was not his first time in rehab. He received treatment when he was 19.

Lea Michele, his "Glee" co-star and real-life girlfriend, told People magazine at the time that she loved and supported him and was proud he was seeking help.

Michele was requesting privacy after receiving news of Monteith's death, said her representative, Molly Kawachi of ID-PR.

"We ask that everyone kindly respect Lea's privacy during this devastating time," Kawachi said in an email to The Associated Press.

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World News

Syrian Refugees in Egypt Swept up in Turmoil

By Maggie Michael and Mariam Rizk
Associated Press

CAIRO (AP) -- Egyptian officials turn back a planeload of Syrians at Cairo airport. A popular presenter on Egyptian television warns Syrians to steer clear of protests or face the consequences. An Egyptian state school refuses admission to Syrian children.

Once welcomed with open arms in Egypt, many of the tens of thousands of Syrians who took refuge here from the civil war at home have now found themselves targets of hate speech and intimidation. Their dramatic change in fortune is one of the unexpected consequences of the Egyptian military's ouster of President Mohammed Morsi, whose Islamist-dominated government offered them favorable conditions.

The shift could have a profound impact on the lives of Syrians in Egypt as they currently find themselves in a sort of legal limbo, waiting to see where the political winds will drop them. In what many see as a hint of what lies ahead, Egypt's new military-backed interim government already has imposed new travel restrictions.

That has spooked many Syrians who fear their current visas won't be renewed and they could be forced to leave Egypt. Many have invested their savings in businesses or simply cannot return to their war-ravaged cities.

"Our biggest fear now is that we get deported," said Azzam Ayed, a 32-year-old Syrian who refused to give his hometown out of fears for his security.

Journalist: Edward Snowden has 'Blueprints' to NSA

By Jenny Barchfield
Associated Press

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP) -- Edward Snowden has highly sensitive documents on how the National Security Agency is structured and operates that could harm the U.S. government, but has insisted that they not be made public, a journalist close to the NSA leaker said.

Glenn Greenwald, a columnist with The Guardian newspaper who first reported on the intelligence leaks, told The Associated Press that disclosure of the information in the documents "would allow somebody who read them to know exactly how the NSA does what it does, which would in turn allow them to evade that surveillance or replicate it."

He said the "literally thousands of documents" taken by Snowden constitute "basically the instruction manual for how the NSA is built."

"In order to take documents with him that proved that what he was saying was true he had to take ones that included very sensitive, detailed blueprints of how the NSA does what they do," the journalist said Sunday in a Rio de Janeiro hotel room. He said the interview was taking place about four hours after his last interaction with Snowden.

Greenwald said he believes the disclosure of the information in the documents would not prove harmful to Americans or their national security, but that Snowden has insisted they not be made public.

Vigils Set in 100 Cities in Trayvon Martin Case

By Verena Dobnik
Associated Press

Thousands of demonstrators from across the country - chanting, praying and even fighting tears - protested a jury's decision to clear neighborhood watch volunteer George Zimmerman in the shooting death of an unarmed black teenager while the Justice Department considered whether to file criminal civil rights charges.

Rallies on Sunday were largely peaceful as demonstrators voiced their support for 17-year-old Trayvon Martin's family and decried Zimmerman's not guilty verdict as a miscarriage of justice. Police in Los Angeles said they arrested six people, mostly for failure to disperse, after about 80 protesters gathered in Hollywood on Sunset Boulevard and an unlawful assembly was declared. The New York Police Department said it arrested at least a dozen people on disorderly conduct charges during a rally in Times Square.

The NAACP and protesters called

for federal civil rights charges against Zimmerman, who was acquitted Saturday in Martin's February 2012 shooting death.

The Justice Department said it is looking into the case to determine whether federal prosecutors should file criminal civil rights charges now that Zimmerman has been acquitted in the state case. The department opened an investigation into Martin's death last year but stepped aside to allow the state prosecution to proceed.

The evidence generated during the federal probe is still being evaluated by the criminal section of the Justice Department's civil rights division, the FBI and the U.S. attorney's office for the Middle District of Florida, along with evidence and testimony from the state trial, the Justice Department said.

Meanwhile, President Barack Obama and religious and civil rights leaders urged calm in hopes of ensuring peaceful demonstrations following a case that became an emotional flash point.

Sunday's demonstrations, held in cities from Florida to Wisconsin, attracted anywhere from a few dozen people to a more than a thousand.

Courts will Treat Asiana Passengers Differently

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) -- When the courts have to figure compensation for people aboard Asiana Airlines Flight 214, the potential payouts will probably be vastly different for Americans and passengers from other countries, even if they were seated side by side as the jetliner crash-landed.

An international treaty governs compensation to passengers harmed by international air travel - from damaged luggage to crippling injuries and death. The pact is likely to close U.S. courts to many foreigners and force them to pursue their claims in Asia and elsewhere, where lawsuits are rarer, harder to win and offer smaller payouts.

Some passengers have already contacted lawyers.

"If you are a U.S. citizen, there will be no problem getting into U.S. courts. The other people are going to have a fight on their hands," said Northern California attorney Frank Pitre, who represents two Americans who were aboard the plane.

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Sports

Woods Drawn with McDowell, Oosthuizen at Muirfield

Associated Press

GULLANE, Scotland (AP) -- Tiger Woods is getting a late start to the British Open at Muirfield.

Woods plays the opening two rounds with former British Open champion Louis Oosthuizen and former U.S. Open champion Graeme McDowell. They tee off at 2:45 p.m. local time (9:45 a.m. EDT), with a 9:44 a.m. (4:44 a.m. EDT) start on Friday. It's the first time Woods has been drawn

with either of them on a weekday of a major.

Woods is the betting favorite to end his five-year drought in the majors.

Rory McIlroy plays with Scottish Open winner Phil Mickelson, along with Hideki Matsuyama of Japan.

Nick Faldo, returning to Muirfield one last time, is in a group with five-time Open champion Tom Watson and Fred Couples.

U.S. Open champion Justin Rose plays with defending champion Ernie Els and Brandt Snedeker.

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National League

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| Colorado | 46 | 50 | 4.5 |
| San Francisco | 43 | 51 | 6.5 |
| San Diego | 42 | 54 | 8.5 |

Italian Police Raid Jamaican Sprinters' Hotel

By Andrew Dampf
AP Sports Writer

ROME (AP) -- Italian police confiscated unidentified substances Monday in a raid on the hotel where Jamaican sprinters Asafa Powell and Sherone Simpson were staying, after each tested positive for banned stimulants.

Rooms of the athletes and physical trainer Christopher Xuereb of Canada were searched and drugs and supplements were seized, Udine police captain Antonio Pisapia told The Associated Press.

Pisapia said it was unclear if the substances were illegal, and that they were being analyzed.

"We are examining the substances now," Pisapia said. "No arrests have been made and nobody has been placed under investigation."

The raid took place at the Fra i Pini hotel in Lignano Sabbiadoro in northeastern Italy.

Powell, a former world-record holder at 100 meters, and Simpson tested positive for the stimulant oxilofrine at the Jamaican championships last month, their agent said Sunday.

Ernie Els Gives Back his Claret Jug at Muirfield

By Doug Ferguson
AP Golf Writer

GULLANE, Scotland (AP) -- Two dozen cameras were in position Monday morning to capture the first big moment of this British Open, only they weren't anywhere near the golf course. They waited in the driveway as a silver station wagon pulled through the gate and stopped in front of the clubhouse at Muirfield.

Ernie Els climbed out of the back seat holding the shiny claret jug he won last year at Royal Lytham & St. Annes, and he promptly handed it over to Royal & Ancient chief executive Peter Dawson.

"Thank you," Dawson told him. "You've been a great champion."



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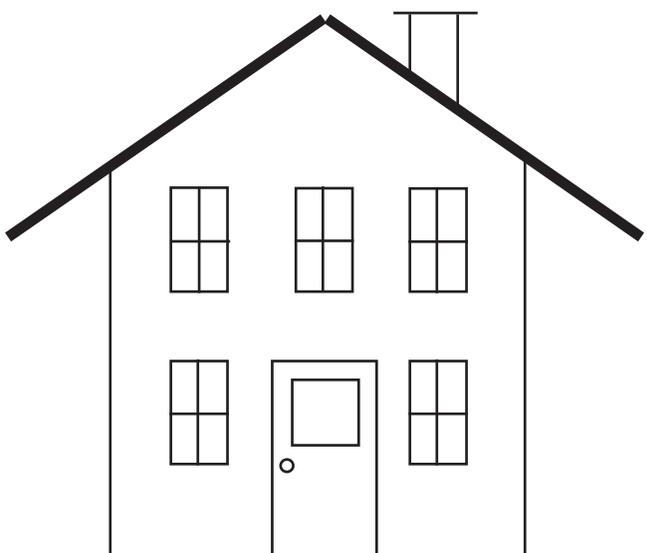
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Sudoku Instructions: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9 (no repeats).



Nathan Seibold of Crew 701-K-02 takes a first step off of the zipline platform on Wednesday, July 12 at the COPE course. The COPE course was this crew's final activity before they returned to Base Camp. DONOVAN COLE/PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER



PHOTO OF THE WEEK: Beaubien Program Counselor Alex Bernard took this photo at Chase Ranch during Backcountry Western Lore training in early June. Bernard shoots with a 1974 film camera.



Staff play music for participants during their campfire on Monday, July 8 at Crater Lake. Crater Lake is a logging camp. The program includes spar pole climbing, railroad tie making and an evening campfire overlooking the Tooth of Time. CASSIDY JOHNSON/PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER



Program Counselors Evan Withrow (right) and Jason Windsor pose with their rifles on Wednesday, July 12 at Black Mountain Camp. CONNOR SPURR/PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER