Philmont has experienced a below average snow and rainfall over the past 60 months. We are currently at a level four fire risk level. As a result, staff and participants are prohibited from doing the following:

- Setting off fireworks
- Smoking except for in designated areas
- Making crew or staff campfires
- Starting open fires

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

Water Conservation Tip #3

On average, 14% of indoor water use is due to leaks. If you see a leaky faucet or showerhead be sure to let maintenance know.

Printing 64 Years of Philmont History

A local printing press is responsible for decades worth of prints.

Joe Bruner
Staff Writer

Sixty-four years of Philmont history is collected in the tiny office of The Tribune Press, a local printing press in Springer, NM that has printed numerous documents for Philmont over the years.

Carlos Gutierrez, 82, is the owner of the shop and has worked there since age 11.

He has worked with Philmont since 1949, just a decade after Philturn was opened for Scout activities.

The Tribune Press is responsible for many of the documents that Philmont Staff are familiar with, including the Staff Guide books, the Wilderness Pledge Cards and the vehicle agreements.

“The Tribune Press is responsible for... staff guide books, the wilderness pledge cards and parking permits.”

The designs of the documents have changed over the years, as has the technology to print them. Those changes are reflected in the services Gutierrez provides to Philmont.

Up until two years ago, Gutierrez printed the interior of the Trek Books that prospective crews receive in order to decide which treks they would like to ask for. Philmont switched printers when the inside was changed to include various levels of shading, something that his printers are unable to do, according to Gutierrez.

He has also stopped printing the covers of the Staff Guide, and only prints the inside pages now.

“I used to print these envelopes,” he said, showing envelopes with the Philmont letterhead. “And you know the letters placed in the signs for [staff and crew] photos? I used to print those too.”

He also printed old versions of “PhilNews,” until Philmont found its own news printer, Gutierrez said.

The shop is full of many old documents including photos, pamphlets and booklets.

“This week’s photo was taken by Dean Cow Program Counselor Sam Aguilar during climbing training, which was held at Cimarroncito at the beginning of June.”

“Out in God's Country,” a book published in 1969 and covers the history of the pioneers who came through the Cimarron area during the expansion to the west, is one such example.

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**Corrections**

In Issue One, the article “Philmont Maintains Herds Despite Drought Conditions,” Rod Taylor was quoted as saying “We wean 560 pound calves.” The correct weight is 650 pounds.

If any other corrections are seen please notify the PhilNews Editor at philmontnps@philmontscoutranch.org or I-Camp it to News and Photo Services.

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**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).

**PhilNews**

Now accepting submissions to be printed in future issues.

Either I-Camp or email any articles you wish to be considered. Please submit all articles by Friday to be in the following Friday’s issue.

**Email:** philmontnps@philmontscoutranch.org
Mark’s Minute: The Stenuous Life

Mark Anderson
Director of Program, Unit 2

Theodore Roosevelt believed that the hearty American character replenished by the outdoor life was very important. He identified it as “The Strenuous Life”. He touted exertion and physical education as national imperatives. He expounded that our country calls not for the life of ease but for the life of strenuous endeavor.

Philmont truly affords each of us the opportunity to live “The Strenuous Life”. We have opportunities each day to grow mentally and physically while continuing to define our character.

Each of you will have the opportunity to participate in the Trail of Courage Program. This is a program about healthy living, about “The Strenuous Life.”

The Trail of Courage has seven components:
1. Become personally fit: mentally, physically and socially healthy and understand the challenge of peer pressure, bullying and being socially accepted.
2. Eat a nutritious diet which provides six basic nutrients: protein, fat, carbohydrates, water, vitamins and minerals.
3. Exercise, using a fitness program that matches your lifestyle and may vary with the seasons of the year.
4. Be tobacco free – Smoking and Smokeless. If your use tobacco, this summer is a great time to stop, the risks of smoking are tremendous.
5. Live free from drug and alcohol habits. Just say no!
6. Learn the seven cancer danger signs.
7. Live the Scout Oath and Law.

Last summer 49.8 % of the 24,395 participants and staff members took the pledge and committed to follow the seven components of the Trail of Courage Program. This was a total of 11,616 individuals.

We will be distributing copies of the brochure and commitment form to all of you over the next two weeks.

I encourage all of you to join me in living “The Stenuous Life” and pledge to abide by the Trail of Courage.

Who’s the Next Inspired Artist?

This summer as part of our popular exhibit, The Gift of Inspiration, the Philmont Museum is hosting an art competition open to all 2013 summer staff.

We welcome all forms of media and techniques including but not limited to: painting, drawing, photography, ironwork, sculpture, mixed media, textiles, woodwork … you name it.

There are three separate deadlines for submission of your work throughout the summer: June 15th, July 5th and July 25th. The day after each deadline, the winning piece will be placed on exhibit in the main gallery. It will remain there for the following three weeks. On August 5th we will announce the overall winner and that piece will go back on exhibit from August 6th until the show closes in January 2014.

Our only requirements are that it fit within a space 16” wide X 36” tall. Of course we also ask that your piece not produce any “unpleasant odors” during the show.

If you have any questions please contact the Philmont Museum at extension 1256.

Good Luck!

Ramblings from the Old Wrangler

Paul Grasse
Special Projects Manager, Unit 201

In order to be a complete staff member, it is important for you to be as knowledgeable about Philmont as possible. The following is a list of facts and figures which may be pertinent. If other questions come up throughout the course of the summer, don’t hesitate to ask the appropriate person.

- Water rights in New Mexico are allocated by the prior appropriation doctrine. This means first in use — first in right; those with earlier rights get their water first.
- Philmont owns the rights to 2,800 acre feet of water with priority dates from 1860 to 1925. A water right may be forfeited if it is not beneficially used.
- With the exception of 195 acre feet for domestic use, all this water is for crop irrigation.
- An acre foot is the amount of water needed to cover one acre of land to a depth of one foot or 325,850 gallons.
- The irrigation water is pertinent to approximately 740 acres of farm land.
- Normally the farm crew irrigates 200-275 acres of land each year.
- The only crops grown on Philmont are hay and forage crops.
- One of the most valuable water rights owned by Philmont is for 1000 acre feet per year from Eagle Nest Lake and was purchased by Waite Phillips in 1933.
Owen’s Corner

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

Owen McCulloch
Associate Director of Program, Unit 4

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

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

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

On 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 Council Executives who are the CEOs 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.

The Old B-24 Bomber

Hope Kirwan
Staff Writer

On Trail Peak, the remains of the B-24 bomber, Liberator, rests not far from the main path. With just one wing and part of the fuselage left, Scouts can see the site of this tragic accident that has preserved a piece of our nation’s history at Philmont.

In 1941 Waite Phillips donated another 91,358 acres and the Villa Philmonte to Philturn Rocky Mountain Scoutcamp, which was renamed Philmont Scout Ranch after the new additions. Phillips also gave one of his office buildings, the Philtower, to the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) as a form of income to pay for the expenses of the large Ranch.

World War II had already begun with Hitler’s invasion of Poland in 1939, and attendance at Philmont began to decrease after 1941 when America entered the war.

The following year, on the morning of April 22, 1942, the Liberator began its flight from Albuquerque, N.M. to Kansas City, Mo. Part of the usual Combat Crew Training School (CCTS) curriculum, this flight served as a final evaluation for the newly graduated crew.

The crew of the Liberator arrived safely in Kansas City, Mo. later that morning. Because many were from that area, the flight crew enjoyed spending time with family and catching up with old friends.

The Liberator left on its return flight for Albuquerque at 5 p.m. CST.

The crew did not report any problems until they approached Las Vegas, N.M., where severe thunderstorms and heavy winds caused the Liberator’s new pilot to fly farther north to avoid the bad weather. Their last recorded transmission indicated that they were 70 miles north northwest of Las Vegas, N.M.

After this last transmission, no one knew what happened to the Liberator. Later, reports came of the plane flying low over Miami, N.M., just 20 miles east of Trail Peak, but not until after an extensive military search to find the missing plane.

At 8:45 p.m. on the night of April 22, the plane was pronounced overdue but wasn’t announced as missing until midnight. On April 24, planes began searching for the Liberator around its last recorded location, near Las Vegas. This search continued for nine days, until one pilot spotted disrupted trees and black marks up the side of Trail Peak on May 1.

Elliott “Chope” Phillips, the son of Waite and Genevieve Phillips, was chosen as the guide for the search party that set out on May 2. With the previous winter’s heavy snowfall and severe thunderstorms in the area, the group was unable to take a jeep up to Crater Lake, the closest camp to Trail Peak. Therefore, the search party set out from Base Camp on horseback through the waist high snow that covered the mountain.

Because of the cold temperatures, the crash site was relatively untouched. Both wings were ripped off of the fuselage, which was broken in half. The pilot, copilot, and flight engineer trainee had all been thrown from the wreck, but all appeared to have died in the impact.

Officials were able to determine that the Liberator was probably flying at 200 mph when it crashed into Trail Peak and on a level path, conditions that would have been impossible if the bomber had ice collect on its wings. No definite cause determined from the site and the crash was just assumed to be a result of the violent storms and inexperienced pilots.

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numerous Council planning Guides – documents that were sent to councils for information of the different treks.

These annual guides include Crew Trek, Cavalcades, Rayado and Trail Crew and cover how many days and nights each trek was, when they took place, and general descriptions about what is involved.

Gutierrez also has the metal plates that he must produce for working with a linotype machine, an uncommon printing technique today with the convenience of electronic computers.

The machine requires the printer to work with lead and steel plates, and to hand place each line of text for the page.

So whether it is booklets, pamphlets, cards or photos, “The Tribune Press” has 64 years of Philmont history tucked away in its shop along with a linotype and other aged machinery.

Along with the history however, The Tribune Press continues to work along-side Philmont to help print all that it needs to, in order to have a successful summer season.
BBQ, Branding and the Two-Step: Learning about Cowboy Culture

Hope Kirwan
Staff Writer

The staff at the Philmont Training Center (PTC) hosted a rehearsal for their weekly Western Night on Tuesday, June 4, 2013.

Western Night is a great opportunity for both the participants at PTC and Philmont Staff to come together and enjoy traditional western activities. The PTC staff offers roping, branding and line dancing in addition to their Buffalo BBQ.

Kohl Ludwig, Pack-Out Manager at the PTC Dining Hall, believes that these fun activities also provide an educational opportunity.

"[Western Night] is a great experience," said Ludwig. "It brings [participants] into the idea of what Waite Phillips lived with."

While the event has been a tradition of the PTC program for several years, the PTC staff added a few new elements to the BBQ this summer. In addition to a new lawn games for participants, there will be traditional western music playing to help bring people into the cowboy culture. Coralie Graham, PTC Program Manager, also emphasized the importance of dressing for the event.

"This year we are really pushing towards looking more western and not just casual," said Graham. "[In recent years] its kind of gone in that direction, so we're moving back towards keeping it traditional western as much as possible."

Besides providing a traditional western meal, Western Night also give participants the chance to learn something new at the Western Dance. The PTC staff offer the opportunity to try traditional dances and participate in the music and culture of the West.

"We do several line dances," said Graham. "We have two instructors teaching those every week and they also teach two stepping."

For Wally Wolanin, Group Leader Coordinator at the PTC, this learning experience not only gives participants a better understanding of western culture, but allows families and staff to grow closer.

"It's a good opportunity for families to come and bond and just something that they probably won't get to do at home," said Wally Wolanin. "It's just overall a good building experience, for the families and staff as well."

The PTC staff invites all Philmont faculty and staff to come and enjoy Western Night. Held every Tuesday night, the Buffalo BBQ begins at 5:30 p.m. on the Villa Philmonte Greensward and the Western Dance begins at 7:00 p.m. in the PTC Dining Hall.

"I'm very excited for this season," said Wolanin. "Come to Western Night, it's a blast. If you're at CHQ, or other departments, it doesn't matter, the more the merrier."
Scatter to Backcountry

Joe Bruner
Staff Writer

Every year before the first crews arrive, Philmont sends all the Backcountry staff to their respective camps in a three-day ordeal called Scatter.

Each camp staff makes four stops around Base Camp to pick up all the necessary equipment for living in the Backcountry for the summer.

The first stop is the Welcome Center to pick up staff and personal belongings.

Next is Backcountry Warehouse. Whether it is costumes, guns, or forging materials, the Backcountry Warehouse prepares and loads it into the awaiting vehicles. Each staff camp has a truck assigned to help carry equipment to their respective Backcountry home.

The third stop is at the Merchandise Warehouse. Here staff pick up standard equipment for cabins including cleaning and cooking supplies, bathroom materials and kerosene lamps.

The last stop is to the Commissary. Here they pick up enough food to get the staff through the first couple weeks of summer, with food deliveries continuing throughout the summer.

Once the truck is fully loaded, bear ropes are used to hold everything in place and the staff leaves for Backcountry.

When the staff arrives at their camps, they unpack and set up the site immediately. While the cabins and other shelters are already standing, they need to be cleaned out.

The cleaning process is called de-hantad. It has nothing to do with ghosts, according to Black Mountain Program Counselor Evan Withrow.

“We clean the whole place. We spray everything down, wash it all once with bleach and scrape all the droppings off that have collected,” he said.

An obstacle the Black Mountain staff faced is that there is no direct road to the camp, so all gear must be carried from the road to camp. Black Mountain is one of two camps with this situation, Crooked Creek being the other.

Black Mountain has black powder shooting as part of its offered program.

“It’s .58 caliber shooting, not .50 caliber and is musket shooting,” Withrow said.

The other main program it offers is forging.

Once all the equipment for the program is brought down, and the buildings de-hantad, the staff gets busy with training before the first crews show up. This is especially important for Black Mountain with the dangers that come with shooting sports. The staff must be sure when to clear the range and when firing is permissible.

After the cleaning and the training are over with, however, the crews will arrive, and keep camps busy until the end of the summer.

Excitement is always high during Scatter, because it marks the beginning of a new summer for all the Backcountry staff.

Living History Skills Day

Hope Kirwan
Staff Writer

The staff at the living history camps learned many different tools for interpreting Philmont’s past at the Living History Skills Day on June 1, 2013.

Living history camps represent over a century of Philmont’s history beginning in 1831 with the fur trappers at Clear Creek and going until 1941 with the Hunting Lodge. Camps host a variety of activities for Scouts such as blacksmithing, homesteading, gold panning and spar pole climbing.

According to Dave Werhane, Director of Philmont Museums, interpreting had an accidental start at Philmont.

“In 1970-1971, the crew at Cypher’s Mine took it upon themselves to start interpreting the historical occupation of their camp,” said Werhane.

These staff members decided to swap their traditional staff uniform for more period clothes including old blue jeans and hats. They found a lot of their information from looking at old documents and photographs, very similar to how current staff members research their characters at the Seton Memorial Library.

As Philmont began to add more Backcountry staff camps in the mid to late 80’s, these interpretive programs began to develop more and more. Now living history camps go through extensive training to be able to personify the lifestyle of that time, including the Living History Skills Day.

“Today is just a continuation of training that we’re doing for our living history programs,” said David O’Neill, Associate Director of Program. “They started with a living history clinic that taught them what interpreting history means, and then some acting skills with one of our consultants here, Tim Crofon, just to help them understand the concept of recreating history and using a character to show that.”

O’Neill also shared that many of the camps go on trips to learn more about interpreting and their specific program activities.

While most camps host new experiences for Scouts, Fish Camp provides a special opportunity to better understand Philmont Scout Ranch and the man that started it all. Staff members interpret Waite Phillips and his family and guests as they relax at Rayado Lodge. To Scott Hamilton, the Camp Director of Fish Camp, this look at Waite Phillips’ life is a necessary tribute to the man that made Philmont possible.

“I think our camp is particularly important because it gives a window into the mindset of Waite Phillips,” said Hamilton. “It’s a unique opportunity to tell the Scouts how important Waite Phillips thought the values of Scouting were.”

Like Hamilton, many of the staff from the living history camps expressed the importance of interpreting for teaching Scouts about Philmont’s rich history.

“You walk down the path and through the trees, and it’s just like a portal through time,” said Nathan Trit, Cantina Manager at Abreu.

“Most kids don’t know this stuff. This way they get to actually live it,” added Megan Nava, a Program Counselor also at Abreu.

Not only is the living history program educational for participants, but staff members have found interpreting important for understanding another time and way of life.

“I think its a unique program because we live in it,” said Austin St. George, Camp Director at Hunting Lodge. “Its a neat experience, both as a participant and as staff.”

“I learn a lot working at the camp,” added Hamilton. “Probably more than I could pass on to the Scouts.”

$15 Haircuts Every Wednesday

Every Wednesday at Philmont, Ruben’s Barbershop is offering $15 haircuts for men and women. Ruben will set up his barber shop at Philmont’s Silver Sage Staff Activity Center. He will be set up and ready by 7:30 a.m., and will stay into the afternoon until the last person comes. No reservations are required, and cash payment is preferred.
The Motor Pool Machine

Mary-Kate Smith
Staff Writer

It takes over 1,000 staff members to keep Philmont running during the summer months, but only four workers keep all the engines running. During the spring of 2013, the Philmont Motor Pool staff worked to get all of Philmont's 102 trucks and other vehicles up and running by the start of the summer.

Jim Johnson, Vehicle Forman and Assistant Fire Chief for the Fire Department, said Motor Pool is a fleet shop that works only for the Ranch. Johnson, who has worked for Philmont for 31 years, said his job involves taking care of many things beyond pick-up trucks.

"There is probably another 100 pieces of stuff we have to work on everything from lawn mowers from to D6 cats," he said. "If it's broke we fix it."

The Philmont Motor Pool takes care of about 12 fire trucks, water buffalos for the backcountry, trucks, Suburbans, two big semis and trailers.

Repairs often include work on brakes and front-end work. Johnson said they have to do these repairs more often than other shops because of the terrain and driving conditions. In addition, a huge part of the Motor Pool staff's job is conducting service inspections. All Philmont vehicles receive a service inspection after every 5,000 miles. The service inspections are meant to help keep Philmont safe.

"We do it as a prevented maintenance program," Johnson said. "If there is something that is starting to wear out, we'll fix it before it actually breaks."

Motor Pool will conduct roughly 10 service inspections, change 10 to 20 flat tires and do 25 to 30 general repairs each week.

"If there is anything that is starting to wear out, we'll fix it before it actually breaks."

Seasonal Motor Pool staff Anthony Phillips repairs a damaged trailer on Tues., June 4. "I've been around metal all my life," he said. PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER/KEVIN BOUCHER

The Hidden Powerhouse

Mary-Kate Smith
Staff Writer

Camping, cooking and consuming are three of the biggest activities that go on in the Backcountry and Basecamp. None of these things would be possible without the Commissary.

The Philmont Commissary, located by Administration, is the hidden powerhouse that supplies all the and crews on Philmont property with food. The Commissary's warehouses, store and offices span over a large area including a store, a main Commissary building and storage buildings named: "Yonder," "Over Yonder," "Way Out Yonder" and "Way Around Yonder." The main Commissary building can house up to 500 pallets of food. In addition, the Commissary has 11 walk-ins and freezers where they store cold food.

Bob Longoria, the Assistant Manager of the Commissary, explained all the locations they deliver food to.

"We do shipments to the dining halls," Longoria said. "We do all the trail food and all the meals that go to the Backcountry, so we ship to the four large commissaries and the four small Commissaries ... then we deliver food to all 34 backcountry camps. The staff food goes to all the camps, and of course we pick-up their trash, bring their mail and bring there next food order."

The Backcountry Commissaries supply food to crews in the middle of their trek. The large commissaries include Ponil, Baldy Town, Ute Gulch and Philips Junction. The small commissaries are Ring Place, Rich Cabins, Apache Springs and Miners Park.

Each Backcountry Commissary and staff camp will receive a weekly shipment of food. The staff camps are allowed to order any type of food they want. Derek Shiney, Commissary Director and Associate Food Service Director, said the most challenging part of his job is guessing what Backcountry staff will order each week.

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How the Mail Room Pushes the Envelope

Mary-Kate Smith
Staff Writer

There is one place on Philmont property where you can find employees bustling around sorting a wide array of items including: bicycles, watermelons, pants, letters, gear, packages, cookies and books. This place is the Mail Room.

As workers in a hub of communication, Linda Anderson, Mailroom Manager, and the five Mail Room Clerks have huge responsibilities. On an average Monday, the Mail Room staff will receive and sort about 150 packages, 800 to 1,000 letters and 100 or so large envelopes.

“We handle all the U.S. Postal, UPS and FedEx shipments to and from the Ranch for seasonal staff and participants during the summer,” Anderson said.

Many crews ship their gear out in advance. The Mail Room has all their gear waiting for them when they arrive. Then they ship it back when their trek is complete.

“All the participants who are coming through for Backcountry treks, if they are flying, are not able to take their stoves and fuel bottles on the plane,” Anderson said. “At the end of their trek they have to ship it home, but the regulations require that all of the fuel bottles be washed out with hot soapy water and air dried. They are usually not here for 12 hours when they come off their treks. So they bring us there bottles, and we air dry it overnight.”

Anderson said the Mail Room will be undergoing two major changes this summer which will help increase efficiency. Firstly, the Mail Room will acquire a credit card scanner and for the first time be able to accept credit cards. Secondly, a UPS terminal will be put in place at the Mail Room. For the past eight years, all UPS packages were picked-up and received at Administration.

The new terminal will eliminate the need to drive packages back-and-forth between the Mail Room and Administration.

The Mail Room also holds the responsibilities of handling all I-Camps, or inter-camp mail, which is free to everyone at Philmont.

“Anyone can send a message or cookies or a watermelon,” Anderson said. “All kinds of this get I-Camped between other staff members all over the Ranch.”

Anna Washburne, a first year Mail Room clerk, said she is interested to see all the things that people send through the mail.

“We had a bicycle,” Washburne said. “That was kind of weird. It was just ready to be assembled in a small rectangular box. I think I-Camps will be interesting because we’ve already had a pair of pants. There was someone who gave us a spoon and some sunglasses … I’ve heard that there’s some pretty crazy stuff.”

Anderson is excited to spend her fifteenth summer at Philmont working in the Mail Room. Anderson has worked in the Mailroom for eight summers. Summer 2013 will be her seventh summer as Mail Room Manager.

Anderson identified the benefits of working in the Mail Room, which served as a hub of both internal and external communication for people at Philmont.
Discounts YURT Going to Like
Boy Scouts are thrifty, and so is the YURT, which will now have longer hours

Katie Landeck
Staff Writer

Everybody loves a good deal. Whether it’s a new sleeping pad to make camping in Backcountry a little more comfortable or a Philmont T-shirt to show your pride, if it’s $30 or 50 percent off, the item becomes a lot more appealing.

At the Tooth of Time Traders, they understand your enthusiasm for a good deal, which is why they started the YURT, short for Your Unbelievable Retail Tent, last year. Starting this year, the YURT will have longer hours, which means more chances for staff and crews to buy gear at a low price.

Last year, the YURT was only open for about four hours a day, according to Casey Migacz, TOTT Store Inventory Manager. But after the overwhelming success of the YURT and positive feedback from satisfied customers, management at the TOTT decided to hire enough people to staff the YURT full time.

The store, located outside of the Tooth of Time Traders’ discount yurt on Sun., June 9. TIM MORGAN/PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER

8th. A white tent shaped like a spaceship, the YURT is easy to spot.

Inside the retail tent are “unbelievable” amounts of discounted items not sold in the TOTT. Backpacks along with sleeping pads that used to be display items are hung up on the walls. There are shelves full of camouflage mugs, toothpick holders and magnets.

And then there are clothes, which make up the bulk of the merchandise. Philmont T-shirts, sweatshirts, button-downs and even baby clothes can all be found in the YURT at heavy discounts.

New hiking boots sell for as little as $25. For a lot of the clothing, the YURT is the last chance to get it, as the TOTT will not be restocking that particular design or pattern.

Most of the items in the YURT are from last year’s lines, discontinued products or used to be display items in the TOTT.

Other items, like most of the $5 T-shirts, were moved to the YURT to make room for the 75th Anniversary products in the store. Regardless of why the items were moved to the tent, everything in there is high quality.

“There is nothing wrong with it, we just want new stuff,” said Migacz. He added that he has bought himself some gear from the YURT including a sleeping pad, a knife and eight of the T-shirts.

“When you find a good deal, it’s hard to pass up,” he said.

Throughout the summer, new items will be stocked in the YURT, so staffers should drop by periodically to see what’s new.

Within the first few weeks of the season, the shop will be stocked with discontinued old uniform parts from the National Supply.

“People love the old stuff,” Migacz said.

Because the items in the YURT are so heavily discounted, the 15 percent staff discount does not apply. And in the TOTT, the cent percent staff discount does not apply to items over $25.

The TOTT, which has an even bigger inventory of items, will not be restocked that particular item. “If it’s not the best price we can buy for the kitchen, there is a company out in Indiana that usually gets parts out here in three days,” said Cribbet.

Maintenance does not just deal with breaking appliances however. Another common issue during the summer is safety.

“We take care of all the trees too, so when there’s a branch hanging in a tree, that’s a pretty big priority.

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Maintaining an Equal Experience

Joe Bruner
Staff Writer

The Maintenance Department has several branches serving the Ranch, the most visible being the Camping Headquarters (CHQ) branch, which takes care of plumbing, carpentry and painting, for Base Camp and the Cattle HQ buildings.

“We mow everything from Cito Road, Deer Run Road, to the Villa. Seton, when it needs it, down to Cattle Headquarters. We take care of all the buildings on this side of the road,” CHQ Maintenance Manager Fred Cribbet said.

Water, however, is one of their biggest priorities.

“That’s our drinking water, and we just don’t have that much … water leaks are huge,” Cribbet said.

One example is they take care of plumbing in the buildings such as the shower houses.

Water is not just a high priority because of the drought: there is also concern for water damage.

“Leaks are priority,” said Cribbet.

Other responsibilities include getting the water to all the buildings and fixing leaks and sewer clogs, and fixing whatever needs it.

“During the summer we just fix things that break. Machines in the kitchen … The different holes in walls. A lot of clogged toilets, we clean the shower houses every morning,” said Cribbet.

With everything that breaks, accessibility to parts is maintenance’s biggest challenge.

“Some things we can fix right away, and other things it does take a while. It depends on how specialized it is.”

For most parts that are not at Base Camp, “we do have a couple suppliers up in Raton, that we can call. But usually there’s at least a day turnaround to get supplies.

For more specialized supplies like the parts we buy for the kitchen, there is a company out in Indiana that usually gets parts out here in three days.”

“During the summer we
Good Morning Philmont

Katie Landeck
Staff Writer

It’s hard to be enthusiastic about work at 4:45 in the morning. It’s dark, cold and eerily quiet. Until the Dining Hall staff breaks the silence.

“As soon as we get in there, we start blasting music,” said Prep Cook Doug Sears.

The music changes based on who is deejaying. Some mornings it’s heavy metal. Others it’s country. And other days the collection of tunes is too eclectic to even try to put a label on it.

No matter what’s playing, the end result is the same: a huge uptick in energy for the otherwise sleepy staff.

Dining hall staff works some of the most unusual hours at Philmont. The breakfast and lunch crew of food preppers has to be in the kitchen at 4:45 in the morning, in order to serve breakfast by 6:30 a.m. The servers and “grunt” workers have to be there by 5:45 a.m.

Despite the early wake up call, the staff has a reputation for their cheery demeanor.

“We get a lot of compliments on enthusiasm,” said Andrew Dreves, the Camping Food Service Dining Hall Assistant Manager. “At the managers meeting a couple of managers said they admire the enthusiasm of the staff.”

The group is close knit, which makes it a lot of fun, according to Sears. Like a family, the group bonds over food, as they both cook and eat together.

“We become really close,” said Sears. He noted that the group hangs out even when they are not working.

This bond helps the staff to work more efficiently when they are trying to feed 2,000 hungry campers. It’s Dreves job to make sure people are getting their food as quickly as possible. One of the ways he makes sure the lines keep moving is by inspiring his staff with games.

“We have competitions between the two lines to see who can serve the most people and we’ll end up yelling to people when they come in ‘come over here! come over here!’” said Dining Hall staff Josh Stark-Dykema.

So Long, Styrofoam

Katie Landeck
Staff Writer

Once the last styrofoam cup in the dining hall is gone, that’s it. Styrofoam will be a thing of the past at Philmont.

“We are trying to get away from styrofoam as a ranch wide thing,” said CHQ Dining Hall Manager Mike Buiocchi.

“It’s an effort to do something good for the environment and reduce trash.”

Philmont is a part of a national movement to reduce styrofoam. According to Cleveland State University, it can take upwards of a million years to decompose in a landfill.

Major cities such as San Francisco and Seattle have already banned styrofoam, and other cities such as Boston, Chicago and New York City are considering following suit.

At Philmont, the Dining Halls are using the last few cups from last year’s order, before switching to a cardboard alternative that is better for the environment. In addition to eliminating cups, the Dining Halls are switching to plastic, reusable to-go boxes.

The new to-go boxes are restricted to emergency use. To get one, the staffer must check it out, writing down their name, date and department on a sign out sheet.

The staffer is then expected to return the box as soon as possible.

“We are having some trouble getting people to return them,” said Buiocchi.

To return them, Buiocchi said to bring the box to your next meal and get the attention of one of the servers. The servers will then check off that the box has been returned.

Eliminating styrofoam is an exciting step for the Ranch, and one that demonstrates a continued commitment to improving the environment.

Hosting the Staff Experience

Joe Bruner
Staff Writer

Between running opening and closing campfires, creating events for all the staff, and maintaining both the Staff Fitness Center and the Hardesty Casa Central, the Silver Sage Staff Activities Center (SSSAC) staff is kept very busy.

In previous years, the SSSAC staff was also in charge of the Welcome Center, but this year they have their own department, giving the SSSAC more time to focus on the campfires, according to Andrew Mikusch, the SSSAC Activities Special Events Coordinator.

“The biggest responsibilities we have, from a participant aspect are the opening and closing campfires,” said Mikusch.

Their next biggest concern is keeping Base Camp staff entertained.

“It’s really important that we work on planning, hosting and promoting activities for people to do around Base Camp,” said Mikusch.

One of the department’s biggest responsibilities is organizing events for staff members.

“Because Philmont employs up to 1,100 people a year, and sometimes people don’t venture off base that much. And it’s our job to provide some sort of entertaining aspects for them in their off time, whether it be in the evening or during the day,” said Mikusch.

The department is not just responsible for evening programs around Base Camp, but also day activities, such as Backcountry hikes.

The department also has maintenance responsibilities. They are in charge of maintaining the Fitness Center.

“We are in charge of the upkeep that as far as cleaning machines and weights. We’ve been a little lax right now during training, but we’re going to get a cleaning schedule going once we start getting crews in and people have a set schedule for the rest of the summer,” he said.

The staff is also in charge of maintaining the new Hardesty Casa Central.

Mikusch said, “That building is where advisors come in daily to their advisors meeting before they hit the trail. Philmont provides them with coffee, tea, cider, hot chocolate. It’s our job to keep that new building clean, so it’s a good presentation of the brand of Philmont, and presents the ideals and values that Philmont is trying to represent, and also making sure stuff is stocked.”

Besides just entertainment and maintenance, the department also takes care of living arrangements.

“Our Tent City Managers are based out of the Activities Department,” said Mikusch. “A lot of the responsibilities for the Tent Cities do go on them, but as far as if they ever need any assistance with tents, whether it may be a tent’s fallen down and they need from our staff to right it or that sort of thing,”

Mikusch said the Tent City Managers are “almost like the RAs of the Tent Cities.” If there are any problems, they are the ones to go to.

“People can go to them with any problems with their tents, whether it’s a maintenance issue or maybe even if they have to discuss a problem they

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Learning to Cowboy Up

After ten years away from the Ranch, Sara McGatha returns to document the experience of being a wrangler.

Katie Landeck
Staff Writer

Ten years after her last summer working at Philmont, former Horsemanship Specialist Sara McGatha was itching to come back. She missed the Ranch. She missed the horses. And, she missed her bosses, Horse foreman Ben Vargas, cowboy Chuck Enloe, cowboy Rod Taylor and Ranch Superintendent Bob Ricklefs.

So she wrote three letters, one to Ricklefs, one to Vargas and one to Director of Program Mark Anderson, asking if she could come to the Ranch this summer to capture what it's like to be a Wrangler.

To her relief, they said yes.

“I wanted to come out here and document what it is like to work here,” said McGatha, who now works as a professional photographer. “It’s a story that isn’t always told!”

McGatha first came to Philmont in 2000, when she was hired as a wrangler. An Ohio native, she had little experience with camping or ranch-style horse training. But glowing reviews from people who had been to Philmont and a reassuring phone call with Ricklefs convinced her to head West.

Her first day on the Ranch was “terrifying.”

“On the very first day out here, 20 minutes after I get my badge, they told me ‘we are going to go ride the horses,’” she recalled. “They said, ‘we have 70 horses we know nothing about, and we need to ride them.’”

For McGatha, this was a very different kind of riding. There is a substantial cultural difference between how you ride and care for horses in Philmont and her home in Ohio.

“Back home, most horses are stalled and handled daily; they get ridden often and are what some people might call “push button” horses,” said McGatha. “Out here, the horses live relatively on their own for nine months out of the year; that’s a lot of time to fall into bad behaviors, so riding and handling them is not always as straightforward and easy the first few times.”

Between this cultural difference and a fear of horses she had developed after getting kicked and falling the previous year, the horse pen was an intimidating place.

“To send me into a pen when they were loose, that terrified me,” she said.

But in that pen on the very first day, McGatha learned a lot. She learned to trust her fellow Wranglers, especially the returning Horsemanship personnel who helped her out. She learned about caring for horses. And, she learned to be brave.

“You have to cowboy up,” she said. “As scared as you are, you have to swallow it up, and you do it.”

“Cowboying up” is central part of the Ranch’s philosophy. It’s challenging and sometimes foreign work. It’s early starts and long days of physical work in a demanding environment. But, it’s some of the most rewarding work there is, according to McGatha.

“It will test you out here. You have to want it,” she said.

This time, McGatha will only be at Philmont for a week to document what that time period is like for the Wranglers. She hopes to come out again later this summer to see how they grow.

“They’re going to undergo a big transformation from where they are now to where they are in August,” she said.

As she says this, the new Wranglers and returning horsemanship practice barrels out in the field. One of the first-years is attempting to reign in a particularly difficult new horse, a growing number of people turn their attention to him until the whole department is watching. Right when it seems like the Wrangler might be thrown, he rights himself to a chorus of cheers.

“You did good. That was pretty slick to watch,” returning Horsemanship Specialist Tanner Shaw, tells the rider.

Because of the amount of time they spent to together and amount of moments they share, the Wranglers and Horsemanship form a sort of family. They learn each other's strengths and weaknesses, likes and dislikes, and quirks and habits.

“We have to trust each other,” Tanner Shaw said, noting that the Horsemanship and Wranglers rely on each other.

Shaw has been on horseback since he was a baby, growing up on a ranch in Texas. He worked at Philmont for four summers before taking a year off. Returning this summer is a bit of a homecoming for him.

When he thinks about his reunion with the other Horsemanship, a smile creeps across his face as he pauses for a few seconds, taking time to remember.

“It was good,” he says slowly. “You make a lot of friends out here, and they become like family. It’s like a reunion. They’re your brothers and sisters.”

It’s a feeling McGatha remembers well.

“It’s pretty special,” McGatha said. “They know you better than most anybody else in the world. They’re like your brothers and sisters.”

After leaving the Ranch in 2003 to go back home to her family in Ohio, McGatha was determined that horses would continue to be a part of her life. She started working with a horse trainer and eventually became a full time photographer in addition to her work at the barn.

And as much as she loves her job and life out East, every now and again she fantasizes about her wrangling days.

“I don’t think you can ever really leave (the Ranch),” said McGatha. “You just kind of do something else.”

Photographer SARA MCGATHA WARREN

Ranch Superintendent Bob Ricklefs was named the 2011 Cattleman of the Year by the New Mexico Cattle Growers Association (NMCGA).

“It’s a huge honor,” said Ricklefs. He added that the award was “completely unexpected.”

The NMCGA is a trade organization that supports the ranching industry in New Mexico. It represents the viewpoints of ranchers in both the state and national legislatures.

The recipient of the cattleman of the year award is chosen by the NMCGA to “honor a member for their dedication to the industry and the association,” according to the Deming Headlight.

Ricklefs has been a member of the NMCGA for 30 years. During that time, he has served as a member of the Board of Directors, as the Wildlife Committee Chairman and as the Natural Resource Committee Chairman.
Chaplain’s Corner: Meet the Chaplains

Hello, I am Pastor Mart Thompson and am honored to be one of your Philmont Protestant Chaplains.

I love Scouting and Philmont! I grew up in Scouting (Eagle ’76) and went on two treks as a youth (’76 & ’79) and two as an adult (’06 & ’09). Of all the experiences I have been blessed to have in Scouting, Philmont is my favorite. A highlight has been sharing Philmont with my family on treks with my children, Marie, Adam and Will (Crater staff ’12), my wife Cheryl and niece Abigail (Ranger ’12,’13). We all have great memories of Philmont adventures!

I was born and raised in Springfield, Missouri. I graduated from Missouri State University and now live just south of St. Louis in Festus, Missouri. I have been a Lutheran pastor for 25 years, presently serving Zion Lutheran Church (LCMS) in Pevely, Missouri for over 12 years now. I also serve annually as a guest instructor in pastor theology at my seminary alma mater, Concordia Seminary in St. Louis. Actively involved in Zion's Troop 467 in the past, I presently serve as the Charter Organization Representative for our Pack, Troop and Venture Crew. As the Lutheran pastoral representative of our Council’s Lutheran Committee, I serve on the Council of Religious Relationships for the Greater St. Louis Area Council and supervise our Protestant Summer Camp Chaplains at S-F Scout Ranch and Camp Lewallen. I love doing all of this and feel I can never completely repay my debt to Scouting.

I enjoy camping and hiking, movies, traveling and sports of all kinds. If you want an update on the St. Louis Cardinals, I’m your guy. You can catch me early mornings, working out in the staff fitness room.

Cheryl and I will celebrate our 30th wedding anniversary this June 18th! While it will be from a distance, she will join me at Philmont, beginning on June 22nd. Cheryl is looking forward to visiting the Backcountry by vehicle this time.

My daughter Marie is a trauma nurse in California but moving to South Bend, Indiana this August with her husband, Philip who is finishing a PhD in philosophy. Adam is a Lutheran seminary student who will be heading to Virginia Tech for a vicarage/internship, beginning in August. Will is not back at Philmont this summer as he is heading to South Korea to teach English through a program operated by the University of Missouri (go Tigers!) where he is a philosophy and history major.

We have a great group of chaplains here at Philmont!

“I have a great group of chaplains here at Philmont!”

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 6-7 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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And, come and worship with us! Any Base Camp staffers who play music or sing—we want to include as many musicians (a band?) in our Protestant services as we can.

If you are interested you may call me at (314) 608-7004 or Chaplain John Lampley, or just meet us after one of the 7 p.m. chapel services.

Let’s have a great
The Philmont Museum and Seton Memorial Library has housed hundreds of articles of history since it was built in the 1960s.

The museum was funded by O. L. Crosby to house the donations given to Philmont by Julia Seton and her family. These included a large portion of her husband Ernest Thompson Seton’s library, several thousand pieces from his Native American collection, his natural history collection, animal skins, about 6,000 pieces of his artwork and various other personal artifacts such as awards certificates.

After construction on the building had begun, other individuals began making donations of pottery and Native American artifacts to the museum.

Today, the museum not only contains the Seton Library and artifacts, but to all Philmont archives, a gift shop, records, logs, field guides and everything found on the archeological dig sites.

The building is a phenomenal piece of Philmont history. However, it is in need a more program and exhibit space. As a result, plans have been made to expand the Facility.

“The museum expansion here is going to cover a lot of things, and what we are trying to do is not just expand our exhibit space, but we are also expanding our program opportunities throughout the entire facility complex,” David Werhane, Philmont Museums Director, said.

The multimillion dollar museum expansion project was approved to move into the funding stage in October 2012, and it was already underway when Werhane came on board fulltime in February 2012.

“The expansion project has been a long ongoing dream and desire of many, many people...”

And it is through the hard work of Mark Anderson and John Clark that it was brought to this stage and has been approved by the National Office,” Werhane said. “Those two gentlemen worked very hard to get it here.”

The expansion ground breaking with occur as soon as the funds are raised, which according to Werhane could be as early as September 2013. They plan to complete the expansion project in one offseason.

“You know we do not want to be closed for a summer,” he said. “That's part of our thing is once this project goes, we'll be funded and we'll be ready and starting like the first of September. It will be fast and furious to get it done so we'll be open for the following summer season.”

The current structure is 5,762 square feet the edition will change the size of the museum and library to 12,832 square feet. The plans involve renovating and retrofitting the existing structure into the expansion.

“It's a lot of work because not only do we have to do the entire building, but we also have to get the exhibits into it,” Werhane said. “That's a lot of work because we are taking about have three to four times minimum more than the amount of exhibits we have now.”

In addition to more exhibit space, the new and renovated structure will include a larger gift shop, a new location for the library, a reading room, a multipurpose room, a larger parking lot, more office and storage space, three courtyards, an outdoor amphitheater, a plaza, a large lobby area, an exhibit workshop space, a construction workshop space, a nicer bathroom facility, backcountry storage space and a visiting scholar room.

Robin Taylor, fulltime Librarian and Museum Staff, hopes the expansion will encourage more visitors.

“Oh, I’m excited,” Taylor said. “I’m excited. The gift shop will change. They’ll be a storeroom near the gift shop not down the hall. There are a lot of benefits to it. I’m looking forward to it.”

Each new space will serve an important and efficient function.

The reading room will allow Backcountry staff to more easily research their roles and will provide a place to house more of Seton’s artwork. The visiting scholar room will allow guests to leave out documents in a lockable space. The plaza and amphitheater will be a place to conduct outside programs. The multipurpose room is going to allow for more public events and educational opportunities.

“It's literally a classroom for the museum and library,” Werhane said.

The building, itself, will have a more modern looking architectural style and façade.

“The goal of the architecture of this building is that as people drive down the road... they will see a place that is easily identifiable as open to the public and as visitor center,” Werhane said. “It will look different than your average Philmont building.”

Werhane is thrilled about the new programs the museum will be able to offer.

“We look forward to the programs we want to provide for...”
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“We have four trucks in the Commissary, two small ones and two large ones, that we use to supply them,” Longoria said.

The Commissary will also supply food to individual departments if needed.

“Anybody here in Basecamp is a customer, so we’ll supply food and the stuff that we have in the Commissary to basically all the departments that are here on Basecamp if they need food,” Longoria said. “Let’s say that Activities is doing something where they need ice cream. They’ll place an ice cream order.”

The Commissary employs a total of 15 people during the summer months: three drivers, one Commissary Director and Associate Food Service Director, one Manager, one Assistant Manager, four Clerks, two Warehouse Clerks and two Deli Shop workers.

Mary Jane Ratliff, a first summer Deli Shop worker from Cimarron, is the only female employee in the Commissary. On the job, Ratliff slices deli meat and helps make sack lunches. She also will marinate steak and prepare other foods.

“We did 300 pounds of ham today,” Ratliff said. “I didn’t know if I was going to like it, but it’s really nice … I wanted something different because I’ve been a housekeeper, a cook and a baker, but I’ve never done this. And I really like it.”

Preparing deli meat is just one of many jobs the Commissary does. They order food, pack all the trail meals, deliver food to Backcountry camps and Commissaries, recycle all cardboard and sell trail food to individuals and groups.

According to Shiney, who has worked at Philmont full time for five years, the Commissary bought most of its food from Shamrock Foods and the local grocery store, which helps support the local economy.

“We really have the opportunity to make a difference,” Shiney said. “You know five years ago when I took over the commissary we were using mostly Richmoor food which is not that good. So we added $15 a person, and we got Mountain House which is pretty much top of the line.”

For summer 2013, other changes have been made to the way the Commissary functions. “We’ve got some new processes that we are using,” Longoria said.

“We are scanning all the food this year in a computerized system … I’m making sure that the orders get filled and are complete before they go out. Basically, I’m kind of the customer service person here also. So I’m supposed to make sure everybody goes away happy.”

During May and early June, the Commissary works to make sure everyone at Philmont is fed and to ensure they will be fed after Scatter. “So basically scatter is done the fifth, sixth and seventh,” Longoria said. “Every camp that goes out will come to the commissary before they go to their camp and pick up their initial staff food order. They’ll pick that up, and then we are also packing their follow-up orders also.”

Longoria said his favorite part of the job has been taking food to the Backcountry, and meeting the Backcountry staff.

“It’s a great job,” he said. “I like working up here. It’s a real service oriented job, and one of the things that I really enjoy is serving people and making sure they have what they need to do their jobs. I mean that’s what we are all here for.”

The staff at the Commissary truly serves as a hidden powerhouse that works alongside the Dining Hall to provide 1.5 million meals to participants and staff every summer.

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kids in the museum setting, as well as the library, coupled with the research potential,” he said. “When I look at more than doubling our exhibit space, that’s exciting to me because there are so many stories we have to tell from Ernest Thompson Seaton to our cultures in the Ponil to the Santa Fe Trail to logging to the history of backpacking on Philmont. I mean next year we are going to have had over a million kids come through here, and that’s a story in and of itself.”

For Werhane and the other museum staff, the Philmont Scout Museum and Seton Memorial Library Expansion Project is about making an impact.

“I look forward to this museum having an impact on everyone and everything at Philmont, so that when you come to Philmont, the museum has somehow, whether you know it or not, helped your experience.”
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might be having with a tentmate. The Tent City Manager can be a moderator for that, and also try to help in those situations.

Aside from the SSSAC general duties, the department has helped with the 75th anniversary. The department helped out Opening Day.

“We did have the 75th Anniversary gathering before our music and fellowship on May 29. And that was when we had Waite Phillips’ granddaughter come and speak,” said Mikusch.

He is happy with the staff’s interest in work this summer. “We have a lot of staff that are really interested and willing to jump in and help out … I think a lot of the staff are anxious to start working, whether it’s on a campfire, or helping with an event we’re hosting here.”

Looking forward to the summer, he said “They’re very ambitious and we’re hoping a high level of interest will be maintained here over the course of the summer, as far as them being involved in their roles and their jobs.”

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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.

Facts about Tobacco Use

More information may be found at betobaccofree.gov

Each day in the United States, 3,600 youth under the age of 18 smoke their first cigarette.

Each day in the United States, 900 youth under the age of 18 become daily cigarette users.

Of high school students, 18% report current use of cigarettes.

Of high school students, 7.7% report using smokeless tobacco (i.e. chewing tobacco).

Cigarette smoking accounts for 443,000 deaths per year.

88% of adult daily smokers had their first cigarette before the age of 18.
Award Winning Photographer Visits Philmont to Give Photography Lessons

Contribution

On Saturday June 15th, photographer Jerry Poppenhouse and his associate Kelly Kerr will be visiting Philmont to do a lesson on photography. The presentation will start at 6:30 p.m. in the Walcutt Room at the SSCAC. All are welcome to join.

The following are these artists’ awards and experiences.

Jerry Poppenhouse served in the US Navy for four years before attending the Kansas City Art Institute where he received his BFA degree. Jerry had a twenty-eight year career with a fortune 500 company as a corporate photographer, designer and cinematographer.

His assignments took him to the far corners of the world.

After his corporate career he became the Director of Publications for Oklahoma State University Institute of Technology in Okmulgee for two years before teaching photography and graphic design in the Visual Communication Department until retiring in 2005.

Articles about his National Geographic style photography has been featured in Communications Arts, Oklahoma Today, America Cinematographer, Photomethods, Bartlesville and Hasselblad Forum magazines.

He was project director, one of the photographers and photo editor for the book, Philmont “Where Spirits Soar” for the Boy Scouts of America.

His images fill the book, “Woolaroc” selected as Oklahoma Book of the Year.

He was one of twelve photographers featured in the book, “Industrial Photography”.

The film, “On Stage with Judith Somogi” won him the Cine Gold Eagle Award representing the United States International motion pictures events.

He has had exhibits at the Oklahoma Museum of Art in Oklahoma City, Talisman Art Gallery in Bartlesville, Okla., Art Institute Gallery in Quartz Mt, State Park, Okla., Kemper Art Gallery in Kansas City, Missouri, Firehouse Art Center in Norman, Okla., Conoco Gallery in Oklahoma State University-Okmulgee, Oklahoma State University in Tulsa, Okla., and the Lyon’s Gallery in Bartlesville, Okla.

Jerry has served as artist-in-residence for Oklahoma Summer Arts Institute at Quartz Mountain-in Oklahoma, Teton Science School, in Wyoming, Cedar Rock Camp in Missouri, and Principia College in Illinois.

Kelly Kerr graduated from Oklahoma State University and joined the photography staff of the Tulsa World in 1994.

She remained there until 2007 when he became a faculty member at OSU Institute of Technology teaching photography and film.

In 2008 Kelly discovered the passion for video and forged a career in cinema.

Kelly has been named the Oklahoma Press Association’s Photographer of the Year as well as two-time Associated Press Sweepstakes Award winner.

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“My favorite thing is that we get to know all the staff and all the participants, and I like our location here on the Backcountry docks,” Anderson said. “It’s kind of like grand central station back there with all the crews coming and going, so we have our finger on the pulse of everything that is going on.”

Anderson said they once continuously I-Camped a journal between two staffers who were in a relationship and worked on opposite sides of camp.

“The I-Camps really need to have the full name, not just the ranger in the pink jacket that I met at the Urraca camp last night,” Anderson said. “I actually had one come addressed that way.”

The Mailroom staff said they loved to hear the stories of staff and crews who come into the Mailroom.

“That’s one thing we ask them when they come in, ‘What was your favorite part of your trek, and what was your best memory?’” Anderson said. “We get a lot of fun stories from them. We ask them what their favorite camp was and why.”

Erin Cooper, first year Mailroom Clerk, is excited to meet many different people while working in the Mailroom.

“I think I’m just looking forward to getting to know more people, and being here for the summer is a good opportunity to do that,” Cooper said. “I just enjoy making people’s day when they’ve got mail when they weren’t expecting something.”

Washburne added that when people don’t have mail the Mail Clerks give them candy, so everyone who goes to the Mailroom always gets something.

Anderson is excited for all the summer has to offer.

“I’m really excited about the staff we have this summer,” Anderson said. “We’ve got a great staff, some very bright, creative people with wonderful ideas.”

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It wasn’t until 1970’s that atmospheric science discovered phenomenon that probably led to the Liberator’s destruction.

A down burst is a strong downdraft that is fairly common in a severe thunderstorm. Downdrafts come very suddenly, and based on research and speculation, the Liberator would have lost almost 4000 ft. per minute if it was caught in one. Microbursts, a more well known type of downbursts, are associated with causing almost tornadic damage. Recent researchers speculate a downburst to be the most likely cause for the Liberator’s crash.

Regardless of the cause of the crash, the Liberator remains on Trail Peak to this day and serves as a reminder of World War II for current Scouts.

Information about the Liberator was collected from The Last Flight of Liberator 411133 and other works by William F. Cass, former Philmont Staff member.
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Wind can knock it out, and if you’re walking under that tree, you don’t always suspect that there’s going to be a branch falling out on your head.

Cribbet appreciates all the hard work his department has put in so far this summer. The hard work and team building is important, because the department plays a big role in supporting the Philmont experience.

“That’s why I don’t want to have a building broken or a bathroom not working. I want the person who gets here on Monday to have the same experience as the person who got here the Friday before. So we try to keep everything operational. I don’t want to impact anyone’s experience by having something inoperable. … Everything we do helps make the experience that someone gets at Philmont the same as everyone else.”

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The lines are one of the few chances dining hall staff has to interact with other Philmont staffers during their work day, making it a favorite of many employees.

“The serving line is just go, go, go,” said Dining Hall staff Spencer Ragas. He continued, “It’s fun. You always get to talk to all of the people and say hi.”

However, the biggest motivator for the staff is positive feedback. Compliments, whether on the food or service, is what keeps them going.

“You’re proud that you helped do that,” said William Barrett-Strake, who helps with kitchen prep. He added that working in food service is a very rewarding job, especially when someone likes the food.

So next time you are in the Dining Hall and notice that the chicken tenders are particularly excellent, be sure to send your compliments to the chef.

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in the shop.

Anthony Phillips, the only seasonal Motor Pool staff, described the perks of the job.

“I’ve obviously been learning quite a bit,” Phillips said. “It’s a good learning environment … It’s my first year out here. I was super excited to get a call from Jim back in December.”

“We do everything down here, as far as all the cars and trucks go,” Phillips said. “I know my first week down here we repainted Elder Wilson’s door on his suburban. That was one of the things we did getting ready for the chaplains.”

Johnson said his staff has been getting ready for the arrival of Scouts since January.

“My busy time is over,” Johnson. “Now it is just patch and repair. Our busy time was the last three months to get ready.”

Now that Motor Pool is prepared for the arrival of Scouts, Johnson and his staff await the rest of the summer, excited to meeting people and fix cars.

“I just always liked making stuff run,” Johnson said. “Every day is different from every other day. No day’s the same. It’s always a challenge.”

Johnson like knowing that his worked helped to provide programs for everybody that comes out to Philmont. He was ready to provide a service that keeps on running.

Seasonal Motor Pool staff Anthony Phillips assists Logistics staff Ali Taylor with her weekly maintenance report on Tues. June 3. “If somebody has to be somewhere, it’s my job to get them there,” she said. PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER/KEVIN BOUCHER

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Sunny Morning Doughnuts

Ingredients
- 4-1/2 to 5 cups all-purpose flour
- 1-1/4 cups sugar
- 4 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 3 eggs, lightly beaten
- 1 cup 2% milk
- 1/4 cup canola oil
- 2 tablespoons orange juice
- 4 teaspoons grated orange peel
- Oil for deep-fat frying
- Confectioners’ sugar

Directions
1. In a large bowl, combine 4-1/2 cups flour, sugar, baking powder and salt.
2. Combine the eggs, milk, oil, orange juice and peel; stir into dry ingredients just until moistened. Stir in enough remaining flour to form a soft dough. Cover and refrigerate for at least 1 hour.
3. Turn onto a floured surface; roll to 1/2-in. thickness. Cut with a floured 2-1/2-in. doughnut cutter.
4. In an electric skillet or deep-fat fryer, heat oil to 375°. Fry doughnuts, a few at a time, until golden brown on both sides. Drain on paper towels. Dust warm doughnuts with confectioners’ sugar.

Peanut Butter Chocolate Chip Pancakes

Ingredients
- 1 cup flour
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1 1/2 teaspoons of baking powder
- 1 teaspoon of salt
- 3 tablespoons of oil
- 1 egg
- 1 1/4 cups of milk
- 1/2 cup of peanut butter
- Butter
- Chocolate chips

Directions
1. Start preheating a frying pan on the stovetop. Set the stove to a low setting.
2. Mix flour, sugar, baking powder and salt in a large bowl. Then add in the oil, the egg and the milk. Whisk the mixture until smooth.
3. Add the peanut butter to the mixture. The peanut butter can be at room temperature, but briefly microwaving it first makes the peanut butter easier to stir in. Once mixed enough, the batter should be fairly drippy, in the sense that it should easily fall off the whisk when the whisk is pulled out of the batter. If this doesn’t happen, add more milk to the mixture and whisk again.
4. Butter the pan so that the pancakes don’t stick. When the butter starts sizzling, the pan is hot enough for the pancakes.
5. Pour the batter into the pan. Then add chocolate chips to the pancake to taste.
6. When the pancake starts to bubble, flip the pancake over to cook the other side. Check periodically. When both sides are a golden brown remove the pancake from the skillet and serve.

Reviews for Homemade Donuts

“Crunchy on the outside and soft on the inside. Very delicious.” — Savannah Moore, Female Tent City Manager

“Very delicious! The donuts were expertly fried and powdered. Maybe add some honey.” — Adam Stansfield, Ranger

The dough was a little dry yet very sweet. I liked how the inside was soft but the outside was slightly crunchy. — Colton Lynn, Ranger

Scones

Ingredients
- 2 cups of flour
- 1 tsp cream of tartar
- 1/2 tsp baking soda
- 1 pinch of salt
- 1/4 cup margarine
- 2 tbsp of sugar
- 1/2 cup of milk
- 2 tbsp milk

Directions
1. Preheat the oven to 425 degrees. To reduce clean up, line a baking sheet with parchment paper or tinfoil.
2. Mix the flour, cream of tartar, baking soda and salt in a medium bowl. In the absence of cream of tartar, try replacing it and the baking soda with a teaspoon of baking powder.
3. Cut the margarine into the dough until the mixture looks like fine bread crumbs.
4. Stir in the sugar and 1/2 cup of milk so the mixture makes soft dough. Be careful not to over mix as that will make the scones tough.
5. On a floured surface, roll the dough out to be about 3/4 inch thick. Cut into shape of choice and lay out on the baking sheet.
6. Glaze with the 2 tbsp of milk.
7. Bake for 10 minutes or until brown.
'Multi-Talented' Neil Patrick Harris Rocks Tonys

By Mark Kennedy
AP Drama Writer

NEW YORK (AP) -- The reviews are in: It was a great Tony Awards. The dancing was inspired, the singing top-notch and the humor sly - and that's just for the host.

Neil Patrick Harris once again proved how invaluable he is to the success of one of entertainment's lesser-watched televised award shows on Sunday, and others may be paying attention.

"He's completely the real deal, totally multi-talented. When you're doing a show about Broadway with someone who understands television and also Broadway, it's a real unique opportunity," said Glenn Weiss, who co-produced the Tonys with Ricky Kirshner.

"He can perform, he has great energy, but he cares about the theater and you can't make that up," Weiss said. Added Kirshner: "He really has fantastic instincts with what will work and what won't."

"Fashion Police' Celebrates Joan Rivers 80th Birthday

By Frazier Moore
AP Television Writer

NEW YORK (AP) -- "I'm having a great time," Joan Rivers crows before offering a brisk self-appraisal: "Everything is working, my mind is fine.

"The only time I play the age card is on planes when I'm trying to put a bag above the seat: 'I am 80 years old! Would someone PLEASE help me?!'

Actually, she only turned 80 on Saturday, a milestone that has prompted the E! network to stage a Joan Rivers "takeover": Its regular one-hour edition of "Fashion Police" (airing Friday at 10 p.m. EDT) will be a black-tie birthday salute, preceded nightly through Thursday by special half-hours (at 10:30 p.m. EDT) featuring guest appearances by celebrities and even victims of past fashion slams.

Apple Unveils Music Streaming Service

By Barbara Ortutay
AP Technology Writer

NEW YORK (AP) -- Apple unveiled an Internet radio service called iTunes Radio on Monday and said the service will personalize listeners' music based on what they've listened to and what they've purchased on iTunes.

Apple said iTunes Radio will be available this fall in the U.S. It will be free with advertisements included, although subscribers of Apple's iTunes Match music-storage service will get a commercial-free version of iTunes Radio. That service costs $25 a year.

In unveiling the long-awaited service Monday at its Worldwide Developers Conference in San Francisco, Apple enters a crowded field. Google Inc. started an on-demand subscription music service called All Access last month. Other leading services include Spotify, Rhapsody and Pandora.

Jackson Treatments Raised Alarm for AEG Live Exec

By Anthony McCartney
AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) -- Jurors in the Michael Jackson case were shown an email on Monday in which the top executive at AEG Live LLC expressed grave concerns about treatments Jackson was receiving from his longtime dermatologist.

The email sent by AEG Live CEO Randy Phillips said the company was "scared to death" of drug injections given to Jackson.

Phillips told jurors the email was a response to a $48,000 bill that Jackson's manager received for the treatments by Dr. Arnold Klein.

"He scares us to death because he is shooting him up with something," Phillips wrote.

The email was sent to Jackson's business manager Michael Kane after a meeting was held at the singer's house to address his health and missed rehearsals.

The treatments included numerous shots of cosmetic drugs such as Restalyne and botox, as well as other unidentified intramuscular shots, Phillips said, citing the bill.

Klein's attorney has defended the doctor's treatment of Jackson.

Katherine Jackson is suing AEG Live, claiming it failed to properly investigate her son's personal doctor, Conrad Murray, and missed warning signs about his failing health. Murray was convicted of involuntary manslaughter after giving Jackson a lethal dose of the anesthetic propofol.

Cher to Perform Live on NBC's 'The Voice'

By Lynn Elber
AP Television Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) -- Cher has a date with NBC's "The Voice."

NBC said Monday the pop star will perform live on the talent contest's June 18 season finale.

She will sing "Woman's World," the first single off her upcoming album of the same name, the network said.

Cher, who turned 67 in May, joins other pop artists who have appeared on NBC's hit series and other TV contests to promote new records. They include "Voice" guest stars Rod Stewart and Lady Antebellum.

Cher's "Woman's World" album, her first in 12 years, is due out later this year.
**World News**

**Source of Surveillance Leak Revealed**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) A 29 year old former CIA employee and National Security Agency contractor is the source of The Guardian's disclosures about the U.S. government's secret surveillance programs, the newspaper reported Sunday.

The leaks have reopened the post Sept. 11 debate about privacy concerns versus heightened measure to protect against terrorist attacks, and led the NSA to ask the Justice Department to conduct a criminal investigation.

The Guardian said it was publishing the identity of Edward Snowden, a former technical assistant for the CIA and current employee of defense contractor Booz Allen Hamilton, at his own request.

"My sole motive is to inform the public as to that which is done in their name and that which is done against them," Snowden told the newspaper.

A spokesman for the Director of National Intelligence did not have immediate comment on the disclosure.

**In Iran, Reformist Struggle with Few Options**

By Brian Murphy

Associated Press

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (AP) Despite four years of nonstop pressure, arrests and intimidation, Iran's dissidents still find ways to show their resilience.

Protest messages still ricochet around social media despite Iran's cyber cops' attempts to control the Web.

Angry graffiti pops up and then quickly painted over by authorities. Mourners at the funeral of a dissident cleric flashed V for victory gestures and chanted against the state.

But just a look at the sidewalks around Tehran's Mellat Park shows how far Iran's opposition has fallen as the country prepares for Friday's presidential election.

Mir Hossein Mousavi and other opposition leader, Mahdi Karroubi, are under house arrest and hundreds more activists, bloggers and journalists have faced detention as part of relentless crackdowns since Mahmoud Ahmadinejad's disputed reelection in 2009 brought accusations of vote rigging and something Iran has not seen since the 1979 Islamic Revolution: Huge crowds in the streets chanting against the leadership.

Iran's forces for reform are not so much crushed as now bottled up tightly. Now the election that marks the end of Ahmadinejad's eight year era also brings another moment of political transition: Whether the loose affiliation of reformists, liberals and Western-leaning activists can somehow remain relevant in a time when the guardians of the Islamic establishment are consolidating their defenses.

"There is no shortage of people in Iran who would like to see a different way of being governed and a different world view from the leadership," said Theodore Karasik, a security and political affairs analyst at the Dubai-based Institute for Near East and Gulf Military Analysis. "Trouble for them is that they now fragmented and disorganized. This is exactly what Iranian authorities want to see."

**U.S. News**

**Zimmerman's Attorney Walks Tight Line in Defense**

By Mike Schneider

Associated Press

SANFORD, Fla. (AP) George Zimmerman's lead attorney will be walking a fine line as he tries to convince jurors that his client didn't murder Trayvon Martin: He needs to show why Zimmerman felt threatened by the African American teenager while avoiding the appearance that either he or his client is racist.

Because there is no dispute that Zimmerman shot Martin, 17, during a fight on a rainy night in February 2012, Mark O'Mara must convince the jury that Zimmerman pulled his 9 mm handgun and fired a bullet into the Miamiarea high school student's chest because he feared for his life and that the fear was caused by Martin's actions, not his race.

Jury selection begins Monday in the seconddegree murder trial, which is expected to last about six weeks.

Martin's killing drew worldwide attention as it sparked a national debate about race, equal justice under the law and gun control. If convicted, Zimmerman, who identifies himself as Hispanic, could get a life sentence.

**Obama, Xi Signal new Start with Walk in the Desert**

By Julie Pace

AP White House Correspondent

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (AP) President Barack Obama and Chinese leader Xi Jinping's 50 minute stroll through an estate in the California desert could mark a notable moment in the relationship between the heads of the world's two largest economies.

Tom Donilon, Obama's national security adviser who helped orchestrate the twoday summit, said the walk was an important moment "to establish and deepen their personal relationship" and address "the range of issues that we have to address."

It's a big list that includes cyberspying and intellectual property theft and North Korea's nuclear provocations, as well as economic competition and climate change.

**Few Options In Iran, Reformist Struggle with Few Options**

By Christopher Torchia

Associated Press

JOHANNESBURG (AP) -- Nelson Mandela received visits from family members on Sunday at a hospital where the former president and anti-apartheid leader was being treated for a recurring lung infection, while South Africans expressed their appreciation for a man widely regarded as the father of the nation.

There was no official update on 94-year-old Mandela after his second night in the hospital. His condition was described as "serious but stable" on Saturday.

The office of President Jacob Zuma had said that Mandela was taken to a Pretoria hospital after his condition deteriorated at around 1:30 a.m. on Saturday.

The anti-apartheid leader has now been taken to a hospital four times since December, with the last discharge coming on April 6 after doctors diagnosed him with pneumonia and drained.

**US Spy Programs Raise Ire Both Home and Abroad**

By Lara Jakes

AP National Security Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) -- The Obama administration faced fresh anger Monday at home and abroad over U.S. spy programs that track phone and Internet messages around the world in the hope of thwarting terrorist threats. But a senior intelligence official said there are no plans to end the secretive surveillance systems.

The programs causing the global uproar were revealed by Edward Snowden, a 29-year-old employee of government contractor Booz Allen Hamilton.

Snowden, whose identity was revealed at his own request, has fled to Hong Kong in hopes of escaping criminal charges. Sen. Dianne Feinstein of California, who heads the Senate Intelligence Committee and supports the surveillance, accused Snowden of committing an “act of treason” and said he should be prosecuted.
Sports

Detroit Pistons Hire Maurice Cheeks as New Coach

By Larry Lage
AP Sports Writer

DETROIT (AP) -- Maurice Cheeks is getting a third shot to be an NBA head coach.

The Detroit Pistons are desperately hoping he makes the most of the opportunity he was given Monday.

Cheeks was 284-286 in the regular season and 5-11 during three postseasons while leading the Portland Trail Blazers and Philadelphia 76ers, a team he helped win an NBA title as a point guard.

"After spending some time with Maurice, I was very impressed not only with his basketball knowledge but his communication and leadership skills," Pistons owner Tom Gores said in a statement. "We are very excited to have someone of his experience and talent help take this franchise into the future."

Detroit fired Lawrence Frank in April, a day after finishing 29-53. Frank was 54-94 in two seasons with the Pistons.

Cheeks becomes the franchise's fourth coach in six seasons - following Frank, John Kuester and Michael Curry - and ninth since the 1999-2000 season.

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Tebow to Sign with Patriots

By Barry Wilner
AP Pro Football Writer

Tim Tebow may still have a future in the NFL after all.

The New England Patriots seem to think so and plan to sign him on Tuesday if he passes a physical.

He won't be a starting quarterback, of course, with Tom Brady on hand in Foxborough. But certainly he's an intriguing reclamation project - yet another chance for coach Bill Belichick to torture the New York Jets, who failed to find a role for Tebow last season.

And that could make for quite a Boston Tea-bow Party.

A person familiar with the situation told The Associated Press on Monday that Tebow will join the Patriots' minicamp on Tuesday and sign with the team, pending the medical exam. The person spoke on condition of anonymity because no official announcement had been made. Even when Tebow signs, there is no guarantee he will play for the Patriots.

Ex-NBA Star in Jail, Charged in Fatal GA. Crash

Associated Press

JONESBORO, Ga. (AP) -- Former NBA All-Star Daron "Mookie" Blaylock is out of the hospital and in jail, charged with vehicular homicide in a car crash south of Atlanta.

Blaylock is also charged with driving on a suspended license, making an improper lane change and crossing the median in the head-on crash that killed a 43-year-old woman in Jonesboro on May 31. Blaylock surrendered Monday and is being held without bond.

Blaylock's attorney has said the former player blacked out just before the crash. Authorities have said Blaylock was also wanted elsewhere for failing to appear in court on a DUI charge.
Sudoku Instructions: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9 (no repeats).
Welcome Center staff greet the first crew of the summer as they arrive at Philmont on Fri., June 7. Crew 608G drove across the country by van from Indian Waters Council, of South Carolina. TIM MORGAN/ PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER

Hail covers the ground on Wed., June 5 in Base Camp. CONNOR SPURR/ PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER

Director of Program Mark Anderson (left) and Whiteman Vega Program Counselor Andy Ross direct staff as they place canvas over the yurt on Monday, June 3 at Whiteman Vega. The yurt took about four hours to erect. KATY MOONEY/ PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHY MANAGER

Backcountry staff bring out materials to build teepees for the backcountry during Living History on Sun., June 1 at the Kit Carson Museum. CASSIDY JOHNSON/ PHILNEWS PHOTOGRAPHER