

2006

THE PYLLET



*“The
Mystical
Bonds of
Brotherhood
Makes All
Men
Brothers”*



Welcome to the 2006 Pylet

Welcome to the 2006 Pylet. This past summer at Pyles Camp, you were able to experience things that many people never get a chance to experience. Some of the things you did were fun, while other things were challenging. We all have different abilities and we all were challenged by the activities at camp. The challenges we faced included hitting the target at archery, learning to ride a horse, taking the next step on the ropes course, trusting your friend to make your mask, having to clean your cabin each morning, spending five days in the backcountry on your backpacking trip and even learning to get along with your cabin-mates and accepting their differences. All the while, through these tests of courage and integrity, you learned more about yourself and discovered that you can do things you never imagined possible.

The purpose of the Pylet is to rekindle your Pyles Camp memories: the activities you took part in, the places you visited during Outcamp and most importantly the friendships you made with your fellow campers and staff. I hope the Pylet brings back all the memories and feelings you experienced at camp.

Shotgun - Pylet Editor



Shotgun

This Years Pylet is Dedicated to Jim "Maverick" & Gloria Uny

This years Pylet is dedicated to Jim "Maverick" and Gloria Uny. Maverick and Gloria moved onto the mountain several years ago and quickly became part of the Pyles Camp family. As with most mountain folk, they keep to themselves and we don't get to see them around camp as much as the rest of the staff, but if we need them they will drop everything to come help.

Over the years they have helped to open and close the camp and they maintain and service our generators and water systems. Maverick is a wealth of information and has the ability to troubleshoot and repair anything (at least everything we have thrown at him so far). They have flown supplies out to Lion Meadows, built a heliport at camp and brought in heavy equipment (backhoes, graders, loaders, cranes, trash dumpsters) for major projects around camp. The list is too extensive to note all the services they have provided. Camp would be hard pressed financially if we had to pay an outside contractor to do the things they have done for camp.

In January of 2006, a windstorm blew through camp and knocked down about thirty trees- three of which hit buildings: the back of the Mess Hall, the Outcamp Emporium and the Staff Kybo. Maverick and Gloria flew into camp, took pictures, and notified us of the situation. Maverick plowed the road into camp, cleared the trees from the buildings and covered up the holes to prevent additional damage from the snow. He also arranged for a crew to come in and remove the debris.

At the end of this summer Maverick brought in his equipment to remove the old staff kybo, haul off the debris and level the ground for the building of a new staff kybo. He also lowered the main electrical line by the generator building, removed an old building and leveled the ground in preparation for the building of a new storage facility.

We would like to thank you, Maverick and Gloria, for everything you have provided, for being just a radio call away when we need your help, and mostly for your friendship.



Maverick & Gloria



"The Kids"

Message from the Camp Director

“Tomorrow Begins Today”

Hello to all of you who spent your summer with us at Pyles Camp.

I hope you still carry with you the memories of your time at camp and I hope they are good memories. I think back on the summer and all the times we shared, and know how much we accomplished together.

We challenged you in many ways while you were with us. We asked you to begin to think about your future, and set goals for where you want to go. The future can seem so far away, and the obstacles too high. Remember the day you started on out camp? Your counselor pointed to a faraway location and said, “That’s where we are heading.” It seemed so far and Jerky was so steep you felt you could never make it.

Life is very similar. The goals you set may seem so far away and the obstacles so big, you become overwhelmed and want to give up. **Don’t!** Begin each day by looking back on the day before and deciding what you would do differently or in a better way. Then plan the day considering ways to impact your future goals in the most productive and positive way. Finally, the first step is always the hardest. Take the first step into your new day.

Remember, *Tomorrow Begins Today*, choose the right path.

~ *Beaver, Camp Director* ~



Beaver & Pam

Message from the Executive Director

“The First Time At Camp Is Very Special”

My First Year At Pyles

Even though I have been to dozens of camps as a visitor and camper and have been a camp director at 5 different camps, each time I come to a new camp I get butterflies in my stomach.

Just like most of you who were at camp for the first time, I was wondering what Pyles Camp was all about; were the counselors going to be OK, was the food going to be good, were the guys in my cabin going to be friendly, was I going to survive!

And just like you I found that everyone was friendly, the food was great (Nana is very special) and yes we were all going to survive...not just survive, we were going to learn and grow from our time at camp and take with us memories and a way of living that would last a lifetime.

The first time at camp is very special and I hope that along with me, you will remember the people, the life lessons, the great times and that we can survive anything!

Have a great year and keep in touch,

~ *Steve “Papa Smurf” Makoff, Executive Director* ~



A Message from Dolphin



“The Magic Of Pyles Camp”

Now that camp has finished and you are back at home with your relatives, look around and appreciate everything you have and everyone you know. Camp has taught you to care for and love others. No matter how much love the human heart holds, it never breaks because it is too full; a heart breaks because it is empty and alone. You are no longer alone. Sometimes you may feel like you are, but remember God is with you and you have the Pyles Camp family to help you in times of need.

At camp, we told you, “Don’t Give Up!” when you were confronted with obstacles. So, set goals, follow your dreams and fill your heart with joy, happiness, and love. Remember that message and grab your bottle of courage, your backpack full of tools and don’t give up as you improve life. Education is the key to success. Once you obtain that key it opens the doors to the world and your dreams.

I want to leave you with a thought to remember. *Your heart holds your deepest fears and secrets that only you know, but your heart also holds the courage and strength to do unimaginable things in this world. Only you hold the key and know how to open it!* Go out in the world and reach your goals. As you reach them, you will understand the “*Magic of Pyles Camp*”.

~ Dolphin - Outreach Coordinator ~



Best Wishes Wolf

We would like to wish Eddie “Wolf” Ramos the best as he continues his education. Wolf arrived at Pyles Camp as a camper coming from a rough life in a rough neighborhood. Through his years at camp, he worked his way up from camper to worker, specialist, counselor, and then AD. Wolf’s love of football helped to keep him off the streets and he was eventually awarded a scholarship to Humboldt State University, where he graduated with a degree in Sociology.

Shortly after graduating, Wolf started working full time at Pyles Camp as a Program Coordinator helping Beaver with the summer staff and selectors. He talked a lot about going back to college to earn a masters degree. With a lot of hard work that

included taking extra classes at Cal State LA, he was accepted into his school of choice—the University of Southern California, USC. Due to the requirements of the masters program, Wolf had to resign from his position with the camp.

Wolf, you were a great addition to the office staff; your attitude, presence and help will be missed.



~ Shotgun ~



Pyles Leadership Training



This year the Pyles Leadership Training (PLT's) group consisted of eight PLT's. We had five former campers; Hajikoo, Prince, Scorpion, X, and Striker. There were two interns from Notre Dame; Farmer and Hawk. We also had one walk-on, named Bunyan. We had a unique group of three instructors. Coach, the senior instructor, Sidewinder and the Camp Director, Beaver. Coach and Sidewinder began the session. When it was time for outcamp, Coach had to leave due to family commitments, and Beaver stepped in to finish the session.

The PLT program is an intense two weeks for the participants. We have many hours of lectures, role-playing, and shadowing of groups with discussions after each event. There are leadership challenges, games, and just like the campers, they go on outcamp.

The purpose of the Outcamp is to visit many of the campsites in the backcountry and give the PLT's a chance to practice some of the skills they learned. The instructors present certain situations that may occur if this was a group with campers. This gives the PLT a chance to work through possible situations before actually taking a group.

Participation in this session was also a personal goal for Beaver, since he has not been able to backpack for nearly nine years. Beaver's commitment to the PLT's and his love of Pyles Camp in whole helped him to achieve this goal. He did a wonderful job backpacking and it was as rewarding for him as it was for the PLT's. The PLT's did have a hard time figuring out how Beaver and Sidewinder would drop back, only to pass them by as they stopped for a break, and often ended up at the destination ahead of the group. You are never too old.

~ Sidewinder ~



1st Session

Bakersfield & Kern County



Bullet's Speeding Bullets

Salvador Gutierrez, Jorge Hernandez, David Longoria, Raul Perez, Tony Rosales, Nathaniel Salazar, Arthur Samudio, Joule Thomas



Bamm Bamm's Warriors

Stephen Davis, Cody Guevara, Guadalupe Hernandez, Juan Munoz, Martin Peinado, Juan Rodriguez, Royryk Stansbury



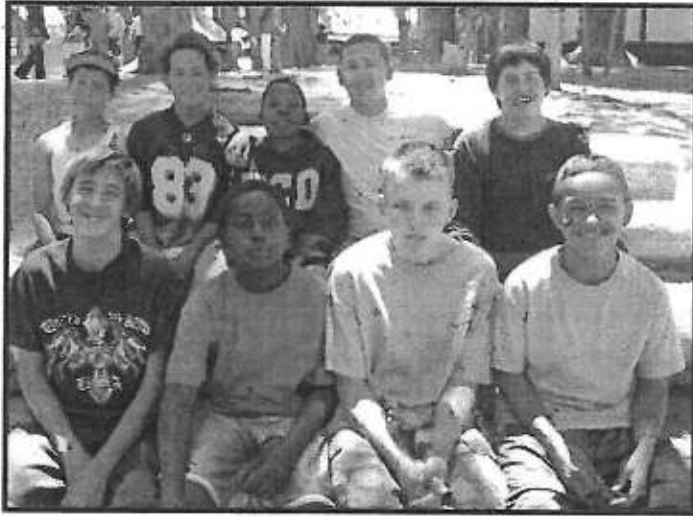
Dragon's Sierra Soldiers

Antonio Banuelos, Angel Barrientos, Ezequiel Castellanos, Juan Delgadillo, Jordan Hattobaugh, Javier Hernandez, Miguel Rocha

Goblin's Campers

Ruben Gomez, Jacob Gordon, Juan Hernandez, David Owen, Bryan Roberson, Michael Thrasher, Samuel Tumer





Flame's Fire Birds

Preston Clary, Albert Hernandez, Akkelle Holley, Jachele Howard, Todd Kennedy, Tobin Smithson, Bryan Stetson, Matt Wyatt



Blade's Sharp Shooters

Dominique Baker, Adom Bernal, Ian Cavish, Chris Enciso, Melvyn Gongora, Joshua Hefner, Terry Turpin, Jared Walker



Tractor's Troopers

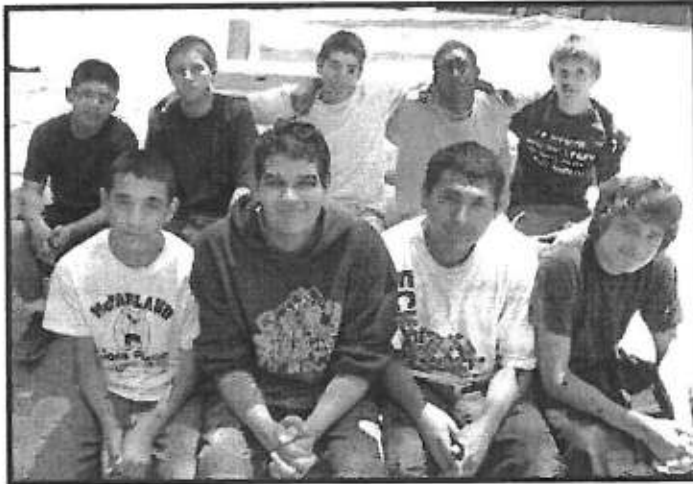
Shaminder Dhindsa, Clenton Howard, Steven Robles, Daniel Sanchez, Shaquille Shivers, Jonathan Stewert, Van Vandigriff, Cameron Werner



Gizmo's Troops

Jacob Alpen, Jose Reyes, Augie Rosales, Joe Sandoval, James Smith, Corey Stafford, Javier Zepeda

2nd Session Kern County & Los Angeles



Dragon's Rebels

Marco Camargo, Jonathan Chavez, Henry Fernandez, Jesse Ortiz, Adrian Sanchez, Israel Sanchez, Thadduas, Sistrunk, Kyle Woessner



Blade's Angels

Daniel Aguilar, Johnathan Alvarado, Luis Maradel, Angel Perez, Eric Samudio, Jose Topete, James Vanmilt



Highlander's Wolverines

Benjamin Avina, Juan Banuelos, Marcelino Estrada, Ivan Garza, Raven Henderson, Jordan Nadal, Fernando Perez, Elijah Serrano



Flame's T-Birds

Jesse Aguilar, Josue Ambriz, Rene Deniz, Daniel Murillo, Elliot Reyes, Mark Rodriguez, Isiah Romero, Joseph Soto



Bond's Crew

Eduardo, Bautista, Juan Casillas, Ishmael Frias, Pedro Luna, Adrian Melgoza, Humberto Palomera, Jonah Shaban, Robert Zaragoza



Gizmo's Gremlins

Alejandro Castaneda, Joshua Miles, Alfredo Robles, Nick Sanchez-Wong, David Silva, Michael Solis, David Tobias



Goblin's Diamonds

Javier Bobadilla, Ken Fields, Christian Pollard, Edgar Rios, Jonathan Silva, Gorgonio Tobias, Shaquille Williams

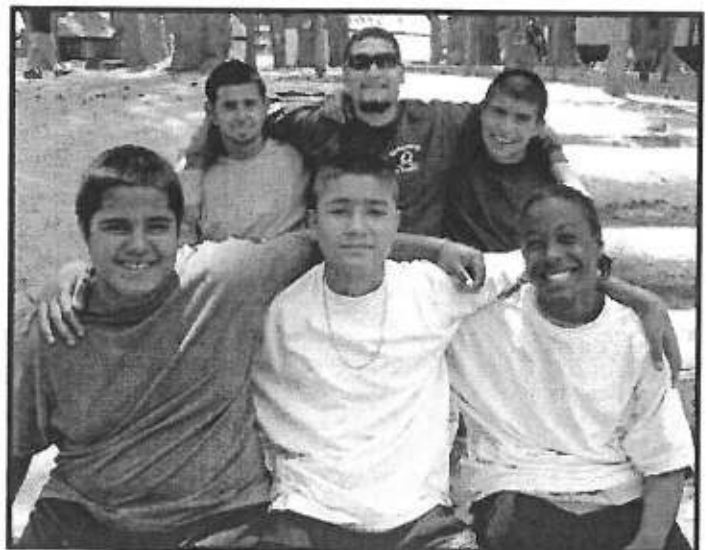


Spartan's Demons

Irving Aguilar, Clyde Bailey, Daniel Barajas, Louie Fernandez, Eddy Maldonado, Michael Smith, Robert Yanes, Caesar Zavala

Primo's Down For Camping

David Avina, Jerry Bates, Jesse Lopez, Jaime Pulido, Able Zavala



Pyles Camp Campers

"In A World Of Followers, Dare To Be A Leader"





3rd Session

Santa Maria



Farmer's Armored Knights

Victor Guzman, Mark Hernandez, Anthony Mendoza, Alfredo Miranda, Dakota Rivero, Rosendo Rosas, Jose Vasquez, Anthony Zuniga



Flame's Crushers

Anthony Arias, Raymond Armenta, Oscar Corona, Gabriel Fernandez, Ryan Grinstead, Daniel Hernandez, Louie Jacobo, Alexander Quinonez



Goose's Immortals

Jose Arias, Victor Burgos, Luis Carbajal, Noah Gonzalez, Benjamin Hernandez, Arthur Jacobo, Brady Kennedy, Jeremy Rush



Hawk's Predators

Andy Alvarado, Adrian Figueroa, Marshal Hollis, Alejandro Lopez, Caine Robbs



Highlander's Wolf Pack

Jesse Burgos, Nick Coronado, Chris Cota, Miles Hart, Francisco Montenegro, Seth Morgan, Angel Reynoso, Manuel Rios



Jester's Rascals

John Buelna, Jimmy Casas, Adrian Flores, Brandon Holland, John McMillan, Daniel Solla Lopez, Mason Talaugon, Derrick Teague



Misterio's Redwood Rattlers

Steve Barragan, Christian Chavez, Dioni Garcia, Shane Garcia, Jeremy Johnson, Alex Medina, Daniel Nunez, Joaquin Sanchez



Prince's Peeps

Randy Alvarado, Anthony Buitrago, Michael Curiel, Kyle Gillespie, Michael Lee, Jacob Shanbrom, Joseph Solla Lopez

4th Session

Ventura & Santa Barbara County



Blade's Boon Docks

Christopher Barnes, Joseph Castaneda, Alberto Conde, Raul Guerrero, Salvador Ibarra, Dalton Seek, Gus Sepulveda, Cody Simms



Cloud's Ninja Pirates

Angel Garcia, Dustin Grogg, Alexander Lionheart, Njamu McCrary-Sweder, Cory Morgan, Bryan Vargas



Dragon's Terminating Knights

Victor Corrales, Jose Gonzales, Ramsey Marquez, David Nunez, Danny Reilly, Luis Rosales, Shane Ross, Chris Schmid



X's X-Men

Martin Chavez, Richard Garcia, Brett Lopez, David Quinones, Zack Rock, Tony Smith, Alejandro Velazquez, Ronnie Wiley, Jr.



Goose's Blue Jackets

Alex Avalos, Nick Barker, Robert Carnes, Victor Garcia, Eddy Gaxiola, Joe Reyes



Ref's Big Boys

Robert Avila, Ernesto Barrios, Cesar Campos, Rael Cortez, Fernando Garcia, Salem Hawatmeh, Maurice Marin, Ralph Webb



Prince's Bulldogs

Cristian Garcia, John Gonzales, Gary Hayes, Carlos Lopez, Patrick Ramirez, Gabriel Ruelas, Maximillian Sterner, Brett Wells



Scorpion's Stingers

Dustin Christian, Anthony Davis, Ryan Davis, Paul Gonzales, Clinton Hamilton, Fernando Perez, Sergio Perez, Gaige Strong



Farmer's Falcons

Luke Bailey, Raymond Granados, Gabriel Lomeli, Travis Malone, Ezequiel Morales, Alex Rivas, Simon Trujillo, Keyshawn Willis

Pyles Camp Activities

Ropes Course, Horseback Riding, Archery, Crafts, Nature, Fitness & Work Details





5th Session

Long Beach & Orange County



Bunyon's All Stars

Aaron Bernal, Jeremy Corona, Adam Navarro, Darwane Rankins, Darrell Som, Lorenzo Spatola, Lucas Spencer



Flame's Track Boys

David Boone, Josh Kelsner, OJ Lundberg, Michael Martin, George Paniagua, Bryan Rodriguez, Christian Shank, Jose Torres



Goblin's Sasquatches

Isaac Corona, Elvin Flores, Fernando Guerrero, Michael McLaughlin, Nicholas Scarnecchia, Gabriel Toro, Caesar Torres, William Wang



Dolphin's 7 Seas

Hugo Bustos, Justin Castillo, Sunny Dacosta, David Joseph Hart, Hector Torres, Kevin Williams, Alexander Wilson



Primo's Crazy 8

Carlos Corona, Juan Guido, Zach Martin, Jose Medina, Louis Rayner, Kevin Slevin, Cain Torres, Alex Zickefoose



Misterio's Mystical Soldiers

Brandon Aguire, Erik Bustos, Eddie Gutierrez, Judah Howard, Jesus Langarica, Wayne McIntire, Cristian Palma, Jose Poblete



Ref's Brothers

Orlando Arriaga, Tracey Benjamin, Andrew Hernandez, Andrew Overmyer, David Rayner, Ricardo Rocha, DeAndre Sanders, Vicente Vega



X's X-Squad

Brennan Crawford, Genaro Garcia, Jose Gonzales, Damian Ponce, Xavier Ruiz, Douglas Wise

6th Session

South Bay Areas



Blade's Trinidads

Artisa Brown, Christian Frias, William Owens, Chayne Sigler, Jason Williams

Breakaway's Saints

Terrell Bradford, Rudy Delgado, Johathan Riedy, Joseph Shemesh



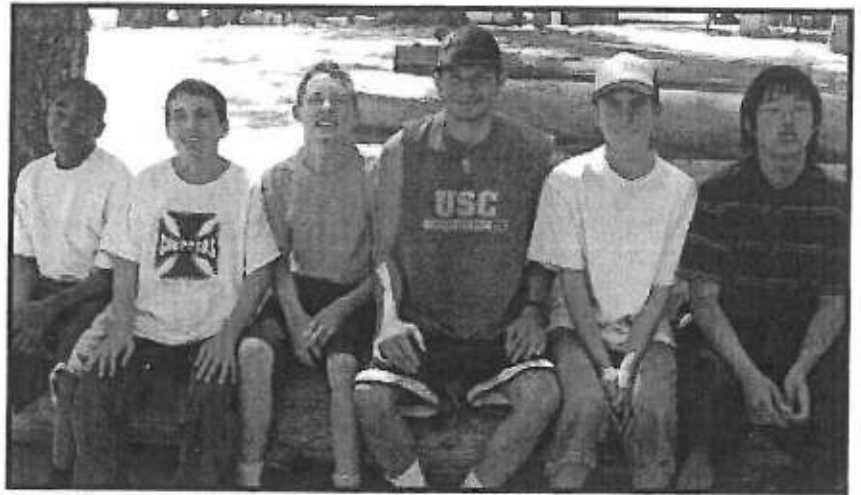
Dragon's Warriors

Ryan Backe, Carlos Castro, Joseph Lograsso, Raul Mendoza, Seeman Reed, Julian Taylor



Lobo's Scorpions

Artel Brown, William Gunnar, David Lee, Shane Monreal, Nate Williams



Speedy's Bobcats

Austin Musolff, Vincent Perez, Charles Poh, Anthony Scroggins, Arin Smith



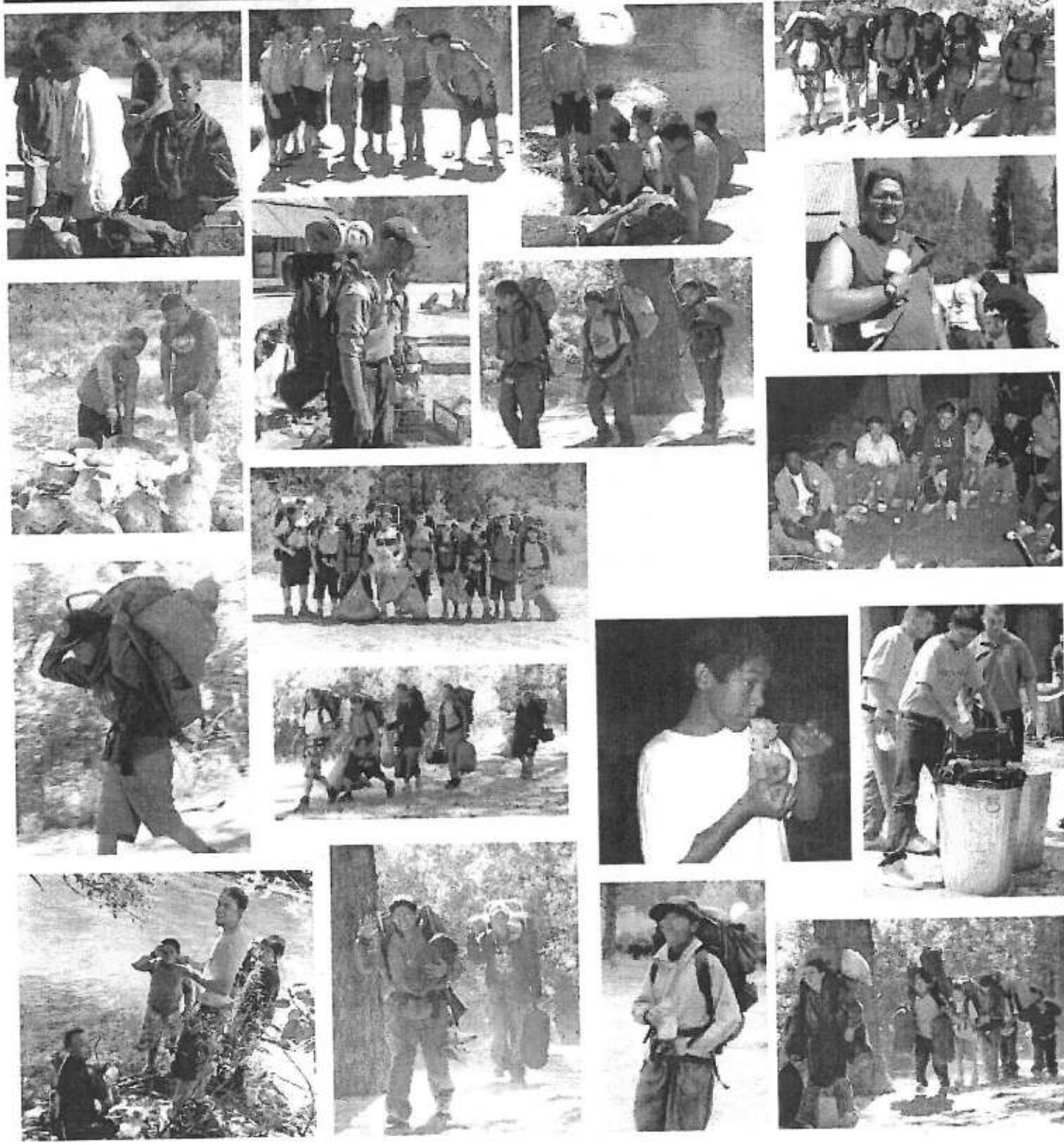
Vortex's Knights

Egberto Foster, David Houts, Mehmet Istrefi, Henry Mayen, Liam Williams



Outcamp

*Challenge + Team Work + Self Confidence =
You Reached Your Goal!*





Lion Meadows

Dear Lioneers,

Hello, I hope your time since camp has been great and that every now and then you reflect back on your time at Lion Meadows. I know that I often find myself thinking about all the great memories we shared together this summer. I hope that you not only think about all the fun you had, but also all the lessons you learned during your two weeks. Take a moment to remember all the things you experienced at Lion Meadows; that the only way to achieve your dreams is through hard work, that a real man does what he knows is right, not what other people think is cool. Remember the struggle of outcamp hikes, and the great sense of accomplishment you felt when we reached our beautiful destinations.

Just like you were told at Lion Meadows, you no longer have excuses not to be the best person you can be. Summer may be done but Pyles camp still is there for you and believes in you. At Lion Meadows we gave you many tools so that you can build the life you want, a life of success and accomplishment. It is up to you to use these tools in your everyday life in order to fulfill the goals you have set for yourself. Your life is completely in your hands, only you can chose the right thing to do, the hard work to put in, and only you are responsible for making the most of everyday. Take time everyday to remember all the life lessons you learned at Pyles Camp and Lion Meadows, and make sure you use them everyday. Keep the magic of Pyles Camp in your heart and have a great and successful year.

*Sincerely,
Rusty*



1st Session Lioneer
Mcfly, Cloud

Scott Foster, Isaac Haro, Fernando Leos, Robert Menchaca, Robert Ripley, Kristopher Ross, Camaron Starr



2nd Session Lioneers
Mcfly, Rusty, Tractor

Jaime Castaneda, Julian Castillo, Jose Castro, Paul Comejo, Ramiro Garcia, William Gutierrez, DeShawn Jennings, Patrick McEnulty, Ricky Ripley, Kevin Sanchez, Joseph Smith



3rd Session Lioneers

Rusty, Batman

Andrew Bonucci, Tyler Chamness, Fidel Correa, Miguel Garcia, Brandon Gilder, Gamaliel Godinez, Armando Martinez, Brittan Morgan, Francisco Santa Cruz, Jordan Williams



4th Session Lioneers

Misterio & Striker's Group

4th Session Lioneers – Two Groups

Rusty, Misterio, Striker, Oso, Hawk

Jacob Anaya, Edgar Bernabe, Jeremy Brieby, Tylor Buchanan, Calvin Lias, Jorge Lopez, Alexis Madrid, Sean Miller, Jesse Ojeda, Aaron Olivas, Anthony Owens, David Priest, Anthony Showalter, Connor Sullivan, Leonardo Vasquez, Jorge Victoriano



5th Session Lioneers

Rusty, Tractor

Andrew Diaz, Anthony Diaz, Arturo Flores, Francisco Garcia, Brennan Hales, Omar Morales, Marcelo Nambo, Josh Quinonez, Jeremy Romero, Mata Tagoloa, Jordan Wilson

4th Session Lioneers

Oso & Hawk's Group



6th Session Lioneers

Mcfly, Cloud, Bunyon

Chris Aldama, Enrique Cruz, Taylor Estrada, Dylan Hardman, Jesse Lopez, Jerod Manos, Daniel Pimblett, Gilbert Rojas, Miguel Rojas, Christopher Spangler, Victor Torres

The Voyager Program

“A Lifetime Of Memories In A Two Week Adventure”

To all Voyagers and Future Voyagers,

It was a great experience and a privilege to be your lead counselor. I would like you all to remember back when we were heading towards Coyote Lakes. Remember the feeling of frustration and being tired from the long hike; remember the feeling of choosing happiness. Remember when one of your fellow voyagers, sang “Bad Day” by Daniel Prowler. His choice was happiness and he took a bad situation and turned it into a great one. I want to challenge you to do the same: CHOOSE HAPPINESS. In your life, things are not always going to go your way and setbacks in your life will happen. Instead of getting down on yourself or on what happens, CHOOSE HAPPINESS. Learn from it and choose happiness.

~ Bamm-Bamm ~ 3rd Session Voyager Leader ~



3rd Session Voyagers

Bamm Bamm, Scorpion, Gator

George Alvarado, Cody Gerarden, Alex Guevara,
Rogelio Jimenez, Carl Johnson, Juan Medina

4th Session Voyagers

Highlander, Flame

Gabriel Boyer, James Derry, Travone Kerr, Malcolm McAllister, Alex Melgoza, Boaz Mouzon, Arturo Ochoa, Jeovanny Rodriguez, Steven Saleh, Robert Villegas



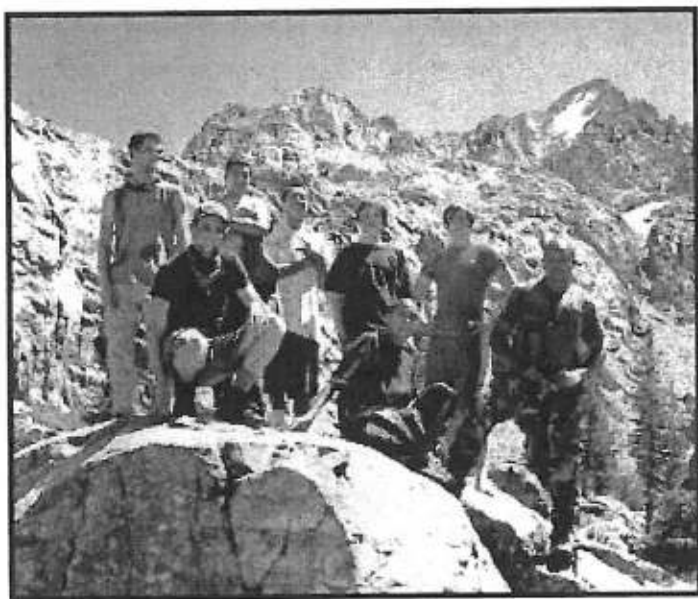


5th Voyagers

Memories From The Pacific Crest Trail

The fifth session Voyager trip was something to remember! We did something that no other Pyles group had ever done before: A seven-day circumnavigation of the Minaret mountain range. This journey taught us so much about the world we live in and, perhaps more importantly, taught us much about ourselves. Cloud and I were astounded; as I am sure the voyagers themselves were, by the lengths to which our bodies and our minds could be pushed. From climbing thousands of feet on trails that were not even deserving of the name, to skirting crystal-blue alpine lakes, to crossing one of the southernmost glaciers in the Sierras, we learned that some of the harshest places and the toughest climbs yield the best views and the most rewarding results. Cloud and I would again like to thank Greg "Strider" Hummel and Paul Hacker, without whom this trip would not have succeeded (nor would it have been thought up). I would also like to thank and congratulate every voyager who came with us, without whom there would be no reason for a trip to be planned. No limits, guys. No limits.

~ *McFly* ~



McFly, Cloud, Strider

David Boller, Yovani Estrada,
Javier Gonzalez, Michael Hales,
Malcolm McAllister, Jose Ojeda



John "Grandpa John" Suniga

Camper, Volunteer & Staff Member

"This summer was an eye opener. I did not know how much work goes on behind the scenes," says John "Grandpa John" Suniga, after spending the summer at camp. John was a camper in 1958. He remembers getting the flu and Nana bringing him soup. John came back to camp in the 1980's to help at a work party and has returned every year since. When his grandson "Chainsaw" was old enough to work he would bring him along to the work parties.



**Grandpa John
& Weasel**

This summer John drove Chainsaw to camp for the 1st session and planned to stay for a few days. Smokey, a former camp director, had a saying around camp that if you stay for one day you're a visitor, stay for two days you're a guest, and if you stay for three days, we'll put you to work. Beaver and Wolf talked John into signing a contract on a session-by-session basis and he ended up working all six sessions. "Grandpa John" was the maintenance specialist overseeing all the daily maintenance needs around the camp. Thank you for all your help.

~ Shotgun ~



Family Bonds



Rest Period?



Pyles Camp Olympics

"Together Everyone Achieves More"





“Beyond The Washing Machine”

The Freeman Creek begins near the “Top of the Hill” and flows down through camp, eventually entering the Kern River. During one of your hikes, you may have visited the “Washing Machine,” a favorite stop along the Freeman creek. The area of Freeman Creek beyond the Washing Machine is not really visited anymore these days; but in years past, it was used quite often by groups on day hikes and on Outcamp. Alumni talk about going to the Cascades and to a pool just before the Kern River they called Zombie Lake.

During second session, my nephew, “Squirt Gun,” and I loaded up our packs and headed out with the goal to venture beyond the Washing Machine and see if we could follow the creek all the way to the Kern River. Shortly past the Washing Machine, the old trail is hard to find and eventually disappears leaving us to cross-country the rest of the way. On our path, we found many of the old campsites and some great sections of the creek for playing in the water and fishing. We picked the farthest site down the creek to set up our camp.

A couple miles down creek we came to the cascades, a section where the creek falls a couple hundred feet down waterfalls. It was a tough hike down the side of the mountain making our way to the bottom of the cascades, but the view looking back up was impressive. Beyond the cascades it proved very rugged and overgrown stopping us about a quarter mile from reaching the Kern River.

Our adventure beyond the Washing Machine was a lot of fun. We got to see some great sites, we scared off a large bear, found a log freshly ripped open by some animal, challenged ourselves to cross-country down the Freeman Creek and I got to spend some time on outcamp with my nephew.



“The Cascades”

~ Shotgun ~



Work party volunteers stepped up to the challenge

This was not a typical year for Pyles Boys Camp. I have helped open and close camp nearly every year for the past twenty years and have not seen the damage that we received this year. In past years we have come into camp and seen trees down but by luck they have missed the buildings or the ones that did hit the buildings were small enough to cause little to no damage.

This year a windstorm hit camp in January 2006 and blew down a lot of trees, three of which hit buildings. The staff restroom and the "Greeny" had a tree fall on them, the back of the messhall roof got smashed when a tree hit it and a large tree demolished the front and side wall of the outcamp emporium. It takes a lot of work and time to get the camp ready on a regular year and with the damage I was not sure we could get camp ready by the start of the summer.

This years work party volunteers really stepped up to the challenge and got the job done. By the end of the first work party camp was looking good and after the second work party the volunteers had the camp back in shape ready to start another summer. There is no way we could have pulled it off without the hard work from our dedicated Pyles Camp volunteers.

Special recognition goes to my dad, Dennis King, for spending thirteen days rebuilding the outcamp emporium which involved clearing debris, jacking up the building, setting beams and completely rebuilding a sidewall, front wall and about a third of the roof.

Thank you to all that helped get camp ready for the summer.

~ Shotgun ~



< The Outcamp Emporium



The Damage >



< Rebuilt Outcamp Emporium

Messhall Roof >



< Trees Down



< Staff KYBO

The Staff

Thank You for your Dedication!







1st Session

2006 Summer Staff



2nd Session



3rd Session

*The staff
that make
the magic
happen!*



4th Session



5th Session



6th Session



2006 Staff Addresses

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Batman	Cesar Jamenez	2848 Via Suspiro	San Ysidro	CA	92173
Billy Bear	Jose Romo	8112 Bertal St.	Lamont	CA	93241 (661) 845-9341
Blade	Gaylon Cowan	1182 Hwy 63 South	Lucedale	MS	39452 (601) 947-6158
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Bug Eye	John Papastathis	685 Gonzales Road	Santa Fe	NM	87501 (505) 989-1931
Bullet	Noriel Lim	1600 W. Bradley Ave. #F123	Champaign	IL	61821 (217) 355-0159
Bunyon	Michael Carter	14009 Westbury Ave.	Bakersfield	CA	93314 (661) 589-0258
Chachi	Yosua Ferrin	P.O. Box 411771	Los Angeles	CA	90041 (323) 259-8489
Chainsaw	Brandon Carlton	133 Bucareli Dr.	San Francisco	CA	94132 (415) 469-0102
Champ	Chad Alyea	3006 Giovanetti Avenue	Bakersfield	CA	93313 (661) 845-4656
Chino	Anthony Lucio	1405 Isabell Road	Bakersfield	CA	93306 (661) 889-7113
Cloud	Richard McEnulty	16126 Black Hawk Ave.	Bakersfield	CA	93314 (661) 589-9618
Coach	Stan Moe	4807 Cheltenham Ct.	Bakersfield	CA	93313 (661) 588-7055
Copper Head	Daniel Swan	1617 Sheffield Dr.	Lompoc	CA	93436 (805) 735-9437
Dragon	Jose Molina	826 E. 9th St. #D	Long Beach	CA	90813 (562) 437-7842
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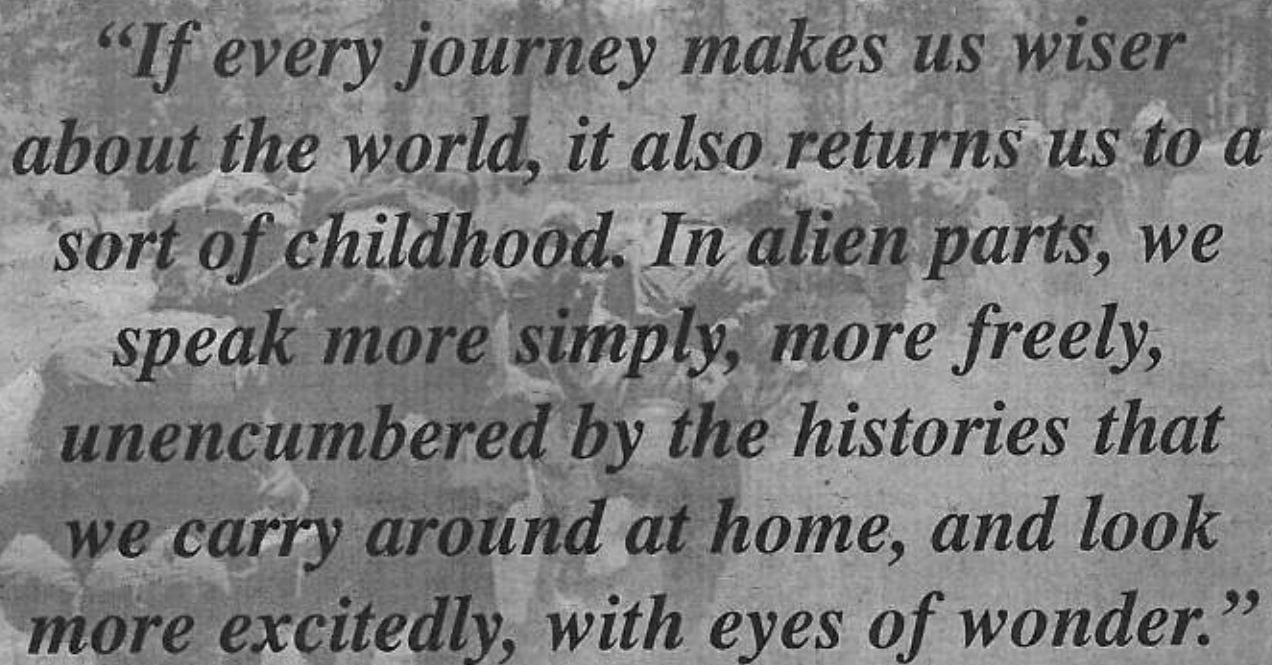
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