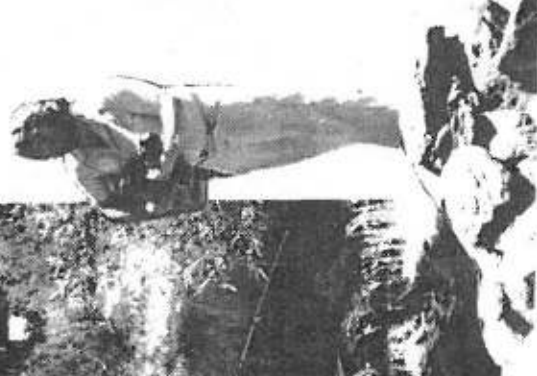


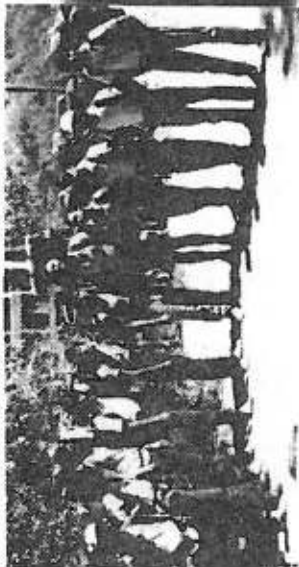
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R.M. PYLES BOYS CAMP

**SUMMER
FUN
'82!**



TRAINING
SESSION



Lion Meadows

Lion Meadows is a program for second year campers who have been recommended for the experience by their first year's counselor.

This year, 32 young men participated in the program at the wilderness camp. The 1982 LIONEERS are:

First Session (July 9 - 23):

Victor Perez	Ruben Gonzales
Louis Thompson	Scott Roller
Hayben Hurtado	Billy Perrie
Anthony Zubia	Jesus Castro
Edward Lee	Bobby Gil

Second Session (July 23 - August 5):

Joe Powers	Leonard Hill
Nick Gonzales	Brad Walters
Andrew Carey	Darwin Turner
Martin Perez	Derek Lisowski
Jose Castillo	Steve Barry
Joey Castor	Bryan Morrisette

Third Session (August 6 - 19):

John Thompson	Troy Brandenberg
Lincoln Hudgens	Miguel Mijares
Mike Kingsbury	Shawn Mitchell
Kevin Pierce	Kent Johnson
David Booth	Kevin Smith

Lion Meadow Counselors were: First Session, Woody and Hermano. Second Session, Fiddler, Bravo, and Teddy Bear. Third Session, Fiddler, Lucy, and Puma.

Congratulations to all who attended this program. Some of you will possibly be invited to return to Camp as members of the working staff, depending on the recommendations of your counselors, and on how well you are doing at home and at school. Write and let us know!

+++ NOTE TO THIS YEAR'S CAMPERS: Some of you showed your counselors the potential we are looking for, and you may be invited to return next year to attend the Lion Meadows program. Most of you know who you are, and we need to hear from you also on how you are doing. So please write to us...and maybe we'll see you again next year! +++

It takes a lot of work to make the Camp go a lot of it before first session even starts. On April 9, 10 and 11 the counselors and workers joined the directors at the Camp office for a Staff Training Session to prepare themselves for the summer. And on the weekends of May 15-16 and May 22-23, oilmen and their families volunteered some of their time to come up to the Camp and help get it supplied and in shape for the season. A lot of this work couldn't be done without their help, and we

are very grateful to them for their contributions of time, experience and materials.



WORK
PARTIES

FIRST SESSION

June 11- June 24

Bakersfield



LIBERTY'S "EAGLES": Leonardo Alvarado, Dion Henry, Jimmy Lee Henry, Rodney Hendrix, Aaron Younggreen, Terry Schroeder, Dean Doremus, Antron Womack.



BADGER'S "BRAVES": Brian Stafford, Troy Perry, Felipe Reyes, Frank Gutierrez, Robert Ledbetter, Brian Akins, Lacy Whitmore, Chris Rivera.



TOUCHE'S "KOOL AND THE GANG": Pedro Perez, Tim Gomez, Albert Porter, Bobby Gil, Ruben Gonzales, Tris Farrow, Joe Bolanos, Jeff Stevenson.

HONOR GROUP



Once in a long, long while a group will be so outstanding that the ENTIRE STAFF votes to recognize them as an HONOR GROUP. It happened this summer, first session, with Touche's group, shown above. In addition to the group recognition, every one of the campers was awarded the HONOR CAMPER star. Our heartiest congratulations to these fine young men for this great achievement!



SLICK'S "ARTESIANS": Edward Webber, James Quinn, Steven Behill, Rene Zubia, Joe Jordan, Jim Minnick, Rodger Zorrila, Mike Maxson, David Soto.



JULIO'S "RANGERS": Paul Rucks, Bub Fleetwood, Jimmie Robinson, Reginald Johnson, Max Garris, Chris Turney, Cliff Sager, Frank Perez.



O'RILEY'S "RATTLERS": Gilbert Gomez, Pete Castro, Brian Reneau, Alan Lavers, Jim Kramer, Brent Frost, Sean Moran, Bill Helms.



PUMA'S "PIRATES": Jason Nadall, Raymond McIntosh, Keith Dixon, Jose Padilla, Marchant Roberts, Brian Vergini, Joe Spar.



SMILEY'S "NIGHTHAWKS": Kenny Spinhger, Shane Jett, Kevin Dixon, Buddy Mills, Larry Dill, Scott White, Mike Landowski, Chuck Sothan.

TEDDY BEAR'S "TROJANS": Jim Burton, Sergio Campos, David Patrick, Bill Barton, Ken Landowski, Ted Reuter, Mike Stracene, Aaron Gill.



HONOR CAMPERS - Ruben Gonzales, Bobby Gil, Tim Gomez, Jeff Swenson, Albert Porter, Tris Farrow, Pedro Perez, Joe Bolanos, Edward Webber, Morchaunt Roberts, Chris Rivera, Brian Akins, Sergio Campos.

SECOND SESSION

June 25 - July 8

East L.A., Kern County, Sacramento



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TOUCHE'S "TURTLES": Michael Hernandez, Rich Eldridge, Michael Heath, Dan Adams, John Horn, Michael Rossi, Alberto Arteaga, Jestee Dixon.



PUMA'S "DRAGONS": David Chmielenski, Luis Contreras, Marcos Sanchez, Juan Torres, Moe Herd, Felix Mora, David Garcia, Juan Jimenez.



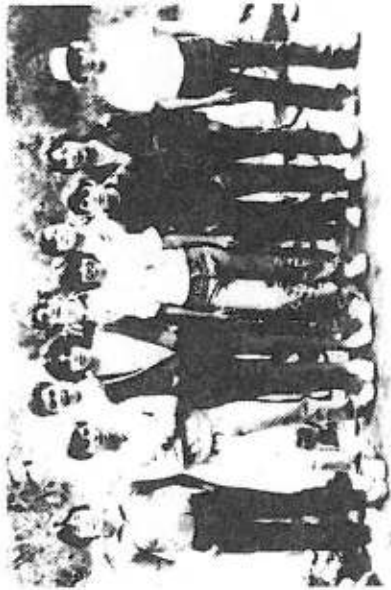
HERMANO'S "DESTROYERS": Sam Vizicarra, Maurice Moore, Misael Garcia, Sergio Garcia, Rosendo Lopez, John Allen, Louis Thompson, Chad Bell.



JULIO'S "RIDERS": Gabriel Onate, Victor Rivero, Alfonso Salazar, Donny Pierce, Thomas Mott, William Ramirez, David Billingsley, Harold Miggins.

HONOR CAMPERS - Michael Hernandez, Alberto Artaga, Jestee Dixon, Rosendo Lopez, Sergio Garcia, John Allen, David Billingsley, Gabriel Onate, Alfonso Salazar, William Ramirez, Allan Clement, Gerardo Jimenez, Abel Dominguez, Jose Romo, Scott Crippen, Bryan Cleveland, Joe Rowen.





O'RILEY'S "BOYS FROM COMPANY C": Mark Gallegos, Edward Cabrera, Sammy Meras, Jose Sanchez, Hugo Slifer, Jorge Romo, David Oliveras, Vicente Aguillar, Jared Brown.



SMILEY'S "OUTDOORSMEN": Jose Romo, Allan Clement, Jorge Chavez, Edward Carillo, Gerardo Jimenez, Jim Salyards, Mark Martin, Abel Dominguez. Not pictured - George Cortez.



ROCKY'S "ROCKERS": Richard Fadden, Ricky Ravalcaba, Gus Hernandez, Carlos Garcia, Santiago Neri, Uriel Munoz, Miguelito Quinten, Scott Crippen.



TEDDY BEAR'S "TROOPERS": Wayne Nelson, Gabriel Sanchez, Paul Campbell, Jason Keenly, Andy Gallegos, Brian Cleveland, Luis Rivero, Lloyd Lovelace -Not pictured.



GOPHER'S "GANG": Jacinto Artiaga, Marty Wiggins, Robert Ford, Rene Serrano, Mike Campbell, Joe Rowen, Jesus Serrano, Efrain Barragan.

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THIRD SESSION

July 9 - 22
 San Fernando Valley,
 Santa Barbara, L.A. County



NIKE'S "NIGHTHAWKS": Ralph Favela, Steve Bailey, Charles Price, Darrion Wilson, Jorge Reynoso, Chris Johnson, Francisco Vasquez. Not pictured - Jesse Gonzales.



SARGE'S "FOUR 5: SARGE'S SUPER SCOUT SQUADRON": Todd Cambelli, Ben Munoz, Phillip Briggs, Joey Valejo, Joaquin Bell, Andre Travis, Chris Schwake, Max Goodman.



O'RILEY'S "EXPLORERS": Joe Merez, Pablo Delatorre, David Franco, Louis Jones, Ken Webb, Clint Sands, Sean Deslauriers, Jim Brotherton.



PUMA'S "RADICALS": Jesus Armas, Joey Castor, Errol Cook, Mike Handson, Frank Montoya, Tavi Moreno, Nick Gonzales, Richard Shunon.
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HONOR CAMPERS - Max Goodman, Chris Schwake, Joey Castor, Nick Gonzales, Jim Anderson, Robert Noone.





ROCKY'S "APACHE WARRIORS": Thomas Wilder, Brian Macaluso, Eddie DeSantiago, Ouidel Stevenson, Marco Gonzales, David Ziggins, John Karavidas, Kevin Koontz, Efen Carrasco.



BIKE'S "CRUSADERS": Paul Diaz, Marty Wade, Cliff Enright, Bryan Rivera, Mario Alvarez, Tony Martinez, Sean Johnson, Ricky Brazier.



LOU'S "TRAILBLAZERS": Francisco Padron, Robert Thompson, Jim Anderson, Erwin Baldwin, Troy Bogar, Dean Earing, Duane Holte, Mike Lopez.



FIDDLER'S "REDWOODS": David Bonifacio, Eric Cook, David Finocchio, Mitchell Lane, Michael Marlow, Oliver Owenby, Cory Salery, Tony Tejada.

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PSYCHO'S "BLADERUNNERS": Chris Fain, Paul Franco, Bart Grates, Jesus Lopez, Edin Melgar, Robert Noone, Jose Rojas.

CARTOONS by "GREMMIE"



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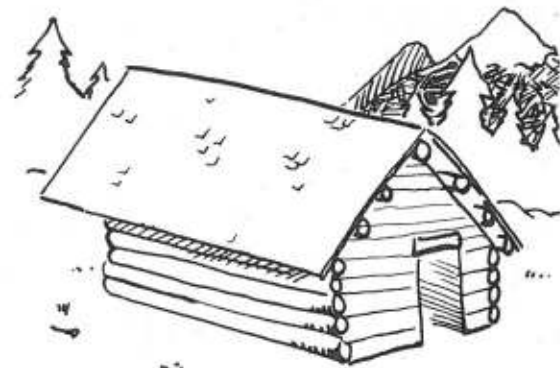
FOURTH SESSION
July 23 - August 5
Huntington Beach,
Long Beach



NIKE'S "KNIGHTS": Dennis Pippin, John Happold,
 Paul Holmes, Raymond Humphrey, Paul Walter,
 Troy Stephens, Gary Williams.

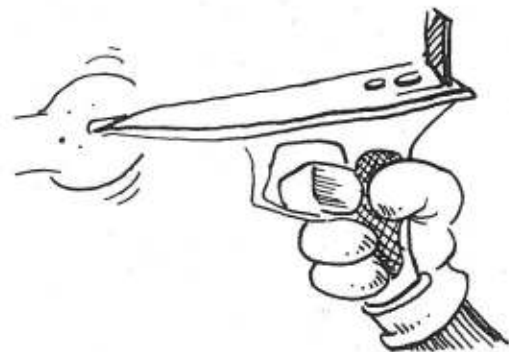


HERMAND'S "HIKERS": Michael Bullock, Preston
 Childress, Mark DeMoss, Mike Galvan, Eric
 Richard, Sandar Khunn, Brian Martin.



PUMA'S "PIONEERS": Randy Grove, Keith Hauser,
 Juan Lopez, Manokham Luangsisongkham, Kevin
 Upton, Walter Tobar, Freddy Towns.

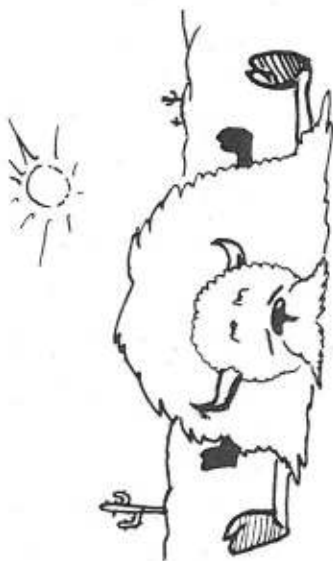
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BADGER'S "ENERGIZERS": Gary Carter, David Chinn,
 Manothong Luangsisongkham, Charlie Morgan,
 Esteban Nieto, Richard Olmedo, David Skoczyla.



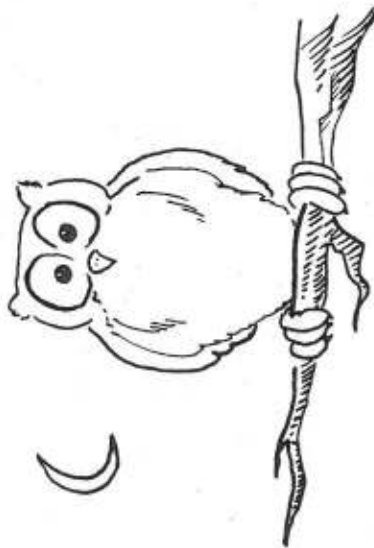
HONOR CAMPERS - Manuel Martinez, Walter
 Tobar, Freddy Towns, Kevin Upton,
 J.J. DiGiaromo, Aurelio Ramos.



O'RILEY'S "INCREDIBLE 7": Don Balboa, Steve DePuis, Adolfo Lopez, Herbie Evans, Gilbert Perez, Chris Santucci, Roshon Thomas.



JULIO'S "WARRIORS": Sam Gutierrez, Joe Kuban, Ross Hastings, Art Raequejo, Jimmy Schafer, Juan Vasquez, Eddie Weinmann.



ROCKY'S "NIGHTHAWKS": Albert Gonzalez, Dino Taylor, Johnny Lopez, Manuel Martinez, Chris Pohl, Bobby Sharp, Manuel Zavape.



MANZANITA'S "MAD DOGS": Mike Ellmore, Paco Frausto, John Lawrence, Sonny Mason, John Perez, Fenton Sheppard, Joey Stowell.



BIKE'S "BIKERS": Wes Baragas, Kenny Butler, J.J. DiGiaromo, Jesus Gonzales, Jason Gormley, Aurelio Ramos, Anthony Russell.

CARTOONS by "GREMMIE"

IN MEMORY: OLD TOBY

In 1959, Pyles Camp acquired a 2-year-old mule and named him Toby. From the beginning there was something special about Toby. In those days there were no roads into Camp, and all supplies and materials had to be brought in on the backs of men, horses and mules. Toby did his share of that work, and more. As the most gentle and sure-footed of the mules, he soon became the favorite of all those in Camp. Whenever a camper had to be taken out due to injury or illness, it fell to Toby to carry him. For many years he was prominent in the line for horseback rides. He was the favorite of Mr. Pyles himself, who rode Toby into Camp whenever he came for a visit.

On July 22 of this year, Toby came to the end of his long and productive life. He was very old for a mule, and his body that had served the Camp so well had given out. When he died, he was buried on the hillside overlooking the Camp he loved. A monument was built on the gravesite, and a special memorial service was held during sixth session. A song, sung to the tune of the folk song "Old Stewball", was sung in honor of Toby.

Toby will be missed by his many friends; but his spirit of hard work, dedication and love will live on.



TOBY'S SONG

*Old Toby was a camp mule,
And he packed through these hills,
Mr. Pyles used to ride him,
And I think he does still.*

*For twenty-five years,
He brought in supplies,
He gave all he had,
Now he roams through the skies.*

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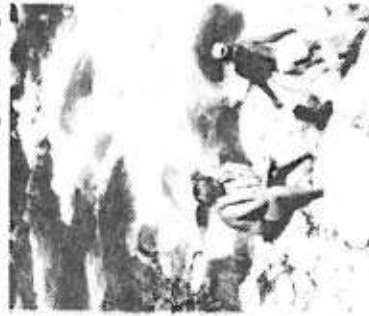
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RIVER DAY



One day during fifth session, the ENTIRE CAMP walked down to the Kern River for an exciting day of swimming, fishing, diving, shooting the rapids, and water contests.

Lunch and dinner were packed down by our loyal mule Toby II, and the day was topped off with a fried chicken and watermelon dinner. After some quiet moments, everybody hiked back up the Angel's Flight trail in the gathering darkness. A lot of fun was had by everyone, and they all slept well that night!



PARTY!



On an evening during sixth session, a party was held in the mess hall. Nobody was admitted without a costume, and the imaginations went wild! And speaking of wild...every group presented a song or skit, and there were some pretty crazy games. Nana provided cupcakes and Colonel provided soda pops to top off the event.



FIFTH SESSION

August 6-19

Ventura County



RANGER'S "ATTACKERS": Darrell Koontz, Eddie Hernandez, Curtis Schlobohm, Rick McPherson, Phil Rockwell, Jim Shank, Eric McBride.



BIGFOOT'S "SEVEN TOES": Todd Mitchell, Rick Gonzales, Raul Murello, Brett Zielsdorf, Brian Rodney, Anthony Romero, Joe Maallanes.



JULIO'S "REDTAILS": Ralph Alamillo, Jim Chase, Eugene Terry, Marc Charpentier, Brad Miller, Ted Taylo Alan Griego, Adam Rubin.



LIBERTY'S "CAMPERS": Gabe Ruiz, Carlos Mijares, Shane Spears, Manuel Bautista, Roger Del Toro, Robert Dietz, Mike Valdez.



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August 6 - 19

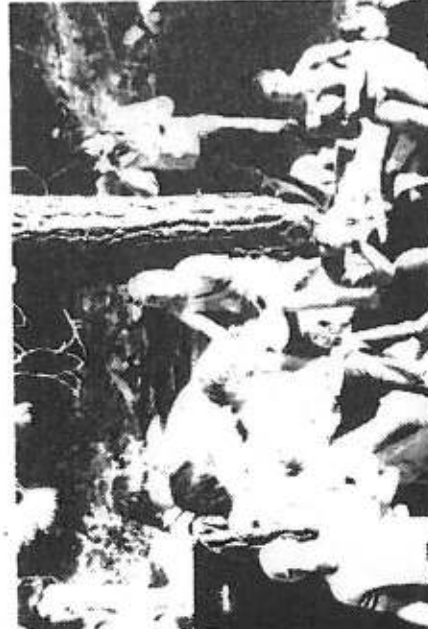
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GOPHER'S "WARRIORS": Robert Velasquez, Mark DeLao, Johnny Adame, Dwayne Allen, Eric Koontz, Tim Jacobs, Jim Kolek, Doug Kopp.



TEDDY BEAR'S "BUCCANEERS": Steve Rivera, Erik Gilstrap, Albino Barretto, Albert Hudson, Tom Baxter, Curtis Bybee, Freddy Ramirez, Philip Herman.



MANZANITA'S "SCORPIONS": Yuri Seals, Ken Bryant, Robert Seay, William Garcia, Craig Yarges, Gabe Hinojosa, Lawrence Cottrell.



TORO'S "CAVALIERS": Patrick Mitchell, Kevin Lopez, Tony Kulzer, Corey Thom, Isaac Robles, George Barretto, Paul Gonzales.



GREMLIN'S "GREMLINS": Oliver Farmer, Isaac Brown, Dean Harp, Chad Johnson, David Meiser, Sean Houle, Roy Eltham.

SIXTH SESSION

Aug. 20 - Sept. 2
Orange & Tulare
Counties



AMIGO'S "NIGHT OWLS": Angelo Harris, Robert Nolan, Nick Figueroa, Jose Elizondo, Robert Mitchell, Brian Eichler, Mark Kanshige, Bill Harris.



RICOCHET'S "RAMBLERS": Robert Blaut, Steve Pabst, Scott Latourette, Rob Hobson, Clint Noland, David Cook, Enrique Barajas, Peter Apetroaie.

LEAF'S "TRAILBOYS": Robert Mays, Norman Goeschl, Ed Martinez, Art Ramirez, John Henry Williams, Enrique Ramos, Mark Massey, Frank Guerrero.



TOUCHE'S "E.T.U.F.K.: EXTRA TERRESTRIAL UNIDENTIFIED FLYING KIDS": Anthony Bell, Bob Poiner, Bobby Crum, Kelby Smith, Mike Bayless, Kent Siva, Abram Atwood, Fernando Ortiz, Kurt Chaney.



APACHE'S "CHIEFS": Pascual Aledo, Paul DeArcas, Roger Massey, Robert Oberg, Paul Hester, Joe Villa, Angel Acosta, Ken Walsh.



O'RILEY'S "TRAILBLAZERS": Gary Morse, Sean Segler, Brian Pulsifer, Joe Settles, Don Lambert, Steve Hylton, Cesar Madrid, Gary Bodenweiser, Manuel Montalvo.



HONOR CAMPERS - Enrique Barajas, Angelo Harris, Mark Kanski, Fernando Ortiz, Chris Palmer, Victor Rodriguez, Colin Hamilton.



GOPHER'S "MEN": Bill White, Darrin Dugan, Victor Rodriguez, Lowell Barron, Chris Palmer, Danny Guzman, Mark Smeaton, Ryan Benjamin.

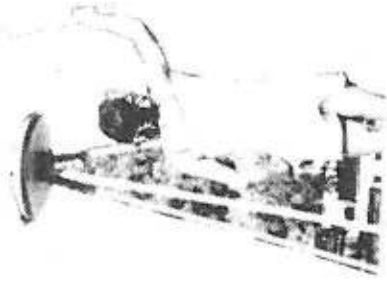
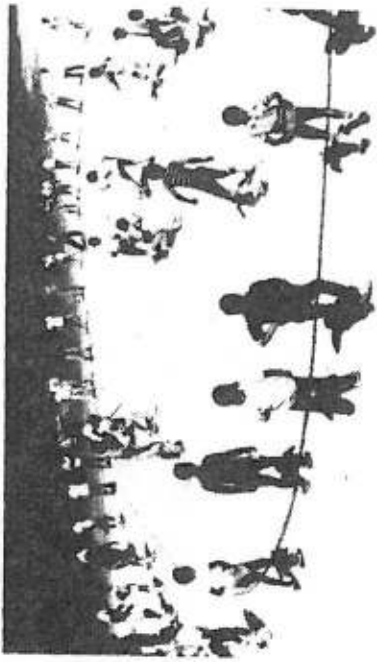


TORO'S "MOUNTAINEERS": Gary Hernandez, David Hylton, Arnold Mendez, John Wilson, Greg Barron, Don Hash, Brian Cox.



KERMIT'S "FROGS": Colin Hamilton, Chad Murdock, Mark Kothe, Derrick Hilton, Kevin Shaver, Chris Paul, Darren Beasley, Donald Gaines.

OLYMPICS!



Every session this summer ended in the fun and excitement of the PYLES CAMP OLYMPICS, a day unlike any other. Four super teams competed against each other in such events as dodge ball, human pyramids, bucket filling, the bat relay, and the awesome grand finale, the TUG-0-WAR!

In the true spirit of Pyles Boys Camp, nobody was the loser, and EVERYBODY WAS A WINNER!



Little BIG Man

RICOCHET (with a little help from SARCE) in a wild and crazy skit at one of the sixth session campfires!



P.L.T.



1982 marked the debut of a new program - Pyles Leadership Training. This program goes beyond Lion Meadows and Worker experience to provide information and techniques for staff members who show the potential to become counselors. Pictured above is the first P.L.T. group. Back row, left to right: Sarge (PLT Counselor), Haole, Gunner, Colombia, Manzanita*, Lou*, Skeeter, Rabbit, Chain (PLT Counselor). Front row: Psycho*, Waldo, Gremmie*, Ishi, Toro*, Gridiron, Bike*.

* - Became Counselors this year

HORSES



After a hard summer's work, the horses are now resting comfortably in their winter pasture near Kernville. More on horses in the next PYLET!

Tulare County Sheriff's Program



Each session this summer, members of the Tulare County Sheriffs Department, Crime Prevention division visited us and presented a varied program featuring some of the many facets of police work. These programs included live demonstrations, films, and question-and-answer sessions. Our many thanks to Deputies Dave Verissimo, Skip Souza, and Butch Barker, shown above with police dog Shadow; and also to Deputies Jack Mayberry, Nick Martinez, and Sgt. Richard McGowan who also visited us.

Left: Shadow puts the bite on Dave during a police dog demonstration.



1982 STAFF

"Amigo"	Ramon Luna	228 East "1" Street, Tehachani	93561	(805) 822-3949
"Apache"	Jesus Luna	1113 Bacon Street, Bakersfield	93307	(805) 325-6602
"Badger"	Sam Saleh	9500 Zalzah Avenue, Davis Hall rm. 311, Northridge	91325	(213) 993-2314
"Bigfoot"	Scott Stark	5300 Botwinol Road, Tarrana	91356	(213) 342-2762
"Big Red"	Sharon Ball	801 2nd Street, Fillmore	93015	(805) 524-3620
"Bike"	Ronald Sellers	116 Forbes Lane, Ventura	93001	(805) 663-0556
"Bit"	Basil Bittler	10100 Shellabarger Road, Bakersfield	93308	(805) 832-5441
"Bravo"	Roman Gutierrez	1819 Padue Street, Bakersfield	93309	(805) 528-0443
"Buz"	Witch Martin	3700 Wood Lane, Bakersfield	93309	(805) 528-6474
"Chain"	Eddie Casena	P.O. Box 1801, San Luis Obispo	91331	(213) 896-3689
"Colombia"	Jesus Castro	13170 Mercer Street, Pacoima	91331	(213) 265-1794
"Colonel"	Alfonso Ramirez	2114 E. 4th Street, Los Angeles	90033	(805) 257-2494
"Crisis"	Brian Hall	2711 Henry Mayo Drive, Valencia	93155	(805) 323-0443
"Cutter"	Det. Jim Moore	P.O. Box 3169, 425 South Harbor Blvd., Anaheim	92801	(714) 999-1918
"Dancer"	Steve Barry	5500 Parfild Street, West Covina	91792	(805) 322-0954
"Doctor"	Stanley Hendrix	308 S. Bacon, Bakersfield	93307	(805) 397-6197
"Dreamer"	Victor Ferrisette	1722 Padue Street, Bakersfield	93307	(213) 894-8849
"Eagle"	Chyan Merrisette	13810 Mingo Street, Arleta	91331	(213) 263-0157
"Flier"	Alfonso McLaughlin	1380 Sunset Avenue, Arcata	95521	(707) 822-9168
"Fly"	Alfonso Salazar	2944 E. 2nd Street, Los Angeles	90033	(805) 872-3810
"Fox"	Louisa Spada	3724 Columbus Avenue, Bakersfield	93306	(805) 323-4090
"Geronimo"	Jedediah Alvarado	2112 No. Baker, Bakersfield	93305	(805) 997-1106
"Gopher"	Uriel Ortiz	350 N. Esplanade, Orange	93369	(805) 662-8559
"Grenn"	Cully Callaway	3121 Porter Lane, Ventura	93303	(805) 324-7949
"Hacker"	Ed Hedgecom	137 "U" Street, Bakersfield	93304	(213) 223-5192
"Hole"	Worch Thompson	948 Elvira Drive, Los Angeles	90065	(209) 539-3248
"Hawk"	North Washington	Rt. 2, Box 172, Springville	93265	
"Hernano"	Kim Robinson	2272 Hale Noelani (UHM) 2585 Dole St., Honolulu, HAWAII	96822	
"Indio"	Anthony Zobia	923 Castro Lane, Bakersfield	93309	(805) 397-4142
"Isis"	Anthony Durillo	5207 Templeton Street, Los Angeles	90032	(213) 222-0100
"Julio"	Jesse Maldonado	630 "P" Street, Bakersfield	93304	(805) 322-7915
"Kern"	Richard Chavez	328 N. West Street, Anaheim	92801	(714) 774-1213
"Leaf"	John Campbell	5311 Navarro St., Los Angeles	90032	(213) 225-2445
"Liberty"	John Baeza, Jr.	P.O. Box 13741, Reno, NEVADA	89507	(703) 788-8093
"Lou"	Scott Perry	701 Meyer Ave., #132, Arvin	93203	(805) 854-2776
"Lucy"	Linda Pfeiffer	c/o 1380 Sumner Avenue, Arcata	95521	(707) 822-9168
"Lulu"	Jose Briones	P.O. Box 38, Erie, COLORADO	80516	(703) 665-5156
"Manzanita"	Arcon Youngren	13412 Remington Street, Vacoma	91331	(213) 896-3302
"Middle"	Louise Britte	1518 Beale, Bakersfield	93306	(805) 322-6176
"Maona"	Rose Urbina	10100 Shellabarger Road, Bakersfield	93308	(805) 589-9209
"Mike"	Talk Jim Jung	10901 Reagan Street, Los Alamitos	90720	(213) 596-5436
"O'Brien"	David Reneker	1364 Arnsdale Avenue, Los Angeles	90042	(213) 256-8133
"Ok"	Jose Castillo	1008 Meredith Drive, Bakersfield	93306	(805) 871-5385
"Panther"	Karen Werner	5101 Annadale Drive, Bakersfield	93306	(805) 257-2690
"Peanut"	Victor Logan	1314 W. 3rd St., Santa Ana	92703	(714) 835-2619
"Peeper"	Tony Lafaso	27211 Henry Mayo Drive, Valencia	91355	(805) 257-2690
"Psycho"	Korve Castro	240 Ft. Mason, San Francisco	95123	(415) 771-7277
"Puma"	James Taylor	328 N. West Street, Anaheim	92801	(714) 774-1813
"Rabbit"	Steve Rubalcava	722 Cook Street, San Fernando	91340	(805) 871-1122
"Ranger"	Mike Swenson	2540 Avenida Escuela, Bakersfield	93306	(213) 745-1713
"Red"	Martin Behrens	1027 W. 34th Street, Rm. 307A, Los Angeles	90007	(213) 683-5140
"Ricochet"	Imael Perez	2725 E. 2nd Street, Long Beach	90803	(213) 438-2625
"Rocky (I)"	Scott Roller	69 Suffolk Avenue, Sierra Madre	91024	(213) 355-1014
"Rogge"	Philip Brown	1461 S. Orange, Santa Ana	92707	(714) 953-9926
"Savage"	Jerry Moore	4919 Hersholt Avenue, Lakewood	90712	(213) 920-2751
"Sawmout"	James Aguilar	c/o 2191 Semulveda Avenue, Milpitas	95035	(608) 263-6593
"Shaggy"	Sergio Ortiz	1174 Oasis Street, Arcata	95521	(707) 828-0153
"Skeeter"	Jerome Canera	2627 Monterey Street, Chico	95926	
"Slick"	Bob McAdams	3500 Amberst Street, Bakersfield	93305	(805) 871-6339
"Smiley"	Sam Padilla III	622 Beach Street, Bakersfield	93304	(805) 322-8109
"Smoker"	David Billingsley	1973 Hugo Road, Merlin, OREGON	97532	(503) 476-0632
"Snake"	Chris Schwabe	624 La Paloma, Alhambra	91801	(213) 284-5317
"Spat"	Lois McAdams	P.O. Box 92, Fellows	91224	(805) 768-4458
"Sugar Ray"	John Rice	7006 Middlebury Avenue, Canoga Park	91307	(805) 395-0179
"Teddy Bear"	Michael Chandler	1020 "R" Street, Bakersfield	93307	(805) 340-2358
"Tex"	George Lopez	1973 Hugo Road, Merlin, OREGON	97532	(503) 476-0632
"Tiger"	Albert Verdugo	4304 Deborah Street, Bakersfield	93307	(805) 834-2364
"Toro"	Terry Schroder	1493A Pritchard Street, La Puente	91744	(213) 330-2710
"Touche"	Anthony Frey	6121 Park Lane, Long Beach	90808	(213) 420-2250
"Trainer"	Peter Kirchner	3243 Park Lane, Long Beach	90808	(213) 595-4082
"Waldo"		P.O. Box 3471, Bakersfield	93305	(805) 325-2655
"Woody"		5056 Newcastle Avenue, Encino	91316	(213) 364-0411
		756 Oeste Drive, Davis	95616	(916) 753-1289

or

Camp is Closed

Pyles Camp is all closed up now, and is awaiting its winter blanket of snow. A few staff members were joined by members of the Department of Oil and Gas for a closing work party. It was the first time a closing work party has been held, and it was very successful. The camp has been secured better than ever, and more materials than ever before brought down and placed in storage. A new alarm has been installed, and friends of the Camp will be keeping an eye on it, during the deer hunting season and until the winter snowfall. We are confident that the Camp will rest quietly until Spring, when we will begin the preparations for our 35th summer of camping activities!



About the PYLET

The PYLET was originally published during the winter months and sent to campers of the previous summer and to Pyles Camp contributors. It was produced from 1957 to the end of 1972. The name PYLET was submitted by a camper, Don Sadiga of Los Angeles, in 1956.

It seemed like a good idea, in 1982, to bring back the PYLET - to give all of you another look at the fun we had this summer, and to let you know about the activities of other groups and people. It has been quite an experience gathering and putting together the information for this issue, and we have learned a lot that will help to make future issues better.

And speaking of future issues...the next one is scheduled for winter, and will have stories about our horses, our reunions, the L.A. - Orange County Barbecue, and other items.

Anybody with any ideas or photos for the PYLET is invited to submit them to us at the Camp office. We will be happy to hear from you!

A Letter from the Camp Director:

GREETINGS to all of you in the Pyles Camp Family.

This PYLET is sent to you as a reminder of the many good times we shared together in the mountains this summer. They were times of working, playing, and most of all growing together.

Remember how at first you didn't know very many people, and then made some good friends? Remember the long hikes and how good it was to sleep under the stars? Remember the challenge of learning and doing new things that you didn't think you could do? Remember the fun and the challenge of the Olympics? And who can forget those evenings around the campfire of fun and singing and even a bit of inspiration?

This winter when I get to see you, I'll ask you to share your best memories of Pyles Camp with me. Remember the good things in life and let them help you to be all that you can be.

Yours in the Camp Spirit,

Colonel



P.S.: Please write to me here at the Camp Office during the year and let me know what's happening with you. Let's keep in touch throughout the year. Remember, we're all family!



WE WANT TO HEAR from YOU...

This PYLET is one of our means of communicating with you, but communication is a TWO-WAY process! We want to hear from you, too. Write to us at the Camp Office and let us know how things are in your life. We'd like to hear how you're doing in school and at home. We're here to help you share the good times, but also to help in any way we can if you have a problem.

We need to hear from you if you are interested in being a worker or returning as a Lioneer, also. A lot will depend on the recommendation of your counselor, of course, but you can help a lot by showing your interest in us by writing.

We also need to know if you change your address or phone number, so that we can stay in touch to let you know about upcoming events and activities.

So for whatever reason, PLEASE WRITE! We'll be very happy to hear from you!

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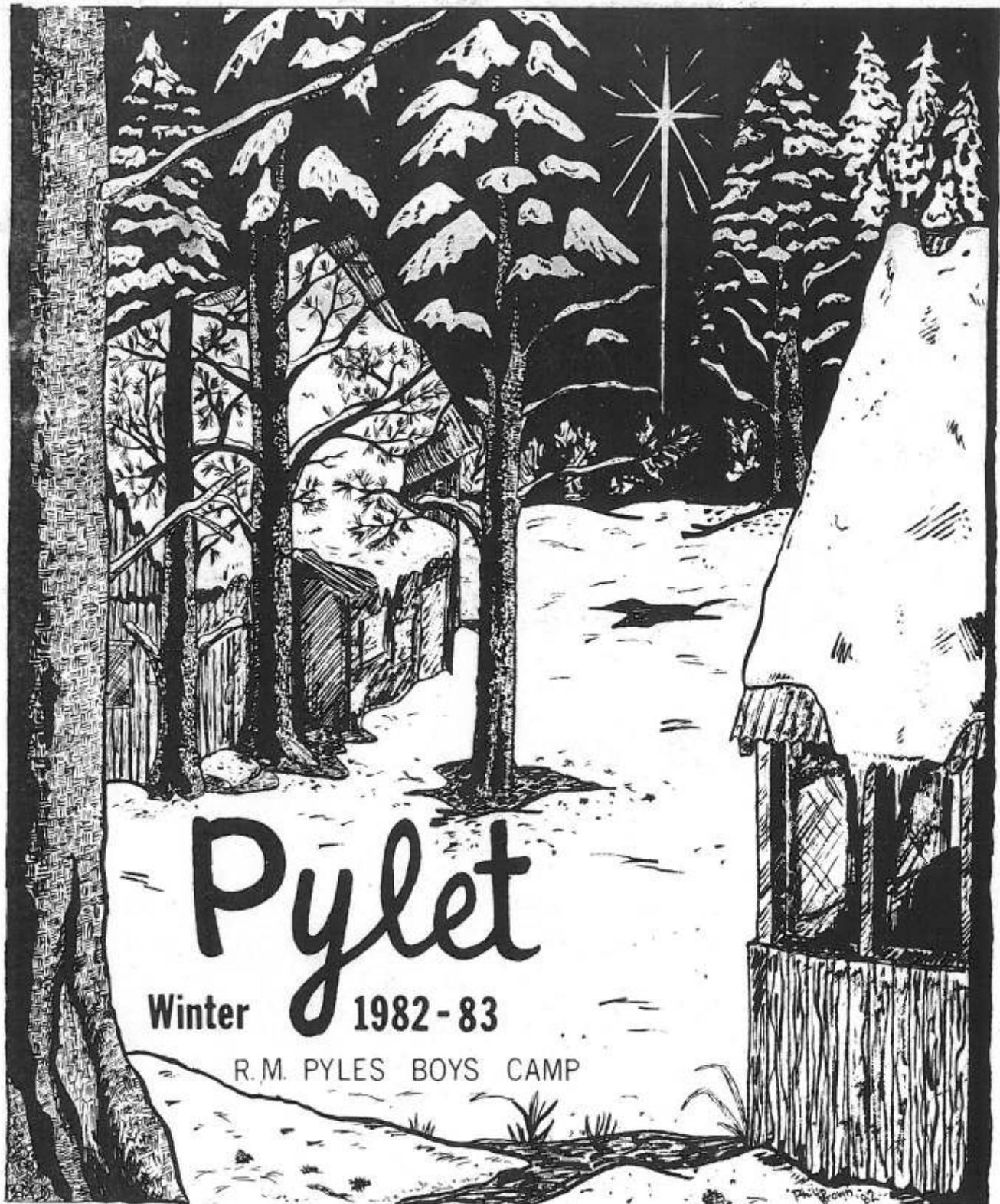
October 26	Semi-Annual Board Meeting
November 13	UCLA-Stanford Football Game
November 17	L.A./Orange Co. REUNION
December 4	Bakersfied/Kern Co. REUNION
December 10	Ventura REUNION
December 18	34-year Counselor REUNION

Details on those events that will concern you will be mailed in separate letters to you as the time for them approaches.

We hope to see you ALL at the various Reunions!

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A Letter from COLONEL...

Dear Pyles People,

Greetings in the New Year from the Boys Camp office.

As you can see from Seymour's art work on the cover, the Camp itself is snowed in for the winter. With the exception of occasional weekend visits, no one has been living at the Camp since it was closed in September. We had a few deer hunters camp in the mess hall, but now that hunting season is over, things should be pretty quiet up there. The snow seems to protect and revitalize the Camp for the coming summer.

Meanwhile down here at the Camp office at Castaic Junction, plans are getting underway for the new summer. I had some great times this fall seeing many of you at reunions and such. I've also really enjoyed hearing from many of you through your letters and phone calls. Remember, if you ever need help of any kind, or just someone to talk to, "think Colonel". The office phone number is (805) 257-2490 and my home phone is (805) 524-3420. Call collect if you need to.

Also this fall, something special has happened financially for the Camp which you'll be glad to hear about. The donations which enable us to operate were way below usual because of the tough times our nation's economy is going through. We noticed this in September and some of our Board members started a campaign to raise additional funds from others in the oil industry. Many have responded generously because they believe in YOU and what you have gained from your experience at Pyles Camp. Some who had already given gave again. Many of those had received letters that were written to them by you campers last summer.

So the good news is -- it looks like we'll have enough money to come out even and run the Camp next summer, because lots of people believe in us.

My hope for you is that in all you do in this New Year and the rest of your life, you will set a good example and be a shining star representing the Camp Spirit wherever you go. May the Lord grant each of us the strength and wisdom to do so. And He will, if we will trust Him.

Keep Warm Thoughts,

Colonel

...and Letters from YOU!

Quite a few letters have been received at the Camp office from campers. Below, and here and there throughout the PYLET, are a few lines taken from some of these letters.

"I've had a great time since Camp. I've really changed a lot."

- Roy Eltham

5th Session, Greemie's "Gremlins"

"I think Pyles Camp helped me a lot, my Mom said she has seen a big change in attitude toward school and a lot of other things in me."

- Steve Pabst

6th Session, Ricochet's "Ramblers"

"I want to thank you for helping me at Camp. You helped me to stay out of trouble."

- Jason Nadal

1st Session, Puma's "Pirates"

"I really miss all my friends, Colombia, Apache, Amigo, Leaf, Eagle, Seymour, Rocky, Gopher, Waldo, Bigfoot, Ricochet, Kermit and Nana, and especially Smokey."

- Francisco Guerrero

6th Session, Leaf's "Trailboys"

"One day I wore my Camp T-shirt...a man walked up to me. He introduced himself and told me he also had been to the Camp, but in 1956. We told each other about our experiences up at Camp. That was a lot of fun."

- Tim Gomez

1st Session, Touche's "Kool and the Gang"



Recent Camper Photos



Robert Oberg
Apache's "Chiefs"
Sixth Session



Joe Kuban
Julio's "Warriors"
Fourth Session

Gary Hernandez (left), Toro's "Mountaineers"
Sixth Session

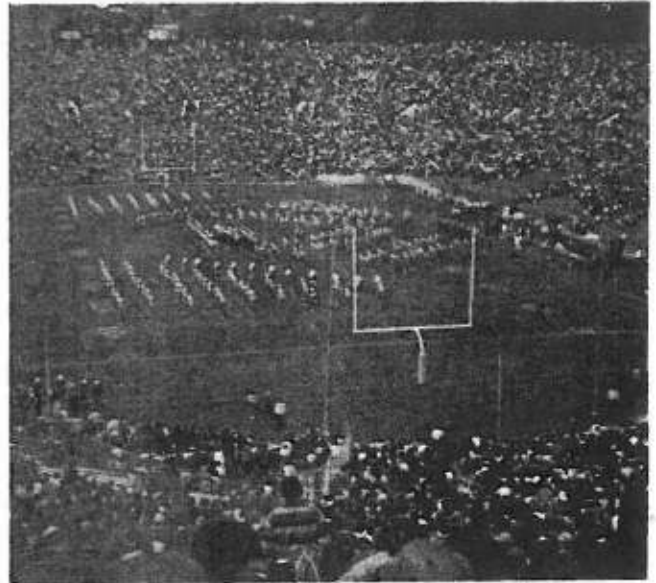


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Ricochet's "Ramblers"
Sixth Session



Tim Gomez
Touche's "Kool and the
Gang", First Session

UCLA-STANFORD FOOTBALL GAME Nov. 13



About 120 L.A./Orange/Ventura area campers and 30 adults and staff, joined the 80,000 or so football-starved fans (this was during the Pro Football strike) at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena for the great UCLA - Stanford game.

It was more than just a game - it was a passing contest between Stanford's star quarterback John Elway and UCLA's star quarterback Tom Ramsey. It was a close and exciting battle, but in the end UCLA emerged victorious, 38 to 35.

Stanford fan Colonel, in order to pay off a bet on the game, had to spend one whole minute (60seconds!) looking as sad as possible!

... More Letters ...

"So far I've been doing good in school and having a wonderful time with my family and church."

- Bryan Cleveland

2nd Session, Teddy Bear's "Troopers"

"I like the Camp very much. I enjoyed every moment I have been there. I have learned something, too, since I have been there. Everyone made me feel like I'm home. Thank you all for everything."

- Manokham Luangisongkham

4th Session, Puma's "Pioneers"

KERN COUNTY / TULARE COUNTY REUNION

The Kern County / Tulare County Camper Reunion was held on December 4, 1982. The location was the Maisson Jaussaud Restaurant in Bakersfield, and it was well attended by about 110 campers and staff and an equal number of adults.

The main course of the dinner was fried chicken, which was topped off with apple pie and ice cream for dessert!

As part of the program, the Camp's promotional slide show was presented, with several new pictures having been added this year to update it. Staff members present put on skits and led the singing of favorite Camp songs, including the song "Tell Me Why", which was dedicated to Smokey and Swede who were attending their last official reunion before returning to retirement.

Bakersfield Committee Chairman Dick Venturino officially "turned over the reins" to his successor, Barbara Bradshaw. The Bakersfield Committee organized and coordinated the reunion, and we'd like to thank them once again for the great job they did (and always do).

Thanks also go to the Petroleum Engineers Wives for decorations and other help, and special thanks to Martin Jaussaud and his family for opening up their restaurant and providing the service for this event.



**WE
WANT
LETTERS!!!**

As you can see, we've used excerpts from quite a few of the letters we've received in this PYLET. We really do enjoy hearing from you and finding out how you're doing! It is especially important now, as we gear up for the next summer, that those of you who were selected by your counselors to be candidates for Lion Meadows or to be workers write to us and let us know how things are going for you! There will only be a few vacancies to be filled, so we need to hear from you!

LOS ANGELES / ORANGE COUNTY
CAMPER of the YEAR:



Robert Oberg

Robert Oberg is 13, and lives with his mother in Anaheim. He attends school at Sycamore Junior High School and is in the eighth grade. He went to Camp sixth session, August 20 to September 2, and was in Apache's "Chiefs". Apache has recommended Robert to be a Lioneer next summer. Robert was very surprised at being selected Camper of the Year, and in one of his letters wrote, "Thank you for giving me the honor...when you said that I was Camper of the Year I about died standing up on the stage. I am very proud...thank you very much."

Robert earns money on a paper route, and regularly donates 10% of his earnings to Pyles Boys Camp.



Counselors such as Leaf divided their attention between their meal and their Campers at the Reunion

More LETTERS....

"I recently had the opportunity to go up to Camp in the sixth session. It was the most memorable two weeks in my life."

- Robert Blaut
6th Session, Ricochet's "Ramblers"

"I want to come see someone very special and that is Tex...she will always be the number one cook in my book because she is nice."

- Marchaunt Roberts
1st Session, Puma's "Pirates"

"I am doing pretty good at school (in my opinion), and also like we learned at Camp to try your best and give it the Pyles Spirit, and my parents think that's a very good idea."

- Aurelio Ramos
4th Session, Bike's "Bikers"

"I want to thank you for making me feel at home at Pyles Boys Camp, and I really had so much fun."

Troy Perry
1st Session, Badger's "Braves"

"I really enjoyed going to your Camp, it really changed my life."

- Chad Johnson
5th Session, Gremmie's "Gremlins"

"I'm doing pretty good in school, almost a 'B' average student in the 7th grade at Lindbergh Junior High School."

- Joey Stowell
4th Session, Manzanita's "Mad Dogs"

LOS ANGELES / ORANGE COUNTY REUNION



The L.A. Basin/Orange County area Camper Reunion was held on the evening of November 17, 1982. 110 Campers and Staff and 110 adults came together at the Union Oil Center in downtown Los Angeles for this event.

The Union Oil Company's own "Unionaires" singing group provided pre-dinner entertainment, and then joined us for dinner and the rest of our program.

Dinner featured ham as the main course with carrot cake for dessert.

The program included a showing of the Camp slide show, which has been newly redone this year. Also featured were songs and skits, such as the "Reporter" skit, performed (speaking of ham) by members of the staff. The audience was divided into orchestral sections for a performance of "the Ukenberg Conductor".

Among the many items of note that took place on this evening was one presentation made by Mr. Spencer Sheldon of Aminoil. He presented the Camp Board of Directors President Chet Frazier with a check. Aminoil is the current name of the company that Mr. R. M. Pyles worked for.

Everybody had a lot of fun seeing all their friends again and reminiscing about the days spent at Camp last summer.



Left: Board of Directors past-president Don Craggs (far right) joins others in the piccolo section for the "Ukenberg Conductor"

Below left: Oilmen and Campers share a few moments together

Below: Fly, Colombia, Puma and Waldo jump off a bridge while "Reporter" Badger prepares to call in the story



Nicholas (Nick) Gonzales, Jr. (shown in the center of the photo at right) is 14, and lives with his father and four sisters in Lompoc, and was selected as the Camper of the Year from Santa Barbara County. He is in tenth grade at Lompoc High School, where he is on the Varsity wrestling squad at 112 pounds! He was at Camp third session, July 9 to 22, in Puma's "Radicals". He is an Honor Camper, and on the recommendation of his counselor, came back as a Lioneer in the same year, where he did a truly outstanding job.

Gabriel (Gabe) Ruiz, 15, lives in Ventura with his mother, sister and two brothers. He attends school at Ventura High School, and is in the tenth grade. He was at Camp fifth session, August 6 to 19, a member of Liberty's "Campers". He proudly wears an Honor Camper star, and has been recommended to become a Lioneer. In a letter to the Camp office, he wrote, *"I still remember everything I did at Camp, all the campfires, the food (very good), the games we played there and songs we sang. I had a great time there this year."*

VENTURA / SANTA BARBARA CAMPERS of the YEAR:



**Nick Gonzales
Gabe Ruiz**



Bob "Smokey" McAdams was Pyles Camp Director/Manager from 1952 - 59, and 1963 - 78. He worked with Mr. Pyles to develop the program into what it is now, and launched a new program when the Camp acquired Lion Meadows. In 1978 he retired, and he and his wife Lois ("Swede") moved up to Oregon.

In 1982 they came out of retirement to help our new Director, Colonel, learn all he needed to know to do his job well. Now they have been away from their home a whole year, and their job is done. They are going to start the New Year by taking a well-earned vacation and then heading for home.

So we'll say so long for now - not goodbye - with many, many thanks for all you've done for all of us!

THANK YOU, "SMOKEY" and "SWEDE"!

VENTURA / SANTA BARBARA REUNION

Ventura County and Santa Barbara County campers got together on the evening of December 10, 1982, for their reunion. It was held in the Shell Oil Hall in Ventura, and was attended by 65 campers and staff and 55 adults. Dinner featured barbecued tri-tip steak with chocolate cake for dessert!

The slide show apparatus was not in working order, so the program consisted of extra helpings of skits and songs by the staff. Among these were the "Low Rider" (Greyhound) skit, and the "Suckers on the Line" skit.

The ladies of the Ventura Desk and Derrick Club helped to organize the event and were introduced to the audience. Mr. Fritz Huntsinger of Vetco, Inc., a long-time strong supporter of the Camp, member of the Board of Directors, and regular at Ventura reunions, led everyone in singing "God Bless America".

Staff members coming from Bakersfield arrived late for dinner and may have missed out on the steak, but they probably made up for it in chocolate cake! Anyway, we're glad they got there and hope they had as good a time as everybody else did!



Mr. Fritz Huntsinger urged Campers to try to give something back to the country that has given them so much.

Below, left: Mr. Bill Dehnke, a member of the Board of Directors of Pyles Camp, is introduced to the crowd.



Below, right: Mr. Huntsinger, with the help of Ranger and members of the Ventura Desk and Derrick Club, prepares to lead the audience in singing "God Bless America".



KERN COUNTY / TULARE COUNTY
CAMPER of the YEAR:



Outgoing Bakersfield Committee president Dick Venturino "turning over the reins" to president-elect Barbara Bradshaw



Ruben Gonzales

Ruben Gonzales, who is 14 years old, lives with his grandfather in Bakersfield. He goes to East Bakersfield High School and does well in his classes.

Ruben was at Camp during First Session June 11 to 24, and was in Touche's group "Kool and the Gang". This group turned out to be an Honor Group, one of a very few such groups in Pyles Camp history.

In addition to being in an Honor Group, Ruben was also awarded the Honor Camper star, and was recommended by Touche to return to Camp as a Lioneer. He was one of the few 1982 campers who was called back to be a Lioneer that same summer. At Lion Meadows he continued to be an outstanding example of a Pyles Camper.



Touche and Waldo performing the infamous "Pickpocket" skit

"Tell everybody that I said hi, especially Sarge, Manzanita, and Smokey." - "Paco" Frausto
4th Session, Manzanita's "Mad Do

HORSES

Steven and David Hylton live in the town of Lake Isabella, about 50 miles south of the Camp. They were campers this past summer during sixth session, Steven in O'Riley's "Trailblazers" and David in Toro's "Mountaineers". In a letter to the Camp office this fall, they wrote, "It is getting cold up here in Lake Isabella, like it was at Pyles Camp in the morning and at night."

So on a wintery day at the end of October, Colonel stopped by and picked them up on his way to visit our horses, to see how they were doing.

At the end of the last session, the horses were all trailered down to a pasture in Kernville (about 12 miles from the town of Lake Isabella), where their shoes were pulled off and they were turned out into the deep green grass. Here they will spend the winter, just eating and resting and preparing for another summer.

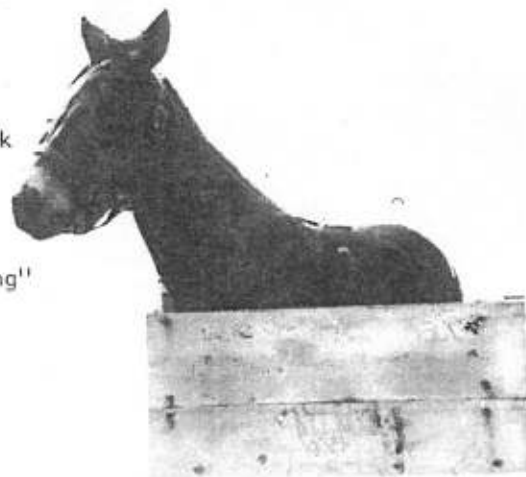
In the pictures on this page, you can see that Colonel checked out Janai, while Steven took Bubba out for a spin and David took a test drive on Scar. All the horses were found to be in good health, and whoever your favorite is, you can be sure he is healthy and happy.

We will have a couple of new horses next summer, to replace two of ours which we have sold. Beauty was just getting too old for this kind of work, and his eyesight was beginning to fail a bit, so he has retired to a life of easier tasks, while Appy has become just a bit too "spirited" to suit our needs, and we're going to try to get a horse that doesn't mind having a rider ON him so much!

In the meantime, the horses have nothing to do until next summer but get fat and lazy, which is the best thing for them now. That way they'll be in good shape, ready to begin another summer at Pyles Boys Camp!



Toby II
takes a
last look
around
Lion
Meadows
before
"retiring"
for the
winter!



CALENDAR for 1983

Dates to keep in mind. Those that concern you directly will be detailed in later mailings.


Staff Training April 1 - 2
Session (no foolin')

Bakersfield May 7
Barbecue

** We will need local campers
to help with this - please
call **

Work Parties May 13 - 15
 May 20 - 22

Camp Begins! June 11



A view taken at Thanksgiving time from the doorway to the Outcamp Emporium, looking over the sandbar towards the creek. Yes, that IS snow on the ground!

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