

# *“The Pylet”*

## *2005*



*“In A World Of Followers, Dare To Be A Leader”*

This years "Pylet" is dedicated to *Mr. Win Payne*, a long time family member of R.M. Pyles Boys Camp and founder of the *College Scholarship Program*. *Mr. Payne* passed-on early this year on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2005 and we will all miss his influence.

*Mr. Win Payne* was born in Greenfield, Massachusetts. At the age six, he and his family then moved to Long Beach, California where he attended elementary and middle school and graduated from Long Beach Poly High School in 1936. He continued his education he attended Compton Jr. College. After earning his A.A. degree he completed his education at one of the most prestigious schools in the country, the University of Southern California (USC) and earned a degree in Petroleum Engineering, graduating with the Class of 1940.

He obtained his first job from Richfield Oil Company located in Long Beach (known today as Atlantic Richfield Oil Company). He only worked six months for that company. He was transferred to Kern County where he worked the oil fields in the city of Taft as an engineer/petroleum geologist and was on call day-or-night. The office was then moved to Bakersfield and a second transfer was made. He remained employed there until 1948.

*Win* would be transferred yet a third time to Richfield Oil Company where he remained until 1956 and decided to work as an independent oil consultant. He drilled oil for himself and leased land in Willows, California where he drilled gas wells. He formed a small company "*Fran-Win Oil & Gas Company*" named after he and his wife (*Fran*) where they resided in both Long Beach and Huntington Beach. After the company was established in 1967 he and his wife moved to Hawaii.

Members of the oil industry first introduced *Win* to Pyles Boys Camp in 1975. While making numerous visits, meeting staff, and talking to them at main camp he recognized that many of the boys had the desire to attend college and "*he wanted to help*" (*Fran Payne*). In 1977, *Win* made the proposal to the former and the new board presidents *Mo Benson* and *Phil Kisler* to create a scholarship fund. His proposal was accepted and a Special Youth Activities Committee was composed to determine the objectives of the fund for formal proposal to the board. *Chet Frazier* became the chairmen and was assisted by *Don Craggs*, *Phil Kisler*, *Ed Pellegrin*, "*Smokey*," and "*Rifle*" who defined the objective essentials for the scholarship program which have continued to be in effect today. The college scholarship program assists qualified camper/staff candidates with financial need, who deserve the opportunity and demonstrate the ability to succeed, and also have a positive outlook towards life who have been earning their way through college.

To show their love, care, and helpful attitude *Win and Fran* made the first contribution to the fund. Since then they've continued to be an important financial and moral supporter's of the college scholarship program.

On behalf of all scholarship recipients we want to thank you from the bottom of our hearts with tremendous gratitude for your contributions to our educational success and our past, present, and future careers. We have tried to make you proud and we honor you for your dedication to our lives. *Win*, we hope you sit in the heavens looking down upon us with a fulfilled heart as you have done so much for so many young men through your involvement at R.M. Pyles Boys Camp!

*Win Payne* with camp alumni and scholarship recipients *Allen "Big AL" Shelby* (School Teacher) and *Bobby "Bojangles" Allums* (Secret Service).



*Win Payne*



# *A Message From The Executive Director*

**- To all of you who came to camp this summer -**

I hope each and every one of you took home from camp positive memories and valuable personal tools that will last you a lifetime. On behalf of all those who contributed to making your time at camp possible, I wish to tell you how much we believe in you and your potential for a successful and productive life.

Each person is born with "potential." What is potential? To quote our friend and mentor *Stan "Coach" Moe*, "the guy with potential is the guy who hasn't done it yet." It is the desire to take your potential and do something with it that will make you great. The message all of you should have taken with you from Pyles Camp is: "Become a Great Person."

You are surrounded by people who want to help you. Think of the help offered to you as a ladder to success. If you don't climb it step by step, the ladder just sits there while you stand on the ground looking up at the top of the ladder. Accept the help you are offered and climb your own ladder. You can start or continue your climb to the top.

Each of you is a part of a very large family. I look forward to seeing and hearing of your successes and helping you in your struggles. Until our next meeting, may God bless you and keep you safe.

*Beaver*



*Beaver with Champ & Froggy*

# *Letter From The Editor - Welcome to The Pylet -*

Summer has come and gone yet again and we are all back at home dealing with school or work along with the different challenges that each of our lives has in store for us. During your stay at Pyles Camp you learned a lot about yourself and the others around you. You were given a set of "tools" that you can pull out and use when obstacles block your path. I hope that you use those tools throughout you life.



Sometimes it's good to pause and reflect on your camp experience and remember the lessons you learned, the friends you made, the activities you participated in, and the things you saw while backpacking through the mountains. As time passes, some of those memories fade and we need something to remind us of camp. My hope is that The Pylet helps to bring back all the memories and feelings you experienced at camp.

*Shotgun*

## To all the family members of Pyles Boys Camp!

I am so pleased to send this greeting to all of the *Campers, Lioneers, and Voyagers*, as well as our hard working, dedicated, and generous *Staff*. I hope that this message finds you in God's loving care. Once again, another successful summer was added to the history of this program. All of you who participated at camp this summer should give yourself a pat on the back for your heartfelt contribution.

The year is near the end; I hope that when you reflect on this year you feel proud of your hard work and accomplishments. Remember, rewards aren't always immediate, sometimes patience plays a roll in receiving greater rewards than expected. At times it may appear that your work has not been rewarded but the gain is in the experience itself and the lessons learned from it.

The wish I have for all of you who attended camp is to always remember that there was a point in your life when you took a two week vacation from society and your daily life burdens. This vacation was in a beautiful and remote mountain forest that seemed like a dream and when you returned home you were changed. That change will live forever in your soul. Your camp experiences will remain with you whether or not you choose to utilize and apply the skills you learned to your daily life. For me, my experiences as a Camper 17 years ago still impact my life and help me through difficult times. I still use the tools I was given to help me deal with the heavy burdens and challenges in my life. Pyles camp has done more for me than I could have imagined and it can do that for you too if you chose to apply to your life the message of Pyles Camp.



*Sincerely in the camp spirit,  
Wolf*

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## A message from Dolphin - "BE COOL"

On the road of life we always meet people, on this road I had the opportunity to meet you! The memories of the laughter, the tears, and the good times during our two weeks at camp will never be forgotten. For some of you it was an adventure for others a dream. Some of you may come back and continue your travels on the road that includes Pyles Camp. Some of you will fill someone else's shoes and become the next counselors or AD's. Others will take the magic of Pyles Camp and become productive members of society. I followed the Pyles Camp path because I believe in something you can't see only feel, the transforming power of the camp—and that IS real!

There are three ingredients in the recipe to keep Pyles Camp traditions; friendship, love, and trust. These are the roots that have been past on from generation to generation; we can carry them on any road we decide to take in life so that anyone who crosses our path can share these ingredients in their lives.

I tell my boxers, "In the ring you fight your battles and show the hard work and dedication you put into your training." I am telling you, the hard work you put into your education is going to show when you go out into the world and live your life. "COOL" NEVER GAVE UP AND FOUGHT EVERY ROUND OF HIS LIFE.



*God bless you and keep you,  
"Dolphin"*

# Moving On To Bigger and Brighter Things

## After more than 20 years of service Karen "Peanut" Werner Retires

For the past 26 years you could always count on being greeted by **Karen "Peanut" Werner** when calling or visiting the camp office. Peanut was originally hired for a part time, temporary position in the early 1980's, but as the workload only increased, she was willing to stick around long enough to get the job done. As the years went on, she became the "go to" person due to her vast knowledge of the camps operations. She did everything from answering phones and going through mail to dealing with budgets, insurance, accounting, permits, purchasing supplies, assisting all the office staff and working with the Board of Directors, summer staff, selectors, campers and their parents. As you can see, she has either dealt with first hand or assisted with nearly every aspect of the camp.

After all these years of dedicated service to Pyles Camp, Peanut has decided it is time to move on to bigger and brighter things: RETIREMENT. She has never been one to sit around. During the 19 years I have known Peanut, I have joked with her about her "social calendar," as she and her husband Virgil seem to always be visiting family (locally and across the U.S.), hosting friends at their home or taking the trailer and hitting the road.

I can honestly say that everyone who has ever worked with Peanut would agree that it has been a true pleasure and has made each of us a better person.

On behalf of all the campers, staff, Board, and friends of the camp that have had the pleasure of knowing you over the past 26 years, we wish that your retirement is full of time spent enjoying family and traveling to exciting places.



### Shotgun

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## A Job Well Done



**Bamm-Bamm**, for the past several years you have given up valuable time from your daily life in the city to spend several sessions at camp every summer. You easily convinced us, the senior management, that you deserved the opportunity as the *Assistant Director*. We want to **thank you** and commend you for a job well done this past summer at camp and for the assistance with Cate School following the conclusion of camp. Your performance was outstanding. Best wishes to you in all your endeavors. Your down to earth easygoing attitude, creativity, commitment and dedication will be big contributors to your success in the future. We hope to see you next summer!

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## Excellent Performance

We want to acknowledge and commend **Chainsaw** for his excellent performance this summer. For a couple of years, he was away from camp completing his education at San Francisco State University. Finally, this summer he had the opportunity to return to Pyles Camp and earned a high level position. He returned to camp with a new breadth of knowledge and experience that we felt was valuable enough to offer him the exciting and honored position as the *Assistant Director*. With his many years as an enthusiastic and dedicated counselor, we were convinced that he truly earned the opportunity to lead the daily operation of the camp. He did an outstanding job and for that he must be recognized. Keep up the good work and we look forward to having you as a leader for another summer!



# 1st Session

## Bakersfield & Kern County



### ***Stretch's Temptations***

Josh Andrews, Matt Clark, Parker Duncan, Blaine Hodge,  
David Little, *Sophea Sophy*, *Travis Wallace*



### ***Bond's Agents***

*Andy Bewley*, *Nick Box*, Giovanni Carlos, Jeremy King,  
David Knight, *Robert Mesa*, *Michael Phillips*



### ***Bullet's Bulleteers***

Jonathan Adkins, Robert Carter, Adam Doser, Christo-  
pher Gonzalez, Kody Jobe, *Erik Nunez*, Devon Pitts



### ***Bamm Bamm's Wild Boyz***

Jarrold Brown, Ruben Cruz, Joseph Gonzales, Daryl Hargis,  
Efrain Oliveros, Delfino Peinado, Gregory Quintero,  
Kristopher Ross



### ***Chainsaw's Grizzlies***

Johnathan Ariza, ***Luis Lopez***, Robert Menchaca, Gregory Monroe, Justin Noblin, Frankie Powers, Shawn Wilkins



### ***Shorty's Mad Dogs***

Corey Douglas, Brandon Elder, Jesus Garcia, ***David Molina***, Ysidro Noriega, Robert Ripley, Ernesto Rivera



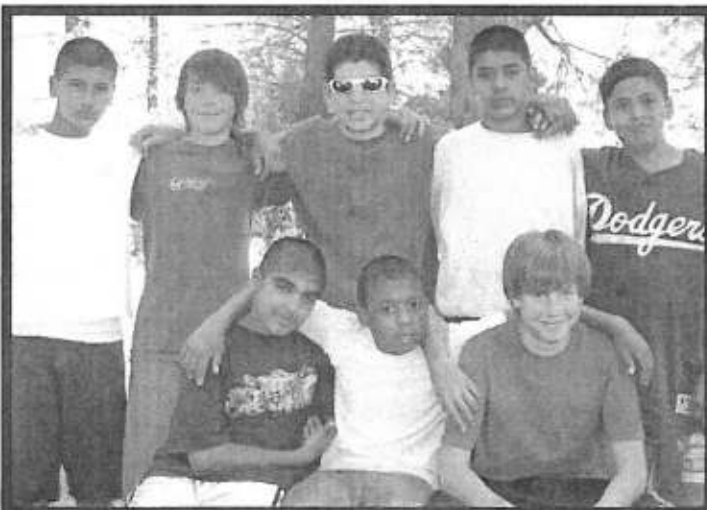
### ***Lobo's Wolf Pack***

Ali Bustillos, Tarrell Johnson, Vernon Mixon, ***Casey Phillips***, Vidal Pineda, ***Anthony Rodriguez***, Scott Turner, Vicente Viadas



### ***Speedy's Road Runners***

***Justin Alexander***, Ben Downey, Josh Grissom, Royce Morning, Ryan Nixon, ***Jeff Wilson, Jr.***, ***Gino Zurita, Jr.***



### ***Dragon's Crew***

John Butler, ***Jordi Byrd***, Javier Gonzalez, ***Fernando Leos***, Miles Pollard, Harpal "Paul" Thind, Gabriel Vasquez

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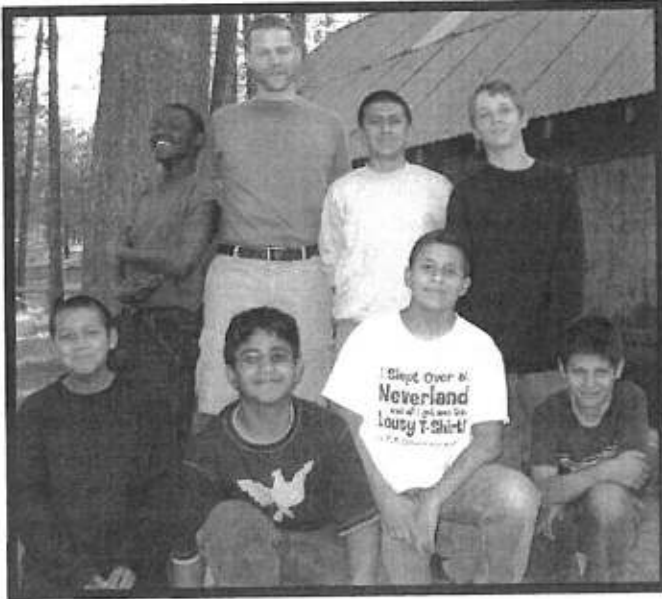






# 2nd Session

## Kern County & Los Angeles



### Crew's Cadet Wolves

Fidel Correa, Jovanny Diaz, Scott Foster, Isaac Haro, DeShawn Jennings, **Joseph Lopez**, Greg Velasquez



### Stretch's Black Pearls

Miguel De Avila, Patrick McEnulty, Michael Mitchell, Albert Murguia, Oscar Rodas, Jeremy Romero, Sebastian Valenzuela



### Ozo's Ositos

Gerardo Alvarez, Oscar Beltran, Bobby Bruz, **Javier Dominguez**, Michael Espinoza, Keith Johnson, Armando Murguia, **Kevin Sanchez**

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# *3rd Session*

## *Los Angeles & Santa Maria*



### ***Chainsaw's Wolverines***

***Rigoberto Cruz***, Michael Green, Evanibaldo Lopez, Pablo Maldonado, Fernando Padron, Edson Rodriguez, Jesus Sanchez, Jordan Williams



### ***Tank's Massacre's***

Arnulfo Camacho, Miguel Garcia, ***Assael Lopez***, Ulisses Magana, ***Dillon Nevarez***, Andrew Ortega, Alcid Ruiz



### ***Flame's Infernos***

***Tyler Chamness***, Dennis Cortez, Ramiro Garcia, ***Mathew McGuire***, Jon Menezes, Zach Tito, ***Edger Velazquez***



### ***Speedy's Outlaws***

***Frank Cabrera***, Mikle Cabrera, Fidel Gil, William Gutierrez, Leighton Hernandez, Dominique Hopkins, ***Samuel Santiago***



***Tractor's Ligers***

***Tanner Fite, Juan Jimenez, Konstantin Morris, Fernando Negrete, David Priest, Francisco Santa Cruz, Anthony Torpen***



***Goblin's Dead Crows***

***Shanti Almanza, Andrew Bonucci, Victor Fuentes, John Gomez, Brittan Morgan, Russell Myers, Chris Sabo, Gabriel Vaca***



***Captain's Wild Boyz***

***Jaime Castaneda, Jose Gaeta, Nery Garcia, Albert Gomez, Armando Rodriguez, Dylan Soto, Dorian Townsend, Alex Valencia***



***Misterio's Nite Wolves***

***Matt Boller, Jose Castro, Henry Cortez, Jose Lopez, Josh Rangel, Jake Sellers, Jeff Smith***



***Ozo's Big Bears***

***Abraham Bojorquez, Paul Cornejo, William Elena, Carlos Fabila, Gamaliel Gabinez, Daniel Gutierrez, Rogelio Salazar, Joseph Young***

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# 4th Session Ventura County



## Cloud's Samurai

Jacob Anaya, **Kurtis Condra**, **Andrew Jacquez**, Mark Jacquez, Israel Lopez, Eric Madrid, Brandon Serp



## Goose's Trail Blazers

Juan Carranza, **Joseph Espitia**, Nick Kazimir, Ulises Kline, Armando Martinez, Jesse Ojeda, **Ryan West**



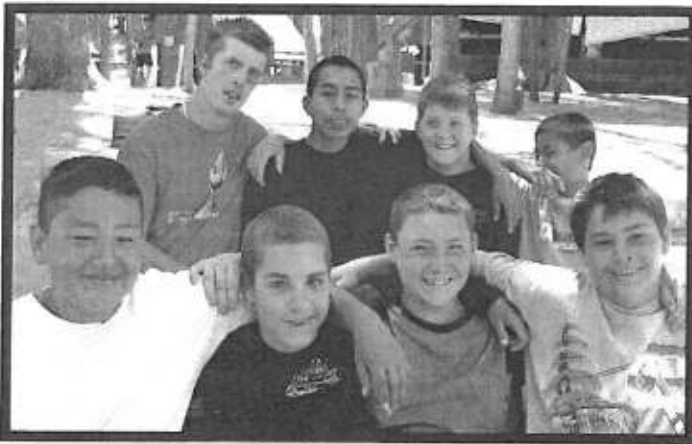
## Misterio's Redwood Soldiers

**Arturo Alonso**, David Anderson, Cameron Checky, Nathan Cline, **Franklin Contreras**, Benjamin Gil, **Juan Mendoza**, Daniel Nieto



## Flame's Little Campers

Azarias Alvarez, Christopher Barnard, Fernando Cortez, Blake Hudson, **Philip Jacquez**, Andrew Wilson, Alexander Zubiate



***Stump's Nappy Roots***

Jose Burgara, ***Wesley Clark***, Anthony Coffey, ***Francisco Felipe***, Marco Flores, ***Anthony Gaber***, Sean Miller



***Primo's Sequoias***

Felipe Barajas, ***Jonathan Gonzalez***, Diego Ocampo, ***Jose Ojeda***, Aaron Olivas, Lucas Olivas, Arturo Salazar



***Tractor's Icee Boyz***

Anthony Bell, ***Brandon Gilder***, Alexis Madrid, Raul Mandujano, Ricki Marengi, Jose Luis Mendez, Joseph Navarette, ***Anthony Showalter***



***Tank's Titans***

***Gary Candelara***, ***Michael Chavez***, Daniel Contreras, Danny Garcia, Max Gil, Alex Jones, Eladio Palencia, Anthony Pavini



***Spartan's Warriors***

Sergio Alonso, Arturo Arreola, ***Connor Benado***, Christian Casteneda, Aaron Golianis, ***Connor Sullivan***, Leonardo Vasquez, Jimmy White

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# 5th Session

## Long Beach & Orange County



### ***Dragon's Little Dragons***

Jose Aguilar, Albert Cabral, Omar Morales, Carlos Padilla, Miguel Padilla, Aaron Pena, Nicholas Rubalcava, Andrew Villalobos, Sam Winston



### ***Ref's Big Ballers***

Laffayette Adams, ***Christopher Hill***, Jesse Lopez, Joshua Moreland, ***Marcelo Nambo***, Guadalupe Rivera, Samuel Rivera, George Sotelo, Lemoelefilii Tiai



### ***Goblin's Raging Carnivores***

Robert Akers, Jeremy Briebly, ***Joseph Feyder***, Oswaldo Flores, Christian Mahoney, Juan Munive, Julio Rodriguez, Andre Spring



### ***Bond's Trail Blazers***

***Arturo Flores***, Andy Garjeda, Terence Harris, ***Jame Javier***, Joel Salazar, Mata Tagoloa, Oswaldo Vargas, Brandon Weyland



***Apache's Boys in the Woods***

Alvaro Castaneda, Victor Falcon, Alfredo Jasso, Charles Knipe, Malcolm Little, Ricardo Muniz, ***Luis Navarro***, Matthew Tafoya, ***Jordan Wilson***



***Primo's Suprimos***

Avel Ferrer, Brennan Hales, Jamonte Johnson, ***Manuel Perez-Rodriguez***, Jonathan Piceno, Josh Quinonez, Calisto Segarra, ***Chad Tannehill***, ***Adrian Trujillo***



***Flame's Fantastic 8***

Paul Baies, ***Dominique Carter***, Jose Colio, Edward Garcia, Jonathan Lathon, Jorge Lopez, ***Simon Martinez***, ***Jose Navarro***



***Speedy's Untouchables***

Eddie Arellano, ***William Baker***, ***Albert Garcia***, Christian Garcia, Ivan Macedo, ***Angel Martinez***, ***Tyler Merriman***, Robert Young



***Tractor's Hard Knocks***

James Baker, Treyvon Cook, Alex Fox, Willie Hammonds, Jarod Jones, Adam Masters

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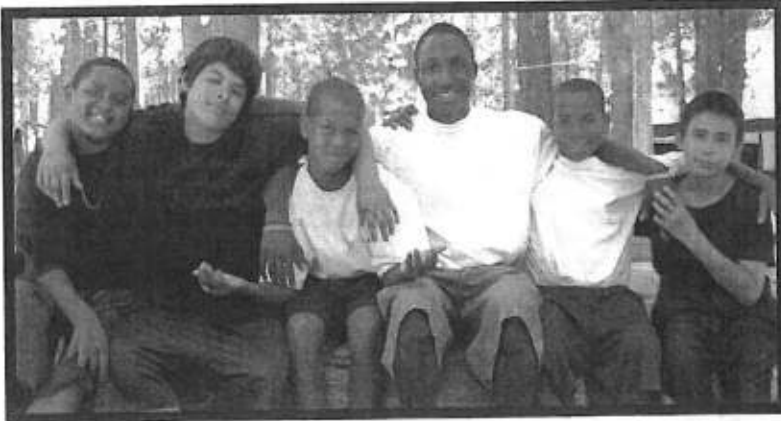






# 6th Session

## South Bay Areas



### *Speedy's Road Runners*

Darron Colley, **Andrew Diaz**, Chris Munoz,  
**Fernando Vasquez**, Richard Wilks

### *Arise's Navigators*

Jerman Avalos, Kevin Buenrostro, Enrique Cruz, Chris Hall, Joseph Simon, Daniel Valdez, Steve Zamora, Mario Zavala



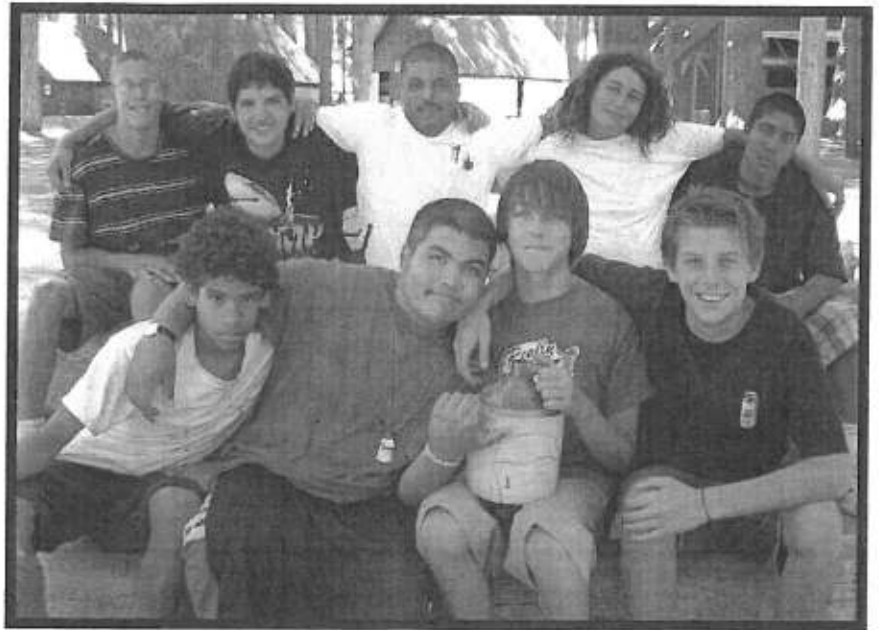
### *Vortex's Trail Blazers*

**Anthony Diaz**, Fernando Esquivel, Nicholak Gonzalez, Kenneth Hayes, Calvin Lias, Martin Osuna, Nicholas Osuna, Scott Parkhurst

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***Ref's Untouchables***

***Drake Alexander***, Kenny Barcinas, Temo Cadena, James Manos, Lauro Paxcle Jr., Christopher Spangler, Joseph Valdez, Biko Wright



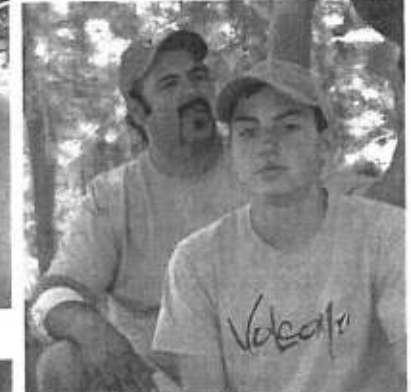
***Eagle's Amigos***

Taylor Estrada, ***Walter Gonzalez***, Tyler Lewis, ***Jerod Manos***, Raymond Montanez, Kenneth Munyer, ***Edward Navarro***, Daniel Pimblett, Jorge Victoriano

***Cloud's Goonies***

***Chris Aldama***, Chris Guerra, Dylan Hardman, ***David Kim***, ***Taua Niko***, Gilbert Ortega, William Washington







# Lion Meadows

Dear Lioneers,

Well, the summer has past and we are left with our memories of our home deep in the Sequoias. For me, and some of you, that place was Lion Meadows. Lion Meadows is a special place because it changes something within all of us. Hopefully, now that you are home it is easier to recognize some of these changes. Many of you experienced things that you never have felt or seen before. Whether it was laughing at dumb jokes, hiking to the top of snow capped mountains, or realizing the true meaning of a friend, I saw a change in all of you. This past summer is one that I will never forget and all of you who shared it with me know why. I really enjoyed taking all of you on trips, sharing my knowledge and stories with you, and helping you when you needed someone to talk to. These are the reasons why I look forward to going back to camp every summer. Hopefully I made a difference in your lives because you definitely made a difference in mine.

Now it is time for you to make a difference. It is time for you to make a difference by applying the things that you learned at camp to your everyday lives. If your friends want you to do something bad and you know that it is bad, then don't do it. If your mom or dad is struggling, then help them out. Become the person that we helped you to visualize.

For any of you who want to come up to Lion Meadows next summer, be sure to keep in touch with camp by writing to *Dolphin*. Also, try to keep your grades up and stay on the right track by not getting in trouble. Finally, and most importantly, try to keep Pyles Camp in your hearts. This is very important because it is easy to forget about us when things get busy. Also, for my Lioneers this past summer, the same goes for you! Being a staff member or voyager is a big step and not everybody gets the chance to do it. You successfully went through the Lion Meadows program and know what it takes to come back. So do it! I am really looking forward to seeing the all of you next summer.

Sincerely,  
**Gizmo**



**Gizmo on Farewell Gap**



**1<sup>st</sup> Session Lioneers – Gizmo & Cloud**

Robert Bertrand, James Derry, Carl Johnson, Kevin Larry, Armando Martinez, Boaz Mouzon, Arturo Ochoa, Anthony Ramos, Freddy Rogers



**2<sup>nd</sup> Session Lioneers – Gizmo & Bamm Bamm**

Christian Acosta, George Alvarado, Erick Avila, David Boller, Shawn Greene, Angel Houts, Alex Melgoza, Juan Carlos Ortiz, Trevor Rubalcava, Steven Saleh



**3<sup>rd</sup> Session Lioneers – Gizmo & Crew**

Cameron Adams, Gabriel Boyer, David Chomppff, Alex Fuentes, Cody Gerarden, Andrew McCorkle, Eddie Rojas



**4<sup>th</sup> Session Lioneers – McFly, Crew, Captain, Bamm Bamm & Blade**

Garrett Adams, Anthony Garcia, SaRon Green, Rogelio Jimenez, Ramiccio Knight, Joseph Lucas, Baldo Magana, Jesse Ortiz, William Portillo, Jeovanny Rodriguez, Johnny Soto, Jose Torres, Jonathan Villanueva, Robert Villegas



**4<sup>th</sup> Session Lioneers - Bamm Bamm & Blade's Group**



**4<sup>th</sup> Session Lioneers - Crew & Captain's Group**



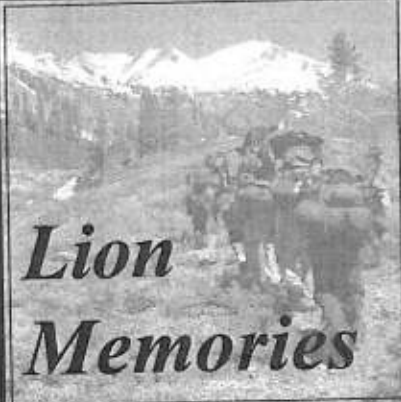
**5<sup>th</sup> Session Lioneers – Gizmo & Tank**

Jacob Abel, Stephen Alvarez, Michael Hales, Travone Kerr, Malcolm McAllister, Juan Medina, Adrian Rangel, Steven Rodish, Thomas Roller



**6<sup>th</sup> Session Lioneers – McFly & Rusty**

Roderick Diaz, Alex Guevara, Jorge Sagastume, Rodolfo Sagastume, Nicholas Stakias, Jeffrey Vasquez, Jamar Williams



# Lion Memories



*A special thank you to Maverick, Reid Hopkins and the rest of the Lion Meadow Crew for all your help and support!*



# Voyagers

The summer has come and gone, but the memories of all the adventures that we experienced will continue for a lifetime. Now that we are back to our day-to-day routines, we still must remember the lessons we learned about how to deal with the strenuous events in our daily lives. When things get tough at home, just remember the hikes over Jerky or reaching your goal of making it to Farewell Gap. Think of how hard it was to persevere, yet at the same time how rewarding it was to have achieved your goals.

As the Voyager Director, it was one of the most rewarding summers I've had at camp. I had the honor of not only teaching the Voyagers, but also of learning from them. We set goals of going places that many of us have never been to. You have to envision some of the amazing sights that you saw or experienced, for example the snow ball fights, making your own snow cones, sliding down snowy hills, going into dark caves, watching the deer, seeing beautiful lakes, and becoming a family. I would also like to thank all of the wonderful Voyager counselors, without you guys none of this would have happened. You made these experiences the best. One last thing that I would like to say to the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> session Voyagers: **FIRE ALARM!**



*Tiger at the Caves*



### 3<sup>rd</sup> Session Voyagers – Tiger & Spartan

Tony Acuna, Riley Aggen, Joseph Beltran, Colton Broderick, Daniel Knapstead, Cody Lyon, Jose Mendez, Eddie Perez, Isaiah Smith



### 4<sup>th</sup> Session Voyagers – Ref & Dragon

David Armenta, Karry Baze, Nick Bell, Joshua Lourito, Curtis March, Rigo Romero, Michael Soto, Jason Zalmanzig



### 5<sup>th</sup> Session Voyagers – Tiger & Billy Bear

Juan Avila, Elic Evans, Adrian Luevano, Nicholas Parks, Luis Sandoval, Anthony Shade, Jonathan Tapia



# Voyager Adventures



# *Pyles Leadership Training*

## *Developing The Leaders For Tomorrow*

Every year a special group of young men are selected to participate in Pyles Leadership Training that challenges them to be the best. Expectations for our counselors are very high, and the program is an intense experience designed to identify and develop new leaders within the Pyles family.

The job of a counselor is one of the most enjoyable and demanding jobs at Pyles Camp. Counselors are the backbone of Pyles Camp, and the campers' safety and camp experience are entrusted to these young men. Becoming a counselor is not a "right of passage" or guaranteed. Each participant in the PLT program has to earn his place in the program. They are selected based on their work ethic, desire and enthusiasm.

PLT training is no "walk in the park" due to the importance of the counselor's role and the tremendous responsibility placed upon them. The course focuses on developing the skills of *safety, supervision, leadership, and decision making* to ensure these young men are prepared for their next role at camp. The course encompasses a two week training session utilizing both lecture/classroom training and an outcamp with simulated situations to test the skills of each candidate.

Facilitating the training program were *Coach* and *Sidewinder*. They are both firm believers in Pyles Camp and committed to its philosophies and program. As result, they provide a challenging experience for the chosen few and only the ambitious and dedicated will move into the coveted counselor positions.

*Congratulations to Tractor, Spartan, Tank, Misterio, Stump, Blade, Flame, Captain, and Goose for their successful completion of the PLT course.*



# Mule Days 2005

Pyles Boys Camp is now entered into the history books of Mule Days for receiving the first ever World Champion titles for Youth Packers. Not only do we attend and compete for the education and life experience, but now we have made a major impact on the mule industry and great western heritage associated with the annual Bishop Mule Days.

To be selected for the Mule Days Program the Pyles Camper must possess leadership potential, have an interest in livestock, be able to represent Pyles in a positive manner and most importantly, be a person who could really benefit from the program.

The program starts in January with training sessions every other weekend at the home of **Reid and Eileen Hopkins** in Kernville and continues until the Bishop Mule Days Show in May. During the training sessions the boys are taught how to saddle and ride horses and mules, how to pack mules and practice the actual events emphasizing safety for both animal and rider. The boys also learn health and medical aspects of livestock.

Pyles Boys Camp brought home the first ever World Champion Youth Packer and World Champion Reserve Youth Packer awards earned by **Aaron Rolls** and **Cody Lyons**. We also earned the Reserve World Champion Teamster, by **Matt McDonald**, a.k.a. Bodeanis Maximus. Over 30 trophies and ribbons were won this year by our phenomenal team of young mule skinnners who include: **Matt McDonald, Aaron Rolls, Cody Lyons, Chad Alyea, Shane Walker, Lois Rojas, Aarron Payne, David Boller, Rigoberto Ramirez, Shawn Cole and Cody Thompson**. A big "Congratulations" is in order for these young men for representing Pyles Boys Camp with courtesy and professionalism.

We would like to give thanks to all our sponsors and volunteers who make this event possible year after year.

Reid & Eileen Hopkins  
Terry & Joan Thompson  
Mike Follett  
Jack & Sharon McGee  
Bill O'Connell  
Bob & Arlena Pipkin  
Steve Croft (Came To Believe Ranch)

Sean & Pam McEnulty  
Kellee VanRensselaer  
Duke Hingley  
Dick & Micky Rivers  
Larry Hume  
Steve & Anna Farris

Carl & Lynnette Woolwine  
Jack Scott  
Arzell Hale  
Fred Goldsmith  
Wayne Gallegly



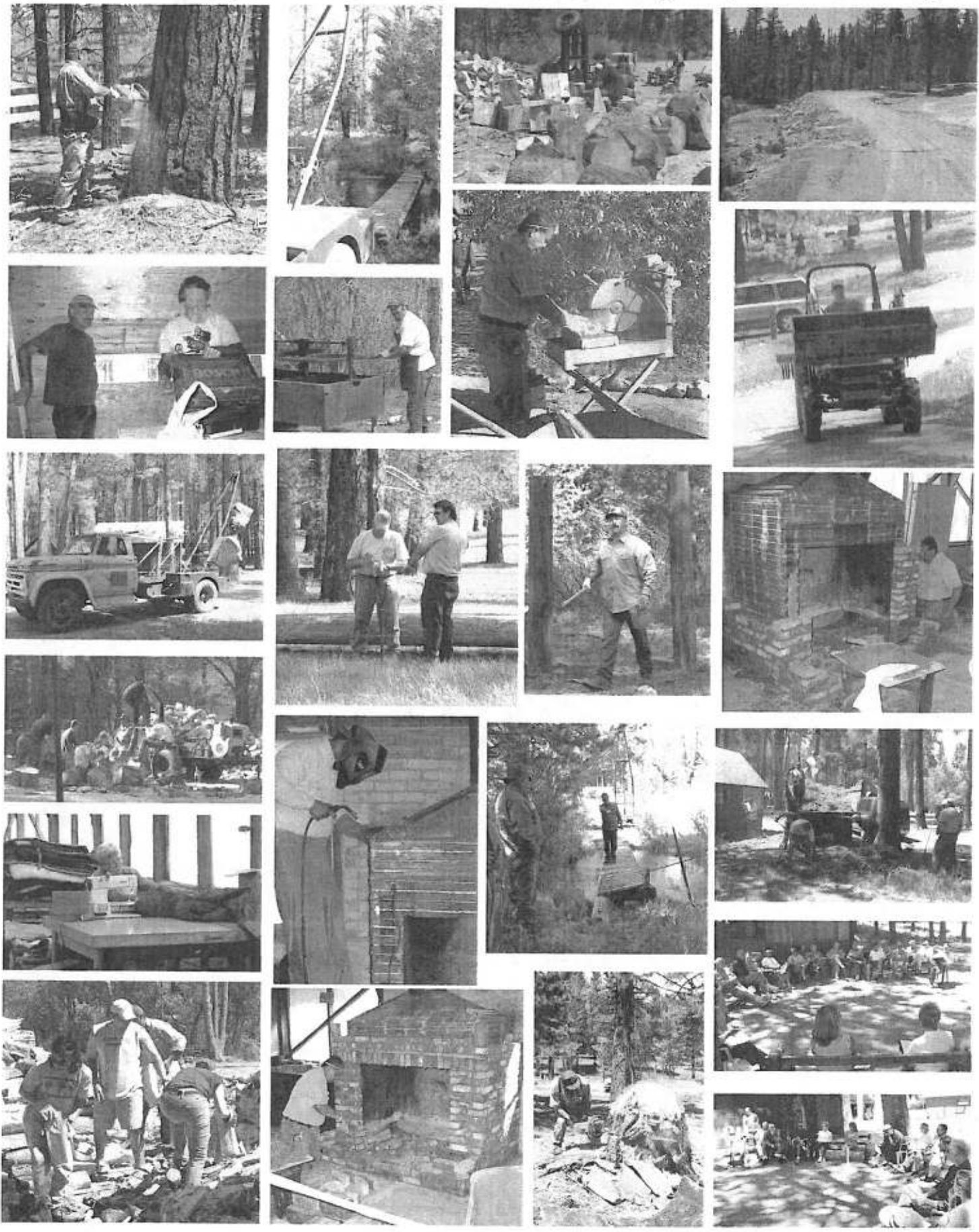
**2005 Mule Days Team**



**To all participants, sponsors and volunteers, past and present:**

We will be having a "Pyles Mule Days Team" 10 year reunion spring of 2006. Please contact Lynnette Woolwine (760-376-7721) with your contact information so that you may be notified of the details when they become available.

# The Many Helping Hands Of Pyles Camp



# Winter Events



# Letter to the Staff

Dear Staff,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for another great summer. This summer we were faced with a number of changes. Sometimes it is hard for people to accept change and they will fight it vigorously. I saw very little resistance from all of you in the face of numerous changes (12 day sessions, water restrictions due to high water, grouping up on the outcamps, shorter outcamps, ect). Your adaptability proves that the Pyles Camp staff is a step above everyone else!

I spend many hours working on The Pylet; a lot of this time is spent going over all the pictures from the summer. As I look at the different faces, I am reminded of all the work that you, the staff, do for each and everyone of these boys. It is you that learns a little about each boy, instilling in them the lessons, helping them through the daily challenges at camp and provides them with the tools that can make their lives better. It might have been as simple as learning his name and being a friend or it could be the countless hours you spent working with a boy – either way, *know you made a difference to him.*

I'd like to give a few special thanks: To **Billy Bear** for spending nearly 6 months at camp helping to open the camp, accepting every summer position we threw at him (Ropes Course Leader, Assistant Cook, Wrangler and Voyager Leader), working with Cate School, and closing camp. Knowing I could count on you made my job that much easier. To **Maverick** for all the time you spend behind the scenes making sure the camp is running properly, for being just a call away, also for being so willing to provide your services to get food and supplies out to Lion Meadows. You are a wealth of knowledge and skills! Finally, to **Nana**, the person who has been at the camp the longest and can still work circles around all the rest of the staff. Thank you for another summer of delicious food, never ending love and a willing ear to listen when we needed someone to talk to. I know I can say for all the staff, "We Love You!"

Once again, I thank you for accepting the changes we faced, keeping moral up, and ensuring a safe summer!

## Shotgun



# *2005 Summer Staff*



*1st Session*

*2nd Session*



*3rd Session*

# *2005 Summer Staff*



*4th Session*



*5th Session*



*6th Session*



# 2005 Staff Addresses

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I May Not Follow.*

*Don't Walk Behind Me,  
I May Not Lead.*

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