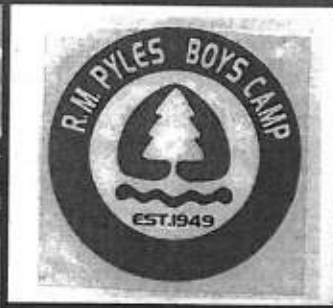
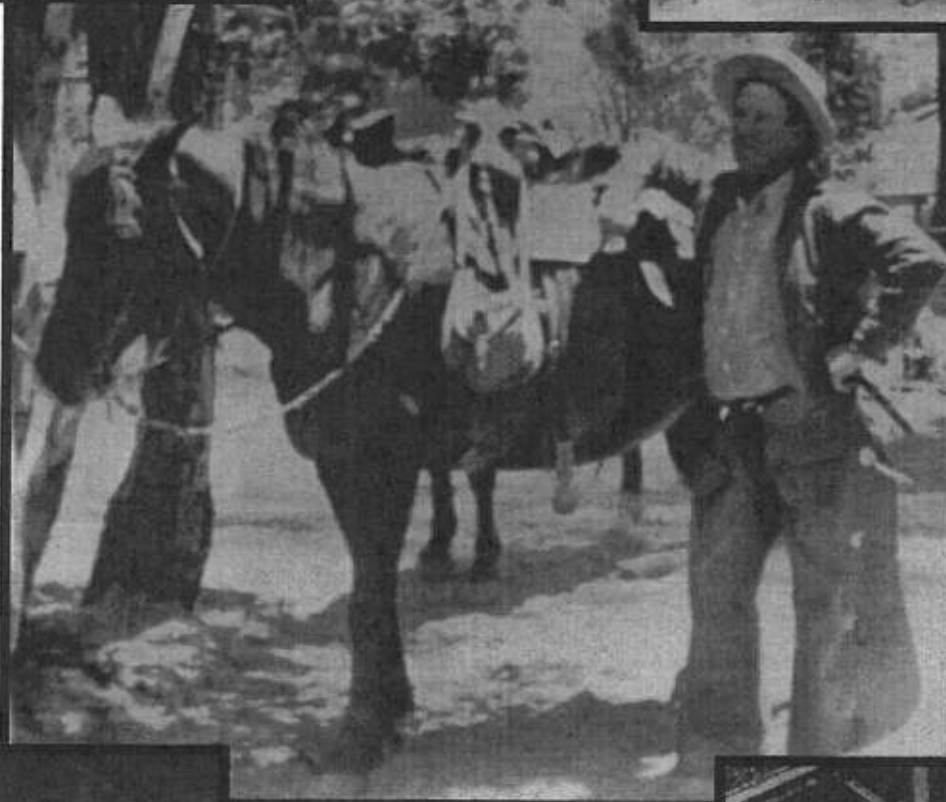


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*LEADERSHIP*



# *60th Anniversary*

# *Welcome to The Pylet for 2009*

This year represented the camp's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary and you are part of what makes this program successful. The Pylet is the camp's yearbook for the summer. Inside you will find messages from the staff and lots of photos from the summer. On the back pages you will find information on how to contact us at the office and the rest of the staff.

Our hope is that camp had an impact on you and how you look at your life, those around you, and the goals you set for yourself in school and your future. As you read through the Pylet and look at the pictures we hope it will rekindle that spark, or fuel the flame within you, to be the best you can be and keep heading toward your goals. When times get tough, and there will be those times, think back to camp and remember that you can accomplish whatever you set your mind to.

Remember the camp and all the staff are here to support you. If you need help or just an encouraging word contact the office, your counselor or any other staff member you made friends with. We wish you all the best and hope to see you this winter and back up at camp next summer!



*Shotgun*

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## *This Years Pylet is Dedicated to*

# *Dutch Kruger*

## *Long time friend and volunteer*

We are dedicating this year's Pylet to Dutch Kruger for his love and many years of service to R.M. Pyles Boys Camp.

Dutch started working as a volunteer at our annual work parties in 1972. He fell in love with Pyles Camp and quickly became a member of our large family. Dutch is best known for his naming of Pyles Camp as the real "Magic Mountain". He often talked about how he got more "out of camp than he gave" by working as a volunteer for us.

An amazing thing about Dutch: he brought three generations of his family to camp to work as volunteers. When his sons were old enough in his mind to "do the job", they came to camp and he held his grandsons to the same standard. Dutch was very selective of the friends he brought with him over the years and

some carried on his legacy of bringing their children, and grandchildren, when the time was right.

Dutch was part of a quickly passing generation of men and woman who quietly sacrificed and gave of themselves for the betterment of our society with no desire or thoughts of personal recognition or gain. They served because they knew it was the right thing to do.

Dutch passed away this spring. We will greatly miss him but his name and legacy will live with us for generations to come. God Bless you Dutch.



# *A Message from the Camp Director*

Dear Friends,

I want to thank you for sharing your summer with us. It was our goal this year to encourage each of you to realize the only way to get anywhere in life is to take that first step. As Napoleon Hill stated *"The starting point of all achievement is desire. Keep this constantly in mind. Weak desires bring weak results, just as a small amount of fire makes a small amount of heat."* I want you to think of the difference between the heat of the little cooking fire you made on out camp and the big fire we made each night for our camp fire activities.

Each day you have to decide if your future is going to be that little fire with little heat, or the roaring fire of success and a feeling of great warmth. We are here around you now, holding the "wood" for you, but you have to be the one to decide what to do with your fire, your future.

Make us proud, but better, make yourself proud of your success.



*Sean "Beaver" McEnulty*

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# *A Message from the Exectutive Director*

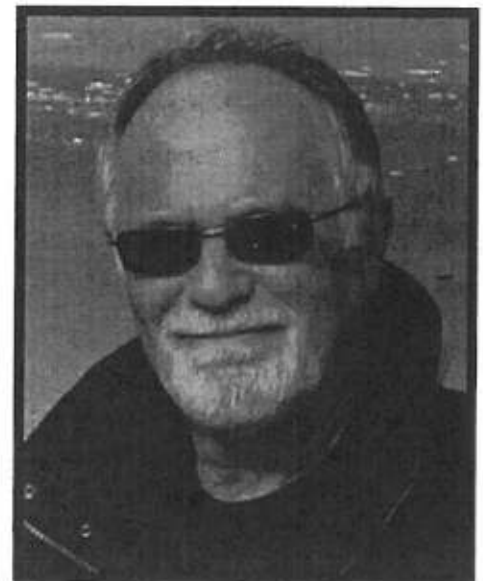
## *More Than Just A Camp*

As you read through the pages of this Pylet it becomes apparent that Pyles Boys Camp is not just a summer camp but a place of opportunity and growth, a place that changes lives. Yes, there are sports and arts and crafts, horseback riding, out-camp experiences, campfires, archery, Ropes Course and all the fun things that a camp offers.

More than that, however, the camp, the people of the camp, create a place where boys can be free to be themselves without the pressures and tensions of city life...a place where positive male role models provide a nurturing environment to help the boys consider their lives and how to help make their dreams come true and realize their potential.

As you read these pages it is also obvious that the impact camp has had on the lives of over 25,000 young men still resonates in their lives and the way they feel about the Pyles Camp experience. Mr. Pyles' dream has become a wonderful reality for 60 years. Thank you campers, staff, board members and supporters for making this camp more than just a camp. We look forward to the next 60 years of Pyles Boys Camp with anticipation and great hope for the future.

*Steve "Papa Smurf" Makoff*



## *We wish Sidewinder all the best!*



We would all like to thank and bid farewell to Sidewinder. Sidewinder has returned to his former employer and we will miss him as a full time employee with the camp, but look forward to his continued help with the PLT program, alumni association, and other work he has always helped us with over many years. Good luck Sidewinder on your next path.

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## *The Winter Follow up Program Kicks Off with a Weekend Back at Camp*

Covering the Outreach Program for this winter will be McFly. McFly has been one of our Senior Staff members during the summers for many years. He has directed the Lion Meadows program and was one of our summer program coordinators in 2008. McFly was unable to be with us this summer as he was in Scotland earning his Masters Degree. He is already busy setting up reunions and other events for this winter. Check our web site for up coming events in your area. He is also here to help you out should you need it.

Kicking off this winter's follow up events was a camp-out at camp at the end of September. This years Kern County campers were invited to come back up to camp for a weekend of fun and friendship. We had a good size group of campers and staff. The weekend was filled with fun activities such as fishing, hikes, krafts, archery and campfires. There was also time to renew those friendships from the summer.



# *Special Recognition from Beaver*

I would like to recognize one of our outstanding Staff members this year. I have been the Director for ten years now and I can genuinely say the summer of 2009 had the best group of dedicated, motivated, and caring staff I have seen in many years of my involvement with Pyles Boys Camp.

One staff member who was the brightest star among many stars this summer was Dragon. He worked tirelessly throughout the summer; personally driven to ensure everyone, campers, staff, and guests alike, had every opportunity to reach their fullest potential. We talk a lot about giving "110%" but I can truly say Dragon didn't just talk about it, he personally did it. He worked for all of us and asked for nothing in return. He only hoped we would all "get it" and become fulfilled through our camp experience.

Dragon was a strong passionate leader giving to each of us individually while guiding us as a group. I felt less like he worked for me than with me as a partner in management.

I am proud of the way Dragon has grown at camp and in his faith and community. I see in him a great hope for our future as a camp, community, and Nation.

I hope all of you can join with me in thanking Dragon for his love,

***Beaver***



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## *A Message from Buddha*

I have always felt privileged to be part of the Pyles Camp family, and I know that I take these words for granted sometimes. In my most recent trip, I spent two weeks exploring Oahu and the Big Island of Hawaii. It was a solo journey intended for me to give time to myself, reflect on what I have been able to achieve, and anticipate the aspirations that have yet to come. Before leaving the mainland, I freed myself of any communication devices, including my phone and computer. My purpose also did not include making friends or meeting people, but there was someone I knew I needed to connect with. I have never met him nor did I know much about him; all I knew about Primo was that he is part of the Pyles Camp family, and that gave me all the reason to make sure I find him.

When I couldn't get a hold of Primo after calling him several times upon my arrival, I gave up on the idea. Instead, I rented a car and explored the island in its entirety by myself for three days. After two days of talking to myself because I refused to make contact with anybody (I know it sounds creepy, but that's how I travel :), I was convinced to try to get in touch with Primo again. So I found a payphone (yes, they still exist!) and decided to give him one last call. Finally hearing Primo's voice brought everything back to reality for me. In the last few hours before I left, I had the honor of meeting Primo and learning about his personal life journey. Through Primo, I was reminded of how connected we all are as part of the Pyles Camp family. I realized that each of us carries a personal Pyles Camp legend, and every one of our legends stems from the same roots.

As part of the Pyles Camp family, every one of our roots began in the nested Southern Sierras and extends all over the world. So no matter where you are, remember that a member of your family is nearby and may be waiting for you.



***Primo & Buddha***

# *1st Session:*

## *Kern County*



### *Copperhead's Bomb Squad*

Justin Baker, **Jonathan Espinoza**, Robert King, **Brennan Mays**, Raul Morales, Gabriel Ryman, Armando Silva, Dylan Young

### *Flame's Ring of Fire*

Justin Burk, **Nate Garrett**, **Rogelio Gonzalez**, Mark Guerrero, Tyler Prokuski, Gabriel Salvatierra, Michael Serrano, Auzie Ward



### *Champ's Aces*

Jesus Bustos, Ezekiel Chavez, Gabriel Chavez, Jose Gonzales, Van Rollins, James Vaughn, Jacob Westover, Chris Yanez

### *Gambit's Warriors*

**Tyler Allman**, Cassius Martin, Romain Smith, Jesus Flores, Jordan Hewett, **Jacob Knight**, Darien Pace, Jacob Reese





**Jaugernaut's Sparkling Rainbow Squad**

Jose Ayala, Mario Barreto, Jose Beltran, Thomas Laird, Augustino Panfilo, Cody Pugh, **Ivan Rodriguez**, Jose Gonzalez



**Tank's Terminators**

Antonio Bustos, Grant Gentry, Josh Hiser, Miguel Lopez, **Jonathan Martin**, **Jonathan Martinez**, Otis McFadden, Christian Torres



**Woodstock's Chuck Norris's**

Abigael Ayala, Lorenzo Garcia, **James Honer**, Alex Poling, Mason Rollins, **Benjamin Segovia**, Ricardo Uribe, **Matthew Worthy**



**Goblin's Bartanators**

Alex Avila, Stephan Balentine, Kermitt Davis, David Flores, Xavier Garcia, **William Potter**, **Bryson Prokuski**, Jose Sanchez-Varela



**Vertigo's Misfits**

Miguel Aguilera, Anthony Alvarez, Dominic Brickell, Robert Curlee, Richard (T.J.) Fernandes, **Zachary Huff**, Allen Johnson, Ulises Lomeli

(Names in BOLD = Honor Campers)

# Summer Memories







# *2nd Session*

## *Los Angeles Area*



### *Champ's Formers*

Rene Albarran, **Johnny Gonzalez**, Alejandro Hernandez, **Cesar Lopez**, Luis Meda, **Tim Nickell**, Joshua Pineda, **Jose Ramos**

### *Flame's Titans*

Jose Duenas, Bryan Gallegos, Amone Gragg, Mathew Hacket, Brandon Orozco, Anselmo Pineda, Miguel Sanchez, Dylan Webber-Graves



### *Woodstock's Mafia*

**Kenny Reza**, Daniel Romero, Vincent Vargas, Ivan Briseno, Derrious Jennings, Johnson Padilla, **Oscar Perez**, Javier Valdez

### *Tank's X-Files*

Jose Munoz, **Michael Villanueva**, Christian Arellano, Edgar Bustillo, Hector Diaz, Christopher Orozco, Odalid Pacheco-Mejia





**Gator's Killer Crocs**

Francisco Marin, Noah Medina, **Vincent Ruiz**, **Jorge Serrano**, **Sergio Serrano**, Richard Tejada, Guadalupe Tepox

**Goblin's Destructive Transformers**

Benny Andrade, Zachary Brown, Miguel Moreno, Francisco Saldana, Chris Arellano, Raul Garcia, **Victor Sanchez**, Erick Tepox



**Jaugernaut's TKO's**

Edwin Blanco, Luis Espinoza, David Fuentes, Justin Murray, **Ryan Nickell**, Jimmy Romero, Helmer Sorto, **Kevin Vazquez**

**Stretch's Warriors**

**Estaban Alacro**, Alejandro Cardona, David Cruz, Luis Duenas, Deshawn Maiden, Alfredo Mandujano, Jamie Ortega, Joseph Romero



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# Summer Reflections





# 3rd Session

## Santa Maria & Orange County Areas



### Brawley's Diamondbacks

Austyn Childers, Carlos Duarte, Peter Lank, **Sergio Rivera**, Alex Brown, Daniel Price, Dakota Williamson, Travis Woodard



### Gator's Survivalists

Jacob Antunez, Christopher Dominguez, Joshua De Leon, Ian Fordyce, Anthony Fuentes, Michael Martin, Paul Sturmer, John Watanabe



### Stretch's Wolf Pack

Paul Lank, Victor Arredondo, Angel DeLuna, **Manuel Gonzalez**, Eric Montero, Julio Padilla, Gabriel Relyea, Triston Williamson



### Vertigo's Unknowns

**Jeremiah Gundry**, David Barron, Ricardo Contreras, Antonio Lazaro, Christian Maya, **Joshua Montero**, Javier Rios, Pedro Villa

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**Buffalo's Wings**

Daniel Salinas, Pedro Torres, Ricky Esparza, Sale Longi, Andrew Pena, Sean Rebaldo, **Omar Rodriguez**

**Champ's Chimps**

Randy Acosta, Marcos Alcala, Kevin Cisneros, Steven Corey, Marcos Elenes, **Brandon Gross**, Andrew Powell, **Emmanuel Barboza**



**Cliff's Teletubbies**

Daniel Zapien, Eduardo Ortiz, Daniel Salazar, Chris Caballero, Jonathan Garcia, Guillermo Salinas, Tyler St. Aubin, John Valenzuela-Diaz

**Mamba's Thunder**

Mark Braithwaite, Blake Davis-Kessler, **Miguel Domingez**, Asonte Johnson, Eduardo Lazaro, Stephen Meda, Addison Puffelis, Rodrigo Rodriguez



**Prince's Decepticons**

**Gerardo Cano**, Jose Fernandez, Gabriel Baltierra-Gonzalez, Zachery Burch, Stephen Dworak, Edgar Morales-Guzman, **Brian Ramirez**, John Vilarino

# Summer Experiences







# 4th Session

## Ventura & Santa Clarita Areas



### Buffalo's Sauce

Fernando Arroyo, Heriberto Avelar, **Alan Espinoza**, Isaac Mares, Donovan Pena, Francisco Robles, Juan Salazar, Andrew Walker

### Champ's Most Valuable Monkeys

Bobby Bornand, Carlos Espitia, Seth Gibson, Daniel Jackson, **Tommy Kelley**, Cole "Eliot" Reves, Michael Rodriguez, **Justin Shipman**



### Goblin's Goblins

**Alfredo Alvarez**, Andrew Berdon, Tommy Hernandez, **Adrian Martinez**, Ryan Martinson, **Joseph Orozco**, Angel Pulido, Martin Soria, Sergio Torres

### Jester's Beasts

Arturo Ayon, Abel Campos, Jacob Flores, Jordan Jennings, Mark Magana, **Daniel Martinez**, Manuel Moedano, Charles Nunez, Louis Seal





**Jaugernaut's Cuddly Care Bears**

Julio Cortez, Gabriel Cueva, James Dennison, Francisco Moncoya, **Misael Rodriguez**, Dominick Salazar, Tristan Sheehan, **Rudy Soria**



**Ozo's Wolverines**

David Bailey, Manuel Claudio, Joseph Cobos, Cristian Gutierrez, Anthony Hernandez, Raul Huerta, Caleb Mahan, Michael Reyes, Josh Walcott



**Rooster's Royals**

Justice Brown, Wesley Gilbert, Kyle Gilhooley, **Cody Gonzalez**, Steven Hernandez, Joshua Mizrahi, **Justin Obiols**, Ruben Salazar



**Shellshock's Shotguns**

Victor Alvarez, Aaron D'Agostino, Brandon Ferrer, William Liebman, Zach Nease, Tristan Pierson, Arlen Vera, John Gunsolus



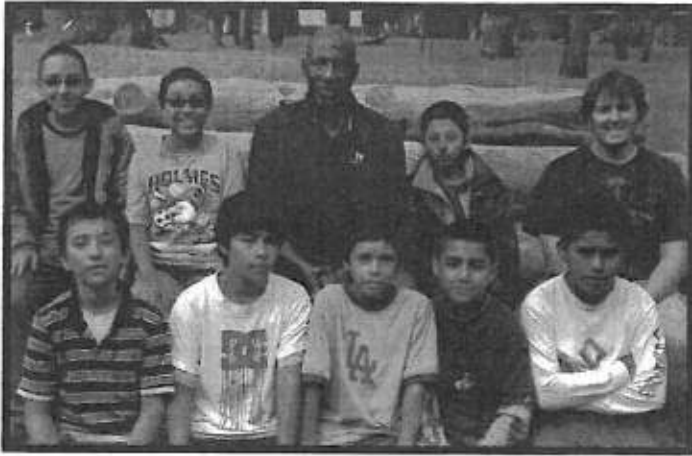
**Stretch's Athletic Warriors**

Lavell Bartley, Edward Berden, Daniel Carbajal, Steven Claudio, Joseph Cornet, Tim Jones, Victor Mares, Adrian Sapien, Taylor Sibek

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# 5th Session

## Los Angeles Harbor & Long Beach Areas



### Brawley's Bad News Bears

Andrew Alcaraz, Jorge Martinez, David McGill, **Manuel Rubio**, **Jose Ruiz**, Carlos Vega, Jesus Yanez, Miguel Zepeda



### Cliff's Predators

Pedro Agustin, Bryan Alfaro, Daniel Escalante, Joe Huerta, Peter Palacios, Jose Servin, Juan Velazquez, Felipe Zarate



### Cloud's Soldiers First Class

Jason Bowman, **Edgar Bruno**, Sebastian Martinez, Ryan McMurtrey, Jairo Moran, Diego Rodriguez, Bryan Smith



### Hondo's Survivors

David Cadena, Marquice Chapman, Branden Doan, Andrew Higashi, Robert Jefferson, **Zachary Norman**, Jamar White, Jose Carrillo

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**Myth's Mob**

**Chris Escobedo, Jairo Flores, Shawn Jordison, Christopher Lopez, Alexander Ortiz, Evan Weise**



**Ozo's Banana Boats**

**Marcos Acosta, Eduardo Alvarez, Eduardo Gutierrez, Willie Johnson, Michael Kurtz, Kelvin Ramos, Mario Valentin**



**Shellshock's Shockers**

**John McMillan, Sergio Peraza, Ramon Reyes, Luis Vera, Jose Chavez, Kyle Perry, Derrien Stanford**



**Rooster's Destroyers**

**Isaac Araujo, Ruben Chavez, Samuel Hall, Luis Hernandez, Vinny Sigala, Miyon Treat, Grey Virto, Fernando Arzate**

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## ***Who Is That Person In The Group Pictures?***

Pyles Camp is full of opportunities and lesson's. One of those lessons is setting goals and working towards them. Prince has taken that to heart and is reaching his goals. He is finding himself in circles of many different people, one of which is **James Worthy**, formerly with the Lakers. Thanks to Prince, Mr. Worthy came to camp for the day and talked with all the campers. He was gracious enough to sit in on all the group photos.

***Thank you Prince.***



# Lion Meadows

Congratulations to ALL of this years Lioneers! During your session you got to see and experience things you may have never done before. You may have hiked to some awesome lakes, experienced nature while huddled under a tarp during a summer rain storm, or helped to clean up Lion Meadows. But most of all, each of you accepted the challenge of the Lion Meadows program and learned more about yourself and your potential.

Lion Meadows is a very different experience from main camp. There are no specialist, no electricity, and no cook (How will we survive!). What we do have is a beautiful alpine meadow with a stream running down the middle of it, a rustic cook cabin and shelters. Most importantly we have each other. We learn to work together, cook on a wood-burning stove, participate in new and exciting activities, and pull together as a team. Lioneers spend more time in the wilderness and go further then any main camp group. They experience all the wonders of nature, from making snow cones and having snow ball fights in early summer snow fields to fishing in lakes over 10,000 feet in elevation. It is a rugged and physical experience but you will be glad you took the challenge.



*1<sup>st</sup> Session*

## *Cloud , Shunk & Dead Pool*

Frankie Brandon, Bryson Cantrell, Jerome Capili, Andrew Hernandez, Angel Hernandez, Patrick Hernandez, Joshua Miller



*3<sup>rd</sup> Session*

## *Cloud, Black Tooth, Copperhead, Denzo Workers: Timber & Stallion*

Devin Celestino, Mason Cruz, David Dominguez III, Jeremy Freyberger, Austin Inman, Daniel Jordan-Hall, Mohammed Mansour, Harrison Miller, Eddie Prado, Bryan Sanchez, Wyatt Woodfin



*4<sup>th</sup> Session*

## *Black Tooth & Woodstock*

Canaan Anderson, Eustacio Aranda, Ronald Bell, Andy Cox, Harris Elijah, Brendon Henry, Kenny Oberg, Jeremy O'Brian, Anthony Seay, Hector Sherman, Erik Torres



*5<sup>th</sup> Session*

## *Black Tooth, Woodstock & Prince*

Jesse Cazares, Jason Folk, Edward Jimenez, Marc Randle, Kyle Randle



**\*\*\* Attention Campers \*\*\***

***If you would like to be a Lioneer and experience this great program contact McFly:  
 mcfly@pylescamp.com / (661) 294-1394 or toll free (877) 767-9537 extention # 5***

# Voyagers

The Voyager Program is about self-discovery; learning more about yourself and thinking about who you want to be. The program challenges you both mentally and physically. During the session you and your group become one. The majority of the time is spent challenging nature's obstacles such as the alpine mountains that make Sequoia National Forest one of the most breathtaking places in the world. As a Voyager you are honored with the opportunity to backpack in these mountains, see alpine lakes and cool your feet in mountain streams. During the trip you will learn living skills as well as role-playing real life situations that concern you. Also, group discussions allow for personal growth. The Voyager program is an opportunity that only a few get to experience. This is an opportunity you will not want to pass you by!



## *3rd Session*

### *Tank & Juggernaut*

Javier Bobadilla, Michael Chavez, Carlos Gonzales,  
Jon Hamilton, Anthony Zuniga



## **\*\*\* Attentionioneers \*\*\***

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**4th Session**  
**Gizmo & Gallo**  
 Miguel Aguirre, Matt Auner, Daniel Castro,  
 Jonathon Lutes, Sean Miller

This year Gallo and myself were privileged enough to lead a group of leaders through the Golden Trout Wilderness. At first nobody knew what we were in store for. However, after spending a few days working together in the backcountry, we all grew a little closer. I challenged each one of these young men to make a difference this summer. We asked them to push themselves to their limits, to work together as a team, and to think about ways they could change once they got home. Although this was a challenging request, not a single person returned home as they came. I am proud of this year's 4th session Voyagers because they all pushed themselves to be better people, but more importantly, because they never gave up along the way.

# *Pyles Leadership Training*

## Developing Pyles Camp's future leaders

Pyles Leadership Training is designed to prepare a select group of young men for the challenging, enjoyable, and demanding job of counselor. Being selected to become a counselor is not guaranteed, but rather the selections are made on the basis of their work ethic, desire and enthusiasm.

Counselors are the backbone of Pyles Camp, and the campers' safety and camp experience are entrusted to these young men. It is important to fully develop the *leadership, supervision, decision making, and safety* skills in these young men to insure that they are prepared to provide the most enjoyable and rewarding experience for the campers. The focus of the PLT Program is to fully develop these skills in each of the participants.

The PLT program is a full session of hard work filled with lectures, group discussions, practical exercises and observations of experienced counselors at work with their groups in order to prepare these young men for the tremendous challenges of the position. The PLT's also go on an outcamp where they have the opportunity to deal with different scenarios that may arise when they become counselors.

The facilitators/instructors for the training were *Coach, Sidewinder, and Cloud*. Coach has been the lead instructor for 14 years, as well as, the main person responsible for the course development. Sidewinder has been the Camp Outreach Coordinator, and Cloud has been with the camp for many years, most recently as the Lion Meadows Director.



*Congratulations to Brawly, Myth, Hobbit, Cliff, Deadpool, Buffalo, Mamba, Shellshock, Hondo, Denzo, and Rooster for their successful completion of the PLT course.*

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## *The Tree Monkeys Return to Lion Meadow*

We express extreme gratitude to the Bear Valley tree service, specifically owner Josh and his employees Collin, Harry and Willy for their hard work at Lion Meadow and Main Camp. This is the second year they have worked with us to clean up Lion Meadow and make it a safer, cleaner, and more naturally beautiful place. They also brought a chipper with them to the spring work party and supported our efforts in hazard reduction at our Main Camp.



In the fall, with the support of Maverick, Billy Bear, Chisholm, and McFly, they were able to accomplish more work in five days than most would be willing to do in ten. Without their help we could not afford to do what needs to be done at Lion Meadow. We have several more years of hazard reduction and clean up work left at main camp and Lion Meadow and they have already told us they believe in what Pyles Camp is doing and will continue to return to do what they can to help us accomplish our goals.

# *Alumni Return to Camp to Remember: Robert "Smokey" McAdams*

On the weekend of the 18th – 20<sup>th</sup> of September 2009 the Pyles Alumni Committee held a dedication/remembrance ceremony in honor of Robert "Smokey" McAdams in the campfire area of the R.M. Pyles Boys Camp. Those in attendance numbered about 60-65. Friday afternoon, evening, and Saturday morning was a time for everyone to reconnect and grasp the significance of what role the camp played in our lives. Saturday afternoon we met at the campfire area for the unveiling of the plaque, and the dedication of the campfire area to Smokey.

During the dedication Beaver told the story of how a young Bob Pyles came from Texas to California, and how he ended up in the oil patch. Beaver also shared how Bob McAdams was roped into being the director for the camp, and how Smokey was able to crystallize the vision set forth by Mr. Pyles into the program which has touched us all.

Many there gave a personal testimony of how Smokey influenced their lives. I think it is fair to say all of us realized because of Smokey's influence, our lives have enjoyed more success and fulfillment than we would have had we not meet this man. For many there the roots of who we are have their origins in the seeds Smokey planted in each of us.

All present were invited to join, and participate in, the newly formed Pyles Alumni Committee. Everyone was also encouraged to visit the Pyles Boys Camp website and enter their contact data at the Alumni link.

Following the unveiling of Smokey's plaque we had dinner, then most of us returned to the campfire area and tried to set a new record for the longest echo yelling at the Hermit. A campfire, Taps, and some reminiscing closed out the day on the 19th.

The next morning after breakfast we were back on the road we once knew so well. Like the road, we all looked different, yet like the road, we were all still the same inside.



# *2009 Summer Staff*



*1st Session*



*2nd Session*



*3rd Session*



*4th Session*



*5th Session*

# A Message from Dragon

In the summer of 2009, I had the opportunity to get to know many of the campers and work alongside incredible people. Firstly, I would like to say thank you to the staff members that I worked with and built incredible friendships. Secondly, I want to say great job to the workers, the kitchen crew, the specialists, and respectable counselors. I would like to say your diligence and hard work made the summer enjoyable, memorable, and meaningful for the campers and everyone involved. There are so

many great memories flying through my mind right now about this past summer!

I want to mention one that stood out the most.

On one afternoon, I remember taking a walk around the camp to observe the different activities. As I looked around, I saw some of you guys having fun playing basketball and Braveheart, while others were learning how to use a bow and arrow. I saw some of you overcoming your fears by going up the ropes course and others conquering insecurities by getting on top of a horse for the first time. It was a special moment for me to be able to walk around the camp and reflect on how much this camp brings out our best potential. It was at that moment that I realized that Pyles Camp is a very special place. My hope and my desire is that you will also reflect on your camp experience and think about a moment in which you learned something special about yourself.

Right now things might be going great for you in the city or things might be difficult. The one thing I know about life is that it brings challenges. There are moments in which I feel sad and it's hard to see the positive things in life. But it's at that moment when I turn to God and I remember Pyles Camp and I realize that any obstacle can be overcome. I want to leave you with this quote since circumstances will constantly change. "What happens to a man is less significant than what happens within him".

*God bless,  
Dragon*



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