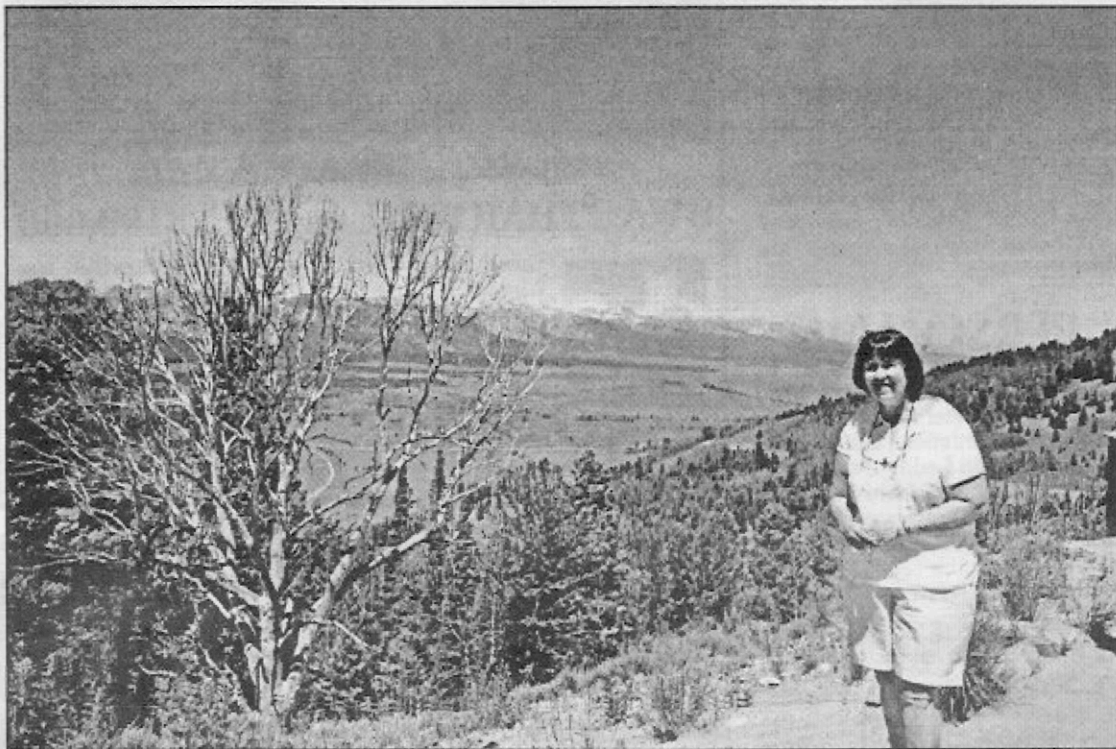




Beth Jones (above) in Idaho's Sawtooth mountains, and her photos below from the Palouse region of Washington state.

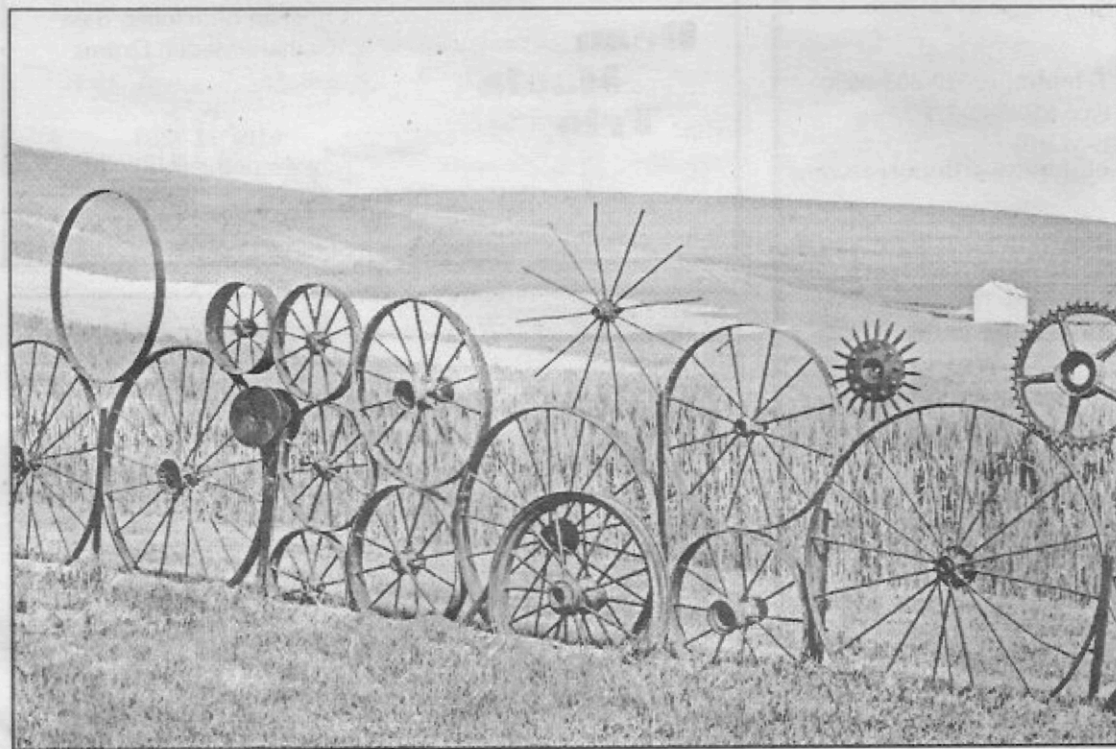
Summer Travel: Wilderness, Meadows and Prairies of the Northwest

Beth Jones of Swarthmore went west at the start of the summer and documented her travels with glorious photography. Beth reports:

"A few years ago I started to take photo trips with Dan and Tanya Cox of Natural Exposures based out of Bozeman, Montana. Trips have included Yellowstone in January, Cuba and Romania. This summer I went with them to explore the Palouse Region of southeastern and central Washington State. It is a lovely grassland and agricultural area whose undulating landscape sits on silt dunes formed during the ice ages. The Palouse has been on my wish list because of the landscape, red barns, abandoned houses and this fence, all of which I wanted the chance to photograph.

"After the Palouse trip, I decided to take advantage of being close by and flew down to Ketchum, Idaho, to visit a college friend. She took me up to see the Sawtooth Mountains to the north and to see the vast and surprising lava field to the south. The Craters of the Moon National Monument is something to see. As luck would have it, June is also wildflower season."

Got summer travel pictures and stories to share with Swarthmorean readers? Send them to editor@swarthmorean.com.



Chester School for Arts Acquisition in C

The Chester Charter School for the Arts (CCSA) is coming home to Chester. It will occupy an acre site on Highland Avenue from just above 12th Street to Towns Line Road. The Chester Housing Authority will sell the land to the Chester Fund for Education for the Arts (TCF) for \$2.3 million, valuing a high-quality school in the community as crucial to the city's ongoing recovery.

CCSA, currently located at 200 Commerce Drive in Aston, opened in September 2012 with 325 students. The school will have 575 students in grades K-11 when it moves to the new facility. It will serve at least 625 students in grades K-12 thereafter, CCSA funded by TCF.

Donald W. Delson, president of the CCSA board of trustees and co-publisher of *The Swarthmorean*, said: "As we continue to grow, we serve more Chester families, the location in the heart of the community."

Wallingford-Swarthmore School Community Debate of Summer

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At the school board meeting Monday, the sale of the Summit School property in Wallingford once again was a topic of intense discussion as local residents sought to head off a deal with an unidentified buyer, who apparently made an acceptable offer to purchase the land.

First to address the board was Alfred Hurd, president of The Wallingford Arts Complex of Delaware County, Inc. Also known as "Summit One," this nonprofit organization has leased the Summit School for the district for the last four years and wants to continue hosting its arts-related activities there. Mr. Hurd asserted that Nether Providence Township wants to purchase the Summit School and is having its own appraisal done. He said it should be deemed the exclusive buyer, and that the deadline for sale should be extended until the township can acquire the necessary grant monies to complete the transaction. "Buyers are like streetcars," Mr. Hurd argued, and since they come along all the time there is no urgency to close the deal now away because the district will have its money eventually.

Board member Mary Gay S