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### Incidents

#### **Yellowstone NP**

##### **Wolf From Yellowstone Pack Killed Near Park**

A wild wolf known technically as 926F – but more popularly as ‘Spitfire’ – was killed by a hunter as it wandered just outside the park last weekend.

A member of the Lamar Canyon pack in the national park’s northeast region, Spitfire was the daughter of 832F, an alpha female that had become a celebrity, famous for her hunting prowess and for her frequent appearances along the road traveled by tourists in the park’s Lamar Valley.

While wolf biologists called the mother 832F, the she-wolf was famously known as “06” for the year she was born. She was the subject of the book *American Wolf: A True Story of Survival and Obsession in the West* and was killed by a hunter as well.

Montana has permitted hunting of wolves since 2011, and a few hundred are killed each year. A game warden checked with the hunter and found that the killing was entirely legal. But it has renewed calls for a buffer around the park so wolves that live within the safe harbor of Yellowstone and that have little fear of humans cannot be shot if they wander beyond the park’s invisible boundary.

Source: [New York Times](#).

#### **Point Reyes NS**

##### **Another Sea Lion Body With Gunshot Wounds Found**

A California sea lion tracked since its birth seven years ago was recently found dead with several gunshot wounds on a park beach – another among hundreds of gunshot cases that have been documented by local marine mammal rescue officials over the years. A visitor found the male sea lion a little more than a week ago and snapped a photo of it, showing the gunshot wounds.

It’s unlikely that a culprit will be found. The winter storm that rolled in last week prevented California Academy of Science officials from being able to get out to Kehoe Beach to examine the carcass until November 30th. By the time they arrived, scavengers had already picked away much of the carcass and they were unable to find any of the projectiles.

While no one knows for certain why this sea lion and others have been shot, marine mammal officials have previously said the culprits are sometimes rogue fishermen who find the sea lions to be nuisances that compete for fish.

Source: [Marin Independent Journal](#), San Rafael, California.

### **Chickamauga and Chattanooga NMP Six Convicted Of Hunting Violations**

Six men have been convicted and fined in federal court on charges that they engaged in illegal hunting activity in or near the park. Three were from Tennessee, two from Alabama and one from Georgia - and that person is (or maybe was) a Georgia Department of Natural Resources wildlife technician.

According to a park spokesperson, the Lookout Valley portion of the park has seen an increase in illegal hunting activity in recent years, particularly the area surrounding Lookout Creek.

Violations included shooting from a boat onto NPS land, hunting and installing deer stands on NPS land, chasing raccoons with dogs on NPS land, and maintaining a baited area within the park.

Source: [NewsChannel9.com](#).

### **National Park System Follow-ups On Previously Reported Incidents**

Below are short follow-ups on incidents previously reported in this newsletter:

- *Rocky Mountain NP* – The major interagency search that began on November 27th for 20-year-old Micah Tice has been suspended due to lack of clues and harsh winter conditions that have included extreme winds, low visibility, bitter wind chills, below freezing temperatures, deep snow and high avalanche danger. Many organizations have helped the park's SAR team in its efforts – Larimer County Search and Rescue, Rocky Mountain Rescue (Boulder County), Colorado Air National Guard, Alpine Rescue Team, Diamond Peaks Ski Patrol, Colorado Avalanche Information Center, Grand County Search and Rescue, Douglas County Search and Rescue, Colorado Search and Rescue Board, Summit County Rescue Group Dog Team, Front Range Rescue Dogs, and FLIR Systems Inc., which volunteered its services to conduct thermal imaging of the search area. Source: [Rocky Mountain NP](#).
- *Indiana Dunes NL* – The park's Portage Lakefront and Riverwalk Unit, closed on November 30th due to a potential hazmat spill, has reopened. No hazardous materials were found in the discharge that caused the closure. Source: [Indiana Dunes NL](#).
- *Haleakala NP* – The Pools of 'Ohe'o in the park's Kīpahulu District reopened on December 6th. The pools were closed on January 3, 2017, when a rockslide resulted in a minor injury to a park visitor. Source: [Haleakala NP](#).
- *Santa Monica Mountains NRA* – P-64, a mountain lion that was dubbed the "Culvert Cat" for repeatedly using a culvert to cross the Ventura Freeway, was found dead on December 3rd by a biologist tracking his movements using information from the lion's GPS collar. The cause of death is unknown, but P-64's paws were "visibly burned," indicating that it was likely a victim of the Woolsey Fire that swept through the park this fall. The park has been tracking 13 mountain lions that live in the Santa Monica Mountains as part of a study of the cat's activities and survivability in the development- and freeway-locked environment. Source: [NBC Los Angeles](#).

## **Official Washington**

Reports on official actions and activities from Capitol Hill, the White House, the Department of the Interior, the National Park Service and other related agencies.

## **Congress** **Weekly Legislative Roundup**

### ***New Public Laws***

Nothing to report.

### ***Senate***

On December 6th, the Senate passed:

- H.R. 1417, to amend the National Law Enforcement Museum Act to allow the museum in Washington, D.C. to acquire, receive, possess, collect, ship, transport, import, and display firearms. The bill now goes to the president to be signed into law.
- H.J. Res. 143, making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2019. This bill funds a number of federal agencies, including the Department of the Interior, through December 21, 2018. The bill now goes to the president to be signed into law.
- S. 3119, to allow for the taking of sea lions on the Columbia River and its tributaries to protect endangered and threatened species of salmon and other non-listed fish species.

### ***House***

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Source: Don Hellmann, former assistant director, legislative and congressional affairs for the National Park Service.

## **Park People, Park Friends**

### **NPS Alumni** **Passing of Joe Wieszczyk**

Retired NPS ranger and special agent Joseph Wieszczyk died recently at Centegra Medical Center in McHenry, Illinois.

Joe is survived by his loving friend and life partner Judith Bock, his sisters Louise (Jim) Rejc, Susan (Ken) Staniszewski, nieces and nephews Jaclyn Garzonetti, Nicholas (Cara) Garzonetti, Samantha (Kyle) Witter, Scott (Katie Hagerty) Staniszewski, Shari Garzonetti and four grandnieces and nephews.

Services for Joe were held on December 11th. Donations may be made in lieu of flowers to the Nature Conservancy in Illinois (8 South Michigan Ave., Suite 900, Chicago, IL 60603).

Source: [Kristan Funeral Home](#).

### **NPS Alumni** **Passing of Barbara Godbolt**

Barbara Godbolt, 91, wife of career NPS ranger James Godbolt, died on November 8th in Steamboat Springs, Colorado.

Barbara was born and raised in Chico, California. On September 3, 1948, she married Jim Godbolt and joined the "National Park Service family," living and working in a series of NPS areas, including

Blue Ridge Parkway, Badlands National Park, Glacier National Park, Rocky Mountain National Park, Yellowstone National Park, Bandelier National Monument and Fire Island National Seashore.

Barbara was a devoted mother to five children, exposing them to what she enjoyed in life: hiking, the arts, reading, good food, family and friendship. She and Jim relished spending time with all twelve of their grandchildren at their home in Estes Park.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Estes Park Library Foundation in care of Allnutt Funeral Service, 1302 Graves Avenue, Estes Park, Colorado 80517 ([www.allnutt.com](http://www.allnutt.com)) to send a message to the family.

Source: [Estes Park News](#).

### **National Park Service Recent NPS Management Changes**

Here's a listing of recent personnel changes in the NPS. Click on the links following the brief summaries for additional details:

- *Pacific West Region* – Randy Lavasseur has been named a deputy regional director for Pacific West Region. He will serve as one of three deputies to the regional director. Source: [San Juan NHS](#).
- *NPS Aviation Program* – John Buehler has been selected to serve as the new branch chief for the Service's aviation program, succeeding Margaret "Meg" Gallagher, who is retiring in January. John is currently a senior special agent with the Bureau of Land Management's Office of Law Enforcement and Security. Also joining the program is Kristin Swoboda, who will serve as the new fleet, pilot and unmanned aircraft (UAS) specialist for the aviation program. She succeeds Jim Traub, who retired in 2014. Sources: [Aviation Program](#); [Unmanned Aerial Online](#).
- *Whiskeytown NRA* – Josh Hoines, who currently works as the chief of resources at Death Valley NP, is expected to begin his new job as the park's superintendent next month. He replaces former superintendent Jim Milestone. Hoines has worked in land management for more than 20 years, including 14 with the National Park Service. Source: [Record Searchlight](#).
- *Gettysburg NMP* – Ed Wenschhof, chief ranger at C&O Canal NHP, is the park's acting superintendent. He worked at Gettysburg for eight years before moving to Antietam. Source: [WITF News](#).

### **News Reports and Releases**

A brief summary of recent news stories, web postings and agency press releases pertaining to the Service, the federal government, the administration, DOI, and other public land management agencies that have bearing on the NPS.

### **Administration**

**FY 2019 Budget Action Still Pending For DOI, Other Agencies** – "The only thing standing between lawmakers and their holiday break is a new budget deal for a host of federal agencies," reports *Military Times*. "By Friday, they should know whether this Christmas will be a merry one or a working holiday. Due to delays from ceremonies honoring the late President George H.W. Bush last week, a series of hearings and budget negotiations originally scheduled for last week were pushed to this one. Lawmakers passed a two-week budget extension delaying a government shutdown to Dec. 21, but are hopeful they can reach a spending deal before then." The continuing debate over the budget has placed in limbo the status of a federal employee pay raise that was approved by a Senate version of the appropriations bill, but absent in the House version. Should Congress fail to explicitly authorize a

raise, the president has said that he will freeze federal employee pay for the year. Sources: [Military Times](#); [Federal Times](#).

## **Department of the Interior**

**UCS Issues Report On DOI Attacks On Science** – The Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS) just released a [38-page report](#) entitled *Science under Siege at the Department of the Interior: America's Health, Parks, and Wildlife at Risk*. “During the first two years of the Trump administration,” says a report overview, “Secretary Ryan Zinke and his political team have unleashed constant and ongoing attacks on science, from sidelining the work of the agency's own scientists to systematically refusing to acknowledge or act on climate change. These actions have far-reaching and serious implications for our health, the environment, and the future of our public lands.” UCS’s indictment focuses on four areas – systematically suppressing science, failing to acknowledge or act on climate change, silencing and intimidating agency scientists and staff, and attacking science-based laws that protect wildlife. “The damage from Secretary Zinke’s policies is mounting,” the overview concludes. “They have caused harm to public lands, public health and safety, and the country’s wildlife and habitats. Left unchecked, the effects will take decades to repair, and yet the consequences of climate change are already upon us. We have no time to lose.” Recommendations include increased Congressional oversight and investigations, increased public engagement with DOI via hearings and comment periods, and increased activism by scientists and others who become aware of threats. Guidance is provided via a [number of documents available online](#). Source: [Union of Concerned Scientists](#).

## **National Park Service and System**

Stories and articles pertaining to the parks, regions, technical and training centers, and WASO.

**New NPS Advisory Board Members** – The December 6th edition of the *Washington Post* contained an article assessing the membership of the new NPS advisory board. “Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke has resurrected a federally chartered board that advises the National Park Service with his own appointees, nearly a year after most of its former members resigned in frustration,” reports the *Post*. “The newly reconstituted National Park System Advisory Board – composed largely of current or retired business executives – was set to meet for the first time [last] Wednesday in Washington. The Interior Department postponed the session, however, because the federal government observed a national day of mourning out of respect for former president George H.W. Bush. The new panel includes a California winemaker, a beer distributor in Texas and three veterans of the real estate and home-building industry. All of the 11 new members appear to be white, and nine of them are men. Public records show all of the new board members are either registered Republicans or have voted repeatedly in GOP primaries. The current committee poses a stark contrast to the 12-member panel picked under President Barack Obama. Two-thirds of those members were women, and the group included African American members and members of Latino and Asian descent.” Click on the following link for more on the new board members. Source: [Washington Post](#).

**Around The Parks** – Brief reports on parks and regions, culled either from park press releases or from newspapers, with links to the source news articles. The reports are in alphabetical order by park name.

- *Buffalo NR* – One of the park’s most popular hiking destinations has been closed for ten weeks for a major \$1.1 million makeover. The Lost Valley day use area and trail closed on December 10th and should reopen in February. The area has suffered trail damage and washouts stemming from recent heavy rains. The project will relocate a portion of Lost Valley Road, parking area, and trailhead out of the immediate flood zone of Clark Creek. Source: [News-Leader](#), Springfield, Missouri.
- *Fort Sumter NM* – Just after Thanksgiving, oceanic wave action unburied one of four gun mounts installed during WWII at a sub-post of Fort Moultrie known as Marshall Reservation. The concrete mounts were made to be fitted with 155-mm field artillery guns in order to defend the harbor, but they were never emplaced. The park knew that they were there somewhere, but

it took the storm surge from Hurricane Matthew plus the more recent waves to reveal them. Source: [Moultrie News](#), Charleston, South Carolina.

- *Grand Canyon NP* – Five days after Swedish runner Ida Nilsson ran a fastest known time for the Grand Canyon rim-to-rim-to-rim (R2R2R) run, a new record was set. On November 21st, Taylor Nowlin shaved three minutes off Nilsson’s time, completing the south-north-south double crossing in 7 hours, 25 minutes, 58 seconds. Source: [OutsideOnline.com](#).
- *Great Smoky Mountains NP* – If rim-to-rim running (above) at the Grand Canyon is not your style, you can still compete in hiking at Great Smoky Mountains – but it’ll take some time. Steve Oliphant, a 57-year-old resident of Spartanburg, South Carolina, recently completed his third “map,” a complete circuit of every mile of hiking trail within the park. Each full circuit through the park requires roughly 850 to 900 miles of strenuous off-road trekking. Remarkable as the achievement might be, the Smoky Mountains Hiking Club reports that 21 other hikers have also made the circuit three times. Source: [GoUpstate.com](#).
- *Valley Forge NHP* – A \$12 million project to renovate the park’s visitor will begin soon. On December 14th, the park will open a temporary 5,760-square-foot visitor center about 800 feet away from the current visitor center. With the temporary structure in place, work will begin on a \$12 million renovation of the 18,376-square-foot visitor center, which will be complete in late spring 2020. The multimillion-dollar upgrade is part of a larger \$14 million project meant to create a more immersive guest experience, re-engage the community and attract new visitors. Source: [Philadelphia Business Journal](#).

**New Area And Re-Designation Proposals** – At any given time, there are proposals in the works for new areas or changes in designation for current NPS units. Here’s the latest:

- *George W. Bush Childhood Home* – The House passed legislation last Monday that requires the government to study whether George W. Bush’s childhood home should become part of the National Park System. Bush lived at 1412 West Ohio Avenue in Midland, Texas, when he was a child for about four years. The home has already been turned into a museum that celebrates the lives of “two presidents, two governors, and two first ladies.” Source: [Washington Examiner](#).

## **Climate and Conservation**

This section covers the myriad interconnected, conservation-related threats that are transforming the national parks, their ecosystems, and the world ecosphere, often simultaneously.

### **National and Worldwide Issues**

**Greenland Ice Sheet Melting Accelerating** – “Melting on Greenland’s ice sheet has gone into ‘overdrive,’ with meltwater runoff increasing 50 percent since the start of the industrial era and continuing to accelerate,” reports *Inside Climate News*. “As more water runs off the ice sheet, it drives sea level rise, putting new pressure on coastal communities around the world.” In a [report published in Nature](#), researchers found that “the trend of increasing surface melting across the ice sheet began in the mid-1800s as greenhouse gas emissions from the growth of industries were ramping up, and that it shot up over the past three decades...” The researchers report that “more meltwater is running off Greenland’s ice sheet now than at any time in the last 350 years, and probably since long before that, going back 6,000 to 7,000 years.” Source: [Inside Climate News](#).

**Greenhouse Gas Emissions Sped Up In 2018** – Researchers have determined that greenhouse gas emissions worldwide grew faster this year than in past years, reports the *New York Times*, putting the world on track to face some of the most severe consequences of global warming sooner than expected. The increased pace was unexpected and has been ascribed to increased use of oil due to people buying more cars and driving them further, thereby “more than offsetting any gains from the spread of electric vehicles.” In a new report entitled [Global Carbon Budget 2018](#), researchers forecast that carbon



emissions will increase by 2.7 percent this year, even more than the 1.6 percent recorded last year. Source: [New York Times](#).

## **National Park System Issues**

**Climate Change** – News pertaining to the impacts of climate change on park lands, waters, species and other assets:

- *Lake Mead NRA* – The park expects to spend about \$25 million to move marinas and extend boat launch ramps if Lake Mead continues to shrink in the coming years according to a new low-water plan released on November 29th. Marina operators would pay an additional \$8 million under the plan, which lays out how recreational access to the water can be maintained should the lake drop to a once-unthinkable level 125 feet lower than it is now. The park's current low-water plan, adopted in 2005, addresses infrastructure and access issues down to a surface elevation of 1,050 feet above sea level, roughly 28 feet lower than it is now. The new document extends those plans 100 feet, down to elevation 950. The lake hasn't been below the 1,071-foot mark since it was being filled in 1937. The park service has already spent more than \$40 million since 2002 chasing the retreating shoreline of the reservoir, which has seen its surface drop by 130 feet since drought took hold on the Colorado River in 2000." Source: [Las Vegas Review-Journal](#).

**Native Flora and Fauna** – Recent news pertaining to the protection, propagation and advancement of species now or formerly native to the national parks – or removal of those that aren't:

- *North Cascades NP* – Six fishers were released in the Skagit River watershed in Ross Lake NRA on December 6th as part of an effort to restore the species to Washington state. This was the first release in the North Cascades. Fishers are about the size of a house cat and are members of the weasel family. They were eliminated from Washington by the mid-1900s through over-trapping and habitat loss. Fishers are currently listed as an endangered species by the state, and are being reviewed for protection under the federal Endangered Species Act. The release was part of a multi-year project to reintroduce approximately 80 fishers to the North Cascades. Source: [KBKW News](#).
- *Saguaro NP* – Researchers have found that saguaro cacti, which can reach up to 45 feet in height, are successfully reproducing less frequently. Of 10,000 saguaros surveyed in the park, only 70 were younger than age 15. Scientists attribute the decline in young cacti, which can't store much water, to climate change and prolonged drought. Between 1950 and 2000, the national park has warmed about 1.2 degrees. Source: [Center for Western Priorities](#).
- *Biscayne NP* – Rangers recently freed an endangered smalltooth sawfish from marine debris – a large pile of lobster trap line that came ashore on Elliott Key. The rangers estimated that the sawfish was between seven and eight feet long. The National Park Service is NOAA's partner in smalltooth sawfish conservation and serve as an appointed member of the Smalltooth Sawfish Recovery Implementation Team. Source: [NOAA Fisheries](#).
- *Grand Teton NP* – The Service is encouraging public comment on a proposal to remove nonnative mountain goats from Grand Teton National Park and John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Memorial Parkway. This objective is to aid in the conservation of a native population of bighorn sheep and to protect other park resources and values from the rapidly growing nonnative mountain goat population. The current population of nonnative mountain goats population within the park is estimated at approximately 100 animals. Resident mountain goats within the park are likely from a population that was introduced outside the park southwest of the Teton Range in the late 1960s and early 1970s. First observed in the Teton Range in 1979, they have now established a breeding population that is growing rapidly. The mountains are also home to a small herd of approximately 80 native bighorn sheep. Prior to 2015, the population was estimated to be approximately 100 to 125 sheep – one of the smallest and most isolated in Wyoming. The park has put together an mountain goat management plan and an EA with three

options – no action, lethal and nonlethal removal of nonnative mountain goats, or lethal removal of nonnative mountain goats. Comments are being taken on the park's [PEPC website](#) until January 6th. Source: [Grand Teton NP](#).

**Park Carrying Capacity** – Management challenges pertaining to the balance between park protection and use:

- *Joshua Tree NP* – The enormous Systemwide spike in visitation over the last few years is causing problems at more and more parks. Over the four-day Thanksgiving holiday, Joshua Tree set a new record with more than 22,000 visitors. All 540 campsites were full; at the west entrance, the line of vehicles waiting to enter the park was sometimes a mile long. “(We) are doing everything in our power — with new staff on the ground, the shuttle bus and new trail heads — to help expand capacity and still protect one of the most magical places on the planet,” said David Smith, the park’s superintendent. One mission for the new workers is to protect park animals and plants from vehicles. Source: [Hi-Desert Star](#).

## **From The Archives**

This section contains incidents taken from *Morning Report* issues published during the corresponding week (approximately) 25 years ago in 1993. All entries appear in the original verb tense; “submitters” are those people who originally submitted the incident report.

- *Eisenhower NHS* – A fire was reported in a barn at one of the park's historic farms at 5 p.m. on November 26th. Although the fire was brought under control within a half hour, the barn, valued at about \$400,000, was a total loss. Two hay wagons, a corn picker and a brand new bailer - all privately owned - were also lost; valuation of the equipment has been placed at a minimum of \$20,000. The fire was apparently accidentally started by two juveniles. An investigation is being conducted by rangers, state troopers and the Adams County fire marshal. The farm where the fire occurred was one of several owned by President Eisenhower that are now part of the park. Neither his home nor any of the associated buildings were threatened by the fire. Submitted by Mac Heebner and Pete Walzer.
- *Gateway Arch NP* (at the time, Jefferson National Expansion Memorial) – On the morning of November 27th, rangers began a car clouting (auto break-in) surveillance operation and within ten minutes spotted a person breaking into a visitor's vehicle. Following a brief chase, two people were arrested. Rangers found that there was an outstanding warrant against the driver and that the vehicle was associated with a missing person, who was not present. Property stolen in the car clout, valued at about \$400, was seized. The unexpected discovery of an unrestrained 16-month-old child in the back seat of the vehicle hindered the investigation by requiring a lengthy protective custody procedure between the state of Illinois and the park. The child was eventually transferred into the custody of the state. Felony larceny and theft charges (18 USC 661) were filed in district court, and the suspects were locked up until initial appearance and the completion of a pre-trial investigation. An investigator from the state of Illinois' child protection division is moving forward with charges against the parent for reckless endangerment of the child. Reported by John Weddle.
- *Harpers Ferry NHP* – The park received a report of gunshots being fired directly behind park quarters early on the afternoon of December 5th. The responding ranger arrived at the scene in time to see two individuals discharging black powder weapons. The two fled, but were soon caught along with a third person. Three black powder rifles and three black powder revolvers were confiscated, and their vehicle was impounded for license tag violations. A weapons check through NCIC revealed that three of the weapons were stolen. When the two men returned for their vehicle on December 7th, they were met and questioned by a Clarke County detective. They confessed to the theft of the weapons during a reenactment held near Winchester, Virginia, last October. The two stated that they enjoyed planning and carrying out "raids" on Union reenactment groups during their encampments. Following their confession, they were arrested by a Harpers Ferry officer for bringing stolen property into the state of West Virginia.



The pair also face indictment in the state of Virginia. The park is working with an assistant U.S. attorney on the disposition of the remaining three weapons. Reported by the park.

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## **A Closing Observation**

"Growth and development of national park and reserve programs throughout the world are important to the welfare of the people of every nation. We must have places where we can find release from the tensions of an increasingly industrialized civilization, where we can have personal contact with the natural environment which sustains us. To this end, permanent preservation of the outstanding scenic and scientific assets, of every country, and of the magnificent and varied wildlife which can be so easily endangered by human activity, is imperative. National parks and reserves are an integral aspect of intelligent use of natural resources. It is the course of wisdom to set aside an ample portion of our national resources as national and reserves, thus ensuring that future generations may know the majesty of the earth as we know it today."

President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, First World Conference on National Parks, 1962

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