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FROM THE DIRECTOR

This fall marks a milestone in our effort to fulfill the education potential of the National Park Service. On September 12, we launched a new education website.



This represents a major overhaul of our educational offerings and makes the wealth of resources we offer students and teachers available in one place in a well-organized, easy-to-use format.

Teachers everywhere will be able to locate park and program education resources based on geographic location, age range or subject. They will also be able to rate the content and provide feedback.

This is a big step toward *Call to Action* items *Go Digital #17* and *Live and Learn #16*. It also gets us closer to establishing the National Park Service as one of our nation's premier educational institutions. I'd like to thank all of you who contributed information to the portal and who made its content known locally to the school systems in your area.

Also related to fulfilling our potential, planning for the centennial continues. The centennial is an important opportunity to give exposure to the unique work we do and make a lasting connection with the next generation of volunteers, visitors, supporters and people who benefit from our work.

Even in this difficult fiscal environment, I've seen inspiring examples of creativity and dedication. I congratulate all of you who have made this happen, and I think these success stories provide a great foundation and will gain momentum as we approach 2016.

With assistance from the National Park Foundation, we will launch a public campaign to publicize what we do. We're exploring ways to raise the visibility of our mission, and I'm inviting you to share your ideas. We're interested in national events, activities, initiatives, programs and partnerships that can be part of the NPS promotions for 2016. Visit www.NextCenturyforParks.org to see how you can offer your suggestions. We're looking forward to hearing from you.

Finally, a reflection on our work in the National Park Service and the role we play in the national consciousness. Just last month was the 50th anniversary of the historic 1963 March on Washington. That event will forever be connected to two of the most famous NPS sites: the Lincoln Memorial and the National Mall. Our rangers were literally at Martin Luther King's side that day and, on the 50th anniversary, Dr. King was symbolically present in the new memorial that bears his likeness.

We not only commemorate these great events in the nation's history, we strive to perpetuate the ideas behind them: freedom, tolerance, justice for all. It is my hope that as we approach our centennial, the National Park Service will come to be known not only as the steward of American place, but also as an inspiration to its greatest values.

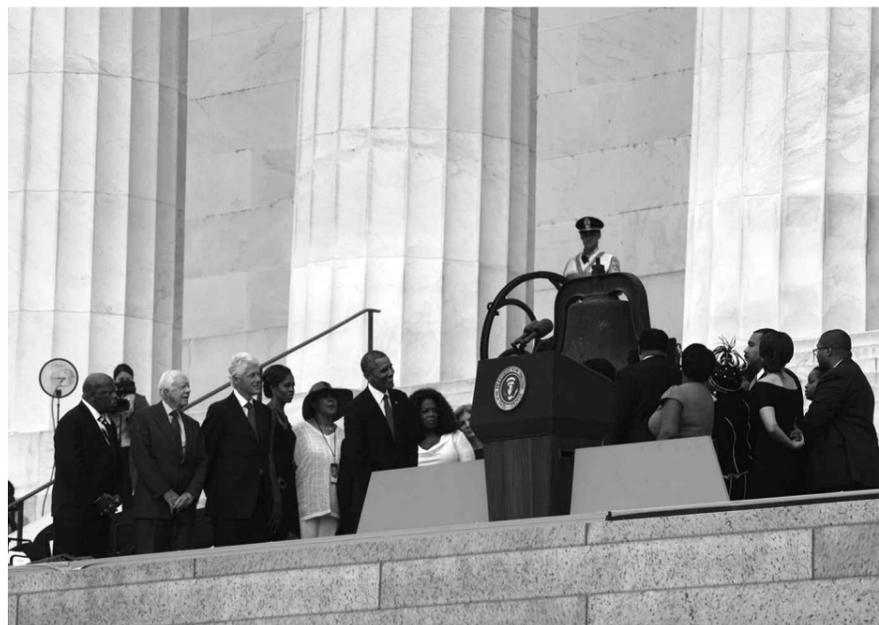
—Jonathan B. Jarvis

Anniversary of Historic March on Washington Commemorated

It was all hands on deck on Aug. 28, 2013, for NPS employees and hundreds of volunteers and staff from many other organizations in and around Washington, D.C., who pitched in to support the conclusion of a week of commemorative events that brought tens of thousands who wanted to be part of this moment in history. The "Let Freedom Ring" ceremony marked the 50th anniversary of the 1963 March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom, which was highlighted by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "I Have a Dream" speech.

President Obama thrilled thousands of invited guests and the general public lining the Reflecting Pool with his inspirational comments on the importance of continuing the work begun 50 years ago. "The March on Washington teaches us that we are not trapped by the mistakes of history, that we are masters of our fate," he said. "But it also teaches us that the promise of this nation will only be kept when we work together."

Other speakers who came to share their perspective on the significance of this commemoration included former Presidents Jimmy Carter and Bill Clinton; Congressman John Lewis; NPS Director Jon Jarvis; Lynda Johnson Robb and Caroline Kennedy, daughters, respec-



NPS photo by Mike Litterst

DURING THE "LET FREEDOM RING" CEREMONY on Aug. 28, 2013 in Washington, D.C., members of Dr. King's family rang the bell that once hung in the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church in Birmingham, Ala. Pictured from left to right at left of the podium: Congressman John Lewis, President Jimmy Carter, President Bill Clinton, First Lady Michelle Obama, President Barack Obama and Oprah Winfrey. Among the group on the right of the podium are Martin Luther King, III and Christine King Farris (Dr. King's sister).

tively, of Presidents Johnson and Kennedy; and former United Nations Ambassador Andrew Young. In addition to the speakers, there was a variety of

music and performances to make this a most memorable occasion.

To conclude the ceremony, the dignitaries

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Statue of Liberty Reopens to Public



NPS/Statue of Liberty NM photo by S. Sinski, NPS volunteer

SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR SALLY JEWELL cuts the ribbon at Statue of Liberty NM on July 4, 2013 for the reopening of Liberty Island and the statue to the public for the first time since Hurricane Sandy made landfall on Oct. 29, 2012. Joining Secretary Jewell at the podium for the ribbon-cutting ceremony are (pictured from left to right): Statue of Liberty NM Supt. David Luchsinger, New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg, Senator Robert Menendez (D-N.J.), NPS Director Jon Jarvis and Acting Deputy Supt. Thomas Ross.

Eight months after Hurricane Sandy flooded most of Liberty Island, the Statue of Liberty reopened to the public in time to celebrate Independence Day. Just before 9 a.m. on July 4, 2013, the first visitors to Liberty Island since Hurricane Sandy stepped off ferries from

New York and New Jersey onto new docks covered with red, white and blue bunting. They were greeted by Supt. David Luchsinger and his wife, Debbie, and Acting Deputy Supt. Thomas Ross.

Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell's comments touched on the significance of

the event: "Today, Lady Liberty ... stands as a sign of the resilience of the region: An area so badly battered by Hurricane Sandy nine months ago but that is on the rebound thanks to the sacrifices and dedication of so many people."

The ceremony balanced the enthusiasm of reopening with reflection on the lessons learned during the past eight months. The 3d U.S. Infantry Regiment, "The Old Guard," opened the ceremony, along with the U.S. Park Police Color Guard and Master Sergeant MaryKay Messenger, a vocalist with the West Point Band, who sang the national anthem.

NPS Director Jon Jarvis also spoke at the ceremony, along with Senator Robert Menendez of New Jersey and New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg. Supt. Luchsinger thanked park staff as well as supporters from all over the world who reached out to the park during its hour of need. He pointed out Julie Becker, Samantha Baker and Summer Miller, three teachers in the audience from South Side Elementary School in Kendallville, Ind. Their second grade students sold "Liberty Lollipops" to raise \$438.74 for the statue's restoration. "As the events of this past year have shown," said Supt. Luchsinger, "in tragedy as well as triumph, our teachers stand tall. We are blessed to have them to nurture our children."

By the end of the four-day holiday weekend, 76,945 people had visited Liberty

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Focus on the Parks

• On April 20, NPS Director Jon Jarvis and Congressman Jim Moran were on hand to formally rededicate Arlington House as the nation's memorial to General Robert E. Lee. Before cutting the ribbon, Director Jarvis and Congressman Moran spoke about the rich fabric of American history at **Arlington House, The Robert E. Lee Memorial** and the need to support the parks and places that interpret our nation's heritage.

Over the past six years, Arlington House underwent the interior phase of an extensive restoration process involving repairs, replastering and repainting as well as the installation of fire suppression and climate management systems. Thousands of historic furnishings and artifacts were removed from the house and put in storage or loaned to Friendship Hill NHS. Only sections of the empty house were open to visitors. April 20 marked the official completion of this major phase of the project.

Arlington House was the pre-Civil War home of General Lee and his family for

more than 30 years. It was in the office of the house that Lee resigned his commission as a U.S. Army officer on April 20, 1861 and made his commitment to fight for his native state of Virginia. He left the house two days later never to return.

During the war, the U.S. government seized the house and converted part of the 1,100-acre estate into Arlington National Cemetery, in part as a means of punishing Lee. The mansion was first dedicated as a memorial in 1925 to honor Lee for his role following the war in promoting reunion and reconciliation between the North and South. It remains the only national memorial in the country ever dedicated to a man who fought a war against the U.S. government.

• On April 27, **George Washington Carver NM** hosted its annual "Art in the Park" event. The event celebrates George Washington Carver's lifelong love of art, which started on the Moses Carver farm. He was inspired by the natural environment and gained a sense of serenity and rejuvenation from his artistic work.

Approximately 200 visitors attended and participated in various art workshops, which included pastels, nature frames, clay, silk painting and gouache watercolors. The "budding artists" section featured natural dyes, painting color swatches, rock painting and other children's activities. Missouri artist and author Lowell Davis was the special guest and presented a talk on his work. Mr. Davis has been referred to as the "Norman Rockwell of Rural Art." Park rangers also presented a program that featured George Washington Carver's artistic creations, including some of the original artwork on display in the museum.

"Art in the Park" is designed to connect people to their local national parks. *A Call to Action* charts a path towards the 2016 centennial of the NPS. One action item, *Arts Afire*, showcases the meaning of parks to new audiences through the visual arts.

• The Shenandoah Valley came together on May 10 to dedicate a new visitor contact station at **Cedar Creek and Belle Grove NHP**. Congressman Frank Wolf joined NPS staff and park partners to officially open the facility. Park supporters came from neighboring communities and as far as Washington, D.C., to celebrate the event.

Congressman Wolf provided a keynote address and emphasized the importance of preserving America's historic sites for future generations. The ceremony ended with a ribbon cutting.

The facility opened to the public after the installation of new interpretive exhibits in April. This is the first NPS-operated visitor facility for the park and has been well received by visitors and the community. The space serves as an orientation focal point not only for the park and park partners, but also for three Virginia counties and the Shenandoah Valley Battlefields National Historic District.

• The roadway that served to dam the "River of Grass" in the Everglades for over 80 years was broken through on May 15. The backhoe was staged to allow a lucky few to witness that very special shovelful of old roadway to be removed, allowing much-needed water to flow under the newly constructed, mile-long, \$81 million Tamiami Trail Bridge.

It was a great reward for Supt. Dan Kimball, who has joined the ranks of the many who have contributed to the 24 years it took to plan and bring to fruition



PRIOR TO A NATURALIZATION CEREMONY held at Jefferson National Expansion Memorial in the Old Courthouse on Flag Day (June 14), Mr. Joe Cichacki, past Exalted Ruler of the Manchester Elks Lodge 2058, Manchester, Mo., presented two new flags to Deputy Supt. Frank Mares to be flown above the Old Courthouse. The Manchester Elks have presented the park with flags the past eight years in honor of Flag Day and as part of their nationwide Stars and Stripes Campaign, which encourages Elks Lodges to donate flags to monuments across the country.

the largest construction project in the history of the NPS. Water delivered from the completed project will improve thousands of acres of wetlands; aid in the recovery of the wading bird populations; and restore the quantity, quality, timing and distribution of water deliveries to **Everglades NP**. The water flow will also help recharge the aquifer, which serves as the water supply to one of the largest population centers in the U.S. In addition to the removal of the roadway under the new bridge, another 9.7 miles of roadway is being modified as part of the project and is scheduled to be completed by the end of the year.

In quiet contrast to the noisy efforts of modern man, perhaps the most important witnesses that day were the iconic alligators basking nearby and the wood storks gliding overhead. They are living in the much-needed changes coming to their home. The famed "River of Grass" is flowing again, and while there is still much more to be done, it is time to celebrate!

• University of Florida (UF) researchers netted a single female Schaus swallowtail butterfly the last week in May on **Biscayne NP's** Elliott Key. The capture raises hope that the species on the brink of extinction may someday be brought back.

A single egg laid by the female was added to several other Schaus larvae collected from the island. "This single female could help bring the Schaus back from the brink," said Jaret Daniels, associate curator of lepidoptera at UF's Florida Museum of Natural History and the project's lead researcher. "The larva from her egg, combined with the other larvae we found in habitat preserved by Biscayne National Park, gives us the chance to help safeguard a portion of the remaining population." While the project's partners in the multi-agency workgroup that includes the UF, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), NPS and Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission agree that finding one female and several larvae doesn't put concerns about this species' survivability to rest, the discoveries merit some relief and hope.

Once prolific throughout the coastal hammocks of extreme southeastern Florida, the Schaus' decline has been variously attributed to drought, insecticide use and habitat loss from development. It was fed-

erally listed as endangered in 1984. "The undeveloped keys within Biscayne National Park provide a last refuge for the Schaus where pesticides are not sprayed and native hosts plants are both protected and restored," said Biscayne NP Supt. Brian Carlstrom. "The National Park Service has been working to remove non-native plants and plant thousands of host plants utilized by the Schaus on Elliott Key with funding support from the USFWS."

"Kudos to the University of Florida team that found her and is nurturing the larvae," said Larry Williams, USFWS' Florida state supervisor for ecological services. "But our work is ongoing. We're going to keep searching as long as we can. The despair we felt last year has been replaced by hope."

• **Fort Raleigh NHS** held an open house in June to mark the opening of a series of new exhibits—replacements for displays installed when the visitor center was constructed in 1965. The new exhibits cover a wide range of park stories, including the Roanoke Voyages and the Lost Colony, the Carolina Algonquian, the Civil War Battle of Roanoke Island, the Roanoke Island Freedmen's Colony and Reginald Fessenden's wireless radio achievement on Roanoke Island. Many park artifacts are highlighted, with some displayed for the first time in an NPS exhibit. Multiple interactive audiovisual stations help engage the visitor further with various park stories.

This is the second phase of an ongoing upgrade to the Fort Raleigh Visitor Center. A rehabilitation project of the facility was completed in 2011.

"We are excited to be able to provide such great improvements to the visitor experience at the park," said Supt. Barclay Trimble. "These are engaging stories of people who came to this island with great hopes and dreams. Some of these dreams came true. Others were lost. These exhibits will help visitors explore these stories—to find what is known and what is yet to be discovered."

• The air was filled with the clang of metal on stone and the smell of wood fires on June 29 at **Allegheny Portage Railroad NHS** as more than a dozen volunteers, staff and students from Greater Johnstown High School hosted the park's

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Focus on the Parks

Junior Ranger Living History Day. More than 300 visitors took part in the event, which included “Farm to Factory”—a set of programs that interpret this 19th-century transportation system’s role as an agent of change through weaving, spinning and natural dyes presentations. Demonstrations including rope-making, stone cutting and log hewing were highlights of the “How to Build a Portage Railroad” series of programs. The 19th century also came alive through Paula Zitzler’s archeology program. Paula took part in the original excavations at the park and shared those findings and hosted a primer on archeology for visitors.

Junior Ranger Living History Day showcased the little-known story of the American Highlander militia, a group of Allegheny Portage Railroad workers and supervisors who fought in the Mexican-American War from 1846 to 1848. Ranger Doug Bosley, in the role of John White Geary, led a small contingent that demonstrated the drills these “workers-turned-soldiers” practiced on the grounds of the Lemon House Tavern before leaving for war.

New to the event was the participation of seven students from Greater Johnstown High School who are part of a group of 16 students employed this past summer through the Youth Partnership Program. The students assisted staff with the natural dyes presentation, spinning

and weaving and led children earning their Junior Ranger badges in a variety of 19th-century games. They helped the park meet *A Call to Action* item #2 *Step by Step*.

• **Petrified Forest NP** recently opened a new geology and paleontology exhibit at the Rainbow Forest Museum. The Blue Mesa ecology exhibit shows off the Late Triassic with a highly detailed mural representing a day in the life of a Triassic river. The surrounding panels and displays appeal to all ages and levels of interest. Subject matter ranges from a discussion of Triassic climate and how it changed over time, to a simulated fossil excavation. Cold cast bronzes of significant fossils provide a real “feel” for the kinds of fossils that inform us about the events in the lives of extinct Triassic animals.

Exhibit designers chose to represent one slice of time within the 18 million years of geologic events found within the park. Previous murals and media show animals and plants from the entire Triassic Period in an effort to simplify the story. But ecosystems and animals change over time. Putting everything into the same image is like presenting a picture of modern humans living with creatures like bear dogs, chalicotheres and two-foot-tall horses that browse on bushes.

Over the last 10 years, our understanding of the Triassic has grown tremendously. The Blue Mesa Room offers the

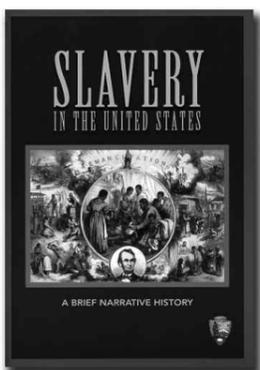


CONGRESSMAN BRETT GUTHRIE (center) stopped by Mammoth Cave NP on May 29, 2013 for a site visit of Maple Springs Trailhead and a briefing on Big Hollow Trail. The beginning of the project, to expand the trailhead and construct 9.5 miles of trail, coincided with National Trails Day on June 1. The park has contracted with Lightsey Construction to do the project. Michael Moore, project manager for Lightsey Construction, is shown with Congressman Guthrie and Mammoth Cave NP Supt. Sarah Craighead.

opportunity to interpret “deep time,” helping to answer questions like, “How was this landscape different 223 million years ago?,” “When did dinosaurs and pterosaurs first evolve?,” “How old are rocks in the park compared to places like

Grand Canyon and Zion National Park?” Exhibits are never really finished. As scientific study continues, new fossils are found and the story evolves. But the doors to the most current picture of the Triassic are now open for the public to enjoy. ■

Off the Press



Slavery in the United States: A Brief Narrative History

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Slavery in the United States: A Brief Narrative History chronicles the history of slavery and documents its impact on the U.S., from the 17th century up to the present day. The book explores the struggle for freedom by enslaved Africans and the determination of the human spirit to live free.

Written by NPS historians Robert Sutton and John Latschar and noted Civil War historian Rick Beard, *Slavery in the United States: A Brief Narrative History* explains the economic, political and social impacts of slavery and highlights the accomplishments of individuals such as Frederick Douglass, Harriet Tubman and Abraham Lincoln, who risked everything to destroy the institution of slavery in the U.S.

Slavery in the United States: A Brief

Narrative History is available from Eastern National at www.eParks.com.

American Indians and the Civil War

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American Indians and the Civil War features a collection of essays by noted scholars and historians. This book details the American Indian contributions to the Civil War and the effects of the war on American Indians.

Created through a unique partnership between the NPS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), the Bureau of Indian Education (BIE), the American Indian Alaskan Native Tourism Association and Eastern National, this publication is the first of its kind to explore the American Indian perspective. It adds tribal voices to another chapter of American history and encourages people to embrace this perspective into the context of America’s past, present and future.

American Indians and the Civil War is available from Eastern National at



www.eParks.com. Note: This book is available to NPS, BIA and BIE employees at a 25 percent discount through Sept. 30, 2013 at any Eastern National outlet or online at www.eParks.com. Use coupon code AICW2013 for online orders or call (877) 628-7275.

The War of 1812

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The War of 1812 features essays by 12 prominent American and Canadian historians exploring key themes and stories of the War of 1812, from the development of Canadian and American national identities and the emergence of the U.S. as a military and economic power, to policies of Indian removal that emerged in its aftermath. Through abundant illustrations and area maps, this publication highlights NPS and Parks Canada sites that preserve and protect many stories and places important to understanding and experiencing the War of 1812. The book’s introduction is written by NPS Director Jon Jarvis.

American and international audiences are invited to better understand the contemporary significance of the War of 1812, a conflict often dismissed as a “forgotten war,” sandwiched between the Revolutionary War and the Civil War, which at face value rarely resonates with modern and especially youthful audiences. However, the War of 1812 gave birth to enduring national symbols such as the Star-Spangled Banner and troubling and pervasive legacies such as Indian removal policy. Many questions raised during the early 19th century—What does it mean to be American?, What is the role of this nation in a global political and economic community?, How must democracy be protected?—relate to and continue to challenge contemporary audiences.

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Upcoming Meetings & Events

Cabrillo NM Centennial Celebration—Oct. 11 through 14, 2013. The park, which was established on Oct. 14, 1913, is celebrating 100 years as San Diego’s only national park. The centennial weekend celebration kicks off on Oct. 11 with a “monumental reunion,” which will be held from 6:30 to 10 p.m. Past and present employees, volunteers and their families will gather at the park to reminisce, enjoy good food and good company, share stories and take in the breathtaking views of the city. The evening will include entertainment and food, courtesy of the Cabrillo National Monument Foundation, and ranger-guided special evening tours of the lighthouse. Bring your favorite treat to share for a potluck dessert bar. If you have ever worked or volunteered at Cabrillo NM, you are invited to join current park staff for this entrance-free employee/VIP appreciation event. Please RSVP for the monumental reunion to Emily Floyd at (619) 523-4566 or Emily_Floyd@nps.gov by Oct. 5, 2013.

The four-day Cabrillo NM centennial weekend celebration will highlight the natural and cultural resources at the park. Daytime activities are open to the public during park hours, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (entrance fee applies). The official centennial commemoration ceremony will take place on Oct. 14 at 11 a.m.

Whether or not you are able to attend the centennial weekend, the park asks that you please share your memories by contributing a photo to the “monumental memories” scrapbook project. For more information on this project, the centennial weekend activities and other events during the remainder of the celebration year, visit www.cabrillocentennial.org. ■

Kudos and Awards



CIVIL WAR TRUST President James Lighthizer presents the 2013 National Park Service Preservationist of the Year Award to Connie Langum of Wilson's Creek NB.

- The Civil War Trust 2013 annual conference in Jackson, Miss., culminated with a dinner banquet, during which Trust President James Lighthizer recognized excellence in the battlefield protection movement with its annual preservation awards.

"The individuals and organizations we honor this evening represent some of the greatest achievements in the preservation

community," Lighthizer said. "With their help, we remain steadfast in our mission to save America's battlefields, while promoting awareness and greater appreciation for these pivotal places in our nation's history."

Among the 2013 Preservation Award winners recognized was **Connie Langum**, historian at Wilson's Creek NB, who received the National Park Service Preservationist of the Year Award. A native of Neosho, Ark., Connie has spent 18 of the 22 years of her NPS career at Wilson's Creek NB, including additional duties as Midwest coordinator for the American Battlefield Protection Program. Additionally, she is a longtime volunteer for the Trust, regularly contributing her time and expertise to its preservation projects.

The Civil War Trust is the largest non-profit battlefield preservation organization in the U.S. Its mission is to preserve our nation's endangered Civil War battlefields and to promote appreciation of these hallowed grounds. To date, it has preserved more than 36,000 acres of battlefield land in 20 states, including more than 3,300 in Mississippi. Learn more at www.civilwar.org.

- The winners of the 2012 Employees and Public Safety Awards, the highest awards bestowed by the NPS for outstanding public and employee safety achievement,

have been selected. The Director's Award recognizes significant achievements in the cultivation of a safe and healthful work environment for employees. The Andrew Clark Hecht Public Safety Achievement Award recognizes significant achievement in efforts to prevent serious injuries or fatalities to park visitors.

The group and individual winners are as follows. The 2012 Director's Safety and Health Achievement Award (Group category) winner is **Canaveral NS**, Risk Management Division, Volunteers In Parks and Visitor and Protection Division. Staff at Canaveral NS is commended for its incident-free beach patrols during the nesting season of threatened and endangered sea turtles. Park biologists and more than 50 volunteers spent approximately 6,000 nighttime hours on all-terrain vehicles on uneven terrain in various weather conditions to protect these sea turtles from predators. The 2012 Director's Safety and Health Achievement Award (Individual category) winner is **Daniel William Watson**, Ice Age NST and North Country NST. Daniel is commended for his outstanding efforts to enhance the safety and reduce injuries in the Volunteers-In-Parks Program. The 2012 Andrew Clark Hecht Public Safety Achievement Award (Group category) winner is the **Preventive Search and Rescue Team at Grand Canyon NP**.

The park is commended for its efforts to reduce visitor injuries and hiker assists through safety messaging, visitor education and promotion of safe hiking techniques. The 2012 Andrew Clark Hecht Public Safety Achievement Award (Individual category) winner is **Robert "Bobby" Fleming**, Great Smoky Mountains NP. Bobby is commended for his coordination of safety measures for an annual synchronous firefly event hosting over 12,000 visitors in 2012 with zero injuries reported.

- On May 23, **Dusty Shultz**, superintendent of Sleeping Bear Dunes NL, was awarded a Distinguished Service Award by the Society of Outdoor Recreation Professionals during the National Outdoor Recreation Conference held in Traverse City, Mich. The award is presented annually to individuals who have made significant and lasting contributions to the outdoor recreation profession.

During Dusty's 40-year NPS career, she climbed the ladder from a high school summer job with Allegheny Portage Railroad NHS to the first female superintendent of three NPS units. At the helm of Sleeping Bear Dunes NL since 2001, Dusty is responsible for managing the fine balance between preserving park resources and public use and enjoyment of the 65 miles of Lake Michigan shoreline, towering sand dunes and numerous inland lakes, streams and islands. Visit www.recpro.org for more information about the Society of Outdoor Recreation Professionals.

- Longtime Grand Canyon NP volunteer **Sjors Horstman** recently received the Governor's Lifetime Achievement Volunteer Service Award, the highest volunteer award in the state of Arizona. The award was established in 2002 to recognize volunteer efforts that strengthen communities and improve quality of life for Arizonans. Each year, eight outstanding individuals and organizations are acknowledged in an effort to build an ethic of service and volunteerism throughout the state.

Recipients of the awards are nominated in eight categories, and a statewide panel of judges evaluates the nominations for need, action, innovation and impact. Sjors received his award in the Lifetime Achievement Award category, reserved for individuals who have exemplified the ideals of service over the past 25 years or more.

Sjors signed up as a volunteer at Grand Canyon NP on May 19, 1987. As of March 31, 2013, he had logged 49,453 volunteer hours at the park. Sjors received his award for epitomizing customer service for the NPS at Phantom Ranch. He is philosophically tied into the mission of the NPS and goes out of his way any time of the day to support the needs of the visitors. During medical emergencies, Sjors is often the only park staff around, providing basic emergency medical assistance to visitors and coordinating rescues with park dispatch.

"As a naturalist and interpreter, Sjors can fill in for anyone," said Todd Nelson, volunteer coordinator for Grand Canyon NP. "His breadth of knowledge about the park is second to none. During his time here, Sjors assisted in virtually every aspect of the National Park Service operation at Phantom Ranch, ranging from cleaning bathrooms and answering visitor questions to assisting law enforcement and providing lifesaving first aid to hikers and backpackers. There are few who have worked at Phantom Ranch who have left a more lasting mark."

NPS Employees Honored with Awards for Excellence in Archeology

The 2013 recipients of the John L. Cotter Award for Excellence in National Park Service Archeology were recently announced. NPS archeologists created the Cotter award to honor the long and distinguished career and pioneering contributions of Dr. John L. Cotter to professional archeology in the National Park System. This unofficial award was established to inspire student and professional archeologists to continue Dr. Cotter's model of excellence in scientific archeology. The award recognizes the accomplishments of NPS staff or a partnership researcher in the execution of a specific project within a unit or units of the National Park System.

The Project Award goes to **Darlene Hassler Godwin** and **Justin Ebersole** for their outstanding work at Harpers Ferry Armory. The project, entitled "Archeological Investigation of the Armory Street, Harpers Ferry Armory, (46JF518) Harpers Ferry National Historical Park, WV 2011-2012" is commended for the high level of dedication and innovation of the individuals nominated for this honor.

In addition to traditional field excavation, mapping and lab processing and analysis, special attention was given to soil, ceramic and lithic analyses to gain a better understanding of the natural environment and climate during prehistoric periods represented by this site. Pollen analysis on soil samples and starch and protein extractions on ceramic and lithic samples confirm the presence of maize that was processed in the A.D. 900 ceramic vessels.

One projectile point tested positive for protein residue. The oldest found in this excavation, this large, short-stemmed rhyolite point dates to the Late Archaic (c. 2,500-1,200 B.C.). Analysts concluded from the proteins that the point was used



HARPERS FERRY NHP ARCHEOLOGISTS Darlene Hassler Godwin and Justin Ebersole at the tailrace tunnel opening at Harpers Ferry Armory. Darlene and Justin are the recipients of the 2013 John L. Cotter Project Award for Excellence in National Park Service Archeology.

on a member of the order Perciformes (perch-like fish). This represents the first archeology project in Harpers Ferry designed to explore prehistoric deposits and the first time protein analysis has been performed on lithic materials.

Tailrace tunnel mapping revealed that the tunnel is not a single shaft as depicted on historic maps but is comprised of two sections forming a "Y." The tunnels were constructed as a series of arched vaults that document the complex evolution of the tailrace system. Other discoveries include use of brick in transitional or curved areas of the vault and in other locations corresponding directly with armory shops.

The Career Achievement Award goes to **Chris Finley** (now retired) at Bighorn Canyon NRA for his outstanding stewardship of the cultural history and values of Bighorn Canyon. Native peoples, moun-

tain men, ranchers and homesteaders have all left their mark at the park, and no one is better at interpreting and protecting cultural remains than Chris. He is curious and endlessly knowledgeable and, most importantly, loves to share what he knows with visitors, staff and students.

As an adopted member of the Crow tribe, Chris has been a tireless advocate for promoting partnerships and collaboration between American Indian groups and the park. His devotion and passion for his work, particularly in documenting stone circles familiarly known as 'tipi rings,' are a source of pride and joviality to the Crow Nation, and they have given Chris the affectionate nickname of "Lord of the Rings."

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Jim Cahill, chief ranger, Horseshoe Bend NMP, June 29 after 35 years.

Jim started his NPS career as a seasonal park technician at Canaveral NS in 1978. He was also a seasonal at Yellowstone NP (1980-1981). His first permanent position was at Chickamauga and Chattanooga NMP (1981-1986). Two years at Natchez Trace Parkway followed. Then Jim became the Elkmont Area ranger at Great Smoky Mountains NP. In 1993, he became chief ranger at Fort Laramie NHS, and from 1996 to 2004, he was back at Canaveral NS, where he served as visitor services operations chief, wildland fire coordinator, district ranger and Southeast Regional Office SETT squad leader. Jim joined Horseshoe Bend NMP as chief ranger in 2004. While here, he continued to serve as SETT squad leader. He can be reached at jim_cahill@bellsouth.net.

E&AA Life Member **Linda Canzanelli**, superintendent, Gateway NRA, June 29 after 35 years.

Prior to her time at Gateway NRA, Linda was the associate regional director for park operations in the Northeast Regional Office. She also worked in WASO as deputy associate director for park operations, as superintendent at Biscayne NP and Women's Rights NHP and as deputy superintendent at Cape Cod NS.

Linda's career started at Boston NHP, where she took a position as a GS-3 clerk typist in 1977 and subsequently became an interpreter and then a supervisor. She also worked in New Orleans at the newly established Jean Lafitte NHP & PRES—both the French Quarter and Chalmette Battlefield. Linda first worked at Gateway NRA from 1985 to 1989 as the chief of interpretation and visitor services. She returned to Gateway NRA in July 2010 as acting superintendent and got the job permanently in January 2011.

In a letter to her employees, Linda wrote: "I am honored to have been able to work with you twice—this is the only park I ever came back to. I fell in love with Gateway when I worked here in the mid-80s. It didn't take long to appreciate all the wonderful things that Gateway has to offer and the critical role that Gateway plays with the community and for the National Park Service." Linda can be reached at lcanzane@gmail.com.



JERRY CASE

E&AA Life Member **Jerry Case**, superintendent, Bighorn Canyon NRA, July 29 after 39 years of service.

Jerry began his NPS career as a seasonal laborer at Glen Canyon NRA and has ended it as superintendent of Bighorn

Canyon NRA. In between, it was a marvelous ride that took him to parks including Gulf Islands NS, Isle Royale NP, Kaloko-Honokohau NHP, Glacier Bay NP & PRES, North Cascades NP, Everglades NP and (then) Pinnacles NM, as well as NPS headquarters in Washington, D.C. His positions ranged from work in the maintenance division to interpretation, to law enforcement and, finally, to management.

"I am grateful and appreciative to have had such a rewarding career protecting and enjoying our nation's magnificent national park sites and to wake up every day for four decades proud of the Park Service mission I helped administer," says Jerry. "I can't imagine working and playing with a more dedicated, inspirational and adventuresome cadre of people. Being able to live, work and play in these special places is a privilege not many are able to experience, I feel very lucky to have shared many grand adventures with co-workers and friends."

Jerry loved his career and never aspired to retire. However, his wife, Shawn, started a job with the Department of State Foreign Service this spring, and Jerry is now looking forward to following her around the world as part of her new career. Their first post began in August in Lomé, Togo, West Africa. Jerry can be reached at jerrycase@gmail.com.

Michael "Cas" Castagnetto, facility manager, Harpers Ferry NHP, June 29 after 34 years of federal service, 30 of them with the NPS.

Cas joined the NPS as a carpenter in historic preservation at Lassen Volcanic NP in 1984 and then went on to become chief of maintenance at Allegheny Portage Railroad NHS and Johnstown Flood N MEM in 1988. Throughout the summer of 1988, he served as a crew boss and strike team leader during the Yellowstone fires. He later moved to Theodore Roosevelt NP, Fort Union Trading Post NHS and Knife River Indian Villages NHS. In 1991, he transferred to Bryce Canyon NP as facility manager, beginning an 11-year effort to rehabilitate the park's buildings, roads, overlooks and trails. During this period, he also served a lengthy detail as superintendent of Timpanogos Cave NM. Cas served as the facility manager at Harpers Ferry NHP for the past 10 years.

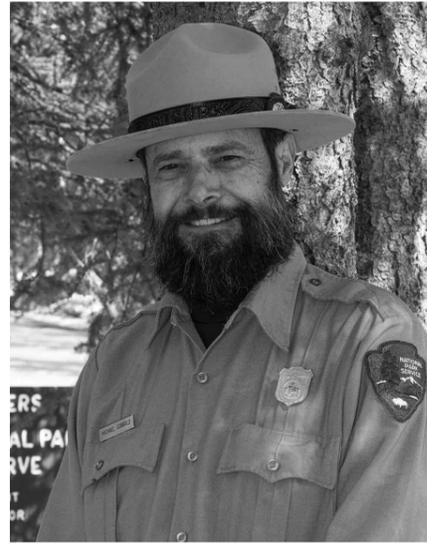
Cas, his wife, Melissa, and their sons, Parker and Dylan, will be returning to Utah to be closer to family. He looks forward to enjoying retirement adventures, which will include hunting, fishing and volunteering in Utah's beautiful national parks.

Kimberly "Kim" Coast, branch chief for law enforcement and emergency services, Northeast Regional Office, June 15 after 30 years.

Kim was a seasonal employee at Castillo de San Marcos NM before becoming a permanent employee at Everglades NP, where she served as a fee collector, dispatcher and interpretive ranger. She has worked as the chief ranger at Manassas NBP, law enforcement specialist and unit manager at Jean Lafitte NHP & PRES, law enforcement specialist at Big Thicket N PRES and law enforcement program coordinator at Santa Fe National Forest. She also worked as a commissioned ranger at Buffalo NR and Indiana Dunes NL.

From 2003 onwards, Kim served as operations branch chief at Golden Gate NRA. She was the acting chief ranger there for eight months prior to her service at the Northeast Regional Office. Kim is

embarking on a new career as a law enforcement instructor with the Department of Homeland Security at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in Georgia.



MIKE COBBOLD

Michael A. "Mike" Cobbold, safety and occupational health specialist, Denali NP & PRES, July 12 after 12 years of federal service.

Mike worked seasonally at Yosemite NP from 1974 to 1976. He brought an incredible wealth of knowledge from the private sector to Denali NP & PRES in 2002. As the safety officer for the park, he worked with supervisors across all divisions to bring their safety programs up to a professional level.

Mike worked for the USDA Forest Service from 2005 to 2011 and then returned to Denali NP & PRES. During the past two years, he has worked tirelessly to improve the safety program. He assisted with the implementation and ongoing improvement of the Operational Leadership program, with nearly 100 percent of the permanent and seasonal employees receiving training. Through his efforts, Mike has helped make Denali NP & PRES a significantly safer place to work.

Mike also worked diligently to raise employee, community and visitor awareness on sustainability. He coordinated Denali's Green Team (one of the Park Service's first greening workshops). Through Mike's work, Denali NP & PRES was recognized by the NPS and the Environmental Protection Agency for its efforts in greening and providing cutting-edge information to park visitors.

Rich Collins, maintenance worker, Fort Vancouver NHS, June 1 after 21 years.

Sarah Conlon, branch chief for organizational development, Learning and Development Division, May 31 after 21 years of federal service, over five of them with the NPS.

Sarah began her federal career as a family and career counselor for the Department of Defense in England, at the Pentagon and at various military bases. Prior to joining the NPS, she worked at NASA headquarters in Washington, D.C., as an organization development specialist and also served as a change management organizational development specialist for NASA's environmental sustainability initiative.

Following her stint at NASA, Sarah joined the NPS Intermountain Region in 2007 as the employee development officer and established an organizational development service. A few years later, she joined Learning and Development to head up the organizational development

branch for the NPS. Sarah is looking forward to embarking on a new professional journey working part-time with Steven and Linda Wright in the Wright Collaborative Consulting Group.

E&AA Life Member **Denis Davis**, Utah state coordinator for the NPS Intermountain Region, Salt Lake City, May 3 after 37 years.

Denis obtained a B.S. degree in wildlife biology from Colorado State University and an M.S. degree in outdoor recreation from Utah State University. In 1976, he began working for the NPS as a park planner at the Denver Service Center, where he worked on over 60 planning and design projects at more than 30 NPS units. In 1985, he moved to Glen Canyon NRA, where he served as assistant chief of maintenance, chief of maintenance and, later, as chief of administration. During that time, he completed the Executive Potential Program.

In 1996, Denis became superintendent of Cumberland Island NS, where he worked to complete a major land acquisition project, rehabilitate Plum Orchard Mansion and many other cultural resource sites and complete several major planning projects. In 1998, he received the Stephen T. Mather Award for Resource Stewardship from the National Parks Conservation Association for balancing resource protection, visitor needs and controversial issues in the Cumberland Island planning process.

In 2000, Denis moved to Glacier NP, where he served as assistant superintendent for two years. From 2002 to 2007, he served as strategic planner and lead of park program review for the Intermountain Region. In 2007, he became superintendent at Timpanogos Cave NM. In 2011, he moved to Salt Lake City as the Utah state coordinator for the NPS Intermountain Region.

From 2008 until his retirement, Denis served on the NPS and then Interagency Visitor Use Management Council, working to develop a strategy for visitor use management and visitor capacity issues. He also led multiple teams to develop cave inventory and monitoring protocols.

In retirement, Denis is looking forward to more time in the wild lands, more time volunteering for the things he believes in and more time with friends and family. He will continue to reside in Sandy, Utah, and can be reached at beautypeaks@yahoo.com.

Alex Demas, park ranger, Lowell NHP, May 31 after 33 years.

E&AA Life Member **Costa Dillon**, superintendent, Indiana Dunes NL, Aug. 26 after over 35 years.

Costa began his NPS career as a seasonal ranger at Craters of the Moon NM in 1977. His first permanent position was at Independence NHP in 1978. His career also included assignments at Cabrillo NM, Thaddeus Kosciuszko N MEM, Carlsbad Caverns NP, Guadalupe Mountains NP, Gettysburg NMP, Eisenhower NHS, Hubbell Trading Post NHS and Santa Monica Mountains NRA. He worked in WASO and in every region except the National Capital Region. Having worked at Thaddeus Kosciuszko N MEM and on a detail to Wrangell-St. Elias NP & PRES, he worked at both the smallest and largest NPS units. Twenty years of his NPS career have been as a superintendent at parks including Indiana Dunes NL, Fire Island NS and Homestead National Monument of America, as well as the Horace M. Albright Training Center.

Among his many career accomplishments
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COSTA DILLON

ments, Costa created curriculum-based education programs at Gettysburg NMP and Santa Monica Mountains NRA, had assignments in Zambia, Brazil, Italy and Poland representing the NPS, worked on the Yellowstone fires in 1988, oversaw the initiation of the NPS Fundamentals training program and directed the renovation of the Horace M. Albright Training Center. He was an original member of the Interpretive Skills Training Team and taught interpretation to hundreds of employees in parks all over the country. Costa was also the creator and writer of the feature film *Attack of the Killer Tomatoes*, as well as four other feature films, and worked for 20th Century Fox, Disney and New World Pictures.

Costa's awards include the DOI Meritorious Service Award and DOI Superior Service Award, Secretary of the Interior's Award for Long-Term Achievement in Diversity, the National Park Service Sequoia Award for Excellence in Interpretation, the National Association for Interpretation's Meritorious Service Award, the National Parks Conservation Association's Stephen T. Mather Award for Outstanding Resource Stewardship, the Crystal Owl Award and four DOI Unit Citations for Excellence of Service.

Costa and his wife, Ellen, are planning to relocate to New England, where he will be teaching at the University of New Hampshire. He will also continue to work on film projects and can be reached at ranger92077@yahoo.com.

Mike Gosse, chief ranger, Timpanogos Cave NM, May 11 after over 25 years.

Mike began his NPS career at Zion NP in 1987. He then served at Morristown NHP, followed by Timpanogos Cave NM, where he has served as chief ranger for the last 15 years. He also had a three-month assignment at the park as acting superintendent and served two detail assignments in WASO.

Mike was instrumental in establishing collaborative programs with local schools, including the Behind A Tour Specialist (B.A.T.S.) program and Timpanogos Kids in Nature program. Thousands of local youth received an enhanced curriculum through Mike's efforts to establish and nurture educational partnerships.

Mike has taken a position as deputy district ranger at Ocala National Forest. He can be reached at mgosse@fs.fed.us or pk_rgr@yahoo.com.

Captain Kathleen Harasek, regional law enforcement specialist, National Capital Region, U.S. Park Police (U.S.P.P.), July 27 after over 30 years.

Kathleen earned a bachelor's degree

from the University of Massachusetts, a master's degree in education from the University of Maryland, a certificate of advanced graduate studies in police administration from the University of Virginia and a master's degree in safety and security leadership from George Washington University. She was also a graduate of the FBI's National Academy.

Kathleen began her government career in 1983 as a seasonal law enforcement ranger at Lowell NHP and joined the U.S.P.P. in 1988. Upon graduation from the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, she was assigned as a patrol officer in Washington, D.C., at the Anacostia Station and the George Washington Memorial Parkway Station. In 1994, she was selected for the Crime and Violence Task Force assisting the D.C. Metropolitan Police.

Kathleen spent the majority of her U.S.P.P. career—15 years—in the Aviation Unit, where she served as a rescue technician, chief paramedic, pilot trainee and, after her promotion to lieutenant, unit commander. In 2010, she received a DOI award for outstanding contributions to aviation safety. She also served in the U.S.P.P. Honor Guard for 20 years.

Promoted to the rank of captain in 2010, Kathleen was assigned as the commander of the Central District. Among her achievements, she worked closely with the NPS on the redesign of the White House Visitor Center, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Education Center and other facilities and provided law enforcement oversight during the transition of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial to the NPS.

Kathleen has accepted a position with the Amtrak Police Department as the inspector for patrol operations in the Mid-Atlantic South Division. She may be reached at Kharasek@gwmail.gwu.edu.

Paul E. Hunter, park ranger, Alaska Region, June 3 after over 37 years of federal service, over 26 of them with the NPS.

Paul began his service in 1969 in the U.S. Marine Corps. He had stints at the U.S. Postal Service, the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Bureau of Indian Affairs before joining the NPS in 1987. He worked on the environmental planning and compliance team in the Alaska Regional Office.

E&AA Life Member **Jim Hutton**, fuels specialist, National Interagency Fire Center, June 29 after 33 years.

Jim received a bachelor's degree in biology from Kent State University in 1980. He began his NPS career as a seasonal park ranger at Cuyahoga Valley NP in 1980. In addition to Cuyahoga Valley NP, over the next six years, he served in seasonal park ranger positions at Everglades NP, Lake Roosevelt NRA, Big Thicket N PRES, Grand Teton NP and Grand Canyon NP. His first permanent park ranger position was at Cape Lookout NS in 1986, continuing on to Grand Canyon NP in 1987 and Channel Islands NP in 1993.

Jim was the fire management officer at Whiskeytown NRA from 1997 to 2006 before moving to Boise, Idaho, as fire management specialist for the NPS with the Fire Program Analysis (FPA) project. While working for FPA, he obtained his master's degree in public administration - natural resources from Boise State University in 2007. He has been fuels specialist with the Branch of Wildland Fire at the Fire Management Program Center in Boise, Idaho, from 2009 until his retirement.

Jim and his wife, Jessica, and children, Lowell and Jane, will continue to live in Boise. He plans to hike, fish, travel and

enjoy time with friends and family. He can be reached at jllhutton@msn.com.

E&AA Member **Alan "Al" Levitan**, senior conservator, Museum Conservation Services, Harpers Ferry Center (HFC), May 31 after 35 years.

Al earned his undergraduate degree in anthropology from George Washington University (GWU). While enrolled part-time in a master's degree program in museum studies at GWU, he worked at Harpers Ferry NHP as an exhibit specialist in restoration. It was at this time that he first experienced the HFC conservation labs, serving as an intern in the furniture lab. Earning his master's degree in 1983, Al accepted a full-time conservator position in the HFC furniture lab.

Among Al's many career accomplishments, he trained NPS museum professionals, maintenance staff and conservators;



AL LEVITAN

with the Wrangell Museum, he trained Alaska Natives (primarily totem carvers) to preserve totem poles; and he has traveled to over 100 national park areas to treat artifacts on site and conduct collection condition surveys and collection management plans. He coordinated conservation work on artifacts for the Ellis Island Immigration Museum and the Lincoln, Garfield and Theodore Roosevelt presidential homes. He worked on the historic furniture in the Office of the Secretary of Interior for several administrations and was the key conservator on a project to restore a coffin for Martin Luther King, Jr. NHS. Al has also been an active member of the National Capital Region Museum Emergency Response Team.

In retirement, Al's plans include making furniture for his three grown daughters and expanding his workshop so he can build and restore wooden kayaks and canoes. He will do conservation treatment and consult part-time and hopes to have more time for hiking, biking, paddle boarding and kayaking.

John Maounis, superintendent, NPS Chesapeake Bay, March 31 after over 34 years.

John's NPS career began in 1979 at Golden Gate NRA and included time at the (then) North Atlantic Regional Office and Northeast Regional Office. He was deputy superintendent for (then) Longfellow NHS, Frederick Law Olmsted NHS and John Fitzgerald Kennedy NHS and then joined the Chesapeake Bay Office in Annapolis, Md. The NPS Chesapeake Bay staff works with multiple partners to manage and develop the Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network, the

Captain John Smith Chesapeake NHT, the Star-Spangled Banner NHT and collaborative strategies to support President Obama's executive order for the protection and restoration of the Chesapeake Bay.

As superintendent of NPS Chesapeake Bay, John led a park over a 64,000-square-mile watershed and developed over 200 partnerships. He completed two comprehensive management plans and environmental assessments, led NPS responsibilities directed in the executive order for the Chesapeake Bay and worked with the state of Maryland on the six-year process culminating in the designation of the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad NM.

John and his wife, Margaret, will continue to make their home in Fells Point in Baltimore, Md. They plan to travel and enjoy their friends, good music, film and fine wines. He can be reached at john.maounis@comcast.net.

Charlie Masten, facility manager and chief of preservation services, Keweenaw NHP, June 30 after over 38 years of federal service, over 34 of them with the NPS.

Charlie's government service started in 1969 with the U.S. Air Force Military Airlift Command Airborne Meteorological Unit, where he was a meteorologist/weather observer for four years. He then entered the environmental design and architecture program at Ball State University. He joined the NPS in 1978 at Sleeping Bear Dunes NL, first as a seasonal park maintenance worker and then permanent historic preservation crew leader. He also served as park architectural draftsman and completed a detail to Harpers Ferry Center.

In 1989, Charlie joined the Midwest Regional Office, serving six years with cultural resources management as a historic restoration specialist. Next came two years at Natchez Trace Parkway as maintenance supervisor followed by five years at Bent's Old Fort NHS as facility manager. He became facility manager and chief of preservation services at Keweenaw NHP in 2001.

Charlie's plans include staying active in Habitat for Humanity and ReStore programs, restoring antiques and building twig furniture. He will also travel, visiting his daughter, Whitney, an interpretive park ranger at Florissant Fossil Beds NM; son, Matthew, a chemical engineer with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; and son, Adam, a postal worker with the USPS. He can be reached at lakeeffect08@gmail.com.

Linda Meyers, printing specialist, Harpers Ferry Center, May 31 after 45 years.

Linda began her career in 1967 at the Office of Resource Planning when the NPS Philadelphia Service Center relocated to Washington, D.C. That office became the Office of Environmental Planning and Design a few months before merging with the San Francisco Service Center, which would relocate to Denver in 1971. Instead of following her colleagues to Denver, Linda accepted a 1,000-hour appointment in Washington, D.C., and was later reinstated as a full-time employee with the Division of Publications when the NPS publications operation moved to the newly built Interpretive Design Center of Harpers Ferry Center for Media Services.

Publishing technology changed rapidly as Linda's NPS career progressed. The primary product of the Division of Publications is the official visitor information brochures for all national park areas. Typesetting for the brochures switched from "hot metal" type to computer-set photo composition type. Later, the complete

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publishing process went digital. Linda kept on top of these changes and played an invaluable quality-control role. She became expert at developing the division's periodic printing contracts let through the U.S. Government Printing Office with commercial vendors.

Linda's colleagues, NPS staffs and all who visit National Park System sites, whether they are aware of it or not, will miss her institutional knowledge and publishing skills and her uncanny, educated eye for spotting anything wrong on a proof. On May 8, 2013, Linda received the DOI Distinguished Service Award in recognition of her extraordinary level of effort for the NPS in the field of print production.

Captain Charles A. "Charlie" Orton, assistant commander for technical services, U.S. Park Police (U.S.P.P.), June 1 after 34 years.

Charlie graduated from the University of Maryland and began his career in 1977 at the National Security Agency. Two years later, he joined the U.S.P.P. and attended the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center. He was assigned to the Central District Station (the National Mall), then transferred to the Rock Creek Station in 1985. In 1989, he was promoted to the rank of sergeant and assigned to the Glen Echo Station. He transferred back to Rock Creek in 1990 and was a street sergeant, crime prevention sergeant and administrative sergeant. In 1999, Charlie was assigned to the shift commander's office and was promoted to the rank of lieutenant in 2000. He was the shift commander on duty during the attacks on 9/11.

In 2002, Charlie was assigned to headquarters as executive lieutenant of the Services Division and assistant commander for human resources. He transferred to the Central District Station as the administrative lieutenant in 2004. In 2009, he was promoted to the rank of captain and regional law enforcement specialist for the National Capital Region. He was assigned to the position of assistant commander of the technical services branch this past March. Charlie has worked nine presidential inaugurations and two papal visits and ran the U.S.P.P. deployment to the Standing Rock Indian Reservation under DOI's Operation Alliance.

Barbara Perry, law enforcement assistant, Upper Delaware SRR, June 1 after over 29 years.

Barbara started working at Upper Delaware SRR in 1983. She worked as the law enforcement assistant for five chief rangers and has been at the park through the tenures of five superintendents. She coordinated commercial use authorizations and special park use permits with 14 commercial boat liveries, 46 commercial fishing guides and other organizations.

Barbara is well known as a kind and caring person who consistently reaches out to friends and family in their time of need. She says she loves her job and the people with whom she works, and it will be hard to leave, but that it is the right time for her to move on to the next chapter of her life. The entire staff, but especially the law enforcement staff of Upper Delaware SRR, will dearly miss Barbara. We all wish her the best as she moves into the next chapter of an already very special book.

Steve Riley, superintendent, Gila Cliff Dwellings NM, May 31 after over 40 years.

Steve served as the first facility manager at both Great Basin NP and Black Canyon of the Gunnison NP before ac-

cepting the superintendent position at Gila Cliff Dwellings NM. Altogether, he served in facility management positions at eight different locations and 11 units. Steve and his wife, Kathy, are retiring to central Oregon, where they plan to ride their horses and teach their grandchildren to camp and ride.

Danny S. Rosenkrans, senior management analyst, Wrangell-St. Elias NP & PRES, June 21 after 24 years.

Danny's background in mineral exploration and mining will be greatly missed. The first half of his career was spent dealing with minerals management within Wrangell-St. Elias NP & PRES. During the second half, he dealt with land issues at the park, including park mine closures, mining plans of operation and land acquisition. In addition, he assisted many landowners with certificates of right-of-way to access their property within the boundaries of the park. His contributions to the NPS will have a lasting effect after his departure.

Danny will travel to the Federated States of Micronesia with his wife, Arlene, who took a job earlier this year with the Department of Agriculture. He plans to maintain his home in the Copper River Valley.

Lori A. Simmons, cartographer, Harpers Ferry Center (HFC), June 28 after 33 years of federal service, 29 of them with the NPS.

Lori started her federal career with summer jobs while attending Pennsylvania State University from 1976 to 1979. She was a GS-2 clerk typist for the U.S. Army at Tobyhanna Army Depot in 1977, a social science aid for the Bureau of Reclamation in Texas in 1979 and a physical scientist for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) in Washington, D.C., in 1981.

Lori's love of cartography began in 10th grade. Her first cartography job was with NOAA, making nautical charts of Hawaii and Alaska. She began her dream job in



LORI SIMMONS

1983 at HFC as an NPS cartographer in the Division of Publications. Lori is particularly proud of the map she did for Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve. "That map has elaborate drainage work," she says, reflecting the park's coastal Atlantic lowlands setting of salt marshes, creeks and rivers. She also singles out the map she did for George Washington Memorial Parkway, which required making visual sense of dense information.

Lori later pioneered large-print mapping for the NPS, creating the map for the prototype large-print brochure produced for and in cooperation with the

Chesapeake and Ohio Canal NHP. She worked on that job with nationally known large-print mapping consultants who reviewed and helped refine the maps. The large print brochure for the C&O Canal won multiple awards.

Lori has also received a DOI Honor Award for Superior Service and a Merit Award for her leadership in developing accessibility guidelines for NPS interpretive media. She worked for many years with her mentor in low-vision media production, Ray Bloomer, director of education and technical assistance at the National Center on Accessibility in Bloomington, Ind. They have tackled a range of accessibility issues and opportunities that affect national parks and the people who visit them. In retirement, Lori plans to spend much time on her bicycle, travel, and just enjoy life.



DOUG STOVER

Doug Stover, historian/cultural resource manager, Outer Banks Group (Cape Hatteras NS, Wright Brothers N MEM and Fort Raleigh NHS), July 31 after 32 years.

Doug was born and raised in Cohasset, Mass. He graduated from several universities including Unity College with an associate's degree in curation, University of Maine with a B.A. degree in landscape architecture and George Washington University with a master's degree in public history. Over the course of his NPS career, he worked in positions of increasing complexity and responsibility at parks including the Outer Banks Group, Chesapeake and Ohio Canal NHP, National Capital Parks-East, George Washington Memorial Parkway, President's Park (White House Liaison) and Acadia NP. He also served details ranging from site manager to landscape architect.

Doug expresses his gratitude to the many wonderfully talented and interesting people who inspired him along the way. He stated he couldn't imagine a more fulfilling career and is especially thankful for so many young people who are committed to carrying on the legacy. Doug will continue traveling extensively throughout the world as a consultant on water lilies/orchids preservation efforts and in his new consultant job with the United Nations and World Heritage Sites. He and his family will continue to make the Outer Banks of North Carolina their home.

Nancy Swanton, subsistence program manager, Alaska Regional Office, July 29 after over 35 years of federal service, 18 of them with the NPS in Alaska.

Nancy began her federal career as a biological technician with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Alaska in 1977. She held subsequent seasonal positions as an inter-

pretive naturalist with the USDA Forest Service in Southeast Alaska on Alaska Marine Highway ships and as a technical writer and hydrologic field technician with the U.S. Geological Survey. Nancy obtained her first permanent position with the federal offshore minerals program in Alaska. She supervised the Environmental Operations team and detailed to the Secretary of the Interior's Office of the Special Assistant for Alaska, where she managed an environmental impact statement project that resulted in construction of the Alaska Sea Life Center in Seward, Alaska.

Nancy joined the NPS in 1995 as the first chief of planning and environmental compliance at Denali NP & PRES, where she managed a multi-governmental planning project. Seven years later, an invitation from Superintendent Tomie Lee took her to Glacier Bay NP & PRES to lead a marine vessel management planning effort. Nancy also became one of the first park-based-planner members of the NPS Planning Leadership Group. Participating in the USDA's Executive Potential Program provided her opportunities to serve as interim superintendent of Klondike Gold Rush NHP and as an associate to the director and deputy director of the NPS for several months. Subsequent details included interim superintendent of Bering Land Bridge N PRES and manager of the Alaska Region's planning and compliance program. In her most recent position, Nancy participated on an interagency team to help assure rural Alaskans could continue customary and traditional uses on federal public lands in Alaska.

Nancy and her partner, Brent Petrie, will continue to call Alaska home for the near future. They look forward to exploring the world and the lower 48 states, more outdoor adventures in Alaska, enjoying more time with family and friends and volunteering with the NPS and some nonprofit organizations.

Linda Thomas, project specialist, Harpers Ferry Center (HFC), June 29 after 40 years of federal service, over 20 of them with the NPS.

Linda began her career with the Department of Defense in 1973. She transferred to the NPS in 1992 as secretary with the Division of Interpretive Planning working with Andy Kardos and a team of 10 planners developing interpretive plans for the Service. Three years later, she was promoted to editorial assistant, a position in which she prepared, edited and printed Long-Range Interpretive Plans.

In 2003, Linda became one of the first project specialists at HFC. This position was designed to assist project managers and park clients in every aspect of project schedules, communications and budget. Along with the other project specialists, she helped to develop and define the newly created position. Her commitment to excellent customer service and her contributions resulted in a fully established Project Management Office at HFC. She worked on important interpretive media projects such as Selma to Montgomery NHT, Tuskegee Airmen NHS and Shiloh NMP.

In 2010, when HFC set up regional teams for Media Development, Linda was selected as the Intermountain Regional team project specialist. She assisted and supported the project manager, the HFC media team and park clients in the Intermountain Region. Her projects include

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Mesa Verde NP, Grand Teton NP and White Sands NM.

Linda plans to spend more time with her husband, Vernon; her newly married son, Timmy, and his wife, Becca; son, Kevin; and her granddaughter, Jayden, and grandson, Chase. She also plans to expand her flower garden.



MIKE WILTSHIRE

J. Michael “Mike” Wiltshire, information technology specialist, Harpers Ferry Center (HFC), May 3 after 40 years with the NPS at HFC.

Mike started his career with the NPS in the pilot project of the Youth Conservation Corps in the summer of 1971. There, he gave public demonstrations of metal preservation on artifacts excavated from Harpers Ferry NHP. While attending Shepherd College, he worked part-time for the newly formed museum operations group at HFC (now the conservation branch at HFC’s Willow Springs facility), and he worked in the metals and weapons lab. He later worked in the registrar’s office and then served as the documentary photographer for the museum group.

In the early 1990s, as computers began

to replace typewriters and copiers, Mike moved into information technology at HFC and oversaw setting up HFC’s fiber network infrastructure, which is still used today for network access between several program offices and the Internet. The fiber network services not only HFC, but also the Stephen T. Mather Training Center, Appalachian Trail Project Office, Seasonal Recruiting Operations Center, Museum Management Program, HFC’s museum conservation facility at Willow Springs and the Appalachian Trail Conservancy.

E&AA Life Member **Rosie M. Wince**, administrative officer, Vicksburg NMP, May 31 after over 33 years.

Rosie has lived in Vicksburg, Miss., most of her life and spent her entire NPS career working at Vicksburg NMP. Beginning in 1980 as a subject-to-furlough clerk typist, Rosie moved up through the ranks holding the positions of personnel clerk and administrative assistant before becoming the park’s administrative officer in 1985, serving in that position through the tenures of five superintendents.

Highlights of Rosie’s career include assisting with many park projects, such as the opening and dedication of the USS *Cairo* Museum; USS *Cairo* gunboat restoration; restoration of the Mississippi, Texas and Louisiana State Monuments; the Mint Spring, Shirley House and Cemetery Wall rehab/restoration projects; and acquisition and restoration of Grant’s Canal and Pemberton’s Headquarters.

Rosie was detailed several times to the Virgin Islands as administrative officer. She also served as acting superintendent of Vicksburg NMP for one year (2004), during which time the park witnessed the placement and dedication of the African American Monument.

In retirement, Rosie will continue to reside in the Vicksburg area and spend more time with family and friends, participating in volunteer and church activities, gardening, reading, relaxing and pursuing new hobbies, including learning

new languages and learning to quilt. She will also travel and plans to visit all 50 states (32 left), Africa, Paris and China.

E&AA Life Member **Ed Zahniser**, writer-editor, Harpers Ferry Center (HFC), June 28 after 39 years of federal service, 36 of them with the NPS at HFC.

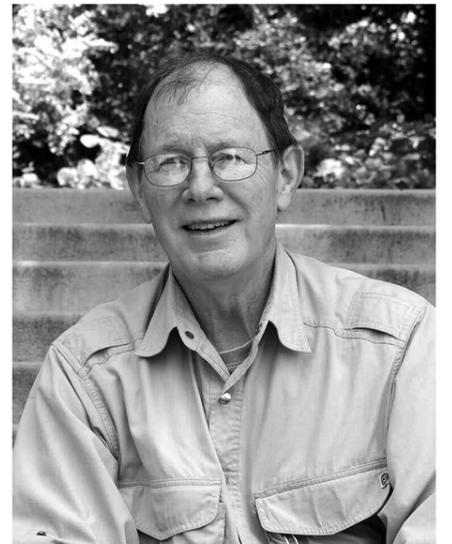
In childhood, Ed’s publications career began as he accompanied his father to the printing company in Baltimore that printed *The Living Wilderness*, a quarterly magazine edited by his father. By age nine, Ed was running galleys from the presses to the proofing room. By age 11, he was proofreading the magazine. After college, he continued writing and editing as a Vietnam-era draftee in the U.S. Army. After his discharge, Ed and his wife, Christine, lived in the Adirondack Mountains of New York State for five months and then went to northern Ohio to help the *Mother Earth News* get started.

Ed next worked for the Department of Defense followed by The Wilderness Society. During those early 1970s years, he was also a founding editor of Some Of Us Press, a poets press in Washington, D.C., and wrote for D.C.’s alternative newspapers *Colonial Times* and *The Daily Rag*.

As a writer-editor at HFC, Ed wrote and/or edited National Park Handbooks on parks including Apostle Islands NL, Assateague Island NS, Big Bend NP, Great Smoky Mountains NP, Yosemite NP, North Cascades NP, Yellowstone NP and Glacier Bay NP & PRES, among others. He also wrote and edited new Unigrid park information brochures for those areas as well as many others.

In 1994 and 1995, Ed was detailed to the DOI Office of the Secretary as the start-up editor of the Department’s first-ever all-employee newsletter, in tabloid format, *People Land & Water*. Also during this time period, Ed did research, writing and ghostwriting for NPS Director Roger Kennedy and his deputy, John Reynolds.

In 1992, USDA Forest Service wilder-



ED ZAHNISER

ness enthusiast Ralph Swain heard that Ed, the son of the 1964 Wilderness Act’s primary author, Howard Zahniser, worked for the NPS. Swain smoked out Ed to speak to a wilderness training session in Durango, Colo. That began more than a decade of wilderness speaking for Ed at interagency wilderness training sessions, national wilderness conferences, state wilderness advocacy groups and colleges and universities.

Never having found the cure for writing poetry, Ed has published three books and five print and e-chapbooks and contributed poems to over a hundred publications in the U.S. and UK and to eight anthologies. With the Reverend Randall Tremba, Ed co-founded the all-volunteer *Shepherdstown Good News Paper* in 1979 and now serves as its poetry editor. For Shepherdstown’s 250th anniversary, Ed and town Poet Laureate Georgia Lee McElhaney co-edited *In Good Company*, an anthology of work by 27 area poets.

In retirement, Ed hopes to continue writing poetry and prose and to log lots of time with his wife, Christine, and their sons, Justin and Eric, and grandsons, Jason and Alex. ■

March on Washington

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stepped up to watch the family of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. ring the bell that hung in the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church in Birmingham, Ala. The bell survived the 1963 church bombing that killed four girls and created a national outrage that contributed to the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

An additional highlight of the 50th anniversary of the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom was the Freedom Festival, held from Aug. 23 to 25 in Washington, D.C. The festival featured education, entertainment and activities that focused on advancing freedom throughout the world.

On Aug. 24, the National Mall and Memorial Parks coordinated with the National Action Network and a number of other nonprofit organizations to support the 50th anniversary March on Washington—Realize the Dream March and Rally. The rally began around 8 a.m. and ran till 1 p.m., with a number of speakers from a broad range of organizations. The speakers ranged in age from grade school students to those who were leaders or participants in the march in 1963, including Georgia Congressman John Lewis and Reverend Al Sharpton.

This event was attended by tens of

thousands of people from around the country who wanted to be part of this historic occasion. An event of this magnitude brought out over 70 park staff from every division and additional staff support from other national parks, including Martin Luther King, Jr. NHS, National Capital Parks - East, Rock Creek Park, Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts, Everglades NP, Manassas NBP and the National Capital Region. In addition to staff, 100 park volunteers came out to help make this a memorable day for all.

“The National Park Service and our partners have been working for some time to ensure that our visitors have the opportunity to commemorate this important historical event,” said Bob Vogel, superintendent of National Mall and Memorial Parks.

Logistics were a significant challenge for park and U.S. Park Police staff throughout the day. A total of 600 buses and metro ridership of 178,000 brought this huge crowd of participants. Crowds lined each side of the Reflecting Pool from the Lincoln Memorial to the Washington Monument. In spite of the large crowds, there were no serious incidents, and those in attendance expressed appreciation and inspiration at being part of this historic commemoration. ■

Statue of Liberty

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Island. The event was not only a symbolic moment for an area still recovering from last fall’s hurricane, but also an economic stimulus for the region. In 2011, Statue of Liberty NM received 3.75 million visitors, contributing \$174 million to the area’s economy and supporting more than 2,000 jobs.

Even without visitors, Statue of Liberty NM—which includes Ellis Island—remained busy after the hurricane. NPS employees from Puerto Rico to Alaska came to the New York area as part of an Incident Response Team, working 14-hour days to stabilize unsafe conditions at several nearby national parks. Park employees salvaged what they could from wet filing cabinets and uniform lockers before taking up temporary assignments at other parks nearby. Contractors rebuilt damaged walkways and replaced a ruined service dock. Park maintenance and the Denver Service Center restored electricity and other basic services to the island. Early estimates of the cost of repairs have risen to \$77 million as the full extent of damages became apparent.

Although Liberty Island has reopened,

the work is not over. The Visitor Information Center still lacks usable office space. Further infrastructure repairs and tweaks will be needed. Some non-historic structures, used for housing and staff office needs, may require demolition.

Ellis Island remains closed to visitors at this time. Flood waters covered the island last fall, filling basements that housed electrical, heating, water and sewage systems. The Ferry Building seemed to have been hit head-on by the storm surge, shattering windows and flooding an exhibit area operated by Save Ellis Island, a park partner organization. Luckily, the historic collections in the Main Immigration Building did not suffer damage but needed to be moved to a climate-controlled museum storage area in Maryland for preservation until they can safely return to the island.

Now that Liberty Island is open, the park will use the same intensity to create solutions for Ellis Island. “The park will open as soon as we can,” said Supt. Luchsinger after the ceremony, “but only when we can ensure visitor safety and make the park more resilient to storms like Sandy.” ■

Requiescat in Pace

Clyde R. Bell, 61, June 19, unexpectedly, at home.

Clyde was a supervisory park ranger at Gettysburg NMP. He had been at the park since 1997, fulfilling the unique and challenging job of overseeing Gettysburg NMP's corps of 155 licensed battlefield guides as well as the park's museum and visitor center operations and interpretive staff operations. He had a critical role in the park's nine-day commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the battle of Gettysburg, which began June 29.

Clyde's first NPS job was as a seasonal park ranger at Saratoga NHP, where he portrayed both an American soldier and British soldier. He held subsequent NPS jobs at De Soto N MEM, Colonial NHP (Jamestown and Yorktown) and Chesapeake and Ohio Canal NHP. He also worked for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on the Hartwell Lake project in Georgia.

Lupe Carrasco, 66, April 15, in Tucson, Ariz., due to heart and cancer-related complications.

Lupe was a retired NPS administrative officer and personnel specialist. A native of El Paso, Tex., she began her federal career in 1967 at Big Bend NP, where she met and married longtime NPS ranger Victor Carrasco, who survives her.

Lupe's federal career also included stints with the Veterans Administration in San Antonio, Tex., and at Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks. She had a second stint at Big Bend NP in the 1990s. She retired from Tonto NM in 2007 after nearly 40 years of federal service.

Robert W. "Bob" Cheung, 68, Feb. 3, following a battle with cancer.

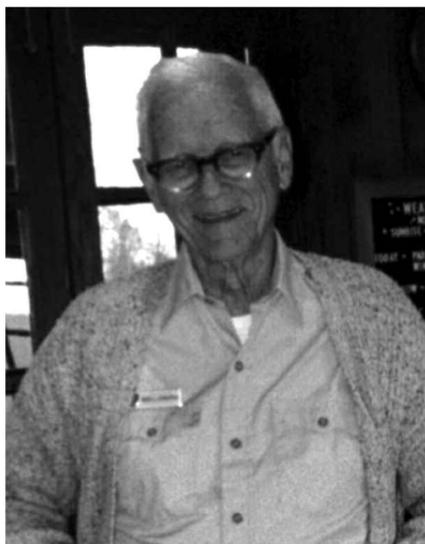
Bob was an NPS retiree who had contributed 39 years of dedicated service to the NPS and its visitors. A city boy from Manhattan, he joined the U.S. Air Force and served a tour in Vietnam, where he was a radio communications technician. He began his NPS career as a protection ranger at Joshua Tree NP and, later, at Bryce Canyon NP.

Bob was one of Golden Gate NRA's original horse patrol rangers, stationed at the Tennessee Valley Ranger Station. He became a supervisory law enforcement ranger in the Marin Headlands District and oversaw the transition of the horse patrol program to a volunteer activity.

In the 1980s, Bob required all his law enforcement rangers to develop and present interpretive programs in order to fully understand and appreciate what set NPS law enforcement rangers apart from most other law enforcement agencies—resource protection and education of park visitors. Bob himself gave a quarterly geology interpretive talk along Conzelman Road, attended regularly by students from City College of San Francisco.

Bob was a great supporter of the U.S. Park Police (U.S.P.P.), San Francisco Field Office, and worked tirelessly to have rangers and U.S.P.P. officers successfully function side by side. He transcended divisional roles and included employees from all divisions of Golden Gate NRA on the Marin Headlands search and rescue team.

Bob lived for many years in San Francisco's Sunset District with his longtime partner, Irene, who preceded him in death four years ago. Though retired since 2001, he remained a fixture in many Golden Gate NRA employees' lives. For the past decade, Bob enjoyed fishing and hiking with other retirees in the park and attended retirement and promotional gatherings for park and U.S.P.P. staff.



ROCK COMSTOCK, JR.

E&AA Life Member **Rock L. Comstock, Jr.**, 87, April 23, following a stroke.

Rock retired from the NPS after 30 years of service in 1981 as chief of the National Capital Region's Division of Interpretation. At age 16, he attended Louisiana State University at Baton Rouge. His studies were interrupted by two-and-a-half years of service in the U.S. Navy during WWII. He came back to finish with a degree in history in 1949. In 1951, he received a master's degree in American history at the University of Wisconsin in Madison.

To his wonderment, Rock was able to get work in the NPS doing what he loved: historical interpretation combined with preserving the natural world. He joined the NPS in a temporary summer position in 1951 as a historical aide at Richmond NBP. His first permanent appointment was as historian at Colonial NHP (1951-1952). Subsequently, he served as historian at Fort Sumter NM, Colonial NHP and Chickamauga and Chattanooga NMP. These were choice assignments for one not only interested in history, but also in natural history, notably birding. Later, park visitor services, planning and chief of interpretation were his major roles at various Washington-area parks. In his eight years of park planning, Rock worked as part of a team of specialists in parks throughout the Eastern U.S. to evaluate and propose long-range plans.

Rock met his future wife, Kay, in Charleston, S.C. They married there in February 1953. Both avid birders, they were active in the Charleston Natural History Society and the Chattanooga Bird Club, writing and editing newsletters together for these two groups.

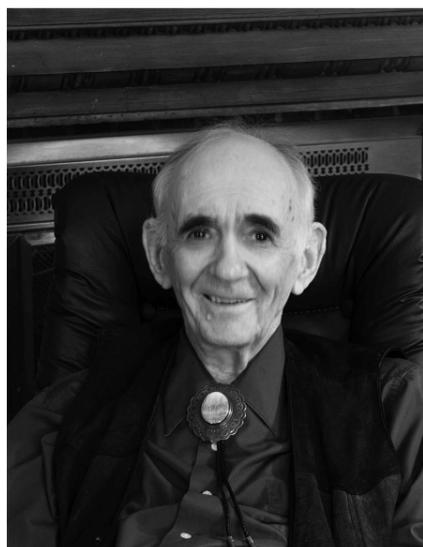
In retirement, Rock volunteered at the Smithsonian Institution for 22 years and at Shenandoah NP's Dickey Ridge, Big Meadows and Loft Mountain visitor centers. He wrote and coordinated production of the cassette tour of Skyline Drive. He also served on citizens advisory committees at Sky Meadows State Park and Frying Pan Farm Park in Virginia. He participated for many years in the Cornell University Feeder Watch Program with his wife, Kay. The family property in Vienna, Va., is certified as an official National Wildlife Federation "Backyard Wildlife Habitat" site.

Perhaps more than anything else, Rock will be remembered for his stewardship for the natural world, his unswerving interest in the history of people and place, his belief in the goodness and decency of his fellow man and the endless joy of a good long chat! He will be missed by many who recognized him as a true friend. Survivors include Rock's wife, Kay, and son, Thadd.

E&AA Life Member **Mary Lou Grier**, 87, Feb. 15.

Mary Lou's father was involved in the construction and management of the Panama Canal Project, and she was born and attended school through high school in the Panama Canal Zone. She studied journalism at the University of Missouri and after her marriage to Baxter R. Grier, moved to Honolulu to join him during WWII. Here, she worked for the navy and was a writer for the *Honolulu Star Bulletin*. The couple settled in San Antonio, Tex., after the war, and Mary Lou later became involved in local, state and national politics. She served as deputy director of the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation under President Gerald Ford and, later, was deputy director of the NPS from 1982 until October of 1985.

Mary Lou's survivors include one daughter and two sons and their spouses, two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband of 49 years, Baxter.



JOHN KRISKO, II

E&AA Life Member **John J. Krisko, II**, 83, June 4, in North Carolina.

John was an NPS employee for 30 years. He was born in Kansas City, Mo., and started college at age 17 at the University of Kansas, graduating with a B.S. degree in geology. He later received an M.S. degree in environmental education from George Williams College in Chicago.

After college, John enlisted in the navy and became a lieutenant JG and a JAG. He spent time in occupied Japan, Korea and Vietnam and spoke Japanese and Russian. Returning to the U.S., he got a job with the Bureau of Land Management in Idaho and Montana in the mid-1950s.

In 1958, John obtained his first permanent job with the NPS at Rock Creek Nature Center, where, among other duties, he ran the planetarium. The knowledge he gained about the stars would stay with him for the rest of his life. While there, he met Paula Black, a National Geographic employee with an English literature degree; they were married in December 1960.

The two moved to Mammoth Cave NP, where John supervised the cave guides from 1961 to 1965. Their daughter, Kathleen, was born there. From 1965 to 1967, they were at Death Valley NP. From 1967 to 1976, John was both Valley District and Tuolumne District naturalist at Yosemite NP. While here, son Steve was born. John was chief of interpretation at Gateway NRA, Sandy Hook unit, from 1976 until his retirement in 1988.

Paula passed away in 1992. In 1993,

John married Trude McLaughlin, and they moved to North Carolina in 2005. His later interests included ballroom and folk dancing, painting, reading and science and nature study. He retained his interest in the environment throughout his life.

Both of John's children joined the NPS; Kathleen is the assistant chief ranger at Dinosaur NM, and Steve is a supervisory ranger (law enforcement) at Amistad NRA. Along with his daughter and son, John's survivors include his wife, Trude, and her children and grandchildren and his brother, Bob.

E&AA Life Member **Daniel R. "Dan" Kuehn**, 82, May 9.

Dan, past superintendent of Sitka NHP, Mount McKinley NP (now Denali NP & PRES), Santa Monica Mountains NRA and Gettysburg NMP/Eisenhower NHS, was a passionate supporter of the NPS. Dan served in the U.S. Air Force (1950-1951). He graduated from the University of Minnesota with a B.A. degree in history in 1959.

Shortly after beginning his career with the NPS, of which he had known little about before employment, Dan told his wife, Kate, "This is it," about his career choice. Dan's NPS career began in 1964 as a historian at Salem Maritime NHS. Subsequently, he served at Manassas NBP as a supervisory historian and Chickamauga and Chattanooga NMP as chief historian, before gaining his first superintendency at Sitka NHP in 1969. He went on to become superintendent at Mount McKinley NP in 1973; associate regional director of management and operations, Pacific Northwest Region - Seattle in 1980; superintendent at Santa Monica Mountains NRA in 1983; and superintendent at Gettysburg NMP and Eisenhower NHS in 1988, from where he retired in 1989 after 25 years of service.

After his NPS retirement, Dan moved back to Minnesota and acquired a cabin outside of Voyageurs NP for a summer retreat. In addition to his devotion to his family, Dan was an avid railroad fan and modeler of the Great Northern Railway, the hometown railroad of his St. Paul birthplace.

Dan's survivors include Kate, his wife of 57 years of friendship and marriage; their three children: Jason, Kelsy and Adam; and eight grandchildren. Dan will be long remembered and respected by those who worked with him and knew him.

E&AA Life Member **Edward Kazuo "Eddie" Otake**, 85, Oct. 25, 2011, peacefully, surrounded by family in Walnut Creek, Calif.

Eddie retired from the NPS as the chief of the Division of Engineering and Maintenance for the Western Regional Office - San Francisco in 1985 after 31 years of government service. Born in Waiialua, Oahu, Hawaii, he attended school in Hiroshima and Tokyo in Japan and returned to Oahu to complete his high school education. Drafted into the U.S. Army, he was among the first groups stationed in Tokyo, serving as a Military Intelligence Service linguist during the WWII occupation period. After the war and through the G.I. Bill, he obtained his civil engineering degree at Illinois Institute of Technology in 1950. He began his NPS career in 1956 as a civil engineer in the (then) Western Office of Design and Construction in San Francisco (WODC).

The early years of Eddie's career (1956-1963) were spent at WODC as a project

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supervisor with summer surveying and field work at Grand Teton NP, Yellowstone NP and Grand Canyon NP (Grand Teton and Northern Arizona Groups). Upon establishing himself as a supervisor of highway and transportation, he relocated to the Denver Service Center in 1971 as a road consultant. In 1977, he returned to San Francisco and remained until his retirement.

Eddie participated in the design and construction of roads, bridges, reservoirs and facilities at parks including Grand Teton NP, Lake Mead NRA and Canyon de Chelly NM among others. He received numerous awards and was even invited to one of Lyndon B. Johnson's presidential barbecues. He was an NPS representative to the Western Association of Highway Officials and served as the official interpreter to Japanese government officials for the U.S.-Japan Natural Resources Panel. Reflecting upon his career, Eddie would say, "What a wonderful job I have. I get to visit the most beautiful places in the world."

After his retirement from the NPS, Eddie contracted with the Department of State, Office of Language Services, as a translator and escorted Japanese officials and dignitaries to various national parks, monuments and business enterprises. He was an avid golfer and ping pong player and enjoyed traveling with his wife and "talking stories" of his life and NPS career with family and friends.

Eddie's survivors include his wife of 59

years, Miyuki; sons and daughter: Raymond, Julia and James; and four grandchildren.

Dr. Robert John "Bob" Schiller, 72, June 25, at North Colorado Medical Center in Greeley, Colo., due to complications of an aortic aneurysm rupture.

Bob joined the U.S. Air Force in 1958 and was duty stationed in several locations including Mississippi, Puerto Rico and Okinawa. He obtained an M.S. degree in wildlife management from the University of Michigan in 1969 and a Ph.D. in wildlife from the University of Minnesota in 1973.

Bob began working as an environmental scientist for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in St. Paul, Minn., in 1973. His career with the NPS began in 1974 on the Western Team of the Denver Service Center as an environmental planner/team captain. In 1987, he became deputy regional chief scientist in the Rocky Mountain Regional Office and, later, the Intermountain Region.

Bob retired from the NPS in 2002 as chief of natural resources at Grand Teton NP. His retirement was spent on his farm near Crook, Colo.

Bob's survivors include his son, Christopher; daughter, Lisa Teitscheid (husband, James); and two grandchildren: Tyler and Katey. Condolences for the family may be sent to: Lisa Teitscheid, 13945 Shannon Drive, Broomfield, CO 80023, and Christopher Schiller, 45387 CR 66, Crook, CO 80726.

E&AA Member **Orthello Langworthy "Wally" Wallis**, 92, June 23, at home in San Rafael, Calif.

Wally was born in Hamilton, N.Y., one of twin sons, and he grew up in the Adirondacks town of Boonville, N.Y., where he developed a passion for nature and fishing. Later, the family moved to San Diego, Calif., where he attended high school. He served during WWII in the U.S. Marine Corps for three years in the Pacific Campaign and was seriously wounded on Okinawa. He was awarded the Purple Heart. Following his convalescence, he attended the University of Redlands in California, where he met his future wife, Nancy. They married in 1946.

Wally joined the NPS as a seasonal ranger naturalist at Crater Lake NP, serving in the summers of 1946 and 1947. He obtained a master's degree in fisheries management from Oregon State University in 1948. He served another summer as a seasonal ranger naturalist at Yosemite NP in 1948, and his first permanent position was at Lake Mead NRA as a park ranger (1948-1949). From 1950 to 1954, he served as a naturalist at Yosemite NP. He avidly studied the history and wildlife of Yosemite NP and remained devoted to the park throughout his life. With Willis A. Evans, he authored *The Fishes of Yosemite National Park*.

Wally returned to Lake Mead NRA (1954-1957) and then was promoted to chief aquatic biologist for the NPS and moved to Washington, D.C. He spearheaded the NPS' "Fishing for Fun" program, a catch-and-release program that was

subsequently adopted throughout the National Park System. In addition, he pioneered underwater trails and parks in the U.S. Virgin Islands and was the NPS coordinator of the Tektite Project with NASA.

In 1972, Wally was named regional chief scientist for the Western Regional Office - San Francisco. After 35 years of service, he retired from the NPS in 1977. He was awarded the DOI Meritorious Service Award.

An avid collector of historical medals and political memorabilia, Wally was well known throughout California numismatic circles as a prominent speaker, author, editor, judge and exhibitor. Among his many citations were the Krause Publications Numismatic Ambassador Award, the American Numismatic Association Presidential Award and the President's Citation of Commendation from the California Exonumist Society.

Wally's survivors include Nancy, his wife of 67 years; three children: Carolyn, Marilyn and Brian; seven grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren. Donations in his memory may be made to the Yosemite Conservancy. ■

The Arrowhead Store

The Arrowhead Store is administered by Eastern National at the NPS' request to nurture the pride and spirit that is the hallmark of those who have made the NPS a leader in the fields of conservation and preservation. Arrowhead products feature the official logo of the NPS and are not available for purchase by the general public but may be purchased by NPS employees and alumni and our partners, such as cooperating association employees and volunteers, who help us protect park resources and serve the public.

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Alumni News

E&AA Life Member **Warren Bielenberg**, national Kowski Golf Tournament chairman, has provided the following 2011 and 2012 tournament results.

In 2011, for the **37th Annual Frank F. Kowski Memorial Golf Tournament**, the National Capital Region, Midwest Region, Great Smoky Mountains NP and Denver Service Center/Intermountain Region held tournaments. WASO had the largest outing with 57 golfers. A total of \$3,340 was raised to support the George B. Hartzog, Jr. Educational Loan Program. The First Place Scramble was the team of Duane Myers, Mike Duffy, Josh Myers and

Dave Hardcastle (WASO) with a score of -10. The National Champion Low Net was Phil Francis (Blue Ridge Parkway) with a 75. Second Low Net was Warren Bielenberg with a 77. Longest Putt was Will Reynolds (WASO) with 30' and Closest to the Pin was Edward Riddick (WASO) with 1/2".

In 2012, for the **38th Annual Frank F. Kowski Memorial Golf Tournament**, Seattle (Pacific West Region (PWR)), Midwest Region, WASO/National Capital Region and Denver Service Center/Intermountain Region held tournaments. There were 161 participants, and a total of \$2,200 was raised

for the George B. Hartzog, Jr. Educational Loan Program. The First Place Scramble was the team of Herb Kupfer, Alan Sumerski, Bruce Nicely and Jeff Walker (Great Smoky Mountains NP) with a score of -7. The National Champion Low Net was Tom Belcher (PWR, NPS retiree) with a 72. Second Low Net was Steve James (PWR, NPS retiree) with a 72. Third Low Net was Carol Mozet (PWR, spouse of Pete Thompson) with a 73. Low Gross was Rob Bringardner (PWR, spouse of Tricia Welles Bringardner) with a 70. Longest Putt was Tricia Welles Bringardner (PWR, NPS retiree and E&AA life member) with 30'. Closest to the Pin was Jack Johnson (PWR) with 1' 11".

Congratulations to all of the 2011 and 2012 winners. If you would like information about holding a Frank F. Kowski Memorial Golf Tournament in your area, please contact Warren Bielenberg at web9272@msn.com. ■

NPS Family

Charles Repath, invasive plant manager at Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, and **Margaret (Styles) Repath**, interpretation coach at Yosemite NP, married on Sept. 2, 2012 in San Francisco's Mount Lake Park among family and friends. They met while working at Yosemite NP and look forward to a lifetime of exploring mountains and strolling on beaches. ■

Send us your stuff! We welcome news and photos about yourself and our NPS family members. See page 12 for mailing and telephone information.

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In memory of Roger Rector, II
Elizabeth Johnson

E&AA welcomes the following new members:

Cat Hawkins Hoffman, Jim Hummel, Nathaniel Lawton and Glenn Thomas.

New Places & Faces

Jorge Acevedo, from acting superintendent, to superintendent, De Soto N MEM. Prior to his acting assignment, Jorge was chief of interpretation and resource management at the park.

Christine Arato, from program coordinator for the Bicentennial of the War of 1812 Commemoration, to regional historian, Northeast Regional Office - Philadelphia.

Mardi Arce, from deputy superintendent, Hot Springs NP, to superintendent, San Antonio Missions NHP.



Bruce Ford

STAN AUSTIN

Stanley J. "Stan" Austin, from superintendent, Cuyahoga Valley NP, to regional director, Southeast Region.

Joy Beasley, from acting chief of cultural resource preservation services, to chief of cultural resource preservation services, National Capital Region. Prior to her acting assignment, Joy was the cultural resources program manager at Monocacy NB.

Ed Buskirk, to assistant regional director for administration, Southeast Region.

Cherie Butler, from acting superintendent, to superintendent, Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad NM. Prior to her acting assignment, Cherie was management assistant in the Northeast Regional Office.

Kayci Cook Collins, from superintendent, El Malpais NM and El Morro NM, to superintendent, Flagstaff Area National Monuments (Wupatki NM, Sunset Crater Volcano NM and Walnut Canyon NM).

Radford Dew, to chief ranger, Lava Beds NM and the Tule Lake Unit of World War II Valor in the Pacific NM.

Judy Geniac, from manager, NPS Fundamentals training program, Horace M. Albright Training Center (Grand Canyon NP), to superintendent, Hagerman Fossil Beds NM and Minidoka NHS.

Lance Hatten, from acting superintendent, to superintendent, Jean Lafitte NHP & PRES and New Orleans Jazz NHP. Prior to his acting assignment, Lance was deputy superintendent of both these parks.

Patricia "Trish" Kicklighter, from superintendent, Assateague Island NS, to superintendent, New River Gorge NR, Gauley River NRA and Bluestone NSR.

Kevin Killian, from acting chief ranger, to chief ranger, Yosemite NP. Prior to his

acting assignment, Kevin was deputy chief ranger at the park.

Leah McGinnis, from chief of staff, Grand Canyon NP, to superintendent, Capitol Reef NP.

Melissa Memory, from chief of cultural resources, Everglades NP and Dry Tortugas NP, to superintendent, Fort Pulaski NM.

Jeff Mow, from superintendent, Kenai Fjords NP, to superintendent, Glacier NP.

Jim Northrup, from superintendent, Pictured Rocks NL, to superintendent, Shenandoah NP.

Thomas Ross, from superintendent, Sagamore Hill NHS, to superintendent, Thomas Edison NHP and Morristown NHP.

Rebecca Ryno-Ross, from telecommunications equipment operator, Shenandoah NP, to dispatch supervisor, Rocky Mountain NP.

Gus Sanchez, from chief of interpretation and resources management, Lyndon B. Johnson NHP, to superintendent, Chamizal N MEM.

Kevin Skerl, from ecologist, Cuyahoga Valley NP, to chief of natural resources, Sleeping Bear Dunes NL.

Debby Mensch Smith, from park ranger (interpretation), Glacier NP, to supervisory park ranger (interpretation), Shenandoah NP.



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The Ocracoke Pony Herd Welcomes Newest Member



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THE BIRTH OF A NEW PONY ON MAY 9 ON OCRACOKE ISLAND was cause to celebrate. The mother is Jitterbug and the foal is Captain Marvin Howard (park staff at Cape Hatteras NS call him "Captain" for short).

By Jocelyn Wright, Lead Biological Science Technician, Cape Hatteras NS

The Ocracoke pony herd welcomes their newest member, Captain Marvin Howard! Captain was born overnight on May 9 to Jitterbug. This is the third pony born in the Ocracoke herd since 2010 and Jitterbug's first foal. The Ocracoke herd now consists of 17 ponies ranging up to 34 years old.

The National Park Service has been caring for the native ponies on Ocracoke Island since the early 1960s. It is commonly believed that the ponies arrived on the island in the 16th century from shipwrecks or were left by ships needing to lighten their load for passage through the shoaling inlets. The Ocracoke ponies, also known as Banker ponies, share a genetic link to 'Old Spanish' horse genetics and are similar to the pony herds found on Currituck Outer Banks and Shackleford Banks. Their unique characteristics include having one less lumbar vertebra, one less rib, greater bone density, wide foreheads and strong, short necks.

There were once as many as 300 ponies roaming freely on the island. In the late 1950s, Captain Marvin Howard, a native Ocracoker, formed the only mounted Boy Scout troop in the United States. Each Boy Scout was responsible for capturing, taming and caring for his own pony. The troop marched in parades and conducted their Scouting activities all on the backs of their trusted ponies.¹ Several members of the mounted Scouts remain as residents on Ocracoke today. In the 1970s and 1980s, National Park Service law enforcement rangers utilized the ponies in

mounted patrols. Cape Hatteras NS is the only National Park Service unit to have utilized native ponies as service animals.

An area of approximately 180 acres was enclosed in 1959 to protect the island from overgrazing and to safeguard the ponies from traffic on North Carolina Highway 12. The ponies can be seen every day from two viewing platforms at the pony pens located approximately seven miles north of Ocracoke village. The National Park Service is thankful to have dedicated volunteers, many of whom have several years of service, to help with the daily feeding and care of the ponies.

If you are interested in helping to support the Ocracoke pony herd, please adopt a pony in person at the NPS Ocracoke Visitor Center or online at www.nps.gov/caha/supportyourpark/adoptapony.htm. Your donation is used exclusively to help defray the costs of veterinary care, feed and hay and the repair of the pony pasture and facilities. In return, you will receive an 8" x 10" photo and certificate of adoption with the pony's name, age and description in a presentation folder. The park requests a \$25 donation (\$27 if you request shipping of the certificate) per pony. Please mail adoption forms to:

Attn: Adopt A Pony
National Park Service
Ocracoke Ranger Station
P.O. Box 340
Ocracoke, NC 27960

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