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FROM THE DIRECTOR

The Year 2000: A Look Back

As I write this column, Texas governor George W. Bush has been named the President-elect and our great nation is on the verge of writing a new chapter in its vast history. With the imminent changes in administration and the arrival of 2001, it seems only appropriate that I take the time to reflect on recent programs and accomplishments of the National Park Service.



Numerous agency initiatives were awarded budget increases for 2001. National Park Service appropriations for fiscal year 2001 were more than \$2 billion, an increase of nearly 20 percent over last year. Operating funds for the National Park Service increased over \$100 million, \$15.3 million was provided for the second year of the Natural Resource Challenge, and more than \$55 million was funded for the Service's share of the South Florida Restoration Initiative. For fiscal year 2001, Historic Preservation Fund grants were awarded \$94 million, over \$30 million was given for Urban Park and Recreation grants, well over \$700 million was allotted for Construction and Maintenance, and more than \$70 million was provided for Land Acquisition. Additionally, the Service received \$55 million for Federal land acquisition in Title VIII., a new authority for the Land Conservation Preservation and Infrastructure Improvement Program.

The Discovery 2000 Conference was an outstanding achievement of this past year. There were high expectations for the conference and they were fully exceeded as stewards of our national parks gathered to evaluate the Service's role in the 21st century in American society. National Park Service employees, partners, and alumni came together for a week to create a vision for the evolution of this great agency.

The Message Project was launched this year, thanks to a great deal of energy and financial support from the National Park Foundation. With its implementation, the public should gain a better understanding of the National Park System. The "Experience Your America" campaign will help us to increase the number of people who are engaged in our struggle to preserve and protect. The National Parks Pass, introduced in 2000, will place more money back in the hands of the parks.

The newly appointed National Park System Advisory Board, chaired by renowned historian Dr. John Hope Franklin, is comprised of highly talented individuals who have already launched an in-depth examination of the future roles of the National Park Service, and preservation of the National Park System, the National Trail System and the

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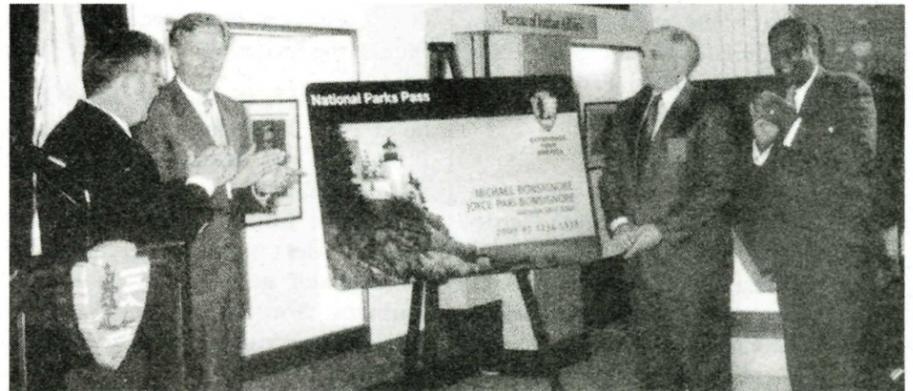
2001 National Parks Pass Unveiled

Experience Your America Photo Contest will determine 2002 image

Rugged Maine coastline, Bass Harbor Head lighthouse and the soft, sun-washed colors of Acadia NP grace the 2001 National Parks Pass, which the NPS unveiled Dec. 5. Congressman John Baldacci of Maine; R. Hays Bell, director, health safety and environment and vice president, Eastman Kodak Company and Jim Maddy, president, National Park Foundation (NPF) joined Secretary Babbitt and Director Stanton to reveal the image and announce the National Parks Pass *Experience Your America* Photo Contest.

The law that created the Pass requires a contest to select the image, and Director Stanton said, "The National Parks Pass *Experience Your America* Photo Contest is another great way for Americans to get involved with their national parks.... Every visitor has a unique experience and fond memories that they will carry with them for a lifetime. This contest gives everyone the chance to share those memories with the nation."

Any photo taken by an amateur photographer in a national park since Jan. 1, 2000, is eligible. The winning image will



Pictured left to right: Jim Maddy, NPF; Secretary Babbitt; R. Hays Bell, Eastman Kodak Company and Director Stanton at unveiling of 2001 National Parks Pass.

be announced in May 2001, and will appear on the 2002 National Parks Pass. The photographer submitting the winning image will get a trip for four to any national park, a Kodak camera kit and a personalized National Parks Pass. The contest is sponsored by the NPS and the NPF with Kodak, a Proud Partner of America's National Parks. The complete contest rules and an entry form are available at www.NationalParks.org, or by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to National Parks Pass Photo Contest Rules, P.O. Box 5220, Young America, MN 55558-5220. Deadline for

entries is March 15, 2001.

Kodak is also creating and maintaining the *Kodak PhotoQuilt* for the national parks and *Kodak "Picture This Postcards"* to allow employees and visitors to post their favorite national park pictures on www.NationalParks.org.

The National Parks Pass was introduced in April 2000 and more than 200,000 Passes were sold in the first seven months.

Note: Because the NPS and NPF are contest sponsors, their employees and their immediate families are not eligible for the contest. Retirees are eligible.

NPS Fundamentals: Why We're Here



NPS FUNDAMENTALS COURSE PARTICIPANTS. Front Row left to right: Roseann Perotto, Klondike Gold Rush NHP; Mark Hnat, Delaware Water Gap NRA; Steve Harvey, Mount Rainier NP; Ben Kawakami, Hawaii Volcanoes NP; John Taylor, Santa Monica Mountains NRA; Danielle Foster, Saguaro NP; Ed Carlin, director of Albright Training Center; Maia Browning, employee development specialist, Albright Training Center. **Middle Row:** Art Boss, Chickasaw NRA; Tom Dearden, Bryce Canyon NP; Cindy Nielsen, course coordinator; John Tyler, employee development specialist, WASO; Jennifer McMahon, Cuyahoga Valley NP; Jim Kendrick, El Malpais NM; Deb DiQuinzio, Boston Support Office; Megan McFadden, Independence NHP; Shawn Robinson, Cape Lookout NS; Linda Turner, North Cascades NP; Phyllis Adams, MWRO; Kenneth Lewis, Wolf Trap Farm Park for the Performing Arts; Don Canfield, Antietam NB. **Third row:** Dennis Nagao, employee development specialist, DSC; Celeste Dixon, Martin Luther King, Jr. NHS; Linda Kennedy-Dias, IMR Support Office; Diane Chung, Denali NP & PRES; Karen Stickman, Lake Clark NP & PRES; Joy Seeley, Accounting Operations (VA); Jennifer Mummart, WASO; Kathleen Mansheim, NCRO; Kenneth Young, National Capital Parks Central.

Lady Liberty Brings Independence

The Statue of Liberty NM and Ellis Island are perhaps two of the most well-recognized symbols of freedom and independence in the U.S. Now, 14 people with disabilities are finding their independence through a project at the Statue and Ellis Island.

More than four million visitors travel to the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island every year. Having such high-traffic volume poses unique requirements for the

crew responsible for keeping the national monument clean. The project is a seven days a week, 365 days per year custodial contract. Two crews of employees, working under an NPS contract with Fedcap, Inc., are on-site 16 hours a day to keep up with the cleaning requirements. They must work around the thousands of daily visitors to the site.

At the Statue, the crew cleans the museum area located at the base of the

The pilot offering of "NPS Fundamentals: Why We're Here," a two-week residential course, was held at Albright Training Center, Oct. 23 to Nov. 3. Twenty-five new employees from a wide range of jobs participated in the course. One of the participants commented, "The NPS will be a much poorer organization in 20 years if this course is not required for all new employees. We must have a common base."

This is the second part of a five-part course of study, designed for all new employees, to create a workforce committed to the mission of the NPS. The five-part curriculum is being reviewed by Indiana University in a partnership to incorporate the latest approaches to adult learning. Funding is being sought to provide the curriculum to every new employee. At the end of the program, another participant noted, "This is an experience that will stay with me for the rest of my life."

Statue, the various offices and tourist information areas and the internal stairs that lead to the crown of Lady Liberty. Sammy Vasquez, Fedcap employee and a team leader on the custodial crew, is the person responsible for cleaning the two staircases that lead to the crown. He climbs 292 stairs a day, five days each week—clearing the narrow, circular passage free of any debris left by visitors who

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Focus on the Parks

• **Little Bighorn Battlefield NM** hosted a run/walk to benefit the Indian Memorial on Oct. 28. The fundraising event was sponsored by the Friends of Little Bighorn Battlefield, Southwest Parks & Monuments Association and First Interstate Bank. "The campaign to build the Indian Memorial is an historic undertaking where your support can make a difference," said Supt. Neil Mangum. The National Park Foundation is helping to raise the capital funds for the Indian Memorial.

• In celebration of the fourth anniversary of the establishment of **Washita Battlefield NHS**, the Second Washita Symposium, "Washita 2000," was held Nov. 17 and 18. Speakers from tribal and academic worlds converged to discuss Washita and the events surrounding that fateful day in 1868. Events during the symposium included presentations, field trips and tours of the Washita Battlefield NHS.

• From Oct. 6 to 8, **El Morro NM** sponsored the first annual Ancient Way Fall Festival along Highway 53 from Grants, NM to Zuni, NM. The idea came out of a desire to celebrate the rich cultural and natural diversity along this western New Mexico highway, which has

been a travel corridor for possibly thousands of years. Events took place in eight locations along the route. El Morro held the opening event with food and Nuevo Mexico music. Programs and events were presented in English, Navajo, Zuni and Spanish. Supt. Peri Eringen said, "This festival and El Morro NM celebrates the diverse cultures that have made New Mexico the special place it is today."

• On Nov. 17, the Jimmy Carter Boyhood Farm in Archery, just outside of Plains, GA was dedicated by the NPS and opened as the newest visitor attraction at the **Jimmy Carter NHS**. The 39th president was at the ceremony and spoke about growing up on a small southern farm in the middle of an African-American community during the Great Depression.

• **Great Smoky Mountains NP** received its first electric vehicle, a Ford Ranger, on loan for at least a year from the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA). The park plans to use the electric Ranger in its "Parks as Classrooms" program to demonstrate alternatives that can improve air quality. The program attracts 12,000 schoolchildren each year. The Friends of the Smokies has agreed to buy TVA green power to keep the Ranger's 39 batteries charged. The anticipated cost will be \$500 a year.

• **Mesa Verde NP** staff is moving forward with writing the definitive history of the park to be published for the park's centennial celebration in 2006. This centennial project will describe the colorful history of Mesa Verde NP through historic and original photographs and illustrations, original writings and commissioned essays.

• The **C&O Canal NHP's** new Cumberland Visitor Center, located in the Western Maryland Railroad Station Center in Cumberland, MD, opened Oct. 14. Director Robert Stanton and C&O Canal Supt. Doug Faris joined local officials in the ceremonial event, which marks the 150th anniversary of the canal construction reaching Cumberland.

• **Valley Forge NHP** and Lockheed Martin Management and Data Systems unveiled the new "Valley Forge Muster Roll" at an October ceremony. The muster roll is a computerized listing of the soldiers who served at Valley Forge during the winter of 1777-1778. People will now be able to search an interactive database to find out about the individual soldiers who encamped at Valley Forge. Over the past 24 years, park staff and volunteers reviewed microfilm records and poured over 18th-century military documents in an effort to track approximately 30,000 soldiers. In 1999, Lockheed Martin's NOVA (Network of Volunteer Associates) began building a database to categorize and store these records. The volunteer services of midi Interactive Multimedia created the Web site that interfaces with the database. Visitors to the park are now able to look up the names of these soldiers using two computer kiosks donated by Lockheed Martin. Others may access these records through the park Web site, www.nps.gov/vafo. Select "In-depth," then "Muster Roll" to find the name.

• On Oct. 21 some 150,000 people participated in the 21st annual Bridge Day celebration at **New River Gorge NR**.



WHEN BRYCE CANYON BECAME A NATIONAL PARK IN 1928, the park's remote location, coupled with poor dirt roads, kept visitation to a minimum. Today, annual visitation has grown to two million. During summer months, much of the magic of Bryce Canyon is lost to heavy traffic and long lines of vehicles waiting for an empty parking space. To eliminate congestion and minimize damage to park resources, Bryce Canyon NP implemented a new shuttle system in June, 2000. Although still a new service, the NPS has declared the new shuttle system a success. Approximately 3,500 to 4,000 visitors per day use the shuttle to experience the park. As an incentive to ride the shuttle, entrance fees are reduced for shuttle users.

During the day, the northbound lanes of the world's largest single-span bridge were closed to vehicle traffic and visitors were allowed to walk on the bridge. Vendor and exhibitor booths were on the highway right-of-way. The highlight was a 15-person BASE parachute jump, which set a new world record. Overall, 300 BASE jumpers completed 770 jumps from the bridge. Rangers joined in several water and land rescues of BASE jumpers. Along with these jumps, a total of 243 rappellers completed 497 rappels off the bridge, descending more than 700 feet. Among them was Supt. Pete Hart.

• On Oct. 9, **Death Valley NP** ranger Mike Boxx received a report of illegal "scrapers" in a remote area of the park. Scrapers are people who illegally enter military live fire ranges to steal metal, unexploded ordnance and wire. They base their operations on park or BLM land and often destroy historical and archeological sites in the course of their activities. Many scrapers have criminal records and are armed, posing a considerable risk to both visitors and employees. Boxx, Park Ranger Nancy Wizner, a BLM ranger, the county sheriff and the Army coordinated a joint response. NPS and BLM rangers approached the scraper's camp from the ground while an Army helicopter flew air cover. Two scrapers were arrested without incident.

• The **Gettysburg National Battlefield Foundation**, a non-profit organization working with the NPS to raise funds to restore parts of the battlefield and build new facilities, announced in October that Robert C. Wilburn was chosen as the organization's first president. The foundation's goal is to raise \$40 million within two years for restoration projects on the Civil War battlefield.

• Visitors to **Kenilworth Aquatic Gardens** are enjoying a new boardwalk that extends 1/4 mile out into the marsh. The 75-acre marsh was reconstructed in 1993 in cooperation with the Corps of Engineers and now is teeming with wildlife. The gardens are located along

the Anacostia River in northeast Washington, D.C. and preserves a collection of water planting beds that dates to just after the Civil War.

• Significant illegal commercial harvesting of mushrooms occurs in **North Cascades NP** each autumn. This year, rangers Hugh Dougher, Margaret Goodro, Brett Timm and a county deputy sheriff made a concerted effort to address the problem. In October, they apprehended 36 mushroom poachers and recovered 300 lbs. of pine mushrooms with a market value approaching \$9,000. Arrest warrants are being prepared for two Canadians with criminal records who illegally entered the country, then resisted arrest by fleeing on foot back into Canada.

• The American Elm has returned to the grounds of **Fort Smith NHS** after being exterminated 50 years ago. After 20 years of research, a Dutch Elm Disease tolerant American Elm has been developed. The park researched its historic photo files and determined the locations of various tree species and in September planted six elms within the old fort walls, at the known historic location of the American Elms.

• **Lava Beds NM** marked its 75th anniversary on Nov. 21. The site features an incredibly rugged, beautiful landscape and hundreds of caves formed by the Medicine Lake Volcano about 500,000 years ago. The area also served as a natural fortress for American Indians in the Modoc Indian War from 1872-73.

• The leatherback sea turtle is the largest of the marine turtles, often weighing over 1,000 pounds. On the endangered species list, it typically breeds in the tropics. This year three leatherback nests were located within **Cape Hatteras NS**. Despite the fact that nests laid by leatherbacks out of their normal nesting areas are usually infertile, two of the nests produced at least 86 hatchlings.

• The newest outdoor memorial in the **National Capital** honors Mahatma

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Gandhi (1869-1948). He led India to freedom from British rule in 1947 and is hailed as the father of the nation. It was dedicated Sept. 16 by Indian Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee and President Bill Clinton. The memorial is located across from the Embassy of India in a small triangle of park land bounded by 21st and Q Streets and Massachusetts Avenue, NW.

- The winning design was chosen for the **Martin Luther King N MEM** to be built on four acres across the Tidal Basin from the Jefferson Memorial. Public Law 104-333, Nov. 12, 1996 (110 Stat. 4157), authorized the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity to establish a memorial to Dr. King as the key figure in the civil rights movement.

- Throughout 2000, **Grand Teton NP** celebrated its 50th anniversary. Legislation creating the present-day park occurred on Sept. 14, 1950 when Harry S Truman signed a bill uniting two separate park units into one. The original Grand Teton NP, established in 1929 by an act of Congress, protected only the Teton Range and six glacial lakes at their base. This small, 96,000-acre park failed to safeguard a complete ecosystem by excluding valuable resources such as the Snake River, Jackson Lake and the vast sagebrush flats of Jackson Hole. In 1943 Franklin D. Roosevelt established the 221,000-acre Jackson Hole National Monument. Merging these two park units enlarged Grand Teton NP in 1950, ended a bitter land-use struggle and protected much of Jackson Hole from development. Wyoming Gov. Jim Geringer officially proclaimed Sept. 14, 2000 as "Grand Teton National Park Day." For more information about this story, visit www.grandteton50th.com. For a special 50th anniversary newsletter call (307) 739-3399.

- On Nov. 5, a 20-foot-long sperm whale was found stranded at **Gulf Islands NS**. The marine mammal stranding network was notified. The whale was kept upright in water only two to three feet deep and wetted down by volunteers from the network, members of the public and park employees. The Coast Guard was on standby for a removal effort, which became impossible due to the low water level. Veterinarians, park biologists and National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) staff determined that the animal's poor health precluded such an operation. The decision was made to euthanize the animal. A veterinarian administered the necessary drugs and the whale died. A necropsy was performed, but no immediate cause for the whale's poor health was found. The head will be examined by researchers from Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute.

- The stilling basin at **Lake Meredith NRA** recently produced a new world-record fish. In Oct. a 14 lb. 14 oz. largemouth bass was landed on a fly rod. Pending certification by the International Game Fish association, this appears to be a new world record for largemouth bass caught on a fly rod. The fish, named "Rosie," has been donated to the Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center where she is thriving in tightly controlled conditions. Texas Parks Wildlife Warden Win Bishop spent two hours reviving Rosie. Rosie



Charlene Davis, NPS VIP

KINGSLEY PLANTATION, AN 18TH- AND 19TH-CENTURY PLANTATION WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE TIMUCUAN ECOLOGICAL AND HISTORIC PRESERVE held its third annual Kingsley Heritage Celebration in October. The event hosted speakers on slavery and oral history in northeast Florida, presentations on projects such as the NPS Underground Railroad project, and performances highlighting Sea Island and Gullah culture by the Georgia Sea Island Singers and the McIntosh County Shouters as well as a performance of spirituals by the Edward Waters College Concert Choir. Visitors toured the original plantation house, kitchen house, barn and tabby slave cabins, and learned about sea island cotton, sugar cane and other historical crops growing in the garden. A "Florida cracker woman" demonstrates pioneer life in the photo above.

may become part of TP&W's Operation World Record, an effort by biologists to use superior genetics to improve broodstock.

- In a formal October visit to **Chamizal N MEM**, Minister Antonio Mesa Estrada, Consul General of Mexico, presented the staff with a certificate of appreciation for all the things done by the NPS for Mexico, especially the Mexican independence celebration, Fiestas Patrias.

- On Oct. 11, President Clinton signed the DOI's FY2001 Appropriations bill, which officially changes the name of Cuyahoga Valley NRA to **Cuyahoga Valley NP**. Congressman Ralph Regula, who spearheaded the name change, was the sponsor of this bill.

- Over 3,000 native shrubs and groundcovers are being planted in the **Olympic NP** headquarters complex. Part of a three-year program to restore the look and feel of the original landscaping at the Port Angeles site, the project is completely funded by park user fees. The original landscaping around the park headquarters area was designed and installed in the early 1940's by members of the Civilian Conservation Corps and the Works Progress Administration.

- Secretary Bruce Babbitt was in **Yosemite NP** on Nov. 14 to announce the final Yosemite Valley plan. The plan provides a framework to restore degraded areas and reduce development within the Merced River ecosystem of Yosemite Valley. It will also reduce gridlock and automobile congestion by relocating parking to areas outside the valley. The ceremony was led by Supt. Dave Mihalic.

- **Hawaii Volcanoes NP** has initiated a three-year demonstration program that features the use of biodiesel fuel in park vehicles. The fuel, produced from recycled vegetable oil, is a cleaner-burning alternative to diesel fuel. "Living on an island increases our awareness of the global need to produce and use clean,

alternative energy," said Supt. Jim Martin. "Switching to biodiesel will contribute to our efforts to join with the island community and local businesses to expand the use of recycled energy and materials."

- The South Dakota Department of Transportation has added **Badlands NP** to the state's list of scenic byways. The Badlands' Loop Road is one of the most scenic routes in South Dakota. The history of Badlands NP, designated as a national monument in 1939, is intrinsically linked with the Loop Road designed, in part, by Sen. Pete Norbeck. Congress required that the state of South Dakota construct a scenic route through the White River Badlands before the area could be designated a unit of the NPS. Badlands was redesignated a national park in 1978.

Living History Program focuses on the Battle of Gettysburg



Sean Morris

On Aug 9, six members of the Interpretive Division at Gettysburg NMP presented a program to over 260 visitors entitled, "In Our Youths Our Hearts Were Touched With Fire," which centered on Henry Jacobs (portrayed by Jason Martz), a resident of the town, as he toured the surrounding fields on July 3, 1865 and reminisced about the battle of Gettysburg.

In his travels he encounters Sallie Myers (Angie Lurz) and Tillie Pierce (Stacy Humphreys), two residents who nursed wounded soldiers after the battle; Mrs. Almira Hancock (Maria Brady), wife of

Federal Lands to Parks Program Creates Local Park

The Federal Lands to Parks Program recently completed the transfer of 55 acres of surplus federal property to the town of Shawangunk, NY, for public park and recreation use. Town Supervisor John Valk hosted a ceremony attended by Congressman Maurice Hinchey, a member of the House Interior Appropriations Subcommittee, the NPS and the General Services Administration. Congressman Hinchey said, "Today marks the culmination of several years of hard work by federal agencies, Shawangunk town officials and myself. I'm very pleased that we were able to craft an agreement that will benefit all parties." Roosevelt-Vanderbilt NHS Supt. Sarah Olson presented plaques to Congressman Hinchey and Mr. Valk to recognize their hard work in helping to create this public park.

SE Youth Workshop

Focusing on establishing youth programs with the NPS and other service organizations was the central theme for the Youth Programs Workshop held on Oct. 16 to 18 at Stone Mountain Park in Georgia. The workshop's objectives included expanding opportunities for youth involvement in the SER parks; learning about the opportunities and benefits of various youth programs; establishing partnerships and increasing Public Lands Corps (PLC) funding in the upcoming year. "As a result of the workshop, the SER area anticipates an increase in park participation PLC programs, as well as park funded programs in 2001," said Clark Dixon, regional recruiter, SERO.

Union General Winfield Scott Hancock; Dr. Mary Walker (Jan Gardner), a Union surgeon and Thomas Swift (Jason Rose), a Confederate prisoner of war. By interacting with these individuals, Jacobs begins to realize how much everyone was affected by the Civil War.

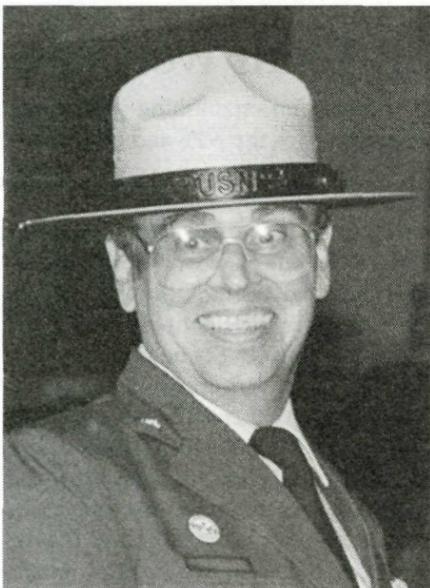
"This program gives visitors an idea that there is more to the Civil War than famous generals. The civilians who lived during this battle were greatly affected," said Jason Martz. "It is our responsibility to bring to light what happened to them because their story is as important as the battle itself."

Kudos and Awards

- The Defense Security Office presented a Certificate of Appreciation to the **White House liaison unit**, NCR, in recognition of exceptional accomplishments in meeting the security requirements on the White House renovation project. The award was accepted by Michael Summerlin.

- The DOI Unit Award of Excellence was presented to the **U.S. Park Police** for its outstanding professionalism and dedication during demonstrations surrounding the World Bank/International Monetary Fund meetings last April.

- Members of the **Delaware Water Gap NRA's search and rescue team**, comprised of a high-angle rescue team, an evacuation team, a dive team and seasonal lifeguards, received a Unit Citation from Secretary of the Interior Bruce Babbitt for their outstanding search and rescue efforts over recent years and for "their public spirit, unselfish efforts, courageous acts and their overall excellence of service." The team is headed by the NPS and includes representatives from the NJ State Park Service, NJ Forest Fire Service and the PA Bureau of Forestry.



DICK RING

- SRO director Jerry Belson presented **Dick Ring**, associate director, Park Operations and Education at NPS Headquarters in Washington, with the DOI's Meritorious Service Award in September.

- **Burt Russell**, seasonal trail crew laborer at Grand Teton NP, received an individual cash award for long-time service to the park. Burt began his seasonal service in July 1965, and has worked every summer since. He spends his winters in Tahlequah, OK pursuing his artistic talents.

- This year's NCR Harry Yount Award for excellence in the art and science of rangers was won by **John Kempisty**, cabin camp ranger, Catoctin Mountain Park. "High-end customer service" is the way Supt. Mel Poole described the job of checking the campers in and out of the campgrounds, catering to their special needs and keeping an eye on the facilities for damage. The Baltimore League for the Disabled, who camp every year at Greentop Cabin Camp, refer to Kempisty as "their ranger." Poole says he consistently hears how good and professional John is.

- Scott's Bluff NM seasonal park ranger

Ronald Jones was recognized as Teacher of the Year for History by the Daughters of the American Revolution in Michigan. Ronald teaches at Our Lady of Sorrows School in Farmington and has worked for the NPS as a seasonal volunteer for the last 16 years.

- Supt. **Bill Sanders**, Hopewell Furnace NHP, and Special Agent **Bob Marriott**, RAD/WASO, were presented with award plaques by the NPS contingent to the International Association of Chiefs of Police conference in November. They were recognized for their long-term and continued efforts in support of the Service's professional law enforcement program, particularly 6c retirement, ranger careers, professional credentials and shields, the drug program, the ARPA program and overall support for rangers in the field.

- **Vergil Noble**, a supervisory archeologist in the Midwest Archeological Center, has been named president-elect of the Society for Historical Archeology (SHA). He will serve in that capacity throughout 2001 and become president in 2002. SHA is the largest scholarly group concerned with the archeology of the modern world (AD 1400 - present). The main focus of the society is the era since the beginning of European exploration. Noble will be the third NPS archeologist to serve as president of the international organization.

- E&AA Life Member **Gary Warshefski**, superintendent, Ft. Stanwix NM, is the recipient of a National Association for Interpretation (NAI) Meritorious Service Award for 2000. The award was presented at NAI's national workshop in November. This award is presented to members who have performed extensive and invaluable service to NAI, especially on the national level.

- **Martha B. Aikens**, superintendent, Independence NHP, **John J. Reynolds**, regional director, PWR, **Robert W. Reynolds**, retired superintendent, Cape Hatteras NS and **John W. "Bill" Wade**, retired superintendent, Shenandoah NP received the DOI Distinguished Service Award at a ceremony in Washington, D.C. on Oct. 30. Aikens was recognized for her contributions as a manager, trainer, enterprising leader and administrator, John J. Reynolds for his significant accomplishments and innovative leadership, Robert W. Reynolds for his outstanding contributions to park management and international cooperation and Bill Wade for his significant contributions to DOI programs.

The Distinguished Service Award, the highest departmental honor award granted to a career employee, was established in 1948. Employees are granted the award based on an outstanding contribution to science; an outstanding skill or ability in the performance of duty; an eminent career in the Department; an outstanding contribution to equal opportunity in government; an outstanding contribution to energy conservation; or any other exceptional contribution to public service.

Director Robert Stanton commended the NPS recipients of this year's Honor Awards for their commitment and dedication to carrying out the mission of the NPS. "It is truly a pleasure to take part in this longstanding DOI tradition that



Rosa Wilson, NPS

DIRECTOR ROBERT STANTON CONGRATULATES MARTHA AIKENS, SUPERINTENDENT, INDEPENDENCE NHP, on receiving the DOI's Distinguished Service Award, the highest award for outstanding service to the Department. This award was given at a reception held at the Main Interior building for the Park Service honorees. All honorees were later honored and given plaques from Secretary Bruce Babbitt.

recognizes exemplary employees and private citizens who go above and beyond the call of duty to carry out the mission of the National Park Service," said Stanton. "These individuals are an inspiration to us all. Their accomplishments encourage us to do great things and they make us proud to wear the green and gray (uniform of the NPS)."

- Mount Rainier NP Maintenance Supervisor **Mike Carney** and Trails Leader **Steve Scott** received the Medal of Merit from the California Air National Guard in October for "meritorious service during the period of 4th May through 21st May 2000, while actively participating and supporting Operation Fallen Angel at Mt. Shasta, California." The two men were instrumental in the assessment and aerial extraction of a downed UH-60 Blackhawk helicopter that was perched on a glacier. Their outstanding support and high degree of technical skill contributed to the success of the operation.

- The **U.S. Park Police** and four other agencies received the William Spurgeon III Award for contributions to Exploring at the National Law Enforcement Explorer Conference in Georgia this summer. Spurgeon's idea was to take professionals in career fields such as law enforcement and have them share their expertise with youth.

- Regional Director Karen Wade recognized the staff at both Zion NP and the IMSO, Cultural and National Register Programs and Facilities Management (Denver) recipients for the 2000 Heritage Awards from the Utah Heritage Foundation. The award, which recognizes excellence in historic preservation, was given for their collective efforts in adaptively reusing the historic Equipment Shed located in the Oak Creek Utility Area Historic District. The project retained the historic character of the former shed. The Zion recipients are: **Dave Bannister**, plumber; **Eric Brueck**, lead maintenance mechanic; **Jack Burns**, asst. div. chief Resource Management and Research; **Jim But-**



Paul Winegar

DIRECTOR ROBERT G. STANTON IS THE FIRST RECIPIENT OF THE ROBERT G. STANTON YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD, which was presented by Southeast Regional Director Jerry Belson at a recent conference on youth programs held at Stone Mountain Park in Georgia (See article page 3). The award will be given annually by the Southeast Region to an official who exemplifies "leadership and commitment to the development of America's youth through involvement in the National Park System."

terfus, landscape architect; Heber Jones, maintenance mechanic; Jim Leterman, maintenance worker; Tim Parkinson, maintenance worker; Barry Rhodes, electrician; Jim Starling, building and utilities foreman and Kirk Topham, maintenance mechanic. Recipients from IMSO are: Sayre Hutchison, architect, Denver and Rebecca Renauld, engineer, Denver.

• The NPS is the recipient of the Louise du Pont Crowninshield Award, the highest honor given by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Director Stanton received the award from National Trust President Richard Moe on Nov. 2 in LA, during the Preservation Conference of the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

The award, given for superlative lifetime achievement in the field of historic preservation, honored the NPS for serving as the nation's primary federal source of information and guidance on the preservation of historic buildings, neighborhoods, archeological sites, battlefields, landscapes and tribal communities.

"Operating in the face of wide-ranging challenges," Moe said, "the NPS has fostered the ethic of good stewardship through its exemplary work throughout the National Park System, and has advanced the cause of preservation in countless and invaluable ways through the outreach efforts of its Center for Cultural Resources Stewardship and Partnership Program."

"Therefore, as it enters its second half-century as the private-sector leader of America's vigorous and growing preservation movement," Moe added, "the National Trust is proud to present the Crowninshield Award to the agency that has long been preservation's staunchest and most effective public-sector partner."

• **The Green Energy Parks program**, a joint program with the DOI, NPS and the Department of Energy (DOE), was honored with one of four Presidential Awards for Federal Management Success. Both departments were recognized for their outreach partnership efforts demonstrated by the program, which was lauded for its innovative renewable and energy efficient technologies in national parks.

With 285 million visitors annually, the national parks are ideal for showing the public how clean energy technologies can improve their lives. Both NPS and DOE have committed significant financial and technical resources to make the national parks a showcase for a sustainable future.

In FY 2000, the NPS and DOE committed \$3.8 million for the Green Energy Parks initiative. More than sixty visitor centers across the country will incorporate low-cost projects such as: replacing high volume water fixtures, purchasing solar power generation and installing solar lighting among others. This commitment also included alternative fuel vehicles and park transit projects. ■

California Student Wins NPS Prize in Discovery Young Scientist Challenge



KATE STEVENSON, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR CULTURAL RESOURCE STEWARDSHIP AND PARTNERSHIPS, presents the National Park Explorer Award to Marisa Ingram, a finalist in the Discovery Young Scientist Challenge.

For the second year, the NPS joined Discovery Communications as it recognized outstanding middle school scientists from around the country in its Discovery Young Scientist Challenge, Oct. 23 to 25, 2000. The competition encourages the exploration, understanding and communication of science among America's youth.

Forty finalists competed in Washington, D.C. in four challenges related to paleontology, textile forensics, ichthyology and geology. These finalists were chosen from 1,623 entrants from 22 states. First prize in the Challenge is a \$10,000 scholarship. The National Park Explorer Award recognizes the Discovery Young Scientist finalist who, in the course of

competition events, emerges as a leader through cooperation and teamwork. Marisa Ingram, 14, from Northridge, CA, is this year's award recipient and will join, for one week this summer, NPS scientists at Isle Royale NP to study its complex and unique ecosystem. She also received a personalized National Parks Pass. Marisa was chosen as a finalist for her project, "Decomposition Derby: How do Redworms and Pill Bugs Compare in Affecting the Rate of Decomposition?" The NPS recognizes the importance of science in national parks and, through events like the Discovery Young Scientist Challenge, hopes to nurture young peoples' interest in science, the environment and national parks. ■

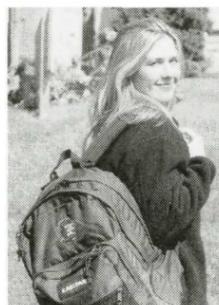
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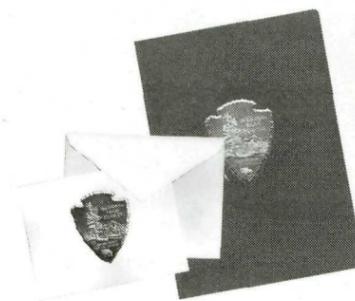


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Class of 2000/2001

Bob Bandy, park ranger, law enforcement, Yosemite NP, retired Dec. 1. His career began in 1986 as a law enforcement park ranger in Yosemite, after a 25-year career as a teacher and coach. During most of his NPS career he served as the Chinquapin/Badger pass ranger at Yosemite's ski area in winter and the wilderness mounted patrol supervisor in summer. He served as CPR coordinator (AHA), Master Leave-No-Trace commercial packer liaison, park coroner and member of Yosemite's safety committee. In 1995 he was the first law enforcement park ranger to receive the "Most Honored Packer" award.

Jean Banik, admin. officer, U.S.S. Arizona Memorial, retired Nov. 18, after 18 years of service.

Debra S. Bird, special assistant to human resources mgr., WASO, retired Sept. 30.

Jerry L. Bowen, maintenance mechanic supervisor, Kings Mountain NMP, retired Oct. 7, after 32 years of service.

Supt. **John J. Burchill**, Boston NHP, retired Jan. 3 after 33 years of service. John was superintendent at Boston NHP and Boston African American NHS for 15 years. He also served in a variety of assignments at Cape Cod NS, Everglades NP, Yosemite NP, Yellowstone NP and Lowell NHP. He was on special assignment to NE Regional Director Marie Rust since March 2000, concentrating on leadership and management development initiatives.

Lowell Butts, facility manager, Buffalo NR, retired Oct. 1 after 33 years of service. Lowell started with the NPS in 1967 at Mount Rainier NP. In 1976 he went to Sequoia/Kings Canyon NP. He became facility manager at Wind Cave NP in 1979, and has been at Buffalo NR since 1991.

Veletta K. Canouts, supv. archeologist, WASO, retired Sept. 30.

Dick Carrier, transportation and boat safety officer, Apostle Islands NL, retired Nov. 1 after 24 years. Dick started working as a boat operator with the NPS in 1977, after over 20 years with the Coast Guard. He received the regional safety award (1992) and was also presented with a certificate of merit from the Coast Guard for assisting with 45 of their 174 search and rescue cases during the 1993/94 season.

Udon C. Check, detective, U.S. Park Police, retired Oct. 21, after 28 years.

E&AA Life Member, **Charles "Charlie" Clapper, Jr.**, after a 40-year career, retired Mar. 31 as the director, DSC, a position held since 1994. He began as a landscape architect/project supervisor with the Eastern Office of Design and Construction and later at Natchez Trace PKWY. He spent 10 years in a variety of positions in the Southwest and Western Regions as a park planner/construction supervisor and three years at the DSC as an interpretive planner. Charlie served as chief of planning and design and later as ARD of planning and resource preservation in the NARO, Boston, before becoming deputy director of the MARO, Philadelphia. In 1993, Charlie received DOI's Meritorious Service Award for sustained outstanding performance dur-

ing his career and his contributions to the success of the Service's planning, design and construction program. He is married to Heather Huyck and has two sons. The family resides in Williamsburg, VA.

Glenn Clark, servicewide coordinator for cooperating associations, WASO, retired Nov. 3, after 28 years of service. Before joining the Service in 1972, Glenn worked for the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation. His assignments included Lassen Volcanic NP, Pipe Spring NM and Virgin Islands NP in interpretation, and Fort Scott NHS and Petersburg NB in management. He was regional chief of interpretation in Alaska for eight years and spent the last seven years in WASO.

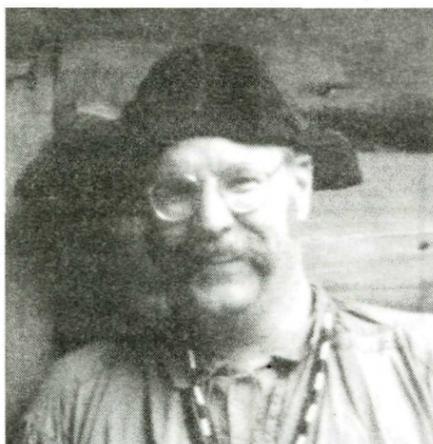
Supt. **Ben Clary**, Ozark NSR, retired Dec. 16, after 39 years of service. During his early years, Ben worked at Carlsbad Caverns NP, Olympic NP and Navajo NM, then as a civil engineer at several areas. He subsequently worked at Padre Island NS and in the regional office in Omaha, then served as assistant superintendent at Yellowstone NP 1977-1989, superintendent at Voyageurs NP 1989-1995 and at Ozark NSR since 1995.

James H. Devore, cook, Great Onyx Job Corps Center, SERO, retired Dec. 31, after 11 years of service.

Carl Hinrichs, chief ranger, Buffalo NR, retired Dec. 30, after 33 years of service. Carl worked at Grand Canyon NP in 1967, Olympic NP 1967-1970, Sequoia NP 1970-1971, Everglades NP 1972-1975, Great Smoky Mountains NP 1975-1981 and Buffalo NR since 1981.

Carl Holmberg, assistant chief of the Park Police, retired Dec. 16, after 35 years of service.

Gerald "Bud" Ivey, chief of natural resources management, Whiskeytown NRA, retired Jan. 3 2001, after 32 years of service. Bud's career with the NPS began with acceptance into a one-year Ranger Intake Training Program at the Horace Albright Training Center in Grand Canyon. After being trained in law enforcement, firefighting, search and rescue, boating, concessions and even packing mules, Bud continued the program as a ranger trainee at Grand Teton NP. In January 1970, Bud and his family relocated to Rocky Mountain NP, where he continued his ranger career. He transferred to Whiskeytown NRA in 1973, and became chief of natural resources in 1987.



CURT JOHNSON

Curt Johnson, chief of interpretation, Fort Clatsop N MEM, retired Jan. 3. Curt began his NPS career as a law enforcement patrol ranger on the Blue

Ridge PKWY. He then moved to Death Valley NP where he was an interpretive specialist at Scotty's Castle and then to Fort Clatsop in 1979, where he has been for over twenty years. Curt spent the majority of his time "on the frontlines" interpreting the Lewis and Clark story for visitors. He was the park's black powder expert and unofficial park historian. Fortunately for Fort Clatsop, Curt plans to remain in the area and be available as a resource for the future bicentennial commemorations pertaining to the Lewis and Clark Expedition of 1803-1806.

Clinton Kahilihiwa, motor vehicle operator, Hawaii Volcanoes NP, retired Oct. 2, after 28 years of service.

George Madden, Jr., private, horse mounted, U.S. Park Police, retired Nov. 25, after 28 years of service.

Greg McClough, private, U.S. Park Police, retired Nov. 17, after 10 years.

Kathleen L. McKoy, historian, Denver Support Office, retired Sept. 6, after nine years with the NPS.

Sarah Miller, fiscal tech, Lassen Volcanic NP, retired Sept. 30, after 20 years.

George Moore, Jr., maintenance mechanic, Wolf Trap Farm Park for the Performing Arts, retired Sept. 1, after 17 years of service.

Lake Mead NRA Supt. **Alan O'Neill**, retired Oct. 3. Alan joined the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation in 1966 and moved to the NPS when the agencies merged in the early 1980's. He became assistant superintendent at Glacier NP in 1982, then at Lake Mead in 1987.

Barbara Phillips, park ranger, John Muir NHS, retired Nov. 11, after 19 years of service.

Steven E. Price, environmental protection specialist, ARD, SERO, retired Oct. 6, after 26 years of service.

Charles Reese, security guard, U.S. Park Police, retired Sept. 23, after nine years of service.

Nelido Rodriguez, mason, San Juan NHS retired Nov. 24, after 21 years.

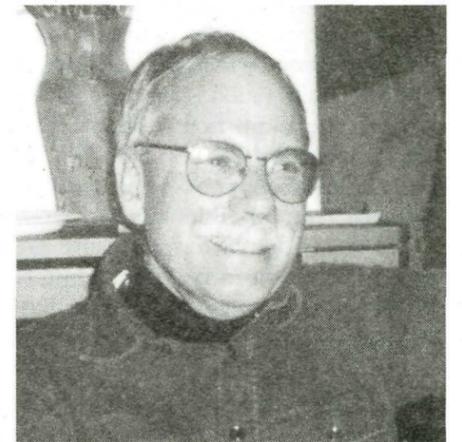
Sheldon Schuchman, maintenance mechanic, Lassen Volcanic NP, retired Jan. 3, after 29 years of service.

Jannette Tkach, technician sergeant, U.S. Park Police, retired Nov. 4, after 23 years of service.

Tom Tschol, district ranger, Sequoia NP and Kings Canyon NP, retired Nov. 3 after more than 32 years of service. Tom began as a seasonal ranger at Glacier NP and also worked as a seasonal at Joshua Tree NP before accepting a permanent position at Point Reyes NS in 1973. He joined Sequoia NP in 1978, as the subdistrict ranger in Giant Forest and district ranger for the Kaweah District before moving to district ranger.

Stephen Underwood, supervisory botanist, Redwood NP, retired Oct. 13 after 27 years of service. He began as a seasonal fire control aid at Lassen Volcanic NP. His NPS career took him to Olympic NP, Crater Lake NP, Lava Beds NM, Yosemite NP and Redwood NP. Stephen was highly involved in fire management during his whole career

and served as a planning section chief and division supervisor for fifteen years. Stephen worked on the Western Region task force that developed the first edition of the *Western Region Fire Effect Monitoring Handbook* and was the burn boss on burns totaling over 7,000 acres. He is currently the senior resource ecologist for the California Department of Parks and Recreation.



JIM UNRUH

Park ranger/pilot **Jim Unruh** retired Sept. 30 after 28 years of service. Jim started in 1973 as a seasonal, spending summers in North Cascades NP and winters in Death Valley NP. His last seasonal job was at Katmai NP & PRES in 1976. He became a permanent at Death Valley, then moved on to Big Bend NP, Denali NP & PRES, Great Basin NP, back to Big Bend, Capitol Reef NP and finally Gates of the Arctic NP & PRES. He came to Gates of the Arctic because he wanted to enjoy one more summer of flying in Alaska before retiring.

Judith Winkelmann, park ranger, interpretive specialist and volunteer coordinator, Lincoln Boyhood N MEM, retired Jan. 3 after 27 years of service.

Park Ranger (special agent) **Phil Young**, IMSO, based in Santa Fe, retired Dec. 1. After serving in the U.S. Navy, (1966-70) he worked as a seasonal employee at Custer Battlefield NM, Death Valley NP, and Mount McKinley NP. As a permanent park technician he worked at Tonto NM, where he and "Meme" were married. His park ranger career has taken him to Chalmette NHP, Fort Laramie NHS, Santa Monica Mountains NRA and the SRO. Phil is closing out a 25-year career with the NPS, but is not quite ready for a full-fledged retirement. He will join the Office of Cultural Affairs, state of New Mexico, as a staff archeologist.

E&AA Welcomes the Following New Members:

Erin K. Broadbent, Sue A. Bruns, Donna M. Compton, Milford Fletcher, Helen F. Fry, Patrick Gregerson, Gale Greterman, Hansel A. Hernandez, Diann L. Jacox, Paul James, Laura Joss, Don Kelly, William Thomas Knox, William R. Muzzey, Jr., Gordon Olson, Norma M. Pineda, Margie Pulliam, Mildred Shoemaker, Barry Sulam, Stephen Underwood, James E. Walter and M. Woodbridge Williams.

Alumni News



Mrs. Dorothy DeHaven pictured back row, second from the right, surrounded by grandchildren and children at the tree dedication for her husband.

In September, NCR Director Carlstrom presided over a tree dedication ceremony held at the George Washington Parkway Maintenance Facility for **Tom DeHaven**, (deceased) landscape architect. Mr. DeHaven is best remembered for his devotion to the development of the Mount Vernon Trail. The 18.5-mile trail connects the District of Columbia with Mount Vernon, VA. With over one million walkers, riders, skaters, etc., it is one of the heaviest-used trails in the NPS.

In attendance were family members, close friends, and NPS employees. A northern red oak tree was planted at the recently completed Mount Vernon Wayside, located at "Milepost Zero," at the beginning of the Mount Vernon Trail.

Ken Bennett, a retired DSC employee, was honored with the IMR Director Karen Wade's "Shoulder-to-Shoulder Award" for his volunteer work in the areas of design and accessibility with the IMR parks. In honoring Bennett, Wade said, "I would like to express my deep appreciation for his design and accessibility work with Chiricahua NM, Sunset Crater Volcano NM, Padre Island NIS, Devils Tower NM, Fort Bowie NHS, Fort Davis NHS, Mesa Verde NP, Aztec Ruins NM, Hubbell Trading Post NHS and Lyndon B. Johnson NHP. Ken's personal knowledge and commitment has helped make all employees and visitors,

including those with disabilities, welcome to our parks."

D. Bruce McHenry is the recipient of a National Association for Interpretation (NAI) Lifetime Interpretive Service Award for 2000. This award is presented to an NAI member and lifelong interpreter who has dedicated a lifetime career to interpretation as a front-line interpreter, interpretive manager/administrator, or both and has made lasting contributions to the profession and the association.

Jim Ryan was elected to a two-year term as president of the Blue Ridge Parkway Employees & Alumni Association (BRPE&AA) during the organization's annual meeting held Sept. 17. Ryan retired from the Parkway in 1994 and previously served as the association's vice president. He follows **Larry Freeman** in the top job. **Gary Everhardt** was named the new vice president. **Bruce Gregory** was returned to office as secretary-treasurer. **Joe Brown**, **Bill Hall** and **Dixon Freeland** were re-elected to the board of directors. Those eligible who wish to become members of the BRPE&AA should send their \$10 lifetime dues to Bruce Gregory, P.O. Box 840, Fairview, NC 28730.

Retired superintendent **Jerry Shimoda** writes how much he enjoys being asked to help with training courses. He suggests that other retirees having had experience in management and technical areas would be pleased to contribute their "expertise" to the Service. He points out that the retirees can bring "outside" perceptions into NPS discussions, think tanks, etc., adding a caveat that retirees not be locked into an "I've been there" mentality—'cause times are changing.

Alice and Dan Lee continue to accumulate VIP honors and thanks, most recently from Supt. Ken Apschnikat, Abraham Lincoln Birthplace NHS. "Their 'can do' spirit is inspiring to our staff and perhaps originates from their long association with the NPS," said Gary Talley, chief of operations at Abraham Lincoln Birthplace, who describes the Lees as "being knowledgeable about almost everything and will attempt almost anything."

David Thompson writes "this year's Geriatrics Golf Tournament, held in Phoenix, was another great success, mainly due to **Terry and Ed Donnelly**. By their efforts and perseverance, the Golf Tournament was a fine experience. It was an unfortunate year, however, because a few of our good friends and colleagues have passed on to the 19th hole in the sky, or are ill. Our prayers go out to all the families involved. We will miss these good people. **John and Fran Rutter** planned on coming, but John was hampered by leg problems; **Frank and Georgia Sylvester** also were not able to come because Georgia was not feeling well. **Lee and Lucille Sneddon** have not been active since Lee's heart attack. We wish them all well.

"On April 16, we were invited to the Donnelly's for a great mixer. A number of old friends attended, and the hosts provided everyone with a great time.

"On April 17, we played the first round of golf at the Ahwatukee Country Club. This was "Fun Day," not the regular tournament, but it gave everyone a chance to get a feel for the course. Some of the feelings were expressed quite loudly, but no clubs were thrown (to my knowledge). The winners were: Women: Low Gross, **Mary Ann Gerrish**; Low

Net, **Terry Donnelly**; Longest Drive, **Mary Ann Gerrish** and **Longest Putt**, **Terry Donnelly**. Men: Low Gross, **Jim Dempsey**; Low Net, **Ed Donnelly**; Longest Drive, **Paul Gerrish** and **Longest Putt**, **Ray Martinez, Jr.**

"The regular tournament day was on April 18. The winners of this main tournament were: Men: Low Gross, **Carl Fleming**; Low Net, **Jim Dempsey**; Longest Drive, **Jim Dempsey** and **Longest Putt**, **Curt Townsend**. The Traveling Trophy was presented to **Jim Dempsey** with Low Net. The others were given a variety of prizes. Women: Low Gross, **Patti Townsend**; Low Net, **Mary Ann Gerrish**; Longest Drive, **Terry Donnelly** and **Longest Putt**, **Mary Ann Gerrish**. The Traveling Trophy was presented to **Mary Ann Gerrish**, with suitable prizes given to the others. One special prize was given to **Erma Lubbert** for the "I REALLY, REALLY TRIED" award.

"At the awards banquet we were treated to a great dinner. We salute the Donnelly's for setting up such an excellent tournament and banquet."

E&AA Life Member **Sheridan Steele** is collecting short stories and interesting memories about unusual questions asked by park visitors or events from NPS employees and alumni. To share yours, contact Sheridan at: 422 Tomichi Trail, Gunnison, CO 81230 (steele@rmi.net).

Out East of Aline, An Adoption Memoir by **Rex L. Wilson**, a retired NPS archeologist, has just been published by the Uncommon Buffalo Press of Rapid City, SD. The following statement by Frances Reiher, librarian, Fairfax County, Fairfax, VA appears on the rear cover:

"Rex Wilson's absorbing re-creation of his life as an adopted orphan in Oklahoma during the 1930's depression era offers vivid views of farm family life, one-room country school happenings, and the seasonal security of community celebrations. Rex has the cadence of Southwestern speech and character down in hilarious perfection."

Rex and his wife, Susan, live in Richmond, VA. For a signed copy of this new book, told from a little boy's perspective, call (804) 740-3306 or send a check for \$14.95 plus \$2.10 for shipping to Rex L. Wilson, 10109 Falconbridge Drive, Richmond, VA 23233. ■

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Program Dedicates \$5 Million to Improve Accessibility to Americans with Disabilities

On Dec. 7, Director Robert Stanton announced that the NPS will dedicate \$5 million from the Recreational Fee Demonstration Program to improve accessibility throughout the National Park System for the nation's 54 million citizens with disabilities.

"This funding will help provide much-needed assistance for non-fee collecting park units to make one-time accessibility corrections," said Stanton. "These projects include modifications to buildings and recreational facilities such as fishing piers, trails, wildlife viewing platforms, and in hiking, boating and camping areas to provide public access to these magnificent sites."

By setting aside a portion of the Recreational Fee Demonstration Program receipts for improving accessibility, the NPS has created an innovative program that allows non-fee collecting parks to apply for money to expedite accessibility projects. "The NPS is commit-

ted to ensuring that all citizens, including those who have a disability, are able to enter and enjoy all aspects of our national parks," said Stanton.

NPS Partnership Helps Clean Local Creek

A new partnership has been formed between Homestead NM of America, the Dept. of Agriculture's Natural Resource Conservation Service (NCRS) and the Nebraska Natural Resource Districts (NNRD) to attempt to improve water quality in Cub Creek, a watershed that runs through the monument. The partnership is encouraging local landowners living near the creek to participate in a buffer strip program. Buffer strips are small areas of land in permanent vegetation, designed to intercept pollution and manage other environmental concerns. Staff from the monument and NCRS joined with the NNRD to introduce the buffer strip program through county fairs and general meetings. The NCRS and NNRD provides a cash incentive to local landowners for enrolling.

Alaska Region Annual Report Now Available

The Alaska Region of the NPS has published its first annual report detailing accomplishments over the past year. "This is a good way to tell the public about the broad range of activities in their national parks," said Regional Director Robert Amberger. The document provides an overview of how approximately \$72 million in federal funding is spent in parks in Alaska, and outlines many of the projects underway or completed in the past year. Other items include an overview of the NPS workforce; examples of archeological research and other cultural resource projects and an accounting of fee demonstration projects. There are 16 national park units and two affiliated areas in Alaska. Together, the park units total about 54.7 million acres or two-thirds of the acreage in the National Park System. About two million recreational visitors will use Alaska parks this year. The annual report is available online at www.nps.gov/akso/2000report. Copies are available at the Alaska Public Lands Information Centers in Anchorage and Fairbanks, and at NPS offices in Alaska.

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AUBREY LEON HAINES

Aubrey Leon Haines, 86, Sept. 10 in Tucson, AZ. Aubrey was an author, historian, ranger, engineer, cartographer, teacher and photographer who spent his career in service and his retirement recording the history of Yellowstone NP. His NPS career began before WWII as a fire lookout in Mount Rainier NP and later served as a district ranger. He was an assistant park engineer at Yellowstone NP and management assistant at Big Hole NB, retiring in 1969 as the first park historian for Yellowstone NP. During his retirement, Aubrey wrote historical non-fiction, more than 140 articles, reports and books, including the two-volume *The Yellowstone Story* (1977), which remains an imposing masterpiece. Survivors include his wife of 54 years, Wilma; his sons, Alan Aubrey of Benson, AZ and Calvin Leo of Tucson, AZ. He was predeceased by his daughter, Betsey. Memorials may be made in his name to Saguaro Christian Church or TMC Hospice, Tucson, AZ.

E&AA life member, Isle Royale NP Supt. **Doug Barnard**, Oct. 24 at the Mayo Clinic, where he was being treated for cancer. Doug began his 35-year career as a seasonal ranger at Isle Royale NP. In 1966, he became permanent at Lake Mead NRA. His later assignments included Apostle Islands NL, Big Bend NP, Yellowstone NP and Grand Teton NP, then becoming superintendent of Isle Royale in 1993. Doug was a leader in developing innovative programs in search and rescue, law enforcement, resource management and other programs. He received numerous awards throughout his career, including the DOI's Superior Service and Meritorious Service awards. Memorials may be made to the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, LY 120, P.O. Box 19024, Seattle, WA 98109. Notes may be sent to his wife, Sylvia and their children at 303 Agate Street, Houghton, MI 49931.

Richard Bleyhl, 26, Nov. 3, son of Ed and Jackie Bleyhl, in Missouri. His father, Ed, is a former DSC section chief of construction for the Western Team. Condolences may be sent to Ed and Jackie and the family at 1175 West Rosedale Rd., Nixa, MO 65714.

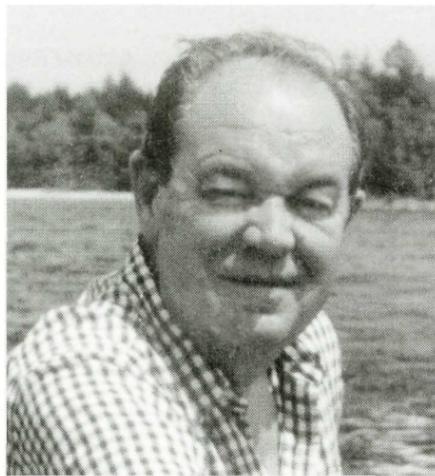
Everglades NP Contract Specialist **Monte Camp**, Oct. 31. Monte worked at the park for the past 17 years. Prior to coming to Everglades, he worked for other DOI agencies in Washington,

Denver and Albuquerque. Condolences may be sent to his wife, Mary Ann, and family at 19341 Holiday Rd., Miami, FL 33157.

E&AA Life Member **Dr. Edward B. Danson**, 84, Nov. 30, at home in Sedona, AZ. Dr. Danson, a noted anthropologist, served on the board of directors of Southwest Parks and Monuments Association for over 40 years. He served on the NPS advisory board from 1958-1964 as well as the NPS advisory council and for many years was the director of the Museum of Northern Arizona. Survivors include his wife of 58 years, Jessica, his son Ted, and daughter Jan Haury and her husband Dr. Loren Haury.

Donald "Don" J. Erskine, 90, Sept. 28, in Seattle, WA. Don became a junior park naturalist in 1937 at Lake Mead NRA, and later a park ranger in several western areas. He transferred from superintendent of Muir Woods NM to WASO in 1956, becoming chief of audiovisual services. Don did the majority of voice recordings for early message repeaters and audio-slide programs. Don's voice became known to many visitors to the new Mission 66 visitor centers throughout the System. He retired in 1967. Survivors include his second wife, Fern, a daughter, Mary E. Jackson of Seattle WA, a son, James (Jim) of Australia. His first wife and mother of his children, Marie, died in 1966.

Florence B. Evans, 91, Nov. 3, at home in Roseburg, OR. She retired in 1975 as secretary to the superintendent at Redwood NP after 22 years with the NPS. Florence began her NPS career in 1950 at Mount Rainier NP as a telephone operator and clerk. Ten years later she transferred to Big Bend NP and then to Grand Canyon NP before transferring to Redwood NP. During her career she received Quality Increase Awards for outstanding job performance and upon retirement received the DOI Honor Award for Superior Service. Florence was predeceased by her husband, NPS retiree Henry (Heinie) Evans. She is survived by her two sons, NPS retiree Douglas B. Evans of Tucson, AZ and David R. Evans of Oakland, OR, seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.



Mary Helen Hadley

LAWRENCE HADLEY

Lawrence "Larry" Hadley, 76, Sept. 23, in Bar Harbor, ME. He was the son of Benjamin L. Hadley, an early superintendent of Acadia NP. Larry enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served in WWII. His NPS career began in 1950 as a

ranger at Shenandoah NP. Assignments took him to Blue Ridge PKWY, Yellowstone NP, the SWRO, Santa Fe, as acting superintendent of White Sands NM before going to Washington, D.C., as superintendent of the Central Capital Parks. Following this he was superintendent of Colonial NP and Yosemite NP before his return to Washington as assistant director for park management. Before retiring in 1979 he was superintendent at Cape Cod NS. Besides his wife of 53 years, Mary Helen, he is survived by sons Scott L. Hadley of Lamoine, ME and Stephen W. Hadley of Seattle, WA, a daughter, Lucinda McPhee of Clifton Park, NY and four grandchildren. Memorial donations may be made to the Jesup Memorial Library, 34 Mt. Desert St., Bar Harbor, ME 04609.

Charles "Bud" Hanify, 81, Oct. 20. Following service in WWII, Bud spent 36 years working for the NPS. His first position in Olympic NP was on a trail crew, then as the park's telephone man, then as park electrician, then moving to the ranger division in 1971. He retired as area manager of the Hoh District in 1978. Bud is survived by his wife, Mary Lou, son Bruce and daughters Gretchen, Laura and Carol.

Lodema Hendrickson, 69, Sept. 19, in Mancos, CO. She was the wife of retiree Dr. William "Bill" Hendrickson. Lodema and Bill met while they both worked in Mesa Verde NP. In 1980 they built their retirement home in the "shadow" of the park. Other park areas in which they were associated included Yellowstone and Everglades NPs, National Capital Parks, the New York Group and Indiana NL. In addition to Bill, survivors include a daughter, Carla, of Pueblo, CO, two sons, William of El Cajon, CA and Erik, an engineer project manager presently serving in Bryce Canyon NP. The family suggests memorials may be made in her name to the Alzheimer's Association, 919 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60611-1676.

Gerald Hindman, maintenance employee at Badlands NP, Oct. 1, in an accident. He had evidently been working on his car at home when it fell, pinning him underneath. Gerald, who lived alone, is survived by a son and stepdaughter.

Fishery Biologist **Ross Kavanagh**, 56, Oct. 14, after a year-long struggle with cancer. Ross spent his entire 25-plus years in public service in Alaska and its parks and conservation areas, and was the first fishery biologist with the NPS in Alaska. He leaves no immediate family. Ross had many friends, colleagues and close co-workers in the NPS, USGS Biological Resource Division and other agencies and institutions. Many of them provided care and attention during his medical treatment and hospitalization and were his family in Alaska.

Ralph H. Lewis, 92, Nov. 21, at Homewood Retirement Center, Frederick, MD.

E&AA member **Hiram L. Parent**, 87, Oct. 9, at his home in Silver City, NM. Hiram was born on the Isle of Pines, Cuba, when it was an American territory.

He moved to New England in his childhood and later attended the N.Y. State Ranger School. He was a forester with the CCC, and worked at the Arizona Sonora Desert Museum and the Ghost Ranch Museum before joining the NPS. He retired in 1980 as an interpretive supervisor at Carlsbad Caverns NP. Hiram previously worked as a naturalist and photographer at Petrified Forest NP, Chiricahua NM, Fort Bowie NHS and Organ Pipe Cactus NM.

Hiram is survived by his wife, Annette, daughter Ann Fischer of Gilbert, AZ and son Laurence of Austin, TX. Memorials may be directed to the Nature Conservancy or the First Presbyterian Church of Silver City, NM.

The three-month old son of Grand Canyon NP employees Lisa and Davis Reynolds, Oct. 30, from congenital heart problems. A charitable donations account has been established to assist the family with medical and funeral expenses. Donations may be sent to Davis Reynolds Charitable Account, c/o Bank One, P.O. Box 459, Grand Canyon, AZ 86023.

Dr. Don Rickey, Sept. 15, former historian with NPS and BLM and husband of Nan Rickey (former DSC and HFC employee), at the Lutheran Hospital in Wheatridge, CO. Condolences can be sent to Nan at P.O. Box 1270, Evergreen, CO 80439.

Luke Roehrig, maintenance employee at Herbert Hoover NHS, Sept. 16. Condolences may be sent to Luke's wife, Tara, at 52 Hidden River Dr., Tipton, IA 52772.

Longtime E&AA member and supporter, retiree **Henry George "Hank" Schmidt**, 90, Aug 19. Hank was a WWII Navy veteran and a 1949 graduate of the FBI Academy. His 40-year career with the NPS (1938-1975) included Sequoia-Kings Canyon NP where he began and ended his career. Henry's other assignments were Arches NM, Sitka and Glacier Bay NMs, Sitka National Cemetery, Big Bend NP, Isle Royale NP, Fire Island NS and the Manhattan sites. He served as regional director of the NE region and as assistant deputy director, NPS, field operations, prior to his last superintendent position. He received meritorious and distinguished service honors from the DOI. His first wife, Marguerite Dunaway, died in 1972. Second wife, Marian Webb Armer, resides at the Sun Valley Lodge, Sun City, AZ. Other survivors include two daughters, Loretta Schmidt, NPS employee at New River Gorge NR; and Margot, whose husband Paul Haertel is superintendent at Acadia NP.

Remembrances in Henry's name can be made to the E&AA Education Trust Fund, or the Student Conservation Association, or the Theodore Roosevelt Association, or the Sequoia Natural History Association, or the Beetle Rock Environmental Education Center.

Retiree **Sibald "Sib" Smith**, Sept. 9. Sib served as a tribal leader for the Eastern Band of Cherokees before joining the NPS. He worked at the Oconaluftee Job Corps Center, Natchez Trace, Delaware Water Gap NRA, Ocmulgee NM,

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Canaveral NS, Chattahoochee River NRA, Cowpens NB and Ninety Six NHS. He is survived by Mary Catherine, his wife of nearly 50 years, and by three children and eight grandchildren. Memorials in his name can be made to the Muscular Dystrophy Association or to Cherokee EMS, P.O. Box 666, Cherokee, NC 28719. Condolences may be sent to Catherine Smith, P.O. Box 557, Cherokee, NC 28719.

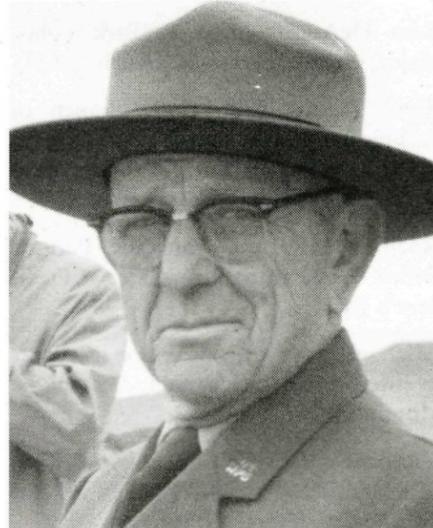
Former DSC project supervisor and park architect at Golden Gate NHS, **Fred Topel**, Sept. 9 in Missoula, MT. Memorials in his name may be sent to the American Diabetes Association. Messages of condolence should be sent to his spouse, Joyce Topel, at 608 Highview Way, Missoula, MT 59803. She would also welcome calls from Fred's NPS friends and can be reached at (406) 721-3975.

Michael Van Stappen, Sept. 26, of cancer. Mike was the husband of Apostle Islands NL Supervisory Resource Management Specialist Julie Van Stappen. He worked for the Service's Air Quality Division in Denver and for MWRO prior to their move to Apostle Islands. He was also a talented writer and photographer and received the 1999 Sigurd Olson Nature Writing Award for his book, *Northern Passages: Reflections from Lake Superior Country*. Condolences may be sent to Julie and their two children at Route 1, Box 37V, Washburn, WI 54891.

Inga VanNynatten, Sept. 2, of cancer, in Austin, TX. She was a community planner with the Rivers and Trails program, IMSO, Santa Fe. Inga was passionate about public greenways and helped develop trails across Texas including Austin's Bull Creek. A memorial fund has been established to support her passion for public greenway development. Donations can be sent to Inga's mother, Carole Lindroos, 1667 Mapleton Ave., Boulder, CO 80304.

Park ranger at Lyndon B. Johnson NHP, **Douglas "Gene" Warren**, 35, Nov. 28, of a self-inflicted gunshot wound in Fredericksburg, TX. Gene had worked as an interpreter at the park since 1992; previous assignments included duty at San Antonio Missions NHP, Independence NHP, Harry S Truman NHS and Fort Davis NHS. Gene is survived by his wife Diana and daughter Emily. Condolences can be sent to Diana Warren at 307 E. Centre Street, Fredericksburg, TX 78624. Memorial contributions may be sent to the Pioneer Memorial Library 115 West Main Street, Fredericksburg, TX 78624.

Dwight Warren, 91, Oct. 8. Dwight retired from Death Valley NP in 1970 after having served from 1964 to 1969 as the chief park naturalist. He was instrumental in the changeover of Scotty's Castle from private ownership to the NPS in 1970. After retirement Dwight continued to make frequent trips to Death Valley NP to share his knowledge and experiences with the staff. He is survived by his wife of 57



DWIGHT WARREN NPS

years, Dorothy, and his daughter Kolene Montgomery of Beatty, NV. Granddaughter Connie Patterson is following in her grandfather's footsteps with the NPS. She is employed as a visitor use assistant at Death Valley NP.

Prince William Forest Park Chief Ranger **Louis Wesselhoft**, Oct. 30, from cancer. Louis began his 29-year career in 1973, at the age of 18 as a life-guard and park aid at Virgin Islands NP. In 1977 Louis was accepted into the NPS Intake Trainee program. He worked at several sites, and served as chief ranger at Prince William since 1984. Condolences may be sent to his wife Janice, and children Kwasi, Karima and Naemah in care of Alma Wesselhoft, P.O. Box 205, Cruz Bay St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands 00831.

E&AA Life Member **Linda Witkowski**, associate regional director for administration and information technology, MRWO, 52, Nov 4, from cancer. She is survived by her husband, Gary and two sons, Michael and Jason. Linda started her NPS career in the MWRO in 1980 as a secretary in the Ranger Activities Division. In 1986, after spending some time as a personnel clerk and as secretary for the associate regional director, she was chosen for an upward mobility program for administrative technicians. She became the administrative officer at Apostle Islands, then assistant superintendent at Isle Royale. In 1998, she became MWSO superintendent, then ARD when the support office was integrated into the regional office in 1999. Cards of condolence and notes celebrating her life can be sent to her husband and children in care of the Midwest Regional Office, 1709 Jackson St., Omaha, NE 68102.

The NPS lost two friends over the past few months, former Rep. **Sidney Yates** (D-IL), 91, Oct. 5, and Rep. **Bruce Vento** (D-MN), 60, Oct. 10. During his service in Congress, Rep. Yates served as chairman of the House Subcommittee on Interior Appropriations. Rep. Vento began his service in 1977 in the House of Representatives. He served as chairman of the House Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands from 1985 to 1995. Vento, a vigorous protector of parks and the NPS, was always proud of being a high school science teacher. ■

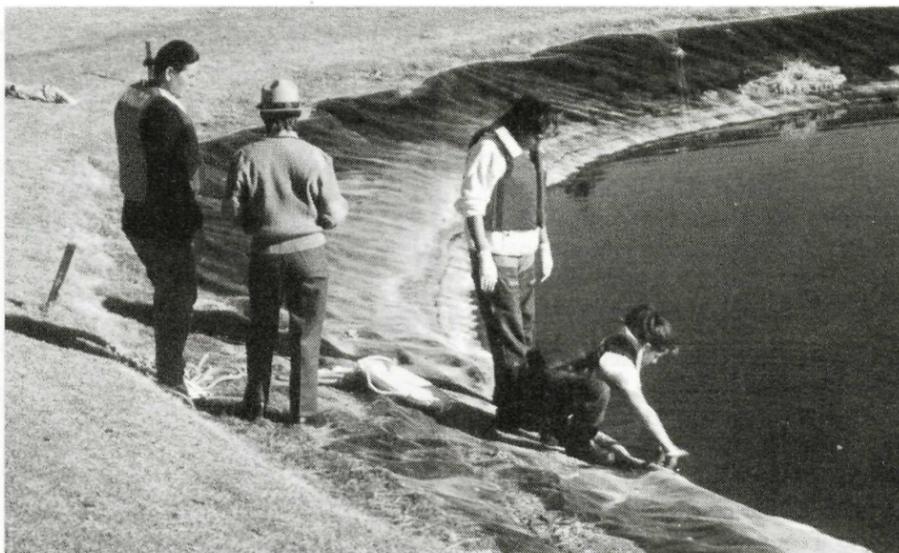
Field Science Partnership Teaches "Real Science"

By *Kenny Clarke, science education specialist, Glen Canyon NRA*

Few can say that they've ever seen a Razorback Sucker (*Xyrauchen texanus*), one of four federally endangered fish of the Upper Colorado River Basin, let alone had the opportunity to hold one of these gentle river dwellers in their hands. But for a group of Page, AZ high school students this is part of their weekly routine.

Through the cooperative effort of Glen Canyon NRA with other state and federal agencies, students are getting hands-on experience in the sciences, while contributing needed data to the NPS and cooperating agencies. Begun in 1997, the "Field Science Partnership" brings students closer to the issues surrounding Lake Powell and the Glen Canyon area. Students in Page High School's research biology class are responsible for monitoring approximately 1,000 Razorback Suckers growing in local golf course ponds; an unlikely place to find the native Colorado River sucker. Once large enough to escape predation, the fish are stocked directly into the San Juan River as part of the recovery effort of the species, where they can reach three feet in length and weigh up to 14 pounds. It is rare that students can play such a direct role in the preservation of an endangered species.

The "Field Science Partnership" fur-



NPS Ranger Joéle Doty and Research Biology Instructor Lori Shaw with students at golf course pond.

ther exposes students to "real science" on the sandstone-laced shores of Lake Powell through the park's beach monitoring program. Students routinely collect samples at popular swimming beaches, testing for contaminants that affect the water quality of Lake Powell. Here students learn sound scientific procedure in water quality monitoring and provide the park with invaluable data.

Support from the Arizona Community Foundation, National Park Foundation "Parks as Classrooms," NPS "Parks as Classrooms" and the National Park Foundation-Exxon Corp. "P.A.R.K.S." program have made the partnership pos-

sible. Providing further funding is Sea World-Busch Gardens, who recently recognized the "Field Science Partnership" with a first place prize in its Environmental Excellence Awards.

"This is what science education is all about, we can count on these kids to be the stewards of our national parks in the future," remarked Joe Alston, superintendent of Glen Canyon NRA. For further information on the "Field Science Partnership" log on to the student-generated and maintained Web site www.pageud.k12az.us/hsfieldscience_partnership, or contact Glen Canyon NRA at (520) 608-6200. ■

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National Wild and Scenic River System. They continue to take a look at park sustainability and the agency's role in recreation. Other areas of emphasis for the board will be defining a role for the Park Service nationally and internationally in preserving biological diversity; insuring that the primary purpose of historical preservation is education; playing a stronger role in assisting living cultures and expanding the institutional capacity of the agency so that employees respond to new times and circumstances. Much lies ahead for this Advisory Board, but I am confident that its members are ready to meet the challenge.

Over the past three and a half years I have held a great responsibility to you and the American public. As Director of the National Park Service I shared my vision with you, fellow stewards of this agency. I have worked towards achieving a National Park Service with diverse employees; a Service with strong partnerships attained through cooperative and collaborative relationships; and I have aimed to strike a balance between preservation and use of our parks. For the future I envision a National Park Service that will use the power of its traditions of excellence in stewardship and public service and its popularity with the public for the benefit of everyone who is engaged in any part of its greater mission. Wherever the road may lead, you must remember that as employees of the National Park Service, you are guardians of our shared national legacy.

Bob Stanton

New Places & Faces

Karen J. Atkinson, from the Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife and Parks to NPS deputy director. Ms. Atkinson is a graduate of Stanford University and a law graduate of the University of NM. She is Mandan, Hidatsa and Tsimshian and a member of the Three Affiliated Tribes of ND, a federally recognized tribe. Before accepting an appointment with the DOI, she had a private practice and consulting firm in Albuquerque, NM. While working with the Assistant Secretary, she focused on dispute resolution and building collaborative partnerships between the NPS and their neighboring Indian Tribes. In addition, she has been working with the NPS to develop a service-wide environmental leadership program focusing on sustainable development and energy efficiency.

Scott Bates, from the Department of Defense to wildlife biologist at the Center for Urban Ecology.

Rebecca Beavers, from research assistant professor at the Center for Marine Science at the University of North Carolina to coastal geomorphologist, Geologic Resources Division, Natural Resources Program Center, Lakewood, CO.

Dorothy Brazis, from the Center for Aquatic and Invasive Plants, University of Florida, to leader, exotic plant management team, Center for Urban Ecology.

Donald Briggs, from Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program to superintendent, Potomac Heritage NST.

Ron DeAngelo to U.S. Park Police Major, technical services branch, NCR.

Steve Doulis, from chief, Branch of Technical Services, George Washington MEM PKWY, to architect/project supervisor, NCR Division of Contracting.

Rachael Frantum, from the Permits Office, NCR, to park manager at President's Park.

Michael Haynie, from seasonal worker to interpretive park ranger, Guadalupe Mountains NP.

Victoria "Vicky" T. Jacobson, from park architect, Mount Rainier NP, to historical architect, IMSO, Santa Fe.

Lisa Jameson, from biology supervisor, Glacier NP to liaison, exotic plant management, Center for Urban Ecology, Lakewood, CO.

Marianne Karraker, from seasonal interpreter, to subdistrict interpreter, Glen Canyon NRA.

Marcus Koenen, from The Nature Conservancy to biological inventory specialist, Center for Urban Ecology.

Greg McDonald, from paleontologist, Hagerman Fossil Beds NM, to Servicewide Paleontology Program manager, Geologic Resources Division, Natural Resources Program Center, Lakewood, CO.

Jill Nicoll, from executive vice president to executive vice president and chief operating officer, National Park Foundation.

John Richter, from the Bureau of Prisons in Austin, TX, to computer specialist, Guadalupe Mountains NP.

Pamela Rose-Hayes to U.S. Police major, Office of Inspection Services, NCR.

U.S. Park Police Captain **Robert Rule** to regional law enforcement specialist, NCR.

Sara Stone to archivist of NCR records at the Museum Resource Center.

Alyce Tucker, from Student Conservation Association resource assistant in Cultural Resources to the secretary, superintendent's staff, Rock Creek Park.

Dennis Vasquez, from superintendent, White Sands NM to superintendent, Bandelier NM.

Palma Wilson, from superintendent, Hovenweep NM and Natural Bridges NM to superintendent, Colorado NM.

Terry Savage, from superintendent, Boston Support Office to superintendent, Boston NHP and Boston African American NHS.

Archeologists **Matt Russell** and **Dave Conlin** joined the Submerged Resources Center, Santa Fe, on a permanent basis. Most recently, Matt worked on the recovery of the *H.L. Hunley*, a Civil War-era submarine buried for 136 years in the Atlantic Ocean off the coast of South Carolina. Dave was on detail to the Naval Historical Center in Washington, D.C.

Lady Liberty Brings Independence

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travel the steps to reach the crown.

Sammy takes great pride in the work he does and feels an awesome personal responsibility to keep the Statue clean and safe for the visitors who arrive every day. "I am proud to be here. This job means a lot to me. I have been able to do a lot because of Fedcap."

Fedcap Inc. is a Community Rehabilitation program in New York City. In this case, with support from the NPS, handicapped-oriented organizations and the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act, the contract provides training skills in custodial operations, which must be of the highest quality and delivered, while respecting the presence of thousands of visitors to the sites. Supt. Diane Dayson comments, "Fedcap has a huge challenge here. The Fedcap employees are up to the challenge. So far they have done an exceptional job for us. I am happy with the work that they have achieved..."

Paul Denett, office of administration, DOI, which oversees the NPS, agrees. "The Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island are symbols of independence. People with disabilities want to have independence too and without jobs that is nearly impossible."

Excerpted with permission from an article by Lisa Ward in the July 2000 issue of The Workplace, the national news magazine of NISH.

Upcoming Meetings & Events

Wanted: Lighthouse Keepers Descendants—The Outer Banks Lighthouse Society is searching for Cape Hatteras lighthouse keepers descendants. Some well-known family names include: Austin, Barnett(e), Casey, Farrow, Fulcher, Jennett(e), O'Neal, Quidley, Rollinson, Simpson and Williams. On May 4-6, 2001, the society will be hosting a homecoming at the Cape Hatteras Lighthouse. If you believe you are a direct descendant, please send your name, address, phone number and name of your relative keeper to: Hatteras Keepers Descendants Homecoming, P.O. Box 550, Buxton, NC 27920, e-mail: hattkeep@outer-banks.com, or call (252) 995-6891.

Gettysburg Announces 2nd Women's History Seminar—Gettysburg NMP's second annual Women's History Symposium will be held March 9-11 at the Gettysburg Cyclorama Center. "Hearth and Home, Family and Children, 1850-1875" will feature living history programs, lectures and a guided walking tour. The seminar's focus is the 19th-century family that the soldiers left behind. The public is invited to attend the symposium. Registration is required. The symposium fee is \$90. For information or to register contact Gettysburg NMP, 97 Taneytown Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325, (717) 334-1124 x430.

2001 Archaeology Expo—The State Historic Preservation Office, Arizona

State Parks, Tonto NM, NPS and the City of Globe, AZ will be hosting the 2001 Archaeology Expo on March 17-18. The central information and exhibit area for all programs will be in downtown Globe. The Expo will coincide with the Tonto NM annual Open House. For more information contact Supt. Lee Baiza, Tonto NM at TONT_Superintendent@nps.gov.

Geriatrics Golf Tournaments 2001—Joe and Barbara Rumburg have agreed to host the 2001 Geriatrics in Southern AZ. The outing will be held in Nogales and Rio Rico from April 22 to 24. Golf will be at Palo Duro on the 23rd and the Rio Rico golf course on the 24th. At this time plans are tentative, but accommodations are expected to be at the new Holiday Inn Express Hotel in Nogales. Rates are expected in the \$60 per night range with a complimentary breakfast. Presently it appears that \$75 per person will cover all golf, carts, banquet and hors d'oeuvres on Sunday evening at the pool. Plans should be finalized by February. If you would like to be included in the mailing contact Dave Thompson, 6621 Shpaati Lane, Cochiti Lake, NM 87083, or call him at (505) 465-2911.

New Interpretive Themes of the Civil War—A workshop conducted by Antietam and Monocacy NBPs is being planned for spring 2001. For more information contact John Howard at (301) 432-7648. ■

NPS New Leader Program Graduates, FY 2000-2001



New Leader Program graduates pictured left to right: (front row) Kelly Thomas, Carlsbad Caverns NP and Dona Taylor, Glacier NP; (middle row) Michael Paar, Salem Maritime NHS, Pat Bantner, WASO, Donia Best, Statue of Liberty NM and Tina Cartwright, Gettysburg NMP; (top row) Rich Wallner, Mount Rushmore NM, Angela Ceaser, Biscayne NP, Frank Hays, Grand Canyon NP and Brian Reedy, Allegheny Portage Railroad NHS.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Graduate School's New Leader Program (NLP) provides NPS employees with excellent opportunities to gain valuable leadership experience. Ten NPS employees recently graduated from this program. To complete the six-month program, the graduates attending three week-long sessions that dealt with leader-

ship topics including decision-making, conflict resolution, diversity and team-building. The graduates also completed a 30-day detail into a leadership position, a shadowing assignment and independent study requirements. Finally, the graduates worked with fellow NLP students in a team setting to develop and present a program on leadership topics.

Off the Press

The Natural Arches of the Big South Fork

By Arthur McDade
University of Tennessee Press
ISBN 1-57233-074-0
Photographs, illustrations and maps.
144 pp, \$12.95 paperback, \$3.50 S&H

Arthur McDade is a park ranger currently working at Obied Wild and Scenic River, who begins his introduction with: "These geological features are indeed the signature pieces of the Big South Fork region, perhaps even more characteristic of the area than the Big South Fork itself, that master sculptor of the geological scene. They set this area apart from the rest of the southern highlands...only the Big South Fork area offers such a dynamic array of the truly significant natural sculptures within a generally accessible area. Explore them with a sense of mystery and wonder. Enjoy."

Following introductory chapters about the Big South Fork country and its history, McDade describes 25 landforms in detail and provides road and

trail directions, complete with distances, information on parking and comments on noticeable landmarks. Detailed maps, along with more than 30 photographs, complement the text. In addition, the author offers many safety and conservation tips that will help maximize the visitor's enjoyment of the area.

Available from Eastern National, Big South Fork NRR, 4564 Leatherwood Rd., Oneida, TN 37841, (423) 569-9778.

And Off the Web

• In 1994, Dr. Larry Dilsaver edited a book titled, *America's National Park System: The Critical Documents*. In eight chapters, Dr. Dilsaver presented the history of the System through the laws, reports, Executive Orders and policy statements. With the permission of the editor and the publisher, Dr. Harry Butowsky, WASO, has put the entire text of the book on the NPS Web site, www.cr.nps.gov/history. Each of the chapters contains a brief introduction followed by the entire text of eight or more important documents. It is important to note that the documents cover natural and recreational issues as well as cultural issues.

• The New National Register Bulletin, *Telling the Stories: Planning Effective Interpretive Programs for Properties Listed in the National Register of Historic Places*, provides planning strategies for those who want to get involved in teaching and interpreting our nation's historic places. This bulletin is intended to help individuals and organizations develop effective programs to convey the meaning of historic sites to the public using the information acquired during the National Register survey, registration and documentation process. Nominating and listing properties in the National Register is the first step. Using that information to "tell the stories" of these places to the general public is critical in the next step to ensure their long-term preservation. For copies of the bulletin, contact the National Register reference desk at (202) 343-8012 or by e-mail at nr_reference@nps.gov. The bulletin will also soon be available on the National Register Web site at www.cr.nps.gov/nr/publications.

• Publications available on the NPS Park History Web site, www.cr.nps.gov/history include: *Yellowstone National Park: Its Exploration and Establishment* by Aubrey

L. Haines, www.cr.nps.gov/history/online_books/haines1/index.htm; *Interpretation in the National Park Service: A Historical Narrative* by Barry Mackintosh, www.cr.nps.gov/history/online_books/mackintosh2 and *Robert Stanton: Director of the National Park Service* (Short Biography), www.cr.nps.gov/history/stanton.html.

• The NPS's National Register of Historic Places has placed their newest Cultural Resource Magazine (CRM) online. *Creative Teaching with Historic Places* features articles designed for educators, teachers, historians, site interpreters and others involved in interpreting history for the benefit of the public and our nation's youth. Articles such as "Visualizing History—Inquiring Minds Want to Know," and "Developing the Next Generation of Preservation Professionals" point to the success of the Teaching with Historic Places program and the challenges awaiting educators in the future. Log onto the National Register of Historic Places online magazine at www.cr.nps.gov/crm. ■

NPS Family

Carol Barbee, wife of retired Alaska Regional Director Bob Barbee, received the Honorary Park Ranger Award. Director Bob Stanton made the presentation on Aug. 22, at a retirement party for Bob and Carol Barbee in Anchorage. "This is the highest honor I am able to bestow upon any citizen," said Stanton. Along with the citation, Carol received a plaque at the event, which was attended by over 160 friends, including employees, retirees and dignitaries. Bob and Carol moved and their new address is P.O. Box 11446, Bozeman, MT 59179.

Anthony J. Bonanno was recently recognized for 30 years of service including assignments in nine park units and six different regions. Tony first worked for NPS as a seasonal "ranger-naturalist" in 1967 at Shenandoah NP. Since then, his assignments have been in field protection positions with time spent in regional offices as well. He has served with distinction on many service-wide panels and task groups and received commendations from DOI for developing and promoting the "Park Watch" program. His current position is senior special agent, stationed in Santa Fe.

Nikolle Brown, Grand Canyon NRA, is working on a project to track the distribution of snakes in the Grand Canyon region. Since 1998 she has gathered over 200 records of snakes in the area. She is studying the distribution of the Grand Canyon Rattlesnake and the formerly little-known Speckled Rattlesnake. She would like photographs and information about snakes along the Colorado River, Grand Canyon region, AZ from Glen Canyon Dam to Hoover Dam. In addition to the photo or slide, include observer(s), date, river mile, or other location and side of river (R/L or N/S rim) where the snake was seen. The information will be used to help determine the identification and distri-



Anthony J. Bonanno

bution of snakes within the region. Please send the photos and information to Nikolle Brown, 7779 N. Leonard, Clovis, CA 93611, or e-mail to blackcatnik@worldnet.att.net.

Dana and Katrina Condron of George Washington Birthplace NM welcomed Logan Wyatt (8 lbs., 10 oz., 22 inches) on Oct. 23.

On Oct. 13, Fort Sumter NM Seasonal Ranger Brad Floyd was off-duty and driving home when another vehicle hit his SUV. Floyd was hospitalized with three broken bones in his right leg, ankle and foot. He underwent reconstructive surgery and is recovering well. He has returned to duty in a limited capacity.

The first annual Tom Franke' Memorial Golf Tournament was held at Forest Greens Golf Course in Triangle, VA, on Oct. 19. Tom, who died in 1999 from cancer, was a 22-year veteran of the U.S. Park Police. The tournament attracted over 90 golfers and from the proceeds, a substantial contribution was made to the "Franke' Childrens Fund."

Tom's widow Mary Jude and many of his family from the New York City area gathered with friends and coworkers for a day of great golf and celebration of Tom's life.

Weighing in at 7 lbs., 13 oz., Connor Gosse joined the NPS family on Sept. 28. The proud parents are Carolyn and Mike Gosse, chief ranger at Timpanogos Cave NM.

The Grater family helped Russ Grater celebrate his 92nd birthday on Nov. 16 in Boulder City, NV. Remember when (1963) he became the first supervisor of the Mather Training Center, Harpers Ferry, WV?

Bob Hansen, Padre Island NS park ranger, has recently returned to work on a limited basis as he continues to recover from injuries incurred when he was struck by a drunken driver last July. On Nov. 8 the driver of the car was sentenced in federal court to three years in prison and ordered to pay \$250,000 in restitution.

Larry Kiely, maintenance worker at Padre Island NS extends a special thanks to everyone who donated leave during his medical emergency. He is mending nicely and is grateful for everyone's help.

Ruth Kirk is the recipient of a 2000 Governor's Writers Award for her book, *Sunrise to Paradise: The Story of Mount Rainier National Park*. In addition, the American Association for the Advancement of Science included the book on their Best Books 1999 list and the Public Library Association and Association of School Libraries ranked it as "Outstanding" among university press books for the year.

Long-time retired NP Museum Chief Ralph H. Lewis suffered a stroke at the age of 91. The stroke has affected his mobility, but not his sharp mind. Cards and letters would be greatly appreciated. He can be reached c/o Homewood at Crumland Farms, 7407 Willow Rd., Frederick, MD 21702.

On Nov. 3, Shawn Maloney, park trail crew employee, Point Reyes NS was off-duty and on his motorcycle when he was struck by a drunk driver who crossed the center line of a park road. The driver failed to stop at the scene and was later apprehended. Maloney has undergone several surgeries for massive leg and foot injuries, and is recovering at home.

On November 15, the home of Paul (architect) and Adriane (exhibit specialist) Neindinger, Santa Fe-based employees, was lost in a fire. The couple are fine and anxiously awaiting the birth of their first child. Unfortunately, they lost a baby bassinet and dressing table, baby clothing and accessories in the fire. If you can help them replace the items for the baby, please contact Christina Romero at (505) 988-6777.

Janice Weaver, administrative technician in interpretation, Acadia NP was seriously injured in an automobile accident Sept. 5. She underwent surgery to repair multiple fractures and is currently making good progress, while recovering at home. Janice appreciates all of the well-wishes received from coworkers. Cards and letters can be sent to her at: P.O. Box 784, Sullivan, ME 04664.

Ernest Ortega, superintendent of the IMSO, Santa Fe, was elected chair of the Albuquerque-Santa Fe Federal Executive Board. Ortega will serve a one-year term until Oct. 1, 2001.

The Museum of the National Park Ranger in Yellowstone NP seeks volunteers who are retired NPS employees. Volunteers work 3-5 days each week for 2-4 weeks from late May through Sept. Housing is provided. For more information, contact Katy Duffy at (406) 646-9637 (winter), (307) 344-2803 (summer) or e-mail at katy_duffy@nps.gov. ■

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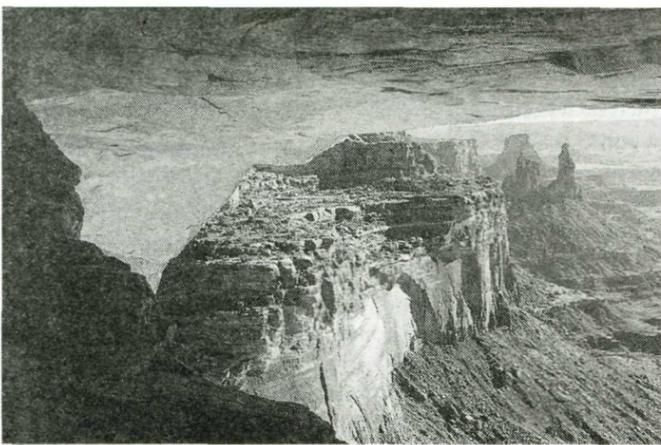
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