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## 49th Honor Awards Convocation



NPS recipients of the Distinguished Service Award: (from left) Ed Bearss, Irma Buchholz, Jim Tobin and Ross Holland; with Deputy Director Mary Lou Grier.

By Leo G. Willette  
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The crowd was standing-room-only, the auditorium awash with waves of appreciative applause.

The scene and sounds at the Department of the Interior's Auditorium underscored the significance of Interior's 49th Honor Awards Convocation, Sept. 20, 1983.

Four Distinguished Service Awards and 21 Valor Awards were presented to Park Service employees by the Secretary of the Interior.

Proud family members, friends and colleagues of the recipients mingled with NPS workers during the presentations.

The event itself was an upbeat blending of dress-up (for the recipients and families), dignity, ceremony, speeches and smiles.

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U.S. Park Police Valor Award recipients: (from left) Ronald F. Miller, William W. McQueeney, Donald P. Jelinek, Frederick R. Howard, Herman L. Cooper, Robert M. Chesley, Thomas P. Moyer, Washington Monument, D.C.

## DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS

Each recipient received a certificate and citation signed by the Secretary, along with an engraved Distinguished Service Award gold medal and gold lapel pin.

**Chief Historian Ed Bearss:** Described as the most productive historian in the history of the National Park Service, Bearss is considered responsible for the discovery and salvage of the Civil War ironclad gunboat, "Cairo." On his own initiative and time he recorded and safeguarded the irreplaceable collection of historic artifacts recovered from the vessel.

He is author of more than 100 scholarly reports and studies, eight books, and over 175 articles.

**Irma T. Buchholz:** Cited for distinguished service in recognition of her effectiveness in serving the American people through her work at the Sequoia-Kings Canyon National Park, Calif. For most of the 40 years that Buchholz has been associated with the park, she has been a focus for park activities, employees and visitors.

Buchholz joined the Park Service at Three Rivers, Calif., in 1943. Although her title has remained secretary all these years, her actual roles over four decades have filled the breach created by vacancies and need. She was there at the merger of the then-separate Sequoia and Kings Canyon parks and provided living linkage throughout its existence. She is credited with "breaking-in" and serving 13 superintendents.

**F. Ross Holland, Jr.:** Throughout his career, Holland provided excellence to all assignments, but nowhere more convincingly than in his position as Associate Director for Cultural Resources Management. After 30 years of service, Holland retired in April to accept a position in New York City with the Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island Commission.

Among his many accomplishments, he established the Division of Curatorial Services, to better manage an estimated 10 million artifacts, works of art, and objects of literature entrusted to the Park Service.

**Daniel J. (Jim) Tobin, Jr.:** Hailed for his contributions in park management, Tobin has also drawn respect by those communities and organizations with whom he has worked.

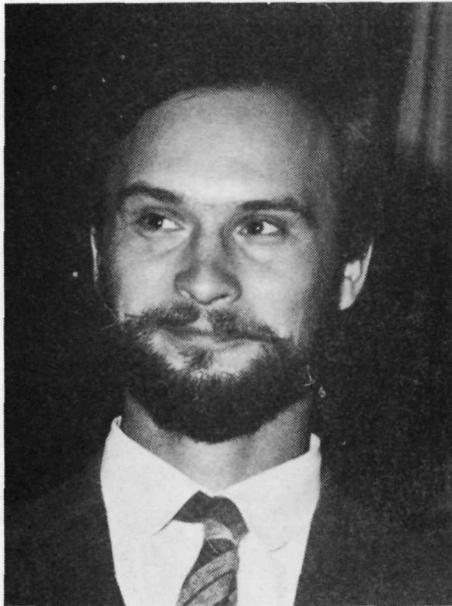
While Associate Regional Director for the Western Region, he coordinated the Yosemite Valley transportation system, resulting in a model system for the Service.

Now, as Regional Director of the Pacific Northwest Region, Tobin has worked to increase effectiveness and efficiency, while establishing economies in operations.

## VALOR AWARDS

**Thomas P. (Pat) Moyer:** As millions of Americans watched on national television, Moyer played his role against a would-be terrorist who was threatening to detonate 1,000 pounds of explosives at the foot of the Washington Monument in Washington, D.C.

Within a short time of the assault on the Monument, police had determined the identity of the terrorist and established that there was a high probability that he was armed as claimed and capable, mentally and technically, to carry out his threat. At the onset of the December 8 ordeal, eight persons were trapped at the observation level of the Monument. Concerned that the irrational behavior of the terrorist could lead to injuries to



Victor Rydlizky, Valor Award recipient, Acadia NP, Maine.



Valor Award recipients: (from left) Calvin D. Yates, John W. Klepp, Frank Hart, and John P. Farrell, Rock Creek Park, D.C.

Photo by Bill Clark.

the trapped persons, police authorities acted through a media representative to request the terrorist to permit their release.

The terrorist would only permit a National Park Service Ranger to enter the Monument to lead them to safety. U.S. Park Police Detective Moyer volunteered to dress and pose as a ranger to effect their safe release and to gather additional information about the terrorist. Still disguised, he returned at dusk to manually illuminate the Monument. On both occasions, Moyer was unarmed despite the jeopardy to his own life.

**U.S. Park Police Major William W. McQueeney, Lieutenant Ronald F. Miller, Sergeant Herman L. Cooper, Officers Robert L. Chesley, Frederick R. Howard and Donald P. Jelinek:**

Also on Dec. 8, 1982, at the Washington Monument, a team effort by U.S. Park Police ended the bomb terrorist's 10-hour siege.

The terrorist, thought to be armed with explosives in a van, attempted to drive the vehicle from the Monument grounds. Shots were fired at the van to prevent the terrorist's escape to the city streets, which could have resulted in greater jeopardy to the public. The vehicle overturned. Within seconds, a small cadre of law enforcement officers approached the vehicle in an attempt to render aid to the terrorist and to disarm

and remove all possible explosives from the area.

The special forces team exposed itself unhesitatingly to life threatening danger to thwart the potential for a devastating explosion.

**Victor Rydlizky:** For his courageous action at Acadia National Park, Maine, on Aug. 19, 1981, which resulted in the saving of a life.

**John P. Farrell, John W. Klepp, Frank Hart and Calvin D. Yates:** For courageous action in rescuing four persons from drowning on Sept. 16, 1981, when a car skidded out of control on Beach Drive, Rock Creek Park, Washington, D.C., plunging into a raging torrent of the flood-swollen creek.

#### CONSERVATION SERVICE, PUBLIC SERVICE, AND ANNUAL SAFETY PROGRAM AWARDS

Still other award recipients were private citizens and groups who made significant public-spirited contributions to natural resource conservation and management.

These included **Ruth Blackburn** of Maryland, who has given half a century of volunteer expertise and leadership to protection of the Appalachian Trail; **Henry Little** and **Kelvin Taketa**, whose planning and fund-raising led the Hawaii Nature Conservancy to acquire more than 12,000 acres for protection of rare and endangered wildlife; **Jane Remmarck Gully** of Arkansas, who has waged a successful personal campaign to acquaint the public with the facts about eagles and other raptors; and the **Cherokee Historical Association**, which has worked tirelessly to perpetuate the history and culture of the Cherokee Indians of North Carolina, strengthened the economy of their reservation, and promoted appreciation for the natural resource treasures of the Great Smoky Mountains.

Together with five other individuals and organizations, they received Interior's Conservation Service Award or its Public Service Award for their work.

The Secretary's Annual Safety Program Award for calendar year 1982 was presented to the National Park Service for improved action in reducing accident, injury and illness rates. This award is made annually to a bureau or office of the Department in competition with all the others.

# America's mysterious

By Naomi L. Hunt

While on vacation in Ohio last summer, I stopped for a few hours to visit with Superintendent Kenneth E. Apschnikat and some of the staff at Mound City Group National Monument, which lies along the west bank of the Scioto River, 3 miles north of Chillicothe.

Supervisory Park Ranger Jerry Chilton, Administrative Technician Bonnie Murray and Seasonal Park Technician Dave Ziegler joined us as we chatted informally about management, interpretation and maintenance of the area that was proclaimed a national monument in 1923, and transferred from the War Department in 1933.

Apschnikat then walked me through the visitor center to see exhibits of artifacts that had been discovered in the mounds. These include copper breastplates, tools, obsidian blades, shells, ornaments of grizzly-bear teeth, and stone pipes exquisitely carved as birds and other animals. A short film and a floor-to-ceiling painting—an artist's conception—give insights into the ceremonial customs of these prehistoric people. Also, broad vistas of the 120-acre park, with 23 of its mysterious mounds, can be seen from the upper deck of the visitor center. Trees screen a small picnic area, and short nature walks lead through meadows and shady groves of hickory, maple and other hardwood trees.

Before the Ice Age ended, the first people crossed the Bering Strait; they came from Asia into North America. Their travels carried them across what is now Canada and into the United States. The earliest inhabitants were migratory hunters and gatherers, some of whom reached present-day Ohio at least 11,000 years ago. By about 1,000 B.C., native tribes in Ohio began to adopt more sedentary lifestyles, which included small-scale agriculture, pottery-making, and burial of the dead in earthen mounds.

By 200 B.C., a group of moundbuilding Indians had developed a distinctive culture in the Middle West. The name given to these people is Hopewell, after the 1891 excavation at the farm of Mordecai Hopewell, west of Chillicothe, Ohio. We do not know what name these people gave themselves, nor do we know very much about this ancient culture.



Mound City Group NM, Ohio.

For perhaps 700 years the Hopewell flourished, their cultural zenith being here in the Scioto Valley of southern Ohio. By about 500 A.D. the Hopewell culture had faded. Hundreds of years later European settlers found only burial mounds and ceremonial earth works to hint at this vanished culture.

The Hopewell are best known for their artistic achievements and their practice of erecting earth mounds over the remains of their dead. From the extraordinary wealth of burial offerings found in the mounds, archeologists have gained insights into the life of these prehistoric people. They were excellent artists and craftsmen and worked with a great variety of material foreign to what is now Ohio.

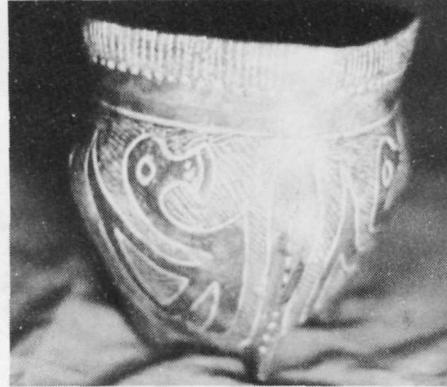
The Hopewell maintained a vast trading network to import the exotic materials that were used by their craftsmen. Copper from the Lake Superior region was cold-hammered into ear spoons, headdresses, breastplates, ornaments and ceremonial objects. Pipestone from the Ohio River Valley was beautifully carved to represent the animal life with which they shared their world. With obsidian from the Rocky Mountains they made delicately chipped blades. Freshwater pearls from local streams, quartz and mica from the Blue Ridge Mountains, shells from the Gulf of Mexico, grizzly-bear teeth from the Rockies—all were used in making the beautiful and elaborate

offerings buried with the dead. Pottery of excellent workmanship was made; and even woven fabrics of bark and other wild vegetable fibers have been found preserved through contact with copper objects. Animal bones were used extensively, and wood must have been important in the manufacture of implements and utensils.

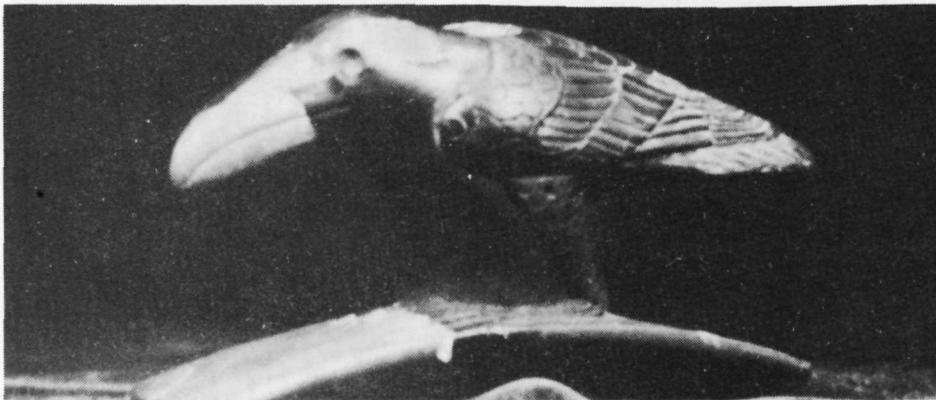
The Hopewell Indians probably lived in small villages near rivers and streams. Some of their villages may have been some distance from their mounds; sites such as Mound City served chiefly as ceremonial centers. They probably had some knowledge of agriculture and cultivated small gardens to augment their diet of wild plants and animals. Though their culture and influence was widespread, the evidence of their remains suggests that the Hopewell were a peaceful and more or less sedentary people.

Possibly this peaceful and sedentary existence was one of the reasons for the disappearance of their culture. Perhaps they were harassed by more warlike tribes. It is possible that their cultural pattern changed in emphasis, allowing them to abandon these religious centers. But whether the end of this colorful way of life was due to conquest, disintegration from within, or a combination of factors, the Hopewell culture endured and flowered for many years before passing from the scene.

# moundbuilders



Artifacts found in ancient mounds.



More than 1200 years after the decline of the Hopewell, the first European settlers moved into southern Ohio and "discovered" the mounds. According to a map produced for the U.S. Government by Cyrus Thomas late in the 1800s, there were 10,000 mounds and other earthworks left by the Hopewell and other prehistoric groups in Ohio.

The greatest concentration of Hopewell burial mounds is located along the banks of the Scioto River, 3 miles north of Chillicothe. The site, named Mound City, lies within a rectangular earthen enclosure of approximately 13 acres, within which are located 23 burial mounds. The earthen walls of the enclosure vary in height from 3 to 4 feet, with an entrance or gateway on both the east and west sides. The largest mound of the group was described by early explorers as 17½ feet high and 90 feet in diameter. All the mounds are domed-shaped with the exception of one which is elliptical. Just outside the enclosure stand two additional mounds.

The Mound City site was mapped and partially excavated by two pioneer

archeologists, E.G. Squier and E.H. Davis. The results of their survey of prehistoric earthworks, *Ancient Monuments of the Mississippi Valley*, appeared in 1846 in the first publication of the newly founded Smithsonian Institution. Though early employers had noticed many of the mounds, Squier and Davis' work was the first detailed study of prehistoric structures in the Mississippi Valley and is an archeological milestone.

The excavations at Mound City by Squier and Davis produced a great many spectacular objects, most interesting of which were numerous stone effigy pipes. Many were realistically carved in the images of birds, mammals and human heads. These objects, first acquired by the Blackmore Museum in England, were later transferred to the British Museum, London, where they remain today.

During World War I the area comprising Mound City was incorporated into Camp Sherman, a large U.S. Army training center. In 1920-21, after Camp Sherman had been razed, the Ohio Historical Society conducted extensive excavations at the site. These supplemented the information secured by Squier and

Davis. A few years later the society restored the earthworks according to the best information available and developed the tract into a State memorial—later to be transferred to the National Park Service. The 1920-21 excavation brought to light many interesting details of the construction and purpose of the mounds, and yielded many fine artifacts typical of the Hopewell culture.

Recent excavations have revealed further information about the mounds and their ancient builders. A more accurate restoration of many parts of the site had been made possible under a program of archeological research. This work, as well as that of the 1978 Chillicothe Conference on Hopewell Archeology proves that Mound City is still a great storehouse of information about the Hopewell people.

In 1978, the Chillicothe Conference on Hopewell Archeology was held at the request of Fred Fagergren, former Superintendent of the Mound City Group National Monument. The sales desk at Mound City had sold nearly all of its copies of *Hopewellian Studies* by A.R. Kelly, and that volume was out of print. Was there an alternative publication which summarized, synthesized, or brought together a number of papers on Hopewell archeology? There was not. Furthermore, a reprinting of *Hopewellian Studies* would not include the considerable research completed since 1960. As a solution, it was suggested that the National Park Service support a conference on current Hopewell archeology. An agreement was reached and such a conference, sponsored jointly by the National Park Service and by the Cleveland Museum of Natural History was held in Chillicothe.

One objective of this conference was to provide adequate and current regional and topical data for discussion of the Hopewellian complex in Eastern North America. This was accomplished by bringing together archeologists, ethnologists, and scientists in ancillary disciplines, all currently engaged in Hopewellian investigations, to present papers and discuss interrelationships.

The conference continued in a 1970s context the collection and analysis of Hopewellian data that began with some of the earliest scientific archeology in the New World.

Today, the mysterious Mound City is an area of peace and tranquillity, offering the not-so-rushed traveler an opportunity for contemplation and renewal.

## Springfield Armory stores Olmsted plans

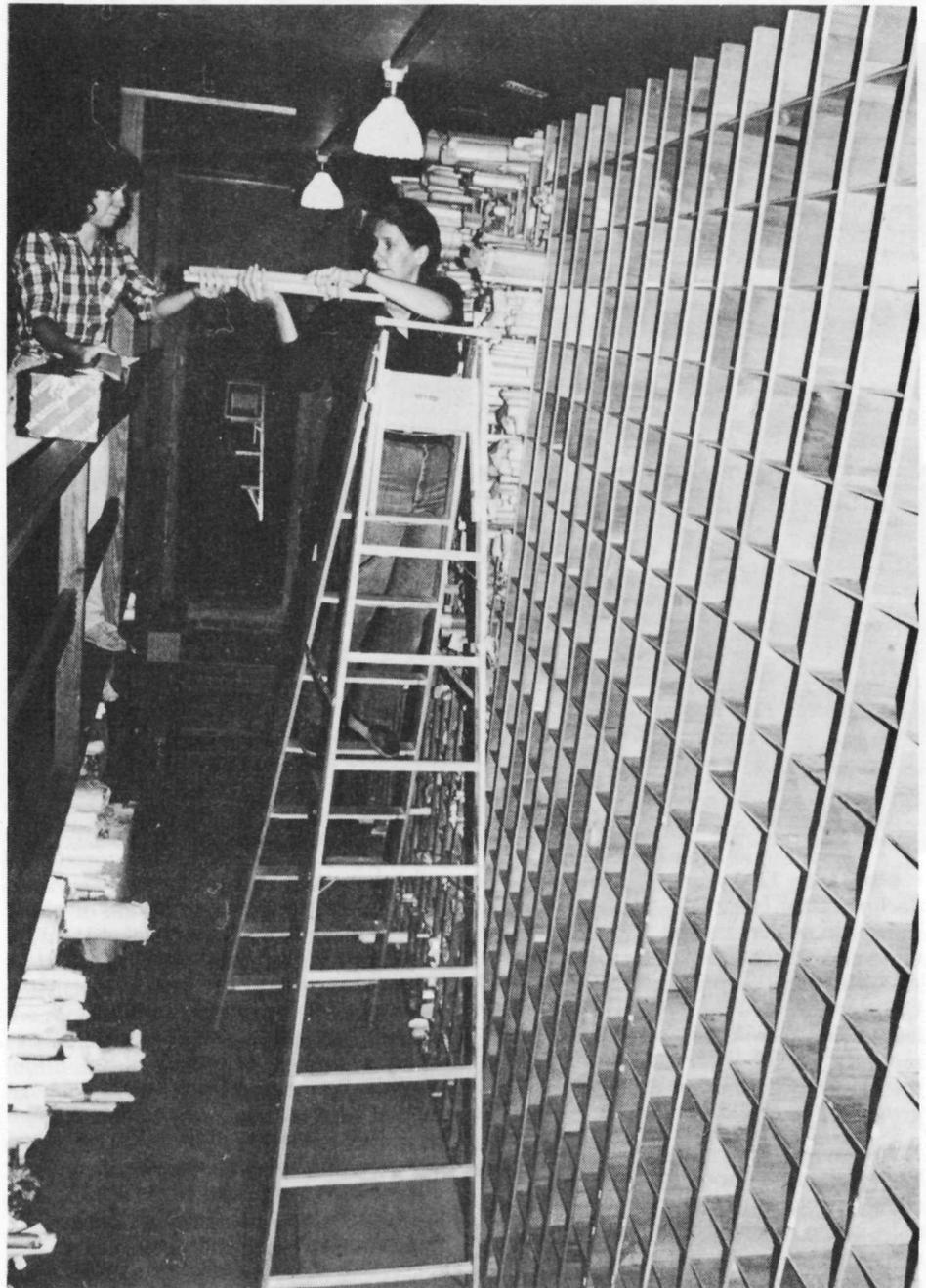
It has been suggested that when taken as a whole, the National Park Service is actually one of the largest American museums with its vast holdings of artifacts and historic structures. This seems particularly true when one site is able to provide significant support, expertise or space for the work of another, as is now taking place between the Springfield Armory National Historic Site and Frederick Law Olmsted National Historic Site in Massachusetts. The cooperative venture sprang from a massive storage problem at the Olmsted site.

In 1902, the landscape architectural firm founded by Frederick Law Olmsted built a brick storage vault on its office grounds to hold its growing collection of drawings and plans. The vault, lined with rows of deep wooden cubby holes served the firm until 1980 when the Park Service acquired the Olmsted house, office, vault, grounds and a collection including about 115,000 rolled plans.

The Olmsted collections are of remarkable historic value, representing a continuum of some 110 years of the firm's work. The fragile plans have suffered from age, use, moisture and mold, dirt and poor packing. The Park Service has designed a new storage system which will provide flat shelving for the bulk of the plans, climate control and fire protection, and which will fit within the walls of the original vault.

In order for the renovation work to begin next spring, the vault had to be temporarily emptied and a new space found to house the bulky plans, which would be packed into some 3,200 cardboard tubes 7-inches in diameter and 56-inches long. One possibility was the partially empty storage room on the second floor of the Springfield Armory, unfortunately some 90 miles away. A host of other Governmental and university archival repositories in the Boston area were considered by Olmsted Site Manager Shary Page Berg, each with its own set of drawbacks.

During this search, Doug Lindsay, Superintendent of the Armory realized that sectioning off a large piece of the open storage room to hold the Olmsted plans for 3 years, would eventually provide a secure area to hold the Armory's own library and archives separate from the study collection of guns. Some of the



*Removing plans from cubby holes in the vault. Frederick Law Olmsted NHS, Mass.*

shelving the Olmsted site needed could be purchased by the Armory, loaned to the plans room for 3 years and then used to better accommodate the Armory's machine gun collection. The Olmsted staff finally resolved that the Armory with its adequate size, good security, fire safety and receptive attitude was preferable to all the more convenient options. In April, the maintenance staffs of both sites built a 14' x 95' wall to section off the room. The Armory staff installed rows of

shelving, put up window shades, and on July 11, the first van load of 73 tubes arrived for storage.

Before the end of the year, the archives staff at Olmsted expects to have transferred all the plans and to open the collection for research again. "Here was a joint venture between two parks," said Doug Lindsay, "in which there was mutual benefit, no lost cost and no lost motion. Often things don't work out that nicely."

## Accessibility at the Statue



Richard Bernard (center) chairman of the Statue of Liberty Access to the Handicapped Committee, presents to Superintendent Moffitt recommendations for making the Statue more accessible to the disabled. Others: (from left) Paul Smith of the New York State Office of Advocates for Disabled Persons; Bill Scott, director of the Essex County (N.J.) Office on Handicapped; Conrad Vuocolo, representing Rep. Frank Guarini of New Jersey; Ray Bloomer, disabled program specialist, NAR; and Ross Holland of the Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island Centennial Commission.

In ceremonies at Castle Clinton National Monument, N.Y., a committee representing disabled persons presented to Statue of Liberty Superintendent Dave Moffitt an 18-page report outlining recommendations for making the Statue more accessible to the disabled when it undergoes major restoration beginning soon.

In accepting the recommendations, Moffitt read a statement from North Atlantic Regional Director Herbert S. Cables in which he committed the North Atlantic Regional Office staff to assist in this effort.

"In keeping with the policy of the North Atlantic Region to strive towards providing the highest degree of accessibility possible, I strongly urge you and your staff to make a commitment of firm action," Cables wrote to Moffitt.

"It is essential that where possible and feasible, barriers to disabled people are eliminated and physical and programmatic services be provided with equality. The Statue of Liberty being a great symbol of America, it must also symbolize freedom of movement and freedom of experience by people who are disabled," Cables added.

Representing Cables at the ceremonies were Moffitt, and Ray Bloomer, disabled program specialist

for NAR. Ross Holland represented the Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island Centennial Commission. Also on hand were representatives of various State and local agencies from New York and New Jersey and representatives of the U.S. Dept. of Education and Representative Frank J. Guarini of New Jersey.

These individuals visited the Statue of Liberty and developed their recommendations after having asked Park Service Director Russ Dickenson how they could become involved.

Director Dickenson assigned the Branch of Special Programs headed by Dave Parks in Washington to work with the North Atlantic Regional Office and with Superintendent Moffitt at the Statue of Liberty.

Among the agencies making up the committee were the New Jersey Governor's Office on the Disabled; Eastern Paralyzed Veterans of America; Rehabilitation Service Administration of the New York State Office of Special Education; Essex County (N.J.) Office of the Handicapped; New York Office of Advocates for Disabled Persons; the Office of Advocacy for Disabled in Connecticut and the New York Regional Office of the U.S. Dept. of Education, as well as the offices of New York Senator Alfonse D'Amato and New Jersey Congressman Guarini.

—Manny Strumpf

## Lake Mead finds mammoth fossil

By John Mohlhenrich  
Chief Park Interpreter  
Lake Mead NRA, Ariz.-Nev.

A fossil bone, identified as part of the right leg of a prehistoric mammoth has been discovered at Lake Mead National Recreation Area, Ariz.-Nev. A duck hunter, who discovered the fossil in a remote part of the recreation area along the shore of the Virgin River, immediately notified the Park Service.

The bone was exposed when the rising waters of Lake Mead undercut a gravel bank, triggering a small landslide. The bone had broken into two pieces which fit together, 2-foot-long and almost a foot wide at the widest part.

Paleontologist Dr. Stephen Rowland was contacted to retrieve and identify the bone. He stated, "Based on comparison with complete mammoth skeletons, we estimate that the Lake Mead mammoth was a full-grown adult that stood 11 feet high."

The animal probably died in an Ice Age stream bed some distance away from the find, and portions of the skeleton were carried downstream and deposited separately.

This is the first record of a mammoth found at Lake Mead and only the second for southern Nevada. Mammoth bones ranging in age between 12,000 and 40,000 years were discovered at Tule Springs in the early 1960s.

The actual age of the Lake Mead bone has not been determined; Dr. Rowland plans to have a fragment of it radiocarbon dated. Further excavation at the site revealed no additional bones.

Through a long-term loan from the National Park Service, the fossil will go on public display this fall in the University of Las Vegas Museum of Natural History.

This latest discovery is one more example and indication that Lake Mead is rich in natural history and a dynamic geologic area as well as a popular water-oriented recreation area.

**DEATH VALLEY NM, Nev.**—Calif.—Recovery is progressing, in Death Valley, from a heavy storm in August which dumped .51 inches of rain at Furnace Creek, 1.01 inches at Emigrant, 2.60 inches in southern Death Valley, and 3.04 inches in Panamint Valley. The headquarter's weather station registered 1.12 inches precipitation for the month of August and by mid-September, total rainfall of 2.99 inches. A record may soon be set, since the all-time yearly high, set in 1913, was only 4.54 inches.

Roads and trails in Death Valley received over \$600,000 damage as a result of the flash flooding in August. Over \$400,000 damage occurred on the California-maintained highway that traverses the Monument, and over \$200,000 damage occurred to Monument-maintained roads and trails. Repairs are progressing and all major roads are open.



**GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS NP, N.C.-Tenn.**—In 1978, a newly-severed bear skull was jammed onto a fence post at the Sugarlands entrance. Last year, rangers found 14 declawed bear paws in the Smokemount area. In the last 6 months, Park Ranger Judy Johns has brought three cases involving poachers to U.S. District Court in Knoxville.

Johns fears what could happen as the illegal hunting in the park continues to grow. "We get a lot of tips about poaching, but sometimes it's hard to get people in there in time to actually catch them," she said.

Another Smokies poaching enforcement authority, Bill Cook, told of how he worked undercover to break a poaching ring where one North Carolina man boasted of killing 85 bears in 3 years.

A live bear will bring \$300 to \$500 and there's a big market for bear skins, teeth, claws and bear cubs to train dogs with.

Rangers like Johns and Cook are dissatisfied with the judicial results of the poaching cases. Fines average \$200 and poachers are frequently allowed free on probationary sentences.

"If these convicted people are wildlife abusers, they don't belong here. We'd like to see them thrown out of the park and their weapons confiscated," Cook said.

**CAPE HATTERAS NS, N.C.**—Late in 1862, the *MONITOR* and her crew of 63 left for Norfolk, Va. She tussled with the confederate *MERRIMACK* in Hampton Roads, but neither ship was fatally wounded. The Union forces left Hampton Roads with the *MONITOR* in tow, bound for Beaufort, N.C. She floundered in a fierce storm and sank in what has been known to generations of sailors as "the graveyard of the Atlantic." Sixteen went down with her, 47 survived.

The anchor of the *MONITOR* is the first major element of the ship to be salvaged since the Union gunboat was found 10 years ago. Earlier expeditions before August had recovered only small artifacts.

But, now that the 1,300-pound anchor has been brought to the surface, wrapped mummy style in wet cloth and on its way to a special tank at East Carolina University, it will be of great interest to scientists and historians alike.

**PICTURED ROCKS NL, Mich.**—A 109-year-old lighthouse located in the area is undergoing a facelift as a first step toward its eventual complete restoration and opening and interpretation to the public. A special crew of NPS restorationists are undertaking the project—the

tuckpointing, whitewashing, and general repair and restoration of the old lighthouse, which since 1874 has sought to guide mariners and warn them of the shipping hazards of the AuSable Point area of the Lake Superior coastline. Lakeshore Superintendent Grant Petersen said that the restoration crew, under the supervision of the area's building and utilities foreman John Ochman began work last summer. "John and other members of the crew—Russell Dees and Melvin McFee—are accomplishing the work using the same historic techniques as the original craftsmen," said Petersen.

**BISCAYNE NATIONAL PARK, Fla.**—An archaeological team headed by the Southeast Archeological Center (SEAC) has completed a survey and exploratory excavation of a shipwreck off of Elliott Key.

Many new methods were devised by the team to deal with diving in thirty foot depths and working with artifacts which had either been damaged by wood-boring *Teredo* worms or picked over by previous treasure hunters.

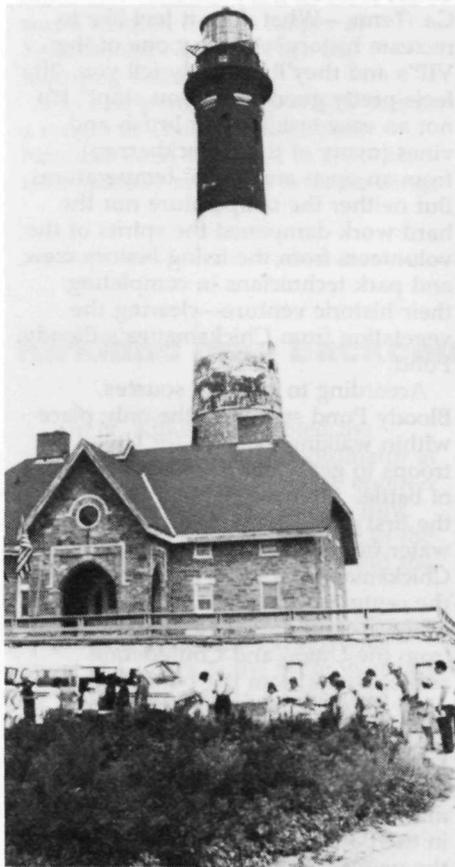
The artifacts collected by the team will determine the age and nationality of the vessel, one of several shipwrecks within the park. Selected artifacts will be restored and preserved for use in an interpretative display.

**FIRE ISLAND NS, N.Y.**—The Fire Island lighthouse served generations as the first landfall for ships travelling from Europe to the port of New York. It gave many immigrants the first sight of their new homeland.

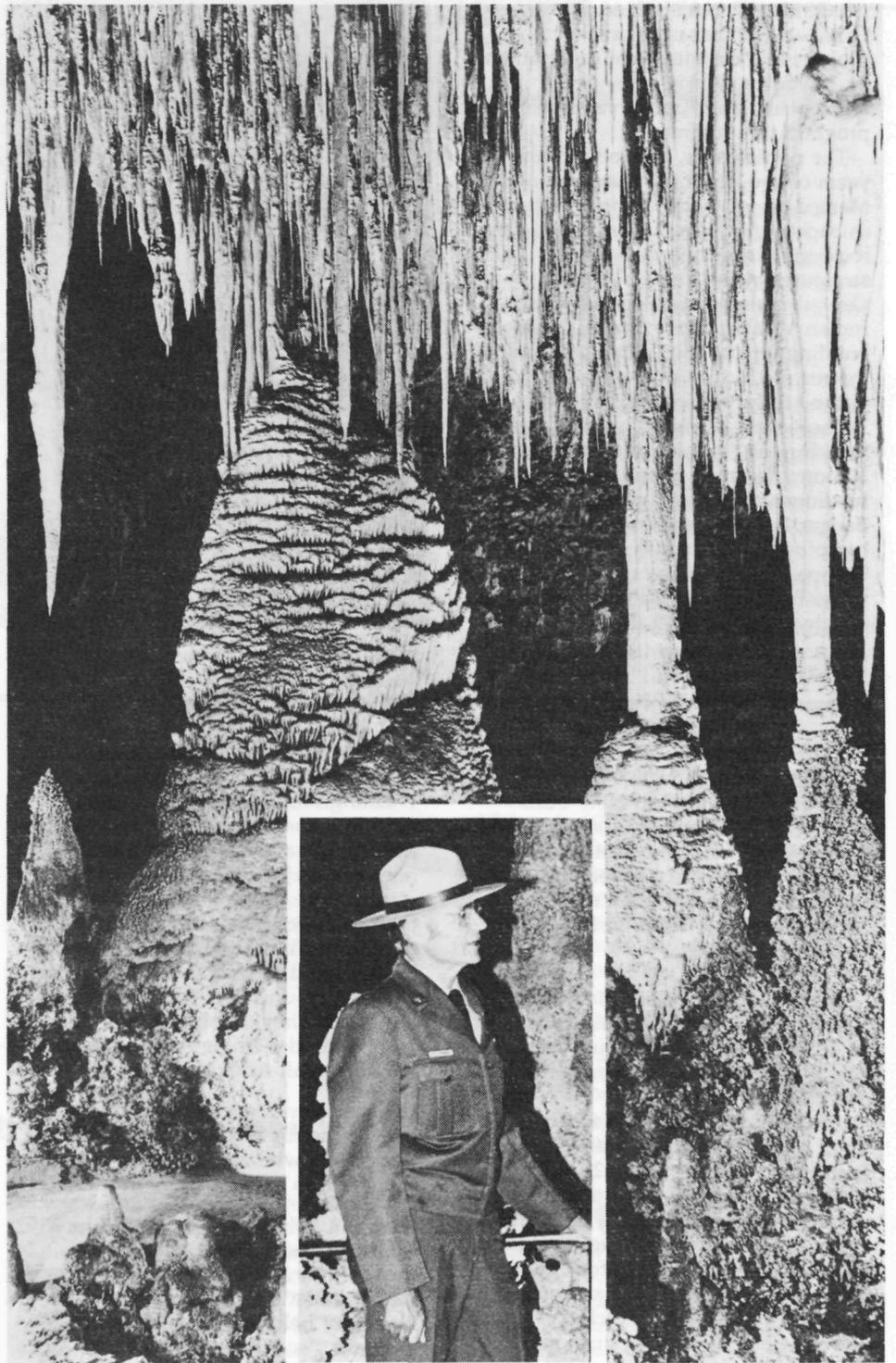
Searching for a way to commemorate the lighthouse's 125th year of existence, Superintendent Jack Hauptman felt that a special one-day postal cancellation would be an interesting and unusual means of commemoration. The day he chose for the cancellation was the first anniversary of an agreement signed by the Fire Island Lighthouse Preservation Society, which has pledged to raise the more than one million dollars needed to restore the structure and open it to the public.

The U.S. Post Office cooperated by operating a postal substation at the lighthouse and stamping envelopes with a cancellation design created by Ranger Neal Bullington.

Souvenir cachets containing an envelope printed with a drawing of the lighthouse, a sheet of information on the history of it, appropriate stamps and the special cancellation are available for \$1.50 postpaid from the park.



Seashore visitors waiting in line at the U.S. Post Office truck to have letters stamped with the lighthouse cancellation.



Superintendent Dunmire, Carlsbad Caverns NP, N. Mex.

**CARLSBAD CAVERNS NP, N. Mex.**—More than 70 media representatives and their families visited Carlsbad Caverns National Park, N. Mex., the weekend of September 17-18. They came from all over West Texas, from El Paso to Amarillo, and from as far north in New Mexico as Taos.

They were provided with a press kit

containing enough information about Carlsbad to fill a book, and they were treated royally according to a report in the *Carlsbad Current-Argus*.

The Secretary of the Interior was there to give the keynote speech. He also accompanied the party on a tour conducted by Superintendent Bill Dunmire and area manager Larry Henderson.

**YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK,** Calif.—A number of important projects in Yosemite were undertaken by 24 youths during an 8-week residential Youth Conservation Corps program this summer.

The participants, between 15 and 18 years of age, from the Mariposa and Merced areas, worked on projects such as backcountry maintenance, building rock retaining walls on several structures at the Pioneer History Center, maintenance work in the Indian Village, construction of a metal building at Hodgdon Meadow, and the reconstruction of a split-rail fence at the Mariposa Grove of Big Trees.

The youths spent 30 hours a week working for the minimum wage and 10 hours learning about their relationship to the environment. Badger Pass is converted into a base camp by The Yosemite Park and Curry Company, and spike camps were set up at Tuolumne Meadows, Hetch Hetchy and Merced Lake.



**ELLIS ISLAND, N.Y.**—Seven graduate students from New York University's museum studies program are working under contract from the National Park Service to retrieve and store over 8,600 objects in more than 200 rooms of the island's old immigration center.

The 4-month expedition, which began June 20, is the second phase of an extensive historical project whose goal is to create a permanent museum collection for the island.

Ellis Island, most famous as the point of entry for more than 12 million immigrants starting in 1892, has also served as a point of deportation for the diseased and politically subversive, as an Army hospital during World War I, a detention center for enemy aliens and a Coast Guard station.

Probing the soil with pick and shovel is not necessary, since most artifacts have been found above ground, including crumpled shoes, floppy women's hats and miniature looms. More common are identification cards of those who were deported, old radios, documents, office furniture and log books showing the type of food that was served.

Once the artifacts are collected and stored, National Park Service officials will select those to be preserved and restored. Work at Ellis Island is scheduled for completion by 1992.

**VIETNAM MEMORIAL,** Washington, D.C.—A World War II veteran comes to attention and salutes; a farmer pauses in front of a name, removes his John Deere cap and stands there fighting back the tears; a mother places a Polaroid shot of her two small children near the name of her husband and, drawing the children around her, quietly weeps. Others, as they do almost every day, leave behind a single rose, a wreath, a cross, a small American flag.

These scenes are particularly wrenching for the Park Service volunteers who are stationed at the memorial to assist visitors in finding names.

One of them, Elaine Shriber, on the job only a few weeks, said every day was like the first. "Some don't want any help in finding the names" she said, "so I always step back and let them be. They want to be alone."

Gertrude Gerber, who has been working as a volunteer since she retired from her job at the Department of Commerce, said: "A lot of the people I help are here to take pictures of the names or to do rubbings that they can take back home to somebody who lost a son or brother in Vietnam. They cry and we cry with them. I go home at times and tell my husband about it and start crying again.

**CHICKAMAUGA & CHATTANOOGA NMP,** Ga.-Tenn.—What does it feel like to recreate history? Ask any one of the VIP's and they'll probably tell you, "It feels pretty good when you stop!" It's not an easy task to clear brush and vines (many of them blackberries), from an open area in 95° temperatures. But neither the temperature nor the hard work dampened the spirits of the volunteers from the living history crew and park technicians in completing their historic venture—clearing the vegetation from Chickamauga's Bloody Pond.

According to primary sources, Bloody Pond served as the only place within walking distance for Union troops to get water during the first day of battle. After the fighting stopped the first day, Union cavalry obtained water from the springs in the town of Chickamauga, some 4 miles south of the center of the battle line. At the end of the second day of battle, wounded from the Union and Confederate armies drank from the pond at the same time. Many men in blue and gray died in or near the pond. Bloody Pond is not a monument to any particular army or corps, but rather a monument to all the people engaged in the Battle of Chickamauga and to the people of this country who will not allow this historic place to be forgotten.

# NPS people in the news

## Rouse named associate director for RMR

Homer L. Rouse, a career employee with wide experience in National Park Service areas of the West, was named associate regional director for Park Operations at the Rocky Mountain Regional Office in September and began his new duties on Oct 2.

Rouse, 47, held a similar position with the Mid Atlantic Regional Office. His brother, Jim, is superintendent at Crater Lake National Park in Oregon.

Among his responsibilities will be ranger activities, resource management and visitor protection, maintenance, safety, interpretation and other functions in support of 41 park areas in the Rocky Mountain Region, which includes Colorado, North and South Dakota, Montana, Wyoming and Utah.

Rouse attended the University of Nebraska and has a B.A. degree in Forest Recreation from Colorado State University. He joined the Park Service as a seasonal ranger at Rocky Mountain National Park in 1959. He was a student trainee ranger at Yellowstone National Park the following summer.

His first permanent position was as a ranger at Theodore Roosevelt National Park, N. Dak., in 1961. He subsequently served at Sequoia-Kings

Canyon National Park, Calif.; Blue Ridge Parkway, N.C.-Va.; Scotts Bluff National Monument, Neb.; and Agate Fossil Beds National Monument, Neb.

Rouse was on the legislative staff at NPS headquarters in Washington, D.C., from 1971 to 1973. There, he worked on legislative proposals to establish the Golden Gate National Recreation Area in California and the Hohokam Pima National Monument in Arizona.

He became Superintendent of Joshua Tree National Monument, Calif., in 1973, and was named Superintendent of Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area, Mont.-Wyo., in 1976. He assumed the position in Philadelphia in 1980.

In his new Denver role, he succeeds Lloyd E. (Buddy) Surles, who resigned earlier this year to enter private business.

Rouse and his wife, Denver native Carole Ann, have three children: Mark, 22, Curt, 21, and Cynthia Lee, 16.

Rouse served in the U.S. Army from 1955 to 1957. He is a member of the Association of National Park Rangers, the Federal Business Association and the NPS Employees and Alumni Association.

## Whalon to Hovenweep

Alan G. Whalon was recently named to become area manager of Hovenweep National Monument, Colo. He assumed his new position Oct. 16, replacing Roger Trick, who was transferred to another assignment earlier this year.

Hovenweep, from a Ute Indian word meaning "deserted valley," is a 785-acre site astride the Colorado-Utah boundary. It consists of six groups of ruins that were occupied by prehistoric Pueblo Indians dating before A.D. 1300. The national monument is supported administratively by Mesa Verde National Park.

The new area manager was born March 22, 1946, at Northbridge, Mass. and has degrees from the University of Connecticut (Management Science, 1974) and from Yale University (Forest Science, 1977).

After working as a private consulting forester in Connecticut, Whalon joined the Park Service as an intake ranger at Acadia National Park, Maine, in 1977, and became chief ranger at Chaco Culture National Historical Park, N. Mex., in 1980.

He left the NPS briefly in 1981 and worked as a summer seasonal at Gila Cliff Dwellings National Monument in New Mexico before re-joining the NPS as supervisory park ranger at Big Cypress National Preserve, Fla., last year.

With the U.S. Air Force from 1966-1971, he was with an intelligence unit both in the Philippines and in West Germany.

## Kirkland new backcountry ranger at Zion

Paul N. Kirkland accepted the position of backcountry coordinator at Zion National Park, Utah. He entered on duty in his new position in July. He said, "I am looking forward to the challenge of the new position and the new area."

Kirkland began his Park Service career at Craters of the Moon National Monument, Idaho, as a seasonal maintenance worker in 1970. After serving as a seasonal maintenance worker at Saguaro National Monument, Ariz., he accepted a position at Chiricahua National Monument, Ariz., as equipment operator/roads and trails foreman in June 1973. Kirkland transferred to Independence National Historical Park

as a law enforcement technician in 1976 and then to Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historical Site, Mont., as a resource management/visitor protection technician in 1977. Prior to his appointment at Zion, Mr. Kirkland served 2½ years as the Maze District Ranger in Canyonlands National Park, Utah.

While working at Independence National Historical Park, Paul met his wife Harriet, who was working her fifth season there as an interpreter. Being from the East, Harriet finds the lifestyle and culture of the West quite different from what she is used to. "I am very excited about coming to Zion," she commented. The Kirklands are the parents of two children, Daniel and Tiana, and reside in the park.

## Finley to Alaska

Michael V. Finley, who has served as superintendent of Assateague Island National Seashore, Md.-Va., has been promoted to associate regional director of operations for the Alaska Region. He was named to the post by Alaska Regional Director Roger J. Contor; he replaces Robert L. Peterson, recently appointed Deputy Regional Director for the Alaska Region.

Before going to Assateague Island, Finley served in several staff positions in WASO, where he became familiar with Park Service activities in Alaska. Earlier in his NPS career, he served in

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# Awards

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park ranger positions in several western national parks including Grand Teton National Park, Wyo.; Yosemite National Park and Pinnacles National Monument, Calif.; and Big Bend National Park, Texas. He held seasonal positions in Oregon, Wyoming and California while completing his education.

Finley, 36, is a native of Medford, Oregon, and a graduate of Southern Oregon College at Ashland. He served 4 years in the U.S. Army Reserve. He is past president of the National Park Service Rangers Association.

Finley's family includes his wife, Lilly, and two daughters. He assumed his new duties in Anchorage in August.

## Safety Officer Woodbury retires

Charles P. Woodbury, safety manager for the Pacific Northwest Region, retired Oct. 14 after 37 years of Government service. Chuck transferred to the Seattle office from Coulee Dam National Recreation Area, Wash., in February 1970.

Born in Kansas City, Mo., Chuck attended Kansas City Jr. College prior to enrolling at Colorado State University. His education was interrupted by a 3-year tour in the Army where he was attached to the 96th Division serving in the Philippines. After his discharge in 1946, he completed his B.S. degree in Physical Science and Biology at Colorado State University.

His first assignment with the National Park Service was a seasonal appointment at Devils Tower National Monument, Wyo. After serving as a biologist with the Soil Conservation Service in El Paso, Texas, he seized the opportunity for a permanent appointment at Shenandoah National Park, Va., in 1950 as district ranger. He later became assistant manager at Prince William Forest Park, Va., (1957) and chief ranger for Coulee Dam (1962).

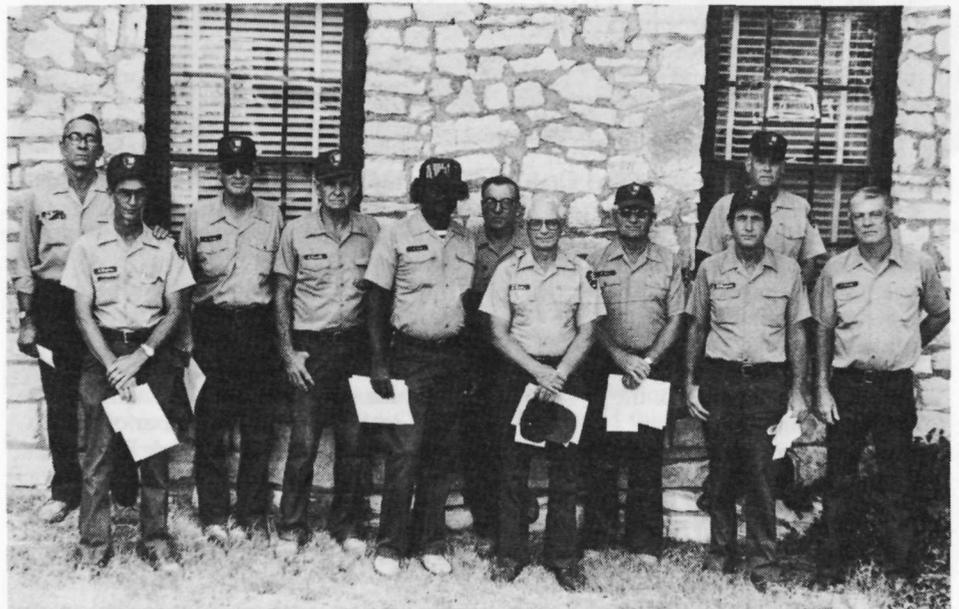
Chuck received three incentive awards while at Shenandoah and Coulee Dam, and a Unit Citation Special Achievement Award for his participation in the 1970 dedication of the Lady Bird Johnson Grove in Redwood National Park, Calif.

A recently retired Army Reserve Colonel in Military Intelligence, Chuck will continue to live in Edmonds, Wash. Chuck and his wife Jean have five grown sons.

## Award for Chickasaw workers

The Maintenance crew of Chickasaw National Recreation Area, Okla., received individual Special Achievement Awards. The awards were made for completing work and projects in addition to regular assignments. The additional work included the removal of debris after heavy flooding during May and June of 1982, cyclic and energy conservation projects, and Park Restoration and Improvement Program (PRIP) projects. Energy conservation projects included

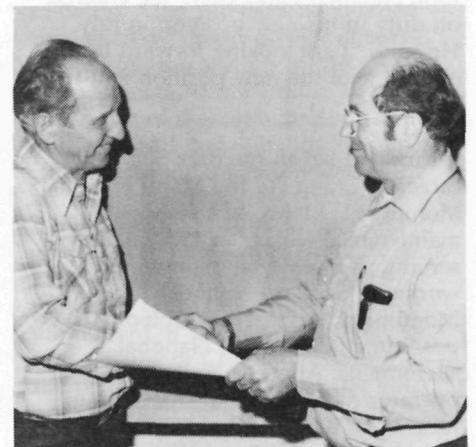
re-roofing and insulation of buildings and installation of an experimental solar heater. Projects included rehabilitation of the Buffalo Pasture fence, cleanup of 1,134-acre hunting area, construction of two storage buildings, reconstruction of a portion of a water treatment plant, rehabilitation of all boat docks, installation of 3,000 feet of underground water pipe, and construction of an addition onto a house.



(From left) Glenn E. Ward, Clifford D. Hughes, Jack R. Norton, Lawrence E. Howell, Cleve Ervin, Jr., Billie R. Roberts, Elmer T. Carr, Willie H. Hood, Billie R. Chapman, Walter E. Stidham and Eugene F. Kennedy. Joe E. Neal not pictured.

## Coulee Dam's Lee Randall congratulated

Lee Randall is being congratulated by Facility Manager Bill Schieber at a recent gathering of Lee's co-workers. Lee retired from the Fort Spokane District Foreman position effective June 1, 1983. Lee completed 31 years of service with The National Park Service, all of them within Coulee Dam National Recreation Area. Some 40 plus friends, neighbors and co-workers hosted and roasted Lee at a farewell dinner on June 4th in Spokane. Lois Randall mentioned that she and Lee, "... will do some traveling once we catch up on some of the chores around the house." They will continue to make their home in the Miles community near Fort Spokane.



## Clarke Crane, outstanding supervisor

Clark Crane, superintendent at Capulin Mountain and Fort Union National Monuments N. Mex., was recently selected by the New Mexico Governor's Office of Employment and Training as the outstanding supervisor for the New Mexico State Planning District 4 (Union County) in the 1983 Summer Youth Employment Program.

Crane, who has been superintendent at the two monuments since September 1979, was recently presented an engraved plaque by Patrick Montoya, Executive Director of the Governor's Office of Employment and Training.

He was cited for his assistance to youth by making his expertise and understanding available to them which

indicated his cooperation and assistance to the community and to the Summer Youth Employment Program.

Crane began his National Park Service career in 1958 as a seasonal employee at Yellowstone National Park. Other field assignments include stints at Lake Meredith Recreation Area and Amistad Recreation Area, Texas; Theodore Roosevelt National Memorial Park, N. Dak.; Fire Island National Seashore, N.Y.; and Glacier National Park, Mont.

Crane and his wife, Roberta, and their five children, Deborah, Regina, Marquette, Ron and Jeffrey reside at Capulin Mountain National Monument.



Superintendent Clark Crane (on right).

## Japanese visit Guam park

The August issue of the COURIER carried a story about a visit by Japanese officials to the War in the Pacific National Historical Park on Guam. Visitors and staff pictured are (from left) James M. Shintaku, Advisor; Mrs. Kazuko Tsukakoshi; Hideji Tsukakoshi, Consul General; Ralph Reyes, Superintendent; James E. Miculka, Interpretive Specialist; Debra Hollems Miculka, Continental/Air Micronesia Airlines; and Fumio Shionoiri, Consul.



## Saint-Gaudens honors special volunteer

In celebration of the National Year of Voluntarism, an end of the summer award ceremony recognizing volunteers and Youth Conservation Corps members was held at Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site in Cornish, New Hampshire. Certificates and pins were presented to a total of 23 people, and a special presentation went to Diane "Dee Dee" Gilbert.

For the past two seasons Dee Dee has been working as a volunteer, staffing the Eastern National Park & Monument Association sales counter. This year, as she has become more familiar with the life of the American sculptor Augustus Saint-Gaudens and the sculpture that surrounds her at her station, she has been providing interpretive services in Saint-Gaudens' "Little Studio."

What makes her contribution unique is that Dee Dee works from a wheelchair. Three summers ago she was involved in a motorcycle accident that left her paralyzed from the chest down. Seven months in the hospital were followed by many long months at home trying to learn to adapt and function as well as possible. Serving as a volunteer at nearby Saint-Gaudens provided her first real opportunity to get out and meet people, and working in this beautiful setting, as Dee Dee said, has been "great for my head." Besides the therapy that working at Saint-Gaudens

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provides her, the park also gains by having one more seasonal interpreter available for greeting visitors and providing guided tours. With record visitation this season, her services have been a big advantage to the site.

In recognition of 430 hours contributed to date, Dee Dee was presented a copy of the recently published book *The Work of Augustus Saint-Gaudens*, written by Park Superintendent John H. Dryfhout.

A native of Windsor, Vt., Dee Dee, 29 years of age, received her B.S. in Secondary Education from Plymouth State College, in Plymouth, N.H. Her future plans are uncertain; however, she will be working part-time at the site through the fall and would like to continue with the National Park Service, possibly in another position where she would use her background in secondary education with children and the handicapped.



"Dee Dee" receives award, presented by Supervisory Park Ranger Ruth N. Sawyer. Behind Dee Dee is her father, John Gilbert, Sr. *Saint-Gaudens NHS, N.H.*

## Linda Parks rewarded for efforts



Parks with SER Regional Director Baker.

Linda Parks is all smiles after receiving a Quality Performance Award from Southeast Regional Director Bob Baker during a recent presentation ceremony. Linda is administrative clerk at Ninety Six National Historic Site, S.C., and has been a member of the staff there since the area was brought into the National Park System in 1977.

## Job Corps helps in management efficiency

Starting in the late summer, the security and information kiosk Floyd Bennett Field at the entrance to Gateway National Recreation Area, headquarters, N.Y.-N.J., has been staffed on weekends by 12 young men and women from throughout the New York metropolitan area.

Robert W. McIntosh Jr., Gateway superintendent, noted that he hit on the idea of utilizing Job Corps enrollees when considering ways to improve management efficiency.

"It was a natural. The Job Corps members are housed at Floyd Bennett Field and many are looking for things to do on weekends. By staffing the

kiosk, they're earning additional spending money and are gaining valuable experience in how to deal with the public while handling responsible assignments," McIntosh noted.

The superintendent added that the Job Corps members are also freeing up regular park staff who are now able to perform other functions and who are no longer needed to report to work on weekends, thus making scheduling easier for park managers.

The program is being coordinated by McIntosh, John Henry Young Jr., Job Corps Center director at Gateway, and the park's Jamaica Bay, Breezy Point Unit.



(From left) Job Corps Director John Henry Young, Jr., with enrollees Debra Boyd, Tina Greene, Dwayne Butler, Gerald Brown; and Gateway Superintendent McIntosh.



## Meet Alice Lee

Congratulations are in order to Alice Lee, wife of Superintendent Daniel Lee of Vicksburg National Military Park, Vicksburg, Miss. She has been elected by the Southeast Regional Women to fill that region's term as National Chairperson for the National Park Women (NPW) 1983-85. It is a pleasure to know of her willingness to serve in this capacity in addition to fulltime teaching responsibilities. The busiest people always seem to be able to make the time and fill the needed roles when asked, and Alice is living proof.



Having joined the NPS ranks at the ripe old age of 18 when marrying Dan, she is well qualified to lead the women's endeavors now at the end of their 35 years in the Service together. What a fitting climax! Retirement time is just around the corner and building a log cabin on their lot in Cave City Ky. (pop. 3,000) is their dream. Here they not only met at ages 12 and 15, but also attended some of their high school years together when Amy Binnewies, then of Mammoth Cave National Park, was their English teacher. She became their dear friend and it is no surprise that their third daughter is named Amy. Their other girls are Nancy, Linda, and Dana, ages 19 to 33.

After seasonal tour guide duty at Mammoth Cave in 1948, and three summers at Shenandoah National Park, the Lee's first permanent assignment was at Abraham Lincoln Birthplace, Hodgenville, Ky. It was there that Alice also began her

teaching career after obtaining the needed 2-year preparation. Next moves took them back to Shenandoah, Chickamauga & Chattanooga National Military Park, Ga.-Tenn., Blue Ridge Parkway, N.C.-Va., and Custer Battlefield National Monument, Mont., before settling-in at Vicksburg 13 years ago. They have a special affinity for the area, especially the school system, which they wish to report for your information. They both keep busy with various hobbies.

Preferring to remain home while the girls were small, eventually she continued with her studies and teaching. She obtained her B.A. degree the same day, at age 41, with her oldest daughter. She now has two Masters degrees in elementary education and specialized reading. After the drastic Governmental cutbacks 3 years ago, she was reassigned from remedial reading to her current seventh grade social studies teaching position.

Alice recently received the NPW file from Mary Elms, retiring NPW chairwoman. She feels frustrated with the problems discussed at the National Board Meeting last December, which include rental rates, out-of-State tuition, no-choice moving companies, career resettlement for spouses. Even she has surrendered retirement benefits from jobs while teaching in five different States. She notes especially the lack of opportunity to transfer in the competitive system as it takes its toll among many young employees who become discouraged. Family separations, divorce and resignations seem to be happening to too many fine fellow workers.

"I want very much," Alice says, "to do something special to make the Park Service a big family the way it used to be. I really need suggestions from anyone who has ideas." Much of her job will be by correspondence as another national board meeting will not soon be held. She is especially hopeful of hearing from all the new regional chairpersons and to receive a home address for someone in each area in their charge, so as to avoid having to use Government offices for NPW communications. If not a superintendent's wife, another representative's address is needed. She is open to all concerns, views, and ideas. Phone (evenings) 601-636-3432, or write Alice Lee, 209 Longwood Dr., Vicksburg, MS 39180.

—Thelma Warnock.

## CCC at Cuyahoga



Three members of the CCC: Leonard Tullock, Joseph Revak and Max Llewellyn, with Ranger Frank Cucurullo, Cuyahoga Valley NRA, Ohio.

In mid-August, the Cuyahoga Valley National Recreation Area, Ohio, hosted a weekend of programs to honor the accomplishments of the CCC.

Included in the festivities was a slide talk, at which time three former members of the CCC—Leonard Tullock, Max Llewellyn and Joseph Revak—also came to share memories of their experiences of this amazing program. There were tours of structures built by the CCC men. Some of these, including the Happy Days camp, now the Happy Days Visitor Center, were built with the recently cut down American chestnut trees, in an effort to stop the spread of the devastating chestnut blight.

At an afternoon of musical salute to the CCC, a band played music from the 30s—the Depression era—when the CCC was created.

On Sunday there was a reunion at which 17 members of the CCC came from far and near to reminisce.

The CCC unit in the Cuyahoga Valley, the 5th Corps, was the only four-star rated company in the country. This merit was awarded based on quality of work and amount of work accomplished. And accomplish they did! Several roads, three picnic shelters, the Happy Days camp and Kendall Lake were among the results of their efforts.

A most remarkable accomplishment and a most remarkable group of men.

## A retirement bonanza

It began nearly 3 years ago, not without some reservations, I must admit. You don't work all those years with wonderful people without a few butterflies at the thought of pulling out. My wife Kay and I considered long and ardently how well it might or might not work. Yet I could not have predicted how perfectly a career in National Park Service interpretation prepared me for retirement.

I quickly discovered that having worked for NCR all those years (10 in all), I had more than a foot in the door as a potential volunteer in the parks. I had also long suspected that the most unfilled need for the Washington, D.C., visitor was nothing more or less than an understanding, friendly and reasonably informed body willing to listen as well as talk to anyone and everyone. So with the support of Andrej Balanc, Bob Miller and Levy Kelly at Mall Operations, what better

place to jump in than the Washington Monument kiosk at 15th St., N.W. At this busy little place, I made 500 to 1,000 contacts a day during a summer season. Three years here and I am yet to get bored.

So what else did NPS interpretation fit me for? The Service has a great big friendly neighbor on the Mall where I quickly found a huge and receptive attitude toward volunteers. Being one of over 4,000 volunteers at the Smithsonian doesn't mean I get lost in the crowd; it simply shows how serious they are about volunteers. Without me and dozens of other such types, the visitor to the Museum of Natural History, for example, would have no end of difficulty getting around that exciting but cavernous place. That's one day of work. On another, I help "man" Smithsonian's information phones at their Castle Headquarters, at a rate close to 100 calls an hour. A great way to keep in touch with what's going on there.

This could go on and on. Donna Donaldson and Gary Pierciuni open their arms at the C & O Canal and

make all volunteers feel like part of the park staff. Working stations at Great Falls and Georgetown open up still different worlds—I spend my day steering visitors to barge trips, hiking, biking and birding on the canal, and whatever.

For a change of pace, as a volunteer, providing one-half the staff to run Fairfax County's mini-library at the Fair Oaks shopping mall in northern Virginia takes care of my Saturdays.

Sometimes in all of this I do get to see my wife. And we really do things together—such as Elder Hosting for an extra-ordinary and stimulating week at Virginia Tech. In five intense class days, we learned human physiology and dissected a mouse the first day! talked for a week about the future (rather argued); and studied birds under a Ph.D. biologist who happened to be an avid birder as well.

So when your turn comes, don't believe 'em when someone says you destined for the rocker on the porch for your remaining days—there's a volunteer job out there for everyone.

—Rock Comstock.

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## International workshop on environmental interpretation for Hispanic people



By Michael D. Watson  
Park Ranger/Instructor  
Mather Training Center, W. Va.

The halls of Stephen T. Mather Training Center in Harpers Ferry, W. Va., housed different voices for 2 weeks in September during the Second International Workshop in Environmental Interpretation. Fourteen people from 14 countries where Spanish (and Portuguese) is the native language participated.

Sponsored by the NPS Branch of International Affairs and hosted by Mather Training Center, park managers from Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Columbia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Spain, and Venezuela attended the workshop. It provided an international forum for participants to exchange environmental interpretive concepts

and learn techniques to implement in their countries.

Several NPS employees taught the course: Douglas Cuillard, Chief Park Naturalist at Denali National Park, who is bilingual; Tom Thomas, Director of the International Seminar on National Parks and Equivalent Reserves, the University of Michigan; and I, Park Ranger/Instructor at Mather Training Center, and Yolanda Maldonado, Hispanic Employment Program Manager for National Capital Region, who acted as a translator; and Gary Wetterberg, Branch of International Affairs, who coordinated the workshop.

Only Spanish graced the classroom except when non-Spanish speaking instructors gave their sessions, which were translated simultaneously. The system worked quite well and allowed language barriers to be broken quickly.

On the first day of the workshop, Associate Director David Wright

welcomed the three women and eleven men in Washington prior to their travel to Harpers Ferry. During the 2-week session, the participants held intensive discussions and participated in practical exercises and projects in the area of environmental interpretation. Interpretation was shown to relate to park management goals, visitor needs, and resources protection, and to foster a positive protective and environmental reform. The group travelled to Shenandoah National Park, Va., and Catcoctin Mountain Park, Md., to observe various interpretive programs and media.

By design, the workshop was conducted during National Hispanic Heritage Week. Employees of Mather Training Centers, Harpers Ferry Center, and Harpers Ferry National Historical Park celebrated the week with the Hispanic visitors by hosting a reception for them, by attending lunchtime talks presented by the participants about their various countries, and by designing displays of NPS areas having Hispanic heritage themes. Mather Training Center also took on a new look as the fourteen flags of the visitors' countries flew from all sides of the building.

This is the second time for the workshop. Last year's workshop received its funding from the NPS, and eleven people participated. This year's 14 participants funded their own trips. They received total support through their own governments, the World Wildlife Fund—U.S.A., and UNESCO. This very special workshop certainly helped strengthen relations with these countries and their people regarding the international mission of parks protection and environmental interpretation. It added new dimensions to the understanding of cultures of many nations, and showed that the environmental concern knows no political boundaries.

## Phase II, Realignment Plan

On Sept. 1, Director Dickenson announced the successful completion of Phase I of the Realignment Plan; and that Chairperson Marshall A. Gingery is now working with the committee to implement Phase II of MBO objective, which includes:

—Implementation of system to monitor and control FTEs compatible

with the needs of the Budget and Personnel Offices and management officials;

—Development of multi-year Servicewide streamlining and consolidation plan;

—Review of Denver Service Center staffing levels and priorities;

—Review of Harpers Ferry Center staffing levels and priorities; and

—Review of approximately 35 field offices and 23 CPSU's

Committee members and offices they represent are: Mary Jackson,

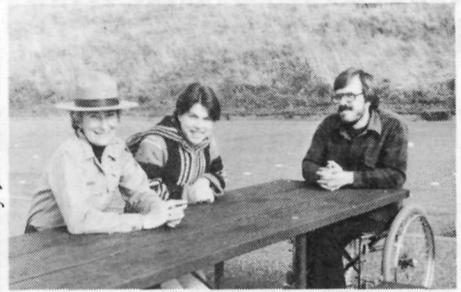
Personnel & Administrative Services; Douglas Scovill, Cultural Resources; Vernon Dame, Park Operations; Donald Humphrey, Planning & Development; James Stewart, Planning & Development, and Dale Lanzzone, Office of the Deputy Director. New members are Roberta Row, Management Consulting, NCR; Dianne Spriggs, Office for Equal Opportunity, who will serve as special assistant to Chairperson Gingery; and Anne Frondorf and Jean Handsberry of Natural Resources.

## Book

A new publication of **Access Redwood National Park** has been announced by Superintendent Douglas G. Warnock. The 15-page booklet is available at no charge upon request from Redwood National Park, Calif., by other institutions, associations, and agencies for disabled citizens, as well as by individuals. Volunteers of Humboldt Access Project in Eureka

provided input for the booklet and made recommendations for new trails, buildings, picnic areas and so forth. **Access Redwood National Park** was written by Jean Swearingen, Special Populations Committee Chairman for Redwood National Park; and Cydria Schaefer-White, a VIP from McKinleyville, Calif.

Photo by Janine Volkmar.



Jean Swearingen with VIPs.

## Workshop in historic structures: issues and policies

Most of them had only seen each other's names on memoranda or heard each other's voices over the telephone. When they met for the first time at the Mather Training Center, Harpers Ferry, W. Va., there were smiles, laughter, jokes, and a lot of serious business.

Park and regional architects gathered at Harpers Ferry last spring to discuss policy issues critical to the treatment and use of park historic and prehistoric structures. In attendance were 13 historic architects from 11 parks, out of a class size of 38.

Course Coordinator Joe Franklin arranged for a variety of speakers and activities. Speakers included Director Dickenson; Chief Curator Ann Hitchcock; Chief Historic Architect Hugh Miller; and DSC Manager Denis Galvin.

Issues ranged from managing cultural landscapes and leasing historic properties to integrating HABS/HAER programs into Park Historic Preservation. Panel discussions followed each of the presentations, giving workshop participants a chance to voice their opinions.

Developing a systematic maintenance approach to historic and prehistoric structures as well as strengthening NPS commitment to cataloguing archeological artifacts and records emerged out of the workshop. A measuring project at San Antonio Missions also got off the ground. Most important, the historical architects finally saw each other face to face. They shared mutual concerns, learned their problems were not unique, got things accomplished, and, when the work was finished . . . relaxed and shared a good time.

—Mary Maruca.



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## Deaths



Betty and Joe Brown.

**Betty J. Brown**, wife of former Southeast Regional Director Joe Brown, died in May. "She will be remembered as a kind, energetic friend who had a warm smile, engaging laugh, quick wit and a gift for living life to its fullest," said one of those who knew her well. Betty was an eager supporter of the National Park Service Women's Organization and worked tirelessly as a volunteer in helping to raise funds for the E&AA Education Trust Fund.

Her passing has left a definite void in the lives of those who knew her.

Donations in Betty Brown's name may be made to the E&AA Education Trust Fund. You may send your gift in her honor to E&AA Treasurer Harry M. Elsey, NPS Employees and Alumni Association, 3830 Pinewood Terrace, Falls Church, Va. 22041.

**Mable H. Clark**, who retired as Horseshoe Bend National Military Park, Ala., administrative technician in February 1980, died at her Opelika residence on July 7, 1982.

A dedicated and conscientious employee, "Mabel" joined NPS as Horseshoe Bend's administrative clerk in 1972. Previous to this appointment, she had worked for the Soil Conservation Service, USDA, for over 30 years.

Born in nearby Camp Hill, Ala., on Sept. 30, 1914, Mabel was the recipient of several quality increases as a Federal employee. In her spare time she loved to play the organ and was music director of the First Baptist Church in Dadeville for 12 years.

Mabel is survived by her son Frederick, a brother Joseph and two grandchildren. Burial was in the family plot in Camp Hill.

**Marcel G. Rousseau**, 58, who portrayed the French Canadian trader at Fort Stanwix National Monument, N.Y., died July 7, in Griffiss AFB Hospital after a brief illness. He was born in Montreal, Canada. He retired from the U.S. Air Force as first sergeant after 28 years of service. Mr. Rousseau was employed by the National Park Service from 1977-1982.

**Rose Marie Alter**, age 52, wife of Earl F. Alter, died of a heart attack on June 19. Earl retired July 1976 after 27 years in the Midwest Regional Office.

Rose Marie is survived by her husband Earl; one daughter, one son, and three grandchildren.

Messages of condolences may be sent to Earl and his family at 2339 South 24th St., Omaha, NE 68108.

## Corrections

The story in September *COURIER* on the CCC ceremony at Shenandoah National Park listed Harold Peterson as one of the distinguished guests. (He is deceased.) Alumnus present at the ceremony was Historian Charles E. Peterson of HABS fame.

On the back page of the September *COURIER*, photos of past Directors of the National Park Service were shown with each tenure of office. An error was in the date Director Dickenson took the helm. It was May 15, 1980.

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## Letter

To the Editor:

I just recently had the opportunity to read your issue of the *COURIER* published for April 1983. Thank you for coverage on my leaving the National Park Service; however, I would like to make a request that a correction be made to this. It was stated that I arranged the first women's seminar at Val-Kill. I did not do this; this conference was organized by Ms. Anne Barron, EO Officer of the North Atlantic Region and Mrs. Margaret Partridge, Eleanor Roosevelt National Historic Site, N.Y., assisted in this effort at the park level. My assistance was *very minimal*.

I apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. I believe this misunderstanding may have occurred when my file was reviewed to nominate me for the Secretary award. Ms. Barron had written a thank-you letter to me and a copy of that was in my file. Evidently, the letter was misinterpreted. Thank you for your assistance.

Peggie Giambona.



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# Festivities on August 25 – National Park Service Founders Day



*John Albright.*

The Denver Service Center/Rocky Mountain Region observance of the Founders Day was held during the lunch hour (brown bag) on the lawn area outside the main DSC building. RMR Regional Director Lorraine Mintzmyer, DSC Manager Dennis Galvin, historian John Albright, former RMR regional director Glen Bean (ret.) and DSC E&AA representative Bob Steenhagen (ret.) shared the podium.



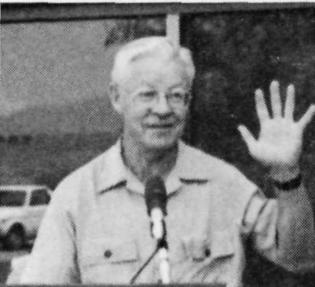
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*Rocky Mountain Regional Office and Denver Service Center Office employees and alumni meet to commemorate Founders Day.*

*Glen Bean.*



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