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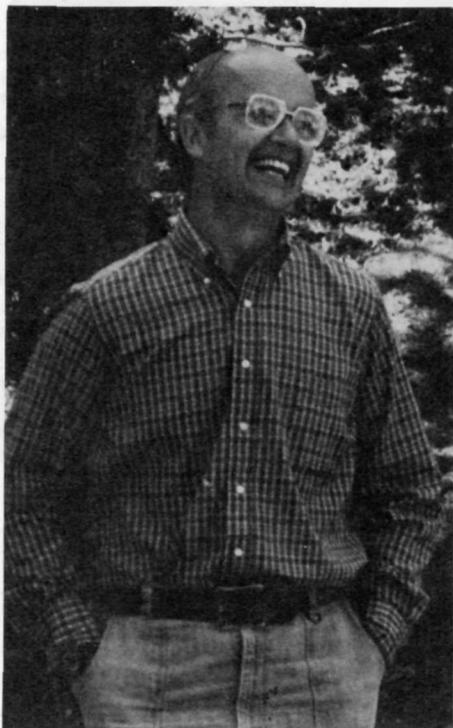
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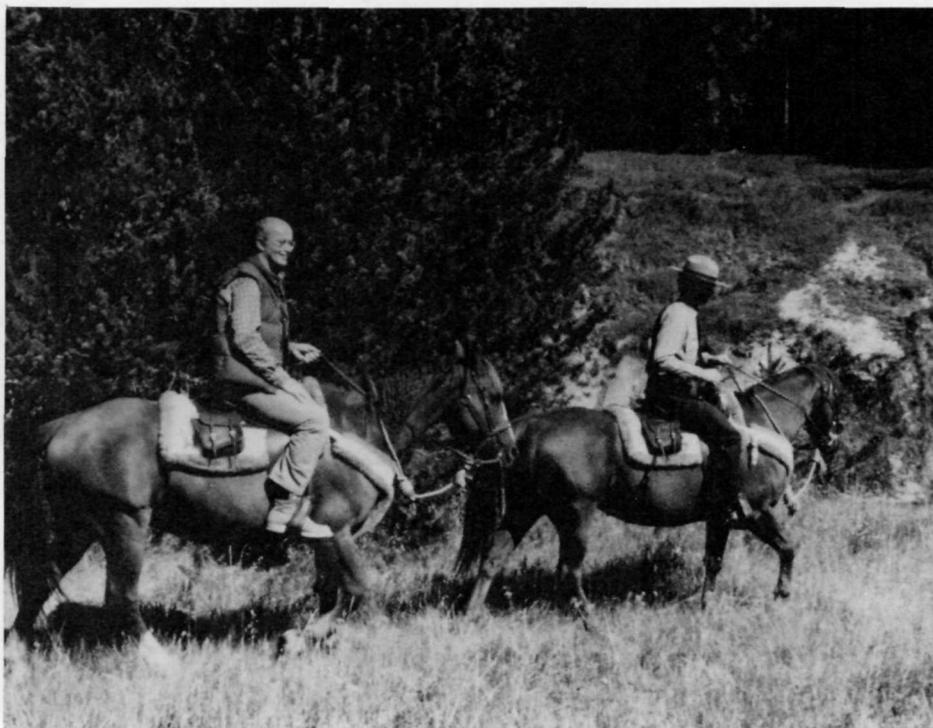
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## Secretary Watt visits Yellowstone



Photos by William Keller.



Secretary Watt

Secretary Watt (left) and Old Faithful District Ranger Steve Martin on mounted horse patrol.

By Marian Hubler and Joan Anzelmo  
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After attending the Western Governors' Conference in Teton Village, Wyo., Secretary James Watt visited Yellowstone National Park. Arriving by helicopter on Sept. 12, he immediately joined a walking tour, accompanied by Superintendent John Townsley, representatives of the park concessioners and a large number of media personnel.

A luncheon was held by the Firehole River, a short distance from Old Faithful Geyser. Accompanied by Superintendent Townsley and media representatives, the Secretary was surrounded by more than 300 visitors, including some demonstrators. Dressed casually in blue jeans, a plaid shirt and down vest, he looked the "outdoorsman," and moved comfortably through the crowd answering questions. The walking tour, which wound through the Old Faithful Cabin area, ended as Secretary Watt and the group watched the eruption of Old Faithful.

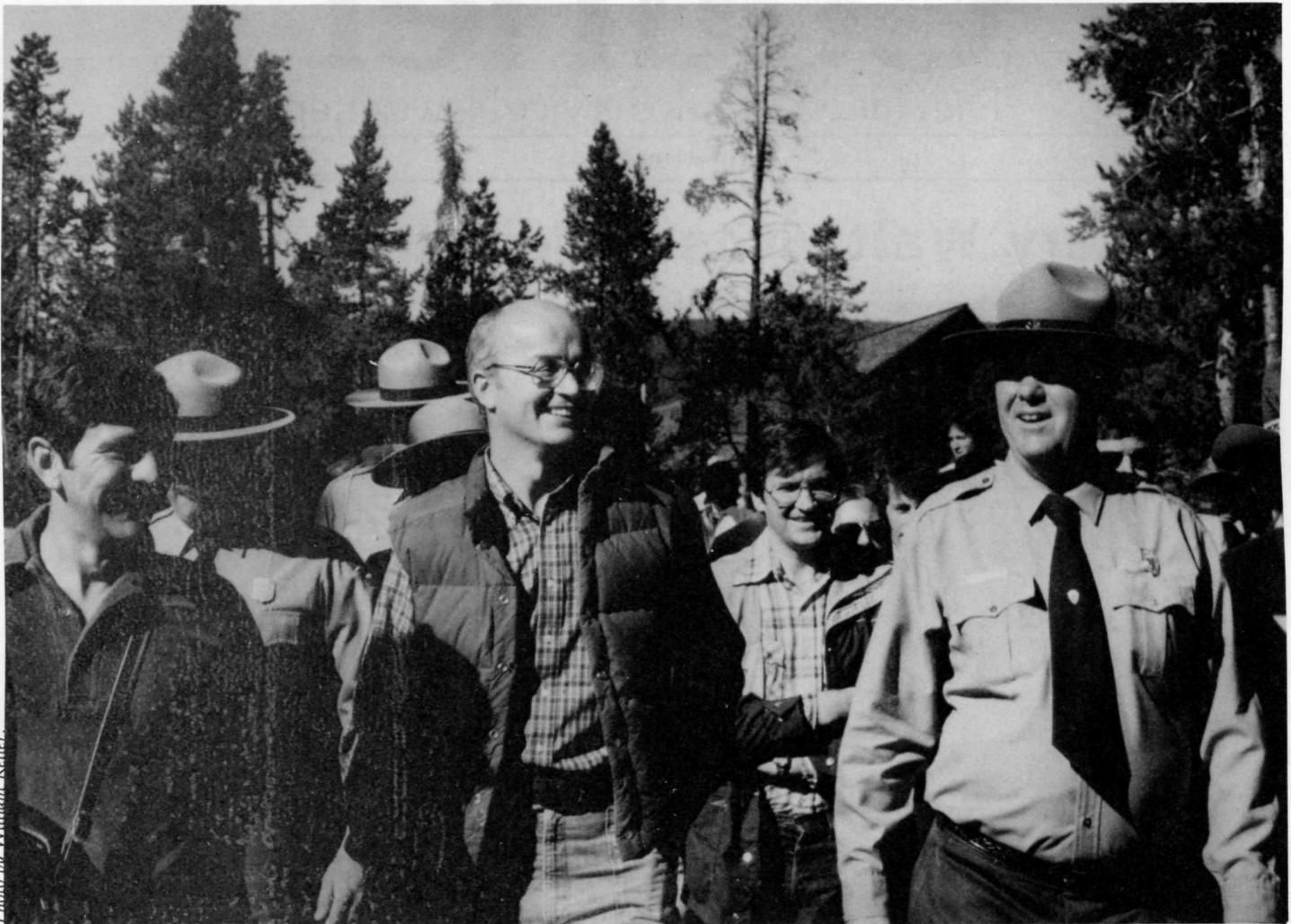
In his comments, the Secretary referred to Yellowstone as "the crown jewel of the crown jewels," and emphasized the importance of good stewardship in taking care of our national parks. He re-affirmed his commitment to the National Park Service mission to protect and to preserve our national parks for generations of visitors to come.

Born in Wyoming, he said he has had a special fondness for Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks for more than 40 years. He related a story to the press in which he had bicycled across Yellowstone in 1976, and reaching Old Faithful in the evening, exhausted and rain-soaked, decided with his companions to look no farther for accommodations. They placed an "out of order" sign on the door of a comfort station and spent the night there. No stranger to the Old Faithful area, Watt called his tour "a great learning experience," and dubbed the superintendent "Professor Townsley" for his adroit guidance.

The 100-plus media people included news teams from Sixty Minutes, NBC, CBS, ABC, and a crew from German Television.

Prior to the walking tour, Yellowstone's Public Information staff hosted the press at an early morning continental breakfast at the Old Faithful Inn. Complete with a bank of telephones and typewriters, the press rooms were set up to handle the media personnel expected to cover Secretary Watt's visit. Following the breakfast, Yellowstone staffers including Landscape Architect Dan Wenk, Acting Chief of Concessions Curt Edlund, Project Supervisor Tim Hudson and Yellowstone Information staff accompanied media personnel by bus on an advance tour of the Old Faithful area. The press was briefed on

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*Secretary Watt (left) and Superintendent Townsley flanked by media personnel, park employees and visitors while taking walking tour of the Old Faithful area.*

the Old Faithful Development Concept Plan and other Interior Department initiatives and directions for the National Park Service. The group visited the employee housing area across the roadway from the main Old Faithful complex, the NPS concessioners maintenance area, and the major waterworks construction area, including a 1.6 million gallon water tank in the final stages of construction. The purpose of the tour was to show some facilities in the Old Faithful area that are in need of rehabilitation as well as the renovation work that is now going on.

After the walking tour and just prior to the luncheon, Secretary Watt accompanied Old Faithful District Ranger Steve Martin on a mounted horse patrol ride.

After a short ride, the Secretary sat down with Park Service and concession guests to a luncheon prepared by TWA Services, Inc. After the lunch, several presentations were made by Secretary Watt. Trevor Povah, vice chairman of Hamilton Stores, was presented with a watercolor painting of the historic Hamilton Store at Old Faithful. Al Donau, vice president of operations for Hamilton Stores, received a framed photograph of a bull elk. Bill Hape, assistant chief of Maintenance, was presented with a carved NPS arrowhead in honor of 31 years of outstanding service. In presenting the award to Hape, Secretary Watt symbolically gave the same award to the hundreds of other equally dedicated NPS employees. He also gave the award to Superintendent Townsley, commending

good park management, which is essential, he said, in allowing employees like Bill to develop and make such worthy contributions to the Service. The award presentation concluded with Superintendent Townsley giving Secretary Watt a framed picture of a mighty buffalo, standing in the winter snow of Yellowstone.

Secretary Watt made a few comments to the gathering. He stressed that our first responsibility to the national parks, and especially to Yellowstone, the "flagship of the parks," is preservation of the resource. He then emphasized the other part of our mission, which is to serve the many visitors who come to enjoy the parks. An area for concentration now, according to the Secretary, is good stewardship of the extraordinary resources already entrusted to our care. A large part of this responsibility entails rehabilitating our facilities to bring our parks up to standard.

In conclusion, the Secretary said the Park Service should concentrate on developing an excellent working relationship with the concessioners so that we can work as a team with private enterprise in serving the millions of visitors who come to the parks.

For fiscal year 1982, Secretary Watt is advocating a substantial increase in funds to restore aging facilities and remedy health and safety deficiencies in the National Park System. This is good news for Yellowstone and for all national parks.

## Gala honors Park Service's 65th anniversary

Photo by National Geographic Society.



Former Director Conrad L. Wirth gave opening remarks at the Founders Day dinner. A cake was presented to Betty Mather McPherson, Stephen Mather's daughter, celebrating her birthday earlier that month. Seated are Secretary and Mrs. Watt, and Dr. and Mrs. Verne Chatelain.

By James F. Kieley  
Alumni Editor

The Reagan Administration and the National Park Service are committed to a 5-year program to restore the National Park System to the standards envisioned in the Act of 1916 which established the Service, Interior Secretary James G. Watt told an audience of employees and alumni commemorating the 65th anniversary of the Act on August 25. He spoke at a Founders Day dinner attended by close to 300 from Washington, D.C., and the surrounding region in the Membership Building of the National Geographic Society at Gaithersburg, Md.

The Secretary was introduced by Director Russell E. Dickenson who described him as "really the chief ranger" and declared that the Service "could not have a better friend." In response Watt said he considered a career in the Park Service "the finest assignment you can have in life," and characterized NPS people as a happy breed.

He disclosed that, despite a policy to replace Presidential appointees in the Interior Building, he asked Director Dickenson to stay on. He said, "We of the Reagan Administration find complete compatibility in working with

the Park Service," adding that Dickenson, Deputy Director Ira J. Hutchison, the entire NPS team, and the Secretary "speak with one tongue."

Secretary Watt explained that when invited to join the Cabinet he outlined to President Reagan a five-point program, the second point of which called for "restoration of the National Park System to its greatness." Echoing the language of the Act of 1916, he said the purpose of the 5-year restoration program is to conserve the natural, scenic, and historic objects and properties of the parks in such a way as to leave them unimpaired for future generations. "This is statutory language, he said of the Act, "but to me it is poetry" expressed in one tongue by President Reagan, Director Dickenson, and the Secretary.

The program to which the Administration and the Park Service are committed has three main segments, Secretary Watt explained: interpretation, involvement of the park visitor, and stewardship. Now is the time, he emphasized, to consolidate resources. "My job is to be a steward of what we have," he concluded, because while there is a time for building and for acquiring, there is also a time for discharging the sacred trust of stewardship.

The Founders Day dinner, an annual event, was sponsored by the 1916 Society of the NPS Employees and Alumni Association. Elbert Cox of Richmond, Va., former Southeast regional director, acted as master of ceremonies. Three former directors, Conrad L. Wirth, George B. Hartzog, Jr., and Ronald H. Walker, were present.

After the Secretary's address, 65th anniversary greetings were exchanged between the Washington group and those attending Founders Day events across the country. This was done by means of a telephone hookup, which also included Horace M. Albright, co-founder of the Service and successor to Stephen T. Mather as its second director, speaking from his home in Los Angeles. Secretary Watt spoke with Albright, telling him that "you have always been an inspiration to me." Others participating were Dick Hart, chairman of the Board, E&AA; Howard Chapman, Western regional director; Jim Tobin, Pacific Northwest regional director; John M. Davis, former superintendent of Yosemite National Park; Lorraine Mintzmeyer, Rocky Mountain regional director; Bob Kerr, Southwest regional director, and Jim Dunning, Midwest regional director.

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Gordon Fredine, chairman of the Program Committee of the 1916 Society, acted as moderator.

Howard W. Baker of Omaha, former chairman of the Board of E&AA, outlined the history of the organization and its current activities, emphasizing the value of the educational fund from which loans are made without interest to NPS employees to help with the educational expenses of their children. He also emphasized that contributions to the fund come largely from projects sponsored by women's groups. In addition, he said that although E&AA has phased out local chapters, the 1916 Society is a part of the organization and he urged the Board of Directors to recognize the Society as "an arm of the Association."

A special 65th anniversary publication containing articles and illustrations on the establishment and early years of the National Park Service was formally released with the distribution of copies to those attending the dinner. James F. Kieley, E&AA alumni editor, explained that the booklet was produced through the generosity of the Eastern National Park and Monument Association, the Southwest Parks and Monuments Association, and the National Park Foundation. He expressed appreciation to the National Geographic Society for their assistance and to Naomi L. Hunt, editor of the *COURIER*, for serving as editor and coordinator in producing the commemorative publication.

He expressed special thanks and appreciation to former Director Wirth for his "imagination, ingenuity, perseverance, and powers of persuasion," which made the project possible and became an inspiration to those who worked on it.

Copies of the booklet, which was printed at no expense to the Federal Government, have been supplied to the National Park Service for distribution to all employees, and it will be sent to all members of E&AA. It is expected to be placed on sale in the parks by the various cooperating associations.

As a feature of the program, Director Dickenson presented honorary ranger certificates to Mrs. Bertha Mather McPherson, daughter of Stephen T. Mather, and her son, Stephen Mather McPherson.

*(Editor's note: The Founders Day dinner was organized by a committee of 1916 Society members, of which Jim Kieley played an important part.)*



The Pacific Northwest Region marked the 65th anniversary of the Park Service Aug. 25 with the opening of its new regional office headquarters. More than 300 employees and guests attended an Open House in honor of the event.

In addition to the 65th NPS

anniversary, celebrants participated in the anniversary nationwide telephone audio-hookup with Horace Albright; the "physical" joining of the former Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service (HCRS) with the NPS staff in the same building, and the completion of the new regional office space.

On hand for the festivities were Mrs. Russell E. Dickenson, Mr. and Mrs. John Davis and Ted Chittenden.

The Pacific Northwest Region Employees Association provided a buffet of donated foods and a 65th anniversary cake.

Employees conducted tours of the new regional office for alumni and guests.

E&AA Regional Employee Representative Don Jackson of Olympic National Park, Wash., gave a brief history of the Association.

## Japan loans park ranger to NPS



*The Japanese delegation at the XII General Meeting with Director Dickenson. Second from the right is the Director of Canadian national parks.*

U.S. and Japanese conservation and recreation leaders gathered in Washington and Grand Canyon National Park a year ago last November for the XII General Meeting of the U.S.-Japan Panel on Conservation, Recreation and Parks. The interagency panel, including representatives of the Park Service, Fish and Wildlife Service and Forest Service, is chaired on the U.S. side by Director Dickenson.

Since its formation in 1965, the panel has served as an important vehicle for exchanges of information and ideas among policy and technical level representatives in both countries.

Focusing on issues of mutual interest and relevance to both countries, the XII meeting's agenda had a unifying theme of energy-efficient options for park and recreation managers.

A major decision reached at the meeting has made possible the 1-year detail of a Japanese national park ranger to the U.S. to advise NPS on programs and strategies in response to increasing Japanese visitation to U.S. national parks.

This exchange, which was initiated in June, is especially symbolic in this, the 50th anniversary of Japan's National Park System.

# Japan's national parks



*Peggy Dolinich and Masahiro Ohta, Japan's park ranger "on loan" to Grand Canyon NP in Imperial Palace Gardens, Tokyo.*

By Peggy Dolinich  
Interpretive Specialist, WRO

The NPS Western Region receives a large number of Japanese visitors to its parks. On my recent 3-week vacation in Japan, I was interested in experiencing not only the Japanese culture, but also Japanese national parks.

To gain a perspective of the Japanese National Park System, I met with Ryogo Nakajima, director, Natural Park Planning Division of the Nature Conservation Bureau, soon after arriving in Tokyo.

Yellowstone National Park, the first national park in the world, exerted a considerable influence on Japan. In 1929, the National Parks Association of Japan was established to create such national parks and in 1931, the National Park Law was enacted. There are presently 27 national parks in Japan, totaling 7,600 sq. miles—5.4 percent of its total land area.

These parks fulfill strict requirements: outstanding scenic beauty and a distinctive physiography and geology peculiar to each locality as well as flora and fauna high in scientific value. Many parks include culturally significant features.

In 1952, the National Parks Law was rewritten so that 48 quasi-national parks were also marked off as outdoor recreation areas close to big cities, and nearly 300 prefectural natural parks were created. These three types of parks—national, quasi-national and prefectural natural—are generally called "natural parks" in Japan.

Land in the 27 national parks is divided into three categories: normal park land, special areas and special protection areas. Commercial enterprise and development is allowed on normal park land, but planning is exercised to try to prevent the incursion of urban sprawl. Land use and development in special areas is strictly controlled. The special protection areas include sites of particular scientific or cultural value in heavily visited parks, as well as isolated tracts in remote parks where nature can be left completely undisturbed.

The government's budget for the national parks is small. Money is paid in direct subsidies to the prefectures, which are responsible for the day-to-day running of all parks with the assistance of about 100 national park rangers, and direct expenditure for the upkeep of state-owned land.

The Japanese park rangers do not "operate" national parks, but serve in the capacity as coordinators. Their rank is comparable to superintendents in the U.S. System. The duties of the park rangers are to provide guidance for protecting and using a park area and prior guidance of items to be permitted in parks, surveys and national property management.

It was at first difficult for me to understand the Japanese national park concept. Because Japan is a small country with a teeming population and a long history of private land ownership, it has not been possible to designate national parks on state-owned land alone. Hence, the zoning system, as in city planning has been adopted. It

is not unusual to have resorts, commercial enterprises and towns incorporated within the boundaries of the Japanese national parks. For example: One day I took a train to Toba, a town within Ise-Shima National Park. There I toured the world famous Mikimoto Pearl Company. In this significant area where pearls of perfect proportions are cultivated, interpretation wasn't done by the Japanese National Park System, but by this private enterprise. That evening, I stayed in a "ryokan" (a traditional Japanese inn) in Ise, another town within the national park.

In the Japanese national parks, the sheer volume of visitors is a problem of paramount importance. Access to many of Japan's parks has become too easy.

- One can drive halfway up Mount Fuji, Japan's highest mountain.
- During July and August, the time Fuji is officially opened for hiking, hundreds of thousands each year snake up four trails, five abreast.
- Exhaust fumes in the Japanese Alps have forced the authorities to close some major park roads on summer weekends.

Yet, there are remote parks in Japan which still remain unspoiled. But conflicts do exist between preserving the land, and increasing visitation for the sake of local economies.

The Japanese national parks are reflective of the culture and religions of this country. Over the centuries the combination of Shinto beliefs in the spirits of mountains, rivers, stones and all things, and Buddhist reverence for every form of life acted unconsciously to foster the creation of natural parks. Many areas subsequently designated as natural parks have long been held in special religious regard. For example, in Ise-Shima National Park, the sun goddess, from whom the Imperial Family traditionally claimed descent, is enshrined together with her relatives and attendant gods. One of the most remarkable things about Ise is the fact that the wooden shrine buildings are razed and completely rebuilt every 20 years in accordance with ancient customs.

At Nikko National Park, in addition to marveling over the historic temples and shrines, I enjoyed watching the tour groups visiting this national park. Most Japanese take vacations in groups. Each person appeared to have a certain place in the group. The tour leaders paid attention to the people in the front of the group. These were the most important people in the social structure of the group.

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As I carefully took photographs in the national parks I visited, I noticed people taking pictures everywhere—in parking lots and in front of stores. The focus was the group, not the background.

At Mount Fuji National Park, as the road ends halfway up the mountain, large parking lots filled with cars and tour buses loomed ahead. Then started the souvenir shops. I curiously watched people's patterns. It seems that no one leaves without a souvenir, a box of candies or pickles.

Being interested in visitor center designs, I insisted on finding the visitor center in Hakone National Park. Being very polite but not understanding why I wanted to stop at a visitor center, my hosts kindly made an effort to find this place. No ranger met me at the visitor center desk. In fact, there was no desk. The visitor center, a good sized room filled with displays, was unmanned. Theft and vandalism is not a problem in Japan.

The Japanese people have a respect for their natural parks. There is a romantic regard for solitary mountains, lonely forests and deserted plains. Though these are admittedly hard to find in overcrowded Japan, the mystique and the attraction of nature unspoiled lingers. It is no wonder our national parks are so popular to the Japanese visitor.

*Japanese tourists at Mount Fuji National Park buying souvenirs.*



## **Thailand officials visit Carlsbad**

Several Thailand government officials visited Carlsbad Caverns National Park, N. Mex., recently. Pictured in front of the park visitor center are members and aides of the Thai House of Representatives and Thai Senate, and their wives. Accompanying the group on their tour was Supervisory Park Technician Carol Metzger (right front).



# Fleharty of Denali

By Joan Gidlund  
Public Affairs Officer, Alaska

"I must be part gypsy," comments George Fleharty as he recalls the variety of enterprises and places involved in his career. But Alaska has held his interest for 11 years now in his role as president of Outdoor World, Ltd., the concessioner at Denali National Park (formerly Mount McKinley National Park). "Alaska has special fascinations,"

says Fleharty of his record tenure at the park. Another reason he cites for his stay is the good relationship he's had with the National Park Service.

Fleharty, a native Californian, began his career in the newspaper business following in his father's and grandfather's footsteps. Soon he became involved in Chamber of Commerce activities serving as manager of the Oakdale Chamber of Commerce and later of the Redding Chamber of

Commerce. He then became president and major stockholder of Shasta Corporation. In 1963 the corporation bought Shipstad & Johnson's Ice Follies, which it owned until 1968. It also owned the San Francisco Seals hockey team, which became the first National Hockey League franchise in California.

Fleharty served as chairman of the California Park Commission. This led to his association with the Curry Co., in Yosemite and later with the concessioner at Lassen and Mount McKinley. In 1971 he purchased the Mount McKinley concession.

The same year, the paved highway between Anchorage and Fairbanks was completed and total visitation in 1971 of 58,000 jumped to 300,000 in 1972. This led to proposals for closing the park's single road to private vehicles and substituting a bus system. The Park Service supported this idea that has become a model for visitor access and resource protection.

On Sept. 3, 1972, fire destroyed all but one wing of the McKinley Park Station Hotel which was built in 1938 under the Works Progress Administration. Fleharty met this challenge with remarkable inventiveness. Starting Sept. 4, he began preparing for next season. Over 25,000 people would need overnight accommodations. Fifty rooms were built in Washington State and transported to the park. He found "instant" kitchen facilities at a military installation in Tonopah, Nev., which were surplused as a result of Salt I. Additional sleeping accommodations were provided by using Alaska Railroad cars. On opening day in May, Fleharty was ready to welcome visitors to comfortable accommodations in this remote wilderness park.

The McKinley Park Station Hotel holds 450 to 475 overnight guests and has a dining room, cocktail lounge, snack bar and gift shop. Mrs. Fleharty operates the gift shop offering a fine selection of authentic Alaskan art at unusually reasonable prices. Many Alaskans make up her repeat clientele. George Fleharty also operates a grocery store, gas station, youth hostel, wildlife bus tour and the free shuttle bus system.

Five full-time employees, including Fleharty, masterminded this complex operation. But during the season, 240 concession employees serve park visitors. Fleharty is proud of the fact that 60 percent of his employees return and stay an average of 2½ years. He requires employees to be over 20 and the average age is 28. All but one of the

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Denali NP & P station hotel lobby.

Denali NP & P station hotel entrance.

Photos by S. W. Buskirk.



six Fleharty children have worked at the hotel at some time. In addition, his son, Kevin, worked at Katmai National Monument for five seasons and his daughter, Kathleen, worked at Grand Teton National Park for three seasons.

In 1978 he sold his company to ARA Services, Inc. and since then has remained executive manager. Fleharty is pleased with this arrangement. He considers the movement of large companies into the concession business as a change for the better. He approves of their professional approach yet keeping the human element in sharp focus.

The relationship between Fleharty and the National Park Service is one of the mutual respect and cooperation. He is quick with words of praise for the NPS. And, when you ask Park Service personnel who have dealt with Fleharty over the years, the reaction is always about the same: "George? Oh, he's a great guy and a fine concessioner!" Then follows a number of personal experiences to prove the point.

This year, a new 20-year contract for the Denali concession was awarded to ARA Services, Inc. It is legal testimony to the extent of cooperation that is possible between a concessioner and the Park Service. ARA will construct \$2.1 million of primarily non-revenue-producing facilities and improvements. These will include a new bus barn, an audiovisual room, improved employee housing, correction of life safety deficiencies, a camper services facility and general upgrading of other structures and facilities. Further, the company agreed to limit possessory interest in the improvements to book value.

When the hotel and other facilities close for the season, Fleharty and his wife return to their winter home in San Mateo, Calif. Then, possibly to satisfy the gypsy in his soul, they go on an extended vacation. In past years they have visited China and Russia. Then it's time to prepare for next summer and the unknown challenges it will bring.

George Fleharty is a gentle man with the twinkle of Irish humor in his eyes. . . a man who strives to make changes for the better and serve his fellow man. . . a man who you'd like to have as your partner.

## Grand Canyon dedicated as World Heritage Site



Described as "one of the rarest gems in the mighty treasury in our globe," by Director Russell E. Dickenson and as "one of the truly great natural wonders of the world . . . which vividly illustrates the geological history of the earth over the past 2 billion years," by Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks G. Ray Arnett, Grand Canyon National Park was dedicated a World Heritage Site at an August 23 ceremony.

Also participating in the dedication were Western Regional Director Howard Chapman and Professor Abdul-Razzak Kadoura, assistant director-general for Science of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).

"Just as the creation of Yellowstone as the world's first national park set a precedent, which over 130 other countries have now followed," Arnett said, "so too the World Heritage Convention is encouraging a new, world concern among the family of nations to safeguard irreplaceable elements of our common heritage."

Grand Canyon Superintendent Dick Marks said the park is one of seven areas in the U.S. which have been

designated a World Heritage Site. All seven sites are within the National Park System. Altogether 85 sites in the 28 nations have been considered of such distinction as to deserve this designation.

"When Congress established this a national park on Feb. 26, 1919, it preserved the world's most complete record of geologic history, and over 2,000 archeological sites dating 4,000 years back in time. It is a fitting honor that the Grand Canyon should join the priceless trust of universal treasures protected by the World Heritage Program," said Marks.

Professor Kadoura capsulized the philosophy of the World Heritage Program in a quote from the American writer James Baldwin: "For you must say 'yes' to life wherever it is found, and it is found in some terrible places . . . for the sea does not cease to grind down rock; generations do not cease to be born and we are responsible to them for we are the only witnesses they have . . . the moment we cease to hold each other, the moment we lose face with each other, the sea engulfs us and the light goes out."

## Duneland folk festival



"Courtesy Bus" equipped for disabled visitors.

Blues Musician Jim Brewer.



Photos by Marie Marek.

By Carol Davis  
Interpretive Specialist  
Indiana Dunes NL

The relationship between people and animals dissolves barriers. This was never more evident than at the Fifth Annual Duneland Folk Festival July 18-19.

Held at the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore, the festival combined the site of the region's first fur-trading settlement with an 80-acre turn-of-the-century working farm. Visitors cast aside many of the problems and worries of "civilized" life as they sampled buffalo burgers and roast corn, enjoyed the pioneer crafts and historic surroundings, or perhaps shared a quiet moment with one of the farm's animal residents. Neither the chickens, goats, nor horses seemed to mind the constant attention, although a few noses seemed

unusually pink from being rubbed and petted.

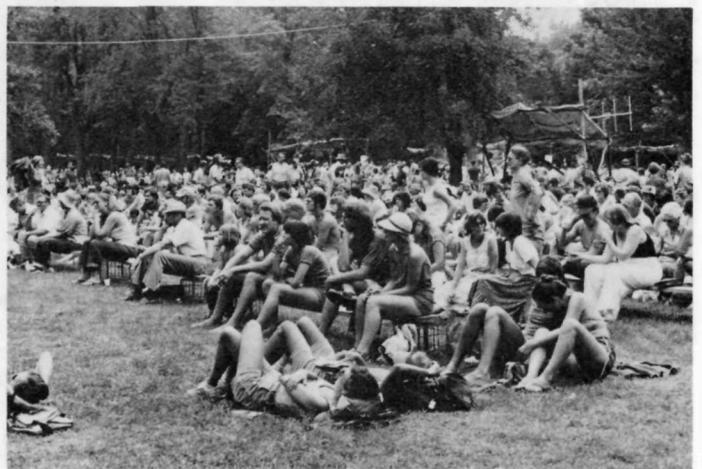
The atmosphere of the festival helped to eliminate the differences between the young and old, large and small, able-bodied and disabled. A shuttle bus equipped with a hydraulic lift made traveling around the festival grounds easier for those visitors in wheelchairs. A second shuttle brought in visitors who arrived via the South Shore Railroad and those who parked in lots adjacent to the grounds. A horse-mounted park ranger gave out information to visitors and provided another four-legged creature to be admired by the hundreds of "kids of all ages."

Blues musician Jim Brewer, who is blind, was exuberant in the performances on the main stage . . . and he "saw" all of the festival through the eyes of a park ranger who was his



A "barn raising" using a barn model.

The crowd at the folk festival's main stage.



Photos by Garnett R. Davis.

constant guide. Volunteers from service agencies assisted numerous disabled visitors who would otherwise not have been able to enjoy the festival. All of the musical performances were interpreted in sign language for the benefit of the hearing-impaired.

Volunteers from nearby communities donned pioneer and farm clothes and chipped in to do chores, run errands, and prepare food. "Farmers" from 6 to 60 helped carry water, groom horses, ferry performers, and keep the proceedings going smoothly.

By the end of the day on Sunday, almost 400 people had ridden the special shuttle bus, and over 19,000 attended the festival. As the last campfire died out and the weekend concluded with songs of the voyageurs and smells of fresh hay, it was apparent that good food, friends and laughter bring out the similarities in people, not the differences.

## Interpreters swing into saddle at Big Bend

Photo by Judy Huggins.



Instructor Bruce Atkins and "Bo" are ready to go. Looking on are (left to right) Bob Huggins, Rick LoBello and Patty Fujiwara.

By Robert A. Huggins  
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Visitor Services  
Big Bend National Park, Tex.

It is a land of contrasts: breathtaking desert vistas, spectacular pine-covered mountains, and jungle-like river banks. It has been called the last frontier; a land so vast that travel is routinely measured in hours or days rather than miles, and driving 2½ hours to the nearest grocery store is common. An old-timer once said: "This place is so big that if it is Saturday at one end, it's already Tuesday at the other."

It is a land that has been steeped in western tradition, a place where western boots are bought for work not fashion and a cowboy would give up everything before he would give up his pick-up truck and he would "sure as hell give up his pick-up truck before he'd give up his horse."

It is called the Big Bend country of west Texas and the setting for Big Bend National Park. Big Bend isn't close to anything. By the time a visitor has driven for hours or days across the vast west Texas range, the novelty of seeing a "real cowboy" rounding up cattle on

horseback has faded to commonplace and the sight of another car on the road shocks the driver back into the reality of time. To many visitors, Big Bend is the West. A place frozen in time and tradition—the frontier as it used to be. If the sight of a horse and rider is commonplace, it is for a reason. There are few roads and fewer gas stations. Those roads graded into the mountains or desert soon grow over or wash out if not constantly maintained. It becomes a question of economics. Sometimes it is simply cheaper and easier to ride a horse between two points than trying to put in a road. "Besides," as one cowboy put it, "your horse ain't gonna boil over or run outa gas in the middle of nowhere."

The park rangers at Big Bend have long known the value of horses. Since the national park was created in 1944, horses have been used for patrolling the United States/Mexican border, rounding up trespassing livestock, surveying the boundary, and searching for lost hikers. Only recently have the horses been engaged in a new primary task—interpretation. In July of this year, Superintendent Gil Lusk approved a proposal that set into motion a program

that would prove popular with visitor and interpreter alike.

The program was a simple one—take people trained in interpretation out of static contact stations and put them on horses where they can easily interact with visitors. While the concept is simple, implementing the program was a little more complex. What do you do with a group of people trained in interpretation but not in horsemanship.

First, you develop a set of standards that emphasize a professional approach to interpretive presentations and riding skills. Under these standards, you make the program strictly voluntary. You don't want to put a person on a horse who doesn't look or feel comfortable.

Finally, you offer a course designed to take inexperienced people through a series of steps that would lead them to a point where they would feel comfortable working and caring for "their" horse. The course at Big Bend included both classroom and "hands-on" field work, covering topics such as: anatomy, grooming, health care, safety, transporting, riding techniques, "working" a crowd, attitude, and interpretive techniques.

While the course was designed as a skills development program, attitude was closely monitored by both the chief park naturalist and instructor, Bruce Atkins. The interpreters knew from the beginning that they must meet either safety, uniform and attitude standards.

Perhaps the greatest benefit from the program came in a form that could not be measured. It was a feeling—an attitude that grows within when a person, pressed to meet high standards, still reaches a goal. It was the feeling that you were a member of a select group—a cadre who worked together toward a common end. And your reward? The wide-eyed look of a child who has never seen a horse close up, the family from New York taking your picture, answering the proverbial question: "How did you ever get a job like this?" And at the end of a day, an affectionate nudge from your horse that says: "We had a good day together."

## Curecanti — driven to alcohol



By Kristen Berthel  
Recreation Intern  
Curecanti NRA, Colo.

Curecanti National Recreation Area, Colo., launched into the 1980s with an experiment to use an alternate energy source. The area initiated a program using gasohol in government vehicles, which has expanded to include a dozen vehicles operating on 100 percent ethanol (alcohol). The program has proved so successful the past 18 months that three other Federal Government agencies have joined the project.

Gasohol has a history of use that dates back many years. Ethanol had long been used as a fuel for internal combustion engines, and during the 1920s and '30s, many gas stations sold a mixture of 50 percent gasoline and 50 percent ethanol.

The Curecanti program started when Superintendent Glen Alexander returned from a trip to the Midwest where thousands of gas stations sell the standard 10 percent gasohol. On Jan. 25, 1980, Curecanti began using a high percentage gasohol blend of 25 percent ethanol and 75 percent gasoline in 11 of

the park's vehicles. The fleet operating on the 25 percent blend has increased to over 100 vehicles, as well as four boats and over a dozen pieces of equipment. During the past year and a half, 467,097 miles have been driven on these vehicles. Curecanti has not had to modify the vehicles, boats or equipment in any way, and performance has not been significantly affected.

Presently, Curecanti has 12 vehicles running on 100 percent ethanol. Several changes had to be made for the conversion to 100 percent ethanol operation. The cost of these conversions averaged \$153.75 per vehicle. The General Services Administration and National Park Service absorbed these small conversion costs within existing funding.

A major reason for switching to the gasohol program was to identify ways by which widespread Government use could reduce dependence on imported oil. With its gasohol fleet, Curecanti replaced 3,500 gallons of gasoline with ethanol in 1980 using the 25 percent blend. The result of this was a savings of almost 200 barrels of oil.

Gasohol also has less impact on the

environment and has the capacity to extend a vehicle's engine life. Because alcohol burns cleaner than gasoline, vehicle emissions of carbon monoxide, hydrocarbons, and nitrous oxides are substantially reduced. Gasohol's cleaner burning also improves engine life by reducing friction, heat, and by cutting harmful deposits. The alcohol also raises the octane three or four points, which can lead to better gas mileage and engine performance.

Because of the success of Curecanti's program, an inter-agency program has been initiated. Area units of the U.S. Forest Service, the Bureau of Land Management and the Soil Conservation Service have joined the gasohol program. This action more than doubles the number of vehicles, drivers, and equipment involved. With the success of the Federal inter-agency program, gasohol's use will likely spread to other agencies. Ideally its increased use will make a dent in our Nation's energy problems by providing an inexpensive renewable fuel that will extend present petroleum supplies, while improving air quality.

## Carving at Mount Rushmore

At the foot of the gigantic Mount Rushmore sculpture, three South Dakotans are busy carving in stone on a much smaller scale.

Mike Winger, Candace Forrette and Marilyn Wounded Head don't seem too intimidated by the giant sculpture that towers above them. They're content to carve works of art from modest slabs of stone while working in Mount Rushmore National Memorial's Sculptor-In-Residence Program.

"Mount Rushmore is a unique artwork, and the role of the artist is very important," says Greg Jensen, park ranger and supervisor of the program. "It's what we're explaining here." The program enables visitors to see sculpture in the making, as well as giving them a better understanding of how the mountain was carved by sculptor Gutzon Borglum.

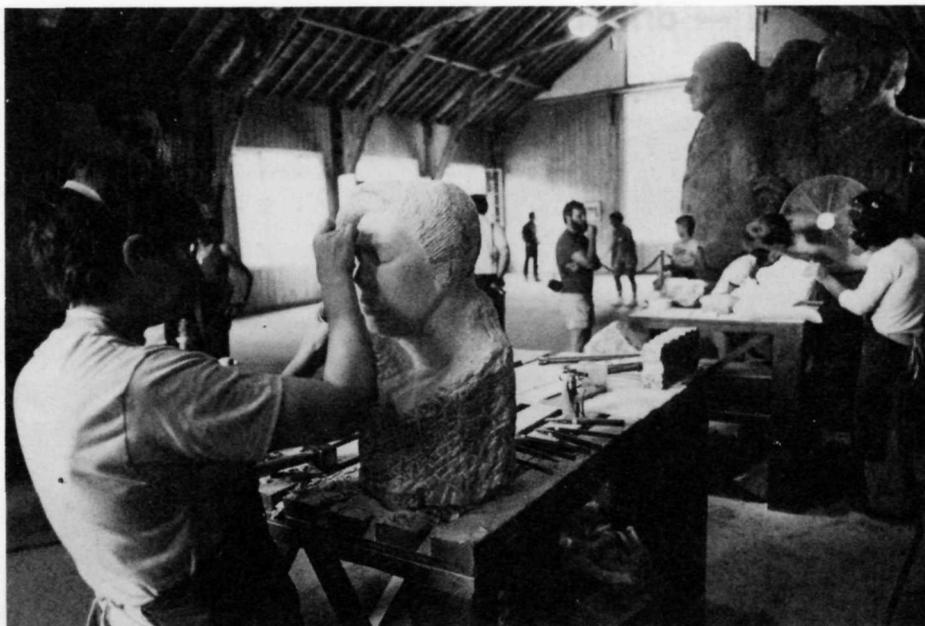
The artists are free to work at their own pace on pieces that interest them. "The main job, though," says Winger, "is the interpretation. We're trying to relate what we're doing and what Borglum did."

To do that, the sculptors show visitors tools that were used during the actual carving of the mountain. Mallets replace the dynamite Borglum used, and chisels do the work that jackhammers once did on the mountain, but many of the basic techniques, tools, and principles are similar to those used by Borglum and his men. The sculptors were at the memorial every day of the week through Sept. 7.

They demonstrate their craft in the studio that Borglum used during the late 1930s as Mount Rushmore neared completion. Some of the mountain sculptor's tools and scale models of the four presidents are on display in the studio.

The resident sculptors usually use stones that are native to the Black Hills area, such as granite, sandstone, and marble. Like Borglum, the artists let the rock play a large role in the composition of the sculpture. The granite mountain often dictated where and how Borglum carved the faces of Washington, Jefferson, Roosevelt and Lincoln. "It sounds silly," remarks sculptor Wounded Head, "but there has to be communication between yourself and the stone in order to create." The artists often look for stones that suggest a certain shape.

"I think people really appreciate it (the program)," says Forrette, the third



resident artist. "I'm kind of curious how many people go home and start pounding on a rock after being here."

The program invites visitors to participate. Kids can use a mallet and

chisel to carve on a large slab of granite that was blown off the mountain during the carving. "They can go home and tell their friends they carved on Mount Rushmore," says Forrette.

## Flood exhibit dedicated



Maintenance Worker Sal Marano of Johnstown Flood National Memorial installs a plaque donated by NPS to the city of Johnstown, Pa., depicting the path of destruction during the Johnstown Flood of 1889. The plaque is one of a Great Flood Exhibit series to be erected by the NPS and Eastern National Park and Monument Association at the site. It was dedicated May 24 by Don H. Castleberry, deputy director of the Mid-Atlantic Region, on the 92nd anniversary of the flood.

Photo by Johnstown Tribune-Democrat.

# Happy Park Service Halloween

By Priscilla R. Baker  
Special Assistant to the Director  
(with assistance and material from Phil Walsh, Boston NHP)

Have you ever heard human-sounding noises where there were no people? Have you been the beneficiary of extrasensory perception? Have you seen someone who could not possibly have been in a place, but was?

Many people have claimed to have had such experiences—Park Service people working in historic areas included.

Explain, if you will, why Park Service staff at Arlington House, Va., sometimes see what appears to be a cat resembling one owned by the family of Robert E. Lee in the house. When they reach for the cat, it disappears into thin air.

Explain, too, please, how it can be that a puff of air can blow out a candle in Arlington House when all of the doors and windows are closed in the room where an interpreter has just lit the candle.

Who is the woman roaming Fort Warren in Boston Harbor from time to time? She has been seen at that site—a former prisoner of war camp for Confederates—several times. Is she, perhaps, the ghost of the woman who, more than 115 years ago, tried unsuccessfully to disguise herself to gain admittance to the Fort to visit her imprisoned husband?

Why was it, in the summer of 1974, that photos of an elderly man who wandered around Harpers Ferry National Historical Park, W. Va., and who bore a strong resemblance to the late John Brown did not appear when the film was developed? An amiable fellow, he used to pose in group photos with visitors on request. But when the films were processed, his image was missing.

There is a man in Emporia, Kan., who probably still is trembling from the experience he had when he peered into a window at the then newly refurbished dining room of the Officers' Quarters at Fort Scott Historic Area. He observed an attractive woman in 19th-century attire turn, smile at him, walk to and through the fireplace in the room and disappear.

At John Day Fossil Beds National Monument, Oreg., a picture of the late Charles Cant, son of James Cant who built the three-story white ranch house that serves as a visitor center, will not

stay straight on its hook. No matter how many times Park Service staff straighten that picture, in a minute, it hangs crookedly again. And staffers are convinced that there is something supernatural about the knocking at the door of the house that occurs from time to time. There never is anyone there when the door is opened after knocking that clearly is not attributable to wind or to rattling heat pipes or to any other logical cause.

A former park technician at Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site, N.H., tells a story about the time a visitor to the site emerged from her tour of the late sculptor's home, visibly shaken. She insisted that there was an air of tragedy in the house and that the tragedy had something to do with a little boy. The site's staff knew of no such event and dismissed the woman's comment readily until, some weeks later while reading the footnotes of Saint-Gaudens's biography, it was discovered by a park technician that the sculptor's 5-year-old nephew had gotten into Mrs. Saint-Gaudens' medicine cabinet and died of the effects of the drugs he consumed.

A Park Service historian who once worked at Richmond National Battlefield Park, Va., remembers vividly the time that a guest at the park's Watt House walked into a bedroom to find a woman in 19th-century dress, holding a candle, leaning over one side of the bed

as though she were talking to someone. The head of the woman had no face! She vanished into thin air when the guest, who had planned to spend the night in the room, let out an exclamation of surprise.

Another guest in that house, staying in the same room, found that his suitcase had been repacked at a time when no one had been in or near the house.

And who is the white, filmy, creature, about 5 feet tall with no discernible features who has appeared in the doorway of the crematorium at Ellis Island (Statue of Liberty National Memorial)?

Will the ghost of the daughter of a former manager of the fur trading post at Fort Laramie National Historic Site, Wyo., reappear in 1983, as expected? She is said to be a beautiful young woman dressed in a long, dark green riding habit, wearing a feathered hat and carrying a quirt with jeweled handle. She rides a large black horse over the area once every 7 years.

"Rubbish", you may say.

But the Park Service people who have experienced these strange phenomena will not agree with you.

Happy Halloween!

(NOTE: The author asks that readers with additional park ghost stories share them with her. Please write to Priscilla Baker, c/o Office of the Director, WASO)



## Park Briefs



**VIRGIN ISLANDS NP**—A \$20,000 renovation and rehabilitation program recently got underway to update and modernize the visitor centers at Cruz Bay on St. John and Red Hook on St. Thomas. Included in the work will be a 24-foot mural depicting the five stages of the history of the islands from pre-Columbian to present day. Other projects include a natural history mural and an island panorama. New visitor information desks and publication display cabinets will also be installed. Everything is to be in place for the beginning of the 1981-82 visitor season.

**CHICKAMAUGA-CHATTANOOGA NMP, TENN**—Poachers and vandals are causing big headaches for park staff and Superintendent Ann Belkov. Repeated incidents, believed to be the responsibility of local teenagers, have occurred at the Bragg and Sherman reservations on Missionary Ridge. Spray-painting of the monuments have led to some \$9,000 in cleanup costs. Someone even stole a huge American flag at the 4th of July festivities. Poachers have been illegally killing deer and raccoons living in the woods in the park. Also automobile accidents are increasing within the military park.

**WIND CAVE NP, S. DAK.**—After a 2-month plus "occupation" of this park, some 100 Indians of the Ogala Sioux tribe moved to their winter camping grounds Aug. 30 on nearby U.S. Forest Service land. The Indians had been camping in the park to draw attention to their claim for millions of acres of western South Dakota, they say was taken from them illegally more than 100 years ago. Superintendent Les McClanahan said there were minimal sanitation and law enforcement problems during the Indians' stay. However, extra ranger patrols were added as a precaution.

**GLACIER NP, MONT.**—Fisherman Tony Malone got the bite of his life while walking through timber toward Kintla Creek in the North Fork area of Glacier. He was surprised by a grizzly bear he estimated to be close to 6 feet tall. Malone said the bear came out of the brush right toward him, and bit him on the left arm. He said he then lay down and played dead. The bear sniffed at his gear and caught his snout on a fish hook. The bear then bolted for the woods. Malone was treated for puncture wounds and sent to a nearby hospital.

**MOUNT RAINIER NP, WASH.**—Five blind climbers, a man with an artificial leg, an epileptic and two deaf adventurers completed an incredible trudge Independence Day to the snow-capped summit of this 14,410-foot mountain. Led by famed mountain climber Jim Whittaker, the nine climbers were heard over a two-way radio cheering and applauding as they unfurled flags and hugged each other in triumph over what they called the mistaken notion that the horizons of the handicapped are limited. One of the climbers, Chuck O'Brien, a Vietnam amputee, received word at the summit that his wife had given birth to twins.

**NAVAJO NM, ARIZ.**—Indians around here have been using solar energy since the 13th century. But now plans are heating up to install a 1,300-square-foot solar panel array on the roof of the monument visitor center. The building now uses an oil-burning furnace and fuel must be trucked in from 60 miles away. Superintendent Steve Miller expects a 72 percent fuel savings once the hot air solar heating system is installed. The project will be funded by the Department of Energy's Solar in Federal Buildings Program.

**BUFFALO NR, ARK**—Two endangered species of bats—the gray bat and the Indiana bat—will receive additional protection from man's intrusion by the building of fences around five of their cave openings. The caves will only be closed while the bats are actively using the caves—during hibernation and mating periods. These bats are not only endangered species, but they perform the useful function of keeping the insect population in balance. One bat may dine on 3,000 insects in one night.

**GOLDEN SPIKE NHS, UTAH**—More than 5,000 visitors marked a 1-day celebration commemorating the life and times of the Iron Horse August 8 at the site's annual Railroader's Festival. Featured attractions included reenactments of the driving of the golden spike, three musical groups, special railroad exhibits and movies. A new feature this year was the world Professional Spike Driving Championship, which pitted railroaders from six companies against the clock to determine which one could drive six spikes the fastest. The Union Pacific Railroad, one of the two companies that met at Promontory in 1869, spiked to victory over the other contenders.

**HALEAKALA NP**—Several small fences have been built to prevent feral goats and pigs from destroying native Hawaiian plants. Five enclosures, each an acre or less, have been constructed in the Crater District. Plants to be protected included the Haleakala silversword, the Haleakala greensword—which grows in the increasingly rare Hawaiian bogs, trees such as the alaa, aiea, olopua, alani and halepepe, and a grove of sandalwood. The whole experiment will be studied by the University of Hawaii and Dr. Lloyd Loope, a research scientist at the park.

## New divisions and chiefs for Recreation Resources



(Left to right) William T. Spitzer, Jean C. Henderer, Samuel Hall and John A. Hauptman.

By Stephen P. Siegel  
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Four divisions are now in place under the associate director for Recreation Resources in WASO. Heading them up are William T. Spitzer, chief of the Recreation Resources Development Division; Jean C. Henderer, chief of Cooperative Activities Division; Samuel Hall, chief of the State, Local, and Urban Programs Division; and John A. Hauptman, chief of the Rivers and Trails Division. They report to Acting Associate Director Robert A. Ritscho.

Many of the responsibilities carried out by the staff of these divisions have come to the Park Service from the former Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service, which was merged into NPS in June. Biographical information on the division chiefs and a summary of each division's responsibilities follow.

William "Bill" Spitzer joined the Interior Department in 1965, with the former Bureau of Outdoor Recreation (BOR), as a grants management specialist. He became assistant to the deputy director from 1969-1972, and since 1973 has served as division chief of Systems Management, Implementation Assistance, and then Park and Recreation Technical Services in the former HCRS. Spitzer has a B.S. in economics from the University of Miami and has done graduate work at George Washington University in public administration.

Spitzer oversees the **Recreation Resources Development Division**, which is responsible for analyzing federal recreation policy, preparing the periodic Nationwide Outdoor Recreation Plan and recreation participation surveys, coordinating federal interagency recreation measurement and fees, assisting State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plans, providing workshops and information on recreation management to State and local

governments and private interests, assisting transfers of federal surplus lands to State and local governments for park and recreation uses, promoting the use of military base lands for public recreation, and maintaining the Information Exchange which includes publications and data bases with current information dealing with recreation problems and opportunities.

Jean Henderer started working for the Interior Department in 1966 for the former BOR as a researcher for the Nationwide Outdoor Recreation Plan. She joined the National Park Service in 1967 in the Information Division, and went on to become chief of the Travel Division coordinating domestic tourism programs; public affairs director for the National Parks Centennial and for the Second World Conference on National Parks; bicentennial coordinator for the Park Service in 1976, and then chief of the Office of Cooperative Activities in 1977, overseeing International Park Affairs, Professional Publications, and State Assistance Programs. Henderer has a B.S. in sociology from the University of Pittsburgh and has done graduate work at the University of Arizona in English.

Henderer oversees the **Cooperative Activities Division**, which is responsible for assisting in the editing, design, and publishing of Park Service publications; exchanging information with and providing information to other Nations on natural, cultural, and recreation resource conservation and management; planning and managing orientation and training programs for foreign park and conservation officials; helping with foreign visitation in areas of the National Park System; managing Park Service responsibilities under international agreements such as the World Heritage Convention; monitoring Park Service advisory boards and commissions; and producing *PARKS*, an international publication; and three

periodicals on current park and recreation management: *Trends*, *Grist*, and *Design*, available from the National Recreation and Park Association by paid subscription.

Samuel "Sam" Hall joined the Interior Department in 1965 as a legal clerk with the Bureau of Land Management, working on adjudications of title conflicts. After completing the management intern program in 1966, he went to work for the former BOR on budget, federal land acquisition, and determinations of recreation needs. In 1975 he directed the National Urban Recreation Study, and in 1977 became division chief of Urban Programs in the former HCRS. Hall has a B.S. degree from the University of Houston, and has done advanced work at the University of Texas in law and George Washington University in resource economics.

Hall oversees the **State, Local and Urban Programs Division**, responsible for administering the State Land and Water Conservation Fund (which provides matching grants to State and local governments to plan, acquire, and develop recreation areas and facilities); administering the Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Program (which provides matching grants to urban governments to rehabilitate existing recreation facilities, to demonstrate innovative ways of increasing neighborhood recreation opportunities, and to develop local recreation plans); and administering a program for converting abandoned railroad rights-of-way for recreation trails.

John "Jack" Hauptman joined the Interior Department in 1966 in the former BOR's northeast regional office as division chief of State Planning and Technical Assistance. He became assistant regional director for Resource Planning Services, and had direct leadership in numerous projects, including the Gateway and Connecticut River National Recreation Area Studies; the Boston, New York, and Philadelphia Urban Recreation Studies; the New Jersey Pine Barrens Study, and the Lake Tahoe Study. He moved to the former HCRS in Washington, D.C., as division chief of Natural Resource Systems in 1979, leading the Coastal Barrier Islands Study and National Inventory of Wild and Scenic Rivers. Hauptman has a B.S. in landscape architecture from Syracuse University.

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Hauptman oversees the **Rivers and Trails Division** which is responsible for conducting studies of potential components of the National Wild and

Scenic Rivers System and National Trails System, and studies of special natural resources when requested to do so by Congress or the Secretary of the

Interior. The studies are often conducted in cooperation with other Government agencies and private and volunteer groups.

Donald Gillespie



Donald Gillespie, superintendent at Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore, Mich., for 3 years, has assumed new duties as assistant to the Rocky Mountain regional director for Utah.

In this position he will be the administrative and intergovernmental liaison between the 13 Park Service areas in the State and a variety of Utah State offices concerned with transportation, mineral and industrial development, air quality, and visitor services.

Gillespie came to Pictured Rocks in 1978 from Fort Vancouver National Historic Site, Wash., where he served as superintendent for 6 years. Prior to this position, he served as site manager at Ford's Theatre National Historic Site, D.C. In 1969 Gillespie received a Special Achievement Award for his work at Jewel Cave National Monument, S. Dak., where he served from 1966-1969. He began his NPS career as a park ranger at Wind Cave National Park, S. Dak., in 1964.

Dorothea Powell



The first manager of the Boston African-American National Historic Site, Mass., Dorothea L. Powell, is a 7-year veteran of the Park Service. Powell comes to the post from the North Atlantic personnel office where she was involved in community projects, particularly in seasonal recruitment for employment.

The Boston African-American site includes 16 units around Beacon Hill which are historically significant in the development of the United States and U.S. black culture. In her new role, Powell says that she will "work to establish the new national park area and develop strong working relationships with the owners and representatives of the sites" including the Museum of African-American History. Her job will also be to coordinate cooperative

programs of preservation, interpretation and maintenance to the sites, which are under the Boston National Historical Park umbrella.

Before joining NPS in 1974, Powell, a cum laude sociology graduate of Northeastern University, worked as a personnel trainee at Hanscom Field and as a State social worker. She is a native of Boston and lives with her husband in Westboro, Mass. She has two children and three grandchildren.

Says Powell, "I'm looking forward to this challenging and exciting people-oriented job." An avid walker, she plans to spend a lot of time walking the Afro-American "Freedom Trail," meeting visitors and neighbors. When not out on the trail, she will be in her office at 15 State Street.

Ellen Calomiris



Ellen Calomiris, a graduate of the prestigious Hagley Fellowship Program at the University of Delaware, has been chosen for the first Museum Internship sponsored by the Friends of Independence National Historical Park.

She joined the park's Division of Museum Operations Sept. 1 for a 1-year stay, assisting with various curatorial and exhibit projects.

A native of New York, Calomiris received a B.A. degree (summa cum

laude) in history from the California State University at Long Beach in 1976. The following year she was awarded a Fulbright-Hays Grant, and studied 19th and 20th century German history at the Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms Universitat in Bonn, West Germany.

She then returned to study for her Master's degree in U.S. history, while working at the Long Beach Public Library.

## NPS people in the news

### National park areas receive Occupational Safety and Health Award



National park areas in Massachusetts were cited in an award from the Massachusetts Safety Council and the Associated Industries of Massachusetts recently for "working 1,184,964 hours in the contest year in 1980 with only 16 lost workday cases and a total of 160,514 hours since the last lost workday."

The annual award is for a medium-sized Government agency which achieves the best standard of on-the-job safety. The 1980 award was given to the NPS during a special ceremony in June.

Among the special considerations of on-the-job safety were the unusual conditions found in the national park areas in Massachusetts including shipbuilding and demolition, overhead crane use, heavy utilities work and

other heavy equipment, locks, canals and trolley maintenance and the protection of firearms.

Receiving the award are (left to right) Bob Nash, superintendent, Minute Man National Historical Park; Hugh Gurney, superintendent, Boston National Historical Park; Steven Lewis, acting North Atlantic regional director; James J. McCormick, president, Massachusetts Safety Council; Mary Anne Peak, staff assistant, Adams National Historic Site; and Jim Gott, superintendent of Saugus Iron Works National Historic Site. Other parks noted in the award include Cape Cod National Seashore, Lowell National Historical Park, Longfellow, John F. Kennedy, and Olmstead National Historic Sites, Salem Maritime National Historic Site, and Springfield Armory National Historic Site.

### Grand Canyon ranger speaks "sign"

Programs using American sign language for the deaf were presented through August at Grand Canyon National Park.

"The Park Service is providing sign language interpretation of selected activities as one part of the program to make the park safer and more enjoyable for visitors who are deaf or hard-of-hearing," said Superintendent Richard Marks.

Seasonal Park Ranger Annette Reichman, a student of Gallaudet College located in Washington, D.C. presented programs in geology, astronomy, and natural resources.

Although Ranger Reichman returns to Gallaudet College in September, sign language will continue to be used at Grand Canyon. Throughout the summer, 40 members of the Grand Canyon and Tusayan communities met with Reichman to learn basic and emergency signs. "Although we will not have a fluent sign language interpreter after Ranger Reichman leaves," commented Superintendent Marks, "Service and concession employees will be better prepared to meet the needs of deaf visitors to the park."

Reichman noted the surprise expressed by deaf visitors upon meeting a ranger who is hearing impaired. "I feel," said Reichman, "that we must provide programs in which deaf visitors can participate with everyone else." Because of the success of Ranger Reichman's program, the Park Service will continue working with Gallaudet College to provide sign language interpretive services at Grand Canyon.

The sign language interpretive services are one part of the NPS plans to make Grand Canyon more accessible to all visitors. "People from throughout the world and with a variety of physical capabilities visit Grand Canyon" said Superintendent Marks, "and we will continue to improve our facilities and services to meet their needs."

### Correction

Photographs accompanying article, "Women in non-traditional jobs at Yellowstone," August COURIER, page 11, were reversed by the printer, causing a mix-up in captions. Photograph of woman by a truck should have been captioned "Cynthia Sorg, motor vehicle operator foreman; and photograph of woman on the ladder should have been captioned "Kathleen Nunley, electrician trainee."

### Park float wins first prize

A trio from Virgin Islands National Park constructed a first prize winning float for the parade of the annual Fourth of July Festival on St. John, V.I. They are (left to right) Mike Anderson, marine biologist; Aubrey Johnson of the Living History Program, and Edwin Chinnery of the Maintenance Division.

The float depicted an old Virgin Islands National Park sugar mill surrounded by park personnel demonstrating various interpretive activities. The float was a tribute to the 25th anniversary of the establishment of the park by an Act of Congress signed by President Dwight D. Eisenhower, August 2, 1956.



## Speleology



Members of the International Union of Speleology attended a week-long field camp at Carlsbad Caverns National Park, N. Mex., July 27 to August 2, and assembled in the Cavern's Underground Lunchroom for this group photo. A total of 52 persons from 11 countries attended the camp which was organized by the Cave Research Foundation in cooperation with the NPS, BLM and USFS.

The camp was one of several throughout the U.S. scheduled before and after the Eighth International Congress of Speleology held in Bowling Green, Ky., July 18-24.

## Freddie Lundy



Photo by Ronnie Spietzack

When it comes to water lilies, Freddie Lundy of the Kenilworth Aquatic Gardens in Northeast, Washington, D.C., will tell you all you need to know. He's been caring for and cultivating the water lily and the lotus, among other plants, for more than 30 years. Presently site supervisor of this NPS unit, Lundy is pictured in the Gardens greenhouse where warm-water lilies are housed during the winter and later transplanted into numerous ponds, along with the cold-water lilies.

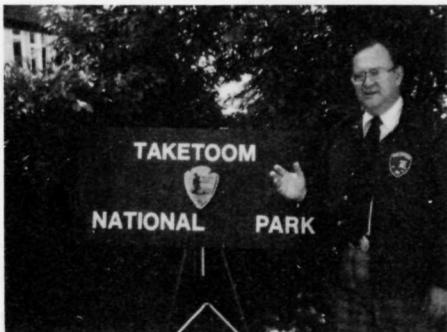
## YACC



The YACC program (Youth Adult Conservation Corps) has served Chiricahua National Monument, Ariz., well, most recently through employment of Kathy Pillsbury, a resident of Willcox, Ariz. Pillsbury joined the YACC in March of 1980, and recently completed the program. She worked on historic restoration of the Faraway Ranch; fence building, campground amphitheater renovation, and repairs and upkeep of 17 miles of hiking trails.

Pillsbury is among 25 talented young people who have participated in the YACC program at Chiricahua and helped to reduce a backlog of public works projects.

## Volunteers



By Margo Oliver  
Interpretive Technician, RMRO

Leonard "Bud" Jenkyns has recently joined the Volunteers-In-Parks Program at the Rocky Mountain Regional Office.

Jenkyns, a manager for the United Bank of Denver Financial Center in Aurora, Colo., is planning to develop a new VIP program called "TAKETOOM" (take-it-to-'em) Park. Jenkyns plans to bring the parks to the people by the use

of slide shows and films borrowed from the regional library.

Here's what it's like to be in the audience during one of Bud's slide presentations: Your eyes are closed, Bud goes into his monologue, which includes an invitation to join him at his campfire. Then Bud gives the signal to open your eyes, and when you do, a flickering light surrounds the darkened room. Voila! A homemade campfire created by one lit candle at the front of the room.

The atmosphere is now created. Suddenly a grizzly bear appears, (on screen of course), and you're sitting in your chair wondering if you should make any sudden moves for fear of attack. Quick Bud, next slide please!

Ahhh, that's a pretty flower! The park sure does hold a variety of beauty. Looking at this scene makes one no longer want to pick the flowers and bring them home to Mom, because they look so comfortable where they are.

Oh, what happened? What's that garbage on the ground? And, be

careful, little boy, don't step on that broken piece of glass! A pause from the speaker. . . a groan of discontentment from the audience. . . .

The audience is now concerned over how parks are mistreated. The slide of the grizzly bear seems peaceful and natural now compared to the distasteful image of all that garbage lying around the park. This section of Bud's presentation seemed to have the greatest impact on the audience.

Bud's presentation comes to a close now. You make sure the fire is out, gather your thoughts together and spread the word.

Bud volunteers much of his time to private organizations, church and school groups, entertaining a variety of audiences in the process. Bud maintains a captive audience throughout the presentation and the question-and-answer period which immediately follows.

NPS thanks Bud Jenkyns for the uplifting experience he has "taken to 'em."



## Director first to receive Employees Benefit Statement

Loretta A. Thornton, of the WASO Management Consulting Division, presents Director Russ Dickenson with his employee Personal Statement of Benefits. All permanent NPS employees will receive statements through the mail, listing the individual benefits they "own" as Federal workers. The list will include estimated current amounts of such items as medical and life insurance plans, disability and retirement benefits, and survivors coverage in case of the employee's death before retirement. It is expected that the statements will be updated on a continuing basis.

## E&AA notes

Membership in the 1916 Society of the Washington, D.C. area was opened to employee as well as retiree members of the NPS Employees and Alumni Association in a revised charter adopted by the Society at a business session following the August 25 Founders Day dinner commemorating the 65th anniversary of the National Park Service Act. All persons attending the annual event are considered to be members.

The original charter, adopted at the 1980 organization meeting, was further revised to clarify the relationship of the 1916 Society to E&AA by designating the Society "an integral unit" of the Association.

Another important change provides for rotation of membership on the Executive Committee through the election of three new members each year for terms of 4 years, and limitation of the terms of the 12 original members by allowing four of them to continue in office for 1 year, four for 2 years, and four for 3 years. The three new members elected at the August 25 meeting were WASO employees Terry G. Wood, E&AA executive secretary, Naomi L. Hunt, editor of the *COURIER*, and retiree Cornelius W. Heine. The chairman is authorized to fill unexpected vacancies on the committee.

Added to the offices to be filled by the Executive Committee, besides chairman and keeper-of-the-rolls, are archivist, Founders Day arrangements committee, and Founders Day program committee. The charter designates former Director Conrad L. Wirth as honorary chairman.

—Jim Kieley.

## Red Cross award

Celebrations at Kings Mountain National Military Park, S.C., in July included a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new National Recreation Trail—a new 18-mile hiking trail (the sixth trail in South Carolina to become part of the National Trail System); and the honoring of NPS ranger John F. Cissell. He saved the life of Kelli Harry, 9, of Grover, N.C., with artificial respiration after the boy was hit by a pick-up truck. Cissell was presented with a Red Cross Certificate of Merit by Southeast Regional Director Robert Baker.

## Photo exhibit



Two Park Service superintendents, an old country newspaper editor and the daughter-in-law of the late pioneer photographer, F. Jay Haynes, were on hand this summer for an exhibition of the artist's work by the Montana Historical Society.

Viewing the exhibition are (from left) Mrs. Jack Haynes, Yellowstone National Park Superintendent John Townsley and Glacier National Park Superintendent Robert Haraden.

And that old country newspaper editor? He was Mel Ruder, who snapped this picture. Ruder was for many years owner and editor of the *Hungry Horse News*, a weekly paper near Glacier.

Mrs. Haynes donated more than 23,000 photographs and negatives along with early photographic equipment, Indian artifacts and other valuable art pieces to the Montana Historical Society.

## Rocky Mtn. women publish calendar

To mark the 50th anniversary of the opening of Trail Ridge Road, the Rocky Mountain National Park Women have published a 1982 commemorative calendar in black and white. It features old and recent photographs, original sketches by park artists (all suitable for framing), original poetry, history, and nature quotations, and it provides plenty of space to serve as an engagement calendar.

The earnings will be donated to the E&AA Education Trust Fund. To re-live a happy time in the Rockies and acquire an instant souvenir, order a calendar now (or several for gifts) and help the Fund.

Make checks for \$4.50 per calendar (postage and handling covered), payable to Rocky Mountain National Park Women and mail the order to:

Rocky Mountain Calendar  
Rocky Mountain Nature Association  
Estes Park, CO 80517



## Four take a plunge

Four employees of Eisenhower National Historic Site and Gettysburg National Military Park, Pa., took off last May in a single engine plane and jumped out at 3,000 feet. It was their first sky-diving experience. The day started with ground training at the Southern Cross Air Field in Chambersburg, Pa. Training included equipment orientation, jump techniques, parachute control and guiding, landing and shock distribution. The four were Ron Wishard, Louise Kreager, Brad Clawson and Ron Bestrom. All are interested in a second jump.

## Thank you Herb

Anyone who didn't know Ed Hummel was that much worse off for it. Ed and I used to visit extensively during the early morning hours when the city was still asleep and only "farm-boys" were at work, but not before 6:45 a.m., because his first order of business was looking at the *Washington Post*, page by page. If he had not done this, you learned to sit quietly while he finished.

Ed was a GS-15 by 1942 and he used to say: "Buster, I'm paying more income tax now than I first made when I was a GS-5 in Omaha."

Everyone has their favorite Ed Hummel stories. Mine is his dislike for long meetings. He held staff meetings regularly but they lasted 30 minutes (and sometimes you got the impression he only did it because management concepts said you should). Any meeting that lasted over an hour was a total loss to him. He would display his disgust with long meetings by leaning back in his big chair and close his eyes.

On one occasion he was visited by one Sylvia Troy who was then head of the Save-the-Dunes Council at Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore and had brought her entourage to Washington for some trivial but controversial issue. The meeting dragged on for 3 hours. After 30 minutes Ed went into his "act." Upon returning home she was interviewed by the *Chicago Sun-Times*

as to the accomplishments she and her associates had made. She stated: "None, except we seemed to interrupt Mr. Hummel's afternoon nap."

I enjoyed his parody with the words "graze" vs. "pasture" at Manassas. Hartzog decided that all "maps" and "map making" should be centralized in the Service Center. Ed and I discussed this and the disruption of the land acquisition program that it would

create. He said you don't make maps anymore you make "platts" and so we did.

See, George, there are a few things that you didn't know.

Philip O. Stewart  
RFD #2, Box 18  
Middletown, VA 22645  
(former land acquisition chief, etc.)

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## Education fund

"We receive many letters of thanks from employees and alumni who have been approved for educational loans for their children by the Education Trust Fund," reports Pat Smith, trust fund officer.

Funding this activity of the Employee and Alumni Association is a project of the National Park Service women's organizations, which have always been innovative in their fund-raising efforts, she said.

Within the past few months the Western Women's Organization raised \$1,000 for the fund. As noted in a recent COURIER, donations were also made by the Alaska Area superintendents for the first time.

Another way of contributing and honoring a co-worker or friend is a living memorial donation in his or her name, said Pat.

"Or if you have extra dollars, write a check to the Education Trust Fund, and send it to me, Room 3025A, U.S. Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C., 20240," said Pat.

Any questions may be addressed to your employee or alumni representative, (See page 21 for their names) or give Pat a call at (202) 523-4470.

## Best bear story yet

From our faithful Los Angeles correspondent, (a young fellow by the name of H. M. Albright) comes the best bear story this season:

Dear COURIER Editor:

For many years, rightly or wrongly, I have been regarded as especially interested in bears, and ready to take their side in any discussion or controversy about them. As a consequence of this reputation, bear stories and cartoons are sent to me and I enjoy them. I now have one I think our readers might find different and quite funny. It comes to me from a cousin who, like myself, was born and reared in the country east of the Sierra Nevada. This story was a letter received by the editor of a newspaper published in Bodie, Calif., not far from 100 years ago. Here is the letter:

"Kind and respected Sir: I see in the paper that a man named John Sipes was attacked and et up by a bare whose kubs he was trying to get when the she bare came up and stopt him by eting him up in the mountains near you town.

"What I want to know is did it kill

him ded or was he only partly et up and is he from this plaice and all about the bare. I dont know but he is a distant husband of mine. My first husband was of that name and I supposed he was killed in the war, but the name of the man the bare et being the same I thought it might be him after all and I ought to know if he wasnt killed either in the war or by the bare, for I have been married twice and there ought to be a divorce paper got out by him or me if the bare did not et him up. If it is him you will know by his having six toes on his left foot. He also had a spreadeagle tattooed on his front chest and an anker on his right arm which you will know him if the bare did not eat up these sines of it being him. Find out all you kin about him without him knowing what for, that is if the bare did not eat him all up. If it did I dont see as you kin do anything and neednt trouble. Please ancer back.

"P.S. Was the bare killed? Also was he married again and did he have propty with me laying claim to?"

We'll probably never know the outcome of this piece of drama from the Old West!

—Horace M. Albright.

## Patton Memorial Park

A memorial park and playground has been dedicated at Calverton Baptist Church in Silver Spring, Md., in memory of Millis P. Patton, a NPS employee who died August 28, 1978.

Miss Patton was a management analyst in the Division of Legislation, WASO and a Park Service employee for almost 30 years.

The Millis Patton Memorial Fund was begun 3 years ago by her mother Arline Patton, her family and friends.

## In the Rockies

Aspen brilliant in yellow hue,  
Polkadots splashed on the parasol's  
blue,

A luminous glow by the pumpkin  
moon

Gaunt shadows rock-giants threw.

Frosty dew the bull elks clue

Eliciting bugles blasty.

Steep trails tilted,

Shallow breaths wilted

The laggards jilted

Outclassed by nimble hikers.

While Stellar's jay along the trails

Follow the lunch bags sagging

'til someone takes a crust from one

To halt the vagrants' nagging.

By: Jo Ellsworth  
August 9, 1981



## People on the move

- BELEN, Ann L., Admin. Tech., Great Sand Dunes NM, to Admin. Ofcr, Apostle Islands NL.
- BOWMAN, Leslie L., Maint. Worker, Mount Rushmore NM, to Mason, DSC.
- COURAUD, Dwayne, Maint. Mech. Foreman, Canyon de Chelly NM, to Same, Padre Island NS.
- EXCELL, Thomas D., Auto Mech., Grand Canyon NP, to Heavy Mobile Equipmt Mech., Death Valley NM.
- FRIERY, Carl B., Park Tech., Lyndon B. Johnson NHP, to Same, Big Thicket Natl Preserve.
- GILBERT, James A., Painter, Sequoia NP, to Carpenter, DSC.
- GINESI, Helen E., Clerk-Typist, WRO, to Same, Golden Gate NRA.
- HEACOCK, Diana L., Grants Mgmt Spec., WRO, to Procurement Agent, WRO.
- JORDAN, Harold R., Exhibit Spec., S W Cultural Res. Center, to Facility Mgr, Hot Springs NP.
- KING, Robert, Maint. Worker Foreman, NCR, to Engineering Equipmt Opr Foreman, NCR.
- LARSON, Barbara L., Park Tech., NCR, to Same, G W Mem. Pkwy.
- McKNIGHT, Laurie A., Park Ranger, NCR, to Personnel Staffing Spec., HFC.
- LARSON, Gary L., Fishery Biologist, Great Smoky Mtns NP, to Regl Chief Scientist, MWRO.
- MOLNAR, Alexa J, Supv. Actgng Tech., MARO, to Supv. Accountant, MARO.
- PATTERSON, Thomas D., Park Ranger, Delaware Water Gap NRA, to Same, Joshua Tree NM.
- PROCTOR, Joan M., Mgmt Asst, NCR, to Supply Ofcr, NCR.
- SCHRANTZ, Daniel, Environmental Engineer, DSC, to Civil Engineer, DSC.
- SEIBERT, Robert R., Supv. Park Ranger, Rocky Mtn NP, to Same, Hawaii Volcanoes NP.
- SKINNER, Sarah A., Park Tech., Morristown NHP, to Same, Bighorn Canyon NRA.
- SQUIRE, Shirley J., Clerk-Typist, Yellowstone NP, to Park Aid, Yellowstone NP.
- WOLFE, Wescoat S., Supv. Park Ranger, RMRO, to Chief, Operations Evaluation, RMRO.
- YARBROUGH, Jerry R., Supv. Park Ranger, Timpanogos Cave NM, to Same, Amistad NRA.
- ALLIN, Virginia E., Admin. Clerk, WRO, to Mgmt Asst., WRO.
- AMELUNG, Harold E., Park Tech., Natchez Trace Pkwy, to Same, Death Valley NM.
- BACKLUND, Gilbert J., Supv. Park Tech., Mammoth Cave NP, to Park Tech., Mammoth Cave NP.
- BALLOU, Sarah L., Park Tech., Acadia NP, to Same, Ocmulgee NM.
- BELLAMY, James K., Park Ranger, Channel Islands NP, to Supv. Park Ranger, Big Bend NP.
- BERG, Malcolm J., Park Mgr., Rio Grande Wild & Scenic River, to Asst Super., Yellowstone NP.

CARRASCO, Victor V., Supv. Park Ranger, Whiskeytown NRA, to Same, San Antonio Missions NHP.  
 DAVIS, Daniel B., Park Ranger, Lake Mead NRA, to Supv. Park Ranger, Rocky Mtn NP.  
 DENGLER, William F., Supv. Park Ranger, Yosemite NP, to Same, Mount Rainier NP.  
 DOLLAR, Donovan, Park Tech., Great Sand Dunes NM, to Supv. Park Tech., Great Smoky Mtns NP.  
 DREZNER, Richard, Park Tech., WRO, to Communications Clerk, NCR.  
 ENGLAND-CHANDLER, Jane, Resource Policy Analyst, WASO, to Park Ranger, NCR.

## Obits

### Joseph Godfrey

Joseph Godfrey, construction representative on the Denver Service Center's Mid-Atlantic/North Atlantic Team, stationed in Bar Harbor, Maine, died August 12 of cancer.

Mr. Godfrey began his NPS career as a construction representative with the Mid-Atlantic Region's Office of Design and Construction in 1964 and continued in that capacity at various locations until his death.

Mr. Godfrey is survived by his wife Jeannette of Mount Desert, Maine, and a son Paul, residing in Boston.

Mr. Godfrey's family requests memorial donations be made to the Boy Scouts of America or the Cancer Foundation.

### Herma Baggleley

Herma Albertson Baggleley, distinguished botanist, pioneer woman naturalist at Yellowstone National Park, and wife of George F. Baggleley, Yellowstone's first Civil Service chief park ranger, died in Boise, Idaho, on August 18. Her passing marked the end of a long and courageous battle against Parkinson's Disease.

Herma Albertson, a native of Iowa, migrated in her early years with her family to Idaho. She was a graduate of the University of Idaho with both Bachelor's and Master's degrees in botany; and she taught there before going to Yellowstone to start her career as a park naturalist. There she co-authored *The Plants of Yellowstone* with the late Dr. Walter B. McDougall, also a park naturalist. She and George F. Baggleley, then Yellowstone's chief ranger, were married in Blackfoot, Idaho, on Nov. 26, 1931. Since George's retirement from the position of Special Assistant to the Director, in 1968, the two had lived at 17 Mesa Vista Drive,

Boise, Idaho, 83707, where George will continue to live.

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Baggleley on August 21; interment was in the Morris Hill Cemetery.

—Herb Evison.

### Bill Ledford

William H. Ledford, treasurer of the National Park Service Employees and Alumni Association, died in Arlington, Va., on Sept. 23 of a heart ailment.

Mr. Ledford had been with the Park Service in budget and fiscal offices for more than 30 years, before retiring in 1971. A native of Vancouver, Wash., he had worked for NPS in Washington State before moving to the Washington, D.C., area in the 1950s. Following retirement from the Service he became auditor and financial advisor for the E&AA and in 1979 took over the responsibilities of treasurer.

Survivors include his wife, Annie Laurie Ledford, who he married in 1957; children by his first marriage, Lora Lee Carpenter of Mount Airy, Md., and William "Buck" of Jefferson, Md., his mother Grace Chase and a brother, Curtis, both of Woodburn, Oreg.; a stepson, Frank Ewing of Barker-Ewing Float Trips concession in Grand Teton National Park, and 9 grandchildren.

Sentiments of those who knew Bill best are reflected in the poem written by his son, Buck, which was read at the funeral services by the Reverend Neal Jones. Internment was made at the National Memorial Park Cemetery in Falls Church. A U.S. Park Police squad car led the procession from the funeral home to the gravesite. Pall bearers were Rangers Bob Miller and Daniel Mathews, U.S. Park Police Officers Paul Clifton and Charles Smallwood, III; David E. Gackenback, E&AA Education Trust Fund official, and John A. Kunec, chief of Finance, who was a colleague and long-time friend of Bill's.

The family suggests that expressions

of sympathy be in the form of contributions to the American Heart Association or to the NPS Education Trust Fund of the Employees and Alumni Association, Box 7144, Arlington, VA 22207.

Poem by Buck Ledford, son of William H. Ledford, as read at Bill's funeral on Monday, Sept. 28, by the Reverend Neal Jones of Columbia Baptist Church, Arlington, Va.

Oh, father of ours, how precious your memories are  
 The wisdom God gave and the joy you had are treasures  
 We treasure by far.  
 Your life has been full as the ages are long  
 But the Lord has now called you on.  
 Though we be left, father so dear,  
 We treasure those memories through time on and on  
 The tenderness we knew, the time you gave  
 We cherish this part of love.  
 For love that is true and pure and good we know is imparted from above  
 We leave you Dad in the hands of the Lord  
 And trust you with His living word.

### Herbert Hutchinson

Herbert M. Hutchinson, 49, a maintenance worker foreman at George Washington Carver National Monument, Mo., died August 1.

A Neosho, Mo., native, Mr. Hutchinson began his Park Service career in 1978 at the monument. As maintenance worker foreman, he was responsible for the supervision of tractor operators, laborers, maintenance personnel and YACC projects. In 1980, he received a Special Achievement Award for outstanding performance as energy coordinator.

Mr. Hutchinson is survived by his wife Jacklyn of Joplin, Mo., a son Gary, one grandson, his mother, two brothers and two sisters.

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## Year of the Disabled Persons

At the day-long International Year of the Disabled Persons' Festival August 29 in Washington, D.C.'s Constitution Gardens and Potomac Parks, race participants and winners Phil Carpenter and George Murray (seated) posed with NPS officials: (left to right) Recreation Specialist Tom Coleman, Deputy Director Ira Hutchison and Special Programs and Populations Chief Dave Park. The event, co-sponsored by the National Park Service, the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped, the National Recreation and Park Association and other local and national organizations, featured activities for disabled and able-bodied participants. In addition to athletic demonstrations, this festival included performing artists and cultural awareness programs.

Photos and text by Bill Clark.



*Laureen Summers, a professional weaver with cerebral palsy, demonstrates her skills.*



*Racers rush past the Tidal Basin and the Jefferson Memorial in the 10-kilometer "Fun Run."*

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