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## FDR



*The Home of Franklin Delano Roosevelt National Historic Site in Hyde Park, N.Y.*

Photo by Fred Van Tassel.

## FDR Centennial celebration Jan. 30

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The Centennial of the birth of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, whose 12-year Presidency saw the Nation through the Great Depression and the Second World War, will be celebrated across the country Jan. 30.

The kickoff celebration is scheduled on that date at the Home of Franklin D. Roosevelt National Historic Site, N.Y. The event will be hosted by Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., with featured speakers including New York Gov. Hugh Carey, Postmaster General William Bolger and GSA Administrator Gerald Carmen. Local senators and congressman and other national leaders are expected to attend.

The U.S. Military Academy at West Point is providing a 100-member band and choir for the 10 a.m. opening ceremonies at FDR's grave in the Rose Garden. Later, a memorial stamp will be issued in the FDR Library. The FDR Home and nearby Vanderbilt Mansion,

also managed by NPS, will be open to the public free of charge that day from 1 to 4 p.m.

At the same time, in Washington, D.C., the Armed Forces Color Guard will stage a traditional wreath-laying ceremony at the FDR Memorial at 9th and Pennsylvania Ave., in cooperation with the FDR National Centennial Committee. Later that evening, the Smithsonian Institution will hold a birthday concert and square dance, featuring Alan Lomax and other performers, in the first floor rotunda of the National Museum of American History. A joint session of Congress will be held during the week and communities across the Nation will fly flags honoring the former President.

Along with its music programs, the Smithsonian is producing its second largest exhibit in history, featuring exhibits in seven of its branches on FDR. The National Museum of

American History will house the centerpiece—an exhibition on FDR as a communicator, drawn from collections of the Smithsonian, NPS, National Archives, the New York Historical Society and the Little White House Museum in Warm Springs, Ga. At the National Museum of American Art and the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, paintings and graphics will be on display from the New Deal public works programs, including the WPA Federal Art Project. The National Portrait Gallery plans two FDR exhibitions, and shows will be held at the Corcoran Museum, National Archives and Library of Congress.

Elsewhere, Harvard University and the University of Illinois are putting together extensive exhibits, while Hofstra University plans a conference of scholars. The Smithsonian Resident Associates have planned an all-day seminar Jan. 30 on FDR, the Great Depression, and World War II, featuring

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noted scholars. Two Roosevelt scholars will hold an "evening dialogue" at the Smithsonian's Woodrow Wilson Center in late January.

The FDR Centennial will be a year-long celebration, filled with parades, symposia and festivals. At FDR's Hyde Park home, the celebration continues with Memorial Day and July 4th parades and festivities at the national historic site. The 3-day New York State Flower Garden Festival will be held in the Rose Garden in mid-June.

An academic symposium on the 32nd President and his relationship with the mid-Hudson Valley is slated for Nov. 6, in honor of the 50th anniversary of FDR's first election to the Presidency. The symposium will be co-sponsored by NPS and Marist College where it is to be held.

In Maine, the July 4th ceremony at Roosevelt Campobello International Park is being planned by FDR, Jr., and former Secretary of State Edmund Muskie, now chairman of the international park commission for that site. Invited guests include President Reagan and Canadian Prime Minister Trudeau. Held on FDR's "beloved island" and summer residence, the event will feature ecumenical services, a talk about FDR by John Kenneth Galbraith, and two naval destroyers, one American and one Canadian, will be on display.



*New York Governor Hugh Carey (dark suit) previews the FDR NHS in advance of the Centennial celebration. Others (from left) William Emerson, director of the FDR Library; Mrs. Carey; Dixon Freeland, site superintendent, and Sue Pridemore, park ranger.*

## Mammoth Cave, Olympic named to heritage list

By James Orr  
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The World Heritage Committee, meeting in Sydney, Australia, Oct. 26-30 voted to add Mammoth Cave National Park, Ky., and Olympic National Park, Wash., to the World Heritage List.

Mammoth Cave and Olympic join seven other American sites already included on the World Heritage List: Grand Canyon, Yellowstone, Everglades, Redwood, and Mesa Verde National Parks, Wrangle-St. Elias National Park, Alaska, and Independence National Historical Park.

In addition to Mammoth Cave and Olympic, the committee approved 24 other properties in 12 countries for the World Heritage listing, including the Great Barrier Reef in Australia, the Palace and Park of Fontainebleau in France, and Tanzania's Serengeti

National Park. There are now 112 sites listed.

Other major decisions taken by the committee were the election of a new chairman (Australia) and executive bureau (Brazil, Bulgaria, Federal Republic of Germany, Guinea, Nepal and Tunisia); adoption of more systematic procedures for evaluating World Heritage nominations submitted to the committee and for examining requests for technical and financial assistance under the terms of the Convention; granting roughly \$600,000 from the World Heritage Fund to 11 countries in support of cultural and natural heritage conservation projects, and adoption of a 1.9 million dollar budget for 1982.

The UNESCO Convention Concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage, adopted by 61 nations as of now, established a system of

international cooperation and assistance through which natural and cultural properties of outstanding universal value to mankind may be recognized and protected.

The 21-member national World Heritage Committee is the governing body for the Convention. In 1973, the U.S. became the first country to ratify the Convention. The Park Service has lead responsibility for coordinating U.S. participation in this international heritage conservation effort.

Representatives from 31 countries and non-governmental organizations participated in the recent committee meeting. Interior Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks G. Ray Arnett led the U.S. delegation, with the assistance of members of the NPS International Affairs Branch.

# 'International Year of the Disabled Person'



Lynn Ekmund demonstrates her wheelchair-mobile to a friend in the Rocky Mountain NP.

As 1981—"The International Year of the Disabled Person"—closed last month, the COURIER reflected on the accomplishments of that period. The assistance of the Park Service to disabled persons (employees and visitors) and vice versa has been of a large order—too broad for the scope of this article. But in tribute to the accomplishments of that year, the COURIER presents the following three vignettes:

In May, Philip Johanik began work with the Park Service as a park aid at Apostle Islands National Lakeshore, Wisc. His work included manning the information desk, assisting visitors and serving as park dispatcher. Not unusual, you say, but since birth Johanik, 19, has been almost totally disabled as a result of muscular dystrophy. He spends his days in a battery-operated wheelchair, and though he has use of his hands, he is otherwise immobilized.

"Philip speaks knowledgeably to visitors about any of the information contained in the numerous Apostle Islands brochures," according to Chief Naturalist Phil Hastings. "Philip has done an excellent job, demonstrating his eagerness and quick ability to learn all about the job."

He spent one year at Wisconsin Indianhead Technical Institute (WITI)

after high school, completing the financial services assistant program. He particularly enjoyed a human relations course: "I enjoyed the year at WITI so much that the time was gone before I knew it," Philip said. WITI Coordinator Lynn Reichert cooperated with Apostle Islands in helping place Philip in his park aid position.

In it, Philip has met many people seeking park information, about the islands' history, boat tours, camp sites, etc. "Everyone is different—it is an education meeting so many different people," he said.

Philip became acquainted with these islanders on summer boat tours with the rangers on duty. Lakeshore maintenance crew members were helpful in constructing a staff desk which contains a turntable floor. Now, working as dispatcher 2 days a week, he can assist in handling emergencies when they arise.

The Wisconsin Division of Vocational Rehabilitation has helped Philip with educational expenses, transportation and construction of his special desk.

"I really enjoy this job and feel so fortunate to have it," he said. "Everyone goes out of their way to help."

On another front in the program to assist the disabled visitor, Rocky Mountain National Park, Colo., has



Philip Johanik, park aid at Apostle Islands NL.

produced the following story.

"There's a woman in a wheelchair driving a motorcycle!"

"She drove it all the way from Minnesota!"

These comments were often accompanied by raised eyebrows and smiles.

Lynn Ekmund, an adventurous person, is traveling cross-country in a specially designed motorcycle that she operates from her wheelchair. She is able to wheel onto what looks like a side car and fastens herself securely. Along her side is a motorcycle for her passengers. The motorcycle does not have a reverse gear, and Lynn compensates for this by parking downhill or getting assistance.

Lynn is a graduate student at Gallaudet College in Washington, D.C., the only college in the Nation for the hearing impaired. Her field of study is a combination of administration, counseling, and consulting for disabled individuals. Lynn has a hearing impairment, and during the last 7 years has become fluent in sign language and teaches classes through the continuing education school in Washington, D.C.

Lynn was the first handi-camp user of the season at Rocky Mountain National Park, Colo. The handi-camp is located in the backcountry and is specifically designed for use by the disabled. It was constructed by the Young Adult Conservation Corps and accommodates 10 campers, including a maximum of five wheelchair users.

"I wish there were more like it," said Lynn. "I liked sleeping on the ground. It was natural and soft. I also liked the fact that there were no trees cut down."

Ekmund is a paraplegic, as a result of  
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a spinal cord injury. She is limited to the use of her upper body, and this was her first outdoor camping experience in a backcountry site using her wheelchair for mobility. She plans to visit other national parks on her trip and spread the word about the facilities at Rocky Mountain.

The third example of projects to assist the disabled person is at Glacier National Park, Mont., where a boardwalk for wheelchairs on the Trail of the Cedars, is being built with the help of the Youth Conservation Corps (YCC).

The Trail of the Cedars is unique to the park. Due to an absence of fires to the area for over 500 years, the forest has reached the climax stage of succession. It contains mostly cedar, hemlock and yew, with an understory of ferns, lichens and moss. The area has a rain forest quality due to the abundant moisture it receives as cloud banks pile up against Mount Cannon, adjacent to the trail.

Avalanche Creek flows through a scenic gorge of water-carved sedimentary rock at the head of the boardwalk. There the walk joins a paved surface that continues into Avalanche Campground. A fork in the trail will take visitors up a moderate trail to Avalanche Lake.

In addition to its proximity to Avalanche Campground, the Trail of the Cedars is also located 5 miles north of Lake McDonald Lodge on the Going-to-the-Sun Road. A self-guided interpretive nature pamphlet leads visitors along a series of numbered stations.

The Trail of the Cedars boardwalk is designed to allow convenient wheelchair travel, but weaker hikers or disabled people will also appreciate the gently sloping grade. Benches built into the trail will provide for rest stops or picnics at scenic points. The width of the trail is 5 feet 4 inches, wide enough for two wheelchairs to pass.

The boardwalk was designed by park engineer Jim Vekasi and is being built by park carpenters, Dan Yuhas and Bob Starks, and five crews of YCC workers. The park began the project in 1981 and hopes to finish it in 1982 or 1983. During 1981 one-third of the boardwalk was completed.

Construction involved laying 1-foot fir and larch planks over supportive timbers and posts, all of which rest upon cement piers located at 8-foot intervals along the trail. There are also viewing platforms and benches at two Avalanche Creek locations.

During each week of the 5-week YCC work program, a different crew of six to



YCCers, from left, Julie Ring, Bob Starks and Ken Nurse work on construction of the Trail of Cedars Project for the Disabled at Glacier NP. At right, YCC and NPS crews measuring span for planking.



Photos by Clyde Lockwood.

eight persons was assigned to help. Some of the work accomplished by Corps members included preparing molds and pouring cement, trail clearing, digging holes for piers, hauling materials from trailhead to the work site, and laying planks. A 3-foot section of a hill also had to be removed.

Corps members were introduced to the skills of surveying, measuring and calculating distances, mixing cement and using carpenters tools.

During the construction, the completed portion of the boardwalk, as well as the remainder of the old trail, were left open to the public.

The Trail of the Cedars boardwalk project is one more example of the importance and usefulness of YCC to the Park Service. The boardwalk will serve the public well, providing disabled persons with access to an area of beauty in Glacier National Park.

## Interpretive trail dedicated



Anneta Pennington cuts the ribbon marking the opening of the new interpretive trail for the blind at Gettysburg National Military Park, Pa. With her are (from left) Superintendent John Earnst and Mark Nesbitt and Bill Cole of the Eastern National Park and Monument Association. The walkway provides visually-impaired visitor aids, including tape-recorded instructions, topographic relief maps, a tactile exhibit and textured trail surface.

# Mesa Verde marks diamond anniversary



*Cliff dwellings of the Anasazi people of Mesa Verde who mysteriously disappeared in the 14th century.*

By Stephen P. Siegel  
Public Affairs Specialist, WASO

People from all over the world come to Mesa Verde National Park to view the remains of the Anasazi people, a major Native American Indian culture that inhabited this huge mesa and its rugged canyons from about 400 A.D. to the early 1300s. Here visitors see the exceptionally well preserved houses, tools and clothing of the Anasazi.

Last year marked the 75th anniversary of the creation of Mesa Verde National Park, Colo., and this milestone was celebrated throughout the year. Beginning in May, the park hosted special tours of its newly-redesigned research center and of its first "museum," a two-room log cabin used many years ago by Dr. Jesse Fewkes of the Smithsonian Institution to house archeological collections. Fewkes worked in Mesa Verde from 1908-1922, excavating and stabilizing ruins including Cliff Palace, Spruce Tree House, Sun Temple, and Far View Ruins.

Also last May the 50th anniversary of the Mesa Verde Association was celebrated. This Association is a nonprofit organization authorized by Congress to support interpretive and

related visitor services in Mesa Verde National Park. The Association has produced and distributed numerous publications over the years, and has donated books, photographs, slides, and equipment to the park library.

In June, an important event took place when Mesa Verde National Park was formally dedicated a World Heritage Cultural Site in a ceremony attended by Director Dickenson, local Congressional representatives, and other dignitaries. The Mesa Verde Company, the concessioner at the park, catered a formal luncheon following the ceremony at the park's Far View Motor Lodge.

Then in July, the 12-millionth person to visit Mesa Verde National Park arrived: one of a group of five young people from Belgium. Also that month the first issue of the new Mesa Verde Research Series was published, titled "The 1926 Re-Excavation of Step House Cave." Written by the late Jesse Nusbaum, who served as superintendent of Mesa Verde National Park for 17 years, the publication describes Nusbaum's 1926 excavation, which was a pioneering force in archeology and contributed significantly to the knowledge of the earliest inhabitants of Mesa Verde.

July also included a 2-day field workshop that focused on archeological preservation techniques and the proper handling of archeological materials. The workshop, sponsored by NPS and the Bureau of Land Management, was attended by archeologists and museologists from the Southwest and Rocky Mountain Regions. Later that month a series of evening chamber concerts were initiated in the stone Spruce Tree amphitheater.

In August, local artists' paintings and drawings were exhibited in the park's Chapin Mesa museum in a show co-sponsored by the Cortez Chamber of Commerce. Also on display in the park was a traveling exhibit of well-known American Indian artists. Later that month, more than 300 Mesa Verde employees, alumni and friends gathered for an Old Timers' Picnic.

The anniversary events ended in October with a 3-day major scientific symposium on the Anasazi civilization. The purpose of this conference was to compile and synthesize all the scientific knowledge gathered about the Anasazi people. Publication of the conference proceedings is expected in early 1982.

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Director Dickenson addresses the audience at Mesa Verde's 75th anniversary celebration. (Seated, left to right) Ray Kogovsek, U.S. representative, and L. Lorraine Mintzmyer, Rocky Mountain Region director. (Back Row, left to right) Rev. Raymond Grimes of St. Rita's Catholic Church, Mancos, Colo.; Sallacher, National Anthem singer, and Rev. Warren Ost, Christian Ministry in the National Parks.

### Early inhabitants of Mesa Verde

The first people to settle in the Mesa Verde region, around 450 A.D., are known as the "Modified Basketmaker" because they represent a late stage of the Basketmaker people. Basketmakers are so called because of their use of basketry for containers, suitable to their nomadic way of life.

Modified Basketmakers also made simple pottery for containers as they became more settled in villages of "pithouses," which were semi-open dwellings dug in the ground.

By the year 750, descendants of the Modified Basketmaker, called Anasazi (a Navajo Indian word meaning "ancient ones"), began building houses above ground with wood poles and mud. By the 900s they began to use stone masonry, and in the 1100s their buildings were as high as three stories and contained as many as 50 rooms. At that time their population in Mesa Verde is estimated at 5,000.

During the close of the 1100s, the Anasazi abandoned their houses on the mesa tops and moved down into caves in the cliffs. It is not known why they did this, though it is believed to be for defense reasons. They constructed and lived in spectacular cliff dwellings, and also began to manufacture truly distinctive pottery.

By the close of the 1200s, the Anasazi abandoned Mesa Verde, never to return. Why they left remains to this day a mystery. There are many theories, but most agree that a continued drought

Cliff Palace at Mesa Verde.



Photo by Fred Mang.



Park employees, Willie Yazzie, Cato Hayes and Louis Joe enjoy the festivities.

caused crop failure, and overpopulation strained the social order with food shortages and epidemics.

### Mesa Verde National Park

After many years of urging, mostly by a private group of Colorado women, Congress finally passed a bill in 1906 establishing the 52,000-acre Mesa Verde National Park in the southwest part of that State. Dr. Jesse Fewkes (mentioned earlier) began working in the park soon after it was established, and he gave campfire talks to park visitors as early as 1915. Jesse Nusbaum also began some of the first interpretive services when he guided tours through the ruins.

Today Mesa Verde receives some 600,000 visitors annually, with more than 10 percent from foreign countries, mostly European. Once in the park they can visit the major surface pueblos and cliff dwellings that have been excavated, stabilized, and made available for visitation on Chapin and Wetherill Mesas.

Mesa Verde National Park is known throughout the world for its fascinating remains of a people who lived, thrived and then disappeared. It is a safe bet that people will continue to travel to the park to view this site, which is not only a world unto itself, but is a forerunner of our world today.

## Friendship Hill plan ready



Planning team for Friendship Hill are (from left) Bob Warren, superintendent; Dave Kimball, chief of Planning, MARO; Bill Fink, site manager; Ron Johnson, team captain, DSC, and Mike Spratt, outdoor recreation planner, DSC.

By Ron Johnson  
Team Captain, DSC

The culmination of an accelerated 10-month planning assignment occurred on Nov. 9, 1981 when James W. Coleman, Jr., Mid-Atlantic Regional Director approved and transmitted the Friendship Hill National Historic Site (Pa.) General Management Plan to the Washington office.

A 1978 law authorized Friendship Hill National Historic Site to commemorate the life of Albert Gallatin, a prominent Jeffersonian era statesman, public servant and entrepreneur who served as Secretary of the Treasury 1801-1813. The authorized boundary of the new park was drawn to include all of a 661-acre estate in southwestern Pennsylvania about 70 miles south of Pittsburgh. The Trust for Public Lands, a nonprofit conservation organization, purchased the estate from the last private owner and NPS acquired the site in January 1980.

Public interest in preserving the site as a tribute to Gallatin first surfaced in 1927 when concerned citizens organized the Friendship Hill Association to restore the privately owned house and open it to the public. During the intervening depression years little was

done, but by the late 1930s tours had begun and continued with cooperation from the owners on an intermittent basis until the late 1960s. At one point it was suggested that the State of Pennsylvania assume control of the property as a historic shrine. In 1978, Congressman Austin J. Murphy introduced a bill to "provide for the establishment of the Friendship Hill National Historic Site." Later that year it was included in the National Parks and Recreation Act.

The site authorized by Congress encompasses the mansion with its Gallatin-era components and later alterations, a nearby summer house (the Painter House), two barns of wood-frame construction, a concrete block dairy barn and metal silo, several farm structures, numerous foundations, a grave and small cemetery, a network of roads and trails, landscaped grounds, open fields and woodlands. The mansion and immediate grounds are nationally significant. The site is recognized in the *National Park System Plan—History* by the "Political and Military Affairs" and "America at Work" themes. The entire 661-acre property is listed on the National Register of Historic Places as a national historic

landmark, but only a core area of 389 acres is significant to Gallatin's life.

An environmental assessment was the first major step in the planning process for the site. The planning team, getting its start in January 1981, was comprised of Denver Service Center and park and regional employees. The DSC team included myself as team captain and Mike Spratt and Richard Wells, Friendship Hill Site Manager Bill Fink, Mid-Atlantic Region Chief of Planning Dave Kimball, and a number of consultants. As the team conducted data-gathering fieldwork in February 1981, it also held preliminary public workshops in New Geneva and Masantown, Pa., and Morgantown, W. Va.

By May 1981 a draft environmental assessment explored alternative strategies for future preservation, interpretation, development and visitor use of the park during the interim period before it becomes fully operational for the next decade.

All reasonable ways of achieving the park's management objectives were considered. Five alternatives focused on "continuation of the existing situation;" a "threshold operation;" a "modest historical/recreational park," a "large-scale historical/recreational park," and a purely "historical period park."

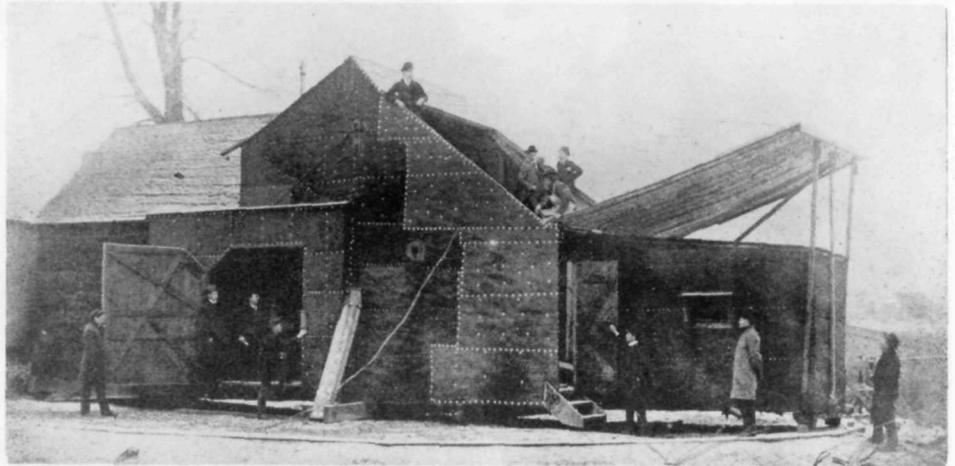
What does the future hold for Friendship Hill? The plan focuses on restoration of the main house, preservation of some non-Gallatin period cultural resources, adaptive use of local groups for meetings and crafts activities and removal of non-significant or dilapidated structures that pose health and safety problems. Innovative solar and/or other forms of energy saving techniques have been suggested, including use of the park's non-Gallatin period woodlots for heating. Significant natural resource management problems were analyzed and addressed with recommendations.

There will be no one-way loop roads, intrusive visitor centers or other forms of intensive development to impair the historic scene. Existing structures will be adaptively used for visitor services and operations.

The 1980s development at Friendship Hill is in keeping with the current thrust emphasizing limited Government responsibility, with increased direction toward the local sector in the development and operation of new NPS areas. With the submittal of a cost effective, timely plan, the future of Friendship Hill is bright!



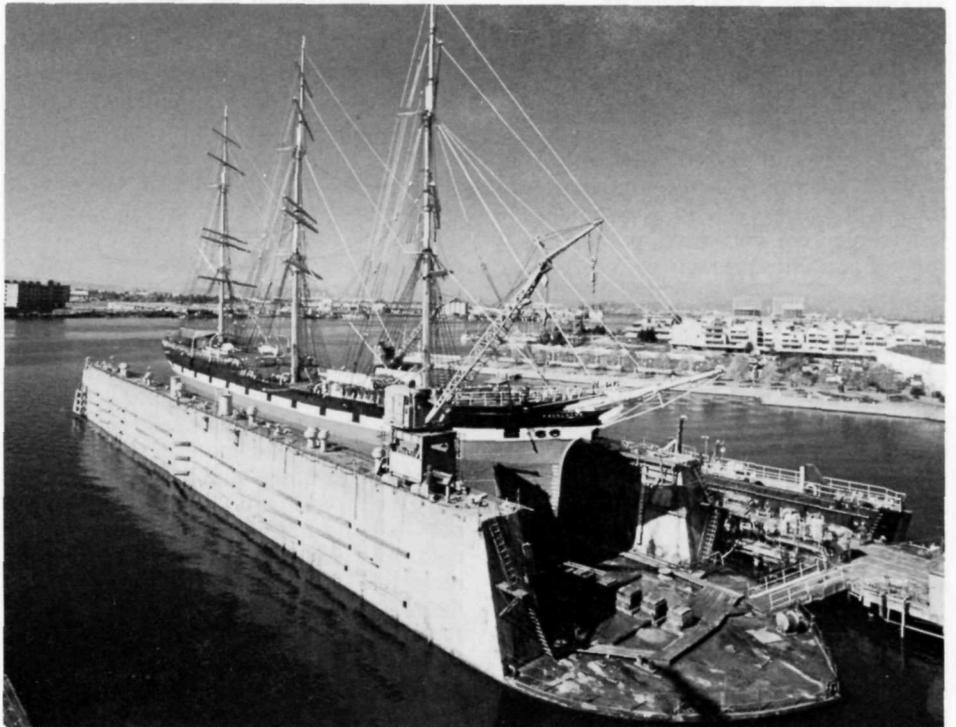
**EDISON NHS, N.J.**—Thomas Edison produced some of the earliest movies ever made in an odd-shaped building nicknamed the "Black Maria." A full-scale replica of the world's first motion picture studio is one of the visitor attractions here. To call attention to Edison's work in the development of the modern motion picture, the site co-sponsored the first annual Thomas Edison—Black Maria Film Festival and Competition last fall. More than 100 films were submitted by independent film producers and, of these, 17 chosen for public screenings. The festival was a joint effort of the Park Service and several local cultural agencies and institutions.



**JEAN LAFITTE NHP, LA.**—More than 150 guests braved inclement weather Oct. 25 to participate in the opening of the El Museo de Los Isleno in St. Bernard, La. The new exhibits on display portray the historical and cultural developments of the Canary Islanders in Louisiana, the settlers sent by Spain from 1778-83 to thwart British westward expansion. Visitors viewed the series of 15 interpretive panels with bilingual narrative. The reception was jointly sponsored by NPS and the St. Bernard Museum Board of the Spanish Heritage and Cultural Society.



**GOLDEN GATE NRA**—The historic ship *BALCLUTHA* underwent repairs and received a new coat of paint recently at the Pacific Drydock Co., in Oakland, Calif. The square-rigger, which was built in Scotland in 1886, is part of the National Maritime Museum Fleet. About \$180,000 was spent to replace hull plating, apply a plastic coating to the bottom, paint the hull and install new fire safety equipment.





Left to right (Back row): Homer Rouse, Superintendent Elizabeth Disrude, Maintenance Foreman Charles Seidel, Theodore Ziegler, Joseph Monkoski; (Front row): Harold Bamberger, James Geiger, and Lloyd Huyett.

**HOPEWELL VILLAGE NHS, PA.**—The maintenance crew has received a Special Achievement Award for its part in restoring the blacksmith shop, which was completely destroyed by a fire in 1980. The building and interior fittings were completely restored by the crew. At an Oct. 14 awards ceremony, MAR Associate Regional Director of Operations Management Homer Rouse and Regional Chief of Maintenance Joseph Monkoski presented individual checks and congratulations to maintenance personnel.



**MT. RUSHMORE NMEM, S.DAK.**—The memorial marked the 40th anniversary of the completion of the massive sculpture of four Presidents in late October. It took 14 years and cost almost \$1 million to carve the heads of George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln and Theodore Roosevelt. Hap Anderson was the last man to come down off Mount Rushmore in 1941. Said Hap in a telephone interview from his Galesville, Wisc., home: "It was an unhappy day. It was the best job around that part of the country and we were getting \$10 a day." Using a pneumatic jackhammer, Hap spent the last day working on Lincoln's cheek, near the wart.

**BOSTON NHP**—NPS has signed a cooperative agreement with Faneuil Hall and the City of Boston to improve access by the visiting public. Once dubbed "The Cradle of Liberty," Faneuil Hall will now be open on weekends and holidays. Taking part in the signing ceremony are (standing, left to right) Claudia Saurmann, park technician; Mary Shannon, executive secretary, Boston Arts Commission; Richard Berenson, Advisory Commission chairman; Bruce Glinsky, director of Available Space Real Property, and Park Technician Jack Garrity. (Seated, left to right) Steve Lewis, NARO acting regional director; Hugh Gurney, superintendent, Boston NHP; Robert Venuti, City of Boston, and Martin Connelly, building superintendent of Faneuil Hall.



**INDEPENDENCE NHP**—The house in which William Penn resided from 1699 to 1701 has been purchased by the Friends of Independence, which plans to develop the site into "Welcome Park," before donating the site to the NPS. The property is adjacent to the historical park and will serve as a welcome center to visitors. Notables who have stayed in Penn's house include George Washington, John and Samuel Adams, John Hancock and John Dickinson. The purchase of the property culminates 4 years work by the Friends and was made possible by a generous grant from the Pew Memorial Trust.



**BIG BEND NP, TEX.**—SW Deputy Regional Director Don Dayton and Dr. Bill Gregg of the Man and the Biosphere Program, WASO, were principal speakers at dedication ceremonies Oct. 23-24. In addition to the dedication of the park as a Biosphere Reserve, a new visitor contact station at Rio Grande Village was opened to the public, along with the historic Barker House. It was a time of international goodwill, as citizens of Boquillas, Mexico, crossed the border to mark the occasion. Special programs for children were included and a big dance was held Saturday night.

**USS ARIZONA MEM, HAWAII**—The Park Service marked the 40th anniversary of the attack of Pearl Harbor with several events. At 7:15 a.m., NPS with the assistance of the Navy held the traditional Pearl Harbor Day wreath ceremony. A moment of silence was observed at 7:55—the exact

time the attack began Dec. 7, 1941. Other activities included a meeting and ceremony for former members of the ship's crew and a sunset ceremony.

**VALLEY FORGE NHP, PA.**—Roof repairs began recently on the National Memorial Arch to keep water from leaking inside the masonry and cracking the stones according to Park Superintendent Wallace Elms. The repairs—besides a new roof—include installing ventilation openings and general cleaning of the structure. This is the first part of needed repairs, said Elms. The second work project will include repointing stone joints, repair to bronze work and foundation support. The current project should be completed in February.

**C & O CANAL NHP, D.C.-MD.**—The lower end of the historic canal was recently refilled with water, after

completion of a \$1 million silt removal project. The mule-drawn barge that previously plied its waters was transferred to Great Falls, Md., when the work began and plans are to keep it there. When the canal was drained 2 years ago, the barge was hauled north where it makes three regular trips a day during the season.

**DEATH VALLEY NM, CALIF.-NEV.**—The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has pronounced the Tecopa pupfish to be extinct. It is the first creature to be removed from the endangered species list for that reason. The cause of its demise? A bathhouse. The 1½-inch fish had adapted to temperatures of 110 degrees F and to high salinity. But when two springs were rechanneled and combined for the bathhouse, built in 1965, the water's temperature and salinity became unendurable.

## SSA for Clapper

Charles P. Clapper, Jr., associate regional director, Planning and Resource Preservation in the North Atlantic Regional Office, has received the Superior Service Award of the Department of the Interior.

The citation read, in part:

"Under his direction, the Service has made significant gains in developing scientific data for an aggressive stance in the management and protection of our coastal ecosystems. His exploratory work has opened up new possibilities in environmental mediation.

"He has expanded the planning and design capabilities in the region to handle unique problems in the parks as they occur. . . ."

## Bradberry seeks to be park doctor



Supervisory Park Ranger John F. Bradberry of Gulf Islands National Seashore, Fla.-Miss., recently traded in his Stetson for a stethoscope. Bradberry was among 55 students selected from over 5600 applicants to enter the Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine in Cleveland, which is ranked second in the Nation.

Bradberry began his Park Service career as a seasonal ranger at Shenandoah National Park, Va., in 1974 and later took a permanent position as a park technician. He was selected for the Ranger Intake Trainee Program in 1977 and then reassigned to his latest position at Gulf Islands.

Bradberry's goal is to incorporate his training and experience as a park ranger with a medical Doctorate degree and practice in a national park setting. He has a special interest in emergency medicine and would like to work closely with park ranger emergency medical technicians and paramedics in the parks.

## Shift four NPS managers

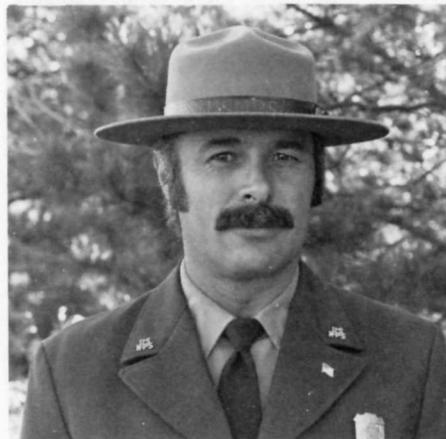
Four persons have recently assumed new management positions at park areas across the country.

### Finley



In the East, Michael Finley has been appointed superintendent of Assateague Island National Seashore, Md.-Va. Formerly assistant superintendent of Assateague, Finley succeeds Richard S. Tousley who has been made associate regional director for Operations in the North Atlantic Region. Finley has seen service in ranger positions in the West and has worked in the Legislation office, WASO. He is currently the president of the Association of National Park Rangers.

### Zwetzig

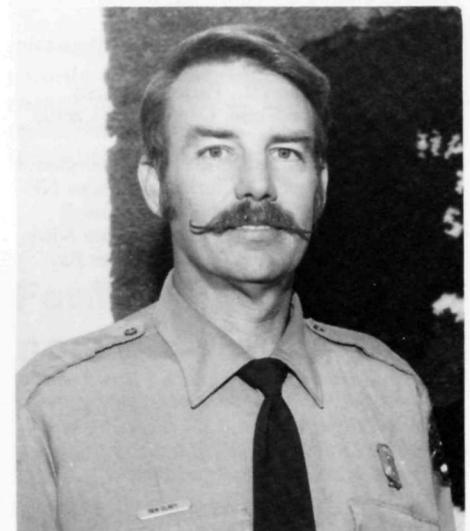


Leo V. Zwetzig has been appointed supervisory park ranger at Mount Rushmore National Memorial, S. Dak. Zwetzig started his Park Service career at Mount Rushmore in 1967 as a fire control aid. He received a permanent appointment as a park technician in 1970. A native of Keystone, S. Dak., Zwetzig worked in mining construction and served 2 years in the army before joining NPS.

### Hartman

Thomas L. Hartman, a 20-year NPS ranger and park manager, has been named superintendent of Cape Hatteras National Seashore, N.C. He moves to his new post from the superintendency of Cumberland Gap National Historical Park, Ky. He succeeds William A. Harris at Cape Hatteras, who recently transferred to Cumberland Island National Seashore, Ga. Hartman was born at Stanford, Ky., but spent most of his youth in Clarksville, Tenn., where he graduated from Austin Peay State University. His NPS career began as a ranger at Cabrillo and Channel Islands National Monuments, Calif. He has also seen ranger duty at Yosemite and Everglades National Parks, and served 3 years as assistant superintendent of Canyonlands National Park, Utah.

### Clary



Benton J. Clary has been named assistant superintendent of Yellowstone National Park—moving up from his post as park Maintenance chief. He succeeds Ronald Wrye, who became superintendent of Acadia National Park, Maine. A native of Lubbock, Tex., Clary holds a B.S. degree in civil engineering from Texas Tech and an M.S. from the University of Nebraska. He joined the NPS in 1964 in San Francisco. He's seen service as chief of Maintenance at Padre Island National Seashore, Tex.; Great Smoky Mountains National Park, and the Midwest Regional Office.



## People on the move

- BAUMANN, M. Christine, Supv. Park Tech., Cumberland Island NS, to Park Ranger, Assateague Island NS.
- BEAVER, John C., Supply Clerk, Buffalo Natl River, to Admin. Tech., Fort Necessity NB.
- BISSON, Eleanor M., Admin. Clerk, Craters of the Moon NM, to Admin. Tech., Great Sand Dunes NM.
- CARLIN, Edward D., Admin. Ofcr, SWRO, to Spec. Asst., SWRO.
- CELLAR, Lauren C., Park Tech., Yosemite NP, to Same, DSC.
- CROUCH, Gilbert J., Maint. Mech., Everglades NP, to Same, G W Birthpl. NM.
- CUCURULLO, Francis J., Park Tech., Manhattan Sites, to Park Ranger, Cuyahoga Valley NRA.
- DAVIDSON, Robert E., Outdoor Rec. Planner, SWRO, to Interdisciplinary Park Planner, SWRO.
- GAUDREAU, Janice M., Procurement Clerk, Boston NHP, to Purchasing Agent, NARO.
- GLASS, Michael R., Park Tech., Theodore Roosevelt NP, to Park Ranger, Badlands NP.
- GRAFE, Harold L., Park Mgr, Rocky Mountain NP, to Same, Zion NP.
- HARNEY, Miriam L., Clerk, Rocky Mountain NP, to Same, Grand Canyon NP.
- HENDERSON, Sam R., Park Mgr, Casa Grande NM, to Same, Organ Pipe Cactus NM.
- HUGHEY, Jackie L., Clerk-Typist, Everglades NP, to Procurement Clerk, Everglades NP.
- LEGGAT, Susan E., Clerk-Typist, Lowell NHP, to Secretary, Cuyahoga Valley NRA.
- LUTHY, James F., Park Tech., Glacier Bay NP & Preserve, to Deckhand, Cape Krusenstern NM.
- MAGEE, Mary M., Ecologist, DSC, to Environmental Spec., DSC.
- MAREK, Marie T., Supv. Park Tech., Indiana Dunes NL, to Park Ranger, Cuyahoga Valley NRA.
- MARTIN, Douglas C., Warehouseman, Yosemite NP, to Carpenter Helper, Yosemite NP.
- MAUGANS, Jeffrey R., Park Tech., Redwood NP, to Park Ranger, Cuyahoga Valley NRA.
- MC CRARY, Paul F., Park Mgr, Cumberland Island NS, to Same, Cape Hatteras NS.
- MERRITT, Christopher J., Museum Tech., Martin Van Buren NHS, to Museum Curator, Sagamore Hill NHS.
- MOORE, Patricia D., Procurement Clerk, WASO, to Procurement Asst, NCR.
- NOE, Francis P., Research Sociologist, Chattahoochee River NRA, to Same, SERO.
- OLSON, Gordon C., Park Tech., Antietam NB, to Supv. Park Tech., Wolf Trap Farm Pk.
- PAGE, Ronald E. J., Maint. Worker, Fort Jefferson NM, to Electrical Worker, Everglades NP.
- PATTERSON, Patricia E., Clerk-Typist, SERO, to Program Analyst, SERO.
- PETERSEN, Grant A., Park Mgr, Herbert Hoover NHS, to Same, Pictured Rocks NL.
- REED, Beverly P., Purchasing Agent, Mammoth Cave NP, to Program Clerk, Mammoth Cave NP.
- SAMMON, Dorothy C., Personnel Clerk, Gateway NRA, to District Clerk, Gateway NRA.
- SANDOVAL, Jean M., Grants Asst., SWRO, to Admin. Tech., SWRO.
- SILER, Nelson W., Supv. Park Ranger, Grand Canyon NP, to Same, Hot Springs NP.
- SMITH, Lewis O., Auto Mech., Great Smoky Mtns NP, to Engineering Equipmt Opr, Great Smoky Mtns NP.
- SNYDER, Warren E., Jr., Supv. Park Ranger, Ozark Natl Scenic Riverways, to Same, Indiana Dunes NL.
- TOBOLA, Sally B., Secretary, Golden Gate NRA, to Personnel Clerk, Golden Gate NRA.
- TREMBLAY, Edmond J., Jr., Motor Vehicle Opr, G W Mem. Pkwy, to Maint. Worker Leader, Manassas Natl Btflld Pk.
- UNDERWOOD, Stephen W., Park Ranger, Olympic NP, to Supv. Park Ranger, Crater Lake NP.
- WADE, John W., Supv. Park Ranger, SERO, to Park Mgr, Delaware Water Gap NRA.
- WUNDER, David C., Purchasing Agent, RMRO, to Contracting Spec., SWRO.
- DURHAM, H. Dale, Regional Curator, SERO, to Supv. Staff Curator, HFC.
- QUATTRONE, Dorothy M., Clerk-Typist, MARO, to Secretary, MARO.
- BEITEL, Warren H., Park Tech., Amistad NRA, to Supv. Park Ranger, Virgin Islands NP.
- BIERMANN, Keith D., Tractor Opr. Foreman, Big Bend NP, to Same, Jefferson Natl Expan. Mem. NHS.
- BLACK, Cassy Ann, Admin. Ofcr., Badlands NP, to Budget Analyst, RMRO.
- BLACKSHEAR, Paula, Clerk-Steno, Colorado NM, to Same, Death Valley NM.
- COOK, Barbara M., Secretary, G W Mem. Pkwy, to Same, NCR.
- DELONG, Leslie D., Outdoor Rec. Planner, SWRO, to Park Ranger, Salinas NM.
- DEWITZ, C., Douglas, Motor Vehicle Opr, Grand Canyon NP, to Maint. Mech., Pipe Spring NM.
- DILLON, Constantine J., Park Ranger, Carlsbad Caverns NP, to Same, Gettysburg Natl Military Pk.
- DRULLARD, Sam A., Civil Engineer, DSC, to Same, Big Bend NP.
- EGAN, Karen M., Clerk-Steno, MARO, to Secretary, Valley Forge NHP.
- FARRAR, Glen C., Facility Mgr, Everglades NP, to Civil Engineer, RMRO.
- FOWLER, Melvin E., Purchasing Agent, Hawaii Volcanoes NP, to Procurement Asst, Lassen Volcanic NP.
- GARCIA, Nellie M., Information Receptionist, SWRO, to Equal Opportunity Asst, SWRO.
- GARRISON, Cynthia, Park Tech., George Washington Carver NM, to Same, Indiana Dunes NL.
- GENTRY, Beverly B., Secretary, WASO, to Same, G W Mem. Pkwy.
- GOLDBIN, Thomas L., Supv. Park Tech., Golden Gate NRA, to Park Ranger, Everglades NP.
- GROCHOW, Adell D., Park Tech., Rocky Mtn NP, to Admin. Clerk, Noatak Natl Preserve.
- HALLER, John M., Park Ranger, Mount Rainier NP, to Supv. Park Ranger, Coulee Dam NRA.
- HATHAWAY, Gerald L., Lead Tech., Jefferson Natl Expan. Mem. NHS, to Supv. Park Ranger, Lava Beds NM.
- HICKS, Kyle B., Concessions Analyst, Olympic NP, to Concessions Mgmt Spec., Yosemite NP.
- HOGAN, Deborah A., Admin. Tech., Blue Ridge Pkwy, to Mgmt Asst, Hawaii Volcanoes NP.
- KING, Kerry C., Maint. Mech. Foreman, Cuyahoga Valley NRA, to Same, Canyon De Chelly NM.
- LAWSON, Lesley D., Admin. Clerk, Cape Cod NS, to Budget Asst., Southern Ariz. Grp.
- LEE, Shirley L., Admin. Clerk, Pictured Rocks NL, to Purchasing Agent, Navajo Lands Grp.
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- TOUSLEY, Richard S., Park Mgr, Assateague Island NS, to Same, NARO.
- VALEN, Robert J., Park Tech., Cabrillo NM, to Park Ranger, Badlands NP.
- ADELMAN, Edward H., Architect, NCR, to Same, Cuyahoga Valley NRA.
- BACOTE, James R., Radio Operator, Independence NHP, to Lead Park Tech., Indiana Dunes NL.
- BLOY, Howard J., Jr., Employee Development Spec., PNWRO, to ADP Support Services Supv., PNWRO.
- DOERR, Tom J., Supv. Park Ranger, Grand Canyon NP, to Safety Mgr, Grand Canyon NP.
- DURAN, Joe A., Maint. Worker Leader, Wupatki NM, to Facility Mgr, San Antonio Missions NHP.
- EDGE, Mary C., Procurement Clerk, DSC, to Program Clerk, Curecanti NRA.
- FROST, Winifred R., Supv. Park Ranger, G W Mem. Pkwy, to Park Ranger, G W Mem. Pkwy.
- GORDON, Georgene A., Clerk-Typist, DSC, to Staffing Clerk, RMRO.
- HASSON, Bruce D., Park Tech., Harpers Ferry NHP, to Same, Cuyahoga Valley NRA.
- HAYES, Benjamin R., Park Ranger, Independence NHP, to Same, Fort Necessity Natl Btflld.

HENDRICKS, Albert J., Supv. Park Ranger, Wind Cave NP, to Park Mgr, Lehman Caves NM.  
 HINRICHS, Carl E., Supv. Park Ranger, Great Smoky Mtns NP, to Same, Buffalo NR.  
 HORNING, Barbara J., District Clerk, Yellowstone NP, to Admin. Clerk, Grand Canyon NP.  
 INCITTI, Susan D., Clerk-Typist, ARO, to Procurement Clerk, ARO.  
 KAMINSKI, Vance L., Architect, DSC, to Same, Yellowstone NP.  
 LANDRETH, Libbie, Park Tech., Grant-Kohrs Ranch NHS, to Same, Great Sand Dunes NM.  
 LORANGE, Richard A., Maint. Mech., Richmond Natl Btflld Pk, to Maint. Worker Leader, Golden Spike NHS.

LUSARDI, Richard A., Carpenter Foreman, Martin Van Buren NHS, to Maint. Mech. Foreman, Golden Spike NHS.  
 MAIN, Genevieve M., Conveyance Examiner, Zion NP, to Same, RMRO.  
 MODER, Roger J., Park Tech., Sequoia NP, to Supv. Park Ranger, Death Valley NM.  
 PRETTY WEASEL, Violet R., Purchasing Agent, Bighorn Canyon NRA, to Procurement Agent, Theodore Roosevelt NP.  
 PUSEY, Patricia M., Supv. Outdoor Rec. Planner, SWRO, to Landscape Architect, SWRO.  
 QUICK, William M., Park Ranger, Hawaii Volcanoes NP, to Supv. Park Ranger, Yosemite NP.

REIGLE, Norman J., Jr., Ecologist, DSC, to General Bio Scientist, RMRO.  
 SANCHEZ, Angelo, Jr., Park Tech., Big Thicket Natl Preserve, to Same, Padre Island NS.  
 SAUNDERS, Terry T., Maint. Worker, Badlands NP, to Same, Mount Rushmore NM.  
 SCHMITT, Janet E., Outdoor Rec. Planner, SWRO, to Environmental Protect. Spec., SWRO.  
 SIMONDS, Timothy S., Park Ranger, Haleakala NP, to Park Tech., Grand Teton NP.  
 TINGLE, Gene A., Outdoor Rec. Planner, SERO, to Park Ranger, SERO.

## McHenry staffer retires



Frank J. Gorecki, ranking senior staff member at Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine, Md., retired recently after more than 18 years at the park.

A lifelong resident of Baltimore, Gorecki has left the area only once to serve a 4-year stint in the U.S. Army during World War II.

Gorecki joined the Park Service in 1963 as a laborer at Fort McHenry. Over the years he was promoted to grounds foreman.

Prior to his Federal service, Gorecki held several positions with National Enamel & Stamping Co. (NESCO), National Can, Esskay, and Armco Steel.

At a recent retirement dinner, he was presented with gifts and best wishes from his friends and fellow employees. When asked what he and his wife Theresa plan to do, the reply is nothing definite other than to visit his daughter Patricia in Fort Huachuca, Ariz., and to spoil his grandson Frank J. III.



## E&AA News and Notes

### LaGasse award for Connie Wirth

Former Director Conrad L. Wirth was given the first annual Alfred B. LaGasse Medal by the Landscape Architecture Foundation at the annual meeting of the American Society of Landscape Architects in Washington, D.C. on Nov. 24. The award is in recognition and appreciation of his "outstanding (professional) contributions to the fields of resource conservation and public land management."

Laurance S. Rockefeller was also awarded the medal for his non-professional contributions in the same field.

In announcing the award the Foundation's president, David L. Young, credited Connie Wirth with outstanding contributions to landscape architecture and park design, citing the instrumental part he played in establishing the first cohesive landscape architecture department within the National Park Service, and his leadership in the Mission 66 concept for redesign and updating of the National Park System following World War II.

Wirth also holds the 1961 Rockefeller Public Service Award for career achievement in the conservation and resources field, the American Automobile Association honor award for service in the conservation of American resources, and the American Scenic and Historic Preservation Society's Pugsley Gold Medal awarded for the unprecedented second time in 1964. He also has the American Society of Landscape Architecture's highest honor, the ASLA Medal, for "outstanding accomplishment in landscape architecture design." At a reception preceding presentation of the

Alfred B. LaGasse Medal, the former Director was given a special certificate of appreciation by the Landscape Architecture Foundation.

Alfred LaGasse, for whom the Landscape Architecture Foundation medal is named, served as executive director of the American Society of Landscape Architects from 1968 to 1976. The award is given in recognition of individuals who have made notable contributions in the fields of resource management or public land management through the practice or utilization of landscape architecture.

—Jim Kieley.

### Former forester now consulting

Ray Sydansk left a forester position—which involved land planning and acquisition—with the National Capital Parks in 1942 to go with Armstrong World Industries. With that company he served in several capacities for more than 35 years. For several years before retirement from Armstrong he was in charge of all its real estate activities—new plants, offices, warehouses, disposals, and expansion planning.

Ray is now a consultant, bringing that wide range of service to smaller companies which do not have their own in-house capabilities to handle growth requirements. "This permits me to stay active, at my own pace, without letting work interfere with fishing, hunting, or visiting the kids," according to a recent letter. He and his wife Betty continue to live in Lancaster, Pa.

## Attention ladies:

Do you have trouble keeping track of your friends because of their many moves? Do you wish you could lengthen your Christmas list instead of having to shorten it? Do you wish you could hear from your friends but they have broken arms? We think we have a solution and an idea worth your while.

Our local group is committed to editing "The Breeze" for the PNW-Alaska Regions for 2 years. For a 1-year trial we want to expand information on a national level. We are asking you to send your personal-family news in a telegram-type form. Those interested will participate; reports for club-park news will be needed.

2. Write us your park activities, group experiences, past memorable events using lots of NPS names.

3. Write your comments and concerns.

4. Regional chairmen send us your reports after conferences of your activities.

5. Share this information and pass along your issues for all to know about this project.

Sample tele-message:  
WARNOCK, THELMA, Anchorage AK, 3rd year. Kids: 2 married—Anch. & Sante Fe: grandson Daniel Douglas 11/80; 2 college: Albuq. & Seattle; Kris Sr HS. Sub-teacher, church work, NPW newsletter to help keep "that family spirit going nationally."

You can see there can be lots of info in few words. There's room for hundreds of messages. Everyone, everywhere send us your news. Do it NOW. Deadlines Jan. 15th and April 15th for Feb. and May issues. Anchorage NPW, 8481 Pioneer Drive, Anchorage, AK 99504

Thelma Warnock  
Judy O'Neale  
Co-editors

## Distaff softball clobbers BIA

The WASO women's softball team coached by Tim Briscoe and Rosalind Gray defeated the Bureau of Indian Affairs women winning the first two of a three-game series in the 1981 season championship. The two teams had identical won/lost records for the season (6-3) and each time they met during the regular season, it was a grueling contest from start to finish. The NPS team won two of the three season games against BIA.

## ASLA selects Ted Wirth

Theodore J. Wirth, formerly of the Western Office of Design and Construction, took office as president-elect of the American Society of Landscape Architects at the conclusion of the organization's annual meeting in Washington, D.C. Nov. 21-24. He will serve as president during 1983.

Ted, who resigned in 1961 to enter private practice after 9 years with NPS, is president of Wirth Associates of Billings, Mont. He joined ASLA in 1950 as an associate, became a member in 1955, and was elected a fellow in 1978. He has chaired several important committees of the Society. He is president of the Montana Conservation Council, and a member of State councils on air pollution, highway development and health planning.

His firm has offices not only in Billings but also in Denver, Phoenix, and San Diego, and in Abha, Saudi Arabia, where Wirth Associates is under contract to design a national park system for that country.

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Everybody needs beauty as well as bread, places to play in and pray in, where Nature may heal and cheer and give strength to body and soul alike.  
—John Muir.

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## Book

**Wilderness Search and Rescue** by Tim J. Setnicka. *Appalachian Mountain Club, Boston, Illustrated with 150 photographs and 170 line drawings; chapter bibliographies and index, 650 pp.*

Unlike most SAR books, this one presents a comprehensive system of skills and techniques that can be combined for rescues in any terrain.

It will enable such persons as policemen, EMTs, firemen, counselors and others not fully experienced in SAR to operate complex arrangements of gear once they have mastered the basics.

The book gives case studies that emphasize essential procedures which can be adapted to problems in almost any situation.

Author Setnicka started his NPS career as a seasonal ranger in Mount McKinley National Park, Alaska, then moved on to Glacier Bay National Monument, Alaska. In 1970, he began a 9-year stint in SAR activities at Yosemite National Park. He is currently stationed at Grand Teton National Park.

Among other things, Setnicka's thorough SAR book covers whitewater, snow and ice, avalanches, rock walls, crevasses, caves, helicopter tactics, search strategy, search management, SAR medicine, climbing equipment and technique, documentation and even, media relations.

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## Deaths

### Philip Romigh

Philip S. Romigh, a retiree of the Denver Service Center living in San Francisco, died Sept. 29 of complications following surgery.

Mr. Romigh transferred to Denver from the Western Service Center when the two service centers merged in 1971. He was assigned to the position of principal architect for the Western Team. He transferred to the National Capital Team, C & O Canal Restoration Group in 1975.

When he retired in 1979, Mr. Romigh returned to San Francisco.

He is survived by his son, John Chambers of 69 Noe St., San Francisco, CA 94114.

### Marshall Evans

Marshall "Buck" Evans, a 33-year NPS ranger, died at his home March 18. He was 73.

Born in Porterville, Calif., he first worked for the U.S. Forest Service before becoming a permanent park ranger at Sequoia National Park, Calif., in 1937. In 1939, he moved to Yosemite National Park where he was a district ranger for many years.

In Yosemite, Buck excelled in search and rescue work which won him many honors. A Meritorious Service Award in 1950 recognized his heroic efforts in tracking two lost people for 4 days over sheer walls and cliffs. Another award in 1959, during the Glacier Point Rescue, acknowledged his courage in tracking three skiers for several days in a snowstorm before finding them near death.

In 1961, Mr. Evans transferred to Crater Lake National Park, Oreg., where he served his last years as chief ranger and then management assistant.

Upon retirement, Buck and his family remained in Oregon where Kay continues to live at their home: 3530 Pine Grove Road, Klamath Falls, OR 97601. Buck left two sons and a daughter with four grandsons.

### Al Dillahunty

Former Ocmulgee National Monument, Ga., Superintendent Al Dillahunty, 62, died unexpectedly June 18 after suffering a heart attack at Paris, Tenn., his retirement home.

Dillahunty leaves his wife, Wilda, a daughter, Alberta Adkins, a son, John, two sisters and a brother.

### Earl Olson

Earl C. Olsen, husband of Marian L. Olsen formerly of the MWRO staff, was fatally injured in an automobile accident in Omaha. He was 76 and had been employed for 47 years by the Union Pacific Railroad. Mrs. Olsen retired in 1967 as a secretary in the immediate office of the Director, Midwest Region. The family suggested that memorials may be offered to the Wheeler Memorial United Presbyterian Church of Omaha.

### Thomas Williams

Thomas J. Williams, a 40-year NPS veteran of many western park areas, died Sept. 17 in Sante Fe. He had been ill for a number of years.

A native of West Virginia, he headed west in a Model T as a young man. Mr. Williams landed a seasonal job at Sequoia National Park, Calif., in 1927. Later he was the first and for a time the only ranger at Death Valley National Monument, Calif.-Nev.

He served as assistant superintendent at Mesa Verde National Park, Colo. After time out for military service in the Coast Guard in World War II, he returned to Shasta National Recreation Area, Calif., then Olympic National Park, Wash., and became the superintendent of Crater Lake National Park, Oreg., in 1954.

From there, Mr. Williams was assigned to the Southeast Region as chief, Division of Protection and Resources Management. He retired as associate director of Operations at SWR. He received the Interior Department Meritorious Service Award.

Mr. Williams is survived by three children, T. Jeff III of California; Lynne, married to park ranger Jim Jordan of Lake Mead National Recreation Area, Nev.-Ariz., and Robert L. "Skip" of Washington, D.C.

### Tracy Ward

Tracy L. Ward, son of Nancy and Bill Cass, died Sept. 25 from injuries sustained in an automobile accident on Sept. 18. Tracy's mother is administrative officer at Big Thicket National Preserve, Tex.

A recent high school graduate, Tracy Ward had worked as a VIP at Cape Hatteras National Seashore, N.C., from 1975-78 in the Division of Interpretation. He assisted in the silkscreening and printing of interpretive schedules for Cape Hatteras and other parks in the Southeast Region. He also worked for the Lost Colony Theater at Fort Raleigh National Historic Site, N.C., during the summer of 1975.

In addition to his mother and stepfather, Tracy Ward is survived by his father, Walter; a sister, Teresa of Beaumont, Tex., and a stepbrother, Timothy of Orlando.

### Essie Lawrence

Essie Hart Lawrence, 52, a native of Manning, S.C., and a 14-year Park Service employee, died Sept. 18 at Greater Southeast Community Hospital in Washington, D.C., of a heart ailment.

A graduate of Claflin University in Orangeburg, S.C., Mrs. Lawrence had been the site manager at Frederick Douglass Home since 1978. Her Park Service career began at Arlington House, Va., where she worked her way up through the ranks from housekeeper and seamstress to interpretive specialist.

Prior to joining the Park Service, Mrs. Lawrence taught at Draper Elementary School in Washington, D.C. and in the South Carolina public school system.

Mrs. Lawrence is survived by a daughter, Barbara J. Lawrence of Oxon Hill, Md., and one brother, Josiah Hart of Washington, D.C.

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# NPS employees honored for valor, service

Four Distinguished Service Awards and four Valor Awards were presented to Park Service employees at the 48th Honor Awards Convocation held Dec. 2 in Washington.

Recipients of DSAs included Wayne B. Cone, associate director for Planning and Cultural Resources in the Southwest Region; Donald W. Humphrey, a senior NPS planner, Harry W. Phanz, chief historian of the NPS, and John G. Tkach, retired director of Land and Water Conservation Fund for the former Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

Valor Awards went to George R. Giddings, a park technician at Lassen Volcanic National Park, Calif., for saving the lives of two men who fell through the ice at Manzanita Lake; the Jenny Lake Rescue Team for saving the lives of two men stranded on a ledge in Grand Teton National Park, Wyo. (team members included Barbara Eastman, Tim M. Hogan, Peter N. Hollis, Robert W. Irvine, Reynold G. Jackson, and Leo G. Jackson); Melvin A. Lewis for saving the life of a fellow employee in Washington, and Sarah L. Miller for saving a life on Battle Creek in Mineral, Calif.

The convocation was hosted by Interior Secretary James G. Watt.



*George Giddings*



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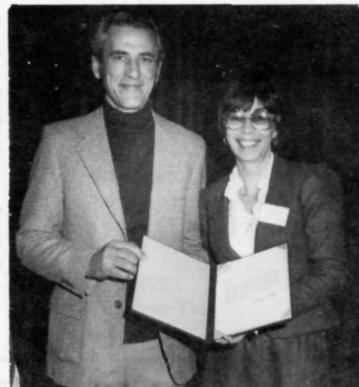
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