

# PRAC SIGMPOST **march** 1986

## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

As part of this President's Message I am including a tentative agenda for the PRAC meeting which will be occurring during the PRAC/CSPRA Annual Conference in Concord this month.

This agenda will give you an idea of what is to be decided and voted upon by those who attend the conference.

With this year's conference being held in the San Francisco Bay Area - right in the middle of our great State of California - I look forward to seeing a large turnout of Rangers and Park Professionals.

**JOHN RAMIREZ**  
PRAC President

## AGENDA

PRAC Board Meeting - March 1986  
Concord Holiday Inn  
Concord, California

### Old Business:

1. Status Report from District Representatives
2. Review of Prior Year's Accomplishments
3. Executive Director's Report
4. Treasurer's Report

### New Business:

1. Election of Officers
2. Business Meetings - Problems and Recommendations
3. Establishment of Goals for Upcoming Year
4. Committee Formation
5. Increasing PRAC Member Participation

## EDITOR'S NOTE

A hearty hello to my fellow PRAC members. My name is Chris Crockett, and I have taken on the exciting responsibility of keeping open the communications between us all. It is with great happiness that I am assuming the role of Editor for the PRAC Signpost.

Beyond my affiliation with PRAC, I am currently a Seasonal Park Ranger with the County of Santa Clara at Coyote River Parkway-Hellyer Unit. I have held this position for almost four years. I am also a full-time graduate student at San Jose State University majoring in Recreation and Park Administration.

I see the Signpost as an important means of information which can assist us in better performing our roles as park professionals. But, the Signpost must rely upon a group of enthusiastic and dedicated persons in order to be totally effective. This is where you all, as PRAC members, play a pivotal role.

I invite you to submit any information that would contribute to the publication. It can be an article, a feature, a factual tidbit, news material you picked up from another publication, or even an idea that can be incorporated into the newsletter by someone else, or by me as editor.

I look forward to being in touch with you all at some time in the near future. I am excited about sharing any ideas you may wish to incorporate into the Signpost. I hope to see many of you at the PRAC/CSPRA Conference this month in Concord.

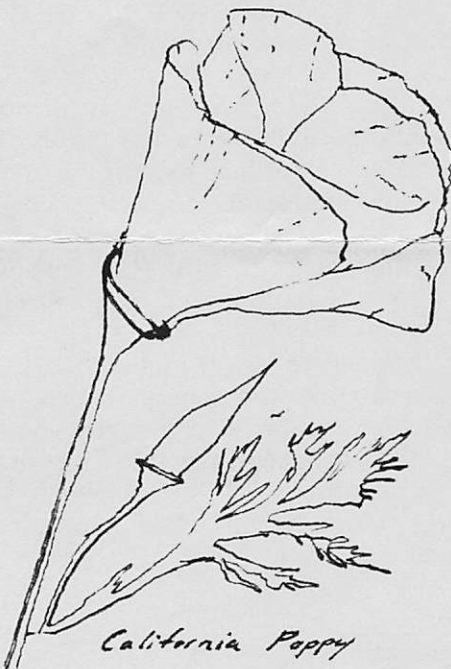


## PRAC PARKSCAPES

To get PRAC members better acquainted with each other, and with the places where we all work, I would like to incorporate a new feature series into the Signpost. It is called "PRAC Parkscapes."

"PRAC Parkscapes" is designed for PRAC members to share something about the park in which they work. It can focus on: rare native wildlife, unique natural features, special park programs and facilities, or special park staff.

Your story can be short or long. In fact, if you don't want to write it yourself just give Chris Crockett, Signpost editor, a call and give him the information you would like to see under the "PRAC Parkscapes" story heading. Chris can be reached by calling (408) 378-4467 (home), or (408) 225-0225 (work). You can also mail him your stories/information at: 300 Friar Way, Campbell, CA 95008.



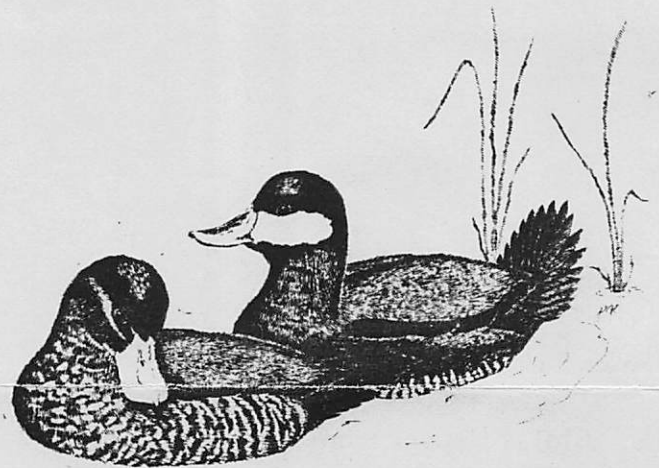
## "FRIENDS, ROMANS, PRAC MEMBERS LEND US YOUR ASSISTANCE PLEASE!"

PRAC needs your enthusiasm and solicitation talents to round up some good prizes for the CSPRA/PRAC Raffle at this year's conference.

Of particular value would be donations, in either product or service form, from vendors which serve the Parks and the Recreation profession.

We are also looking for PRAC members to man our sales booth in Concord on a voluntary basis.

If you can "lend us your vital assistance" in either, or both, of these areas give PRAC President John Ramirez a call at (805) 654-3977. Thanks for all your help in advance. See you in Concord.



## LOOK FORWARD TO SOME CHANGES

This shortened version of the Signpost has been rushed to your mailbox, hopefully, before the conference in Concord, March 14-17. But, look forward to a new look in the next Signpost issue.