



"BRIDGING CULTURES THROUGH WOOD AND EARTH"

**GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY
SOUTHWEST REGIONAL OFFICE**

**SATURDAY, JULY 1, 1989
TWO O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON**

SOUTHWEST REGIONAL OFFICE

The National Park Service Southwest Regional Office building is the largest known adobe office building in the United States. A masterpiece of Spanish-Pueblo Revival architecture, the structure's design illustrates the National Park Service's "rustic architecture" concept of the 1930s. Although the building's significance is largely architectural, the structure is unique in the National Park Service. This building is the only structure specifically constructed for a Regional Office. Fifty years later the building continues to function in that capacity. In addition, the building houses an outstanding art collection and furnishings. To many New Mexicans, the building stands as a monument to the young men of the Civilian Conservation Corps who built the structure. In 1987, the Secretary of the Interior designated the Southwest Regional Office as a National Historic Landmark.

PROGRAM

Posting of Colors

New Mexico National Guard

National Anthem

Daniel Murphy

Division of Interpretation, National Park Service

Welcome

Melody Webb

Chair, Golden Anniversary Committee

Master of Ceremonies

John E. Cook

Regional Director, Southwest Region

Invocation

Reverend Leo E. Lucero

Vicar General, Archdiocese of Santa Fe

Remarks

U.S. Senator Jeff Bingaman

U.S. Senator Pete Domenici

U.S. Representative Bill Richardson

Mildred Blanche, **Regional Director**

National Conference of Civilian Conservation Corps Alumni

Special Remarks

James Ridenour

Director, National Park Service

Recognition of Honored Guests

John E. Cook

Keynote Address

Robin W. Winks

The Randolph W. Townsend Professor of History
and Master of Berkeley College, Yale University

Benediction

Retiring of Colors

New Mexico National Guard

Reception Immediately Following Ceremony

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The National Park Service was created on August 25, 1916, to "promote and regulate the use of the Federal areas known as national parks, monuments, and reservations hereinafter specified by such means and measures as conform to the fundamental purpose of the said parks, monuments, and reservations, which purpose is to conserve the scenery, the natural and historic objects and the wildlife therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations."

