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FROM THE DIRECTOR

One issue has been dominating our thoughts and work since late April—the devastating oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico. National Park Service employees sprang into action. Our incident command teams, experienced professionals who know how to handle emergencies and disasters, and local park employees who know the resources best quickly assembled to support the unified command, keep people safe, conduct baseline assessments, protect delicate and irreplaceable structures and ecosystems and prepare for cleanup and long-term restoration.



On May 7, Secretary Salazar dispatched me to Mobile, Ala., as the DOI incident commander. I joined 400 Department of the Interior employees and more than 10,000 others who are working to protect the Gulf's coastal communities and resources. My role, and that of other senior officials stationed at each command center, is to represent the Department's interests as critical decisions are made to protect parks and refuges now and in the months ahead.

Those of you who keep the parks, programs and offices running while your colleagues are deployed on incidents deserve credit too. It's everyone doing his or her part that allows us to respond to and recover from catastrophes like this one.

But let us assume for a moment that a drop of oil never came ashore at one of our parks. Even without blackened beaches, oiled wildlife or historic bricks wicking oil, every environmental assault threatens national parks and challenges us. The well-being of national parks relies not only on our own ability to ensure healthy and resilient conditions within park boundaries, but also, because they exist in the larger world, on our work with partners to manage on an ecosystem scale. This oil spill is just one dramatic reminder of this reality.

As we move forward, volunteers will be crucial to our recovery and restoration efforts. We appreciate their commitment and honor the accomplishments of all those who support our work and make it their own. In May, we presented the George and Helen Hartzog Awards for Outstanding Volunteer Service to some amazing volunteers. It's important to take time to recognize and be thankful for our volunteers and co-workers especially in the midst of crises.

With this in mind, I want each of you to know how much I truly appreciate not only what you do every day, but also how you step up without hesitation in extraordinary situations. I am humbled to serve as your director.

—Jonathan B. Jarvis

Secretary Salazar Appoints National Park Service Advisory Board

Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar has appointed 12 new members to the National Park System Advisory Board. The board, first authorized in 1935, advises the secretary and the director of the NPS on matters relating to the Service's work. "The members of the board are highly accomplished men and women whose creativity and wisdom will help us prepare for the challenges of the National Park Service's second hundred years," said Secretary Salazar.

Eight of the new members previously served on the independent Second Century Commission, which was charged with developing a 21st-century vision for the NPS. In 2009, the commission submitted a comprehensive report that included sweeping recommendations for enhancing the ability of the NPS to share its natural heritage with all Americans and engage them in its protection.

"The mission of the NPS is more vital than ever as we work to fulfill the promise of President Obama's America's Great

Outdoors Initiative," added Secretary Salazar. "The issues we face today, such as the economy, climate change, connecting Americans to the great outdoors, obesity and the loss of cultural literacy, are all areas that the board can help us address."

Members are appointed by the secretary of the Interior for terms not to exceed four years. The new appointees are:

- **Paul Bardacke**, senior partner, Sutin, Thayer & Browne, PC, Santa Fe, N.Mex.

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President Obama Launches the America's Great Outdoors Initiative

On April 16, President Barack Obama signed a Presidential Memorandum establishing the America's Great Outdoors Initiative to promote and support innovative community-level efforts to conserve outdoor spaces and to reconnect Americans to the outdoors. The president spoke before leaders representing the conservation, farming, ranching, sporting, recreation, forestry, private industry, local parks and academia communities from all 53 states and territories at a White House conference held at the DOI. The NPS was an active participant at the conference, with NPS Director Jon Jarvis moderating one of the afternoon breakout sessions.

The Presidential Memorandum calls on the secretaries of the Interior and of Agriculture, the administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the chair of the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) to lead the Initiative, in coordination with the Departments of Defense, Commerce,



Tami A. Heilmann, DOI

PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA signs a Presidential Memorandum on April 16 establishing the America's Great Outdoors Initiative.

Housing and Urban Development, Health and Human Services, Labor, Transportation and Education and the Office of Management and Budget. The Initiative will support a 21st-century conservation agenda that builds on

successes in communities across the country, and will start a national dialogue about conservation that supports the efforts of private citizens and local communities.

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NPS Director Says 2011 Budget Demands Creative Change

Difficult economic times call for creativity, NPS Director Jon Jarvis told members of a House subcommittee on March 16 when he presented the bureau's 2011 budget request. "I know some people believe the use of 'government' and 'creativity' in the same sentence is oxymoronic, but it doesn't have to be. It can't be."

The \$2.73 billion budget proposal for the NPS is \$22 million less than the 2010 appropriations, "a fact of these economic times," Director Jarvis said. "We will be creative to meet the needs of park visitors, protect park resources and continue our partnerships that help revitalize communities through local recreation and historic preservation projects."

"This budget supports our mission," Director Jarvis said in his testimony before the House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment and Related Agencies. "This budget supports the gains we've made with the backing of Congress. It supports Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar's goals to preserve treasured landscapes, addresses the challenge of resource stewardship made more difficult by global climate change and encourages all Americans—especially the youth of our nation—to discover a personal connection to national parks."

The 2011 spending plan includes two important programs for young people. "Last year we received \$5 million for internships to introduce high school and

college-aged youth to career opportunities in natural and cultural resources management," Director Jarvis said. "In 2011, we hope to add \$5.8 million to expand this program to 29 parks and dedicate another \$6.4 million of fee receipts to youth-powered projects such as trail maintenance and trail building at parks across the National Park System. This program provides opportunities for young people to explore their national parks while they help visitors discover our shared heritage. And they earn a paycheck for a summer."

The budget continues a \$10 million appropriation for climate science. Director

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Focus on the Parks

• Over 200 people gathered Feb. 5 to officially begin construction of the new Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe Fish Hatchery. A groundbreaking ceremony at the hatchery site on the tribe's reservation along the Elwha River was followed by a community dinner hosted by the tribe.

The new hatchery is a critical component of the Elwha restoration project and will help maintain existing stocks of Elwha River fish during dam removal and produce populations of coho, pink and chum salmon and steelhead vital to restoration. "We as tribal council and staff are following the path our elders set for us to protect and preserve our natural habitat. This hatchery is just one of the many steps along that path to building a pristine environment for salmon to return home," said Frances Charles, tribal chair of the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe.

Contractor James W. Fowler Co. of Dallas, Oreg., began work on the hatchery in January; completion is scheduled for August 2011. The \$16.4 million construction project is funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Construction of the hatchery includes site and access road improvements, water supply and drainage pipelines, water supply wells, two buildings, fish culture facilities (including raceways, ponds and adult holding ponds), a fish

ladder and related mechanical and electrical systems.

"We join the tribe in celebrating construction of their new hatchery," said **Olympic NP** Supt. Karen Gustin. "This marks another important step towards Elwha restoration—the hatchery will produce populations of salmon and steelhead that will help restore the Elwha River after the dams are gone."

The Elwha River Ecosystem Restoration project is the nation's largest dam removal to date and one of the largest construction projects in the history of the NPS. Removing two aging dams on the Elwha River will restore the river to its natural free-flowing state and allow all five species of Pacific salmon and other anadromous fish to once again reach over 70 miles of near-pristine freshwater habitat. In turn, the salmon will return vital nutrients to the watershed, restoring the entire ecosystem.

• In the winters of 2003 and 2004, a pair of great horned owls nested in **Castillo de San Marcos NM**. For several years, although hoots were heard in late fall, the owls did not appear to nest close-by. However, starting in November 2009, two great horned owls were sighted, nearly every day, in the vicinity of the visitor center hooting at each other. On Dec. 29, the female was sighted sitting in the live oak behind the visitor center—the same place the owls nested in 2003.

On the morning of Feb. 5, a broken egg was found. A week later, a visitor presented a photo she took of a tiny naked head with a big eye, nestled under the mother's wing. The owl family was a hit with park staff and visitors alike. The nest was only about 15 feet up, so people had a wonderful opportunity to watch how the chick developed from a fuzzy tennis ball size to nearly as large as his parents, with beginnings of ear tufts. Mom and Dad stayed nearby in other trees, and the chick started exploring up and down the branches of the nest tree using its ever-growing wings for balance.

• On Feb. 26, the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) introduced a new license plate that will raise money for **Shenandoah NP**. The unique, eye-catching plates depict some of the iconic features of the park: a black bear, the Blue Ridge Mountains and Skyline Drive.

The plates are sponsored by Shenandoah National Park Trust (the Trust), the official nonprofit partner of Shenandoah NP. Similar to other special interest license plates, once 1,000 sets are sold, a portion of all additional sales and renewals goes to the Trust to support Shenandoah NP. Shenandoah license plates can be ordered in person at DMV, on the DMV website at www.dmv.state.va.us or through the Trust's website at www.SNPTrust.org. Non-personalized Shenandoah plates cost \$25/year plus registration fees; personalized plates are \$35/year plus registration fees.

• A team of paleontologists from **Dinosaur NM**, Brigham Young University and the University of Michigan announced the discovery of a new, large, plant-eating dinosaur, *Abydosaurus mcintoshii* (pronounced Ab-id-o-saurus mak-in-to-shi). The discovery was described in February in the online first section of the science journal *Naturwissenschaften*.

Visit the park's website at www.nps.gov/dino/parknews/new-dinosaur.htm to read more about the discovery and access a copy of the paper. The fossil remains were excavated from the 105-million-year-old Cedar Mountain Formation in Dinosaur NM. The new find contains rare and spectacular fossils, including the only complete sauropod skull in the entire Western Hemisphere from the last 80 million years of the Age of Dinosaurs.

This announcement is the result of several years of research, beginning with excavations started in the late 1990s. The site contains not just one individual but the remains of a group of sauropods. Most parts of the skeleton are present, including neck and tail vertebrae, shoulder blades, pelvis, arms, legs, hands, feet and four skulls—two complete and two incomplete. The excavation and preparation of this new dinosaur's remains has been a collaborative effort among the NPS, volunteers, students, paleontologists, academic institutions and outside researchers. The new fossils are being prepared and stored at the Paleontology Museum at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah.

• During the first week of March, **George Washington Birthplace NM** hosted a workshop on preserving aged and historic boxwoods in partnership with the **Servicewide Training and Development Program - Maintenance Academy, Adams NHP** and the **Olmsted Center for Landscape Preservation**. The historic boxwood at George Washington Birthplace NM was originally planted in 1931, soon after the site was established by Congress as a national park. Under the guidance of Director Horace Albright, NPS landscape architects planted the boxwood as an integral design component of the colonial revival garden and landscape.

Dean Norton, noted boxwood expert and director of horticulture at George Washington's Mount Vernon Estate, provided a full day of instruction on boxwood culture to the workshop participants, which included staff from national

parks in the Northeast, Southeast and National Capital regions, as well as members of partner organizations and park constituents. Under his expert advice, participants gained practical field experience by pruning the aged, overgrown and declining boxwood to reinvigorate the deteriorating plantings and reestablish the site's historic character.

• A new exhibit, entitled *A Family Shattered*, at the Chancellorsville Visitor Center at **Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania County Battlefields Memorial NMP** focuses not only on the tragedy of a lost life, but on the very real consequences of a family's loss of its breadwinner. *A Family Shattered* uses a very rare wooden cemetery headboard as the centerpiece to reveal the story of the family of Colonel John Williams Patterson of Pittsburgh.

The exhibit is a vivid illustration of how what happened on battlefields during the Civil War reverberated through homes, families and lives often hundreds of miles away. John Williams Patterson was an engineer who became a soldier. He was solid, patriotic and devoted to his cause. But beyond his commitment to the cause, he aspired more than anything else to return to his wife, Almira, and their young family.

Shot at the Battle of Seven Pines, John survived and continued on until the Battle of the Wilderness, when, on May 5, 1864, he was killed instantly. His wife soon had to sell their house through the "Orphans Court" to support her now fatherless family. For more than 40 years, she struggled on, never remarrying, subsisting on a meager government pension, always identified as a widow.

Their story is told through images, letters and artifacts, including a rare Valentine's Day card sent to Col. Patterson by his children and the headboard that marked his temporary grave at the Wilderness—the only surviving example of those makeshift headboards that once numbered in the thousands. It is one of the most vivid artifacts in existence relating to the Battle of the Wilderness. ■

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RANDY KRICHTEN, FORESTRY TECHNICIAN AT GETTYSBURG NMP, trims a newly planted apple tree in the Patterson orchard at the park. Thanks to support from the Gettysburg Foundation, Gettysburg NMP replanted two more historic orchards on the Gettysburg battlefield as well as more than 3,000 native hardwood trees to reestablish five acres of woodlands near Culp's Hill. The work is part of a long-term project to return major battle action areas on the Gettysburg battlefield to their appearance at the time of the fighting in July 1863. Since 2000, the park has replanted 35 historic orchards on the Gettysburg battlefield where major battle action occurred. The park also replanted 43 acres of trees in areas that had lost their trees since the 1863 battle. For more information, visit www.nps.gov/gett.

Land Resources Division Participates in Service Project



Karl Pucher

IN NOVEMBER 2009, LAND RESOURCES DIVISION STAFF and other volunteers from the Pacific Crest Trail Association and the Wildlands Conservancy participated in a service project to help maintain the Pacific Crest Trail.

By Melissa Mooza, Realty Specialist, and Joe Sobinovsky, Realty Specialist, National Trails Land Resources Program Center

In November 2009, the Land Resources Division (LRD) held its first national training meeting in more than seven years. During this event, entitled “Expertise for a New Era of Preservation,” LRD staff members rolled up their sleeves to participate in a joint service project with other volunteers to help maintain the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT), one of the United States’ first national scenic trails. In addition to removing overgrown brush and performing minor tread repair work, LRD participants learned about the PCT, including about ongoing acquisition projects, resource issues facing the trail and the diverse partners involved in its management.

On its route from Mexico to Canada, the 2,650-mile-long PCT connects eight NPS units while crossing blistering low desert, majestic old-growth forests and some of the West’s highest mountain ranges, including the Sierra Nevada and Cascades. Through an interagency agreement with the PCT’s lead management agency, the USDA Forest Service, the LRD has been working for years to acquire lands and easements to protect resources for visitor use and enjoyment. The LRD’s National Trails Land Resources

Program Center has been leading the acquisition effort, employing years of experience gained while acquiring the land necessary to protect the PCT’s sister trail—the Appalachian Trail. To date, the National Trails Land Resources Program Center has helped the Forest Service protect more than 2,743 acres of land along the PCT in Southern California, where urban encroachment continues to impact the trail’s wilderness character.

With an NPS crew working on a Forest Service trail in a Bureau of Land Management resource area with fellow volunteers from the Pacific Crest Trail Association and the Wildlands Conservancy, the November 2009 trail maintenance project showcased the value of partnerships in achieving conservation goals. And the continuation of the interagency partnership, with the NPS playing a key role in land acquisition, will ensure that future generations of trail users will enjoy a protected corridor in which to experience some of the most spectacular long-distance hiking and horseback riding opportunities in the world.

The Land Resources Division would like to extend its thanks to the Pacific Crest Trail Association, the Wildlands Conservancy and all the other volunteers who help to preserve and protect our national parks and trails. To learn more about the National Trails Land Resources Program Center, call (304) 263-4943. ■



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President Launches the America's Great Outdoors Initiative

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“Today, with 80 percent of Americans living in cities and suburbs, it is more important than ever for people to have access to outdoor space,” said CEQ Chair Nancy Sutley. “Through this Initiative, we hope to identify new opportunities to work with Americans on a modern approach to conservation that begins at the ground level and to reinvigorate the national conversation about our outdoors.”

“Since President Theodore Roosevelt held the first White House conference on conservation in 1908, we as Americans have taken extraordinary steps to

protect our land, water, wildlife and history for future generations, but today the places we love face new challenges that require new ideas and new strategies to solve,” said Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar. “President Obama’s America’s Great Outdoors Initiative will start a much-needed dialogue about conservation in our country so that we can hear directly from Americans about the places they care about and how they are working to protect them. This is about listening, learning and finding common-sense ways to support the good work that is happening in communities across the country.”

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack said, “This effort will bring Americans from across the country together to look for new approaches to protect our national treasures. And it will highlight the importance of working across ownership boundaries to restore and conserve both private and public lands in a way that recognizes that conservation and economic vitality are inextricably linked.”

“Improving access to open areas and green space in our urban communities should be a focus of a 21st-century conservation strategy,” said EPA Administrator Lisa P. Jackson. “It makes me proud that generations to come will know that we took action

to preserve, restore and protect vital natural treasures.” The full text of the Memorandum can be found at <http://doi.gov/americasgreatoutdoors/upload/2010outdoors-mem-rel-2.pdf>. For more information on the America’s Great Outdoors Initiative, please visit www.doi.gov/americasgreatoutdoors.

On April 22, to celebrate the launch of this Initiative, Secretary Salazar announced a schedule of free admission days. All national parks, national wildlife refuges and many areas managed by the Bureau of Land Management are offering free admission Aug. 14-15, Sept. 25 (Public Lands Day) and Nov. 11 (Veterans Day). ■

Kudos and Awards

Mammoth Cave NP Honors Law Enforcement Rangers



PICTURED LEFT TO RIGHT: NPS retirees Max Vincent and Richard Strange and Mammoth Cave NP Supt. Patrick Reed received special credentials at a ceremony on Dec. 17 for serving as NPS law enforcement officers for 20 years.

On Dec. 17, 2009, Mammoth Cave NP staff honored retirees **Max Vincent** and **Richard “Dick” Strange** and Mammoth Cave NP Supt. **Patrick Reed**. Each has served 20 years as a law enforcement officer and received special law enforcement credentials from the NPS.

“These are called retirement credentials because a ranger is required to retire from law enforcement after 20 years,” said Mammoth Cave NP Chief Ranger Wayne Elliott. “Each of these men carried a badge and a gun, protecting park lands and visitors. Park rangers must demonstrate a calm and friendly demeanor to visitors but also be prepared to make an arrest. We are very pleased to honor Max, Dick and Superintendent Reed with these special credentials as a sign of our respect and gratitude for their years of service and dedication to the National Park Service.”

Max, who was born on park land, worked at Mammoth Cave NP from

1974 to 1993. He trained many young rangers, imparting his firsthand knowledge of park resources. He and his wife, Dee, reside in Edmonson County, Ky.

Dick spent 32 years with the NPS at Lassen Volcanic NP, Organ Pipe Cactus NM, Big Bend NP, Cape Cod NS and Mammoth Cave NP. He retired in 1987 as chief ranger at Mammoth Cave NP. Dick and his wife, Flo, reside in Barren County, Ky.

Patrick, superintendent of Mammoth Cave NP, has spent 39 years with the NPS and, like the battery bunny, is still going strong. During his NPS career, he has also worked at parks including Chickamauga and Chattanooga NMP, Natchez Trace Parkway, Rocky Mountain NP, Cape Hatteras NS, Wilson’s Creek NB, Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, Death Valley NP, Jefferson National Expansion Memorial, Grand Teton NP and Mount Rushmore N MEM. Patrick and his wife, Darit, live in Bowling Green, Ky. ■

• One of the highlights of the first-ever NPS Fire and Aviation Management Workshop, held during the first week of February in San Antonio, Tex., was the presentation of DOI aviation awards for outstanding service to both the DOI and NPS. The following awards were presented: Significant Contribution to Aviation Safety - Lieutenant **Kathleen Harasek**, **Richard Kemp** and **United States Park Police Aviation Section**; Outstanding Contribution to Aviation Safety - **Renny Jackson** and **Susie Bates**; and Secretary’s Award of Honor - **Tug Kangus**.

Also, **Trudy Hess**, fire program management assistant at New River Gorge NR, received the 2009 Jeanie Harris Award at the workshop. Established in 2004, the award commemorates the spirit and work ethic exemplified by Jeanie Harris, budget analyst in the Intermountain Region’s Fire and Aviation Management Office, who passed away following a brief illness on Feb. 22, 2004. The award honors, on an annual basis, fire program management assistants and fire budget analysts at both the regional and park level who follow in Jeanie’s footsteps and have been recognized for their exemplary contribution to the support and improvement of the NPS wildland fire management program.

In addition, various staff from the

Southeast Region was recognized by the NPS Branch of Fire and Aviation Management. Fire Management Officer John Nobles and Deputy Fire Management Officer George Sheppard accepted the NPS Fuels and Ecology Award for Restoring Fire-Adapted Ecosystems on behalf of the entire **Big Cypress N PRES fire management staff**, and Southeast Regional Fire Communication and Education Specialist **Rudy Evenson** was recognized for helping organize a conference panel entitled “The Language of Fire.”

• The North Jersey Revolution Roundtable, based in Morristown, N.J., named Morristown NHP Supt. **Randy W. Turner** “Man of the Year” at its annual dinner meeting in December 2009. Randy was recognized for his efforts in engaging organizations, communities and individuals in promoting New Jersey’s role in the American Revolution. He serves as the NPS liaison to the Crossroads of the American Revolution National Heritage Area.

Randy served as chairperson of the organizing committee for the April 2009 Revolutionary Times Weekend celebration. More than 15 organizations and local businesses came together to present approximately 20 programs and events

over a three-day weekend at various locations within the national heritage area.

This weekend of special events was held again in 2010, and Randy served as the committee chairman. He said, “The success of Revolutionary Times in April 2009 led the organizers’ decision to make Revolutionary Times an annual event.” Randy also serves as an advisor to the Morris County Tourism Bureau and is an active member of several task forces and committees in the greater Morristown area.

• **Dr. Margaret Wild**, wildlife veterinarian, recently received the DOI Superior Service Award. Margaret and her team were honored for the exemplary manner in which they have served the NPS on wildlife health matters. She has built one

of the most distinguished and proactive land management wildlife health programs in the federal government.

Margaret was recognized for her outstanding leadership, expertise and performance, not only as an everyday practice in her job, but specifically for her dedication above and beyond the call of duty in an exchange of bison from Wind Cave NP to Janos Biosphere Reserve, Mexico. After extensive planning and coordination with representatives of several government agencies in the U.S. and Mexico, staff from Wind Cave NP, the Biological Resource Management Division, the Midwest Regional Office and the Office of International Affairs recommended approval for translocation of 23 bison from the park to Rancho El Uno Reserve. ■

Hawai`i Volcanoes NP Rangers Receive Safety Award



NPS photo by Jay Robinson

HAWAII VOLCANOES NP RANGERS WERE HONORED with the 2009 Andrew Clark Hecht Public Safety Achievement Award. Those honored include: (pictured left to right) **Rob Ely**, **John Moraes**, **Greg Santos**, **Gail Minami**, **Kelly Wooten**, **Heidi Lee** and **Arnold Nakata**. Halema`uma`u Crater erupts in the background, emitting on average 800 tons of sulfur dioxide a day.

Hawai`i Volcanoes NP’s eruption duty rangers and their supervisor received the 2009 Andrew Clark Hecht Public Safety Achievement Award, the highest award bestowed by the NPS for outstanding achievement in public and employee safety. The seven-person team, which includes Supervisory Park Ranger **Gail Minami** and park rangers **Rob Ely**, **Heidi Lee**, **John Moraes**, **Arnold Nakata**, **Greg Santos** and **Kelly Wooten**, was recognized for their efforts to prevent serious injuries and fatalities.

“Our team emerged from a very strong field of candidates for this award, and their accomplishments are truly impressive,” said Supt. Cindy Orlando. “Their efforts to increase visitor awareness and safety in a high-hazard environment are commendable, and the number of visitor contacts is amazing!”

Hawai`i Volcanoes NP encompasses two of the world’s most active volcanoes—Kilauea and Mauna Loa. Kilauea is erupting at its summit and on its east rift zone. The dynamic nature of active volcanism attracts and enralls. It also poses numerous hazards to visitors—some obvious, some hidden.

For the 20 or so years prior to the start of Kilauea’s 2008 summit eruption, sulfur dioxide (SO₂) emissions from Halema`uma`u were modest, averaging about 200 tons a day. But as magma got closer to the surface in early 2008, summit emissions soared fourfold to about 800 tons each day. Inhaling sulfur dioxide (an invisible gas)

is associated with increased respiratory symptoms and disease, difficulty breathing and premature death.

Among the team’s actions that helped earn the award were contacting nearly a million park visitors to explain volcanic activity and share personal safety information regarding elevated levels of SO₂ and erecting barriers, signs and other controls to keep visitors out of hazardous areas. They responded to multiple incidents of visitors entering areas that were closed due to the hazard of elevated SO₂ gas and the threat of explosive eruptions. And, during 93 gas events over a 21-month period, they performed all the groundwork to implement 34 temporary closures of specific visitor-use sites due to extremely elevated SO₂ levels.

Furthermore, the team was recognized for assisting the County of Hawai`i in planning and providing for visitor access and viewing of active lava flows in Kalapana. They trained county workers to interpret lava flows and educated them on the hazards and mitigations associated with lava flow viewing, helped build trails and establish viewing sites, responded to medical emergencies and search and rescues and provided interpretation of the ongoing eruption to 77,000 visitors over a 35-day period.

The Andrew Clark Hecht Public Safety Achievement Award is in memory of Andrew Clark Hecht. Andrew was the nine-year-old son of Dr. James and Amy Hecht, who died in 1970 as a result of an accident in Yellowstone NP’s Crested Pool. ■

Alumni News



Bill Paleck

STU AND ELLIE SNYDER, shown with Stu's Meritorious Service Award for his years of service as the national chairman of the Frank F. Kowski Memorial Golf Tournament.

The 1916 Society Selects Stuart Snyder for a Meritorious Service Award—The 1916 Society of the Employees and Alumni Association of the National Park Service (E&AA) recently recognized Stuart Snyder with a Meritorious Service Award for his 16 years of service as the national chairman of the Frank F. Kowski Memorial Golf Tournament. As the national chairman, Stu coordinated many Kowski tournaments that successfully raised thousands of dollars that were used to provide interest-free education loans to dependent children/grandchildren of E&AA NPS members through the George B. Hartzog, Jr. Educational Loan Program.

Stu, as his many friends and colleagues

know him, is an E&AA life member and retired NPS employee. He had over 25 years of federal service, including 22 years with the DOI. His last position was chief appraiser at the Columbia Cascades Land Resources Program Center, from where he retired in 2007.

The year 1916 is special to the National Park Service as the year of its founding through an official act of Congress. As a term of obvious importance to the cultural heritage and identity of the NPS, the E&AA formed the 1916 Society to acknowledge and recognize NPS employees, members and friends who actively support and promote the fundraising programs and initiatives of the NPS Employees and Alumni Trust Fund—such as the disaster relief fund, which provides assistance for NPS employees affected by great hardships such as natural disasters or personal calamities, and the George B. Hartzog, Jr. Educational Loan Program.

NPS Retiree Golf Outing, Omaha, Nebr., Sept. 12-14, 2010—The annual NPS retiree golf and reminiscence gathering will be held in Omaha, Nebr., this year. Here is an opportunity for those who golf or those who simply like to gather with NPS colleagues and friends to get out and enjoy the fall weather in Nebraska. This is always a fun-filled and educational event with a variety of activities available for all who attend.

A block of rooms has been set aside at a motel convenient to golf, restaurants and area attractions. For more information, contact Vern Hurt at lindahhurt@cox.net

or (402) 332-4284, or Bill Schenk at jarschenk@tconl.com or (402) 333-2230. Come and join us to renew old acquaintances, visit with friends and enjoy “the good life” in America’s heartland!

E&AA Life Member **Warren Bielenberg**, national Kowski Golf Tournament chairman, has provided the following **35th Annual Frank F. Kowski Memorial Golf Tournament 2009 Results**—Nearly 200 NPS employees, retirees and friends participated in the 35th annual Kowski Golf Tournament. Tournaments were held in WASO/National Capital Region (NCR), Seattle, Denver, Omaha and Great Smoky Mountains NP. A total of \$2,756 was raised to support the George B. Hartzog, Jr. Educational Loan Program.

The 2009 Kowski Golf Tournament winners are as follows: **Scramble Team:** WASO/NCR at -10 (James Burton, Ken Ferebec, Ross Crampton and Ed Bishop); **Low Gross:** 71 by Rob Bringardner (husband of NPS retiree and E&AA Life Member Tricia Welles Bringardner); **1st Low Net:** 71 - Tom Belcher, Seattle; **2nd Low Net:** 73 - Dan Herrera, Seattle; **3rd Low Net:** 73 - Stu Snyder, Seattle; **Closest to the Pin:** 9" - Joe Lawler, WASO/NCR and **Longest Putt:** 20 feet - JP Mattingly, Midwest Regional Office.

The Employees and Alumni Association of the National Park Service invites all parks and offices to hold a Kowski Golf Tournament in 2010. For more information, contact Warren Bielenberg at (865) 681-7884 or web9272@msn.com.

Thank You—The Employees and Alumni Association of the National Park Service thanks all those who donated to the NPS Employees and Alumni Trust Fund for Disaster Relief. Your generous contributions have enabled us to assist families in need, such as the family of Douglas Norberto (an employee at Chaco Culture NHP) who suffered from a fire at their home. ■

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Delaware Water Gap NRA Hosts Park Break 2010

For the third consecutive year, eight graduate students from universities across the U.S. and Canada chose Delaware Water Gap NRA as their spring break destination. During the week of March 15 to 19, the students, who hailed from Brown University, The University of Akron, Duke University, University of South Florida, Clemson University, University of Louisville, Sonoma State University and McGill University in Canada, participated in Park Break 2010.

Park Break, a field seminar program designed to develop the next generation of park managers, conservationists and scientists, is a cooperative venture between the George Wright Society (GWS), the NPS and the United States Geological Survey (USGS). As in the past, the focus was on conservation policy. Grey Towers National Historic Site, the home of Gifford Pinchot (the first chief of the United States Forest Service) provided an appropriate setting for the seminar. The area is often considered a home to the 19th-century environmental movement—as it is home to Grey Towers and the Yale School of Forestry.

Throughout the week, local, regional and national policy experts from government agencies and nonprofit organizations engaged the students in discussions on conservation history, the political system and conservation, major resource issues and policy decision-making. Officials from New Jersey and Pennsylvania towns and counties adjoining the park shared their “real-world” experiences in this rapidly developing region, stressing the importance of community involvement, comprehensive planning, open

space preservation and protection of the region's high-quality scenic values and related watersheds.

Bud Cook, director of the Northeast Pennsylvania chapter of The Nature Conservancy, described the long and sometimes tenuous process that resulted in the authorization of the Cherry Valley National Wildlife Refuge. Park division chiefs introduced the students to the current issues affecting each of the park's operational and special program areas.

The history of Delaware Water Gap NRA is a case study in environmental politics and policy. The Tocks Island Dam project, which would have dammed the Delaware River and drowned the river valley, triggered local grass-roots opposition that can be identified as one of the two events that provide a clear nexus to the creation of the 20th-century environmental movement. Nancy Shukaitis, a founder of one of the groups opposed to the dam, reflected on the reasons—economic, environmental and political—why the dam project was finally halted and on the area's present-day water issues.

Delaware Water Gap NRA Supt. John Donahue presented his “Ten Points for Protecting the Resource While Surviving in Public Service.” USGS Eastern Region Director Bill Werkheiser, who led the USGS response to Hurricane Katrina in 2005, discussed his career and talked to each student about their career goals. Destr Jarvis, former special assistant to the director of the NPS, addressed the shifting tides of political influence on conservation policy in the NPS from 1916 to the present.

In addition to the seminar program, the students were tasked with developing



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PARK BREAK 2010 PARTICIPANTS (pictured left to right): Heath Garris, Pocono naturalist John Serrao, Matt Heard, Annamarie Guerrero, Brian Tarpinian, Meghan Lindsey, Archi Rastogi, Jessica Goodrich and Jonathan White at Raymondskill Falls at Delaware Water Gap NRA.

a National Scenic Byway proposal for U.S. Route 209, which runs parallel to the Delaware River on the Pennsylvania side of the park. The students spent over 10 hours in the park to become familiar with the study proposal. On the final day of the seminar, the group presented their findings to park staff.

What did the students take away from Park Break? All eight agreed it was a great experience, and several commented that they learned more than they ever thought possible in one week. Matt Heard, a fourth-year Ph.D. candidate in conservation biology at Brown University, summed up his experience by saying, “Looking back, this was a truly unique experience for me. As a Ph.D. student, I often feel as though I am being led down a single path (that of academia). However, this program helped me realize how many other

options there are out there for everyone who is interested in conservation.”

Each student received a complimentary one-year GWS membership. The students were also tasked with preparing a paper for the “Park Break Perspectives” section of the GWS website, www.georgewright.org. In addition, these highly motivated students were encouraged to use their Park Break experience as a springboard for writing a research paper for submission to journals such as *The George Wright Forum* or other peer-reviewed journals in their field of study.

The George Wright Society will be requesting proposals for Park Break 2011 later this summer. Parks interested in being a host park next year may obtain further information by contacting Dave Harmon, executive director of the GWS, at (906) 487-9722 or dharmon@georgewright.org. ■

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William C. Aierstuck, maintenance mechanic, Craters of the Moon NM, Dec. 31, 2009 after 29 years.

Adrienne Applewhaite-Coleman, superintendent, Rock Creek Park, Jan. 2 after over 29 years.

E&AA Member **Geraldine Bell**, superintendent, Kaloko-Honokohau NHP, Jan. 30 after 43 years.

Gary Bickford, facility manager, Fort Vancouver NHS, Feb. 3 after 30 years.

Dan Bishop, chief of facilities, Glen Canyon NRA, Jan. 1 after over 36 years.

Dan started his NPS career in 1973 as a laborer at Mesa Verde NP. Subsequently, he worked at (then) Great Sand Dunes NM, Big Hole NB, Carlsbad Caverns NP and Dinosaur NM and arrived at Glen Canyon NRA in 1990.

Brad P. Bradley, engineering equipment operator, Pictured Rocks NL, Jan. 2 after 30 years.

Brad began his NPS career at Pictured Rocks NL as a seasonal motor vehicle operator in May 1980, became a permanent employee later that year and served his entire NPS career at the lakeshore. He was instrumental in the construction of the Sand Point Marsh Trail, Miners Falls Trail, North Country Trail and cross-country ski trails. Brad was also a wildland firefighter for most of his career and served on fire crews both locally and on Western details. He is the longest-serving employee to retire in the lakeshore's history and was honored with the newly initiated Legacy Award in recognition of career achievement with Pictured Rocks NL.

Paula Branster, interpretive specialist, Lake Mead NRA, Dec. 31, 2009 after 20 years.

Janet Braxton, public affairs support specialist, National Capital Parks-East, Jan. 2 after over 31 years.

Holly W. Bundock, public affairs specialist, Pacific West Regional Office - Oakland, Dec. 31, 2009 after 35 years.

Sherman S. Chang, budget analyst, Pacific West Regional Office - Oakland, Dec. 31, 2009 after 25 years.

Louis S. Cho, Jr., maintenance worker leader, Kaloko-Honokohau NHP, Dec. 31, 2009 after 15 years.

William Crockett, park manager (director), Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts, Jan. 1 after over 31 years.

Thomas Curtis, engineering equipment operator, National Mall and Memorial Parks, Jan. 2 after over 32 years.

Michael Deas, motor vehicle operator, George Washington Memorial Parkway, Jan. 2 after over 29 years.

Michael Doherty, supervisory facility operations specialist, National Capital Region Headquarters, Jan. 1 after over 37 years.

Diane East, concessions and leasing specialist, Hot Springs NP, March 1 after over 36 years of federal service, 20 of them with the NPS.

Diane joined the NPS in 1990 as superintendent's secretary at Everglades NP. This was followed by superintendent's secretary at Glen Canyon NRA (1993) and Hot Springs NP (1996). While at

Hot Springs NP, she also held the positions of superintendent's executive assistant and management analyst before becoming concessions and leasing specialist.

Bobby Edwards, gardener, National Capital Parks-East, Jan. 2 after over 17 years.

E&AA Life Member **Jerry A. Eubanks**, superintendent, Gulf Islands NS, Jan. 2 after over 49 years.

Jerry joined the NPS in 1960. Prior to Gulf Islands NS, he worked at Natchez Trace Parkway, Cape Hatteras NS, Shenandoah NP, Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, Ozark NSR and Great Smoky Mountains NP. Early in his career, Jerry had a one-year assignment in Washington, D.C., as a management trainee for the DOI.

Since December 1984, Jerry has been superintendent at Gulf Islands NS, where among his successes he led the recovery efforts from numerous hurricanes, the implementation of a prescribed fire management program and the inclusion of Cat Island within the park. His awards include the DOI Meritorious Service Award (2000). Jerry and his wife, Anne, plan to travel, including to those NPS sites where they used to live and work.

John F. Fiedor, supervisory park ranger, John Day Fossil Beds NM, Jan. 2 after 34 years.

E&AA Life Member **Art Frederick**, deputy regional director, Southeast Region, Feb. 2 after 35 years of federal service, 27 of them with the NPS.

Art started his NPS career at Fort Caroline N MEM as an interpretive ranger. He spent a number of years as a law enforcement ranger, first at Delaware Water Gap NRA and then at Blue Ridge Parkway. After 12 years at Blue Ridge Parkway, he became chief ranger there. In 1996, he became deputy superintendent at Martin Luther King, Jr. NHS. He later became superintendent at Cumberland Island NS (2000) and Virgin Islands NP (2003) before being selected as the Southeast Region deputy regional director in 2006. Art is going "coastal" and retiring to the fine fishing waters of northern Florida.

Captain **Pat Gavin**, regional law enforcement specialist, Intermountain Region, United States Park Police (U.S.P.P.), Jan. 3 after 26 years.

Pat joined the U.S.P.P. in 1984. He served as a patrol officer in the Central District, on the Baltimore Washington Parkway and at the Kennedy Center. He was promoted to sergeant and assigned to the George Washington Memorial Parkway and the Communications Section.

Following his promotion to lieutenant, Pat was reassigned to the Shift Commander's Office, served on a temporary detail to narcotics and then transferred to the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, where he was commander of the U.S.P.P. Academy. He was promoted to captain in 2000 and served as the regional law enforcement specialist for the Intermountain Region. Pat has accepted a position as the chief of law enforcement for the Colorado State Parks.

Glen Gossert, maintenance mechanic foreman, Chesapeake and Ohio Canal NHP, Jan. 1 after over 32 years.

E&AA Member **David Guiney**, interpretive media specialist, Harpers Ferry Center, Feb. 1 after over 40 years.

Before becoming a career NPS staffer,



DAVID GUINEY

David taught high school English, physics and theology. After seven seasons as a park ranger at Chesapeake and Ohio Canal NHP and Antietam NB, he joined Harpers Ferry Center in 1975. He became one of the first wayside exhibit planners there. In the 1990s, he became a museum planner. Beginning in 2000, he served as director of the Interpretive Media Institute (IMI). The NPS presented him with the Sequoia Award in 2007 for expanding media knowledge through the IMI and developing the *Museum Exhibit Planner* software.

David lives near Harpers Ferry with his wife, Nancy; three sons: John, Mark and Joe; and daughter, Grace. During retirement, he plans to assist parks, historic sites and byways with media knowledge and project guidance.

Joy Harris, supervisory equal employment manager, National Capital Region Headquarters, Jan. 2 after over 31 years.

Harry C. Hillin, aviation and safety management specialist, Pacific West Regional Office - Oakland, Dec. 31, 2009 after 26 years.

James Hofe, facility operations specialist, Chesapeake and Ohio Canal NHP, Jan. 1 after over 33 years.

Al Hollister, landscape architect and senior project specialist, Transportation Division, Denver Service Center, Jan. 2 after 45 years.

Al began his NPS career in 1964 in the Eastern Office of Design and Construction in Philadelphia. Over the years, he worked in many parks in the Northeast, Southeast and Midwest regions.

Zeke Isaacs, maintenance mechanic, Mount Rainier NP, Oct. 29, 2009 after 30 years.

Zeke started his federal career at age 17 in the U.S. Navy, where he was a petty officer 3rd class while attached to Air Antisubmarine Warfare Squadron Thirty (VS-30) 1970-1974. He joined the NPS in 1983 as a trail crew laborer at Grand Canyon NP. He worked in several maintenance trades before becoming the lead painter. Among Zeke's accomplishments were the rehabilitation of the historic Santa Fe Railroad Depot and improvement of many government quarters and facilities.

In 1996, Zeke moved from the Grand Canyon to Glen Canyon NRA, where he served as a maintenance mechanic. In 1999, he joined Mount Rainier NP and worked at the park as a maintenance mechanic assigned to the carpentry shop until his retirement.

Zeke plans to pursue his musical interests. He and his wife, Diane, plan to spend

more time with family—daughter, Shayna (a teacher in Oklahoma); sons, Phil and Wes; and grandkids, Trevor and Emma.

Roy H. Jacobs, facilities management specialist, Yosemite NP, Jan. 1 after 30 years of federal service, over 28 of them with the NPS.

Roy served in the U.S. Marines and then started his NPS career at Yosemite NP in 1981 as a maintenance worker. He spent his entire NPS career at Yosemite NP. Roy was promoted to maintenance mechanic in 1991, served as a maintenance mechanic leader, a carpentry leader, a maintenance mechanic supervisor and then was promoted to facilities management specialist in 2005.

Dan Jones, chief of maintenance, Lassen Volcanic NP, Dec. 31, 2009 after 29 years.

Dan began with the NPS as a mule packer in Yosemite NP and spent the last 17 years at Lassen Volcanic NP. He has been a leader in facility management issues in the Pacific West Region for many years and served two terms on the maintenance advisory committee in the Pacific West Region. At Lassen Volcanic NP, he made considerable improvements to facilities with the implementation of new technologies and was a strong advocate and leader for resource protection and preservation.

One of Dan's greatest achievements at Lassen Volcanic NP was the completion of the park's first-ever visitor center. Initial planning began 11 years ago, and because of Dan's enduring commitment to securing line item construction funding and completing the final redesign, the visitor center was completed in 2009.



REGINA P. JONES-BRAKE

Regina P. Jones-Brake, management assistant, Assateague Island NS, April 2 after 33 years.

Regina began her NPS career in 1976 as a park technician at Independence NHP. Subsequently, she joined Gulf Islands NS, Mississippi District; conducted tours at Arlington House, the home of Robert E. Lee; moved to President's Park/White House liaison as supervisory park ranger; served a detail at Santa Monica Mountains NRA in 1984; returned to Independence NHP as supervisory park ranger; and then rejoined Gulf Islands NS, this time working in the Florida District.

Regina worked for the Department of Defense for a few years, then rejoined the NPS at Harry S Truman NHS, where she received her law enforcement commission and became chief ranger. She then became site manager of Edgar Allan Poe NHS, Thaddeus Kosciuszko N MEM, Gloria

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Dei (Old Swedes') Church NHS and the Deshler-Morris House. This was followed by management assistant for the northeast regional director with a detail to Martin Luther King, Jr. NHS in 1996 and involvement with the National Underground Railroad Initiative's expansion. Her journey continued on to Valley Forge NHP as management assistant.

Regina was management assistant at Assateague Island NS from 2000 until her retirement. She says, "Thank you all for making this chapter of my life irreplaceable and treasured." She and her husband, Joe, a former NPS employee, will continue to enjoy Rehoboth Beach, Del., and be involved in the volunteer programs close to their hearts.

Linda Jones-Hunter, administrative technician, National Capital Parks-East, Jan. 2 after over 25 years.

Peter Keka, mason, Kaloko-Honokohau NHP, Feb. 28 after 10 years.

Donna Kelso, budget analyst, Rocky Mountain NP, Jan. 2 after 31 years of federal service, 23 of them with the NPS.

Donna began her federal career with the Department of Defense, followed by the USDA Forest Service and Agriculture Research Service. She joined Rocky Mountain NP in 1986 as an accounting technician, and spent her entire NPS career at the park.

Bob King, park ranger (interpretation), Independence NHP, March 31 after 21 years.

Bob was an NPS volunteer from 1988 to 1991, then became a seasonal park ranger. He presented interpretive talks and worked in the curatorial division at Antietam NB. In 1992, he accepted a seasonal position at Valley Forge NHP, where he presented living history programs on camp life of the Revolutionary War soldier in 1777-1778, walking tours of the encampment and tours of Washington's headquarters.

Bob became a permanent NPS employee in 1993 at Independence NHP and spent the next 17-plus years interpreting the history of 18th-century Philadelphia. Because of his well-known expertise on George Washington, he was often requested for special "Washington" programming, including presenting an annual tour for the participants of the Mount Vernon summer teachers' workshop.

During retirement, Bob and his wife, Lee, will be raising their three-year-old great-grandson, Jayden. He plans to continue studying American history, rooting for the Philadelphia Phillies and visiting historical sites (including his ancestral home in England and the beaches of Normandy). If you want to drop Bob a note, he can be reached at 1706 Pennsylvania Avenue, Lancaster, PA 17602.

Robert Lohman, maintenance worker, Chesapeake and Ohio Canal NHP, Jan. 1 after over 27 years.

Eddie Lopez, superintendent, Bryce Canyon NP, Feb. 27 after 33 years.

Eddie was raised at the Grand Canyon and began his NPS career at the park as a carpenter in 1977. Subsequently, he was a project manager at Santa Monica Mountains NRA, chief of maintenance at (then) Death Valley NM, superintendent at Grant-Kohrs Ranch NHS, assistant superintendent at Zion NP and finally, superintendent at Bryce Canyon NP.

Eddie was the incident commander for

the Central Incident Management Team for the past six years. His last incident was the management of the Presidential Inauguration for the NPS. He continues to work as the logistics section chief on an interagency fire team.

Jesse Mallard, Jr., preservation worker supervisor, National Mall and Memorial Parks, Jan. 2 after over 39 years.

James Matarese, officer, United States Park Police (U.S.P.P.), Jan. 3 after 34 years.

Jim joined the U.S.P.P. in 1975. He became a K9 handler in 1986 and provided patrol dog service to the Washington, D.C., area, making his mark as one of the best police dog trainers in the area. He hosted two national U.S. Police Canine Association events. Jim also spent time on deployments Servicewide, such as weekends at the Statue of Liberty, in Philadelphia for the 200th anniversary of the Constitution and the Republican National Convention and details to Zion NP and Glen Canyon NRA.

Dr. Janet "Jan" Snyder Matthews, associate director, Cultural Resources, and keeper of the National Register of Historic Places, Dec. 11, 2009 after six years.

As associate director, Jan produced a new programmatic agreement for compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. Her accomplishments include working with colleagues within and outside of the NPS to confirm the significance of the Captain John Smith Chesapeake NHT, the first national water trail, and accelerating the digitization of the National Register of Historic Places. Jan joined the faculty of the University of Florida to teach in the Historic Preservation Program of the College of Design, Construction and Planning.

Richard Metzinger, landscape architect, National Capital Region Headquarters, Jan. 3 after over 19 years.

Tom Nash, chief ranger, Colonial NHP, Jan. 2 after over 35 years.

Tom was a temporary park aid at Rock Creek Park beginning in 1974 while he attended college. After graduation in 1975, he worked as a seasonal park ranger at Yosemite NP and Great Smoky Mountains NP, then became a permanent park technician/law enforcement ranger at Independence NHP in 1977. That same year, he was selected for the ranger intake program. He then transferred to Shenandoah NP.

Over the years, Tom advanced through the ranks, serving as an assistant district ranger/park law enforcement specialist at Lassen Volcanic NP, district ranger at Chesapeake and Ohio Canal NHP and, for the past eight years, as chief ranger at Colonial NHP. He was involved with all aspects of the ranger profession, including participating in most of the major wildland fire campaigns since the early 1980s. Tom's awards include the National Capital Region Harry Yount Award (1998).

Paula Nasiatka, manager, Wildland Fire Lessons Learned Center, Jan. 31 after over 29 years.

Paula began her work with the NPS as a Student Conservation Association intern at Wupatki NM in 1980. She then worked seasonally at Salem Maritime NHS and Boston NHP and Lehman Caves NM (now Great Basin NP). Her first permanent position was as a park technician for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Lewisville Lake. She transferred back to the NPS as a

park ranger at Santa Monica Mountains NRA, followed by Grand Canyon NP and Saguaro NP before developing the new Wildland Fire Lessons Learned Center in 2002. Paula will become the science lab coordinator at Tucson's Tanque Verde Elementary School and can be reached at nasiatka@dakotacom.net.

Rick Nolan, chief of interpretation, Redwood National and State Parks, March 1 after over 31 years.

Rick began his NPS career in 1976 as a seasonal park technician at Colorado NM. He worked there as a ranger in the disciplines of protection, interpretation and resource management. Subsequently, beginning in 1990, he served as chief ranger/chief of interpretation, first at Devils Tower NM, then at Capitol Reef NP and finally at Fort McHenry NM and Historic Shrine, followed by chief ranger at Pecos NHP. He has been the chief of interpretation at Redwood National and State Parks since 2004.

Thomas C. Pimentel, budget analyst, Yosemite NP, Jan. 1 after 32 years of federal service, 31 of them with the NPS.

After serving as a seasonal firefighter in Sequoia National Forest, Tom began his NPS career in 1974 as a seasonal laborer at Yosemite NP. Over the next 10 years, he held various seasonal positions including sawyer/woodworker, park technician, park technician (law enforcement) and clerk-typist.

In 1984, Tom became a permanent NPS employee, serving as an administrative clerk in the Protection Division at Yosemite NP. In 1985, he left the NPS and then returned as a seasonal park ranger in 1986. He was reinstated at Yosemite NP and served as a permanent fire communications operator, later became budget assistant (1991), then finally, budget analyst (1996). Tom can be reached at tom_pimentel@yahoo.com.

Ken Pipes, maintenance worker supervisor (special projects), Cuyahoga Valley NP, Oct. 30, 2009 after 16 years.

Ken joined the NPS in 1992 at Cuyahoga Valley NP. He rehabilitated historical and other older buildings, both within and outside of Cuyahoga Valley NP, and built train stations from Cleveland to Canton. He also worked closely with the Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association and the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad to rehabilitate older park buildings for use as volunteer centers and office space.

Jim Poole, manager, Administrative Program Center, WASO, Jan. 1 after 41 years of federal service, 17 of them with the NPS.

Jim served in Vietnam (1969-1970) and earned a Bronze Star and Combat Infantryman Badge. He served 28 years in the U.S. Army Reserve, retired in 1996 at the rank of colonel and was awarded the Legion of Merit. Prior to joining the NPS, Jim was the DOI audit liaison to the U.S. Government Accountability Office and the Office of Inspector General.

Jim held a variety of positions in the Washington Office, including chief of the Management Services Division, assistant to the associate director and Administrative Program Center manager, acting EEO director, acting associate director, acting assistant director and acting chief of administration for the United States Park Police. He also managed the NPS conflict resolution program and the conservation liaison program with the Boy Scouts of America.

James P. Quiring, supervisory park ranger, Hawai'i Volcanoes NP, Feb. 1 after 30 years.

Richard Raymond, museum curator, Harpers Ferry NHP, Jan. 30 after over 26 years.



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DAVE REDDING

Dave Redding, chief ranger, Lowell NHP, Feb. 26 after over 29 years.

Dave began his NPS career at Lowell NHP in 1979, starting as a seasonal in interpretation, then moving on to law enforcement. After a three-year appointment at Valley Forge NHP, he returned to Lowell NHP and served there for the rest of his career.

Dave is well known in the field for his commitment to the University of Massachusetts seasonal law enforcement training program. He taught there for 20 years. He served as an NPS control tactics instructor and firearms instructor. In addition, he was a Special Events Tactical Team member for many years and a team leader for the North Atlantic Region (1992-1997). In that capacity, he served past presidents and foreign dignitaries.

Dave is a recipient of the regional Harry Yount Award among other citations for dedicated service. He plans to enjoy more time on the golf course and to continue the research he began as a seasonal ranger on "Lowell's Underground," the history of waterpower in 19th-century industrial America.

Walter Robinson, maintenance worker supervisor, George Washington Memorial Parkway, Jan. 2 after over 33 years.

James A. Sanders, superintendent, Lincoln Home NHS, Jan. 1 after over 43 years of federal service, 41 of them with the NPS.

Jim served three years in the U.S. Navy and started his NPS career in 1968 working seasonally at Badlands NP and in Yosemite NP's Tuolumne Meadows Subdistrict as a law enforcement park ranger. In 1970, he obtained his B.S. degree from Colorado State University, received ranger skills training at the Horace M. Albright Training Center and was assigned to Washington, D.C., where he served as the assistant to the White House liaison and National Capital Region deputy regional director.

Jim's first permanent assignment began in 1971 at Everglades NP, where he served as an interpreter in the Royal Palm District and later as the management assistant to the superintendent. After serving as acting superintendent

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for Fort Frederica NM in 1974, he became superintendent of Stones River NB, followed by superintendent of Biscayne NP, assistant superintendent of Voyageurs NP and superintendent of Harry S Truman NHS.

Jim became superintendent of Lincoln Home NHS in 2005. He prepared the site for the 2009 celebration of the bicentennial of Abraham Lincoln's birth and says his final year with the Park Service "has been an awesome ending to a very rewarding career in the NPS. I couldn't have asked for a better last assignment."

Craig L. Shafer, ecologist, Natural Resource Stewardship and Science, WASO, Dec. 31, 2009 after over 43 years of federal service, over 36 of them with the NPS.

Craig began his federal career in 1963 with the Bureau of Land Management. In 1972, he joined the NPS as part of the National Natural Landmarks (NNL) program in Washington, D.C., and he continued to serve the NNL program and various other NPS programs until his retirement.

Craig participated in several conservation initiatives in the U.S. and abroad during his career, traveling to Venezuela, the Canary Islands and South Africa. He contributed to agency handbooks, guidelines, Park System plans, reports, proposals and policy revisions. His professional publications primarily focused on protected area planning and management and include one book, three book chapters and 10 peer-reviewed journal articles.

Sharon Shugart, museum specialist, Hot Springs NP, Dec. 31, 2009 after over 17 years.

Sharon spent her entire NPS career at Hot Springs NP. Her achievements include cataloguing thousands of objects and providing advocacy for their value, obtaining funds for the enhancement of collection storage areas and creating special exhibits for displaying artifacts from the collection. She was co-author of *Hot Springs National Park Geologic Excursion Tour Guide* and author of *When Did It Happen? A Chronology of Events at the Hot Springs of Arkansas*.

Sharon's awards include the 1996 Thomas Jefferson Prize from the Society for History in the Federal Government and two Arkansas Historical Association

Awards: best business history in a county or local historical journal and best community history in a county or local historical journal. She plans to travel to England, volunteer and enjoy her hobbies.



STEVE SITARSKI

Steve Sitarski, chief of interpretation and visitor services, Independence NHP, March 30 after 32 years.

Steve spent his entire NPS career at Independence NHP, beginning in 1978 as a park technician. His park career included time as a front line ranger, field supervisor, special events office manager and chief of visitor services operations. Promoted to unit sites manager in 1996, he secured funding and led the planning effort for new permanent exhibits at Edgar Allan Poe NHS, Deshler-Morris House and Thaddeus Kosciuszko N MEM. He negotiated an international loan agreement with several museums in Poland to exhibit Kosciuszko artifacts in Philadelphia.

As chief of interpretation and visitor services since 2004, Steve led a planning effort to create the Long Range Interpretive Plan. He launched the Independence Park Institute and developed temporary park exhibits. Recently, he led park planning teams for the Franklin Court Museum and President's House site. Steve enhanced the park's six websites, added a cell phone tour program and worked closely with Historic Philadelphia, Inc. to complement ranger programs with costumed interpreters each summer. In 2009, he coordinated special events at Edgar

Allan Poe NHS for the bicentennial of Poe's birth and helped establish the Friends of Poe.

Steve and his wife, Janice, will retire to Huntington Beach, Calif., to live close to their two daughters and granddaughter. He plans to spend his time painting, traveling and consulting.

Anson L. Smith, pest controller, Hawai'i Volcanoes NP, Jan. 8 after 20 years.

Ron Spain, materials handler, Cuyahoga Valley NP, Jan. 29 after over 27 years.

Ron's entire NPS career was at Cuyahoga Valley NP. He began working at the park in 1982 as a seasonal painter with the historic preservation crew renovating park headquarters buildings. In 1983, he became a permanent NPS employee there, serving as a motor vehicle operator in the Maintenance Division. He then moved to the Visitor and Resource Protection Division as a dispatcher in 1989 and finally, became materials handler in the Maintenance Division in 1998.

Dave Spearing, maintenance worker leader, Cuyahoga Valley NP, Feb. 26 after 29 years.

Gary Togstad, chief of facility management, Timpanogos Cave NM, March 1 after over 35 years of federal service, over 31 of them with the NPS.

Gary began his NPS career in 1978 at Glen Canyon NRA. He transferred in 1982 to a maintenance worker position at Devils Tower NM, then took his first supervisory role at Fort Larned NHS in 1991. He became maintenance supervisor at George Rogers Clark NHP in 2000. In 2005, Gary became chief of facility management at Timpanogos Cave NM, where he was also collateral duty safety officer.

Robert W. Trodahl, fire chief, Lake Mead NRA, Jan. 1 after 33 years.

Larry Umberger, maintenance mechanic supervisor, Chesapeake and Ohio Canal NHP, Jan. 1 after over 32 years.

William Waltsak, laborer, National Mall and Memorial Parks, Jan. 2 after over 30 years.

Reverend Graham Williams, park ranger, Martin Luther King, Jr. NHS, April 22 after over 10 years.

Rev. Williams, who is 85, worked at

Martin Luther King, Jr. NHS since 1999, beginning as a volunteer. The son of two ministers, Graham competed as a prizefighter and served as a combat engineer in the South Pacific during WWII before taking up his life's work as a church pastor.

Rev. Williams brought a lifetime of experience to the site. Because of his personal involvement in the civil rights movement, his tours and talks always related back to the time he spent with Dr. King and his struggles with segregation in Macon, Ga., where he served as a pastor during the 1960s. His stories connected visitors to Dr. King's work and legacy.

"When we first tried to integrate a restaurant in Macon, we were put in jail twice in one morning," he said. "We would leave home each morning with a toothbrush, a facecloth and a dime to call home, because we knew we would be going to jail." He adds, "At the King Historic Site, we have a vision of embracing humanity in an environment that inspires peace, justice and equality. My goal was to do that and to create a visitor connection to the resource that will bring them back time and time again."

Lauren Wright, carpenter, Fort Vancouver NHS, March 2 after 37 years.

Gerry Wuchter, visitor use assistant, Cuyahoga Valley NP, Dec. 31, 2009 after 33 years.

Gerry began his NPS career in 1976 as a seasonal employee at Cape Cod NS. He also worked at Grand Teton NP and Lake Mead NRA. From 1985 to 1999, he worked as a seasonal law enforcement ranger and dispatcher at Cuyahoga Valley NP. Between his seasonal ranger employment, Gerry was a full-time elementary school science teacher, retiring in 1993. He became a permanent NPS employee in 1999, joining the Division of Interpretation, Education and Visitor Services at Cuyahoga Valley NP.

Mildred Younger, motor vehicle operator, Chesapeake and Ohio Canal NHP, Jan. 1 after over 26 years.

Stanley E. Zyskowski, biological technician (fisheries), North Cascades NP Complex, Jan. 1 after 31 years. ■

Interpreters and Archeologists: Receive Credit for Module 440 through DOI Learn

Archeologists and interpreters from all sectors—government, public and private—can now receive credit through DOI Learn for the four courses in Module 440: Effective Interpretation of Archeological Resources. DOI Learn is the federal portal for training courses in a variety of topics. It can be accessed at <https://doilearn.doi.gov> for federal employees and <http://doilearn.doi.gov/coursecatalog/index.cfm> for public login.

Module 440 encourages archeologists and interpreters to work together to interpret archeological resources to the public. The courses are particularly useful to Volunteers In Parks, interns, archeologists, interpreters, educators and cultural resource managers who wish to hone their public interpretation skills. Topics of the four-part series

include archeological methods, interpretive methods, cultural sensitivity, collaboration and self-assessment of interpretive products.

To receive credit for each course, first register in DOI Learn. Next, review the course on the NPS Archeology Program website. Go to <http://www.nps.gov/archeology/sites/inspire/index.htm> for more information and links to the courses. Finally, return to DOI Learn to take a short assessment and receive a certificate.

Registration is ongoing, and students may take the courses at their own pace. In addition, students are encouraged to submit case studies to the Module 440 gallery (<http://www.nps.gov/archeology/forA/nationalMap.htm>). For more information, contact Teresa Moyer at (202) 354-2124 or teresa_moyer@nps.gov. ■

Homestead National Monument of America Hosts Exhibit

By Jason Jurgena, Museum Curator, Homestead NM of America

Homestead National Monument of America is hosting *Landmarks in a Sea of Grass: Grain Elevators and the American Landscape*, a photographic exhibit by Bruce Selyem of 50 images of historic grain elevators from the 30 states where people homesteaded. The exhibit, which runs through September 2010, is on display at the Homestead Education Center.

Bruce began photographing country grain elevators in his home state of Montana in 1990. These vanishing buildings, which were an integral part of homesteaders' lives, are symbols of the agricultural revolution and another way of life. This exhibit represents architecture unique to North America, and much of the rural agricultural heritage is tied to the

country grain elevators of any town that had them along the railroad tracks. The elevator was the first stop in the line for a farmer's grain to get to market and also a meeting place.

The old wood-constructed country grain elevators are being replaced with modern concrete and steel storage structures. With every elevator that is torn down, part of our history disappears. Bruce created the Country Grain Elevator Historical Society in 1995 to preserve the history of this agricultural symbol and has made it a lifelong commitment to record on film and share this vanishing heritage.

Landmarks in a Sea of Grass represents a small part of a very large collection that includes photos from over 4,700 locations in 35 states and provinces. Many more of Bruce's photos can be viewed online at <http://grainelevatorphotos.com>. ■

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Donald R. "Don" Brown, 76, Jan. 13, following a return of cancer.

Don was a retired ranger and superintendent who worked for the NPS for 32 years. After serving in the U.S. Army as a mountain warfare instructor in the Mountain and Cold Weather Training Command at Camp Hale in Colorado, Don began his NPS career in 1957 at Rocky Mountain NP as a seasonal ranger. Over the years, he worked at Everglades NP, Sequoia NP, Olympic NP, Grand Canyon NP and Blue Ridge Parkway. He became the first superintendent of Sleeping Bear Dunes NL in 1977. He then became superintendent of Isle Royale NP and finished his NPS career at Rocky Mountain NP as assistant superintendent, retiring in 1989.

After his NPS retirement, Don worked for Boulder County Parks and Open Space and the Purgatory Pro Ski Patrol. He was also a volunteer for the Durango Fire and Rescue Authority.

Survivors include Don's wife, Virginia "Ginny," four daughters and five grandsons. Memorial contributions to honor Don's love of skiing may be made to the Durango Winter Sports Foundation, P.O. Box 4104, Durango, CO 81302.



Butts Family Photo

DAVE BUTTS

E&AA Life Member **David B. "Dave" Butts**, 79, Jan. 5, at home in Sandpoint, Idaho, due to complications of Parkinson's disease.

Dave retired from the NPS as chief of the Branch of Fire Management in 1989 after 31 years of service with the NPS. He attended New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts (1949-1950) and joined the U.S. Navy in 1951 as a corpsman. He served four years, including two tours in Japan. In 1958, he graduated from Colorado State University with a B.S. degree in forest recreation and earned an M.S. degree in wildland resource administration in 1967.

Dave's NPS career began in 1957 as a seasonal ranger at Rocky Mountain NP. He married Marjorie Madison in 1958 and began his first permanent NPS position at Natchez Trace Parkway that same year, serving as assistant district ranger on the Dancy District (1958-1960). Subsequent positions included park ranger and then chief ranger at (then) Glacier Bay NM (1960-1965) and assistant district ranger (Mather District) at Yosemite NP (1965-1966). In 1967, he became a park ranger (forestry) at Rocky Mountain NP, followed by a resource management specialist there in 1968.

Dave received a Special Achievement

Award at Rocky Mountain NP for development of the backcountry management program, which included the establishment of carrying capacities and a reservation and permit system. This drew the attention of Secretary Morton, and Dave presented the plan at a Departmental meeting, where it was announced that experimental programs would be initiated in other parks.

From 1974 to 1979, Dave served as a resource management specialist for the NPS in the Natural Resources Division in Washington, D.C., working on development of national policy guidelines for backcountry use and fire management Servicewide. He transferred to the (then) Boise Interagency Fire Center as chief of the Branch of Fire Management in 1979, where he coordinated development of FIRE PRO (the fire program) and participated in multi-agency coordination groups as the NPS representative during critical wildland fire activity. He established two permanent NPS Hot Shot crews and represented the NPS on the National Wildfire Coordinating Group, serving as chairman in 1979.

In 1989, Dave returned to the Washington, D.C., office for nine months to complete work on the Fire Management Program before retiring later that year. He worked for the State of Idaho Bureau of Disaster Services as an emergency planner (1990-1996), and then he and Marjorie moved to a home they built overlooking Lake Pend Oreille.

Dave is survived by Marjorie; two children: Thomas and Jennie; and four grandchildren. Condolences may be posted online at www.lakeviewfuneral.com.

E&AA Member **Manuel H. "Manny" Cortez**, 79, Feb. 26, at Carlsbad Medical Center in New Mexico.

Manny was a longtime Carlsbad Caverns NP employee, who retired from the park in 1992 as a supervisory park ranger. He earned a B.S. degree in 1955 from the University of New Mexico. Following college graduation, he served his country in the U.S. Army and U.S. Army Reserve and retired from military duty in 1990 as a master sergeant.

In 1966, Manny joined the NPS at Carlsbad Caverns NP as a park guide, becoming a supervisory park ranger in 1971. He hired, trained, supervised and inspired hundreds of park guides and rangers. A number of career NPS employees started under his guidance. For many years, he was the park's sole leader of cavern tours conducted entirely in Spanish. Manny is survived by his wife of 51 years, Dolores; daughter, Teresa (husband, Mike); three sons: Manuel, Jr. (wife, Theresa), Ruben (wife, Janna) and Andrew; and four grandchildren.

Margaret DeLaura, Jan. 4, after a long illness.

Margaret worked for the Denver Service Center (DSC) for more than two decades, beginning her career in printing services, moving to administration and becoming a community planner in 1991. She retired in 2008 as a project manager from the DSC Planning Division. In her role as project manager, she worked on general management plans for parks including Biscayne NP, Dry Tortugas NP and Canaveral NS and a commercial services plan for Cape

Lookout NS. Margaret's bright smile and genuine concern for others will be missed by the many NPS staff members she worked with over the course of her career.



JACK FISH

E&AA Life Member **Manus "Jack" Fish, Jr.**, 81, Feb. 27, at the Heritage Hall Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Leesburg, Va., after a stroke.

Jack retired from the NPS in 1988 as regional director of National Capital Region (NCR) after 36 years of service. He served in the U.S. Army (1946-1948), then earned a degree in engineering from Catholic University of America. He joined the NPS in 1952 as a civil engineer in the Office of Design and Construction in Washington, D.C. Following this, he served as assistant chief, then chief of the Branch of Engineering (1962-1965) and chief of development planning and control (1965-1970). After serving three years as NCR deputy regional director, he became regional director in 1973 and continued to serve in this position until his retirement.

Following his NPS retirement, Jack was vice president at the West Group and served as chairman of the Parks and History Association. His awards include the DOI Distinguished Service Award and the Cornelius Amory Pugsley Award, a prestigious national award that recognizes outstanding contributions to the promotion and development of public parks in the United States.

Jack is survived by his wife of 58 years, Rosemary T. Fish; 12 children; 42 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and two siblings. Memorial donations may be made to the Eternal Word Television Network, 5817 Old Leeds Road, Irondale, AL 35210 or the United Cerebral Palsy Foundation.

Charles "Frank" Mobley, 62, Jan. 16, at home in Wheeling, W.Va., following a battle with cancer.

Frank retired from the NPS as a facility operations specialist at Jean Lafitte NHP & PRES in 2009. He was a U.S. Navy Vietnam War veteran. He started with the NPS in 1988 at Assateague Island NS. Over the years during his NPS career, in addition to Jean Lafitte NHP & PRES, Frank worked at Blue Ridge Parkway, Great Smoky Mountains NP and Herbert Hoover NHS. Survivors include Frank's wife of 41 years, Judy; two sons; two grandchildren; his mother; and several nieces and nephews.

E&AA Member **Kurt Noah Oliver**, 61, Feb. 10, following a battle with cancer.

Kurt retired from the NPS as East District supervisory park ranger at Rocky Mountain NP in 2005 after over 29 years. He began his NPS career in 1970 as a seasonal park aide at Rocky Mountain NP assigned to the Alpine Visitor Center. In 1972, he began his first season in law enforcement at the park at Wild Basin and continued to work seasonally throughout the late 1970s. He also worked at Bighorn Canyon NRA and Valley Forge NHP.

In 1980, Kurt was hired as a permanent ranger at Rocky Mountain NP, where he served as the Thompson area and Wild Basin area ranger in the mid-1980s and then moved to the Big Thompson Subdistrict in 1993. From 2004 until his retirement, he served as the East District ranger.

Kurt is survived by his wife, Laurie; son, David; daughter, Becky (husband, Scott); his father, Noah; a brother, Kent (wife, Lorrie); a brother, Kris (wife, Gail); and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his sister, Patricia, and mother, Veda. Memorial contributions may be made to the Colorado Fourteeners Initiative, the Special Olympics and The National Children's Cancer Society.

E&AA Life Member **Robert Mercier Paul**, 94, Jan. 3, at Willamette View Manor in Portland, Oreg., due to natural causes.

Robert earned a B.A. degree in 1937 and a master's degree in 1945, both from Columbia University. He served in the U.S. Navy, Amphibious Force, (1942-1945), where he was the commanding officer of a Landing Craft Infantry participating in the amphibious landings in North Africa, Italy and France during D-Day. He remained active in the U.S. Naval Reserve and retired as lieutenant commander.

Following WWII, Robert became a high school teacher and counselor. He taught math and later also became Dean of Boys at McMinnville High School in Oregon. He began his seasonal career with the NPS in 1947 at Glacier NP as a trail crewman—later becoming a park ranger. Robert worked at the park during the summers, and his assigned station was Bowman Lake, but he also worked at Many Glacier, Kintla Lake, East Glacier, Waterton (Goat Haunt), Two Medicine, Logging Creek and Walton. He earned a Superior Service Award in 1986 and was affectionately known as "Bowman Bob."

Robert retired from teaching in 1977 after 32 years and from the NPS at Glacier NP in 1989. From 1992 to 1999, he continued to serve the NPS as a volunteer at the park. He was an avid hiker, birder and fisherman and an accomplished boatman.

Robert's survivors include his wife of 66 years, Mary; two daughters: Janet (husband, Stan) and Nancy (husband, Rick); and four grandchildren. Memorial donations may be made to The Salvation Army or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Robert Duane "Pete" Peterson, 79, Nov. 25, 2009, at home in Terlingua, Tex.

Pete was a retired Big Bend NP maintenance worker. He enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in 1946 and served during the Korean Conflict with the 56th Air

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Transport Squadron. He married Darlene K. Sartain in 1970.

Pete began his NPS career in 1979 at Big Bend NP, where he served until his retirement in 1988. He received many awards for his dedicated service. He enjoyed everything outdoors—especially fishing and camping. He was always ready for a challenging game of dominoes and loved to whistle musical tunes and bird-calls. He was a master handyman and was always working on fix-it projects.

Pete's survivors include Darlene; daughter, Kathy Jean; five sons: Timothy, Duane and Wade Peterson and David and Jeffrey Sartain; two sisters: Pat and Clara; brother, Paul; 10 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. Memorial tributes may be made to Terlingua Medics, 1 Medic Lane, Terlingua, TX 79852.

Max Sanders, 68, Jan. 31, due to cancer.

Max was a retired federal law enforcement officer. He served for 33 years as a park ranger with the NPS, 25 of which were at Natchez Trace Parkway, from where he retired as a district ranger. He also served as a ranger at Grand Canyon NP, Blue Ridge Parkway and Shenandoah NP.

Max is survived by his wife, Willa; two daughters: Alicia (husband, Jason) and Shelley; brother, Gordon; sister, Carolyn; and grandson, William. Condolences may be sent to 107 Valley Circle, Kosciusko, MS 39090.

E&AA Life Member **Philip O. "Phil" Stewart**, 86, May 28, at the West Virginia Veterans Administration Medical Center.

Phil served in the First Infantry Division during WWII. He was wounded in action and spent two years in army hospitals. Following discharge, he received his law degree from Creighton University in 1952 and then began his federal government career. He worked for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers as land acquisition officer and oversaw the Tocks Island Dam project before joining the NPS.

Phil worked in the Lands Division, first as chief of lands, then later as assistant director in charge of both lands and concessions. He retired from WASO in 1979 as assistant director specialized services. His awards include the DOI Meritorious Service Award and Distinguished Service Award.

Survivors include his wife of 63 years, Loretta; three children: Paul E. Stewart, Ann Marie Hamilton (husband, Bob) and John P. Stewart (wife, Deborah); nine grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Mary Jean. Memorials may be made to CCAP Inc., 112 Kent Street, Winchester, VA 22601. Condolences may be posted online at www.jonesfuneralhomes.com.

Tim Stubbs, 59, Jan. 28, in Albuquerque, N.Mex., due to natural causes.

Tim was a retired fire management officer. He began his permanent NPS career in 1990. In addition to being the fire management officer, he was a fire behavior analyst, long-term fire analyst and an air tactical group supervisor. He was a wildland firefighter icon and staunch advocate for firefighter safety. Tim retired as the fire management officer for Carlsbad Caverns NP and Guadalupe Mountains NP in 2003.



BILL TANNER

J. William "Bill" Tanner, 71, April 2, in his sleep.

Bill was an NPS ranger, interpreter and archeologist who is best known for developing and co-directing the critical 1979 "Ranger One Task Force" to implement the "Carter Antiquities Act National Monuments" in Alaska. The task force, which he co-directed with Rick Smith, was responsible for establishing an NPS presence in the newly established areas that more than doubled the size of the National Park System.

Bill grew up in Morenci, Ariz. (a mining town), married his high school sweetheart, Jerry Katherine Guyn, and served in the navy and on the Phoenix police force before obtaining his archeology degree from Northern Arizona University. He joined the NPS as a ranger/interpreter at Tuzigoot NM. Subsequent positions included archeologist/chief of interpretation at Canyon de Chelly NM, ranger (law enforcement) at Padre Island NS, then law enforcement instructor at WASO. He nearly single-handedly established the NPS presence at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in Georgia, acquiring, painting and furnishing the first Service facilities.

Bill returned to the field as chief ranger at Chamizal N MEM, then on to Alaska as chief of law enforcement and then chief ranger for the (then) Southwest Region, eventually leaving the position to establish and lead the Service's first Resource Protection Unit, apprehending thieves of plants, animals and antiquities. This unit racked up some major antiquity theft prosecutions and shut down several major dealers in the trafficking of protected items.

"Bill was a true ranger of many skills and interests, but deep down he was always an interpreter, even in law enforcement and undercover operations," said his longtime friend, John Cook.

The Tanners were great travelers—visiting all 50 states and all of the Great Lakes. Jerry taught elementary school wherever her husband was stationed, including in Utah, Arizona, Texas, Virginia and Alaska. Bill retired to Albuquerque, N.Mex., in 1995 and became active in the antique bottle trade and painting. Jerry preceded him in death in 2006. The couple raised two children: son, Eric and daughter, Michelle, and they have a grandson, Nicholas.

Stewart L. Udall, 90, March 20, at home in Santa Fe, N.Mex., due to natural causes.

Stewart Udall served as secretary of the Department of the Interior from 1961 to 1969. He was responsible for

much legislation to conserve and protect public lands, including the Wilderness Act of 1964, the Endangered Species Preservation Act and the Land and Water Conservation Act. During his tenure, four national parks, six national monuments, nine recreation areas, 20 historic sites and 56 wildlife refuges were added to the National Park Service.

Canyonlands NP was one of the national parks created during this time. On a flight over this area in the early 1960s, then Bureau of Reclamation Chief Floyd Dominy showed Secretary Udall where he wanted to build the "next" big dam—just below the confluence of the Colorado and Green rivers. But where Floyd Dominy saw a reservoir, Stewart Udall saw a national park.

Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar released the following statement on his passing: "Stewart Udall was one of the greatest secretaries of the Interior in my lifetime. Secretary Udall, who also served in the U.S. House of Representatives, was a pioneer and visionary in protecting America's natural resources and cultural heritage who exemplified his family's commitment to public service. In January of last year, he shared with me his continued vision of how to move forward with a renewed commitment for preserving and conserving America's great natural and cultural landscapes in the 21st century. Stewart Udall will be greatly missed, and my thoughts and prayers go out to Senator Tom Udall of New Mexico and to his entire family."

After leaving the government, Stewart practiced law in Washington, D.C., and authored several books. He was predeceased in 2001 by his wife of 55 years, Erma Lee. His survivors include six children and eight grandchildren.

John Charles Urbanek, 80, March 25, due to cancer.

John was a pilot in the U.S. Navy during the Korean Conflict. He graduated from Kansas State University and spent his entire career working for the NPS. During his time in the NPS, he left his mark on projects from Mesa Verde, Colo., to the Dead Sea Scroll Caves in the country of Jordan. He was a resident of the Moab, Utah, area since 1971 and spent 14 years as the head of maintenance for Arches NP, Natural Bridges NM and Canyonlands NP.

It was this career and his love of the outdoors that led John to meet his wife, Anne, who had come from Chicago for seasonal employment at Grand Teton NP in 1957. The NPS wasn't just his career, it was his passion. He and Anne spent as much time as possible enjoying nature. Every vacation involved two or more national parks.

Even well into his 70s, John could be found hiking along new trails or driving down some obscure backcountry road he found on a map. John's interest in maps led him to construct his giant relief map of the Moab area, which he patiently constructed, piece by hand-carved piece, in his basement. It took over 20 years to make, and it speaks to his conviction that amazing things can be accomplished if you just persevere. He donated the map to the Dan O'Laurie Museum of Moab, where it is on display for the whole community to enjoy.

John will be remembered by his family, many friends and co-workers for his boundless enthusiasm and bigger-than-

life laughter. Included in his legacy is his patient perseverance through the pain and indignities of the cancer that took his life. It would have been uncharacteristic of John to show anger or self-pity, because he truly lived his favorite quote from his favorite author, artist and satirist, Walt Kelly: "Don't take life so serious. It ain't nohow permanent."

Survivors include John's wife of 50 years, Anne, and two children: David and Amy. Donations in his memory can be made to the Dan O'Laurie Museum of Moab, 118 East Center Street, Moab, UT 84532 or the Humane Society of Moab Valley, P.O. Box 1188, Moab, UT 84532. If you want to remember and honor John, make your way to your favorite secluded spot, silently soak in the world around you and appreciate the precious gift of natural places. That is what he would do. ■

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The following donations were received this quarter. Thank you for your support.

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New Places & Faces

Shawn Bawden, to volunteer management assistant, Santa Monica Mountains NRA.

Mark Benson, to visitor use assistant, Shenandoah NP.

Richard Boston, to cultural resource specialist, Transportation Division, Denver Service Center.

J. Patrick Campbell, from program manager, Inventory and Monitoring Program, National Capital Region Network, to program manager, Inventory and Monitoring Program, National Capital Region.

Tim Cash, from web editor-in-chief and acting chief of Web Content Services Division (WCSD), to web editor-in-chief and chief of WCSD, OCIO (Office of the Chief Information Officer) National Information Services Center, WASO.

Ruben Castillo, from heavy mobile equipment mechanic, to general operations foreman, Carlsbad Caverns NP.

David L. Conlin, from deputy chief, to chief, Submerged Resources Center, Lakewood, Colo.

Allen Cooper, from chief of the archeology branch, Northeast Regional Office (NERO) to chief of the park planning and special studies branch, Heritage Preservation, Planning and Compliance Directorate, NERO.

Karen Cucurullo, from acting deputy superintendent for operations, to deputy superintendent for operations, National Mall and Memorial Parks. Prior to her acting assignment, Karen was special assistant for partnerships at the park.

Stuart Curtin, from park ranger (protection), Olympic NP, to park ranger (protection), Shenandoah NP.

Chris Davis, from resource manager, San Juan Island NHP, to plant ecologist, Cuyahoga Valley NP.

Margo Muhl Davis, from cultural resource specialist, Transportation Division, Denver Service Center (DSC) to cultural resource specialist, Design and Construction Division, DSC.

Edward Dodds, from maintenance mechanic supervisor, to facility manager, Jefferson National Expansion Memorial.

Katie Callahan Durcan, to assistant coordinator for national heritage areas, WASO.

Mike Foster, from supervisory park ranger and shift supervisor, Valley District, Yosemite NP, to chief ranger, Natchez Trace Parkway.

Denise Fuller, from legal assistant, Olympic NP, to Eastern Interagency Coordination Center lead emergency resource coordinator, Shenandoah NP.

Fred Garrett, to carpenter (special projects crew), Cuyahoga Valley NP.

Lynn Garrity, to outdoor recreation planner (trails), Cuyahoga Valley NP.

Margaret Garvin, from administrative officer, New River Gorge NR, to administrative officer, Carlsbad Caverns NP and Guadalupe Mountains NP.

Mike Hodgkinson, to maintenance worker supervisor (special projects crew), Cuyahoga Valley NP.

Ann Honious, from chief of education and resources management, Dayton Aviation Heritage NHP, to chief of museum services and interpretation, Jefferson National Expansion Memorial.

Stacy Humphreys, from park ranger, Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania County Battlefields Memorial NMP, to supervisory park ranger, Jefferson National Expansion Memorial.

Robert C. Jett, to regional risk manager, Southeast Regional Office.

Sherry Justus, from integrated resources program manager (natural and cultural), Lyndon B. Johnson NHP, to chief of interpretation, visitor services and natural resources, Sagamore Hill NHS.

Ivan Kassovic, from subdistrict ranger, Rocky Mountain NP, to field operations supervisor, Cuyahoga Valley NP.

Craig Kenkel, from chief of cultural resources and acting deputy superintendent, Golden Gate NRA, to superintendent, San Francisco Maritime NHP.

Bob Kirby, from superintendent, Petersburg NB, to superintendent, Gettysburg NMP and Eisenhower NHS.

Jeff Martinelli, from park ranger (protection), Shenandoah NP, to supervisory park ranger, Grand Teton NP.

Tracy McBride, to administrative specialist, Design and Construction Division, Denver Service Center.

Tom Medema, from acting chief of interpretation and education, to chief of interpretation and education, Yosemite NP.

Dave Mekker, to electrician, Cuyahoga Valley NP.

Mike Michener, from park ranger (protection), Yosemite NP, to district ranger, Shenandoah NP.

Cicely Muldoon, from deputy regional director, Pacific West Region, to superintendent, Point Reyes NS.



DENNIS M. MULLIGAN

Dennis M. Mulligan, from park ranger (interpretation), to supervisory park ranger (interpretation), Statue of Liberty NM.

Don Neubacher, from superintendent, Point Reyes NS, to superintendent, Yosemite NP.

Robbin Owen, from acting chief, to chief, Park Programs Division, National Mall and Memorial Parks.

Karen Pittleman, from deputy director, to director, Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts.



KATE RICHARDSON

Kate Richardson, from superintendent, San Francisco Maritime NHP, to workplace enrichment program manager, Office of the Assistant Director, Workforce Management.

Lewis Rogers, from chief ranger, Valley Forge NHP, to superintendent, Petersburg NB.

Katie Sargent, from park ranger (protection), Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania County Battlefields Memorial NMP, to park ranger (protection), Shenandoah NP.

Steve Schildwachter, from senior visitor use assistant, Shenandoah NP, to visitor use assistant, Castillo de San Marcos NM.

Scott Schreiber, to information technology specialist, Cuyahoga Valley NP.

Steve Shackelton, from chief ranger, Yosemite NP, to associate director for visitor and resource protection, WASO.

LoRita Stillwell, to visitor use assistant, Shenandoah NP.

Dawn Webster, to supervisory park ranger, Shenandoah NP.

Rosanna Weltzin, from acting deputy chief of interpretation and education, to deputy chief of interpretation and education, National Mall and Memorial Parks. ■

NPS Family

John Knotts, sawyer/woodworker at Yosemite NP, and his wife, Chandra, welcomed their first child, a baby boy named Sawyer Mason, on Sept. 4, 2009. Sawyer weighed in at nine lbs. and was 21 inches long.

Jennifer McMahon, management assistant at Cuyahoga Valley NP, and her husband, Toby Oster, welcomed their second child, Kevin Michael Oster, on Jan. 26. Kevin weighed in at eight lbs., 14 oz. and measured 21 inches. ■

Send us your stuff! We welcome news and photos about yourself and our NPS family members. See page 12 for mailing and telephone information.

E&AA welcomes the following new members:

Geraldine Bell, Susan Cook, Michael Creasey, Nathaniel Deutsch, Michael Duwe, Beth Faudree, Brian Forseth, Linda Mazzu, Kelly Pearce, Deborah Pfenninger, Richard Allen Purvis, Jimmie Qualls, David Rose, John Spangler and Kathy Tustanowski.

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Jarvis said, "The National Park Service has a unique and an important role in climate change. National parks are familiar places to the public and already exhibit effects from a changing climate that our ongoing inventory and monitoring system documents as they happen."

The budget proposes base funding increases at 127 national parks. "America's best idea was to set aside national parks for their protection and our enjoyment. We sustain that best idea by investing taxpayer dollars so that parks are preserved for future generations," Director Jarvis said. "For less than \$10 per citizen each year, the national parks offer the opportunity to experience some of the most amazing natural landscapes on the planet and the authentic places where history was made. That investment is returned many times over. Spending by park visitors—285 million of them in 2009—contributed an estimated \$12 billion to local economies within 50 miles of national parks. We thank America's taxpayers for their support and pledge to make the best use of the funds Congress provides to preserve the places entrusted to our care for today's visitors and for generations to come." ■



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2011 Membership Directory Form

If your listing in the 2010 Directory is correct, there is no need to resubmit this information and it will remain the same in the new directory. If you have never filled out a Membership Directory form and returned it to E&AA, only your name will appear in the directory.

For new listings and changes to current listing: I give the E&AA permission to publish the information provided below in the Membership Directory. Please print or type. Updates, additions and changes to your membership listing must be submitted by Aug. 25, 2010 to appear in the next directory. **This directory is for E&AA Members only.**

Member: _____

Spouse: _____

List spouse in directory? Yes No

Home address: _____

Home phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Park or office where I work or retired from: _____

Title: _____

Year retired (if applicable) _____

I am a(n)

- Annual NPS Member (single)
- Annual NPS Member (w/ spouse)
- Life NPS Member (single)
- Life NPS Member (w/ spouse)
- Volunteer Member
- Associate Individual Member (annual)
- Associate Individual Member (life)
- Associate Corporate Member

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Send completed form to Bonnie Stetson, E&AA Membership, 470 Maryland Drive, Suite 1, Fort Washington, PA 19034.

E&AA Membership Application

Please print or type. Submit form to: Bonnie Stetson, E&AA Membership, 470 Maryland Drive, Suite 1, Fort Washington, PA 19034. Welcome!

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home phone: _____

Years with NPS: _____ Year retired (if applicable): _____

I would like to become a(n): (check your choice)

Annual NPS Member:

Single \$30 _____ with Spouse \$50 _____

Life NPS Member:

Single \$350 _____ with Spouse \$500 _____

Volunteer Member: Annual \$35 _____

(an individual who has served at least 500 hours with the NPS)

Associate Individual Member:

Annual \$40 _____ Life \$400 _____

(individuals interested in advancing the mission of E&AA)

Associate Corporate Member: Annual \$500 _____

(not-for-profit and for-profit organizations)

Contribution to the E&AA Trust Fund

The E&AA Trust Fund is supported only by your generous contributions. Use this form to make a tax-deductible contribution to the E&AA Trust Fund. Donations may also be made to E&AA, a 501(c)(4) organization. These gifts are not tax deductible. Send completed form to Bonnie Stetson, E&AA Membership, 470 Maryland Drive, Suite 1, Fort Washington, PA 19034.

Name: _____

Enclosed is a check for: \$ _____. I would like the donation to support: (circle one or indicate an amount for each).

E&AA Trust Fund (tax deductible) _____

E&AA _____

Contribute to the Arrowhead

Submit information, stories and photos to E&AA *Arrowhead*, 470 Maryland Drive, Suite 1, Fort Washington, PA 19034. Information can also be faxed to (215) 283-6925 or emailed to jennifer.allen@eandaa.org. Photographs are welcomed. Please identify who is in the photo, who took the photo and include a SASE if you would like the photo returned. Please include a summary of the event at which the photo was taken, news release or other important information. We will use as many submissions as possible on a space-available basis. Time-sensitive materials and those received first will receive priority. We may hold submissions for use in a later issue.

Visit www.eandaa.org for submission deadlines. Please contact Jennifer Allen with any questions about submissions at (215) 283-6900, ext. 136.

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A SADDLE HORSE GROUP at the Cosley Lake tent camp at Glacier NP, circa 1935. Tent camps were set up in various places in Glacier's backcountry to accommodate visitors in the earlier years of the park. Glacier NP was established as the nation's 10th national park on May 11, 1910. To commemorate this milestone, the park and its volunteers planned many 100th anniversary activities, including musicals, art exhibits and educational programs. Mark your calendars for the Centennial Trail Crew Rendezvous, Aug. 20-22, 2010, and the alumni and employee reunion on Aug. 22, 2010. The complete list of centennial activities can be found at www.glaciercentennial.org.

E&AA Members: Please notify the E&AA of address changes.