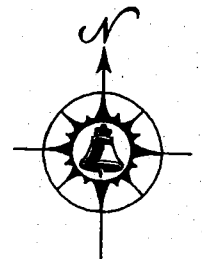


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Last night I had a desperation call from hard working Oren Welch, the guardian of our CSPRA REPORTER. Last month Oren produced an eight page REPORTER. This month he reports he'll be lucky if he can fill one page!

The REPORTER and the Association depends on the contributions and interest of the membership and I urge all of you to actively participate. Regional Directors have no doubt had meetings within their regions, yet never a word to the REPORTER. Our GEC Committee is making arrangements for the 1973 convention at Morro Bay, yet no report to Oren. Members throughout the State must have some ideas or expressions they would like to pass along, but no one bothers to take the time to write it down and send it to Oren.

Earlier this year we all agreed on a concerted drive for advertising in the REPORTER. Such a campaign can't be very successful if you try to sell ads in a one-page paper! The sales potential is there but only if we give our editor something to sell!

Except for our newest and youngest group of rangers, the lack of interest is appalling. Even the "old Georges" who have worked for this Association from the very beginning seem to be falling by the wayside.

A good example was our Board of Directors meeting held in Arcata on May 20, 1973. The Association went to considerable expense on the premise that members would attend these meetings if they were brought to the members. I was sure the Arcata meeting would attract a large

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Editorial

Where o' where has little George gone? O' where o' where can he be? Has he lost himself or has he just forgotten how to write?

Last month the REPORTER had so much news that the layout got really muddled up. Smudges appeared everywhere as each fresh news arrived and had to be squeezed in somehow. By press time new layout sheets had to be cut and in this shuffle some of the final proofs were tossed out and mis-typed strips were used. After the presses were shut down, and the bundles sent to the post office the pages were discovered to be numbered incorrectly. But, the REPORTER had news and issues to be printed and that is what counted. For you see, the advertisement campaign was to use the June and July issues as an introductory package to be sent to some prospective advertisers of the REPORTER. Plans were to get some ideas for the next Board of Directors meeting and get the advertising policy finalized.

Alas!! Alas!! How can you sell advertising when just one page cannot even be filled with news or item of interest?

President Jack used some of his vacation time to rescue us with a message, and Fred Spicer and Rodger Kellogg have made this month's edition only because it has been held up by the Editor trying to decide what to do for filler material.

So, since there is no new-news for this month perhaps an analysis of where the articles, news, and contributions have come from in the past six months will be of interest.

Officers 8

Committees

E.I.C. 9

Salary 3

Members Contributions by

Region

I 0

II 1

III 3

IV 7

V 10

VI 5

VII 0

There were NO special requests this month for a special mailing to any new members the Association has gotten through Vice President Herman Schlerf's membership drive. There cannot have been time for their names to be on our printed mailing list. As mentioned in the June edition, extra copies were printed up in anticipation for some special mailings to new members in order to help keep their interest stimulated. Perhaps we have no new members? Perhaps maintenance personnell are still trying to get answers to the same questions your Editor has heard around Region V. Why should I join an exclusive Rangers Club? What does the Association do to help the maintenance? When you change the name, then I'll Join.

Recently SR 28 was passed and it appears, a raise of some sort is coming. Was our effort a success? If it was, and San Luis Coast Area represents the membership norm with only 33% contacting their senator, then how much of a raise would there be if 50% had written a letter?

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CASTAIC LAKE MANAGER POSITION OPEN

The County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation is searching for a manager of the newly developed Castaic Lake State Recreation Area.

The Reservoir with its attendant recreation values is being developed to provide a multitude of recreation opportunities for the public. Fishing and water sports activities will dominate the use of this recreation area. The Reservoir and adjoining 180 surface acre lake and 8,000 acres of park land is being maintained and operated under agreement of the State of California by the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation.

Castaic Dam and Reservoir is located in northwest Los Angeles County, two miles north of the community of Castaic and approximately 45 miles from Los Angeles Civic Center. The dam site is located immediately below the confluence of Castaic Creek and Elizabeth Lake Canyon at the head of the Castaic Valley. The northern and Eastern portions of the park area are bordered by the Angeles National Forest. The reservoir area is readily accessible from the Los Angeles Metropolitan area from Lake Hughes Road via Interstate Highway 5. It is expected that recreation use of the reservoir will be drawn from a population base of approximately 10 million people. At normal pool elevation water will extend 5.1 miles into Castaic Canyon on the west, and 4.0 miles up the Elizabeth Canyon on the east.

POSITION TITLE: Park Ranger IV, Salary: \$1138-\$1419 per month.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS: Graduation from an accredited college with specialization in Outdoor Recreation, Park Management, Park or Recreation Administration, or a related field and three years experience in the supervision of a major regional park or recreation area. Additional experience will be accepted for the required training on a year-for-year basis to a maximum of two years.

LICENSE: A California Class "3" Driver's License must be presented at the time of appointment.

Applicants must file no later than 5:00 P.M., August 24, 1972, 222 North Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, Los Angeles County Applications Unit.

For information regarding position, contact Robert Shipley, Recreation Operations Superinten-

EDITORIAL Cont'd

So, George, if this copy reaches you, and this editorial inspires you ??MAYBE?? you will help answer these questions:

-Why hasn't the Association studied and taken a public stand on the issues we stand for?

-What are the common issues CSPRA stands for?

-What services can CSPRA offer to its membership?

-Why doesn't CSPRA establish a blood bank for our members and their families?

-Why doesn't the name of the Association need changing?

-Why doesn't CSPRA have an emergency catastrophe fund for our membership?

-Why not give a prize to the most active Region for the year? And also, the goat for the _____?

-Would a Womens Section and/or a Maintenance Section help stimulate views and get more news?

-Should more services to members be expected of the Association?

-Why have we become people managers and lost park management perspectives?

-Why doesn't the REPORTER publish a membership barometer to show each Regional membership percentage?

-Just exactly what have YOU done as a member of active participation in this Association?

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BOARD MEETING IN SEPTEMBER

Now is the time to circle Saturday, September 9, 1972 on your calendar. This is the date of the Board of Directors meeting to be in Sacramento.

Fred Spicer, Regional Director for Region 3, has made arrangements for the meeting to be at the Hotel El Rancho, 1029 West Capital Ave., West Sacramento, CA. Send your reservation to the hotel. The rates are \$10.50 for single and \$13.65 for double.

ATTENTION REGION V MEMBERS

Announcing the 1973 Audubon Camp Scholarship drawing for Region V. If you wish to attend, then send your name no later than August 20, 1972 to:

L.C. Berrigan
14253 Sunset Blvd.
Pacific Palisades, CA
90272

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Cont'd

number of interested members to find out exactly how we spend your dollars and what we're trying to accomplish. Not so, gentlemen! Three members, I repeat, three members attended!

We have three other meetings scheduled between now and Morro Bay in 1973: Region III on September 9; Region IV on November 18; Region V on January 13, 1973. Do you wonder that I wonder how many will attend these?

Perhaps the foregoing is a little harsh but I can assure you it's generally true.

What are we going to do about it? I would certainly welcome your ideas and expressions.

/s/ Jack Welch
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