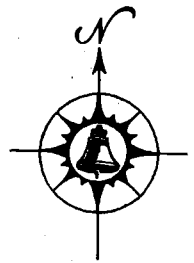




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## Time To Rally

By: Bill Krumbein

Rangers—park people—nothing will bring back the slain National Park Ranger, Kenneth C. Patrick; but CSPRA Can show its concern for his family.

It's the beginning of the month; we have all received raises please be generous.

Send your contributions by October 20th to:

The REPORTER

Oren Welch, Editor

198 South Halcyon Road

Arroyo Grande, CA 93420

Make checks payable to the Kenneth Patrick Memorial Fund. This fund is being handled by the Bank of America, Pt. Reyes Station, Calif. The Golden Gate Area has already contributed to this fund in its own name. Now CSPRA can help.

## Nominations Please

Nominations for California State Park Ranger Association President and Vice President are now being received. If you wish to nominate a person for either of these offices please submit their names to Wes Cater, 2870 Ironwood Ave., Morro Bay, CA 93442; phone (805) 772-2832, on or before October 30, 1973.

The nominating committee will meet at 7:00 pm at the above address on October 30, for the purpose of nominating candidates for President and Vice President.

This will be an open meeting and nominations may be made from the floor.

## E.I.C. Reports

Do you realize that there is a proposal to lengthen the Jackson Hole Airport runway by about 2,000 feet (the airport lies within Grand Teton National Park) so that it can handle jet aircraft (Boeing 737's)?

The Federal Aviation Administration, in a letter to the National Park System, stated "...if the FAA and the aeronautical community can demonstrate that air service can be compatible with, and possibly even enhance the values and purposes of this park, then it may be possible to bring the many benefits (sic) of air access to other environmentally sensitive locations in the future."

Environmental degradation is everyone's concern. The National Park System and the California State Park System have many parallels. If jets are allowed at Grand Teton National Park, could units of our state park system follow a similar trend?

Send a letter now and no later than October 11, 1973, to:  
Superintendent and Hearing Clerk

Grand Teton National Park

P.O. Box 67

Moose, Wyoming 83012

Please state why you oppose this runway expansion along with the jet runway expansion along with the jet noise and pollution which would follow. Also request that your comments be included in both the public hearing record and in the Final Environmental Impact Statement.

"Conservation is a state of harmony between men and the land."

Aldo Leopold

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## President's Message

An editorial in the REPORTER touched on my suggestion that we consider opening our membership to National Park Service rangers. The editorial implied the motive for the suggestion was simply to add numbers to our membership roll and dollars to our treasury and that our Association should not consider expanding until it defines and accomplishes its goals.

Not So!

In the first place, the NPS suggestion was offered in the interest of enhancing our Association, not merely to add to our membership or to enrich our treasury. I did and still do believe the suggestion merits consideration as a potential for broadening our sometimes limited viewpoint through a union with an equally professional group, a group which just might touch us with an infusion of new thought and fresh enthusiasm.

One of our objectives is "exchange of professional thought." Although under some circumstances this may seem a rather generalized and innocuous statement, it is in fact the basis for the generation and outgrowth of new concepts and, as all of you well know, the evolution does define our goals and that resolutions and resultant actions have gone a long ways towards meeting these goals. Reference to our convention minutes from last March and past issues of our REPORTER will reveal that we have worked for salary increases, supported critical environmental issues, we awarded scholarships, and donated money in the interest of bettering our public service, just to name a few. This year we have developed a program of meeting the interpretive needs of our members so they may provide a more quality experience for the public. We have a Training and Education Committee designed to

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## MEMBERS MAILBOX

"When we say 'fraud' or 'cheat' or 'crook' our minds leap right a-way to money. Yet, dishonesty can cover more than cash. A swindle is a swindle, whatever it involves.

"Like stealing time. It's become a point of honor to sneak in late and check out early. The coffee breaks get longer and the lunch 'hour' is a laugh. An hour's job is stretched to last the day. We're 'entitled' to our sick leave, so we take it — sick or well. We place our bets and call our friends on office phones — and time. We wouldn't steal a cent, but we are scrounging every second. And stealing time, I think, is worst of all. A minute lost is lost for good. You can't replace it — ever.

"We cheat ourselves in cheating others . . . . It's the boss's time you're wasting, but, of course, it's also yours. Every minute is a minute off your life.

"So everybody loses."

Dear Oren:

The above filler was run by Bob Hanks in his Sept. 1969 issue of RRR: perhaps after five years it would bear repeating. I don't think you will get any static about its being inappropriate for the REPORTER.

With best wishes,  
/s/Paul W. Minton, Ret.  
San Luis Obispo

Dear Oren:

Just a note to thank you for continued receipt of the REPORTER. It often gets circulation in the Design and Construction Division after I've read it.

Members Mailbox, July-August, carries contribution from J. Whitehead, reacting against the filler, "Why So Tired?" He's got a good point. Even at Headquarters, where set hours are the rule, it's notable that there are many exceptions, like staff that does not hear the whistle blow at 4:15.

And Jerry Henderson solicited feedback on some Proposition 1 ideas. The bumper sticker has merit in calling peoples attention to the project. Then their curiosity may be aroused to where they'll be on the lookout for more information on it.

/s/Dick Humphrey  
Senior Landscape Arch.

Gentlemen:

This will acknowledge receipt of the bulletin "Reporter". We will appreciate it if you will continue to forward this worthwhile publication to the attention of Mr. Douglas Fritz. Mr. Fritz will be teaching a number of the natural resources classes.

/s/Gary Blomgren, Chairman  
Ag./N.R. Division  
San Joaquin Delta College

Dear G.S.P.R.A.

Now that summer is over and I'm between weekends I've got a chance to send my thanks for the scholarship which allowed me to attend Audubon Camp this past July. It was a valuable experience...educational, inspiring and enjoyable. The staff and facilities were excellent. All of the information I picked up can be directly or indirectly applied in interpreting our parks.

My thanks also to the Department for allowing employees to attend on state time.

Again, my thanks for making my two weeks at Audubon Camp possible. I encourage all interested employees to try and attend. If anyone has any questions feel free to write me at the address below.

/s/Jeff Jones  
Salt Point State Park  
Jenner, CA 95450

Next stop for the measure by Assemblyman Lawrence Kapiloff, D-San Diego, is the Senate Finance Committee.

It is AB 1865.

Do you think it would be feasible to start a program where crushed aluminum cans could be used instead of the \$1.00 day use fee? Say maybe 5 pounds of cans would equal a dollar?

Dr. Ernest J. Sternglass is a professor of radiological physics at the University of Pittsburg. He claims that the infant mortality rates have increased by as much as 10 times and cancer rates 31 percent since 1960 in communities surrounding a Pennsylvania nuclear power plant.

His figures were based on a two-year study by the Pennsylvania Health Department, which surveyed communities in the vicinity of the nuclear plant at Shippington, Pa.

The cancer cases for the remainder of the state showed an increase of 9 percent in 1970.

Pop-tops from your beer can make dandy picture hangers, with the "ring" hanging easily on nails or pegs.

Oregon's new beverage container law, which requires a deposit on all beer, malt beverage and carbonated soft drink containers, reduced that state's roadside litter 81 percent last winter, according to an Environmental Protection Agency publication. The pamphlet, "Oregon's Bottle Bill: The First Six Months," based its conclusions on statistics gathered by the Oregon State Highway Department, other state sources and personal contacts with industry representatives.

The Oregon law, first state law of its kind in the nation, specifically mandated: (1) a minimum two-cent refund to purchaser on the return of beer, malt beverage and carbonated soft drink containers acceptable for re-use by more than one manufacturer, or (2) a five-cent refund on soft drink and beer containers acceptable to only one manufacturer.

—Clipped from Environment  
Action Bulletin

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The penalty would be doubled for violating California's endangered species laws under a bill approved by the Senate Natural Resources Committee.

The measure, approved 5-1 vote would hike the penalty from a maximum of a \$500 fine and six months in jail to a \$1,000 fine and not over a year in Jail.



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improve training opportunities and to grant scholarships to our members to assist in individual development programs. We have a 1974 Bond Act Program which will support the issue via the news media and personal appearances before organizations. For the first time, we now have a member on the Chief's Uniform Task Force. We are reopening the subject of insurance plans and have already endorsed a group dental plan. I think we have come a far piece up the road and I would hope every last member will join us in going the rest of the way.

The ideas we have tried to bring into focus this year are not new. For instance, as early as October, 1965, a resolution directed CSPRA to investigate the possibility of establishing a State Park Rangers Training Center, and to encourage the DPR to establish a more functional and effective In-Service Training Program. A second resolution established a committee to study the educational needs of the membership. In fact, it referred exactly to the same ideas expressed at Morro Bay this year, i.e., correspondence and extension courses, grants from conservation organizations, etc. The Association's interest in training has been repeated year after year by resolution. Now we're trying to carry out these directives by going beyond the talking stage to put scholarships into the hands of the members. Our Training and Education Committee has made general guideline recommendations which are now being developed into specific criteria so the training program can be put into practical use.

We have always been vitally concerned about the interpretive function and now we're going to do something real about that too. We have already made definite steps in this direction and I shall expect positive, measurable results from our Interpretive Needs Committee by the first of the year.

As I mentioned before, this year's ideas are not new. As I look back through our eight year history, I find our ideas of today were previously expressed. A great many have been realized and what we're trying to do now is to implement those that have remained in limbo.

By golly, I could go on all night about this but there's neither time or space and I'm sure you know most of it already. You have

gathered from my remarks that I do believe in this Association and that it is accomplishing its goals.

Our next Board meeting will be held at the Woodlake Inn, Sacramento, 0900 hours, Saturday, December 8, 1973. At this meeting we will firm up all the palms for the '74 G.E.C. in Santa Cruz in addition to wading through normal business. Hope to see a great number of you members there.

/s/Jack Welch  
President

**Events Calendar**

OCTOBER—Nominating Committees to meet for Region 2, 4, & 6.

OCT 30—Presidential and Vice Presidential nominating committee to meet at Wes Cater's home in Morro Bay. (See article this issue.)

DEC 8—Board of Directors meeting. Woodlake Inn, Sacramento.

**Idaho Gets A First**

From:

"Oregon Recreation Briefs"  
State Parks & Recreation  
Section  
Oregon State Highway Division

This summer, four Idaho State University students are operating the first state park to be totally managed by college students in the United States, according to Dr. Robert Gregory, associate professor of parks and recreation at ISU. The four recreation majors are in charge of Indian Rocks State Park, 22 miles southeast of Pocatello near McCammon, from May 4 until the season is over in mid-October. The operation of the park by the students is under the joint supervision of ISU and the Idaho State Parks and Recreation Department.

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