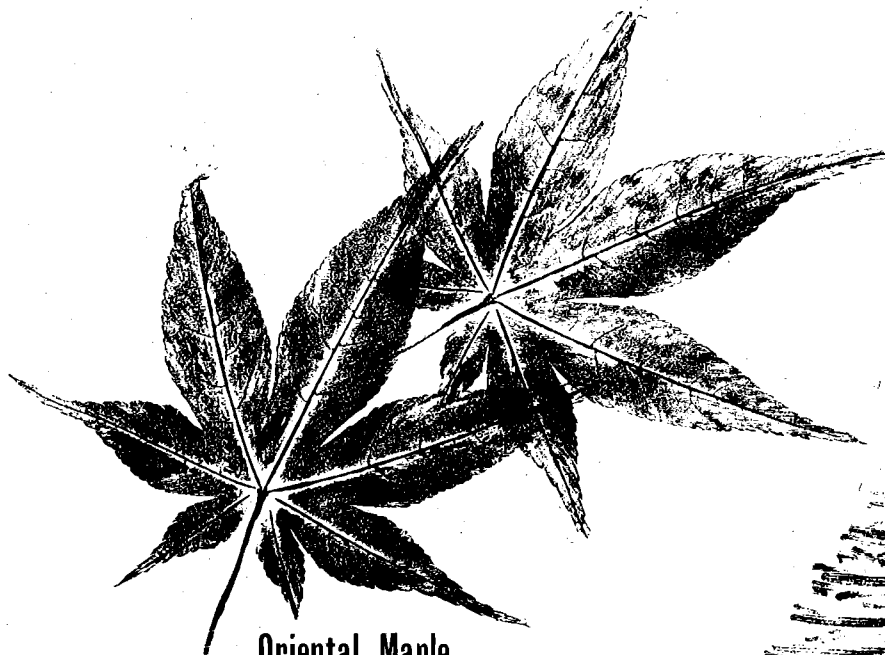


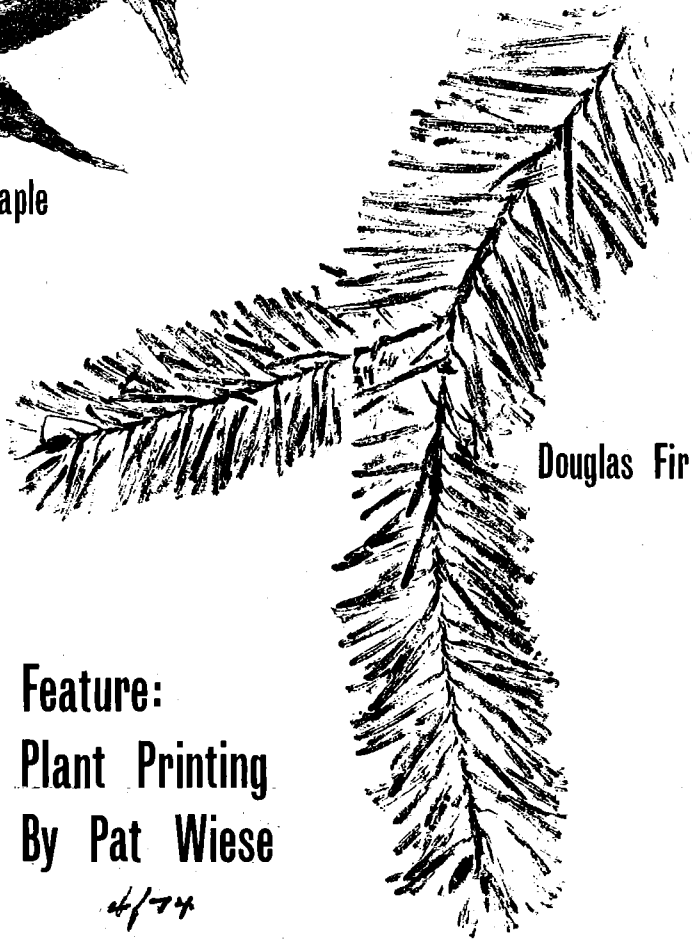
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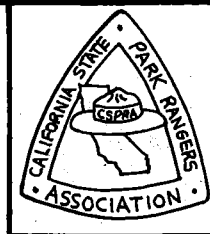
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NEWS FOR



ALL POINTS

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## President's Message

As most of you know all Committee Chairman appointments expire when the appointing President leaves office. Therefore as a first order of business I have undertaken to appoint or re-appoint Committee Chairman.

It has been particularly pleasing not only to find members responding with an unqualified "yes" when asked to assume committee responsibilities but also having volunteers for various committees.

To date the following appointments have been made. Each Chairman has been delegated the authority to appoint committee members when and as he feels it is appropriate and necessary to do so.

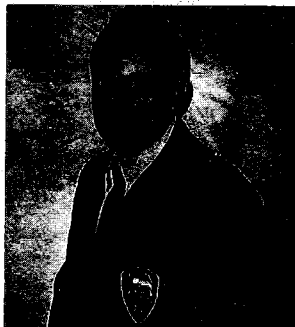
Membership and Ways and Means: Ron McCall; Constitution and Bylaws, and Nominations: Jack Welch; Education and Training: Dick Brock; 1974 Bond Act: Jerry Henderson; Member Relations: Bud Caughell; Insurance: Jerry Johnson; Environmental Issues: Bill Krumbein; Uniform: Ken Jones; Honorary Member: Ron McCullough; 1975 GEC: Marty Kania (with special assistant Jack Welch as advertising committee chairman); Interpretive Needs: presently corresponding with John Kolb and Don Hoyle.

Kirk Wallace has also accepted position as Association Historian. Kirk will appreciate receiving any written material regarding member activities in past years along with any photographs or other memorabilia members would like to donate to Association files.

The following actions have been completed on Resolutions passed at Santa Cruz G.E.C.:

- 74-1 Letter sent to Chief Knight requesting that current position vacancies and/or anticipated vacancies be forwarded to REPORTER. Editor for publishing to inform members of transfer opportunities.
- 74-3 Ron Hanshew has been appointed Committee Chairman to investigate the hiring of a lobbyist for CSPRA.
- 74-5 Executive Secretary will draw names for Audubon Scholarships on a Statewide basis as directed by Resolution.
- 74-6 Letter written to Director Mott indicating that Senate Bill 1679 (Grunsky) will authorize use of tear gas or Mace by State Park Peace Officers and requesting that the Director support this legislation and further that should this legislation become effective that tear gas or Mace be authorized as part of the Department enforcement kit. Letters also sent to Regional Directors requesting that they contact their members to write respective legislators requesting support of SB 1679.
- 74-9A Letter written to Director Mott requesting that Department upgrade interpretive programs in units near large population areas and further to budget for additional positions needed to provide excellence in Department interpretive programs.
- 74-10 Letter written to Director Mott requesting that Department consider establishment of Audubon type training center should Audubon Society

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## Help a Grunion

At the 1973 GEC our California State Park Rangers Association passed resolution 73-9a. As a result, our Department and the Department of Fish and Game are taking a close look at the effect of kelp removal on grunion eggs. No information has been collected on this subject to date except cursory observations by field personnel at San Diego Coast Area during the summers of 1972 and 1973.

State Park Wildlife Ecologist, Jack Heile, suggests that more data be collected. He also feels that we in the field are in a position to help. There have been no studies on this topic, according to Long Beach DFG agent, Jack Carlyle. Mr. Carlyle is interested in seeking a state Fish and Game regulation to protect grunion eggs if observations show that beach raking is disturbing or harming them. He is going to be checking beach operations sometime this season, but we can help by making a few notes on our own observations. This combined effort will help tell the extent to which beach raking disturbs incubating grunion eggs.

Every maintenance man, ranger and lifeguard from Border Field to Monterey Bay can look at city, county and state beaches in his area where kelp removal is a practice and check the following:

- type of beach cleaning apparatus used.
- depth the device penetrates the sand.
- dates and times beach is raked.
- presence and location of grunion eggs.
- dimensions of spawned egg area.
- relative coincidence of eggs and kelp occupying the same spacial parameters.
- observed disturbance, damage or lack of same to buried grunion eggs during kelp removal.

Pass your findings on to Jack Carlyle, 350 Golden Shore, Long Beach, California 90802.

Here is a way you can be involved in bringing about environmental awareness: A chance to give a small silvery blue-green fish a little help in just getting along.

/s/Jeff Price  
E.I.C. Special Report

# MEMBERS MAILBOX

Dear Lloyd:

I have been able to arrange some training for myself which I think other CSPRA members may be interested in. The U.S. Forest Service sponsors many "Investigating Your Environment" workshops throughout the year in California. This is the same program that our department offered to some employees in December. By contacting Konrad Reinke, who works for the Cleveland National Forest in San Diego, I was able to be included in the session being held for San Diego City School teachers at Palomar Camp. Reinke indicated to me that places often are vacant in these workshops, so other Rangers may be able to participate in this training. Enclosed is a list of workshops being held throughout California this Spring, along with names and numbers of the people to contact if you're interested.

**Santa Barbara: 4/19 & 26**

U.C.S.B. - 3 Units

Contact: Gerry Little

Santa Barbara Ranger District  
Star Route  
Santa Barbara, Ca 93105  
805-967-3481

**San Diego City Schools: 5/31 & 6/1-2**

S.D.S.U. - 1 Unit

Contact: Konrad B. Reinke  
Cleveland National Forest  
3211 Fifth Ave.  
San Diego, Ca 92103  
714-293-5050

**Orange County Area: 5/1, 4 & 5**

Cal State, Fullerton - 1 Unit

Contact: Robert A. Smart  
Trabuco Ranger District  
1440 E. First St., Rm. 408  
Santa Ana, Ca 92701  
714-836-2567

**Fresno Area: 4/27 - 5/4**

Fresno State Univ. - 1 Unit

Contact: Dr. James Zundberg  
Education Dept.  
Fresno St. U.  
209-487-2547

**Big Creek: 8/26 & 27**

UC, Santa Cruz - 1 Unit

Contact: Kristi O'Neal  
Sierra National Forest  
Federal Bldg., Rm. 3211  
Fresno, Ca 93721  
209-487-5154

The fee for attending the workshop may vary depending on who is sponsoring it, for me it is \$18, and I have been authorized administrative time to attend.

**SPRING, 1974 WORKSHOPS**

**Truckee Area: 5/24 & 25**

UC Davis - 3 Units

Contact: Joe Firebaugh  
Tahoe National Forest  
Hwy 49 & Coyote  
Nevada City, Ca 95959  
916-265-4531

**Susanville: 4/13 & 20**

Cal State - Chico - 1 Unit

Contact: Maxine Nieminski  
Lassen National Forest  
707 Nevada St.  
Susanville, Ca 96130  
916-257-2151

**Fall River Mills & Burney: 4/27 & 5/4**

Cal State, Chico - 1 Unit

Contact: Maxine Nieminski  
(SEE ABOVE)

**Chester: 5/11 & 5/18**

Cal State, Chico - 1 Unit

Contact: Maxine Nieminski  
(SEE ABOVE)

**Happy Camp Area: 4/20 - 28**

Chico State - 1 Unit

Contact: Ernie Weinberg  
Klamath National Forest  
Yreka, Ca 96097  
916-842-2741

**Scott Valley Area: 4/27 - 5/4**

Chico State - 1 Unit

Contact: Ernie Weinberg  
(SEE ABOVE)

I hope it won't be too late for some people to attend these workshops, however, if this is too short notice contact your local National Forest and request to be notified when the next ones will be held.

/s/Linda Engel  
Dist VI

## E.I.C. REPORTS

BY BILL KRUMBEIN

I have sent letters to all E.I.C. members, asking if each member wants to continue his active participation in this committee. If anyone else is interested in joining, please indicate by sending me a letter requesting this. We still have no members from Regions 1 and 3.

Have received a copy of the Final Environmental Statement on Actions Under Consideration, Jackson Hole Airport (FES 74-11). It looks like they are not going to extend this airport so jets might use it. This is what we had requested. But like many "final" statements, this decision could be reversed. Will keep you posted on this subject.

**From Environment:**

"The derelict car has become a valuable resource instead of just a nuisance. The reason is that steel producers are bidding competitively for scrap steel to help meet record demands for new steel products. St. Louis made an estimated \$50,000 from sale of removal rights for derelict autos during September through January. Scrap industry officials are now predicting that the residue of all derelict cars may be scavenged from city and countryside in as little as two years."

"Still another warning is to be added to the label of Shell Chemical Company's No-Pest Strip. The American Hospital Association is cooperating with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in advising hospitals about possible health dangers to patients exposed to vapors from the pesticide DDVP in the product. Use in patient care areas has prompted the EPA to order a label prohibition against use in areas such as patient rooms, wards, nurseries, and operating or emergency rooms."

**From Environment Action Bulletin:**

"The latest public relations release from the Steel Products News Bureau suggests that the switch to returnables in Oregon has caused increased consumption of gasoline by drivers who are forced to cart empties around. But they forget the energy saved in the trucks that used to haul throwaways to the landfills."

**From Environment Action Bulletin:**

"Solar Energy Packets are available from Environmental Action of Colorado, 1100 14th St., Denver, Colorado 80202, for \$3.60. The packet includes bumper stickers, buttons, excellent reprints on solar energy

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SB 1679 & SB 39

**Senator Grunsky Introduces Mace Legislation**

SB 1679 will amend the California Penal Code to include California State Park Peace Officers with those now authorized by PC 12403 to use tear gas or Mace.

SB 39 will establish a new Criminal Code and will include an exemption allowing California State Park Peace Officers to use tear gas or Mace.

Members should write, phone, or personally contact their local legislators and urge them to support both of these bills. I hope YOU have the time to support OUR chance to have mace - please act quickly.

..."quality outside their own organization."

## NPS-DPR EXCHANGE

CHAPTER FOUR by JOHN KOLB

As the story goes, Butch Cassidy turned to the Sundance Kid and cried, "Who are those guys, anyway?!" For five weeks, trainees at the National Park Service Albright Training Academy worked through questions of park philosophy such as "who are those guys." To help give the discussions some direction, a sociologist, a political scientist, an economist and an artist all attended the first week of the session and presented their views on the attitudes involved in running parks.

National Parks and State Parks really face the same problems when we begin to look at basic goals. When you come right down to it, we don't really know who those guys are--those people who visit our parks. Why do they come? Where do they come from? Who are the people who do not come and why? The small amount of information we collect when we register a camper does not answer these questions and the amount of information we are taking is decreasing. So how do you manage an area? Have we set up areas and built new facilities based on the people who are already there in the park? If so, these people represent only a consenting minority compared to all the other people in the state, country or whatever. Ask a camper driving a motor home in your park if he wants facilities for motor homes and he will probably say yes. We need some other way to get planning information than by asking the park visitor!

When you think about all the decisions that we as park managers make for the public, it can amaze you. We decide who will come to our parks (by building facilities to accommodate them), we legislate against other uses and when things really become popular (and crowded) we establish carrying capacities to exclude people. In one survey conducted in a National Park, the superintendent was asked to rate the extent to which visitors were bothered by a list of typical park problems. The list included motorcycles, crowded campgrounds, etc. In every case the superintendent, possibly reflecting his own feelings, rated the condition as much worse than the visitors did--at times by as much as 50%. Finally, if you consider interpretive programs, there is very little input that the visitor is allowed. Parks decide what will be presented, in what fashion

and occasionally to how many people. All this is done with very little information as to what the visitor really wants.

Answers to these questions are personal and not easily resolved in 5 weeks or 50 weeks. For some of the class, it was the first realization that park managers have a real responsibility for the kinds of visitors found in the parks and the quality of their experience. Some trainees found a new appreciation for the mental and physical distance that an urban dweller must travel to get to a park and maybe the fact that he comes in a motor home is less important than the fact that he comes at all.

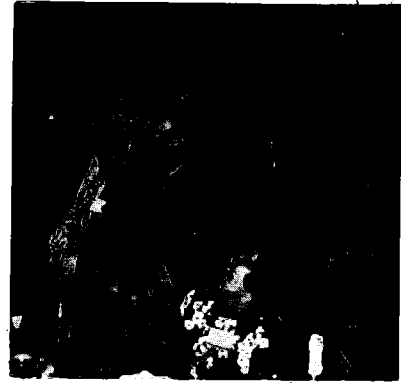
The Albright course was great for many reasons. The exposure to other Park Service people from many different fields gave me a much broader view of the National Park Service. This particular class was different in that it contained people with prior experience that had not been before. The average experience of the group was about 5 years and some had as many as 10 to 15 years of Park Service experience in ranger, maintenance and administrative fields. As a class we hiked the Grand Canyon, traveled to other parks and met top people from many fields brought to the Academy from the Park Service and outside it. Trainee's spouses (there have been husbands) are encouraged to come to the academy and participate in classes. The understanding and participation that this generates is incredible. Discussions rarely end with class and can lead to some pretty unusual dinners if you don't happen to agree!

For the first five weeks, the course centered on the questions of park philosophy, with humanistics and communications skills stressed. The last three weeks were reserved for skills training and here the class was separated by primary park duty into rangers (enforcement / protection) and interpreters. The Academy is experimenting with different formats for training and the skills session, as a separate course, is a new idea. This is an attempt to give the parks a better trained ranger who can do a better job sooner.

I had some opportunities to observe both sessions and learned some interesting information. The National Park Service is currently emphasizing

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MORE 1974 GEC HIGHLIGHTS





The California State Park Rangers Association prides itself for fellowship but this could be carrying the ideal a bit too far. Or is Dick trying to choke Doug?

NPS-DPR EXCHANGE Continued-

sizing the importance of interpretation, from the director's office down and this was apparent in some of the discussions. More money and more identity for interpreters is being stressed and a new chief of interpretation in Washington is starting an interpretive newsletter. It was also interesting to listen to rangers and enforcement personnel struggle with the question of who should enforce the laws in the National Parks and to what degree. There is apparently some consideration of the idea to move U.S. Park Police into all park enforcement positions and allow the rangers to handle public contact and rescue work.

There was time during the session to spread a little California State Park information. It is perfectly understandable that someone from a state where parks are rather poor would put that evaluation on all state park systems. The fun comes in, showing, for each National Park represented at the Academy, a California State Park with the same resources. It was the first time a lot of them had ever heard about a good state system and it may have helped them to see quality outside their own organization.

/s/John Kolb

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## Cover Feature

### PLANT PRINTING

by

RANGER PAT WIESE

Have you ever wanted to make an interpretive display of plants without mounting or drawing the plants? Now, thanks to a creative San Franciscan, Ida Geary, you can make beautiful plant prints that are simple to create and attractive to view. Plant printing requires only a plant specimen, ink, absorbent paper and a paintbrush.

The art of making plant prints dates back to the Middle Ages. Recently, Ida Geary, teacher at Pacific Heights Adult School in San Francisco and part-time instructor at the College of Marin, has rediscovered and popularized the art of plant printing. Mrs. Geary encourages students to use their own ideas and to have fun.

Plant prints are especially good for bulletin boards, herbarium collections, hanging pictures and notecards. The technique is simple to teach children and gives them something to take home to show the folks. Even paper towels and napkins can be used to make prints.

What you need is some newspaper, printing ink, a plate or plastic lid to hold the ink, a medium size paintbrush ( $\frac{1}{2}$  inch is best), a rag for your hands and absorbent paper. Rice paper is very absorbent, inexpensive and comes in a variety of textures and colors.

Start with plain, white rice paper cut to workable 5"x8" rectangles and water soluble block printing ink (Speedball brand works well). First try a sturdy plant with a flat surface to the leaves, such as redwood or a fern. These will last for many printings while fragile flowers and leaves last for only one. When collecting, keep your plants in a closed plastic bag to preserve the freshness. If necessary you may judiciously "prune" your specimen too suit your spacial and design needs as long as you remain true to the natural form of the plant.

Put a pea-size amount of ink on the plate or plastic lid. Work the ink into the brush until there is only a thin layer on the bristles. No lumps! Place the plant on newspaper and apply the ink directly on the plant. Choose the side of the leaf you wish to print to take advantage of the texture of ribs, veins, sporangia, etc. Deeply recessed portions will never print so don't worry about inking them.

Transfer the plant to a clean surface of newsprint. With the rough side of the rice paper down, position the paper exactly as you wish the plant to print. Lower the paper over the plant and hold it down with one hand, fingers spread to keep the plant from shifting. Rub with the other hand to transfer the ink to the paper. It may be best to start rubbing from the base of the leaf and work toward the apex. Rub in short, one-directional strokes to prevent a shadow effect. You will find that the absorbency of the plant, the amount of ink, the absorbency of the paper, how hard you press, etc. will determine the darkness of the ink print.

Caution -- thick, fuzzy portions of the plant are hard to print. On this issue's cover you can see the flower head printed almost solid black. The pollen kept fouling the brush and coagulating the ink. If done carefully, however, you can make fine prints of flower heads, lichens and cones. If necessary to clarify the outline of the cone, a few felt tip pen lines may be used. Even a 3-dimensional effect can be accomplished. The Douglas fir on the cover shows only tips of the needles growing on the backside of the branchlet. This gives an interesting depth to the print.

Several plants can be printed on the same paper. Try printing a branch of leaves in a light color or a light shade of black, and "overprinting" with leaves in a darker color or shade. Rotate the leaves to give a contrast of angles. This was tried on heavily textured, blue rice paper with dark orange maple leaves over yellow leaves. The final impression was of leaves floating on water.

When water soluble ink is used the print must be sprayed with an acrylic spray to make it moisture proof. Rice paper prints may be mounted on thicker paper or cardboard for display. "YES" glue, applied in a thin coat with a printing roller is best. It dries very slowly to allow adjustments in the mounting. Prints show up very well when mounted on contrasting posterboard or notepaper.

Try your luck! You will be surprised at how easy and fun it can be. Give a plant printing workshop to your younger campers. You may have only one problem -- sending them back to camp!

## Vacancies

Dear Mr. Geissinger:

I have been requested to provide a current list of position vacancies and/or anticipated vacancies within the Operation Division. This request was made by Mr. Herman Schlerf, President of C.S.P.R.A. pursuant to Resolution 74-1, passed at the recent General Executive Council Meeting in Santa Cruz.

In complying with the request, I believe that certain information and procedures should be reiterated to those persons who may be interested in a vacancy list.

1. Based on a position allocation, we do not have any Ranger I vacancies. When a position is vacated for whatever reason, a Ranger Trainee is removed from the "Blanket" and placed into the budgeted position. A specific area may have a "body vacancy", However, the position is not vacant. This situation may vary from time to time depending on our attrition rate and the number of trainees hired in any given year.

2. Vacant positions are normally filled by one of three methods:

a. The District Superintendent may wish to relocate employees in his District with concurrence from my office.

b. Manpower Utilization Section has an active transfer request on file.

c. The vacancy is filled from an existing employment list or from a promotional list, whichever would apply.

3. The relocation and/or assignment of any employee in the Operation Division remains the prerogative of the Division Chief.

4. All employees should read and become familiar with Sections 0229 through Section 0229.16 of the Department Administrative Manual (D.A.M.).

I must also caution you that the attached list of positions are vacant as of April 15, 1974, and may materially change by the time your "Reporter" is distributed.

I hope that the above meets the intent of Resolution 74-1.

/s/ John H. Knight, Chief

Operations Division

### POSITION VACANCY (4/15/75)

	District 1	
SPR1/Tr	Dyerville	1
	Piercy	1
	Lake Oroville	2
	<u>District 2</u>	
SPR1/Tr	Marin	4
	Diablo	1

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## IN MEMORIAL OF ROBERT V. HILLER

Members of CSPRA were saddened by the passing of Ranger Bob Hiller last month.

In expressing the Association's sympathy to Bob's wife Mary, it was told how Bob was respected by his fellow Rangers and associates who worked with him through the years. His enthusiasm and sincere interest in whatever his assignment might be was recognized and admired by all his working companions.

While Bob had been assigned to the Sacramento Headquarters for a number of years, he was still a "Park Ranger" at heart and expressed it in everything he did. His understanding and empathy for field problems was sincerely appreciated by Rangers in the field.

While his passing will leave a void in the lives of all who knew him, that void will be partially filled by the heritage he leaves behind of his many accomplishments and contributions to the goals of the Park Service.

A memorial fund has been established at the Faith United Presbyterian Church in Sacramento for Bob. Contributions may be sent to the Bob Hiller Memorial Fund, Faith United Presbyterian Church, 5894 South Land Park Drive, Sacramento, California, 95822.

/s/Herman Schlerf  
CSPRA, President

## VACANCIES, cont. from page 5.

District 3

SPR1/Tr	Folsom Lake	6
	Four Rivers	1
PMA	Delta	1
	Folsom Lake	1

District 4

SPR1/Tr	Pajaro	1
PMA	Santa Cruz	1
	Monterey	1
	San Simeon	1
PMM1	Santa Cruz	1

District 5

SPR1/Tr	Providence Mts.	1
PMM1	Channel	1

District 6

SPR1/Tr	Pendleton Coast	2
	Frontera	4
SPR1/Tr	Los Lagos	1
	San Jacinto	1
	San Diego	1
	Pendleton	1
	Frontera	2



APRIL WEDDING. Dan Goswick, chief ranger at Orange Coast, claimed Cheryl O'Neill of Weott as his bride April 6 in ceremonies performed in Weott. Cheryl was employed by our Department in the Dyerville Area. From C.S.P.R.A. to Dan and Cheryl, as only Dan can say it, "Have a Happy!"

## President's Message continued-

decide not to re-establish facility in California. Joe Hood appointed as committee of one to communicate with Audubon Society and provide information for CSPRA to act as liaison between Department of Parks and Recreation and Audubon Society to bring this type of training facility to California.

74-14 Appointed Steve Kahn as Committee Chairman to provide CSPRA with information regarding publication discounts.

74-18A Bill Krumbein appointed as Committee Chairman to investigate moment or gift for retiring CSPRA members.

74-19 Letter written to Chief Knight stating that CSPRA favors jean type trousers as part of field uniform. CSPRA Uniform Committee member Ken Jones has made recommendation to Department Uniform Committee regarding specific garment.

74-20 Letter written to Director Mott urging classification of Pescadero Marsh as a State Reserve Area. Letter to each member of the State Park & Recreation Commission urging classification of Pescadero Marsh as a State Reserve Area.

74-23 Jim Hart appointed as Committee Chairman to study active membership in CSPRA for Ranger and Maintenance classes from other agencies.

74-25 Letter written to Wes Cater and each member of Salary Committee expressing appreciation for work done on committee along with a framed copy of Resolution.

74-26 Letter written to Chief Knight to consider issuing "Kel Light" to each Ranger as personal equipment.

74-27 Jim Hart appointed as Committee Chairman to study current transfer policy.

These first two months have been extremely busy. However, if membership enthusiasm and interest will remain as high as it has been since GEC we can all look forward to a very productive year. Your Regional Directors have been challenged as being the key people to the success of CSPRA. Support them in every way you can.

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June is just around the corner which means we must begin the sprint to promote the Park Bond Issue. The slide program promoting the proposition is now in the hands of many of our members.

Proposition 1, "Everybody Needs Parks" window stickers are available from Bob Culbertson --- 818 Palm Ave. Apt. D., Huntington Beach, Ca. 92648. Small orders please --- the supply is limited!

Contact your community organizations soon!

/s/Jerry Henderson

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CONFERENCE REPORT**"WILDLIFE and SOCIETY -****CONFLICT in THE 70's"**

"Wildlife and Society -- Conflict In The 70's" was the main theme of the Wildlife Society Conference held in Monterey in February. What does this have to do with the State Park System?

A. Starker Leopold, keynote speaker, emphasized the importance of professional organizations reaching to the public with conservation messages. Professionals must keep actively emmersed in the conservation struggle in communities and legislative action groups. Otherwise legislative action goes ahead without professional input. An example is current legislation on ferral burro populations in state and national park domain. Legislation dictates how to manage instead of managers relating professional expertise on how to manage for environmental goals. How do we tell the last of the bighorns that burros are protected by legislation even though they out compete the bighorn at the water hole?

**UNITE FORCES**

Throughout the conference the recurring theme was, unite the forces of conservation (be they protectionist, wildlife manager or park manager) and focus on the goal of a quality environment through communication, education and information.

The first of two general sessions dealt with problems faced by professionals in our changing society. Here, Glen Griffith, Director of Nevada Dept. of Fish & Game, explained Nevada's reemphasis on conservation information and education to reach the youth of Nevada. His program is very similar to our Junior Ranger Program.

The second general session focused on "The Sea Otter - Abalone Controversy" with a panel discussion and short presentations by each member. Friends of the Sea Otters were represented by Judson Vandever; the abalone industry fisherman by Ernest Porter (Diver); and Department of Fish and Game by marine biologist Daniel Miller.

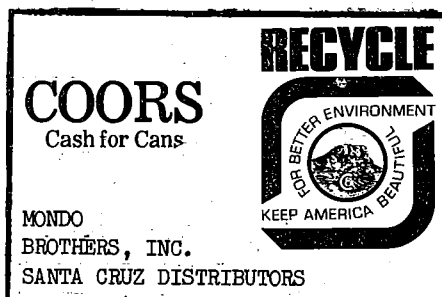
Most important information was presented by Miller from scientific studies on the otters effect on marine organism in his home range (they eat 30% of their weight equivalency 3200-6700 lbs. each of abalone, sea anemones, crab and other marine life totaling 4500 tons annually for 1600 otters in California). Ernest Porter

the abalone diver was very effective. He used a straight forward approach, admitting scientific short coming and wanting arbitration for a workable, management solution to the controversy. This was an excellent example of why this years theme was "Wildlife and Society -- Conflict in The 70's".

A number of technical sessions related park pertinent information on wildlife and fisheries, also. Don Cain from B.L.M. showed the advantages to wildlife in his paper, "Mixed Seed for Wildlife". Something we should look into. And Dick Painter of Dept. of Fish and Game spoke on the salmon fishery of the Feather River, whose waters make Lake Oroville and my job at Lake Oroville State Rec. Area. Fellow salmon fisherman drop me a line - fishing was excellent on the river last year.

In conclusion, it can be said that park values, wildlife values and social values all intertwine. And unless we have information from each and we use our specialities symbiotically our parks, wildlife and the people we serve will loose.

Submitted by,  
Ranger Harry Morse



E.I.C. Reports, Cont. From Pg. 3. and a catalog of all the reprints available through their organizations. The material on solar energy is among the best-researched we've found ..".

If you haven't read the book, Never Cry Wolf by Farley Mowat, I strongly urge that you do so. A thoroughly rewarding book about his experiences while living among wolves in the Canadian arctic -- and he dispells all those stories about dangerous wolf packs slaughtering caribou herds. And the book is downright fun to read ... the kind you simply can't put down 'til finished.

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# Region News

REGION VI

As the new Region VI Director I have set the following objectives:

1. To improve morale in my area by using our C.S.P.R.A. meetings as a clearinghouse to discuss pertinent issues as well as applaud the good which we are doing.

2. To enhance the standards of performance of the field ranger and maintenance man alike. At each meeting we will have guest speakers on different subjects directly related to present methods of doing things in the field. I hope to include judges, deputy dist. attorneys, civil & private rescue agencies as well as officials from related enforcement agencies. I hope to have prominent Maintenance Supervisors from District level on down to take rebuff from maintenance men and better explain the "Sacto. Policy" or Dist. procedures.

3. The last objective would be to better communicate the field views to management on the policies and regulations which govern our work in hopes that better understanding will bring about higher quality and a more efficient organization.

The CSPRA meeting dates for Region VI are:

May 14 - Cuyamaca Rancho State Park

July 15 - Frontera Area

Sept 16 - San Jacinto

Nov. 5 - Salton Sea

Jan. 7 - Lake Elsinore

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Feb. 18 - Anza Borrego

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The coming meeting at Cuyamaca should be very worthwhile to all. We will have a guest speaker from the Attorney Generals Office and possibly a judge to discuss rules of evidence and problems rangers have had in court. Renie Laret, Dist. VI Maint. Specialist will rap with maintenance men on questions in units throughout Dist. VI and the Sheriff's Dept. will be sending a deputy out to talk on their current E.M.T. program.

I must say that I feel the last Region VI CSPRA meeting was well attended as approx. 30 people showed up. Ron Hanshaw presented a feature film on bluff rescues which was well received. The San Diego Mtn. Rescue team presented a program on their services and techniques which was very professional and Carl Chavez presented a slide program on the Nat'l. Park Service Mtn. Rescue training as well as the rescue work involved at Continued on page 8, col. 1.



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Morro Rock, G.E.C. was also discussed  
by the delegates.

This meeting served to reinforce  
the feeling that rangers should con-  
tinue to be involved in the rescue  
operations within their parks, as  
very few rescue organizations can be  
as thoroughly familiar with specific  
trouble spots as can a park ranger.

Rangers should continue to be  
trained to meet the rescue needs of  
their unit.

Rescues serve the greatest pub-  
lic relations image that a ranger  
could achieve.

As long as rescues are carried  
out in a competent manner there is no  
case on record of a liability suit  
which was successful in court. So far  
there have been no successful suits  
against Sierra Madre or San Diego  
Mtn. Rescue for the same reason.

It was found that rescue train-  
ing helped bring rangers, maint. men,  
lifeguards etc. together in a common  
bond — increased morale & unit ef-  
ficiency. Many were willing to prac-  
tice on their own time and a feeling  
of professional competence was gen-  
erated.

The flimsiest of all excuses  
brought out against ranger involve-  
ment in rescues was that they were  
preoccupied with petty enforcement  
problems, i.e. dogs & berry-pickers,  
(something wrong with a priority  
which would list that above saving a  
human life).

Some park units are currently  
served by private rescue groups that  
can respond as quick as the park ran-  
gers within that unit — it was felt  
that this was good but rangers should  
at least have sufficient knowledge  
to coordinate with these agencies.

In extreme emergencies — too  
technical for park staff to handle  
then the proper organizations which  
might respond should be called.

Most people I contacted felt  
this meeting was worthwhile. Fred  
Parsons & Renie Laret were on hand  
to discuss maintenance issues. We  
hope to see more maintenance person-  
nel at the next Cuyamaca meeting.

A final point of interest: John  
Melvin has been appointed Alternate  
Regional Director of VI.

/s/Jim Hart, Director

## EVENTS CALENDER

June 1 — Board Meeting at Sacramento  
Metro Airport.

## Profile of an Honorary Member

"We are delighted that Mrs. Read is to be fittingly recognized for her  
tireless efforts in the fields of conservation and ecology and in further-  
ing programs of the California State Park System."

— Earl P. Hanson, Chairman Honorary Awards Committee.

"Jo Read has demonstrated the kind of involvement and understanding  
that the California State Park Rangers Association has been calling for  
from the citizen and certainly her record will effectively demonstrate that  
her activities have served to enhance the image and the welfare of the Cal-  
ifornia State Park Rangers Association and the California State Park Ran-  
ger."

— Jim Whitehead, Superintendent, District 6.

Such were the words of praise spoken of Mrs. Josephine P. Read when  
she was nominated and selected as this Association's new Honorary Lifetime  
Member. Even these words seem shallow when spoken to measure Mrs. Read's  
tireless efforts in the fields of conservation and ecology.

Jo Read, a native Californian, has lived in the Orient and up and down  
the east and west coast from Seattle to San Diego and from Portland, Maine  
to Florida. In the course of her lifetime, she has developed a sensitivity  
and involvement in the Conservation/Environmental field that has been re-  
cognized by many organizations.

She is an active member of over thirty, yes 30, different conservation  
related clubs, foundations, and organizations. Though she holds office in  
many of these organizations perhaps one of her greatest efforts is Chairman  
of the Anza-Borrego Committee. A position she has held for the past seven  
years. This committee has been responsible for the acquisition of more than  
1400 acres of scenic and historically valuable inholdings in Anza Borrego.  
The value of these lands has been estimated at more than \$126,000.

Quoting Jim Whitehead directly, "Jo Read has devoted a great deal of  
her time, together with personal funds to the ABC program and has sought  
no recognition except the personal satisfaction of making this kind of a  
contribution to the welfare of the people of this State and Nation through  
the California State Park System."

— Editor

(Most of the background material for this article was provided to CSPRA by  
Jim Whitehead.)

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