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President's Message ..

Another year has flown by and 1977 is into full swing. This gives me a chance to wish you all a prosperous and happy New Year. After my television went black one hour before the Rose Bowl game, my year can only get better.

MIDWEEK GEC

One of the first items of the New Year for Association members is preparation for the 1977 G.E.C. in Santa Barbara. By the time you read this you will have at least contributed some thought to the preparation of some meaningful resolutions for consideration. We're all hoping to see a large turnout for this year's Council. The G.E.C. Committee is hard at work in putting together an interesting and stimulating program with several "fun" activities

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GEC PREPARATIONS IN FULL SWING

Hotel Resort Miramar by the Sea in beautiful Santa Barbara is the place we hope you plan to be in early March. Reserve your cottage now and take in the activities of the 12th Annual California State Park Rangers Association General Executive Council.

Check in date is Monday, March 7th. The Sandpiper Golf Club has been reserved for the golfers who care to participate. A slot on a Fishing Party Boat is also set aside for members of the Isaac

Walton Club. I understand that the tape measure is non-stretchable and that the scales are "reasonable". Cost for Party Boat is \$10.00 plus gear.

Delegates to the convention are expected to meet by regions and to discuss and agree as near as possible on the resolutions. This should facilitate the business part of deciding on resolutions the following day.

Tuesday, 8 March, G.E.C. resolutions, family activities, etc.

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1977 RESOLUTIONS PREVIEW

Though Miramar by the Sea is billed as a place for those who just want to relax in a climate and atmosphere comparable to the Riviera on the Mediterranean, chances are good the climate and atmosphere will be anything but peaceful when G.E.C. convenes Tuesday, March 8th.

With the lingering unrest over the Proposition 2 controversy and discontent over the inconvenience of a mid week convention the potential for extra lively discussions over resolutions is considerable.

The subject matter of 1977 Resolutions dealing with topics old and new appear destined to keep the pot boiling. Topics include P.O.S.T. Certification;

Contact with Director Regarding Policy; Nudity; Fine money; Code of Ethics; Holiday Credit; Random Selection; Fee Increase; Trainee Program; Uniforms, Radio Deficiency; Dinners with Director and Staff; Alternate Energy and Fee Discounts.

Since few of us have been known to shy from lively discussions before, I hope you will be there. You can bet I will be there!

Hopefully by the 10th of February you will receive a special issue of the *Reporter* containing the 1977 Resolutions received to date.

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included, like a golf tournament and fishing derby. As you know, this year's G.E.C. will be a mid-week affair, the Executive Council to be held on Tuesday. I should remind you that this change did not come about lightly. It has been proposed several times to the General membership. At the 1976 G.E.C. it was approved. Many members in the field have told us for years that they couldn't attend G.E.C. because we always held them on weekends when they had to work. I don't have to

"SEE YOU ALL IN SANTA BARBARA"

tell you that this year, that excuse will not hold water and we'll expect to see you all in Santa Barbara. Information and reservation forms will be out to you soon.

To you newly elected officers, my congratulations on being chosen by your fellow members to represent them in Association business. I look forward to working with you during the coming year. We have a busy year ahead of us as many things are coming up which will demand action.

1976 ELECTION RESULTS

REGION I

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REGION VI

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Ray Patton
Kate Foley
Jerry Henderson

What's New!

Iron-on Emblems



GEC ACTIVITIES (cont. from page 1)

Wednesday, 9 March will be devoted to programs. The theme this year is "Resources Protection". Photographic contest and work shop will be part of the program. Evening activities will include the installation of officers, banquet and dance.

Thursday, 10 March, Board of Directors meeting.

If you haven't gotten your slides developed yet for the Photo Contest, your calendar should be marked on February 15, 1977. This is the deadline for post-marking them. Jimmy Phillips says that a total of five entries per family will be accepted and that they must have been shot in a State Park or a National Park in California. Send your slides to:

Jimmy Phillips
State Park Ranger II
Carpinteria State Beach
P. O. Box 397
Carpinteria, CA

Slides will be judged by Richard Boyce, member of the staff of Brooks Inst. of Photography of Santa Barbara.

See you in Santa Barbara!
H. L. Lively
Committee Chairman

CALIFORNIA STATE PARK RANGERS ASSOCIATION

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MIRAMAR BY THE SEA
SANTA BARBARA, CALIF.

Attention Spouses!*

Santa Barbara offers many interesting things to see and do. There are fine restaurants, theaters, art exhibits, museums and gift shops; and Solvang is not too far away.

If you have ideas, contact Judy McCall so special arrangements can be made.

CSPRA IRON-ON EMBLEMS

Full color iron-on (heat transfer) CSPRA emblems are now available. Great for T-shirts, sweatshirts, displays, etc. They measure 10" x 10" at the widest spots.

You can order yours, now, for only \$2.50 including postage. They will also be available at G.E.C. along with a press for attaching them to your own clothing article.

To order now, send \$2.50 for each iron-on to:

Mike Lynch
4394 Kelley Rd.
Hilmar, CA 95324

Region 3 Sponsors GEC Emblem Contest

Region 3 is sponsoring an emblem contest that goes like this. A mystery person will be circulating on Wednesday of GEC asking persons if they have an official CSPRA emblem on some article of clothing (that they are currently wearing). Official emblems for this contest shall be the CSPRA pin, patch, or the new iron-on emblem.

The first two persons selected with the required emblem will receive!!!!!!!!!!!! either, 1) cash payment in the amount equal to the value of the emblem type (1 only) being worn or 2) choice of a free pin, patch, or iron-on.

All CSPRA members & spouses are eligible. Decisions of the mystery judge are final.

Mike Lynch
Director, Region 3

WASHINGTON STATE PARKS EXPERIENCE CALIFORNIA PROBLEMS

Junior Past President Herman Schlerf represented the California Department of Parks and Recreation at the Washington State Recreation and Park Association Conference November 3, 4 and 5 in Pasco, Washington.

Schlerf spoke to a WRPA group about enforcement of Park Rules and Regulations and Park Ranger training programs and trends in the California State Park System.

He also had the opportunity to attend several sessions presented by Dr. Joseph Bannon, Head of the Department of Leisure Studies at the University of Illinois. Some of the topics covered by Dr. Bannon included "Problem Solving in Recreation and Parks", "Managing Human Resources", and "Decision Making for Effective Managers".

"VANDALISM AND CRIME ON THE INCREASE . . ."

In addition, Schlerf had the opportunity to share park experiences and exchange information with his host, Ange Taylor, Region III Supervisor for the Washington State Park System.

During discussions with Mr. Taylor and while attending a Washington State Legislative Seminar session, Schlerf noted trends in the Washington State Park System that parallel those of the California State Park System in many areas. For example, operating costs are growing out of proportion

to user fee revenues; and vandalism and other crimes are on the increase requiring more time and responsibility on the part of Park Rangers and Managers.

It was also interesting to note that the Washington State Park System is studying the development of a camping reservation system.



RANGER II CINDY SULENES INVITES COMMENT

An item of interest to CSPRA women rangers, Mr Schlerf met Washington State Park Ranger II Cindy Sulenes and discussed female ranger career opportunities in the California State Park System.

Ranger Sulenes was sent the names of several California women Rangers with whom she plans to communicate. Anyone from the California State Park System wishing to write to Ranger Sulenes can address letters to her at Deception Pass State Park, 5051 N. State Highway 525, Oak Harbor, Washington 98277.

Mr. Taylor also talked about an informal conference of state park personnel from several western states. Two or three years ago members of the Northwestern States State Park Systems met on an informal basis to discuss mutual concerns. Each year the number of participants has grown.

In the Fall of 1977 this group plans to meet in Idaho with invitations extended to state park systems of the six or seven Western states. It would be of great interest and benefit for CSPRA to send a representative to this conference to exchange professional thoughts. Mr. Taylor will send CSPRA details of the conference as soon as they are available.

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THE NOT SO OLD RANGER

BITS OF AQUA PURA

Many of you will remember the old swimming pool in Big Basin Redwoods, from years gone by. During the summer months this was the most popular spot in the park. You will recall that Opal Creek was diverted into one end of this huge swimming pool and subsequently exited from the other end.

No filtration, no spit gutters, no showers, no chlorination, just a big beautiful, cool, fun place full of people young and old.

On busy weekends, two rangers were assigned to foot patrol to attempt to keep order and answer visitors' questions. On a particular Sunday this Ranger along with Ranger Johnny Anderson drew this pleasant duty

It was a beautiful day and the Area was packed, the huge pool was full of delightful Park visitors. Two very elderly and very sweet ladies approached Johnny and me and tapped John on the shoulder and one asked, "Doesn't that pool with all those people in it get an awful lot of urine in the water?" John, completely taken by surprise by this very sweet little old lady, gazed out over the pool full of heads, arms, elbows and legs, then returned his full attention to the lady and drawled as only John could do, "Well ma'am, we do everything we can to keep it half and half". The two little old ladies nodded, thanked John, linked arms and trudged off contentedly on their way.

This is no attempt to take any of Tiny's smoke. One day in fact, with his permission, I'd like to send you a yarn or two involving Our Biggest Smokey Bear.
Morrie Oller



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DON'T FORGET — G.E.C MARCH 7-10

Weapons Use Recommendations Pending Approval

The CSPRA Enforcement Committees' Weapons Use Recommendations as contained in the October - November 76, *Reporter*, have been approved by the Operations Division for inclusion in the Operations Manual.

At this writing, however, the manual revision has not been approved by the Director.

The Fisherman's Prayer

God grant that I may live to fish
Until my dying day.
And when it comes to my last cast
I then must humbly pray.
When in the Lord's safe landing net
I'm peacefully asleep
That in his mercy I'll be judged
Good enough to keep.

Submitted for print by that
ol' fisherman
Bill Haussler



Carl receives Retirement Plaque from Jr. Past Pres. Schlerf.

Carl Lonnecker Retires to Portola, Golf, and Travel

Carl G. Lonnecker, Piercy Area Manager and his wife Lucille were honored at a Retirement Dinner in District 1 on November 20, 1976.

Carl "hangs it up" after 28 years of service with the California Park System.

Carl has been assigned to virtually every corner of the state during his career. From Anza Borrego S.P. in the south to Richardson Grove S.P. in the north. From the ocean at El Capitan State Beach to the mountains at Plumas-Eureka State Park.

Carl was presented a CSPRA Retirement Plaque which read "In Honor of 28 Years of Dedicated Service - A Ranger Who Enjoyed the Park Visitors He Served". A fitting tribute to a man who did enjoy the people and who, in turn, was appreciated so much by park visitors who knew him personally.

Carl and Lucille will settle in their retirement home in Portola, California and take time for a little travel and golf now and then.

HERMAN E. SCHLERF

Mailbox

Dear Ron,

Thank you and the CSPRA for the retirement plaque. I appreciate it very much and you know the special place I will always have in my heart for our California Parks and especially the people who make the Parks the great system that it is.

Retirement is great, but there just isn't time to do all the things that need to be done.

Mary Lou and I will be in California in Nov. and will have Martini with you.

My very best wishes to you and CSPRA.

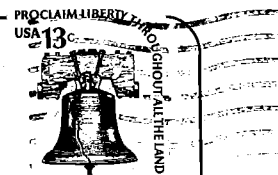
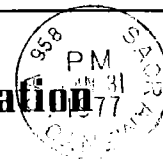
John Hightower

Scholarship Recipients

Executive Secretary Doug Bryce announced that Rangers James Burke, Mike Garguilo and Steve Moore are the lucky winners of the 1977 full Scholarships to Audubon Camp.



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