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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Jeff Price

At the September 22, 1984 Board meeting CSPRA's goals for the next year were reviewed and consolidated. The Board decided the three most important areas of concern for the Association are: 1) threats to the immediate natural environment of state park units, 2) threats to the integrity of the state park system from external pressures; administrative and political and 3) maintaining the professional image of CSPRA members. It was agreed that the exclusive focus of CSPRA during the next year would be these three issues.

I am asking for member support of this decision to keep CSPRA from doing a little of everything but no one thing well. I want each member to be able to answer the question, "Just what is CSPRA doing?" I want the department, other professional associations and labor organizations to know exactly what CSPRA will do and won't do.

Member involvement in support of this narrowed focus for CSPRA is essential. Please direct comments to me. I would like to know your thoughts. Is CSPRA doing the job you believe a professional organization should?

To further the Association's purpose in a more effective and professional manner, CSPRA has become an Organizational Member and joined the Board of Directors of the Planning and Conservation League. PCL will give CSPRA the legislative punch it has been lacking. We will be able to introduce and monitor legislation, and have an effect on bills already being considered. Joining with PCL will provide a new dimension to what CSPRA can accomplish. More information regarding this decision will be coming in the future.



A LETTER TO THE EDITOR



Mark Faull mentioned a common problem for those of us that deal with enforcement problems. The department does not keep us informed of changes in the laws. There have been efforts by individuals to put out the information but these have gone by the wayside. I expect due to the countless hours needed to compile the information. As a supervisor I believe it is part of my job to keep the personnel working for me informed of the changes. To this end I have made it a point of attending the yearly legal updates put on by the California Peace Officers Association. These sessions, held around the state, cost about \$30.00 and last around seven hours.

These sessions are held in November and December and include laws and changes that will go into effect on January 1 of the coming year. The various codes that enforcement personnel use are covered. Each addition and change is discussed and its application to law enforcement is detailed. Court cases are also discussed and their impact on the law is pointed out.

At times it may seem that many of the changes do not affect us in the DPR. However, I have always found some that do and the increased awareness of changes and interpretation give me a broader base on which to make decisions. I have put in training requests and except for last year have had the sessions paid for by the Department.

If you cannot make one of the seminars you can buy the book of all the changes and decisions, which is given out at the sessions, for \$7.50. It is available from CPOERT/CPOA, P.O. Box 160067, Sacramento, CA 95816, (916) 446-7847.







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Commission Invitation

President Jeff Price has sent an invitation to each State Park and Recreation Commission member inviting them to visit several of the state park units near where they live, as a guest of CSPRA.

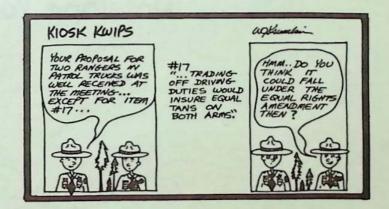
The CSPRA Board felt that the better Commission members understand and know parks and park people, the better they can evaluate state park issues. President Price invited each member to contact him to arrange a CSPRA guided tour of any unit they may be near or wish to visit. It was pointed out that even though members could visit any unit they wished, CSPRA wanted them to feel welcome with a friendly and personal invitation.

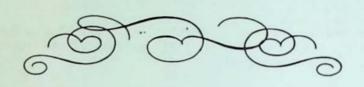
Speaking with a variety of maintenance, visitor services, and administrative field staff, the Commission members will see how we feel about our unmatched park system. President Price may be calling on members throughout the state for assistance in guiding tours. It will be a real priviledge to help our Commissioners become a part of the park family.



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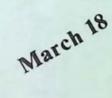
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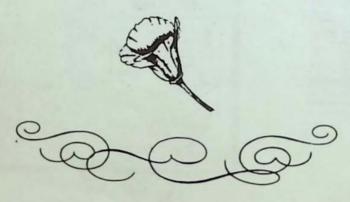


In the heart of enchanting Antelope Valley



March 17







I LOVE STATE PARKS

The <u>yes</u> on Proposition 18 efforts of CSPRA produced a unique bumper sticker. It was so popular that a son-of-a-bumber sticker has evolved. Board member Ken Gray has had beautiful three color I State Parks stickers printed. All voting members will be receiving one with the 1984 ballot in November.

If you would like to have more, they are available from Executive Manager, Doug Bryce at P.O. Box 28366 Sacramento, CA 95828 for \$1.00 each. Any cooperating association may get a wholesale discount from CSPRA.

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A DAY OFF

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So you want a day off. Let's take a look at what you are asking for.

There are 365 days per year available for work. There are 52 weeks per year in which you already have two days off per week, leaving 261 days available for work. Since you spend 16 hours each day away from work, you have used up 170 days, leaving only 91 days available. You spend 30 minutes each day on coffee break that accounts for 23 days each year, leaving only 68 days available. With a one hour lunch period each day, you have used up another 46 days, leaving only 22 days available for work. You normally spend 2 days per year on sick leave. This leaves you only 20 days available for work. We are off for 5 holidays per year, so your available working time is down to 15 days. We generously give you 14 days vacation per year which leaves only 1 day available for work and I'll be darned if you're going to take that day off!!!!

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Crystal Cove

Directors Meet

CSPRA has been following several controversial proposals to commercialize park units by allowing construction of facilities which are themselves an attraction rather than support for the unit itself.

One such proposal came before the California State Park and Recreation Commission on August 24. The matter being heard was whether to reopen the 1982 General Plan at Crystal Cove State Park in Orange County. If reopened, an ammendment to allow an Equestrian Center would be in order. The Center, if allowed, would be a private stable and training facility as well as public horse rental concession. The basic question was whether a private and exclusive stable should be located within a unit of the Park System.

Several CSPRA members at Orange Coast District contacted President Jeff Price about this special meeting of the Commission requested by Assemblywoman Marian Bergeson. Members Gary Hund and Mike Eaton expressed concern that a private boarding and training facility was inappropriate at Crystal Cove SP. President Price and Eaton worked on a presentation which Eaton delivered to the Commission representing CSPRA.

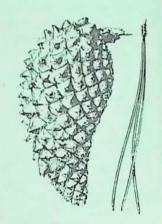
The Commission voted unanimously to <u>not</u> reopen the General Plan and therefore not consider a private stable at Crystal Cove SP. They The CSPRA Board of Directors is meeting with DPR Regional Directors.

In an effort to keep communications channels open, Board Members meet quarterly with Regional Directors. President Jeff Price also meets with Director Briner to discuss CSPRA concerns and to find ways in which CSPRA can support and help the Department with professional issues.

Your member concerns on issues within CSPRA's focus are welcome. See the list of Directors in this issue of the <u>Newsletter</u> and contact one of them or a Committee Chairperson. CSPRA will consider and represent your point of view to DPR top management.



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recommended horse owners approach the Irvine Company and County of Orange for alternative sites outside the State Park unit.

According to District Superintendent Tom Miller, a horse rental concession of 30 to 59 horses will be sited in or near the Moro Canyon area of Crystal Cove. Orange Coast CSPRA members felt this was appropriate since visitors who own horses could still trailer them in and use the equestrian staging area. Visitors who don't own horses will be able to rent them and also enjoy the same trails.

CSPRA wishes to thank members Eaton and Hund for their interest and

concern. Through their efforts a potentially difficult private use was put off.

CSPRA has established a special committee to review and recommend action on such threats to park units. If you are interested in helping or have a proposal for review contact the Park Integrity Committee, Ken Gray, Chairman.

