

# NEWSLETTER

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### CSPRA Scholarship Fund

Have you ever wondered what your dues to the California State Park Rangers Association can give you? Communication with your fellow park professional and an annual conference bringing together other park people and experts in various fields of ecology and environmental education. Another benefit is the CSPRA scholarship fund.

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### Ocean Rescue at Carmel Point

Another day of work at "The World's Greatest Meeting Place of Land and Sea" was coming to a close for Erik Landry, the only State Park Lifeguard assigned to work at Pt. Lobos and Carmel River Beach. The Reserve and Beach had been busy all day. Erik had spent a portion of his patrol shift providing public information and preventive safety contacts along Carmel Point and the Carmel River beach. Erik had conveyed to groups of scuba divers and other beach go'ers all afternoon his concerns about the unusually rough surf. He noted that the swells seemed to grow in (Continued on page 3)

### CSPRA Activities

CSPRA has been monitoring several concerns with regard to DPR. They are as follows:

**CALPAW** 10,000 citizen volunteers gathered a record 720,000 signatures for the Park Bond Initiative. This is nearly twice the (Continued on page 6)

### CSPRA Scholarship Audubon Camp In The West

by Kevin Joe

This summer I was able to attend the Audubon Camp in the West (ACW) for one week. Many people have heard of ACW but do not know exactly what it is. "Oh, you're going to study birds?" "Is it like going to summer camp?" "Wyoming is not very far west." A surprising number of DPR folks have gone to the camp in the over 20 years it has been operating. The best description comes from Audubon's program brochure:

Audubon Camp in the West offers the combination of a natural history program integrated with information on conservation issues, ethics, and ecological living. Our emphasis is on ecological relationships, including the role that humans play. Fully accredited by the University of Wyoming (one semester hour per week of attendance) the program is open to all persons interested in nature and (Continued on page 4)

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## President's Message

As some of you may know, the Mott Training Center recently celebrated its 20th anniversary, and CSPRA offers its sincere congratulations for a job well done. The host of DPR staff that have worked at the Training Center have all maintained a standard of excellence and dedication that is without parallel in our Department.

I was in the second BPOT class offered there, which was also the last peace officer course given to the "old guard" of peace officers: the late Jack Knight, John Michael, Carl Anderson, and our own Doug Bryce among them. These were people who helped make the State Park System what it is today; about whom phrases such as "not a job, but a way of life," and "state park family" were coined.

**After all, only a job stops with retirement: a way of life continues.**

I've since wondered if my outlook towards parks and my own career would have been different if I had entered some time later, when peace officer training had become an endurance test and my fellow students were all newcomers. Things have changed at the training center since basic training was a five-week class, and the after hours social life was the biggest challenge we faced. There was plenty of time to hear credible to incredible stories from our more senior classmates, and to develop from them a sense of the history, values and traditions of the state park system. So much of what we are today is the product of their efforts, for which we owe them a large measure of gratitude.

CSPRA made some effort to repay that debt recently with "Retirees' Rendezvous '93," and, for me at least, it offered a brief chance to recharge my belief in state parks and the park family. For seventy-five others, it was a chance to engage in a Retirees' own form of R&R: Reminisce and Reacquaint. It was also a chance for CSPRA and the Department to let these people know that we continue to recognize the contribution they made to our lives, and to thank them.

One thing that impressed me soon after I arrived was that, no matter how long since they "pulled the plug," these people still care very deeply about state parks. After all, only a job stops with retirement: a way of life continues. I hope our current crop of "old-timers" (and I admit that I'm sounding more and more like one) can continue that commitment.

No one exemplifies that commitment better than Kirk Wallace, for it was his effort that made this Retirees' Rendezvous a smashing success. He left nothing out, and deserves our heartfelt thanks for a job well done. He's set a standard for RR'94 that will be hard to beat. Thanks again, Kirk.

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I hope that CSPRA will continue to provide the support to make the Retirees' Rendezvous an annual event, and that the participation of current employees will grow. Then perhaps we can start thinking of these gatherings as more than just celebrations of where we've come from, but of who we are and where we're going, as well.

Other news of importance is the current status of CALPAW, the park and wildlife bond act sponsored by PCL. We have been asked to assist PCL in obtaining the endorsement of the American Association of Retired Persons. AARP is interested, but is looking for feedback from the membership. Please assist us by contacting your local AARP chapters to urge their support, doing the same for individual AARP members. You might also consider contacting docent and cooperating associations, many of whom have ties with AARP. The bond initiative is the only hope we have on the horizon to continue many important programs, including natural and cultural resource management, museums and visitor center development, interpretive program development, and the acquisition of critical lands. The bond acts considered earlier by the legislature are on hold, pending the June '94 consideration of CALPAW, so this is it!

## Scholarship (Continued from page 1)

This scholarship fund is designed to augment or in many cases provide the funding necessary to obtain training that benefits the applicant in his or her park career.

The CSPRA scholarship program provides any member of CSPRA with up to \$200.00 per year for the training of their choice. Criteria for receiving scholarship funds are rather broad. For example: will the training be a direct benefit to the employee? Will the training be a benefit to the Department? Will the training be a benefit to the applicant's career? Tough criteria? No. CSPRA's goal is to ensure that its members get as much support in improving skills, knowledge or viewpoints as possible with the final objective: **a skilled and knowledgeable park professional.**

Are there limitations to this program? Yes. The current funding level of CSPRA allows only a maximum of \$200.00 per member per fiscal year. Beyond that level of funding, the applicant must ask the Board of Directors for further financial assistance. Each recipient receives only half of their scholarship immediately upon approval and the balance after an article has been written and sent to the editor of the *Newsletter*. The article must be 200 - 750 words in length. The article should bring out those points of the training that best benefits the membership. In this way all CSPRA members gain from the training!

How does one get a scholarship? Write your request in letter form or on a printed scholarship application (see page 9). Include any brochures or pertinent information about the training requested. Send a copy of your DPR 392 — Training Request showing that you have attempted to get departmental funding for the training. Don't be discouraged if the department turns you down or only partially funds your training. CSPRA's goal is to see that if at all possible, you, a CSPRA member, get the training you need.

## Carmel (Continued on page 4)

intensity as dusk grew nearer.

All the other rangers had already gone off duty, leaving Erik to complete the final closing patrols on the Carmel River Beach area for that evening. While scanning the bay in the predusk lighting, he noticed that beyond the rugged shoreline and crashing surf, there appeared to be three swimmers having difficulties in the heavy surf. Another quick check with binoculars confirmed his concerns. There were three scuba divers bobbing around together in the heavy surf. Judging by their actions they appeared to be inexperienced and having great difficulty. They were attempting to swim in together towards the rocky shore, through some extremely heavy surf. They were in trouble! Erik knew the only way to prevent this disaster was to reach them before they would be smashed into the rugged coastline.

Erik broke the silence with a call into Central Dispatch. Erik quickly donned his full length wet suit while he intently watched the three distressed divers, as they got battered about the surf and pushed closer to the rocky shore with each thunderous set. Speed was important. He grabbed his swim buoy, swim fins and ran to the edge of the surf. A bystander offered to help in the rescue operation by using the rescue flags to direct Erik to the victims.

Erik took a few seconds to visually locate the victims, and then he was off swimming in their direction, making his way through the heavy surf. Erik was swimming as hard as he could, looking for breaks in the surf and preparing himself for the powerfully crushing thunderous force of the larger waves.

Once he entered the water, he lost site of the victim's and swam out to where he last saw them, then tried to relocate them.

Looking back towards the shore, he sees the victims' bobbing heads about 35 yards between himself and the rocky beach. He was too far to the north. Erik body surfed in a few sets and swam to  
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## Audubon Camp (Continued from page 1)

learning, over the age of eighteen.

Our instructors have been selected for their expertise and knowledge of the local area, and for their abilities to teach and communicate. Days are spent outside, exploring mountain meadows, pine and sagebrush hillsides, deep forests, lush creek and riverbottoms, and subalpine mountain meadows. In addition to classes on geology, invertebrates, plants, aquatic studies, birds and mammals, we offer sessions on sketching, environmental education, Native American culture, medicinal plants, photography, and environmental activism. Current issues such as wetlands, ancient forest preservation, wilderness, and endangered species are featured in slideshows and discussion sessions.

There were 45 campers during my week. We shared rustic log cabins set in a secluded valley near Dubois, Wyoming. The Continental Divide was nearby, as was the Wind River Range.

A typical day at camp started with a 6am bird walk, or canoe trip down the Torrey Creek, which ran through camp. Breakfast cafeteria style at 7:30, then several choices for morning and afternoon sessions. Plant life, small mammal habitats, petroglyphs and riparian life were some of the many topics covered during the week. The instructors were very knowledgeable and fun to be with. Evenings didn't end with dinner, but usually offered indoor skills like nature sketching, basketry, or if the evening thunder-showers had cleared up, astronomy.

Leaving my piles of paperwork, patrol truck, uniform, and commitments around home, to just be a visitor (instead of part of the staff) in a beautiful wild part of our country allowed me to focus on my personal connections with nature and why I have chosen to be a park professional.

I recommend the ACW to anyone who wants to rejuvenate and improve their interpretive skills and as importantly affirm their commitment to the park profession. The cost of the program is \$650 which includes room and board, and many people attend on scholarship as I did. For park rangers in California there is the Scully scholarship, administered

by the Audubon's office in Greenwich, Connecticut, the Whitehead scholarship administered by CSPRA, and many local Audubon chapters will sponsor participants from their area. I was awarded a Scully scholarship from Audubon for the tuition and an educational scholarship from CSPRA helped with my travel expenses. For more information contact:

Audubon Camps and Workshops  
National Audubon Society  
613 Riversville Road  
Greenwich, CT 06831  
(203) 869-2017

## PCL's 11th Annual Symposium

You're invited to participate in the only statewide conference on environmental legislation in California! The Planning and Conservation League's 11th Annual Symposium will take place January 8 and 9 at Sacramento City College. This year's theme, "Environmental Leadership for California," provides excellent opportunities for informational exchange with political and citizen leaders. The following people have already agreed to speak at the Symposium: Treasurer Kathleen Brown, Insurance Commissioner John Garamendi, Controller Gray Davis, and Phil Angelides, candidate for State Treasurer. In addition, some of the panels featured at the Symposium are: the status of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); opportunities within Environmental and Economic Development; Common Ground: Cultural, Ethnic and Poverty Interests and the Environment; and a discussion of the Role of Environmentalists in the '94 Elections.

Registration begins at 8:30 am Saturday and 9:00 am Sunday. For PCL members, fees for the entire conference, including meals, are \$75; Saturday only is \$50 and Sunday only is \$40. The fee for the entire conference without meals is \$30. All fees are \$10 higher for those who are not yet members of PCL, although all participants can qualify for the Early Bird Discount of \$10 off by registering before December 1, 1993. Also, if you choose to join PCL when you register, your membership will be at the discounted rate of \$20 for the first year (the regular rate is \$33/year). You can register by writing to Sue Hirsch at PCL, 926 J Street #612, Sacramento, CA 95814 or calling (916) 444-8726, extension 7.

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# Cultural and Historical Features of CALPAW 94 (Reprinted from *California Today*)

Park and Wildlife Bond Acts have for many years been the principal way in which California finances the preservation of cultural and historical features of statewide importance. Since CALPAW 94 will probably be the only park bond act for a ten year period, it was important that it continue the state's historical and cultural preservation program.

Here are just a few examples of these projects and programs included in the initiative:

Competitive historic preservation grants:  
\$10 million  
These grants go to local governments and nonprofit organizations to preserve historic buildings and other artifacts.

Competitive archaeological grants:  
\$5 million  
Grants to preserve important prehistoric Native American sites.

Historic Preservation in the State Park System:  
\$4 million

Cultural Preservation in the State Park System:  
\$5 million

## Museums

The following grants will be made to build permanent facilities in museums and environmental education (EE) centers:

State Indian Museum (Sacramento)  
\$1 million

State Railroad Museum (Sacramento)  
\$1 million

Latino Museum (Los Angeles)  
\$10 million

Sacramento River Museum (Redding)  
\$5 million

California Academy of Sciences (San Francisco)  
\$5 million

Museum of Science and Industry  
(Includes African-American Museum Los Angeles)  
\$5 million

Chinese American Museum (Los Angeles)  
\$5 million

Angel Island Immigration Station (Marin)  
\$5 million

Grasslands EE Center (Merced)  
\$2 million

Richmond EE Center (Contra Costa)  
\$2 million

B.F. Hastings Bldg (Sacramento)  
\$2 million

Heber Agricultural College Museum  
(Imperial)  
\$.78 million

Indian Canyon Cultural Centers — Palm Springs (Riverside)  
\$4 million

The State Park System contains some of the most important historic, archaeological and cultural sites in California. Some of the ones which will receive funds for preserving their historic buildings and other features (and the county in which they are located) include:

Marshall Gold Discovery Park (El Dorado)  
\$1 million

Bodie State Historic Park (Mono)  
\$5 million

Citrus State Historic Park (Riverside)  
\$8 million

Allensworth State Historic Park (Tulare)  
\$5 million

The funds for Bodie should be enough to buy the surrounding land if the controversial mine project there is abandoned. Allensworth is the site of the only agricultural colony in California founded by African Americans.

The Department of Parks and Recreation will also be responsible for acquiring several other sites of historic and archaeological importance, including the following:

Sacramento Valley Native American Mounds  
\$2.5 million

Cloverdale Petroglyph Boulder (Mendocino)  
\$.05 million

African American Explorer James Beckworth's cabin (Plumas County)  
\$2 million

Hood to Locke Railroad (Sacramento)  
\$1.5 million

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## Calpaw '94 (Continued from page 5)

African American Pioneer Nate Harrison's ranch (San Diego) \$1.5 million

Exeter-Rocky Hill Petroglyph Site (Tulare) \$4.5 million

Sierra Railroad (Tuolumne) \$3.5 million

Tehachapi Rock Art (Kern) \$1 million

Santa Cruz Archaeological Sites \$ .5 million

A wide variety of important historic and archaeological sites will also be preserved by making grants to cities and counties. Some examples include:

Rancho Los Cerritos (Long Beach) \$3 million

Rancho Los Alamitos (Long Beach) \$.3 million

San Juan Capistrano (Orange) \$3.5 million

Historic Victoria Ave (Riverside) \$1 million

Carrillo Ranch (San Diego) \$1.5 million

Chitactac-Adams Heritage Co. Park (Santa Clara County) \$.9 million

### CSPRA Activities (Continued from page 1)

number needed to qualify the initiative and sets a new record for the number of signatures gathered by volunteers for a state initiative. This almost insures that CALPAW 94 will be on the June ballot.

**Park Funding Initiative** This initiative is dead unless a major donor is found soon. CSPRA plans to assist PCL again in '96 to qualify this most important initiative.

**State & National Parks Task Force** This group has completed its work and submitted it to the respective agencies for approval, review by the public and final adoption. The report does not recommend transfer of any parks or facilities between the two agencies. It does recom-

mend numerous cooperative ventures to reduce duplication of some tasks and the sharing of resources. The task force will prepare an implementation plan after public review is complete.

**Mt. Diablo Grazing** The Department is preparing an agreement with a new concessionaire for the 1,000-acre lease that is identified in the General Plan. This contract is expected to be completed soon.

## 1994 Annual Workshop Riverside March 7 - 10

Save these dates for our annual workshop. We have some very exciting activities and workshops for you and we hope that **you** will be there.

Huell Howser of California Gold will be the Keynote Speaker. He will be followed by a panel on Mountain Lions in Parks. The panel will consist of Laura Itogawa, Supervising Ranger at Cuyamaca Rancho State Park; Dr Paul Bier, author of "The Cougar in the Santa Ana Mountain Range, University of Northern Arizona; Terry Mansfield, Department of Fish & Game, Sacramento; Joel Davis, Deputy Attorney General who has represented DPR in mountain lion attack litigation at Gaviota State Beach; and Ken Jones, Deputy Director Park Stewardship, will relate the Department's new mountain lion/bear protocol & procedures.

The Operations Track will include sessions on Horse patrol, Bicycle patrol, use of the Handler 12, Tactical Communication, Officer Survival and more.

The Resource Management Track will include sessions on Historic Preservation, Paleontology, Architectural Archaeology, Tracking Animals, Native American Rock Art, Filming — Industrial Use of Park Resources, the West Mojave Plan, Monitoring Changes in Parks, and more.

The Interpretive Track will include Astronomy, Big Horn Sheep, Living History, History of the Mission Inn, Marine (Continued on page 11)

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## Carmel (Continued from page 3)

where he had last seen them. When Erik glanced towards shore, he saw the assisting bystander with the bright orange signal flags in each hand, signaling the victims' location to Erik.

The signal flags allow the victims to be found more quickly in the open water. People on shore see the victim much better than the rescuers in the water.

The person on shore signaled that Erik was close to the victims. Erik treaded water and yells from the top of his lungs over the thunderous crashing surf. Erik saw them bobbing in the surf dangerously close to the rocky shore and quickly swam to them. They knew they were in trouble and were thankful that help had arrived.

"Hey, you guys, O.K., I'm here to get you out. Do what I tell you!" As Erik yelled out his rescue plans to them, more huge sets crashed around them tossing them about the surf and moving them even closer to the jagged rocks. Erik herded them all together and took advantage of a slight lull in the bombarding surf. The divers, clad in thick wet-suits, weight belts, and heavy air tanks, found it difficult to move quickly. They met up with a few more heavy sets as they fought their way through the breakers, hanging onto Erik's swim buoy as he swam them out through the surf.

He escorted them back out beyond the largest of the breaking swells where they remained until the I.R.B. (Inflatable Rescue Boat) picked them up. Erik didn't have any problem convincing them that they were safer beyond the breakers.

Supervising Ranger Glen McGowan arrived on scene to initiate the incident command system, directing the rescue as best he could from his position on shore.

Glen McGowan is no stranger to ocean rescue. Last April while assisting Carmel Highland Fire Department's Ocean Rescue personnel on an ocean rescue at Carmel River Beach, Glen operated the I.R.B. They attempted to rescue five experienced scuba divers. It was reported that during that morning, ocean swells were heavy with an occasional eight footer breaking on to the beach. The divers were caught in the heavy surf, which

knocked them down and dragged a couple of them out away from shore. One of the five divers drowned.

The drowning victim was a 35-year-old male from Castle Air Force Base. He was an advanced diver while others in their group were certified dive masters. Three of the divers made it through the surf to shore while two others were pulled from the ocean 100 yards from shore, and loaded onto Glen's I.R.B. CPR was initiated on the drowning victim, while Glen safely brought the boat back to awaiting rescue personnel. Within 45 minutes of entering the water, one of the five experienced divers was pronounced dead.

During the waiting game in the safety zone outside the crashing surf, this rescue was developing a happier ending. Erik had checked the conditions of the three divers. All seemed to be in much better spirits. They were hungry, fatigued, relieved and very appreciative. All acquired a new respect for the sport and the ocean.

Carmel Highlands Fire Department Ocean Rescue soon arrived in their I. R. B., loaded the three divers, and transported them to Whalers Cove. Erik bid the appreciative divers farewell, and body-surfed the heavy, thunderous surf back to Carmel River Beach saying to himself "This is why I became a lifeguard." He was ecstatic that he was able to send those three men safely home.

The above ocean rescue is the most common rescue performed by rangers and lifeguards of the Monterey District. Every State Park peace officer working at Point Lobos State Reserve has been trained to use the I.R.B. for ocean rescues. All are excellent boat operators. Adding Erik Landry to the staff has added another tool to the rescue operations.

The north beaches are covered by Lifeguard Eric Strum, who acquired the name "Lone Guard" when he became the first lifeguard to operate in Monterey County about 2-1/2 years ago. Equipped with Preventative Action Contacts, a 12 foot rescue board, and a four-wheel drive pickup he attempts to keep 42 miles of beaches safe.

I would like to give special recognition to the other rangers who performed in many other lifesaving rescues at Point Lobos: Jerry Loomis, Jim Carpenter and Chuck Bancroft.



## Retirees' Rendezvous by Kirk Wallace

**Editor's note:**  
Thanks to Kirk Wallace for planning and organizing the first annual Retirees' Rendezvous.

The Retirees' Rendezvous was enjoyed by about 90 people. Retirees came from Oregon, Colorado, Arizona, and of course, California.

Thanks to Superintendent John Kolb and Park Maintenance Worker Ken Long, McConnell SRA was in great shape for the five-day event. Ranger Craig Burke, who hasn't retired yet, won the golf tour-

nament on Friday, which was organized by Chuck Lyden.

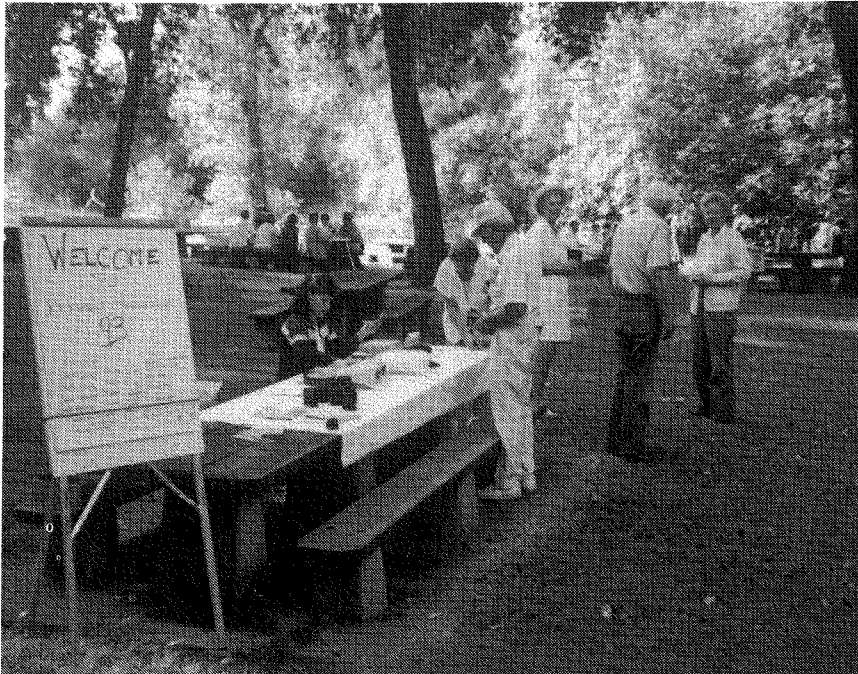
Tex Ritter, fisherman extraordinaire, enthralled some attendees with his wit and expertise as he conducted fishing clinics on Friday and Saturday afternoons.

Saturday's "Catered" pancake breakfast, with Celeste and Wes Cater as chief cooks, got the main day of the rendezvous off to a great start. Carl and Lucille Lonneker, Bob and Elaine Stewart, Kirk and Marie Wallace and Ray and Hank Westberg provided help with cooking, and Clyde Strickler provided the griddles, stoves, LPG, etc.

The Saturday evening barbecue was prepared by President Wayne Harrison and Past President Ron McCall. Bill and Wilma Clary and the Wallaces helped make this a great dinner.

The days and evenings of the rendezvous were frequently spent cussing and discussing the past, present and future of DPR. Impromptu potlucks seemed to materialize at Dana and Bonnie Long's campsite.

For those of you who would like to acquire a Rendezvous cup, designed by John Fehling, send \$4 to CSPRA headquarters. Also we have a few golf-type hats remaining with the old Department of Natural Resources, Division of Beaches and Parks decal embroidered on the front. The caps are \$8.



Photos of the '93 Retirees' Rendezvous.





## Scholarship Request Form

**Instructions:** Please send completed form to Frederick Jee, Education and Training Committee, in sufficient time to receive your grant prior to training.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code \_\_\_\_\_

CSPRA member? \_\_\_\_\_ (Scholarships are provided to members only.)

Description of Training \_\_\_\_\_  
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How will it benefit your job, career or profession? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Tuition \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Materials \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Travel \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Lodging \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total Requested \$ \_\_\_\_\_

How much will the Department or others pay? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please attach a copy of your returned DPR 392 and a course announcement. Send to:**

Frederick Jee  
Education and Training Committee  
P O Box 483  
Borrego Springs, CA 92004

# RETIRED MEMBER INFORMATION

(Please save until needed)

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Please return completed sheet to Joe McCall at least four (4) weeks prior to retirement date to ensure prompt arrival of CSPRA retirement plaque.

MAIL TO: Joe McCall, Chair  
Retired Members Committee  
9028 Talisman Drive  
Sacramento, CA 95826  
(916) 363-7566

## RETIREE'S BACKGROUND

Name to appear on plaque: \_\_\_\_\_

Location, title, date when hired by DPR as a permanent employee: \_\_\_\_\_

Date first hired as a seasonal employee (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Total years with DPR: \_\_\_\_\_ Total years of state service: \_\_\_\_\_

Ending date, location, and position with DPR: \_\_\_\_\_

Notable accomplishments during career: \_\_\_\_\_

The retiree is best remembered by co-workers for being: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Plaque inscription should refer to retiree as a: Ranger; Superintendent; Manager; or \_\_\_\_\_

Retirement party information (time, date, location): \_\_\_\_\_

CSPRA member who could present plaque: \_\_\_\_\_

Coordinator's name and phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

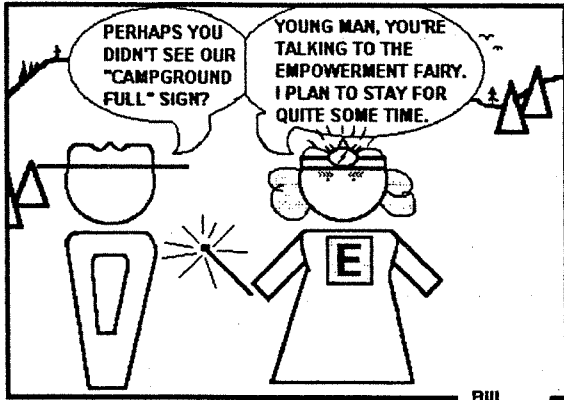
COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

## 1994 Workshop (Continued from page 6)

Biology, Campfire Tips, Minority Use of Natural Areas, and much more.

Recreational activities include a golf tournament at a great golf course, a fun run, a bar-b-que at Citrus Heritage SHP — catered by the same people that did the Huntington Beach party at the Anaheim workshop, tours of local sites and a banquet.

### RANGER LOGO



Bill  
10/93

### "Humor In Unicorn"

by Jeff Price

Sounds like a bad case of *salmonella vericalis*. "You are swimming uphill."

Pure reorganizational paranoia. "I'm not my own boss, I'm just a martinet pulled on someone else's strings."

This employee's advice seems to create a hiring dilemma. "You should always take your time and interview several candidates; never hire blind people right off the streets."

I think that this explanation makes everything much clearer. "... so you must see that your solution is not our biggest answer."

A response that sounds very chilling. "Oh! Just thinking about that gives me goose-cicles."

A confession? "I may have cast an omen over all this."

The California State Park Rangers Association (CSPRA) has been dedicated to protecting and preserving features of the California State Park System for almost three decades.

Membership is open to all current and retired employees of the California Department of Parks and Recreation.

CSPRA was organized in 1964 by California park professionals as a non-profit, tax-exempt, professional society to encourage quality interpretation, resource management, public protection, maintenance and management of the State Park System.

CSPRA actively promotes advancement of the ideals and philosophy for which state parks were originally founded.

For membership information write:  
CSPRA, P O Box 292010, Sacramento,  
CA 95829-2010. (800) 994-2530

*Hal Bradshaw*

*Has Gone Fishing*

A retirement party will be held  
January 15 at The Depot Restaurant  
in Oroville at 6:30.

For more information contact Kim  
Preston at the Northern Buttes  
District by January 9th.

Direct pictures, anecdotes or  
requests for presentations to Bill  
Beat at (707) 445-6547

*Dick McKillop*

*is Retiring After*

*33 years*

A retirement party is planned for  
January 15, 1994 at 6:00 p.m. in  
Monterey.

For information call:  
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**Calendar**

**Honorary mem-  
bership nomina-  
tions due to Mary  
Wright**

**12/1/93**

**1994 Workshop  
Riverside**

**3/7 - 10/94**

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**Save Bodie!** and all other  
committees use CSPRA address.  
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**For additional information on the  
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