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CALPAW 94 On The Street

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Thousands of volunteers are fanning out throughout California to gather the 625,000 signatures we need to place the **CALPAW 94** initiative on the ballot. **CALPAW 94** is PCL's initiative bond act which would fund nearly two billion dollars of specific park, wildlife, coastal, recreational and other projects in every city and county in California.

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"Pfeiffer Gorge Rescue"

by Robert Leiterman

Ranger Hal Latta, wearing his suit and a day pack containing rescue gear, climbed about 15 feet up the slick rock face while the raging waters roared below. Ranger Mark Eikenberry intently watched from below, all the while gripping firmly onto Hal's safety line. At any moment Hal could lose his footing, slide down the slick face, and plummet into the river. "I need chocks! I can't go further!" Hal yelled in frustration over the sound of the thundering river. Mark was also wearing a wetsuit to insulate himself from the bitter cold water. He was standing
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Mount Diablo Cattle Grazing Is Back In The News

The issue of grazing at Mount Diablo returned much quicker than it left. A hearing was held on August 24 to discuss the merits of grazing in State Parks. It ended with the decision to form a committee to study the issue.
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SAVE BODIE! Update

by Donna Pozzi

There are two questions that I've been asked over and over during the past month, and the answer to both is "No!" No, Bodie isn't saved yet, and no, I am not a pro at the Washington scene. The Bodie Protection Act has made it through the Senate hearing but it's not over til it's over and we have a very long, tough road ahead. There will be tremendous pressure to water down the bill in the Senate and while I think we can prevent that from happening, it will require hard work and a lot of luck. It's scary to imagine the bill passing after all this time and effort but with the bill bearing scant resemblance to what we intended. As for Washington, I haven't noticed that it's gotten any easier just because I've now been there three times in my life and testified in Congressional hearings three times.
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President's Message

Let's start out with the bad news: much to my disappointment, the Planning and Conservation League decided not to file the proposed park funding initiative last month, and the question of whether it will be filed at all is up in the air. While many factors contributed to the decision, the lack of commitment from the CSPRA membership to work actively on its behalf was a major one. Our informal canvassing did not indicate significant opposition to the initiative, but those who were supportive were largely unwilling to commit to the effort of qualifying it for the ballot. Should the opportunity return to us, I hope you will all understand that the funding initiative may be the best opportunity we will have in our professional lives to help our parks, our resources, and ourselves.

On the positive side, the CSPRA Board of Directors has taken a major step in improving the quality and responsiveness of our organization to the membership. A list of proposed district representatives has been drafted, and they are now being asked to volunteer their services. More on this when the list is finalized.

It is no great secret that the recently completed (mostly) reorganization of DPR has dealt a severe blow to the morale of many employee. For some the upset to family, personal finances, and careers has been severe. Like you, I've seen the strain in the faces of co-workers, and heard the stress in their voices. I hope we will all take the time to offer support and caring to those who seem to be particularly burdened. Pay attention to their words, attitude and actions, and look for the danger signs of continued depression: insomnia (or sleeping too much), improper use of drugs, hostility to friends and family, lack of interest in formerly favorite activities, withdrawal from social behavior. They are potential warnings of serious problems that may be greatly eased if we offer help and understanding. Don't assume that it's something they can work out for themselves!

Beyond this, my hope is that we will all take some time to remember the reasons that brought us to our careers in the first place. We still have the opportunity to work in some of the most beautiful, vital landscapes in California; we can still make an important contribution to the preservation of a priceless natural and cultural heritage; we still have the privilege and responsibility to provide enduring lessons to the children who will inherit our bewildering world; and finally, we can and should continue to take pride in ourselves and our work.

Finally, many of you may have heard of the latest round over grazing at Mt. Diablo. The Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee conducted hearings on August 24 with Agriculture Committee Chair Rusty Areias sitting in attendance. After all the effort from the department to fashion a settlement at Diablo, the issue still won't die. Instead, we now appear to be heading toward a review of the grazing policy in general. While some committee members were supportive of letting DPR manage state park lands in the public interest, others seemed more than willing to let the special interests of the cattle industry direct the course of our land management decisions. In the face of downright rudeness, Director Murphy maintained his composure and presented an eloquent statement of the Department's cause. Still, now that the legislature has entered the picture, the time may not be far off when groups such as CSPRA may need to mount a strong campaign to let our representatives know that their constituents won't stand for the "fodderization" of the state park system. Otherwise, your park may be next!

Calpaw 94 (Continued from page 1)

At Safeway, Von's, the Laguna Arts Festival, the Sacramento Railroad Museum, and hundreds of other locations voters are being met by smiling volunteers and a beautiful "Sign Here" sign, and are being asked to sign the petition. The response is overwhelmingly positive. Despite the economic recession, Californians recognize that their most precious places are still being lost to development, and that they must be preserved.

Ken Masterton and Sarah Wright are masterminding the volunteer signature effort, and it is going well. More than a third of the necessary signatures have already been collected, and the signature drive will continue through September.

Our office is also a hotbed of activity. Jerry Meral and Lynn Sadler are constantly on the phone to volunteers, reporters, and legislators and their staff answering questions and providing information about the initiative. Anita Broughton is commuting each week from San Luis Obispo (!!) to prepare descriptions of the more than 400 projects and programs included in the initiative. Tim Dunbar is organizing additional support from the more than 600 groups and governmental agencies already involved in the initiative. John Horrell is working to gain the endorsement of some of the major constituent groups in California society. Danielle Petty is helping us keep organized, and helping almost everyone in one way or another.

In each issue of California Today before the election, we will review a different part of **CAL PAW 94**. Here is a look at some of the most important wetlands projects included in the initiative.

The Central Valley Joint Venture

The Joint Venture is part of a huge Canada to Mexico effort to restore and preserve wetlands critical for the once enormous flocks of waterfowl that traveled from Alaska and northern Canada to California and Mexico each year. Filling and destruction of their wetlands have greatly reduced their numbers, and they can only be restored if each country does its part to improve and protect their segment of the wetlands habitat.

CALPAW 94 takes a giant step in that direction by including \$97 million for

acquisition and restoration of wetlands and buffer areas throughout the Central Valley from Redding to Bakersfield. An additional \$4 million is allocated to building facilities to move water into and through these wetlands. \$4 million is provided to build a canal to move water to the vitally important Grasslands Water District in Merced County, which is entirely devoted to wetlands protection and improvement. Up to \$5 million may be spent on the Pacific Coast for Pacific Flyway wetlands acquisition and restoration.

Other specific Central Valley wetlands projects include Stone Lakes and Cosumnes River in Sacramento County.

Bay Area Wetlands

Among the most endangered wetlands in California are those in the San Francisco Bay Area. Here are a few examples of **CALPAW 94** Bay Area wetlands projects. We don't have room for a complete list!

Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties: \$13 million
San Francisco (Candlestick Point, India Basin): \$2 million
East Bay: \$10 million
Hayward: \$2 million
Marin: \$7 million
Petaluma River and Napa Marsh: \$10 million
Sonoma BayFront: \$5 million
Restoration of Diked Wetlands: \$12 million

An especially innovative \$15 million project would use clean dredged material from ports and shipping channels throughout the Bay to restore degraded wetlands in Sonoma County. This job-creating and preserving project is enthusiastically supported by conservationists, labor unions, and the ports themselves.

Southern California Wetlands

The greatest losses of wetlands have taken place in Southern California. **CALPAW 94** recognizes the need to preserve and restore what is left, and following projects are included:

San Luis Obispo County: Morro Bay, Los Osos Creek, Salinas River wetlands.
Santa Barbara County: Carpinteria Marsh.
Los Angeles County: Ballona Lagoon, Ballona Wetlands, Madrona Marsh, Gardena Wetlands, Sepulveda Basin.
Orange County: San Joaquin Marsh,
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Rescue (Continued from page 1)

below Hal, half in and half out of the raging river, staying as close as possible to the rock face and river's edge. Mark looked up towards Hal with a concerned look on his face. Each rescue should be treated with concern; one rescue is never the same as the next. The Park Ranger rescue team had worked together on many technical rescues, but none had challenged the team as much as this one. The river was swollen from above average precipitation.

The responding rangers were part of a rescue team attempting to rescue a 12-year-old boy named Nick who was trapped on a rock ledge about 10 feet above the rumbling rapids of the Big Sur Gorge at Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park. Nick had separated from his older friend and decided to climb up a slope beyond where the day use gorge trail ended. Nick did some incredible climbing up loose debris covered slopes and down a slick rock face to the ledge where he could neither climb up, nor down. He was tired, cold, hungry and stuck! Rangers Linda Rath and Robert Leiterman, who had made first contact with Nick, were observing the whole rescue operation from across the river. After observing Hal's unsuccessful attempts to climb the face to gain access to a ledge above the young victim, Robert, through the use of his portable radio, suggested another route. Hal could barely hear the transmission over the river's noise. Hal carefully retraced his steps and climbed back down to the water's edge to attempt a new route. Hal's second attempt came from below and across from Nick's ledge. This time Hal was able to get much closer, to within about 10 feet, before he ran out of safe hand and foot holds. Mark carefully watched Hal's every move and maintained a secure safety line. In addition to Hal's pack of rescue hardware, he carried an extra line to be used in the tyrolian traverse system they were going to install. Hal knew he was not secure at his present location and was relying on Mark's belay to keep him from getting away down stream. Hal knew he needed protection and he needed it right away. Hal yelled over to Nick, "Can you hear me?" Nick nodded his head "Yes." Hal tossed Nick some rescue gear and instructed him how to safely attach the gear to a large bay tree branch above Nick's head. That branch became a safe

anchoring system for Hal to complete his climb up to Nick's ledge. Mark pulled all the slack out of the system and Hal was back in business. With a smile and a thumbs up sign, Hal continued to climb. Hal quickly gained the ledge and secured himself to the bay tree. He turned towards Nick with a smile and said, "I'm Hal from the ranger rescue team. We're here to get you out!" While Hal rigged up the rescue system, dressing Nick in a rescue harness on the ledge, Mark ferried rope across the river to Robert and Linda where they rigged both safety ropes to a large redwood tree.

The method of extraction was going to be a tyrolian traverse. This system would safely take Nick off the ledge 10 feet above the rapids, carry him about 35 feet across the water and put him on the other shore line, keeping him high and dry. Nick would wear a harness around his waist that was attached to a main rescue line by a pulley. A second line would also be attached to his harness and be used to haul him over to the other side of the river. This would be like rolling downhill on a pulley. Once Robert and Linda secured both ends of the tyrolian traverse, they notified Hal by portable radio that the system was secured and ready to go. Hal explained the rescue process to Nick and told him what to expect. Nick responded cooperatively and excitedly and once said, "Cool, I've got one of these at home." Hal radioed to Robert, Linda, and Mark (who had joined them on the beach) to haul (pull hard). In no time at all Nick was suspended over the raging river watching the water boil beneath him. When he was almost to the other side his feet touched down in the deep water. He was quickly taken to the safety of the beach. The rescue was a success. The rangers had once again united as a team and added a tyrolian traverse to their bag of tricks. You see, a well-trained and highly motivated rescue team can do just about anything.

Grazing Again (continued from page 1)

Director Murphy was requested by Water, Parks & Wildlife Chairman, Dominic Cortese to establish a committee of cattlemen and environmentalists/park people to study the role of grazing in State Parks. Although most of the committee did not indicate their feelings nor ask any questions it was quite apparent that several supported the cattlemen's position.

Court Hands PCL Great Victory

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In a stunning ruling from the bench, Superior Court Judge James Ford has ruled that a law banning PCL from undertaking grassroots initiatives is unconstitutional.

The law, sponsored by Senator Quentin Kopp (I-San Francisco), was aimed directly at PCL. It sought to prevent the type of initiatives that PCL has undertaken with great success. In such initiatives as the Parks and Wildlife Bond Act (1988), the Tobacco Tax Act (1988), the Rail Bond Act (1990), and the Mountain Lion Initiative (1990), PCL organized coalitions who gathered signatures and donated funds to place initiatives on the ballot. All four measures were approved by the voters.

Kopp's legislation sought to ban the exchange of campaign contributions for including projects in an initiative. The legislation had the bizarre effect that a measure which was put together by grassroots conservation groups would be illegal (because they agreed among themselves which projects to include), while the very same initiative sponsored by a giant corporation would be permissible because no "exchanges" were involved.

Even groups seeking to provide volunteer signatures would be barred, because they would inevitably expend some small amount of funds, which would be considered a campaign contribution. Kopp left no doubt that his measure was aimed directly at PCL, as evidenced by his frequent references to PCL initiatives in his statements on the Senate floor and in the press.

Attorney George Waters argued that a long series of cases decided by the US Supreme Court protect free speech, especially when it comes to the initiative process. The judge clearly accepted Waters' argument that campaign contributions, especially when made to grassroots initiatives, cannot be arbitrarily prohibited by the Legislature. The Legislature is notorious for not liking initiatives, and has often sought to restrict them to take power away from the people and citizen groups.

A few quotes from Judge Ford: "I am not satisfied the Legislature by any means was able to disclose a compelling state interest in preventing the kind of conduct prescribed here."

"(Kopp's bill) seems to be a severe infringement on the initiative process itself and has a chilling effect on the initiative process and would prevent people from going forward and presenting legislation that they thought was perfectly suitable, good for the public weal, and beneficial to the people of the State of California as a whole."

"This Court finds that SB-424 is unconstitutional and void and of no force and effect." But while it was in effect, the Kopp bill made it impossible to discuss financial contributions to an initiative in a timely manner. As a result, it was extremely difficult to fundraise for the currently circulating Park and Wildlife Bond Act Initiative because contributions could not even be discussed with project sponsors until after the initiative was filed.

This makes initiatives very difficult, because there are large expenses incurred before filing, including hiring staff, travel, phone and so on. Finally, we must note that Legislative Counsel said this bill was unconstitutional, and the Legislature passed it anyway. They would have saved many thousands of dollars in court cost and the Attorney General's time if they had listened to their own lawyers in the first place.

Events Calendar

September 29-October 3 **47th National Preservation Conference — The Challenge of Livable Communities** — National Trust for Historic Preservation, 1785 Massachusetts Ave. N.W., Washington, DC 20036. 1 800 YES-NTHP.

October 2 **Anniversary of Save-The-Redwoods League.** Ceremony at 10:30 a.m. in the founders grove, Humboldt Redwoods State Park, followed by a hosted barbecue lunch in the Women's Federation Grove. Save-The-Redwoods League, 114 Sansome St., Room 605, San Francisco, CA 94104. Call Mary Angle-Franzini for details at (415) 362-2532.

CSPRA Financial Report 1992/93 Fiscal Year

Income	Budget	Actual
Dues	\$35,000.00	\$36,374.50
Donations	0.00	25.00
Interest	0.00	57.32
Sales	500.00	71.50
Total Income	\$35,500.00	\$36,528.36

Expenses

Bank Charges	\$50.00	\$28.00
Benevolent Fund	350.00	0.00
CAL RANGER	4,000.00	1,509.33
Collect Dues	1,100.00	1,098.34
Committee	400.00	90.59
Contractors	4,700.00	4,200.00
Equipment Repair	400.00	138.88
Equipment	0.00	734.93
Fees & Taxes	100.00	166.48
Grants	0.00	1,580.00
Membership (paid)	2,500.00	2,500.00
Newsletter	9,000.00	9,114.05
Officer & Board Meetings	2,000.00	2,942.64
Office Manager Travel	1,000.00	291.00
Office Expenses	2,000.00	4,100.46
Park Integrity	1,500.00	0.00
Phone	0.00	661.64
Printing & Postage	3,400.00	2,947.50
Recognition & Awards	400.00	880.00
Recruitment	150.00	225.00
Sales Materials	300.00	0.00
Scholarship	2,000.00	1,816.00
Whitehead Scholarship	650.00	0.00
Workshop/Training	0.00	-675.32

Total Expenses	\$36,000.00	\$34,349.52
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1994 Annual Workshop Planners Meet Again

Sunday, August 22, the 1994 Workshop planning committee met at the Sheraton Hotel in Riverside. The Committee consists of: Ron Schafer, Liz Burko, Linda Hitchcock, Kathy Weatherman and Paul Pettit of Lake Perris SRA; Lisa Munoz and Randy Solis from the City of Riverside; Bob White from Hesperia; and Bill Naylor of Montebello. Doug Bryce is coordinator. Plans are proceeding on the development of excellent educational sessions along with an evening barbecue at California Citrus Heritage State Park, tours to such places as the Mission Inn, and an exciting golf tournament, as well as the inevitable banquet. Make plans now to attend this exciting workshop/conference next March 7-10.

Calpaw 94 (Continued from page 3)

Huntington Wetlands, Bolsa Chica. San Diego County: Sentenac Marsh and Bosque Wetlands in Anza Borrego State Park, Famosa Slough, San Elijo Lagoon, Los Encinitos.

Other Wetlands:

Santa Cruz: Watsonville Wetlands
Monterey: Elkhorn Slough, Carmel River Lagoon
Inyo: Owens Lake Wetlands.

In all, more than \$400 million for wetlands acquisition and restoration are included in **CALPAW 94**. That is one of the reasons it has received the enthusiastic support of the California Waterfowl Association, National Audubon Society, the Nature Conservancy, and the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Bodie (Continued from page 1)

July is a miserable time to be in Washington, DC. The week before I left, all the news coverage was focusing on how short the tempers were and how anxious they all were to leave for the summer recess. The heat and humidity were smothering, and the city was crawling with tourists. At least the staff at the hotel remembered me from the spring and greeted me enthusiastically. Our friends at the National Trust for Historic Preservation also provided a tremendous amount of support. I spent all my time in meetings, lobbying, on the phone (40 calls made from my hotel room in three days!), and preparing for the hearing. The hearing itself was short and anti-climactic. They were dealing with five bills simultaneously and the few Senators that were there had to keep leaving for floor votes. We can only hope they pay more attention when it's time to actually cast their votes on the Bodie bill, after the recess.

As for the saving of Bodie, even if the bill passes in its current form, we'll still have a long way to go. With the price of gold going up, another mining company will undoubtedly want to purchase Galactic's holdings (at bankruptcy prices). Remember that the Bodie Protection Act would not extinguish valid pre-existing claims--these could be sold and exploited by the next miners to come along and pick up

where Galactic left off. In fact, the Draft EIR is still pending for the next phase of exploratory mining. So, hang on to your hats. We've got a long, tough road ahead.

P.S. Thanks for all the kind words and letters. Now, please send money!

The Cost of the SAVE BODIE! Committee

The dues-payers of CSPRA have contributed only about \$4,000 since 1988 to the SAVE BODIE Committee. This is less than we have paid the Controller's Office to withhold dues from your paychecks during this same period. This amounts to \$1.30/year per member for the past 4.5 years.

The SAVE BODIE Committee has raised approximately \$45,000 from donations and about 1/2 million from pro-bono services. (Look for a more detailed report next month.)

Nominations Committee Meeting

Rick Sermon, Chair of the 1993 nominating committee, announced that the committee will meet at 7:30 pm on Monday the 18th day of October at the William Penn Mott Training Center.

The positions of President and two board member are up for election. President Harrison and board members Yee and Joe face reelection or replacement on the board.

Any Active or Active Retired member may submit their name or that of another Active or Active Retired member for consideration by the nominating committee. This may be done by phone, letter, FAX or in person at the meeting. Send your suggestions to Rick Sermon, 802 Todd Lane, Pacific Grove, CA 93950. Phone or FAX (408) 372-1942.

The James Whitehead Scholarship

The deadline for receipt of the statements and resumes (Whitehead scholarship) is January 31, 1994.

The James Whitehead Scholarship was established to promote continued environmental and philosophical education about parks through a scholarship to the Audubon Camp of the West in Wyoming. This \$650.00 scholarship is open to all California State Park Rangers Association members. It covers the tuition for a seven-day stay at the Audubon Camp.

This scholarship is an open competition where applicants write a 100-word statement on the reasons they wish to attend the Audubon Camp of the West. Included with the statement is a resume of the applicant's professional history in parks and dealing with environmental education.

Members interested in competing for this scholarship are encouraged to write to the CSPRA Education and Training chair, Fred Jee, Box 483, Borrego Springs, California 92004 (619) 767-3674. All applicants must send their statements and resumes to the CSPRA Education Chair who will forward all copies to the CSPRA Board of Directors who will decide the winning entrant.

Send your donation for the Jack Knight memorial tree to CSPRA, P O Box 292010, Sacramento, CA 95829-2010.

The deadline for receipt of the statements and resumes is January 31, 1994. Winning entrants will be announced in the *Newsletter* and awarded at the annual CSPRA/PRAC conference/workshop held in March of 1994.

The California State Park System encourages more training of staff as the reorganization is settling down. Now is the chance to attend one of the premier environmental programs, renowned across the nation.

Ranger Book Still in Progress

by Mike Lynch

The book *Rangers of California State Parks*, on the history of California State Park rangers, is still in progress. The bad news is that this is the final project of the 125th Ranger Anniversary that is still not finished. The good news is that the text is 90% finished and there are plenty of photos for the book.

I have to admit to a big case of writer's-block in finishing the book. This has been exacerbated by a busy year at work (and home) and the general unsettled situation in the Department. Lately, I have come to realize that probably the biggest hurdle in finishing the book is that I have 10 times more information than will fit. It is a very difficult job trying to boil down the material and decide which remaining 80% won't make it into the book! I see now why a mean and pushy publisher/editor could actually be a blessing for completing a book. Even without such a person, my deadline is to finish up this fall and then go into the production stage.

The 125th Anniversary and advanced sales money for publishing the book is still in the bank. For those who ordered advanced copies, we still have you on the computer and you will get your copy when the book is published. Anyone who ordered a copy in advance and would like a refund, please contact me: Mike Lynch, Auburn SRA, P.O. Box 3266, Auburn, CA 95604. The advance copy price (\$7.95) is still a bargain as the published price will probably be \$14.95.

CSPRA Board Votes to Honor Jack Knight With a Redwood

The board voted to implement an idea submitted by retired member Chuck Mehlert to honor the memory of Jack Knight with a dedicated tree in Big Basin Redwoods State Park. The board has set aside \$200 to purchase a tree from the *Sempervirens* Fund. We hope to increase this amount to \$500 with your donations.

Send your checks made out to the CSPRA —Jack Knight Memorial to P O Box 292010, Sacramento, CA 95829. We hope to purchase the tree by November 1 so get your donations in. Chuck Lyden will be seeking donations from all of you attending the Retirees' Rendezvous.

Dear Retired Park Employee (and all current DPR employees as well):

CSPRA's "Retirees' Rendezvous '93" is on schedule. Is it on yours?

The May 22 letter we sent out brought a great response (along with a much needed update of our mailing list) but there is still some time left to join the festivities. Our hope is to bring together past and present park employees for a bit of socializing and fun, not to mention a chance to talk over old times, share some ideas and information, and maybe take stock of where this fine profession is today. To help you with your plans, enclosed you will find updated information on the event, plus a registration form. If you know of a retiree who did not receive this mailing, please copy yours for them, and send us an address update.

We look forward to participation by present DPR employees as well, who may wish to take advantage of the opportunity to start those oral histories you keep meaning to do.

We will have a great turn out at McConnell State Recreation Area (September 30 to October 4, 1993), and hope you will join us for all, or a part, of "Retirees' Rendezvous '93."

Sincerely,

Wayne Harrison
President

Motels Near McConnell SRA

Comfort Inn
200 W Glenwood Ave
Turlock, CA 95380
(209) 668-3400
11 miles from McConnell SRA
Sr. Citizen Rate \$36/44

Orchard Inn (Best Western)
5025 N. Golden St. Blvd.
Turlock, CA 95380
(Taylor Rd exit from Hwy 99)
(209) 667-2827
16 miles from McConnell SRA

Rendezvous Schedule

Thursday, September 30

- *Travel and set up
- *Informal evening get-together

Friday, October 1

- *Golf match, fishing demonstrations; relax & visit
- *Informal evening get-together

Saturday, October 2

- *Pancake breakfast, \$3
- *Organized & "disorganized" board games & activities
- *Free time to relax and visit
- *Barbecue dinner, sponsored by CSPRA for retirees & spouses; \$6 for present employees/guests

Sunday, October 3

- *Day of relaxation and fellowship

Monday, October 4

- *Clean-up & departure

"Humor In Unicorn" by Jeff Price

A down and out creature. "She's on the end of her leg."

Hands in the air and face the opposite direction, maybe? "...so we'll have to take a different tactic."

Another good idea down the drain! "The basics look OK, but we'll have to flush out each of these ideas soon."

You shouldn't egg people on so much, I guess. "Boy, did I have mud on my face with that goof."

The Hemipteran chapeau. "He's got a bug in his cap."

A legal brief? "She really wrote me the riot act."

When asked what the man was being arrested for, the officer replied, "He was held for drug obsession."

You can't hardly ignore that, can you? "They were kissing each other off good-bye."

See you at
McConnell
SRA on
September 30
— October 4

Retirees' Rendezvous, 93
McConnell State Recreation Area
Sept. 30 to Oct. 4, 1993
Registration Form

Names _____

Address _____ City _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____

____ Number of persons planning to attend all/part of RR'93.

____ Number who will attend the pancake breakfast (\$3.00/person) on Saturday, October 2, 1993.

**Registration
deadline is
9/17/93.**

____ Number who will attend the Saturday night barbecue (free to retirees and spouses; family and all others \$6.00/person). _____ chicken _____ tri-tip

Any meal charges may be paid at the event.

____ Please send information on the golf tournament.

____ We will be staying at McConnell in tent/RV (no hook-ups, no sanitation station; water and combination building available).

____ We will stay at a local motel and would like to be sent information.

Other information:

Sanitation station:

Delhi Beacon Station (5 miles from Park)

East of Hwy 99 at Shanks Exit

No charge - donations accepted to Lions Club

Markets:

Mini-Marts only in Delhi

Supermarkets in Turlock

Roadside rest: Between Delhi and Turlock on Hwy 99. No sanitation station.
Vending machines and restrooms.

If you shared this with someone else not on our mailing list, please give us their name & address:

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ ZIP _____

Telephone _____

Please return by 9/17/93 to:

Kirk Wallace, P.O. Box 687, Mi-Wuk Village CA, 95346, (209) 586-3209.

Fall Workshop

October 15 - 17, 1993

It is time to set aside October 15 - 17 for the Fall Workshop. Here is an outline of how the weekend will go.

The headquarters for the workshop will be the Wilder Ranch just north of the city of Santa Cruz. There will be an area set aside for camping. For those who wish a few more amenities there are many motels and B&B's in the Santa Cruz area (you may already have a favorite). The two inns that are closest to Wilder are the Mission Inn and the Sunset Inn. The following are the current rates:

Mission Inn
2250 Mission Street
Santa Cruz, CA (408) 425-5455
*\$53 - 75 (1 - 2 persons)

Sunset Inn
2424 Mission Ave
Santa Cruz, CA (408) 423-3471
*\$45 - 60 (1 - 2 persons)

Friday, October 15th

- Travel and set up
- Informal evening get together. Bring your instruments and your newest campfire warmup activities!

Saturday, October 16th

- Continental breakfast
- AM/PM activities will take place in parks around Monterey Bay area and will include hikes, kyaking, diving and other innovative interpretive activities.
- Barbecue and evening programs

Sunday, October 17th

- Morning beach/bird hike
- Relax, cleanup and depart

*Other accommodations will be included in the next CSPRA newsletter.

September

Run For Office!

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California State Park Rangers Assoc
P. O. Box 292010
Sacramento, CA 95829-2010

Bulk Rate
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43
Elk Grove, CA

To: _____



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10/15-17/93**

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