

# Arrowhead

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR

The comment period on the draft 2006 Management Policies closed February 18, and we appreciate everyone's engagement in the process. Many of you led or attended one of the public open houses that facilitated discussion and understanding. Thank you to those who took time to read the policies and share their thoughts. I know our Management Policies will be better for it.



A policy team is processing the comments. Soon, the staff will pass the comments to another NPS team, appointed by our National Leadership Council, to consult with NPS experts and edit the draft. After the National Park System Advisory Board and NLC members review the team's edited draft, we will send it out for an additional Servicewide review to ensure a document that is relevant, applicable, and true to our mission.

The most important thing, as the NPS leads this process, is the commitment we have made for the final product to retain and enhance our commitment to our mission. As I said in my letter to Congress last fall, the Organic Act is our Constitution. It provides a strong sense of purpose and direction to park managers. Management Policies are our best tools to implement the Act, and we will ensure our mandate is maintained.

The extensive NPS team that worked on this revision agreed to guiding principles. Management Policies will:

- Comply with current laws, regulations and Executive Orders.
- Prevent impairment.
- Be responsible for key authorities and decision making.
- Emphasize consultation and cooperation.
- Pursue the best contemporary business practices and sustainability.
- Encourage consistency across the system—"one" National Park System.
- Use NPS legacy goals, cooperative conservation and civic engagement as guides.
- Improve the tone so there is no misunderstanding about the NPS's commitment to the public's appropriate use and enjoyment, including education and interpretation, of park resources, while preventing unacceptable impacts.
- Ensure conservation remains predominant when there is a conflict between the protection of resources and their use.
- Pass on to future generations better natural, cultural, and physical resources and enjoyment opportunities.

I deeply appreciate the many NPS employees who have dedicated considerable time and immeasurable determination and expertise to our draft Management Policies. Their commitment to making the document one that will guide us well is admirable and epitomizes the dedication of NPS employees across the Service.

—Fran Mainella

## Jefferson National Expansion Memorial Celebrates 40 Years of the Gateway Arch



Jefferson National Expansion Memorial

**DURING THE RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY** for the official opening of an exhibit honoring the architect of the Gateway Arch entitled "The Creative Spirit of Eero Saarinen," Jefferson National Expansion Memorial Supt. Peggy O'Dell (right) hands the scissors to Eero's daughter, Susan Saarinen (center), while Jefferson National Parks Association Executive Director David Grove looks on. The ribbon-cutting ceremony was one of the activities during the 40th anniversary of the completion of the Gateway Arch event at Jefferson National Expansion Memorial.

By Bob Moore, Historian,  
Jefferson National Expansion Memorial

Jefferson National Expansion Memorial (JNEM) celebrated the 40th anniversary of the completion of the Gateway Arch on Oct. 28 and 29, 2005. The celebration began on Oct.

28 with a day-long series of commemorative events, starting with a reception for dignitaries and an "anniversary tram ride" to the top of the Arch for toasts to the past and to the future. Guests included St. Louis Mayor Francis Slay; Judge Debra Carnahan, wife of Congressman Russ Carnahan; and

George B. Hartzog III, who delivered special remarks from his father, former JNEM superintendent and NPS Director George B. Hartzog, Jr.

"Today's 40th anniversary events are the kickoff for a decade of cooperative endeavors between the park and the greater St. Louis community," said Superintendent Peggy O'Dell. She hopes to work closely with local organizations and municipalities to create lasting partnerships and development in the St. Louis area prior to the Arch's 50th anniversary in 2015. Special congressional proclamations marking the anniversary were presented by representatives from the offices of Congressmen William Lacy Clay and Russ Carnahan.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony followed for the official opening of an exhibit honoring the architect of the Arch entitled "The Creative Spirit of Eero Saarinen." The exhibit was opened by the architect's daughter, Susan Saarinen. A special postal cachet was unveiled, and awards were given to the winners of an art competition for students.

Throughout the day, over 25 construction workers who helped build the Arch during the mid-1960's were on hand to talk with visitors and sign

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## New Arches National Park Visitor Center is Dedicated



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**ARCHES NP SUPT. LAURA JOSS** and NPS Director Fran Mainella cut the ribbon dedicating the new Arches NP Visitor Center on Sept. 17. Pictured left to right: Grand County Council Chair Jerry McNeely, Moab Mayor Dave Sakrison, Arches NP Supt. Laura Joss, NPS Director Fran Mainella and National Park Foundation Vice Chair Nancy Bechtle.

By Diane Allen,  
Chief of Interpretation, Arches NP

The formal dedication of the 18,000-square-foot visitor center at Arches NP occurred on Sept. 17. NPS Director Fran Mainella, Moab Mayor Dave Sakrison, Grand County Council Chair Jerry McNeely, National Park

Foundation Vice Chair Nancy Bechtle, Managing Director of the Utah Governor's Office of Tourism Leigh VanderEsch and Senator Bennett's Central Utah Area Director Donna Sackett joined Supt. Laura Joss to cut the ribbon officially opening the visitor center. Over 300 people attended the

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## Employees and Alumni Association News

### Strategic Plan for the Employees and Alumni Association of the NPS Open for Review

E&AA put together a strategic planning committee to address the future of E&AA. We are indebted to the following members who served on the committee: Barbara Bell, Dan Brown, Jim Carrico, Gary Everhardt, Cindy McLeod, Bob Reynolds, Bob Stanton, Steve Whitesell and Mark Woods. Facilitated by University of Houston President Jay Gogue, the plan was reviewed at the E&AA board meeting in Albuquerque on January 28, 2006.

The purpose of this plan is to review the six purposes of E&AA and to outline a five-year plan that would improve the service and relevance of E&AA consistent with its purposes. We value your comments and invite you to review the entire document on the E&AA website ([www.eandaa.org](http://www.eandaa.org)). Please submit your comments and thoughts by April 15 to [ChesleyM@easternnational.org](mailto:ChesleyM@easternnational.org).

### Changes to E&AA Educational Trust Fund Announced

The Trustees approved over \$160,000 in loans this past year. If this demand continues, the trust fund will be depleted in two years. The board has therefore reviewed the situation and has made the following changes to The George B. Hartzog, Jr. Educational Loan Program:

- All applications must be received and on file by the closing date of May 1.

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# Focus on the Parks

• The Gettysburg Cyclorama painting and the Cyclorama Building closed to visitors on Nov. 20, as conservators moved onto the next phase of a multi-year, \$9-million initiative to return the painting, as close as possible, to its original state. While the other exhibits in the Cyclorama Building will reopen in spring 2006, the next opportunity that visitors to **Gettysburg NMP** will have to see the 120-year-old painting will be when the new museum and visitor center opens in November 2007.

Painted by French artist Paul Philippoteaux and a team of 20 in 1883-1884, the Cyclorama, entitled "The Battle of Gettysburg," is a colossal circular oil painting depicting the charge of Confederate infantry led by General George Pickett. Central to the park's educational mission, the painting is one of the most dramatic, and popular, parts of the Gettysburg experience.

Prior to the close, the conservation team had been cleaning the surface of the 359' x 27' painting and removing overpaint, inserts and grime. The next step, performed in the current Cyclorama building, includes dismantling the canvas and removing the lining and wax from the canvas back.

The second phase of the project, to be performed in the gallery at the new museum and visitor center, will include shaping and lining the painting sections

and mounting them on a new support system to maintain even tension throughout the canvas.

• The Kelso Depot Information Center at **Mojave N PRES** is now open to the public. The two-story Spanish Mission Revival Style structure originally served as train station, lunchroom and employee housing for the Union Pacific Railroad. After it closed in 1986, local groups fought to preserve the building, and the Union Pacific eventually donated it to the Bureau of Land Management.

When Mojave N PRES was established in 1994, the depot passed to the NPS. Renovation, which began in 2001, returned the building's exterior to its original 1925 appearance, while adding structural stability and modern requirements such as an elevator and sprinkler system. As the park's principal information center, the depot now houses museum exhibits, a theater and historically furnished rooms. Outside, landscaping approximates the mid-century historic scene, while adding conveniences such as restrooms and a picnic area. Travelers who have been driving past this desert landmark for years are pleased to see it finally open, and everyone is looking forward to the addition of a concession-operated restaurant serving food at the reconstructed lunch counter, due to open within a year.

• **Cuyahoga Valley NP** and Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association hosted a benefit concert on Oct. 29 to assist New Orleans Jazz NHP in the wake of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. The total amount donated was \$2,646. Featured performers were New Orleans Jazz NHP employees Bruce Barnes and Matt Hampsey. In musical New Orleans, Bruce "Sunpie" Barnes stands out as the best blues harmonica player in town. Bruce is also a zydeco accordionist and singer, and is lead performer of Sunpie & the Louisiana Sunspots. Matt Hampsey, New Orleans Jazz NHP park guide, was detailed to CVNP for a few weeks following the hurricanes, where he assisted the interpretive staff and presented musical programming for students.

• **Lake Meredith NRA/Alibates Flint Quarries NM** celebrated their 40th anniversary on Aug. 27 with a groundbreaking ceremony for a new ranger/visitor contact station at Alibates Flint Quarries NM, followed by a cookout and program at the Fritch Fortress Amphitheater, Lake Meredith NRA.

• The **Intermountain Region** hosts a General Superintendents' Conference every three years. The 2005 conference was held in Tucson, Ariz. from Nov. 15 through Nov. 18. Chairman of the event was Supt. Rick Shireman of the Southern Arizona Group Office and Arizona State coordinator. Through silent and live auctions and the generosity of the superintendents who were present, the IMR conference raised \$5,679, which was sent to the Employees and Alumni Association of the National Park Service to be used for assisting hurricane victims in the Gulf Coast states.

• On Nov. 1, **Indiana Dunes NL**, in partnership with the Porter County Convention, Recreation and Visitor Commission (PCCRVC), held a groundbreaking ceremony for the new



**IN NOVEMBER 2005, 140 OF EDISON NHS'S** historic phonographs were moved from storage to a newly constructed exhibit area. The machines will now be on public display in the main laboratory building in a climate-controlled case.

Dorothy Buell Memorial Visitor Center. The \$3 million project is being financed through Federal Highway funds and the proceeds from the sale of the present PCCRVC Visitor Center. This shared visitor center will be owned by the PCCRVC with space leased by the national lakeshore.

In remarks made at the ceremony, Indiana Dunes NL Supt. Dale Engquist said that the new visitor center, located outside the park but along the major route into the dunes area, will quadruple the amount of visitors being contacted and better enable the park to educate visitors about the national lakeshore and its resources. Construction on the new center has already begun with an expected completion date in September 2006.

• **Blue Ridge PKWY, Colonial PKWY and George Washington MEM PKWY** recently earned the U.S. Department of Transportation's designation as All-American Roads. Another Virginia road, the 105-mile Skyline Drive, was named to the list of America's Byways, the final step before being named an All-American Road. All four Virginia scenic highways are managed by the NPS. With the new designation, the four roadways are eligible for federal funds for marketing. They will also be highlighted on maps and featured on the website [www.byways.org](http://www.byways.org).

• **Chickamauga and Chattanooga NMP** celebrated the 142nd Anniversary of the Battles for Chattanooga on Nov. 19 and 20, with a full schedule of programs for both days. The Battles for Chattanooga, fought Nov. 23 through 25, 1863, brought a close to the five-month Chattanooga Campaign. During these battles, Union forces under the command of General Ulysses S. Grant pushed Confederate forces from the heights of Lookout Mountain and Missionary Ridge, forcing the Confederates to retreat to Dalton, Georgia. Control of Chattanooga paved the way for General William T. Sherman's Georgia Campaign, in which he used Chattanooga as a base of supply and communication.

• On Dec. 3, **Hot Springs NP** commemorated the anniversary of an encampment by the Dunbar and Hunter Expedition. Members of the Dunbar and Hunter Expedition camped at Hot Springs from Dec. 9, 1804 to Jan. 8, 1805. They took celestial readings for mapping the area around the springs and

did the first scientific experiments on the hot spring water. During the commemoration, the Early Arkansas Reenactors Association presented black powder weapons firing demonstrations, and a keelboat replica of the type Dunbar and Hunter used to travel up the Ouachita River was on display at the Andrew Hulsey Fish Hatchery on Lake Hamilton.

• Two-thousand-three-hundred pounds of trash and debris have been hauled off the Olympic beaches, thanks to six hardy and hardworking members of the Student Conservation Association (SCA). The SCA crew spent three weeks last fall hiking the coast and carrying loads of marine debris to trailheads.

The project, funded by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) Office of Response and Restoration, was specifically targeted to remove the piles of marine debris that were collected and cached during last spring's Olympic Coast Cleanup. **Olympic NP** and the Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary share jurisdiction of over 70 miles of shoreline on the Olympic Peninsula. For the past six years, the sanctuary and the park have helped coordinate a volunteer spring beach cleanup to reduce threats to wildlife and to preserve the wilderness character and beauty of the Olympic coast.

• **Sagamore Hill NHS**, home of Theodore Roosevelt, 26th U.S. president, has completed a project to translate and publish its site brochure into six foreign languages. The first two site brochures that were completed were Russian and Japanese versions, selected to mark the centennial of the Treaty of Portsmouth, brokered by Theodore Roosevelt to end the Russo-Japanese War. TR was the first American and only sitting president to receive the Nobel Peace Prize for ending the conflict.

Charles Markis, the park's chief of interpretation, contracted Harald Hille, a United Nations translator, to arrange for producing the text and editing the copy of the site brochure. These translations have proved to be invaluable for helping people who do not speak English understand the significance of Sagamore Hill and Theodore Roosevelt. Observations on the visiting public by interpretive staff pointed to the additional need for site brochures in Spanish, Italian, French and German. These six foreign language site brochures are now available at the park's visitor center or by mail upon request. ■

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The *Arrowhead* is a quarterly publication for National Park Service employees and retirees. The E&AA is a non-profit, membership organization dedicated to promoting the values of the NPS family and preserving its treasured resources. The *Arrowhead* is available to non-members and other organizations for \$15 per year.

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## Women of Honor Program Sponsored by Pictured Rocks NL

On Aug. 25, Pictured Rocks NL sponsored the 11th annual Alger County Women of Honor Program, which was held at the Alger County Historical Society's Heritage Center in Munising, Mich. The program originated in 1995 through the lakeshore's special emphasis program to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the Women's Suffrage Movement and the passage of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution on Aug. 26, 1920. This amendment gave women the right to vote.

The Alger County Women of Honor Program recognizes Alger County women who have lead enriched lives, whether through work, hobbies, volunteerism or everyday living. To date, 48 women have been honored. The women are presented with a certificate, corsage and gift, and their names are placed on a donated plaque that hangs

at the Alger County Heritage Center. In addition, their biographies are placed in the archives.

Many local businesses and individuals have become involved in the program. Educational literature on the timeline of the suffrage movement and notable women is distributed to the attendees from several organizations.

With this year's theme of "Women Change America," three women were inducted into the program and approximately 50 people attended the event. Guest speaker, Janel Crooks, from Hiawatha NF, spoke on the 100th Anniversary of the USDA Forest Service and the roles of women in the Service through the years. Pictured Rocks NL staff who made the event a success included Gregg Bruff, Brenda St. Martin, Sandy Girard, John Kacich and Special Emphasis Coordinator, Mary Jo Cook. ■

## Arches NP Visitor Center

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afternoon event, including at least one person, Juanita Mabery (wife of Rory "Slim" Mabery), who attended the grand opening of the *previous* visitor center at Arches in 1960!

The Moab singing group, The Valley Voices, started the event by singing the "Star Spangled Banner," and followed the ribbon-cutting with additional performances. The Moab Taiko Dan Drummers performed several pieces. The premiere of the Discovery Communications film, *Secrets of Red Rock* followed the ceremony in the 140-seat theater. The film was made possible by a generous grant from the National Park Foundation through the support of Discovery Channel, a Proud Partner of America's National Parks. Highlighting Arches and Canyonlands National Parks, the film enhances visitors' understanding and appreciation of the two parks.

New exhibits in the visitor center interpret the natural and cultural history of the park. In the outdoor plaza, bronze sculptures created by Matthew Gray Palmer include a bighorn ram, ewe and lamb, two ravens and two lizards. Indoors are several tall faux rocks; a pothole with critters; hands-on rock samples of the different formations found in the park; a depositional environment model with rock samples; and several interactive computer programs.

The architectural firm of VCBO of Salt Lake City, Utah designed the building in conjunction with exhibit designers of EDX of Seattle, Wash. Cooperation and communication between the two resulted in a building designed for the exhibits, unusual in exhibit planning. Southern Custom Exhibits, Inc. of Anniston, Ala. fabricated and installed the exhibits. The old visitor center building was incorporated into the new one, saving bricks, waste disposal and new materials. ■

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- Student must be enrolled full time and be at the graduate or undergraduate level.
- Loans can cover tuition, room/board, books and supplies.
- Any current loans outstanding must be up-to-date regarding payment due.
- Students must maintain a 2.5 GPA.
- If requests exceed available funding, loan approval will be determined based on GPA.
- The loan limit is \$2,500 per student, per year (maximum of \$10,000 per student).
- The maximum loan limit per family is \$20,000.

Please note that the cut-off date for loan applications is May 1, and it will be necessary to submit the student's most recent transcript with the request. The board also approved the formation of a fundraising committee, to establish an endowment to support the Hartzog Educational Loan Program. Our goal is to raise \$3 million to ensure that this program can sustain itself in the future.

### E&AA Life Membership Revisited

The E&AA board met on Jan. 28 and, among other issues discussed, revised the issue of life membership. E&AA life members who joined prior to 1988 and joined with the assumption that their spouse was included, should notify E&AA. Upon notification, E&AA will add your spouses to the membership at no additional cost.

As a matter of background information, many early life members of E&AA assumed their spouses were included. We hope this action will address member concerns. Members must notify E&AA prior to Feb. 1, 2007 to be eligible for this one-time opportunity. Please contact Bonnie Stetson at [BonnieS@easternnational.org](mailto:BonnieS@easternnational.org).

**Attention all E&AA members!**  
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# Kudos and Awards

• On Oct. 13, Midwest Regional Director **Ernest “Ernie” Quintana** was honored at an awards ceremony with the Manuel Lujan, Jr., Champion Award for his numerous contributions to the NPS during his more than 34 years of service as part of the DOI Hispanic Heritage Month Observance Program. During the 2005 observance of Hispanic Heritage Month, the Department recognized individual employee “champions” for their exemplary service in carrying out the Department’s mission by working to build partnerships that encourage conservation and preservation of natural and cultural resources or through other activities such as participating in educational or community projects. Ernie was appointed Midwest regional director in July 2003, becoming the first Hispanic to hold this title and the first to hold a Servicewide leadership position as well.



TED STUART

• On Sept. 19, Seasonal Park Ranger **Ted Stuart** received a 50-year Arrowhead Award from Marc Magnuson, chief park ranger at Rocky Mountain NP, at the park’s 90th birthday party. Ted began his career at the Thompson River Entrance in 1956. He worked as a dispatcher beginning in 1959, went into campground/patrol in 1964 and 1965, then back to dispatch until 1969. He then began a 25-year term as campgrounds manager, originating the successful color-coding of campsites in 1971. Ted transferred to the Bear Lake Bus Program in 1994, worked through the 2005 season and is planning on returning for the 2006 season.

• On Nov. 22, NPS Director Fran Mainella recognized the **National Capital Region and Washington Office Hurricane Katrina Response Teams and the 45 members of the President’s Park VIP Corps** for their significant contributions to recent work that is vital to the NPS mission. The President’s Park volunteers greet visitors seven days per week, providing assistance for the White House Visitor Center and all of downtown Washington.

NPS employees in a variety of professions responded to Hurricane Katrina, performing such work as incident management, debris removal, heavy equipment operations, piloting helicopters, providing housing for hurricane victims, setting up food distribution sites and pro-

viding expertise in cultural resources recovery. The employees recognized by Director Mainella represented the hundreds of NPS employees who responded for hurricane relief, including 90 from the National Capital Region alone.

The NCR Museum Response Team is a 21-person group of subject-matter experts who respond to disasters that impact cultural resources. The group has tools and equipment ready to go and is ready to move into emergency or disaster situations (such as those presented by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita in the Gulf Coast states) on very short notice.

• The U.S. Green Building Council, a non-profit organization dedicated to sustainable building design and construction, recently awarded the new **Denali NP & PRES Visitor Center** a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Silver accreditation rating. This is the highest-rated LEED project in Alaska, and only the second certified building in the state. It is also one of only two LEED-accredited buildings within the National Park System. The other is located at Grand Canyon NP. The LEED rating system is a voluntary consensus-based national standard for developing high-performance, sustainable buildings. The building was designed by RIM Architects and the general construction contractor was Davis Constructors and Engineers.

• On Dec. 6, the National Parks Conservation Association (NPCA) bestowed its Stephen T. Mather Award on Death Valley NP Supt. **J.T. Reynolds** for his leadership and dedication to the long-term protection of the national parks. He was recognized for demonstrating the strongest possible commitment to park resources, staff and volunteers throughout his NPS career. The NPCA gives the Stephen T. Mather Award annually to people who have demonstrated initiative and resourcefulness in promoting environmental protection in the national parks, taken significant action where others have hesitated and exemplified the principles of good park stewardship.

• In November, **Glacier NP** received a 2005 Intermountain Region Safety Award For Excellence. This award recognizes the outstanding safety program and commitment to continuous safety improvement at Glacier NP. **Brian Nelson**, Glacier NP’s safety officer, was also awarded a 2005 Intermountain Regional Director’s Safety Champion Award in recognition for outstanding employee safety and health leadership.

• On Sept. 25, Homestead National Monument of America honored its volunteers at a reception during which several awards were presented. **Bob Hancock** was recognized as the Volunteer of the Year. The person receiving this award shows leadership and impact in many aspects of the operation of the park. Volunteers who provided 100 or more hours of service were also given awards. They included: **Rhonda Eddy, Bob Hancock, Marjorie Huls, Dale Koch, Wayne Ossowski, Bob Schmidt, Tom Shirk, Eileen Shirk, Philip Kukulski, Patrick Rezac, Rachel Vegors and Paul Banks.**

• On Sept. 28, the National Capital Region held its eighth annual Excellence in Interpretation Awards Ceremo-



NPS photo by Tom Davies

**THE 2005 FREEMAN TILDEN AWARD WINNERS** (regional and national) pictured left to right: Vicki Penwell, Pam Machuga, David Andrew Smith (national winner), Andy Fisher, Claudia Anderson, Renee Albertoli and Steve Theus.

**David Andrew Smith**, interpretive specialist, Juan Bautista de Anza NHT is the 2005 National Freeman Tilden Award winner. David was presented the national award on Nov. 10 at the National Association for Interpretation workshop in Alabama, for creating the “Anza Discovery Trail” outreach education program.

David trained teachers and introduced students to a fun and usable 3rd and 4th grade curriculum-based education program for use along the 1,200-mile Anza Trail. This bilingual program invites students and teachers to re-enact the story of the 1775-1776 Anza Expedition who founded a presidio and mission at San Francisco. David arranged for the translation of the program into idiomatic Spanish for use in Spanish speaking schools. Over 2,000 students used the program in classrooms during 2004-2005.

David was also the regional Freeman Tilden Award winner for the Pacific West Region. Other 2005 regional

Freeman Tilden Award winners include: **Renee Albertoli**, park ranger, Independence NHP (Northeast Region); **Claudia Anderson**, deputy site manager, Ford’s Theatre NHS (National Capital Region); **Andy L. Fisher**, park ranger, Organ Pipe Cactus NM (Intermountain Region); **Pam Machuga**, park ranger, Cuyahoga Valley NP (Midwest Region); **Vicki Penwell**, park ranger, Wrangell-St. Elias NP and PRES (Alaska Region); and **Steve Theus**, park ranger, Jimmy Carter NHS (Southeast Region).

The Freeman Tilden Award recognizes outstanding contributions to the public through interpretation by a NPS employee. Freeman Tilden provided a philosophical basis for interpretation in his book *Interpreting Our Heritage*. Nominees for this award are judged upon their creativity, originality and positive contributions to enhancing the public’s understanding of the National Park System and the resources it protects. ■

ny. **Claudia Anderson**, of Ford’s Theatre NHS, was selected as the 2005 National Capital Region Freeman Tilden Award winner for her development of “A Moment in History: African Americans who knew President Lincoln and Mary Todd.” The regional Freeman Tilden nominees included: **Keith Snyder**, Antietam NB; **Maggie Zadorozny**, Rock Creek Park; and **Audrey Young**, Wolf Trap NP for the Performing Arts.

Three additional regional interpretive awards were also presented at the ceremony. These awards and winners included: the Support to Interpretation Award presented to the **Special Events Crew, National Mall and Memorial Parks**; the Interpretive Services Award presented to **Rita Knox**, Chesapeake and Ohio Canal NHP; and the Interpretive Teamwork Award, for which there was a tie between the **Monocacy NB Staff** and the “**Life and Death on the C&O Canal**” Team.

• The **Liberty Bell Center** received a 2005 Honor Award for excellence in architectural design from the American Institute of Architects Pennsylvania state chapter. The award was presented to the design firm for the project—Bohlin Cywinski Jackson. The NPS

Denver Service Center managed this \$12.9-million project.

The Liberty Bell Center is the home of the Liberty Bell and consists of an exhibit wing highlighting the bell’s history and its significance, while also functioning as a queuing space for visitors waiting to see the bell. A separate but connected glass and marble chamber provides a quiet setting where visitors may listen to interpretive talks while viewing the bell.

• **Brian Olson**, safety and fire protection engineer with the Quality Assurance Branch of the Denver Service Center, was selected as a fellow in the Society of Fire Protection Engineers (SFPE). Fellows are nominated by their peers for outstanding contributions to the advancement of fire protection engineers and service to the SFPE. Brian was inducted during the SFPE 2005 awards and honors banquet in San Diego in October.

With more than 30 years of fire protection engineering experience, both in the public and private sectors, Brian is a recognized expert in industrial hazards, nuclear industry hazards and historical structures. Within the NPS, Brian is a leader in developing performance-based solutions to code compliance in both

# Kudos and Awards



**BRIAN OLSON**

contemporary and historically significant buildings, and is a recognized expert on

fire protection and life safety in national park facilities.

• On Nov. 8, at the National Association for Interpretation workshop in Alabama, Southeast Archeological Center Senior Archeologist **John H. Jameson, Jr.** and Intermountain Region Interpretive Specialist **Kim Sikoryak** were each presented with the 2005 Sequoia Award by NPS Chief of Interpretation Corky Mayo. John was presented a 2005 Sequoia Award for his dedication to the interpretation of archeological resources and the NPS interpretation and education program. Kim was presented a 2005 Sequoia Award for his dedicated service to the NPS interpretation and education program.

Created in 1988, the Sequoia Award recognizes those who have chosen to make a difference in the interpretive pro-

fession through specific work that has resulted in exceptional and lasting improvements to the interpretive profession. Each year up to five Sequoia Awards are presented.

• **Jeff Burton**, archeologist at the Western Archeological and Conservation Center, is the recipient of the National 2004 Roy E. Appleman-Henry A. Judd Award, an annual recognition for outstanding contributions to cultural resource management by a NPS employee. The award recognizes Jeff's substantial, longtime and continued commitment to preserving and interpreting the cultural resources associated with the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II—particularly for archeological work at Manzanar NHS and Minidoka Internment NM;

for preparing a National Historic Landmark (NHL) nomination for the Tule Lake Segregation Center; and for co-authoring the NHL theme study "Japanese Americans in World War II."

These contributions, which incorporate a diversity of voices and stories, have helped define the long-term management of the internment sites, enhanced the public's direct involvement in the planning process and facilitated the NPS efforts to reach out to diverse groups in the telling of these complex and controversial histories.

The Appleman-Judd Award was created to recognize expertise and foster creativity in cultural resource management practices and projects—particularly those that may serve as examples or models for programs Servicewide. ■

## FY '06 Albright-Wirth Grant Program Awardees Announced

By Dave Tyroler, FY '07 Albright-Wirth Grant Administrator

The John D. Rockefeller family philanthropically gifted not only to the American public, but also to NPS employees. In partnership with the National Park Foundation, the NPS manages an endowment designed to enhance professional career development. This endowment provides the annual funds for the Albright-Wirth Grant Program.

The 2006 grant program underwent several changes. Some of the changes the steering committee set forth were to include seasonal, intermittent, term and subject-to-furlough employees who before this year were overlooked as potential recipients. Also added was the new standard for all applicants to meet a minimum of three years of accumulative NPS work experience. Funding limits were adjusted; individuals are now able to apply for up to \$5,000, and groups of three or more NPS employees who meet all of the minimum requirements can apply for up to \$15,000. A third change was the provision that once an employee receives a grant, they are not eligible to apply again for another three years.

Another significant change came in the form of the application process. The Albright-Wirth Grant Program has moved from the traditional format of submission through the mail to accepting applications only via [www.mylearningmanager.gov](http://www.mylearningmanager.gov) (a site accessible only to NPS employees).

Due to the widespread media blitz advertising the program, participation for fiscal year 2006 witnessed a spike in requests over previous years. In fact, applicants' requests for funding exceeded \$2.1 million. In former years, when an employee submitted an application, they had a one-in-three chance of receiving a grant. This year that number soared to one-in-20.

The huge influx of applications prompted the Capital Training Center to convene two panels to review all the applications. The first panel was assembled from a selection of the applicants' peer fields, representing the diverse NPS work force. The second panel, which consisted of Park Service man-

agers, reviewed the grants passed along by the peer review.

Based upon the reviews of the two panels, 26 names were forwarded to the Capital Training Center to be approved for fiscal year's 2006 Albright-Wirth Grant awards. With much anticipation, we are proud to announce those awarded:

Mark Andros, Historic Preservation Training Center; Gayleen Boyd, Harpers Ferry NHP; Catherine Bragaw, Harpers Ferry NHP; John Broward, Hawai'i Volcanoes NP; Laura Buchheit, Shenandoah NP; Jeff Burton, Western Archeological and Conservation Center; Dean Butterworth, Grand Canyon NP; Carol Clark, Fort Caroline N MEM; Claire Crow, Zion NP; Joan Darnell, Alaska Support Office; George Davis, Blue Ridge PKWY; Lynda Doucette, Great Smoky Mountains NP; Peter Dratch, Biological Resources Management Division, WASO; Krystal Fleeger, Lyndon B. Johnson NHS; Philip Gensler, Hagerman Fossil Beds NM; Meredith Hardy, Southeast Archeological Center; Joe Lachowski, Grand Teton NP; Lashelle Lyman, Rocky Mountain NP; Rachel Mazur, Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks; Emily Murphy, Salem Maritime NHS; Bobby Rogers, Haleakala NP; Virginia Salazar-Halfmoon, Intermountain Support Office; Kristi Sharpeta, Bandelier NM; Margaret Sheid, Saint Croix Island International HS; Bon-naleigh Taylor, Grand Canyon NP; and Jacilee Wray, Olympic NP.

Yet again, the Albright-Wirth Grant Program embarks upon a new cycle. The steering committee met in December 2005 to review and make new recommendations. Most likely grant applications for FY '07 will increase, due to new budgetary challenges. The online format will continue to develop and rough edges will be smoothed-out, making it easier for new applicants to apply online, providing greater guidance and aid. In the vision true to Albright and Wirth, we look forward to reviewing the many worthy applicants that are certain to apply.

To apply for a FY '07 Albright-Wirth Grant, NPS employees can go to [mylearning.nps.gov/awgrant](http://mylearning.nps.gov/awgrant). The deadline for applications is June 1, 2006. For further questions, contact Dave Tyroler at (505) 899-0205, ext. 356. ■

## Archeological Studies Conducted at Parks in West Virginia

Early in 2005, the University of Kentucky (UK) completed an "Archeological Overview and Assessment of the New River Gorge National River, West Virginia" through a cooperative agreement with the NPS. The report updates the historic contexts for determining the significance of the park's prehistoric archeological resources and incorporates the findings of research in the Central Appalachians, including adjacent areas of the upper Ohio River Valley, eastern Kentucky and southwestern Virginia. The report includes survey data from 37 new sites and two previously recorded sites that have Paleoindian components.

In 2004, UK also completed the first archeological overview of the Gauley River NRA (GARI) locating 13 prehistoric sites. Electronic copies of these reports are available to researchers upon request.

In November 2005, the university began the first comprehensive historic archeology studies in the New River Gorge NR and GARI. The studies are inventorying historic resources pertaining to the coal, railroad and lumber industries, Euro-American agricultural settlement and state parks/recreation. The work in GARI is also surveying upland areas to look for prehistoric sites. Both studies are trying to learn more about the archeological potential of the park's 18th- through mid-20th-century historic resources. A central theme of the studies is the concept of community.

Contact David N. Fuerst, New River Gorge NR archeologist and historian, at (304) 465-6530 or [David\\_Fuerst@nps.gov](mailto:David_Fuerst@nps.gov) for more information on these projects. ■

## NPS Family

**Rick Clark**, chief, science and resources management, Gulf Islands NS, and his wife, **Lisa**, most recently at Everglades NP, budget and finance office, announce the arrival of their twin daughters Rachel Ann and Sarah Lois Clark, born Sept. 25, 2005. Sarah arrived at 1:01 p.m., and was six lbs., one oz. and 19.25-inches long. Rachel arrived at 1:03 p.m., and was five lbs., 13 oz. and 19.75-inches long. The twins join older brother, Bradley.

**Dana Sullivan**, protection operations supervisor, Pinnacles NM, and her husband, John, announce the arrival of their son, Joseph William Sullivan, born on June 22, 2005. Joseph weighed seven lbs., 13 oz. and was 20-inches long. Joseph is adored by sister, Betsey.

Lake Meredith NRA/Alibates Flint Quarries NM Chief Ranger **Dane Tantay** and his wife, Crystal, welcomed their second son (Dane's third son) on Aug. 17, 2005. Nolan Kana Tantay weighed eight lbs., 14 ozs. Nolan is welcomed by big brothers, Kai-Nalu and Darrian. ■

*Send us your stuff! We welcome news and photos about yourself and our NPS family members. See page 12 for mailing and telephone information.*

## Hurricane Relief Fund Donor List

**The following people and organizations have donated to the E&AA Hurricane Relief Fund from Oct. 13, 2005 through Feb. 3, 2006. Thank you for your contributions!**

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**James H. Alexander**, painter (motor vehicle operator), National Mall and Memorial Parks, Nov. 3 after over 26 years of service.

**John M. Andresen**, editor, NPS Midwest Archeological Center, Sept. 16 after 27 years. John began his career with the NPS in 1978 as a park ranger at Casa Grande Ruins NM. He transferred to the Midwest Archeological Center in 1992.

**Alice N. Benfer**, museum technician (anthropology), Intermountain Region, Santa Fe (cultural resources), Oct. 31 after 17 years.



GINGER BICE

**Ginger Bice**, concessions management analyst, Grand Canyon NP, Jan. 3 after 33 years.

Ginger's NPS career began at Albright Training Center in 1972. She transferred to Grand Canyon NP in 1978 and worked in several park divisions including visitor protection and administration. In 1985, she became a concessions assistant in the concessions division, eventually attaining a management position. She received numerous awards for her contributions to the Servicewide concessions program and the Crystal Owl Award for training and development excellence.

**Michael Blackburn**, administrative officer, Antietam NB, Oct. 1 after over 15 years of service.

**Agnes I. Bocock**, realty specialist, Land Acquisition Project Office, Oct. 31 after 30 years of service.

**Warren Brown**, program manager, Park Planning and Special Studies, WASO, Oct. 14 after 30 years of federal service.

After serving as a legislative assistant to the U.S. Senate District Committee of the D.C. City Council and as a project associate with the Environmental Law Institute, Warren joined the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service in 1978, with the Federal Lands Planning Division working on land acquisition policies and programs. He then worked in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife and Parks, followed by an assignment to the NPS Park Planning Division.

Since 1992, Warren has managed the Service's General Management Planning and Special Studies Program. He and his wife, Ann, will be living in Annapolis, Md.

**Audrey Calhoun**, superintendent, George Washington Memorial PKWY, Oct. 31 after more than 34 years.

**John A. Carrasco**, welder (motor vehicle operator), National Mall and Memorial Parks, Sept. 3 after over 33 years.

**Helen Carson**, administrative officer, Timpanogos Cave NM, Jan. 3 after 39 years of federal service.

After beginning her federal career with the Department of the Army, the Department of the Navy and then the USDA Forest Service, Helen transferred to the NPS in 1990 as a purchasing agent at Bryce Canyon NP. Helen has been the administrative officer for Timpanogos Cave NM since 1994. She plans to remain in the Utah Valley, spending time with her parents and grandson, Hunter.

**Kathleen G. Christoph**, realty specialist, Southeast Regional Office, Oct. 31 after 20 years of service.

**Delia Cisneros**, human resources specialist, Intermountain Region, Santa Fe, Jan. 3 after 37 years of service.

Delia started her career with the Department of the Army in 1968, and in 1974 she transferred to the Selective Service. In 1976, she began her career with the NPS as a secretary in Park Operations and later became a personnel clerk in the Division of Personnel.

Delia worked the last 30 years in Human Resources for the Intermountain Region, Santa Fe Office. She has given advice to many employees on retirement issues and will now put all her good advice to work for herself. Delia will continue to reside in Santa Fe and will stay active serving on the Board of Directors with the Del Norte Credit Union.

**Michael Coffey**, wildlife program manager, Biological Resources Management Division, Fort Collins, Colo., Jan. 3 after 33 years of federal service.

Mike's NPS career began at Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks as a wildlife biological technician. In 1984, he was selected for the Natural Resource Management Specialist Training Program and in 1986, became wildlife biologist at Lake Mead NRA. In 1990, he transferred to the Wildlife and Vegetation Division in WASO and then on to Fort Collins with the Wildlife and Vegetation Division, later becoming the wildlife program manager for the Biological Resources Management Division. Mike has managed the Wildlife Management Program since 1995. He and his wife, Jenness, will be living north of Fort Collins on their 46-acre ranch.



KATHY DILONARDO

**Kathy Dilonardo**, chief of interpretation, Northeast Region, Jan. 3 after over 38 years.

Kathy began her NPS career in 1968 as a historian. She was assigned to Cape Hatteras NS, Fort Raleigh NHS, Wright Brothers N MEM and then Fort Pulaski NM. In 1970, Kathy became

the first woman superintendent in the Southeast Region and the third woman superintendent in the NPS when she earned the superintendency at Fort Caroline N MEM. As the Bicentennial of the American Revolution approached, she accepted a job as chief of interpretation and visitor services at Independence NHP.

In the mid-90's, Kathy moved on to responsibilities in the Northeast Region. Under her guidance, Interpretation collaborated with other disciplines and positioned the Northeast Regional Office to be a leader in areas such as interpretive planning and developing sound exhibit concept plans with parks and their partners.

E&AA Life Member **H. Dale Durham**, director, U.S. Army Chemical Corps Museum at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., Jan. 3 after over 43 years of federal service.

Dale initially retired from Amistad NRA in May 2001, where he was management assistant. He previously worked at SERO as chief, Museum Services Division for 15 years and as chief, Branch of Curatorial Services, Museum Services Division, Harpers Ferry Center. In retirement, Dale plans to continue to support the NPS, work as a consultant in interpretation and museum operations and enjoy traveling.



DOUG EURY

E&AA Life Member **Doug Eury**, superintendent, Nez Perce NHP, Jan. 3 after 30 years of federal service, 24 of them with the NPS.

Doug joined the NPS in 1981 at the Southwest Regional Office in Santa Fe, followed by stints as superintendent at El Morro NM, El Malpais NM and Petroglyph NM. He also served on an extended detail as a legislative intern in Washington, D.C. Doug has been the superintendent at Nez Perce NHP since 1998. He and his wife, Lynn, will be moving to Tijeras, N.Mex. and he is looking forward to traveling, visiting their son Mark (a pilot based in Denver), woodworking and volunteering for activities in the community and at church.

**Charles W. Feeney**, gardener, Office of the NPS Liaison to the White House, Sept. 30 after more than 31 years.

**David W. Fraley**, motor vehicle operator, Chesapeake and Ohio Canal NHP, Oct. 1 after more than 28 years.

**Winford C. Franklin**, maintenance worker, Lyndon B. Johnson NHP, Nov. 3 after 28 years of service.

**James Fritts**, painter, Harpers Ferry NHP, Nov. 30 after more than 33 years.

**Ken Garvin**, fire management officer, Southeast Regional Office, Jan. 3 after almost 35 years.

Ken joined the NPS in 1972 at Ton-to NM. During his career, he worked at Lake Mead NRA, Petrified Forest NP, Everglades NP (serving as acting superintendent of Fort Jefferson NM from Nov. 1989 to Jan. 1990), and Chatahoochee River NRA (serving as acting superintendent from Dec. 1996 to May 1997), before moving to the SERO as fire management officer in 1997. Throughout his career, Ken worked in areas including law enforcement, interpretation, resource management, concessions management and in the Fire Management Program.

**Carol Geistweidt**, budget analyst, Lyndon B. Johnson NHP, Sept. 3 after more than 30 years of government service.

Carol started at Lyndon B. Johnson NHP in 1974 and handled a variety of assignments beginning with interpretive tours of the LBJ Boyhood Home and running the cash register in the park visitor center. She also worked as a typist and as a numbers cruncher (on an old 10-key) for the chief of interpretation.

Carol served on many details to other parks, at Albright and in the SWRO. In lieu of gifts, Carol has requested donations be sent to the American Red Cross to be used for hurricane victims.

**Richard R. Gilmartin**, cash clerk, Canaveral NS, Oct. 8 after six years.

**Robert Hamann**, facility manager, Scotts Bluff NM, Jan. 2 after 35 years.

Robert joined the NPS in 1971 at Badlands NP as a maintenance worker. In 1973, he moved on to Scotts Bluff NM and Agate Fossil Beds NM. He was instrumental in building the Agate Visitor Center, maintenance building and permanent staff housing. Robert and his wife, Kathy, will retire to their home in Wall, South Dakota.

**Larry Hatchett**, park guide, Carlsbad Caverns NP, Aug. 10 after over seven years.

E&AA Life Member **Mike Hill**, superintendent, Assateague Island NS, Dec. 2 after 33 years of service.

Mike started his NPS career in 1973 at Sequoia NP and took his next seasonal assignment at Channel Islands NP. His first permanent NPS position was as horse patrol ranger at Petrified Forest NP. Additional assignments included Shenandoah NP, Biscayne NP and Timpanogos Cave NM. In 1990, he was selected for the Bevinetto Congressional Fellowship, a two-year development program on Capitol Hill that gave him opportunities to draft legislation and become involved in legislative affairs.

In 1993, Mike became superintendent at Petersburg NB and then at Assateague in 2000. He is leaving Assateague Island NS to become a regional director with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, where he will be responsible for state parks in western Texas.

**Leona M. Holden**, information technology specialist, Land Acquisition Project Office, Sept. 30 after 30 years.

**Bob Howard**, upper district ranger, Buffalo NR, Jan. 3 after 28 years of service.

Bob began his career in 1976 as a seasonal park aid at Petersburg NB. His first permanent ranger position was in 1978 at Independence NHP. He then served as a

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park ranger at Richmond NBP and Everglades NP. In 1992, Bob was promoted to law enforcement specialist at Buffalo NR and later transferred to his current position as supervisory park ranger.

**Marlene Igo**, management assistant and administrative officer, Lake Roosevelt NRA, Jan. 7 after over 30 years of federal service.

In addition to Lake Roosevelt NRA, Marlene has had assignments at Big Bend NP, Amistad NRA, Glen Canyon NRA, Curecanti NRA, Black Canyon of the Gunnison NP, Pinnacles NM and Yosemite NP. She also worked for the Agricultural Stabilization Conservation Service, U.S. Border Patrol and the Social Security Administration. Marlene will now join her husband, Mark, who has been retired for six years, and enjoy some long motor home trips that they have planned.

**Kim Kacer**, budget analyst, Big Cypress N PRES, Jan. 6 after 20 years of service.

Kim started her NPS career at Rocky Mountain NP in 1965. During her career, she has worked at Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, Mount Rainier NP and Everglades NP. She also joined her husband Kevin (who is also an NPS retiree and a life member of E&AA) on assignments at Biscayne NP, Cape Lookout NS, Dry Tortugas NP and Cumberland Island NS.

**Allette K. Karavitis**, information technology specialist, Land Acquisition Project Office, Sept. 30 after 31 years.

**Paul B. Keener**, maintenance mechanic leader (motor vehicle operator), Chesapeake and Ohio Canal NHP, Oct. 1 after over 35 years.

**Talley Kirkland, Jr.**, park ranger (interpretation), Fort Pulaski NM, Sept. 3 after 32 years of service.

**Dennis R. Kogl**, utility systems repair operator, Denali NP & PRES, Sept. 30 after 19 years.

**Joan E. Largent**, budget analyst, Intermountain Region, Santa Fe (administrative support), Nov. 30 after 22 years.

**Joe Martin**, architect, Architecture Division, SERO, Dec. 9 after 12 years of service.

Joe has been instrumental in the preservation of several cultural resources throughout the region. He has decided to make a professional career change to the private sector.

**Frances Joan Mathien**, archeologist, Intermountain Region, Santa Fe (cultural resources), Sept. 30 after 26 years.

E&AA Life Member **Richard D. Maxwell**, information technology specialist, Western Archeological and Conservation Center, Oct. 31 after 33 years.

**William K. McKay**, tractor operator, Vicksburg NMP, Nov. 26 after 30 years.

E&AA Life Member **Bruce D. McKee-man**, superintendent, Herbert Hoover NHS, Jan. 3 after more than 36 years.

Bruce started his career with the NPS the summer he graduated from high school, worked the next three summers in Yellowstone NP on a resource management crew and a final summer as a campground ranger at Great Smoky Mountains NP. He attended training academies at Grand Canyon NP and in Washington, D.C. and then transferred to Tonto NM

as a park ranger. Following this, he spent eight years at Yosemite NP where he served as a protection ranger and supervisor working in law enforcement, search and rescue, emergency medicine and wildland and structural fire programs. From there, he went on to Hawai'i Volcanoes NP where he was the frontcountry district ranger.

Additional assignments included Johnstown Flood N MEM, George Washington Memorial PKWY, Voyageurs NP as chief ranger, deputy superintendent at Roosevelt-Vanderbilt National Historic Sites and finally superintendent at Herbert Hoover NHS for the last three years. During his career, he had detail assignments to Guam and Alaska and worked on national policy task groups. Bruce and his wife, Georjean, who also worked for the NPS, look forward to life in Prescott, Ariz. where they will pursue hobbies, travel, visits to national parks and the culture of the Southwest.

**JoAnn Y. Ortiz**, program assistant to the deputy associate regional director, Intermountain Region, Santa Fe (cultural resources), Nov. 3 after more than 34 years of service with the NPS, and a total of 39 years of federal government service.

Throughout her years with the NPS, JoAnn provided support to Cultural Resources Management in a variety of duties. JoAnn retires to spend more time with her husband, Tito, her two sons, Tom and Timothy, daughters, Tamara and Tiffany, and her grandchildren.

**Victor B. Ortiz**, mason, Pecos NHP, Oct. 29 after 38 years of service.

**Bob Page**, maintenance worker, Dinosaur NM, Jan. 7 after 36 years.

Although Bob spent his entire time with the Maintenance Division, he will be remembered by all his friends and co-workers as someone who worked across division lines to help anyone in need. He plans to remain in the area and return to the park frequently to make sure all is well.

E&AA Life Member **Patricia "Pat" Ruff**, chief ranger, Cowpens NB, Feb. 3 after over 28 years of service.

Pat began with the NPS as a volunteer in 1977 at Cowpens NB. She began her career there as a seasonal park guide in 1978 and has served in various capacities since that time before being appointed the park's chief ranger in 1989. She served the park under seven different superintendents and is the only remaining member of the original Cowpens staff.

Pat retired just after the park's 225th anniversary celebration, but she will not retire from working. She will become the executive director of the new Health and Wellness Center at Archibald Rutledge Center.

**William A. "Bill" Sanders**, superintendent, Hopewell Furnace NHS, Jan. 3 after 33 years of service.

Bill's career extended from seasonal park technician at Morristown NHP to park ranger at Independence NHP, sub-district and district ranger at Delaware Water Gap NRA and chief ranger at the Appalachian National Scenic Trail. He served as "Ranger Careers" manager in the Washington Office, Division of Ranger Activities, from 1992 until 1998. Guiding an inter-disciplinary team of senior experts from NPS, DOI, OPM and private personnel contractors, Bill produced "Ranger Careers Volume I," essentially reinventing position manage-

ment for both protection and interpretation park rangers. For the first time, largely through Bill's efforts, NPS resource protection rangers received enhanced annuity retirement coverage and status as federal law enforcement officers. Bill simultaneously served as the NPS representative on other human resources initiatives within the DOI. He was presented the DOI Meritorious Service Award for his outstanding service as a ranger careers manager.

Bill served as superintendent of Hopewell Furnace NHS from 1998 through 2005. He also served an extended detail as acting associate regional director for park operations in the Northeast Region during 2004 and 2005. Bill and his wife, Nancy, plan to continue living in Birdsboro, Penna.

**Sandy Schuster**, writer/editor, Planning Division, Denver Service Center (DSC), Jan. 3 after more than 35 years of federal service.

Sandy began in the NPS Western Service Center in 1971 and worked as a secretary for landscape architects in planning and design. She moved to Denver in 1971 when the DSC was formed. She worked as a secretary to the DSC manager, as a public information officer and as a writer/editor. Sandy left the DSC in 1989 and returned in 1992 until her retirement.

E&AA Life Member **Bob Seibert**, west district ranger, Yellowstone NP, April 28, 2005 after 33 years of service.

Bob worked seasonally at North Cascades, Glacier and Everglades NP. Career appointments included Rocky Mountain NP, Hawai'i Volcanoes NP, Denali NP & PRES and Yellowstone NP. Bob and his wife, Susan, have retired to Bozeman, Mont. They can be contacted at bsseibert@hotmail.com.

**Nonavee E. Smith**, administration officer, Oconaluftee Job Corps Civilian Conservation Center, Sept. 30 after 37 years.

**Barbara B. Stanislawski**, museum curator, Intermountain Region, Santa Fe (cultural resources), Oct. 31 after 21 years.

**Karen Steed**, human resources specialist, San Antonio Missions NHP, Jan. 3 after 27 years of federal service.

Karen started her NPS career in the Midwest Regional Office. From there she had assignments at Jefferson National Expansion Memorial, the former Southwest Regional Office in Santa Fe and finally San Antonio Missions NHP, where she served as budget analyst for nine years and as the human resources specialist for six years. Karen's retirement plans include enjoying time with her two grandsons, traveling, pursuing her interest in her family genealogy and teaching genealogy research courses.

E&AA Life Member **Bill Supernaugh**, superintendent, Badlands NP, Nov. 26 after more than 38 years of service.

Bill's park service career began in 1967 as an intake trainee at the Grand Canyon. After three months of intake training, Bill became a ranger at Natchez Trace PKWY. In 1970, he became Swannanoa sub-district ranger at the Blue Ridge PKWY. Subsequent assignments included Glen Canyon NRA as natural resource specialist and then chief of resource management; Washington, D.C., Division of Natural Resources as natural resource specialist and then wildlife biologist; Mid-Atlantic Regional Office as chief of resource protection and visitor use man-

agement; superintendent of the NPS Law Enforcement Training Center at FLETC in Georgia; assistant superintendent at Indiana Dunes NL and finally, superintendent at Badlands NP since 1997.

Bill has represented the Service at the international level sharing expertise and establishing sister park relationships and plans to stay involved with the NPS as an instructor for the Fundamentals courses and the International Technical Assistance Program. He will remain active in the Association of National Park Rangers, where he is currently manager of the mentoring program and a board member for Internal Communication.

**Ethelyn G. Taylor**, realty specialist, AKRO, Sept. 30 after 26 years.

**Billy W. Thornell**, maintenance mechanic, Horseshoe Bend NMP, Sept. 30 after 35 years of service.



JOHN TUCKER

E&AA Life Member **John Tucker**, superintendent, Fort Sumter NM and Charles Pinckney NHS, Jan. 3 after 35 years.

John's first NPS assignment was at Cades Cove in Great Smoky Mountains NP in 1970. He joined the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve in January 1971 and returned full time with the NPS in July 1971, while continuing reserve duty for six years. After receiving Basic Ranger Training at Albright Training Center, John served at Great Smoky Mountains NP, NCP-East, Ocmulgee NM, Cabrillo NM and then served as chief ranger at Fort Sumter NM from 1977 to 1980.

Following this, John served as superintendent of Andersonville NHS from 1980 to 1989. While at Andersonville, John served as the first superintendent of Jimmy Carter NHS when it was established in 1988. He returned to Fort Sumter as the superintendent in 1989. John received numerous awards during his career including the Superior Service Award in 1988 and the Superintendent of the Year award in 2002. In 1988, Congress authorized Charles Pinckney NHS in Mount Pleasant, S.C. John has managed the development of the site from its establishment through the park's opening in 1995 to the present.

After retirement, John will take a few months off to reenergize and plan for the next chapter in his life. He has continuing interest in tourism and park management as well as his work with the church.

**Larry Tucker**, tractor operator, Fort Donelson NB, Oct. 1 after 12 years.

**Louis Van Steinburg**, facilities services assistant, Harpers Ferry NHP, Sept. 30 after more than 17 years of service.

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**John S. Adams**, 56, Sept. 24, suddenly, in Arvada, Colo.

John recently retired as electrical engineer from the Denver Service Center. Projects that John was proud of were at Steamtown NHS, Palo Alto Battlefield NHS, Lake Mead NRA and Yosemite NP.

Outside of work, John loved motorcycles and was a fan of NASCAR racing. He was a Vietnam veteran. Survivors include two daughters. Memorial donations may be made in his name to the Victory Junction Gang Camp, 4500 Adam's Way, Randleman, NC 27317.

**Jerald "Jed" Bryars**, 59, Dec. 16, in a head-on collision.

Jed was a maintenance mechanic at Glacier NP. In addition to this and other assignments at Glacier, Jed also worked for the Bureau of Reclamation. He is survived by his wife, Sharon, three children and three step-children.

**Jeff Cobb**, 54, Oct. 4, in comfort and surrounded by family.

Jeff was the Outer Bank Group's management assistant. His career with the NPS started in 1978 as an intern at Yellowstone NP. Jeff went on to become one of the Service's top concessions managers. In addition, he served a major role in the drafting of the law enforcement sections of the NPS Management Policies (2001) and worked on Servicewide jet ski issues.

Throughout his career, Jeff served as a law enforcement ranger at Lowell NHP and as chief ranger at Cape Hatteras NS (Outer Banks Group). His concession positions included stints as a seasonal at Yellowstone NP, a seasonal for the Denver Service Center, a permanent at Yosemite NP, chief of concessions management for the Mid-Atlantic Region and chief of concessions management in the Alaska Region. He is survived by his wife, Karen, and sons, Mitchell and Brendan.

Donations in remembrance of Jeff can be made to: The Yellowstone Association, P.O. Box 117, Yellowstone National Park, WY 82190.

E&AA Life Member **William P. Fisher**, 88, Dec. 7, 2004, in Corona de Tucson, Ariz.

Bill's first permanent NPS position was as a park ranger at Natchez Trace PKWY in 1954. He transferred to Zion NP in 1961 and retired from there in 1972.

Survivors include his wife, Chloe; son, William P. Fisher, Jr.; daughters, Caroline Fall and Cilla Temple; 10 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

**Stanley Hathaway**, 81, Oct. 4, at his Wyoming home.

Stan was appointed Secretary of the Interior in 1975 and served for less than four months—until his early departure due to illness. Stan also served two terms as governor of Wyoming, from Jan. 1967 to Jan. 1975.

**Elizabeth Hertel**, 58, Oct. 1, after suffering an apparent heart attack, while attending the wedding reception of two fellow park employees.

Elizabeth was an interpreter at Indiana Dunes NL. She began work at the national lakeshore in 1989 as a second career after working in the television industry in Chicago. She coordinated the park's Artist-in-Residence program, the entertainment for the Duneland Harvest Festival and was the park representative to Indiana's Very Special Arts

program for children with disabilities. She created numerous posters and flyers for park programs and received an "On the Spot Award" this past year for her work. Elizabeth was also a skilled photographer and worked for Channel 56 Television in Merrillville. She is survived by her mother, Margaret Gardener of Evanston, Ill.

E&AA Life Member **Francis Ross Holland, Jr.**, 78, Sept. 16, of Alzheimer's disease, at home in Mason, N.H.

Ross began his NPS career in the 1940's and was a park ranger at Shiloh NMP. He later became historian at various parks including Channel Islands NM, Morristown NHP, Cabrillo NM and Chesapeake and Ohio Canal NHP. In addition, he served in park management positions. He retired from the NPS in 1983.

During his career, Ross received DOI's Meritorious Service Award and Distinguished Service Award. He was chairman of the board of Eastern National from 1988 to 1990. He is survived by his wife, June; son, Henry; and three grandchildren.

**Larry Edward James**, 72, Oct. 2, at Elmsbrook Memorial Hospital in Milwaukee, Wis.

Larry retired from the NPS as a historian at Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania County Battlefields Memorial NMP. Survivors include his wife, Virginia; son, Ronnie; daughter, Judi; and five grandchildren.

E&AA Life Member **Arthur Durand "Randy" Jones**, 56, Nov. 23, peacefully, at home, of cancer.

Randy's career with the federal government spanned over 30 years, primarily with the NPS. From 2002 until this past spring, Randy held the position of deputy director at the agency headquarters in Washington, D.C. For the six months preceding his death, Randy served as a special assistant to the director.

Randy's career consisted of assignments including superintendent at Rocky Mountain NP; superintendent at Lyndon B. Johnson NHP; deputy superintendent at Everglades NP; assistant superintendent at Olympic NP; program liaison officer at the Alaska Regional Office; legislative affairs specialist in the Division of Legislation, Washington, D.C.; member of Special Resources Staff, Office of the Director, Washington, D.C.; and environmental specialist, Division of Federal Agency Coordination, Washington, D.C. He received numerous honors and Special Act, Achievement and Superior Service awards from both the DOI and NPS during his career,



John Clarke Photography, Fort Collins, Colo.

**A. DURAND "RANDY" JONES**

including the 2005 Presidential Rank Award for Meritorious Executive Service, the 2005 Bronze Secretary's Executive Leadership Award and the 2005 Inter-mountain Region Courage Award.

Randy taught classes in political science, resource management and on Alaska programs at the NPS's Albright Training Center and was a guest seminar lecturer at the University of Michigan. He was also an avid world traveler and photographer.

Survivors include his wife, Julie; his mother, Virginia; his sister, Casey; and Casey's husband, David. Randy was preceded in death by his father, Elton. Condolences may be sent to Julie Jones at P.O. Box 248, Estes Park, CO 80517. Memorial contributions may be made to the NPS's Employees and Alumni Association George B. Hartzog, Jr. Educational Loan Program, 470 Maryland Drive, Suite 1, Fort Washington, PA 19034, or to The Nature Conservancy, 4245 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 100, Arlington, VA 22203.

**Daniel Paul Madrid**, 51, Sept. 24, after collapsing while hiking to investigate a park visitor fatality at Yosemite NP.

Daniel was a special agent who worked for the NPS through the Washington, D.C. Office. He was temporarily working at Yosemite. He had been with the NPS for over 28 years. Survivors include his wife, Rebecca, and two children.

E&AA Life Member **Dennis E. McGinnis**, 85, Oct. 26, in Bel Air, Md.

Dennis began his career with the NPS in 1954 at the Eastern Office of Design and Construction in Phila. with projects at Chalmette NHP, Everglades NP and Cape Hatteras NS. From 1959 to 1970, he was chief of maintenance at Cape



Photo courtesy of Dennis McGinnis, Jr.

**DENNIS E. MCGINNIS**

Hatteras and then from 1970 to 1974, he served on the Mid-Atlantic Regional Office's Evaluation Team. In 1974, he was appointed superintendent at Fort McHenry NM and Historic Shrine and retired from there in 1980.

During his retirement years, Dennis wrote a weekly column for the *Coastland Times* in North Carolina. The North Carolina Press Association, Inc. granted him an award for his achievement in this field in 1984. He also wrote short stories and articles for various publications.

Survivors include his five sons: Dennis (who works for the NPS in the Washington Office), Brian (the operations supervisor at Fort McHenry), Kevin, Sean and Terry; and six grandchildren. Memorials in his name may be made to the American Cancer Society.

E&AA Life Member **Joseph L. "Bill" Orr**, 79, Oct. 8, of cancer, at home in Petaluma, Calif.

Bill started with the NPS in 1950 as a seasonal ranger at Devils Tower NM. His first permanent ranger position was at Blue Ridge PKWY in 1952. He then moved on to Bandelier NM, Big Bend NP, Yosemite NP, Grand Canyon NP, WASO and Mount Rainier NP, followed by a unit manager position on the North Rim in Grand Canyon NP and then chief ranger, Western Region, until his retirement in 1980.

Bill's second career was as the director of the Santa Rosa Ranger Academy. Many current NPS, BLM, FWS and USFS law enforcement rangers graduated from his school. Bill was the director at Santa Rosa from 1988 to 2003. During this period, he graduated over 3,000 students. Bill pioneered the concept of the Seasonal Ranger Law Enforcement training program that exists today.

Bill is survived by his wife, Vergene "Genie;" his children, Jim, Brad, Joy, Debbie and Lori; step-children, Christine, Nathan and Eric; and 15 grandchildren. Memorial contributions may be made to Santa Rosa Junior College Public Safety Training Center, c/o Scott Dunn, 5743 Skyline Blvd., Windsor, CA 95403; or Hospice of Petaluma, 416 Payran St., Petaluma, CA 94952.

**Raymond C. Peterson**, Sept. 24, at home, after a struggle with Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis.

Ray was a retired 15-year veteran of the NPS who began his NPS career in 1980 as youth program safety manager for the YCC and YACC Programs in Washington state. In 1982, he became the safety officer for Mount Rainier NP, and then became the Pacific Northwest regional safety manager in 1984.

Ray retired from the NPS in 1994, but continued his work with the NPS as a volunteer for the Midwest Regional Office on their Safety and Environmental Compliance Evaluation Team, assisting in evaluations of more than 100 Midwest regional parks. In 1995, Ray received a Professional Service Award from the DOI.

In addition to his wife, Shirley Rowley (who was a safety specialist with the Denver Service Center), Ray is survived by son, Mark; daughter, Kim; grandson, Drew; step-daughters, Lisa, Kristin and Sonja; and four step-grandchildren, Jessica, Nicole, Michael and Brandon.

**Malcolm "Angus" Ross**, Nov. 20, suddenly, at home.

Angus retired in 1998 as chief of resource management at Upper Delaware SRR. He worked for the NPS for 35 years. His career included assignments at Everglades NP, Blue Ridge PKWY, Lake Mead NRA, Shenandoah NP and Assateague Island NS. After retiring from the NPS, he became involved with FEMA as a disaster assistance employee.

He is survived by his wife, JoAnne Merritt, the Information Technology specialist at Upper Delaware SRR; son, Mark; daughter, Shannon; and two grandchildren. Contributions in his memory may be made to: Habitat For Humanity Of Wayne County, 827 Church St., Honesdale, PA 18431; the American Heart Association, Lackawanna/Luzerne Chapter, 71 North Franklin Street, Wilkes Barre, PA 18701; or America's Second Harvest, Attn: Fran



# Requiescat in Pace

Cabugason, 35 East Wacker, Suite 2000, Chicago, IL 60601.

**James "Jim" Schlinkmann**, 49, Nov. 23, in a motor vehicle accident.

Jim was chief ranger at Great Basin NP. He was returning home from an assignment in south Florida, where he was part of a NPS Incident Management Team assisting with Hurricane Wilma recovery.

Jim began his 23-year NPS career as a seasonal ranger at Devils Tower NM, then becoming chief ranger, first at Devils Tower and then Great Basin NP. He also served at Denali NP & PRES, Joshua Tree NP and Rocky Mountain NP. An avid rock climber, he made significant contributions to the NPS's technical rescue program, serving as the lead instructor for the Service's annual technical rescue training. He also served on the Pacific West Ranger Advisory Committee and was plans section chief on the Pacific West Incident Management Team.

Jim is survived by his son, Bryan; Bryan's mother, Colette; his parents, Paul and Shirley; and his sister, Judy.

E&AA Life Member **Virginia A. "Ginny" Finch Stark**, 93, Sept. 23, at St. Catherine's Village in Madison, Miss.

Ginny was preceded in death by her husband of 56 years, Anthony Edward "Tony" Stark, who retired as safety director for the Southeast Region, Great Smoky Mountains NP. The couple moved to Yellowstone NP with their two young daughters in 1940 where Tony began a life-long career with the NPS. For the next seven years, Virginia lived the pioneer life of a Park Service ranger's wife of that era, experiencing snowed-in winters and moving from



John Lanford

**VIRGINIA A. FINCH STARK**

summer locations to winter locations a total of 12 times.

Ginny taught public school for several years. She moved to St. Catherine's Village in Madison, Miss. in 1995, where she spent her final happy and fulfilling years of life. She is survived by daughters, Toni Lanford and Sharon Hooper, six grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

**Terri Taylor**, 47, Aug. 15, after a brief battle with lung cancer.

Terri was a landscape architect who used to work in cultural resources in the Pacific West Region Seattle office over 10 years ago. She worked in cultural resources on a term appointment until 1995. Terri had projects at parks including Lake Roosevelt NRA, Fort Vancouver NHS and John Day Fossil Beds NM. She also worked at Rocky Mountain NP. She left for a permanent job at the Army Corps of Engineers in Seattle.

Per her family's request, donations in Terri's memory can be made to the Feral Cat Spay/Neuter Project at 11331 Roosevelt Way NE, Seattle, WA 98125-6227. Write your check to the Feral Cat Spay/Neuter Project with a memo line "in memory of Terri Taylor."

**Jan Wade Vaughan**, 60, Dec. 11, at Southwest Memorial Hospital, in Cortez, Colo.

Jan was the wife of E&AA Life Member Tom Vaughan, sister of former Superintendent and E&AA Life Member Bill Wade and daughter of former Mesa Verde NP Chief Ranger Jack Wade. Jan and Tom traveled together in the NPS to Hawaii, California, Arizona, Montana, West Virginia and New Mexico. In 1989, Jan returned with her family to the Mancos Valley, where her great-grandfather John James Wade had settled 110 years earlier.

Before illness curtailed her activities, Jan's interests were singing in the Mancos Valley Chorus and volunteering as an advocate and board member of Renew, Inc., serving victims of domestic violence.

Survivors include her husband, Tom, who retired as an interpretive specialist for the BLM Anasazi Heritage Center in 1995; son, Drayton; daughter, Noi; step-daughter, Beth Breidenbach; four grandchildren; and brother and sister-in-law, Bill and Sherrie Wade.

Donations may be made in memory of Jan Wade Vaughan to Renew, Inc., P.O. Box 169, Cortez, CO 81321, or to the Mancos Valley Chorus, 13102 CR 42, Mancos, CO 81328.

**Caleb Wilson**, early 50's, Nov. 28, in Del Muerto, Ariz.

Caleb was a member of the exotic

plant/fire team crew at Canyon de Chelly NM. He was known for his dedication to the park and worked tirelessly throughout the year. He had recently returned from assisting Everglades NP in Hurricane Wilma relief efforts. Caleb's brother told the park that "nothing made Caleb more proud in the last year than to be a NPS employee...."

## JNEM Celebrates 40 Years of the Gateway Arch

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autographs. In a special afternoon program, Grace Guggenheim, daughter of the late filmmaker Charles Guggenheim, spoke about her father's work and his film about the construction of the Arch, *Monument to the Dream*. On Oct. 29, a star was placed on the St. Louis "Walk of Fame" for the filmmaker. In addition, a reception was held that evening in the Arch visitor center for over 50 former park employees.

The successful 40th anniversary events were made possible by the generous assistance of JNEM's partners, Metro and Jefferson National Parks Association.

## Hurricane Relief Fund Donor List

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## Upcoming Meetings & Events

**E&AA 2006 Reunion**—Oct. 5 through 8. Join us at the Grand Canyon for the 2006 E&AA Reunion! Open to all E&AA members and their guests. Come see old friends, make some new ones and enjoy the festivities. A registration form and additional information will be in the next issue of the *Arrowhead* newsletter. For questions, contact Veronica Manley at (215) 283-6900, ext. 135. Start making plans!

**Tentative Itinerary: Thursday, Oct. 5, 2006:** Arrive at Grand Canyon and check in at the Albright Training Center, 1 Albright Avenue, Grand Canyon, Ariz., (928) 638-7981; 2 to 5 p.m. registration - Albright Training Center; 6 to 9 p.m. welcome reception and dinner at the recreation center (western barbecue).

**Friday, Oct. 6, 2006:** Breakfast on your own. Maswik Cafeteria opens at 6 a.m.; 10 a.m. Hermits Rest Tour (two hours)—four stops at popular points along the rim that may include Trailview Point, Hopi Point, Pima Point and Hermits Rest; 12:30 p.m. lunch at the Maswik Cafeteria; 2 p.m. tour of Albright Training Center—behind the scenes, Canyon View Information Center, maintenance area and curatorial; dinner on your own.

**Saturday, Oct. 7, 2006:** Breakfast on your own. Maswik Cafeteria opens at 6 a.m.; 10 a.m. Desert View Tour—four stops at popular points along the rim that may include Moran Point, Lipan Point and Desert View; 12:30 p.m. boxed lunch at campgrounds; 5 p.m. reception at Kolb

Studio; 6:30 p.m. Rim Condor Talk.  
**Sunday, Oct. 8, 2006:** Depart

**Notice to Former Albright Training Center Staff**—Come see and celebrate with us the rebirth of the Albright Training Center after 18 months of major renovation. You won't believe what we've done with the place! If you are a former Albright employee and you have not received an email or postcard from us, let us know! Send address and email information to Albright Training Center Re-Dedication, P.O. Box 973, Chino Valley, AZ 86323.

**Petrified Forest NP 100th Anniversary Employee Reunion**—Aug. 4 through 6, 2006. Open to all present and former Petrified Forest NP employees, Volunteers-In-Parks, concessioner employees and employees of major contractors, partners and cooperators. The reunion will take place at the park, and will include a picnic luncheon, tours of the current administrative areas and interpretive tours of the newly restored Painted Desert Inn. In addition, on Aug. 6, the park's museum curator will be conducting interviews with employees who would like to share their past experiences at the park.

If you're interested in attending, contact the park by mail at Reunion, Petrified Forest National Park, P.O. Box 2217, Petrified Forest, AZ 86028 or by email at scott\_williams@nps.gov. Include names, addresses, telephone numbers, email addresses, former duties and the years employed. Park staff are seeking help in

locating former employees. Please spread the word about the reunion and how to make the initial mail contact. Official invitations, registration forms and programs will be sent to those who respond to this announcement beginning on April 12, 2006.

Petrified Forest NP is still the incredible place that you remember from your times working here. If you haven't returned to visit the park recently, this is a great opportunity to reacquire yourself, both spiritually and intellectually, with its natural and cultural wonders.

The reunion will provide an opportunity to visit with old friends, swap stories about park experiences and see how the park operates today. Current employees will be available to talk about the latest in park research projects, the new General Management Plan which is being developed in connection with the Park Boundary Expansion, internet-based administrative tools and a variety of other topics.

**Mesa Verde Hosts Alumni Reunion**—From Oct. 13 through 16, 2006, Mesa Verde NP will host a reunion for all who have fond memories of working in the park. This event will reunite friends and families as they participate in field trips, barbecues, live music and dancing. Participants are invited to contribute to an oral history project and lend their recollections to an archive for future generations. For registration and more information, visit [www.mesaverde2006.org](http://www.mesaverde2006.org).

# New Places & Faces

**Ruben Andrade**, from chief of interpretation, Fort Union NM, to supervisory park ranger (interpretation), Carlsbad Caverns NP.

**Craig T. Axtell**, from superintendent, Bryce Canyon NP, to superintendent, Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks.

**Paige Baker**, from superintendent, Casa Grande Ruins NM, to superintendent, Badlands NP.

**Chuck Burton**, from facility manager, Guadalupe Mountains NP, to facility manager, Carlsbad Caverns NP.

**Sarah Creachbaum**, from Bevinetto Fellow, Capitol Hill and NPS Office of Legislation and Congressional Affairs, to superintendent, War in the Pacific NHP.

**Joe Davis**, from elevator mechanic, Carlsbad Caverns NP, to maintenance worker supervisor, Abraham Lincoln Birthplace NHS.

**Teresa Dickinson**, from program assistant, Gettysburg NMP, to facility manager, Prince William Forest Park.

**Mary Doll**, from management assistant, to chief of interpretation, Outer Banks Group.

**Danielle Foster**, from ecologist, Saguaro NP, to biologist, Carlsbad Caverns NP.

**Philip A. Francis, Jr.**, from assistant superintendent, Great Smoky Mountains NP and acting superintendent, Blue Ridge PKWY, to superintendent, Blue Ridge PKWY.

**Lorna Gunning**, from NPS IDEAS functional administrator, to deputy chief of contracting, NPS.

**Richard Harris**, from deputy director, Washington Office of Strategic Planning, to superintendent, Chamizal N MEM.

**Michael Hosking**, from museum technician, Harry S Truman NHS, to cultural resource specialist, Minuteman Missile NHS.

**Chuck Huston**, from park ranger, Cape Hatteras NS, to park ranger, Prince William Forest Park.

**Craig Johnson**, from park ranger, Prince William Forest Park, to park ranger, Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania County Battlefields Memorial NMP.



**MARGARET JOHNSTON**

**Margaret "Maggie" Johnston**, from superintendent, Capulin Volcano NM, to superintendent, Golden Spike NHS.

**Marcus Koenen**, from monitoring coordinator, Inventory and Monitoring Program - National Capital Region Network, to network coordinator,

Inventory and Monitoring Program - San Francisco Bay Area Network.

**Sarah Koenen**, from natural resources specialist, George Washington Memorial PKWY, to park ranger, Muir Woods NM.

**Jennifer Lee**, from biologist, to chief, resource management, Prince William Forest Park.

**George Liffert**, from chief of visitor and resource protection, to assistant superintendent, Prince William Forest Park.

**Greg Marshall**, from acting superintendent, to superintendent, Sagamore Hill NHS.

**Dennis Milligan**, from park ranger (law enforcement), Independence NHP, to park ranger (law enforcement), Carlsbad Caverns NP.

**Christopher Moos**, from administrative officer, Dinosaur NM, to superintendent, Capulin Volcano NM.

**Jimmy Muncy**, from wage supervisor, to chief of maintenance, Lake Meredith NRA/Alibates Flint Quarries NM.

**Michael Murray**, from deputy superintendent, Cape Cod NS, to superintendent, Outer Banks Group.

**Al Nash**, from public affairs specialist, WASO, to chief of public affairs, Yellowstone NP.

**Chip Nelson**, from park ranger, to chief of visitor and resource protection, Prince William Forest Park.

**Rozanna Pfeiffer**, from supervisory park ranger, Statue of Liberty NM, to

chief of interpretation, Lake Meredith NRA/Alibates Flint Quarries NM.

**Keith Pruitt**, from facility manager, Carlsbad Caverns NP, to superintendent, Abraham Lincoln Birthplace NHS.

**Patrick Reed**, from superintendent, Chickamauga and Chattanooga NMP, to superintendent, Mammoth Cave NP.

**Dennis R. Reidenbach**, from assistant superintendent, to superintendent, Independence NHP.

**Carolyn Richard**, from chief of interpretation and education, Carlsbad Caverns NP, to chief of interpretation, Grand Teton NP.

**Dennis Schramm**, from program analyst, Office of Planning and Policy, Washington, D.C., to superintendent, Mojave N PRES.

**Mike Snyder**, from acting regional director, to regional director, Intermountain Region.

**Rommel Dane Tantay**, from supervisory park ranger, Big Cypress N PRES, to chief ranger, Lake Meredith NRA/Alibates Flint Quarries NM.

**Erin Tromblay**, from fee supervisor, Joshua Tree NP, to revenue and fee business manager, Carlsbad Caverns NP.

**Arlene Wimer**, from environmental protection specialist, Padre Island NS, to environmental protection specialist, Lake Meredith NRA/Alibates Flint Quarries NM.

**Carl Zimmerman**, from resource manager, to acting superintendent, Assateague Island NS. ■

## Off the Press

### *Tracking the Spirit of Yellowstone: Recollections of Thirty-One Years As A Seasonal Ranger*

By Orville E. Bach, Jr.  
Blue Willow Press, 2005  
ISBN 0-9767473-0-8  
270 pp; \$16.95

In his book, *Tracking the Spirit of Yellowstone*, Orville Bach writes about Yellowstone NP with an understand-

ing that he has gained from working as a seasonal park ranger and living in the park for over 30 years. Orville writes about Yellowstone's geologic wonders and takes the reader along on adventures including backpacking, ski-touring and paddling in Yellowstone's backcountry. A map of the park and 18 pen-and-ink drawings by Orville's wife, Margaret Bach, accompany the text.

*Tracking the Spirit of Yellowstone* may be ordered from your local bookstore, from Amazon.com or from the Yellowstone Association at [www.yellowstoneassociation.org](http://www.yellowstoneassociation.org). ■

## Benefactors

The following donations were received this quarter. Thank you for your support.

Carolyn Barker, Nicholas Clinch, Marshall Gingery, Nathan Golub, Gene Scovill, Lawrence Trombello and David Wallace.

### Frank F. Kowski Memorial Golf Tournament 2004

**In memory of Randy Jones**  
George and Frances Alderson, Jane Anderson, Christine Bernthal, Marcia Blaszak, Kevin Fitzgerald, Joel and Linda Gottlieb, Robert Howard, Marlene and Dennis Humphrey, James Lambe, Carole and Lee McElvain, Alan Mintz, National Park Hos-

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**In honor of Mrs. Lois Kowski**  
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## Class of 2005/2006

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E&AA Member **Audrey Wagner**, budget analyst, Channel Islands NP, Feb. 28, 2005 after 21 years of service.

**Walter K. Wait**, supervisory archeologist, Intermountain Region, Santa Fe (cultural resources), Sept. 30 after 31 years of service.

**Chris Ward**, deputy superintendent, Ozark NSR, Jan. 2 after more than 35 years of service.

Chris began his career as a seasonal maintenance laborer and fire control aide at Ozark NSR in 1970 and moved on to Jefferson National Expansion Memorial for his first permanent position as a park technician in interpretation. Chris became an intake protection ranger at Shenandoah NP in 1978, which began his law enforcement career. He served as chief ranger at (then) Great Sand Dunes NM and Death Valley NP. Other assignments included Hot Springs NP, Glen Canyon NRA and Delaware Water Gap NRA.

Chris also served on all-risk regional teams and special event teams to serve parks that required special assistance for a variety of events. He now lives in Van Buren, Mo. with his wife, Nancy.

**Mike Webb**, wildland-urban interface specialist, Fire Management Program, Southeast Regional Office, Jan. 3 after 35 years.

Mike's first permanent NPS position

was with Kennesaw Mountain NBP, where he worked in maintenance, followed by Chattahoochee River NRA as district supervisor and then as facility manager for the park. For the past six years, Mike has worked in the Southeast Regional Office as a wildland-urban interface specialist for the Fire Management Program.

**Dianne White**, executive assistant, Carlsbad Caverns NP, Dec. 31 after over 16 years.

**Thomas C. Windes**, archeologist, Intermountain Region, Santa Fe (cultural resources), Nov. 3 after 36 years.

**Marji A. Wyles**, budget analyst, Land Acquisition Project Office, Sept. 30 after 20 years of service. ■

### E&AA welcomes the following new members:

John Andresen, Margie Coffin Brown, Susan Buchel, Kathleen Triggs Byrne, Elaine Carr, Stewart Fox, Terri Greene, John Guthrie, Robert Howard, Michael Hunter, Christopher Jarvi, Joseph Lachowski, Toni Lanford, Michael Linde, Ralph Mihan, Dee Morse, Cherry Payne, Robert Sutton, Randall Watanuki and W. Ed Whitaker.

# Alumni News



Steven Wright

## DAVID AND DONNA WRIGHT

E&AA Life Member **David Wright** (HFC manager through January 1997) and his wife, Donna, marked 50 years of marriage in September 2005. They celebrated with a cruise through the Panama Canal in November and were joined by fellow NPS alum and E&AA Life Member **Jack Davis** and his wife, Bobbie. Dave and Donna continue to enjoy their home in Shepherdstown, W.Va., and visits with their granddaughter, Shelby (age 11), who lives in Va.

E&AA Member **Kenneth Ashley** wrote to the *Arrowhead* newsletter to report the following story:

It is common to hear NPS retirees say they are busier in retirement than while they were working. Let me tell you about one retired couple that can make that assertion in total honesty—**Frank and Kathy Betts**. Frank, an E&AA life member, retired in 1980 as superintendent of Mount McKinley NP.

The couple retired to Fort Collins, Colo., Frank's hometown. While attending a Ranger Rendezvous, they became involved in a discussion about preparing

for retirement. The Betts knew of retirees who were in comfortable circumstances and others who were less so. This conversation led to the leadership of the Association of National Park Rangers (ANPR) suggesting that, since the Betts appeared interested, they help in some way. Thus began a program of workshops designed to acquaint current employees with various strategies that could be employed to make the retirement years a time to enjoy with a degree of financial security.

The Betts prepared themselves by studying and observing successes and failures with which they were familiar. Kathy, already knowledgeable about tax matters through working for H & R Block, worked to increase that knowledge to make the workshops relevant for employees. The first workshop was presented in 1986 at a Ranger Rendezvous. It wasn't long until the program was in demand throughout the Service.

The figures are the best indication of

the success of what the Betts are doing. Since the first presentation, they have done 205 four-hour workshops involving more than 4,300 employees in 99 areas. They have done the workshop at both training centers, at three intake classes, four DOI facility managers conferences, three BLM conferences and one for the F&WS at the National Elk Refuge in Jackson, Wyo. These workshops are not promoted per se—word of mouth has been responsible for the success.

With ANPR sponsorship, the Betts prepared "A Roadmap For Your Heirs" for those interested. It is a sales item with all proceeds going to ANPR.

This is completely a volunteer effort with the Betts requesting only travel expenses and a place to stay. Frank and Kathy say that the gratitude expressed in so many ways by so many participants together with maintaining their ties to the NPS is all the compensation they could ask for. ■



Photo courtesy of Sally Sellers

**SALLY SELLERS, WIFE OF E&AA LIFE MEMBER (LM) BOB SELLERS**, says, "Bob and Nancy Dunnagan moved from Sandpoint, Idaho to Lewistown, Mont., and we had a party at a local restaurant to bid them farewell. The group was mostly NPS retirees." Pictured from left to right, standing: Bill Lukens (E&AA LM), Ruth and Jim Rowe (non NPS), Faye Lukens, Bob Sellers, Jackie Albright (non NPS), Bob McCoy (whose daughter once worked for the NPS) and Marge Butts. Sitting, from left to right: Nancy and Bob Dunnagan (E&AA LM), Sally Sellers and Dave Butts (E&AA LM).

## Carlsbad Caverns Hosts Celebration of Stars and Bats

On Aug. 12 and 13, Carlsbad Caverns NP hosted a celebration of stars and bats at the park's first-ever "Celebration of the Night" and 48th annual "Bat Flight Breakfast." The evening of Aug. 12 began with the summer's nightly Bat Flight program, followed by an all-night star party with help from Living Desert Zoo and Gardens State Park and area astronomers. The event ended the next morning with the ever-popular "Bat Flight Breakfast."

"The stars and shooting stars were just amazing," said Avelina Childress, the breakfast's coordinator. "We thought the timing would be perfect to have both the breakfast and our first star party."

What started as a stormy afternoon and evening, turned into a "Celebration of the Night" with visitors able to view much of the night sky, including the Perseid meteor shower and Mars, despite a few clouds. Deputy Supt. Chuck Barat, one of several employees who stayed up all night, said he counted over 120 shooting stars.

Stargazing was followed by a morning hike and the "Bat Flight Breakfast" at 5 a.m. The breakfast was started in the 1950's by park employees who wanted visitors to witness the spectacular morning return flight of the Mexican free-tailed bats to the cavern. Traditionally held on the second Thursday in August, park staff moved this year's event to Saturday to encourage more participants and to coincide with the meteor shower. Over 750 people attended the breakfast—over twice that of last year. ■

# Our National Parks as Symbols of Freedom

By Elizabeth Brownsberger Mader,  
Manager of Interpretation,  
Lake Powell Resorts and Marinas

The visitor asked me, "So, if you wish to move to another state, what kind of exam you must take? And if you wish to buy car, how much days it takes?"

"Um, uh, no on the exam, and about three hours for the car. Why?"

Such was my brilliant response to the broken-English questioning of an Italian visitor here at Glen Canyon NRA (GCNRA). I was sharing the wonders of the park to visitors aboard a Lake Powell tour vessel heading to Rainbow Bridge NM. After pausing, my new Italian friend continued: "Well, it's to say, it seem that in America, you all have so easy these things; that really you are so free to do anything you want. I amazement to that. Now, in Italy it is five days minimal to buy car, ooof! Plus, it is so big here—you have, what you say, room for the elbows..."

Her words roused me from my Glen Canyon and Lake Powell stories, and for a moment, I lost my focus. I was suddenly moved by how she just defined one of the roles of GCNRA: this unique place, and indeed all of our public lands, can serve as places to explore the notion of freedom. She reminded me that here, I am free, whether to buy a car in an afternoon, to move from region to region on a whim or to cruise across Glen Canyon's glorious

waterways. I was struck by the gift of freedom: it is as precious and rare as the giant sandstone arch of Rainbow Bridge.

The vast beauty of the Colorado Plateau's "Grand Circle" of national parks, public lands and national forests, which includes Lake Powell/GCNRA, attracts about three million visitors a year, both American and foreign. In speaking with these visitors, I have learned most want similar things: to see the Southwest of their spaghetti-western-movie memories; to take in the brilliant colors of our sunsets; to meet Native Americans; to know firsthand what the phrase "The desert is so big." really means; to touch cactus; to experience a bald eagle in the wild; and to look down into the deep purple canyons and up at giant stone remnants of eons past. But I also sense from our visitors that, regardless of nationality, they also want something bigger: to experience the tangible reality of freedom. Glen Canyon's vast landscapes can give one a true "room for the elbows" feeling.

Interpreters talk about what we do as connecting the needs and interests of guests with meanings inherent in a specific resource. But this visitor's naïve amazement at our "freedom" confirmed what I have believed all along: our work connects us and those we serve not only to the site or object being interpreted, but perhaps more

importantly, to each other, regardless of culture. I know that as professional interpreters we are supposed to be champions of the frogs and leaves; the lakes and the rocks; the old barns and the reconstructed walls. And, we are. We are stewards. But these things are sacred for more than their inherent meanings and the benefit of future generations. They are legacies that must be preserved and protected for the human connections they foster. They are gifts that are ours to pass on. In passing them on, we can cross cultures, bridge the gaps of difference and create lasting respect among all peoples. Maybe my guest already understood that.

There is some irony in this. Because of this woman's questions, I was provoked to recall the paradox of American freedom and its "taken-for-granted-ness." Because this Italian woman interpreted for me a way of seeing my own country with fresh eyes, I now realize that what we do is a two-way street. We interpreters stand up and do our thing, answering questions along the way. We routinely use our visitor's questions to open a conversation that allows opportunities for the visitor to share their wonder. But how often do we allow visitors to express concepts that we may take for granted? Part of our work is to create conversation, but more, it is to provide opportunities for revelation, which can bring fresh knowledge of our

world and ourselves. We interpreters must be open to our own revelations, too.

So, did my Italian friend experience American "freedom" through my interpretation of Lake Powell and GCNRA? Did she understand and appreciate the history of the earth as it is exposed at Rainbow Bridge? Did she catch a glimpse of a bald eagle? Indeed, she did meet two "real Indians," who that day happened to be the vessel captain and deckhand. The rest I will likely never know. That is sometimes the consequence of our work. I do know that interpretation on Lake Powell within GCNRA gave this visitor the opportunity to see some aspects of American freedom up close. The experience also gave her occasions to formulate questions, and, in her own way, to interpret my land, to interpret to me, and to remind me of the gift of being an American.

So, next time I am out exploring GCNRA and Lake Powell, I will remember that I can indeed buy a car today if I like, or move freely to another state tomorrow. I will also recall the moment of cross-cultural connection my Italian guest and I made. I will thank her for the perception and curiosity she used to interpret my home to me. I will hope she developed her own personal concepts of American "freedom" and what it means to her, as I continue to revel in mine. ■

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