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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Hah! Bet you thought you'd have to wait another 3 months, didn't you? Here it is, folks, for the first time on a quarterly basis. This is going to be a tough act to follow.

Besides the fact that SIGNPOST is supposed to be printed on a quarterly basis, we all felt that it was important to get the last minute details on the Conference to you beforehand. Most, if not all of you will have received much of this material already. We thought it would be nice for you to have it all together to take along with you to the conference.

In addition, we have an introduction to the East Bay Regional Parks District by Gary Martin, an officer in the District's Marine Services Unit. Gary appeared at a General Meeting in Oakland last August. We also have a paper on patrol procedures submitted by Tom Smith, from the files of the Park Mgmt Program at West Valley College, in Saratoga.

In the News & Events section you will find two small articles, plus a meeting report. One article has to do with a bond measure to appear on our June ballot. It is a proposal that could prove to be quite beneficial for those of you in state and local parks throughout California. PRAC, and the SIGNPOST will keep a close eye on the development of this hopeful issue.

Also we have a report on a recent development in the fee structure of the National Park Service. I'm hesitant at this point to rely too heavily on the NPS for stories and current trends, preferring to focus more on state and local issues. However, in light of what many of you are having to do to fight off Jarvis and the other wolves at the door, this article should provide an interesting, if not aggravating contrast.

We had hoped to bring to you some information on the election of new officers, in time for a general election at the Spring Conference. PRAC President Tom Smith refers to this briefly in his letter as well. We will still attempt to solicit names of candidates, and get some biographical information on the individuals, in time for you to make an intelligent decision at the conference.

If you know of someone qualified and willing to run for office, or if you are interested, please submit the candidates' names, with a 75-100 word bio to the PRAC mailing address as soon as possible. If you are interested in representing PRAC members in a geographical area of the state, as Don Pimental is doing in the Southland, your services are also greatly needed and appreciated.

Finally, an appeal, which I will make quarterly if I need to. So far, the three SIGNPOST editors have had to put these things out almost to tally by themselves. I know that coordinating help in such a geographically diversified group as ourselves is difficult; but every little bit that you contribute not only helps to reflect the needs, gripes, and desires of the park rangers in this state, but it helps to insure that you will receive a more interesting, and more timely and frequent journal.

See you in Santa Cruz!

Dave Laclergue
The Rock
I cannot believe that a year has past. Last year when I took over as president of the Association from Jerry Lawrence, I had a real gut feeling that we could take off and come closer to fulfilling the potential of PRAC. Now, I understand Jerry's frustration in the first couple of years and even now.

I made several promises.

First, that we could make a concerted effort to recruit members from the southern half of our fair state, and that I would personally go south to do that. Well, the gas crunch caught me up, and an early lack of a budget to fly held that in check. We have, however, come up with a super person from down in the southern half to carry the load for us. His name is Don Pimental, who enters his 34th season with the National Park Service. Also:

MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT. I challenged each of you to recruit one member. We did rebuild our membership, right to the pre-Prop 13 level. It isn't too late to recruit, as all of our memberships are due this month.

DELIVER A PRODUCT. The SIGNPOST is slowly coming around to a real professional journal. We need to make this all important communications tool as self-supporting as possible, and we are indeed in the process of doing just that. This will free our dues money to do more things, and offer more support to your own problems.

AFFILIATION. Nothing more has really been done towards that. I will try to have a better report before the Spring Conference in March.

SPRING CONFERENCE. Our Spring Conference in March is turning out to be a super one. We hope that you will support it by coming. If budget is a problem, contact one of us in the Bay Area, and we will try to find a place for you to hang your hat. If you belong to WIA and PRAC, register as a PRAC member as we get a share of the profits in proportion to the number of members attending.

ELECTIONS. We will be electing new officers in March. If you have anyone to nominate, please let us know.

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS FOR RANGERS. I'm afraid that at this time, the political climate is just not right. Administrators are too concerned about the effects of Prop 4 to be too worried about training. Those that I contacted around here sort of laughed. Training is a critical item that needs to be pressured into being.

It has been a real honor for me to have a chance to be your president. I didn't get all the things done that I had hoped. One last thing that we should have for the membership in March will be a budget, so that we can operate on something besides a crisis basis.

Hope to see you all at the March Conference. Thanks again for all your cooperation.

Tom Smith
October 19, 1979

Mr. Raleigh Young
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Dear Raleigh:

I would like to thank you for taking the time to appear at my recent public hearings on the conditions of the beaches. I am examining the many issues not only from an overall perspective but also from one in which consideration is given to each separate and oftentimes unique area.

Your testimony was truly appreciated. I was glad to learn of your Association's support for providing a ranger service to patrol Los Angeles County beaches. I agree with you that adequate patrolling and the preservation of our natural environment are issues that must be addressed.

Although we are presently limited by budgetary constraints, I am confident that with everyone's participation, we will be able to see positive results. The strong spirit of cooperation which was demonstrated at the hearings by the many agencies and individuals in attendance will prove very valuable in our future efforts.

Thanks again for your support. My staff and I look forward to working with you and would appreciate receiving any additional material you might have.

Sincerely,

YVONNE BRATHWAITE BURKE
Supervisor, Los Angeles County
PARK PATROL PROCEDURES

submitted by
Tom Smith
west Valley College
Saratoga, CA

The responsibility for maintaining public order in your parks, regardless of the jurisdiction, still lies with you as a park ranger. The ranger patrol function lies basically in the following areas:

1. Prevention and repression of crime,
2. Maintenance of the peace,
3. Prevention of vandalism, and protection of life and property, and,
4. In some jurisdictions and agencies, the apprehension of criminals.

Just being present helps to deter crime. Criminals are gamblers, and if you give them the opportunity, they will take advantage of it.

In all agencies, rangers perform a wide variety of tasks. Some experts claim some 3000 tasks in all. Among those tasks, rangers observe and take action on law enforcement matters, investigate criminal and non-criminal actions, take reports, handle stolen, lost, or abandoned property, provide aid to those in need, assist other agencies (such as those of fire and other like agencies), direct traffic, and serve to make each park visitor's experience in your park as educational and enjoyable as possible.

The Foot Patrol

Foot patrol is one of the basic methods of patrolling a park. Some of the positive aspects of conducting a patrol on foot are as follows:

1. Foot patrol allows for more mobility in congested areas.
2. Foot patrol allows the ranger to be more accessible to the park visitor, thus allowing for more intimate contact which is important to the park scene.
3. The ranger can travel places where vehicles cannot go.

However, the disadvantages of foot patrol are:

1. Lack of mobility.
2. Limited range of some communication equipment.
3. The ranger is hampered by the amount and kind of equipment that can be carried.

The equipment needed for a good foot patrol would be good boots, a larger than average day pack (for necessary first aid equipment and paperwork), a good handpack radio capable of reaching prop-aid, and a notebook. The ranger should also be in good physical condition, so that he/she can respond to situations as quickly as possible. A good combination would be to patrol both by vehicle and foot.

Motorized Patrol

This includes patrol by car, truck, motorcycle, boat, etc.

Most parks use this method of patrol. Motorized patrol:

1. Provides the most economical type of patrol in the area covered. One ranger can cover a rather large area in a short period of time.
2. Gives wider coverage.
3. Makes it possible for more incidents to be handled.
4. Allows for more specialized equipment to be carried, including communications and fire equipment, first aid supplies, etc.

The continued use of motorized patrol may be jeopardized in the event of a deepening energy crisis, and it remains to be seen what impact this will have upon park patrol.

Horse Patrol

More parks are beginning to see the benefit as a positive patrol technique. The park visitor seems to appreciate a ranger on a horse, and seems to be drawn to a mounted ranger. The ranger, therefore, is able to have more public contact than most other types of ranger patrol. The mounted ranger has higher visibility both to the public and for the ranger.

A well trained horse and rider team is great PR for parks, good in crowd control (as most people have a fear of large animals), and has great mobility in places like campgrounds, as the horse is not restricted to roadways.

One of the problems of horse patrol is the time required to correctly train a good horse and rider.

Preparation for Duty

If motorized patrol is your method, the vehicle should be thoroughly checked for gas, oil, water, and proper tire inflation. You should never abuse your vehicle, as your life, or the life of a park visitor, could depend upon the dependability of that vehicle. If you are patrolling in a truck that is carrying a tanker on the back, climb up and check to see that there is water in it.

Check to see if the proper first aid supplies are in order and present. If your unit keeps a patrol log, it is your duty to inspect and check it before you report on duty.

Check your appearance in a full length mirror if there is one available. Do you meet park ranger image standards?

Patrol Familiarity

Really know your park. Have a pre-plan for every type of emergency that you might encounter, so that you can react to situations automatically. Information such as where helicopters may land in your patrol area, fire plans, escape areas and routes for visitors, dangerous areas (bluffs, water, etc.), and high crime areas are all things that you should be aware of and know well.

Preventive Patrol

Most park patrols are preventive patrols. One major word that needs to be eliminated from your patrol vocabulary is the word "routine". There should be know such thing as a "routine" patrol. Do not be regular. Surprise people with your presence. Investigate suspicious persons, things, and incidents, check property security, and be visible.

Be an educational tool. Teach the park visitors how they can help in eliminating the incidence of crime by properly storing equipment and food supplies.

Know those places and areas where problems exist: large parking areas, picnic areas after dark, etc. Check children in unusual places at unusual hours. Action should be taken in time to avoid any problems later. Always keep an eye out for any hazards that might be developing in your park, such as washed out trails, broken railings on bridges, missing stop signs, etc.

Watch your demeanor as a ranger. Remember that you are a ranger, and be proud of it.

There are several techniques that you can use to help conduct a successful patrol. Here are ten:
1. Always check in and out with your dispatcher.
2. Conduct a quick inspection on the conditions of your area.
3. Watch your image behind the wheel. Don't drive faster or slower than the conditions warrant.
4. Don't be afraid to get out and walk once in a while. Don't forget to take those vehicle keys with you!
5. Surprise people once in a while by your presence.
6. Field ID individuals who look as though they might lack purpose.
7. Always tune up your observation skills. You aren't born with these skills. Practice as you patrol. Describe to yourself the vehicles and people you pass.
8. Train your senses of sight, smell, hearing.
9. Use your notebook.
10. Use your radio wisely.

A well patrolled park is a pleasure to visit and in which to work. The park visitors will come away from their visit with a positive attitude about what a park ranger is, and what we do.

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EAST BAY REGIONAL PARKS DISTRICT
by Gary Martin
EBRPD

Gary pointed out that the Park District was given birth in 1934, at Tilden Park - first opened to the public two years later in 1936. At that time, the District was providing only the Interpretive aspect of parks, while the trails committee was being supported by the public - the Boy Scouts and so on. The District became involved with public safety in 1938 with the hiring of a single Ranger, deputized through Contra Costa County. (Alameda County is also encompassed by EBRPD.)

In 1968, urban pressures gave way to the creation of a ranger staff involved in both interpretation and law enforcement. Through various attempts at legislation through the state penal and resources codes, a permanent police staff was created with two deputies from Alameda County and two from Contra Costa County.

Today there are forty parks in the District (39 are open to the public), a jurisdiction encompassing 1600 square miles. 1979 was the first year of full staffing for EBRPD, with a public safety staff of 34. And at the time of the meeting there were six going through the training academy. The District has four helicopter pilots, who provide mutual aid and emergency services, and also cooperate with the two county sheriff's offices and local cities. Gary reported that one helicopter could replace ten men in terms of increased services, response time, etc. Although expensive at $350,000 per year to maintain and operate the 'copters, it has been considered more than worth the cost. They are involved in three life-or-death medivac rescue operations per week, are always within three minutes of a hospital and prove invaluable in their surveillance for ground crews.

The East Bay has also made good use of a motorcycle traffic enforcement plan, now employing two full-time motorcycle officers on Kawasaki 1000 bikes. Also in the two-wheel mode

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are the trail bikes used at Black Diamond Mines. In response to a question, Gary replied that park users questioned considered the presence of the trail bike patrol more important than the noise and visual distractions provided by the trail bikes themselves. Gary reported that ten-speed bicycles were used in the parks as well.

There was at one time a horse patrol, which has since been cancelled. The public safety rangers feel it is sorely missed. The figure on horseback was imposing, yet still a crowd pleaser, and they hope to have the project reinstated. In the meantime, there is still a "team" of mounted reserves. These are quasi-uniform volunteer personnel who have been issued radios and act as "eyes and ears" for the permanent staff. They make no heavy contact, and are largely visual in impact. In addition, the program provides a nifty tax deduction for participants who can deduct the cost of horse care, shelter and trailering come April 15.

Finally, in Gary's own line, there is the boat patrol unit. Besides their inland waters, East Bay Parks has jurisdiction over 47 miles of shoreline between Coyote Hills in the South Bay, and the Antioch Bridge. The Marine Services Unit produces an average income for the District of $1700 per day. Besides their regular safety patrol function (they also contract with the cities of Oakland and Alameda), Gary works with the State Department of Fish and Game against the poaching of sturgeon, striper and other species. They are also actively involved with the Customs Department and Coast Guard in narcotics, sea rescue, etc.

The East Bay Regional Parks District was deeply cut with Proposition 13, losing perhaps 80% of their funding. The District figures it is good for another five years. Besides State "bailouts", and fee schedules, the District has employed (and enjoyed) a number of other rather innovative measures to maintain financial solvency. EBRPD has developed an "Adopt a Park" Program, under which big business (Kaiser is a good example of their success) may help to cover maintenance and up-keep costs, in return for special passes for their employees. The District also maintains a lobbyist in Sacramento.

But probably the biggest financial boost is provided for by the District's contracting out their Public Safety Services to other agencies and/or jurisdictions. Inland cities like Lafayette, Moraga and Orinda, who may decide to pull away from the often unavailable county sheriff, may decide to contract with the Park's District for Law Enforcement, providing a substantial source of income for the District.

Throughout the presentation, the Oakland Rangers, who must out of necessity maintain a high-profile law enforcement posture but still cherish their "Park Ranger" label, actively participated. After many questions for PRAC members Blackman, Hayes and Laclergue, the Oakland Rangers came to feel that their needs would be better served by PORAC (or a like law enforcement organization), rather than the more general approach of the Park Rangers Association.
PARK ENTRY FEES FROZEN

Entry fees for areas of the National Park System have been frozen at present levels by Congress.
"Public Law 96-87, signed by President Carter on Oct. 12, prohibits any increases in entry fees for National Park System areas," Director Whalen said recently. "The 64 parks which now charge entry fees for visitors will continue to charge at the current rates, but no additional parks will be permitted to charge entry fees," he added.

The entrance fees provide a small amount of revenue that is used to help pay some of the costs of park operation, the Director said, but they have never represented a major portion of the Interior Department's budget.

The new law specifically prohibits the National Park Service from charging fees for the use of the transportation system that serves the visitors at Alaska's Mount McKinley National Park. The legislation does not affect other so-called "user" fees for campgrounds and other visitor services or rates charged by park concessioners.

(reprinted in part from an article in the December 1979 issue of the COURIER, the National Park Service Newsletter)

BIG BOND BILL FOR PARKS

A $495 million bond measure for parks, fisheries and water conservation was approved by the Assembly (1-29-80) despite protests that it didn't belong on the same ballot with Howard Jarvis' proposed income tax cut.

"You'd have people starving in the parks" if voters approved both the parks bond and the 50% state income tax reduction on June 3, said Assemblyman Gordon Duffy, R-Hanford.

He envisioned local governments slashing programs that serve people while the state is offering millions of dollars' worth of park bonds on the market.

But the floor sponsor of the bond bill, Assemblyman Lawrence Kapiloff, D-San Diego, said it was drafted to let local governments and the Legislature decide what park projects they needed and could afford.

The measure by Senator John Nejedly, R-Walnut Creek, was sent to the Senate on a 57-16 vote for concurrence in Assembly amendments. If passed by the Senate and signed by the governor by Friday (2-1-80), it will be placed on the June 30 ballot.

It includes $160 million for local park projects; $178 million for state projects, including $25 million for purchase of what Kapiloff called "undevelopable and environmentally sensitive land" in the Lake Tahoe Basin; $45 million for fisheries and wildlife preservation, and $112 million for wastewater reclamation and other water conservation projects.

(reprinted from an article by the Associated Press in the San Francisco CHRONICLE, Wednesday, January 30, 1980)

REPORT ON NOVEMBER MEETING

The Executive Board of the Park Rangers Association of California held a meeting at West Valley College, on November 21, 1979. President Tom Smith, Treasurer Pat Hayes, Secretary Jerry Lawrence, founding member Bill Lawrence, and SIGNPOST Editor Dave Laclergue were all in attendance.

Pat Hayes reported that the balance book currently held $829.52, and that the membership was at 97 people.
Various other reports were made by attending members. A letter has been drafted to be sent, along with a copy of SIGNPOST, to 59+ different companies, soliciting donations and/or adds. The possibility of rewarding donations with a plaque or mention in SIGNPOST was also discussed.

There were also progress reports on the last-minute details for the Spring Conference, regarding the Golf Tournament, the Square Dance, the PRAC home room, and upcoming elections.

Pat Hayes unveiled several proposals for the official PRAC stationery, and after a short discussion, the go-ahead was given to have the stationery printed.

The stationery will come complete with a half-tone of the PRAC logo in the background, as well as the motto, "Park Professionalism Through Unity". (the stationery has since been printed and delivered-ed.)

Preliminary plans for a tentative General Meeting/Social for early December were also discussed (and in case you didn't notice, in this case it never happened -ed, again).

Delivering a SIGNPOST prior to the Spring Conference was considered to be imperative by all present (you're lookin' at it -ed, last time), and several topics for inclusion were discussed.

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The California State Park Rangers Association, the Western Interpreters Association, and the Park Rangers Association of California cordially invite you to participate in their 1980 Joint Workshop-Convention at the Santa Cruz Holiday Inn, March 5-9, 1980. Highlights include keynote speaker, Grant Sharpe; closing speaker, Raymond F. Dasmann; plus many other professionals in the fields of interpretation and resource protection.

**TOURS**

These include: (1) **Wilder/Cowell Tour**: A Ranger will lead a walking tour of the historic Wilder Ranch on the coast north of Santa Cruz. It is a beautiful area and a fantastic chance to see the old ranch which is now a state park. Then the tour will proceed to Henry Cowell Redwoods State Park, where a guided tour of the beautiful, majestic redwoods will again be lead by a Ranger. If you've never experienced the Santa Cruz coast or the magnificent redwoods of these mountains, don't miss this tour. Bus transportation from the Holiday Inn will be provided. (2) **Moss Landing Tour**: Bus will leave from Holiday Inn and proceed to the Santa Cruz Salamander Refuge where a representative from Dept. of Fish and Game will give a short talk on this endangered species. On to the Elkhorn Slough which was recently reclassified a wildlife sanctuary. Again, a Fish and Game biologist will lead a discussion of the area. The next stop will be the State Marine Laboratory at Moss Landing for a tour, followed by a tour of the Pacific Gas and Electric Co. Moss Landing power plant. Quite a day! (3) **Historic Buildings**: Bob Reese, State Park Historian assigned to Monterey, will lead a walking tour of the historic buildings nearby in Santa Cruz. The Victorian architecture in this area is exquisite and if you have any interest in historic architecture/beautiful buildings or would just like to spend a very enjoyable day with an expert, this could be an exciting adventure for you. (4) **Ano Nuevo**: One of the few spots in North America where the elephant seals stop to bear their young is only a short trip away from Santa Cruz. Ano Nuevo also has the distinction of having one of the finest docent/intern volunteer programs in the State Park System. And you can see both the seals and the volunteers in action. The trip up the coast is beautiful in March. Wear hiking clothes and expect a great day! Bus service will be provided. (5) **Tide Pool Walk**: This walk will take place rather early in the morning but we have two very knowledgeable interpreters to lead us--Alex Weiss of the DPR, and Ron Russo of East Bay Regional Parks. This is another grubby-clothes activity and may present the chance to meet and get to know some tide pool critters.
AUDIO-VISUAL CONTEST

CONTEST: There will be an audio visual presentation contest with a division for individuals and a division for institutions. Individual entrants must be members of one of the sponsoring organizations. Institutional entries must be entered by one of their members or employees who is also a member of one of the sponsoring organizations. Photography need not be done by entrant but the planning and development of the presentation must be by entrant.

SUBJECT MATTER: Presentation should be appropriate for interpretation to the general public.

DEADLINE: Written application should be sent to AV Contest, P. O. Box 28366, Sacramento, Calif. 95828. Applications must be received by February 1, 1980 and should include the entrants name, address, phone number, description of presentation, type of equipment used, etc. The entrant must be present at the Holiday Inn at Santa Cruz by 10:00 A.M. on March 6, 1980 with the program and all equipment necessary. (Two slide projectors, one 16mm movie projector and a Kodak dissolve unit will be available - otherwise all equipment must be provided.)

JUDGING: Judges will review all programs beginning at 10:30 A.M. on Thursday, March 6th. Presentations will be judged on technical quality, imagination and creativity and impact.

PRIZES: Prizes will be awarded at the Spaghetti dinner on March 7th. First, second and third prizes will be awarded for each division.

PHOTO CONTEST

Who may enter - Any member of C.S.P.R.A., P.R.A.C. or W.I.A.

ENTRIES: Photo must have been taken by the contestant. The contest will involve projected color or black and white transparencies only. The transparencies must be mounted in 2" by 2" cardboard or glass mounts. If you send glass mounts you are responsible for their safe arrival.

IDENTIFICATION: Each slide must have the name of the photographer on the mount and an orientation dot located in the lower left corner of the slide mount when held in normal viewing position. When the slides are subsequently placed in carousel trays, all the dots will appear in the upper right corner where they are easily visible in the trays.

SUBJECT MATTER: Slides shall be of material appropriate for an interpretive program to the general public. While the photo should be suitable for use in a program each slide must be capable of standing alone.

MAILING: Place slides in original carton that they came in with adequate padding to keep them from bouncing around. Place the box in a strong manila envelope and mail to: Paul R. Johnson, Photo Contest Coordinator, Box 428, Borrego Springs, Calif. 92004. Slides must be received on or before Friday, January 18, 1980. Slides received after that date will be returned unopened. You must include a self-addressed manila envelope with correct postage for return of slides.

JUDGING: Judging will be conducted by a panel of photographers and photo editors from the Southern California area. Slides will be judged on technical quality, composition, imagination and creativity, and, probably most important, impact.

PRIZES: Prizes will be awarded at the Spaghetti Dinner on March 7th. In addition to cash prize each winner will receive a professional internegative print of their slide in a custom frame.

JUDGES WORKSHOP: A judge workshop will be held several times during the workshop convention. Included during these sessions will be a taped presentation of the judges comments on the final 25 or 30 slides. This will give photographers a chance to see how judges relate and function during judging and to learn what criteria are important in creating prize-winning photographs.
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WEATHER

Weather in Santa Cruz in March can vary considerably. March averages about 10 rainy days and an equal number of very nice days. Cool winds are common. Average daytime temperatures are in the low 60s and nighttime temperatures average about 45 degrees.

RECREATION & COMPETITION

Wednesday, March 5 will be the day when most people will arrive in Santa Cruz, find their accommodations, register, and prepare for 3½ days of tours and presentations. The early arrivals will find this a day of recreational competition and relaxation. A GOLF TOURNAMENT will be held in nearby Aptos. An entry fee of approximately $12 will be charged to cover greens fees and trophies. A FISHING DERBY will be held on a sport fishing boat out of Santa Cruz. The charge for boat, equipment, and prizes will be approximately $20. Cold Storage will be available for that "Big Catch". POLICE PISTOL COURSE competition will be available for those who wish to demonstrate their skills with a pistol. If you want additional information on any of these activities please write to: Joint Workshop, P. O. Box 28366, Sacramento, CA 95828.

CAMPING

NEW BRIGHTON STATE BEACH
Near Capitola, 4 miles below Santa Cruz off Highway 1. 115 Developed Campsites*, 37 picnic sites. Swimming, surf fishing, clamming. Open all year. Entrance fee. Camping limit: 7 days.

SEACLIFF STATE BEACH
9 miles below Santa Cruz off Highway 1. 26 Trailer units (Developed Campsites*) with electrical and water hook-ups. 140 picnic sites. Swimming, fishing pier, Concession. Open all year. Camping limit: 7 days. Entrance fee.

SUNSET STATE BEACH
4 miles west of Watsonville off Highway 1. 90 Developed Campsites*, 60 picnic sites. Swimming, fishing, clamming. Open all year. Camping limit: 7 days from June 1-September 30. Entrance fee.

HENRY COWELL REDWOODS STATE PARK

Reservations for State Parks may be made through the central reservation office. For forms write: Department of Parks & Recreation, P.O. Box 2390, Sacramento, CA 95811. Reservations must be made two weeks in advance of the dates requested.
REGISTRATION

JOINT WORKSHOP - CONVENTION
March 5 - 9, 1980
Holiday Inn, Santa Cruz, CA

NAME (Last Name First) ___________________________ EMPLOYER OR SCHOOL ___________________________

ADDRESS (Street) ___________________________ (City) (State) (Zip) ___________________________

Name of Spouse or Guest who will be participating in Conference activities ___________________________

NAME (Last name first) ___________________________

FEES - Includes all sessions, tours, breakfasts, spaghetti feed, and Saturday Banquet; excludes Wednesday contests.

Member (Affiliation: CSPRA __ WIA ___ PRAC.) $25.00 = __________
Member and Spouse/Guest $45.00 = __________
Non-Member (not affiliated with any of the sponsoring organizations) $35.00 = __________
Non-Member and Spouse/Guest $55.00 = __________
Late Fee (postmarked after February 5th) $5.00 = __________

Make check for the full amount, Payable to "Joint Workshop - Convention"

TOTAL = __________

The Golf Tournament, Fishing Derby, and P.P.C. fees will be collected the day of the event. The entire fee is refundable until February 5th, after which a $10.00 cancellation fee will be retained.

ACTIVITIES - Please check each event in which you will participate (P is for participant; G is for guest) to assist us in our planning:

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TRANSPORTATION - Date and approximate arrival time in Santa Cruz:
If you need transportation from San Jose Airport, fill in your arrival time, airlines and flight number. Guests of Holiday Inn should use the enclosed card to arrange for pick-up at the airport. Flight information: ___________________________
After meeting the February 5 deadline for registration for the 1980 CSPRA/WIA/PRAC Joint Convention-Workshop ($5 late fee added after 2/5/80), your next concern will be accommodations, right? Enclosed with your registration packet is a post-card from the Holiday Inn in Santa Cruz. They will need to know by February 24, 1980 at the latest if you plan to stay with them. We are receiving special convention rates -- $28 single, $33 double, and they will provide two airport pick-ups for their guests. If you will be staying at the Holiday Inn and plan on arriving at the San Jose Airport, please don't forget to indicate your flight information on both the convention registration form and the hotel reservation card. We are going to schedule the pick-ups to inconvenience guests the least, but we will need your help. If you are planning to arrive on Amtrak in Salinas, please indicate that you are coming by train and your arrival time and we will make arrangements for someone to meet your train. There are other hotels in Santa Cruz, and any good travel agent should be able to put you in touch with them.

We are also advertising available camping in nearby State Parks. There are three in or near the city of Santa Cruz--New Brighton, Seacliff, and Sunset. All are attractive beach parks and all have the standard State Parks camping and reservation fees. Nearby, but above the city of Santa Cruz, nestled in the redwoods is Henry Cowell Redwoods State Park which will also be available to our group. Reservation information and more detailed descriptions of all of the parks is in your registration packet.

If you plan on camping with a RV or trailer, we also have come up with another possibility. Beach R.V. Park at 2505 Portola Dr. in Santa Cruz is offering special rates for our convention participants. They offer full hook-ups, hot showers, public bus service to the Holiday Inn and toll free numbers to make reservations. Their rates are $7.25 per night for 2 people, and they are waiving their extra person fee--so if you have a large RV and some friends it could be a very economical alternative. Their facilities are attractive and they
would like to know by March 1, if you intend to stay with them. 

Their toll free phone numbers are:

- Sacramento 448-9512
- San Francisco 777-4955
- San Jose 280-1714
- Stockton 948-5283
- Santa Cruz 462-2505

Be sure to mention that you are with the CSPRA/WIA/PRAC Convention to insure the lower rates.

If you are driving to Santa Cruz, the Holiday Inn is easy to find. From Highway 17 or 1, take the Ocean Ave--Central Santa Cruz exit. Continue down Ocean to the Holiday Inn (on the right!). The Visitor and Convention Bureau has assured me that they are having no trouble supplying conventions with gasoline at the local stations, and they will provide each car with a bumper sticker which will allow you to park free in all metered parking during the convention. Car pool if you can though, you never know what will happen before March!!
We will get you the gas to get home!!

The convention registration will begin at 0800 Wednesday, March 5. If you have registered for one of the tournaments on Wednesday, you will either be contacted by the event chairman before March 5, or the information you will need will be available at the convention registration at 8 a.m. If you have specific pressing questions about any event, please address your inquiry to Joint Convention, P.O. Box 28366, Sacramento, CA. 95828.

Hope to see you in Santa Cruz!!!!

Deadlines:

- February 5 -- Last day to register without late fee
- February 19 -- Last day to register for State Park Camping
- February 24 -- Deadline for Holiday Inn Reservations
- March 1 -- Deadline for reservations at Beach R.V. Park
- March 5-9 -- The Greatest Interpretive Convention Ever!!!
PARK RANGERS ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA
New Membership/Renewal Application

Name

Address

City State Zip

Home Phone (Area Code) Bus.Ph.

Employed by
(if this is a student membership, list school and major)

Position title

Membership Classification (check one) Total Enclosed $_______

VOTING MEMBERSHIPS

Permanent Personnel.................................$15.00 ( )
(includes retired and non-uniformed personnel with
previous uniformed experience)

Seasonal..................................................$15.00 ( )
(uniformed seasonal experience with a park
agency).

Agency....................................................$25.00 ( )

NON-VOTING MEMBERSHIPS

Student.....................................................$ 5.00 ( )

Associate..................................................$ 5.00 ( )
(anyone interested in the Ranger profession,
but who has not had previous uniformed experience)

Supporting...............................................$50.00 ( )
(any individual or group that wishes to financially
contribute to the advancement of the Ranger profesi-
on - under certain circumstances a supporting mem-
bership can be a voting membership - ie. an individual
with previous uniformed Ranger experience)

Please send your checks or money orders payable to PARK RANGERS
ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA, P.O. Box 219, Menlo Park, Calif. 94025
The Park Rangers Association of California was formed to promote the best interests of uniformed park personnel. In order to accomplish this, the following goals and action steps have been adopted by the Association:

1. To Establish State-wide Professional Standards for Rangers
   a. Through Legislation
   b. Through cooperation with park agencies

2. To Provide Professional Training for Rangers
   a. By determining what is appropriate training
   b. By providing training organization
   c. By arranging for training facilities
   d. By providing curriculum guidance for schools training rangers

3. To Provide a Medium of Professional Communications for Rangers and Park Agencies
   a. Through membership meetings
   b. Through a professional publication
   c. Through providing information concerning job openings and the availability of personnel
   d. Through providing for an exchange of problem solving ideas.

4. To Educate Governmental Agencies and the Public as to the Role of the Ranger
   a. By working with park agencies so that they may better understand the problems rangers face in the field.
   b. By pointing out ranger training needs
   c. By providing speakers for public groups
"T" SHIRT ORDER FORM

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Please send the Park Rangers Association of California "T" shirts to: (please print)

NAME ____________________________________________

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