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message from the chief
The year 1977 was a year filled with a variety of memorable events. Early in January, members of the Force played an important role in the inaugural activities of the 39th President of the United States. This event required the total effort of all members of the Force. During the year, the vision of a Community Relations Unit within the Force became a reality. We also witnessed the retirement of several key staff members from the Force. All and all, it was a year filled with many challenges and changes.

This year in our annual publication, we are spotlighting our field offices at Gateway and Golden Gate National Recreation Areas. In 1974, the major law enforcement responsibilities of the Park Police were expanded to include these two new areas. This expansion added a new dimension to our operation. For the first time in our history we were faced with the responsibility to provide professional law enforcement services on a permanent basis in urban parks outside the Washington metropolitan area.

The problems associated with growth did not obscure our ability to surmount and conquer the many challenges that confronted us. Today, as we look back over 3 years of operation in these two areas, we have many reasons to be proud of our performance. We are confident that the park visitor to either of these new areas will receive the same high quality police services that are provided to visitors in the Washington metropolitan area.

We appreciate the effective performance of all our personnel during the past year, and solicit your continued support in helping us fulfill our mission.
Members of the Force attended numerous planning and briefing sessions in preparation for Inaugural events.
Of the many special events conducted during the year, the Inauguration of President Carter, the 39th President of the United States, was the most demanding.

Members of the Force spent many hours planning and coordinating events, to ensure the visitors to our areas of responsibility a safe and enjoyable visit.
Members make last minute preparation before the start of Inaugural activities.
Dissidents also came to exercise their right to petition their government.
NEW YORK

FIELD

OFFICE
Visitation has increased every year since the inception of Gateway. To meet the growing demand for police services, the Force expanded its operation in the New York Field Office.

The most recent additions to the Field Office are 4 Horse Mounted Patrol Officers. The Horse Mounted Patrol Unit maintains stable facilities on Staten Island for coverage of Miller Field and Great Kills, and in Fort Tilden for coverage of Breezy Point, Riis Park and the Jamaica Bay area.
GATEWAY
NATIONAL RECREATION AREA
JACOB RiIS PARK
BREEZY POINT UNIT
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
The New York Field Office is staffed by 50 police officers, 10 guards and 2 civilians. One of the most significant increases in services provided to Gateway has been on the water. The boat patrol handled over 800 incidents, from rescues to larcenies, during the year with a 4-boat operation consisting of a Mako, Boston Whaler and 2 experimental Grovers. Two boat crew members are trained scuba divers.
During 1977, Golden Gate National Recreation Area continued its growth with the addition of several new areas. The new visitor attractions are: Victoria and Aquatic Parks, the Cliff House, the Maritime Museum, the Hyde Street Pier and Historical Ships, Municipal Pier and the Haslett Warehouse.

To keep pace with the increased law enforcement responsibilities, manpower in the San Francisco Field Office was increased to 44 police officers and 5 civilians. The Horse Mounted Patrol Unit was expanded with the addition of 5 Horse Mounted Patrol Officers.
During the year, officers assigned to the San Francisco Field Office handled a total of 5,381 incidents. Of these, 1,621 were criminal and 3,760 were public service.
One of the highlights of the year was the Christmas party given for patients and staff of the Children’s Hospital of San Francisco by the members of the Field Office. Everyone contributed to the success of the party, and Major Lynn Herring presented a cash donation to the hospital. The children were delighted with a horse show by the Horse Mounted Patrol Unit.
community relations
working with youth
The Community Relations Unit became a reality for the United States Park Police in 1977. This unit was formed under the guidance of Chief Jerry L. Wells who believes that the Force is an integral part of the various communities which we serve.

One of our most successful efforts was a program of environmental education and vandalism prevention implemented in the Kenilworth area of Washington, D.C. This program, known as "KOPS" (Keepers of Park Service), was initiated to expose inner city youths to park areas outside of those normally visited, and to demonstrate better utilization of neighborhood park facilities.

The "KOPS" program had as its major goal to increase self-awareness and community pride.
We have set aside the following two pages to salute those members who, in 1977, left our active rolls. We take this opportunity to acknowledge and say thanks for the many years of dedicated service they gave to help make this Force the outstanding organization it is today.
"THE GOOD THAT MEN DO LIVES AFTER"

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The United States Park Police, in cooperation with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) sponsored a briefing on the Public Service Communication Satellite concept.

NASA proposes to launch a Public Communication Satellite in the early 1980’s. The satellite will be a high altitude repeater, orbiting above a single point on the earth at an altitude of 22,300 miles above the equator, and it will serve the entire continental United States, Alaska, Hawaii and the Caribbean.

The NASA engineers demonstrated an existing technical experimental satellite, which included a two-way interactive color TV, in a teleconference between Washington, D.C., and the Ames Research Center, Sunnyvale, California. They also demonstrated a two-way L-band mobile to mobile briefcase radio communications between Washington, D.C., and Gateway National Recreation Area, Brooklyn, New York.

In the 1980’s, rapid communications may be even more important than it is today. Communications over long distances via satellite would significantly improve our effectiveness in emergency situations.
THE PAST AND PRESENT

Chiefs of the United States Park Police

1. Patrick J. Carroll 1932 - 1940
2. Henry Helms 1940 - 1941
4. Jerome B. Lawles 1942 - 1945
5. Harold F. Stewart 1954 - 1963
8. Grant Wright 1968 - 1973
9. Jerry L. Wells 1973 - Present