



Newsletter of the Pacific Northwest Forest Service Retirees

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Portland, Oregon

Spring 2003

President's Message -- Phil Hirl

As Reunion 2005 approaches we wanted as our President someone who would be a good representative of the Association that year. Someone who is well known, a good host, and would be a good president. We found that person. **Bob Tokarczyk** has agreed to run for President-elect. He was president in 1994-95. I believe we could not have found a better choice. Every one knows Bob. My thanks to **Dave Trask, Wendall Jones and Elmer Moyer**, the search committee. (See ballot on page 2)

The Forest Service has selected the new leaders for the Pacific Northwest. **Linda Goodman** is Regional Forester, **Tom Quigley** is Station Director, and **Mike Ash** and **Jim Golden** will be Deputy RFs. (More on these folks on pgs. 5 & 6) All have experience in the northwest and probably many of you know one or more of them. We hope to see them at future club activities. Linda is a PNWFSA member. And you will get a chance to meet her at the Spring Banquet when she will be our speaker.

Rolf Anderson is moving along well with the history project. He has reviewed and ranked 80% of the articles from our set of Timberlines. Next he will review new materials submitted by members and others. Then he will select what will go into the book. He has a timeline that will have the books ready for Reunion 2005. (See article on page 4)

Cherie Cooper developed a new membership brochure. It will be printed soon. We will ask the Forest Service to send it to new retirees, and we will send to any other prospective new members.

At the February luncheon, Al Matecko from the RO-Public Affairs, introduced acting RF Thelma Strong. Cindy Minor from PNW came also. Some of the club members knew Thelma, so she saw some old friends. Al also told us a little about the new top managers in NW. Good to see the working Forest Service at our luncheons.

We had several out of town members at our February luncheon. **Gene Holloter** from Springfield, **Evan Jones** from Eugene, **Gary Shirley** from Seattle, **Jim Torrence** from Stanwood, WA, and **Tony Vander Heide** from Corvallis. **Don Ostby** also came. He recently retired as Forest Supervisor from the Umpqua NF and moved to Portland area. Good to see them all. They seemed to have a good time visiting with old friends. I hope others will do the same. If you need to be in Portland sometime, schedule it for the last Friday of the month as Jim did, or meet a friend for lunch like Tony and **Larry Fellows**, or travel with a friend to the luncheon like Gene and Evan.

Hope to see many of you at the Spring Banquet. Remember it is in a new place this year. Come meet Linda.

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New Members

**Melissa Carlson
Doug & Diana Jones
Warren Olney
Dale & Gemma Rettmann
Bill & Sue Van Vliet
Jim Abernathy**

Donors

**Chet Bennett
Ray Crist
Dick Ferraro
Don Graham
John Hook
Loren Lucore
Don Peters
Terry Wickerham
Bob Williams**

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Board Changes Term of Office

At the January 2003 Board Meeting, the Board decided to change the time of officer change-over. In the past the installation of officers took place at the Spring Banquet in May. With the upcoming Reunion in September 2005, it seemed that an officer change-over 4 months ahead of the event could result in some preventable problems. According to our Constitution and Bylaws, installation of officers must occur at a “membership meeting”, and the members must be notified of this meeting in a prior Newsletter. We have not been abiding by our new constitution in regard to the “installation of officers at a membership meeting”, or in regard to “notification of a membership meeting.”

Neither the election nor installation date is established by the Constitution or Bylaws. The Board has the authority to change the date, but must live by the process of installation of officers at a membership meeting. To best accommodate Reunion business, we moved the installation to the September meeting, and will announce that as a membership meeting in the Summer Newsletter. Phil Hirl has agreed to stay as President for a few extra months, and Doug Porter will take over the gavel from Phil sometime between May and September. Our newly elected President-elect (see Ballot below), will be sworn in at the September 2003 membership meeting. The term as President-elect will end, and the term as President will begin, in September 2004. The term as President will end shortly after the Reunion. As a result, the same slate of officers will preside from about a year before the Reunion until after the end of the Reunion, and all correspondence, brochures, business matters, etc. relating to the reunion will come under the same names as Officers up through the Reunion. We expect this to be a permanent change, but if it doesn't work out we can always change it again after the reunion. *Wendall Jones & Bob McQuown*

Recipe Book Project

A Region Six cook book will be offered for sale at the Forest Service Reunion 2005. We have just begun to initiate this project, and will need lots of contributions from the members to make this a successful product. We will also need some volunteer help with editing, planning layout, keypunching in the selected recipes, and getting the book published. We want all of those mouth-watering dishes that got us through the tough days of low grocery budgets, on up to the great things some of shared at gourmet dinner parties and other gatherings later in our careers.

If you would like to give Bev Pratt a hand with this project, give her a call or write to her at the Association address. She would like your ideas, stories to go with the recipes, and perhaps some pictures of the “cook” at the Ranger Station or other location when the recipe was one of your favorite. Bev adds that this isn't just for the ladies, fellows are invited to participate also. (Maybe some good hunting camp recipes??)

There will be more information coming in future newsletters, but let Bev know if she can depend on your help now. The target completion date for this project is July 2005, in time for sales at the Reunion. *-Bev Pratt*

DELINQUENT ANNUAL DUES PAYERS
This is your final notice. Failure to pay dues for 2003 by about June 1 will result in NO Summer Newsletter. Your dues were due January 1, so don't wait any longer. Look in your Winter 2003 NL for a dues coupon and send a check.

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Ballot for President-Elect

The Board of Directors is pleased to present this ballot to the members. You can clip and mail this ballot in, or use the ballot on OldSmokeys website. Save a stamp by sending this ballot along with your Spring Banquet reservation found elsewhere in this Newsletter.

For President-elect to take office in late September 2003:

Robert D. Tokarczyk Check or X the block

_____ or write in your choice of candidate.

All other elected officers have opted to continue for another year. If you don't want to cut up your newsletter, make your own copy of the ballot and send it in.



**CELEBRATING THE PEOPLE
FOREST SERVICE REUNION
SEPTEMBER 4-9, 2005
PORTLAND, OREGON**

Sponsored by the Pacific Northwest Forest Service Association

The Reunion Committee is busy. However, before an update, here is a commercial. The Committee needs more volunteer help as it moves from planning to hands on projects. Doug Porter is volunteer coordinator. As you read through the update, find an area where you can help out and give Doug a call. You will be joining a fine group, and will be very much appreciated!

Now to what is going on:

Fred and Cherie Cooper have developed a draft schedule for reunion week providing plenty of time for visiting, sight seeing and group events celebrating the fine work Forest Service people have done for the Nation. Since we're expecting well over 1000 people to take part in the week's activities, Fred and Cherie have taken on a sizeable task. They have launched a search for a "world class" keynote speaker to help set the tone for the celebration.

The reunion financial objective is to operate in the black, and be able to pass on seed money to the next reunion host. Tom Nygren has his green eyeshade firmly in place to make sure the objective is met. Paula Peterson, Mt. Hood NF Budget Officer, will be helping Tom with financial management.

Dave Scott has agreed to help generate reunion income by organizing and managing a "Reunion Store", stocked with anniversary and reunion items.

Registration fees, vendor fees and Reunion Store revenue will

finance the reunion. However, there will be "upfront" costs such as insurance, transportation deposits, store merchandise, print and mailing expenses and possibly speaker expenses. The PNWFSA Board has given the reunion committee a line of credit to cover these pre 2005 expenses until income flow begins. We will also make use of the \$1000 seed money provided by the Northern Rocky Mtn. Retirees from the 2000 Reunion.

Dick Deleissegus and Dave Trask have just about completed the schedule of tour and field trip options to be offered before and during the reunion. The Lewis and Clark pre-reunion trip to Fort Clatsop is definitely on the schedule as a result of the positive response to the survey of retiree interest. During the four day gathering one day will be set aside for tours of special scenic and historic sites. Options will include the Portland-Vancouver metro area, the Columbia River Gorge, Timberline Lodge, Mt. St. Helens and several other significant places to be announced later.

Dick's wife Becky has agreed to chair the Hospitality Committee that is tasked with making sure everyone has a great visit.

Murray Johnson has joined Dave Jay's Facilities Committee to work with the hotel on facilities, meals and guest services.

The first nationwide promotional mailing will be made in mid 2003. *John Marker*

OldSmokeys Website News

I read an article in last week's Oregonian (2/19) about an organization in Forest Grove that failed to renew their domain name registration for their web site, and when someone went in to look at their Internet site, they were greeted by Russian Porn. I thought that once a domain name was registered that it was renewed and billed automatically by the Internet Service provider. It is not, as I found out from reading this article. The person or organization that owns the domain name is responsible for renewing the registration. It was just about this time two years ago that I started the OldSmokeys site and I thought that I had originally registered the domain name for a two-year period so I checked the registration and found that our registration (OldSmokeys.org) was issued on 2/27/01 and expired on 2/26/03.

If not renewed the domain "OldSmokeys.org" goes up for grabs by anyone that wants it and our web site could have gone down in flames--(or porn)! So I renewed the domain name registration for a period of 10 years (which is the maximum allowed). Once the name is lost, there is no way to get it back and that would have had a serious effect on things such as logos, stationary, Newslet-

ter, club nickname, 2005 reunion planning, etc.

Inasmuch as we have now been in existence for something like 58 years, it seems reasonable to assume that the organization will probably be around for another 10 or so. Most of us now on the Board or its committees will probably not be acting in the same capacity 10 years from now, and I don't have a clue how to set something up that will trigger a renewal of the domain name registration in 2013, assuming a web site still exists. Perhaps the best bet is to set up a reminder on my computer, or whoever ultimately takes over the web site, to renew the domain name registration annually starting next year. If we wait ten years to renew again, we'll probably be at the airport when the boat leaves.

At any rate, the ten-year renewal was \$150, and I will donate the cost of the renewal as a contribution to the Association (in lieu of feeling guilty about my "bargain" LT membership). Vern can figure out some way to do the bookkeeping so that I end up with a receipt for my income taxes. *Bob McQuown*
Bob McQ—thanks from all the members that so much enjoy our OldSmokeys website.

SPRING BANQUET

MAY 4, 2003

Charbonneau Country Club

Social Begins at 3:00 pm

Dinner at 4:00 pm

No Host Bar

Plan now on visiting with your friends, getting an update on happenings in their lives, and enjoying an excellent meal at the PNW Forest Service Association Spring Banquet. Make your reservations by sending in the form. Note a change in the location this year. Last call for reservations is April 14. reservation coupon on inside back cover of this newsletter.

Regional Forester Linda Goodman has accepted our invitation to attend and share some information with us.

We have many fine creative craft folks in our group and we are asking for donations for door prizes. Please notify the co-hosts, Deanna or Homer Chappell if you are able to help.

A five piece setting for two of the old Forest Service dishware will be raffled off at the Spring Banquet. Many folks have expressed a desire to own this beautiful set of dishes with the Forest Service emblem. Now is the opportunity to take a chance on owning these dishes with the purchase of 1 ticket for \$2.00 or 3 tickets for \$5.00. The setting includes dinner plate, bread plate, soup bowl, cup and saucer. Second and third drawings will be for the eleven inch platters. Tickets will be sold at the March and April monthly luncheons as well as at the Spring Banquet at the Charbonneau Country Club.

The meal will be buffet style. The main course will be your choice of carved roast beef, or halibut oscar. Or, if you desire, the caterer will provide a sampling of both. This will be complimented with fresh tossed garden salad, potatoes, vegetables, rolls, and dessert. An appetizer table with vegetables and dips and cheese and crackers will also be available. Price for the banquet is \$16.50 per person, gratuities included. The cost for the dinner is less this year due to the great success of our silent auction last year. The Association is using the funds to cover the rent of the Country Club.

Please notice change in location for the Banquet

This year the Banquet will be at the Charbonneau Country Club in Wilsonville with a beautiful view of the golf course. The facilities are excellent, with easy access for everyone. Plenty of handicap parking and other parking close to the building. **Direction to get to the Charbonneau CC are with the reservation coupon on the inside of the back page of this newsletter.** *Homer & Deanna Chappell*

Three old guys are out walking. First one says, "Windy isn't it?" Second one says, "No, it's Thursday!" Third one says, "So am I. Let's go get a beer."

R-6 History Book Project

What: A collection of stories about life and times in District VI/Region 6 from the early 1900's to the present. Stories will be of human interest, telling it like it was, including incidents and experiences, humor, and "firsts".

Sources: Primary sources include past issues of Timberlines, newly solicited material, and Ranger District, National Forest and Regional Office, and Experiment Station files.

Document: We envision a soft cover book, probably 300 – 400 pages in length, including some photos. Preliminary research is leading us to consider a self-published document, using print-on-demand technology.

Rough Timeline: C.Y. 2003 - Solicit material and select stories. C.Y. 2004 – Word process selected stories, edit manuscripts, prepare manuscripts to print layout program. C.Y. 2005 – Print the book! Copies available by April to prepare for the 2005 Reunion and other marketing opportunities!

Progress (as of Feb. 03): We are currently reading and rating Timberline articles (a fascinating look into our past) and researching production options. This includes alternatives for mega-copying (to enable us to edit Timberlines stories), printing alternatives, and opportunities for volunteers. The Timberlines work will take us into March or April. The next step is to collect new material.

New Material: The Timberlines stories are a great start, but they pretty much only take us into the 1950's and 1960's. We are interested in fresh material from the earlier days; e.g., Don Peters' and Jack Smith's recent articles in our newsletter. But we also need a lot of new stories from the 1960's to 2000. So, how about it? You were there! Think about a neat story or two. It will likely be an interesting human interest story, it could be humorous, your perspective of a significant event, or just an interesting event in your R-6 work. After you have thought about it, write it down. We prefer a word-processed computer compatible document. If it just isn't possible to prepare it this way, we still want it, so send it to me the best way you can. My snail-mail address is in the Directory. Note: Start on this now! We would like to get the new material in by this summer!

Volunteers: Even though we have a couple of years to put this together, we need a few volunteers to help make it successful. If you are interested and think you can help, we would love to hear from you. Currently, it looks like we can use help in the following areas: Reviewing and selecting material from National Forest and Regional Office files, reviewing and sorting the newly submitted stories, word processing selected stories from Timberlines to computer format, researching publishing options, and marketing the final product. Contact Rolf Anderson (*his address, e-mail, and phone are in our Directory*).

This is a wonderful opportunity to document our rich R-6 history and culture for the 2005 Reunion and many, many other interested folks. Start working on your story(ies)! - *Rolf Anderson*

Also see page 14 of this Newsletter!!!

National Association of Forest Service Retirees Update

February 2003

The NAFSR Forest Health and Fire White Paper issued last fall is still on the "best seller" list for legislators and organizations interested in the well being of both public and private forests. It has also been a vehicle for some important coalition building between NAFSR and other organizations interested in both forests and resource dependent communities in rural America. Communities for a greater Pacific Northwest, People for the USA and Evergreen Foundation, all community and resource oriented organizations, are involved with NAFSR in building strategies to resolve a variety of forest management and economic issues.

The popularity of the NAFSR report quickly exhausted the original printing of 1,000 copies. Thanks to contribution from NAFSR members, other retirees and non-retirees a second printing of another 1,000 copies will be completed by the end of March. The report is also available for downloading on the FSX.org. Website.

This report was referenced numerous times in a March 2003 Journal of Forestry article by Jay O'Laughlin and Philip S. Cook, titled, "Inventory-Based Forest Health Indicators."

Later this spring Congressman Minnis (R-CO) new chair of the Forest and Forest Health Subcommittee will hold a hearing on the subject of forest management and forest protection. NAFSR has been alerted it will be asked to furnish testimony at the hearing. The congressman has an active interest in the National Forests, and has expressed his concern over the increasing fire, insect and disease losses in western forests. His Colorado constituents have also let him know they share his concerns.

NAFSR members are commenting on a range of federal forest policy issues such as forest planning, roadless areas, fire policy, timber management and other proposals significant to the National Forests. All comments and responses are posted on the FSX website. While it is a compliment to be asked for our opinions, it does strain member resources. More good people are needed to help us take advantage of the opportunities to help encourage science-based management of forests. Hit the FSX website for an application, or contact me. Your skills and wisdom are needed. *John Marker, Director, NAFSR*

I recently picked a new primary care physician. After two visits and exhaustive lab tests, he said I was doing "fairly well" for my age. A little concerned about that comment, I couldn't resist asking him, "Do you think I'll live to be 80?" He asked, "Well, do you smoke tobacco or drink beer?" "Oh no," I replied "I've never done either." Then he asked, "Do you eat rib-eye steaks and barbecued ribs?" I said, "No, I've heard that all 'red meat is very unhealthy!" "Do you spend a lot of time in the sun, like playing golf?" he asked. "No I don't," I said. He asked, "Do you gamble, drive fast cars, or fool around with sexy women?" "No," I said, "I've never done any of those things." He looked at me and said, "Then why in hell do you want to live to be 80?"

New Leadership in Region Six

Following is information on four new top leaders in Region 6. All have served previously in the Pacific Northwest and are very happy to be back.

Linda Goodman New Regional Forester

Linda Goodman, a 29-year veteran of the US Forest Service, who has served as Acting Regional Forester since last July, has been officially selected to take the job. Linda is a native of Yakima, WA, and started her USFS career in 1974, as a receptionist at a ranger district on the Olympic NF. She earned a degree at Linfield College in McMinnville, OR. Linda has moved around to five different NFs in the Region, in various administrative positions. She also served as national director of the Forest Service's Job Corps program. Other assignments were as Deputy RF here from August 1999 to October 2001. From there she went to the WO to become acting chief of staff for Chief Dale Bosworth. Linda replaces Harv Forsgren, who is now RF in Region 3. Linda and Harv are both members of PNWFS Association.

Linda says her top priorities are restoring and rehabilitating fire damaged forests and implementing proposed changes in the Northwest Forest Plan. She has also indicated strong support for the Retirees organization, and we look forward to working with her and her staff. Come to the Spring Banquet and meet Linda Goodman. *Excerpted from an AP release*

Tom Quigley New Station Director

Chief Dale Bosworth has selected Thomas Quigley as the new Director of the Pacific Northwest Research Station. "Tom is uniquely qualified to lead the research program in the Pacific Northwest having previously held a variety of research scientist positions with the Pacific Northwest Research Station as well as serving as director of the Blue Mountains Natural Resource Institute in La Grande, OR, and as science integration team leader for the Interior Columbia Ecosystem Management Project," said Bosworth.

Quigley leaves as assistant director for research at the Rocky Mountain Research Station. He replaces Tom Mills, who moved earlier this year to the agency's national headquarters as deputy chief of business operations.

Quigley has a bachelor's degree as well as a master's in watershed and range science from Utah State University. He holds a doctorate in range science with an emphasis on economics from Colorado State University. Quigley also studied meteorology at the University of Utah while serving in the U.S. Air Force. The Association welcomes Tom Quigley back to the Pacific Northwest.

New Leadership in R6 (Contd. on page 6)

A man was telling his neighbor, "I just bought a new hearing aid. It cost me four thousand dollars, but it's state of the art. It's perfect." "Really," answered the neighbor "What kind is it?" "Twelve thirty."

New Leadership in R6 (Cont'd. from p. 5)**Jim Golden Returns to R6 as Deputy RF**

Jim Golden, Forest Supervisor of Coconino NF in Flagstaff, Arizona, has returned to Region 6 to serve as Deputy Regional Forester, says Linda Goodman, Regional Forester.

"We welcome his knowledge and abilities," says Goodman. "We are delighted to have him with us."

"I am excited about returning to the Northwest. There are few places in the nation where the issues we face in the management of the national forests are more rooted in the communities, and in the lives of the people who live there," says Golden, who has been heading the Flagstaff office since October, 1998.

Golden has served at six national forests (five in Oregon), two USFS regions and the WO. He has worked in a variety of Forest Service positions, including serving as the riparian and watershed improvement program manager in the WO. Jim was on the Deschutes NF as Deputy Forest Supervisor from 1995-1998, District Ranger at Wallowa Valley RD, W-W NF from 1988-92.

Jim Golden is a native of New Jersey. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in forestry and wildlife from Rutgers University in 1972, and studied forest ecology and silviculture at the University of Washington Graduate School in 1981-82.

His wife, Susan Skalski, is currently the District Ranger on the Williams Ranger District on the Kaibab National Forest in Arizona. The Association welcomes Jim back to the Northwest (and Susan also when R3 and R6 can arrange it).

Mike Ash also Returns to R6 as Deputy RF

Mike Ash, currently the Team Leader on the Sierra Nevada Forest Plan Amendment Review in Vallejo, Calif., has been selected as Deputy Regional Forester for Administration in the Region 6. "It's a pleasure to make this announcement," commented Regional Forester Linda Goodman. "Mike will bring outstanding leadership and collaborative skills to the Region." Ash will report to the Portland office in April 2003.

Ash is no stranger to the Pacific Northwest. Mike spent 20 years in the Region on the Willamette, Siskiyou, and Mt Hood NFs, as well as the Regional Office. During those years, he became quite familiar with the forests, customers, employees and issues the Region faces. Ash also worked in the Forest Service's Washington Office as Deputy Director for Engineering, and played a significant role in the development of the National Road Policy. "My wife Mary and I appreciate the values and beauty of the Northwest, and we are excited to be returning," Ash said. Ash is a 1975 graduate of California State University in Chico, with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering. He is an avid outdoorsman and an accomplished woodworker.

The Association welcomes Mike Ash back to Region 6.

Let's get Tom, and Jim, and Mike to become members of PNWFSA. They are all highly qualified and just waiting for someone to put an application on their desks.

Great Leaders Move On**Chuck Graham Retires**

Chuck Graham, Forest Supervisor, Fremont NF in Lakeview for nearly twelve years, announced his retirement from the Forest Service today. Graham, who at retirement was the supervisor for the combined Fremont-Winema National Forests, spent his entire forty-year government career with the Forest Service. His retirement date was January 3, 2003.

After earning a degree in forest management from the University of Montana, he was hired by the Powers Ranger District in 1963. Graham spent his entire career in either Oregon or Washington. Over the years, he held a range of positions with the Siskiyou, Ochoco, Willamette, Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie, Rogue River, Malheur, Fremont and currently the Fremont-Winema National Forest.

Since 1998, Graham was either the acting or the official forest supervisor for both the Fremont and Winema National Forests. Graham may best be remembered for his involvement with the communities he served. An outstanding example is the Lakeview Federal Sustained Yield Unit. He was instrumental in the recent re-authorization of this unique relationship between timber industry and community. He also led the development and implementation of a more effective and efficient organization between the Fremont National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Lakeview District.

When asked what he planned to do after retirement, Graham replied, "I've spent a lot of time in the office over the years. I don't plan to be indoors much." Graham and his wife, Judy, look forward to remaining in Lakeview. *(This information was furnished by Kathy Fletcher of the Fremont NF; the Association thanks you so much Kathy)*

Sonny O'Neal Retires

Sonny O'Neal, Forest Supervisor of the combined Okanogan-Wenatchee NF, is retiring as of April 3, after 40 years with the USFS. Sonny says, "It's a good time for me to retire. I have a lot of confidence in the leadership currently in place and in the capabilities of the employees in these two forests."

Sonny has been a highly respected Supervisor on the Wenatchee NF for many years. In the down-sizing process, he also took on responsibility for the Okanogan NF. He was highly respected by his peer Supervisors and the Regional staff. He has been in the spot light for the last couple of years in regard to the fire fatalities that occurred on the Thirty Mile fire in 2001. The public and the Forest Service could not have found a better person to handle this terrible tragedy. Sonny assures that his decision to retire had nothing to do with the timing of disciplinary actions in regard to this incident.

The Association wishes Sonny and Chuck and their families the best in retirement. We hope that someone will see that they gets an application for membership.

Eventually you reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.

Address Changes, Additions, Corrections

Adams, Gary & Susan – Change address: Portland, OR
Abernathy, L. K. 'Jim' – **New member:** (A gift from Mrs. Wm R. Taylor) Aloha, OR
Anderson, Ethel – Add phone:
Bennett, Chet & Joan – add e-mail:
Caird, Dennis & Darlene – Phone change:
Carlson, Melissa – **New member:** Asheville, NC
Carter, Jack & Jean—Change address: Corbett, OR
Colosky, Beverly – Change e-mail:
Coons, William & Janet – Address correction: Springfield, OR
Crates, Jim & Janet – Address correction: Terrebonne, OR
Crowe, Carol – Change phone:
Curtis, Rick & Liz – Change phone: Add e-mail:
Davis, Ned & Barbara – Change e-mail:
Didricksen, Ralph – Change phone: 5
Elliott, Joe – Correct address: Pleasant Hill, CA
Friddle, Francis – Change phone:
Frost, Dale O. 'Jack' & Mary – Correct address: Herriman, UT
Gannon, Pat & Linda – Correct address: Prineville, OR
Gano, Ellis & Betty – Add e-mail:
Hanneman, Michael & Cam – Change address: Portland, OR
Harlan, W. Thomas & Marylee – Add phone:
Harmon, Florence – Add phone:
Harris, Robert – Reinstatement and Address change: Milwaukie, OR
Hasson, Margaret – Correct zipcode: Portland, OR Add e-mail:
Haugen, Gordon & Beverly – Correct address: Bozeman, MT
Hendrickson, Charlene - Name change: husband Larry G. deceased. Washoe Valley, NV
Hetzel, Glen & Tedra – Add e-mail:
Hook, John & Judith – Change address: Wenatchee, WA
Hoover, Sue—Name change: husband Marvin deceased
Inman, Jack & Kathie – Add e-mail:
Johnson, Barbara – Change address: Merlin, OR
Jones, Doug & Diana – **New member:** Maupin, OR
Kenops, Darrel & Lynn – New e-mail:
Levering, Tom & Barbara – Add e-mail:
Lucore, Loren & Kathy – Change address: Lakeview, OR
Maule, Wynne – change area code
O'Leary, Robert & Ann – Change address: Lincoln City, OR
Olney, Warren – **New member:** Grants Pass, OR
Olson, Frank & Shirley – Add phone:
Ostby, Don & Jan – Change address: Portland, OR
Parker, Walter & Elaine – Add e-mail:
Patchen, Gerald & Bobbe – Change phone:
Poppino, John & Mary - Change e-mail:
Ricketts, Steve & Gloria – Add e-mail:
Rettmann, Dale A. & Gemma – **New member:** Eugene, OR
Sayre, Tom & Marsha – Change e-mail:
Schallau, Con & Leanah – Change e-mail:
Schmidt, Gordon R. – Correct e-mail:
Skovlin, Jon & Donna – Add e-mail:
Sutherland, Jerry & Suanne – Change e-mail:
Van Vliet, Bill & Susie – **New member:** Eugene, OR
Walker, James & Mary – Change e-mail:
Wickerham, Terry & Roy – Change Phone:
Wood, Ruby C. – Correct e-mail:

Losses:

Groom, Jamette – deceased 2-10-03; LT member Jack survives
Hendrickson, Larry – deceased 1-7-03; LT member; wife Charlene survives
Kuizenga, Donnel – deceased 5-20-02; wife Daisy continues as a member , not LT (obit was in Fall 2002 NL)
Hoover, Marvin – deceased 2-8-03; wife Sue will continue as member, not LT

Bob Harris' Status

Dave Kolb has been coordinating some information on Bob Harris. Larry Olpin was called by a former R3 Regional Forester to see if he could make contact with Bob, and called Dave Kolb. Dave checked with Eldon Estep to see if he had any information on Bob. Reliable Eldon said Bob was in a nursing home in Charbonneau and that Chuck Peterson had visited him recently. Chuck reported that Bob was pretty much non-responsive, and the care center is a lock-down facility. Chuck put Dave in contact with Bob's daughter, Margie Fitzpatrick.

We had dropped Bob Harris from our rolls in early 2001, and are not sure why. Bob is a lifetime member, and a former President of the 30 Year Club. We are going to take the necessary measures to get Bob's name back on our rolls and mailing list. We will use Margie Fitzpatrick's address in Milwaukie to get the Newsletter to Bob. Margie will read articles of interest to her Dad. Margie spends a lot of time at the coast. If you cannot reach her at the address or phone listed, check with Dave Kolb for contact with Margie at the coast. (*See Changes page for Margie's/Bob's address*)

We need membership assistance in keeping track of our members, especially the older generation. We consider our records 95% plus accurate, but there is always chance for error and oversight. We tracked down Bob, only because of the phone call made to Larry Olpin by someone in Region 3. Thanks to Dave Kolb, Larry Olpin, Eldon Estep and Chuck Peterson for closing the link.

Member Bill Ciesla Author

Bill Ciesla, former Forest Pest Management Leader in R6, has authored an article in the March Journal of Forestry for the Society of American Foresters. Bill is a PNWFSA member. The article is about the potential threat to North American conifer forests by the European woodwasp, *Sirex noctilio*, a wood-boring insect native to Eurasia and northern Africa. This critter has not yet been found in North America, but is well established in southern South America, South Africa and Australia and New Zealand. Bill has his own consulting firm working out of Fort Collins, CO.

Jim Olson – Role Model for Fitness

A recent Oregonian article about Association member Jim Olson, featured his fitness regime and his skiing and hiking. Jim spent the early part of his career in R-5, and came to the area as Zigzag District Ranger, Mt. Hood NF, back in the '70's. He was a staffer in Recreation in the RO when he retired. Jim has climbed Mt. Hood, Mt. St. Helens, Mt. Shasta, and has trekked in Nepal up to 14,000 feet elevation. He calls his fitness program "low tech". It involves stretching, walking, running up and down stairs. Sounds like he does 6 or 7 miles every other day. He hikes or skis, depending on the season, once or twice a week. Jim is now 73 and is slim and trim. He says his father smoked two packs of cigarettes a day, worked around asbestos, ate bacon and eggs every morning and lived to be 93. Not much incentive there. Jim apparently doesn't stay on any particular diet, but just limits intake and stays away from fast-foods. Keep up the good work, Jim.

Members Corner Letters & Notes

One of the blessings of Christmas is all the cards and notes from old FS friends from all over the US. Sure appreciate the work of the Association and being able to keep up via the newsletter. – **Eric Morse**

I forget this obligation each year. Perhaps this check will free me up for the next 3 years. Actuary tables indicate that may be a better bet for you than for me. – **Dick Burke**

Life is good. Still enjoying my music, and taking and producing pictures with my digital camera and Photoshop program. Charlotte and I get away in our RV about twice a year. Last summer we spent a month in British Columbia. We plan to go south to Arizona in March. – **Paul Enberg**

Sorry I'm late (with dues). Do so enjoy the letters in the Newsletter. Keep them coming! It is such a treat to read about old friends and new happenings. – **Thelma Robinson**

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We enjoyed last years picnic. Did chat with Dave Trask and Don Loff. On Thursdays, I am a docent volunteer at Spruce Goose Museum in McMinnville. Would welcome visitors from the retirees for a tour. – **Robert Turner**

Thanks for all the good work on the newsletter. I really enjoy it. I keep busy volunteering, going to high school games and with the grandkids after school two days a week. Still drop in the Forest Service office once in a while but there have been so many changes. – **Irene Hanna**

I plan every month to make the (Friday luncheon), but something happens to deter me. But I have good intentions. – **Marge Hergert**

Herewith find our check to cover a couple more years, and our e-mail address. We enjoy the newsletter and Picnic at Wildwood. The people who put this on are to be highly complimented for their efforts. We would appreciate an e-mail from those we shared duty with on the Mt. Hood, Siskiyou, Siuslaw, and Wenatchee NFs. We have many fond memories. – **Ellis (Al) & Betty Gano** (*see Changes for their new e-mail*)

As always, we read the newsletter from cover to cover. The blend of what is planned for tomorrows and the nostalgia (and sadness) of the yesterdays keeps us up-to-date on people (especially) and the USFS. Great job on the newsletter and the directory! P.S. – the potato sack regimen really works, particularly phase 1. – **Jerry & Bobbe Patchen**

Time flies by as I try to cope with my singleness, since Rosalyn died 9 months ago. I am still President of the 4500 person Alumni Group Board of Governors, Penn State U. School of Forest Resources. Chief Dale Bosworth will be our featured speaker at the March 25 Annual Alumni Spring Banquet. – **Stan Rapp**

Great newsletter, maybe one of these days I will show up at one of the meetings—will be there in 2005. – **Dick Hoffmann**

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If the shoe fits, get another one just like it.

R6 Updates from Kathy Bowman

Jan. 23, 2003

Theresa Whitmire, who worked at Bly Ranger District, Fremont-Winema National Forests, was killed in mid-January in a single vehicle car accident about five miles east of Bly. Theresa began working for the Fremont National Forest as a temporary employee in December 1997. She worked at the Lakeview Interagency Office as a receptionist and as a procurement technician in contracting. She received a permanent appointment in March of 2000, when she transferred to Bly Ranger District as a business management clerk. Theresa also worked for the Lakeview Interagency Fire Center last summer during the height of the fire season. "Theresa was a very personable employee," says Steve Ellis, Acting Forest Supervisor. "She was hardworking and always greeted everyone with a smile. She will be missed by her many friends and co-workers," he adds. Memorial donations honoring Theresa may be made to Lake County Food Share or the charity of your choice.

BLM/FS FMOs in NW Earn National Honors - A national award for excellence under the National Fire Plan was presented to four federal fire management officers in the NW, says Northwest National Fire Plan executive director **Bonnie Wood**.

Doug Ledgerwood, George Chesley, Matt Reidy, and Jeff Pendleton were honored last week for leadership in the category of "excellence in firefighter preparedness, safety and training," Wood says. Ledgerwood and Chesley are fire management officers (FMOs) for BLM and the Forest Service in NW Oregon and Central Oregon, respectively. Reidy and Pendleton are Forest Service FMOs at Wallowa-Whitman and Malheur NFs in NE Oregon. The award acknowledges outstanding leadership and innovation in fire management in the Northwest. Each winner sought a different path for their fire organizations by focusing on local communities and hiring local contractors as part of providing effective levels of staffing and engines for initial attack suppression of wildfires. Each is on the cutting edge of testing a different way of doing business.

"This is the first year these national awards have been presented," notes Wood, "and we're thrilled that the national fire plan award for excellence in firefighter preparedness, safety, and training goes to these four people."

Jan. 9, 2003

Let the names continue - Pine, Unity and Baker RDs on the south end of the **Wallowa-Whitman NF** are 'unofficially consolidating' under one administrative entity. What to call it? A name contest this fall resulted in the name 'Whitman Unit' for the 'south end' districts. The term unit rather than ranger district is used, as the recent (October) organization decision is not an official consolidation (the three ranger districts still exist on-the-ground, but will be administered by the Whitman Unit). Employees of this unit will be located in the Pine, Unity, and the Baker Offices. (**Wallowa-Whitman NF**)

Church Bulletin Board: The ladies of the church have cast off clothing of every kind and may be seen in the fellowship hall all day Friday.

R6 Updates (Cont'd.)

Feb. 6, 2003

Colville team gets Chief's award - The Sanders tripartite land exchange has been honored by the Chief of the Forest Service as an excellent example of teamwork and innovative thinking used to resolve a difficult, sensitive, and long-standing land ownership issue with a quick and relatively simple solution.

Honored *are* Glenn Koehn, Diana Hsieh and Jim Schaller of the Colville NF, with Kris Sell, Geraldine Smith, and Jim Bryson of the RO providing critical support. The National Landownership Adjustment Team was also instrumental in this success.

The Colville NF Plan calls for optimizing the land ownership pattern by: 1) consolidating National Forest System land ownership within the Forest boundaries, 2) acquiring and granting rights-of-way which insure access to and protection of National Forest System lands, and 3) facilitating other land ownership adjustments. The Sanders exchange contributed to all three of these goals, and is an example of how a small exchange project can be accomplished quickly and efficiently, while providing good benefits to Forest programs. (*excerpted from info by Diana Baxter, Colville NF*)

Feb. 27

R6 Team part of shuttle search - Since Feb. 19, the Pacific Northwest National Incident Management Team 2 has had 514 people headquartered at an Incident Command Post in north Corsicana, Texas, assisting with the Space Shuttle Columbia recovery effort. The Team, led by Incident Commander Mike Lohrey, managed some 960 searchers from an Incident Command Post in Corsicana, Texas, about 45 miles south of Dallas. Searchers included 31 Forest Service crews, nine from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, four from the Bureau of Land Management and three state crews. Also working with the crews were 110 personnel from the Environmental Protection Agency, 40 from NASA, four from FEMA, and six from the National Park Service. Local property owners were extremely cooperative, as most of the search takes place on private land. The effort was one of four such intensive searches in east Texas (*excerpted from story by Mike Ferris and Tom Knappenberger, PNW Team 2*)

March 6

Alcohol ban in OHV areas on Siuslaw NF to begin in May - As part of a plan to provide safer off-highway vehicle recreation, Siuslaw NF is banning possession of alcohol in off-highway vehicle riding areas in the Sand Lake Recreation Area and the Oregon Dunes NRA. According to Acting Forest Supervisor Bill Helphinstine, a Federal order prohibiting possession of alcohol in off-highway vehicle riding areas, outside of developed sites and staging areas, takes effect May 1, 2003.

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The order is issued under the Forest Supervisor's administrative authorities to addressing the risk to public and employee health and safety. An extensive public awareness effort will begin with Spring Break in March, through increased Forest Service presence, mailings, brochures and website postings. Warning signs will be posted, identifying areas where alcohol is prohibited and when the order takes effect. The maximum penalty for the violation will be \$5,000 and/or not more than six months in prison.

(Courtesy of **Joni Quarnstrom**)

New Federal grazing fees for FS, BLM: The grazing fee for Western public lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service will be \$1.35 per animal unit month (AUM) in 2003, down from \$1.43 in 2002. The formula used for calculating the fee, established by Congress in the 1978 Public Rangelands Improvement Act, has continued under a presidential Executive Order issued in 1986. (From **BLM**)

Forest product fees - As of January 1, 2003, the Forest Service has revised fees for small sales, including all forest products such as bear grass, mushrooms, firewood, berries, and other materials. The minimum charge for these commercial and personal-use sales, including other forest products are \$20 per contract or permit. Personal-use firewood fees are \$5 a cord, with a minimum charge of \$20 per permit. This minimum charge increase is on a national basis and includes all national forests in Oregon and Washington. One exception is for personal-use Christmas tree permits that will remain at a minimum of \$5. "These minimum adjustments account for inflation and supports the processing costs of administration and preparation of these small sales," said Frank Duran, Special Forest Products Manager for the Pacific Northwest Region of the Forest Service. Duran said that the Forest Service last increased fees more than 20 years ago. The average fee increase of \$10 per permit begins to recover the costs of agency work to accommodate access to and prepare suitable sites, maintain the administration of selling permits and retain law enforcement efforts. (Courtesy **Kathy Fletcher**)

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Dedicated to Forests and People—

An Old Forester's Prediction

By **Robert H. Mealey**

Of earth and stone the land was formed
and trees were put upon it,
Along with animals, bugs and things
And me to write this sonnet.

The many things the land possesses
or you might say, obsessed with
The fog and snow, sun, wind, and rain
Are things the land's possessed with.

Man makes his mark upon the land
With roads and cutting trees,
He digs and saws and scurries
Leaving lots of his debris.

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Old Forester's Prediction (Cont'd.)

He calls his antics management
He could scarcely call them less,
His activities are stewardship
He will modestly confess.

He loves that land he will declare
Each stream from mouth to source,
And wreckage caused by acts of his
Is just too bad, of course.

Land classified as wilderness
Innocent as virgins breath
Is punished by lovers of "Profound Experience"
This is a certain kiss of death.

Some folks want camping along the streams
Or in meadows and forests secluded,
They could care less what the others want
So long as they are excluded.

And then there are hunters and fishermen
Who want their forests untarnished,
Could it be they seek only to catch and kill
And their lies shall be unvarnished?

The backpacker groans 'neath his musty load
Through a forest grown tall to cool him,
He dreams that he is Crockett or Boone
It doesn't take much to fool him.

The tourist who glides along roadways smooth
In the air conditioned car,
Is pleased with the ranks of unbroken forest
That the lumberman would mar.

All these people and many more,
See the forest as their possession
The wonder is what they would do
In the depths of a depression.

In truth, if folks be reasonable
The forest serves the needy,
It also serves the pleasures well
And often too, the greedy.

But should the frills of forest pleasure
Be faked out by a slump,
Remember this, when all else fails,
A tree can always become a stump.

Editors note, especially to Bob Mealey: I have held onto this poem since sometime before Bob retired in the early '70's. I was looking for something appropriate to fill space in this newsletter when I stumbled upon it. Bob, since retiring, has gone on to fame and some fortune as a Oregon Tree Farmer of the Year. This poem is classic Bob Mealey. I will continue to keep it among my treasures. Bob is a Lifetime member of PNWFSA.

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Britta and I are still doing fine at Earlsyville (Charlottesville) VA. Britta is continuing her volunteer work with kindergarten children at the local grade school. I am serving as Chair of the Skyline Chapter, Appalachian Society, SAF, and recently received the Virginia Division and Appalachian Society Special Volunteer Awards. Hope to see you in 2005. — **Temple Hahn**

Walt Parker

Thanks for the dues reminder. I also have an e-mail address now. My two grandsons talked me into getting a computer. They said it was a necessary item for school work. That may be true, but every time I go to the computer room I see games on the screen. Oh well, I guess that is what grandparents are for. Wendall, you are doing an excellent job as editor of the newsletter, just like the job you did as District Ranger as Detroit during the '60s when I was there. I like those "Food for Thought" footnotes!!

Terry Wickerham

Enclosed is a check to help with postage. I'm one of the folks who joined as a LT member and have enjoyed reading each issue, even though many of the names are new. I was saddened in learning of the deaths of so many co-workers and friends in this past issue. We visited Evelyn and Chuck Brown a few months before her death. I'm also sending a correction of our telephone number and e-mail address. (*see Changes*)

Ed Whitmore

Our son, a United Airlines pilot and navy reserve pilot, was called to active duty a couple of weeks ago and sent to the Persian Gulf. He is in charge of a flight squadron that was sent from Hawaii. He could not tell us where he was going. Steve's wife and eight year old son will remain in Hawaii for the time being. Will let you know more when we know more. (*Ed. Note: a sign of our times.*)

Jack and Kathy Inman

Kathie and I really enjoy getting the newsletter and highlights. When it arrives in the mail, there is usually a scramble to see who gets to read it first.

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I hadn't thought of Chuck Hill, Frank Ferrelli, Sky Chamard or Stan Bennett for quite some time. While at OSU I was BD and Suppression Crew Foreman on Marys Peak RD and later District Assistant for Carl Juhl on the Smith River RD. Those were great years as were the rest of my service time on the Siskiyou, Wallowa-Whitman and Winema. We have quite a bunch of retirees here in Klamath Falls that get together the last Wednesday of each month for breakfast. Time is 0700 at Sams Place Restaurant on Washburn Way. We would welcome any "Old Smokeys" that might travel though. (*see Changes for new e-mail address*)

Bev Colosky

I do like receiving all the news about people I knew when working, but am saddened by the loss of so many. My health now keeps me from doing much traveling, and other things that I enjoy, so I am keeping busy here at home with what I am able to do. I am going into my fifth year doing pet therapy visits to senior citizens in assisted living facilities with my dog, Nikki, an American Eskimo. I am also going on four years as a member of a senior reading theater group here in Reno. For those who do not know, reading theater diggers from "regular" theater in that we do not memorize lines, we read them, using as few props and costumes as possible. We try to impart the ideas behind the plot of the play by the way we read it. We perform at various functions in Reno part of the year, and refine our "acting" the rest of the time. I would very much enjoy hearing from friends and co-workers via e-mail. (*see Changes for Bevs new e-mail address.*)

Frank "Fingers" Ferrarelli

Just got through reading the Winter newsletter, which is great as usual. Was a little surprised to see the notes from Warren Davies and Stan Bennett solving the mystery of who the "Fingers" is that Chuck Hill had referred to in his letter. Brought back a lot of fond memories of the days on the Siuslaw NF with Stan, Sky, Chuck, and Warren.

Actually it was Phil Etchison who tagged me with "Fingers", when we were on the Ochoco. He kept kidding me about being

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"connected" since I had once lived in Brooklyn, NY for a short spell. On a sadder note, I am enclosing a copy of the obituary for Larry Hendrickson. Larry and I were both on the Umpqua NF in early '60's. We went separate ways career-wise from there, except for occasional national meetings. But hooked back up as fishing, camping, and golfing partners when he and Char moved to Washoe Valley which is almost next door to us. It was quite a shock when Char called us as we were planning another trip with them later this month (Feb). No other news right now. Hope to make the 2005 Reunion.

Jerry Patchen

Hard to realize that we've been missionaries to Mexico for nearly thirteen years! Miss the trees down here but not the cold winters. 75 degree temperatures (includes chill factor) in the winter and spring is kinda nice. And, by the way, if you know of anyone with some construction experience who'd be interested in seasonal or FT missionary work down here, we'd love to have them get in touch with us (*see new e-mail address in Changes*). This past year we had a reunion with members of Bobbe's H.S. youth group at 1st Baptist Church in Corvallis. They have kept in touch over the years and it was a good time at Tumalo State Park in Bend. Bobbe & I celebrated our 50th Anniversary in 2001; three of our kids live in the Portland-Vancouver-Seattle areas and our oldest in WYO. Grandkids vary from age 1 1/2 to 26; also have 2 great-grand kids now. Our Ministry has expanded over the years and it's pretty much a year-round operation now. Keeps us very busy but we get pretty pooped at times. Most of the Mexican people we work with live in areas of Tijuana-Tecate where there is no electricity nor running water; bucket showers and outhouses are the norm. I got most of my experience for this in managing the old FS field camps circa 1954-64.

We'll get in touch next time we're in Portland (July?). We will try to be there for the Reunion in 2005.

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Loren Lucore

It appears I have procrastinated long enough. The postal service says they won't deliver us any more mail if we don't upgrade our address. Sounded good to me, except for the few things we enjoy reading like the Newsletter. Since retiring in 1989, we have been working solid drilling wells. No more 5-day weeks, overtime over 40 hours, paid holidays, etc. The business is for sale, but nobody wants to work for a living anymore—too many give-away programs. We did have a lapse of intelligence in 1999 and bought a 48-ft. sailboat that we brought down the coast to Winchester Bay in hopes of going cruising. Our plan is to winter in Mexico and summer up north in British Columbia. The plan is still good if we only could find time. Enclose is a small donation to be used for whatever comes up. (*The Lucores haven't moved, but see Changes for "upgraded" address, phone number and e-mail*)

John Hook

We are in the process of moving to Wenatchee. (*See Changes for new address*). While it isn't a great distance more, with the gasoline prices going up, it may be significant as we visit family and try to keep up with the grandkids. I really appreciate the news we get through the Association. I've enclosed a small donation to help offset the increasing costs. Thank you to all the officers who keep

Memories of Friends Dave Kolb

Marge Berscheid

Marge Berscheid passed away Monday February 24, 2003, at their winter home in Arizona. A private service will be held for family members only in Coeur d'Alene, ID. Marge was the wife of George Berscheid, retired Watershed/Wildlife/Range Staff on the Mt. Hood National Forest. No other details available at press time.

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Ward Blaine

Ward Blaine of Prospect, OR died Oct. 29, 2002, at age 80. He worked on the Rogue River N.F. from 1959 to 1978. He retired as FCO on the Prospect RD. Ward was born March 16, 1922, in Jackson, WY. He attended school in Jacksonville and Central Point, OR. He married Myrtle B. Veline Aug. 8, 1946 in Sparks, NV. She died in 1993. On Sept. 15, 1995, he married Joan C. Wright, who died in 1998. From 1942 to 1946 Ward served in the Army Signal Corps in the Solomon and Philippine Islands.

Survivors include two daughters, Nancy Gordanier of Medford, and Nadene Pope of Prospect; one grandchild and two great-grandchildren.

Wilbur F. 'Bill' Currier

LaVone Cable reports that Wilbur (Bill) Currier died in January 2003 in New Mexico. Bill worked in the Portland Division of Range Management in the 1950's and early 1960's. He transferred to a similar position in Albuquerque (R-3) about 1962 and retired in 1975.

Survivors include his 4 sons; David, Mike, Larry and Jim.

Dorothea H. Fravel

Dorothea H. Fravel died Oct. 24, 2002, at age 83. She worked for the US Army Corps of Engineers then transferred to the RO Personnel in the late 1970's. Dorothea Helen Greenwood was born Oct. 24, 1919, in Dallas, OR. She lived in Salem, Bend, and Eugene before moving to Beaverton in 1969. She graduated from Willamette University and received a MA degree from the U of O. She married Glenn E. Fravel in 1942.

Survivors include her husband; daughter, Glenda Fravel Utsey; son, Robert A.; and two grandchildren.

Jamette R. Groom

Jamette Roberts Groom died Feb. 10, 2003, at age 94. She was a PNWFSA member. Jamette Duncan was born Dec. 11, 1908, in North Bend, OR. She moved to Portland in 1958 and married Wilton Roberts, Forest Engineer for Mt. Hood NF. Jamette worked a number of years in the RO including several as Chief Clerk.

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for the Division of Range and Wildlife. Her husband died in the mid 1960's. In 1969 she married Jack I. Groom who had recently retired as the Mineral Branch Chief in the Division of Recreation. They later moved to California. Survivors include her husband; son, Wilton Roberts; stepdaughter, Joanne Sefert; stepson, James Groom; 11 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

Larry G. Hendrickson

Larry Hendrickson, age 66, died Jan. 7, 2003, at his home in Washoe Valley, NV. He was a PNWFSA member. Larry started his FS Career as an engineer at Tiller, OR, on the Umpqua NF. Later he worked at the Umpqua SO in Roseburg and the RO in Portland, before moving on to positions in Wisconsin and Utah. After retirement he built a new home near Carson City, NV, and started a small organic orchard.

Survivors include his wife, Charlene; daughters, Christine and Robin of Pocatello, ID; and brother, Lloyd Hendrickson of Lisle, ID.

Marvin D. Hoover

Marvin Hoover died, Feb. 8, 2003, in East Wenatchee, WA, at age 86. He was a Forest Service Research Scientist from 1940 to 1973 and a PNWFSA member. Marvin was born in Davenport, Iowa, July 10, 1916. He graduated from the U. of Michigan in 1938 and received a MS from the U. of California in 1939. In 1940 he started his research career on Coweeta Hydrological Experimental Forest in North Carolina. He later worked in both North and South Carolina before moving to the Rocky Mtn. States. Based in Fort Collins, CO, Marvin conducted a wide variety of field research throughout the region with emphasis on soils, water, climate and their relationships to vegetation. From 1954 to 1973 he was also a full member of the faculty at Colorado State University. After retirement Marvin moved to the Wenatchee area where he continued in many forest and watershed activities for Federal and State agencies, and with organizations interested in the conservation of vegetation and wildlife.

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Survivors include his wife, Susan; daughter, Caroline V. Wood; son, M. Gary Hoover; sister, Vivian Minella; and 6 grandchildren.

Terry A. Johnson

Terry Johnson died Dec. 14, 2002, at age 60 in Tucson, AZ. He was born Oct. 24, 1942, in North Tonawanda, NY. In 1960 Terry graduated from Corning West HS and later received a MA degree from Central Missouri St. College. He served 3 years in the Army prior to starting work for the Government. Terry worked 10 years with other agencies then moved to the Forest Service in Portland where he spent 20 years in Personnel. One of his jobs was the Regional Safety Officer. He retired in 1999.

Survivors include his wife Nancy; mother, Hilda Johnson; daughter, Janice McCluskey; and 4 grandchildren.

Vera A. Markesen

Vera A. Markesen died Feb. 18, 2003, at age 92. Vera Swanson was born July 23, 1910, in Portland. She graduated from Jefferson HS. For a number of years she worked in the RO, mostly in the Division of Recreation. She married Howard V. in 1937.

Survivors include her husband; 2 nieces and 1 nephew.

Verna W. Price

Verna W. Price, 79, died Friday Oct, 2002, at her home in Redmond, OR. Verna Weeman was born Sept 6, 1923, in Blaine, WA. She married Ernest B. Price on Dec 28, 1950, in San Francisco, CA. She attended two of her early school years in the one room school at the head of Lake Chelan, WA. She graduated from Estacada, OR High School and Oregon State College. She taught at Albany High School and was a recreation director in Portland. During her husband's career in the Forest Service, she moved nine times and finally settled in Lakeview 1968. She was active in the community. Verna was the Lake County librarian for 17 years and helped with the modern branch libraries at Paisley, Christmas Valley and Silver Lake. She was an active and proud

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member of Soroptimist International and the Daughters of the American Revolution. She also served on the Sunshine Children's Center Board.

After retirement, she and her husband traveled to China, Wales, Scotland, England, the Panama Canal and Mexico. She also toured many of the Civil War Battlefields.

Survivors include, her husband Ernie Price; sons and daughter-in-laws, David and Paula, of Scott Air Force Base, IL., and Wayne and Jane of Tuscon, AZ, sons, Douglas of Turlock, CA and Steve of Hawaii, Daughter and son-in-law Susan and Dick Robertson, sister Marge Dangers, of Corte Madera, CA and four grandchildren. Memorial contributions may be made to the Lake County Library Endowment Fund, PO Box 44, Lakeview OR 97630.

(This obit provided by DAR in Lakeview, OR)

Tony Skufca

Tony Skufca died Jan. 15, 2003, at age 76. He retired in 1981 as Director of Recreation for R-6. He was born Feb. 23, 1926, in Aspen, CO. Tony received a BS from Colorado State and served in the Navy during WWII. He married Elaine Cook in 1948. They moved to Hillsboro, OR. Tony was a PNWFSA member.

Survivors include his wife; daughters, Kris Foster, Deborah Skufca-Timisoara and Cindy Skufca; sister Alice Roberts; and two grandchildren. His son Tony Skufca, Jr. died in 2001.

Norma J. Stickney

(Ed. Note: Norma's obit appeared in Summer 2002 NL, but with limited information. We are reprinting it here at request of her daughter.)

Norma June Stickney died April 3, 2002 at age 75. Norma Tomlinson was born Oct. 15, 1926 in Kansas City, MO. She met her husband Ralph (Scotty) Stickney at Fort Leavenworth and was married in 1946. They moved to Oregon where he worked for the Forest Service in Joseph (1946), Lakeview (1952), Bend (1954), Pendleton (1957) and then Portland (1970). Scotty died in 1994. Norma moved to Beaverton in 1997. She was a PNWFSA member.

Memories (Stickney) *(Cont'd. next column)*

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Survivors include her daughter, Dianne Davies of Beaverton; son, Scott Stickney of Michigan; sister, Evelyn McIntyre of Indiana; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her daughter Linda Larson in 1976.

Memories Back on the District

(Excerpted from a Don Peters letter to Chuck Sheley)

Ollie and I first met your mother, Dorothy, your father, Bob Sheley, and you when you were a very young baby, on the Pomeroy RD, Umatilla NF, after I graduated from Washington State College (now WSU). Your Dad was Assistant Ranger. The ranger's name was Arzy Kenworthy. I was Administrative Guard with primary duties of riding horseback with cattle and sheep stockmen, and chasing and putting out fires caused by lightning strikes that hit mostly in over-mature Ponderosa pines.

My wife, Ollie, was nineteen years old. Both of your parents, and Ollie and I lived at Clearwater Ranger Station. They had a nice FS house. Our headquarters for the season would be at Long Meadows Ranger Station, but for a short while we lived in a garage at the Clearwater Ranger Station.

After a few days I had to move, but because of illness of your Mom, Ollie remained several weeks caring for her, you and your Dad. She also cooked, washed your diapers and ironed your father's green uniform shirts. It was necessary that I move to Long Meadows Ranger Station to live and work for a while, until your Dad and Mom found another helper.

Ollie then came to where I was located. We stayed there when not out over night camping out with our horses, or when I was chasing smokes. We often had to camp out for several nights as we rode from one cattle or sheep allotment to another. Slopes over which we rode were steep and in a few places up to 60 % percent. Much of the area where we rode and where livestock were permitted was in what is now the Wenaha - Tucannon Wilderness area.

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Moon Trees Sequel (Or Prequel?)

(Last Fall we published a short item in regard to "Moon Trees". These are trees grown from seed that was taken to the moon by Stewart Roosa in 1971. This has stirred memories about the moon trees. Here is a great story from Florence Petersen with an assist from Ted Schlapfer, and a couple of sequels by others.)

SEEDLING TREES FROM SEEDS THAT WENT TO THE MOON

By Florence Petersen

While listening to a TV news report about space activities, it reminded us of the time when a dedication was held high upon the mountain at "Horse Heaven", southwest of Hillsboro, Oregon. How many of you folks know anything about the two seedling trees that were planted close to a fish-pond on property owned by Seth and Audrey Jackson? (How it became named Horse Heaven is another story.) Seth (now deceased) was a retired USFS Safety Officer. Yes, Chuck and I were there but I couldn't remember all the details, like the date and how Seth was able to obtain the trees.

I did remember the seedlings were brought to the Jackson's from an unnamed Forest Service nursery. The gathering for the planting was a highlight event and well attended. As usual, Audrey Jackson fed us all a gourmet meal! Anyway, in order to try and find out further information, I contacted Ted Schlapfer, Regional Forester, Region 6, at the time. I couldn't have hit a better jackpot, and I think the following information is important enough to be noted, documented and remembered. We can't let the history of the Forest Service just go away with the sands of time.

With the help of Ted, it is important for all to know, and I quote from him: "I remember vividly the planting of the moon trees at the Jackson's. Audrey Jackson Simmons has a "scroll" on her wall at her home documenting the day's activities in 1978. Now, let me give you a bit of history. The seeds that generated those trees came from a stainless steel capsule containing seeds from most of the NW species and carried to the moon by Stu Roosa, the 14th command module pilot.

"Stu jumped from Cave Junction, Oregon on one of my (Ted's) fires on the Salmon River district of the Klamath NF, in R5. That relationship with Stu Roosa and his love of the Forest Service inspired him to participate in the dedication of the Lava Lands on the Deschutes NF. Stu was on the platform there with Al Ullman, then chair of the ways and means committee of the House of Representatives, along with John McGuire, our Forest Service Chief at that time. I (Ted) have pictures of this dedication.

"When the capsule was opened on return to earth, the seeds were planted in a USFS nursery. When the trees became transplantable, several were distributed. Two went to Seth Jackson, retired National Forest figure. Dick Worthington, then Regional Forester, spoke at the planting ceremony. I (Ted) helped plant one (seedling) at the Cave Junction Jump Base in Oregon. One went to Weyerhaeuser for planting on their corporate property."

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Moon Trees (Cont'd.)

Club Members, take time and dust away the cobwebs - I'm sure some of you remember additional and important history stories that need to be documented. Forest Service History is getting away from us fast. JUST DO IT!

Florence J. Petersen, former secretary, treasurer and newsletter editor, Forest Service Thirty Year Club (Region 6 and PNW Station). With "sincere" thanks to Ted Schlapfer.

More Moon Trees Recollections

Tom Nygren writes: Quite a coincidence, you sending this article on the Jackson's and the "moon trees". A couple of weeks ago I went up to see Audrey Jackson Simmons, to recertify her tree farm. She showed me the "scroll" on the wall, signed by Dick Worthington. She also told me that unfortunately, the trees had died since then.

Ted Stubblefield writes: That was an interesting story from Florence about "the moon trees." I happen to have attended the moon tree planting at Cave Junction Smoke Jumper Base that RF Ted Schlapfer emceed. I drove up from my District Ranger job at Somes Bar, Ukonom RD, Klamath NF. That was the first time I met Ted and remained friends with him to this day. Another friend of mine, the smallest Marine ever to be allowed into the Corps, Allen Owen, or "Mouse" as he was called, was also in attendance. He was a smokejumper there at the base and later was killed in a recreational jump at an air show in Alaska. Mouse, a Missouri Forestry student, first worked for the FS on my TSI Crew on the Sequoia NF in '60, Horseshoe Mdw Camp, Humelake RD.

Hopefully, these stories and Florence Petersen's urging at the top of this column will stir your memories and your energies to write up the interesting events that your career path crossed. Then send them to **Rolf Anderson** (see *Directory for his address and e-mail*) to be put into our 100th Anniversary History of Forest Service People in Region 6 and the PNW Experiment Station. You have probably told these stories over a campfire, at a family gathering, or when out with the guys (or girls). Lets's make this book a priceless documentation of our heritage. *Editor*

Editors Corner: One of my hardest jobs preparing the newsletter is finding those last words of wisdom to fill out all the pages. The mechanics of the newsletter require pages to be in multiples of four. I can shoot for 12 pages, but then find I have more than 12 pages of necessary articles. Then I have to dig for articles to fill a couple more pages. I get a lot of good stories that are several pages long that I just can't use. One page stories or letters are about the limit, and shorter than that are better. Some of you like to do a lot of formatting of what you write; i.e., specifying line spacing, space between paragraphs, indents, etc. The best way to prepare these is just write. Don't get involved with spacing, indents, line length. It takes time to UNDO!

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Don Peters Letter *(cont'd. from pg. 13)*

Just think, to be able to ride horses with your wife in a Wilderness populated with deer, elk, cougars, bobcats, skunks, porcupines, bears and coyotes and various rodents. To view that wonderful wild country was something Ollie and I will never forget.

Your Mom and Dad were our good friends for many years, but we lost contact with them except for Christmas cards and letters following your Dad's promotion to District Ranger on the Bear

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Don Peters Letter *(cont'd)*

Valley RD, Umatilla NF. As I recall, he was later a Supervisors Staff on the Umpqua or Siskiyou NF. I think my message connotes how close FS folks are although many years may have passed without communicating with an acquaintance.

(Bingo! on your last statement, Don Peters. We hope to fill the proposed R6/PNW History book with lots of stories like this.)

A guy who drives a car wide open
Is not thinkin' he's just hopin'.
Burma Shave

Your 2003 Directory

We had a few reports of missing pages in Directories. Check your directory to see that it is all there. If not, let Bev Pratt know and she will send you a new one. Also a number of slip-ups have been brought to our attention. Even though our record is about 98% accurate, we are just as old as some of you, so we forget things, push the wrong buttons, but try very hard. You just can't expect all that much from volunteer labor with no supervision. Honestly, if we didn't enjoy it we wouldn't be doing it. *Wendall Jones*



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11:00 AM

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Food for Thought

The only way we have to get information into this newsletter, is for the membership to write it up and send it in. We have been learning about some members death nearly two years late. We can do better than that. We know you are doing interesting things worthy of a spot in the newsletter—and you can always write about what you did 10 to 60 years ago.

If your address, phone, or e-mail have changed recently or you plan to change, PLEASE notify us immediately. This will insure that you receive your newsletter and E-notes.

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