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Presidents' Messages—We have two!!

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New President—Bob Tokarczyk

What's Ahead in 2005

We have a big year ahead with the Reunion coming up in September 2005. The leadership for this Reunion is in excellent hands. It is amazing the progress the Reunion team has made in the past two years. The range of activities for Reunion attendees has been well organized with tremendous creativity. We hope to have very high attendance and a very successful 2005 Reunion.

We look forward to a continued close working relationship with the Regional Office and the Pacific Northwest Research Station. Because of their close proximity and their attendance at our monthly meetings at the Elks, our working relationship has been raised to a new positive level.

Another area of progress should be with our Forest representatives. They have assisted the PNWFSA in the past immensely. Some Forests are making changes in area reps, and this will keep our membership on a slight gain in the future. Our continued work to increase membership through Forest Representatives and you members will need support this coming year. Keep up the good work!

The PNWFSA will continue to assist in the museum area with many of our members assisting in the High Desert Museum and its new Forest Service exhibit, the museum at Government Camp, and support to the National Museum of Forest Service History in Missoula. Our members have many talents that are needed in the museum operations that are new and will be ongoing.

Wendall Jones has produced an excellent newsletter time after time without getting the credit he deserves for all his hard work. The website manager, **Bob McQuown**, has also used his talents to do an excellent job in spite of some battles with his medical conditions. **Vern Clapp**, our busy

Bob's Letter (Cont'd. on page 2)

Past President—Doug Porter

A Vintage Year

Let me start with thanking the Board members and the membership for their support and club participation during my past year as President. I'm sure you recall the few things I said last September that I wanted to accomplish, but just in case here they are again:

- 1) continue with 2005 Reunion planning - I can tell you the Reunion planning is on track and doing very well under the guidance of **Bob Williams**, and over 60 volunteers.
- 2) increase effort in recruiting new members - Our membership is up and currently stands at 865.
- 3) initiate an annual audit/financial review - We completed an audit/financial review with the help of a Bend CPA. No problems were found and we received a few recommendations that we have incorporated into our books. The most important thing we found out, and what we all believed anyway, was that **Vern Clapp** is doing a very good job handling our finances.
- 4) reach a decision on liability insurance for officers and the association - As for the insurance, we don't have any yet, but we have made the decision that we will need it for at least the year of the Reunion, and then we will evaluate from there whether to continue with it or not and in what form.
- 5) through our participating agreement and volunteer efforts, help the working Forest Service when and where we can - The purpose of the Participating Agreement, in part, is for the Forest Service and the PNWFSA to work cooperatively to promote the continued working relationship between current Forest Service personnel and the Forest Service retirees. This includes dissemination of information of mutual interest and benefit. Primarily this is done through our web site, e-notes and quarterly newsletter. We (retirees) continue

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New President's Letter—Tokarczyk (*Cont'd. from p. 1*)
Treasurer/Data Base Manager was working hard during my last duty as President and continues as a trusted hard worker. The secretary slot has been filled by **Bev Pratt** for several years now. Bev has brought many new ideas and has done an excellent job. The rest of the volunteer team keeps the organization working smoothly and they also are to be commended.

The year 2005 will be a good one for PNWFSA. Membership numbers are very good and energy is at a high level. I'm looking forward to continued success in 2005.

Bob Tokarczyk

Doug's Last President's Letter (*Cont'd. from page 1*)
continue to exceed our obligation with both cash and non-cash contributions to qualify for the \$5000 from the Forest Service. This agreement has been very positive for both parties but expires in 2007 unless extended.

We continue to have lunches with Regional Forester **Linda Goodman** and Station Director **Tom Quigley** as their busy schedule allows. It gives us a chance to share information and make plans to focus our efforts in helping each other. We plan to continue with the lunches which have been very positive. As often as possible, Linda, Tom and/or their staff attend our monthly lunch at the Beaverton Elks which gives us a chance to just visit with no agenda.

A few other things we have been involved with is helping **Lloyd Musser**, curator of the Mt Hood Museum. We were able to assist with moving Forest Service exhibits (replica of a lookout & office) from the Yeon warehouse to the Museum and set it up. Things look pretty good and if you get to Government Camp, be sure to stop at the Museum on the Mountain. We also found a home for many of the Forest Service books stored at Yeon at various Universities and Museums.

"Caring for our own" - You should be very proud as an organization to know that through your donations we were able to send a \$1000 check to Matt Taylor who is a member of the Prineville Hotshots. Earlier this summer, Matt was diagnosed with a cancerous brain tumor and a prognosis of 6 -12 months to live. We wish Matt and his family the very best and consider him one of us.

We also decided (with your help) to have the Banquet on May 1, 2005, and the Picnic on July 8, 2005, along with the Reunion in 2005. Note the change in the Picnic from mid-August to early July. I hope to see you at **ALL THREE** events, and if you wish to volunteer for helping with the Reunion, just let any of the officers know and we will get your name on the list.

We have two positions that folks will be looking to hand off to someone new after 2005. They are **Bob McQuown** (Web Master), and **Wendall Jones** (Newsletter Editor). If you have any interest in either of these positions, please let them or any of the officers know. Thank God they are sticking around for another year.

Doug's Letter (*Cont'd. next column*)

Doug's Last President's Letter (*Cont'd*)
We really have a pretty good time at our monthly luncheons at the Beaverton Elks, and as you might expect, the majority of attendees are from the Portland area. When we have folks from out of the area, it is really a special treat and the visiting just picks up another notch. I would love to see more out of town folks drop in. We will continue to make a trip or two each year out of the area for our monthly board meetings (our last trip was to Bend). So if you want to host a board meeting in your area, please let us know and we will see if we can make it work.

I especially want to thank the following for their friendship and good advice over the past year: **Phil Hirl, Wendall Jones, Bev Pratt, Vern Clapp, Bob Williams, Bob McQuown, Elmer Moyer, Dave Kolb, John Marker and Bob Tokarczyk**. When you read this message, **Bob Tokarczyk** will be President, and **Marlin Plank** will be President Elect, taking us all the way to Reunion 2005.

Thanks for a very good year. *Doug Porter*

Who is This Marlin Plank?

Our new President-Elect, **Marlin Plank**, seems to not be well-known among members. I have been asked several times, "Who is this Marvin Pack, or whatever his name is?" So let me introduce you all to Marlin Plank, with some help from Marlin.

Marlin Plank was born and raised in eastern Iowa (I can hear the cheers already from the Iowa State bunch). After discharge from the Army in 1955, he enrolled at Iowa State University and received a degree in Wood Science in 1959. While in school he worked summers on forest inventory crews for the Pacific Northwest Station. After graduation he went to work permanently for the Station and in 1962 transferred from inventory to Timber Quality Research. This research unit had responsibility for evaluating quality criteria for all western softwoods, and from then until retirement in 1994, he participated in over seventy lumber and veneer recovery studies throughout the twelve western states. Data from these studies were used to evaluate existing log grading systems and to develop new ones. Additionally the data were a major factor in determining log values for timber sales. Marlin says he particularly enjoyed meeting and working with many great people from the Regional Offices to the Ranger Districts. He joined PNWFSA (then the 30 Year Club) in 1994.

Marlin and his wife, June, have five children and eleven grandchildren. June, a retired Registered Nurse, enjoys making porcelain dolls, sewing, and volunteers with St. Vincent De Paul. Marlin volunteers at his church, is an avid sports fan, plays golf, and goes birding when traveling in a new area. Both of them enjoy spoiling the grandchildren and then sending them back to the parents.

So there you have it and now you will get to know him better as the guy who will replace Bob Tokarczyk as President about this time next year. And let's hear the applause for a new officer pledged to keep this outfit running in the future. *Wendall Jones*

New Newsletter Look

Hope you didn't see the yellow cover on this newsletter and think it was junk mail. We have decided to dress up the newsletter to tie in with the Forest Service 100th Anniversary Reunion in September 2005. The yellow paper and green ink on the masthead is meant to tie in with the colors of the uniform shoulder patch, the USFS flag, etc. (Sorry, fellow OSU Beavers, I could not find a rationale to make it orange and black.) *WJ*

Reunion News

For the last several issues, we have featured Reunion News on page 3. Beginning with this issue, until the Reunion, the Reunion information will be on the green insert in the center of the newsletter. This insert is not stapled in, so you can pull it out and start your information file on the Reunion. As each issue comes out next calendar year, the Reunion information will become more specific, and eventually will include your reservation application information. *WJ*

New Umatilla Area Rep

We have a new Area Representative for the Umatilla NF. **Gil Davis** is taking over with the full support of **Herb Rudolph**. Herb has had health and energy problems and says it is time to turn it over to a younger generation. Our utmost appreciation goes to Herb for his years of service. Gil spent most of his career on the Umatilla in the Engineering organization. He also was a Camp Officer on a Regional/National Fire Team for a number of years. We are looking forward to Gil bringing more Umatilla NF folks into our organization. *Wendall Jones*

New Editor and Webmaster Needed

Every several years we have a turnover in officers of the Association. We have a "system" for the evolution of the office of President, but we have no given term of office for all other members of the Board. So we have come to another evolution in which members of the Association must step forward and take their turn. Webmaster Bob McQuown and Newsletter Editor Wendall Jones have given notice that they are ready to set back and enjoy being a member of PNWFSA at the end of 2005. I know there are many of you out there that are capable of taking on these assignments. With today's technology we can even broaden the geographic area of consideration. Vern Clapp lives in Bend now, and the Association gets along just fine with our Treasurer/Data Base Manager living over there in his and Jessie's beautiful home northwest of Bend. Vern participates actively as a Board member through e-mail, phone, fax, and occasional attendance at Board meetings. So you folks out there in the rest of the Region can cease depending on Portland area folks entirely to take care of the Association business.

The Webmaster could almost live anywhere in the world, where (s)he has high speed internet access, but this job requires special talents that can be gained by some lessons from Bob McQuown, who among other talents is a very good teacher.

The Newsletter Editor may not be as worldly as the Webmaster, but certainly could reside anyplace in the Region where (s)he has access to a fairly high-tech printing business and high speed internet access. The communication between printer and editor can almost all be handled over the internet and by phone. Wendall also will provide counsel in regard to, not so much the technical computer operations, but the philosophies and objectives behind the PNWFSA newsletter.

So we are looking for members to take on these two important jobs. Give it some positive thought. This is an excellent opportunity to show your support for the organization. You can call or e-mail any Board member with questions, concerns, and even acceptance of a position. We are an equal opportunity outfit, so either of these positions can be filled by a male or female member. And after taking on one of these positions, you can relax and enjoy the 2005 Reunion before you have to go to work.

Wendall Jones

New Members

- Dick Cleveland & Lorena Corzett
- Bill Dugas (re-upped)
- Helen Hentemann
- Leota Hilbran (gift from Connie Franz)
- Ray & Maxine Looney
- Bob & Sharon Phillips
- Woody & Pat Robertshaw
- Rick & Rica Scott
- James & Yvonne Smith
- Diana & Dale St. Marie
- Ralph & Betty Thompson
- Walter & Shirley Tokarczyk (gift from bro. Bob)
- Richard & Shirley Warthen
- Pamela & John Wilson

Installation of New Officers

At our Sept. 24 Board meeting and luncheon, we had a brief ceremony to recognize the changing of the guard of Board members. Each year a new President-Elect is elected. The old President-Elect moves into the President's chair. And the old President has to make room in that chair, so he moves up to Past President. The old Past President moves off the Board, but often remains a very active participant in PNWFSA matters. All the rest of the Board members have elected to stay with their jobs for another year.

The ceremony took place after the luncheon and the Board furnished cake for dessert for everyone as part of the ritual. We welcomed Marlin Plank to the Board as President-Elect, Doug Porter passed the gavel to Bob Tokarczyk, and Doug received a round of cheers for his year as President as he stepped into the office of Past President. *Wendall Jones*

Donors

Jack Smith Jerry Hofer
Thanks So Much!!

R6 Reminisces Book Coming Together

(Editors Note: Dave Scott, Phil Hirl and others have been working with Rolf Anderson on this book. Our contributions have been miniscule compared to Rolf's time and effort. But my observation is that this is more a love affair with Forest Service History for Rolf than it is hard work. I know you cannot get an appreciation for Rolf's effort now, but you will cherish his efforts when you buy and start reading the book of stories.)

Did you know:

-- That when Grover Blake was a sheepherder in the summer of 1906 in eastern Oregon he shared a campsite for two weeks with a Forest Guard working for the Blue Mountains Forest Reserve? Grover describes the life-changing results of their evening campfire discussions in a story in our book.

-- That in the early 1920's there were four men with the title of Forest Supervisor on the Whitman National Forest at the same time? An Ira Jones story in our book tells why that was.

-- That when future Chief Ed Cliff was the Forest Supervisor of the Siskiyou in the late 1930's and early 1940's his favorite horse was prone to "buck now and then?" The Regional Safety Officer's reaction to that is described in a story in our book.

October is a busy month as we continue to put this book of stories together. We will have finished the edit of our third draft, done by Pam Devereaux Wilson (Johnny and Penny Devereaux's oldest daughter), and will be well into the edit of our fourth draft, by Kathy Anderson Barrett (Bobbie and my oldest daughter). We will also be meeting with Photo Editors Dick Connelly and Dick Buscher to review and select photos for each of our six chapters.

Our goal is to have our book to be ready for all of us to help celebrate our 100th anniversary at our National Retiree Reunion in Portland in 2005! *Rolf Anderson*

If you wish to contact Rolf in regard to a story or stories, or to offer help in other ways, his e-mail, phone, and postal addresses are in the Directory.

Job Corps 40th Anniversary

The Job Corps Civilian Conservation Center Program 40th Anniversary celebration, on September 10-12, 2004, was a great success.

Local community leaders, current Job Corps Students, program graduates, current staff, and retired staff participated in the 3 day event. Secretary of Agriculture Ann Veneman, and Under Secretary Mark Rey along with local Congressman Taylor participated on September 12.

The LBJ Center near Franklin, NC, held open house on Sept 10, by dedicating a new dormitory and providing a special anniversary dinner that day.

The Oconaluftee Center hosted an open house on Sept 11, with various special events during the day.

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The Schenck Center was the center piece of the main events held on September 11 and 12. Center Director Rosie Wheeler, Schenck staff and students conducted special tours, served round the clock food, and hosted dignitaries throughout the week-end in spite of the fact that the Schenck Center was evacuated on the evening of September 6, due to flooding conditions caused by Hurricane Francis.

The area received in excess of 14 inches of rain in a very short period of time, and all drainage ways were a serious threat to life and property. Asheville, NC, lost the use of their municipal water supply system for over 5 days.

The program has served over 1.5 million students over the 40 year period with improvements to federal public lands and local communities of over 1.5 billion dollars. The Department of Labor has announced an expansion of the program, and everyone looks forward to the continued success of the program in serving the needs of unemployable young people. *Chuck Hendricks*

Summer Picnic, A Beautiful Day

Nearly 160 PNWFSA members and guests gathered on August 13th at the BLM's Wildwood Recreation Area, near Welches, OR. The "picnic in the woods" was indeed a success. A beautiful day in a beautiful place. More good stories and memories were exchanged. These stories get better each year. Join us next year for these fabulous exchanges. However, remember that the date has been moved, due to the Reunion being so close to the usual mid-August date. Please put the new date, July 8, on your calendars today.

Pictures, taken by **Paul Enberg**, have been posted on our website by **Bob McQuown**, and a selection of them are in this newsletter on pages 7, 8 and 9.

Monte and Norma Montgomery, volunteers with the High Desert Museum, in Bend, joined us and brought samples of some of the Forest Service "artifacts" to be displayed at the Museum in a special exhibition celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Forest Service.

Dave Dalton and his crew, our caterer, provided us with more than we could eat or drink. No one left hungry or thirsty.

Thanks to others that helped to make this event successful---**Jessie and Vern Clapp, John and Mary Marker, Mary and Elmer Moyer, Wayne Kleidosty, Doug Porter** and everyone else I have missed!!!

There is a need for a 2005 Picnic Chair. It is an easy task, and we need you on the team!!! Anyone interested please contact President Bob Tokarczyk at 360-576-4490.

Bev Pratt

Word Play—A hangover is the wrath of grapes.

Dancing cheek-to-cheek is really a form of floor play.

A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion.

Those who get too big for their britches will be exposed in the end.

Enabling the Future - NFF in the Northwest

The National Forest Foundation (NFF) has a new presence in the Northwest, and though she may be small compared to Sasquatch or an ancient cedar, the role she plays is tremendous. **Mary Vasse** is the NFF's first-ever Director of Northwest Programs. On the job for six months now, she is facilitating and encouraging community-based natural resource collaboration for the NFF, which is the only nonprofit solely dedicated to engaging citizens in caring for our National Forests. She has visited the 20 or so nonprofits that are already NFF partners, on the north and central Oregon coast, in central Oregon, and in southwest Washington. She is focusing on uniting the regional conservation community, and helping them learn from each other and their Forest Service partners.

"Community leaders and Forest Service staff," said Vasse, "are some of the most creative and committed stewards of our nation's natural resources. This is their back yard; they need it to be healthy for their own sake, for their livelihoods and their children. The result of their work is often a great asset to the rest of us."

The 34 community and Forest Service partners that came together for the 2004 NFF Northwest Partners Gathering, in August, found that this NFF-facilitated network is a very rich place for gaining knowledge and skills for community-based conservation. Asked what they found valuable, one community conservation partner said "The Networking. Day to day things are so provincial I don't even seem to know what's going on over the ridge!" Another responded that hearing about others challenges and solutions was a great way to solve problems in his own projects.

The NFF believes collaboration is the best way to improve our natural resources and communities. Today, the coastal watersheds, forested mountains and high desert ecosystems in Oregon comprise an important geographic focus area for the NFF, in part because of the existing collaborative community. The NFF geographic focus areas were chosen based on their need for economic and ecologic restoration, the interest and involvement of local communities and the region's high probability for success.

The NFF works in the Northwest through its Matching Awards Program (MAP) and Community Assistance Program (CAP). These grant programs provide funds and technical assistance to nonprofits working to steward our National Forests. Our MAP and CAP partners represent a diverse array of community organizations – from citizen-scientist groups to youth corps. They all work closely with their Forest Service partners, engaging communities and citizens in on-the-ground involvement. "I'm so pleased to find that so many of the Northwest NFF partners have such good relationships with the Forest Service" said Vasse. That's emblematic of this agency's dedicated staff. Now we just need to get the rest of us together."

If you would like to say hello to Mary, you can e-mail her at mvasse@natlforests.org. For more information on the NFF, please visit www.natlforests.org. *Mary Vasse, NFF*

New front desk phone number for Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area: 541-308-1700

Friends of the Forest

This summer, the National Forest Foundation launched a new program called Friends of the Forest™. The program is designed to be a communications channel to link you and others around the country to more information about the National Forests. The Friends of the Forest™ Web site and a newsletter, called Tree-mail™ offers everything from travel information and trip tips to articles that concisely frame the issues critical to the future of the National Forests and that share the stewardship stories that make the NFF unique.

You can become a Friend of the Forest by visiting www.becomeafriend.org. *Mary Vasse*

Pete Wingle Honored

"On November 13, 2003, the U.S. Board on Geographic Names officially named Wingle Ridge in honor of H. Peter Wingle (1933-1997). Pete Wingle was a visionary with an abiding passion for the mountains, and he was obsessed with sharing that passion in recreation opportunities for the public. Pete's influence is written on ski mountains all over Colorado, and his name now identifies a magnificent ridge in the heart of the mountains he loved. It is the most fitting epitaph imaginable."

These words appeared on dedicatory information for the August 28, 2004 ceremony held at Shrine Mountain Ridge in the White River National Forest in Colorado.

Many may remember Pete as the District Ranger at Zigzag on the Mt. Hood NF, before his career took him to Region 2 in Colorado. His wife Jane sent information on the dedication with this note: "Since Pete served in the NW Region, I thought you might want your newsletter readers to know that a mountain ridge near Vail Pass in Colorado has been named in his honor. Thank you, Jane Wingle"

Matt Taylor Fund

Matt Taylor, is one of the senior firefighters on the Prineville Hotshots crew. In May, Matt underwent exploratory brain surgery and was found to have an aggressive cancerous tumor. His physician gave a prognosis of six months to one year to live. Matt is undergoing chemotherapy, and doing what he can to fight the cancer. His chemotherapy costs \$2,200 a month. His insurance company only covers half of that expense. He has incurred further medical expenses that a GS-5 salary doesn't go far to cover.

A donation account has been established with Bank of America to help allay these costs. This account may also double as an education account for his daughter, Joan, who is just one year old, should Matt not be able to provide for her. The BofA account is 2884010802. Out of state donors can use BofA account OR2-134-01-01.

At the July Board meeting, the Association decided to support Matt, but any donations should be on a volunteer basis from members, not from Association funds. We took donations at the July and August luncheons and the Summer Picnic. As of newsletter deadline, the collections total near \$1,200. Which has been sent to BofA.

Donations are still welcome. You can send a check to PNWFSA ear-marked for the Matt Taylor fund, or send your donation directly to the BofA account listed above.

Address Changes, etc

In accordance with Association policy, the changes are not displayed online. Members may request an electronic copy of the Directory which was updated September 2004...*Bob*

Arney, Dick & Linda – Change e-mail:
 Baker, Glenn – Change e-mail:
 Barnes, Nancy – Correction
 Brown, Carroll & Pearl – Change address& Phone Number:
 Cleveland, Richard & Lorena Corzatt – New member
 Doty, Ormond & Edith – Change address:
 Dugas, Bill – New member (re-upped):
 Elton, Claude & Shirley – Change e-mail
 Farr, Len & Barbara – Change e-mail:
 Few, Shirley – Change e-mail:
 Franks, Don & Beverly – Change address:
 Furen, Walt & Shirley – Change address; No Phone; No e-mail
 Hentemann, Helen H. – New member:
 Hetzer, Bob & Judy – Change phone:
 Hilbran, Leota E.—New member: No e-mail
 Ketchum, Verna – Change e-mail:
 Kopecky, Renee – Change address: E-mail: same
 Looney, Ray L. & Maxine – New member
 Masoner, Arnie – Change e-mail
 Morden, Bill & Donna – Change address:
 Morse, B. Eric & Sheila –Change e-mail:
 O'Neal, Sonny & Joyce – Change e-mail:
 Owens, Joyce – Change address, Phone, & e-mail
 Paulson, Steve & Mary – Correct Phone& change e-mail
 Phillips, Bob & Sharon – New member:
 Pottorff, Carolyn J – Change address:
 Robertshaw, N.F. “Woody” & Pat – New member:
 Seiger, Thomas & JoAnn – Add e-mail:
 Sigler, Kelley & Anne – Change e-mail:
 Schallau, Con & Leanah – Change e-mail:
 Schoof, Patricia – Change e-mail:
 Scott, Rick & Rica – New member:
 Smith, James G. & Yvonne – New member:
 Sorseth, Steve & Amelia – Change e-mail:
 Spray, Richard & Bette – Change e-mail:
 St. Marie, Diana & Dale – New member:
 Thompson, Ralph & Betty – New member:
 Tokarczyk, Walter & Shirley – New member:
 Vander Heide, Tony & Gail – Change e-mail:
 Visintainer, Joe & Katie – Change address, phone & e-mail
 von Weisenfluh, Calvin & Shirley – Change e-mail:
 Warthen, Richard & Shirley – New member:
 Weber, Frederick P. & Vernice – Address Correction:
 Wilson, Pamela Devereaux & John Wilson – New member:

Losses:

William L. Meisner – died 7/12/03; family requests dropping membership
 James Bones – died 9/5/04; LT - wife Merci Ann survives
 Carlos Brown – died 7/17/04; LT – wife Erma survives
 Arthur Greeley – died 5/04; LT – no survivor
 Peggy Kerr – died 6/17/04; Jack survives
 Stephen McDonald – died 9/12/04; spouse Shirley survives
 Ada Frances Price – died 6/29/04; John “Jack” survives
 Robert Torheim – died 7/26/04 – LT – wife Marjean survives

Has your address changed?

Please let the association be one of the first you notify. A few weeks delay can result in you not getting the newsletter.

Note: Your mailing label shows the year through which your dues are paid. For example, if your label shows '04', your dues are paid through 12/31/04.

Picnic 2004 Gallery I

**Picnic Photos are posted in the Photo Album Section of the web page.
Click on the 'Photos' tab at the top of the webpage to view the pictures**

Judy Hetzer, Mary Jane Drury, Shirley Lysne

Eve Gould, Sue Kerrick, Norm Gould

Dick & Lois Woodcock

Mike Lysne & Jack Todd

Ron Skrip & Betty Roberts

Bob Romancier & Dot Cooper

Picnic 2004 Gallery II

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Gail Baker

Jack Smith

Jim Drury

Glenn Cooper & Tom Snellgrove

Claudia & Ken Evans

Lowell Gilbert & Ed Graham

Betty & Ralph Thompson (new members)

Picnic 2004 Gallery III

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Robbie Robertson

Harold & Virginia Parker

Bob Lewis

Fred, Carole & Allison Sprenger

Jerry & Connie Franz

Bruce & Sue Mateer

Chet Bennett

Members Corner

Letters from Members

Wally Johannsen

I wish to call attention to a period of time in Martin "Chick" Watson's scaling career that reflects all his personal attributes that Jerry Patchen (Spring 2004 newsletter) so well describes, as well as those he listed as necessary to being a proficient check scaler.

I do not know when Chick first became one of several scalers working on the high production mill deck of the Edward Hines Lbr. Co., located at the company town of Hines which was adjacent to the town of Burns. I arrived on the Snow Mtn. District of the Ochoco Forest in the fall of 1949. Within a few years Chick became the head scaler who supervised and check scaled the other scalers. He replaced Pete Wyss. Chick proved to be an excellent choice.

After several years away from Burns, I returned in 1955 as Drewsey DR, which was concurrent with the Malheur decentralizing timber management to the districts. I like to believe that Chick was pleased to have a local FS office to receive company complaints. I know the company did not like it at all to have another administrative level.

I now had access rights to join Chick as an observer on a chaotic work station. I had been a FS scaler on the Alexander-Yawkey mill in Prineville in 1949. I thought even at that low production mill deck that it was not a desirable place to scale logs. The Hines mill was 3 shifts a day and a single chain feeding three head rigs. The logs barely stopped while two scalers scrambled to keep out of each other way and make their measurements. The second scaler of course was the Company scaler.

Regarding Jerry's comments about harassment, Chick had to contend in my opinion with an unusually stringent attitude by the Company. The Company was established in Burns during the thirties with considerable City of Burns and FS encouragement. Admittedly it was a huge investment that including railroad development east to Ontario and to Seneca as well. It was the largest Ponderosa pine mill in the country. Earlier attempts to establish such a plant had failed miserably.

Primarily Chick and his scalers were subjected to what amounted to a daily check scale. Their individual scale was accumulated periodically by the Company and compared with their Company counterparts and reports made to Forest and Regional offices. Check scalers should also be check scaled. So the point is Chick and his scalers were being checked by non-qualified Company check scalers. It seemed to be to put pressure on Chick, pure and simple. On the other hand we had the weakness of Chick not being checked by the USFS. I know he wanted it but I don't recall it being done.

I left Burns while Chick was still there. I hope he left with his head held high for a job well done. We lived a few blocks from Watsons in Hines and always enjoyed their company and Roxie was about the same age as one of our children. We were able to visit them occasionally in John Day and attended their 50th wedding anniversary. **Letters (Cont'd. next column)**

Letters (Cont'd.)

Carroll Brown

We are busy trying to adjust from living in a spacious home to a retirement home with only 975 square feet in our apartment. But, we will manage. We are well and enjoy our new home.

Bud Salisbury

I saw Al Oard in Baker on July 7. He and Irma Lee are doing pretty well. They are still in the assisted living home, The Cedars, in Baker, OR.

Ross Files

Just read of Bob Torheim's death in the Portland Oregonian. Years ago an old timer told me to treat these young college kids with care because some day they would be your boss. Good advice. I met that young college kid, Bob Torheim, at a Guard School Camp at Skykomish Ranger Station. I was the instructor for telephone maintenance.

Next season Bob returned to the Skykomish as Forest Aid, and was assigned as crew chief of a cruising party on a timber sale I was planning on the upper North Fork Skykomish River. A few years later I was the Timber Sale Officer on the North Bend District when Bob was transferred to the District. During the several years we worked together, we planted trees, laid out timber sales, burned slash, fought fire, skied and had a few beers. We never had any fishing trips, although Bob was an ardent fisherman. He already had a fine fishing buddy in his wife Marjean.

After our days on the North Bend District, our paths separated for several years until Bob was transferred to the Regional Office as Deputy Regional Forester. At the time I was the leader of the Visitor Information Program, a part of Bob Torheim's administrative responsibilities.

So you see, the old timers advice was very good. Bob was an outstanding young Forester, and became an outstanding administrator--always quiet and calm in his directions, always pleasant and friendly when dealing with people, and always smiling and witty when listening to his many friends.

Bob Torheim made many improved changes in Forest Service management without causing any friction. An example we hope to see followed in the future.

Our love and prayers for Marjean, who makes the best Apple Pie.

Bob Harris (and daughter Margie Fitzpatrick)

Enclosed is a contribution to the Matt Taylor fund. Our thoughts and prayers are with him and his family. My father was a smoke chaser in Montana and North Idaho before he began his professional career with the Forest Service. He would be proud of Matt Taylor for his bravery in fighting forest fires and in the challenge he is currently facing in his life.

Editors Note: Sorry folks this is it for letters we have this issue. Perhaps you need to consider sitting down and writing good things to share with your friends through the Newsletter. What do you like most about the newsletter? Most say "the Letters".

R6 Updates—Kathy Bowman, Editor

(Excerpts from the R6 electronic employee newsletter)

June 24**CRGNSA Co-op Venture with Lyle, WA**

Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area, in concert with the Lyle Community Council, recently dedicated the Balfour-Klickitat Day Use Area. The site is located just west of the community of Lyle, WA, adjacent to the Klickitat Wild and Scenic River. The Balfour-Klickitat Day Use Park was purchased by the Forest Service in 1994. Extensive restoration and rehab work was done on the former rock quarry. In 1998, the Lyle Community Council proposed developing a park on the property. A \$200,000 grant was obtained through the Federal Highways Administration to construct the park. The improvements include parking, restroom, an accessible nature trail, picnic areas, fencing, interpretive signing, and river and wetlands overlook areas. *(Courtesy of Virginia Kelly and Mike Ferris CRGNSA)*

July 1**Showing up in Sisters**

Thousands saw an aspect of Forest Service work seen by wilderness travelers when mounted Deschutes NF wilderness rangers Jim Leep, Bend/Fort Rock RD, and Gabe Chladek, Sisters RD, rode in the Sisters Rodeo Parade on June 14 to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Wilderness Act of 1964. Jim, mounted on saddle mule Charlie, led pack mule China, and Gabe rode saddle horse Fiera. This appearance was the first of several scheduled for Jim, who has ranged and packed in the Three Sisters Wilderness and other central Oregon wildernesses for the past dozen years. Next year for the Forest Service Centennial, Jim will don a 1906 Forest Service uniform to appear at many high-visibility events. *(Courtesy of Les Joslin and Margot Bucholz)*

PNW Changes

Cynthia West has been named PNW Station's Deputy Director. Paul Dunn, WO, takes her place. Rolando Ortegon has accepted the position of Director of Operations. *(Courtesy of Sherri Richardson-Dodge, PNW)*

Old FS computers get new life

Earlier this year, Denis Long, Bob Habas (both R6 RO IRM staff), and Morris Jones and Mike Blackwell (R6 RO AQM staff), identified and excessed 50+ IBM desktops and 20+ IBM laptops with expired warranties and outdated hardware capabilities. Jim Syrstad, computer training specialist at St. Helens HS, in St. Helens, Oregon, was contacted by Bob Habas to see if the school was interested in the equipment. Syrstad was more than willing to pick-up, and supervise computer-proficient students to recondition and assemble the computers. These computers were used in 4 class periods daily by 225 – 250 students. Thirty desktops were placed in this lab. The donation of these Forest Service IBM desktops has contributed to a significant improvement in computer lab facilities at St. Helens HS. *(Robert Habas, RO)*

R6 Updates (cont'd.)**July 22****Merlins at Colville**

This year merlins raised three young in the Colville Yep-Kanum city park. The park is adjacent to the SO and Three Rivers RD east of office. Chris Loggers (wildlife biologist) and Warren Current (retired Colville NF employee) were probably the first to identify the birds. Since then many Forest Service and city park employees, birders and the general public have enjoyed watching the birds. Some people have seen the adults catch other birds to feed their young. The birds have fledged and are making short flights near the nest. *(Courtesy Sandra Mosconi, Colville NF)*

July 29**Remembering Joan Eversole, Timberlake JCC**

Joan Eversole, math teacher at Timberlake Job Corps Center, passed away unexpectedly this June. Joan, who was born 3/7/35 in Walla Walla, WA, worked 26 years in the Job Corps program at Angell, Curlew, and last at Timberlake.

"One interesting thing mentioned at a ceremony on 6/25/04, is that Joan had dropped out of high school - new information to Job Corps students," writes Sharlene Steigerwald of Timberlake JCC. "She... then went back to school years later and attended Lane Community College and received a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Oregon. This explained why she was always a little "tough" on the some of the girls at Timberlake -- because she didn't want them to have to struggle like she had after dropping out of school." All of her children and several grandchildren attended the memorial service at Timberlake. Joan's son, Russell, presented the math award to a student at Timberlake during an awards ceremony, which was held immediately after her memorial service.

Aug 5**Cooperative Programs highlighted**

"Deputy Chief Joel Holtrop and Jim Lawrence, co-director of the Western Forestry Leadership Coalition, recently visited R-6 as part of a look at State and Private Forestry Programs in the western states. In R-6 they visited communities that have been helped with our Economic Action Programs in Woodland and Kalama, WA, then went to Olympia and the Puget Sound area to visit with our partners involved in the Landowner Assistance, Forest Health, and Urban and Community Forestry Program," writes Bill von Segen, Forest Products/Rural Development, USDA Forest Service/Cooperative Programs.

Aug. 12**Recreation reservation contract awarded**

USDA has announced the award of a contract to provide a single interagency federal recreation information and reservation service called the National Recreation Reservation Service (NRRS).

The three and a half-year, performance-based contract with a total potential value of \$128 million was awarded to ReserveAmerica of Ballston Spa, N.Y. It will begin operating in late 2004. See the news release at www.usda.gov/Newsroom/0327.04.html.

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A picture's worth 1,000 words; a volunteer's priceless!

Gloria Curry, Okanogan Zone archaeologist writes, "I've been running an ongoing Passport In Time Project that I've called "Dust Bunny Wars- The Scanner Fights Back" - the purpose being to digitize the photo collection of the Okanogan NF, including, but not limited to the historic photos. With the current direction in NEPA being to demonstrate the effects of our prior management, there's nothing quite so valuable as photos of the same areas to tell the story."

She adds, "One volunteer, Carol Kelly, a recently retired librarian, outdid herself by driving to WA from Gloucester, Mass, and volunteering three weeks of work. She scanned and entered full descriptive information into a database for 1,244 photographs. While there are still many file cabinet drawers full of photos and slides to be scanned, this one lady made an appreciable dent in the project."

Sept. 2

New W-W Supervisor

Steve Ellis, BLM District Manager in Lakeview, OR is the new Wallowa-Whitman NF Forest Supervisor, effective October 17.

Invasive species DEIS out...

R-6 has released a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) addressing the growing problems caused by invasive plants in National Forests. When completed, this EIS will amend all Forest Plans to improve invasive plant prevention and provide new tools to tackle more than 420,000 acres infested with yellow star thistle, leafy spurge, and Japanese knotweed. See www.fs.fed.us/r6/invasiveplant-eis.

Crystal Mountain plan signed

Forest Supervisor John Phipps, has signed the Record of Decision for the Crystal Mountain Master Development Plan Final EIS. Crystal Mountain is in the Cascade Mountain range of Western Washington, about 35 miles southeast of Enumclaw, WA. The selected alternative (modified from the Draft EIS) eliminates the proposed construction of the East Peak lift and trails, eliminating proposed snowmaking storage in the up-mountain lagoon at the base of Avalanche Basin, and parking lot modifications. (Larry Donovan, Lorette Ray)

Sept. 9

Siuslaw honored

Members of a partnership that make up Siuslaw River Basin Restoration projects on the Central Oregon Coast are first-time winners for the United States in an international river restoration award. A panel of international scientists and restoration practitioners judged the nominations.

The International Thies Riverprize of AUD \$100,000 (a little over USD \$69,500) is awarded at the annual International River-symposium in Brisbane, Australia. The honor recognizes outstanding achievement in the restoration and preservation of rivers and waterways internationally.

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Sept. 16

Big Four Ice Cave

The Big Four Ice Cave Trail has been in existence since the early 1900's as a stop on the Everett-Monte Cristo Railroad, says Gary Paull, Wilderness and Trails Coordinator at Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie NF. "A resort was built on the site following the mining activity at Monte Cristo which allowed folks to take a train to a beautiful hotel at the site. This was a popular week-end getaway for Puget Sound area folks. There were several hiking trails in the area and also a small golf course, tennis courts and evening dances. Ice from the caves was used for drinks and ice cream. The lodge burned in the 1940's and recreation use gradually increased. The trail to the Ice Caves became increasingly popular and the FS has been upgrading it for several decades," he notes.

"Over 50,000 people visit the trail annually now. The most extensive renovations came between 1997 and 2002. A total of about \$700,000 was invested at the site; however, none of these funds came from the NW Forest Pass.Pass dollars are used for annual site maintenance though," Paull writes. "Also, I would be remiss if I did not mention that this is one of the National Recreation Trails on the Forest."

Mt. Ashland Ski Area

The ski area is located mostly in Ashland Watershed, seven miles south of Ashland. A Final EIS is complete and the Record of Decision for the Mt. Ashland Ski Area Expansion was recently signed by Rogue River-Siskiyou NF Supervisor Scott Conroy. The selected alternative allows Mt. Ashland Association to make a variety of facilities improvements, including construction of two chairlifts, two surface lifts, developing about 71 acres of associated new ski run terrain, and widening existing runs. Also authorized are a four-acre tubing facility, three guest services buildings, a yurt, additional infrastructure, an increase in parking, and a number of watershed restoration projects. Implementation is expected to start in summer 2005.

A new proposed rule for roadless areas in the works

The proposed rule is available at www.roadless.fs.fed.us.

July 16 the Forest Service published a new proposed rule to revise regulations concerning the Roadless Area Conservation Rule. The revised proposed rule would allow governors to petition the Secretary of Agriculture to establish or adjust management direction that exists in forest plans for inventoried roadless areas within their state. The public comment period has been extended for an additional 60 days until November 15. (From WO.)

New Director for Grey Towers

The US Forest Service has named a new director for Grey Towers National Historic Landmark. Richard Paterson, who since 2003 has served as program manager for the Forest Service National Leadership Success Program, will replace Edgar Brannon Jr., who has announced his retirement after 15 years as Grey Towers Director. Paterson's appointment is effective October 4. Brannon will stay on until the end of the year, providing for a smooth transition.

MEMORIES

By Dave & Jane Kolb

James T. Bones

James T. Bones died 9/5/2004 in a Florence, OR hospital. He was a PNWFSA member. Jim retired after spending over 35 years primarily working in Forest Inventory and Analysis. He worked in the Northwest, Alaska, Northeast, and WO. Jim was also involved internationally with Forest Inventory with Canadian and Russian Foresters and a 3-year detail in Columbia. Survivors include his wife, Merci Ann. (*More details may be available in Winter NL*)

Carlos Theodore "Tom" Brown

Carlos "Tom" Brown died 7/17/2004, at age 96. He was a PNWFSA member. Tom was born 12/8/1907, in Vancouver, WA. He graduated from Oregon Agricultural College (now OSU) with a degree in Forestry, and worked 36 years for the USFS. In 1946 he transferred to Denver, then to Alaska in 1956. Tom was Forest Supervisor on the South Tongass NF, and later moved to R-10 RO in Juneau in Recreation. He retired in 1967 and moved to King City, OR, where he was active in his community, church, and the Outdoor School Program. Tom married Alice B. Jacobs in 1935. She died in 1989. He later married Erma Bennett. Survivors include his wife; sons, David T., Robert L., and James R.; twin brother, Carroll (retired FS Rogue River NF); 5 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

Arthur W. Greeley

Art Greeley died in late May 2004, at age 91. He was a PNWFSA member. Art was born 8/1/1912, in Takoma Park, MD. He grew up and attended school in Chevy Chase, MD. His family moved to Seattle, WA, in 1928, where Art graduated from the U of W in 1934, with a BS in Forestry. Later he received a graduate degree in Forestry from Yale and started his FS career on the St. Joe NF in R-1. Art worked on a number of R-1 Forests, then moved to the WO in 1944. His FS career also includes Forest Supervisor of the Lassen NF, R5; Director of PNW; RF of R-10 Juneau, AK; RF of R-9 in Milwaukee, WI; Deputy Chief and Associate Chief, WO. Art took early retirement in 1971 to start a second career in the Ministry. He graduated from Wesley Theological Seminary in 1974 and was the Associate Pastor at Chevy Chase United Methodist Church from 1973 to 1982. He was a member and president of the Order of St. Luke, 1978 until his death. Art's father was an early Chief of the Forest Service. Survivors include 2 daughters, Janet Conner and Lynne Greeley; 3 granddaughters; and 14 nieces and nephews.

Mary Sue Handschug

Mary Handschug died 6/27/2004, at age 57, in Vancouver, WA. She was the wife of Gary Handschug who is retired from the USFS. Mary was born 2/21/1947, in Oakland, CA. She

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was raised and educated in southern Oregon. She received a BA from Southern Oregon State U. and taught school in OR and WA. Survivors include her husband; son, Ryan; and daughter, Taya Peebles.

Elsie Himes

Elsie Himes died 6/10/2004, at age 83. She was a long time receptionist at the PNW Station and later was the Secretary for the Station Director. Elsie Hageland was born in 1921, in Seattle and moved to Portland as a child. After graduation from high school, she started working for the Corps of Engineers and the Defense Dept. Later she moved to the FS with PNW until retiring in 1994.

In 1941 Elsie married Bob Lamberson and they later divorced. She married Chet Himes in 1960 and he died in 1995. Elsie sang as a hobby and in 1943 sang the Title role for the opera Aida for a production in Washington Park. Survivors include her sons; Robert and Paul Lamberson; and daughter, Margaret Lysted.

Peggy Louise Kerr

Peggy Kerr died at home in Prineville, OR, 6/17/2004, at age 71. She was a PNWFSA member as is her husband, Jack. Both retired from the Ochoco NF. Peggy was born in Drain, OR, 7/13/1932, where she grew up and graduated from Drain Union HS. She married Jack 9/3/1950 in Curtin, OR. She worked summers as a lookout for the Douglas Forest Protective Assoc. Later she worked on three districts on the Willamette NF, and as receptionist and service manager for the Ochoco NF. Both Peggy and Jack have been active in the Prineville community, their church, and the Oregon Oldtime Fiddler's Assoc.

Survivors include her husband, Jack; sons, Kenneth and Randolph; sister, Dorothy Sayre; 3 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Jackson D. Large

Jackson Large died 7/10/2004, at age 86. He was involved in the start-up at the Job Corps Program and the establishment of FS Job Corps Centers in many Regions. He was born in Mobile, AL, 6/6/1918. During WWII, Jackson was a Navigation Officer in the 460th Bomb Group in Europe. He joined the FS after graduation from Utah State U. with a degree in Forest Biology. Jackson worked in Utah and Montana before moving to DC with the Job Corps Program. He married Hazel Wilson 2/28/1943.

Survivors include his wife; 4 sons; Jack, Richard, and twins Patrick and Michael; and 2 daughters, Dorothy Malone and Jane Koeckeritz.

Elbert L. Little

Elbert Little died in Eugene, OR, 6/18/2004, at age 96. He was born 10/15/1907, in Fort Smith, AR.

Elbert received two BS degrees from the U of Oklahoma - one in Botany (1927) and one in Zoology (1932). In 1929, he received an MS and PhD in Botany from the U. of Chicago. He was

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Memories (Cont'd. from page 13)**Elbert Little** (Cont'd.)

employed by the FS as Chief Dendrologist in DC from 1942 to 1976. Elbert married Ruby Rice 8/14/1943.

Survivors include his wife; sons, Gordon and Melvin; daughter, Alice Stroud; and 4 grandchildren.

Stephen E. McDonald

We received word that Steven McDonald died 9/12/2004 in Glen Rose, TX. He was a program manager at PNW Station and a PNWFSA member. His survivors include wife, Shirley. (A full obituary will be printed in the Winter Newsletter)

Cecil Ashby Navin

Cecil A. Navin died 8/10/2004, at age 86. He was born 1/23/1918, in Roanoke, VA. During WWII he served in the Army in Europe where he earned a Silver Star, Bronze Star, and a Purple Heart. He moved to Portland in 1958, and was a surveyor and cartographer for the USFS. He married Mildred Wisdom who died in 2003.

Survivors include 2 daughters, Toni Collinson and Patricia Naven; 5 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Ada Frances Tower Price

Ada Frances Price died 6/29/2004, at age 86. She was the wife of Jack Price, retired from the Umpqua NF, and a PNWFSA member. Frances Tower was born 2/8/1918, in Deadwood, SD, where she graduated from high school and took her first job making Black Hills Gold jewelry. During WWII she worked in Hawaii for the Corps of Army Engineers. After the war she transferred to the USFS in Vancouver, WA, where she met Jack and they were married 8/28/1948. They lived at Hemlock, Packwood and Amboy, WA prior to moving to Roseburg, OR in 1955. They later moved to Glide, OR, where Jack served as DR for the Glide RD. After his retirement, they bought and developed acreage on the North Bank Rd. near Wilbur, OR. Frances was active in Campfire Girls, P.T.A. and her church in Wilbur.

Survivors include her husband; daughter, Jan and her husband, Mike; and granddaughter, Corey Fitzgerald.

Kenneth Allen Reynolds

Kenneth Allen Reynolds died 7/29/2004, at age 79. He was born 10/21/1924, in Winfield, KS.

During WWII Ken served in the Army Air Corps in Libya and Italy. After graduating from the U. of Oregon, he took a job in Portland with the USFS as an Architectural Engineer. Ken married Ruth Hein in 1945. He retired from the RO 12/31/1982.

Survivors include his wife; sons, Dick and Gary; one grandchild and one great-grandchild.

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Memories (Cont'd.)**Robert Henry Torheim**

Robert H. Torheim died 7/26/2004, at age 81. He was a PNWFSA member. Bob grew up in Seattle, WA, and joined the CCC program after graduation from Roosevelt HS. In WWII he served in the European Theater and later graduated from the U. of W. with a degree in Forestry. Bob started his FS career in 1948 and worked on the Snoqualmie, Olympic and Rogue River NF's. Later he moved to R-6 RO and WO before returning to Portland as Deputy RF. He retired as RF R-1 in Missoula, MT, and moved back to the Portland area. He stayed active with several Forestry organizations, FS Retirees, and local CCC Alumni chapter, where he was instrumental in getting the bronze CCC statue erected on the Capitol grounds in Salem.

Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Marjean; son, Bob; daughter, Janet Keyser; and 3 grandchildren.

High Desert Museum "Shopping List" for items needed for FS Exhibits

Bob Boyd, Curator at High Desert Museum in Bend is still looking for a few good items for Forest Service exhibits. Members of Old Smokeys have been sorting through historic items stored in the Region's Portland warehouse and have been able to send Bob a number of treasures that will be used in the exhibits, but as you can see there are still items to find. Your help is needed, so take another look in the attic, the garage, under the stairs and under the bed for artifacts that can help High Desert Museum complete these exhibits that are a tribute to the people of the Forest Service and the Forest Service mission.

Here is Bob's "shopping list" of things he would like to have for the exhibits.

The museum is looking for a number of items, either as donations or long term loans, that can be included in the 2005 Centennial exhibit, the planned outdoor interpretive site that will represent the era just prior to WWII, our proposed future exhibit on fire in the High Desert, and resource material suitable for the Museum archives/library.

* The 2005 Centennial: Porcelain signs related to east of the mountains sites; a 1905 Use Book; Manuals and handbooks that focus on specific tasks in the field; public relations flyers/handouts 1905-2005; pre-1930s uniform with bronzed or composition USFS buttons; badges, especially with early style tree; snow survey tube and scale of any era; blank or used forms related to grazing, mining, or early timber sales; equipment for testing water quality; USFS marked snowshoes or skis; packs, bags, canteens with NF stencils or markings from the region; early survey tools; rations and cook gear.

*Outdoor interpretive Site: Oak 1940s era furniture such as desk, chairs, map cases, file cabinets, and similar furniture for furnishing the Guard Station; marked lanterns and lighting fixtures; office equipment circa 1940; a fire finder; lookout tower furnishings of the 1940 era; pack saddles; marked pack bags; USFS stencils;

Shopping List (Cont'd. on page 15)

Bill for Collection for Annual Dues Payers --- Must Reading

Many of you will remember what a Bill for Collection is. So we thought we might get annual dues payers attention by sending them a Bill for Collection. So here it is, below. Clip it out, write a check, address and stamp an envelope and pay up before January 1, 2005, if you have not already paid for 2005. How do you know if you have not paid for 2005?? Check your mailing label on the back page of this newsletter. If it says 2004, or does not say 2005 or 2006 or later, then this is YOUR Bill for Collection. The dues are still \$10 per year, payable by January 1 each year. **Please ease the job of our secretary and our treasurer by paying your bill on time.** Thank you!

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This is your Bill for Collection for PNWFSA Annual Dues. The dues are presently \$10 per year, and you can pay for one or more years at this time.

Make check payable to: PNWFSA

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Add a note here or take the time to write a longer letter for the newsletter:

Shopping List (*Cont'd.*)

brands for gear or stock; wall maps of east of the mountains National Forests and Districts; a small switchboard; tool covers and maintenance kits.

* Resource Library and archives: Any books, pamphlets, cookbooks, manuals, maps, that are directly related to field work. As we discussed regarding the previous book collection, research material and studies might best be placed at Duke or similar institutions.

Any other objects, or printed materials that would make good graphics, that tie into the themes would be welcome. If you have questions or want more information about how your artifacts will be use and cared for, contact Bob at 541-382-4754 or bboyd@highdesertmuseum.org. If it is a matter of how to get an item to Bend contact me, and we'll figure out a way. John Marker: 541-352-6154 or jf37m@aol.com *John Marker*

Planning for retirement

If you had purchased \$1000.00 of Nortel stock one year ago, it would now be worth \$49.00. With Enron, you would have had \$16.50 left of the original \$1,000.00. With WorldCom, you would have had less than \$5.00 left.

But, if you had purchased \$1,000.00 worth of beer one year ago, and had drunk all the beer, then turned in the cans for the aluminum recycling refund, you would have had \$214.00.

Based on the above, current investment advice is to drink heavily and recycle.

Installation of New Officers

At our Sept. 24 Board meeting and luncheon, we had a brief ceremony to recognize the changing of the guard of Board members. Each year a new President-Elect is elected. And the old President-Elect moves into the President's chair, so he moves up to Past President. The old Past President moves off the Board, but often remains a very active participant in PNWFSA matters. All the rest of the Board members have elected to stay with their jobs for another year.

In the past this installation took place at the Spring Banquet, but the Board changed the installation date to the end of September, so that we have continuity in officers for a full year before the Reunion in September 2005.

The ceremony took place after the luncheon and the Board furnished cake for dessert for everyone as part of the ritual. As usual there was about as much humor as there was ritual, which one would expect from Bob Tokarczyk and Doug Porter.

We welcomed Marlin Plank to the Board as President-Elect, Doug Porter passed the gavel to Bob Tokarczyk, and Doug received a round of cheers for his year as President as he stepped into the office of Past President. *Wendall Jones*

What do fish say when they hit a concrete wall? "Dam!"
 What kind of coffee was served on the Titanic? Sanka.
 Why did Pilgrims' pants always fall down? Because they wore their belt buckle on their hat.
 What do you call Santa's helpers? Subordinate Clauses

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Fall 2004

Join us for lunch

**Last Friday every month
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Coming Events

- Spring Banquet May 1
- Summer Picnic July 8
- Forest Service Reunion
Sept. 4—9, 2005