

ANPR NEWS

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You Can Still Be A Part of the World Ranger Congress!

Over 265 delegates are registered for the World Ranger Congress (WRC), with over 50 registered in the last two weeks alone. The pace and energy levels are increasing! The Congress is just a few weeks away. We are now bypassing the pre-screening process. If you are an ANPR member and want to come to the Congress, just send a request to me (bob.wrc8@gmail.com) and I'll get you a registration code! If you're not a member, join on-line at www.anpr.org and then email me. Don't miss this once-in-a-career opportunity to join rangers from 65 countries at the most inspirational and affirming park and conservation event you'll ever be part of in the US.

- Bob Krumenaker, WRC Conference Chair (bob.wrc8@gmail.com)

Ranger Rendezvous XXXIX

Ranger Rendezvous XXXIX will be held October 27-30 at the beautiful Hotel Santa Fe in downtown Santa Fe, NM. We will be offering a field trip to nearby Bandelier National Monument. Our speaker and session topics will include a briefing on the 2016 World Ranger Congress in Estes Park, an update on the impacts of the Land Management Workforce Flexibility Act, and a review of the incident at Malheur Wildlife Refuge. If you have suggestions for speakers, training opportunities, breakout sessions and more or if you would like to help with preparations please contact Lauren Kopplin at lauren.kopplin@gmail.com or Tim Moore at tmooreanpr@gmail.com. Don't forget to set aside or solicit donations for the silent auction and raffle!

- Lauren Kopplin, Ranger Rendezvous Coordinator

Help Increase ANPR's Membership

The beginning of summer is a great time to spread the word about ANPR! As park staffing increases, please help us introduce ourselves to new and returning NPS employees by posting our membership information flyer in break rooms or giving it to new employees directly. Thank you for helping us share ANPR!

- Kate Sargeant, Board Member for Membership Services

New Junior Ranger Booklet Available

Celebrate the 50th anniversary of the National Historic Preservation Act with newly designed Junior Ranger Booklets. The booklets are being mailed directly to park superintendents, and are also available online with a guide for the interpretation staff through the following link: <https://www.nps.gov/articles/hispresjuniorranger.htm>

- Seth Tinkham, Grants Management Specialist

Have a Voice at Golden Gate National Recreation Area

[Golden Gate National Recreation Area](#) (GGNRA) has more threatened and endangered species than Yosemite, Yellowstone, and Sequoia-Kings Canyon combined, and needs our support of the proposed Dog Management Rule to strengthen wildlife protections. GGNRA is the 2nd most visited NPS unit, with hikers, bikers, wildlife viewers, horseback riders, hang-gliders, school groups, and dog-walkers competing for parkland space. Of the 410 NPS sites, GGNRA is the only site to offer off-leash dog walking areas. This proposed rule will not eliminate off-leash walking, but will properly manage the areas where use is threatening the park's natural resources and degrading the park experience for many user groups. The deadline for comments is May 25th, 2016. Comments about this rule can be made at:

<https://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=NPS-2016-0002>

- *Katlyn Grubb, Board Member for Education & Training*

Tell Us What You Want to See in *Ranger*

ANPR's editorial team wants to know your thoughts about *Ranger* magazine and what it means to you. We're planning to update the magazine in the coming months and would appreciate receiving your feedback and suggestions before we go ahead. Please take the online survey (one time per person allowed) at this link by May 31:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6B6G5VF>

The 2016 *Ranger* update will be the first design change in five years. You can read about and see the archived issues of *Ranger* from 1979 through 2014 at this link:

<http://npshistory.com/newsletters/ranger/>.

- *Erika Jostad, ANPR President*