

# ANPR NEWS

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**A monthly newsletter from the Association of National Park Rangers**  
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## **Register for Ranger Rendezvous Today!**

Registration is now open for the annual meeting of the Association of National Park Rangers, Ranger Rendezvous XXXVIII. Rendezvous will be held on October 21 - 25, 2015, at the YMCA Blue Ridge Assembly located near Asheville, NC. The schedule and complete program details are available at [www.anpr.org](http://www.anpr.org). Early registration rates are available until August 15, so act now. We are looking forward to seeing everyone in Asheville for an exciting Ranger Rendezvous.

*- Ben Walsh, Ranger Rendezvous 38 Coordinator*

## **Rendezvous Scholarships Available**

Have you thought about attending a Ranger Rendezvous but haven't yet? Bill Supernaugh Memorial Scholarships allow early-career employees, NPS volunteers, and students to experience the annual Ranger Rendezvous and learn about ANPR. Scholarships include basic registration, one-year membership, hotel room, and partial transportation. Applications are accepted until August 15th. For more details go to [www.anpr.org](http://www.anpr.org)

*- Ben Walsh, Ranger Rendezvous Coordinator*

## **World Ranger Congress (WRC)**

The [Call for Presentations](#) is now live. 30% or more of the program for the WRC will come from concurrent sessions. Do you want to experience the WRC but won't be attending as a delegate? You can submit a proposal for a session, and if you are selected, the one-day fee is only \$30.

Several National Park Service offices are supporting the WRC with end-of-year FY15 funds. We have an agreement in place that allows additional funds to be added, if done quickly. If your NPS park or office has end-of-year money you'd like to invest in supporting the WRC and getting rangers from the developing world to this amazing event, please contact me ASAP!

*- Bob Krumenaker, WRC Conference Chair ([bob.wrc8@gmail.com](mailto:bob.wrc8@gmail.com))*

## **Help Needed for Ranger Rendezvous**

Please contact Seth Tinkham at [rangentinkham@gmail.com](mailto:rangentinkham@gmail.com) if you are able to help with reaching out to potential sponsors and vendors. ANPR uses donated gear and other items in our silent auction; our vendors benefit from an opportunity to connect with Rendezvous attendees. Your help to find and solicit both types of groups is needed. The time commitment is about 4 hours a month, possibly more closer to Rendezvous. You'll need to be comfortable emailing or calling organizations. If you're a past Supernaugh scholarship recipient looking to fulfill your obligation to help ANPR, this is a perfect opportunity.

*- Seth Tinkham, Board Member for Fundraising*

## **ANPR's New Website**

The Association of National Park Rangers is pleased to announce the unveiling of our newly designed website. You can learn about ANPR, Ranger Rendezvous and current projects at [www.anpr.org](http://www.anpr.org). Check it out!

*- Alison Steiner, ANPR Business Manager*

## **Land Management Workforce Flexibility Act**

Great news! The Land Management Workforce Flexibility Act (LMWFA, H.R. 1531) has passed through the U.S. House of Representatives. This bipartisan bill would assist and advocate for temporary seasonal employees at land management agencies who are applying for permanent positions, by allowing them to be eligible for internal merit promotions. ANPR is a strong supporter of this bill, and will continue to watch its progress.

*- Erika Jostad, ANPR President*