



Shaping up 2007

We are halfway through calendar year 2007 and it is sizing up to being a complicated one. Hearings have begun in Washington D.C. for the development of the fiscal year 2008 budget. All indications are that in order to manage several national issues, the Forest Service will be facing continued fiscal constraints.

In order to prepare for future budgetary and staffing issues, the forest is taking a strategic look at our future capabilities to continue to meet our obligations for stewardship of the natural resources. Our goal is to evaluate the future of our programs and develop a target organization to serve as a compass as we transition through continued changes within the government, the agency and our communities.

The Nez Perce National Forest is in the center of the national spotlight on several issues. Our plan, proposed Forest Plan under the 2005 Planning Rule, is currently on hold. The agency has released a new Notice of Intent to address the issues found during litigation on the Rule. In the meantime, our plan has been scrutinized for how well our process and format meets the intent of the administration. It will likely receive both local and national attention.

In addition, the Notice of Intent has been published for the Nez Perce Designated Routes and Areas for Motor Vehicle Use Management Plan. This planning effort is focused at meeting the requirement for route designation of motorized use. While this is not all that is necessary for managing the roads and trails infrastructure on the forest, it is an important first step. In subsequent years, we will need to address the use of non-motorized trails and the closure or decommissioning of some roads.

Recreation Site Facility Master Planning is a process to evaluate the niche of the Nez Perce Forest in providing outdoor recreation and prioritize our capabilities in operating recreation facilities across the forest. This is an open, public process. We are seeking information from interested citizens and recreation users on what they value about recreation opportunities on the forest and help us prioritize operations of recreation sites.

These are four strategic projects that will help the forest be in a better position to manage the demands on the forest into the future. There are many more projects, being planned and implemented by forest staff; that are accomplishing this year's obligations

for goods, services and resource stewardship for the forest. While it is complicated to both set the future direction for the forest and continue to implement quality resource projects at the same time, I appreciate the incredible efforts of all the employees. I believe all of these efforts will place this forest in a better position to manage current and future challenges.



The beargrass is gorgeous this year along the Grangeville-Salmon Road (photo by Clndy Schacher)

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Retirements

Jack Carlson

Jack Carlson retired the end of April after 33 years with the Forest Service. Fourteen years of his service was spent as "Ranger Jack" at the Slate Creek Ranger Station on the Salmon River Ranger District.

As District Ranger, he was proud of his district and employees. Jack was adept at leading the pack, spreading the word (noxious weeds, etc.), identifying issues and occasionally filling in as maintenance man at the district.

Jack has a special fondness for fishing, exploring caves, fishing, river rafting, fishing, jetboating, fishing, and horseback riding into the wilderness.



Jack always put safety first. At every opportunity, he shared his rules to live by: "Be Safe, Work Hard, Have Fun, Treat Others with Dignity and Respect, and Be Proud of What You Do!"

The Salmon River District is well known for their frequent barbeques and Jack could flip hamburgers with the best of them.

Jack and his wife Annie will continue to make their home in Grangeville.

We'll miss you, Jack! HAPPY RETIREMENT!

New Employees

David Hepler

David Hepler says his plans for the future of the Nez Perce Forest are to provide excellent service to the public and Jena Daly's recreation program.

David earned his B.A. in Biology in 1990 from the University of Virginia in Charlottesville.

He most recently worked as Contract Forester at Washington Forestry Consultants in Missoula, MT. He has worked as a Recreation Technician on the Chugach National Forest in Girdwood, AK and the Salmon-Challis National Forest in North Fork, ID and Clayton, ID.



David has traveled a bit during his employment history. He's worked as a Maintenance Worker in the Haleakala National Park in Makawao, Maui, HI; in Big Bend National Park in Terlingua, TX; and in the Klondike Goldrush National Historic Park in Skagway, AK. He was a Forestry Tech. in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest in Ennis, MT. David was also a Labor Crew Leader and Heavy Equipment Operator on the Wasatch-Cache NF in Kamas, UT and a Trail Crew Leader for the Appalachian Trail Conference in Monson, ME and Sugar Grove, VA.

Currently David and his wife (Suzanne Cable) have a home in Missoula, MT. Suzanne works on the Moose Creek Ranger District. Their plan is to make Fenn Ranger Station and Grangeville their home(s).

"Suzanne and I love to travel and backpack. We hope to replace the recent hobby of home improvement with activities like skiing, hiking, and biking."



Doug Bladek

Doug Bladek joined the Nez Perce National Forest in November as a Civil Engineer specializing in construction. Doug transferred to Idaho from the Monongahela National Forest in West Virginia where he worked for 2 1/2 years. Prior to working for the Forest Service, Doug spent time on a hotshot crew, as a river guide and a carpenter, as well as an engineer.

He received a Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Health in 1996 and another in Civil Engineering in 2000, both at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colorado.

Doug is joined in Grangeville by fiancée, Kelly and dog, Marley. Doug's hobbies include bluegrass picking, telemark skiing, and mountain biking.

Ron Jablonski



Forest Supervisor Jane sure is happy that Ron Jablonski joined the forest as Deputy Forest Supervisor on June 4. Ron actually lives in Dickinson, North Dakota, but will serve as Deputy for two months on the Nez Perce NF. Jane shared this with employees, "Ron brings experience as a district ranger. Rumor has it that the Nez is great training ground, so I'll be looking for all of you giving Ron an experience of a lifetime!"

Ron has a BA in Communications from Western State College of Colorado (Gunnison, CO) and is a graduate of The Defense Information

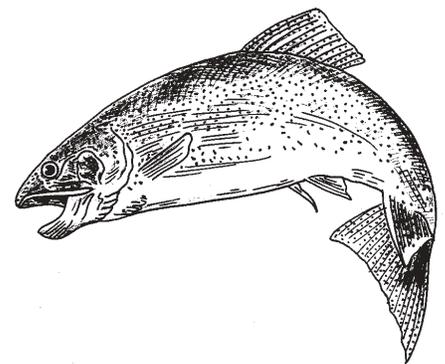
School (Military Broadcasting and Journalism School).

He has an interesting employment history. He was a United States Air Force Broadcaster/Journalist (1 year in Iceland; then Alaska, CA); commercial radio (Denver); US Navy Recruiting Command (Head of Public Service Radio/TV Advertising) in Washington, DC; Public Affairs Officer (11 years on the Rio Grande NF in Colorado) and T-1&2 IMT, GACC, MAC and Area Command experience (Type-1 Public Information Officer); District Ranger (6 years on the Dakota Prairie Grasslands).

Ron has two sons: Ron (III) is 19 and just finished his freshman year at the University of Alaska SE in Juneau. Lou is 15 and just finished his freshman year at Dickinson High School. "Pearl is our 5-year old black lab and she just finished her graduate work last fall at the University of Upland Birds," shared Ron.

Ron's hobbies include hunting, fishing and vehicles. "We tie flies and flyfish. We shoot trap on leagues. We like to stay busy and enjoy working with the community and making our hometown a better place to be."

"Listen, learn and contribute, adding value where I can," added Ron, and "I look forward to getting to know you, your Forest and the folks that share your world."



John Carlson

John Carlson joined us as the new Acting District Ranger at the Salmon River Ranger District in April. He will be in the detail through September. He has a Bachelors of Science in Fisheries from Oregon State University (1984) and a Masters of Science in Fisheries with an emphasis in Limnology from the University of Idaho (1995).

John has worked for the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, Washington Department of Fisheries seasonally from 1984-89. After graduate school he worked for the University of Idaho as a Research Assistant from 1992-94. He was in charge of a research project studying nutrient loading and productivity in the middle Snake River from Twin Falls downstream to American Falls Dam. In 1994 John went to work for Washington Water Power (Avista) as a limnologist (aquatic ecologist) as part of their relicensing group, working to relicense their two hydroelectric facilities on the Clark River near Noxon, MT. Then in April 1996 he left WWP and came to work for the Forest Service.



He started as a district fisheries biologist April first, 1996 on the Cabinet Ranger District, Kootenai National Forest. In 1998 John took the Forest Fisheries Program Manager position in Libby, MT and have been there since. He has worked in several capacities during that time filling in as the forest needed. Most recently John was the acting Forest Resource Staff Officer (November 2005-September 2006), responsible for planning, NEPA, timber, watershed, wildlife, fisheries, soils, appeals & litigation, and silviculture.

Currently John is living in Libby, MT. His wife, Mitzi, is presently a stay-at-home mom, working out of the home and volunteering time at the Kootenai Valley Christian School building their library. The Carlsons have three sons, Zach(19) who is currently stationed in Little Rock, AR with the United States Air Force, Luke (16) who will be a junior in high school, and Zeke (13) who will be in 8th grade this fall. They also have a daughter, Anna (8) and she will be in 3rd grade this fall.

His hobbies include outdoor activities such as hunting, fishing, trapping, tile work, landscaping, and backpacking.

Lynn Burton



Lynn Burton transferred to Grangeville, in February, from the Gallatin National Forest. Lynn joins us as the Range and Invasive Plants Program Lead. His supervisor, Melany Glossa says "He brings a great deal of range and plant management experience and enthusiasm to the position."

Lynn earned his Bachelors degree from the University of Idaho in Fish and Wildlife Resources with a minor in Range Management "a few years ago."

Employment includes chasing grizzly bears during college, working with the Idaho Fish and Game after college graduation, then he started his career with the Forest Service. He has worked on the Caribou and Gallatin National Forests and the Sawtooth and Hells Canyon National Recreation Areas.

Lynn's current residence is a cabin in the woods. He intends to purchase horse property in the near future. His son, Billy is married and attending college in Montana. Lynn is joined in Grangeville by his girlfriend, Margie and his lab, Buckshot.

His hobbies consist of working out, fishing for steelhead, golfing, horseback riding, elk hunting, chucker hunting and snow boarding to round out the year.

Lynn shared that he would really like to figure the steelhead fishing out. After that, we may just see him working in weeds and range. "That is if I ever get my office space set up and working for me! It should be done by October." For those who haven't noticed Lynn has a good sense of humor.

Colleen Paul

Colleen Paul is the new information receptionist for the Supervisor's Office/Clearwater Ranger District administrative services. She was hired in a 1039 position.

Colleen is a Grangeville native and as an avid outdoors woman, knows the area well. She plans to enjoy her job and the people she works with!

She previously worked at the Department of Health and Welfare for the State of Idaho in Grangeville from 2005-2007. From 2002-2005, she was the ministry assistant for the Grangeville Christian Church. In 2004, she worked as an Information Receptionist at the Clearwater National Forest Supervisor's Office. From 1990-2001, she was the store clerk and secretary at Union Warehouse & Supply.



Colleen and her husband Ben live in a farm just outside town with one "oversized" wiener dog. They have four grown children, 3 grandchildren and a new grandbaby due soon.

She is a first responder with Emergency Medical Services. Colleen really likes to bowl, but her favorite hobby is flyfishing and enjoying the outdoors.

Deborah Rendleman

Deborah Rendleman is the new part-time information receptionist (1039 position) at Red River Ranger District in Elk City.

Before moving to Elk City in 2004, Deborah worked at a bank for 10 years in southern Illinois.

Deborah calls Elk City "home" and lives there with her husband Kim and her father-in-law.

She loves the outdoors - riding horses, four-wheelers and snowmobiles. She is a member of the Elk City Dust Devils ATV Club. Deborah really enjoys being with her family and friends.

She says she wants to see the Nez Perce Forest continue to be open to the public for recreation and industry.



Marty Jones



Marty Jones is the new Minerals Administrator for the Red River Ranger District. Prior to this position, Marty was the Watershed Restoration monitoring coordinator for the Clearwater National Forest, seasonally from 2002 through 2006.

He also worked as a Hydrotech for the Clearwater Ranger District in 1999 and 2000 and a Minerals Technician seasonally for the Elk City and Red River Districts from 1987 through 1994 and again in 2001. He did seasonal work for the Nez Perce forest on brush crews, timber crews and scaled logs. Marty served in the United States Air Force as an aircraft avionics specialist/crew chief for four years (1983-1987).

He attended Lewis-Clark State College studying geology and natural science for three and a half years.

Marty and his wife, Sherrie live in Clearwater, Idaho.

His hobbies include hunting, fishing, and generally just being outdoors. Marty likes to work on cars and is making a hobby of establishing a fruit orchard on his property in Clearwater.

The area of the Nez Perce National Forest has been Marty's home for most of his life. He likes this part of the country and the people here. He plans on being on the forest for some time to come. He has several years of experience working in minerals and enjoys the work and people he interacts with. Marty says "I hope my efforts will serve to improve the minerals and geology program on the forest."

Janet Seals



Janet Seals is the permanent part-time information receptionist for the Supervisor's Office/Clearwater Ranger District front desk. She moved to the Nez Perce NF in November, 2005. She worked 500+ Volunteer hours for the Supervisor's Office. She worked part-time for the Clearwater Ranger District in the summer of 2006. Janet also worked on Red Pines Planning Record for CWRD in 2006. She was in a temporary detail for the SO/D4 front desk before accepting the information receptionist position.

Janet is a Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN), State of Texas, 1982 to present. She was an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), State of Texas, 1981 to 1985. She earned her Industrial Hygiene Technician - certificate, 1996 to present. Univ of Southern Cal at Long Beach.

She worked as a nurse, industrial hygiene technician, & safety supervisor in Texas, NM, Arizona, CA, KS, Arkansas, Puerto Rico, and Uzbekistan in hospitals, refineries, pharmaceutical manufacturers, and mining.

In 1996, she spent summer in Sitka, AK doing volunteer work for Sheldon Jackson College.

Janet served as a Corpsman for 8 years in the US Navy. She served in Desert Shield/Desert Storm (1991) aboard hospital ship USNS Mercy.

In 2001-2002, she worked with the Friends of the Forest (Forest Service volunteer group) in Sedona, AZ, building trail & doing volunteer trail patrols for the Red Rocks RD, Coconino NF.

In 2003, Janet returned to Sitka Alaska & began working for the Forest Service, Sitka Ranger District (Tongass NF). She worked as a 60-day emergency hire (info receptionist), 9 month temp employment as documentation NEPA clerk, Shoreline Planning Record. She received her permanent full-time appointment in May 2004 as info. receptionist for SRD.

Janet and her husband Buck Seals are now living in Grangeville. She shared, "Our family is mostly in Texas. I have 2 stepsons (Lonnie - 28 & Grady - 30), an adopted daughter (Marcy - 36 yrs old) that was one of our 19 foster children. I also have 2 grandchildren - Josh, 8 yrs, and Kelsey, 13 yrs."

Her hobbies include photography, hunting, fishing, hiking, and reading.

Janet plans to enjoy exploring Idaho & continue learning about the area. She's looking forward to working with folks on the Nez.

Carmen Morris

Carmen Morris is the new part-time information receptionist at Fenn Ranger Station at Moose Creek Ranger District (in a 1039 position). Carmen graduated from High School at the American Institute in Cochabamba, Bolivia, South America. She then attended Secretarial School. Following that, she took two years of Fashion Merchandise at Santa Monica College, CA.

Carmen worked in sales at various places in California such as the Hilton Hotel in Beverly Hills, CA, a Department Store in Santa Monica and the Ames Clothing Store. She has also been an image consultant for "I Care International."

For many years, she was a Mary Kay, Inc. beauty consultant, advancing to director and manager.

Prior to her recent appointment on the Nez Perce NF, Carmen worked as an Office Automation Clerk at the Lochsa Ranger District on the Clearwater National Forest.

"At the present I am living at Clear Creek, a beautiful and serene area. I have a daughter living in California, and one handsome grandson (Ethan who will be 3 years this coming month). I am the oldest of 5 children, three remaining in Bolivia, South America, one brother living in California, many other relatives around different parts of the USA, and South America."

Carmen added that she loves gardening and playing tennis.



Move To New Headquarters

The Move Committee is continuing to prepare for the move to the new office in October. We are right on schedule according to our timeline we developed at the beginning of this activity. With the assistance from employees, we've finalized office layouts, inventoried round 1 of Excess Property, and set up modular work station samples.

We are currently wrapping up modular furniture bid proposals with the contracting officer. We have discussed and made color proposals for interior and exterior of the new office building and warehouse.

It isn't too early to start packing boxes of items that you aren't going to be using before the move. Remember to mark the boxes with your designated number that corresponds with your cubicle location/ office (the Move Committee will provide a layout with designated numbers).



Front view of new office building



Back view of new warehouse

Please consider items that you may have stored in any of the storage areas of the SO Warehouse.

Special thanks to Mike Shoup, Gary Furman, Patty Clark, Jennie Fischer, Tim Theisen and all the employees who responded to the many requests.

Human Resource Team

By Sue Phillips, Federal Womens Program Manager

Women's History Month - March

Brown bag lunches during March featured Diane Mallickan, Park Ranger at the Nez Perce Historic National Park at Spalding. We were entertained and educated by Diane's knowledge of the ways of Nez Perce Women and the traditional customs that are still practiced today and their effects on society. Yasmin delighted us with drumming and dancing from the Ghawazzee performers, traced back to the medieval Egypt. And you could travel to South Africa and get the feeling of being there with all the wildlife and scenery through Sue Phillips' slide show from her recent journey to the Dark Continent.



Yasmin entertaining the lunch crowd with her drumming



Lamp crafted by Justin Anderson

2nd Annual Nez Perce Showcase

Photos, paintings and pencil drawings, wooden designs, quilts, knitted lace, beading, flower arranging, crocheting...the awesome creations of fourteen talented employees were displayed Friday, May 4 at the SO and in the D4 Conference room.



Painting by Greg Harris

A hikin' we will go

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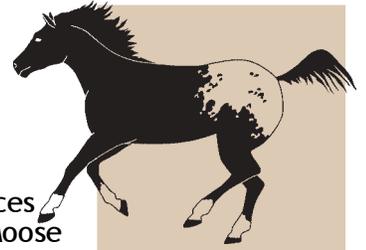
Wow!! \$1005.00 was raised for Becky Hays' Hikin' for Healthy Hooters team part of the Boise Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure. Over \$500,000 was donated to the cancer research organization from the Boise race. Seventeen employees, Family and friends walked together from the Forest Service on the morning of Friday, May 18. More Forest employees, the Elk City REACH Club, quilters and friends and family hiked in Elk City that afternoon. Many thanks to all that participated, especially the long distance ghost hikers, Steve Williams on the Custer NF, Pat Shields on the Monongahela, Diane Harlow at Jacob's Creek Job Corp in Tennessee, and Marge Kuehn-Tabor at the Selway in Idaho on Moose Creek.



Jennie Fischer with breast cancer survivor and mom, Marge Butts after the hike was completed.

Native American Youth Camp

By Steve Armstrong, American Indian Program Manager



2007 Inter Tribal Youth Natural Resources Camp is a Success

This year marked the 20th anniversary of the annual Inter Tribal Youth Natural Resources Camp. The camp was held June 18-23 at Cedar Flats along the Selway River on the Moose Creek Ranger District. The week long camp is designed to introduce junior and senior high school aged youth to potential careers in various natural resource jobs with the Forest Service, Tribes, BLM, Fish & Wildlife Service or other entities. Presentations and/or work projects focused on this year included silviculture, recreation, trails, fisheries/wildlife, and fire (specifically smokejumping and helitack). Both Forest Service and Tribal representatives led work projects and discussions in their respective fields.

The youth camp is a joint effort between the Forest Service and the regions Tribes. The Nez Perce, Clearwater, Idaho Panhandle and Colville National Forests along with the Nez Perce, Coeur d'Alene, Spokane, and Kalispell Tribes are partners in this endeavor. Each year the camp rotates among the various forests. That forest and the local Tribe in the area are hosts for that year's camp. The Payette National Forest is also interested in becoming a partner in the future.



Youth camp participants prepare to install fire rings at Slide Creek Campground along the Selway River.

The 2007 camp drew 31 youth from three different tribes, Spokane, Coeur d'Alene, and the Nez



A youth camp participant is dressed in smokejumper gear.

Perce. When the youth are not involved with work projects or specific presentations, they are preparing their journals and creating potential artwork for camp t-shirts. The journals are used to document the daily activities throughout the week. Each year a t-shirt logo is chosen from those submitted by the kids for the following year's camp shirts. A cash award is given to the camper with the winning logo design.

One new event was held at this year's camp. The last night of camp was the 1st annual atlatl throwing contest. The atlatl is an ancient weapon system that was used throughout the world for hunting. In the early 1500s when the Spanish invaded Mexico, the Aztec Indians used this system against them. The darts could easily pierce the body armor which the Spanish were wearing. The atlatl and dart was also an effective way of hunting larger animals from a safe distance. Both boys and girls participated in the distance throwing contest. The winning throw by a boy was 321' while the furthest a girl threw the dart was 150'.

Overall the camps are successful in introducing youth to future career paths by exposing them to these jobs through hands on work projects. These work projects also help the host forest accomplish projects that may not otherwise be completed. Thank you to all who helped make the 2007 camp a success, especially all the folks at the Moose Creek Ranger District and the Grangeville Air Center. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

Take Your Child to Work Day



Joshua Seloske 'heaving' a spear with the atlatl, an ancient Native American tool

Although the snow was too deep at Fish Creek Meadows, it didn't stop fourteen children from visiting the work world of the Forest Service on Tuesday, April 24.

The day included Steve Armstrong sharing a bit of information about the world of archeology and a hands-on demonstration of the atlatl, a tool used by Native Americans to improve the distance, accuracy, and strength of a spear thrown with it.

Patty Clark and Marci Gerhardt led the kids to the creek and looked at the measurements involved in stream surveys; as well as learned lots about water by playing Water Trivia. Suzanne Cable took us to the world of 'Leave No Trace,' as the students worked up skits demonstrating the lessons learned. And the day ended with the ever popular trip to Grangeville Air Center with a tour of the base, a new game of Parachute in the Wind, and of course a trip to the ground by parachute on the jump simulator. The visit ended with ice cream for everyone. Thanks to Garrit Craig and Jason Junes, our tour guides extraordinaire and GAC jumpers.

It was a great day enjoyed by all...thanks to everyone that helped throughout the day and to the parents for bringing their children to work!

7th Grade Field Days Draws Many Participants

The Clearwater Ranger District of the Nez Perce National Forest conducted its annual 7th Grade Field Days at Fish Creek Campground on May 17th and 23rd. Grangeville Middle School, Sts. Peter and Paul, Prairie, Craigmont, and Nez Perce 7th grade students were all in attendance.

Students spent the day, learning about various topics related to the environment, including many "hands-on" activities. At each station students were presented with a different topic, including: Helitack, Smokejumping, Soils, Fisheries, Wilderness, Fish & Game, Wildlife, The History and Culture of the Nez Perce Tribe and Fire Suppression/Engine Operations. They participated in activities such as, inflating a smokejumper's parachute, trying on fire fighting gear, measuring soil compactness, and collecting bugs from the stream.

At the conclusion of the day, students received Smokey Bear prizes for the group that picked up the most trash, and for correctly answering questions from each presentation. We were excited to have more participants this year which included Craigmont 7th Graders, and new presenters from the National Marine Fisheries Service, the Nez Perce Tribe, and the Idaho Department of Lands Craigmont office.



Thanks to all the presenters, group leaders, students and teachers who participated in making the 7th Grade Field Days a great success again this year.

Personnel Actions

Awards & Promotions

Gustafson, Kristian, Lead Forestry Technician, Gallatin NF, promotion
Smith, Matthew, Lead Forestry Technician, GAC, promotion
Blinn, Michael, Lead Forestry Technician, GAC, promotion
Stone, Jodi, Lead Forestry Technician, GAC, promotion
Karuzas, Isaac, Lead Forestry Technician, GAC, promotion
Junes, Jason, Lead Forestry Technician, GAC, promotion
Vanderpool, Daniel, Lead Forestry Technician, GAC, promotion
Potenziani, Alessandro, Lead Forestry Technician, GAC, promotion
Pope, Clem, Lead Forestry Technician, GAC, promotion
Hesse, Nathan, Forestry Technician, GAC, promotion
Atkinson, James, Lead Forestry Technician, Red River RD, promotion
Nuxoll, Ryan, Forestry Technician, Salmon River RD, promotion
Woodford, William, Forestry Technician, Salmon River RD, promotion
Fluharty, Meghan, Lead Forestry Technician, Moose Creek RD, promotion
Miramontez, Robert, Supervisory Forestry Technician, Moose Creek RD, promotion
Myers, Matt, Supervisory Fire Engine Operator, Salmon River RD, promotion
Embry, Robin, Supervisory Forestry Technician, GAC, promotion
Rogers, Franklin, Brett, Supervisory Forestry Technician, GAC, promotion
Strohmeier, Jake, Performance Award
Shoup, Michael, Performance Award
Howard, Gayle, Extra Effort Award
Doman, Laurie, Extra Effort Award
Bonn, Joe, Extra Effort Award
Hinds, Linda, Extra Effort Award

Reassignments & Transfers

Friedreichs, Kai, Forestry Technician, Payette NF, reassignment
Seals, Janet, Information Receptionist, Nez Perce NF, SO, reassignment
Kelly Michael, Wilderness Technician, Moose Creek RD, reassignment
Bates, Thomas, Aviation Tactical Group Supervisor, GAC, reassignment

New Employees (All Career Conditional Appointments)

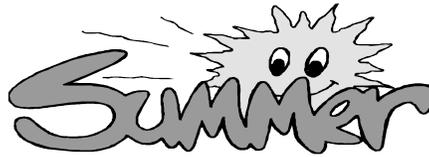
Hepler, David, Forestry Technician, Salmon River RD
Howard, Morris, Carmen, Information Receptionist
Nowak, Sarah, Dispatcher, IA Dispatcher Center
Fields, Keith, Forestry Technician, Red River RD
Fuqua, Jessica, Forestry Technician, Clearwater RD
Campbell, Ryan, Forestry Technician, Clearwater RD
Parker, Amanda, Forestry Technician, Moose Creek RD
Roberts, James, Forestry Technician, Clearwater RD
Holt, Amanda, Forestry Technician, GAC
Craig, Garrit, Forestry Technician GAC
Greenwood, James, Forestry Technician GAC
Chambers, Cameron, Forestry Technician
Haney, Joshua, Lead Forestry Technician

Retirements & Resignations

Potenziani, Allesandro, Forestry Technician, resignation



Smokey trades angler tips at
Free Fishing Day at Wilkin's Pond



Nez Perce Forest Summer Picnic!

The Nez Perce Forest Annual Picnic is planned for Friday, July 20 at 3:00 at the Lion's Park in Grangeville. Burgers and Hot Dogs provided (\$3.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children). Bring a potluck dish and drinks. Start recruiting for your 6-person team (all ages) for a Volleyball Tourney, Anti-athletic Relay Races. Bring your family and join the fun. Retirees welcome!

Bi-Annual Clearwater/Nez Perce Former Employees Reunion

Date: August 3-4

Time: Start in late afternoon on 8/3

Location: Wilderness Gateway Campground (49 miles east of Kooskia along US Highway 12)

Potluck dinner on 8/3 - start around 5:30 PDT. Meat and potatoes are provided. Bring salad, vegetable, etc. & plates, cups and silverware. Community breakfast on 8/4 - pancakes, syrup, butter and coffee provided. Bring eggs, bacon, juice, etc.

Entertainment: visit old and new friends, socialize with F.S. employees.

Cost: \$8.00/person + campground fee Loop A and the Pavilion are reserved.

Make your plans now. We expect a big turnout and A GREAT TIME TOGETHER.

RSVP: by 7/01 to Rob Lundgren - email: lundgren@mtida.net or HC 66 box 481 Kooskia, ID 83539, OR Jon Bledsoe HC 66 Box 490 Kooskia, ID 83539 (208) 926-4961

Nez Perce NF Centennial

Next year marks the 100th anniversary of the creation of the Nez Perce National Forest. The Forest was established on July 1, 1908.

Forest staff are already thinking about possible ways of celebrating our centennial and proudly display our Forest Service heritage. Some ideas are: a documentary on the history of the Nez Perce NF, guest speakers, demonstrations, displays, tours, presentations, etc.

We have set the date for Tuesday, July 1, 2008 from 1:00 to 5:00 at the new Nez Perce NF Headquarters located at 104 Airport Road in Grangeville. We will have more information about the upcoming event in the next few months and will share it with the public through newsletters, retiree luncheons and articles.

Any Nez Perce NF retirees that want to be involved are welcome to give Laura Smith, Public Affairs Specialist, a call at (208) 983-5143 or send an email to: lasmith@fs.fed.us.

A Little Piece of Forest Service History— Selway Falls Cabin

By Cindy Schacher, Archaeological Technician

One hundred years ago, employees of the Selway National Forest carefully crafted a two-story log cabin just below Selway Falls along the Selway River. It was built to provide shelter for fire and trail crews in the area and serve as a jumping-off point for packstrings traveling into the upper Selway and Meadow Creek country. The cabin continues to be used for the same purposes today.

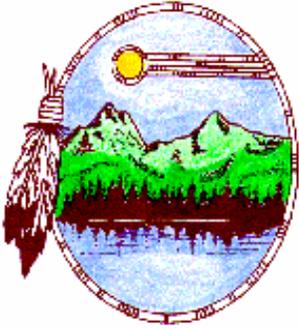
According to Neal Parsell's *Major Fenn's Country*, after the Selway road was extended to the falls in 1926, the cabin was dismantled and reconstructed at its present site one-half mile upstream, above Selway Falls. Although the 1907 cabin has been modified with the replacement of some windows, the addition of the back porch, and the move from its original location, it has retained its historic integrity and is eligible for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.

The Selway Falls Cabin as it appears today.
Steve Armstrong photograph.



1940 photograph showing Jack Godwin (left) and Bud Baller at the Selway Falls Cabin.

Sid Poppe photograph from the Dick Walker Collection.



Nez Perce National Forest Vision

- *We on the Nez Perce National Forest serve with integrity.**
- *We build and foster healthy interpersonal relationships.**
- *Our creative stewardship integrates science and social values ensuring ecological sustainability.**

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