



Northern California

Forest Service Retirees Newsletter November/December 2014



Next Luncheon: Tuesday, December 9, 2014
Win River Casino/ Hotel
2100 Rancheria Road, Redding CA
Social Hour with No-Host Bar: 11:00 AM
Buffet lunch will be served at 12:00 noon

Remember to bring raffle items, library books, and pop tabs to the luncheon and we will also gladly accept your 2015 dues at \$5.00 per person!!

Directions: From I-5 northbound or southbound, follow signs to Win River Casino. If you live out of town and want to avoid the early morning drive to Redding, especially in December with the risk of weather, Win River Hotel is offering rooms for \$97.10 per night, a discounted rate on a block of ten rooms. You must call Win River at 888-919-2127 no later than November 25th to make your reservation. Use Block ID Number 141208FORE.

Co-Chair's Corner: Our upcoming luncheon will be a buffet at Win River Casino/Hotel in Redding. We encourage all our members to invite other FS retirees to join in the fellowship of our organization. Our numbers are diminishing with few new retirees joining us. NCFSR is a great way to stay informed about other people we have worked with in our careers. At our next luncheon, there will be a brief business meeting to discuss our gatherings and where we want to go in 2015. We are open for ideas from all our members, so give it some thought before Dec. 9th. Costs have been going up as facilities are now charging for rental of the room on top of the food costs. If you bring a raffle item to the luncheon, we will be placing them by the Christmas tree instead of a table. Hope to see everyone at this event! Bob and Sharon Nelson, Co-Chairs

In memoriam: William Jones, Ronny Bakerville, Mary Johnston, Sid Grove, Bob Gray, Jason Sharrah, Mike Madsen

Guests: Tom and Carol Pestotnik, David Engel (Russ Engel)

September Raffle (Items) Donors: (Wine) Bob/Sharon Nelson, Dorothea McNamara, Sid/Katherine Nobles, Mary Rae Bryden, Tom Jackson, John Wilczynski, Larry/Sharon Wright, Tom/Mary Rose Kennedy, Don Lampe, Jerry Anderson, Bob Will (Tioga Sequoia Beer) Jim Hanrahan (Table decorations) Carol Gibson (2 wind spinners) Russ Engel (Monopoly Game) Jerry/Sandy Brogan (Forest Fires & Wild Things Book) Bob Gray (Candle) Kristy Cottini (Cheese) Ken Showalter (Jam) Lee/Pat Bunnell



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A Heads Up! During the Happy Camp Complex this summer, one of the structures burned was the home of Nancy Hood. Nancy is one of our Forest Service Fire lookouts here on the Klamath NF. Nancy started "spotting fires" in 1956. She has been recognized nationally and is one of the longest serving fire lookouts in the country. Her lookout "Lake Mountain" is the oldest fire lookout in continuous use in Region 5. Built in 1911, Lake Mountain lookout is still one of the key fire lookouts on our forest. If you remember what it was like living on GS-4 wages and being laid off in the winter, you might want to help Nancy out. She is a proud lady and has helped many folks locally and at work. Please help by donating to Nancy's fundraiser at <http://www.gofundme.com/e9hkmg>. Every little bit helps.

--Contributed by NCFSR member, Dave Shaw

What about those pop tabs? Here's a reminder from NCSFR member Joe Church about how important our request for pop tabs is. A letter from Renal Care Consultants administrator, Paula Schranz, thanks Joe for his commitment to the patients and staff of this facility in Medford, Oregon. The pop tabs are turned in for cash, which is placed in a "special needs account" for such things as transportation emergencies and medications for patients in need. A few minutes of your time to gather your pop tabs makes a big difference to improve the quality of life for someone else, so please make a point of bringing them to our luncheons. A big thank you in advance for helping out!

PA System : At one time, NCFSR owned its own public address system for use at our meetings. Does anyone know what has happened to it or where it might be?

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Upcoming Reunions:

2015--NATIONAL FOREST SERVICE RETIREE REUNION: The 7th National Reunion in Albuquerque NM, October 11-16, 2015. For more information, go to <http://2015.fsreunions.org>.

2015--CALIFORNIA INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM AND FIRE SUPPORT REUNION: For all Type 1 and Type 2 fire team members, all fire support team members and their families at the Atlantis Casino Resort Spa in Reno NV May 12-14, 2015. For more information, go to <http://allcaimt.wordpress.com>.

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Names (of chair officers), dates and places (of meetings)-- all to be decided at the December meeting!