



THE PETITE AUBERGE FRANCAIS

SOUTHERN FOREST SERVICE RETIREE ASSOCIATION

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OUR LAST MEETING

Was the annual picnic, held at Stone Mt. Park, along with the golf tournament for the retirees, on September 15. A good crowd showed up and, of the out of town guests, all of whom are members, were the following: Polly Brandt from Columbia, S. C., Vera & Del Thorsen from Asheville, N. C. and Dorothy F. Albert, widow of Frank Albert, from Jacksonville, Fla. In case I missed anyone, since I didnt keep notes, I apologize, but I think I have the out of towners covered.

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Was participated in by twelve members or guests. According to all the reports I heard about - golfers are like fishermen - they lie to some extent - no one had a good score, but here are the results:

- #1 - Larry Newcomb won the trophy , also the #1 cash award.
- #2 - Del Thorsen
- #3 - Arthur Hartman, the "dean" of the group - he didnt give me his score!
- #4 - Russell, Johns & Frank Pullium tied.
- Misc. - Pullium and Newcomb won cash prizes for closest to Par-3 holes

OUR NEXT MEETING

Will be the last meeting of the year and will be held at our old favorite place THE PETITE AUBERGE FRANCAIS, Tocco Hills Shopping Center, with the usual 11:30 starting time; dinner at 12:30; announcement of the new officers for the 1978 year; Committee Reports..I have not been furnished with any details, so assume the cost will be about the same as the last one and the program will consist only of the report on the new officers and Committee reports; drawing for door prizes etc. An announcement and reservation blank is included. However, I suggest you make your reservation by phone - DONT SEND IN ANY MONEY BUT PAY IT AT THE DOOR - and I hope that we get the usual good tournament - I mean "turn-out". By the way - the meeting is scheduled for December 7, 1977. Mark your calendar.

NEW OFFICERS

The following have agreed to run and serve:

ALTERNATE: Lucille Isbell & Bill Brandau.

TREASURER: Jim Carroll & Vedene Smith.

SECRETARY: Bob Johns & Shirley Herbert

Board of Directors: Chris Thompson & George Schaeffer

See the ballot included and vote for your choice.

LETTERS FROM OUR MEMBERS

KITTY (WOFFORD) CONWAY: Here's a letter, together with check for \$2 for '77 dues. Sorry I'm late. It is a real treat to receive the Dixie=Ranger. Enjoy reading and knowing about what some of my old buddies are doing. I dont know if some of you knew I lost my husband Connie on July 26, 1976. It has been a long, lonesome year but have managed to survive by keeping busy maintaining our home and visiting children and relatives. My son Peck and Step-son Ross and families live in Atlanta, so have made a number of trips over there. I think of all of you often. (Ed's note: Kitty make your next visit to Atlanta around December 7 and come to our next meeting and meet a lot of your old "buddies".)

RALPH H. MORGAN: With the coming of the Dixie-Ranger #3, 1977, I was reminded of something. I'm moving to my town house in Scottsdale, Arizona the 15th of September 1977. My address is 4840 North 73rd St., Scottsdale, Ariz., 85251 and phone AC 602-949-0741. Chek encl.

DON MORRISS: This is a somewhat belated thanks for your kindness in sending on Ed Foss's letter a month ago. I have never received the Retirees' Directory. If available, I'd like to have one and happy to pay the charge. The delay in acknowledging your kindness was due to our preparations to get away on our annual summer trip to the mountains. Am writing for a trailer park just east of Asheville. (1976 directory sent - Don everyone received a 1976 directory - you probably just lost the original or Bill Irby stole it!)

A. B. HUNTER: I regret to report that my wife of fifty five years - Lois M. Hunter - died on July 8, 1977 of Leukemia. She had it for only six months. Please include in the next issue. (A.B. our sincere sympathy is extended to you. I remember Lois very well and she was a fine woman).

JULIUS C. SAXON: The two names I am sending in to join the Association, began working for the Forest Service in the 1920s and I worked with both of them for a number of years. I believe you will have one of the two attend some of your meetings, or a picnic, since he lives in Georgia and you might know him: James F. Martin, 3587 Macon Rd., Columbus, Ga. 31907. The other one is Walter T. Dutton, Moulton, Alabama 35650 Rt. #3, #36-J. Check enclosed.

JO (Mrs. Glenn) THOMPSON: When the Dixie Rang= came recently, I realized I had been remiss in not getting word to you of my losing Glenn. I am sending an obituary so you will have the details. It was the same tumor he had operated on in 1976 and we thought had such good luck with. He was just great all summer, until about November when I could see a personality change and wrote the surgeon he had in Seattle and he told us to come right up. He was hospitalized the 14th of July; operated on the 21st and died the 27th. They didnt get it all, but said if he was functional and got over the operation they could use cobalt and get it. He did not seem to suffer, except who knows how the soul may suffer, and he knew me and everyone and talked rationally about anything, so we thought we were home free when Tuesday about ten he slipped into a coma and never came out of it until 7:10 Wednesday, at which time he just went quietly to sleep. I still want to get the Dixie Ranger and, if you find us in arrears on dues, I'll send check for several years. Keep the D-R coming to us. (Ed's Note: Miss Jo sent a complete obit on Glenn. Since his death was mentioned in the previous Dixie=Ranger, it is not included here).

H. E. HOWARD: Am enclosing a clipping from the paper which you should find interesting. This is the Mrs. Burke you wrote us about on April 19. I havent met her, but she called me and we had a long chat a few months ago. Helen and I just got back from a 30-day trip to Europe. We traveled over 3200 miles in a luxury coach and visited ten countries. It was a great trip with a nice group. Sampled lots of wine, beer and saw many famous places. Spent an hour in the casino at Monte Carlo and hit the one armed bandit for 150 franc jackpot. Earlier this summer we had a 17-day trip to Greece, which included a 5-day cruise of the Greek Islands-all very interesting. We both enjoy traveling and try to see a different part of the world each year. I regret we couldnt get together while Helen and I were in Atlanta in June. One of these days we'll make it. If you get down our way this winter, take time to come by, as we expect to be here. Helen's mother lives with us in the winter and we stay close to home.

(Ed's Note: The article referred to in "Hob's letter was about Angela Burke, 4900 52nd St. N Pinellas Park, Fla. The article had a heading "Pinellas Park's"Smockey Bear Lady", a woman of strong beliefs. One of her remarks was "I cant keep my mouth shut. I cant let things go by. I have to get to the bottom of things myself". I wish I had room for the entire article - will check with Russ Daley and, perhaps he can get it published in the Constitution or Journal for those, who have access to these publications, can read it. Am sure all of Florida has already read the article. I wrote to her and asked her to join our association - apparently she is not a "joiner" but a worker for things about which "she cannot keep her mouth shut".

LOUIS & RUTH ANDERSON: I will file an amended return as soon as the IRS sends me the forms. Guess many of the retirees will, or have done, the same. You might know that the "Tax Reductions and Simplification Act of 1977" applies to the 1976 tax year only. Unless we get new legislation, there will be no tax credit for us over 65 in later years, if our income exceeds that phase-out figure. I, therefore, plan to write Senator Church, whose amendment did the trick for 1976. I will also write my own Senators and Congressmen. I think there are bills in the hopper that will give us a better break than the RIC or "Credit for the Elderly". Our Association members might want to write to the Georgia Senators and Congressmen. Another matter: how many retirees of our Association know of the Supreme Court Decision that enables a male C.S. retiree to claim SS payments if his spouse gets SS pension on her own right. I am now receiving \$140.10 monthly (tax free) because wife Ruth worked under SS and now gets a pension. I am also covered by both parts of Medicare (A&B). You might want to inform our members of this break on S.S. (Ed's Note: I have informed them).

POLLW BRANDT: Your letter regarding dues came while I was in San Francisco visiting with Sue and John Chaffin, also Lu and Bill Branch, retirees of 12-years and still enjoying it. As you suggest am enclosing check for \$6 and I do appreciate your effort to get me straight on dues. I will be at the retiree's picnic and look forward to having a chat with you about the "good old Kisatchie". Still correspond with Angie. Have delivered your message to Eugenia P. Melton in the SO office in Columbia. She sent a "Hi" back. Regards...

MRS. WINNIFRED CONARRO TURNER: (Mrs. Turner is the daughter of R.M.Conarro) I sadly report to you, the passing of my father, Raymond M. Conarro. Dad died on August 4, just 2-hours after he was stricken. The family would appreciate it, if you would include the notice of his passing in your next issue. I am enclosing one of the obit notices that appeared in our Jackson, Miss. paper. Thank you. (Ed's note: Rik Eriksson gave us a pretty good "obit" report on Connie, which was included in the last issue.) Mrs. Turner's address is 2064 London Ave., Jackson, Miss. 39211.

HARRY ROSSOLL: A great picnic on September 15 - we had a lot of fun seeing old friends again. Enclosed is a letter from W.I.Stevens He and Alyce are still holed up in Maine. and enjoy getting the Dixie Ranger. It gets a lot of response from our old forestry friends. Nothing much to report from here - thought you might like to include something of Steve's letter.

W. I. STEVENS: I have no excuse for not writing - just lazy I guess. Alyce and I often talk about the times and friends in Atlanta. From the Dixie Ranger, we realize there could be very few in the RO we know. We are glad to receive the D-R because we find the news of retirees we know and it keeps us in touch with them-without the D-R we would have lost track of many of our friends. Each summer we hope that you would be coming to visit and was hoping you would show up for the Portland Annual Sidewalk Art Exhibit in August. It is quite a festival. We heard about your loss of paintings from C. B. Cabiness - he published the "Gay Atlanta" and now lives in what was the old Winecoff Hotel - now a home for the elderly. He ^{had} both ~~had~~ eye operations and do not see too well. Please try and see him. Our regards to all friends and retirees - wish you'd come and see us. (Ed's note: This was a letter from "Steve" to Harry).

HARVEY BOSTON: Was saddened by the news of Jo Knight's death. Have known Don Swiger for years-way back when he was on the Mena District. Knew Howard Marshall when R-8 was born. Ed Foss - perhaps - name is familiar but cant bring up the picture or the place. Thanks for info on Bob Raymond - incidentally you spelled his name wrong. All is well with us - happy days to all.

WARFEN LIVENS: (A letter written to Bill & Marian Huber). We have moved and want you to have our new address, because our house on Woodstock was sold suddenly. We enjoy the Dixie Ranger and note that you are the President. The R8 retirees are well organized, but we are not here..just get together with F. S. retirees who have always been friends. The F. S. Club in the R0 does have a coffee for retirees annually, which is very nice. This year it was held just two weeks ago (early in September) and was earlier than usual because George & Rosemary James; KG & Margaret Brown and John & Betty Wernham were planning to be in Milwaukee and would attend. George James was high in his praise for the work being done on the Dixie-Ranger and what a terrific job it was. Rosemary broke her back - the cast was just removed before they made this trip. They looked great. If you meet the Supervisor of the S. C. N. F. - Don Eng - want to mention that he is a friend of mine, having worked for me in Operation in the R0 and then transferred to Missouri to be my TM staffman.

L. E. OLPIN, Sec-Treas. THIRTY YEAR CLUB-Pacific Northwest Region, Box 25121, Portland, Oregon 97225: Just obtained your address from one of your members, Ed Foss, something I have been trying to locate for some time. To provide a closer tie between F. S. retirees and to promote more fellowship between Regions, we would like to include you on our mailing list and request you to include us on yours. Several of our local members are also members of your organization, namely, Herb Stone; Ed Foss, Charlie Connaughton, W. R. Anderson, and know we have members who live in your area namely Wally Prater, Burnie Payne, Baxter Reed, Burt Bokker, Guy Johnson and Larry Mays. We would like to encourage more of this cross-membership among those eligible. Our membership is currently 572 and growing. We enjoy a joint membership with the OLD TIMERS CLUB of the Intermountain Region and exchange newsletters with the PSX Club of R-5. We issue a newsletter 3-4 times a year and publish an issue of TIMERLINES every 2,3 or 4th year. Our 30-Year Club was organized in 1945 with 24 charter members and was, we believe, the first of its kind in the Forest Service.

Our dues are \$3.00 a year. We have an annual dinner meeting in April at which new officers are introduced, and we hold an annual picnic in August. Attendance at these functions average around 150. We also hold a monthly luncheon held on the last Friday of each month for local and visiting out-of-town members, partners, friends or prospective members. (Ed's note: Olpin wrote about a half a page more than included above, but it pretty well corresponds with what our Association does in the way of membership, organization etc. I have received back issues of their 30-Year Club newsletter and a copy of their TIMBERLINES and they do a great job. I have written to Mr. Olpin and have given him the same information about our organization; meetings; newsletters. His salutation to us was "Greetings from the Northwest" - my salutation to them was "Greetings from the Grits & Peanut Country". If any of our members would like to read their newsletters, their directory or TIMBERLINES, let me know and I'll schedule a mailing list for these publications.)

JANE PRATHER: In the last issue of the Dixie-Ranger, you invited more letters. This gives me a chance to write and tell you how much I enjoy the Dixie Ranger and to tell you, it is through this media that retirees can keep in touch and learn of the enjoyable things each are doing. Believe me - retirees do travel. Since retiring in March '77, I have done little traveling, awaiting husband's retirement in about 3-years, and have been busy as a housewife and doing creative loafing. Best wishes to all retirees.

HELEN HEERS: Please remove my name from the mailing list of the Dixie Ranger.

J. K. VESSEY: Just a note to send in a change of address to: 311 E. Morse Blvd 2-6 Winter Park, Fla. 32789 - a longer letter will appear in another space. and here it is:

The Dixie Ranger continues to be great, in fact it seems to be better with every issue. To all those who have anything to do with the D=R and the organization of the SFSRA you're doing a great job to keep it live and interesting. Norma and I enjoy seeing the names, even if we cant see faces of so many we knew during our 8-year tour of duty in Atlanta. We think of all of you with much affection and recall many pleasant times, especially the annual golf tournaments.

(JKV-Continued) We were with you in spirit on September 15 at Stone Mt. Park. I'm waiting anxiously the names of the winners in that tournament. You will be pleased to know I continue to get much enjoyment from that fine set of golf clubs you all gave me when we left Atlanta in February '66. I didn't have much time for golf during the 4-years I was in Upper Darby. However, about two years after going to Winter Park, a group of about 16-old fellows, who have been playing 9-holes of golf each Monday, Wednesday and Friday, for more than 20-years, invited me to join them. Since, I think of Y'all I pull a golf club from the bag, you can believe I think of you as much as 150 times a week. I still have to struggle to have less than 50 strokes for 9-holes. I look up, don't follow through and don't give a damn. It's all for fun and 10¢ skins - the pursuit of happiness. Continue to spend our summers - 4-5 months - at Norm's old homestead in Warren, Pa. It is the best combination of climate etc. for Norm and we get the best of both worlds. Came north early this year, in time to get set before flying to Missoula, Montana to visit our son and family and to see #1 grandson graduate from high school. While there, Jo and Glenn Thompson drove from Caldwell, Idaho to spend two enjoyable days with us. We treasure that visit since, as you know, Glenn died a month or two later. He was not well, but still the same old Glenn. He was Forest Supervisor at Salmon, Idaho during some of the 6-years we were in Missoula. We have been to Ontario, Canada to see some Shaw plays; we have one last grand hurrah heading South, when we go to the State College, Pa to see Penn State-Maryland and then will go to Orlando and then to Greece; a two week cruise to Bulgaria; the Black Sea; Turkey and the Greek Islands - back in Winter Park 10/23. Enjoyed visiting with the "Ham" Millers and have run into the Littlehales, WO, R8 folks galore. I guess what I miss most in retirement are the meetings. All is well with the Vesseys and I hope that all is well with my many friends in R8 and the retirees of the So. Forest Service Retiree Association. Be sure and tell one and all in the Southern Region that we think of them and wish we could find a time to visit. The latch string is out at all times here. Tell Cecile Montgomery we missed her visit last year and sorry about it - hope Erikssons make a trip this way soon.

OBITUARIES

None to report, except as reported by letter from ABHunter and Kitty Conway.

Our sympathy is extended to the survivors of the above and to Jo Thompson; the Conarro family; Jo Knight's family; Pat Jenkins' family and the Henry family, whose deaths were reported in the last issue of the D-R.

NEW MEMBERS

Mrs. Dorothy F. Albert, 1016 Timberlane, Jacksonville, Fla. 32211. Dorothy is the widow of Frank Albert, a very good friend of mine. I knew him when he was a Ranger in Lake City, Florida in 1933.

C. P. (Calvin) Leipold, 2540 Woodridge Dr., Decatur, Ga. 30033.

Karl R. Mayer, Box 564, Cleveland, Ga. 30528 (Summer address) and 10 Dexter Lane, Jekyll Island, Ga. 31520 (Winter address).

James F. Martin, 3587 Macon Road, Columbus, Ga. 31907.

Walter T. Dutton, Moulton, Ala. Rt. 3, Box 36J, 35650.

30-Year Club, Pacific NW Region, Box 25121, Portland, Oregon 97225.

DUES

They are still \$2.00 a year per family. Since this is the last newsletter of the year, T H I S is a reminder that dues are payable as of January 1 each year. Quite a few members have written in to say that the Dixie-Ranger by itself is worth \$2.00 a year - but read on:

Our Treasurer, Jim Carroll, has presented me with a list of those who have not paid their dues. WOULD YOU believe that well over a hundred members have NOT paid their dues for 1977; forty two have not paid dues for 1976 and - hear this - twenty have not paid dues for 1975? I was surprised - are you? In case you want to know how you stand, a red stamp "DUES NOT PAID" will be prominently shown on this issue of the Dixie Ranger to you. If a red stamp doesn't show on your copy, you're home free for 1977. But let's work on '78!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY GREETINGS: To all those who celebrate, or celebrated, birthdays during the months of October, November & December, 1977. I hope you all had or have a happy birthday and may you have many more of them. There are still a lot of birthdays which have not been recorded. Please send yours in and we'll "greet" you at the appropriate time.

OCTOBER

- 4 - Frances Powers
- 6 - Jeannette P. Russell
- 6 - Ola B. Hooper
- 6 - Elizabeth Van Alstein
- 2 - Chole Todd
- 13 - Emily T. Elliott
- 13 - Mrs. John K. Cross
- 14 - Opal McKinley
- 21 - E. M. "Red" Harkins
- 21 - Lucille Scott
- 23 - Elizabeth Glass
- 30 - Quentus A. Kyle
- 30 - Eula Addington
- 30 - Ola (Mrs. C.R.) Moore
- 15 - Ruby B. Cole
- 16 - Hank H. Scherer
- 19 - Osie Leinart
- 4 - Hazel Reed
Betty Hanlon
- 17 - Jack Fortin
- 14 - Jim McBride
- 13 - John A. Butler
- 12 - Fesol -Mrs. Grady-Burnett
- 31 - Nina Woody
- 22 - Chris Thompson
- 25 - Merna Clarke
- 8 - Geneva Pintado
- 23 - Harry Garnsey
- 19 - Anita Garnsey
- 24 - Myrtle Connaughton
- 13 - Marian Hine

NOVEMBER

- 1 - Ruth H. Weaver
- 2 - Harold J. Lentzenich
- 7 - George W. Cabannis
- 8 - Wesley Brewer
- 17 - Ralph H. Posey
- 12 - Evelyn Newcomb
- 15 - Stanley R. Dunn
- 22 - Dorothy Smith
- 26 - Stanley Johnson
- 28 - Clinton S. Herrick
- 28 - Eugene C. Reichard
- 29 - Nyra Renshaw
- 30 - Annie C. Snyder
- 14 - Paul Thomas
- 16 - Myrtle Thomas
- 14 - Dan Todd
- 5 - Carl G. Krueger
- 12 - Gladys L. Jones
- 2 - Edna Howard
- 28 - Lee Thomas
- 17 - Frank L. Fulmer
- 24 - Jim Cartwright
- 9 - Laverne McBride
- 26 - Paul Partee
- 19 - Lucy Childrey
- 10 - George James
- 19 - Larry Mays
- 11 - Marie Swofford
- 25 - Honey Nicholls
- 14 - Ruth Swayne
- 7 - Orville Haynes
- 28 - Helen James
- 30 - Alice Reinsmith
- 25 - Dorothy Spillsbury

DECEMBER

- 2 - Marion W. Ruffin
- 3 - Nellie B. Jones
- 3 - Walter J. Gray
- 4 - H. O. Mills
- 4 - Hazel Olson
- 5 - William Irby
- 6 - Bertha Conarro
- 12 - Fran Christensen
- 13 - Mrs. Al Shaddock
- 15 - Lucille Isbell
- 17 - Edna Payne
- 22 - C. M. Evenson
- 22 - Howard A. Miller
- 24 - Harvey Boston
- 18 - Erma Miller
- 28 - Pauline Yelverton
- 28 - Sadie Allen
- 21 - Alberta Stone
- 6 - Don Pommerening
- 15 - Flonnie Swarthout
- 23 - Carrielle Glendenning
- 16 - R. I. Lowndes
- 22 - Doug Craig
- 9 - Frank Pullium
- 25 - Wanda Johns

Plus the following we have received since the last issue:

- 2/8 - Robert Johns
- 3/4 - Jane Prather
- 6/3 - C. P. (Calvin) Leipold
- 9/17 - Iris Craig
- 9/12 - Mary Frances Pullium
- 7/16 - Dorothy F. Albert

ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

The annual tournament of the Atlanta Forest Service Golf Association, was held on October 10, 1977, at Fieldstone Golf Course. Golfers from the Chattahoochee-Oconee N. F., Cherokee N. F., NFs in North Carolina, Georgia Forestry Commission, Washington Office, S&PF, Regional Office and our retiree Association participated to the tune of fifty-five golfers in all. Since the tournament was on October 10 and the person who would compile the complete report is out of town on a field trip, I was unable to obtain a complete report, but here is the information I have:

- #1 - Vessey Trophy - Jack Simpson (Chattahoochee)
- #2 - Larry Newcomb
- #3 - Matt Harriger

Prizes were awarded as follows: Group "A" included F. S. Association members. Members playing under Calloway System eligible for all association prizes, except the Vessey Trophy. Group "B" included non-members and guests, playing under the Calloway handicap system. Prizes also awarded for low gross; high gross; ball on the green closest to pin on Holes #3 & #12 with tee shot and the least number of putts. Association members who participated in this tournament were: Armfield, Leipold; Pullium; Spring, Newcomb, Grumbine, Fischer, Craig, Russell. To indicate the extent the Golf Association has progressed, here is a list of the prizes awarded:

- #1-Trophy, Plaque & \$40 Gift Certificate
- "#2-\$40 Gift Certificate
- #3 - \$35.00 gift certificate
- #4 - \$25.00 gift certificate
- #5 - \$20.00 gift certificate
- #6 - \$15.00 Gift Certificate
- #7 - \$10.00 Gift Certificate
- #8-12th. inclusive - Golf Equipment

The above list was for Association Members.

For Calloway Prizes (Guests)

- #1 - Plaque, plus Green Fee and Cart (\$14).
- #2 - Green Fee and 1/2 Cart (\$10)
- #3 - Cart Fee (\$8.00)
- #4 - Green Fee (\$6.00)

For all players:

- Low Gross - 1 doz balls; Closest to Pin #3
- 1-doz. balls; Closest to Pin #12 -1 doz balls.
- High Gross - Golf Book and Lowest # of putts
- 1-dozen balls.

DELIVERY OF THE DIXIE RANGER

We continue to get complaints about the slow delivery of the newsletter and the reason is that our permit, under which we are classed as "bulk mail" is the slowest type of delivery. An effort is being made to resubmit our request to be declared "non-profit" by the PO Department which would not only reduce the mailing cost by 5¢ an issue, but assure of first class delivery service. Since our donations to non-profit, conservation oriented organizations in the last several years qualifies our Association to another chance, we hope to convince the PO Dept. we should be issued a permit as a "non-profit" organization. As mentioned before - if you get acquainted with your mail man, you might talk him into doing something about his bulk mail, which you are anxious to receive. We have been told by the PO Dept. that "bulk mail" can take as long as two or more weeks for delivery. We're trying to do something about it. You can help too on your end of the line.

OTHER MEDIA

We continue to get newsletters and circulars from the organizations such as ours. I try to weed out items of interest concerning people you know and here is a statement that is hard to understand: While we get newsletters from the various Regional Offices throughout these United States, we still have not been able to get any communications from our own Regional Office or any of the National Forest offices within Region 8. Personally, I have written to them; our members on the National Forest have sent in items; I've attended the stag parties for the Forest Supervisors here and have begged to be put on their mailing list - with no result whatsoever. I am sure a lot of you members have access to the Forest Supervisor personally - WILL JUST A FEW OF YOU GET HIS EAR and ask "why cant the Dixie Ranger be included on their mailing list" for items of interest which you know they circulate to their Rangers, R. O., W. O., and to other places, such as newspapers, TV stations etc.? This newsletter is going to pot unless some one steps in and does a little something to help me out.

AND for Vol. VII, Number IV - this is all. Hope you enjoy it as much as I've enjoyed compiling it with much begging, frustration and everything else involved in trying to get something to you of interest. Understand!!!!

RESERVATION APPLICATION FOR LUNCHEON AT PETITE AUBERGE
RESTAURANT FRANCAIS, for Wednesday, December 7, 1977

Mrs. Shirley Herbert,
U. S. Forest Service,
1720 Peachtree Road, NW
Atlanta, Ga. 30309
Phone #881-4191

PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS NOT LATER THAN
MONDAY - December 5, 1977. You may mail
this reservation form or call #881-4191

I will attend the December 7, 1977 luncheon at Petite Auberge Restaurant Francais, Tecco Hills Shopping Center, sponsored by the Southern F. S. Retiree Association.

Please reserve _____ places for my party (indicate the number in your party). A negative response is not necessary. Cost of the luncheon is approximately \$6.00 per person, including tax and tip. It is REQUESTED that no payment be included in your reservation request. Arrange to make payment at the door. In making payment by check, make it payable to Southern Forest Service Retiree Association. It is suggested that you make reservation by phone.

(Please sign here)

BALLOT FOR VOTING ON OFFICERS OF THE SOUTHERN FOREST SERVICE
RETIREE ASSOCIATION FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1978. JUST A FEW
MINUTES STUDY OF CANDIDATES AND A 13¢ STAMP WILL DO THE TRICK

FOR ALTERNATE (TO REPLACE DOUG CRAIG
WHO AUTOMATICALLY SUCCEEDS TO OFFICE
OF PRESIDENT.

Lucille Isbell ()

Bill Brandau ()

(Write In) ()

TREASURER

Jim Carroll ()

Vedene Smith ()

(Write In) ()

SECRETARY

Robert (Bob) Johns ()

Shirley Herbert ()

(Write In) ()

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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PLEASE COMPLETE and mail your ballot to reach the Secretary's Office, not later than December 5, 1977. Mail ballot to Southern Forest Service Retiree Association, Suite 800, 1720 Peachtree Road NW, Atlanta, Ga. 30309.