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Dear Region 2 Retiree and family:

The Memorial Grove Committee has developed preliminary plans for the annual Memorial Grove field day event scheduled for Saturday, May 3, 2008 from 8 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at the Monument Fire Center in Monument, Colorado.

This year's event will include placing the newest plaque and planting a tree in memory of all Region 2 employees who passed away during 2007. Part of the day will be devoted to improving and maintaining the site and sharing a potluck meal with family members, retirees, and fellow employees.

Nearly 800 deceased Region 2 employees have been honored by having their names engraved on a plaque at Memorial Grove. To be recognized, the person had to have been a current employee or must have retired from Forest Service employment in Region 2. The 2007 list of honorees is not fully compiled; we need your help in completing the list.

If you are aware of anyone who passed away in 2007 who should be recognized and is not on the list included in this letter, please let us know no later than April 11. As soon as the list is completed, we will have the year 2007 plaque prepared for the ceremony. For names you submit, please provide as much information as possible about their Forest Service history and family addresses so we can recognize their work and invite their family members to the event.

If you are aware of people who passed away before 2007 and who have not been inducted, we would like their names and family contact information so they can be part of the "Not Forgotten Ceremony" at this year's event. A list of everyone currently inducted can be found at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r2/psicc/pp/grove/>.

Please make a special effort to keep this tradition going. Past participants have found it to be a great way to show respect for those who dedicated their lives to public service in the Rocky Mountain Region of the Forest Service.

We look forward to greeting many of you at the Memorial Grove event. Together we'll honor those who served before us, build relationships, and strengthen ties between all levels of the organization as well as with those who have retired.



We welcome contributions from employee associations, current employees, and retirees to help pay for plaques and other event materials. Checks should be made out to **Pikes Peak Employees Association** and sent to **Pikes Peak District Ranger, 601 S. Weber Street, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80903-4026.**

The 2007 Honoree names we presently have for this year's ceremony are as follows:

Basil K. Crane
 Billy L. (Bill) Crawley
 *Irene M. Crosley
 Elvin D. (Ed) Edwards
 *Paul Matthew Glasgow
 Gary R. Goodsell
 *Paul I. Hauk
 John F. Hersh
 Arthur W. (Art) Hipp
 Charles B. (Charley) Howe, Jr.
 Charles J. (Charlie) Hyland
 Lynn H. Jones
 *Carl E. Lindbloom
 Ross John (Jack) Lowe
 *Hugh R. McLean
 James P. Palmer
 Clayton B. Pierce, Jr.
 J.M. (Merle) Prince
 Lorraine Romero
 *Edwin W. (Ed) Stein
 Harry R. Taylor
 John W. (Bud) Willschau, Jr.

The names for the 2007 Not Forgotten ceremony are:

*Edward H. Busch
 *Thomas D. (Tom) Edwards - 2003
 *Merritt E. Esmiol
 *Edward (Ed) J. Gould
 *A.F.C. (Pete) Greene
 *Carl F. Henderson 1992
 *Herbert N. (Herb) Lattin - 2005?
 *John R. Martinez - 2006
 Harry L. Moore – 2006
 John W. (Johnie) Somrak – 2004
 *John C. (Cliff) Stephenson
 Lloyd A. Woolard

*We need a family member contact for this person; if someone knows of one, please provide.

Please verify the spelling and correct form (initial vs. full middle name, Jr., etc.) of these names and send to Brent Botts (bobotts@fs.fed.us). We also need family members' names and addresses or phone numbers to invite them to the event.

If you have questions, please contact Brent Botts at 719-477-4202 or Gwen Ernst-Ulrich at 303-275-5348.

Sincerely,

/s/ Greg Griffith
GREG GRIFFITH
Deputy Regional Forester,
Operations

cc: Brent O Botts