

# THE VIP VOICE

MAY 2001

THE NEWSLETTER OF  
CABRILLO VOLUNTEERS

Dear Volunteers:

Usually, I have the **Last Word**, but in this issue, I get the first word! Lynn Moss is on vacation and while the cat's away, the mouse will play.

This special issue is dedicated to you (or I should say us), the volunteers, who do so much here at the Park. While working on the presentation for the Recognition Dinner last month, I began to realize just how much the skills and hours that we all contribute enhance the Park and the experiences that our visitors enjoy.

According to Mary Beth, about 67 of us logged more than 6,700 hours in the fiscal year October 1, 1999, to September 30, 2000.

In addition to the regular work that we do, many of us also help on special events like the Whalewatch Weekend, Recycling Weekend, Founder's Day (August 25), the Cabrillo Festival and the Lighthouse Anniversary (November 15).

I have to be honest. I had no idea of how much and what many of you do here at the Park. While taking pictures of many of you, I found out that there is no end of work that can be done here. As Mary Beth listed what you do, I was amazed.

A lot of hours are recorded for being in the tidepools. I recently got my feet wet (literally) while taking pictures of volunteers and of the critters. I salute you for what you do down there.

Some of you also do living history. What a challenge—knowing enough facts to answer the same question for the 20<sup>th</sup> time that day and still give a fresh and warm response. I haven't figured how to do it yet, but one of these days, I'm going to find a way to get Luke Burke to break character. ☺

Some of us also work at the desk and help in interpretation. If you get the opportunity, catch Mike Love give his arms and armament talk on Saturday afternoons at the Visitor Center.

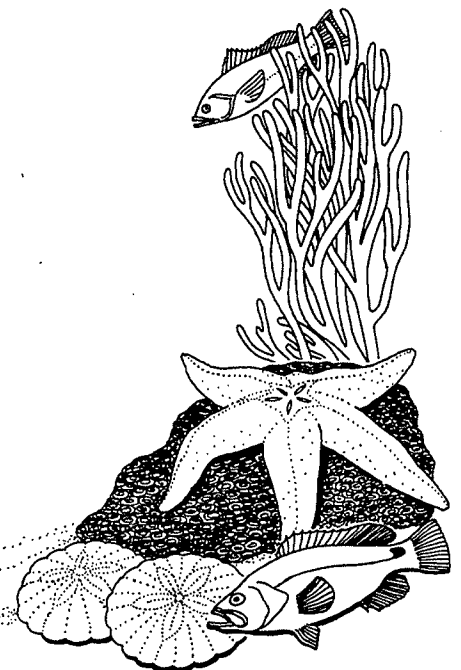
A lot of the work we do is behind the scenes and may not be noticed or seen by visitors. Howard Burdett's curatorial work or Linda Masys' slide catalog, along with the surveys, bird counts, seedling planting, or Larry's GIS work and Janet's biological work may not be seen but still are a vital part in fulfilling the mission of the Park. And how can we forget the cleaning and maintenance of the lighthouse, the lens and the kitchen garden?

So on behalf of the staff and visitors of Cabrillo National Monument, thank you for all that you do. It is deeply appreciated.

Unfortunately, I haven't been able to get pictures of all of you. So be on the lookout, because when you least expect it, someone like Rangers Chris, Marty, or Mary Beth or Lynn Moss or me may be snapping away—and you may be the next target!

Lynn will be back for the next issue which will be out in June. Until then, have fun!

Mike

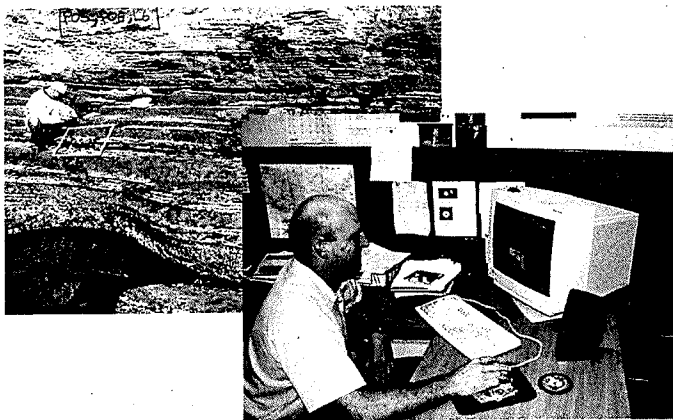




**Howard Burdett**



**Janet Croft**



**Larry Koomen**



**Kitchen Garden**



**Luke Burke**



**Kim Fahlen**

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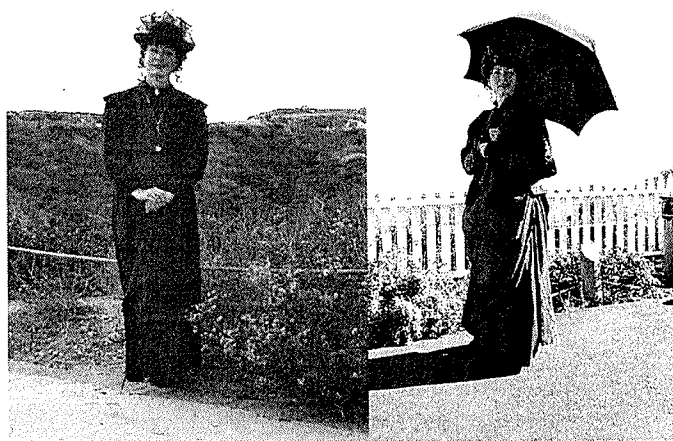
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Linda Masys



Ray Stits



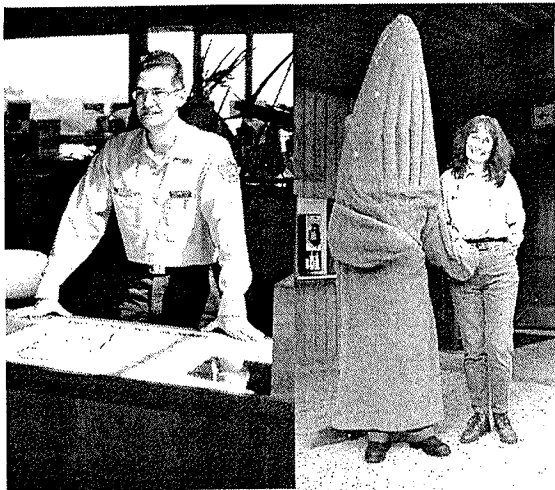
Sandra Turner



Genevieve Wolfe



Susan & Charlie Copp



**Ryan Barr**



**Vera Dunlap**



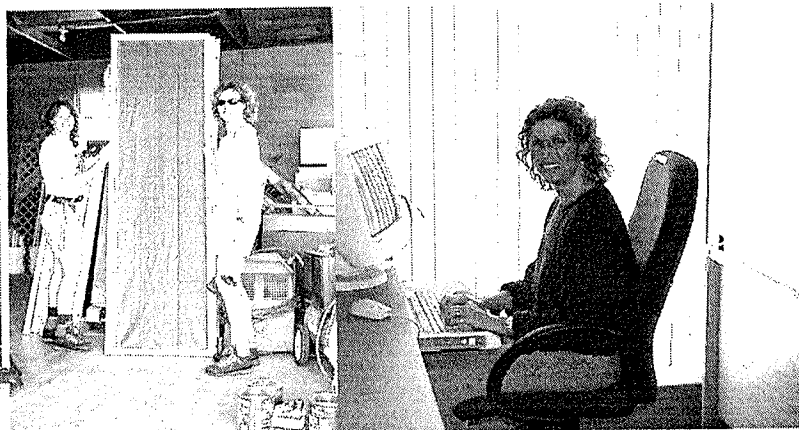
**Claude Edwards**



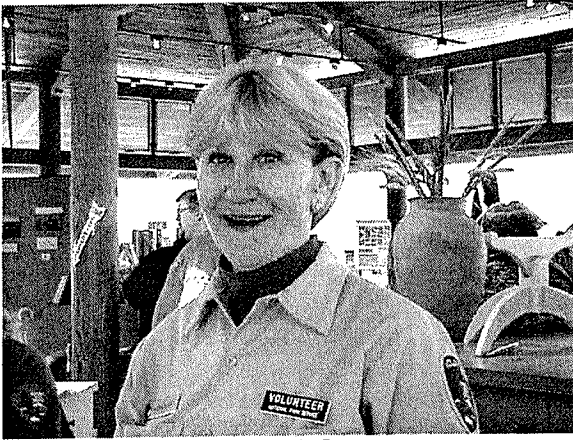
**Shawn Eccles**



**Patrice Geiger**



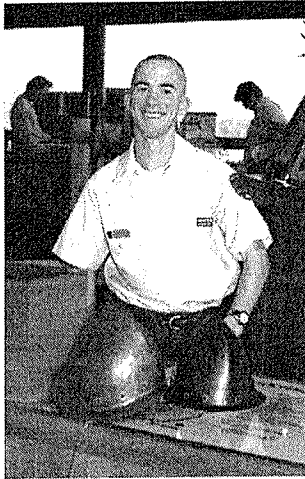
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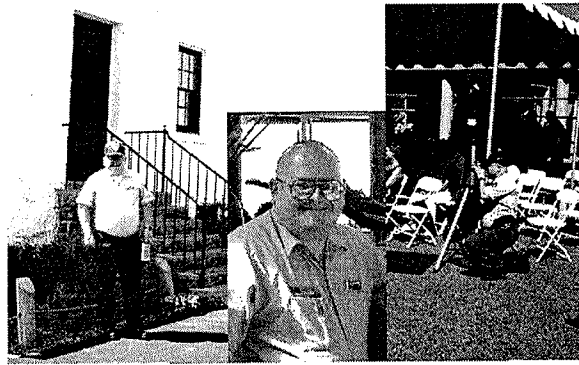
**Marian McGee**



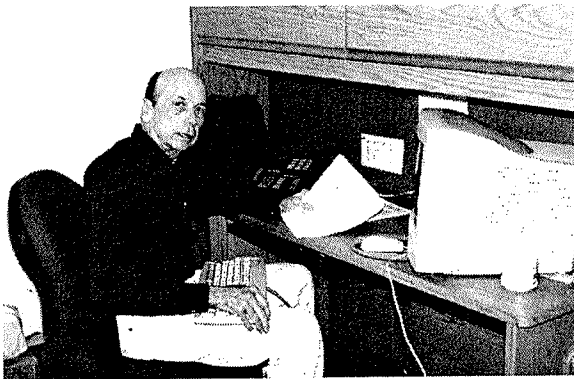
**Lupe Marquez**



**Jacob McLaughlin**



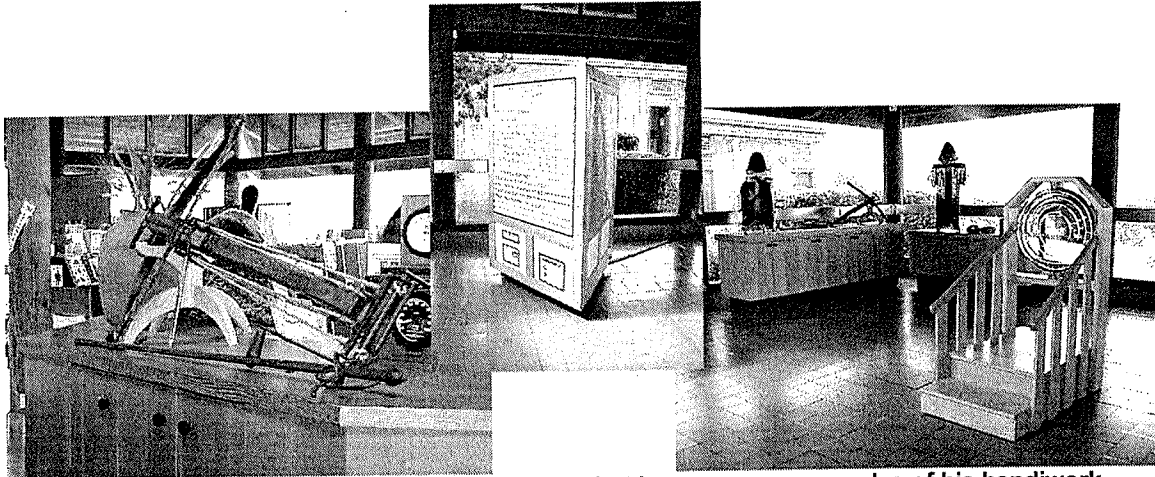
**Mike Nelson**



**Jim Nauman**



**Libby Walker**



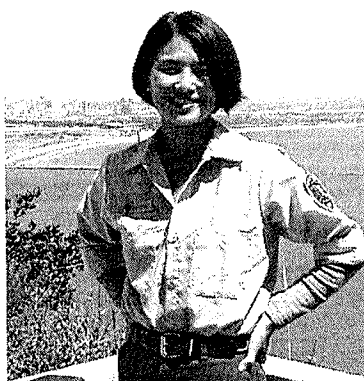
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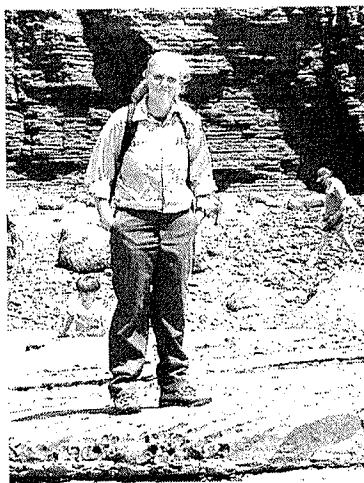
**Mike & Kim Bruch**



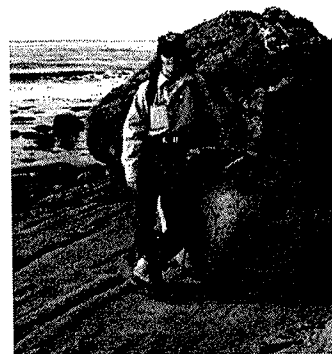
**Vickie & Dave Coats**



**Kate Bomstra**



**Emily Lawlor**



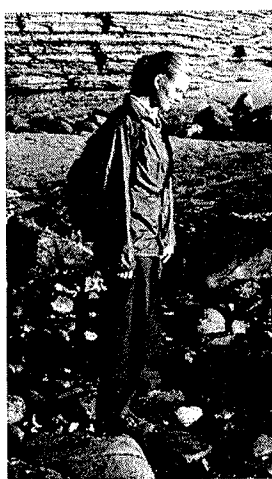
**Victoria Kirtay**



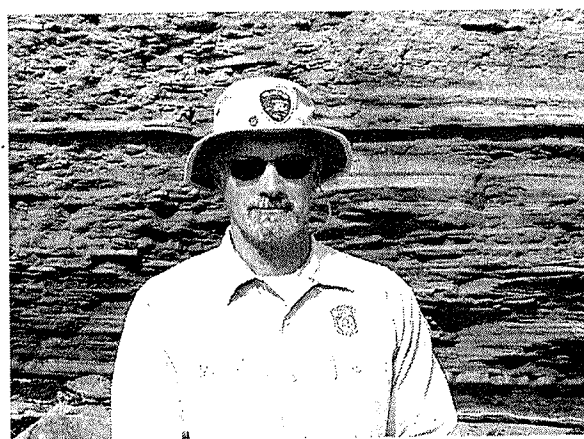
**Tina Friedman**



**Aliza Friedman**



**Peggie and Ben Forte**



**Kevin O'Leary**



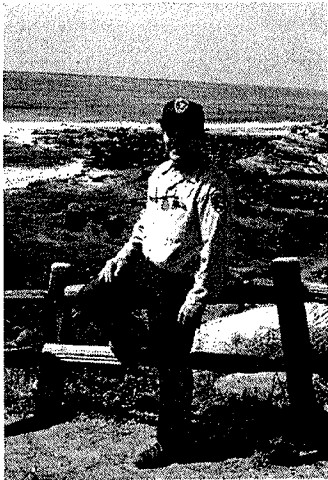
**Beth Gramoy**



**Barbara Fletcher**



**Anita Herring**



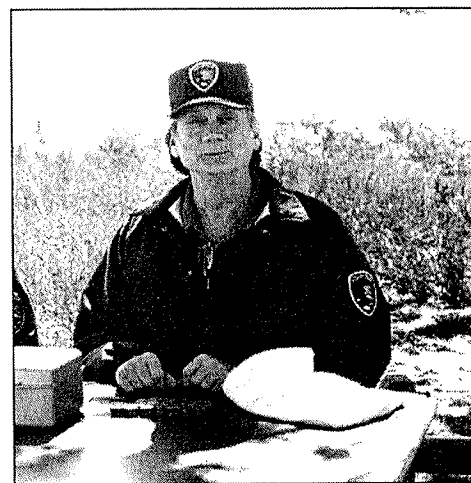
**Mike Moser**



**Sonya Kilroy**



**Susan Dagwell**



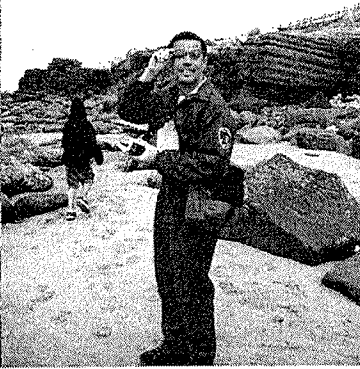
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**Ulla Kordel**



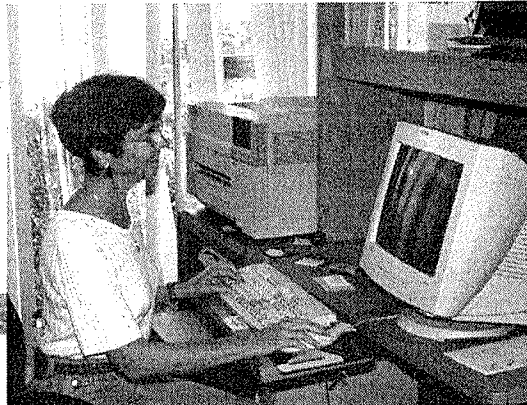
**Darrel Sims**



**Keith May**



**Sue Slaght**



**Lynn Moss**





**Ursula Weston**



**Jim Stewart**



**Bill Capps**



**Todd Partridge**



**Susan Gardner**



**Pierce Harris**



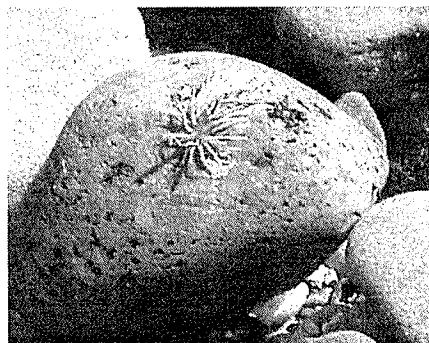
**Krista Pease**



**Ginger Rebstock**

We weren't able to get pictures of these volunteers. They were harder to get in touch with than finding a Hopkin's Rosy Nudibranch:

- Don Carlton
- Richard Grant
- Mary Margaret Todd



A few years ago, a young volunteer dressed up for a picture that ended up getting published in "The Old Point Loma Lighthouse" (see page 25)... Who knew what the future would hold?



The future led that volunteer to become the superintendent of Cabrillo National Monument...

It's a long way from being a volunteer to being Park Superintendent...  
But sometimes that bug to volunteer to dress in Living History just bites you!

