

Ice Age
National
Scenic Trail
Volunteer
Recognition
2023



Did You
Know???



NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

APRIL 16-22 • 2023

Shari Orr, NPS Volunteer Program Manager, Washington, DC

Microsoft Teams

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Awesome Job in 2022!

1,839 Volunteers...

Provided 84,349 Hours of Service...

Totaling \$2,526,247.46 in Private Sector Value

In FY22 Ice Age NST accounted for:

1.48% of all NPS Volunteers

and 2.29% of all NPS Volunteer Hours!

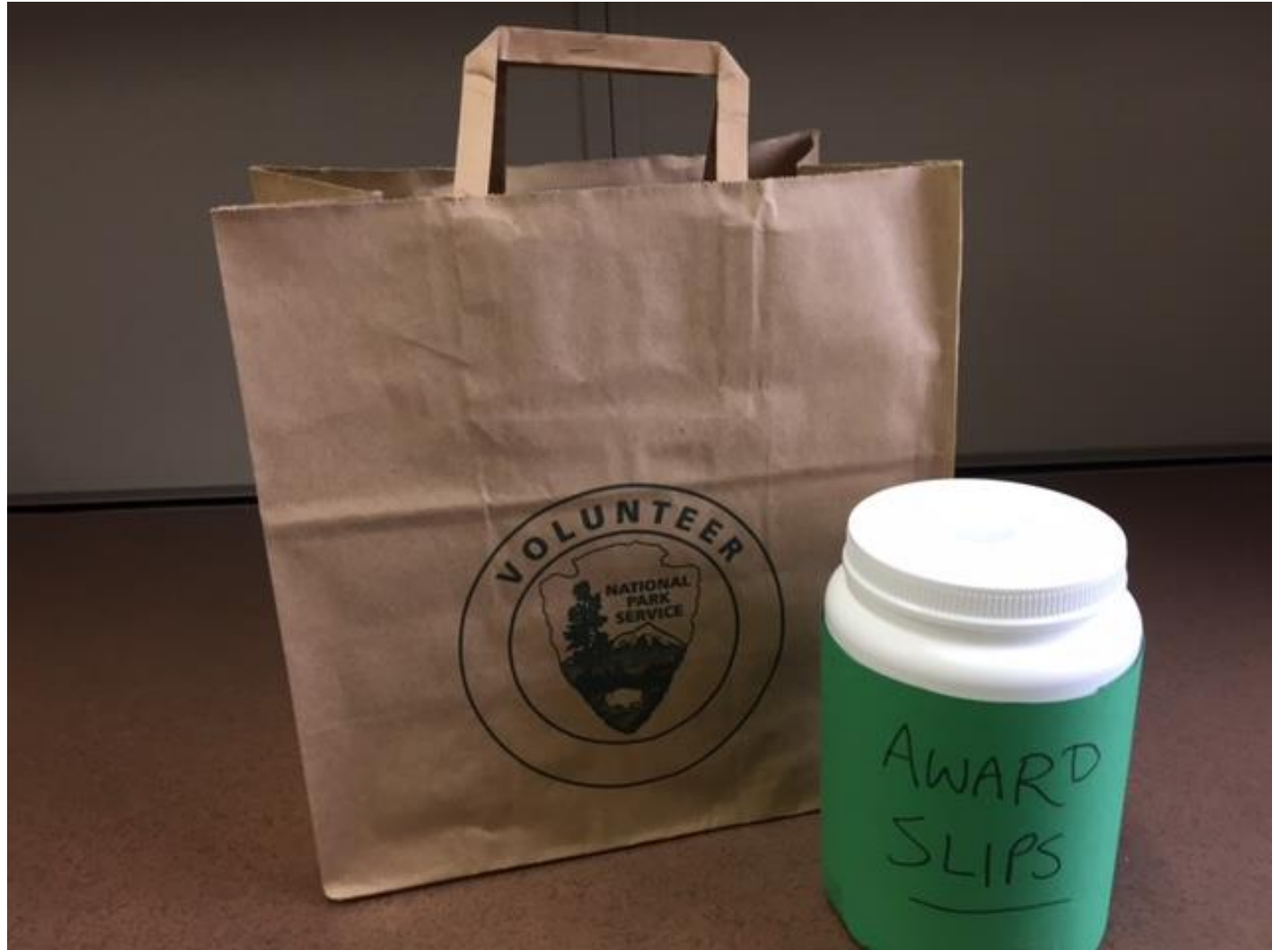
2023 Bandanas

Take Some Back to Your
Chapter Volunteers



Take Out awards
Available
Tomorrow

Others will be
mailed



100 Hour Recipients

NPS Certificate &
VIP Pin



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John Bechtel

Mike Crane

Curt Denevan

Raymond Disterhaft

Michael Drehobl

Dennis Duehring

Ken Engel

Richard Erickson

Kelsey Fisk

Rob Fisk

Rick Gamble

Cameron Gillie

Steve Hall

Jean Harvey

Kathy Hetzel

Miranda Huhnstock

John Hutchinson

Jim Jacobson

Wayne Janik

Sherry Jasper

Robert Jorin

Paul Kaiser

Bud Kehrli

Liz Krummel

Lynn Larson

John Lee

Bob Leedle

James Lickel

Bart Lundberg

Charlie Luthin

Eugene Markiewicz

Michelle McArdle

Tim McAuliffe

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100 Hour Recipients

NPS Certificate & VIP Pin

Cody Mentjes

Steve Meurett

Carol Moore

Brian Nelson

Mary Nennig

Mark Ormsby

Nancy Peterson

Carol Pope

Carrie Preston

Tom Rademacher

Therese Riedel

Thomas Roberts

Richard Roe

Jay Rolefson

Lisa Ruesch

Margit Schiefelbein

Holly Schmaling

James Sciacca

Brian Seegert

Shana Stangler

Mary Stewart

Jana Suriano

Robyn Swanson

Linda Thompson

Paul van Ginkel

Laura Van Valkenberg

Alice Weinert

David Wenstrup

Carol Wickboldt

Jonathon Wilk

250 Hour Recipients

Water Bottle with
IAT & NPS Logos



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Jack Burton

Denny Caneff

Mary Cieslewicz

Roger Davis

Natalie Dorrler

Michael Drehobl

Lucas Gilson

Sue Greenway

John Hillmer

Dave Hladilek

Steve Jilk

David Keber

Greg (Spike) Keiler

Mark Kersten

Sue Kolb

Tom Kolb

Steve Larson

Mark Lindau

Nina Manzi

Tim McAuliffe

Linda McKamey

Theron Nash

Melinda Nelson

Brian Nelson

Mark Ormsby

Jeff Pepp

Nancy Peterson

Carrie Preston

Jeff Romagna

Tom Route

Holly Schmaling

Dick Semrow

Dan Smetana

Pam Smith-Jilk

Fred Stadler

Wayne Tess

Kris Van Handel

Buddy Watford

Tim Weege

500 Hour Recipients

Ball Cap with VIP
Patch



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Ball Cap with VIP Patch

Jack Abler

Brent Brye

Denny Caneff

Pam Cashman

Gail Colrud

Mandy Crary

Jerry Gilson Jr.

Mark Gleissner

Sue Greenway

John Hillmer

Gary Hitchcock

Stephanie Hoff

Kristi Kenyon

Mark Lindau

Greg Lueth

Chris Matthews

Kathleen McGwin

Mark Ormsby

Jeff Saatkamp

Maureen Skelton

Dave Tlusty

Jeanne Vogel

Cory Wiese

Tami Wiese

Jared Wildenradt

1,000 Hour Recipients

Shirt, Embroidered
Name, VIP Patch



1,000 Hour Recipients

Shirt, Embroidered Name, VIP Patch

Lee Auner

Mike Livesey

Roberta Bie

Mary Lutz

Vicki Christianson

Diana Matthews

Kathy Claude

Jim Onofrey

Bruce France

Beth Shimmyo

David King

Becky White

3,000 Hour Recipients

Jacket, Embroidered
Name, VIP Patch



3,000 Hour Recipients

Jacket, Embroidered Name, VIP Patch

Cheryl Gorsuch

Jerry Pfeifer

4,000 Hour Presidents Lifetime Service Award

- Certificate
- Commemorative Coin
- White House Letter



4,000 Hour Presidential Award

Certificate, Coin, White House Letter

Jon Bishop

Bruce Jaecks

Joe Jopek

Melanie Lord

Mark Struve

White House Letter for Lifetime Achievement



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

The American story depends not on any one of us, not on some of us, but on all of us. I congratulate you on taking it upon yourself to contribute to the public good, and I'm proud to present you with the President's Lifetime Achievement award in recognition of your 4,102.5 hours of service to this great Nation.

Throughout our country's history, the American story has been strengthened by those who combine an optimism about what can be with the resilience to turn that vision into reality. I know I'm not alone in recognizing that those who are willing to step up and volunteer in service of community and country are essential to the ongoing work of forming our more perfect union.

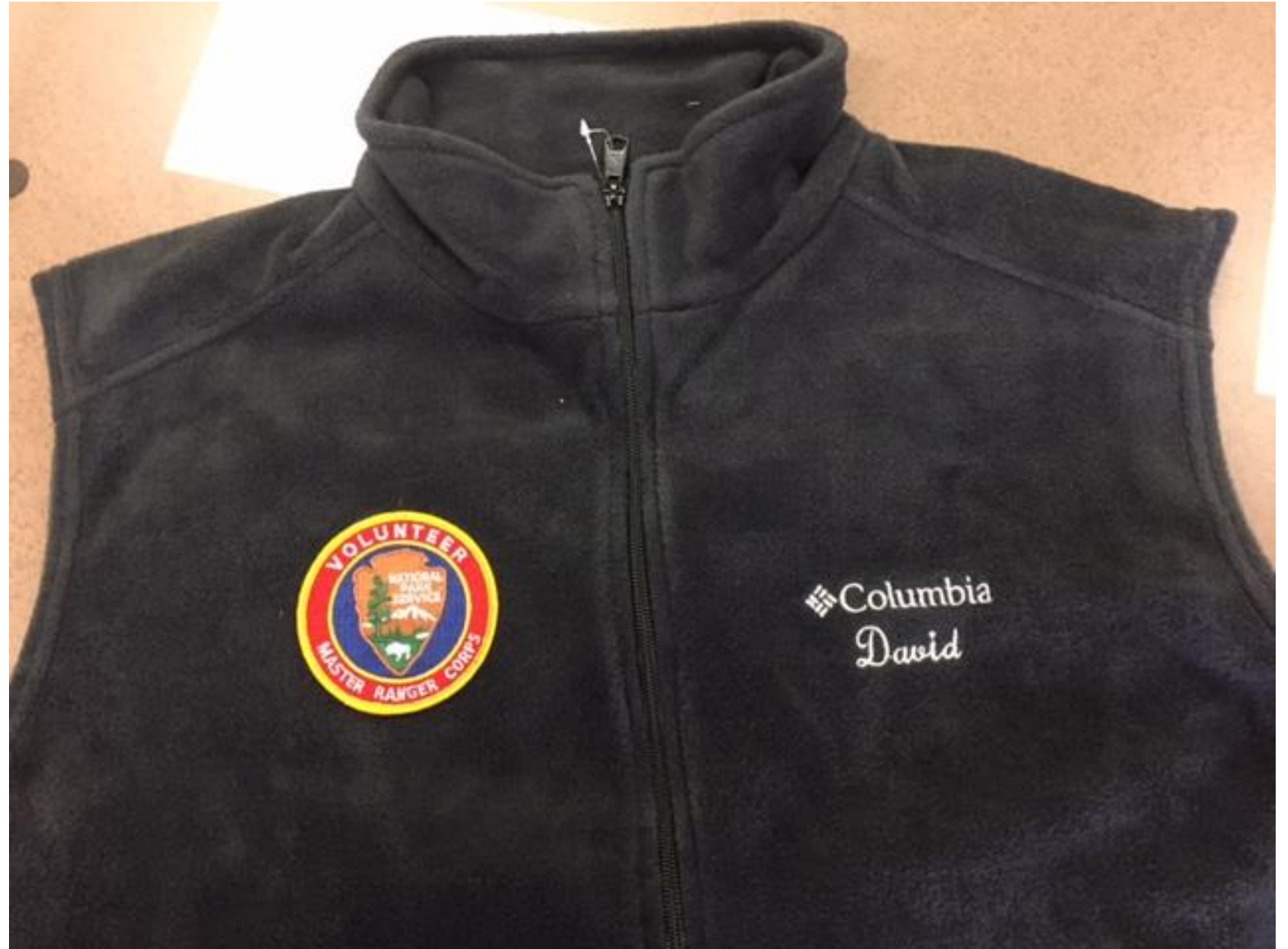
By sharing your time and passion, you are helping discover and deliver solutions to the challenges we face - solutions that we need now more than ever. We are living in a moment that calls for hope and light and love. Hope for our futures, light to see our way forward, and love for one another. Through your service, you are providing all three.

On behalf of the American people, I extend my heartfelt appreciation to you for your volunteer leadership, and I encourage you to continue to answer the call to serve. The country is counting on you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. R. A. 1".

6,000 Hour
Recipients

“Master Ranger
Corps” Vest



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Anne Helsley-Marchbanks

George and Helen Hartzog Awards



“When a VIP agrees to share his talents, skills and interests with the National Park Service, he is paying us one of highest compliments possible by offering a most valued possession— his time.”

-- George B. Hartzog, Jr.
Director, National Park Service
1964-1972

John Kolbe

Nominee for Outstanding
Volunteer



Excerpt from John's Nomination....

"Of the 1,839 active volunteers found along the 1,200-mile route of the Ice Age National Scenic Trail (Ice Age NST), most contribute their efforts at the local level, building trail near their own communities. Some volunteers rise to the challenging role of "Volunteer Chapter Leader." An even smaller, elite group of volunteers share their time and talents statewide to tackle the most complex issues of Ice Age NST advocacy. Ever so seldom, we are blessed with someone who operates effectively at all three levels. John Kolbe is one of those very special and most desired volunteers.



Whether personally rallying support for NPS initiatives, bringing his skill with a chainsaw to bear on the latest wind storm damage, advocating for the Trail with state officials and community leaders, ensuring inclusion and accessibility for his chapter members and public partnerships, or serving as President of the Ice Age Trail Alliance's (IATA) Board of Directors— John Kolbe is one of the Ice Age NST's finest stewards by every measure."

Closing Comments From Superintendent Eric Gabriel

