FOREST FIRE LOOKOUT ASSOCIATION 2016 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER REPORT

Membership: 29 members, (some memberships due soon, or recently expired) **Balance:** \$ 1544.33

Throughout 2016:

-Interacted with visitors on-the-job at Peg Leg Lookout, Lassen National Forest between May and October 2016. Provided information and education. Trained three new fire lookouts on Lassen National Forest. -Distributed Forest Fire Lookout Association brochures in various Northern California locales. -Attended 2016 Western Conference in John Day, Oregon in June 2016. Enjoyed networking with many attendees, and joining some great lookout tours. -Attended Klamath National Forest's Nancy Hood's retirement gathering in November 2016. This legendary forest fire lookout raised the lookoutry bar with her excellent lookout skills and dedication for 58 fire seasons on KNF. Heard many stories from her friends and co-workers. -Answered multiple phone and email inquiries concerning lookout history, fire tower visitor rentals, lookout jobs, and lookout restoration possibilities. -No active restoration projects in progress at this time. Volunteers needed. Referrals available for possible projects on Shasta-Trinity National Forest, Modoc National Forest and others.

Goals for 2017:

-Host Forest Fire Lookout Association Western Conference in Susanville-Chester, California area. Summer 2017.

(Exact dates to be determined.) Volunteers needed for part or all of the Conference. Interested? Volunteer meeting will be held

in Chico on March 23, 2017.

-Arrange a Northern California chapter meeting in the fall after the end of fire season.

-Impromptu lookout tower tours and hikes.

-Continue to provide information and education concerning all aspects of fire lookout towers and personnel. -Search for a new Northern California Chapter Director to take over duties, effective October 2017.

All time involved, postage, office supplies, copies, travel & incidental expenses throughout the year were happily donated

to Forest Fire Lookout Association.

Respectfully submitted,

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