

Staff migrations

by Erika Obedzinski

As Mono Lake's palette of colors moved from late summer to late fall and the visitor season slowed to just a few hardy souls, the Committee bade farewell to several more seasonal staff members.

Outdoor Experiences Coordinator **Molly Hucklebridge** took a short road trip to the southwest after finishing a successful OE season, and has now moved on to her new position as River Teachers Program Coordinator for the South Yuba River Citizens' League, where we know she'll do great work!

Outdoor Experiences Coordinator **Megan Stoddard** also helped make the OE season a success, and has headed back to her hometown of San Francisco where she's taking a Wilderness First Responder course and working at the Jewish Community Center.

We were lucky to have long-time member **Alayne Meeks** in the Bookstore this summer working as a Retail Assistant alongside Kirsten and Brett on the front counter. Alayne took a summer break from running her honey business (www.meekshoney.com) to live and work at Mono Lake for a few months, and we are all sweeter for it.

Kirsten Watson returned for her second season as a Retail Assistant in the Information Center & Bookstore where she greeted tourists and members alike with a smile. If you

renewed your membership or became a new member this summer on your way through town, it's likely that Kirsten was the one who signed you up! Kirsten has also stayed on for part of the winter to help out at the membership desk.

Intern **Becca Hammargren** stayed through October helping out at the membership desk before moving back home to Minnesota to plan her next step. We hear she's coming back to the Sierra to work for our friends at the South Yuba River Citizens League and we hope to see her often!

Former intern **Rebecca Petzel** spent six weeks at Mono Lake this fall before migrating back to her home in Jackson, Wyoming. Rebecca was a motivating force in the office, helping us accomplish many tasks during her short stay—including background research on member outreach system and helping to organize the Committee's volunteer program. We know she'll return before too long to make sure the projects she helped start are on the right track, and of course, to visit Mono Lake. ❖

Erika Obedzinski is the Committee's Office Director. When she's not keeping the staff in line she's making sure we keep "have fun" at the top of our priority list. She recently spearheaded an impromptu staff event involving caroling in the office.

MONO LAKE COMMITTEE JOB OPPORTUNITY

Seeking a Membership Coordinator

The Mono Lake Committee is currently seeking a dynamic, detail-oriented individual to coordinate our membership program. The Membership Coordinator is responsible for managing the donations and membership records of the Committee's 15,000 members and is the primary staff person responsible for addressing and responding to member requests and questions.

The ideal candidate is an enthusiastic individual with excellent oral and written communication skills. The Membership Coordinator must have an interest in the Committee's mission of protection, restoration and education, and the ability to communicate enthusiasm for the Committee's work to current and prospective members of the organization. The Membership Coordinator works out of the Committee's main office, which is located in rural Lee Vining, California.

For the full job description, applicant requirements, and information on how to apply, please visit www.monolake.org.

MONO LAKE COMMITTEE SUMMER JOBS

Summer at Mono Lake!

Summer positions including Outdoor Experiences Coordinator, Canoe Coordinator, Retail Assistant, Birding Intern, and Naturalist Intern available for the 2007 season. Applications accepted starting February 1. For more information visit www.monolake.org.

REGIONAL JOB OPPORTUNITY

CalTrout Program Manager

California Trout is seeking a motivated and talented Program Manager to lead the organization's conservation and advocacy work in the Eastern Sierra region. The Program Manager, based out of Mammoth Lakes, will be responsible for identifying, managing, and organizing conservation and restoration projects in the Eastern Sierra region and Golden Trout Wilderness. For the full job description and contact information please visit www.caltrout.org.