



# The NAPgA Bleat!

The Official Newsletter of the North American Packgoat Association

April 2013

Page 1

## Something Presidential... (how I address my HOA newsletters...[meant to be tongue-in-cheek!])

The old saying is that No News is Good News. Although that is definitely true in most cases, waiting to hear from the 'forest grabbers' about their plan of action in the Shoshone NF is a bit trying for those on pins and needles. [See article below re: the **Coronado NF**]

### Re: This Monthly Newsletter Effort

I'm thinking that it goes without saying that I could certainly use help with this effort, but so far it has not been forthcoming. Any NL is only as good as its input, and if I am the only one that provides it, it will necessarily be a bit one-sided.

If you have anything to contribute, please send it on to me by the first of each month.

Send to: [lrobinson@napga.org](mailto:lrobinson@napga.org)

### The Forest-Grabbers in Arizona

Tommy DiMaggio, who operates **Purple Mountain Packgoats** in Tuscon, AZ, let me know a couple of months ago, that the forest service was 'sitting on' the renewal of his permit to operate in the Coronado NF.

The issue?

The same old, same old. Bighorn Sheep (i.e., our god, and the only god with whom we have to do. Or so it seems).

The good news is that they have finally decided to re-issue his permit. The catch is, that if and when they reintroduce BHS into this area, he must surrender his permit. What nonsense. We're service our 'sheep god' at the expense of the small businessman.

**What this absolutely underscores is that we absolutely MUST eventually win in the Shoshone NF. At whatever the cost!**

Anything less, means that we can kiss most of the best forest service areas goodbye. And I, for one, don't want to do that!!!!



### Be Sure and Note the Dates for the 2013 Rendezvous on your Summer Calendar! 27-30 June

The Rendezvous will be on the Whitney Reservoir this year in the extreme upper NE section of Utah. Unlike the the 2010 Rendezvous, where it was 'Welcome to Wyoming... now please go home', this year we expect to be a lot more well-received. Clay Zimmerman, an old hand at sponsoring Rendys, is doing the legwork, and I suspect that it will be a fun time with the goats and with each other. More details will be published on the NAPgA website, at the **URL** at the bottom of the page:

### The NAPgA Website - What to Do if You Can't Seem to Log In??

When we had the NAPgA website professionally done some years back, they inserted into it a routine that will only let someone access the site as long as their dues were current.

Soooo, if you try to log in after **March 1st**, with your normal access info, and it says 'go fish', must be time to contact Larry and see Whasssssup??? Or maybe simply bring one's dues up to date. *Ya think? :-))*