

LNPS DOCUMENTARY

-Lesbian Rangers canoeing, silently slicing through the water, bronzed by the morning sun

NATURE SOUNDS

VOICE-OVER:

Avid outdoorswomen Shawna Dempsey and Lorri Millan had long experienced frustration in the bush. They knew that scientists and conservationists had allowed lesbian flora and fauna to wither and decline, to survive in isolated communities often invisible to a casual observer. Such official indifference perturbed these conscientious naturalists, however during an sortie through the lesbian wetlands, they struck upon an idea that would change the face of conservation history. "What if", they wondered, "an organization existed to service and protect the lesbian wilds?"

(pause during geese)

This question inflamed their minds, as they paddled resolutely on. Each punishing stroke carried them closer to their destiny. Future Lesbian Rangers Dempsey and Millan knew that they were no longer simply traversing lake, stream, and bog. They had begun a nobler journey that would lead to the fulfillment of a lifelong dream: to wear a uniform.

HELICOPTER SOUND

THEME MUSIC BEGINS

VOICE-OVER:

Welcome to Lesbian National Parks & Services!

TITLECARD: **Lesbian National Parks and Services**

TITLECARD: **A Force of Nature**

NATURE SOUNDS

VOICE-OVER:

Lesbian National Parks and Services was founded in 1997 to increase awareness and sensitivity to the

complex, varied, and sometimes fragile lesbian ecosystem.

TITLECARD: Base Camp

NATURE SOUNDS

RANGER LORRI MILLAN:

It is advantageous that we are in the geographical centre of North America and I think we should head straight up the lake and the nelson right at the bay.

VOICE OVER:

Dempsey and Millan felt that lesbianism was too important to be left solely in the hands of hobbyists. A needs-assessment of all Sapphic species was long overdue. Our founding foremothers knew that this invaluable research could consume a lifetime, and yet, undaunted, they began.

RANGER SHAWNA DEMPSEY:

With the formation of LNPS arose the need for a visible presence, an official force, entrusted with the task of lesbian resource management. Hence the Lesbian Ranger Corps was born.

RANGER LORRI MILLAN.:

Really our goals are threefold: education, research, and recruitment. But before we can do anything we have to identify regions in which lesbianism, through no fault of its own, has not taken root or multiplied.

VOICE-OVER:

The Rangers have dedicated their lives to the creation of an environment in which lesbians of all genus and species can flourish.

S.D.:

It's deeply satisfying work, driven by a genuine interest about lesbian biology.

L.M.:

There's nothing else I would rather do.

L.M.:

Where should we begin?

S.D.:

I don't know it has been a big day. I am quite concerned about the catfish we saw earlier.

L.M.:

Oh yeah, three eyes, that's not good.

VOICE-OVER (after dialogue):

Only the finest woodswomen, driven by a desire to right wrongs, to help others, and to touch and be touched by a plethora of needy lesbians would embark on a mission so wide-ranging, and so all-consuming.

S.D.:

What a privileged existence we live

L.M.:

Mhmm

S.D.:

Here in mother nature's playground.

L.M.:

True enough, hard work though.

VOICE-OVER:

Certainly, this work can take its toll. The physical demands of full-time lesbianism leave the Rangers limp by day's end. Their bodies have been pushed to their limits, and they are spent. However, the hearts and minds of these highly-trained professionals remain keen, eagerly awaiting adventures yet to come.

TITLECARD: Inside the Lesbian Ranger
MUSIC WITH MARCHING; NATURE SOUNDS

L.M.:

We're often asked, "What makes a Lesbian Ranger tick?" Of course each Ranger is as different from each

other as one snowflake from the next, but I'd have to say the Ranger's sense of duty is the primary characteristic.

MUSIC

VOICE-OVER:

To harness this fervour into a honed, efficient team, Dempsey and Millan developed a rigorous training regime., which focuses on the preservation of lesbian life in all its forms.

S.D.:

The Lesbian Ranger Recruit is put through her paces, probing the ins and outs of every lesbian species, from the lowly microbe to the mighty mammal, from the tiny spore to the thrusting oak. But the grueling demands of the LNPS Academy are nothing compared to the emotional roller coaster she will experience in every day lesbian life.

Hmm not bad.

MUSIC

VOICE-OVER (runners appear):

The future Lesbian Ranger must be ready at a moment's notice to perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation or to carry a lesbian casualty to the safety of her base camp.

Her every fiber may ache, and occasionally she may moan, yet the Recruit sallies forth, strengthened by the knowledge that her training is an essential step in preparation for a career in lesbianism.

JR. RANGER #1:

It's the hardest thing I've ever had to do in my life! If I'm successful in passing the induction process, I'll have truly earned the right to call myself, "a Ranger."

JR. RANGER #2:

You have to be in tip-top shape, especially emotionally.

-instruction on carrying cord by Ranger Dempsey

S.D.:

I highly suggest you carry a piece of cord in your pocket at all times.

-Ranger Millan shows lashing technique

L.M.:

Wow.

JR. RANGER #3:

Lesbianism is not for the faint of heart.

JR. RANGER #4:

But it can be so rewarding!

-Jr. Rangers tying each other:

S.D.:

Yeah that's it and then just kind of through.

JR. RANGER #5:

It's really a calling. A life, much more than a mere "lifestyle".

JR. RANGER #6:

A Lesbian Ranger is called upon from dawn to dusk and well into the night.

JR. RANGER #7

365 days a year, 24-7.

-Ranger Millan looks at tying work, and critiques it:

L.M.:

Now you see maybe it was a bit tight, we have some pretty serious markings here but lets see her fingers can still wiggle.

MUSIC: ANTHEM

Singing

Our great duty call us onwards
Cross the breadth of this domain
Lesbian Rangers striding briskly
With a love of our dear name
We are proud and true and well-pressed, too
On city streets and plains
The force goes marching on.
Range, oh lesbians, forever!
Serve, oh lesbians, wherever!
Probe, oh lesbians, together!
The force is marching on.
Let us be a friend to creatures
To the flowers, rocks, and streams
Let us love our fellow Ranger
And live all that that love means
Let us stand up tall, smile through it all
And work to swell the team

The force goes marching on.

MUSIC: HUMMING CONTINUES UNDER SHOT

SHOT: Rangers Dempsey and Millan shake the hands of the graduating recruits:

Congratulations, welcome to the force

V. O.:

Not everyone has what it takes to wear the world-famous uniform. The neat and trim Ranger must embody lesbian tidiness in all kinds of weather, from sea to sea and well beyond.

TITLECARD: **Spanning the Globe**

RANGING MUSIC

V.O.:

The tireless Rangers can be found in virtually all terrain. These far-flung missions allow them to get to know local flora and fauna intimately. However, fieldwork also provides frequent contact with the general public, and ample opportunity to elucidate the lessons that nature so eloquently teaches. These brief but meaningful encounters do much to enlighten all who meet the Ranger.

L.M.:

Often, amateur naturalists just need their eyes opened to lesbian realities and then the first questions are always "Where are the lesbians?" "How can I find one?".

S.D.:

Especially in an environment such as we see here in Banff that has been aggressively colonized by consumer culture where seasonal shopping frenzies and the primacy of family recreation have all but obliterated low-lying lesbian populations.

DESERT MUSIC

V.O.:

From mountain peaks to ocean depths, prairie plains to desert sands, the duo is dogged.

SD: Fascinating species, both to seed and flower

V.O.:

Rangers Dempsey and Millan leave no stone or lesbian unturned, all in the name of research.

S.D.:

In extreme geographies such as this one, it is easy for lesbian life to be overshadowed by the stark beauty of

the landscape. However it is important to note that in all species, large and small, animal and vegetable, there exists a wide range of sexual tastes and pécadillos. Everywhere that life exists, lesbianism exists.

L.M.:

Take a moment from your busy day to question the heterosexual model. Ask yourself, "What is nature?" and "What is natural?". Do your own research. Experiment. And be careful not to step on the lesbians.

RANGING MUSIC

V.O.:

All who see the Lesbian Rangers, in long-wearing, wrinkle-free polyester, are inspired. Their presence serves as a symbol, and reminds us that camouflage does not ensure long-term survival.

TITLECARD: **In-Depth Research**
MUSIC: SOULFUL DANCE MUSIC

V.O.:

Rangers Dempsey and Millan have learned that to study lesbians, one must seek out their natural habitats. This intrepid team has become expert at tracking, and have discovered lesbian watering holes in the most desolate of environments.

S.D.:

Frequent forays are conducted in all kinds of weather, to assess the health of various lesbian populations. Rigorous field work is followed by collation of data, preparation of educational material and reports to relevant authorities.

MUSIC: BLUES'

L.M.:

Even at this early hour, a range of lesbians are present, engaged in a variety of display behaviours.

V.O.:

Some data collection missions are more perilous than others. Remember, lesbians can be dangerous when mating, and hate to be interrupted.

S.D.:

This one looks difficult

POOL-PLAYER:

It is, please give a little space

S.D.:

How are we going to get that one in?

POOL-PLAYER:

I call jump shot, just stand back a minute.

S.D.:

Fascinating, I have never seen a jump shot.

POOL-PLAYER:

Ok Back off.

S.D.:

Oh too bad.

POOL-PLAYER:

That was a five dollar shot. You made me lose a five dollar shot.

BARTENDER:

OK, OK, grow up. Shake hands

S.D.:

Goodness sakes I'm dreadfully sorry. My apologies.

POOL-PLAYER:

Ok, ok, its my problem, your ok.

MUSIC: DANCE MUSIC

MUSIC: SLOW SONG

L.M.:

It was lovely meeting you.

V.O.:

Despite all adversity, the stalwart Lesbian Rangers trudge on. Whether they are seeking an endangered lesbian wildflower or fleeing a surly nocturnal bar rat, nothing keeps this duo from their duty.

ARMWRESTLER:

(Now watching game with girlfriend)
Natural selection is really all about sexual selection.

ARMWRESTLER'S GIRLFRIEND:

Yeah! Who's cutest.

POOLPLAYER #1:

Survival of the fittest.

BARTENDER:

(Wiping bar, sigh.)
It's a lesbian-eat-lesbian world.

TITLECARD: **Violations**

MALE SUNBATHER:

Hey! What are you?

L.M.:

We represent Lesbian National Parks and Services,
one of the world's special, elite forces.

MALE SUNBATHER:

Cool! Can I join?

S.D.:

You may find the induction process rather daunting.
Male members are few and far between in LNPS.

FEMALE SUNBATHER:

I should join!

MALE SUNBATHER:

Oh no you don't!

S.D.:

Have a good Day

L.M.:

Bye

FEMALE SUNBATHER:

Bye

FEMALE SUNBATHER:

I just think they're so courageous. I mean they talk about things I've never even thought about. It's as if I'm seeing the world through brand new eyes.

S.D.:

Excuse me, sir, can you stop right there?

VIOLATOR:

What's wrong?

S.D.:

Do you realize what your T-shirt says?

VIOLATOR:

Yea, that's why I bought it.

S.D.:

That T-shirt, I regret to inform you, is very inappropriate here, in a lesbian nature preserve.

VIOLATOR:

What the hell is that?

V.O.:

While patrolling forest vales, city streets, and well-trod recreation sites, the Lesbian Ranger is ever-vigilant in ensuring that neither lesbians nor their environments are directly threatened. In order to more effectively fight this battle, the force has developed a ticketing system to penalize violators. A variety of infractions are punishable by fine. These misdemeanors include inappropriate heterosexual behaviour and flirtation without intent.

S.D.:

I don't like to have to do this. Could you tell me your name please?

VIOLATOR:

Doug

S.D.

And your last name?

VIOLATOR:

Dubrovnik.

L.M.:

This is not always the most pleasant of duties. Heterosexual interlopers, usually bi-ped and traveling in packs, pose the greatest challenge. Despite the difficulties and risks involved it is essential that these organisms be rebuffed.

VIOLATOR:

I ain't paying that thing, I don't care what it is.

S.D.:

Sir I regret to inform you, that your T-shirt is inappropriate. I must issue you a violation for offensive T-shirt, the fine is \$100, to be remit as soon as possible...

Violator: You've got to be joking

SD: ...or else the fine will increase. I am an authorized Ranger, as you can tell, with Lesbian National Parks and Services.

L.M.:

It is important that ignorance and indifference be replaced with enlightenment and appreciation, in order to protect the lesbian ecosystem.

S.D.:

Thank you very much.

VIOLATOR:

I'm not paying.

SD: Sir

VIOLATOR:

A hundred bucks, I'm not payin'.

S.D.:

Sir, if you wish no further inconvenience to yourself, I seriously suggest that you comply.

VIOLATOR:

I've never even heard of you.

S.D.:

In. (points finger)

L.M.:

We entreat you, when necessary, to perform citizen arrests.

V.O.:

Fortunately, the field work of Lesbian Rangers Dempsey and Millan often leads to the most pleasurable duty of all: recruitment.

TITLECARD: **Recruitment**

THEME MUSIC

V.O.:

Clearly, there is much work to be done. Despite their competence, commitment, and cheerful pluck, the Lesbian Rangers can't do it all single-handedly.

S.D.:

There is room for everyone at Lesbian National Parks and Services. From our exciting Junior Ranger Corps to our Lesbian Ranger Reserve, we offer something for every age and lifestyle.

L.M.:

And for those truly committed to an exhaustive life of lesbianism, consider becoming a full-fledged Lesbian Ranger.

FEMALE SUNBATHER (IN UNIFORM):

Well at first I was nervous about it, but once I'd made up my mind to try, it all came so naturally!

THEME MUSIC

V.O.:

Eligible lesbians come from all walks of life and are united by a deep-seated desire to serve and be serviced. The Golden Rule of the Lesbian Ranger, tried and true, guides their every footfall.

FEMALE SUNBATHER/JUNIOR RANGER:

Do unto lesbians as you would have lesbians do unto you.

V.O.

Well said, Junior Ranger!

L.M.:

Lesbian National Parks and Services wants you.

S.D.:

We need you.

L.M.:
Together, we can make a difference.

MUSIC SWELLS

V.O.:
Range on, oh lesbians, range on!