Smokey Bear Trivia

*When was Smokey Bear Born?

8/9/1944

* Who's the artist that "created" Smokey?

Rudy Wendlin

*Why was Smokey created?

Save forests from fire during the war effort

*Who preceded Smokey as the symbol of fire prevention?

Disney loaned Bambi to the Ad Council for one year for their fire prevention effort.

*What year was the living symbol of Smokey found?

1950

*How many acres was the fire the bear cub was orphaned in?

17.000

*What was the original name given to the bear cub that became Smokey?

Hotfoot

*What was the name of the Game Warden & his daughter who cared for Smokey?

Ray & Judy Bell

*In what state was the living symbol of Smokey found?

New Mexico

*In what national forest was the living symbol of Smokey found?

Lincoln National Forest

*Where did this living Smokey live until 1976?

National Zoo, Washington DC until his death

*What kind of plane did they fly Smokey to Washington in?

Piper Cub

*Where is the Smokey Bear Museum?

Capitan, NM

* What was Smokey's "wife's" name at the zoo?

Goldie

* What year was Goldie found as an orphaned cub in New Mexico?

1961

* What year was the Commemorative Smokey Bear Stamp Issued?

1984

* What kind of bear is Smokey?

American Black Bear

* How many kinds of bears are there in the world?

8 (Asiatic Black, American Black, Brown, Polar, Giant Panda, Sloth, Spectacled, & Sun)

*Who was the official voice of Smokey?

Jackson Weaver

* Who was Smokey Bear's band for radio shows in the 1950s?

The Sons of the Pioneers

*What is Smokey Bear's zip code?

20252

- * Who wrote the smokey bear song?
 - Steve Nelson and Jack Rollins (1952)(Hill & Range Songs)
- * Under what record label was it first recorded?
 - RCA-Victor, Columbia, Decca, Peter Pan & Golden records.
- * What was printed on the back of the song sheet?

The Conservation Pledge. "I give my pledge as an American to save and faithfully to defend from waste the natural resources of my country-its soil and minerals, its forests, waters and wildlife."

- ▲ KIND OF BEAR: American black bears live in the United States along with brown or grizzly bears and polar bears.
- ▲ CURRENT WEIGHT: 300 plus lb. Smokey has black bear relatives who weigh as much as 800 pounds. Some of his grizzly bear cousins weigh almost a ton!
- ▲ WEIGHT AT BIRTH: About 1-1/2 pounds. In other words, he weighed about as much as a big loaf of bread.
- ▲ FAVORITE CLOTHES: Smokey Bear hat, blue jeans and belt. Smokey can frequently be seen standing upright, with feet planted on ground, shovel in hand
- ▲ FAVORITE SAYING: "Only you can prevent forest fires."
- ▲ FAVORITE FOODS: Forest takeout: ants, insects, salmon or trout, bark, plants, roots and berries.
- ▲ FAVORITE WINTER ACTIVITY? Heavy sleep accompanied by slow heart rate. This is sometimes called hibernation. Smokey will awake if the weather is warm or he is disturbed. He eats a year's worth of food in 6-8 months so he has a layer of fat which can keep him fed during his winter sleep.
- ▲ WHAT SMOKEY NEEDS: Your help! Smokey and his forest pals need green forests. If they're destroyed by fire, Smokey and his pals have no home.