Bouquets...

Dear Chief Naturalist:

West Yellowstone based snowcoach drivers want to thank you for Madison's own Bill Wise! What a wonderful addition to your staff.

"Ranger Bill" was always there to meet and greet our coach passengers and to answer any and all questions. To many (especially snowmobilers) he was the ONLY contact visitors had with the National Park Service, and he always represented the Service well—even when warning visitors about bird feeding and butt throwing (cigarettes) he's as firm as fun!

Sincerely,
Jim Kerry, Coach #706 (TW Recreational Services, Inc.)

P.S. A perfect example of Bill's professionalism and fun spirit was yesterday, that "weird " closing day for the park. For the hundreds of snowmobilers stopped at Madison (and coaches too), he conducted escorted tours of Firehole Canyon every two hours, turning disappointment into delight for hundreds of people.

Logo Design Competition Announced

Superintendent Mike Finley and Yellowstone Foundation Chairman John Good, are encouraging participation in a logo design competition for the newly formed Yellowstone Foundation. The Yellowstone Foundation has been formed to assure the protection of Yellowstone Park's natural and cultural resources while enriching the understanding and protection of history and culture associated with the park.

The Foundation has been formed to complement and enhance NPS activities currently limited by a lack of financial resources and will work to enrich the human experience that is Yellowstone. From the private sector, the Foundation will bring private funding to bear on the needs of Yellowstone—from a simple footbridge across the Yellowstone River and artful trail side and museum exhibits, to scientific studies and restoration of historic structures.

The proposed logo will be used on Foundation stationery, brochures and on other materials to symbolize the Yellowstone Foundation. Design elements should capture the essence of Yellowstone Park with the copy more graphic than written text. Submissions must be in reproducible format (camera-ready), and submitted no later than April 21 to the NPS Superintendent's Office. A panel will be assembled to review and select the winning design and will award $300 to the successful designer. This contest is open to all Yellowstone National Park employees, concession employees, and other NPS cooperators, including the Yellowstone Association and the Yellowstone Institute.

Upon selection and payment of award, the logo becomes the property of the Yellowstone Foundation. Call the Superintendent's Office at 344-2003 with any questions.

Wolves Take Their Place in Ecosystem

After years of wondering whether or not wolves would be allowed to live and howl in Yellowstone Park, the canines are finally free of their pens and have set out to explore their new surroundings.

As of Friday, March 31, during an early morning flight by Biologist Mike Phillips, telemetry signals indicated that five Crystal Creek wolves have headed approximately four miles south of the acclimation pens and one has remained in the pen. The Rose Creek wolves remain between six and seven miles north of the park boundary in the Gallatin National Forest. The signals which located the Soda Butte wolves indicated that they were approximately four miles to the northeast of their acclimation area. They have apparently killed a buffalo and were feeding on it.
Personnel News....
by Mary Heller
FY96 Albright-Wirth Employee Development Fund is a grant program that will fund conferences, details, education, fact-finding, research, and projects relating to streamlining or enhancing NPS operations. Any employee having five full years of work experience within the NPS as of September 30, 1995, and a satisfactory performance appraisal, may apply. Applications can be obtained from the Personnel Office and must be postmarked by April 28, 1995.

Cross-Connection/Backflow Prevention Training with A.S.S.E. Certification will be held in Yellowstone National Park on June 19-23, 1995. Applications can be obtained from Roseanne Riley, Personnel Office, and must be submitted by April 6, 1995.

Heartfelt Thanks...
We would like to thank everyone for their concern and kindness during the recent death of our father. Your gift to Gallatin Hospice in memory of him was greatly appreciated. Thanks again, Jim Knoelke and Sandi Fowler

Group to Hold Raffle
The Gardiner Ducks Unlimited is having a raffle! You could win: 1) 15' Coleman canoe, 2) Wine Basket, donated by K-Bar 3) 10x25 Simmons binoculars, donated by TNT. Tickets are $5.00 each or 3 for $10.00 and are available at the Food Farm or Tank n Tackle. Winners need not be present to win.

Mammoth Board To Select Members
The Mammoth School Board will be holding their annual school board election in May and two board positions will be available. One will serve a three-year term on the Mammoth board and one will serve a two-year term as a representative on the Gardiner board.

Who is eligible to vote? Voters must be over 18 years of age, they must reside in Mammoth Hot Springs or their children must be attending Mammoth School. All permanent, full-time employees of the National Park Service, cooperating Federal agencies, parents with a child in the Yellowstone National Park School, and park concessioners are eligible to vote. Spouses of employees in the above groups are also eligible.

All eligible voters are required to register at the National Park Service Administration Office, weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Those who voted last year in the general election need not register again this year. New members of the Mammoth Community or qualified voters who did not vote in the previous election must register at the Administration Office weekdays between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. to qualify for participation in this year's election. Registration closes at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, April 28, 1995.

Any eligible voter (as defined above) is eligible for nomination as a candidate for membership on the School Board. Nominations shall be filed with the Chairperson of the Election Board on a form provided for that purpose. The nominee must consent to having his or her name placed in nomination. A nomination form is available from the Administration Office. Nominations are now open and will close at 4:30 p.m., April 28, 1995. The general election will take place on Tuesday, May 9, 1995, and the polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Voting will be at the NPS Administration Office in Mammoth. Absentee ballots will be accepted until Monday, May 8, 1995.

Film Extras Needed:
New Media Productions will be in Yellowstone April 19-20 filming a winter camping/snowshoeing episode for the PBS "Trailside" series. Needed are two males and one female in their early 20's as back-ups to the cast. Must enjoy the outdoors. Call Elizabeth at the Public Affairs Office, 344-2012, if interested.
Volunteers Needed:
The Greater Yellowstone Conservation Data Center, a cooperative program between the National Park Service and The Nature Conservancy, needs volunteers to assist with a variety of tasks. While we are in particular need of persons to do data entry, we also need help in extracting and mapping information and other administrative tasks. If interested, please call either Pete Feigley or Eugénie Drayton at 344-2157.

For Sale:
Bridgestone MB-4 mountain bike, 18" frame, good condition, $400. Call Dan Carty at 344-7758 evenings.

For Sale:
'89 Toyota Tercel, front wheel drive, 49,000 miles, runs great, lots of pep. $3,800. Call 344-7728.

For Sale:
1991 Saab 900 Turbo 2-door hatchback, 5-speed, white, very clean, low miles. $16,995. Combination skating or diagonal skiing package, includes 205 cm Jarvinen skis, size 11 Karhu ski boots, and 165 cm Excel poles, $125 or best offer. Call 848-7513.

For Sale:
1977 Chevy Impala. Great condition and runs great, too! New tires. $1500. Call 848-7318 after 5 p.m.

For Sale:

For Sale:
Wood laminate kayak paddle, $65. Call Andy Mitchell at 344-7788 or 2182.

Vet Visit
Veterinarian, Dr. Jim Murray, will be at the Gardiner Exxon on Friday, April 7, from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. No appointment necessary. Housecalls available upon request. Next Visit: April 21.

Evening of Music
Back by popular demand! Delight to an evening of ballads, love songs, and humorous songs presented by Mark and Kathy Tyers, masters of the guitar, flute and Irish harp. Presented on Saturday, April 8, 1995, from 7 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. at the Gardiner School Multi-purpose Room. Donations are accepted.

Bridger Clinic Workshop
There will be a workshop for women on Menopause and Midlife Health sponsored by the Bridger Clinic in Bozeman, Saturday, April 8. Topics discussed will include, hormone therapy, breast health, osteoporosis, heart disease and more. The workshop runs from 8:30 am to 4 p.m. and will be held at the Comfort Inn at 1370 N. 7th. Paid registration is required by April 5. For more information contact the Bridger Clinic, Inc., at (406) 587-0681.

Real Estate Investment Seminar
Attend a free real estate investment seminar presented by Brent Ryder of Montana Homes and Land on April 12, 1995, at 7 p.m. till 10 p.m. at the Comfort Inn. Topics will include, investment real estate, home ownership, and much more. Call Brent for reservations at (406) 586-7700.

Annual Health Screen
The annual Gardiner/Mammoth Health Screen sponsored by Livingston Memorial Hospital and Mammoth Clinic is scheduled for Wednesday, April 12, 1995, from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Gardiner Elementary School. Lab tests will include, hematocrit, blood sugar, creatinine, bilirubin, uric acid, potassium, thyroxin, cholesterol, blood pressure and more. Contact the Mammoth Clinic at 344-7965 for more details.

Ducks Unlimited Banquet
Don't miss the Ducks Unlimited Banquet at the Gardiner Eagles Hall on April 22, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Participate in a live auction, silent auction, fun raffles and special door prizes. For info call Bob Olig at 848-7309 or Eric Robinson at 848-9410.
16th ANNUAL PARK-TO-PARADISE RACE
May 6, 1995

Celebrate the "Rites of Spring" by paddling, biking, and running along the beautiful Upper Yellowstone River.

The Park-to-Paradise Race starts at the Carbella fishing access 17 miles north of Gardiner, MT, and finishes at the Gardiner Depot in Gardiner MT. The race has two categories: racing and recreational. Participants must choose one category regardless of equipment used. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged. Slackers can register on race day between 9 am and 10 am.

The race begins at 10:30 am with the boating segment; boaters paddle north from Carbella fishing access to the Meditation Point rest area (8 miles). Bicyclists then ride south from Meditation Point to the 5-mile marker on Highway 89 (18.5 miles). Runners continue south from the 5-mile marker into Gardiner and finish at the Roosevelt Arch near the entrance to Yellowstone National Park (5.5 miles). Total distance is 32 miles.

ENTRY FEE: $7 per team member before noon on May 5; $8 per team member on race day.

T-SHIRTS: This year’s shirt is 100% cotton and will sell for $10.

MORE FUN AFTER THE RACE: Gala cookout (food and beverages supplied), award ribbons, and door prizes at the Gardiner Depot near the finish line. Don’t miss it!

ENTRY FORM

MAIL ENTRY TO:
David Thoma
Park-to-Paradise Race
P.O. Box 525
Yellowstone NP, WY 82190

Checks payable to: Park-to-Paradise Race

INFORMATION: David Thoma, (307) 344-7758

TEAM NAME & ADDRESS: TEAM MEMBERS: NAME & T-SHIRT ORDER
BOATER(S) S M L XL
BICYCLIST S M L XL
RUNNER S M L XL

Waivers of liability must be signed on race day by all team members!

**BOATERS MUST WEAR LIFE JACKETS! BICYCLISTS MUST WEAR HELMETS!**

-- RACE FOR FUN --