

# YELLOWSTONE

## News



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NPS Employee Newsletter

Next Deadline: July 5

### Bilinguals Needed

The NPS Public Affairs Office is interested in finding employees who can speak a foreign language. The park is visited by many people who have limited or no knowledge of the English language. Visitor Centers and interpretive rangers are often asked for help or assistance by these visitors and would like to be able to have a list of individuals who may be able to help them communicate. This list would be especially useful during an emergency.

If you, or anyone you know would be interested in lending your help to these foreign visitors, you may call the Mammoth Public Affairs Office at 307-344-2013 or the Superintendent's Office at 307-344-2003 to have your name put on a list of those who are fluent in a foreign tongue. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Also, for those who would like over-the-phone or personal contacts interpretation, remember the service available called the Language Line Service. This AT&T service provides interpreters for more than 140 languages, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The Telecommunications Office and most divisions have individuals who are familiar with this service and are happy to assist you with any communications problems. If you'd like to listen to a demonstration of over-the-phone interpretation call the NPS toll-free Language Line at 1-800-821-0301.

### *Celebrate July 4th!*



### Archaeologists Seek Park Artifacts

Ann Johnson is glad to be here. A Regional Staff archeologist whose work is being funded by the Federal Highways project, Johnson feels she has a lot of work to do and that Yellowstone holds a plethora of undiscovered resources. "Less than one per cent of Yellowstone Park has been inventoried for significant archeological sites," says Johnson. "An appropriate evaluation has barely begun and we've just started to put more significance in what we're seeing."

Johnson, who is supervising several crews from the University of Wyoming and UNL in Nebraska, feels that there is more than enough work for them to do. "In fact, if employees are interested in volunteering to assist our group they would be welcome," Johnson said. "Interested individuals will be expected to work 10 hour days, Monday through Thursday, and should contact Stan Parks at P.O. Box 4214, Canyon Village, YNP, WY 82190." The team is involved with inventorying major roads in the park and are working now on the Madison to Biscuit Basin Road project. "They are looking for lithic artifacts (stone tools) and for sites of cultural significance," Johnson explained.

An exciting event took place earlier this season at Roosevelt Lodge. Steve Aaberg, an archeological consultant from Lewistown, Montana, was hired by TWRS on the sewer upgrade project and several major archeological sites were uncovered during the construction process. "We found three hearths, two of which were rock-filled and their function is still unclear. The most exciting find was the larger site where bones, stone artifacts, and cutting and scraping tools were unearthed," Aaberg said. "These artifacts are believed to be 2-3,000 years old and are typical of the Pelican Lake Age. We uncovered projectile points and charcoal which we are studying further and will be able to determine their exact age within 100 years. Analysis will determine the age of animal remains we found and this could determine the time period these sites were used. It's a very significant area." The

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work at the Roosevelt site proved to Aaberg that there is significant value in monitoring construction sites in the park. "So little monitoring has been done in the park and in the Tower area in general," says Aaberg, "in August we will return to these sites and put in test units to determine if there is more to uncover. We will be using a power auger to find out if the area still has buried artifacts that are just waiting to be discovered."

### **A Note from the Superintendent**

The Safety Committee plays an important role in the administration of the Loss Control Program. I am going to re-establish the committee with new members and establish specific goals to be accomplished. I plan to adequately fund the program and take an active part in the operations. Therefore, I am seeking individuals who have an interest in serving on the committee to volunteer. Please give this matter your full consideration and notify Galen Warren at 344-2029 if you would like to be considered as a member. I appreciate your commitment to the program.

### **Retirement Party**

A retirement party for Karen Hotchkiss will be held on Thursday, July 6 at 5:30 p.m. at the Property Office. Bring a dish to share and your own meat to bar-b-que. Place settings, drinks, and dessert will be provided. Come and wish Karen a happy retirement!

### **Immunization Information**

Hepatitis B vaccine is now available through the Montana Immunization Program. If you or if your child is an infant born after November 22, 1991, or a teenager 13 through 19, you may be eligible to receive this vaccine. Please contact the Mammoth Clinic for an appointment or information. Call 344-7965.

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*Jan Laye, Editor, 344-2003*

## **Personnel News**

by Mary Heller

### **Employees on the Move**

Dan Carty, an employee with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for more than ten years will be leaving Yellowstone and moving to Kalispell, Montana in September.

Dana Kuffer, a Mammoth Carpenter Shop employee will heading to Hawaii Volcanoes National Park around the 7th of August. Dana will take a carpenter's job there and will ship fresh pineapple to those who request it. (Ha!)

### **New Permanent Assignments**

Congratulations go out to Chris Miller who has been selected for the Maintenance Mechanic Supervisor position. Chris will surely bring the same high level of performance to this position that he brought to his last.

Lyndon Roberts is also to be congratulated as he has been selected for a temporary promotion into the Roads and Trails Maintenance Leader position. Good Luck, Lyndon, with your assignment.

We are pleased to announce that Kimberly West will be joining Stacey Love in the job-share position of District Clerk for the South District Rangers Office. Kim is certainly not new to Yellowstone, but is a welcome new addition to the National Park Service staff.

### **OPEN SEASON FOR WINTER SEASONAL PARK RANGER APPLICATIONS**

Winter seasonal Park Ranger application packets are available in the Personnel Office. Although Yellowstone does not utilize this register, the information with the applications will tell you which regions and/or parks do. The deadline for application is July 15.

## CLASSIFIED ADS

### For Sale:

Full size play pen, padded with mesh sides, good condition, \$25. Call Andy or Betsy at 344-7788.

### For Sale:

Trailer hitch kit for Jeep Wagoneer/Cherokee, etc. \$50. Call Kate at 344-5317 or 848-7169 evenings.

### For Sale:

1 3/4" Ranger duty belt w/all accessories, \$45. '86 Yamaha Enticer snowmachine, \$900. Free weights w/bench, \$40. Bike rack for parking 6-12 bikes, \$25. 13" color TV, \$25. Little Tykes sandbox, \$20. Little Tykes playhouse/slide, \$40. Boy's 16" bike, \$25. Call 848-7656.

### Wanted:

Used topper for a Ford Ranger pickup. Call 848-7142.

### For Sale:

Full-size Actionliner recliner, good condition, brown. \$150. Call 848-2179 or 344-7496.

### Free to a Good House:

Straw NPS campaign hat, size 7 1/8, long oval, leave message for Michael Robinson, Lake Ranger Station.

### For Sale:

Almost new hiking boots 5.10 Wildebeast, men's size 10 and women's size 8. \$30 each. Call 344-9272.

### For Sale:

Soloflex Gym with leg and butterfly attachments. 6 years old, good shape. \$450 or best offer. Call 344-7349 after 5 p.m.

### For Sale:

Entertainment unit, \$25 OBO. Kitchen table (round) and three chairs with cushions, \$50 OBO. Call 344-7733.

### For Sale:

1980 Honda Motorcycle, XL-185 S. New running gear. Call 406/646-9295 or 344-2803.

### Found:

On 6/20 at school ballfield, new ball glove. Call 344-7788.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### \* Summer Blood Drive

Blood donors are wanted! Help prevent blood shortages and donate blood now! The *Yellowstone National Park Summer Blood Drives* begin at the following Recreation Halls from noon to 6 p.m.--Lake on Monday, June 26, Old Faithful, Tuesday, June 27, Canyon, on Wednesday, June 28, and Mammoth, Thursday, June 29. Bring your ID! Sponsored by the United Blood Services.

### \* Soccer Clinic

July 6, 7, & 8 for kids ages 6-16. The clinic will be held at the Gardiner School field 8:30-10:30 and 1:00-3:00 each day. Registration deadline is June 30 and cost is \$28. For forms and info call Jean Broadhead, 848-7960 or Tom Olliff, 344-9272.

### \* Vet Visit

Veterinarian, Dr. Jim Murray, will be at the Gardiner Exxon on Friday, June 30, from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. No appointment necessary. Housecalls available upon request. Next Visit: July 14.

### \* Jackson Hole Moose Chase Marathon

All those who wish to enter the Jackson Hole Moose Chase Marathon should register by September 7, 1995. The race will be taking place on Saturday, September 9, 1995 at 9:00 a.m. For further information contact the Teton County/Jackson Parks and Recreation Department at (307) 733-5056. Registration forms are available from Laura Long, Mammoth Administration.