

The YELLOWSTONE



News

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NPS Employee Newsletter

Next Deadline: December 13

Wolf Program Continues

Last year's successful transplant of Canadian wolves into Yellowstone Park and central Idaho has paved the way for more wolves to be released in 1996. Private donations and pledges will supplement the 1996 wolf recovery budget that was slashed by a third.

"Three private groups - The Defenders of Wildlife, the Idaho Wolf Education and Research Center and the Yellowstone Natural History Association have pledged \$40,000," said Ed Bangs, Wolf Recovery Coordinator for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The makers of the radio collars the wolves will wear have offered a 30 per cent discount, a camera company has donated equipment. Private donations have come in the form of cash, radios, cameras and labor.

Barring any future roadblocks, about 30 wolves will be captured in Canada in January. Roughly half will be brought to the park, where they will be held in pens for several weeks before their release. Several new acclimation pens have been constructed in the park, one at Nez Pierce Creek and another at Blacktail Plateau.

Quotable Quotes...

If you talk to the animals they will talk with you and you will know each other.

If you do not talk to them you will not know them, and what you do not know you will fear.

What one fears one destroys.
Chief Dan George

Assistant Superintendent Chosen

Yellowstone National Park Superintendent Mike Finley announced today the selection of Marvin O. Jensen as the new Assistant Superintendent for the park. Jensen replaces Joseph F. Alston who left in late 1994 to accept the position of Superintendent at Glen Canyon National Recreation Area.

Mr. Jensen, 55 years old, received his B.S. in Range Management from Utah State University in 1963. He began his 32-year federal career with the Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management, in 1963 as a Range Conservationist at Kanab, Utah.

He accepted his first position with the National Park Service in 1976 as Unit Manager at Grand Canyon National Park. Other positions with the National Park Service include Management Assistant at Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, 1981-1987; Superintendent at Kenai Fjords National Park, August-December 1987; Superintendent at Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve, 1988-1994; and Superintendent at Mojave National Preserve, January 1995 to present.

Superintendent Finley notes that Mr. Jensen brings outstanding leadership and land management skills to his position. As the first Superintendent of the Mojave National Preserve, the largest national preserve in the lower 48 states, he had complete responsibility for establishing operational programs and hiring appropriate staff; and as Superintendent at Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve, he was instrumental in the designation of Glacier Bay as a joint World Heritage Site in cooperation with Canadian National Park Service, B.C., Provincial Parks. Mr. Jensen and his wife, Mary Lynn, will arrive in Yellowstone in late December. The couple has two grown children.

Volunteers Needed

The Yellowstone Curator's Office is seeking volunteers to assist in performing a variety of interesting museum work. Many projects can be tailored to individual interests and skills, and may include cataloging and properly storing artifacts, organizing photographs, assisting museum staff in performing an inventory, photographing museum objects, and cleaning historic vehicles and furnishings. Contact Supervisory Curator Susan Kraft at 344-2262 for more information.

Cookie Exchange Coming!

Would you like to participate in a Christmas cookie exchange the week of December 20? If so, call Judy at 344-2031 days or 848-7798 evenings.

Celebrate The Season!

This year's *Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony* will be held on Friday, December 8, 1995, at 5:30 p.m. at the Administration Building, Mammoth Hot Springs. Christmas music will be provided by Jim Cole.

A special program performed by Little People's Learning Center and a visit by Santa, will be held after the ceremony at the Mammoth Hotel Map Room. Please bring hot hors d'oeuvres to share. Cake and punch will be provided. For more information, please contact the Public Affairs Office at 344-2013.

Holiday Party Planned

The Yellowstone Federal Employee Association will sponsor the first annual interdivisional Christmas Party on December 20 at the Canteen Gym. Anyone wishing to participate in the organization and planning of the party should attend the meeting on December 11 at 1 p.m. in the Superintendent's Conference Room.

Reminder: Please send in those questionnaire's you received...the response so far has been good and many employees see the need for this type of organization and have offered their support and ideas. If you are interested in becoming an officer or committee member, please attend the next meeting. Thanks for responding.

Research Library News

The Yellowstone Research Library has a copy of the Catalog of Wyoming State Grant Programs, 1995. It provides basic information on representative programs, and is intended as an aid to finding a way around the territory of state grant programs.

The Library has accessioned a number of new titles which you will find interesting and informative reading. Come in and check them out! Also, remember to check the "Due Date" on any books or videos you have now and call to renew them or bring them in. Thanks!

TV/Cable Update

A number of residences have given birth to a variety of TV satellite dishes in recent months. Regrettably, we have been slow to communicate progress in our review of existing conditions and policy for TV cable and satellites. Technology is changing so quickly, too, that a variety of options are now available at reasonable cost.

We have contacted a number of companies to find out if they are interested in bidding on the contract to provide cable service at Mammoth (existing one is expiring) and we have had some response. We are developing a bid package that will go out to all who are interested, including the existing operator. We hope to improve upon the choices available for those of you who choose cable as your TV option.

We recognize that some of you will want to invest in a satellite system of your own. We have no objection to that choice, however, care must be exercised in installation of satellites within the park to avoid undesirable visual impacts. Restrictions on equipment size, location, and methods of installation will necessarily be more stringent in historic districts or highly visible areas. Each case, however, needs to be considered on its own merit.

Until further notice, installation of any satellite system must be reviewed by the Park Resource Council. A description and sketch of the area as well as a description of the satellite system (size, color, installation requirements) should be forwarded to Beth Kaeding, Outdoor Recreation Planner, who will submit it to the Resource Council. We will commit to a quick turn-around time.

A memorandum with more details will be mailed out within the next few days.

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Jan Laye, Editor, 344-2003

CLASSIFIED ADS

For Sale:

Blaze King wood stove, Queen Model, Complete installation kit including triple wall pipe. Good condition, \$500/OBO. Call 848-9433 after 5 p.m. or 848-7065 days.

For Sale: Compaq Computer, Prolinea 3/25S Model, 386 Processor. Includes MS DOS 6, Windows and Word Perfect, \$800. Call 344-2015 days or 344-7920 eves.

For Sale: 1982 Oldsmobile 98 Brougham. New tires, nice interior, runs good. 848-7614.

For Sale: Macintosh computer Quadra 605 with 8 MB of RAM, 500MB hard drive, 14" color monitor, Global Village Teleport Gold II fax modem, mouse and key board. \$1400 OBO. Also, Macintosh PowerBook 100 with 4MB of RAM, 40MB hard drive, AC adapter and Targus case. \$400. 344-7929 or 344-7986.

For Sale: Backcountry/telemark boots, Merrill XCD (double), excellent condition, new Carter resole, women's size 7½, \$240. Dinette set, chrome/melamine with six chairs and leaf, double mattress set, lamp, two end tables, \$70 for all. Apple Imagewriter II printer with color and black ribbons, make offer. Compact spare tire with cover, never used, make offer. Utility trailer, \$250. Call 242-7523.

For Sale: CSA Alpine Tracker Ski Machine with computer and weights on arms, \$150.00. Call Pam at 344-2294.

Wanted to buy: Snowmobile in good condition, preferably under \$2000. Call Victoria at 242-2630 (w) or 242-7263 (h).

Wanted to Buy:

Turntable (yes, to play records) in good working condition. Please call Susan at 344-2262 days.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

* **Vet Visit** Veterinarian, Dr. Jim Murray, will be at the Gardiner Exxon on Friday, December 1 from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. No appointment necessary. Housecalls available upon request. Next visit: December 15.

* **Open House** The Yellowstone Gallery invites everyone to our annual Holiday Open House on Saturday, December 2 from 11 am to 6 pm. Come share in the festivities while browsing the Gallery for gift ideas. Door prizes, specials, refreshments, fun, and good cheer will be abundant. See you there! Call 848-7306 for more details.

* **Flyfishers Meet** Yellowstone Flyfishers December meeting will be Tuesday, December 5, 1995, at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Cafe. The program topic will be Michael Simon on Atlantic Salmon. Fly Tying from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. by D. Zafft.

* **Christmas Book Sale** The Yellowstone Association's annual Christmas Book Sale will be Wednesday, December 13, 1995, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Mammoth Visitor Center. All regularly priced stock is 15% off that day only, plus tremendous bargains on damaged or review books. Save money on your Christmas shopping or get some of the titles you've been wanting at a great savings. We have a large selection. Members bring your membership card for a FREE 1996 Yellowstone Calendar.

* **Employee Association Christmas Party** The Federal Employees Association will sponsor the first annual interdivisional Christmas Party on Wednesday, December 20 at 3:00 p.m. at the Canteen Gym. All divisions can help with the organization at the planning meeting December 11. Call the Superintendent's Office at 2003 for details.

MAMMOTH COMMUNITY LIBRARY

New books are put on the shelves weekly.
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TUESDAY NIGHT
7:00-9:00 P.M.

THURSDAY NOON
12:00-1:00 P.M.