

# The YELLOWSTONE



## News

August 20, 1997

NPS Employee Newsletter

Next Deadline: September 23

### Free Fee Day in Park

Visitors coming into the park on August 25 will be admitted to the park free of charge. NPS Director Stanton has designated August 25, known as Founder's Day, as a fee-free day, allowing visitors free admission to any of the National Park Service's fee-charging units. Founders Day celebrates the establishment of the NPS on August 25, 1916. In 1988, a bill was passed by Congress that provided legislation authorizing the NPS to provide at least one fee-free day annually. It is intended to provide opportunities to foster further understanding and appreciation of the NPS mission.

### Anniversary Pins Available

125th Anniversary pins are available through the Yellowstone Association. They are antique silver-tone replicas of the pins worn by National Park Service employees. The price is \$4.95 (add \$2.00 for postage if you'd like it mailed) and are for sale at all Visitor Centers or by calling 344-2293.

### Quotable Quotes

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*History must repeat itself  
because we pay so little  
attention to it the first time.  
Blackie Sherrod*

### 125th Anniversary Celebrations Continue

On Sunday, August 17, 1997, Vice President Al Gore helped take part in Yellowstone's 125th anniversary celebration. Gore, along with Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt, newly appointed NPS Director, Robert Stanton, Superintendent Mike Finley, Montana Senator Max Baucus, and Assistant Army Secretary Robert Walker, addressed a crowd of more than 500 invited guests, tourists, and rangers mounted on horseback.

As part of the "Protectors of Yellowstone" celebration, the Vice President praised corporations for their contributions to the park, environmentalists groups for their hard work, and the U.S. military influence in the early days of protecting the park. Gore said the administration is focused on doing more to help the parks and cited Clinton's National Parks for Tomorrow Plan and the eight percent increase approved this year for Yellowstone. "We've got to do more still," he said, "Preserving America's most special places isn't just a commitment, It's a moral obligation."

On Monday, August 25, 1997, another special 125th anniversary celebration will take place at Old Faithful. Speakers for the event include Governor Jim Geringer of Wyoming, Governor Phil Batt of Idaho, Senator Craig Thomas of Wyoming, and National Park Service Intermountain Regional Director John Cook. Dr. Susan Neel from Montana State University, will also present her thoughts on "The National Parks: An Enduring Idea." The 67th Army Band of the Wyoming National Guard from Cheyenne, Wyoming, will participate in the ceremony.

Additionally, throughout the day, special interpretive programs, including programs and activities for children, will be available in the Old Faithful area; check at the Old Faithful Visitor Center for times and locations. At 12 noon, members of the Shoshone-Bannock tribes will present a program of demonstration dancing near the Old Faithful Visitor Center. At 2 p.m., the Yellowstone Harmony Chorus from Cody, Wyoming, will perform in the Old Faithful Inn lobby. At 8 p.m. a special evening program, "Theodore Roosevelt, The Conservationist," will be presented in the Old Faithful Visitor Center Theater.

## New Lodge Named, Winners Announced

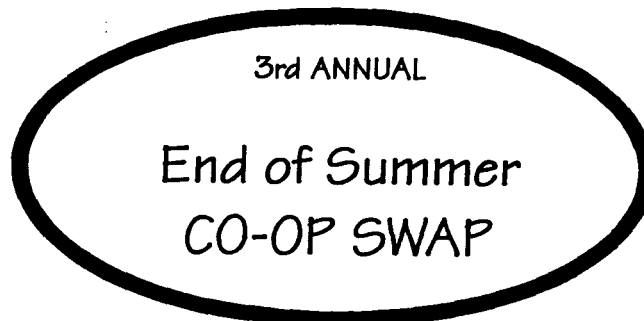
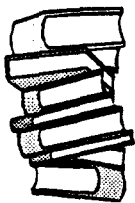
NPS and AMFAC received an overwhelming 153 submittals to name the new guest lodge at Canyon. All entries were tallied and seven suggestions were presented to Edna Good, NPS Chief of Concessions Management and Jim McCaleb, AMFAC General Manager for the final selection.

The winning entry **DUNRAVIEN LODGE** was submitted by Jennifer Whipple, Sue Consolo-Murphy, Pat Ryder, Lodging Office, and Matt Tekiela. The winners names were thrown in a hat and Matt Tekiela was selected as the grand winner of the dinner for two and a night's lodging. The other winners will each receive lunches for two. Thanks to all who participated.

## Heartfelt Thanks ♥♥♥♥♥

The Mammoth Garage employees would like to thank everyone for their help and concern during the time of Rory Perkins' accident. It was very thoughtful to provide food and very nice of Mary Heller who answered our phones, the rangers and the doctor for their quick response and caring actions, and anyone else we may have forgotten. We appreciate it. Thanks again, the Garage Crew

The Public Affairs Office would like to extend a sincere thank you to everyone who helped out with the August 17 anniversary celebration. This includes everyone from the grounds crew, maintenance shops, ushers, rangers, logistics coordinators, a list too extensive to mention here. You know who you are and we couldn't have pulled this off without you. Your support is greatly appreciated. Thanks.



- ◆ SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
- ◆ 10:00am - 2:00 pm
- ◆ Mammoth Rec. Hall



## BUY IT - SELL IT - BARTER IT

For the third season, the Yellowstone Co-Op Employee Recreation Program is sponsoring an *End of Summer Swap*. All Park employees (and family) are welcome to bring items to either the Mammoth, Lake, or Old Faithful Recreation Halls before Thursday, 4:00 p.m., September 25. With your item(s) please include an asking price, as well as a low dollar should someone wish to offer less, and any information - how it works, year purchased and special features. You will receive a ticket for each item, then stop by the Recreation office you delivered your items to on the following Tuesday, to collect your money, or unsold item.

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*Jan Laye, Editor, Superintendent's Office 344-2003*

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

\* **Vet Visit** – Veterinarian, Dr. Jim Murray, will be at the Gardiner Exxon on Friday, August 22, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. No appointment necessary. Housecalls available upon request. Next visit, September 5.

\* **Gardiner/Mammoth Community Calendars** – Orders are now being taken for the 1998 calendars. If you would like to order a calendar or would like information, please phone Lil at 344-7365 or Jackie at 344-7419. Calendar prices are \$7 each and include four immediate listings (i.e. birthdays, anniversaries, military and in memory of). Each additional listing thereafter is \$.25 each. Calendars can be purchased without listings for \$7. Pickup/delivery arrangements will be made when calendars arrive. Calendars can be mailed to you at an extra cost of \$1.25. When ordering please be precise about names and dates. Orders and checks can be mailed to Lil Brewster, P.O. Box 222, YNP, WY 82190. Make checks payable to St. Williams Church. This is a St. Williams Fundraiser with a percentage of the proceeds going to the Gardiner Ambulance and the Community Scholarship Fund.

## CLASSIFIED ADS

**For Sale:** 1994 Chevy extended cab pickup, 3/4 ton, 4x4, 350, auto, new tires, loaded. 38,000 miles, \$18,000 firm. Call 848-7553 or see Bill Tyson.

**For Sale:** 1992 Ford Super Club wagon, XLT package, power windows, cruise, rear air, 12 passenger, limited slip differential, table/bed, 78,000 miles, very nice. \$14,300. Call (406) 848-7933 after six.

**For Sale:** 10 year-old Schwinn mountain bike for sale, \$100. Call Jean at 344-2002 or 344-7750.

**For Sale:** 1995, 500 EFI/SKIS Polaris Snowmobile, Has 1300 miles, tow hitch installed, canvas cover included. \$3900 or best offer. Call Luanne at 242-7660.

**For Sale:** C-Band Satellite Dish-Houston Tracking System receiver, 7 1/2 foot dish, \$300. Sony 5 disk CD Player, \$50. MacPlus computer, \$300. JBL Speakers, \$100. Small microwave, \$50. Centurion Road Bike, \$100. Large dog crate, \$75. Tire Chains for pickup 235/15", \$50. All items OBO, please call 527-9886. Rene Farias @ East Entrance.

**For Sale:** 1982 Oldsmobile Brougham. Power windows and seats, radio, cruise control, great tires, engine heater, 138,000 miles. \$800. Call Cathy at 848-7614 eves or 344-5252 days.

**For Sale:** White Hawthorne 10" smoke jumpers. Men's size 6 1/2, black, great condition, paid \$210, make an offer. Call Cathy Raven at (406) 994-2441 or 994-2633.

**For Sale:** Women's Red Wing fire boots, size 8 1/2 C, like new, best offer. Call Lynne at 848-9835 eves, 344-2160 days.

**Position Announcement:** The Yellowstone Association seeks a **Volunteer Caretaker** to assist with the winter operations at the Lamar Buffalo Ranch. Responsibilities will include cleaning the facility, removing snow, and providing warm hospitality for Yellowstone Institute students and instructors. The winter caretaker is expected to work five days per week and the Association will provide lodging plus \$7 a day for expenses. For more information, please contact Jeff Brown, Director of Educational Operations, at (307) 344-2295. Application deadline is September 5.

**From the Division of Interpretation:**

A new exhibit opened August 1st at the Canyon Visitor Center. *Where the Buffalo Roam* is an exhibit produced in a partnership between the Buffalo Bill Historical Center and the National Park Service. The exhibit interprets the park's bison, from their natural history to the current controversies. As visitors exit the exhibit, they are given a chance to write comments on what they've seen. The following are some pictures and remarks from children:

They are called Bison not  
Buffalo

Mapz. Rob

I think buffalo are huge and  
mighty and strong and  
muscular.  
Alexander

claire  
I Love Buffalo

Protect and Be nice to them and  
leave them alone  
Ruben Daniel / 8

save them  
so we can talk  
to them



Make More  
for the  
free Erin  
buffalo to be  
practices

How would you like it  
if someone shot you,

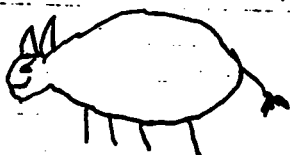
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Mike M

I don't think anyone  
should kill a mother  
buffalo

Ryan Cameron

Preserving Buffalo is important  
to me.



Don't kill the buffalo  
They won't hurt you unless you do  
something to them. Don't bother  
them.

Save the buffalo

8/4/97

Buffalo are worth more  
to us Alive than dead  
Jennifer Ebke



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lick in fellows  
N. save the  
Buffalo  
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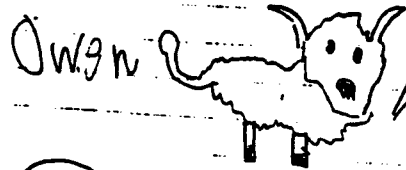
Sarah  
Bison need  
care of all year be taken  
If not protected, how  
are they supposed to survive

Protect  
the  
Bison



I think there should be  
some places where only  
buffalo can go.

Karyn



Dont Shoot  
Me R.R.  
AND I  
Medicine



play  
matc.

NIGHT OF THE  
BISON



Here  
Hunter  
Hunter

I think we to preserve the  
Buffalo by saving grass and  
stop shooting

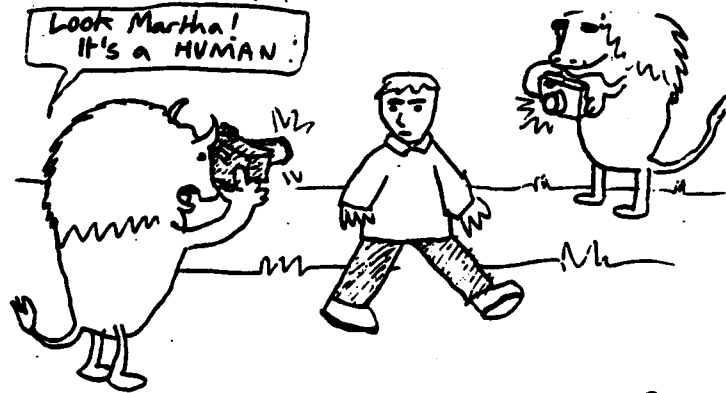
Get The picture  
Razor

C.A. Casee Barnes

Buffalo are fat in the  
wild. and chunky whe  
n they are preserved.

Glenn

From  
California



Chris,  
England

Take your kids to the exhibit!



## The Yellowstone Institute

### *Fall Courses for N.P.S. Families*

There is still space available in the fall classes listed below. Any Park Service employee and members of their immediate family may take any Institute course for one-half tuition if they are not full when scheduled to begin. The "immediate family" is defined as spouse or children only. Courses using outfitters will have fees in addition to Institute tuition. Cabin fees will be charged for courses taking place at Lamar. If you are interested in registering or have further questions regarding the courses, please call 344-2294.

Sept. 8-12 (901)

#### Autumn Wildlife Photography

Based out of Mammoth and scheduled during the height of the elk rut, students will have the opportunity to observe and photograph bugling and breeding behavior. Different techniques will be utilized as well as wildlife ethics and sensitivity to the environment will be discussed and put into practice as we photograph. Class will begin at 9:00 a.m. on September 8 at Mammoth. *Participants need to secure their own campsite or lodging in Mammoth or in Gardiner. Institute cabins are not available for this course. Fee includes \$15 or course materials.*

Sept. 10-14 (902)

#### Horsepacking: The Nez Perce Trail—Mirror Plateau

In August 1877, several hundred Nez Perce American Indians entered Yellowstone in flight from the US Army. To this day their exact route is not known. In this course one possible alternative will be examined that follows Pelican Creek up to its origins on the Mirror Plateau. The trip will include a loop through Broad Creek as well as Pelican Creek, and back to Turbid Lake trail head. Class will begin on the first day at 10:00 a.m. at the Turbid Lake trail head on the northern end of Yellowstone Lake and end around 3:00 p.m. on the last day.

Sept. 15-17 (903)

#### Angles from Echinus—Exploring the Mysteries of Norris Geyser Basin

Timed to coincide with the harvest moon, we'll experience one of the world's most unique thermal areas as few people do. We'll begin the afternoon of September 15 with a daylight tour of the basin, then remain at Norris for sunset and the rising of the moon, and a moonlight walk through the steamy, sizzling basin that can change character with just a shift in the wind. The next two days we'll continue exploring the history and hot waters of Norris—including another moonlit walk the night of September 16. On the first day of class the course will meet at the Mammoth Visitor Center at noon. *Participants need to secure their own campsite or lodging in Mammoth or Gardiner. Institute cabins are not available for this course.*