

THE YELLOWSTONE NEWS



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NPS EMPLOYEE NEWSLETTER

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Statement by the President August 7, 1998

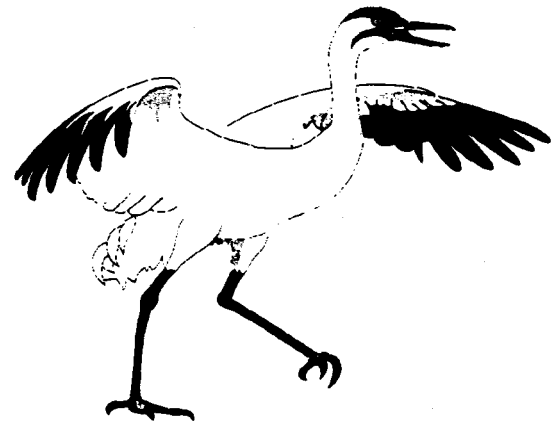
I am proud to announce completion today of a major initiative to preserve one of America's true crown jewels, Yellowstone National Park. Two years ago, to protect the park from the potential ravages of mining, I announced an agreement to acquire the proposed New World Mine outside Yellowstone from its owner, Crown Butte Mines, Inc. Last year, with critical support from Senator Max Baucus, Congress appropriated \$65 million for the acquisition. Over the past several months, the Administration completed several intermediate steps, including an agreement with Crown Butte to ensure cleanup of contamination from nearly 100 years of mining near Yellowstone. Today, the New World Mine property was formally transferred to the U.S. Forest Service, completing this historic acquisition.

Yellowstone, America's first national park, is the heart of a magnificent landscape and ecosystem that we are working to restore and preserve for all time. Today's action culminates an extraordinary collaboration by the Administration, the state of Montana, Crown Butte and conservationists to protect both Yellowstone and the economy it sustains. Years from now, bison, wolves, and other wildlife will flourish, and visitors will enjoy Yellowstone in all its splendor.

Personnel News...

Welcome to Yellowstone!

Jose Santiago	Computer Specialist through Intake Program
Glenn Plumb	Supervisory Wildlife Biologist
Nelson Siler	Safety Manager
Thomas Cawley	Visual Information Specialist
Ben Lightner	Automotive Worker
James Trisdale	Welder



Have you seen a bird like this?

Welcome Back!

Steven Petrick-Underwood Lead Forestry Technician

Promotions!

Rick Obernesser	Chief Ranger
Daniel Warthin	Forestry Technician

New Term!

Kristine Kruse	Debt and Cash Management Clerk
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Quotable Quotes...

"Nothing levels a playing field like a better idea." Stanley I. Mason, Jr.

Heartfelt Thanks

Tim and I would like to thank everyone who expressed their concern and support when Anna was in the Hospital. The calls, balloons, cards, and visits were a source of great strength to us—and they kept Anna from getting too bored. Type I diabetes requires that Anna will be taking insulin from now on but, other than that, she's the same wild redhead she was a week ago. Her rapid adjustment to this condition has inspired us to return to "normal" routines. We are so grateful. Thanks again. Charissa, Tim, Anna and Olivia Reid

Employee Needs Your Extra Leave Hours

Randy Abbeglen, Heavy mobile Equipment Mechanic at Madison, has been approved for the Leave Donation Program. Randy has been diagnosed with chronic Myelogenous Leukemia and will be undergoing a bone marrow transplant in October. Recovery will take six months to one year. He gravely needs donations to help cover the costs of his recovery and financial responsibilities. If you would like to donate some of your annual leave to Randy, please contact the Personnel Office at 344-2047 for leave donation forms. Thank you.

Under a Wyoming Night

Ranger Gary and Ranger Keith
Relieved my trip from utter grief.
My car, it stalled, stranded on a hill.
The dark night air began to chill.
All of a sudden approached a van.
Out stepped someone, 'twas Mr. Summerman,
With all his kids and his wife, too.
He pulled me out of some bear's pot of human stew,
Delivering me from death's sure grip
He helped me on this fateful trip.
Towards the station we had went,
All my hope had by now been spent.
When but to my delight,
I met two rangers oh so bright!
They said they knew of my predicament
And went about to fixin' it.
As they supposed, the car was revived,
These two fine men pulled my trip from a dreadful dire.
Again I go to venture on,
With all my wearies in Yellowstone now gone.
Written by a happy, but tired tourist, at 11:00 p.m. at Canyon

Employee Awarded Day Off

Congratulations are in order for an alert Old Faithful Maintenance employee who picked up a McDonald's cup and noticed that it was signed by Assistant Superintendent Marv Jensen. Finding the cup entitles Jack Kueter to a day off with pay. Superintendent Finley reminds all employees that there are three more trashy items out in the park to be found with his signature on them. Keep looking !!!

Community Events

- ✿ **VET VISIT:** Veterinarian, Dr. Jim Murray, will be at the Gardiner Exxon on Friday, August 28, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. No appointment necessary. Housecalls available upon request. Next visit: September 11.
- ✿ **A "WOMEN AND HEART DISEASE" SPECIAL PROGRAM:** has been scheduled for September 16, at 1:30 p.m. by the Mammoth Clinic. This is a continuing education opportunity. Interested persons may sign up by contacting the Mammoth Clinic at 344-7965 and leaving a message for Pat Coleman. You must sign up before the end of first week of September. Lunch will be provided. The exact location in the Mammoth area will be determined later based on the number of people who sign up for the class.

Classified Ads

For Sale: 1991 Mazda Navajo 4x4 Sport Utility, V6 4.0 liter, air conditioning, power windows, power locks, tilt steering, cruise control, sunroof, roof rack, 5 speed, blue, \$7,000. Call 848-2142.

For Sale: Classic 1974 Ford, ¾ ton, 2wd, F250, new engine, paint, like new. Call for more details. (406) 646-9295, leave a message.

For Sale: 1974, 8-foot Alaskan Camper, 3-burner propane stove, 2-way fridge/freezer, 12 volt and propane, 30 gallon water tank, 110 and 12 volt lights, new upholstered seats, underseat and wheel storage, stereo and jacks, good condition, asking \$2,000. Call after 6 p.m. (307) 242-7356.

For Sale: Topper for full-size truck. Needs some work but still very functional, \$150. Call 848-7142.

For Sale: 1998 Polaris 440 short track snowmobile. 4,600 miles, excellent condition \$2,100 FIRM. Contact Gary Hallman at Norris Maintenance at 344-2814.

For Sale: Polaris Indy 400 snowmobile, great shape, cargo rack, \$1500, Bushnell Spotting scope, 15-45 zoom, with case, \$150. Call (307) 242-2620 eves, or 242-2603 days. Please leave a message.

For Sale: Nissan Frontier 4x4 K-cab pickup. Only 4,500 miles, loaded with CD, and air. Nice topper, dark red, only 4 months old. Asking \$19,995. Also, 18-speed road bike, Bianchi Eros, good condition. \$225. Call 848-7513, leave message.

For Sale: Ruger Model 77, 300 Winchester Magnum, scope rings included. Like new, \$300. Call Michael at 344-2337 or after 6:30 p.m. (406) 333-4435.

Wanted: Dog sitter for "Stoney" a Border collie mix, September dates. Our house or yours. Call Diane or Paul Chalfant at 344-9231.

10 SUPER FOODS YOU SHOULD EAT!

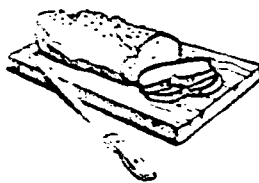
1 SWEET POTATOES

A nutritional All-Star — one of the most nutritious vegetables you can eat. They're loaded with carotenoids, vitamin C, potassium, and fiber.



2 WHOLE-GRAIN BREAD

It's higher in fiber and about a dozen vitamins and minerals than refined white or "wheat" flour.



3 BROCCOLI

Lots of vitamin C, carotenoids, and folic acid.



4 STRAWBERRIES

Excellent source of vitamin C and fiber—and they taste great! (Choose organically grown strawberries to minimize pesticide residues.)



5 BEANS

Inexpensive, low in fat, and rich in protein, iron, folic acid, and fiber. Choose garbanzo, pinto, black, Navy, kidney, or lentils.



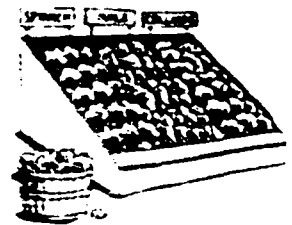
6 CANTALOUPE

A quarter of a delicious melon supplies as much vitamin A and C as most people need.



7 SPINACH & KALE

Loaded with vitamin C, carotenoids, calcium, and fiber.



8 ORANGES

A great-tasting fruit that is rich in vitamin C, folic acid, and fiber.



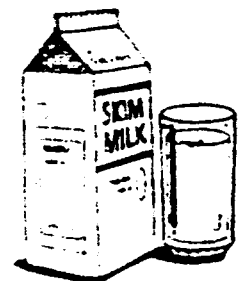
9 OATMEAL

Plain, old-fashioned whole-grain oatmeal is inexpensive and has no added sugar or fat.



10 FAT-FREE (SKIM) OR 1% FAT MILK (BUT NOT 2%)

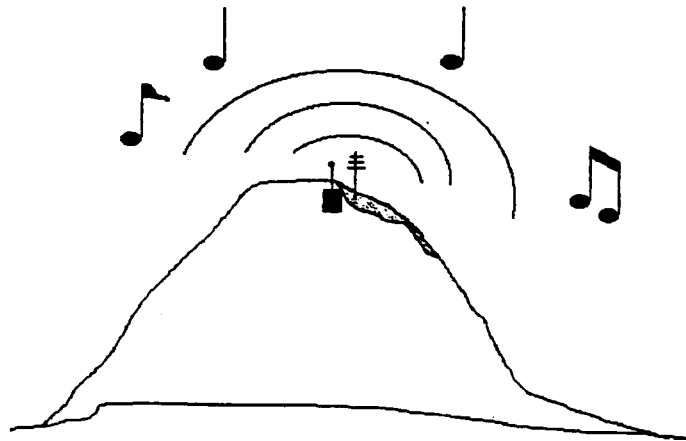
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1988 YELLOWSTONE FIRE REUNION

10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE YELLOWSTONE FIRES

WHERE WERE YOU 10 YEARS AGO?

LOGISTICS

WHEN: September 11-13, 1998

WHERE: Chico Hot Springs, Montana

Check in begins Friday at 1500

in the "BOARD ROOM"

HOW:CALL CHICO HOT SPRINGS FOR RESERVATIONS

1-800-468-9232

Rooms are being held as "FIRES OF '88 REUNION"

Room rates vary depending on type of room

(Individual rooms, condos, and houses available)

MREs

RESERVE MEALS BY CALLING JEAN NUETZEL

AT YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK AT

(307)-344-2002

or Jane Lopez at the number below

MEALS MUST BE RESERVED NO LATER THAN MONDAY

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Choose from two meal options:

Option 1-Saturday Evening Banquet \$20.00

OR

Option 2- Saturday Breakfast/Saturday Banquet/and Sunday Brunch

ALL FOR ONLY \$40.00

Speakers, including Bob Barbee and Rick Gale

Videos/Slide Shows/Tours of Yellowstone

Exhibits including "Yellowstone Revisited" by James Reed

For Additional Information Contact:

Les Herman 208/387-5813 (lescopter@aol.com)

Jane Lopez 970/586-1330 (irie92@aol.com)

Thank you!

Dear Yellowstone Friends,

We'd like to thank all of you for your kind words and encouragement at our going away party and in the halls and streets of Mammoth and parkwide. We can't tell you how much we are going to miss the fantastic people of Yellowstone. Moose will especially miss his walks around Mammoth!

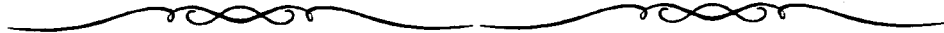
Please stay in touch and if you ever find yourselves in need of a break from snowmobiling and winter drudgery, come on down! We'll go canoeing, fishing and sailing!

We do not yet have a home address but can be reached through BICY at HCR 61, Box 110, Ochopee, Florida 34141. Enjoy Yellowstone for us until we return!

Best Always,



Stephen and Sandy
Moose and SaraCats





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Position Announcement

Mail Sale/Wholesale Manager

Mammoth Hot Springs, Yellowstone National Park

Posted August 13, 1998

Summary Description:

The Mail Sale/Wholesale Manager oversees the sale of Yellowstone Association merchandise over the phone, through the mail, and on the internet. He or she also handles all wholesale accounts and responds to general inquiries regarding the Yellowstone Association and the park.

Primary Responsibilities:

- Answer phone and respond to general inquiries.
- Accept, package, and ship mail orders for books, videos, and posters.
- Promote wholesale sales through mailings, phone calls, and visits to local retailers.
- Assist with design and production of brochures and other promotional materials.
- Collect and distribute outgoing and incoming mail daily.

Qualifications:

Required: Outstanding customer service skills, sales experience, computer literacy, math ability, written and verbal communication skills.

Desirable: Experience in the design, publication, and marketing of books and other educational products. Knowledge of point of sale inventory systems, Yellowstone National Park, and national park cooperating associations.

Compensation:

This is a full-time position (usually Monday-Friday, eight hours per day) with an hourly wage equivalent to an annual salary of \$18,500 to \$21,000, based on experience. Two weeks paid vacation, ten paid holidays, retirement program, and flexible benefit plan. A one-bedroom apartment in Gardiner, Montana (5 miles from office) is available for rent.

To Apply:

Please send resume, cover letter, and three professional references to:

Jeff Brown, Director of Educational Operations
Yellowstone Association
P.O. Box 117
Yellowstone National Park, WY 82190

Applications must be received not later than 4:30pm MST on Monday, August 31. A limited number of applicants will be interviewed and the position will begin as soon as possible.

An Evening With Carl Brenders

"A painter is a privileged being, because in his imagination he can come very close to the animal he paints. In reality, one can never come this close to wild animals, particularly if they are predators."



Come and spend some time with Carl Brenders on Wednesday, September 16, in the Map Room at the Mammoth Hot Springs Hotel, beginning at 8 p.m. Carl will discuss his work and present a slide show of his nature paintings. Brenders, an intense man and dedicated conservationist, has raised awareness for environmental and conservation causes with his art which enjoys international acclaim.

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

A popular new feature of concessions contracts is a mechanism for capturing concessions fees which are retained in the Park rather than the U.S. Treasury. Concessioners are required to deposit a percentage of gross revenue into interest bearing accounts. Funds may only be used to accomplish construction, capital improvements, and repair to government-owned buildings and infrastructure assigned to the concessioner.

The percentage of gross paid by each concessioner is determined by a feasibility study. In the case of Yellowstone Park Medical Services (YPMS), deposits are approximately \$40,000 annually. Hamilton Stores' Incorporated (HSI) special account obligation is approximately \$100,000 annually with an additional fee of \$500,000 paid to the Treasury. Yellowstone Park Service Stations (YPSS) is a joint venture between HSI and NPS. There are no current franchise fees or special accounts. Yellowstone winter operators (excluding those from the South Entrance) pay 4% of their gross receipts into one account. This amounts to approximately \$22, 000 annually. Horse outfitters currently pay their fees to the Treasury.

TW Recreational Services (now Amfac) has the most significant special account associated with their contract. A ten-year contract was renewed with TWRS in November of 1991. In addition to a capital investment of \$8 million, TWRS is required to invest 20% of annual gross receipts (approximately \$8.7 million annually) into capital improvements and cyclic maintenance accounts. The money from these special accounts is used for major repair, maintenance, and replacement of parking lots, utilities, and associated infrastructure assigned to TWRS. Prior to the establishment of special accounts, the NPS was responsible for maintenance and repair.

In April of 1994, TWRS was assigned four NPS campgrounds, and the contract was amended. TWRS is required to invest 20% of annual gross campground receipts (approximately \$1.5 million annually) into a campground improvement account. TWRS assumed all NPS campground maintenance and repair responsibilities. Additionally, TWRS invested \$600,000 in improvements directly related to campgrounds and a \$3.5 million capital investment at Canyon.

The construction of the new Old Faithful Snowlodge is being funded by the capital account. This project is scheduled to be complete in the spring of 1999.

If you are interested in knowing more about special accounts or a list of what has been done with these accounts this year, please call the Concessions Office.