

THE YELLOWSTONE NEWS



July 19, 1999

Next Deadline: August 11, 1999

COMMEMORATIVE COIN FOR YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK

A 1999 Yellowstone National Park Commemorative Silver Dollar is being produced by the U.S. Mint. The coin commemorates the 125th anniversary of the establishment of Yellowstone National Park and the birth of the National Park idea.

The coins will be available beginning July 16, 1999. They can be purchased from the U.S. Mint by calling 1-800-USA-MINT or visit the Mint's website at www.usmint.gov. The coins will also eventually be available for sale in the park at Yellowstone Association sales outlets. The proof silver dollar will be available for \$37.00; the uncirculated silver dollar for \$32.00; and the two-coin proof and uncirculated set for \$64.95. A pre-issue price is available on orders postmarked or received by the U.S. Mint no later than August 27, 1999. Those prices are: proof silver dollar - \$33.00; uncirculated silver dollar - \$30.00; and two-coin proof and uncirculated set - \$59.95. Congress has authorized a maximum minting of 500,000 coins.

For information on ordering the coin, please contact the Public Affairs Office at 344-2013.



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MAMMOTH CLEAN UP DAY

Some 45+ volunteers set aside a workday on May 25th to participate in a major trash clean up effort in the Mammoth area. The three main areas of Mammoth were targeted. The garage/YCC area, the administration and craft area, and the lower Mammoth housing area including the roadway to Gardiner.

Volunteer team leaders directed three teams of folks. The team leaders were Cody Waggoner and Debbie Roberts leading the garage team; Melissa McAdam, Mike Jeronen and Mike McCoy at the craft shops and administration area; with John Cates, Lori Gruber and Gary Matthews heading up the lower Mammoth and roadway crew.

A briefing was held prior to turning the volunteer crews loose. Safety topics were covered by Nelson Siler. Susan Kraft from the Cultural Resources staff discussed items of interest to look for when scanning the ground for trash. Chris Miller lined them all out on what debris needed to go where and Mike McCoy gave us guidance on handling hazardous materials and where it needed to go. Willie Burkhardt helped in the overall coordination. A big thanks to Betsy Mitchell for walking fliers around to all of the community households. The Property Office gave guidance on what could be thrown away, and the Supply Office provided a meeting place on the loading dock.

Equipment for hauling was coordinated through the Maintenance staff efforts of Chris Miller and Alan Sumeriski. The project could not have been accomplished without the support of the North District Maintenance operation!

A whopping 75 bags of trash were collected from the garage to the Arch area! The efforts filled 4 dump trucks, one 10-wheeler, and 5 pickup loads of debris for burning, recycling, or hauling to the landfill.

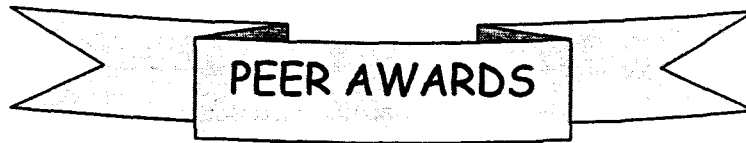
At the conclusion of the clean up efforts, an ice cream social sponsored by YFEA was held on the front lawn of the Administration area. Special thanks to Rick Obernesser, Judy Jensen, and Ann Johnson for assisting with scooping and clean up!

A lot of tired folks were seen in the halls and around Mammoth the next day! The Mammoth Quality Team and some great volunteers really did Terrorize the Trash!

REMEMBER TO RECYCLE!

Just a reminder that we do recycle the following items in Mammoth:

Cardboard	—————>	Supply Center
Cans	—————>	Admin Building or Recycling Center
Glass	—————>	Recycling Center
Magazines	—————>	Recycling Center
Newspapers	—————>	Recycling Center



PEER AWARDS

The following list of individuals received Peer Awards during the months of May, June and July:

Tim Baymiller - Amfac	Laura Joss - Mammoth
Willie Burkhardt - Mammoth	Kristin Legg - Mammoth
Ron Buss - Mammoth	Mark Marschall - Lake
Bette Cates - Mammoth	Richard Neider - Mt. Rushmore
Judy Churchwell - Mammoth	Tim Reid - Mammoth
Sue Consolo Murphy - Mammoth	Sharon Roe - Old Faithful
Neysa Dickey - Canyon	Hank Quintana - Mammoth
Jim Evanoff - Mammoth	John Sacklin - Mammoth
Vanessa Ford - Mammoth	Tammy Totland - Mammoth
Steve Grell - IMR	Anita Varley - Mammoth
Les Inafuku - Old Faithful	Rick Welker - Old Faithful
Al Jensen - Mammoth	Lori Wilkinson - Mammoth
Marv Jensen - Mammoth	Maribeth Wuertz - Mammoth

Personnel News...

Welcome to Yellowstone:

Julia Sheriden	Computer Specialist - Intake Program
Douglas Kohl	Utility Systems Operator - Old Faithful
Earl McKinney	Utility Systems Operator - Lake

Permanent Appointments:

Paula Trisdale	Telecommunications Clerk
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Welcome Back:


Harry Miller	Motor Vehicle Operator - North District
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Notes from friends:

The Family of Dick Langevin would like to thank all of our friends in the Mammoth and Gardiner area who sent cards and made phone calls. We appreciate your thoughtful and loving prayers.

Thanks so much!

Rose Langevin and Family

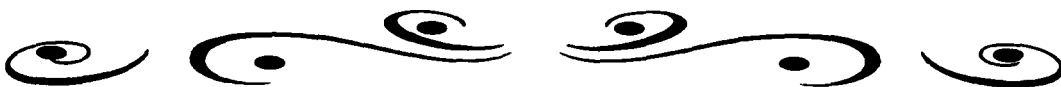


Although this may seem a bit late to most of you for a big "Thank You" from one of those old guys who used to work in Yellowstone, it seems only yesterday that I was a part of the organization and "Doing my thing in Yellowstone". Now I am finding out that I can stay just about as busy in this so-called civilian life as I did while employed, so I will use that for the only reason I have for not assuming the responsibility for thanking all of you for what you did for me in a more timely manner. THANK YOU ALL for making this retirement thing just a little less painful than it could have been. I will never forget the kind, and sometimes humorous words that came from the folks who got up to share some of the good and bad times they had experienced with me during my career as a Blister Ruster and Park Ranger. I for one do not have any complaints about the time I spent during the past 35.5 years and would only recommend that each and every one of us make the most out of each day and each experience we have in life. I would especially like to thank Lisa Helms for her efforts to make the gathering a fun time, thank you Lisa. Margie Hoffman, Laura Bergman and Mona Divine all had a hand in the planning, as well as other folks in the Mammoth sub-district and the corral operations. Again, thank you special folks and all the rest of the community for the send-off. Margaret is doing fine except she is having a hard time getting used to a lot more of me around and a lot less money. I believe we will survive, and if any of you get this way, be sure to stop by for one of Mernin's Rainier Ales.

Sincerely,
Jerry & Margaret Ryder



Friends are invited to attend the wedding of Dave Stringfield and Mary Joy on August 7, 1999, 3 p.m. at the Mammoth Chapel. A reception will follow immediately after at the Mammoth School.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

- ❖ The Yellowstone Association is now accepting applications for one Area Manager (8.20/hour) and one Sales Assistant (6.50/hour) to operate the Old Faithful bookstore during the winter months. These positions involve working a split season, from early October to early November, and then from the middle of December until the middle of March. Employees work approximately 35 hours per week. NPS housing is available for rent for at least one of these positions. The application deadline is July 30 and hiring will be completed no later than the middle of August. To request an application, please contact Diane Kline at 344-2294.

- ❖ The Yellowstone Association Institute seeks a Naturalist/Guide for a new educational program offered in partnership with Yellowstone National Park Lodges. The Naturalist/Guide will lead five-day educational trips each week from January 2 through March 3, 2000. This comprehensive introduction to Yellowstone in winter will include an evening orientation in Mammoth on Sunday, a full-day wildlife tour in the Lamar Valley on Monday, ski and snowshoe tours on Tuesday, an interpretive snowcoach tour to Old Faithful on Wednesday, a backcountry trip in the old Faithful area on Thursday, and an interpretive snowcoach tour back to Mammoth via Canyon on Friday. Lodging and meals will be provided at Mammoth Hot Springs Hotel and Old Faithful Snow Lodge. Applicants must have outstanding interpretive experience, outdoor leadership skills, and a close knowledge of the Yellowstone ecosystem. Wilderness First Responder certification, advanced ski and snowshoe skills, and previous winter experience at Yellowstone are strongly preferred. \$10.50 per hour for approximately 52 hours per week. 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 no later than August 6. A limited number of applicants will be interviewed and the hiring process will be completed by September 1.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

The Yellowstone Association still has plenty of space available in the August Wilderness First Aid Class. This course can also be used as a refresher class for Wilderness First Responders certified by Wilderness Medicine Institute. Cost for this 16 hour course is \$125 (\$115 for YA members) and is being held on August 31-September 1 at the Lamar Buffalo Ranch. Discounts for NPS and AMFAC employees are available. Please contact Diane at 344-2294 for further information and to register.

CLASSIFIED ADDS:

For Sale - Queen size waterbed with remaining 5 year warranty. Top quality, Land and Sky brand, dual mattresses with soft sides, and dual heater. \$1200 new, asking \$300 OBO. Will possibly help to set up. Call Mark at 242-4295.

For Sale - 8' Cascade pick-up camper with 4 hydraulic loading jacks, 3-way fridge/freezer, propane heater and 110/12 volt electric. Clean, nice and in great condition. \$900 OBO. Call 646-9295 evenings or 545-2736 days.

For Sale - Oak entertainment center - room for TV, VCR, satellite dish receiver, and stereo equipment. Storage for videos and cd's. Excellent condition. Call Joe at 545-2717.

For Sale - 1987 Toyota 4Runner SR5, 4 cyl, 5-speed, 4WD (auto-locking hubs), A/C, power windows, cruise control, sunroof, averages 21 mpg on hwy, NO RUST, has altimeter and inclinometer, rear seats fold down for hauling or sleeping. Asking \$6300 (this is below blue book)! Call (307) 344-7406 Paul or Gail (Mammoth).

Wanted to Buy: Canoe - any kind - must be water worthy! Call Mark at 242-4295.

****Watch for the YFEA sponsored PARK-WIDE LUNCH DAY coming to GRANT, LAKE, CANYON, OLD FAITHFUL, MADISON, and MAMMOTH on Wednesday, AUGUST 4!**

And My Heart Soars

*The beauty of the morning
The crisp in the air
The gentle wind on the weaving grass
 They speak to me.
The soft roar of the river
The miles of forest
The free animals
 They speak to me.*

*The giant snowcapped mountains
The slow rumbling of thunder
The setting sun
 They speak to me.
The freedom of nature
The untouched wilderness
The splendor of Yellowstone
 They speak to me.*

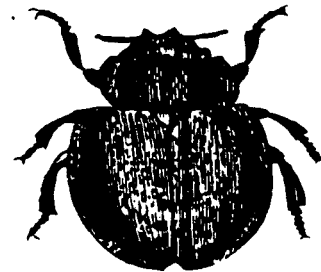
By Joshua Aranda, age 14

Submitted by proud grandmother Joan Ingersoll who says that Joshua has visited Yellowstone many times. This was written for a class exercise. The title was provided by Joshua's teacher but he came up with the rest.

SUMMER IS HERE AND SO ARE TICKS!

Some tips on avoiding them...

- ◆ Have a travel companion help you inspect your body for ticks throughout the day.
- ◆ Ticks are much easier to spot on light-colored clothing.
- ◆ If hot weather makes wearing pants unbearable, be sure to use an insect repellent that contains deet on exposed skin.
- ◆ Ticks climb onto you from the grass. Hiking boots and ankle-high socks are essential when walking through wooded areas.
- ◆ Experts advise tucking pant legs in socks.
- ◆ Avoid sitting directly on the ground.



The proper way to remove a tick...

If you find a tick on you, do not try to burn it off as this may cause it to release infected fluids into your body. Likewise, do not try to smother the tick by coating it with petroleum jelly or nail polish, and do not squeeze the tick's body. To correctly remove a tick, you should do the following:

- ◆ Place fine-point tweezers around the tick's mouthparts, as close to your skin as possible, and pull gently. Sometimes the mouthparts of adult ticks remain, but don't be alarmed. The embedded mouthparts will not cause Lyme disease.
- ◆ Dispose of the tick by flushing it down the toilet or dropping it into alcohol.
- ◆ Wash your hands and disinfect the tweezers and the bite site with antiseptic such as rubbing alcohol.
- ◆ If the tick is crawling, it has not fed and you haven't been infected.

News from the Yellowstone Park Foundation....

Wheelchairs are Welcomed

We thought you might be interested in hearing the following story about a project that the Yellowstone Park Foundation funded in Yellowstone. A few months ago Invacare Corporation, which manufactures and distributes medical products, responded to a proposal that the Foundation had submitted to them on behalf of Yellowstone. The Park needed weather-durable, heavy-duty wheelchairs, and Invacare decided to donate two to the Foundation for use at the Old Faithful Visitor Center.

Last week the Foundation received a telephone call from a man who had visited Old Faithful recently with his wife, who has multiple sclerosis. The couple always carries their own wheelchair but when they learned that the Old Faithful Visitor Center had two available to visitors, they were pleased not to use theirs. The man and his wife used one of Yellowstone's wheelchairs for the day and had a wonderful time touring the accessible thermal features in the Old Faithful area.

The husband called the Foundation to say how impressed he was that Yellowstone had two nice wheelchairs available for public use, and that the Foundation and Yellowstone are working together to help make each visitor's experience to Yellowstone a good one. The husband is going to make a donation to the Foundation. We receive many calls from people who love Yellowstone and are excited that the Foundation and the Park are partners; however, this one was particularly memorable.

If you ever have any questions about the Foundation, please call us at 406.586.6303.

The Yellowstone Park Foundation Staff

News from the Yellowstone Association...

New Self-Guiding Trail Leaflets Made Possible by \$50,000 Grant from Afognak Fund



Visitors to Yellowstone are finding an informative, attractive, full-color, self-guiding trail leaflet in the Upper Geyser Basin Area as a result of a grant to the Yellowstone Association from the Afognak Fund. The Upper Geyser Basin leaflet is the prototype for a complete redesign of all the park's self-guiding trail leaflets. The purpose of redesigning the trail leaflets (which contain educational and safety information about the park's geothermal areas) into a more attractive and useful format is to encourage a higher level of visitor use. In addition to funding the redesign of the leaflets, the Afognak grant is also funding the redesign of the brochure boxes which are used to distribute the leaflets. The prototype design for the Upper Geyser Basin leaflet and the redesigned brochure box are scheduled for testing in the Upper Geyser Basin area this summer, with the complete redesign of all brochures and boxes scheduled by the end of the summer of 2000.

Eating Healthy - Light Recipes

Buenos Burritos

Cooking spray

1/2 pound chicken breast tenders

1 cup diced sweet red pepper

1/2 cup salsa, divided

1 cup canned fat-free refried beans

4 (8-inch) fat-free flour tortillas

Coat a large nonstick skillet with cooking spray; place over medium-high heat until hot. Add chicken add pepper; saute 3 minutes. Add 1/4 cup salsa; reduce heat to medium-low, and cook, 2 minutes, stirring occasionally.

While chicken cooks, combine refried beans and remaining 1/4 cup salsa in a small microwave-safe bowl. Cover with heavy-duty plastic wrap, and vent. Microwave at HIGH 2 minutes or until thoroughly heated, stirring after 1 minute.

Wrap tortillas in heavy-duty plastic wrap. Microwave at HIGH 30 to 45 seconds or until warm. Spread bean mixture evenly down centers of tortillas; top evenly with chicken mixture. Roll up tortillas.

Yield: 4 servings

Per Serving: Calories 242 (4% from fat) Fat 1.1g (sat 0.2g) Protein 19.8g Carbohydrate 37.0g Fiber 5.1g
Cholesterol 33mg Sodium 759mg

Mexican Corn Salad

Combine 2 cups frozen corn, thawed, 1/2 cup salsa, 1 green onion, sliced, and 3 tablespoons chopped radish. Spoon mixture evenly over 4 large romaine lettuce leaves.

Yield: 4 servings

Per Serving: Calories 80 (6% from fat) Fat 0.5g (sat 0.1g) Protein 3.0g Carbohydrate 19.1g Fiber 2.8g
cholesterol 0mg Sodium 149mg

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June 22, 1999

TO: ALL EMPLOYEES OF YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK**FROM: JON F. WALTERS, INTERNATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT
8TH DISTRICT IBEW**

Dear Park Employees:

We all lost a very good friend last week with the passing of Randy Abegglen. Most of you knew Randy much better than I, but I cannot believe we do not share the loss equally. He was a good friend to all of us.

The purpose of this note is to THANK each of you for the respect that was shown by you to Randy. You were the part of his life he valued most next to his family. I believe you can take comfort in that, as I have. He loved you and the Park in a way that will be hard to match by anyone anywhere. I hope each of us can take a lesson from the way Randy lived his life when it comes to dealing with others. He never met a stranger and he was never too busy to assist those who needed assistance, a rare quality in a person and a tough act to follow.

Randy took his membership in the IBEW very seriously and worked hard with both Management and the Employees to build a cooperative partnership that would be beneficial to the employees, as well as the Park. That was his dream, and I commit to you that with your help, together we can make it happen.

I would like to give Lexie Marsh a special THANKS, for the letter that she read at Randy's service. It was truly touching.

Again, I THANK each of you for caring in your special way, and ask that we keep his family in our thoughts and prayers.

Best wishes.

JFW

**Come join us as we roast Regional
Director John Cook into
retirement!**

When: Saturday, August 28, 6-10p.m.

Where: Brown Palace Hotel

321 17th Street, Denver, CO

(please call Donna Emmons at 303-969-2503 for a map
to the hotel)

Cost: \$42 per person (sit-down dinner)

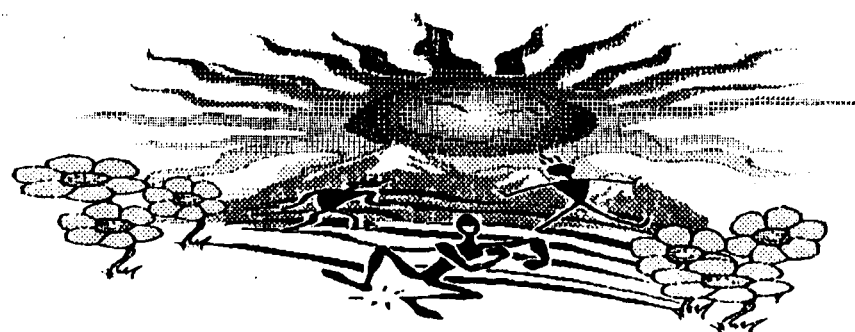
(please RSVP by July 30 with check and form
below to Lindsey Wagner, IMR-D, 303-969-2504)





Name: _____ **#Attending** _____
Office/Park: _____ **Gift Contribution** _____
Please make checks payable to:
Cook Retirement

**Return your check with the bottom portion
of this sheet to Donna Emmons to Intermountain
Regional Office IMR-D**

EMPLOYEE RECREATION PROGRAM

July 1999




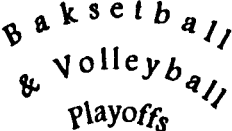









Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				3 on 3 Basketball MHS/OFL/LL - 7pm 1 Live direct [L - V - E] (CL) [B - A - N - D] (MHS)	2	3
Livingston RODEO 4	 5 Disc Golf-all locations CL-Yellowstone Perks MHS-Yellowstone Perks	Rec. Supv. Mtg. 6 OFL-Yellowstone Perks		 7 Parkwide 3 on 3 B'Ball - Loc. TBA CPR-OFL 8am-12pm	8 [Bluegrass] (CL)	9 Joe Meeks Golf Tourney - Bridger Creek [Contra] (GV)
	11 Parkwide Disc Golf 2:00 pm/BBQ 4:30pm Contests' Deadlines-Writing & T-shirt Design	12 LL-Yellowstone Perks	13 Wolf Classic Ping Pong-All Loc.- 8pm 	14 GV-Yellowstone Perks RL-Yellowstone Perks CPR-LL-8am-12pm	15 Parkwide Ping Pong Classic - CL - 4pm	16 Skydiving-Three Forks, MT
18  [T - A - L] Yellowstone Perks (GV/RL)	19 [E - N - T - S - H] Yellowstone Perks (OFL/CL)	20 [O - W - S] Yellowstone Perks (LL/MHS)	21 [Amfac Apprec. -> Honeybee Groove (CL)] [Dinner Dances -] (RL) Skydiving-Three Forks, MT CPR-MHS-8am-12pm	22 [LL Rec. Hall] [Booked - private function -]	23 Colter Classic Softball Tour- ney - MHS-All Day	24
25 Parkwide Talent Show-OFL-8pm	26 Fly Fishing Field Trip (CL/LL) THE SHIVALL EXPERIENCE [L - V - E] (MHS)	27 PW Min. Bike Race - BUNSEN PEAK ROAD/Lunch BBQ [B - A] (LL)	28 [N - D] (GV)	29 Fly Fishing Field Trip OFL/GV CPR-CL-8am-12pm [] (CL)	30 [] (OFL)	31

EMPLOYEE RECREATION PROGRAM

August 1999

FOR THE BENEFIT AND ENJOYMENT
OF THE EMPLOYEES

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1  Softball Playoffs	2 	3 Wilderness 1st Aid - OFL Weightlifting Contest All locations - 7pm	4  Fly Fishing Field Trip MHS/RL [Amfac Apprec (LL) Dexter Grove]	5 Parkwide Fun Run - 10 am —Dinners/Dance— (GV)	6	7
8  Basketball & Volleyball Playoffs	9 CL-Coffeehouse-7pm GV-Coffeehouse-7pm RL-Coffeehouse-7pm	10 Parkwide Weightlifting - LL-7pm  Wilderness 1st Aid - LL Dexter Grove Band - CL 10:00 pm	11 LLRec. Hall-bkd-private function [Amfac Apprec (MHS) Dexter Grove]	12 Waterfalls in Yellowstone-Lee Whittlesey-MHS Conf. Rm.-7pm —Dinners/Dance— —] (OFL)	13 	14 
15  Movie - MHS	16 [Slide Show (MHS-8pm)] Yellowstone Perks-MHS-8pm Movie - OFL	17 Wilderness 1st Aid - MHS Presentation (LL-8pm)  Yellowstone Perks LL-8pm Movie - GV	18 [w/Jeff Henry (OFL-8pm)] Yellowstone Perks-OFL-8pm Movie - LL	19 Yellowstone Waterfalls-Lee Whittlesey - OFL Rec. Hall-7pm LL Rec. Hall Bkd.-All Dau Movie - CL	20 Movie - RL	21
22	23 Yellowstone Waterfalls-Lee Whittlesey -LL Rec. Hall-7pm	24  Wilderness 1st Aid - CL LL-coffeehouse-7pm RL-Coffeehouse-7pm	25 Amfac Job Fair-MHS CL-Coffeehouse-7pm GV-Coffeehouse-7pm CHRISTMAS IN AUGUST 	26 Amfac Job Fair-LL	27 Amfac Job Fair-OFL	28 Skydiving-Three Forks, MT
29 Yellowstone Perks-OFL Yellowstone Perks-MHS Yellowstone Perks-LL	30	31				