

The Yellowstone News

May 25, 2002

Next Deadline: July 15, 2002



Bob Seibert Receives Rick Hutchinson Stewardship Award

Bob Seibert was presented with the Rick Hutchinson Stewardship Award at the Greater Yellowstone Coalition's Annual Meeting on Saturday, June 8, 2002.

In 1997, the Greater Yellowstone Coalition named this award after Rick Hutchinson, a park geologist, who died while carrying out his duties in Yellowstone National Park. This award goes to a person working in a government agency who exemplifies Rick Hutchinson's passion for Greater Yellowstone's natural wonders and his commitment to preserve and protect them.

Bob Seibert has worked for the federal government for 30 years -28 of those for the National Park Service. As West District Ranger for the past 11 years, he has been a strong advocate for Yellowstone National Park and its rangers. Throughout his tenure, Seibert has kept the best interests of his employees in the forefront while often facing tremendous opposition. Seibert and his staff are frequently at the epicenter of the snowmobile issue, and over the years, he has chronicled the many health impacts to park rangers resulting from snowmobile pollution. As an active participant in the winter use planning process and a current member of the National Park Service Wilderness Steering Committee, Seibert continually and diligently works to uphold the National Park Service mission and laws.



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Yellowstone Road Schedule



Road Construction

Madison Junction to Norris Junction:

May 29 - August 30, 12:00 p.m.

Open 7-days a week, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. with 30-minute delays

July 3 - July 5

Open without delays from 9:00 a.m., July 3 to 9:00 a.m., July 5.

July 5 - August 30, 12:00 p.m.

Open 7-days a week from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., with 30-minute delays.

August 30, 12:00 p.m. - September 3, 6:00 a.m.

Open without delays

September 3 - November 3

Weekdays: Closed 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m./10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

Open 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m./6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. with possible delays of up to 30 minutes

Weekends: Open 6:00 a.m. Saturday to 10:00 p.m. Sunday, with possible delays of up to 30 minutes.

November 3

Road closes for the season

Canyon to Chittenden Road:

Up to 30-minute delays possible, beginning in August.

The road closes for the season at 8:00 a.m. on September 9.

CLASSIFIED ADS

For Sale: 1983 Honda Prelude, the body is a bit rough, but it runs pretty well. Good car for someone mechanically inclined, \$500. Call 344-9272

For Sale: Full-sized, Serta Perfect Sleeper mattress. Only a year old and in very good condition, \$95. Call 244-7788

For Sale: Dancer Kayak, \$75. Call 848-7291

Home For Sale: Tired of renting? Looking for a nice place to call home? We've got the place - Papesh Road #27. This one-owner home is located 4.5 miles north of Gardiner on 1 acre of land. It is approximately 1800 sq. ft. with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, vaulted ceiling with skylight, mudroom added and out building for extra storage. Includes all appliances, washer/dryer, dishwasher, etc., and a well-maintained yard with trees and live water. Come check it out! Motivated seller. 848-7016

Multi-Family Yard Sale: Saturday, June 29th, 9 a.m. to ? Located in Lower Mammoth near Little People's Learning Center. Skis and other recreational gear, toys, clothes, dishes, house wares, books, antiques and Little Tykes play equipment.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE PERSONNEL NEWS

Permanent Appointments:

Svend Larsen
EOD 6/16/02
Utility Systems Operator
From Grant Village, Maintenance

Blake Chartier
EOD 6/9/02
Forestry Technician, Assistant Helitac Manager

Maurine Hinckley-Cole
EOD 6/3/02
Administrative Support Assistant,
Yellowstone Center for Resources

Term Appointments:

Paul Norman
EOD 5/26/02
Concessions Management Specialist

SCEP Appointments:

Michael Yochim
EOD 6/16/02
Outdoor Recreation Planner
From Madison, Wisconsin

Peer Award Recipients:

Ken Hufford
Rosemary Sucec
Sandi LeFevre

The Yellowstone Gallery is Raffling a Framed Gary Carter Print "Partners, An Extra Pair of Eyes"

**Benefit for Don & Joni, of The
Stitch and Niche.**



Don is currently undergoing cancer therapy and expenses are considerable. Proceeds from this raffle will help to offset these medical expenses.

We encourage everyone to demonstrate community spirit by purchasing a raffle ticket and by offering any type of support to Don and Joni during this time. Lend a hand, cook a meal, walk the dog, say a prayer, send a card or buy a raffle ticket
Thank You!

Rubber Stamping Class

Where: Mammoth School
July 2, 2002
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Learn how to make hand stamped cards and wrapping paper. Come for the fun and fellowship!

Contact Monica Hemingway at Grant Village for additional Information.



Summer Art Enrichment with The ArtSpot

The ArtSpot is in its fifth year of artistic outdoor/indoor studio programs. Students will develop artistic, observational, and verbal skills while exploring their natural surroundings through paint, pastels, printmaking, and charcoal. We are proud to offer the following program and look forward to another summer filled with enthusiastic students actively participating in the arts.

Available Dates: August 5 - 7, Monday - Wednesday

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Cost: \$145.00 (includes all materials, etc.)

Ages: Elementary School

Class Size: 14 maximum

If this is something you are interested in, call Janet Lewis 344-7712



Gardiner/Mammoth Area Babysitters

Gardiner

Name	Telephone #	Age
Alexandra Chambers	848-2183	13
Sam Cloghessy	848-7133	13
Maddie Coogler	848-7049	13
Ashlee Durfey	848-7179	12
Aubree Durfey	848-7179	14
Mindy Hamilton	848-7139	15
Paigen Jenkins	848-9823	14
Heather Laubach	848-7502	13
Kaila McNulty	848-7341	15
Katie O'Dea	848-7429	14
Ester Otis	848-2335	15
Mariah Rees	848-7566	14
Sammy Saueressig	848-7679	13
Tanya Smith	848-7747	14
Erin Tankersly	848-7209	13
Miranda Wiltse	848-7572	14

Mammoth

Sarah Bishoff	344-8919	13
Marc Chalfant	344-9231	12
Katie Mahony	344-7712	13
Katherine McCaleb	344-7772	13
Lindsay McCaleb	344-7772	15
Stephanie Obernesser	344-6561	14
Erica Perkins	344-7444	18
Kelly Perkins	344-7444	15
Jennifer Sacklin	344-7455	13
Cassie Stewart	344-9098	13
Risa Stringfield	344-7713	14

Boiling River Closed

Boiling River is **closed due to spring high water conditions** effective May 13, 2002. This is happening a little later than usual due to prolonged cool weather, which delayed the melt off. Signs are in place indicating that the area is closed to swimming use until such time as the run off water recedes. Entry into the general area is not forbidden by hikers, fishermen (in season), etc, however, entering the water is prohibited. The parking lot on the West Side of the road at the 45th parallel is open for day use of the area. Restrictions of food and beverages adjacent to the Boiling River swim area are still in effect. Remember pets are not permitted beyond the parking area.



New Arrival



Snowden "Jackson" Olliff

Born June 7, 2002

6 lbs. 10 oz.

Congratulation to parents Tom and Peggy Olliff and big sister Juliana!

Norris Ranger Museum VIP's, 2002

Name

Work Dates

Move In

Ruth Ann Bennett
Dave Hutchings
Peter Thompson and Carol Mozet
Bruce and Lee Miller
Jim and Beverly Holcomb
Dale and Betty Smith
Deryl Stone
Paul and Nadine James
Ed and Marge Rothfuss
Butch Farabee
Bill Lewis and Sue Kusserow
Al Mebane
Bill and Jean Bullard
Bob and Carol Grom

June 16 - 26
June 19 - 29
June 30 - July 10
July 3 - 20
July 14 - 24
July 24 - August 3
July 28 - August 7
August 7 - 17
August 11 - 21
August 21 - 31
August 25 - Sept. 11
September 4 - 14
September 15 - 30
September 18 - 28

June 15
June 18
June 29
July 2
July 13
July 23
July 27
August 6
August 10
August 20
August 24
September 3
September 14
September 17

Safety Corner

By Jim Evanoff

Kudos to the following employees for being "eagle eyes" for safety. They each identified and addressed employee and public safety hazards.

Lori Wilkinson
Marsha Karle
Pete Hoe

Scott Timberlake
Doug and Forrest Madsen

Reporting Accidents and Near Misses

A safe workplace starts with you. Immediately report accidents and near misses in which you are involved.

If you witness an accident

- Send someone for help if necessary
- Help reassure the victim
- Do not move an injured person unless the threat of further injury exists
- Exercise caution to avoid injuries and exposure to blood-borne pathogens
- If feasible, do not move anything in the area of the accident
- Report accident to the appropriate person quickly and clearly.
- Offer to help in any way you can

Prompt action can help protect you or a co-worker!

Report All Near Misses

- Determine what caused the incident
- Were safety procedures followed?

A few moments of attention now can prevent future injuries!

The next occurrence could cause an injury unless preventive action is taken.

Do your part to reduce injuries by:

- ◆ Learning how to prevent accidents
- ◆ Using safe practices
- ◆ Reporting accidents and near misses

(From THINK SAFETY Monthly Planner, POSITIVE PROMOTIONS)



If you are a Yellowstone National Park Employee
Sign up for
Free employee admission for summer 2002
To the
GRIZZLY & WOLF DISCOVERY CENTER
AND
THE MUSEUM OF THE YELLOWSTONE

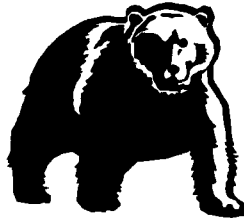
The Grizzly & Wolf Discovery Center would like to once again thank you for the terrific support and referrals we receive. As our token of appreciation we would like to extend an invitation to you to visit the Discovery Center and rediscover all we have to offer you and your guests. We're pleased that the Museum of the Yellowstone is joining us this year and extending the same invitation.

We will allow ONE FREE visit per employee every 6-months, once we have the updated employee invitation list.

Where can you sign up?



A sign up sheet will be posted on the bulletin board next to the Computer Support Office in the Mammoth Administrative Building
Or call Olivia in the Public Affairs Office, 344-2013



**Thanks to all who purchased raffle tickets
To support**

Little People's Learning Center

Congratulations to the prize winners:

Bill Berg	Sea kayaking trip for two
Debbie Young	Original watercolor by Karen McEneaney
Lori Wilkinson	Dinner for two at the Park Street Grill
Jesse White	Duck woodcarving

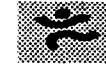
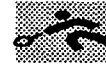
Special thanks to the following for donating these incredible prizes: sea kayaking trip, Mary Harter & Ricardo of Mar y Aventuras; Karen McEneaney, original watercolor "Sheep Mountain: Red Rock Lakes National Wildlife Refuge", matting and shrink-wrapping donated by Yellowstone Gallery and Frameworks; dinner for two, Phil Currie, Park Street Grill; duck woodcarving, Jim Kemp, Gold Strike Gifts.

Your support is greatly appreciated!!!

JULY 2002



PARKS & RECREATION MONTH



YELLOWSTONE CO-OP
EMPLOYEE RECREATION

GET INVOLVED

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 LEAGUE S'BALL [AARP SEM. OFL]	2 CPR-CL-8AM-12P ALL LOCATIONS- 3 ON 3 B'BALL LEAGUE V'BALL [AARP SEM.OFL]	3 VIDEO ROTATION #3 LEAGUE S'BALL	4 FLY FISHING SEM.-GU LEAGUE B'BALL	5 ALL LOCATIONS-PING PONG TOURNEY PW MOUNTAIN BIKE RACE- LOCATION-TBA MOVIE-CL	6 SKYDIVE-BOZEMAN, MT MOVIE-RL
7	8 [MSU BUSINESS (CL-6PM)] MOVIE-MHS-9PM SHOW ONLY LEAGUE S'BALL	9 [COLLEGE SEM.] (CL-6PM) PW 3 ON 3 B'BALL CPR LL-8:30A-12:30P MOVIE-OFL LEAGUE V'BALL	10 [MSU BUSINESS FLY FISHING SEM.-GARDNER BUNKHOUSE CPR-MHS-8:30AM-12:30AM MOVIE-GU LEAGUE S'BALL	11 [COLLEGE SEM. OFL-6PM-] PW 3 ON 3 B'BALL-MHS DEADLINE FOR T-SHIRTS. PHOTO/WRITING ENTREES MOVIE-LL LEAGUE B'BALL	12	13
14	15 LIVE MUSIC → LEAGUE S'BALL	16 ALL LOCATIONS DISC GOLF TOURNEY-ALL DAY B U B S [L I V E] (RL XANTERRA APPREC.) LEAGUE V'BALL	17 PW PING PONG-OFL C F [B A] (CL-XANTERRA APPREC.) LEAGUE S'BALL	18 PW FUN RUN-LOC. FOUNTAIN FREIGHT ROAD M A Y [N D] (GU-XANTERRA APPREC.) LEAGUE B'BALL	19 [BIG SKY] RL REC. CABIN BOOKED 10A-1P	20 PW POOL TOURNEY-OFL [STATE GAMES] BILLINGS, MT
21	22 [T A L] (GU/RL) LEAGUE S'BALL	23 ALL LOCATIONS BENCH PRESS E N T (OFL/CL) LEAGUE V'BALL	24 VIDEO ROTATION #4 FULL MOON (BUCK) 4:07AM S H O W S (MHS/LL) LEAGUE S'BALL	25 PW TALENT SHOW OFL-8PM LEAGUE B'BALL	26 PW DISC GOLF-GEORGE ANDERSON COURSE-LAKE ALL DAY	27 COLTER CLASSIC S'BALL TOURNEY-8 AM-8PM MAMMOTH
28	29 CPR-OFL-1:00PM-4:30PM LEAGUE S'BALL	30 LEAGUE V'BALL	31 FLY FISHING FIELD TRIP LEAGUE S'BALL	FOR THE BENEFIT AND ENJOYMENT OF THE EMPLOYEE		

HOW TO APPLY FOR GOVERNMENT JOBS



**DO YOU WANT TO WORK IN
BEAUTIFUL PLACES AND HAVE
A REWARDING AND
CHALLENGING JOB?**



NPS Human Resources staff will be hosting several brown bag seminars on applying for government jobs. Come and eat your lunch while learning how to improve your application. The seminar will begin at 12 noon and end at 12:30. We will also be available before and after to answer any questions you may have about your application.

The seminars will be offered at:

- **Old Faithful Warming Hut, June 26th**
- **Mammoth Canteen Gym, July 16th**
- **Lake Mess Hall, August 7th**
- **Mammoth Canteen Gym, September 10th**

Human Resources Staff:
Carrie Lang
Sandi LeFevre
Holli Traucht

For more information, please contact
Phone: 307-344-2045, -2042, -2044
Fax: 307-344-2046

**No reservations are
required, the
seminars are free,
and EVERYONE is
welcome!**

NPS and Xanterra Employees Receive 50% Discount on Yellowstone Association Institute Courses

NPS and Xanterra employees are eligible to receive a 50% discount on any Institute course that has space remaining 30 days beforehand. Upcoming summer courses that currently have space remaining include:

Mid-Sized Carnivores
June 26-28, 2002
Instructor: Steven Buskirk (Ph.D.)
\$180 (Discounted fee \$90)

Alpine Wildflowers
July 1-3, 2002
Instructor: John Campbell (Ph.D.)
\$125 (Discounted fee \$62.50)

Advanced Yellowstone Butterflies
July 4-5, 2002
Instructor: Robert Anderson (Ph.D.)
\$125 (Discounted fee \$62.50)

History of Yellowstone Artists
July 11, 2002
Instructor: Peter Hassrick (M.A.)
\$65 (Discounted fee \$32.50)

Lichens and Mosses
July 26, 2002
Instructor: Sharon Eversman (Ph.D.)
\$65 (Discounted fee \$32.50)

The Sheep Eaters
July 29-31, 2002
Instructor: Larry Loendorf (Ph.D.)
\$180 (Discounted fee \$90)

History of Yellowstone Wildlife, 1806-1883
August 7-9, 2002
Instructor: Lee Whittlesey (J.D.)
\$125 (Discounted fee \$62.50)

Fire and Ice – Yellowstone's Last Two Million Years
August 11-13, 2002
Instructor: David Fountain (Ph.D.)
\$190 (Discounted fee \$95)

Theodore Roosevelt's Wilderness Reserve
August 14-16, 2002
Instructor: Jeremy Johnston (M.A.)
\$180 (Discounted fee \$90)

Uncovering Secrets of the Lower Geyser Basin
June 28-29, 2002
Instructor: Orville Bach (Ed.D.)
\$125 (Discounted fee \$62.50)

Intro to Yellowstone Butterflies
July 2-3, 2002
Instructor Robert Anderson (Ph.D.)
\$125 (Discounted fee \$62.50)

History of Wildlife Conservation in Yellowstone
July 10-12, 2002
Instructor: James Pritchard (Ph.D.)
\$180 (Discounted fee \$90)

Painting in Lamar Valley
July 20-22, 2002
Instructor: Eleanor Williams Clark (M.L.A.)
\$195 (Discounted fee \$97.50)

Old Times at Old Faithful
July 27, 2002
Instructor: Leslie Quinn (M.Ed.)
\$65 (Discounted fee \$32.50)

The Bison of Yellowstone
August 2-4, 2002
Instructors: Jim Garry & Harold Picton (Ph.D.)
\$200 (Discounted fee \$100)

Intro to Yellowstone's Geological Landscapes
August 11, 2002
Instructor: Paul Doss (Ph.D.)
\$65 (Discounted fee \$32.50)

Native Yellowstone
August 12-14, 2002
Instructor: Rosemary Sucec (M.A.)
\$180 (Discounted fee \$90)

The Truman Everts Story
August 16, 2002
Instructor: Nancy Procter (M.Ed.)
\$65 (Discounted fee \$32.50)

For more information on these courses, go to our website www.yellowstoneassociation.org or call the Institute registrar, Andy Strattman, at 307-344-2294.

LONG TERM CARE INSURANCE OPEN SEASON

ISSUE 2, JUNE 2002

Open season for Federal Long Term Care Insurance Program will begin July 1 and run through December 31, 2002.

Long Term Care (LTC) is a new, important, benefit for Federal employees. The Federal Long Term Care Insurance Program is sponsored by the U.S. Office of Personnel Management and offered by John Hancock and MetLife. It is the **ONLY** program authorized by Congress to be officially offered to Federal employees and retirees, members and retired members of the uniformed services, and qualified family members.

The Federal Long Term Care Insurance Program pays benefits to cover services that individuals may need because they are unable to care for themselves due to a chronic mental or physical condition. It covers long term care needs such as nursing home care, assisted living facility care, formal and informal care in the home, adult day care, etc. - - care that is generally **NOT COVERED** by health insurance. Long term care provides insurance to help pay for assistance you may need due to a chronic illness or injury (such as bathing, getting in and out of bed, etc.). The goal of long term care is to help with day-to-day living.

Long term care could be the most expensive care you may ever need. Nursing home costs currently average \$52,000 per year for a semi-private room and is expected to climb to \$190,600 by 2030! Home health care is well over \$20,000 and is expected to climb to \$68,000 per year by 2030.

During open season, the cost of long term care insurance will be based on your age on July 1, 2002, and will be effective on the later of October 1, 2002, or the 1st of the month after your application is approved providing you are actively at work on the revised effective date. By law, there will not be any government contribution. Participants will be responsible for 100% of the cost.

Each employee will undergo an Underwriting process to review medical and health-related information furnished in an insurance application process to determine if the applicant presents an acceptable level of risk and is insurable.

Employees with disabilities are encouraged to apply; some will have their applications approved and others won't depending on whether the person can meet the underwriting requirements.

If you are interested in receiving an open season information kit, including an application, please call 1-800-582-3337 or TDD 1-800-843-3557. Kits will be mailed after July 1. Please allow two weeks for delivery. You can also receive an open season information kit, including an application, by going to "Request Info" at www.ltcfeds.com. However, either way, the applications will not be mailed to you until July.

Further information on long term care can be found at www.ltcfeds.com. or you can call me at 344-2041.

Rosanne Riley