



Yellowstone News

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Next Deadline: February 20, 2003

Update on Concession Contracts

Delaware North Parks Services (Yellowstone General Stores) - The Mammoth Store is in operation under new management. Staff are developing a menu and hope to begin serving lunches very soon. Arbitration hearings are scheduled to begin mid-February to resolve the issue of value of the buildings acquired by Delaware North.

Yellowstone Park Medical Services - Medcor, Inc., was selected as the new concessioner; however, they have not yet signed the contract, pending resolution of some financial matters with West Park Hospital. It is our hope that the transition can be complete prior to April 1. The delay should not affect medical care.

The seasonal health care plan offered by the medical services contract will continue during this year with no changes in cost or benefits.

It is important for those of you who want your medical records retained in the park, to go to the Mammoth Clinic and sign a form requesting West Park Hospital to release your records to you. This should be done as soon as possible.

Yellowstone Park Service Stations - Yellowstone Park Service Stations, Inc., (Conoco-Phillips) has been issued a temporary contract with a 1-year term. During that period a prospectus is being developed for a long-term contract. There will be no significant changes under the temporary contract.

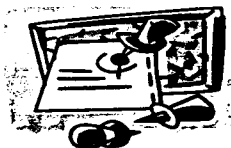
Winter Operations - Prospectuses have been drafted and should be published around March 1. PricewaterhouseCoopers has been contracted to conduct a financial feasibility study.

Backcountry Horse Outfitters - These have also been drafted and should be published very soon. There has been a change in the contract language; however, the change should make the contracting process easier for everyone.

Xanterra Parks and Resorts - This contract expires October 31, 2004. We have contracted for comprehensive condition assessments of all government-owned buildings assigned to the concessioner and valuations of personal property and equipment have been conducted by outside consultants. PricewaterhouseCoopers is assisting the park on contract development; and will be in the park many times over the next year conducting an in-depth financial feasibility analysis. The timeline calls for this prospectus to be published in November of 2003.

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National Park, Wyoming
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Personnel News



Term Appointments:

Sally Plumb Park Ranger (Education)
EOD 1/26/03 Mammoth

Reassignment:

Linda Miller Planning Assistant
EOD 1/12/03 Mammoth

Julie York Outdoor Recreation Planner
EOD 1/12/03 Mammoth

Permanent Appointments:

Blaine Hoppe Public Safety Dispatcher
EOD 12/29/02

Promotions:

Bonnie Hawn
EOD 12/15/02

Maintenance Mechanic
Supervisor
Grant Village

Ivan Kowski
EOD 1/16/03

Back Country Office
Mammoth

Pen-Pal Wanted



A Student in Hungary has asked if there is a female student who lives in or near Yellowstone who would like to be a pen pal with her. Her name and address is:

Petra Puter
ABDA 9151
Jozset Attila UT3.
Hungary



YFEA Video Library

Movies most recently added to the YFEA Video Library are:

Spiderman
Changing Lanes
Ghost
The Majestic
A Beautiful Mind





Position Announcement

Position: Warehouse Manager
Location: Gardiner, Montana
Reports To: Sales Manager
Posted: January 13, 2003

Summary Description:

The Yellowstone Association is a non-profit organization that works in partnership with the National Park Service and United States Forest Service to provide educational products and services relating to the Greater Yellowstone Area. The Association operates bookstores and a mail order/wholesale department that support this goal directly, by providing visitors with high quality educational materials, and indirectly, by generating net revenues that are contributed to the above agencies for education and interpretation. The Yellowstone Association is looking forward to the expansion of our retail sales due to continued growth and construction of new visitor centers in the park that will provide us with state-of-the-art retail space. This position provides a growth opportunity for a qualified candidate to work with one of the largest cooperating associations in meeting our goals.

The Warehouse Manager supervises receipt and distribution of all merchandise sold by the Yellowstone Association. He or she is also responsible for inventory control at all locations. During the summer the Warehouse Manager oversees 3 seasonal warehouse staff and during the winter oversees operations at the Mammoth bookstore.

Primary Responsibilities:

- Receive and distribute all incoming merchandise using a computerized inventory system.
- Hire, train, and supervise seasonal employees to assist with all warehouse tasks.
- Maintain inventory of office products and other supplies for all stores.
- Oversee winter operations at the Mammoth store including merchandising and cash reports.
- Oversee mail pick-up and delivery and other errands as needed.
- Complete daily record of checks received and prepare office deposits.
- Additional duties as assigned by the Sales Manager.

Qualifications:

We're looking for a team builder with excellent interpersonal skills, strong computer skills, unfailing attention to detail and numbers, and a safe driving record. Must be able to lift and move boxes up to 50 pounds. Previous retail/inventory experience and a close knowledge of Yellowstone National Park are desirable.

Compensation

This is a full-time position with an hourly wage of \$10.00 to \$11.15, based on experience. Benefits include starting vacation of two weeks a year, ten paid holidays, retirement program, and flexible benefit plan. Yellowstone Association employees enjoy a fun office environment and the satisfaction of knowing that our work directly benefits Yellowstone National Park. No housing is available.

To Apply:

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

Debbie Collins, Sales Manager
Yellowstone Association
PO Box 117
Yellowstone National Park, WY 82190

Resumes must be received no later than 4:30 MST on Friday, January 31, 2003. A limited number of applicants will be interviewed and the position will begin on or about March 3, 2003.

The Yellowstone Association is an equal opportunity employer.

Love Letters

The Electric Peak Arts Council presents "Love Letters" on Thursday, February 6 at 7:00 p.m. in the Gardiner School Multi-purpose room. Actors Gary Fish and Dee Dee Van Zyl from the Blue Slipper Theater take the audience through 50 years of the lives of Andrew Ladd and Melissa Gardner. Ladd comes from a very conservative and ambitious family with a desire to serve society. Gardner's background includes wealth, dysfunction and creativity. They become pen pals in second grade through a class project. The play progresses through their lives, sharing their personal idiosyncrasies, strengths and weaknesses; all the things that make us human. Because it encompasses a variety of adult situations and language, it is recommended that audience members be 14 and older.

Tickets are \$8 for an adult and \$5 for a student. Child-care may be provided at the school for a fee. Please check with Bob Fuhrman at 344-2256, for further information.



"UNDER THE BIG SKY GREENING CONFERENCE" ANNOUNCED

Yellowstone National Park officials announce that a third "greening" conference in six years will be held from June 11 to 13, 2003, at Big Sky, Montana – "Under the Big Sky Greening Conference". The park has partnered with two Montana grassroots organizations to help sponsor the conference. Ethanol Producers And Consumers (EPAC) and Headwaters Cooperative Recycling Project (HCRP) will co-host this very unique event. The park prides itself in being a national leader in the areas of sustainability and environmental conservation through such partnerships.

The conference will focus on the expanded production and use of biofuels such as ethanol and biodiesel; regional recycling and composting opportunities; a variety of pollution prevention topics; and the latest technologies in environmental stewardship. Other conference highlights include an alternatively fueled vehicle display focusing on future modes of transportation, as well as a wide variety of vendor and sponsor exhibits.

Additional major sponsors include the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Department of Energy, the State of Montana, Department of Environmental Quality and Unilever Corporation.

The three-day event will culminate with the dedication of a newly constructed regional composting facility located near West Yellowstone, Montana, followed by an interpretive tour to Old Faithful using alternatively fueled vehicles.

For more information, please contact:

Shirley Ball, Executive Director of EPAC – (406) 785-3722

Kathy Jackson, Executive Director of HCRP – (406) 431-1247

Jim Evanoff, Management Assistant, Yellowstone National Park – (406) 344-2311



Classifieds

For Sale: Skis – Chouinard telemark skis – Tout Terrain w/Rotefella 3-pin bindings (200), \$90. Kneissl Skate-E skis (200) w/Salomon bindings, \$25. Call Tammy at 344-2115 or 344-7433.

For Sale: TiVo w/12 hours recording time, a VCR or two, HP 672C color printer, microwave, and other things. Free recliner. Call Mark or Alice at 848-7962.

For Sale: Cross Country Ski Setup: **Skis**-190cm Lind-Ex Expedition, backcountry and Waxless 3/4 metal edge touring, **Boots**-Aplina BC 1550, men's size 10.5, Rottefella bindings, manual NNN and poles, used 1.5 seasons, great shape, \$225 OBO. Call Joe Regula (h)406-640-1606 or (w) 344-2624, or stop by the Landscape Architecture office, Administration building, second floor, next to the men's bathroom.

Veterinarian Visit: Dr. James Murray, DVM of Livingston, will be at the Gardiner Exxon on January 31, and every 2 weeks thereafter. (He will not be here on January 24 as previously scheduled). Call (406) 222-3700 if you would like to schedule an appointment for a home visit.

Tips for Keeping Houseplants



- Avoid placing plants in trouble spots, such as near heat or air conditioning ducts, on a television, radiator or between curtains and a frosty window.
- Provide the right light. Plants that require full sun will thrive in a south-facing window. East-and west-facing windows have moderate sun. North windows have very little sun.
- During the winter months, you may need to move all of your plants closer to the window in order to compensate for the decrease in light.
- Most plants perform best when they receive 12 to 16 hours of light per day. If you want to keep your plants blooming during the short days of winter, you may need to provide supplemental lighting.
- Remember that air conditions can be very dry in the winter because of heated air. You can provide a little extra humidity with a pebble tray and some misting.
- Always plant in sterile soil. That will minimize problems with fungus and other soil-borne

Thank You

A big thank you to Jen Morey for hearing the fire alarm at 568 Mammoth and calling 911. Another big thank you to the Mammoth Fire Department. Their quick response and fans cleared the smoke out with no damage. Thanks to all who helped. Harold and Sonya