

THE YELLOWSTONE NEWS

August 15, 2003

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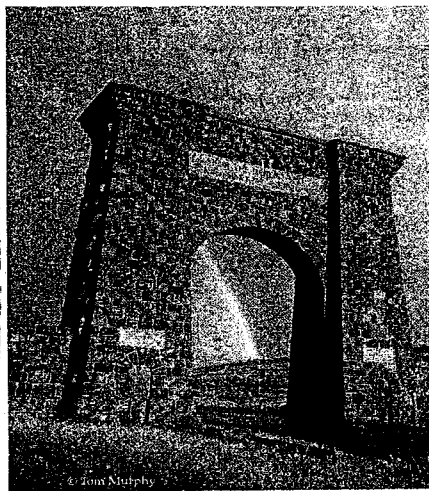
100th Anniversary of the Roosevelt Arch

Excerpt from the Gardiner Wonderland of Vol. 1, No. 50, April 30, 1903.

It was a typical Montana spring day; just such a one as everybody was hoping for and it brought a great throng of people from all over the state to see the president and participate in the laying of the cornerstone to the entrance arch to the Park. It was a great day for Gardiner in many ways. The President of the United States delivered an address to the people, hundreds of whom were among the most prominent of the state and had helped in making its history, and the cornerstone to the entrance way to the nation's noted and justly famous playground was laid by the Masonic, Grand Lodge of the state assisted by the members of the order from all parts of the state. The name Gardiner is no longer unknown in the world. Following the notable event but few papers on this earth but contained an account of it, and we may look for a wonderful increase of visitors to this Wonderland, the equal to which is not to be duplicated in the known world. The cornerstone ceremonies and the President's address were scheduled to occur at 4 p.m. and long before this hour the trains were all in and several thousand people were eagerly awaiting the hour. Shortly after 3 o'clock the line of masons formed and marched and counter

marched through town and to the archway where everything had been arranged for the ceremonies, the speaking and the crowds. The Livingston band, one of the best in the state furnished music and plenty of it for the occasion. Soon the two companies of cavalry stationed at Fort Yellowstone filed in on their magnificent mounts, followed in a few minutes by the President and Major Pitcher. They were greeted with cheers that made the echoes ring. The cornerstone was then laid according to the Masonic ritual by the officers of the Grand Lodge, President Roosevelt with his own hands spreading the cement upon which the stone was imbedded and under which was placed the box containing a record of the proceedings of the last meeting of the Grand Lodge, its code of laws, several coins, a Bible, several articles written many years ago by Cornelius Hedges

of Helena, advocating the creation of the Yellowstone Park, some Park views, a photo of President Roosevelt, the Livingston Enterprise and Post, and a copy of the first and latest issue of Wonderland. At the conclusion of these ceremonies the President was escorted to the stand built above the wall some feet from the ground, accompanied by Maj. Pitcher, Capt. Chittenden, the Grand Lodge officers and several of our citizens.



Re-dedication of the Arch

On August 25, 2003, the National Park Service will commemorate the 100th anniversary of the dedication of – what has fondly become known as – the Roosevelt Arch.

Activities will begin at 10:00 a.m. at the Roosevelt Arch, with the 1 Corps Army Band of Fort Lewis, Washington, providing a musical program. At 10:30 a.m., special invited guests will take their place on stage, and the ceremony will

begin. At the end of the National Park Service program, the Montana Masonic Lodge will be doing their own ceremony with a re-dedication of the Roosevelt Arch and participation of a Roosevelt re-enactor.

The Montana Masonic Lodge was instrumental in the 1903 dedication and arranging President Roosevelt's participation.

COME AND CELEBRATE THE 3-DAY EVENT IN GARDINER, MONTANA

GARDINER BUFFALO DAYS - AUGUST 23, 2003



1903 **YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK** **2003**

CELEBRATES THE 100TH YEAR RE-DEDICATION OF THE
HISTORIC ROOSEVELT ARCH
AUGUST 25, 2003

Personnel News

Peer Awards

Georgia McAdams	Mammoth Fire Cache, Budget Technician
Laura Dooley	Mammoth Fire Cache, Dispatcher
Harlan Kredit	Fishing Bridge Ranger Naturalist
Mimi Matsuda	Fishing Bridge Ranger Naturalist
Linda Miller	Planning Assistant
Debby VanDePolder	Planning Assistant
Ray and Darlene Rathmell	Pebble Creek Campground Hosts
Sally Plumb	Environmental Education Ranger
Molly Ward	Environmental Education Ranger
Vicky McCoy	North District Laborer

Term Appointments:

Craig Johnson	Visual Information Tech
EOD 8/24/03	from Oregon area

Reassignment:

Michael Cole	Park Ranger
EOD 5/4/03	Lake

Welcome to Yellowstone

Colleen Curry	Museum Curator – Mammoth
EOD 6/1/03	from George Washington Parkway

Danel Nickerson	Cash Clerk
EOD 5/18/3	Mammoth Fees

John Stobinski	Park Ranger (Protection)
EOD 5/4/03	Grant Village, from Moiese, MT (U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service)

Lessie Sites	Administrative Clerk (OA)
EOD 5/18/03	Mammoth Fire Cache

Timothy Wilkinson	Park Ranger, West District
EOD 5/4/03	from Ocean Springs, MI

Beth Taylor	Park Ranger (Interpretation)
EOD 8/31/03	Old Faithful

Personnel News cont'd

Permanent Appointments:

Brett Athas EOD 8/17/03	Motor Vehicle Operator Mammoth
Brandee Boggs EOD 6/8/03	Forestry Tech (FUM) from Ashville, NC
John Hepburn EOD 6/8/03	Mobile Equipment Servicer Mammoth
Veronika Klukas EOD 6/15/03	Administrative Clerk (OA) Chief Rangers Office
Stuart Loren EOD 6/29/03	Utility Systems Operator Old Faithful
Robert McDonald EOD 6/8/03	Mobile Equipment Servicer Mammoth
Sam Reid EOD 7/20/03	Biological Science Technician Mammoth
David Sulewski EOD 6/1/03	Utility Systems Operator from Cody, WY
Don Wethington EOD 5/4/03	Small Craft Operator Lake
Joseph Zaher EOD 6/8/03	Forestry Tech (FUM) from Forest Service/ St. George, UT

Promotions:

Frank Houch EOD 6/29/03	Maintenance Mechanic at Grant Village From Dept. of Veterans Administration, Kentucky
Rich Jehle EOD 7/13/03	Supervisory Park Ranger (Interp) Madison Dinosaur NM, Colorado
Al Miller EOD 7/13/03	Supervisory Park Ranger Grant Village
Andy Mitchell EOD 7/27/03	Assistant Fire Management Officer, Mammoth

Retirement



Come Help Ginny Celebrate!

Thursday, August 21

3:00 - 4:30

Superintendent's Conference Room

Ranger Museum VIP

Pete and Joyce Parry	August 10 – 20	Al Mebane	September 7 – 11
Leslie Price	August 13 – 23	Ben Ladd	September 11 – 20
Roger Rudolph and		Jim and Eddie Caslick	September 14 – 17
Connie Austin	August 24 – September 3	Bruce Freet	September 21 – 27
Peter Thompson and			
Carol Mozet	August 27 – September 6		

Community News

Snoopy Cooperative Preschool QUILT RAFFLE. Check out the handiwork of some local quilters at the *Christmas in Paradise* store in Gardiner. On display is a beautiful quilt wall hanging made from Historic Yellowstone postcards. Tickets are 1 for \$1.00 or 6 for \$5.00. The drawing will be held September 5th. Support the local cooperative preschool by buying your tickets today. If you have any questions, please call Jeanne Johnson at (406) 848-7972.

Gardiner Snoopy Cooperative Preschool Schedule: The preschool is for 3 to 5 year olds (must be three by September 10 and potty trained). Classes are 8:15 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from September 8, 2003 through May 26, 2004. For more information, contact Tammy Dalling (406) 848-7143 or Jeanne Johnson (406) 848-7972.

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

The next time someone asks you about electronics recycling, tell them both HP and Dell recycle computers, both their equipment as well as their competitors'. And their recycling is not limited to computers, but includes scanners, printers, monitors, and computer boxes.

HP charges between \$13 to \$34 per item. Returned products are reused, recycled or disposed of responsibly. The company says that its worldwide recycling centers process over 4 million pounds of computer-related products every month. HP's website is www.hp.com/recycle.

Dell Computers picks up your computer (check website for locations) for \$15 per 50 pound box. You can tell Dell to recycle your computer or donate it to boys and girls clubs. To arrange for recycling through Dell Computers, go to http://www.dell.com/us/en/dhs/topics/segtopic_dell_recycling.htm.

For more info on recycling in general, go to www.recyclemontana.org.

Don't be a victim of heat stroke.

Good sense can prevent heat-related illnesses

With temperatures soaring up to 100 degrees Fahrenheit in the state, we all need to be careful about becoming potential heat stroke victims. In the 20-year span from 1979 to 1999, more than 8,000 Americans died of excessive heat exposure.

Heat stroke, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, occurs when the body is unable to regulate its temperature. The body's temperature rises rapidly, the sweating mechanism fails, and the body is unable to cool itself down. Body temperature may rise to 106 degrees Fahrenheit or higher within 10 to 15 minutes. Heat stroke can cause death or permanent disability if emergency treatment is not provided immediately.

Leaving children or pets in poorly ventilated cars while shopping even for a brief period can be deadly. On July 7, a 3-year-old Rock Springs boy died of heat stroke after being locked in a tent. Never leave anyone, including pets, in a locked, parked vehicle – even if the windows are slightly open to let in air.

In a residence that doesn't have a cooling system, there can be a danger to the elderly, the very young, and those who suffer chronic diseases. If your residence isn't air conditioned, go to a shopping mall or other air conditioned public place. Even a few hours spent in air conditioning can help one's body stay cooler when back in the heat.

Take a cool shower or bath if you feel yourself getting dizzy, or feel faint, or suddenly experi-

ence a moderately increased temperature. Infants can be sponged in cool water and placed in front of a fan.

Wear lightweight, loose-fitting clothing. Drink plenty of water. Don't drink liquids that contain caffeine, alcohol, or large amounts of sugar – these cause the body to lose fluid. Sweat is the body's main system for getting rid of heat. Dehydration makes it harder for the body to cool itself. Dehydration coupled with extremely hot weather can trigger heat exhaustion and heat stroke.

Signs of heat stroke may include the following: extremely high body temperature (above 103 degrees Fahrenheit); dry skin and lack of sweat; rapid pulse; throbbing headache; dizziness; nausea; confusion and unconsciousness. If you experience some of these symptoms, call for immediate medical assistance. This may be a life-threatening emergency.

You can help a victim of heat exhaustion or heat stroke by immersing the person or pet in cool water (tub, shower, sprinkler, garden hose, wet sheets). Continue the efforts to cool the victim's body temperature while you wait for medical personnel to arrive.

The best defense against heat-related illness is prevention.

~ Casper Star-Tribune Editorial

May 9, 2003

Suzanne Lewis
Superintendent of Yellowstone National Park
Box 168
Yellowstone National Park

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Dear Ms. Lewis:

**SUPERINTENDENT'S
OFFICE**

On April 07, 2003, my wife, my daughter, and I visited the tourist information center at the National Elk Refuge in Jackson. While there, I asked Ranger Don Cushman where to get some medical oxygen bottles refilled. After directing me to the Jackson hospital, he began to inquire of our circumstances. While I don't know what inspired his interest, he set in motion one of the most fantastic situations that a father could wish for.

Our daughter, Lisa, had just been discharged from Mayo Clinic and Saint Mary's Hospital in Rochester, Minnesota. She was born twenty-one years ago with multiple heart defects, has undergone numerous heart surgeries, and was told at Mayo Clinic that nothing more could be done for her. Her longtime dream, being an avid animal lover, was to see Yellowstone – a trip her mother and I could never afford. While the doctors advised that the altitude could kill her, she insisted on going to Yellowstone.

After leaving Rochester, Minnesota and driving to Mount Rushmore, a ranger there told us that Yellowstone was still closed. We drove on to Jackson to let her see all of the animals she could and the Tetons.

At Jackson, Ranger Don Cushman's actions initiated arrangements for a special tour of the park up to Old Faithful from the west entrance. We drove to West Yellowstone, spent the night, and the next morning drove to the Ranger Station to meet Ranger Bob Siebert. He was a wonderful man. He loaded Lisa's wheelchair into his vehicle and gave Lisa the tour of her life (literally).

Words cannot relate, human language cannot convey the scope of this tour to Lisa and to us. Lisa arrived home several days later, feeling great and excited as she could be to tell her friends and family of her trip and share her pictures. She was happy as happy could be.

Lisa died suddenly of a heart attack on April twenty-ninth. The gratitude and satisfaction of knowing that her last few weeks on earth were so fulfilling to her gives her mother and I more peace than one can imagine. We thank Almighty God for Rangers Cushman and Siebert and all who were instrumental in the "tour of a lifetime".

As a retired public servant of twenty-seven years (Dallas Fire Department), I know the caring is instinctive to these rangers, but I could not live with myself without letting them know just how much this meant to Lisa and us.

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May God's peace be on all of you forever,

Charles & Jane Barfknecht, Lisa's parents

Charles & Jane Barfknecht

P.S. Please make absolutely sure that a copy of this letter gets to Rangers Cushman and Siebert, Amy, and anyone else who played a part. I am also enclosing a copy of what I read at Lisa's funeral.

The Yellowstone Stage

-Summer 2003 Series of Guest Speakers, Authors, Musicians & Artisans

In the Old Faithful Inn Lobby "Celebrating 100 Years on a Worldwide Stage"

Saturday, August 16	Neil Rose, Artist <i>Contributing Artist for Lazart Decorative Gift Line</i> Jett Hitt, Composer <i>Yellowstone for Violin and Orchestra</i>
Sunday, August 17	Pete Bengeyfield, Author <i>Incredible Vision-Wild Lands of the Greater Yellowstone</i>
Monday, August 18	Bob Sawyer, Western Musician <i>Roosevelt Lodge Cook-Out Entertainer</i> <i>CD: Songs of the West - Texas to Yellowstone</i>
Tuesday, August 19	Dave Petersen, Author <i>Yellowstone, Like No Other Place On Earth</i>
Wednesday, August 20	Randy Petersen, Musician, Composer <i>Orange Tree Productions, "The Sounds of Yellowstone"</i>
Thursday, August 21	Dave Petersen, Author <i>Yellowstone, Like No Other Place On Earth</i>
Friday, August 22	Ed Firmage, Photographer <i>Large Format Yellowstone Print Images and Book</i>
Saturday, August 23	Ed Firmage, Photographer <i>Large Format Yellowstone Print Images and Book</i>

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Heritage Days, Mammoth Hot Springs
Celebrating Roosevelt Arch Centennial
August 23 and 24

Featuring:

Lynn Chan, Watercolor Artist

Jett Hitt, Composer, Yellowstone for Violin and Orchestra

*Mark Bagne and Bob Richard, signing Jack Richards' book – Yellowstone Country, The
Photographs of Jack Richard*

Ruth and Leslie Quinn – Collection of Historic Yellowstone Cards

Sunday, August 24	Ed Firmage, Photographer Large Format Yellowstone Print Images and Book
Monday, August 25	Ed Firmage, Photographer Large Format Yellowstone Print Images and Book
Tuesday, August 26	Dave Petersen, Author Yellowstone, Like No Other Place On Earth Jett Hitt, Composer CD: <i>Yellowstone for Violin and Orchestra</i>
Wednesday, August 27	Jim Halfpenny, Author Yellowstone Wolves in the Wild
Thursday, August 28	Dave Petersen, Author Yellowstone, Like No Other Place On Earth
Friday, August 29	Ed Firmage, Photographer Large Format Yellowstone Print Images and Book
Saturday, August 30	Ed Firmage, Photographer Large Format Yellowstone Print Images and Book
Sunday, August 31	Ed Firmage, Photographer Large Format Yellowstone Print Images and Book

Mammoth Library Hours

Starting September 4, 2003, the hours at the Mammoth Library, in the Canteen Building, will be Thursdays from 8:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. and Fridays 12:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Letter of Appreciation

On behalf of the National Park Service, I would like to thank the B-Bar Guest Ranch for contributing raw materials used for the Beartooth Highway maintenance operations.

The B-Bar Guest Ranch has been involved with Beartooth maintenance activities in this regard since 1996.

A special Thank You to Mark Waite and Eleanor Stone.

~ Ivan Tyson

Little People's Learning Center

Little People's Learning Center has immediate openings for:

- * Childcare providers. Competitive wages, benefit package, and housing available.
- * Part-time housekeeping/cook position: Competitive wages.

Please call Barb at (307) 344-7785.

The Yellowstone Co-Op Employee Recreation Program

Salutes the Champions!



3 on 3 Volleyball Tournament Champions

Y.P.S.S. (Mammoth)
Stephanie Goss, Troy Batzler & Chase Soennicksen

3 on 3 Basketball Tournament Champions

Team Name: MR.NC.JQ.DR (Mammoth)
Nick Choppy, Matt Ryan, John Quattrochi & Dan Ravenel

The Parkwide Soccer Tournament Champions

Canyon Team A

The Parkwide Fun Run Champions

Female: Sarah Coniglio (Roosevelt)
Male: Justin Andrews (Old Faithful)

The Parkwide Mountain Bike Race Champion

David Wawrzniak (Mammoth)

The Parkwide Pool Tournament Champion

Eben Franko (Old Faithful)

The Parkwide Ping Pong Tournament Champion

Dusan Prepira (Canyon)

The Colter Classic Softball Tournament Champions

Old Faithful Team - Captain: Carl Sheehan

The Parkwide Disc Golf Tournament Champion

Mark Lehman (Lake)



Congratulations!!

League Sports winners will be announced in the next newsletter
A BIG thank you goes out to all of the participants in our tournaments and events!

STAFF SHIRTS SALES HAVE BEGUN!

*Short Sleeve T's, Long Sleeve Shirts
Sweatshirts, and new this year:
Ringer T's!*

*9 Designs and
12 different shirt colors
to choose from!
Order yours NOW at your
location Employee Recreation Office*

Last Day to order is September 4th - Don't be late!



**Passport Services are available
at the following location:**

YELLOWSTONE MAIN POST OFFICE

MAMMOTH HOT SPRINGS

YELLOWSTONE WY 82190-9998

PASSPORT HOURS:

MON-FRI 1:30-4:00

Passport Photos are available for \$15

Classifieds

Emigrant Fair: Sunday, September 7, 2003

Country Store – 10:00 at St. John's Church – crafts, candy, produce. Craft tables available at St. John's for \$15.00. Turkey Dinner at 12:00 p.m. at the Emigrant Hall. Call Sharon Neal for more information at (406) 333-4374.

FOR SALE: GT I-Drive 5, full suspension mountain bike. 27 speeds, large aluminum frame for 5'9 – 6'3. V-brakes, Shimano Deore rear derailleur. \$475, OBO. Call Sam at (406) 848-7513.

Moving Sale: Small upright freezer, portable dishwasher, trundle bed, vacuum cleaner, computer desk, sorrel boots, George Foreman grill, tiffany style hanging lamp and table lamps, snow tires, and other assorted items. Call Ginny Brock at (307) 344-9246 or (307) 344-2052.

Moving Sale: Large chest of drawers, oak, \$30; Oak entertainment cabinet, for 25" TV, 27" fits tight, \$30; Newer Burgundy Love-seat, double recliner-rocker, asking \$90; Large crème couch, \$25; Light commercial home gym, Vectra, 210 lb. Weight stack, multi-station, used little, cost \$3300, asking \$1600; True Treadmill, with heart rate monitor, wide and long track, used little, cost \$3300, asking \$1500; Giant upright stationary bike, with AC adapter, works fine, \$25. Call Dick Divine at (307) 344-7349.

FOR SALE: 1996 Subaru Outback wagon, 93k miles, AC, manual transmission, comes w/4 stud-ded snow tires, has been parked in garage. Great condition! Asking \$8,700. Call Tammy at (307) 344-2115 or (307) 344-7433.

FOR SALE: Washer, dryer, and dishwasher, \$500 each OBO, call (406) 848-7962.

Veterinarian Visit: Dr. James Murray, DVM of Livingston will be at the Gardiner Exxon on Friday, August 22, Friday, September 19, and Friday, October 17, 2003. After that he will return to his regular bi-weekly schedule. Call (406) 222-3700 if you would like to schedule an appointment for a home visit.

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