

Yellowstone News

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Peer Awards

An employee nominated by another employee from any division that feels is doing an exceptional job. Peer Award recipients since the last newsletter in November include:

1. Brian Helms
2. Richard Jones
3. Andrea Demasi
4. Mark Foster (Glacier Bay)
5. Randy Baum
6. Gena Madding
7. Bruce Cunningham
8. Michael Keator
9. Nancy Baum



Chief Ranger Rick Obernesser surrounded by a few of our many fine Law Enforcement Rangers at the 100th Anniversary of the Old Faithful Inn. ♣

Photo by Jim Peaco

PAYROLL INFORMATION

Leave Share Recipients:

Please keep in mind, Peter Galindo is still an active recipient. Thank you to all that have already donated leave. He very much appreciates all the hours he has received so far.

All Supervisors:

Please stress to new employees and rehires, that it is their responsibility to verify that their taxes, and quarters deductions are accurate. They should review their Leave and earning statements every pay period for accuracy.

Inside Track

The following is the most current schedule of road closures for the road construction project near Flagg Ranch-these will generally occur from 11:00pm to 6:00am.

- Wednesday May 26, and Thursday May 27
- Tuesday June 1, Wednesday June 2, and Thursday June 3
- Monday June 7, Tuesday June 8, Wednesday June 9, and Thursday June 10

We can assist any emergency transports coming south and have had good luck so far getting emergency vehicles through the construction with minimal (if any) delays. If you need further information, call South at 242-7209.

This is Your Newsletter

Now available on-line!

This is our second edition of the all-new Yellowstone News. It can only be a success with input from you and your fellow employees. Please email me at: kris.peters@nps.gov with articles and information you would like in the newsletter. In order to save paper, you can also access this Newsletter on-line at: www.nps.gov/yell/newsletter.pdf

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Yellowstone Association seeks Assistant Sales Manager

to purchase educational products and sell wholesale publications for visitors to the Greater Yellowstone Area. Total sales more than \$2,000,000. Growth opportunity with respected educational organization in Gardiner, Montana. Requires purchasing/sales experience and strong customer service skills. \$12.00 to \$14.00 per hour plus benefits. Full description at www.yellowstoneassociation.org/whatsnew/. Please send resume, cover letter, and three professional references to Debbie Collins, Sales Manager, Yellowstone Association, PO Box 117, Yellowstone National Park, WY 82190 by Monday, June 21, 2004. ♣

NPS Employee Discounts on Yellowstone Institute Courses

The Yellowstone Association Institute offers a 50% discount to all park employees and their immediate families (spouse and children) for field seminar and backcountry courses that have openings within 30 days of the start date. Courses are taught by college professors, research scientists, park staff, and other experts. Although these courses span a wide variety of subject matter, the common theme is gaining a greater understanding of our first national park's unique ecological, historical, and cultural treasures. There may still be a few spaces in the upcoming courses listed below if you move quickly! Please call our Registrar at 307-344-2294 to register or request a complete course catalog. For more information about the Institute, visit our website at www.yellowstoneassociation.org and click on "The Institute".

Start Date	Course Name
6/3/2004	Grizzly Bear Ecology & Management
6/5/2004	The Sheep Eater Indians of Greater Yellowstone
6/7/2004	Bears: Bones, Signs & Stories
6/9/2004	Yellowstone Wolf Basecamp
6/9/2004	Discovering Yellowstone Lake
6/12/2004	Yellowstone Time Travel: Hiking into the Geological Past
6/18/2004	In Celebration of Birds
6/18/2004	Nature Photography in Yellowstone: The Digital Image
6/19/2004	Predator Conservation in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem
6/20/2004	Wildflowers for Beginners - Mammoth

6/20/2004	Wolves: Reality & Myth
6/21/2004	Yellowstone Wolf Basecamp
6/23/2004	Wild Edible Plants & Medicinal Herbs
6/23/2004	The Art of Wildflower Identification
6/23/2004	Fang & Flesh: Hunter & Hunted in Yellowstone
6/25/2004	Learning Birds by Sound
6/26/2004	Yellowstone's Geoecosystem
6/27/2004	Backpacking in Grizzly Country - Canyon
6/27/2004	Exploring Yellowstone by Map & Compass
6/28/2004	True to Life: The Art & Science of Drawing Animals
6/29/2004	This Place is for the Birds!
6/29/2004	Yellowstone Waterfalls
6/30/2004	Introduction to Yellowstone's Geological Landscapes
7/1/2004	Ripple Effect: The Ecology of Wolf Restoration
7/2/2004	Butterflies of the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem
7/3/2004	Wildflowers for Beginners - Lake
7/3/2004	The History of Wildlife in Yellowstone
7/4/2004	Introduction to Yellowstone Backpacking - Lower Geyser Basin
7/4/2004	Forest Ecology: Lessons from a Wildland Ecosystem
7/5/2004	Pelican Valley Grizzly Bear Basecamp
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YFEA Election Results

- President is Jim Sykes
- Treasurer is Jenny Hill
- Membership Coordinator is Jean Nuetzel
- Events Coordinator is still pending

Yellowstone Federal Employees Association is for the benefit and enjoyment of the employee and is run by hard working volunteers. If you have any time you could donate to a great cause, don't be shy. The only way to keep it going is by joining and lending a helping hand. The current board members are:

President	Jim Sykes
Vice President	Leigh Anne Dunworth
Membership Coordinator	Jean Nuetzel
Secretary	Colleen Athas
Treasurer	Jenny Hill ♣

Classifieds

YARD SALE EXTRAVAGANZA:

Multi-Residences in Lower Mammoth
June 12th, 8 AM-Noon

MOVING SALE: SATURDAY JUNE 5, 2004 AT RESIDENCE #4C IN UPPER MAMMOTH. SALE BEGINS AT 8:00 AND WILL END ABOUT 4:00. LOTS OF HOUSEHOLD, CLOTHING, FURNITURE AND OTHER GREAT STUFF. NO EARLY SALES PLEASE!

FOR SALE: 1982 Kawasaki GPZ 550 Motorcycle, \$350.00 OBO, Call 344-9068 or 406-581-9029

FOR SALE: Full size computer desk/work station, 30" X 60", keyboard shelf, file drawer, other features - \$60.00. Nordic Track Achiever, folds down - \$90.00. Violin ¾ size, case, access - \$140.00. 344-7365.

FOR SALE: 1992 Ford 1 Ton Van - 15 passenger, 1 Ton roof rack, Queen bed-table conversion, rear heat/AC, V-8, limited slip, 105k highway miles. Excellent condition \$6,800. Call 848-7933 after 5.

FOR SALE: Roll-top desk (Oak Creek by Riverside) Medium Oak with 5 drawers. Excellent condition \$750. Set of twin beds with boxsprings/mattresses, oak. Very good condition \$200. Call 848-7933 after 5.

WANTED: Operatic vocal student searching for a summer piano accompanist--fairly difficult music--pay by the hour--contact Neva Plumb at (307) 344-6521 or (406) 531-7114 if you are interested!

Calling All Artists – The Electric Peak Arts Council (EPAC) is looking for a logo for the 2004-2005 season brochure. Entries should be consistent with EPAC's mission – "to foster an appreciation of the performing and visual arts for the rural communities surrounding the North Entrance of Yellowstone Park." The chosen entry will receive a ticket for the 2004-2005 season, a \$100.00 savings bond, and a gift certificate from one of the local businesses. Entries should be mailed to the Electric Peak Arts Council, PO Box 22, Gardiner, MT 59030 by July 9th. For more information contact any of EPAC's board members: Dayna McClure, Diana McGahan, Janet Lewis, Bob Fuhrman, Jenny Golding, Denny Barford, Julie York, Bill & Nancy Edwards, Ivan Kowski, Christie Cote or Sheri Hoppe.♣

The Body Shop® Is Bringing Its Store To Your Door

The Body Shop® has been around for 26 years and this new division is 2 years old as of April 1, 2004!

We bring the products to your home where you and your friends can pamper yourselves and sample the products.

We offer:

Foot Spa*Body Spa***Faces are Forever***Make it Up**

As a host you earn free gifts and product at 50% off! If you are running low on your favorite products or just want to sample new ones give me a call @ **406-223-4824 or 848-2209**. You may also be interested in pampering yourself and your friends by hosting one of our Girl's Night Out parties! We have some fantastic host specials for June as well as a new line of hair care and summer skin care products☺

Thank you for your business! – Becky Wyman

Newest additions to the YFEA Video Library:

Hulk	Traffic
Brother Bear	Scream
Mona Lisa Smile	Scream 2
The Bone Collector	Swordfish
American Beauty	

Search the video database on the Intranet at
<http://www.yell.nps.gov/Yfea/videos.asp>

Welcome to Yellowstone!

Kathryn Horner, Lead Forestry Technician, Mammoth Fire Cache 5/23/04

Bonnie Schwartz, Supervisory Park Ranger, Old Faithful 5/30/04

Brenda Waters, Supervisory Exotic Plant Management Specialist, Mammoth 5/30/04

Laura Johnson, Student Trainee (Utility Systems Operator), Lake 6/13/04

Field Training and Evaluation Program

On March 1, 2004 the National Park Service implemented the Field Training and Evaluation Program for Law Enforcement Park Rangers. This program is a 12-week field-training program for graduates of the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center. Graduates of FLETC are assigned to any one of 20 Field Training Parks; Yellowstone National Park is a Field Training Park.

Park Rangers Nancy Martinz, Kristin Fey, Mike Hardin and David Barland-Liles are Yellowstone's Field Training Rangers. These Rangers attended a week long training session at FLETC to prepare them to be mentors to recent FLETC graduates.

Our first Probationary Ranger, Todd Austin, arrived on March 1, 2004. Todd is a Ranger at Lake Mead National Recreation Area. Todd has worked at Mammoth, Gallatin, and Old Faithful sub districts. Todd graduated from the FTEP in mid May and is back on duty at LAME.

Probationary Ranger Eric Nelson, from Badlands National Park is midway through the Program. Eric has worked at Gallatin, Old Faithful, and Canyon sub districts. Eric will complete the program in mid June.

Probationary Rangers Amy Fink and Lori Huber arrived in Yellowstone in mid May. Amy will work out of the Mammoth sub district with Nancy Martinz while Lori will work out of the Old Faithful sub district with Mike Hardin. Amy and Lori will be with us until the end of July. Amy will return to Chickamauga-Chattanooga National Military Park. Lori will return to Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area.

If you see an unfamiliar Ranger riding around with, or more likely, driving an old salt around, it might be one of the Probationary Rangers from the FTEP. Please take a minute to make them feel welcome here in Yellowstone.

You can find more information on the FTEP on the Ranger Division Intranet web page. ♣

Spring Has Sprung and Summer is Upon Us!
Please join us for

***The Yellowstone Women's Social Club
Luncheon***

Monday, June 7

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. (Please come when you can)
Mammoth School Gym

♣ Potluck ♣

Bring what you'd like and we'll eat what you bring

***It is our hope to make all women of the area feel
welcome!***

Not Just A Walk in the Park!

The top of Denali (Mt. McKinley) is the destination for 5 hearty souls that some of us know. Colette Daigle-Berg, husband Bill Berg, Ann Rodman, Dave Thoma (worked for Ann in the late 80s), and Mike Daigle (Colette's older brother) comprise the Greater Yellowstone Team or GYT. These five are attempting to climb Denali (20,320 ft) in the next few weeks, and the adventure has begun.

On Saturday, May 22, 2004, Bill, Colette, and Ann flew out of Bozeman to join the rest of their climbing group in Anchorage. If Mother Nature cooperates and the stars line up, the climbers should be on top sometime during the 2nd week of June. If you'd like to track their adventure, sign on to www.coolworks.com/gyt. There's already lots of information on the site that talks about the route and trip preparations along with links to maps and weather, etc.

When they're actually climbing, Bill **should** be able to call in to the site by cell phone so that we can HEAR how things are going. Let's keep them in our thoughts and send good energy their way.

(Note: Yellowstone's highest mountain is Eagle Peak in the southeast corner at 11,358 ft.) ♣

Computer Corner

IT Security Training is due June 15th. *Everyone* using a government computer has to take this training, every year. To take the training go to www.doiu.nbc.gov/itsecurity and click on Take the Course. At the end you will need to print out the certificate and send it to CSS.

WE'VE FINALLY MOVED! Yes, Computer Support is now located in the first stone building on the left as you enter the government area behind the clinic (fondly known as Building 38). To find us just come in the door facing the old log cabin and we're the first office on the right. We really appreciate all the work done by all the craft shops and Mike Vachon in making our new office comfortable and workable.

Please help us welcome Ryan Six. Ryan is here from Omaha, NE for the summer as an intern. He will be assisting us with just about everything so you may see him in your office or building. We will also have a volunteer starting in June – Michael Kremer. ♣

Museum of the National Park Ranger VIPs, 2004

Name	Work Dates	Move In	Move Out
Bob Haraden	5/31– 6/5	5/30	6/6
Bill Lewis Suzanne Kusserow	6/6 – 6/26	6/5	6/27
James Fox Lucie Fink	6/8 – 6/19	6/7	6/20
Dallas Koehn	6/22 – 7/2	6/21	7/2
Terry Lang	7/2 – 7/13	7/1	7/14
Jim and Bev Holcomb	7/5 – 7/16	7/4	7/17
Don and Joyce Thompson	7/16 – 7/27	7/15	7/28
Al Mebane	7/19 – 7/30	7/18	7/31
Frank Weingart	7/30 – 8/10	7/29	8/11
Don and Linda McGee	8/2 – 8/13	8/1	8/14
Ben and Jane Zerby	8/13 – 8/24	8/12	8/25
Bob and Anita Peterson	8/16 – 8/27	8/15	8/28
Glenn Clark	8/27 – 9/7	8/26	9/8
Bruce and June Freet	8/30 – 9/10	8/29	9/11
Judith and Joseph Winkleman	9/10 – 9/21	9/9	9/22
Clark Dixon	9/13 – 9/30	9/12	10/1

Results of the Park to Paradise Race

61	SOLO	MEN	The Duke	Harper; Harper; Harper	2:20:04
49	SOLO	MEN	Liquidlightfoto.com	Young; Young; Young	2:32:47
45	RACING	MEN	Powered By Beans	Madsen; Gruber; Perkins	2:34:07
41	RACING	MEN	The 4-Strokes	Bernethy/Darr; Frerich; DeYoung	2:35:08
100	SOLO	MEN	Steve Bruner	Bruner; Bruner; Bruner	2:35:17
59	SOLO	MEN	Ray Gimmeson	Gimmeson; Gimmeson; Gimmeson	2:36:39
58	RACING	COED	Silver Streak	Lyness; Chan; Reid	2:39:03
65	RACING	MEN	Hard Core	Jon/Cory; Cory; Jon	2:39:41
53	RACING	MEN	The Sleepers	Anderson; Colmey; McKenzie	2:44:24
50	RACING	MEN	What Category?	Lesnik; Miller; Davis	2:44:45
29	RACING	COED	Cow Pie #7	Lundgren/Klepetar; Lundgren; Klepetar	2:45:16
66	SOLO	MEN	Adam Swisher	Swisher; Swisher; Swisher	2:46:45
36	SOLO	MEN	Chad Rothacher	Rothacher; Rothacher; Rothacher	2:47:10
34	SOLO	MEN	Rick McAdam	McAdam; McAdam; McAdam	2:47:36
71	RACING	COED	Team Burly	Wyman/Gunther; Balogh; Balogh	2:49:52
63	RACING	MEN	Team Advil	Blueher; Tyra; Crawford	2:50:07

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68	RECREATIONAL	MEN	One Short Hair	Fuhrmann; Ducklow; Miculka	2:54:17	
43	RECREATIONAL	COED	Here We Go Again	Ward/Holshouser; DeMasi; Obernesser	2:55:07	
31	RACING	MEN	Are We There Yet!	Robertson; Sherwood; Gough	2:55:51	
54	RACING	WOMEN	Two Chicks and a Hen	Page; Fulker; Reinhart	3:03:05	
42	SOLO	MEN	David Stringfield	Stringfield; Stringfield; Stringfield	3:04:28	
56	RECREATIONAL	COED	Hobbits and the Orcs	Condon/English; Weeks-Condon; Coyle	3:05:45	
51	SOLO	MEN	Brewski	Beers; Beers; Beers	3:06:29	
64	SOLO	MEN	Geoff Faerber	Faerber; Faerber; Faerber	3:06:29	
32	RACING	MEN	The Laplacians	Brohaugh/Trouba; Brohaugh/Trouba; Brohaugh/Trouba	3:08:23	
98	RECREATIONAL	MEN	Lahaina Lunatics	Wallen; Sacklin; Smith	3:09:57	
70	SOLO	WOMEN	Anita Wilk	Wilk; Wilk; Wilk	3:15:52	
40	SOLO	WOMEN	Awesome Dawson	Dawson; Dawson; Dawson	3:17:26	
30	RACING	WOMEN	Tar-Corn-Cats	Smith; Higgins; Stieb	3:19:52	
99	RECREATIONAL	COED	Everyone Gets a Raise	Morey/Morey; Gruber; Savage	3:24:57	
37	SOLO	MEN	Matt Higgins	Higgins; Higgins; Higgins	3:26:55	
39	SOLO	WOMEN	Breann Beasley	Beasley; Beasley; Beasley	3:30:00	
97	SOLO	WOMEN	Liza Britton	Britton; Britton; Britton	3:30:56	
35	SOLO	MEN	Rich Troy	Troy; Troy; Troy	3:32:03	
67	SOLO	MEN	Robert Germany	Germany; Germany; Germany	3:39:38	
38	SOLO	WOMEN	Becky Wyman	Wyman; Wyman; Wyman	3:41:39	
44	SOLO	MEN	Phil Doepke	Doepke; Doepke; Doepke	3:46:24	
46	RACING	MEN	Cultural Infidels	Zickefoose; Zickefoose; Green	incomplete	3:04:12
69	RACING	MEN	Two Dry Old Farts	Davidson; Hatfield; Davidson	N/A	
60	SOLO	MEN	Vernon Jenkins	Jenkins; Jenkins; Jenkins	N/A	

DID YOU KNOW?

Welcome to our new column called Did You Know? Stay tuned for more information about where the park gets its money and how it spends it. If you're curious about any related topics, feel free to email steve_bruner@nps.gov with questions.

What does **\$1,000** buy at Yellowstone National Park?

These are typical park expenses. Based on October 2003 financial data we paid approximately \$1,000 for each bulleted item.

- 350 reams of paper for the mail room (we use over 3,000 reams per year)
- one day of the park's telephone bill (no this is not a misprint)
- shared housing for a Volunteer for 5 months
- 2 taser guns with holster and associated parts
- 11 tons of hay for park stock animals
- 1 month winter pasture rent for park stock animals
- 11,000 assorted washers, nuts, and cap screws for boardwalk repair
- 189 pieces of lumber, 2 x 6's in 12 foot lengths for boardwalk safety railing
- 4 boat oil filters
- 2 weeks (1 pay period) of a GS-5 seasonal employee (for interpretation that allows for 8,000 visitors to be served through informal programs or 3,000 visitors to participate in a formal program)
- 2 days of work from the Montana Conservation Corp
- average payout on a tort claim in which one of our employees damaged another vehicle ♣
- 1 computer
- 1 year service agreement for medium sized copier
- one tire for a grader
- 1 drum hydraulic oil
- 5 snowsuits
- 2 desks from UNICOR, or 1 desk open market
- 10 cubic yards of concrete
- 2 days veterinary assistance for bison monitoring
- 3 rolls of reflective tape for road signs
- 168 tons of gravel
- 5 grizzly bear collars to be repaired/refurbished
- 1 fixed wing survey flight to count mountain goats
- repair of paving machine at Fishing Bridge (\$7.95 for the part)
- one service call to repair fuel pumps, including inspection and repair
- 300 copies of the Fisheries Report
- 3 months rent on a GSA vehicle, no miles driven

COMMUNITY POTLUCK

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THE MONTANA STATE
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INTER-TRIBAL
DRUMMING GROUP
IN WELCOMING
YELLOWSTONE'S
ASSOCIATED
TRIBES

THURSDAY, JUNE 3rd

Gardiner Community Center (Eagle's Hall)

Buffalo Meat for Stew Provided by the Inter-Tribal Bison
Cooperative 6-9p.m.

Sponsored by Bear Creek Council & National Park Service



Edna's Retirement Party



***Friday, June 11, 2004
3:00 P.M.***

Mammoth Hotel Map Room

***After 33 years with the National Park Service, Edna Good is outta here!
Please join us for some Good stories, Good hearty laughs, and Good food!***



Recommendation for STAR Award

As the Chief of Business Management, Edna Good has done a phenomenal job in the five-month period October 1, 2003 – March 31, 2004. Prior to the winter season, Edna and her staff worked relentlessly to develop a guided interpretive snowmobile/snowcoach prospectus and contracts. These were in response to the March 2003 ROD and December 11 rule on winter use. On December 16, the evening prior to the opening of winter season, a federal district judge threw out the March 2003 decision. This resulted in the snowmobile portion of the prospectus being cancelled. Edna and her staff worked many very long days dealing with many contractors who did not get contracts due to the ruling and dealing with the 15 vendors with new snowcoach contracts. She also had to issue 22 guided interpretive snowmobile contracts. She and her staff provided outstanding support to the park incident team, the Superintendent, the Region, Washington and Interior offices. All of this was going on while Edna was also working with PriceWaterhouseCoopers on the \$60m Xanterra contract which expires this year; the last year of the YPSS and Medcor interim contracts and 47 pack and horse contracts resulting in new prospectus. Add asset management evaluation and “normal” operations for a \$80m/yr operation and it's quite apparent Edna has performed well beyond what was expected.

Edna greets each day with a positive attitude, has a remarkable business sense, a no-nonsense approach and truly “gets the job done”. She is a tremendous asset to the National Park Service. She continues to serve a critical role in Yellowstone and both Suzanne and I are indebted to her for the high quality work she does.

Franklin C. Walker
Deputy Superintendent

Award Nomination – Diane Chalfant, Chief of Interpretation

Diane is recommended for a monetary award for her extremely professional work in the past three years in furthering the partnership efforts of Yellowstone National Park. For example, she developed and successfully presented the Yellowstone Association fundraising/construction agreement and project to the Development Advisory Board (DAB). As one DAB member explained, it was “one of the best presentations ever presented to DAB”. She also worked for the past few months finalizing the agreement with the Regional Office, Washington Office and Interior Solicitors. This agreement is being looked upon as the standard for all others in the rest of the National Park Service.

In leading the effort for the new Old Faithful Visitor Education Center, she developed two very successful written grants to both the National Science Foundation (\$2.9 million) and the Kresge Foundation (\$1 million) for the new exhibits. The park and the Yellowstone Park Foundation would not have received these grants without Diane's articulate and professional statement of the needs. She has served as the main park spokesperson for the new Old Faithful Visitor Education Center proposal in front of the Development Advisory Board in two successful presentations. This was the first National Science Foundation grant of this size ever received by the National Park Service.

One of Diane's long term projects has been the complete renovation of the Canyon Visitor Center. This facility will now be the primary place in Yellowstone to explain the geological story, with rehabilitation of the entire structure and completely new exhibits. This fee demo project is the largest and most significant in Yellowstone. The project also included obtaining and installing a temporary visitor center for two years. Diane continues to do an excellent job as the Chief of Interpretation at Yellowstone National Park. Diane has a commitment to formal education and she has successfully implemented a pilot *Expedition: Yellowstone!* Program at the YCC Camp during the months of November – February, a Kids Kamp, a high school science program and other opportunities for students from Wyoming, Montana and Idaho. Diane recently demonstrated her leadership, when she suggested at the December Focus Days meeting that two visitor centers could be staffed differently this year. That was the impetus we needed as a group to move forward. She has also served as a valuable and productive member of the Position Management Review Board. It gives me great pleasure to recommend Diane for this award. She goes way beyond the line to get the job done in a truly professional and exemplary manner.

Franklin C. Walker
Deputy Superintendent



Photo by Jim Peaco

Happy Birthday to You!

The Old Faithful Inn celebrated its 100th birthday on May 7, 2004. The kids from the Mammoth Elementary School were there to lead the crowd in singing happy birthday.

Comm Center Has New Digs

Welcome to a new summer season from the Yellowstone Communication Center. The dispatchers have almost settled into our new center in Building 38. In an emergency, dial 911 to reach us. This includes all cell phones! Please stay on the line if you accidentally dial 911 so that we can clear the call. We do not have location capability on these lines, so it's vital that you stay on line so we can help you.

This season appears to be starting off busier than usual. Please be aware of radio courtesy—as we have many users with multiple needs for the frequencies. If you are able to use a local channel to reach your party, please do so. This will help us handle emergency situations in a safe manner. If you hear a beeping sound from your radio—about every five seconds—this means a priority emergency is occurring. Please do not use the radio at all during this time, unless you have another emergency. We wish you a happy and safe summer! ♣

Law Enforcement is in Newly Remodeled Building with Comm Center

The Branch of Law Enforcement Services has moved from the Chief Ranger's Office. Their new location is in Building 38. Enter through the northwest side door facing the old cabin, ascend the stairs, and turn left at the top. Their phone numbers have remained the same. ♣



We are happy to officially announce the **Yellowstone Music Festival!** A common desire to provide visual and performing arts for all ages in the local community has culminated in a first-ever grassroots music festival in our very own Gardiner, MT, co-sponsored by the Gardiner Chamber of Commerce and the Electric Peak Arts Council. September 5, 2004 at the Arch Park will be filled with acoustic and roots-based music featuring local, regional, and national acts **Catie Curtis, Steppin in It, The Sibley's, Erik Koskinen, Sol Congress**, and local acts TBA. Put the date on your calendar, and plan to spend a fun, family-oriented day listening to outstanding music! If you are interested in becoming a festival volunteer or sponsor, please contact Jenny Golding at 848-9982. ♣

The
**UNITED
STATES
AIR
FORCE**



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THE HEARTLAND *of* AMERICA BAND

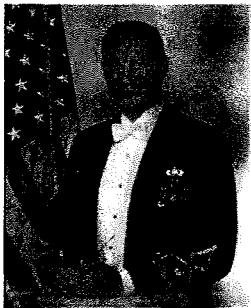
from Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska

in a Free Concert

at Mammoth Hot Springs Visitor's Center

in Yellowstone National Park on

June 30, 2004 at 5:00 PM

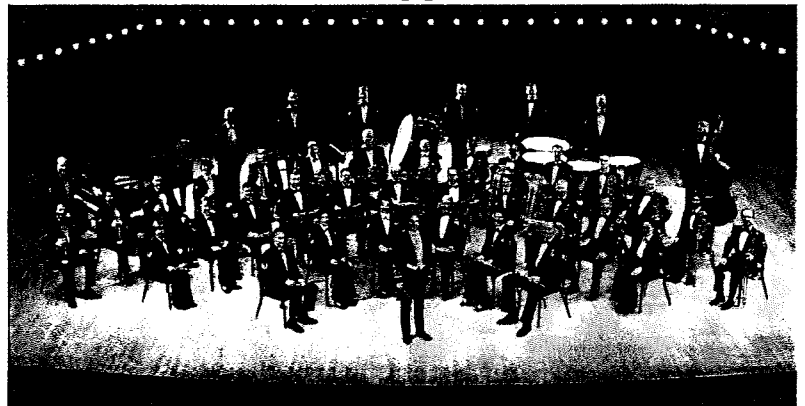


Major Phillip Waite, the commander and conductor of the Heartland of America Band will lead a program featuring traditional band works, vocal selections and a special patriotic tribute. If you would like more information, contact the Yellowstone National Park Visitors center at (307) 344-2109. No tickets are necessary, lawn chairs are recommended. In case of rain, the concert will be held inside at the Mammoth Recreation Center.

Entertaining and inspiring audiences since 1943, the USAF Heartland of America Band is known throughout the United States for its outstanding performances and recordings. Stationed at Offutt Air

Force Base, Nebraska, the USAF Heartland of America Band fulfills a diverse mission supporting Air Force troop morale and tradition, recruiting, community relations, and the preservation of our musical heritage.

The band's mission is to represent the pride and professionalism of the men and women of the United States Air Force as an integral part of Air Force Public Relations.



visit us on the web at: www.offutt.af.mil/band

No More Local TV Channels

On June 1, 2004 television channels 9, 10, and 13 will no longer be broadcast from Bunsen Peak to the Mammoth/Gardiner communities. The discontinuance of this free service is based on several factors:

- The Federal Communications Commission (F.C.C.) licenses to authorize the broadcasting of channels 9, 10, and 13 from Bunsen Peak have expired. It would be illegal to continue to broadcast the TV signal on the expired licenses.
- The technology and equipment used to rebroadcast TV signals from Bunsen Peak is obsolete.
- Weak source input signals received from distant television stations make it impossible for the existing translation/broadcast equipment to rebroadcast a strong, interference-free television signal to Mammoth and Gardiner viewers. Thus, picture quality to viewers is normally substandard and usually deteriorates further when inclement weather conditions are present.

Television rebroadcast translators were installed on Bunsen Peak during a time when no other television signals could be received in the Mammoth/Gardiner areas. Viewers in this area now have the options of subscribing to either cable or satellite TV networks. When users become accustomed to the higher quality of picture received from these systems they usually become even less satisfied with the poor picture quality from the channels being rebroadcast from Bunsen Peak.

The discontinuance of free TV service will have no affect on the FM radio signals currently being received from Bunsen Peak. Existing FM radio station service will continue.

**2004 SCHEDULE OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES
YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK**

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

Sundays: May 23 to September 5

Old Faithful Lodge Rec Hall	7 p.m., May 23 to Sept. 5
Canyon Amphitheater	4:30 p.m., June 6 to Sept. 5
Lake Lodge Rec Hall	7 p.m., June 6 to Sept. 5
Grant Village Amphitheater	4:30 p.m., June 27 to Sept. 5

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST

Saturdays, May 29 to September 4

Old Faithful Lodge Rec Hall	10 a.m. to noon
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A CHRISTIAN MINISTRY IN YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK

Sundays, June 6 to August 22

Bridge Bay Amphitheater	8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 7 p.m.
Canyon Amphitheater	9 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 7 p.m.
Fishing Bridge Amphitheater	9 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 7 p.m.
Grant Village Amphitheater	9 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 7 p.m.
Lake Hotel Sunroom	8 a.m., 10 a.m.
Lake Lodge Rec Hall	9 a.m., 8:30 p.m.
Madison Amphitheater	8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 7 p.m.
Mammoth Chapel	8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.
Mammoth Campground	8:30 a.m., 7 p.m.
Norris Amphitheater	9 a.m.
Old Faithful Inn Balcony	8 a.m., 11 a.m.
Old Faithful Lodge	11 a.m., 8:30 p.m.
Tower Falls Amphitheater	8:30 a.m., 7:30 p.m.
Indian Creek	9 a.m.

ROMAN CATHOLIC

Saturday, June 19 to September 4

Canyon Amphitheater	4 p.m.
Grant Village Amphitheater	6:30 p.m.

Sundays, June 20 to September 5

Old Faithful Lodge Rec Hall	9 a.m.
Lake Lodge Rec Hall	11:30 a.m.