

February 2005
Volume 1, Issue 10

Inside this Issue

- 1 Where's the Snow?
- 2 Community Events
Passing of Ron Dilling
Classifieds
- 3 Jardine Ski Run
- 4 Paul Taylor Music Event
- 5 YA Positions Open &
New Yellowstone Co-Op
Website
- 6 YA Classes Offered

Check us out at:
www.nps.gov/yell/newsletter.pdf

National Park Service
PO Box 168
Yellowstone National Park, WY
82190

Yellowstone News

Where's the Snow?

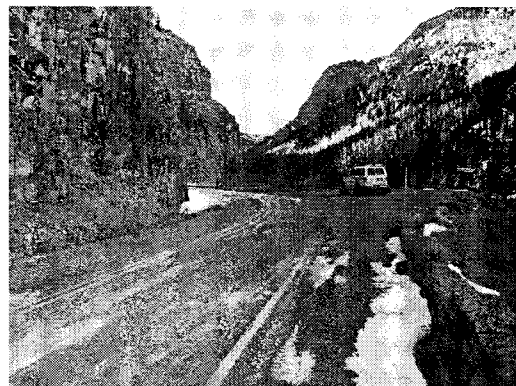
To all employees:

Due to deteriorating snow conditions between Mammoth and Norris, specifically in the Golden Gate section, and unfavorable long range forecasts, the following travel restrictions will be implemented immediately:

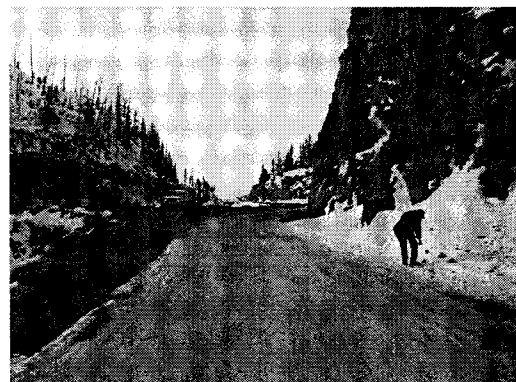
- 1) Employees traveling the Mammoth to Norris road corridor must speak with their supervisor and determine if the trip is absolutely necessary. Travel must only be for essential work.
- 2) The speed limit in the Golden Gate area will be posted at 5 miles per hour.
- 3) Employees traveling the "back road" should be prepared for poor conditions and reduced speeds.

Great care must be taken in the Golden Gate road section! Machine operators should be prepared to cross 100 yards of bare pavement in this road section. Restrictions may be lifted or increased based on the weather. If you have questions, please contact me at 344-2030.

Brandon Gauthier
Safety and Health Manager
Yellowstone National Park



It's not much fun trying to drive a snowmobile in these conditions. These pictures were taken up on Golden Gate (just outside of Mammoth) Thursday January 27th. There hasn't been any new snow since then and the temperatures have been unseasonably warm. Some forecasts are calling for a wintry change this weekend, so get out and do your best snow dance.

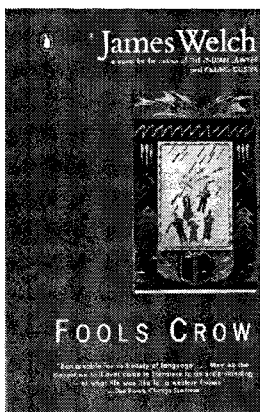


Community Events:

Australian storyteller and songwriter **Paul Taylor** is coming to Gardiner on **Thursday, February 10**, at 7:00 pm in the Gardiner School. Paul Taylor will celebrate Aboriginal and European Australian culture through music, song and the didgeridoo. Tickets are: Adults: \$8.00, K-12: \$5.00 and Families: \$25.00. The performance is sponsored by the **Electric Peak Arts Council (EPAC)** and the **Bruin Booster Club**. **NOTE:** The performance date is a change from the February 11 date listed in EPAC's season brochure.

One Book Montana: *Fools Crow*

The **Electric Peak Arts Council (EPAC)** and the **Montana Committee for the Humanities** will present the **One Book Montana** program on **Wednesday, February 23**. **Dale Waniata**, a guest speaker from the Montana Committee for the Humanities, will lead a discussion of the book ***Fools Crow*** by James Welch at 7:00 pm in the basement of the Gardiner Baptist Church. Copies of the book are available from the Gardiner Library, open on Tuesday from 10:00 am-5:00 pm and 6:00-8:00 pm, and 6:00-8:00 pm on Thursdays. Copies can also be purchased at the **Silvertip Bookstore** in Gardiner.



Ronald Calvin Dilling

LIVINGSTON — Ronald Calvin Dilling, 65, of Livingston, formerly of Yellowstone National Park, passed away Jan. 26, 2005.

He was born Sept. 23, 1939, in Tulsa, Okla., to Maurice and Roxiann (Orr) Dilling.

Ronald grew up in Okalahoma and his family moved to California, where he graduated from Lynwood High School in Lynwood, Calif. Ronald also lived in Colorado, Ohio, Texas and Yellowstone National Park. He married Judith A. White, April 26, 1969, in Redwood City, Calif. He worked as a systems analyst and retail manager. Ronald served in the Armed Forces from June of 1973 to June of 1976. He loved RVing, computers and photography. He had a total love of Yellowstone Park. Ron and Judith spent the last several years working in National Parks, most recently in Yellowstone Park with Hamilton Stores and Delaware North.

Ronald is survived by his wife, Judith; mother Roxiann Garrison; son Robert (Kim Bain) Dilling of Colorado Springs, Colo.; daughters Stacie (Craig) Barfknecht of Riverside, Calif.; Janet (Carl) Hedberg of Colorado Springs; 11 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; a brother, Kenneth Dilling of Menlo Park, Calif. He was preceded in death by his father, Maurice, and a daughter, Deadra.

A celebration of life was held at Dahl Funeral Chapel in Bozeman at 3 p.m. Jan. 29. Memorials may be made in Ron's name to: (for melanoma research) c/o The American Cancer Society, 550 N. 31st St. Suite 103, Billings, MT 59101 or call 1-800-227-2345.

Classifieds

FOR SALE: Antique oak table and 4 chairs. Table is square in shape and fits great in smaller dining areas. Come take a look! Call 344-7308.

FOR SALE: Pioneer CD-ROM changer with 5-cartridge cassette, driver, and cables. \$25. Call 344-2161 or 848-7323.

DOCTOR MURRAY will be at the Exxon Friday February 4th. Stop by with your pet if you need a vet.

Welcome to Yellowstone

Harold Housley — Archivist

Bridgette Case — Museum Tech

HR Corner

LEAVE AND EARNING

STATEMENTS - Employees are advised to check their Leave and Earning Statements to make sure proper adjustments to pay have been made. For GS employees, the 2005 raise should be reflected in the Leave and Earnings Statement ending January 22, 2005; new health insurance rates should also show up now. Please contact Bette Cates in Payroll if you notice discrepancies. Errors in deductions may result in an indebtedness to the government that the employee will be required to repay.

18th Annual Jardine Ski Run! Feb 27th, 2005

**Sponsored by
BEAR CREEK COUNCIL**

Date: Sunday Feb 27, 2005

Time: 1:00 PM

Register from 12 to 12:50

Adult & Kids Races

- * \$7.00 Adult Donation
- * \$3.00 for Kids (12 & Under)

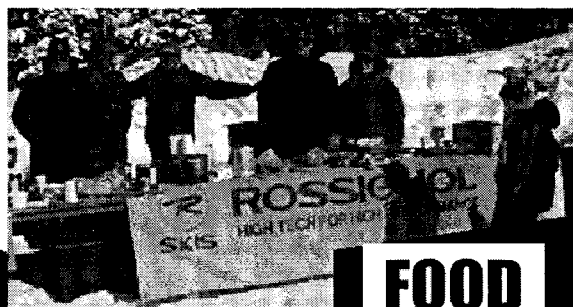
- * Watch for the signs from Jardine
- * Car Pool - Park at the Pine Creek area
- * Prepared Track (~ 5 Miles)
- * Creative Dress Encouraged for the
P. Russell Brown **STYLE AWARD**



Don't
get
left
out

Prizes

Raffle prizes
donated by
area
merchants



FOOD

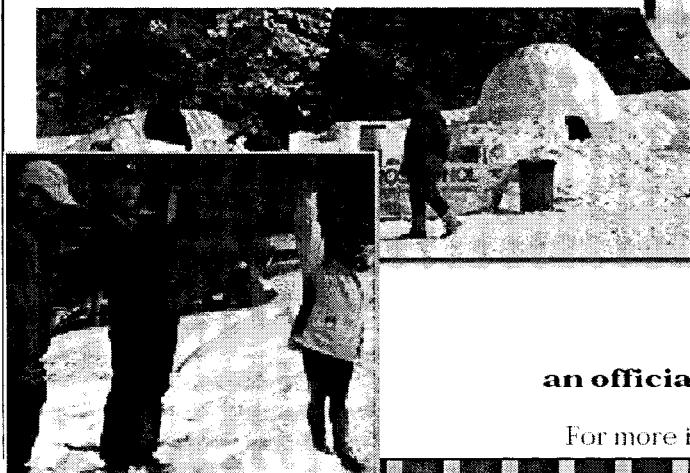
Chili
Hot Dogs
Baked Goods

Fun!

A GREAT way
to spend a
Sunday
afternoon

an official Bear Creek Council
FUNraiser!

For more information call 848-2380



Australian Music and Stories from the Outback



Paul Taylor

Featuring the music of the
Aboriginal Didjeridoo

"charming, loopy and engaging"
Eugene Storytelling Festival

*"...didjeridoo and story telling master."
Austin Chronicle*

Endorsed by Texas, Wyoming,
and Utah Arts Councils as an...
Outstanding Artist

Thursday, February 10 at 7:00 p.m.
Gardiner School

Note: date changed from Feb. 11

Tickets available at the door
Adults \$8 • Students K-12 \$5 • Families \$25

Brought to you by Electric Peak Arts Council and made possible through support from the Bruin Booser Club, the Montana Arts Council, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Montana Performing Arts Consortium

Britton Management, Susie Dowler, 1116 Indian Hills Dr. Gillette WY 82716
www.paultaylor.ws

Yellowstone Association Institute Seeking Summer Instructors

The Yellowstone Association Institute is seeking Environmental Educators and Interpretive Naturalists for a variety of natural and cultural history programs for adults and families:

Environmental Educator – Yellowstone for Families

4-day family environmental education program. Built around a mix of classroom instruction and field exploration, this program helps families to learn about the park's wildlife, history, and geology *as a family*. Weekly programs based at either Mammoth Hot Springs or Grant Village. Mid-May to the end of August, possible extension to the end of September. 40-50 hours per week. Housing is provided for Grant positions, meals provided on workdays.

Interpretive Naturalist

Teaches a variety of programs on the ecology, conservation, and management of Yellowstone wildlife: Multi-day spring/fall wildlife ecology programs and personal wildlife tours. Based in Gardiner, Montana at the Institute's North Entrance Education Center, and travels throughout the park. Mid-May to October 15. 40-50 hours per week.

Environmental Educator – Group Programs

Teaches a variety of programs on Yellowstone's natural history, cultural history, and geology throughout the park: personal hiking tours, natural and cultural history programs for large family groups, and multi-day field classes for private groups (non-profit groups, families, colleges). Based in Gardiner, Montana at the Institute's North Entrance Education Center. Mid-May to the end of August, and possible extension to the end of September. 40-50 hours per week. Part-time positions may be available.

Qualifications:

Required for all positions: Bachelor's degree, extensive environmental education and/or interpretive experience, outdoor leadership skills, close knowledge of the Yellowstone ecosystem, and a commitment to the Yellowstone Association's educational mission. Degree in biology or related field and extensive knowledge of wildlife ecology required for Interpretive Naturalist positions. Experience working with children aged 5-7 and/or 8-12 required for Environmental Educator positions. Desirable: Wilderness First Responder or Wilderness EMT certification, graduate degree in a related field.

Compensation:

The Instructors will be paid an hourly wage of \$11/hour, plus tips, with overtime paid for hours in excess of 40 per week. Affordable housing may be available in Gardiner, MT

For more information or to apply for an Instructor position, please contact:

Jenny Golding, Institute Program Manager

Yellowstone Association, Post Office Box 117, Yellowstone National Park, WY 82190
jgolding@YellowstoneAssociation.org (406) 848-2169

Applications will be accepted until positions are filled.

The Yellowstone Co-Op Employee Recreation Program is proud to announce its new website at:

<http://www.yellowstone-employee-recreation.org>

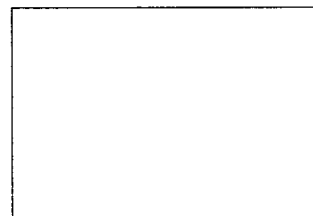
Check it out! Feel free to refer applicants to this site as it showcases the unique opportunities Yellowstone employees have through our program! The "Contact Us" page is a great way to refer inquiries to our program as well. This is the first stage in a website we plan to expand upon. In the future we plan to add new pages with news stories and information about employee adventures and experiences in the park. Let us know what you think! Enjoy

Institute Courses at Half Price for Park Employees

The Yellowstone Association Institute offers a 50% discount to all park employees and their immediate families (spouse and children) for field seminars that have openings within 30 days of the start date. This is a great way to broaden your knowledge of anything park-related. Courses are taught by college professors, research scientists, park staff, and other experts. There are still openings in most of our winter courses! 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". Also, our summer catalog will be out this month. Call or stop by the office or Albright Visitor Center anytime after January 24 and pick up a copy!

Start Date	Course Name
February 7-9, 2005	Complete Wildlife Photography: Art, Ecology & Stewardship
February 11-13, 2005	Red Fox: Yellowstone's Secretive Little Dog
February 16-17, 2005	Cougars: Ghosts of the Rockies
February 24-27, 2005	Snow Tracking: A Window on Winter Wildlife Ecology
March 4-6, 2005	Wolf Conservation & Management
March 11-13, 2005	Beyond Delisting: The Future of Wolf Conservation
March 14-16, 2005	The Y2Y Initiative: Yellowstone the Island?
March 21-23, 2005	Winter Tales & Trails
March 24-26, 2005	Lesser Known Carnivores

National Park Service
PO Box 168
Yellowstone National Park, WY 82190
United States



ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED