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In Memory of Steve Liebl

October 16, 2009



**Congratulations** to Scott and Vicki Denniston and their new baby girl Riley May born on October 5.

**Park County** is currently looking for those interested in a snowplowing contract in Cooke City. Please contact the commissioners at 222-4106 for more information.

**Colter Pass, Cooke City, Silver Gate Chamber of Commerce** – Board Meeting is scheduled for October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00 p.m.

**The Cooke City, Park County, Water District** Board of Directors will hold a public meeting on October 22, 2009 beginning at 6:00 PM, Cooke City Fire Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend. The agenda for the meeting is not yet determined. If you would like to have something put on the agenda please contact me at 539-7149 or email me at [pbearclaw@earthlink.net](mailto:pbearclaw@earthlink.net)

**Mt. Republic Chapel of Peace** – One service at 9:30. Visitors are welcome. If you have questions please call Pastor Seth Jones at 838-2397. Sunday school is available for children. **Rides to Mt. Republic Chapel of Peace** are available for Sunday mornings. Pick up time in Cooke City and Silver Gate are 9:15. In Cooke City meet outside the Soda Butte.

**A.A meeting** (open) at Mt. Republic Chapel of Peace each Monday at 8PM- ph-838-2397

**Swine Flu** H1N1 vaccine shots coming soon. Information to follow.

**Resort Tax Quarterly Reports** are due October 31 to Park County. If you need copies of the remittance report you can get them at [www.parkcounty.org](http://www.parkcounty.org) under the treasurer tab or at the Chamber office.

## **Delorale “Doe” Johnston**

Delorale Ann Johnston, known to friends as Doe, passed at her Davis home on October 13, 2009 after four years of fighting ovarian cancer. She was born June 26, 1934 in Turlock, California to Charles and Genevieve Proctor. She lived in the country outside Turlock until 1941 when her family moved to Piedmont, California where Doe graduated from High School in 1952 and from the University of California at Berkeley in 1956 with a degree in Social Welfare. She worked as a Recreation Supervisor for the Palo Alto Recreation Department after graduation before marrying Bob Johnston in 1957. Bob and Doe met at the Crusader Youth Group at the First Methodist Church in Oakland where Doe's parents were the counselors. Doe was a substitute teacher before accepting a regular position in San Lorenzo while Bob completed his Masters program at Cal. They moved to Vallejo in 1960 where Doe taught at Pennycook School until their children arrived. She enjoyed being a stay- at- home mom, caring for their new home and participating in League of Women Voters. Every summer they packed up to spend the weeks in Yellowstone National Park at the Lamar Buffalo Ranch where Bob was a seasonal ranger. This was a delightful, special time in the beautiful outdoors with abundant opportunities for recreation to share with family and friends.

In 1970 they moved to Davis, where Bob accepted a position as Vice Principal at Emerson Jr. High School. Doe did some home teaching while the children were in school, but eventually returned to school at Sacramento State to earn her Masters Degree in Special Education in 1979. She accepted a position in the Woodland Public Schools where she was employed until her retirement in 1994. She enjoyed helping special students learn. A highlight of her teaching career was when she and a co-worker organized a driving trip to study in Yellowstone Park just before her retirement.

In 1971, Bob and Doe built a cabin in Cooke City, Montana near Yellowstone Park where they spent part of the summer with their family and friends. They have especially enjoyed having their children, Clay and Jill, and the grandchildren come to enjoy this special country with them. Doe traveled with friends to England, Ireland and Scotland and, following retirement, with Bob through Chile, Argentina, Europe and Australia, but it was Yellowstone that always beckoned.

She loved to watch the daffodils bloom in early spring at her Davis home and again in early summer in Montana. She was also an avid rhubarb enthusiast, growing and sharing the plants with Montana neighbors; she and her friends published a rhubarb cookbook for the benefit of the Mount Republic Chapel of Peace in Cooke City. She enjoyed sewing and craft projects that she could share with others.

After being diagnosed with ovarian cancer in 2005, Doe became convinced women needed to become informed about this disease. She joined NOCC, National Ovarian Cancer Coalition, to learn more, spread the word about this silent killer, and seek support. Though she has lost her battle, it may not be in vain if more women will learn the facts about this disease. Doe leaves her husband, Bob; children Clay (Carol) Johnston and Jill Murphy; grandchildren Jenna and Jason Tullis, and Robby and Mark Murphy; and her sister Linda Crum-Helvig and nephew Brian Crum.

Doe enjoyed being part of a very special loving community in Cooke City, Montana and will be buried in the cemetery there. She leaves many friends in Cooke City and in Davis who gave loving support in her battle against ovarian cancer.

Donations may be sent to NOCC (National Ovarian Cancer Coalition), PO Box 2125, Fair Oaks, CA 95629-2125, to the IRWS (Interfaith Rotating Winter Shelter), 412 C Street, Davis, CA 95616, or to Yolo Hospice, 1909 Galileo Ct, Suite A, Davis, CA 95618.

No services are planned at this time.

## Businesses

### SILVERTIP MOUNTAIN CENTER HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE.

Saturday, November 28 in Silver Gate. 3:00-8:00 p.m. Wines and holiday delicacies. Storewide discounts. The season's best new gear: cozy fleece "better sweaters," ultra-warm down jackets, soft merino, bomber windproof shells. Plus candles, incense and more...all marked down! Sip wine and relax. (406) 838-2125/ 800 863 0807/ www.silvertipmountaincenter.com.

**BUNS N BEDS DELI and CABINS**. Sandwiches for here or to go. Daily BBQ, fresh breads, salads, cheese cakes, malts and milkshakes. Catering available 406-838-2030

**Bearclaw Service** - Doing all types of dirt work, from building roads to digging footings. We specialize in installation and repair of septic systems. We also do tire repair, chain saw sharpening and auto repair. Need your house opened and closed for the season? Please call 406-838-2040.

**Quality Propane Service in Powell, WY** is now servicing the Cooke City, Colter Pass, Crandall area. Quality Propane has been in business in Powell for 2 Years and is looking to expand our service area! We will come over the pass in the winter at no extra charge for the Crandall area. We are committed to servicing our customers. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** Please call for our always competitive usually lower prices. 1-307-754-3226 qualitypropaneservice@yahoo.com

**If you are a woman, age 40 or older, you need an annual mammogram.** If you can't afford one, visit [www.livingstonhealthcare.org](http://www.livingstonhealthcare.org) for information on programs for free mammograms. Talk to your doctor or call 823-6441 to schedule your mammogram today.

## **New Community Building Construction Update**

What's happening? The footings have been poured, plumbing started, slab will be poured this Friday and framing the walls will begin this next week. Colors are being picked and we are working on grants to help with the museum. We are on our way!!!

### **New Cookbook & Local Family History titled "Old Cabins and New Cooks"**

We invite you to participate in the creation of this most exciting funding project. There has been great interest in the history of our community as well as the many local family stories that have enriched Cooke City & the surrounding areas. What better way to share your wonderful family legacy than in the pages of vintage photos, family stories & private family recipes? This project is funded by the Cooke City Historical Group. For detailed information & registration forms, please contact the Chamber or Dee Smith or Joye Kohl. You do not need to be historically connected to participate. We will be most happy to help you document your home &/or place of business. We hope to publish next summer & would very much like to receive your information as soon as possible.

For up to date information on WY roads (Hwy 296) please call 888-996-7623. i.e. Chief Joseph-Hwy 296

**The fire crew** was here this last week for a few days and burned the wood pile/dump site out of town that is managed by the Forest Service. The gate is now locked for the season.

## For Sale / For Rent / Help Wanted / Lost

**For Rent** – Cooke City, Montana winter cabin rental; sleeps 5. Wolf watching, cross country skiing, photography, snowmobiling, star gazing. November through April - \$1,500 per month plus utilities. Available by the month or all season. Call 406-322-4244

**For Sale** - Snow Blower attachment for a skid steer, 6' Bobcat SB200, like new, \$4900.00. 406-656-8143 or 406-855-9933.

**Firewood for sale** - \$125.00 delivered. Various lengths, average 8" to 10" diam. Call 406-838-2071

**Looking for** firewood or to have your cabin closed this fall? Call Jason Flug 838-2207.

**FOR SALE BY OWNER:** Painter Outpost LLC, located on HWY 296 (Chief Joseph Highway) 23 miles from the NE entrance to Yellowstone Park. Business sits on 11+ acres of riverfront land, and includes a restaurant, a gift shop, a convenience store, fuel sales, cabins, a 14 space RV park, 4 tent sites, a central RV dump, a barn and 7 corrals. Two liquor licenses, and wireless internet. A turnkey opportunity. Check out our web site at [www.painteroutpost.com](http://www.painteroutpost.com). Call 307-527-5510 or email [carol@painteroutpost.com](mailto:carol@painteroutpost.com) for further details.

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER** Cooke City Interim Requirements

Our water system is in violation of a drinking water standard. Even though this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we are doing to correct the situation.

On May 1, 2002, the Montana Department of Environmental Quality classified our water system as being under the direct influence of surface water and ordered us to filter the water in addition to disinfecting.

#### **What should I do?**

- You do not need to boil your water. A home filter will not necessarily solve the problem, because not all home filters protect against parasites. Call NSF International at 1(800) NSF-8010 or the Water Quality Association at 1(800) 749-0234 for information on appropriate filters.
- People with severely compromised immune systems, people with an infant, and some elderly may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791. If you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

**What does this mean?** This is not an immediate risk. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. We do not know of any cases of contamination. However, until improvements are made, there is an increased chance that disease-causing organisms could contaminate the water supply. *Inadequately treated water may contain disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites which can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches.*

**What is being done?** Our Water System will be monitoring turbidity (cloudiness) of the water twice daily, and submitting one water sample on Monday and one on Wednesday to check for the presence of fecal coliform (e-coli). All findings will be reported to the State DEQ on a weekly basis. The District will also post the results of the weekly water samples in the Cooke City Weekly Newsletter published each Friday.

Until this is completed we will post a notice similar to this every three months. For more information, please contact Patti Smith, PO Box 798 Livingston, MT 59047 or 406-539-7149.

*Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.*

This notice is being sent to you by Cooke City. Montana PWS ID#: MT0000187.  
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