



The Cooke City Newsletter is published once each week. The deadline for advertisements is each Wednesday. Businesses can advertise for four issues at a rate of \$15 per month with a 40 word limit per advertisement. Individual ads are \$5 for the first 40 words and \$.10 for each additional word on a weekly basis. Ads can be e-mailed to info@cookecitychamber.org or mailed to Chamber, P.O. Box 1071 Cooke City, MT 59020. If you have questions please call 838-2495 and leave a message. We reserve the right to refuse any ad and also the right to edit for length, grammar and good taste. You can access the newsletter year round on the chamber website at www.cookecitychamber.org.

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In Memory of Steve Liebl

September 4, 2009

It's finally happened! – the Park County Commissioners and the Colter Pass, Cooke City and Silver Gate Community Council has awarded a contract to DPS Construction, Denny Salvesson from Boyd, MT for the Community Center. Ground Breaking ceremony is Friday, September 11th at 10:00. Come and celebrate!!

Y'all come to a Com-

munity Labor Day PotLuck Picnic at the Clarks Fork Trailhead on Monday, September 7, Noon --? Bring your own burger or hotdog to grill, drinks, dish to share and your own plates, cups and flatware. Plus bring your chairs or blanket. If you have an easily portable grill, please call Joye Kohl, 838-2041.

Congratulations to our new Citizen of the Year – Jan Gaertner is our Citizen of the Year 2009!! Jan is always the person who the "newcomer to town meets first". Jan seems to know almost everyone and almost everyone knows Jan. She is very dedicated to her EMS position and does a great job with it! Jan has a great tribute of "Patience". She has always worked on the front line of town by way of the hotel and /or restaurant business. Jan's customer service is never slighted. She is definitely the positive asset to business & our community. She will also take that on a personal level and takes pride in participating in the Community at all levels. She is one of the few that make every effort to attend all types of meetings that could affect the Community. Jan has been on the Chamber, EMS & S/R and/or assisted with any task if asked. Jan is a non-selfish person who puts her time aside to go forward and help, "listen" to others on a business, volunteer or personal level. Please Congratulate Jan!!! The other nominees were Gary Brown and Dale Dempsey. Thank you to all those that came to share in the celebration.

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.

Cooke City Historical Group

At Last! This much needed committee has much work to do! What a great chance for each of you to participate in the documentation & preservation of our area history. It can be your gift to the future. There will be several ways & many interesting projects to be involved in. Come see just what all the hysterical fuss is about & what history mysteries we are solving. Wed. Sept.9th at 7:00. Firehall.

If you would like to send Idessa Tyers and her son, Dan, condolences, her address in Bozeman is: 314 West Villard, Bozeman, MT 59715.

The Gallatin National Forest will be closing Colter campground and Chief Joseph Campground on Sept. 9th for the season. Soda Butte Campground will remain open thru September or until closed by weather. For more information contact the District office at 848-7375.

Mountain Belles will be having lunch at the Bearclaw Bakery and the **Men** will be meeting at the Beartooth Cafe on Wed., Sept 9 at 12:30.

Mt. Republic Chapel of Peace – 2 services on Sunday - 8:00 and 10:00. Visitors are welcome. If you have questions please call Pastor Seth Jones at 838-2397. Sunday school is available for children. Bible study is every Wednesday. 6:00 potluck and 7:00 for discussion. **Rides to Mt. Republic Chapel of Peace** are available for Sunday mornings. Pick up time in Cooke City and Silver Gate are 7:45 a.m. and 9:45 a.m. In Cooke City meet outside the Soda Butte.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints -meets Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the log cabin behind the Big Moose Resort located 3 miles east of Cooke City. For information call 838-2380.

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

A.A meeting (open) at Sun Dog Trading Co., Silver Gate, each Wednesday at 8PM-ph-838-2130-Christopher. (Please enter through the back entrance if the front door is locked.)

Highway Construction Update: Continue paving approaches next week. Striping, guardrail, and signs will be installed in the next 2 weeks. Delays will be up to 30 minutes. The website and bulletin board are updated as progress is made and the schedule changes on the project. For information on traffic delays on this project and others on the **Beartooth Highway dial 1-888-285-INFO.** The road between Norris Junction and Madison Junction is closed. This **full closure** will be in effect until November 20.

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

The Park County Conservation District, and the Upper Yellowstone and Shields Valley Watershed Groups are sponsoring a workshop on "Land Conservation Tools". Designed to provide landowners with information about conservation opportunities available to them in managing their lands, the workshop is scheduled for September 17, 2009 at the Civic Center in Livingston, Montana from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm.

Community Health Partners in Livingston offers comprehensive primary medical and dental care on a sliding scale based on income. We provide care to everyone, regardless of income, insurance, and ability to pay. Call for an appointment, (406) 222-1111.

Businesses

SILVERTIP MOUNTAIN CENTER in Silver Gate: Huge Labor Day Sale all weekend.. SAVE ON ALL ITEMS. 25-75% off. Discounts on maps, long underwear, tents, packs, climbing gear and more! Backed by over twenty years experience. (406) 838-2125, 800 863 0807. www.silvertipmountaincenter.com.

LOG CABIN CAFE in Silver Gate: The best breakfast of your life! Homemade hashbrowns, grilled mountain trout, exclusive pancakes & more. Lunch features amazing Beartooth- area hamburgers, BBQ brisket, enormous salads and wraps. Homemade pastas, tender steaks, huge pork chops, special rosemary roasted red potatoes and much more for dinner. You'll never forget our 1937 log dining room. Open through Labor Day, 7 days a week 7:30-9:30. Cabins available. 460 838 2367.

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

Generate More Sales for Your Business – And Measure the Results Mike Banville, the Montana strategist for Vertical Media, will share insights, techniques, suggestions and free Google software on how Cooke City, and individual businesses, can better attract their share of visitor revenues and be able to measure the ROI from all your marketing investments, not just those from the internet. The workshop is FREE to the business community, but an RSVP is necessary for food planning purposes.

Everyone who attends will receive complimentary refreshments, free advertising in one of Alltrips' local directories (worth hundreds of dollars), a chance to win one of many door prizes, and FREE Google Analytics tracking software.

Who: Workshop put on by Vertical Media, online publishers of the Alltrips.com family of local destination directories, including Cooke City.

Where: Upstairs in the Cooke City Fire Hall

When: Wednesday September 9th 2009, 2:00 – 3:00pm

To RSVP, email your name, email address and business name to: mike@verticalmedia.com

Blain Gallery – Open 9-6 daily, 9-5 Sundays. Fine art by Mary Blain and others. We carry pottery, wooden bowls, baskets, beaded purses, photographs, cards, postcards, coins, jewelry and Montana sapphires. 406-838-2474. Come see our new selection!!

Therapeutic Massage of Cooke City at the Big Moose Resort. Call for appointment. Gift Certificates. 1 hour Therapy Massage, also offering chair massage or foot soak/massage. 406-838-2393, by appointment only. Located Big Moose Resort. www.bigmooseresort.com E-mail info@bigmooseresort.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

The Forest Service has reopened access to the burn pile located in Cooke City. The burn pile is for slash material only. The Gardiner District intends to work closely with the community in the near future to determine how to ensure that refuse being dumped is burnable or if other options exist. Please call the Gardiner Ranger District if you have questions at (406) 848-7375.

The Program

The Northern Rocky Mountain Resource Conservation & Development Area and Gallatin, Park, and Meagher County Extension offices have joined forces to assist landowners with creating defensible space around their homes to reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfire and provide management practices that increase forest health. The program provides technical assistance for landowners to develop and implement a hazardous fuels mitigation plan. Through grant funding we are able to provide a 50% cost share to landowners who implement the plan. The cost share assists landowners with paying for fuels reduction work (clearing, thinning, and trimming vegetation). County professionals provide direct technical assistance to guide landowners through this process. **CONTACT:** Crystal Hagerman, Northern Rocky Mountain RC&D 406-209-0344

For Sale / For Rent / Help Wanted / Lost

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 – 1 show case \$75.00. Please call Blain Gallery 838-2474

RESORT FOR SALE BY OWNER, COZY LOG HOME FOR SALE BY OWNER:

For more information: www.cookecitymontanafsbo.com

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. Call 307-527-5510 or email 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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