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In Memory of Steve Liebl

July 10, 2009

Cooke City, Park County, Water District. Board of Directors will hold a public meeting on Thursday July 23, 2009. 6:00 pm at the Cooke City Fire Hall. Agenda: 1) Sandy Kust will give a presentation on what the duties of a Board of Director are, she will also give a presentation on the Montana WARN project. We have 2 positions on the Board up for re-election this year so come and find out what being on the Board is all about! 2) Project Update. 3) Boil Water update 4) Public comment and concerns. 5. Board Discussion

Vacation Bible School July 20 -23, Monday – Thursday - Boomarang Express to Australia 9:30 to 12 noon. Ages 4 to 5th grade. To be held at Mt. Republic Chapel.

Mountain Belles will be having lunch at the Beartooth Cafe and the **Men** will be meeting at Buns N Beds on Wed., July 15 at 12:30. Everyone is welcome.

BEAD 2009, JULY 25 - For the past several years, the Beartooth Alliance has been concerned about the survival of pure strain Yellowstone cutthroat populations in streams flowing into Yellowstone National Park because of competition from brook trout, hybridization with rainbow trout, pollution, and whirling disease. This year's BEAD will feature a workshop of fisheries experts to discuss how to maintain healthy populations of Yellowstone cutthroats. Two of the eight panelists are Jason Burckhardt and Bruce Farling. Jason works for Wyoming Game and Fish and is responsible for fisheries management in the Beartooths and along the Chief Joseph Scenic Highway. Bruce is the Executive Director for Montana Council of Trout Unlimited and was recently named one of the 10 most important members of Trout Unlimited over the past 50 years. BEAD will begin at 1:00pm and again be held at the Range Rider and feature its famous pie auction.

Pie Bakers! Bead Day is July 25. Once again the famous pie auction with auctioneer Ted Floden will be featured. Pies are needed! Call Carole Oldemeyer at 838-2431 to volunteer to bake a pie.

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.)

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.

Mt Republic Chapel of Peace.Memorial Service – July 19th at 8:00 and 10:00 services. If you have someone you would like remembered please contact Pastor Seth Jones at 838-2397 or Joan Humiston at 838-2454.

Citizen of the Year Award – We need your ideas now! Please send your nominations & the reason why to info@cookecitychamber.org or drop them off at the Visitor's Center. A candidate should be a person without thought towards personal gain, a person who in some fashion made a significant impact on the lives of those who live, work and play in this area. Remember this person does not have to be a chamber member.

Colter Pass, Cooke City, Silver Gate Communities - NOW is your opportunity to get involved as a CCCC Board Member. The current CCCC Board will review current Board members status as well as appoint any new community members interested in joining the Board. For more details on the Bylaws, goals status of building, etc. please contact Donna at 838-2495 or email her at cookecityareacouncil@gmail.com.

Listed below is a portion of the bylaws for your review:

Section 1. **Purposes.** The purposes for which this Corporation is formed are exclusively charitable, scientific, or educational and consist of the following:

- A. To act for the benefit of the communities of Colter Pass, Cooke City, and Silver Gate, through the promotion of projects that will benefit the health, safety, and welfare of those in the aforementioned communities.
- B. To establish and maintain a community center, which will educate community members and visitors about the unique geographical, environmental, and historical aspects of the communities.
- C. To support capital improvements to the community that will promote social welfare and combat community deterioration.
- D. To work with other public benefit corporations to provide educational and charitable experiences for members of the communities.
- E. To aid, support, and assist by gifts, contributions or otherwise, other corporations, community chests, funds and foundations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, scientific, or educational purposes, no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual, and no substantial part of the activities of which is carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation.
- F. To engage in related activities consistent with its charitable purposes as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- G. To do any and all lawful activities that may be necessary, useful, or desirable for the furtherance, accomplishment, fostering, or attainment of the foregoing purposes, either directly or indirectly and either alone or in conjunction or cooperation with others, whether such others be persons or organizations of any kind or nature, such as corporations, firms, associations, trusts, institutions, foundations, or governmental bureaus, departments, or agencies.

6.3 Qualifications: Directors shall be individuals with a connection to the communities of Colter Pass, Cooke City, and Silver Gate and may have such other qualifications as the Board may prescribe by resolution or amendment to these Bylaws.

Businesses

K Bar Z Guest Ranch: 15th Annual BBQ & Dance, Sat., Aug. 8th, 6:30pm, presenting "The Bannock Trailers!" \$25 per person, kids 10 and under \$12.50. Steak Dinner, Live Music & Beer Garden, Call 307-587-4410 to make reservations and or for directions.

Trail Rides at Skyline Guest Ranch take you by horseback across the Clarks Fork River and through the beautiful Gallatin National Forest. Starting at just \$25. for one hour rides. Located 3 miles East of Cooke City, look for our sign on an old-fashioned wagon. Open Monday through Saturday. call 838-2380.

Wilson & Wilson The Real Estate Firm – 2 homes for sale. Located between Cooke City & Silver Gate. For more info stop in the Cooke City Store and ask for Troy Wilson. 838-2234

Cooke City Store – Built in 1886 & listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Stop in for groceries, beer, wine, gifts, Wyo & Yellowstone fishing licenses, & all your fishing supplies.

JCS America West - Computer sales and service for the home or office. We do: virus & spyware removal, networking solutions, software & hardware support, technology consulting, software training. Our address is 2220 Bighorn Ave Cody WY phone: 307-587-3400 website: www.pccowboys.com. Assisting our clients with technology decisions”.

All Seasons Cabin - Open year-round. Cabin has 3 bedrooms and 2 full baths. Amenities include: TV with satellite service, CD and DVD players hot tub, bar, satellite TV, large propane grill, shuffleboard, bocce ball court, and a fire pit. Lawn has swings and a play horse stable. It is a non-smoking facility, and sorry we do not allow pets. Check us out further at www.allseasonscabin.com

LOG CABIN CAFE B&B: Join us in Silver Gate for a delightful homemade meal in our unforgettable 1937 log dining room. Breakfast, lunch and dinner, 7 days a week. International dinner specials every Saturday night. Cabins include free breakfast off the menu. 460 838 2367.

K Bar Z Guest Ranch & Outfitters: We offer hourly or daily horseback trailrides, dinners for small or large parties, and lodging in our cozy log cabins. Please call or stop by for more information: 307-587-4410 Located on the Chief Joseph Scenic Hwy. (296) about 24 miles south east of Cooke City.

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. Breakfast is available. Sandwiches for here or to go. Daily BBQ, fresh breads, salads, cheese cakes, malts and milkshakes. Catering available 406-838-2030

Sun Dog Trading Co, Silver Gate, MT Unique local art, gift store, book store and fly-fishing shop in Silver Gate. Also home of Scrounge Hound Hot Dogs, featuring Buffalo Bratwurst. Huge *smoked* pulled pork sandwiches daily and more. Come and see our “slumped” or flattened bottle collection for sale. Help Wanted – call or stop by. 838-2130

Rent Log Home in Silver Gate, furnished down to the wine glasses. Perfect condition. Sleeps 5 or 6. Available July 12th to 18th and all of September. Weekly only for \$1200+tax. Call 540-253-5545 or 406-838-2481.

WildBlue High Speed Satellite Internet is offering a 99.95 one time set-up special along with a reduced monthly fee to \$39.95 for their base package which is 26 times faster than dial-up for downloads. Jeff Guengerich, Bear Paw Ventures, LLC., Gardiner, MT, 406-223-3893

Miners Saloon - Summer hours 12pm - 2am. Sammies Cafe 12pm-10pm (starting in July-Labor day 12pm-11pm) Also, Back by popular demand Happy Hour. Monday -Thursday 3pm-5pm. Also, Come join us at night for our evening Happy hour 11pm -Midnight Monday – Thursday

For Sale / For Rent / Help Wanted / Lost

Wanted to Buy: Rem Model 600 or 660 any caliber and/or Rem Model 760 35 Rem Calaber – Contact Ray, Soda Butte Campground Host.

NEW LISTING !! THREE COMMERCIAL LOTS ON MAIN STREET, LOG HOME AND LARGE WORK SHOP. For more information go to: www.cookecitymontanafsbo.com

Precision Concrete Cutting & Core Drilling is coming to Cooke City to do work on July 24th. If you need concrete or core drilling work to be done please contact Pete at Concrete Precision to schedule an appointment at 800-429-7733 or contact Rich at Richardatgrafix@yahoo.com for further information.

June 22, 2009

DRINKING WATER WARNING

Cooke City Water District water is contaminated with *E. coli*

BOIL YOUR WATER BEFORE USING

E. coli bacteria (a fecal indicator) were found in the water supply on June 15, 2009. These bacteria can make you sick, and are a particular concern for people with weakened immune systems. Bacterial contamination can occur when increased run-off enters the drinking water source (for example, following heavy rains). It can also happen due to a break in the distribution system (pipes) or a failure in the water treatment process.

What should I do? What does this mean?

- **DO NOT DRINK THE WATER WITHOUT BOILING IT FIRST.** Bring all water to a boil, let it boil for one minute, and let it cool before using, or use bottled water. Boiled or bottled water should be used for drinking, making ice, brushing teeth, washing dishes, and food preparation until further notice. Boiling kills bacteria and other organisms in the water.
- *Fecal coliforms and E. coli are bacteria whose presence indicates that the water may be contaminated with human or animal wastes. Microbes in these wastes can cause diarrhea, cramps, nausea, headaches, or other symptoms. They may pose a special health risk for infants, young children, and people with severely compromised immune systems.*
- The symptoms above are not caused only by organisms in drinking water. If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you may want to seek medical advice. People at increased risk should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers.

What is being done?

Our system is under construction, we are chlorinating and flushing the water system as we switch to the temporary water lines. We are increasing sampling for coliform bacteria to determine the source of the contamination. We will inform you when tests show no bacteria and you no longer need to boil your water. We anticipate resolving the problem within 30 days. For more information, please contact PATTI A SMITH at 406-539-7149 or PO BOX 798 LIVINGSTON, MT 59047. Or Gary Brown at 406-838-2305. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

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 Water District.**

State Water System ID#: **MT0000187.**

Date and Method Distributed: June 22, 2009 delivered in person to each residence and business.

Water System Class: Public Community
County: Park

Monitoring Period: June 2009
Violation Date: 6/17/2009

Highway Construction Update: Work will continue next week with up to 30 minute delays. The majority of the work will be form Wildlife Along the Rockies, through Silver Gate, to the YNP Boundary. For specific construction information like “**When are they going to pave in Cooke City?**”, see the updated information at www.wfl.fhwa.dot.gov/projects/beartooth or visit the bulletin boards posted at the Post Office, Chamber of Commerce, or Sun Dog Trading. The website and bulletin board are updated as progress is made and the schedule changes on the project. As it has been with the road construction for the last 3 seasons, there will not be delays on the weekends or holidays. For information on traffic delays on this project and others on the Beartooth Highway dial 1-888-285-INFO. For information on traffic delays due to road construction in Yellowstone National Park call 307-344-2117.