



The Cooke City Newsletter is published once each week on Wednesday. The deadline for advertisements is Tuesday at noon. 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 cookecityareacouncil@gmail.com or mailed to CCCC, P.O. Box 1134, 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

May 19, 2010

Project Status Meeting McLaren Tailings Reclamation Project, Montana Department of Environmental Quality When: 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 8, 2010
Where: Fire Hall, 102 West Main Street, Cooke City, MT

The Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) will conduct a project status meeting to present information about the McLaren Tailings Reclamation Project near Cooke City in Park County. The meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 8, 2010, at the Fire Hall in Cooke City. The public is encouraged to attend and will have an opportunity to ask questions. The DEQ Abandoned Mine Section will remove approximately 240,000 cubic yards, or one-half million tons, of contaminated mine wastes from the former McLaren Mill Site over the next six years. Topics to be discussed at the meeting include project objectives, the schedule of work planned for this summer and fall, and site reclamation plans for subsequent years. For more information contact Tom Henderson, Ph.D., DEQ Reclamation Specialist at (406) 841-5052 or thenderson@mt.gov. The DEQ will make reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities who wish to participate in this meeting. If you require an accommodation, please contact Mary Ann Dunwell at (406) 841-5016 or mdunwell@mt.gov.

The Cooke City School students would like to invite you all to a night of celebration on May 21!!! We are celebrating the end of the school with a concert and dance. Our theme is Red, White, and Blue. Please come and help us celebrate from 7:00-9:00 P.M.

Compactor: Will begin summer hours as of May 1st . 12:00 -6:00 p.m. Thurs-Tuesday, 2:00-6:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. 838-2003 **PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ITEMS OUTSIDE THE COMPACTOR AFTER HOURS.**

The Cooke City, Park County, Water District Board of Directors will hold a public meeting on May 20, 2010 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. Purchasing or selling property in the within the Cooke City Water District? Call to make sure the Water Charges are paid and not delinquent!

COMMUNITY BUILDING UPDATE: Memorial Day weekend was when we had hoped to be open to the public, this means; all requirements to open the doors to the public are completed for our certificate of occupancy! Allowing use of the public restrooms, visitor center, chamber, conference room by MEMORIAL DAY! BUT, with this last month of weather being the worst (snow & frost, etc.) we do not know when we can open the doors to the PUBLIC! We were fortunate enough to have a Contractor work on the building through the winter but the excavation, sidewalks need cooperation from the weatherman!! Pray for sunshine! We will let you know as soon as possible when the public use can begin! The Visitor Center/Chamber services will remain in the current place until the public can use the building.

A reminder of the years of planning that were implemented to make this FIRST BUILDING a reality! Since it has been several years for the planning of the 2 Building Phases please remember this was the long term plan: The Community building (PHASE 1) consisted of: PUBLIC RESTROOMS, VISITOR CENTER, MUSEUM, CONFERENCE ROOM, 2 OFFICE SPACES. Remember this building cost was cut in HALF from the original design to fit the community budget. A huge thanks to everyone who has made this happen! The SECOND BUILDING will replace the Fire Hall, S&R building. The plans for this building (PHASE 2) consists of: SEARCH & RESCUE, FIRE DEPT., EMS BAY & THEIR OFFICES, LARGE RECEPTION TYPE HALL (SAME USAGE AS CURRENTLY PROVIDED IN THE FIRE HALL, LARGE GROUPS, PARTIES, COOKING, ETC.). New suggestions in regards to the components of Phase 2 have been casual conversation in the community. Anyone interested in being involved with these future plans should contact a Community Council Board member, there are many grants that could be applied for to get this process started! Thanks Bev!
CCCC President, 838-2393, info@bigmooseresort.com

The Historical Group would like to ask that anyone who has vintage items from circa 1870-1940 & would like to donate to the museum please contact Dee Smith. (email: jjerrywsmith@wmconnect.com) The Historical Accession Committee will be pleased to review the items for acceptance & will provide a list of requested items. The accession process will begin in June 2010. It is suggested that you may wish to gift funding for a specific area or vintage item within the museum space such as display cases, panels, photo framing, audio & video interpretation.

Park County Extension is a county-level branch of Montana State University Extension. Extension is an educational resource dedicated to improving the quality of people's lives by providing research-based knowledge to strengthen the social, economic and environmental well-being of families, communities and agriculture enterprises. Park County Extension offers programming in the areas of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Horticulture, Family and Consumer Sciences, 4-H Youth Development and Community Development.

We are currently seeking input on current and future programming for your community. We will be attending the monthly Commissioners' Meeting on **May 28th at 10:00 a.m.** in Cooke City and would like to invite you to come and share your ideas about programs we can offer to improve the quality of life in Cooke City. We look forward to meeting you later this month. Sincerely, Tracy Mosley and Mary Anne Keyes – your Park County Extension Agents"

Mt. Republic Chapel of Peace : Service at 9:30. Visitors are welcome. If you have questions, please call our Pastor Haley Goranson at 838-2397. Wednesday night Bible Study – 6:00 potluck with study starting at 7:00. Everyone welcome.

In Case of an accident, illness or a lost person – Go to the closest phone and dial 911. They will assist you and page Cooke City E.M.T's. Please call 911 FIRST!!!

Chamber Members & Community: Please remember to **send any and all comments** (regarding the plowing of HWY 212 from Cooke City to the state line year round) to the Chamber, info@cookecitychamber.org or mail to P.O. Box, Cooke City, MT 59020. **We do not have a date deadline!** We want to hear all comments, **both for and against**, problems that might arise, solutions to those problems, and anything else that comes to mind. If you would like to remain **anonymous** please mention that and your comments will be kept private. Also we are going to be working to bring parties from Wyoming, YNP, FS, and our own County together to hold at least one public meeting here in Cooke City. There have been discussions on this topic already, which have not included our community, whom it affects the most. These other parties will not be looking at our **3 major issues that the Chamber is concerned with**, these issues have to be resolved **BEFORE** they plow; 1) Parking 2) Trail Access 3) Plowing.

Road Opening Schedule: May 14, 2010—Tower to Tower Fall opens to wheeled vehicles. Lake to West Thumb, West Thumb to Old Faithful, and South to Old Faithful opens to wheeled vehicles. Cooke City via Colter Pass to the Chief Joseph Scenic Highway intersection to the Long Lake gate shall open as soon thereafter as possible. **May 28, 2010**—Long Lake Gate over the Beartooth, and Tower Falls to Canyon will be open.

BABY SHOWER: There will be a shower held for Nancy Flug at the Fire Hall on Saturday May 22nd 3:00 p.m. Contact Bev with questions 838-2393.

Businesses

Log Cabin Café in Silver Gate. Open for the season Friday, May 21, 8:00 a.m. FREE LUNCH. Order 4 lunches, eat your 5th for FREE! Plus, the best breakfast of your life. Dinner features fabulous steaks, Montana burgers, Alaska salmon and organic salads. You'll never forget our 1937 log dining room. Open 7 days a week, breakfast, lunch and dinner. Cabins available. 406 838 2367.

Quality Propane Service in Powell, WY is now servicing the Cooke City, Colter Pass, Silver Gate, Crandall area. Quality Propane has been in business in Powell for 3 Years and is looking to expand our service 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

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

LOVING CUP CAFÉ

Will be open daily and welcoming Spring 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

BEARCLAW BAKERY: will be reopening Monday, May 3rd offering a new Summer Breakfast menu along with baked goods and espresso drinks. Hours of operation will be 'Coffee on at 5:00 a.m. with Breakfast being served from 6:00 to 11:00 a.m.'. We are looking forward to a Great Summer! 838-2040

PC Cowboys –

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 Big Horn Ave. Cody, WY, phone # 307-587-3400; website: www.pccowboys.com Assisting our clients with technology decisions.

Therapeutic Massage of Cooke City at the Big Moose

Resort – Gift certificates available. Call for appointment. Also, offering chair massage or foot soak/massage. 406-838-2393, by appointment only. Located at Big Moose Resort. www.bigmooseresort.com; info@bigmooseresort.com

Historical Notes & Quotes: (Thanks Dee)

White House

The historic White House situated on east Main Street was built by Major Eaton in 1883. Major Eaton was under the command of General Howard who was involved in the pursuit of Chief Joseph. Major Eaton became interested in the mining lure of the area & organized the Republic Mines. It is said that the Republic Mine headquarters were located at the White House.

For Sale / For Rent / Help Wanted / Lost

The Cooke City Water District has an opening for a District Clerk. This is a part time paid position and some of the duties include; taking notes at monthly meetings, monthly water billing and collections, book keeping and bill paying. Interested parties can obtain additional information and a job description by contacting a Water Board Member. Rick Sommers 838-2244, Kay Whittle 838-2432.

Help Wanted: There is a position available for daily cleaning at the new Community Center beginning May 28th. For more information, contact Suzy Hahn 838-2443 or email: cookecityareacouncil@gmail.com

FOR SALE: 2001 Ford Focus se, blue w/grey racing stripes, 77,000 miles, good condition \$3,250 obo. 307-587-4410 or 307-899-4911

FOR SALE: 1999 Pontiac Grand Am se, 159,000 miles with new motor put in it last year, good condition, daughter has been driving it to school, now needs a truck to haul horses with. Asking \$2500 obo. 307-587-4410 or 307-899-5545

OFFICE SPACE FOR RENT: Available for rent June 15th in the new Community Center. \$750/month includes electric. Email: cookecityareacouncil@gmail.com for more information.

FOR SALE - One Property; Four dorm style cabins - One separate three room" cabin w/ full kitchen, closet, and separate bedroom - One cabin with separate bedroom and kitchenette. Main Street property. Contact 406-838-2262.

HOUSE FOR SALE BY OWNER: Two bedroom house in Gardiner, MT located at 14 Gardiner View. Asking \$275,000 Call (406) 848-9965 or (406) 838-2296 for more info.

For Rent - A Great Log Cabin – Charming, rustic log cabin, stone fireplace, fully stocked kitchen. Bedroom & sleeping loft, sleeps 5. Snowmobiling, skiing to Yellowstone Park, wolf watching, photography, dog sledding, snowshoeing, bird watching, star-gazing. Available by the night, year round. \$175/night. 406-322-4244 email: PATS_CABIN@yahoo.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.

Wilson & Wilson The Real Estate Firm – Your Cooke City area Real Estate company. I have many properties listed for sale: cabins, motel, vacant building lots, and even acreage tracts. Stop by Cooke City Store and ask Troy Wilson for more info. www.cookecitystore.com

For Sale By Owner: Are you looking for riverfront property, a turnkey business opportunity or a log home in the area? Check out: www.realestatecookecity.com

