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Community Newsletter

May 20, 2020

LOCAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

HELP CELEBRATE OUR GRADUATING SENIORS!! There will be a police/fire escorted parade before the graduation ceremony May 31st. Beginning at the rodeo grounds at 12:35pm and continue up Scott Street, turning onto Park Street, going past the Arch and ending at football field. Look for messages on FB community boards. Ceremony to start directly at 1:00pm. Let's make some noise!

GARDINER COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE at the Yellowstone Forever building community classroom, 308 Park Street. Friday, June 5, 2020 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. For an appointment, call Kelly at (406) 848-7271 or visit redcrossblood.org and enter Sponsor Code: GARDINERMT. Sponsored by Amerigas and Yellowstone Forever.

KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP – MAY 27, 2020

- Who: Any preschooler turning 5 on or before September 10, 2020 and their parents.
- Where: Gardiner Public School front office and Kindergarten room.
- When: 8:00am-4:00pm (by appointment only 848-7563**)
- What to bring: Birth certificate and immunizations records.

Please call the school to schedule an appointment for the Round Up. Appointments will start every 30 minutes at the front office to fill out paperwork. Then students will get a chance to explore the classroom and meet Ms. Johnson. Parents will receive information regarding supplies, Kindergarten curriculum, and expectations. **Note: Hand washing, sanitation and physical distancing guidelines will be followed during this time. Please wear a mask to this event. Any parent or child with fever, shortness of breath, a cough, or other COVID-19 symptoms must refrain from attending. Alternate arrangements will be made for you. If you plan to enroll a student but are concerned with attending Round-Up Day, please call the front office to request enrollment paperwork.

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The Gardiner Chamber of Commerce serves our community through developing local tourism while endorsing the stewardship of the Yellowstone Ecosystem.

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AMERICAN LEGION POST 118 will not host a public ceremony this year at the Gardiner Cemetery to honor our fallen comrades. We do invite all to go out to the cemetery over Memorial Day weekend to pay your respects to our local veterans. We ask that all our friends and neighbors continue to use caution in this new normal world with Corona virus threats. Be safe and hopefully we will resume our traditional ceremony gatherings next year. Post 118 will mark the graves of military veterans, post the flag, and lower it to half staff to honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice to preserve the freedoms we enjoy today. As Memorial Day approaches, American Legion Post 118 asks you to pause to remember and give thanks to our many heroes that never returned from the mountains of Afghanistan, the deserts of the Middle East, the jungles of Vietnam, the "Forgotten War" in Korea, the islands of the Pacific, the European continent, and many other lands. We cannot repay their sacrifice, but at the very least we can and must continue the legacy for which they died: the causes of democracy, decency, and patriotism. And while Memorial Day is intended to honor our fallen, we should not forget those who have pledged to make the same sacrifice if called upon—the young men and women still serving in the United States and more than 130 foreign lands. Freedom is not a gift. It is an earned benefit that was paid for by the blood of our heroes. From the Revolutionary War to the War on Terrorism, the sacrifices and caliber of America's fighting men and women have been nothing short of inspirational. Let us always remember them!

THE MONTHLY GARDINER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Board of Directors Meeting will take place at noon on Thursday, May 21 as an online meeting. Please contact Terese at executivedirector@gardinerchamber.com or 406.848.7971 to receive an email invite to the meeting. Public welcome.

THE GRASSHOPPERS are back for all your lawncare needs. If you would like to schedule a weekly, biweekly, or occasional lawncare job, please reach out to Jacob at (406) 823-9046. Grasshoppers are now in college so are willing to expand to other work or any odd jobs you may need a hand with.

THE 2020 CENSUS IS DIGITAL. If you can go online or call, your household will contribute towards a complete count and Montana will regain a second representative. 10 min 10 questions 10 YEARS of federal funding. SELF respond and no one will need to come to the door. We all stay SAFER. Spread the word, not the virus. View the response rates here: <https://2020census.gov/en/response-rates.html>. So far only **22.2%** of households from Gardiner have responded!

- my2020census.gov
- 1-844-330-2020



National EMS Week

In the landscape of disaster mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery, Census data can be immensely valuable. In recognition of National EMS Week, we are recognizing the efforts of all emergency personnel and the impact they have on our communities. You can impact your community too by responding to the 2020 Census. Your responses provide information for emergency planning and recovery efforts.

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FOR SALE

ALPINA CROSS-COUNTRY SKIS (175 cm for 130-180 lbs) with Alpina boots (women's size 9, I sized up for thick socks and wiggle room for circulation) and poles: \$80; Wetsuit - women's size 8: \$25
Call Laura at 406-451-3100

FOR SALE: Gardiner School has two school buses for sale: One is a 2012 International Model 3000 78 passenger in good shape located at the school. Asking price is \$16,000.00. The other one is a 2011 International Model RESB 44 passenger. Currently this bus has some issues and is located at Ken's Equipment Repair in Livingston. Asking price is \$8,000.00. Interested individuals should contact Shelby Coy, Transportation Director Gardiner School at 848-7563 with questions or offer.

Gardiner Montana - Upcoming Events

****New Date**** Gardiner Rodeo ***July 24 & 25*** ****New Date****
Big Bear Stampede ***September 12***

For details and more information, visit:
VisitGardinerMT.com/events-blog/events



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Waffles
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Frozen Pies
\$5.99
ea.



Asst. Red Button Vintage Creamery
56 oz. Premium
Ice Cream
\$3.99
ea.

THANK YOU

A **THANK YOU** goes out to all those who casted a vote in the May 5th, 2020 School Election from the Gardiner Board of Trustees: **GARDINER HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #4 - GENERAL FUND MILL LEVY**. We, the undersigned trustees, certify that the taxpayers of School District No. 7 & 4 of Park County, State of Montana, on 13th day of May, 2020, voted on the following proposition: **GARDINER HIGH SCHOOL GENERAL FUND MILL LEVY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,641**. Number of votes for: 294. Number of votes against: 235. The proposition was thereby approved.

THANK YOU FROM FEED THE CAT – FEED THE DOG to the following people: Gardiner Food Pantry, HRDC, Livingston Spur-Line, Livingston's Ace Hardware, Murdoch's, True Value, Town & Country Foods. Thank you to all individuals who have donated, and for other helpful services.

FOR RENT

FOR RENT: TWO large, 3-bedroom, 2-bath apartments near the school. Washer and dryer set in each. One year lease. \$1750/month includes heat and electricity. No pets or smoking allowed. Available immediately. Call Alisa at 406-223-1419.

FOR RENT: 1 bedroom, 1 bath house. 1160/month, utilities included. Fenced yard, storage, good parking, washer & dryer. Pet negotiable. 406-539-7359.

All Gardiner businesses please fill out the Resort Tax registration form. You've been doing a great job, Gardiner!

Here are your early questions answered.

Question: Do I have to submit a monthly tax form even if the taxable sales are zero?

Answer: Yes.

Question: Can I submit the online monthly tax form and then pay with a paper check?

Answer: No. Submitting the online form requires remitting the online payment.

Question: Does VRBO automatically collect my Resort Tax from my reservations?

Answer: No they do not. Call Homeaway/VRBO or any platform you use and ask them to show you how to build it into your booking.

Call or email us with more questions.

406-848-1005

info@gardinerresorttax.com

Get the forms you need, read past minutes, see where money has been allocated in town, who is on the board, the ordinances we uphold to collect and allocate, the map of the district, and more at www.gardinerresorttax.com



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Under the current government guidelines, your Meridian Trust branch is open for business with your health, safety and security in mind.



Keeping the Community Informed on COVID-19

As the phased reopening of our state begins it is important for us now more than ever to remain informed on COVID-19. We must continue to practice social distancing, frequent hand washing, and consider the state's recommendation of wearing facial coverings in public. While much of the below information will remain the same please continue to read this section carefully, as the coming weeks will be critical to moving Montana forward safely and economically.

If you have any questions or believe you have information that should be included on this page please call 406-848-7971 or email executivedirector@gardinerchamber.com.

Remember we are all in this together. Please be kind to one another, stay safe, and stay positive!

Thank you,
Gardiner Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Information Center

RESOURCES

The Yellowstone Community Fund

The *Yellowstone Community Fund* has funds available to help with gas, groceries, and medicine for any Gardiner area employee or business owner effected by ramifications of the COVID-19 crisis. *Yellowstone Community Fund* funds are being disturbed by:

- For help with gas please inquire at the Gardiner Town Station Conoco or Yellowstone Dino Lube
- For help with costs related to groceries or medicine please contact the Gardiner Chamber of Commerce at 406-848-7971 or via email at executivedirector@gardinerchamber.com
- For other help please contact Jim Halfpenny at 406-223-1579

Anyone wishing to donate to the *Yellowstone Community Fund*, a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization, please drop off checks and/or cash to the Drop Box located at the Gardiner Chamber of Commerce 216 Park St. Please make checks payable to Yellowstone Community Fund. If you would like a 501 (c)(3) donation receipt for tax purposes please include your name and address with your donation upon drop off.

Gardiner School District

While schools are closed the Gardiner School District invites you to join us for free lunch and breakfast.

- Monday - Friday for any child under 18 regardless of being enrolled in school. However, not able to assist with infants.
- March 30 - until school are open.
- Drop off sites are Mammoth Community Center, Corwin Springs Bus Stop, and the School.
- Time is Noon-12:30.
- Each day the child will receive a lunch and breakfast for the next morning.

Any child under 18 is able to participate. Please contact Anna to sign up: aholloway@gardiner.org

Gardiner Food Pantry - Linda Grey, Director 307-250-5853

Open every Tuesday 1-6 pm.

- Adhering to our personal space issues and beefing up already stringent cleaning routine.
- Offering delivery to all those people that can't get out for fear of exposure or are sick in any way.
- Seniors can have meals delivered to their house through our senior's meal program(Lunch4U). Those interested can call Anna Holloway at 406-223-2751 at the Tumbleweed for Meals.
- For those that need an Emergency Food box delivered to their home call Linda Gray at 307-250-5853.
- How you can help - the most impactful action you can take is to make either a food donation (which can be dropped off at the Gardiner Market) or a monetary donation at: PO Box 459, Gardiner, MT 59030. If you have any questions please call Linda Gray, Director 307-250-5853.

Therapy Resources

- Nicole Slayhofer (SLSW) Under the Supervision- Licensed Social Worker - In Livingston 406-224-0533
- Donna Delich - LCSW/LAC- In Livingston 406-223-3104 <http://delichcounseling.com/about-me.html>
- Haley Nelson - LCPC- In Livingston 406-220-2290

L'esprit - Mental Health Agency for children and adolescents- 406-222-7641

L'esprit accepts Medicaid, Medicare and most insurance providers along with a generous sliding scale! If you are interested in any of the following services, please contact the L'esprit main office at (406)222-7641 or at info@lespritmt.com. Visit their website here: www.lespritmt.com

Be-a-Buddy: People Helping People in Livingston/Park County (MT) - 406-570-5367

Matching a healthy and able volunteer with anyone in Park County who is sick, at high risk and/or self-isolating. Volunteers do a daily check-in with their person: making sure they are physically and mentally okay, and that they have, at the very least, sufficient food and prescription medications.

Email: livingstonbuddies@gmail.com, find us on Facebook or call 406-570-5367.

RESOURCES CONT.

Park County Community Foundation - For a comprehensive list of resources and contact info for local nonprofits working to address essential needs while we mitigate the spread of the virus please visit www.pccf-montana.org/covid-19-resources/

Little People's Learning Center

Daily updating online learning resources for parents of young kid please visit littlepeoples330.wixsite.com/littlepeoples/online-learning-lessons. Also, consider donating to their [Staff Supplementary Income Fund \(link\)](#).

Park County Health Department - COVID-19 Hotline 406-222-4131 Mon - Fri 9 am - 5 pm

Please visit the [Park County Health Department Website](http://www.parkcounty.org/Government-Departments/Health-Department/) at www.parkcounty.org/Government-Departments/Health-Department/ you will find resources including links to their daily podcast, latest press releases, and specific county information regarding COVID-19.

Community Health Partners - 406-222-1111 - Mental health resources also available

Livingston HealthCare - 406-222-3541 - Mental health resources also available [Livingston HealthCare COVID-19 Website \(link\)](#)

Live Well 49 - Health and wellness resources in Park County <https://www.livewell49.org/>

Dial 2-1-1, the Gallatin & Park Counties Help Center - Staffed 24/7 with individuals trained to respond to individuals who are suicidal or are experiencing any type of mental health emergency.

Alcoholics Anonymous Hotline - 833-800-8553 <https://www.aa-montana.org/>

Montana's Recovery Warmline - 877-688-3377 <http://montanawarmline.org/>

THRIVE - free online self-behavioral health therapy <https://thriveformontana.com/>

ManTherapy - Take a free online "20 point head check" and get tips on strengthening your mental health <https://www.mantherapy.org/>

Park County Ministerial Association - We will deliver necessities to your home if you are unable to leave home because of the virus. To sign up to volunteer to help delivery groceries or to ask for help please visit www.coronahelplivingston.com

Unemployment Insurance Division - 406-444-2545 [Montana Unemployment Assistance \(link\)](#)

VOLUNTEERING & DONTATING

Gardiner Community Volunteering- Please contact Chuck Tanner at 415-297-9105 or via email at ctchucktanner@gmail.com. He will communicate with you as needs arise in our community.

Gardiner School District - To volunteer to drop off school lunch and breakfast Please contact Anna to sign up: aholloway@gardiner.org

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Park County Health Department - If you would like to sign up to be a volunteer for and assist with food deliveries, food preparation, or in other ways to support those who need the most help in our community, please call (406) 222-4131 or sign up online, www.mailchi.mp/a009838ab0b7/pchdvolunteers

Park County COVID-19 Resilience Fund - "In response to the anticipated health and economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Park County Community Foundation has launched the Park County COVID-19 Resilience Fund. Local organizations will be the backbone of the response to this unprecedented crisis. Please consider making a gift today to support their work." To donate and learn more please www.pccf-montana.org/covid-19-resilience-fund.html/

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OPEN FOR BUSINESS

The following Gardiner-Mammoth based establishments are open and members of the Gardiner Chamber of Commerce. *Please note this list only highlights restaurants, bars, grocery stores, and community services – it does not include lodging establishments, many of which are open. To find the Gardiner Tourism directory please visit <https://www.visitgardinermt.com/plan-your-trip/tourism-directory>

- **Cowboys Lodge and Grille:** Open for delivery (to immediate Gardiner area), curbside take-out, dine-in, and pick-up orders, call 406-848-9175.
- **The Corral:** Open for curbside take-out, dine-in, and pick-up orders, call 406-848-7627
- **First Interstate Bank:** Open, offering limited main lobby access for social distancing - encourage online or mobile banking for your immediate needs, call 406-848-7474.
- **Gardiner Market:** : Open for in-store shopping but encourage FREE curbside pick-up. If you choose to shop in the store, please abide by the following rules: 1.) One person per group in the store, 2.) Maintain 6 feet between you and fellow shoppers and staff, and 3.) Consider using credit or debit rather than cash if at all possible. If you are unable to travel, we are happy to help find a ride for your groceries. For curbside pickup, email your order to info@gardinermarket.com (include your phone number). We will call for your credit card when your order is ready. Then call us from the parking lot and we will run it out to you. If you are unable to email, you can call 406-848-7524. Email makes things faster so we can get your orders ready faster. We also have bathrooms at the front of the store and the doors are propped open for those wishing to wash their hands before or after shopping. Thank you!
- **Gardiner Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center:** Open by appointment only. Main door is locked - please call schedule an appointment, call 406-848-7971.
- **Gardiner Sushi Co:** Open, delivery (to immediate Gardiner area) and take out, call 406-848-9175.
- **KBAR Pizza:** Open, pizza to go – can also par-bake it & you can finish it at home, offering dine-in, pick-up orders and curbside take-out, call 406-848-9995.
- **Meridian Trust FCU - Yellowstone Branch:** Open, lobby is open Monday-Friday 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM with limited access for social distancing, online banking and mobile app available, call 307-344-7974 after hours 800-726-5644.
- **Parks Fly Shop:** Open for services, M-F 9:00 AM to 5:00PM with a break for lunch Sun 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM, call 406-848-7314
- **Park Hotel:** Open, call 406-223-7007.
- **Town Station Conoco:** Open for convenience store shopping and services, call 406-848-7742.
- **Tumbleweed Bookstore and Café:** Providing Meals on Wheels – If you are or know of any seniors in need of some assistance with food during the COVID-19 pandemic please contact Anna Holloway at the Tumbleweed. We do meals on wheels Monday-Friday and would be more than happy to add to our list over the next couple of weeks. Volunteers bring lunch straight to your front door. Call or text Anna at 406-223-2751.
- **Two Bit Saloon:** Open for pick up orders and curbside take-out, call 406-848-7743.
- **Tumbleweed Bookstore & Cafe:** Open for pick up and limited dine-in, call 406-848-2225.
- **Wonderland Cafe & Lodge:** Open for dine-in, pick up orders, ask about delivery. Buddy Board money available, ask about balances, call 406-223-1914.
- **Yellowstone Grill:** Open for to go orders Tuesday - Sunday. Call 406-848-9433.
- **Yellowstone Perk & Pharmacy:** Open, Monday - Thursday 10am - 5pm w/lunch break 1pm - 2pm; Friday 10am - 2pm. Call 406-848-9430.
- **Yellowstone Pizza Company:** Open, take out and limited dine-in services, call 406-848-9991
- **Yellowstone Dino Lube and Repair:** Open for full services, call 406-848-9401.

*If your business was missed or the information is incorrect, this was not intentional. Please call the Gardiner Chamber of Commerce at 406-848-7971 or email executivedirector@gardinerchamber.com, to be included in next week's edition of the Gardiner Community Newsletter, your listing on this page is free.



**COVID-19
CALL CENTER**

Daily COVID Update Message 406-922-5690
Updated Daily at 9am and 4:30pm
County and State COVID-19 statistics

General Information Hotline 406-222-4131
M-F 9am-4pm
Resources and community information related to COVID-19 contagion

Health Care Hotline 406-922-5685
M-F 8am - 4pm
Medical Questions related to COVID-19 symptoms or testing info.

State of MT Business Closure Hotline 800-755-6672
M-F 8am-5pm
Questions to clarify Governor Bullock's Stay Home Order

COVID-19 Testing Sites*

*as of May 9th, 2020



Yellowstone National Park

Mammoth Clinic (108 Grand Loop Road): 8:30am-5pm, everyday.
Old Faithful Clinic (495 Old Faithful Road): 7am-7pm, everyday.
Cost: Meet testing criteria: \$25. Do not meet testing criteria: \$250.

Park County

Livingston Healthcare: please call (406)222-3541 to get screened for a test.
Cost: Insurance rates apply. Without insurance: \$225.

For information about COVID-19 in Park County, please call the Park County Health Department General Information Hotline at (406)222-4131, M-F 9am-5pm.

Gallatin County

Bozeman Health COVID-19 Hotline: (406)414-2619, M-F: 7am-7pm, Sat/Sun: 8am-5pm.

Bozeman

Drive-up testing (must have a test order from a provider):

Deaconess Hospital, Lot G (915 Highland Boulevard): M-F 8:30am-6pm.

Viral Triage Clinic (on-site screening):

Deaconess Hospital, Entrance 4: 8am-5pm everyday.

b2 Urgent Care (1006 West Main Street): M-F 8am-7pm, Sat/Sun: 9am-5pm.

Belgrade

Belgrade Clinic, (206 Alaska Frontage Rd):

Drive-up testing: M-F 8:30am-6pm,

Sat/Sun: 8:30am-5pm.

Viral Triage Clinic: M-F 8am-7pm,

Sat/Sun: 9am-5pm.

Big Sky

Big Sky Medical Center (334 Town Center Avenue):

Drive-up testing: 9am-5pm everyday.

Viral Triage Clinic: 8am-5pm everyday.

Cost: With insurance: \$75. Without insurance: \$37.50.

For information about COVID-19 in Gallatin County, please call the Gallatin County Health Department at (406)548-0123, 8am-5pm everyday.

Yellowstone National Park partially reopens for day use

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP) — Tourists entered Yellowstone National Park on Monday for the first time in nearly two months, but they weren't allowed to camp and some parts of the park remained off-limits as part of continuing coronavirus-related restrictions.

Some people camped outside the park's east entrance near Cody and others showed up as early as 6 a.m. to be among the first inside Yellowstone, Superintendent Cam Sholly told The Billings Gazette.

The gate opened at about 10 a.m. and visitors were allowed inside for free. Workers at the gate used mechanical arms to hand out newspapers detailing coronavirus restrictions and protocols to the entering vehicles.

"We didn't plan Yellowstone, either," said tourist Tyler Morales. "We just lucked out we were in the area."

Only the park's two Wyoming entrances are open: the east entrance and the south entrance near Jackson.

The park's three Montana entrances remain closed. Wyoming has lifted its 14-day self-quarantine order for out-of-state visitors on nonessential business, but one remains in place in Montana.

Yellowstone officials say visitors will be restricted to the park's lower loop, which includes Old Faithful. Hotels and campgrounds are closed, and park officials aren't handing out backcountry permits.

Sholly said visitors should protect themselves by skipping areas that are too crowded and to keep their distance from other tourists.

Governor Bullock Announces Montana to Enter Phase Two of Reopening Plan on June 1

Governor Steve Bullock announced the state will move to Phase Two of the Reopening the Big Sky plan and will lift the 14-day out-of-state travel quarantine beginning June 1 as Montana continues to have the lowest number of positive COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations per capita.

“Montana has been an example for the rest of the nation in our response to this global pandemic. I have no doubt that we can continue to be that example, but only if Montanans, businesses, and visitors alike continue to take seriously the responsibility we all have in protecting others,” Governor Bullock said. **“As we continue with the next phase in our reopening, our goal together as Montanans for the foreseeable future is to mitigate the spread of the virus.”**

“The individual actions of Montanans have collectively made a difference. Staying 6-feet away, washing hands, wearing masks while in public, and staying home when sick, have all contributed to us being able to move forward with the plan to reopen Montana. We are at an important milestone and if each of us continues to do our part to prevent the novel coronavirus from spreading, we’ll stay on the path to fully reopen Montana,” John Felton, Yellowstone County Health Officer and President/CEO of RiverStone Health, said.

“Since this COVID-19 emergency began Governor Bullock has consistently listened to city and county governments around the state as he has formulated a strategy to respond. And that strategy has worked. Thanks to Governor Bullock’s leadership, Montana has escaped the tragedies other states have experienced. We are fortunate to have him at the helm as we reopen Montana. We are thankful for his commitment to ensure we will keep Montana safe during the summer months as we rebuild our economy,” Cynthia Andrus, Deputy Mayor, City of Bozeman, said.

“We are grateful for Governor Bullock’s diligence as he works to reopen Montana safely and continues to and consider the unique concerns and challenges in tribal communities including a large population of elderly Montanans and families in multi-generational households. The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council appreciate Governor Bullock has respected tribal sovereignty and decisions to put in place more restrictive measures to keep tribal communities safe and has supported our efforts to contain the virus through increased testing,” said the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council.

In consultation with public health and emergency response officials, Governor Bullock outlined the following indicators which allow Montana to move into Phase Two beginning on June 1:

- A downward trajectory of positive tests as a percent of total tests within a 14-day period.
- The current ability to contact and trace, along with plans to add additional contact tracers to the existing workforce.
- Ensuring that health care workers have the supplies they need to treat COVID-19 and non-COVID-19 patients.
- Ramping up testing capacity to eventually meet a target of 60,000 tests a month and prioritizing testing for vulnerable Montanans and tribal communities. A total of 5,600 tests were conducted last week. Increased testing continues with sentinel testing efforts in nursing homes and assisting living facilities, testing events in tribal areas, and drive through testing being conducted at a few sites.

Under Phase Two, effective June 1, avoid gatherings in groups of more than 50 people in circumstances that do not readily allow for appropriate physical distancing. Groups larger than 50 people should be cancelled unless physical distancing can be maintained. It is recommended to continue to social distance in gatherings of any size.

Under Phase Two, effective June 1, restaurants, bars, breweries, distilleries and casinos remains in the same operations status as Phase One, but with an increase to 75% capacity. Gyms, indoor group fitness classes, pool, and hot tubs can operate at 75% capacity and only if they can adhere to strict physical distancing and they exercise frequent sanitation protocols. Concert halls, bowling alleys, and other places of assembly may operate with reduced capacity and if they adhere to strict physical distancing guidelines.

All businesses are required to follow the social distancing and sanitation guidelines established in Phase One, and Montanans are strongly encouraged to continue sanitation practices, including hand washing and wearing masks in public places like grocery stores.

“Social distancing, wearing a cloth mask, washing your hands, and sanitizing are all part of our new normal. If not for you, do it for others, especially for the most vulnerable among us,” Governor Bullock said. **“Not following these guidelines could put us in a position where we have to go backward, instead of being able to continue to move forward.”**

Vulnerable Montanans should still continue to stay home when possible during Phase Two. Visitation at nursing home and assisted living facilities remains suspended except for certain compassionate care situations.

Effective June 1, the 14-day travel quarantine for out-of-state travelers and residents arriving from another state or country to Montana for non-work-related purposes will be lifted. The Montana National Guard will continue to conduct screenings in airports and train depots and refer anyone with COVID-19-related symptoms to local public health officials.

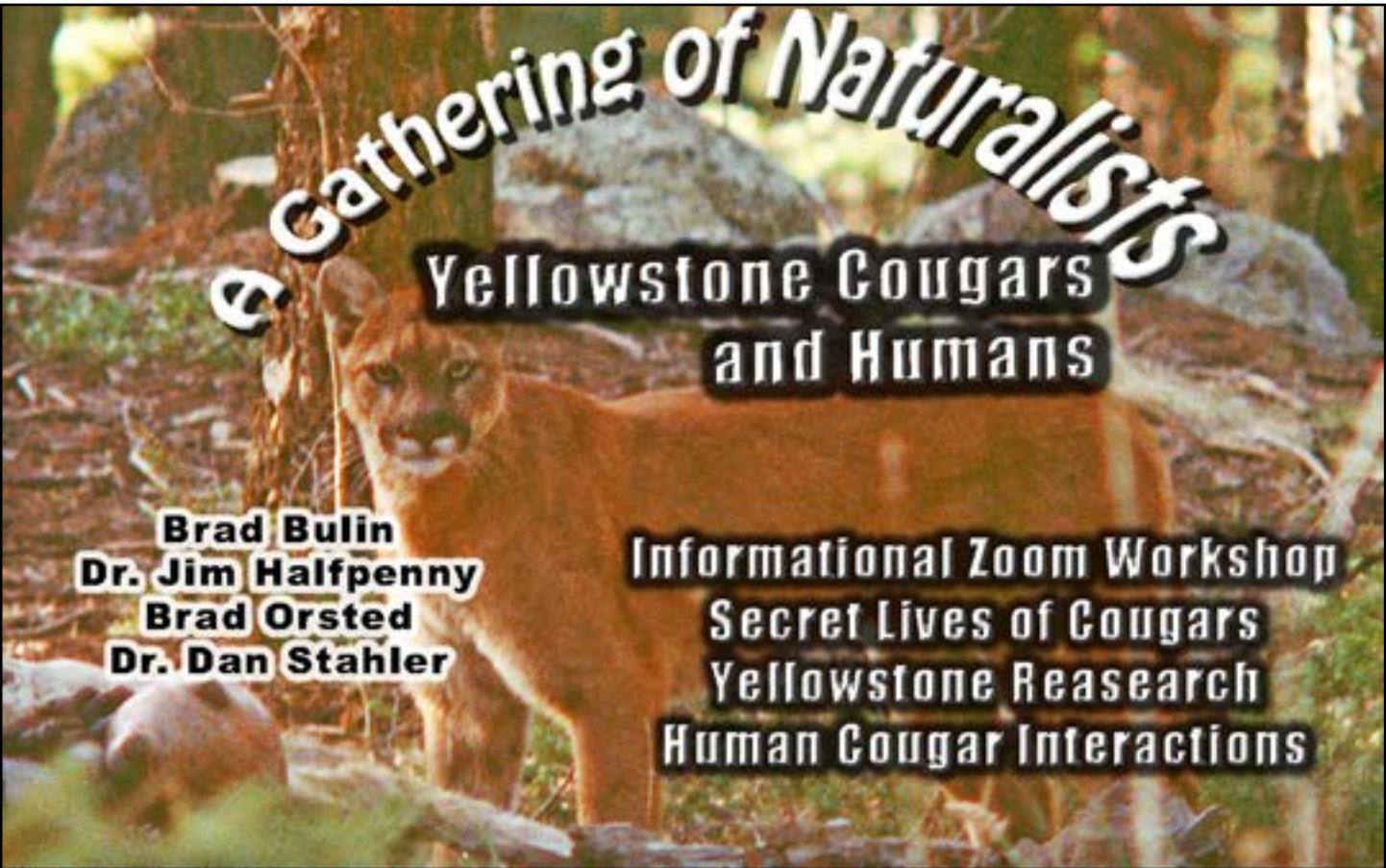
To support Montana’s destination communities, the state will assist with establishing the following protocols:

- Surveillance testing of employees.
- Enhanced contact tracing resources deployed to these areas as requested by local authorities.
- Ability to surge personal protective equipment to impacted health care systems.
- Guidelines for operation for business that see high-tourist activity.

Montana’s gradual and phased plan to reopen began on April 26 with Phase One which allowed schools, places of worship, main street and retail businesses, and restaurants, breweries, and bars to reopen under social distancing guidelines. Governor Bullock also provided additional guidance to allow gyms, movie theaters, and museums to reopen under the first phase on May 15.

Governor Bullock and his Coronavirus Task Force will continue to monitor cases closely and carefully to analyze Montana’s work to contain the virus.

The Directive and its Appendix with reopening guidelines are attached and are posted online at <https://covid19.mt.gov>.



A Gathering of Naturalists

Yellowstone Cougars and Humans

Brad Bulin
Dr. Jim Halfpenny
Brad Orsted
Dr. Dan Stahler

Informational Zoom Workshop
Secret Lives of Cougars
Yellowstone Research
Human Cougar Interactions

Where: Zoom.com on your own computer, in your own home: easy to do

When: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Saturday, May 23, 2020

Who: Any one interested in Yellowstone Cougars and Human Interactions - All Welcome !!

Cost: F R E E !!! BUT you must register ahead of time

Yellowstone Cougars and Humans: An Informational Workshop

Get updated on cougar research in the Yellowstone National Park, learn cougar behavior and ecology, learn how cougars interact with humans.

This is a Zoom.com presentation and you will need to view Zoom on your computer or phone.

Registration Required Ahead Of Time:

To register email your name and email address to
YellowstoneCougarInfo@TrackScheneInvestigation.com
OR Text your name and email address to (406) 848-1206

You will receive a Zoom invitation in your email.

Do not wait until the last moment as you might not get in.
Attendance is limited to 99 participants.

SCHEDULE

Attend for all lectures or attend only those that you wish. Come and go as you wish.

- 08:30 Opening - Who is a Cougar - Jim Halfpenny
- 09:00 Yellowstone National Park Cougar Research Update - Dan Stahler, YNP
- 10:00 The Secret Lives of Cougars - Brad Bulin
- 11:00 Human Confrontations - Across the United States - Jim Halfpenny
- 12:00 Lunch Break
- 1:00 Cougars Among Us: How We Co-Exist - Brad Orsted
- 2:00 Cougar Proofing: Your self, Your Children, Your Pets, Your Yard, Your Neighborhood
Your Livestock, Wildlife Observations (Jim's 7 Step Plan)
- 2:30 Cougar Hysteria Case Studies - Jim Halfpenny
- 3:00 Cougar Ecology - Jim Halfpenny
- 4:00 Cougars as Pets and Pet Trade - Jim Halfpenny
- 5:00 Adjourn

Downloads will be available from Dropbox.com after the meeting.

THIS IS NOT A POLITICAL FORUM.
THERE WILL BE NO DISCUSSION OF POLICY.

THE WORKSHOP IS STRICTLY INFORMATIONAL.
ANYONE NOT ADHERING TO THIS RULE WILL BE REMOVED FROM ZOOM.

HELP WANTED

GARDINER PUBLIC SCHOOL is looking to hire a High School boys basketball coach for the 2020-2021 school year. Anyone interested please send a cover letter and resume to Mike Baer, 510 Stone Street, Gardiner, MT 59030. Any questions, call the Gardiner School at 848-7563.

HIRING STAFF FOR SUMMER 2020

Roosevelt Hotel Yellowstone is currently taking applications and doing interviews for Housekeepers. The summer is almost here and you need to work for us. Our season will start June 1 and end Sept 30. Above average hourly pay and housing available to qualified employees. Please give Tom at 406-209-4954 or email me at: gardinerhotel@gmail.com

GARDINER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

CVB VISITOR'S CENTER has a part time seasonal position open for a Visitor Information Specialist available the 2020 summer season. Position starts late May and goes through late September. Must be able to work evenings and weekends as needed. Pays \$10/hour. See our ad to the right for additional information. Please email resume and cover letter to executivedirector@gardinerchamber.com or call 406.848.7971 for questions.

YELLOWSTONE GATEWAY INN is now taking applications for front desk and housekeeping personnel, part and full time. Call 406-848-7100 for more information or to make arrangements to pick up an application.

ORTEGA FAMILY ENTERPRISES are looking for sales associates for this upcoming summer season. Gardiner Gifts and Yellowstone Trading Post in Cooke City positions are available starting May 23rd. Please call 406-848-7011 for more information.

OUTLAW'S PIZZA IS LOOKING FOR full-time and part-time employees. Jobs include front of the house, back of the house and at the bar. Please apply within the Yellowstone Outpost Mall Office, Monday- Friday 8am- 4pm, or email Erin at jkempenterprises@gmail.com to apply. Have any questions, contact the office at 406-848-7220.

YELLOWSTONE OUTPOST MALL IS LOOKING FOR a full-time or part-time maintenance personnel. Please apply within the Yellowstone Outpost Mall Office, Monday- Friday 8am- 4pm, or email Erin at jkempenterprises@gmail.com to apply. Have any questions, contact the office at 406-848-7220.

Caution: Elk calving season has begun. Beware of your surroundings!

- Elk calving season has started in Yellowstone National Park.
- Cow elk are much more aggressive towards people during the calving season and may charge or kick.
- Stay alert. Look around corners before exiting buildings or walking around blind spots: cow elk may bed their calves near buildings and cars.
- Keep at least 25 yards from elk at all times.
- If an elk charges you, find shelter in your vehicle or behind a tall, sturdy barrier as quickly as possible.
- You are responsible for your own safety.



Are you looking for a summer season job?

Do you enjoy talking to people? Do you have an excellent knowledge of Gardiner, Yellowstone National Park and the state of Montana? If you answered yes to all three of these questions, you should apply to be a Visitor Information Specialist at the Gardiner Chamber of Commerce/CVB Visitor's Center. We are now hiring for part-time positions and late season full-time positions.

Must be able to:

- Work evenings and weekends as needed
- Work late May through September

Skills, Education and Training Required:

- Knowledge of Gardiner, Yellowstone National Park, and the State of Montana and a passion for sharing information with visitors
- Ability to use a tablet computer
- Ability to research information online
- Ability to communicate well with a variety of people and accents

Duties Include:

- Welcome visitors and answer their questions
- Track visitor engagements
- Stock and maintain Visitor Center
- Clean and maintain facility according to COVID-19 guidelines
- Other tasks as assigned

Position is seasonal. Term of employment is from Memorial Day Weekend to the end of September. Pays \$10/hour.

Please email resume and cover letter to executivedirector@gardinerchamber.com or call 406-848-7971 for questions

FOOD

IF YOU ARE OR KNOW OF ANY SENIORS in need of some assistance with food during the COVID-19 pandemic please contact Anna Holloway at the Tumbleweed. We do meals on wheels Monday-Friday and would be more than happy to add to our list over the next couple of weeks. Volunteers bring lunch straight to your front door. Call or text Anna at 406-223-2751.

OUTLAWS PIZZA IS NOW OPEN, Wednesday through Sunday, 4pm to 9pm. Call 848.7733 for togos. Hope to see you there!

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Limited Camping, Preparations for Memorial Weekend

May 14, 2020 - Bozeman, MT – Working hand in hand with local agencies, the Custer Gallatin National Forest is aiming to open a portion of concessionaire operated campsites starting this Friday. A phased opening will be occurring starting on May 15 and continuing for the rest of the month of May, for many additional campgrounds and cabins.

“We know people are excited and likely feeling a bit more cabin fever, at this time, said Mary Erickson, Custer Gallatin Forest Supervisor. The Forest is working hard to prepare and open a subset of campgrounds for use by Memorial Weekend. We do understand that folks are looking forward to returning to some of their favorite places, but we also urge people to continue to follow local, state and national guidelines during this time, plan ahead and stay safe.”

Camping and getting out on your public lands is a tradition for many and an activity individuals and families look forward to experiencing every summer. Reservations for some campgrounds can be made on recreation.gov based on the dates provided below. Forest closures for many sites still remain in place. Forest users will need to refer to their local Ranger District office, follow @ [CusterGallatinNationalForest](https://www.facebook.com/CusterGallatinNationalForest) on facebook or visit online at www.fs.usda.gov/custergallatin. Trails remain open for hiking, but please remember to avoid congregating at trailheads and/or parking areas and refrain from gathering in groups of 10 or more.

The Custer Gallatin National Forest continues to monitor the COVID-19 situation. Please remember to review current recommendations from the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](https://www.cdc.gov/disease-control-and-prevention), along with local and state guidelines for social distancing and cloth face coverings.

Campground	Opening Date
Canyon Campground	May 22, 2020
Eagle Creek Campground	May 22, 2020
La Duke Picnic Site	May 22, 2020

Many additional developed recreation sites exist on the Custer Gallatin National Forest and dates will be worked on to get sites properly prepared and cleaned for the health and safety of those recreating. Cabins are being cleaned as well and when they are available it will be reflected on recreation.gov. All dates are projected and subject to change. For further information or for in-depth questions contact the Gardiner Ranger district office at: 406-848-7375

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Presented by Heather Demorez, CHES

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Thursday, May 21, 2020 from 2-2:30 p.m.
Presented by Hesper Smith, RN

Managing Chronic Health Conditions
Tuesday, May 26, 2020 from 10-10:30 a.m.
Presented by Jen MacFarlane

This series is free and open to all. For more information and to register, visit bozemanhealth.org/communityeducation.



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CHURCH SERVICES

GARDINER BAPTIST CHURCH

Sundays: Bible Study 10am
Worship 11am, lunch to follow
Mondays: Good News Club at school 4:15-5:15
Wednesdays: Bible Study 6:30pm

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Sundays: Sacrament Service 10am

ST. WILLIAMS CATHOLIC CHURCH:

Sundays: Mass time: 8:00am
Adult Education: 9:30am

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH (Emigrant)

Sundays: Worship 8am

MT. REPUBLIC CHAPEL OF PEACE

(Cooke City)
Sundays: Worship 8am & 10am

GARDINER COMMUNITY CHURCH Winter Schedule

Sundays: 9:15 Sunday School
10:15am Worship Service

COMMUNITY SERVICES & COMMITTEES

AA MEETING: Wednesdays @ 7pm at St. William's Catholic Church. Contact 1-724-496-9894

AA MEETING: Wednesdays @ 7pm at Mount Republic Chapel of Peace. Cooke City. Contact: (406) 838-2397

AMERICAN LEGION MEETING: 2nd Tuesday @ 7pm at the Gardiner Community Center.

BEAR CREEK COUNCIL MEETING: Meets monthly at the Track Ed Center, 9 Jardine Rd. For more information: 406-223-2152 <https://northernplains.org/our-local-groups/bear-creek-council/>

ELECTRIC PEAK ARTS COUNCIL MEETING: Sept-May, 1st Wednesdays @ 5:30pm at the Gardiner Visitor Center, 216 Park St.

GARDINER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: Mon-Fri: 9am-5pm Monthly Board meeting, 3rd Thursdays at noon. Located at 216 Park Street. 848-7971.

GARDINER COMMUNITY LIBRARY Tuesdays 10am-5pm, 6pm-8pm & Thursdays 6pm-8pm. 406.848.7835. Book Sale Tuesdays 10am-5pm.

GARDINER FOOD PANTRY: Tuesdays from 1pm-6pm. 307.344.9006 Linda Gray.

GARDINER-PARK COUNTY WATER DISTRICT BOARD MEETING: 2nd Tuesday @ 6pm at the District Office.

GARDINER RESORT AREA DISTRICT Monthly meeting is held every second Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Gardiner Visitor Center.

GARDINER SCHOOL BOARD MEETING: 2nd Wednesdays @ 6pm in the Gardiner School Library.

GATEWAY HOSE COMPANY: Trustees Budget Meeting June 15, 2020 @ 6 pm @ Fire Hall

GREATER GARDINER COMMUNITY COUNCIL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING: 1st Tuesdays @ 6:30pm. www.gardinermt.org

LIVINGSTON HEALTHCARE GARDINER REHAB OUTREACH CLINIC: M/W/F from 9am-4pm at Gardiner Baptist Church. Call 222-7231 or 222-3541.

LIVINGSTON LODGE #32 A.F. & A.M. meets 1st Tuesday at 7pm at the Livingston Masonic Temple.

If you are feeling sad, as if no one cares or that life isn't worth living any more, please call the

Montana Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK (8255)

Someone does care, they will listen to your story.

GARDINER COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER INFO

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How to submit an ad:

- Email ad to ads@gardinerchamber.com
- Send ad to: Gardiner Chamber of Commerce (attention newsletter ads), P.O. Box 81, Gardiner, MT 59030.
- Come directly into the Chamber office at 216 Park Street, or use the afterhours drop box.
- Ads can not be submitted over the phone, but you can pay over the phone with a credit card. 406-848-7971.

Line Ad pricing:

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