

Greater Yellowstone Geotravel Road Trip

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August 15 (Saturday):

All Participants arrive into Bozeman – noon to 1 pm arrivals; Lunch in Belgrade
3:00 PM--afternoon visit to **Amaltheia Organic Dairy** www.amaltheiadairy.com. Contact: Sue & Mel Brown 3380 Penwall Bridge Rd, Belgrade MT 59714 406-388-5950. Amaltheia Organic Dairy is a family owned and operated certified organic Goat Cheese Dairy. Amaltheia Dairy has developed Chevre, Feta, and Ricotta cheeses, as well as a variety of flavored Chevres, such as Roasted Garlic and Chive, Spiced Pepper, and Sun-dried Tomato Chevre. Amaltheia Dairy sells 17 different products and has the capacity to produce 2,000 pounds of goat cheese a week.

On to **Chico Hot Springs Resort** for overnight, dinner and enjoying the ambiance of one of Montana's historic resorts. We will also tour their on-site greenhouse. **7:00 PM** Dinner guests include Colin and Seabring Davis. Colin is the general manager of Chico; his wife Seabring is a travel journalist, with her recent work being *A Montana Table*, featuring recipes from Chico. www.chicohotsprings.com PO Box 29, Pray, MT 59065 406-333-4933

August 16 (Sunday):

8:30 AM Breakfast at **Pine Creek Café**, 2496 E River Road, Livingston, MT 59047 406-222-3628, with Annie Conley, who is the **Market Connection Program Director** for the **Western Sustainability Exchange**. www.northrock.org. Western Sustainability Exchange (WSE) is a sustainable development non-profit whose mission is, "to advance sustainable choices that enhance economic opportunities which preserve open space, wildlife habitat, farm and ranchlands and quality of life for future generations."

10:00 AM Tour of the **Wolf Ridge Lamb & Wool Co.** (a member of WSE), Contact; Barb & Per Gunness, 850 E River Rd, Pray, MT 59065, 406-333-4031
<http://www.wolfridgelambandwool.com/>

Drive to **Yellowstone National Park** via the north entrance at Gardiner, MT. **1:00 PM** Lunch at Mammoth Hot Springs Hotel, with guests Jim Evanoff, YNP and Beth Pratt, Xanterra. Continue on to **Lake Hotel** in Yellowstone National Park. We'll make several stops before our final destination for short walks to explore our nation's oldest park, including a walk to the overview of the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone. Lake Hotel is Yellowstone's oldest hotel still in use today. Built on a site long known as a meeting place for Indians, trappers, and mountain men, the Lake Yellowstone Hotel was ready to serve guests in 1891. At that time, it was not particularly distinctive, resembling any other railroad hotel financed by the Northern Pacific Railroad. This plain, boxed-shaped building, was transformed into a beautiful colonial-style luxury hotel during the first of a series of renovations started in 1903, www.travelyellowstone.com/lake-yellowstone-hotel-cabins-94.html. **7:00 PM** Dinner guests will include the extra-charismatic, **Rick**

Hoeninghausen, Director of Marketing for Xanterra, the group that manages the parks' properties, *Jeff Brown, Yellowstone Association Institute*, and a visit with *Lake Hotel Chef Chapman*.

August 17 (Monday)

Road tripping through more of Yellowstone Park's distinctive scenery – including geyser basins and the legendary Madison River before popping out at West Yellowstone. This portion of the trip will feature Yellowstone Association Institute's educational programs and presentations.

After a bite of lunch, we head north to the historic **320 Guest Ranch**, Contact: Anna Holbein, Sales Manager, 406-995-4283 or 800-243-0320, celebrating 110 years) for dinner and overnight. We'll dine on swine at **Monday Night Pig Roast**, with local **Lone Peak Brewery** beer and music by local artists. www.320ranch.com

August 18 (Tuesday)

After breakfast, at the 320, for those who wish to do so, we'll saddle up for a 2 hr horseback ride into the Gallatin National Forest before heading back to Bozeman. We'll grab some lunch at the **Garage** or **Bozeman Community Co-op** (meet with owners of these eateries); with an afternoon visit to the **Museum of the Rockies**. After the museum tour, we'll visit **Bogert Park Farmer's Market** (5-8 PM). **7:00 PM** Dinner at **Emerson Grill**, after dinner activities of strolling around downtown Bozeman, hike Peet's Hill or M trail, and end the day with an overnight at **Olive Branch B&B**. Contact: Cecily Johnson, 202 Lindley Pl, Bozeman, MT 59715 406-640-1710 in downtown Bozeman.

August 19 (Wednesday)

Breakfast at **Nova Café**, downtown Bozeman, then head for the airport & home...

