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HISTORY

The Yellowstone Park Foundation (YPF) is a 501(c)3, non-profit organization created in 1996.

The Yellowstone Park Foundation is a non-profit organization, formed in 1996, whose mission is to protect, preserve and enhance Yellowstone National Park. The Foundation accomplishes this mission through fundraising for park projects. The funds are raised through the support of private citizens, foundations, and corporations. In 2010 they altered their fundraising strategy by creating fundraising themes to focus and balance their efforts. These themes include: Visitor Experience, Wildlife and Wilderness, Cultural Treasures, Ranger Heritage, Tomorrow's Stewards, and Greenest Park. The Board of Trustees meets each year to decide which projects will receive funding. Since the creation of the Yellowstone Park Foundation, it has contributed to many projects and improvements within the park some of which include the Old Faithful Visitors Center, Heritage and Research Center, the wolf project, native fish conservation, and trail restoration. The Yellowstone Park Foundation also provides funding for students through various internships and the Youth Conservation Corps.

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<i>CATALOG NUMBER</i>	YELL 202686
<i>VOLUME</i>	2 LF
<i>DESCRIPTION</i>	<p>This collection documents the creation of the Yellowstone Park Foundation as well as the work they continue to accomplish through fundraising and providing money to projects that will benefit Yellowstone National Park.</p> <p>This collection documents the creation of the Yellowstone Park Foundation as well as the work they continue to accomplish through fundraising and providing money to projects that will benefit Yellowstone National Park. The materials in this collection are comprised primarily of correspondence, Board of Trustees meeting schedules and materials, project proposals, and financial charts. There are also a small number of brochures, printed materials, and a scrapbook that commemorates the 15th anniversary of the Yellowstone Park Foundation.</p>
<i>ORGANIZATION</i>	[Organization] [Arrangement]These papers are arranged in five series which include: Formation and Guiding Documents ; Board of Trustees; Projects; Finances; Printed Material, Ephemera, and Special Events.
<i>PROVENANCE</i>	Donation by Pat Cole, Director of YPF in 2011.
<i>RESTRICTIONS</i>	NO

SERIES DESCRIPTIONS

I. Formation and Guiding Documents

This series contains documents that pertain to the creation of the Yellowstone Park Foundation as well as documents that shape their policies and work functions. This includes planning documents, correspondence between original Board members, policy documents, and strategic plans.

II. Board of Trustees

This series includes documents created by the Board of Trustees including meeting minutes, meeting agendas, and correspondence, as well as information about the board members that is important to the foundation or its history.

III. Projects

This series is made up of documents that describe the projects, goals, and accomplishments of the YPF. These documents range from proposals to progress reports or the completion of projects. Annual reports are also included in this section as they serve as summaries of the YPF's project progress.

IV. Finances

This series includes documents relevant to the financial status, expenditures, and funding for the Yellowstone Park Foundation. These documents include financial assessments, grant summaries, corporate partners, and donations.

V. Printed Material, Ephemera, and Special Events

This series contains materials that are produced by YPF for advertising, souvenirs, etc. These materials might include postcards, posters, and brochures. Documents and ephemera in this series may also have been created to commemorate special events for Yellowstone National Park or the Foundation. A scrapbook created for the 15th anniversary of YPF and menus and postcards from the 100th year celebration weekend for the Old Faithful Inn are some examples of the documents found in this series.

CONTAINER LIST

Series Nbr	Series Title
01	Formation and Guiding Documents

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File Unit Nbr	Title
01.01	Correspondence, 1993-1994
01.02	New grants process and thematic fundraising, 2009-2010
01.03	Revenue enhancement Yellowstone Association, 1994
01.04	Strategic plan, 1995
01.05	Strategic plan, 2005-2010
01.06	Timeline, 1993-1997

Series Nbr	Series Title
02	Board of Trustees

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File Unit Nbr	Title
01.07	Board Executive Committee workshop and talking points, 2009
01.08	Board meetings, 1994-1995
01.09	Board meeting - May 19-20, 2001 (Mammoth Hot Springs)
01.11	Board meeting - October 4, 2002 (Lake Ranger Station)
01.12	Board meeting - May 21-23, 2003 (Mammoth Hot Springs)

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02.01	Board meeting - September 24-26, 2003 (Old Faithful)
02.02	Board meeting - 2004 (Mammoth Hot Springs and Old Faithful)
02.03	Board meeting - 2005 (HRC and Yellowstone Lake)
02.04	Board meeting - May 18-19, 2006 (HRC and Mammoth Hot Springs)
02.05	Board meeting - September 21-22, 2006 (Old Faithful)
02.06	Board meeting - 2007 (Mammoth Hot Springs and Yellowstone Lake)

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03.01	Board meeting - 2008 (Mammoth Hot Springs and Old Faithful)
03.02	Board meeting - June 10-13, 2009 (West Yellowstone)
03.03	Board meeting - 2010 (Mammoth Hot Springs and Old Faithful)
03.04	Illegal activity - Joseph, John
03.05	Resignation - Cole, Pat

Series Nbr	Series Title
03	Projects

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File Unit Nbr	Title
03.06	Annual Reports
03.07	Culture - Furnishing our Heritage: outfitting the HRC, 2004
03.08	Culture - Sharing our Heritage: managing the Davis collection
03.09	Culture - Wonderland on exhibit

03.10	Environmental stewardship - YES! Initiative
03.11	Proposals, 2000
03.12	Proposals, 2003
03.13	Proposals, 2005
03.14	Proposals, 2009
03.15	Visitor experience - Artist Point restoration
03.16	Visitor experience - Old Faithful visitors center
03.17	Visitor experience - Wolf restoration education

Series Nbr	Series Title
04	Finances

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File Unit Nbr	Title
03.18	Annual Fund performance, 2009
03.19	Corporate partners - ConocoPhillips presentation
03.20	Corporate partners - prospective

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04.01	Corporate partners - Wal-mart
04.02	Financial assessment, 2005
04.03	Financial assessment, 2006
04.04	Funded projects, 1999
04.05	Funding status of projects, 2000
04.06	Grants - history and summary, 2003
04.07	Grants - history and summary, 2006
04.08	Thematic fundraising priorities, 2010

Series Nbr	Series Title
05	Printed Material, Ephemera, and Special Events

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File Unit Nbr	Title
04.09	Haynes photo shop re-opening
04.10	Old Faithful Inn - 100 year anniversary weekend, 2004
04.11	Roosevelt Arch - 100 year anniversary
04.12	Brochure, 2003
04.13	Commemorative brochure - 15 year anniversary

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05.01	Scrapbook - 15 year anniversary
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