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***Yellowstone Treasures* named finalist in two book award contests for 2017**

*Lake Forest Park, Wash.- March 20, 2018*—Today, Granite Peak Publications announces that *Yellowstone Treasures: The Traveler’s Companion to the National Park*, updated fifth edition (2017), has been recognized as a finalist in both the 30th annual Independent Book Publishers Association (IBPA) Benjamin Franklin Awards and the 20th annual Foreword INDIES Book of the Year Awards in the travel category.

“I’m pleased that this edition’s new cover, 65 new color photos, and geyser and wildlife updates have captured both IBPA’s and Foreword’s attention again this year,” said publisher Beth Chapple. Since the first edition in 2002, author Janet Chapple has shared her lifelong love of Yellowstone. The guidebook has been favorably reviewed over the years in the *Billings Gazette*, *Chicago Tribune*, *Escapes: Sharing the RV Lifestyle*, *Midwest Book Review* and more.

The IBPA Benjamin Franklin Awards™ recognize excellence in book editorial and design in 55 categories. See this year’s finalists: <https://ibpa-online.site-ym.com/news/390365/30th-Annual-IBPA-Benjamin-Franklin-Awards.htm>

The Foreword Reviews editorial team selected their finalists from more than 2,000 individual titles spread across 65 genres. The complete list of finalists for the Foreword INDIES awards can be found at: <https://www.forewordreviews.com/awards/finalists/2017/>

Finalists were announced in March 2018. Winners of the IBPA Benjamin Franklin Awards will be announced during Publishing University in Austin, Texas, on April 6, 2018; the Foreword INDIES winners will be announced on June 15, 2018.

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About IBPA: The Independent Book Publishers Association is a 3,000-member strong not-for-profit organization serving and leading the independent publishing community through advocacy, education and tools for success.

About Foreword: Founded in 1998, Foreword Magazine, Inc. is the only media company completely devoted to independent publishing, exclusively covering university and independent (non “Big 5”) publishers, the books they publish and their authors. Foreword is based in Traverse City, Michigan, USA, with staff based around the world.

About Granite Peak Publications: Founded in 2000, Granite Peak Publications produces well-researched books on Greater Yellowstone. *Yellowstone Treasures* previously won Gold in the Foreword awards in 2002 and Silver in the IBPA awards in 2010. The anthology *Through Early Yellowstone* (2016) won Honorable Mention from Foreword Reviews in 2017. Follow the company at <https://www.yellowstonetreasures.com/> and on Twitter, @GPPublications.

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