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## Rustics negotiates Japanese deal

by Suzanne Vernon

A Montana English teacher working in Japan once mentioned to one of his students that Rustics of Lindbergh Lake, Inc. built some of the finest log homes made in the United States. That tip prompted the two representatives of major Japanese firms to visit the Swan Valley last fall and ultimately order the first of five Montana-made log buildings to be constructed by Rustics.

Last Wednesday, Keiji Yamada, president and architect for Bal International of Japan, signed a \$40,000 sales contract for a log tennis club building that will be shipped to Japan this spring. Yamada was accompanied by his partner, Yasuji Kamata, vice president of Jonan Kamata Sangyo Company, Ltd. of Tokyo. Kamata's company sponsors the Volvo Cup tennis tournament in Tokyo. The new log tennis club is scheduled to be completed this summer. It is expected that some 10,000 people will tour the club and play tennis there this year.

Yamada and Kamata first visited the Swan Valley last fall. They came with a specific purpose in mind: to tour Rustics of Lindbergh Lake, Inc. How did they know about Rustics? Yasuji Kamata did not recall the name of his English teacher at a Tokyo university, but that teacher was responsible for telling the Japanese man about Rustics and Seeley Lake, Montana.

"I'd sure like to know the name of that teacher," Paul Swinson, vice president of Rustics, chuckled last week. Swinson has reason to be excited about the recent sales agreement. It amounts to a heck of a lot more than the tennis club building, he explained. Yamada and Kamata will be dealers for Rustics log homes in Tokyo. "This is our new connection—they'll establish dealerships for us over there," Swinson said. Log homes are just becoming popular in Japan, Swinson added. "We're right in at the beginning of things."

Rustics shipped commercial buildings to Japan in 1984 and again in 1986. A Rustics representative will probably travel to Japan this year to help with completion of the tennis club, though Swinson quickly added that Yamada is a well-known architect capable of designing and building just about any structure in the world.



Rustics of Lindbergh Lake, Inc., Condon, negotiated a sales agreement with a Japanese firm last week. Pictured left to right are: Yasuji Kamata, vice president of Jonan Kamata Sangyo Co. Ltd., Tokyo; Paul Swinson, vice president, Rustics; Keiji Yamada, president of Bal International, Tokyo; Bob Ford, president, Rustics; and Carol Daly, administrator, business assistance division, Montana Department of Commerce, Helena.

Carol Daly from the Montana Department of Commerce was on hand for the signing of the sales agreement in the Swan Valley last week. She explained that this agreement fits well with the new Montana-Japanese business relationships being established. Montana will open an official trade office in Tokyo on June 1. The purpose of the office will be to improve business relations in areas such as agricultural production, other manufacturing and services (such as log homes), tourism and reverse investment.

Daly indicated that Montana will also have an office at the World Trade Center in Taipei, Taiwan. Representatives of Rustics met with other Montana companies and Governor Schwinden this week to finalize plans for the Montana Room displays to be installed at the World Trade Center.

## SOS levy fails

A proposed mill levy which would have raised approximately \$15,690 for the SOS Hospital District over the next two years failed during local elections last Tuesday.

Seeley Lake area voters approved the levy by a vote of 98 to 56. Swan Valley and Sunset (Greenough) area voters, however, defeated the levy by a wide margin. Total votes for the entire district (Seeley Lake, Swan Valley and Sunset combined) were 161 for and 172 against the levy.

Unofficial tallies at Swan Valley show 59 votes for the levy and 108 votes against it. At Sunset, the levy failed by four votes.

According to Missoula County

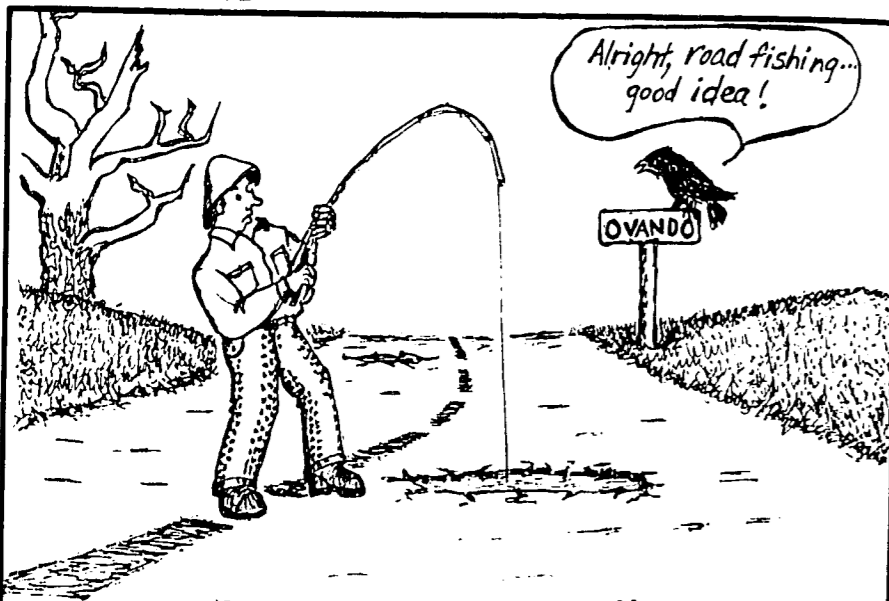
Deputy Attorney, Mike Sehestedt, the hospital district will not be able to put the levy before the voters until next spring's school elections. Ballot certification and notice requirements for the hospital district prevent the possibility of including the levy in the June primary election ballots.

Wilma Nicholson, nurse administrator at the SOS Health Center, indicated that this was the first time the district levy had been defeated since the hospital district was formed in 1971.

Other voter tallies from last Tuesday's election can be found in the community sections of this week's *Pathfinder*.

# OPINION

Natty Bumpo



Fishing the pot holes

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## Ballot Baloney

**Predator:** Hi, would you help me out and sign this petition to put an important issue on the ballot? We think there have been too many excesses and abuses because people have too much freedom. So, we want to do away with the Bill of Rights.

**Prey:** (Dumbfounded) But...but...I always thought the Bill of Rights was a pretty good thing.

**Predator:** Nah, and besides, this petition doesn't change anything—it just puts it on the ballot, so people have a chance to vote on it. Don't you think it's a good thing for people to have the opportunity to express their views?

**Prey:** (Anxious to escape) Yeah, I guess so. Sure, I'll sign.

Does this little scenario sound familiar? All too often, we innocents are gulled into aiding causes that, with a little further reflection, we would categorically reject. Usually, we sign these things because of an innate sense of politeness and/or because we're in a hurry—after all, a signature buys immediate escape.

The particular problem with this is that a lot of absurd, self-serving and/or obviously unconstitutional measures experience no difficulty in making it onto the ballot. As a result, we end up with "ballot clutter"—and it's no small task for the voters to properly acquaint themselves with the details of each and every issue. No doubt, some of us haven't had the opportunity to study an

issue and occasionally cast a "guess" rather than a "vote" when we're in the voting booth. Consequently, some of these things actually get approved and, depending on the particular situation, there can be considerable hardship before the courts finally get round to making things right again.

So, the next time somebody wants you to sign something that you've never seen before, why not get tough?—stop being a victim. Just say that you're interested in the matter and that you'd like a copy of the petition to take home, along with whatever supporting (and opposing) materials are available. Ask for the Legislative Council's analysis of the petition. (The Legislative Council

does a pretty good job of separating legal chaff from wheat.) If none of this is forthcoming, the petitioners need to get their act together and aren't worthy of further consideration.

These petitions aren't harmless—if approved, lots of damage can be done, even if only temporarily. Even worse, nuisance issues detract from serious consideration of legitimate ballot issues—and that tends to undermine democracy. The referendum process doesn't need reforming; however, the framers of the process relied upon the common sense of the electorate to make it workable. It's time for a little hard-ball, Sports Fans.

—Dick Potter

# LETTERS

## Wilderness Economics

To the Editor:

It is with great interest that I have followed the wilderness issue. The *Pathfinder* and *Missoulian* express their views, the environmentalists have their opinions and industry has their position. Unfortunately, most of the articles and letters in the local papers have been pro-wilderness. The real disservice provided by the media is that no objective, unbiased reporting has been done on the wilderness issue. As an employee of Pyramid Mountain Lumber, I am not without bias. However, I have some facts that are hard to dispute and everyone in our valley should consider.

Last year, Pyramid's payroll approached four million dollars. In addition, another one-half million was spent providing health care and retirement. If some common ground is not reached on wilderness issues, someday Pyramid will run out of raw material. When this happens, approximately 135 millworkers will have to find other employment. The immediate ripple effect will put at least 50 woods workers in the same predicament. As people move on in order to support their families, businesses will follow. The mill was here thirty-six years before we got a top-notch bank and nice grocery store, but it would not take thirty-six years for them to close their doors. Other businesses would surely fail—would the population support the SOS center? All public schools would suffer.

How many people would be forced to leave, taking their tax base with them? The remaining population would have to supply the tax revenues for schools, roads, health, etc. Are they willing and able to take on that burden? The Swan Valley may have answered that question when they turned down the recent proposed mill levy.

Many wilderness proponents say that tourism and recreation will more than make up the difference. This valley will not be nearly as attractive to tourists and recreationists when they start rattling locked doors where they used to buy groceries, gas, etc. But, wait, look at all the service industry jobs that tourism will create! Montana's *Annual Planning Information* for calendar year 1988 (research performed by Montana Department of Labor) reports that the average annual income for lumber manufacturing was \$21,792, while the average for hotels and lodging employees was \$7013. Employees in retail trade - eating and drinking establishments fared worse with a \$5564 average. The analysis is somewhat skewed, as it only reports on employees covered under state unemployment—but you get the picture. At least we will only need 600 service industry jobs to make up for loss of timber industry jobs!

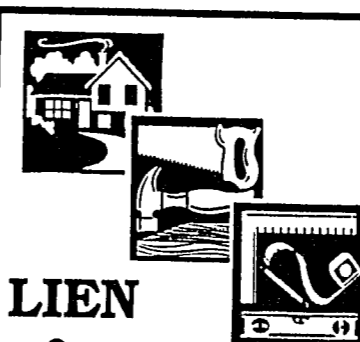
Why does industry want raw material and the environmentalists want wilderness? The questions are different, but the answers are the same—quality of life. Many of the people depending on timber supply are second and third generation Montanans. They love to hunt and fish as much as anyone else. Most of them (myself included) have a greater appreciation for wilderness than the average citizen. They do not want to leave the area they call home, nor do they want their quality of life to suffer.

Conversely, many of the wilderness proponents have moved to Montana from some other state. They have seen what industrialization, commercialization and population growth have done to areas they once called home. They did not like what happened to their native land, so they looked for a place which offered a better quality of life. They found that in Western Montana, and they feel their quality of life is threatened by the timber industry.

It is time to find common ground. For wilderness groups to demand 2.8 million acres of wilderness and threaten to appeal every Forest Service timber sale if they do not get their way is immature and selfish. Name calling (Joe Idiot?) and mudslinging only serve to polarize all groups involved.

Everyone in this valley has a stake in the future and everyone should consider all the consequences—then voice their opinion.

Loren Rose  
Seeley Lake



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### Thank You

We would like to thank all our friends and relatives for all the cards and well wishes on our 25th wedding anniversary. Thanks to all who made our party such a great success. Thanks to those who brought food, and the Gang at Trixi's for the great service. A special thanks to our Children and Parents: Sheila Jacobsen, Tim and Cindy Jacobsen Nels and Ethel Hansen, Herman and Wilma Jacobsen

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| 10am    | Missouri River Country, slide show John Radenburg and Glen Miller, Ft. Peck, MT                                  |
| 10:45   | Photography's Role in Promotion of Tourism Craig Sharpe, 3rd Eye Photo, Helena                                   |
| 11:30   | MONTANA UPDATE - GUEST SPEAKER JOHN WILSON, Montana Travel Promotion Director, Helena                            |
| 12:15   | Presentation: Holland Lake Summit Tourism Award  |
| 12:20   | LUNCH - Wrangler Ribs Buffet   |
| NOON    | Live Eagle Display - Ken Wolff, licensed eagle rehabilitator   |
| 1:15    | Entertainment - Roger Wade, multi-image slide presentation   |
| 1:30    | Why the Big Shows? Dave Moody, National Sales, Director, Int'l Sportsmen's Expos                                 |
| 2:15    | Trail of the Great Bear, Beth Russell, Marketing Director Waterton Chamber of Commerce and Visitor's Association |
| 3pm     | Tourism and the Fine Arts Don Thompson, Director, Bigfork Theater  |
| 3:45    | "We Can Help!" - Mike Cronin, Business Development Spec. Small Business Administration, Helena                   |
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Registration: \$20 (includes Wrangler Rib Buffet)  
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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Community members are invited to submit dates, times and locations of events, meetings and other happenings. Submission deadline: Friday, 6 pm; call 677-2022 or 754-2365.

- ### Events
- Apr 15, Commodities Distribution, Seeley Lake Comm Hall, 1-3 pm.
  - Apr 16, 2nd Pinochle Party, Seeley Lake Comm. Hall, 7pm.
  - Apr 17, Founders Day, pancake dinner, program & live music, Seeley Lake Comm. Hall, 2 pm dinner, 5 pm program.
  - Apr 19, Tourism Conference, all day, Holland Lake Lodge
  - Apr 21, Red Cross Blood Drawing, sponsored by American Legion, Swan Valley Comm Hall, Condon, 2:30-5:30.
  - Apr 21, Condon Community Club, Swan Valley Comm Hall, 8pm
- ### Other
- Alcoholics Anonymous
  - Condon: Every Thursday night, Swan Valley School, 7:30pm
  - Seeley Lake: Sunday nights, 449 Grizzly Road, Seeley Lake, 7pm; Weds nights, 7pm, 449 Grizzly Rd; Thursdays at noon, 449 Grizzly Rd;
  - Young People's Meeting, Every Friday nite, 7pm, 449 Grizzly Rd
  - Al Anon
  - Seeley Lake: Thursday nights, 449 Grizzly Rd, Seeley Lake, 7pm

- ### Public Meetings
- Apr 14, Swan Valley Elem School trustees meet, school library 7:30pm.
  - Apr 19, Seeley Lake Fire Board, Fire Hall, 7:30pm
  - Apr 21, Seeley Lake Elem School trustees, school library 7:30pm

- ### Clubs & Organizations
- Apr 15, American Legion, Swan Valley Post #63, Swan Valley Comm Hall, 8pm
  - Refuse Disposal Site, Oct thru April: Weds & Sat, 10am-4pm. Swan Lake Library (Swan Lake): Weds, Sat, 10am-2pm. Swan Valley Library (Condon): Weds, 10am-6pm, Sat, 10am-3pm. EMERGENCY: Dial 911 if you live in Seeley Lake, Condon, Greenough or Ovando. Swan Lake residents dial 886-2324 (Fire, QRU or Search & Rescue) or 1-752-6161 for Sheriff, Highway Patrol.

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## Country Journal

When I opened the curtains at day-break the other morning, every window framed a whitetail deer. They are back, in full force, munching the green shoots of grass in the yard. They haven't bothered the tulips—yet.

One sure sign of spring this week: mosquitoes. I should have known the little beasts were back because June and Dobb Wilhelm said that the tree swallows arrived last week. Our feathered friends wouldn't arrive before their favorite meals were available, would they?

Everyone is talking about bluebirds. Roger and Mary Marshall have seen two male bluebirds eyeing at least one nesting site near the Seeley Lake Airport. In the Swan, we walked along the Kraft Creek Road one day and saw both a male and female bluebird in Jette's meadow. A little farther north, Susan Cox said she's been watching "mom and dad" bluebird building a nest already. (She said "hubby" was obviously trying to help, but mama bluebird acted as if she could have done without his assistance!)

A few mountain trails are passable in tennis shoes this week. We wandered up the Holland Falls trail and enjoyed the spring air, heavy with the scent of spruce and wet moss. Lots of coyote sign there. Even saw where ole' wiley ate a squirrel for lunch on a little patch of ice near the trail. Saw several snowshoe hares dozing in the warm air. They must think they are still camouflaged but their white ears are easy to see in the dark, wet woods. Patches of deep snow remain on the north slopes, but elsewhere we'll soon be seeing spring wildflowers.

Other promises of spring: the leaves of the currant bush are beginning to uncurl and the ice is paper thin on many lakes. I've been told to keep a

close eye on Salmon Lake—old timers say "That's the gauge. First one to freeze, first one to thaw". And be sure your hummingbird feeders are out, and clean. Last year the rufous males arrived at Lindbergh Lake the day after the ice went off, April 27.

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# Local election results

Local voters narrowly pass Missoula County High School levy

by Suzanne Vernon

Overall, Missoula County voters passed a levy to raise \$3,380,000, about 35 mills, for operation of the county's high school facilities including Seeley-Swan High School and the three Missoula high schools: Big Sky, Sentinel and Hellgate. County-wide tallies were 3,889 for the levy and 1,906 against.

However, Seeley Lake voters approved the high school levy by only 24 votes. Voters at Sunset passed the levy by only one vote. Swan Valley voters defeated the high school levy by a whopping 80 votes: 128 to 48.

A county-wide levy to raise \$677,000 for operation of the Missoula Vocational Technical Center reflected the same voting patterns as the high school levy. The Vo Tech levy passed with 3,904 for and 1,903 opposed. Locally, it passed by only a narrow margin at Seeley Lake and Sunset and was overwhelmingly defeated by Swan Valley voters.

## Swan Valley Elementary

A proposed levy to raise \$10,000 to replenish the reserve fund at Swan Valley Elementary School was defeated by a vote of 102 to 80.

Swan Valley school trustees will discuss the levy at their next meeting, set for tonight (Thursday) April 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the school library.

School district election requirements are considerably different from hospital district election rules, according to Missoula County Attorney Mike Sehested. Swan Valley trustees may be able to hold a school election so that voters may once again consider the levy issue in conjunction with the June primary election.

Potomac (Elem. School Dist. #11)  
Trustees, 3-yr term (1)

|          |    |
|----------|----|
| Butler   | 34 |
| Denman   | 14 |
| Woirhaye | 59 |

Trustee, 1-yr term (1)

|         |               |
|---------|---------------|
| Hall    | 71 (write-in) |
| Hubbard | 5             |

Levy (\$17,157; 25.45 mills)

|    |         |
|----|---------|
| 85 | FOR     |
| 27 | AGAINST |

Sunset (Elem. School Dist. #30)  
Trustee (1)

|       |    |
|-------|----|
| Loran | 18 |
| Maus  | 17 |

Levy (\$6,800; 16 mills)

|    |         |
|----|---------|
| 29 | FOR     |
| 16 | AGAINST |

Swan Valley (Elem. School Dist. #33)  
Trustee (2)

|           |     |
|-----------|-----|
| Alexander | 52  |
| Kearney   | 45  |
| Mason     | 49  |
| Matthew   | 124 |
| Styler    | 67  |

Levy (\$10,000; 12 mills)

|     |         |
|-----|---------|
| 80  | FOR     |
| 102 | AGAINST |

Seeley Lake (Elem. School Dist. #34)  
Trustee (1)

|         |     |
|---------|-----|
| Anders  | 141 |
| Nentwig | 7   |

(write-in)

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| Schneiter | 3 |
|-----------|---|

(write-in)

Levy (\$89,500; 40 mills)

|     |         |
|-----|---------|
| 117 | FOR     |
| 58  | AGAINST |

Seeley Lake Community Council  
Member (6)

|         |     |
|---------|-----|
| Baier   | 139 |
| Brown   | 143 |
| Johnson | 147 |
| Ketland | 139 |
| Macon   | 126 |
| Marx    | 146 |

Seeley Lake Rural Fire District  
Trustee (2)

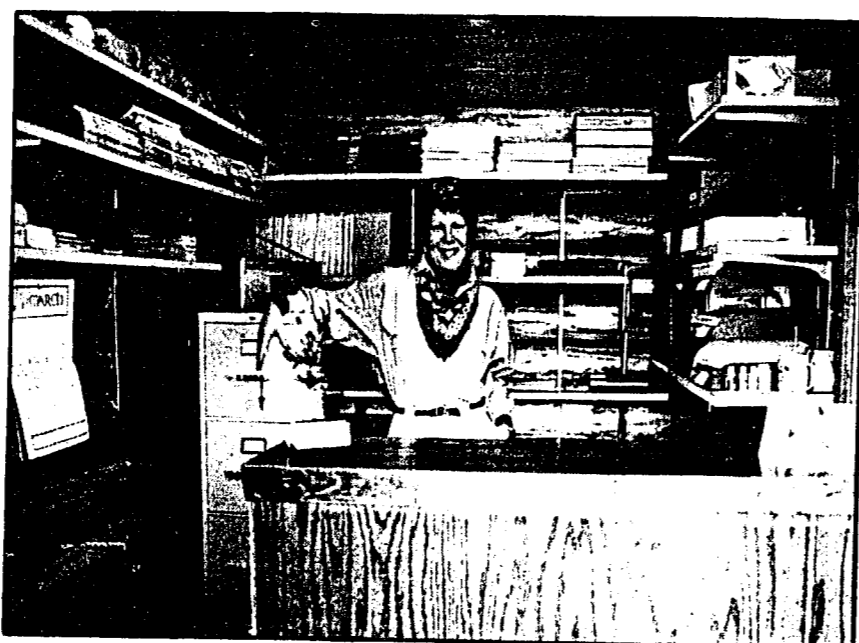
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| Moore     | 154 |
| Whitesitt | 175 |

Seeley Lake-Swan Valley Hospital District  
Trustee (2)

|         |     |
|---------|-----|
| Doucett | 265 |
| Nemmers | 260 |

Levy (\$15,690; 5 mills; 2 years)

|     |         |
|-----|---------|
| 161 | FOR     |
| 172 | AGAINST |



Grace LeFebvre stands behind the new desk in the Seeley Lake Area Chamber of Commerce office. David Marx of Yellow Rose Enterprises, Seeley Lake, donated the new hardwood furnishings. The bookshelves and storage areas behind the desk are also new additions.

## Defensive Driving Course cancelled last weekend

The Defensive Driving Course scheduled in Seeley Lake last weekend had to be cancelled because of low enrollment, according to Kirk Flynn of the Missoula Electric Cooperative.

MEC was to sponsor the all-day course at the Seeley Lake Community Hall on April 9. A minimum of 10

people was needed for the course, but only five signed up Flynn said.

Flynn was optimistic about future MEC projects in Seeley Lake, in spite of the low turnout for this course.

"We want people to know we don't forget about Seeley Lake," he said, implying that other public service programs will be offered here in the future.

## Bike Auction Saturday

The Annual Spring Bike Auction will be held Saturday, April 16 at City Hall, 201 W. Spruce, Missoula.

The Auction will begin at 10 a.m. Bikes may be viewed one hour prior to the sale beginning at 9 a.m. Bikes included in this auction have been held at least 3 months.

Big Sky Cyclery Schwinn Shop has donated a number of 10 speed bikes for this auction. Auction proceeds are credited to the Missoula Bicycle Program budget. For additional information contact the Bicycle Program at 721-4700, ext. 226.

## Bluegrass music to highlight Founders Day

Bluegrass and old time music by The Third Generation Band will highlight the 2nd Annual Founders' Day program on Sunday, April 17 at the Seeley Lake Community Hall.

John Toole from Missoula is this year's guest speaker. Focus of the program is "Early Days of Seeley Lake".

The Missoula band includes five fiddlers, 2 guitar players, a five-string banjo and a bass. The group is expected to perform at about 3:30 and again at 5 p.m. Pancake dinner will be served from 2 to 5 p.m.

## Panel sees upbeat outlook for forest products

Last week's Chamber of Commerce meeting focused on the forest products industry. On hand to address the group was Chuck Keegan, Director of Forest Industry Research from the University of Montana. According to Keegan, Montana is well-positioned, especially in the longer term, for success in forest products. Several factors account for his optimism: spectacular gains in harvesting and manufacturing productivity over the last few years, availability of high quality timber, and consensus forecasts for increased demand and prices.

In the short term, Keegan said that "wood products is expected to be down a bit in '88," primarily because of dampened consumer enthusiasm after the stock market crash. However, he expects "pretty good markets for '88 and '89," barring a recession.

He cautioned that the industry won't see employment growth, because of increasing mechanization. His forecast is for a gradual, statewide decline in employment in forest products. Closer to home, he noted that the prospect of plant shutdowns in Missoula would be "disruptive." He also stressed his concern over the supply of timber, noting that "serious timber shortfalls would lead to a much more drastic employment decline."

The Chamber meeting also featured a panel discussion on forest products featuring Keegan; Roger Johnson, president of Pyramid Mountain Lumber, Inc.; Jack Stevenson, retired forester; and Larry Marx, supplier of "arch" home construction kits. Marx represents one of several area businesses which focus on adding value to wood products before they leave the state. Keegan noted that, presently, more than 90% of Montana's primary wood products are shipped out-of-state without value-added manufacturing. Consequently, he views this as an area of great economic opportunity.

Roger Johnson made the interesting observation that housing starts are no longer a reliable barometer for the industry's health. The business is healthy right now, even in the face of declining housing starts. The explanation is a booming export market and a trend toward remodeling.

At the conclusion of the panel discussion, the Chamber membership took action to establish an *ad hoc* Wood Products Council.

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## Weather



SWAN VALLEY—Precipitation during March was just about average according to records kept by Lindbergh Lake weather observer, Marty Kux. He recorded 2.24 inches of precipitation for the month. That compares to a high of 5.15 inches in 1974 and a low of .66 inches recorded in March of 1973.

Snowfall for March 1988 was 15.6 inches. Cumulative snowfall since November 1987 measured 124 inches, which is below average. Highest historical snowfall for the month was 52 inches recorded in March 1974. Lowest was 3.3 inches in March 1986.

Snow on the ground at Lindbergh Lake on March 31 was 20 inches. Monday there was about 10 inches of snow on the ground in the same spot.

High temperature for March 1988 was 57 degrees Fahrenheit on the 19th. Lowest was 10 degrees on the 16th. Average high temperature was 40.6 degrees. Average minimum temperature was 24.3 degrees. Average-average temperature was 32.4 degrees—just about normal, Kux explained.

SEELEY LAKE—Precipitation for the month of March at Seeley Lake was 1.3 inches. That compares to a high of 3.12 recorded in 1971 and a low of .18 recorded in 1973 at the Seeley Lake Ranger Station.

Snowfall for the month of March at Seeley Lake was 12.5 inches. Cumulative snowfall since November 1987 was 97.85 inches—below average. There was no snow on the ground at the Seeley Lake Ranger Station on March 31.

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## Forest youth jobs open

The Flathead National Forest has announced that applications will be available starting April 11, 1988 for Youth Conservation Corps (YCC).

YCC provides employment opportunities for 15-18 year olds. Applications will be accepted until May 6, 1988.

YCC is a non-residential program except for the positions located at the Spotted Bear Ranger Station. If selected, employees must provide their own food, lodging and transportation to and from the duty station.

Jobs will begin approximately June 13. The six-week program at Tally Lake Ranger District, Whitefish, Montana, (4 positions available) and Swan Lake Ranger District, Bigfork, Montana (4 positions available) will end July 22. The eight week program at Spotted Bear Ranger District and Schafer Work Center at Hungry Horse, Montana (2 positions available) will end August 5.

Work schedule will be 40 hours per week; either five 8-hour days or four 10-hour days, depending on the needs of the District. Work projects will include cleaning campgrounds, and/or trail maintenance and construction.

Salary is \$3.35 per hour and all positions include some camping out on the trail and working in inclement weather. Food is provided while camping out.

Spotted Bear Ranger station and Schafer Work Center on the Spotted Bear District are remote duty stations. Most weekends or days off could be expected to be spent in the back-country because of the remoteness and will require camping out for the entire 6 weeks. YCC employees at Schafer only, will be provided with food and tent accommodations.

Application forms are available at the local Job Service, any Forest Service office, or from high school counselors at Kalispell, Whitefish, Bigfork or Columbia Falls High Schools.

Completed applications should be sent to the Kalispell Job Service and must be received by May 6, 1988.

For more information contact Patsy Treat, Supervisory Personnel Assistant, Flathead National Forest, 1935 Third Ave. E., Kalispell, MT, 755-5401, Ext. 272.

## Bear season opens

The spring black bear hunting season opens Friday, April 15. Length of the season varies depending on the hunting district.

Hunters are reminded that grizzly bears are occasionally seen in over half of Region One (from the Swan Divide north and west to Kalispell and Libby).

## SWAN SONG

David N. Griffin

David N. Griffin, 47, of Missoula, died Thursday, April 7, as a result of injuries received in a motorcycle accident on Nine Mile Road near Missoula.

Griffin worked as the Forest Service silviculturist at the Seeley Lake and Nine Mile Ranger Districts. He began his forestry career at Seeley Lake in 1963, later worked at St. Regis, and then moved to Missoula in 1975.

Mr. Griffin was born July 17, 1940, in Ogden, Utah, to Herbert T. and Ellen Griffin. He graduated from Ogden High School, attended Weber State College and earned a degree in forestry from Utah State University in 1963. He later was selected by the U.S. Forest Service to attend Washington State University, where he received a master's degree in forestry. While in school, he belonged to Alpha Zeta and Xi Sigma Pi honor societies.

Mr. Griffin was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Society of American Foresters and Larchmont Golf League. He was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting, fishing and golf.

On April 7, 1961, he married Marilyn Webster in Ogden.

Survivors include his wife, Marilyn, a son, Jeffrey and two daughters, Michelle and Amanda S. Griffin, all of Missoula; his mother, Ellen Griffin, Ogden; and two brothers, Herbert G., Denver, and Del Jason, Oakland, Calif.

He was preceded in death by his father, Herbert Griffin.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Missoula. Interment followed at Sunset Memorial Park.

Pallbearers were Mike Stewart, Larry Timchak, K.R. Adams, Howard Ruse, Dave Sisk and Jerry Miller. Honorary pallbearers were Dennis Malone and Steve Thompson.

## Russian minister to visit Swan

Georgi Vins, whose ministry to Society Baptists is familiar to people in many countries, will visit Swan Valley Baptist Church on Sunday, April 17 beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The Vins' family ministry in the Soviet Union was active for many years. George Vins was born August 4, 1928 in Siberia. He was imprisoned in Soviet camps a total of eight years for his ministry in the Baptist organization. He was stripped of his Soviet citizenship and exiled to the United States in April 1979. He is currently the American representative for persecuted Baptist Churches in the Soviet Union.

For more information about Sunday's program call 754-2509 or 754-2249.

## THE GOOD TIMES MOVIE REVIEW

**SAVING GRACE** († † †)  
Directed by Robert M. Young  
Starring Tom Conti  
Reviewed by Ward Klemmer

This is the story of a younger than usual present-day Pope who feels completely out of touch with the way most people live. One day he accidentally wanders off Vatican grounds and gets locked out. The movie follows him to a poor village of defeated people: roughnecks, alcoholics and delinquents. Here he must test his faith and leadership without anyone realizing he is the Pope. This is the heart of this warm, compassionate film.

Fine performances, excellent direction and intelligent dialogue make this movie a "must to see."

**EXODUS** (☆ ☆ 1/2 ☆)  
Directed by Otto Preminger  
Starring Paul Newman  
Reviewed by Dick Potter

Although I risk revealing my age, I remember seeing this flick when it was originally released in 1960. It was a "must see" Preminger spectacular back then—but now it's more of a nostalgia item. Remember the stirring strains of the theme from Exodus? Well, it's still part of the show, but this time in rousing stereo.

For those who weren't attending movies thirty years ago, the film is based on Leon Uris' epic novel of the same name, and it's about the founding of Israel shortly after World War II—filmed on location, cast of thousands, no expense spared. The spooky thing, though, is watching a Paul Newman who is clearly younger than I am.

Paul and company turn in a fine performance and the action scenes are hard to beat. The problem with Exodus, though, is that it's a two-reeler that should have been a one-reeler. Slo-o-ow in spots. On the other hand, it's two reels for the price of one. All in all, not bad entertainment.

These fine films and hundreds more available at the Good Times General Store!

## Stork Report

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Swinson, Swan Valley, on the birth of a new baby boy, Anthony Paul arrived March 31 at 10:55 a.m. at Missoula Community Hospital. He weighed 6 pounds, 8 ounces and measured 19 inches long.

## PASSAGES

The Names of Jesus — F

In Revelation 1:11, Jesus says that He is the FIRST AND THE LAST. He explains that by saying that "I am Alpha and Omega." Now, that doesn't sound like much of an explanation, but it really is. What He means is that He is the first letter of the alphabet, the last letter of the alphabet, AND every thing in between.

All that Jesus wants and expects to be in each person's life is everything. When we sleep at night, it should be with the confidence that He is awake and watching over us. When we wake in the morning, it should be to read His word and talk to Him in prayer.

Throughout the day, we should bow and thank God for our daily food; we

Pastor D. Paul Hickman  
Fundamental Baptist Church  
Seeley Lake

should ask Him to be a part of our job and help us to do well. We must thank Him every day for what He gives to us—and what He takes away, too!

Jesus said, "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." Jesus not only wants to be your Savior from sin and give you a home in heaven, but He wants to give you a rich and full life now.

Can you say that your life is everything that you want it to be? Jesus can help. Let Him make the choices for you. You will be glad you did!

## Baptist church anniversary to be celebrated on "law & order" Sunday

The Fundamental Baptist Church will celebrate 35 years of serving the Lord Jesus Christ in Seeley Lake on Sunday, April 24th.

The event will be marked by a special "Law and Order" Sunday. Mr. Norman Nash will be giving his testimony during the morning service. Mr. Nash, sometimes known as "by-the-book" Norman, also goes by another book — the word of God, according to Pastor Dennis Hickman. Nash will talk about being a policeman and a

Christian. Pastor Hickman will also be giving a sermon on "The God of Law and Order."

After the morning service, members and visitors will enjoy a potluck fellowship. This will be followed by an anniversary service at 2:00 p.m. There will be no evening service.

The morning service at 11 a.m. follows Sunday school which begins at 9:45. Everyone is welcome to attend, according to Pastor Hickman.

## Lutheran Spring Fling Sunday

Members of Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Seeley Lake, and Faith Lutheran Church, Condon, have planned a "Spring Fling" Fellowship Family Potluck Supper for Sunday, April 17th beginning at 6 o'clock at the Seeley Lake Lutheran Church. The event is being sponsored by the Holy Cross Women-in-Service organization and will feature a representative of the Lutheran Social Services of Montana.

According to Fran Schiefelbein, president of WIS, Lutheran Social Services offers individual, as well as marriage and family counseling and education. LSS also serves compassionately for that unplanned pregnancy, and extends its services through an adoption program.

If any community members desire more information, call the Holy Cross Church at 677-2281, Herb Schiefelbein, Pastor.

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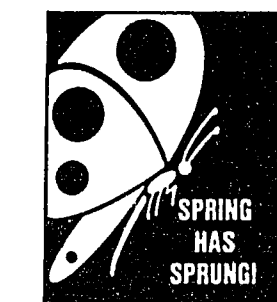
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## Cornucopia by Michele Potter

President Reagan has designated April as cancer control month. The American Cancer Society provides the following message.

A defense against cancer can be cooked up in your kitchen. There is evidence that diet and cancer are related. Some foods may promote cancer, while others may protect you from it.

Foods related to lowering the risk of cancer of the larynx and esophagus all have high amounts of carotene, a form of Vitamin A which is in cantaloupes, peaches, broccoli, spinach, all dark green leafy vegetables, sweet potatoes, carrots, pumpkin, winter squash, and tomatoes, citrus fruits and Brussels sprouts.

Foods that may help reduce the risk of gastrointestinal and respiratory tract cancer are cabbage, broccoli, Brussels sprouts, kohlrabi, cauliflower.

Fruits, vegetables and wholegrain cereals such as oatmeal, bran and wheat may help lower the risk of colorectal cancer.

Foods high in fats, salt- or nitrite-cured foods such as ham, and fish and types of sausages smoked by traditional methods should be eaten in moderation. Be moderate in consumption of alcohol also.

A good rule of thumb is cut down on fat and don't be fat. Weight reduction may lower cancer risk. The American Cancer Society's 12-year study of nearly a million Americans uncovered high cancer risks particularly among people 40% or more overweight.

Write to the American Cancer Society, Montana Division, Inc., 313 N. 32nd Street, Suite #1, Billings, Montana 59101 for more information on cancer.

Also, the Seeley Lake Pharmacy has available a series of information pamphlets from the American Institute for Cancer Research: *Facts You Should Know About Outdoor Cooking; Questions and Answers About Breast Lumps and Breast Cancer; The Cancer Process; Dietary Fiber to Lower Cancer Risk; Dietary Guidelines to Lower Cancer Risk; Menus and Recipes to Lower Cancer Risk.* The American Institute for Cancer Research offers additional information on diet and cancer. A publications list is available upon request. Write to: Information Coordinator, AICR, Washington, D.C. 20069.

The following recipe is from *Menus and Recipes to Lower Cancer Risk.*

### Müsli (Swiss Oatmeal)

|   |   |
|---|---|
| 1 cup rolled oats                             | 2 cups chopped fresh or dried fruits of your choice (apples, berries, grapes, peaches, raisins, apricots) |
| 1 cup boiling water                           |   |
| 2 tablespoons honey                           |   |
| 1/2 to 1 cup plain lowfat yogurt or skim milk |   |

Add oatmeal to water and soak overnight. Before serving, combine the oat-water mixture with honey, yogurt or milk and fruit. Makes about 4-1/2 cups.

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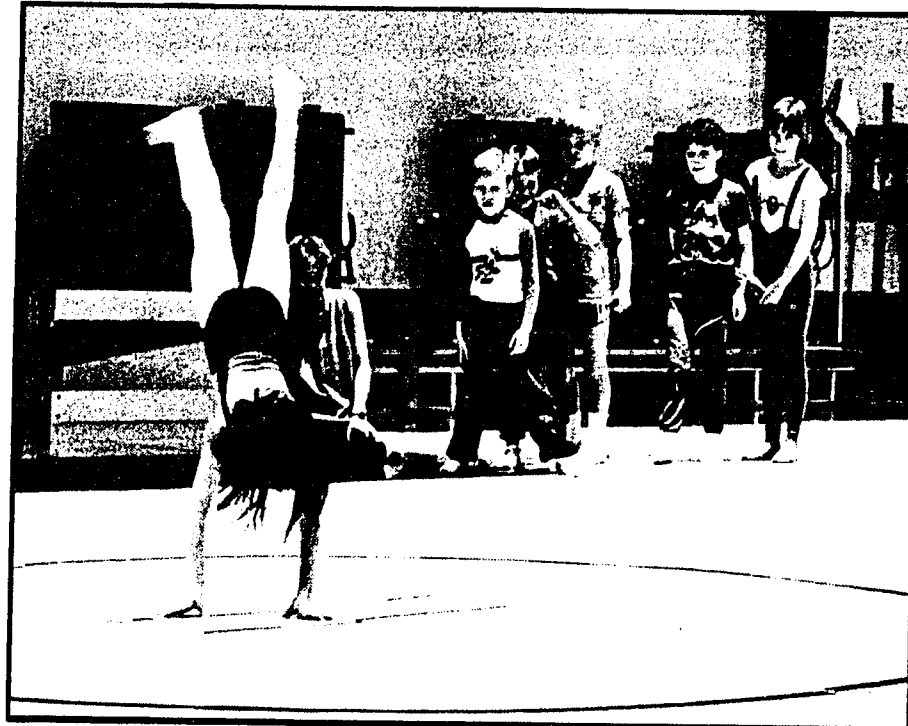
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The annual gymnastics program was held last Friday morning at Seeley Lake Elementary School. Here, a few Seeley Lake area preschoolers demonstrate their gymnastic talents. About 100 parents, family members and friends turned out to watch the youngsters, grades preschool through eighth, perform.

**Joe Anders new chairman at Seeley Lake Elementary School**

Joe Anders is the new chairman of the Seeley Lake Elementary School Board. Anders was elected by trustees to his new position at a recent reorganizational meeting following school elections.

Ken Kopke is the new vice chairman of the board. Kathy Manos was reinstated as school clerk.

In other business the board agreed to offer contracts to two non-tenured teachers: Debbie Fassnacht and Gerry Chase. Last month, the board also offered contracts to tenured teachers.

Second grade teacher Debbie Ash has requested a one-year leave of absence for the school year 1988-89. The board considered her request but did not make a decision.

In a related matter, Principal John Hebnes explained that next fall the school will probably have two second grade classes, two first grade classes and two kindergarten classes. Trustees discussed their options, including the possibility of hiring another teacher for at least one of the grades.

Trustees agreed to continue holding their regular meetings on the third Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m. at the elementary school library.

Hebnes indicated that Tom Vannoy, trustee from Sunset School, had asked to be placed on the agenda for the next regular meeting to discuss Seeley Lake's tuition charges as they related to the Sunset District students who enroll at Seeley Lake.

**SCHOOLS**

**Seeley Lake Jr. High News**

**Forum for Excellence**

Eighth graders Renn Anders and Jeremy Aumaugher have been selected to attend Eastern Montana College's 1988 Forum for Excellence. During the past four years the Forum has sought out Montana junior high students who demonstrate "outstanding promise." Students are selected on the basis not only of academic and extracurricular achievements but also good citizenship potential. To encourage their potential, the Forum continues to encourage their positive development through their high school careers. This year's Forum for Excellence nominees will again be honored at eighth grade spring commencement, May 27, 1988.

**Annual Student Drama Week**

Junior High students in Mr. Nelson's language arts/social studies classes performed original plays and dramatic monologues before school and community audiences last week. 7th graders Theresa Cahoon, Eric Eichert, Shari Morin, Shawn Helvick and Jimmer Betson received the "Best Play" award. Top individual acting "Oscars" went to Jason Zebarth, Shari Morin, Lewis Woodworth and Theresa Cahoon. 8th grade Montana History students completed their frontier research units by dramatizing an individual "character." The top three awards went to Kim Musick, Jeremy Aumaugher, and Renn Anders.

**Future Problem Solvers receive highest rating**

A Seeley Lake 7th Grade team, Team # 262, received the highest state evaluation for their practice problem relating to the status of elderly in our future society, as the "baby boom" generation reaches retirement. An 8th grade and a 5th grade team also placed in the top ten statewide. Six teams are preparing for May's State Bowl in Butte.

**Honor Roll (Seeley Lake Elementary)**

Seeley Lake Elementary's Honor Roll for the 3rd quarter is as follows:

4th Grade: High honors, Joshua Plum. Honors: Jacob Baker, Jason Bousquet, Scott Gehrke, Erin Marx, Jenny Miller, Arika Schreier, Michelle Weaver.

5th Grade: High honors, Katie Aumaugher, Renata Marshall. Honors: Angie Healy, Kia Jette, Paul Johnson, Chris Morin, Tammy Nice, Heather Richards.

6th Grade: High honors, Ty Anders. Honors: Rose Manos, Leann Taylor.

7th Grade: High honors, Theresa Cahoon. Honors: Melita Cahoon, Kelly Christian, Laurie Leonard, Nathan Vannoy, Jason Zebarth.

8th Grade: High honors, Renn Anders and Jeremy Aumaugher. Honors: Melvin Cahoon, Sarah Cooper, Christian Jette, Sharon Mackie, Kelly Malone, Kimberly Musick, Shonna Smith.

**Walmsley nominated for PTA's outstanding educator award**

Swan Valley PTA has nominated Annette Walmsley for the Phoebe Apperson Hearst Outstanding Educator award. The National PTA will announce the winning nominee at their national convention later this year. The award is based on the applicant's relationship with educators, students, parents, PTA and the community. They are asked questions about their accomplishments and what their views are on "What a quality education should be!"

On April 5th the Swan Valley PTA

held their regular monthly meeting. Items on the agenda were the approval of an amendment to the by-laws concerning a quorum for holding a meeting and the discussion of additional days for roller skating.

The State PTA will hold their annual convention at the Sheraton in Missoula April 29 and 30. New local officers and some teachers will be attending.

The next PTA meeting is May 3rd at 1:30 p.m. at the Swan Valley Elementary School.

**Kindergarten Roundup set**

Kindergarten roundup will be Wednesday, April 27, 1988 in Seeley Lake. Due to the large number of kindergarteners and the projected large number of future kindergarteners, roundup will be held in two sessions.

Parents will be contacted by phone if they have a future kindergartener concerning appointment times. Parents of future kindergartners who are not contacted are asked to call the school (677-2265) or stop by the school's main office.

Parents will need to bring their child's immunization records and birth certificate into the school office and also register their child before the roundup.

Morning session begins at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 11:10 a.m. The afternoon session starts at 12:15 p.m. and ends at 3:00 p.m.

**State meet marks end of season for wrestlers**

Coach John Hallam reports the following wrestling results from the State Wrestling tournament held April 2nd in Billings:

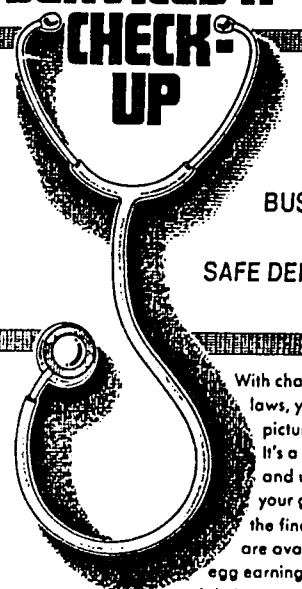
Tyler Schwartz, David Boone and Jacob Baker all took third place in their divisions during the state meet. Gary Styler and Pat Morin had to withdraw due to injuries.

Heath Harper, Derek Muchmore, Jesse Boone and Scott Gehrke were recognized with Honorable Mention awards.

The state meet marks the end of the 1988 wrestling season.

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Q. What is the earned income credit and how do I apply for the credit?  
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Q. Our daughter is 20 years old and a full-time student, can we use her as a dependent on our own tax returns?  
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- VIII. Thou shalt not commit cross-connections or in any other way endanger the safety of thy neighbor's water.
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- XI. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's bill, if it be less than thine own. For whatsoever thou useth, for that shalt thou also pay.

A Message brought to You by the Seeley Lake Water District

**LEGAL NOTICES**

**NOTICE 1988-89**

**Contractor Bids**  
 Bid Applications for the 1988-89 Contractor for the Seeley Lake-Missoula County Water District are now available at the Seeley Lake Water District office between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. These applications must be turned in no later than 12:30 p.m., April 27, 1988. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Bud Anderson, Manager, at 677-2446 or 677-2559.

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 /s/ Edgar B. Brannon, Jr.  
 Forest Supervisor

**United States Department of Agriculture Forest Service**

**Land-for-Land Exchange**

Notice is hereby given that the Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture, is considering an exchange of land with Arthur and Elisabeth Ortenberg, under the authorities of the General Exchange Act of March 20, 1922, as amended (42 Stat. 465, 43 Stat. 1090, 74 Stat. 205, 16 U.S.C. 485, 486), Act of January 30, 1929 (45 Stat. 1145), and the Act of October 21, 1976 (90 Stat. 2743; 43 U.S.C. 1716). The lands under the jurisdiction of the Forest Service that are being considered for exchange are within the Flathead National Forest, Missoula and Flathead Counties, Montana, and are described as:

**Federal Lands T. 19 N., R. 17 W., P.M.M., sec. 24, All.** Containing 640 acres, more or less.  
**Non-Federal Lands T. 34 N., R. 20 W., P.M.M., sec. 20,** part of the S1/2, (part of Mineral Survey #3335, #3374, and #3375); sec. 29, Lot 1, and part of the NE1/4NE1/4, (part of Mineral Survey #3375); sec. 28, Lot 2. Containing 231 acres, more or less.

Any or all of the above-described lands may be exchanged provided the values are equal. In the event the values are not equal, either party may equalize the values by the payment of cash. The amount of cash payment may not exceed 25 percent of the value of the lands transferred out of Federal ownership.

Persons claiming such properties or having valid objections to this proposed exchange must file their claims or objections with the Forest Supervisor, Flathead National Forest, U.S. Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 147, Kalispell, MT, within 15 days after the date of the last publication of this notice.  
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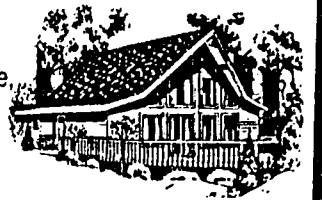


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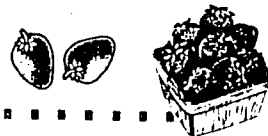
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