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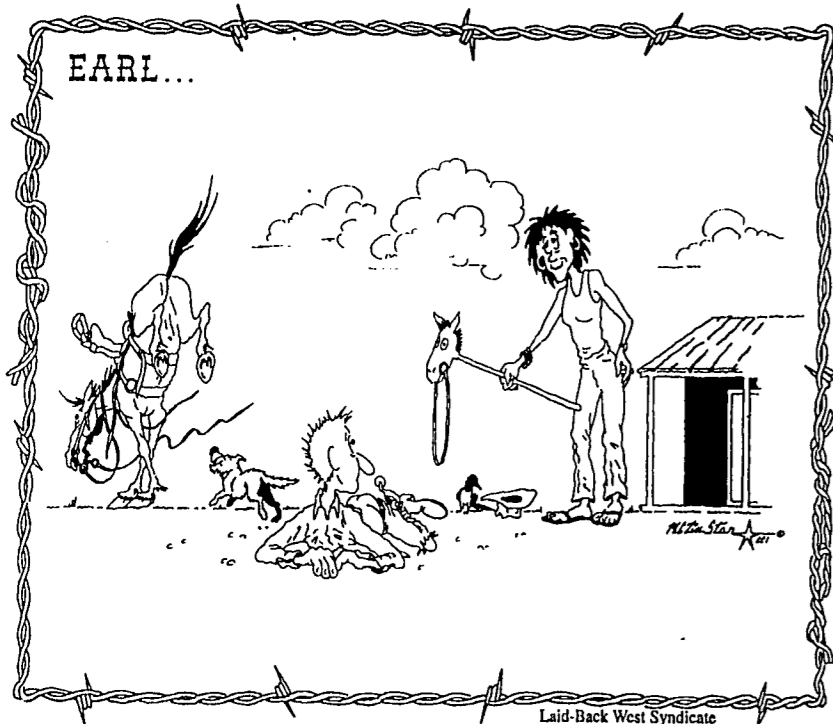
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## Summertime ...in Montana

An unusual (even for Montana) weather system dropped anywhere from 5 inches in the valley to a foot and more of snow just above the valley floor Sunday evening and early Monday morning. The "wet" snow weighed in heavily as it stuck to tree branches and needles and scores of trees toppled from the unexpected burden—many toppling into power lines resulting in one of the worst power outages in several years. Power was restored in the downtown area late Monday and other areas Tuesday. Homes in the upper elevations of the Double Arrow Ranch, where this photo was taken after nearly a foot of snow had melted down or been knocked off the decking, are still without power and may be yet for a couple more days as workers deal with a host of broken power lines or trees hanging in power lines.

G. Noland photo  
email: [pathfinder@montana.com](mailto:pathfinder@montana.com)



Editorial Comment

# Chips . . . bits & pieces

They've always said it could snow here on the Fourth of July. After Sunday night there are few who would question that. It was the Fourth of June, 30 days shy of the traditional Fourth, and we were shoveling a path through a foot of heavy, wet snow that had fallen overnight when temperatures dropped below freezing. Trees cracked and fell with snow-packed and weighted branches. Power lines broke or stood stretched by leaning trees. This has been the worst power outage since a Thanksgiving wind storm toppled trees into power lines six years ago. Our house has been without power for over two days and it might take another day or two before our lights blink back on. It's created havoc in trying to get another issue out, but maybe we'll make it if I move on to other things right now.

—Gary Noland

## No Place to Hide: Part I Drug Abuse in the Heartland

*(Editor's note: The following is the first of several installments of research results on drug abuse and addition in rural areas and the conclusions might well apply in any rural areas of the country.)*

by Gary W. Smith, C.C.D.C.  
Executive Director  
Narconon Chilocco New Life Center

The Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) at Columbia University has recently released the results of a study on drug abuse in rural American communities.

This study was funded by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. The results are shocking and are rattling the rafters of Mid West America. Per this study, 8<sup>th</sup> graders living in rural American communities are 34% more likely than their urban counterparts to smoke marijuana; 83% more likely to use crack cocaine; and 104% more likely to have used amphetamines within the last month.

The study also reports that drugs are as readily available in rural areas as in large urban cities. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) seizures of meth labs jumped from 263 in 1994 to 1,627 in 1998 - a sixfold increase, concentrated in rural areas of the Heartland.

Besides scaring the hell out of middle America and painting a pretty black picture of the fate of our youth as far as drug abuse is concerned, what is the message we should be receiving from this study? To answer that let's backtrack into history 45 years.

It is the mid 1950's. The illegal drug problem is not yet on society's radar screen.

In the 1950's all anyone knew about illicit drugs like marijuana was that Jazz Drummer/bandleader Gene Kruppa and actor Robert Mitchum smoked it, got caught and the media damned them for it. Cocaine? That word was in a line from the popular Cole Porter hit "I Get A Kick Out Of You". As for heroin, that is a drug of horror used only by the most degenerate and despairing individuals. Frank Sinatra's character in the movie "Man With A Golden Arm" teaches us that. Most Americans tend to view drug addiction as an affliction of the urban poor or an evil obsession of a handful of musicians and actors who are too far left of center to worry about. In short, Americans are completely naive to what drug addiction is. And we are most certainly clueless about the role illicit drugs will play in the course of our precious country's future.

Moving forward 10 years, it is now 1965. The country is in the post mourning years of JFK's assassination. The first onslaught of the English rock 'n' roll music invasion with

the Beatles and Rolling Stones hits our shores and takes American youth by storm while President Lyndon Baynes Johnson is grappling with the escalating Viet Nam War. LSD is finding it's way from the experimentation laboratories of the Hoffman LeRouche Drug Company to the streets of San Francisco.

It is also at this time the first indications of increased heroin abuse in urban ghettos catches the attention of President Johnson's White House staff. The increased use of heroin, considered small by today's numbers, is of enough concern for Johnson to convince Congress to enact the Drug Rehabilitation Act and ask for an annual appropriation of \$15 million. At the time no one in government at the Federal, State or Local level has any idea that in just over 20 years time heroin abuse in the U.S. will escalate to a point where it will cost tax payers over \$50 million annually to treat the problem. Society's radar screen is beeping. Unfortunately not enough of us notice.

In the mid 60's our adult Americans still tended to view drug addiction as a problem inherent to the underprivileged. By the end of the decade, however, America's view on drugs began changing. Drugs, in particular marijuana, hashish, LSD, cocaine and other hallucinogens, became socially acceptable on a large scale during the Flower Power era.

And while this was alarming to many parents of this period, most of us thought of mid-size cities and rural America as drug-free oases that would insulate our kids from these pro-drug influences. The truth was that drugs did not respect geographic boundaries: they broke out of the big city limits and began to swarm into the heartland of mid-sized cities, rural towns and farm communities. Hindsight is 20/20, and in looking back it is easy to see our nation's failure to fully recognize and act effectively to stop the drug problem then. However, if we look closer we will see that this failure was driven in no small measure by the assumption of the masses that it was *someone else's* problem, not *our* problem. And it is this assumption that allowed drugs the time they needed to seep into every neighborhood in every city and class across America without prejudice.

As we begin the 21<sup>st</sup> Century in America the message is loud and clear: There is *no place to hide* from the problem of substance abuse and addiction. For more information call 1-800-468-6933 or log onto [www.stopaddiction.com](http://www.stopaddiction.com).

# Wild Notes...

Dear Editor,

Spring begins another breeding, nesting and baby time for wild animals. Some species are very sensitive to disturbances this time of year. Some will even abandon their babies if heavily disrupted. Loons especially need room, as do deer. And oddly, some folks who say they 'love' wild animals are the worst offenders, and literally love them to death. Baby birds and deer fawns are the most common wild animals that are actually 'kidnapped' by humans, thinking they are doing good. Studies show that up to 40% of deer fawns sent to rehabilitators are not injured or orphaned, but simply stolen. It is also estimated that over half the baby birds brought to rehabilitators do not need rescuing either.

A review of state and federal laws show:

-All birds, excepting pigeons, English sparrows, and starlings are protected by state and federal law; this includes feathers, eggs, nests, bird parts.

-Montana law prohibits the public from possessing game fish, game birds, game mammals, furbearers.

-Montana law prohibits the public from possessing bats, foxes, raccoons, and skunks due to high rabies risk. (Note: Rabies is a disease carried and transmitted by mammals, and is 100% deadly to

humans; wild birds do not carry rabies.) Cute little raccoon that looks sick? Leave it alone and call the Game Warden. (Note: In order for an animal to be tested for rabies, the brain must be intact.)

Baby birds tumble from nests as routine flight lessons. The parents will continue to care for the youngster even if it spends a day or two on the ground. An appropriate response for nestlings that fall from a nest is to place the baby back into the nest if possible. Most birds do not have a developed sense of smell and human scent from a quick handling will not deter parent birds.

This handling is the opposite for baby deer. If a mother deer smells human scent on her fawn she will most likely abandon it. Simply stated, a very easy way to kill a baby deer is to merely touch it. If you think a fawn is deserted, wait at least ten hours before checking on it again. When a fawn is very small it will huddle to the ground and appear to be lifeless - what it is supposed to do. The mother spends most of her time away from her baby, returning only to feed it. If the fawn is not crying, is not covered with ants, the eyes are not swollen, and there are no visible wounds or injuries, please leave it alone and leave the area.

For injured wild mammals, please call FWP: Clearwater and Blackfoot Valleys call Region 2 in Missoula at 406-542-5500; Swan Valley call Region 1 in Kalispell at 406-752-5501.

If you find an injured wild bird of any species please call us here at the Raptor Center, 754-2880. We have experience with over 100 species of injured wild birds. (This facility is a hospital, not a zoo, and as such is not open to public tours.) NOTE: We do not accept wild mammals for care, nor domestic birds or animals. "If you care, leave them there."

Ken Wolff  
Grounded Eagle Foundation  
Condon, Montana

### From the King James "Only" Camp

Dear Editor:

This is in response to the "Passages" article in the May 17, 2001 edition of the Pathfinder entitled "Biblical Racism."

In Mr. Wutzke's opinion, bible versions is not a major issue. However, the major issue is God's word as David said, "...thou has magnified thy word above thy name." (Ps 138:2). Now we know that God has an excellent name. "Let them praise the name of the Lord: for his name alone is excellent..." (Ps 148:13), so his word must be even better. Certainly his word is worth defending. Paul said, "...I am set for the defence of the gospel." (Phil 1:17). I also am set for the defence of the gospel and would happily sit down with Mr. Wutzke and discuss the issue. However, I have never received a personal invitation, letter or phone call to do so. Therefore, I cheerfully take this opportunity to extend an invitation to Mr. Wutzke to discuss God's word, on one condition - that the discussion and the meeting place be open to the public. "The words of the Lord are pure words; as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times. Thou shalt keep them. O Lord, thou shalt preserve them from this generation for ever." (Ps 12:6 & 7). (The N.I.V. and NASB have carefully reworded and re-structured these two verses to mean something entirely different.)

Clay Sterling  
Seeley Lake, Montana

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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, 5 p.m.; call 677-2022

**PUBLIC MEETINGS**  
S.L. Water Bd, 5/30, 5pm, Water Dist. plant  
AARP, 1st Mon, noon, Condon Comm. Hall  
Salmon Prairie/Swan Lake Elem Bd, 1st Tues S.L. Fire Dept, 1st Tues, 7pm, fire hall  
What's happening at SEC? June 6 - Native Garden Field Trip to U of M - meet at SEC at 8:30AM 7 - Education Committee Mtg. - 9AM at SEC

**WEEKLY MEETINGS:**  
**Alcoholics Anonymous:** (help for those with a suspected drinking problem)  
-Condon: Faith Lutheran Church, every Sunday, 5pm  
-Seeley Lake: Every Wed. 7pm. Living Water Catholic Church, on SOS Rd. For info: 677-3271 or 677-2892.  
\*Potomac: 406-244-5204

**Alateen:** (help for teenagers of alcoholic families)  
Hotline 677-2753

**Alanon:** Seeley Lake: every Thursday, 7pm. Seeley Swan Medical Ctr. For info: 677-3819.  
-Condon: Call 754-3165  
**Overeaters Anonymous:** every Thursday, 7pm, Faith Lutheran Church, Condon, 754-2371  
Missoula County Commissioners Public Mtg, every Wed, Courthouse Annex, Room 201, Missoula, 1:30 pm.  
**T.O.P.S. Mtg,** every Thurs, Mission Bible Fellowship bldg., Seeley Lake, 10am.  
**MONTHLY SERVICES**  
FAIM Outreach Specialist, 1st & 3rd Thur, 9:30-3, Seeley-Swan Med. Ctr.  
**Pinochle,** every 1st Sat, S.L. Comm. Hall, 7pm; every 3rd Sat., Senior Citizens Center  
**DUMPSTER TRANSFER SITE:** Summer hours (May-Sept) - Wed, Sat & Sun, 9am-5pm, 677-3809  
**SSTEP Crisis Help Line:** 677-3177. Domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse, community outreach & education

**Food Bank:** Tues, 12-4 pm, next to Multi-purpose Room, S.L. Elementary, 677-5025  
**Loving Hearts Thrift Store:** Open Wed, 12:00-5:30, Sat, 11-3, 677-5683 (emergency 677-2110)  
**Seeley Lake Community Hall:** For hall rental, call Cheri Thompson, 677-2454  
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**Seeley Lake Public Library** (Seeley-Swan High School) Mon-Fri, 8am-3pm (closed 11 am-noon), Wed., 3-8pm, Sat., 10am-3pm; Children's Story Time, Saturdays, 1 p.m.  
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**Family History Ctr.-LDS Church:** Open Wed, 11am-3pm. Call 677-2642 or 677-2575.  
**EMERGENCY:** Dial 911 if you live in Seeley Lake, Condon, Greenough or Ovando.  
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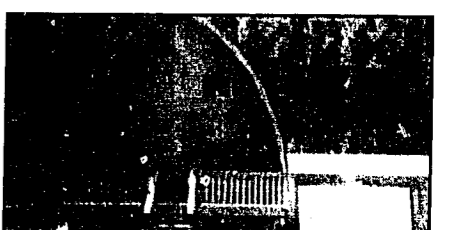
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# Final Decisions Due on Elk Calves and Land Exchanges

by Mike Thompson

Elk aren't the only ones giving birth right now.

We've got a baby of our own coming due.

June 1 is the usual peak of calving season for elk in western Montana. Calves may be born anytime from mid-May through mid-June, at the end of a gestation period that may vary from 247 to 262 days. That places the season of conception—the rut—in the month of September, though you might hear spike bulls trying out their new bugles already.

It's that time of the year when a drive past the old Dreyer Ranch, about 2-4 miles east of Cozy Corner on Woodworth Road, can make you one of the first impressions that a newborn calf obtains of its new environment. And, the impression that the sight of a fresh calf makes on even the grumpiest human is a very therapeutic one indeed.

But, if you should be so lucky

as to come upon a newborn hiding motionless in the tall grass, for goodness sake just memorize the moment, take a photograph if you have your camera with you, and then leave promptly and quietly without touching the calf.

Every year, kindhearted people arrive at Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) offices or at the doorsteps of wardens or biologists, carrying the elk calf or deer fawn that they hoped to save from its natural fate. Unfortunately, in most cases, these good folks have only succeeded in saving the offspring from their mothers, who were feeding or hiding out of sight. When raised in captivity, calves and fawns lose a good part of their natural competitive advantage, and if released back into the wild they often become panhandlers before suffering a fairly quick demise.

The best thing we can do for the elk calves we find is to have a little faith in thousands of years of natural selection and evolution. Let them be.



As for the baby of our own, alas, it is only metaphorical. But, our "baby" is no less important to FWP than newborn calves are to the cows that nurse them. In fact, they are mutually dependent.

FWP's baby is the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Project to bring 7,800 acres of Plum Creek inholdings within the Blackfoot-Clearwater Game Range into public ownership. And, by the time many of you read this, a final decision by the Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks Commission on Phase II of this project will be only a few hours old.

As I'm writing these words, the Commission is scheduled to rule on Phase II during its meeting at FWP headquarters in Helena on the afternoon of June 6. If the Commission gives its blessing, the project goes to the State Board of Land Commissioners for final action on June 18 in Room 325 of the Capitol Building, beginning at 9:00 A.M. Both meetings are open to the public, and there will be opportunity given for public comment.

FWP personnel and our partners at the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) have been hustling and bustling these past few weeks in preparation for this culmination of a long and challenging process.

The gestation period on this

baby has been anywhere from 18 months to almost 9 years, depending on how you look at it. And, there has been morning sickness.

But, the final project, as it will be presented to the Commission and the Land Board, is the best it can be because of the work that went into it. DNRC's acquisition of about 3,000 acres of Plum Creek land in the Game Range, DNRC's exchange of about 2,600 acres in scattered parcels to Plum Creek, FWP's acquisition of about 1,000 acres of key winter habitat in the Game Range from DNRC, FWP's exchange of about 1,760 acres of spring-fall elk habitat on the old Dreyer Ranch to DNRC, and a Cooperative Management Agreement between FWP and DNRC that speaks to cooperative forest management and timber harvest on FWP and DNRC lands in the Game Range, as well as annual compensation from FWP to DNRC for development rights with the intent of working toward a future conservation easement on DNRC lands in the Game Range—these are important transactions that should not be entered into lightly and should not be easy to do.

It is only with the benefit of a broad base of public input and grassroots support, from the earliest beginnings to the last signatures, that a project like this one

ever makes it to a point of final action by the FWP Commission and the State Land Board. And, the public's sweat equity in this baby is beyond my powers to describe.

Now, like the boy approaching a newborn elk, its neck stretched low and motionless against the earth, we've come to the moment of truth. It's time to have a little faith and let nature take its course—let the process work.

But, it's not at all easy!

## Senior Nutrition Program Menu

The following meals will be served next week promptly at noon at the Seeley Lake Senior Citizens Center. Reservations please - 677-2008. Call before 10:00 a.m.

- Monday, June 11 Baked Meat Loaf
  - Tuesday, June 12 Turkey Delight
  - Wednesday, June 13 Spaghetti with Meat Sauce
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  - Friday, June 15 Salisbury Steak
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# Celtic Concert to feature World Class Performers at Camp Paxson

## Celtic Dragon Pipe Band Summer Camp Concert

The Celtic Dragon Pipe Band announces their Summer Camp Concert, Thursday, June 14 at the Camp Paxson Amphitheatre in Seeley Lake. Beginning at 7:00 p.m. and coinciding with a week's training at Camp Paxson, the band is in town with their world class Canadian instructors to hone their skills for the upcoming pipe band competition season. The public is welcome to attend, and see the band and instructors perform. A nominal donation will be requested from adult patrons, and music lovers are encouraged to bring blankets or lawn chairs.

The regionally famous Celtic Dragon Pipe Band features fifteen bagpipers and eight drummers, all from Western Montana, under the direction of Pipe Major Bob Laing. Bill Nese is the drum corps sergeant. Playing traditional Scottish and Irish tunes, the band performs and competes throughout Montana and in Spokane, Washington, Calgary and Canmore, Alberta, and this year in Portland, Oregon.

A rare treat will be in store for Seeley Lake this year, as the camp

was formerly held on Flathead Lake. In town to instruct all week and perform Thursday night will be:

Ann Gray - A Calgary, Alberta based professional piper who is known for her original compositions and gold medal winning performances in Canada and in major Scottish events. Ann's CDs are

considered benchmarks in current piping circles. Ann also plays in the band Seanachie, a Celtic band out of Calgary.

Rob Barrick - From Portland Oregon, Rob has been a professional bagpiper for many years, written original music and performed and recorded with his wife in their top Celtic band Raven. He

also produced music recording sessions for other artists, making him one of the most versatile contemporary pipers in North America.

Ed Neigh - Ed is a respected piping judge and performer from Wellesley, Ontario. In his first year with the camp, Ed is expected to enhance the training provided to area pipers and we are very pleased to welcome him.

Glenn Wright - Glenn is the

highest caliber snare drummer you will ever witness. He has played and competed his entire life, including the World Championships in Scotland with the Abbotsford Police Pipe Band. He lives in Vancouver, British Columbia.

The band and its instructors are looking forward to a pleasant week in Seeley Lake, and welcome the public to the Thursday evening show.

## Loon & Fish Festival another hit, Soup luncheon raised \$1,200 for Food Bank

Once again, the Alpine Artisans Loon and Fish Festival, held over the Memorial Day weekend was a great success!

Many activities were enjoyed including Loon calling, demonstrations of artists at work and educational programs by the Forest Service.

The soup luncheon to benefit our Food Bank with soups donated by area restaurants and bowls created by Alpine Artisan members enjoyed its second successful year with over \$1200.00 in proceeds going to the Food Bank.

Proceeds from the Art Festival and raffle will fund scholarships for several local students showing promise in artistic endeavors.

Raffle winners were: Diane Holt, a photo by Pat Swan Smith; Peggy Wolf, a set of pottery mugs donated by Bob Korn; Sandra Antonich, a photo by Pat Swan Smith; Colleen Nicholson, a bird by Scott Edwards; Linda Holt, a bowl donated by Bob Korn; Jim Willits, a bowl by Marion Burmeister. Lindee Stevenson a gift certificate donated by Jim & Fran Wilder, and the grand prize winner was Margie Phipps who won the beautiful quilt created and donated by M Allred!

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 Pastor-Gary Wayne

**Fundamental Baptist Church**  
 Worship-11:00 a.m. Sunday School-9:45 a.m.  
 Hwy 83 South Phone-677-2268  
 Pastor-Bill Bogardus

**Holy Cross Lutheran Church**  
 Sunday Worship-6:00 p.m.  
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 Phone-677-2281, 677-3281, or 1-406-549-2364

**Living Water Catholic Church**  
 Worship Mass: Saturday-5:00 p.m.  
 152 SOS Road  
 Ph: 677-2688 or 258-6815  
 Pastor-Father Ray Gilmore

**Mountain Lakes Presbyterian Church**  
 Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)  
 Worship-10:00 a.m. Phone-677-3575  
 3292 Hwy 83 North  
 Pastor-Scott Anthony

**Spirit of Christ Episcopal Fellowship**  
 Worship-2nd and 4th Saturday of each month at the Senior Center-5:00 p.m.  
 Phone-677-2905

**Mission Bible Fellowship (Non-Denominational)**  
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 Hwy. 83 & School Lane  
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## Rumors of Public Land Closures Unfounded, but officials urge extreme caution outdoors

State and federal fire management officials across Montana threw cold water on recent rumors of public land closures stemming from high fire danger. Calls from concerned tourists and homeowners to fire dispatch centers and agency offices prompted officials to issue assurances that no restrictions or closures are planned at this time.

"We encourage people to visit public lands in Montana, but to be extremely careful," Dan Bushnell, public information officer with the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) said. "If people build a campfire, they should be sure it is out before leaving, taking care to properly dispose of burned charcoal briquettes and coals. We are also urging people to have in their possession a shovel, ax and bucket when recreating on public land." He added that the potential for a repeat of last summer's fire season exists unless we receive some significant precipitation over the next few weeks. "We are experiencing

### NOTICE

The Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) is seeking a qualified contractor to provide technical and professional services and expertise involving the administration of leases(s) for facilities located in the Swan River State Forest, Lake County, Montana. The selected contractor will be specifically responsible for administering leases with (1) Cornerstone Programs Corporation (Cornerstone), and (2) Lake County Sheriff's Department. The contractor will perform duties related to the administration of the leases for the benefit of DNRC. This will include monitoring for contractual compliance, routine site visits, consultations with the lessee, monitoring lease provisions, establishing corrective actions as appropriate, identifying problems and possible resolutions, and coordinating with DNRC. The duration of the contract is expected to be six months with options to extend the contract beyond the initial six month period.  
LS#015940 CSW  
Due Date: June 18, 2001, 2PM MDT  
To obtain a bid package and specifications, write to: Montana - DNRC, ATTN: Jeff Williams, PO Box 201601, Helena MT 59620-1601 or call (406) 444-6724. Request LS# 015940CSW.

very dry and windy conditions across the State, drier than at this time last year," Bushnell said.

The agencies have been preparing for another severe fire season through increased fire fighting personnel, equipment, training, other resources and working with homeowners and communities. Homeowners can do their part to prevent property damage by cutting back small trees, shrubs and

grasses near their homes. Rain gutters and roofs should be checked for pine needles and other debris accumulation.

Officials will continue to monitor fire danger and will issue restrictions as necessary. Some counties have issued restrictions on general open burning. Contact your local DNRC, Bureau of Land Management or Forest Service office for more detailed information.

## Notice

### Fire Equipment Sign-up June 15

Personnel from the U.S. Forest Service will be in Seeley Lake on Friday, June 15 to sign up firefighting equipment for the 2001 fire season. Sign-up will be at the Seeley Lake Ranger Station (MM 18, Hwy. 83, Seeley Lake MT) from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The information required for sign-up varies by job and equipment type. The information needed to sign up each type of equipment is listed below. Have this information with you at the time of sign-up. Please note that to sign up water handling equipment, the equipment must be brought to the sign-up site. For further information contact Bill Oelig, Jon Agner or Becky White at the Seeley Lake Ranger District, (406) 677-2233.

#### Heavy Equipment and Transports

Information Required at Time of Sign-up

Note: Heavy Equipment and Transports include dozers, skidders, graders, excavators with thumb, ag-tractors, backhoes; tilt-bed, goose-neck, drop-deck, or closed van trailers pulled by tractors to haul cargo and equipment.

- Training and fitness record of operator(s).
- Proof of Workman's Compensation or an exemption certificate from the State of Montana.
- Make, Model, Horsepower (or hauling capacity) and Serial Number or License Number of equipment.
- Vehicle registration may be requested at time of sign up.

#### Water Handling Equipment

Information Required at Time of Sign-up

Note: Water Handling includes skidgines, Water Tenders, Water Trucks, Potable and Gray Water Trucks, and Engines

- Training and fitness record of operator(s).
- Water handling equipment fully loaded with a current weight certificate from a certified scale.
- Proof of Workman's Compensation coverage or an exemption certificate from the State of Montana.
- Engines, Water Tenders and Water Trucks: Make, Model, Year, License Number, and Certification of equipment.
- Skidgines: Make, Model, Year, Serial Number, Horsepower, and Certification of equipment.
- Vehicle registration may be requested.
- Inventory of accessories.

#### Chainsaws, Shop Truck, Fuel Truck

Information Required at Time of Sign-up

- Training and fitness record of operator(s).
- Proof of Workman's Compensation or an exemption certificate from the State of Montana.
- Make, Model, Horsepower, and Serial Number or License Number of equipment.
- Vehicle registration may be requested at time of sign up.
- Fuel Truck must also provide: capacity of fuel tank(s), and be prepared to agree to the availability of equipment; and a rate or formula fuel will be sold to the Government.
- Shop Trucks: Provide a list of tools or type of repairs that can be provided.
- Fallers: Will be hired under the Emergency Fire Fighter or AD Pay Plan; must bring experience and references, a current valid drivers license, voter's registration, birth certificate or current valid US Passport.

## Kats Selected for Girls State

Emmy Kats, a student at Seeley-Swan High School, was chosen as the delegate to the American Legion Auxiliary Girls State at the Carroll College campus in Helena the week of June 2 - 8.

Emmy joins 500 girls from all the high schools in Montana. They are gathered to instill a better understanding of democracy and how it works in America's government. They will form a mock legislature, presenting and considering bills and issues of interest to them.

## Swan Valley Summer Reading

"Road Trip America" is the theme for this years Summer Reading Program which begins June 6 at the Condon Library. Pick up books to read and your reading pamphlet on Wednesdays 10 am to 6 pm and Fridays 10 am to 4pm. Visit our United States by book - car - train - bike, etc - then put a marker on the library map to show where you visited this summer. Also receive prizes for the books you read or listen to.

Also available is a computer for your Internet researching and/or e-mail messages. Beginning in July we will be open another day! Tell us what day would be good for you.

## WEATHER REPORT

	HIGH	LOW	CONDITIONS
May 20	61	30	.06 precip., rain early, then partly cloudy
May 21	66	26	Mostly clear
May 22	79	32	Mostly clear
May 23	85	36	Mostly clear
May 24	87	38	Clear in a.m., partly cloudy in p.m.
May 25	86	48	Partly cloudy, hazy
May 26	82	44	Partly cloudy
May 27	79	46	Partly cloudy in a.m., mostly cloudy in p.m.
May 28	78	46	Partly cloudy
May 29	72	42	Mostly clear
May 30	72	27	Clear in a.m., mostly cloudy in p.m.
May 31	74	33	Partly cloudy
June 1	85	36	Partly cloudy
June 2	83	51	Mostly cloudy in a.m., partly cloudy in p.m.

### MONTANA FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, MISSOULA COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
RAYMOND LELAND BARTLETT,  
Deceased.

Dept. No. 1  
Cause No. DP-00-3

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must either be mailed to Charles S. Lucero, Lucero & George, L.L.P., 410 Central Avenue, Suite 517, Great Falls MT 59401, or filed with the Clerk of the Court, Fourth Judicial District Court, Missoula County.

DATED 5th day of January, 2000.

/s/ Marlene E. Bartlett  
Personal Representative

## Seeley Lake Ranger District Interpretive programs starting

### Seeley Lake Ranger District Interpretive Programs

The Seeley Lake Ranger District will be hosting interpretive programs throughout June, July and August this summer. These interactive and informative activities will be scheduled two to three days per week.

The USFS interpreter and guest speakers will provide a wide variety of topics for your enjoyment.

All programs are FREE and all ages are welcome. Following is the schedule of upcoming interpretive programs. For more de-

tailed information on specific programs please call the Seeley Lake Ranger District at 677-2233.

Evening campfire programs are held at Riverpoint, Big Larch and Lake Alva campgrounds at 7:30 PM. In the event of rain, most evening programs will take place at the Seeley Creek Trailhead Shelter.

See you there.  
**Friday, June 8 @ 7:30 PM -**  
LOONS ON THE LAKE with Tim Dykstra, the Loon Ranger. Meet at the Lake Alva Campground Day Use Area.

**Tuesday, June 12 @ 10:00 AM -** MIST NETTING AND

BANDING BIRDS with Susan Reel, USFS, and Ty Smucker. Meet at Seeley Lake Ranger Station.

**Friday, June 15 @ 9:30 PM -** STAR SEARCH: A LOOK UP INTO THE NIGHT SKY! with Bill Elison and Montana Astronomical Society members. Meet at Seeley Lake Ranger Station.

You are encouraged to bring a lawn chair or blanket for your comfort, insect repellent and marshmallows for roasting by the fire. If you have any questions, please call the Seeley Lake Ranger Station at 677-2233.

## Ovando meeting June 11 on Upper Clark Fork water rights

The Upper Clark Fork River Basin Steering Committee will hold a series of meetings about upper Clark Fork River Basin water rights, and the relationship of those rights to the hydropower rights owned by Avista Corporation at its Noxon Rapids and Cabinet Gorge dams on the Clark Fork River. Three meetings will be held in different locations in the Basin. One meeting is set for Monday, June 11 at the Ovando School in Ovando, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Water rights holders in the upper Clark Fork River Basin, and particularly those with priority dates after February 20, 1951, as well as people interested in water management in the Basin may wish to attend.

The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the possibility of an agreement with Avista Corporation (formerly Washington Water Power) that may address if and when Avista would make a call to protect its water rights and basin water management during low flow periods.

Avista has large water rights at its Noxon Rapids Dam, 35,000 cubic feet per second (cfs) with a priority date of February 20, 1951 and 5,400 cfs right with a date of April 3, 1959. Both of these water rights are decreed rights. An additional 15,000 cfs provisional water right was issued in 1976. According to a 1988 study by the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, Avista's Noxon Rapid's water rights are satisfied an average of only 22 consecutive days per year, generally during late May to early June. Thus in most years, Avista could make call on junior water rights holders upstream of its dam, including those in the upper Clark

Fork Basin. Avista's water rights also have priority over use of unadjudicated water, i.e. use of high water.

Nine years ago Avista Corporation began the process of renewing its licenses granted by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to operate its two Clark Fork River hydropower dams. During this time, the State of Montana and Avista agreed to work on a long-term agreement to protect the security of existing water rights and to preserve the orderly development of waters in the Clark Fork River Basin up- stream of the Avista's Noxon Rapids Dam. In June of 1999, the State and Avista signed an agreement in which Avista would not initiate any call upon junior water rights for two years if the State sought a temporary basin-wide closure of the issuance of new consumptive water use permits (i.e. in the Flathead and the lower Clark Fork Basins as well as the upper Clark Fork and Bitterroot, the two basins with pre-existing closures).

In February 2000, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) issued a new license for Noxon Rapids and Cabinet Gorge. While FERC acknowledged the agreement between the State and Avista in the license, FERC stated that they "have no jurisdiction to approve the agreement" and "have no jurisdiction over water rights, which are a matter of state law." The temporary basin closure ended on February 28, 2001, the agreement expired and so did the State's efforts to negotiate a long-term agreement. (The upper Clark Fork Basin closure is permanent and still in effect.)

To date, Avista has not issued a water rights call. However, the recent dramatic increases in electricity prices and low flow years have increased the significance of its water rights. While the value of power is dependent upon timing and the energy market, an acre foot of water recently passing through the Noxon Rapids and Cabinet Gorge dams would have generated electricity worth from \$60 to \$90, compared to a value of \$4 a year ago. Current streamflow forecasts for the Clark Fork River near Noxon are near 50% of normal. Also, current forecasts project hydro generation on Avista's system to be about 30% below the average megawatt production level.

Avista remains concerned about the appropriation of waters within the entire Clark Fork River Basin, a condition that would exist absent its own water rights. Avista also remains very interested in the protection of existing water rights and the orderly development of waters in the future. For this reason, Avista has indicated to the Upper Clark Form River Basin Steering Committee a willingness to listen to proposals that might lead to a potential agreement with the water users of the upper Clark Fork River Basin. Preliminary discussions indicate that such an agreement might include maintenance of the Basin's existing surface water rights closure and some sort of sub-basin by sub-basin planning and management during low flow years.

Both the Steering Committee and Avista would like to hear your views of such an agreement. If you have questions about the meeting, you can call a member of the Steering Committee, or the Steering Committee facilitator, Gerald Mueller, at 406-543-0026.

# Spring Concert at Swan Valley School



Sarah Thomas



Basia Kobylenski



Katrina Webb



Bob Green, music instructor



Nate Stone



Rincon Parcell



Mariah Childs



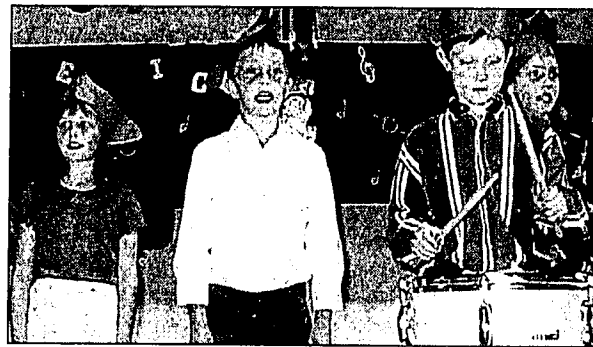
Bobby Russell



Flash Dancer: Mariah Childs



Caitlin Stone



Jessy Stevenson, Jacob Smith, Bobby Russell, and Cascade Parcell



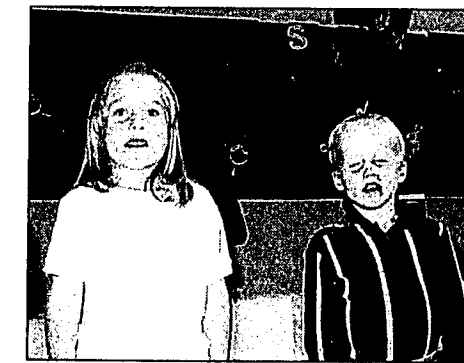
Isaac Yates, Justin Hood, Tanisha Post and Summit Parcell



Rachael Burke, Justine Janssen, Timmy Siloti, and Sophie Hainline



Jordan Everson, Hunter Wall, Hailey Towe



Kamrie White and Sam Yates



Dustin Grandchamp and Gwen Rosen



Jacob Casebolt, Jake Janssen, and Chase Hulett



Ashley Holmes and Mary Lou Wilhelm



Cassie Trice



Sami Jo Hulett, Derek Bergstrom and Jonah Rosen



The FonZ: Justin Thompson



Justin Thompson and Jesse Kessler



Brian Thompson, Sami Jo Hulett, and Ashley Holmes



Chance Hulett and Danielle Anderson



The Supremes: Sarah Thomas, Katrina Webb, and Basia Kobylenski



Dick Clark: Jesse Kessler



John Travolta: Adam Greg with Jesse Kessler

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American Band Stand



Adam Greg and Caitlin Stone



Camera crew: Johnny Moors



Sarah Thomas



Speaker: Nikki Maloughney



Adam Greg and Caitlin Stone

## Residential forest fires topic at Ad Hoc

Forest fires in residential areas will be the topic of the Ad Hoc meeting to be held Tuesday June 12 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Swan Valley Community Hall in Condon.

Rick Trembath, firefighter and forester from Bigfork, will discuss the decisions that firefighters must make as they work to protect homes in forested residential areas.

Trembath works for the Swan Lake Ranger District (Flathead National Forest) and also the Bigfork Fire Department. He will help people understand how to prepare their homes to survive a wildfire.

Earlier that same day, Trembath will be on hand to meet local residents at the Swan Ecosystem Center at noon to discuss the fire demonstration forest at the Condon Work Center site. Residents are welcome to help mark trees at the site, ask questions and learn how to create survivable space around homesites.

As part of this year's fire education program, the Swan Ecosystem Center is also taking part in a tour of the Bitterroot National Forest on June 15. Swan Valley residents may sign up to participate in this tour. Call the Swan Ecosystem Center, 754-3137, for more information.

Ad Hoc meetings are organized by local citizens as the need arises and are open to the public.

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# Remembering True Heroes

This story is written by an Army Chaplain. He drives home a great point. A time to remember those who gave their lives for our Country.

On 18 February 2001, while racing for fame and fortune, Dale Earnhardt died in the last lap of the Daytona 500.

It was surely a tragedy for his family, friends and fans. He was 49 years old with grown children, one, which was in the race. He was a winner and earned everything he had. This included more than "\$41 million in winnings and ten times that from endorsements and souvenir sales". He had a beautiful home and a private jet. He drove the most sophisticated cars allowed and every part was inspected and replaced as soon as there was any evidence of wear. This is normally fully funded by the car and team sponsors.

Today, there is no TV station that does not constantly remind us of his tragic end and the radio already has a song of tribute to this winning driver. Nothing should be taken away from this man, he was a professional and the best in his profession. He was in a very dan-

## Passages

by Pastor Bill Bogardus  
Fundamental Baptist Church

gerous business but the rewards were great.

Two weeks ago seven U.S. Army soldiers died in a training accident when two UH-60 Blackhawk helicopters collided during night maneuvers in Hawaii.

The soldiers were all in their twenties, pilots, crewchiefs and infantrymen. Most of them lived in sub-standard housing.

The aircraft they were in were between 15 and 20 years old. Many times parts were not available to keep them in good shape due to funding.

They were involved in the extremely dangerous business of flying in the Kuhuku mountains at night.

It only gets worse when the weather moves in as it did that night. Most times no one is there with a yellow or red flag to slow things down when it gets critical. Their children were mostly tod-

dlers who will lose all memory of who "Daddy" was as they grow up. They died training to defend our freedom.

I take nothing away from Dale Earnhardt but ask you to perform this simple test. Ask any of your friends if they know who was the NASCAR driver killed on 18 February 2001. Then ask them if they can name one of the seven soldiers who died in Hawaii two weeks ago.

18 February 2001, Dale Earnhardt died driving for fame and glory at the Daytona 500. The nation mourns. Seven soldiers died training to protect our freedom. No one can remember their names and most don't even remember the incident. And most don't even care.

Thank you all who have given to protect our freedoms. Let's not forget the great cost of the freedom that we enjoy today. Don't forget the great Sacrifice of our Saviour and Lord. Remember Him on the Lord's Day!

In Christ,  
Bill Bogardus.

## Dellwo Makes Montana Tech Honor Roll

Lane Dellwo of Seeley Lake made the Honor Roll at Montana Tech in Butte for Spring Semester 2001. To attain honor status, students must be enrolled full time, taking a minimum of 12 credits and maintaining a minimum grade point average of 3.25.

## Saint Jude Novena

Holy Saint Jude, Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue and rich in miracles, near kinsman of Jesus Christ, faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need, to you I have recourse from the depth of my heart and humbly beg to whom God has given such great power to come to my assistance. Please help in my present and urgent petition. In return, I promise to make your name known and cause you to be invoked. Saint Jude, pray for us and all who invoke your aid. Amen. This Novena should be said for nine consecutive days. After reciting the Novena, pray three Our Fathers, three Hail Marys, and three Glory Be. Publication must also be promised.  
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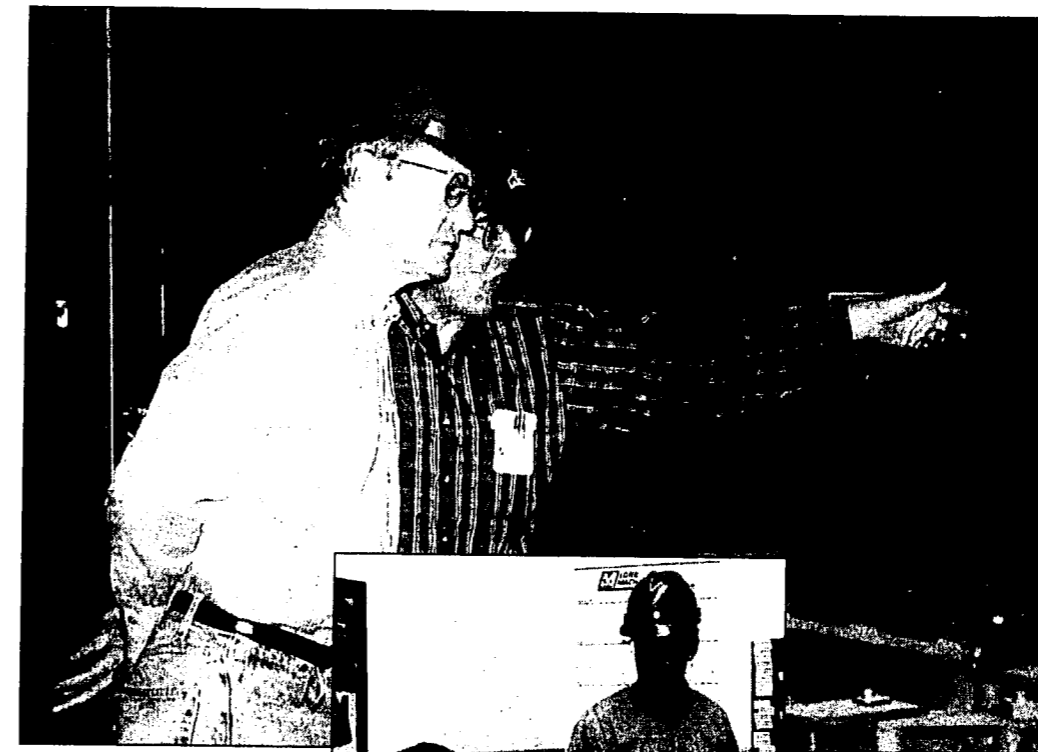
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# Senator Max Baucus visits Seeley Lake, lunch and tour at Pyramid, visits Medical Center



Boards are being graded and inspected on the planer line with Sen. Baucus and Pyramid's Roger Johnson looking on.

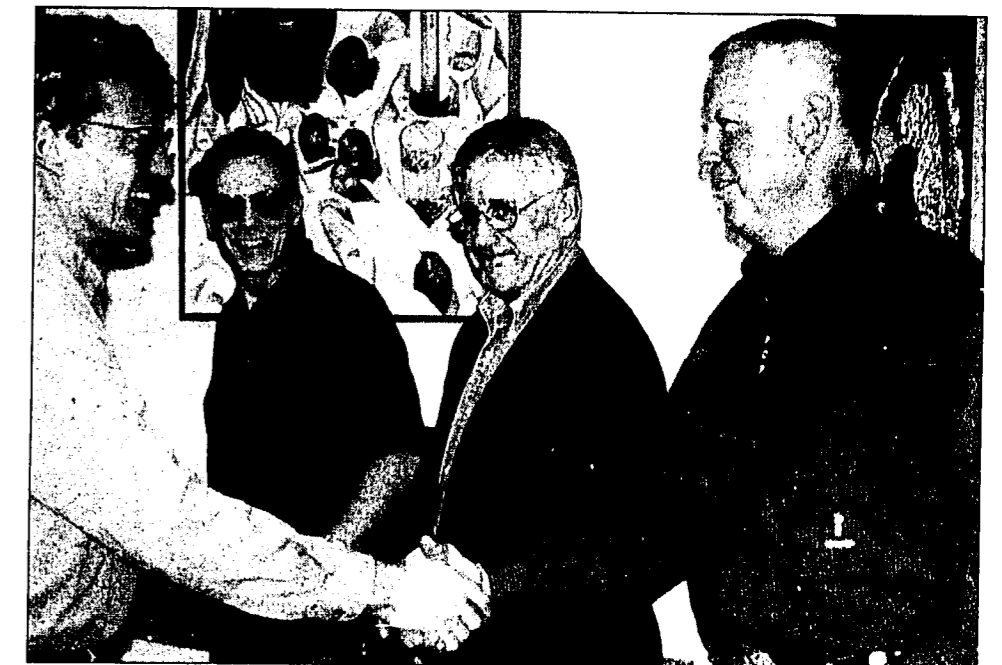
Photos by  
Deborah Stack



Montana Democratic Senator Max Baucus visits in the office at Pyramid before heading out on a plant tour with Pyramid President Roger Johnson (top photo)



Marty Kux, Seeley Swan Medical Center accountant, thanks Sen. Max Baucus for his help in the construction of the new center. Looking on is Steve McNeese of St. Patrick's Hospital which operates the clinic through a subsidiary.



Keith Peterson, right, greets Senator Max Baucus at the Seeley Swan Medical Center. Peterson is a trustee of the center. At center is trustee Jack Copps. At center left is the center's comptroller, Marty Kux. While here last Wednesday, May 30, Baucus had lunch at Pyramid where he was thanked for helping secure federal guarantees of loans by Two Rivers Bank that were instrumental in Pyramid's financial reorganization. At the Medical Center he was thanked for his help in securing federal funds for construction last year of the new center.



Seeley Swan Medical Center staff with Sen. Max Baucus: from left: Bridget Metcalf, Cindy Gallea, Joan Dellwo, Sen. Baucus, Ben Lindeman, Claudia Kent (supervisor) and Cheryl Gehrke.



Seeley Swan Medical Center trustees, from left: Keith Peterson, Loren Rose, Steve McNeese, Marianne Judge, Sen. Baucus, Jack Copps, Mary Ann Morin, Tim Love, Marty Kux.



## Blackfoot/Clearwater Chapter Game Range Fun Ride

**WHEN:** June 16, 2001  
Ride starts between 9:00 and 10:00 AM

**WHERE:** Blackfoot/Clearwater Wildlife Management Area  
Ride begins at Old Boyd Ranch, approximately 3 miles off Hwy 200 on Woodworth Road, which is 2 to 3 miles east of Clearwater Junction.

Signs will be posted Includes Lunch & Beverages  
Prizes will be given Limited to 150 riders

- Adult tickets \$25.00 advanced & \$35.00 day of ride
- Children's tickets \$15.00 advanced & \$20.00 day of ride

Ride benefits Save The Game Range project, sponsored by RMEF in coop with various government agencies & Plum Creek Timber Company



COME AND JOIN THE FUN!!

For registration and rules or more information call Todd or Twyla Johnson at 677-2937 or Wendy Wetherell at 677-3377

## Game Range Fun Ride June 16

The Blackfoot-Clearwater Chapter of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation is having a "Game Range Fun Ride" to benefit the "Save the Game Range" project sponsored by the RMEF in co-operation with various government agencies and Plum Creek Timber Company.

The ride will take place Saturday June 16th at 9:00 a.m. on the Blackfoot-Clearwater Wildlife Management Area (Game Range).

The ride will cover an 8 mile course with five collection stops and is limited to 150 riders. The ride will begin and end at the Old Boyd Ranch, located approximately 3 miles off Hwy 200 on Woodworth Rd. which is 2 to 3 miles east of the Clearwater Junction. Signs will be posted.

Prizes will be given for the highest (grand prize), middle and lowest point score. Plus children's prizes will be given. Advanced paid registration is requested by June 13th. Adult tickets are \$25.00 advanced & \$35.00 the day of the ride.

As well Children tickets are \$15.00 advanced and \$20.00 the day of the ride. Tickets include a Western style steak pitch-fork fondue & ice-cold beverages. Lunch and winners announcement will be at 2:00 p.m. For more information or to request a registration form, please contact Todd or Twyla Johnson 677-2937 or Wendy Wetherell 677-3377 or wendy@wetherell.com.

Registration forms are also available at Rovero's in Seeley Lake. Come join the fun!

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**Monday, June 11**  
Cranberry Juice, Roast Pork, Mashed Potatoes/ Gravy, Corn, Roll, Cake  
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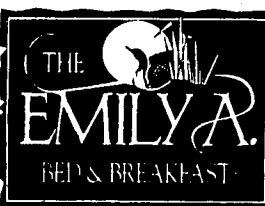


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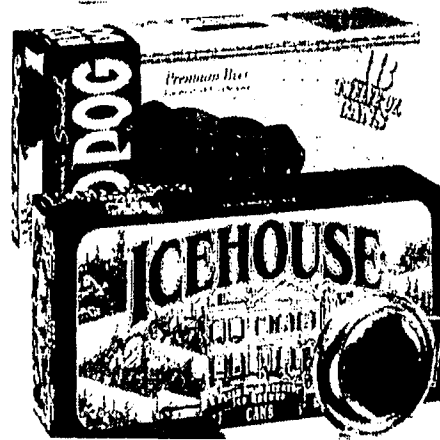
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Adult soccer starts Friday, June 8 from 7:00-8:30 at the Seeley Lake Community Park (next to the grade school). Call YMCA office or Teresa Friede if you would like to join us!

Summer program dates:

June 25-29	Gymnastics
July 9-13	Outdoor Fun Camp
July 16-21	Seeley Lake Swim Lessons
July 30-August 4	Holland Lake Lessons

HELP WANTED: Volunteer or paid staff to help out with Gymnastics Camp: June 25 - June 29. If you enjoy kids and are interested in seeing this program continue, please give us a call. Training is available.

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