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Last Blast?

A whitetail deer nibbles on lower branches of pine trees in lieu of grass which is covered deeply by white powder. Over a foot of snow fell last week accompanied by sub zero temperatures. A warming trend over the weekend will be threatened by a return of colder temperatures and snow showers again this weekend ... if the forecasters are right?

Weather Report

DATE HIGH LOW CONDITIONS

Mar 4	45	9	Mostly cloudy, breezy in p.m.
Mar 5	45	32	Partly cloudy a.m., mostly cloudy p.m.
Mar 6	41	5	0.12" precip., 3.0" snow, light steady snow, steady wind, cold.
Mar 7	12	2	0.32" precip., 9.0" snow, heavy snow last night, steady but light snow today.
Mar 8	16	-4	0.02" precip., 0.5" snow, flurries, mostly cloudy.
Mar 9	31	10	0.01" precip., 0.2" snow, few flakes early a.m., overcast.
Mar 10	42	22	0.03" precip., 1.5" snow, snow in a.m., mostly cloudy p.m.

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G. Noland photo

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Editorial Comment

Chips . . . bits & pieces

Feeling those "Cabin Fever" blues...
 It doesn't look like winter will bow out gracefully, so brace yourself for a couple more weeks possibly and make the best of it. If you're a snowmobiler, you're in luck with all the recent snow (over a foot in town last week). If you're feeling snowbound, there's lots to do this weekend to cure Cabin Fever. You could take in the annual MEC meeting in Missoula, get a \$20 dinner coupon for attending, and help re-elect Ray Cebulski to the board. Then you can drive back and try out the Cake Walk at the Living Water Catholic Church St. Pat Day Celebration Saturday evening or catch the Swan Valley Players annual benefit performance at the Hungry Bear (if there are any tickets left...it's always a sellout).
 If the weekend passed and you still need to get out...take in the open house from 5 to 6 Monday at the New Library and Media Center at the high school. It precedes the fun and recognition students will receive at the Winter Activities Banquet following the open house starting at 6 p.m. with a potluck.
 Who says there's nothing to do...
 Have a good time!

—Gary Noland

Firemen's Ball: Evening of Family Fun

Dear Editor,
 For those who missed the Firemen's Ball on March 2 at the Community Hall, you missed a great evening of fun, prizes, entertainment and tasty spaghetti.
 The high school band, under the always enthusiastic leadership of Mr. Bob Green, was great! What an outstanding group of young people. Truly enjoyed by all!
 Terry! Bartlett sang and played the guitar throughout the evening. What a cute and talented gal. We were all impressed Terry!!
 Bruce Wold was one of the spotters for the auction. Just to see him on his knees begging for one more bid was worth the price of admission.



Auctioneer Tom Lehman

An outstanding job of auctioning was done by Tom Lehman, who was assisted by his fun and efficient wife Judy, who kept the bids and money straight.
 The spaghetti sauce (several kinds) was cooked by some of our local firefighters and was delicious.
 According to rumor, the California Raisins couldn't make it due to the storm, so our own Montana Grapes (Pat Swan Smith and Sue Stratton) did the sour grapes dance. Yes, our little community has many talented people. Their makeup and dress of black plastic garbage bags will not make Mr. Blackwell's list.
 There were great auction items donated by many businesses and artists. Included as artists, I place Carole White and Danette Rammell's names, for their pies were beautiful and brought hefty prices. (I know, as my husband bought one, which we are chewing slowly and enjoying very much.)
 We had great people buy an auction item only to donate it back. We had people win

money and donate it back to the Fire Department. We had many children with their families who got to bid with play money for items. Truly a family event and for such a great cause.
 This function was also made possible by local businesses and artists who donated gifts, prizes and auction items. Let's not forget to patronize our local people and businesses. Special thanks to anyone else who helped in any way.
 Let's not forget to support our local fire department, who is there to help us all any time of the day or night, year after year.
 We live in a great community with great people. We need to try every day to appreciate each other, appreciate the good that is accomplished, and continue to work and support each other for the betterment of our communities.
 Don't miss next year's Fireman's Ball.

In appreciation to all,
 Elinor and Charlie Williamson
 Seeley Lake, Montana

Cenex Harvest States announces dividends

Cenex Harvest States Cooperatives announced recently that customers of the Missoula Region, which has retail operations in Stevensville, Hamilton, Missoula, St. Ignatius, and Ronan, recently received patronage dividends in excess of \$656,000 from earnings for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2001. Thirty percent of the dividends, or \$197,000, was issued in cash and the balance in stock.
 Cenex Harvest States, headquartered in St. Paul, MN, is an agricultural cooperative organized for the mutual benefit of its members and supplies energy and agronomy prod-

ucts as well as farm supplies to domestic and international markets. The Missoula Region includes an area extending from Thompson Falls to Drummond and from Polson to Darby. In addition to five retail stores, regional operations include nine company owned gas stations or automated fueling sites, delivery of home heating oil to the country, and the supply of agricultural inputs to local farms and ranchers. Cenex Harvest States is also partnered with Missoula Electric Coop in the ownership of Energy Partners, LLC, which supplies propane to residential and commercial customers.

'If it ain't broke, don't fix it.' —Don Larson

Dear Editor,
 As a former member of the Montana House of Representatives I worked with Ray Cebulski on utility legislation. Montana Power Company was constantly running at the Cooperatives to gain competitive advantage and Ray lobbied (quite effectively) the Cooperative position before my House Business and Industry Committee.
 Ray was always credible and effective with that committee, and invariably won its support for rural cooperatives.
 Missoula Electric Cooperative is one of the largest coops in the state and, as such, is a large and complex business requiring considerable experience and expertise. Ray has that.
 Consider: When Marc Racicot proposed a sales tax in the 90's, it went down by a surprising two to one margin. That margin, in my opinion, was electric cooperatives. Missoula Electric Cooperative was especially adamant in their opposition (the sales tax would have been on some energy products and

would have raised coop utility rates).
 When Pyramid Mountain Lumber was having tough times in the 80's, it couldn't meet its immediate electric bills (it's the largest Missoula Electric Cooperative consumer). Ray went to bat and bought them some time, probably saving 125 jobs.

When utility employees voted to unionize a couple of years ago, Ray worked to secure a balanced contract that was fair to the unionizing employees and protected consumers alike.

When the burn-outs occurred throughout the Mountain West and Pacific states last year, some coops were caught with their pants down without assured energy contracts - not Missoula Electric Cooperative. Ray and the other trustees had our

power contracts locked in and we hardly felt the energy crunch - good management!
 If it ain't broke, don't fix it. Return Ray Cebulski to his trustee position.

Don Larson
 25 Year Member
 Missoula Electric Cooperative
 Seeley Lake, Montana

Winter Activities Banquet this Monday

Dear Editor:
 The Blackhawk Booster Club is sponsoring the Winter Activities Banquet on Monday, March 18. The Banquet will be at 6:00 p.m. at the Seeley-Swan High School Gym. It is a potluck dinner with table service and drinks provided by the Booster Club. The Winter Activities Banquet will be honoring the Boys Basketball Team, Volleyball, Dance Squad, First Semester 4.0 Students, Chess Club, and will also honor the teachers for Teacher Appreciation Week. The Booster Club will have quilt raffle tickets for sale at this time, and will have memberships available.
 The next Blackhawk Booster Club event will be a Pitchfork Fondue on April 27 at Hungry Bear Steak House. Please join us at these events and support our high school students.
 Patti Bartlett Dunlap, Seeley Lake, Montana

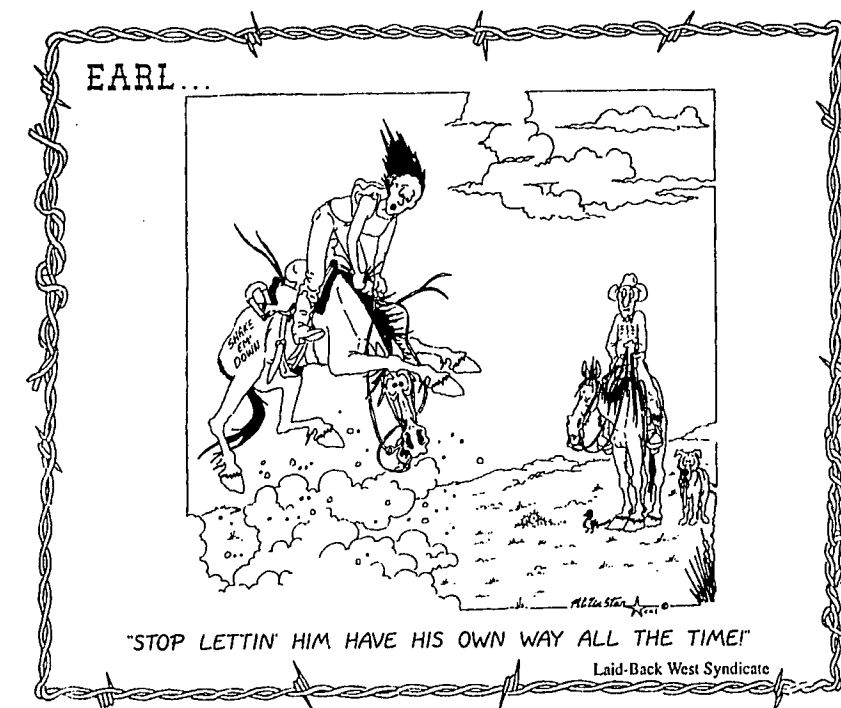
RAYMOND G. CEBULSKI INCUMBENT RUNNING FOR DISTRICT 5 TRUSTEE MISSOULA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

Annual Meeting - March 16 - Registration 9:00
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I have been a member of Missoula Electric Coop for 41 years as a resident of both Clinton and Seeley Lake. During my term as an MEC director, I have treated all members equally using common sense and good judgment. I am always available to answer questions from the members. I have helped procure one of the lowest rates for power in the State of Montana for our member/owners. Also, I worked to get a low industrial rate for the mill to help it to continue operating and maintain jobs in the community. My goal is to continue to provide the most reliable service at the lowest possible cost, and keep the cooperative financially sound.

I would sincerely appreciate your continued support.
 Raymond G. Cebulski



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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. Chamber, 2nd Thur, 7am, Filling Station
 S.L. QRU, 2nd Thur, 7pm, fire hall
 S.L. Comm. Council, 3rd Mon, 7pm, fire hall
 Senior All Night Party mtg., 3/19, 6pm, S.I. Elementary School
 S.L. Sewer Dist, 3rd Tues, noon, Pyramid Mtn. Lbr. Arthritis Support Group, 3rd Tues, 1:30pm, Sr. Ctr. Drift riders, 3rd Wed, 7pm, S.L. Comm. Hall
- WEEKLY MEETINGS:**
Alcoholics Anonymous: (help for those with a suspected drinking problem) - Condon: Faith Lutheran Church, every Sunday, 1pm
 -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
- 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.
Pinocle, every 1st Sat, S.L. Comm. Hall, 7pm; every 3rd Sat., Senior Citizens Center
DUMPSITE TRANSFER SITE: Winter hours (Oct-Apr) - Wed & Sat, 10am-4pm, 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, 12:00-5:00, Sat, 11-3, 677-5683 (emergency 677-2110)
Seeley Lake Community Hall: For hall rental, call Cheri Thompson, 677-2454
LIBRARIES:
Seeley Lake Public Library (Seeley-Swan High School) Regular hours: Mon-Fri., 8-3pm (closed 11am-noon for lunch); Wed., 3-8pm; Sat, 10am-3pm. Story Time-Saturdays at 11 a.m.
Swan Valley Library (Condon) Tues, 11am-4pm; Wed, 11am-7pm; Fri, 11am-4pm
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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Wolves Are Becoming Watchable Wildlife Near Game Range

by Mike Thompson

Many of you have seen two wolves that seem to be working the Clearwater drainage between Seeley Lake and the Game Range. We've received reliable reports from folks who have seen the wolves this winter in Blanchard Creek, feeding on roadkill near the Seeley Lake Cemetery, and crossing Salmon Lake.

As you know, the gray wolf is federally protected in Montana under the Endangered Species Act. In the part of Montana that is located north of Interstate 90, Inter-

state 15 and the Missouri River (that is, Seeley Lake and Condon), the wolf is protected under the most stringent terms of the Act. Generally, the wolves that occur in our area have expanded naturally from Canada and Glacier National Park.

The wolves that were reintroduced "by the hand of man" to central Idaho and the Yellowstone Ecosystem are classified as "non-essential experimental" populations, which allows more flexible management options under the Act.



Recently, I had an opportunity to visit with Joe Fontaine, one of the biologists working on the wolf recovery team for the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service. He, too, is aware of the wolf sightings around Seeley this winter, and is planning to send a field team out to investigate. One of the things that he is interested in investigating is the possibility that these wolves are actually hybrids that have escaped or been released from captivity. By saying this, Joe does not doubt that wild wolves have been working in our area for a number of years. But, he's a scientist, and it's true that more information is needed before we can rule out the possibility that these particular wolves are not purebreds.

One response that's already underway from the Idaho border to Rogers Pass is a survey for wolf tracks. The work is being done by dozens of students from the University of Montana, under the direction of Mr. Fontaine. Ty Smucker is the student leader of the effort, who recently provided a brief report on the portion of the track survey that crosses the Blackfoot-Clearwater Game Range.

This first survey on the Game Range was accomplished on February 17th after Ty obtained permission from FWP to enter the prop-

erty during the winter closure. Eleven students on skis and snowshoes fanned out systematically in all directions. They found tracks of two wolves that were travelling together, heading west along the East-West Road.

They followed the wolf tracks to an elk that the students determined had been killed by a lion. According to Ty's report, "the elk carcass was entirely consumed except for the front leg bones and some hide," and they found "fresh lion tracks and sign in the vicinity of the elk carcass." From there, the trail led across the low ridgeline above the Seeley Lake Cemetery, heading north, and parallel to Highway 83.

This was the only wolf activity that they discovered on the Game Range, but they also cut some old, probable wolf tracks just north of Placid Lake. Ty hopes to do at least one more survey on the Game Range before the snow melts. The real value in this year's surveys will be to establish a protocol that can be repeated every winter to document trends in wolf activity across western Montana. Joe has his eye on the future, when FWP will be handed the management reins of a recovered wolf population, and when a practical population monitoring tool will be needed.

It's breeding season for wolves, so Joe hopes to get some paid professionals in the field to look for any indications that the

two wolves in our area are male and female, and if so, that the female is in heat. Joe says that if and when the female dens in May or June, it will be virtually impossible to find her without the aid of a radio collar until the pups are able to hunt in the fall. Several people have reported a radio collar on one of the wolves, but Joe and his crew have been unable to receive a signal from it and do not have a strong presumption of which collared wolf it might be. It's likely that the battery that powers the radio is dead.

This would not be the first time that we've anticipated a litter of wolves in the Seeley Lake area. A couple of years ago, Yours Truly was anxiously following reports of three wolves that were making regular rounds past Cozy Corner and Monture Creek. Joe also followed these reports and attempted to find the litter, but was unsuccessful and no pack activity was subsequently discovered around Seeley or the Game Range. I continue to be amazed that we have seen so much wolf activity on and around the Game Range over the past 10 years or so and still do not have a pack established on the doorstep of this elk and deer grocery store. We'll see what happens this time.

You can help by reporting your bona fide wolf observations, with dates and locations, to Joe Fontaine (406-449-5225) or me (542-5523).

Wildland Fire & Your Home Free Home Evaluations Available From The Seeley Lake Fire Department

The Seeley Lake Fire Department is able to offer 200 free home evaluations to residents in the District.

The evaluation allows the homeowners to see how the fuel load (trees, brush, grasses, etc.) could affect the safety of their home in the event of a wildland fire.

The evaluation will NOT bind the homeowner in any way to take action to reduce fuel loads on their property. It is an informational evaluation. **There is some grant money available to help homeowners who do wish to do fuel reduction.** Having an evaluation does not guarantee grant money, but it will identify areas in need, which could help with obtaining some of the grant money. Some of the grants require matching funds—Some will be "in-kind" matches, others are cash matches. For more information or an appointment, please call Pat at (406) 677-2400.

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New Pastor to be Installed at Holy Cross and Faith Lutheran Churches

Rev. Dr. Robert Lee Benson will be installed as pastor of Holy Cross Lutheran Church (Seeley Lake) and Faith Lutheran Church (Condon) on Sunday, March 17 at 5:00 p.m. The service will be held at Seeley Lake (1655 Airport Road).



Robert Lee Benson

Robert Lee Benson was born at Mauston, Wisconsin, one of six children of Theodore and Lillian Benson, whose grandparents all emigrated to America from the Suldal-Stavanger area of Norway. The family grew up on a dairy farm where he attended rural and small town schools.

Following graduation from high school, Benson attended Luther College (Decorah, Iowa) and graduated in 1954. He was a public school teacher in Wisconsin for 24 years. During these years he received a Master of Education degree from the University of Wisconsin and in 1977 was certified by the Wisconsin State Real Estate Board and designated a licensed Real Estate Broker. In 1979 he en-

rolled at Concordia Theological Seminary (Fort Wayne, Indiana) and graduated with a Master's Degree in 1982, under the mentorship of Dr. Robert Preus, who was also President of Concordia Seminary. During the years 1985-88 he pursued further graduate studies at Marquette University (Milwaukee) and the Evangelical Lutheran Seminary (Tacoma, Washington) and graduated with a Doctor of Ministry degree in 1988.

Official Announcement of the **Missoula Electric Cooperative, Inc. 66th Annual Meeting**

Saturday, March 16, 2002

Valley Christian School
 2526 Sunset Lane
 Missoula, Montana

Registration - 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.
 Business Meeting - 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

10 - \$100 cash prize winners
 1 - \$500 cash prize winner will be drawn
 \$20.00 family meal coupon per membership

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His first call into the pastoral ministry of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod was to Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church (Adams, WI) and St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church (rural Wisconsin Dells) (1982-1986). In 1986 he became pastor of Historic Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church (Milwaukee, WI), known as the Lutheran Cathedral of Milwaukee and the "mother church" of Missouri Synod Lutheranism in Milwaukee, where he served as pastor for fourteen years. During this time historic Trinity became one of the largest multicultural congregations of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. Between 1990-94 he served as Circuit Counselor in the South Wisconsin District-Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod; member of the South Wisconsin District Mission Board

and the South Wisconsin District Board of Directors (1994-1998); also Circuit Ministry Group Leader for "Alive in Christ" campaign (1985); South Wisconsin District Task Force on Restructuring ((1993-95); South Wisconsin Urban Ministry Task Force (1996-1997). From 1999 to the present time, Pastor Benson has been serving a mission congregation in Mayville, North Dakota. He is also a member of the National Rifle Association.

Pastor Benson stated that he is "deeply grateful for the opportunity to serve God's people in the Seeley Lake-Condon area and greatly look forward to sharing with many people here God's love through Jesus Christ."

Pastor Benson will be installed by Dr. George Wollenburg, President of the Montana District of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, together with Michael Warmbier, Circuit Counselor from Salmon, Idaho, and other pastors from the Circuit churches of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. The community is cordially invited to attend.

LEGAL NOTICE
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NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that registration for the School/Special Election to be held on May 7, 2002 will close at 5:00 p.m. on April 8, 2002. All qualified registered electors of all the districts are entitled to vote at said election.

Persons who wish to register and who are not presently registered may do so by requesting a form for registration by mail or by appearing before the Election Administrator.

If moving has made a change of precinct, it is necessary to have your registration transferred to your present address.

Dated this 11th day of March, 2002.

Vickie Zeier,
 Election Administrator
 Missoula County

WINTER ACTIVITIES BANQUET

MONDAY, MARCH 18th
 SSSHS GYM
 6:00PM

POTLUCK DINNER

BLACKHAWK BOOSTER CLUB WILL PROVIDE TABLE SERVICE AND DRINKS.

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Please support the Seeley Lake Fire Department and the SSTEP program

Funding shortfalls may curtail Flagship Program and counseling position

By Donna Love

On Monday evening, March 18, the Seeley-Swan High School is holding an Open House for the new library from 5:00 to 6:00. Parents and community members are invited to attend. The Ortenberg Foundation will be honored for its contribution for shelving.

The library is now complete with computer tables and window blinds in place. Mrs. Buechler's Home Economics class is sewing valances for the windows.

School Principal "Tony" Gallegos doesn't want anyone to be "surprised" by the beautiful new couches in the library. A savings on the tables and chairs allowed the school to purchase them. Mr. Gallegos said, "The school is trying to create an atmosphere that welcomes students and community members."

The school library is also a part of the Missoula County Public Library System and a second open house for the Public Library

Condon Area Senior Lunch

The Hungry Bear Steak House is serving lunch to Condon area seniors (60 years & older) on Mondays and Thursdays at 1 PM. Please call the Hungry Bear at 754-2240 for reservations prior to 5:00 PM the day before. This program is sponsored by Swan Valley Senior Services.

Thursday, March 14

Grapefruit Juice, Ham Slice, Baked Potato, Green Salad, Peaches, Cookie

Monday, March 18

Grapefruit Juice, Stroganoff, Carrots, Coleslaw, Roll, Pudding

Thursday, March 21

Orange Juice, Swiss Steak, Baked Potato, Green Beans, Biscuit, Jello/Fruit

will be held on a Saturday in April during National Library Week.)

The High School Booster Club's Winter Activities Awards Banquet will follow the school library Open House. The banquet, which starts at 6:00 p.m., will honor participants in Chess Club, Dance Club, Girls Volleyball, Boys Basketball and first semester 4.0 students.

The Banquet is being held in conjunction with National Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week and school staff will also be recognized. The dinner will be a potluck and students are being asked to dress in semi-formal attire.

The Booster Club is in the middle of their Spring Membership Drive. Single Memberships cost \$15, Family Memberships, \$20 and an Organization or Business Membership, \$25.

Booster Club Vice-President, Patti Bartlett-Dunlap, reminded folks that if anyone asks the Booster Club for assistance, it would "help their chances greatly" if they were members.

The school play "The Wizard of Oz," will also be in March, with an evening performance on Friday, March 22 at 7:00 and an afternoon performance on Saturday, March 23 at 2:00.

According to Drama Instructor Michael Johnson, the students are working hard on the production and he appreciates the contributions made by the rest of the school staff. Anyone who would like to help is encouraged to call the school at 677-2224.

In sports news, Mr. Gallegos stated how proud he was of the Girls Volleyball team for making it to Divisionals on March 8-9. The team has not achieved Divisionals in several years.

The spring sports of Track and Golf started on March 11.

Midterm grades have been

mailed to parents. Mr. Gallegos is "pleased" with the new computerized grading system, which indicated letter grades, percentages and attendance.

In addition to grades, the new phone extension numbers for the faculty and staff were included in the mailing. Mr. Gallegos thanked the parents and communities for their patience in learning the new system.

For 2002 graduation, the seniors have chosen their colors, decorations, and speakers. It will be indoor ceremony with a "Power Point" computer presentation. Seniors are asked to please provide baby pictures of themselves for the program. Some students and the school band will also perform.

In response to a question at last month's meeting, Mr. Gallegos reported that the Driver's Ed. instructor would have to attend a two-day workshop to become certified to administer the written test at the school. Students would still need to go to Missoula for the eye exam and photo. Mr. Gallegos was asked to look into the possibility of having an instructor from Missoula, or a member of the community, administer the test.

In construction news, the gym floor was tested and it is fairly certain that the cement sub-flooring would need to be replaced if a wood floor were installed. Many questions still remain including cost, timing of the replacement, and hazardous material removal and disposal.

School Board Trustee, Rett Parker said, "A dollar decision will be made at the next Missoula School Board meeting in mid-March."

The Flagship Program, an after-school program that strives to connect students to the community through volunteerism and activities, has been cancelled for the

spring semester. The school coordinator left for another job. The program may be discontinued in the whole district next year due to the grant running out so the position will not be filled for the few remaining weeks of this year.

Trustee Parker explained, "The program was a Federal program that was short term, with the hope that schools would see the benefit and continue with their own funds."

In other budget news the District may ask for a levy increase this year. A levy issue has not gone to the voters in five years and costs keep going up.

It is also possible that due to budget cuts the school will lose the new half time counselor position now filled by Toni Sexton. Mr. Gallegos expressed his regret saying how much she has added to the staff with her enthusiasm and expertise. She also serves as the Seeley Lake Elementary School Counselor and is a trusted friend to many students before they reach high school.

At the end of the meeting Ms. Sexton asked parents to take time to fill out a new computerized Montana Safe-Schools Inventory survey that was specifically developed for Missoula County Public Schools. It can be reached by logging onto:

www.MTSafeschools.com.

If parents would like to participate they may call the school for the computer password.

"Educational Entertainment" for the evening included a presentation by Jessica William's Spanish Class. Teshia Freseman, Renee Bergeson, and Haley Blackburn demonstrated the learning technique, "Physical Response" that combines vocabulary with gestures to aid retention. The Spanish Classes went to the University of Montana on Friday, March 8 to attend language classes and tour the campus.

School board nominating petitions due March 28

Nominating petitions for four positions on Missoula County Public Schools' Board of Trustees are due Thursday, March 28.

The election will be Tuesday, May 7. Petitions can be obtained from Bruce Moyer, Director of Business Services, at the MCPS Business Building, 915 South Ave. W.

The terms of three trustees will expire this spring; two positions represent the Elementary and Secondary Districts, and one position represents only the Secondary (high school) District. In addition, a one-year term to represent Hellgate Elementary District is open due to the March 15 resignation of Joyce Easter, who is relocating.

In addition, the library walls were decorated with photography from teacher and librarian, Julie Hainline's, Media Skills classes and the shelves were decorated with Art Teacher, Danni Parcell's, art students' paper mache sculptures.

The next Parents Advisory Meeting will be held on the second Monday in April on the 8th, one week later than usual. Interested parties are welcome to attend.

Swan Song

Joseph "Pat" Patalon

Joseph "Pat" Patalon died Monday March 11, 2002 in Missoula. He was born October 26, 1921 in Hackensack, New Jersey to Anthony and Mary Patalon.

Pat has lived in the Swan area since 1937. He served in the 10th Mountain Division, US Army during WW II.

He worked as a logger most of his life. He was the last of the Master trackers of western Montana, and hunted most of the area. He loved hunting with his dogs, and fly fishing.

To some Pat appeared to be a hermit, but many knew him to tell the greatest hunting and fishing stories around.

Pat is survived by; his daughter, Diane Jeffers of Rathdrum, Idaho, grandsons Bill McCracken, of Spokane Washington, Dean Kohn of Santa Ana California, and Paul Kohn of Spokane Washington; and great grandsons; Jesse Kohn, Steve McCracken and Dilan Kohn.

A memorial gathering will held in the Community Center Saturday March, 23rd at 2:00 pm.

Swan Song

Pelham Massey Turner

Pelham Massey Turner, 76, of Missoula, died Wednesday, March 6, 2002, of natural causes.

He was born the youngest of three children to Maude and Henry Turner in Missoula in 1925. In 1929, the family moved to Seeley Lake and began building "The Tamaracks," where he lived for 20 years.

In 1948, Joyce Tenney from Minneapolis came to help and they were married in August of that year.

He served in the Navy Air Corps and U.S. Marine Corps during World War II and also was called back for the Korean War.

In 1950, he started his lifelong career in the auto business selling Fords at H.O. Bell Co. and purchased the Lincoln-Mercury dealership in 1971. He was on the board of directors of the Montana Auto Dealers Association and was past president of the Missoula Auto Dealers Group.

Pel was an avid bird hunter for many years and later became just as avid about golf. His other interests included computers and painting with watercolors.

He is survived by his loving wife Joyce; his son and daughter-in-law Monte and Loie Turner, of Missoula; and his daughter Terry of Long Beach, Calif. Also surviving are five grandchildren, Cameron, Kasie, Kelly, Michelle and Alice Ann, and two great-grandchildren, Heather and Madison.

Private graveside services will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the Museum of Mountain Flying.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Swan Valley Elementary School

Two positions on the Board of Trustees for School District #33, Swan Valley Elementary School, will become open in May. These positions are for three (3) year terms. A nomination petition can be obtained from the Swan Valley School office. The completed petition must be returned to the District Clerk by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 28, 2002. An election will be held on May 7 at the Swan Valley School. For information, call Karen Anderson, Clerk, at 754-2320.

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Seeley Lake Driftriders Board of Directors

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Paws Up
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- Raffle Prizes to Date**
1. A beautiful stained glass window hanging of a tulip, made by Maxine and Ray Johannsen (our quick response couple). Ray and Maxine had this on my desk the day after receiving my letter! "Duop!" their turtle also helped!
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 10. A gift certificate of \$30 from the Filling Station
 11. Matching sweatshirts with an embroidering of an eagle donated by Renee Stowe (Paws Up Safe Home).
 12. A fresh flower bouquet from Seeley Lake Pharmacy and Floral

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NOT RESPONDED TO MY LETTER, PLEASE DO SO THIS WEEK SO WE CAN ADD YOUR NAME NEXT WEEK. PLEASE CALL OR USE THE SASE WHICH I ENCLOSED.

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SSHS History: Part IV of Five Parts

By Donna Love

Thirty-seven years have passed since the Seeley-Swan High School opened its doors. After the excitement of the first year, things settled down nicely, but some changes occurred. A big change was the resignation of Principal Roy Scott.

According to Zeldia Haines who team-taught with his wife at the grade school, Mrs. Scott's asthma forced them to return to a dryer climate.

Kim Haines, a teacher and coach became Principal. David Marshal was hired to teach Math and Science and another new teacher, Douglas Vagg, also taught some Math along with Industrial Arts and Band.

Marvin Anderson also moved. In his place, Philip Dwight taught Social Studies and Jon Salmonson taught English and served as the Librarian. With the hiring of Mr. Salmonson drama activities were strong with both a fall and spring play.

Another new addition was a Journalism class taught by Shirley Bandy. The class produced the first annual, which the students named the "Lone Pine." That name changed to "Snow Country" in 1977.

The first annual was dedicated to Marshall Gray, who served on the Missoula County High School Board of Trustees from 1959 to 1966 "in all positions except Chair."

The Journalism class also published the first newspaper, "The Biz & Buz." Today the school paper is called "The Blackhawk Communicator."

To support the student's scholastic efforts the Businessman's Association sponsored a program that paid a student \$1 for an A, 80 cents for a B, 60 for a C and 50 for a D each semester.

The program is still in effect, but in a different form. Today the money is paid from the proceeds of the vending machines in the lunchroom.

A student can receive \$4 for an A, \$3 for a B, \$2 for a C and \$1 for a D each semester, but the amount may vary based on how many students apply and how much pop the students drink.

SPORTS*

The second year also brought some changes in sports with the addition of cross-country track and football. Football was practiced at the grade school and games were played in a flat meadow on the Double Arrow Ranch beside the Homestead Cabin.

In 1968, boys in a summer vocational training program in heavy equipment operation built a "do-it-yourself" football field behind the school. Homemade goal posts made from Lodgepole pines completed the field.

The goal posts served the school well until the early 1980's when they started to sag. Someone removed them one night with a chain saw. Who cut them down is one of the community's best kept secrets.

In the 1970's equality in sports was expected so girls basketball and volleyball were added.

It helped that the Anaconda Copper Mining Company donated 20 more acres of land to the school. The long requested "real" gym, along with a band room and lunchroom were added in 1978. A library addition was also added.

Eventually wrestling and cross-country track were dropped, but in the year 2000, golf for both boys and girls, was added as an official sport.

Seeley Lake always did well in sports, but in the early year of 1967 the Boy's Basketball team surpassed everyone's imagination when they won the "State Class C Basketball Tournament" claiming the title from many well-established eastern Montana teams.

The team took the title with a starting line-up of five seniors each well over six feet tall. One newspaper called them the "Rags to Riches Team" because three short years earlier the school hadn't even existed.

Enrollment

The population of the school remained steady at around 100 students until the fall of 1967, the year after the "big win" when enrollment soared to 170 students, the highest it has ever experienced.

The following year (the fall of '68) enrollment dropped back to 131 students and hovered around 140 students through the 70's, which moved the school up to Class B making it more difficult to compete in sports, especially football.

By 1978 enrollment dropped to 128 and the school dropped back to Class C. (The division between Class C and B takes place at 136 students.)

In 1979 the grade school in Lincoln burned down. When they rebuilt, Lincoln added a high school. That took a handful more students from Seeley-Swan.

By 1989, enrollment stood at 106, the lowest it had been since 1966. Since then enrollment has risen an average of five students a year.

This increase is in part attributed to the "Echo Boom," consisting of the children of the "Baby Boomers." It still effects the high school, but grade school enrollments are decreasing as the Echo Boom moves through the system.

In 1998 the school moved back up to Class B. Today enrollment is 166 students.

A Picture Is Worth a Thousand Words

While school population was changing, styles were changing, too.*

In the 1960's girls wore knee-length dresses. Boys wore collared shirts and slacks.

By the late 60's guys were wearing "Beatle" haircuts. Suits were no longer required for pictures.

In the early 70's students followed the trend of the "Hippies" and "Flower Children." Girls' hemlines crept up and the dress code changed to allow slacks.

The 80's brought the "shag" haircut. Long layered hair swooped back from faces in "Partridge Family" style. Sweaters were in. Girls were allowed to wear jeans.

In the late 80's the shag gave way to the "long perm." Hair became "big" and "very curly" surrounding the head in big halos.

In the 90's the "grunge" look was popular and short hair (even shaved heads) were in.

Although it may be too soon to tell it appears that individuality is in style. Hair can be any length or style. Dress can be anything too, with a new emphasis on girls looking feminine (skirts) and boys reflecting a new interest in dressing up.

Changes in Missoula

While changes were happening in Seeley some things were changing in Missoula that effected the school. Big Sky, a third high school was built in 1980.

In 1981 a teacher's strike shut down school in May. The seniors had to organize their own graduation. The strike was settled over the summer and school resumed in the fall.

In 1994 the public schools in Missoula combined under one administration. The new unified Missoula County School District 1 includes 10 grade schools, 4 middle schools and 4 high schools.

According to Trudy Garner, Secretary for the Superintendent of Missoula County School District One, it was a hard transition, but it turned out to be a good thing for Missoula.

The advantages include continuity of curriculum, less duplication of services and better communication between lower and upper grades.

It was also good for the teachers. Under the same union the pay became more equitable.

The effects on the Seeley-Swan High School were mixed. On the down side, a 13 member school board makes it more difficult for Seeley-Swan because many of the lower grade schools aren't used to thinking about a high school in Seeley.

It also means that one administrator handles all the problems of a staff of 1500, (700 of which are teachers,) 18 buildings plus two administration buildings and a 45-million dollar budget.

Also, with three high schools over 1000 students each, the problems of Seeley Lake with less than 200 students don't seem as pressing.

Nevertheless, the Seeley-Swan School has benefited from being a part of Missoula. The school has a bigger budget than other schools in Montana of the same size and the staff is paid the same wages as Missoula, which helps attract teachers.

One recent development is the school has become training ground for new teachers. This means that many of the teachers no longer live in the community, and teacher turnover is high.

The balance between teachers who drive from Missoula and teachers who live in the community is a delicate one. The new, young teachers bring enthusiasm and fresh ideas. Those who live here provide a continuity and an understanding of the communities.

High School Profile

Through the years, trends such as dropout rates and college rates weren't kept in detail, but it is thought that Seeley-Swan had a slightly lower dropout rate and higher college rate than other Missoula county high schools.

When tracking started in the 1990's, the school board was shocked to find that the dropout rate in Missoula County stood at nearly 10%. (Seeley Lake was at 8%.)

The county began working hard to lower it 1% a year for the past five years. They offered special programs to students at risk and opened an alternative high school in Missoula that could individualize education for the non-traditional student.

It's worked. The dropout-rate now stands at lower than 5% in all four high schools. SSSH is the low-

est at 4.8%.

In addition, three years ago Montana began to profile their schools.

The profile follows student performance in several areas including, CTBS (Comprehensive Tests of Basic Skills) scores of 9th-11th graders, ACT/SAT scores of seniors, GPA (and honor roll) rate, failure rate, dropout rate, graduation rate, and scholarship rate.

For instance, during 1998-99, 55% of the SSSH students were on the Honor Roll, less than 1% received an F and 35% of the seniors received scholarships.

Proponents of the Profile warn that it is meant to show where the district is and where it needs to improve. It is not meant to compare one school to another.

They also warn that the Profile must be understood in relationship to such things as community demographics, and student-teacher and female/male ratios, among others.

Nevertheless, the Profile helps the school see overall weaknesses and strengths and will be useful in the future.

The Only Constant is Change

The school building itself has remained much the same since the 1970's, but in 1995 the roof of the shop caved in under a heavy snowfall. The shop, which has had two additions over the years, received a thorough and much needed remodeling.

The teaching staff occasionally changed, but Kim Haines was the principal for 37 years until he retired in 2001 at age 67. Anthony "Tony" Gallegos, from Missoula picked up the reigns.

In addition, \$800,000 was budgeted for updates. So far the school has received new natural lighting in the hall, new interior paint, and a new gym ceiling.

In summer the gym floor and sports complex will be remodeled and soon the new Multi-media Center/Library will be completed (the students moved the books into the new Center on Friday, January 4).

The Center is opening just in time to educate the teens of the 21st Century. In the final addition of this five part series, meet the staff of the Seeley Swan School.

*Information for this article was taken from the Seeley-Swan High School Annuals, two personal sport scrapbooks compiled by Mr. Haines, which were donated to the school Library Archives when he retired and from the "By-Line," an early newspaper in the Seeley-Swan Valley.

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Gehrke graduates Air Force training

Air Force Airman Chad W. Gehrke has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and

customs; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through

the Community College of the Air Force.

He is the son of Deann Gehrke of 3940 Highway 83 N., Seeley Lake, Mont.

Gehrke is a 2001 graduate of Seeley Swan High School, Seeley Lake.

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Gallea running behind his goal in Iditarod

By Donna Love
 Twenty-one year old Seeley Lake musher, Jim Gallea, is in his final hours of the Iditarod, but it doesn't look like he will make his goal to finish in the top twenty. On Sunday, March 10 he was traveling with a small group of about 9 teams. According to his brother, Brian, if the teams continue to travel together they will place somewhere between 23rd to 32nd.
 Gallea is down to 13 dogs, having dropped 3 due to shoulder and wrist injuries. Two were lead dogs, but he still has a strong group of 4 leaders including Iditarod veteran, Willow. Gallea also tried Otis, one of his non-leader dogs in the lead position and the dog took to it like he'd done it all along.
 The trail has been good with snow coverage adequate. According to his father, Bill, writing on Gallea's web site, ultimateditarod.com, the days are "sunny and comfortable" yet "not above freezing" and the nights "quite crisp," but "not severely cold."
 Gallea's father has been covering the race by snowmobile. At one point his snowmobile broke down, but parts were flown in to him.



The significant news for this year's race has been the number of surprising upsets that have transpired. Five time winner, Rick Swenson is in 16th place due to problems with his dogs and second place winner last year, Linwood Fielder, scratched on March 8. Most shocking to Montana was Lincoln musher, Doug Swingley's, announcement early in the race that he "wasn't racing" this year. Swingley won the past four Iditarod's and set the course record for time.
 This has led to all kinds of speculation ranging from "he knew he didn't have a strong team this year" to "he has so much respect for five time winner, Rick Swenson, that he wouldn't take that honor from him."
 What is known is Swingley, age 48, proposed to his girlfriend at the start of the race and is getting married in Nome at the end.
 The main race leader for this year has been 3 time Iditarod winner, Martin Buser from Big Lake, Alaska who won in 1992, 94 and 97. Ramy Brooks is holding "a firm grasp" on 2nd place.
 All that doesn't effect Gallea. He still has a strong group of dogs and a good trail, so he continues to run to the best of his ability.

1611 Edition

by Clay Sterling

A lot of questions have come up about the differences in King James editions and also about the 1611 edition of the Bible. My faith in the KJB was shaken by this issue, but as always, the word of God faithfully answers every question, sometimes with such simplicity that I wondered why I hadn't seen it all along. This is what God's word says, and I hope it will help other bible-believing folks.
 One of the scriptures that gives the key to understanding the bible is 1 Peter 5:5, "...for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble." Anyone who approaches God or his word with a proud heart and arrogant attitude will never have the knowledge of God. It will be hidden from them. Folks who approach God humbly and with a contrite spirit will always be rewarded with a keen understanding of God and his ways. The grace and knowledge of the Lord is reserved for the humble. People who are extremely well educated tend to fall into this trap more readily than others. Naturally, these very smart but very proud scholars are resisted by God and can't understand the truth in the King James Bible. These folks are described in 2 Timothy 3:7: "Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth."
 The proud in heart will always stumble over this one stumbling stone, and that is that God did not promise lost originals or a word for word preservation of the bible. What he did promise was to preserve perfectly intact every law, testimony, statute, commandment, judgment and precept. He has done exactly that, preserving his word from the original manuscripts to the 1611 edition and on down to our present day authorized King James Bible. Because God is "...the same yesterday, and today, and forever" (Hebrews 13:8), and God is the word (see John 1:1), that means God's word has not changed either. King David knew all of this and he told us in Psalm 19:7-9, "The law of the Lord is perfect...the testimony of the Lord is sure...the statutes of the Lord are right...the commandment of the Lord is pure...the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous..." (emphases added).
 While most bible scholars are in search of the oldest manuscripts and looking in vain for lost originals, God has quietly preserved his words (law, statutes, commandments, etc.) perfectly and without error in the King James Bible. Anyone who doubts this can buy a 1611 edition and compare it with our King James Bible. You'll notice right off that something is different. In fact, you'll probably go a little cross-eyed trying to read it at first! It will take a few minutes to figure out that the words are the same but the spelling is different. It shouldn't be long till you're able to read it quite fluently. You'll also notice that no doctrine, law, statute, precept, etc. has been changed.
 Many words have been added to the King James text to clarify doctrine. Modern bible versions take words away to change or eliminate doctrine. Example: Colossians 1:14 (KJB): "In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins." The King James translators added the word "even" which clarifies this extremely important doctrine of the Christian faith. The NASB and the NIV leave out the phrase "through the blood" in this verse, totally eliminating the biblical statute of the blood atonement. Why is this foundational cornerstone removed from the text? It's simple; so the rest of the structure will eventually crumble. "If the foundation be destroyed, what can the righteous do?" (Psalm 11:3).
 The mockers and scoffers always use the excuse that the missing phrases and verses usually show up in the footnotes. What they never seem to realize is this: the "text" is God's words, the "footnotes" are man's words. Removing laws, statutes and precepts from the "text" and demoting them to the words of man is simply a clever way of taking "...away from the words of the book of this prophecy..." (Revelation 22:19).
 Some modern bible versions claim these missing portions of scripture are only found in "a few late manuscripts." Virtually any bible scholar today, educated or not, has to admit that of the 5,200 manuscripts in existence today, more than 99% agree with the King James Bible. Folks, I think that's slightly more than "a few late manuscripts." There's just no nice way to say it. Please understand that Satan must resort to lying because the truth is not in him.
 If there has ever been one doctrine, law, testimony, statute, commandment or judgment that has ever been changed from the original manuscripts to the 1611 edition to the authorized King James Bible, THEN I QUIT! (If you're a Baptist you can't quit...Got ya Bill!) I will not serve a God who cannot preserve his words perfectly without error. If the God I serve can measure the waters of the world in the hollow of his hand (Isaiah 40:12) and stretch out the heavens farther than man can ever see (Isaiah 45:12) but can not keep his word pure, THEN I QUIT! I will not serve a god who is less than perfect.
 I say this as gently as possible; if anyone relies on, trusts in, or defends modern bible versions, they are in serious trouble with God. All the new age bible versions are like rat poison. There is some good food in them, but the poison mixed in will slowly quench the "eternal life" from everyone who partakes.
 Why is the modern day Christian so blind to the devil's devices? Why is sound biblical reasoning absent in our churches today? America will never be blessed by God as long as we continue to reject his word. It doesn't matter how many flags are flown or how many "God Bless America" signs are waved, the religious system of our nation is a stench in God's nostrils. Where are the bible-believing Christians who will stand up for what is holy? God commands Christians in James 1:27 "...to keep themselves unspotted from the world," but there is no difference between Christians and non-Christians any more. Christians dress the same immodest way that the world does. Christians talk the same filthy language. Christians do all the same things the world does. God's word has not changed. "Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? Whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God." (James 4:4)
 We have got to return to the precious and pure word of God with a humble heart. The only way God will hear the cries of the American people is if he sees humility and a godly sorrow. He tells us this in his word, "...but to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at my word." (Isaiah 66:2) Does this nation tremble at God's word? This nation does not even know which bible is God's word.
 If we are saved by grace and if God resists the proud but gives grace to the humble, then where do we stand with God as a nation? Does the mainstream of our society focus on humility? Hardly, "for by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God." (Ephesians 2:8).

(paid submission)

Lions Club gives American Flags to students, teachers



Dr. Gay Brewer on piano and Rod Kvamme on violin at school programs.

The Seeley Lake Lions Club recently completed its project of giving American flags to students and staff of schools in the surrounding area. A total of 491 flags were given out during school assemblies for students of Swan Valley, Salmon Prairie, Seeley Lake, Sunset, and Potomac elementary schools. Lion President Don Bissell and Pauline Kvamme distributed the flags, pedestals and brochures explaining flag etiquette. All the little wooden pedestals were made by volunteer Bob Cherry.
 An Americana program was presented during the assemblies by Dr. Gay Brewer, piano, and Rod Kvamme, violin. Dr. Brewer presented the background of each folk and patriotic song before the assembly joined in the singing. As one school administrator remarked, "Music is a wonderful tool for teaching much about the history of our country."

Public Notice

School District #34
 Seeley Lake Elementary
 Two Vacant Trustee Positions

Two positions on the Board of Trustees for Seeley Lake Elementary School District #34 will become open in May. Each position is for a three (3) year term. A nomination petition can be obtained from the Seeley Lake Elementary School office. The completed petition must be returned to the District Clerk by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 28, 2002. For information, call District Clerk Sally Johnson at 677-2265.

Senior Nutrition Program Menu

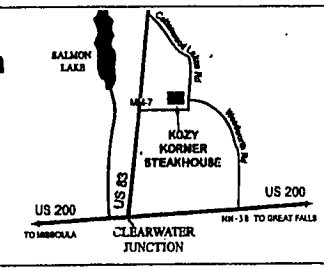
The following meals will be served next week promptly at noon at the Seeley Lake Senior Citizens Center. Reservations please - 677-2008. Call before 10:00 a.m.

WEEK OF MARCH 18, 2002	
Monday, March 18	Chicken Nuggets
Tuesday, March 19	Nachos
Wednesday, March 20	Oven Fried Chicken
Thursday, March 21	Ham & Cheese Pockets
Friday, March 22	Sausage & French Toast
Sunday, March 17	1 pm - Roast Turkey
Monday, March 18	Chef's Choice
Tuesday, March 19	Baked Meat Loaf
Wednesday, March 20	Pork Chow Mein
Thursday, March 21	Shepherd's Pie
Friday, March 22	Spaghetti with Meat Sauce

Business hours from Mar. 18 - May 1

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 Friday thru Sunday — 10:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. (?)

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Osiris

A mature, regal cat, approximately 6 years old. He is neutered and has a clean bill of health from the vet. He will have his booster shot and worming in about a week. Osiris loves to sit on a lap or sunbathe on a window sill. He just purrs. This would be a great companion cat for someone who likes things calm. He is not afraid of dogs.



Dominoe

This cat was abandoned and the lady who was feeding him outside brought him to us because the weather was getting bad. Dominoe is a lover. He wants to be held and he will put his arms around you. Young, approximately 2 years old. He is still playful and loves to climb. We had him neutered and given his shots, but he is due for a booster and worming in a week. This cat thinks he is human.



We do have 1 more cat at Purrs Up, but she is still pretty wild. Taming takes time. There is a good possibility that she would be a great barn cat and not ever want much to do with humans. Of course, she will be spayed and have all her shots before we place her. She is a good hunter and does well on her own. We will keep you posted on her progress.

Soon we are hoping to have a location where the cats will be available for viewing 1 or 2 days a week. Will keep you posted on that as well.

Thank you to the "Mystery Lady" for the fancy litter box and scoop, also the dishes. Thanks to Jan Guelff for the great coupons and kind notes on more than one occasion.

Thanks to Vicki Scalise for the litter boxes and stuff.
 For further info call Paws Up Safe Home at 677-3435.

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Thank You Seeley Lake!

The Seeley Lake Volunteer Fire Department would like to thank the community and the businesses that helped make this year's Fireman's Ball a great success. We learned a lot about what not to do (Auction TOO Long), and we hope we'll see all of you again next year. We promise the auction will be much shorter and there will be dancing and entertainment earlier in the evening!!

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(Our apology if we missed anyone)

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Are you bogged down? Forgiveness!

Several years ago, I attended a men's retreat. At that retreat, the main speaker, Al Henry of Promise Keepers, pointed out some of the traps of life, traps which we so often fall into in our every day lives. One of those traps he labeled the "Bog of Bitterness." It astounds me how easy it is to fall into that "Bog." In his book "Lee: The Last Years," Charles Flood reported that after the Civil War, Robert E. Lee visited a Kentucky lady who took him to the remains of a grand old tree in front of her house. There she bitterly cried that its limbs and trunk had been destroyed by federal artillery fire. She looked to Lee

Passages

by William R. Campbell
Assoc. Pastor
Mission Bible Fellowship

for a word, condemning the North or at least sympathizing with her loss. After a brief silence, Lee said, "Cut it down, my dear madam, and forget it." His point was simple: it is better to forgive the injustices of the past than to allow them to remain, let bitterness take root, and poison the rest of our life.

Al point out that all too often

we "keep files" on people. He said that he had once loaned a friend some money, which the friend had never repaid. "Though I had long since forgiven the debt," Al said, "I found that every time I found the IOU in my files, I would become angry at my friend. Though I had forgiven the debt, I had not forgiven my friend. That very day," Al said, "I tore up the IOU, closed my files and resolved to throw away my mental file, that I had kept for years."

Are you keeping any files on anyone that you feel has wronged you in some way? So often we harbor resentments against someone; and while they remain blissfully ignorant of any wrongdoing, we lose sleep, and even suffer anxiety over the wrong that was done us. If you are harboring any ill feelings towards anyone...you are mired down in the "Bog of Bitterness."

In his letter to the Ephesians, Paul writes, "Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you."

An even sterner message from the lips of Christ himself is recorded in Matthew 6:14, "For if you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins."

Patti Davis, the daughter of Ronald Reagan, in her book "An-

gels Don't Die," recorded these words after the failed attempt on his life, "The following day my father said he knew his physical healing was directly dependent on his ability to forgive John Hinkley. By showing me that forgiveness is the key to everything, including physical health and healing, he gave me an example of Christ-like thinking."

If you're caught in that bog, perhaps you've been keeping files on someone, and perhaps now would be a good time to clean out those files.

Many years ago when I was a

recruit at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Paris Island (it was just after six recruits had been drowned in the swamp), our drill instructor explained, "It wasn't the Marine Corps' fault. It was direct disobedience of a direct order. We ordered them to swim, and they didn't." He went on to add that they were in the disciplinary platoon. They had been carrying buckets of sand through the swamps as punishment. Carrying excess weight through a "bog" is not a good idea.

When we cannot forgive others we break the bridge over which we ourselves must one day pass.

Open House Monday at New Library

Seeley-Swan High School will host an Open House on Monday, March 18 from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the new library. Community members are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

The Seeley Lake Branch Library, which is a part of the Seeley-Swan High School Library, will host another event in April to coincide with National Library Week.

The new library is open to the public on school days, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (closed from 11:00 a.m. to noon), Wednesdays from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m., and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Story Time takes place every Saturday at 11:00 a.m. Children of all ages are welcome.

Attend the Church of Your Choice!

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—Sunday Evening 6:30 p.m. —Wed. Bible Study & Prayer 6:30 p.m.
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Pastor—Father Ray Gilmore

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3292 Hwy 83 North
Pastor—Scott Anthony

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Hwy. 83 & School Lane
Phone 677-2110
Pastor Ken Wutzke

Black bears, lynx topics for Swan Valley Ad Hoc group

Want to learn more about recent black bear and lynx studies conducted near Condon and Seeley Lake? The public is invited to attend a meeting on these topics sponsored by the Swan Citizen's Ad Hoc Committee at the Swan Valley Community Hall on Thurs-

day March 21 from 7 to 9 p.m. Guest speakers will be Rick Mace, wildlife biologist with Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks in Kalispell, and Jay Kolbe, wildlife biologist with the US Fish and Wildlife Service in Missoula.

The black bear study has been

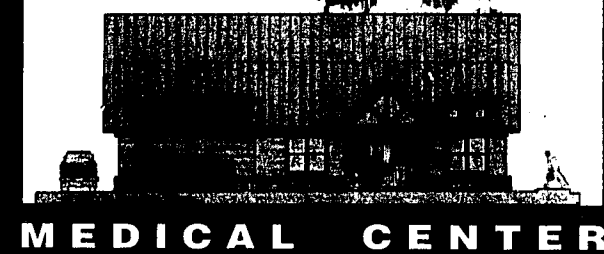
conducted in the Swan Valley, and the lynx studies have been ongoing in the Seeley Lake area.

For more information contact the Swan Ecosystem Center at Condon, 754-3137. Meeting co-chairs are Glen Gray and Lyndee Stevenson from Swan Valley.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS & HOMEOWNERS DISPOSAL OF STUMPS

As was advertised last spring, stumps will no longer be disposed of at the brush pile at the Seeley Lake Transfer Site. All stumps must be separated from brush, grass and limbs and hauled to the Class III site. This is close to the transfer site, and the same road is used to enter the Class III site. The Class III site will be open on Thursdays by appointment only for disposing of stumps. Appointments will begin at noon on Thursdays. Calls must be made for an appointment no later than noon on Wednesday each week. For appointments, please call 677-0207 or 677-3809. If you do not get an answer, please leave a message on 677-0207.

Seeley-Swan



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