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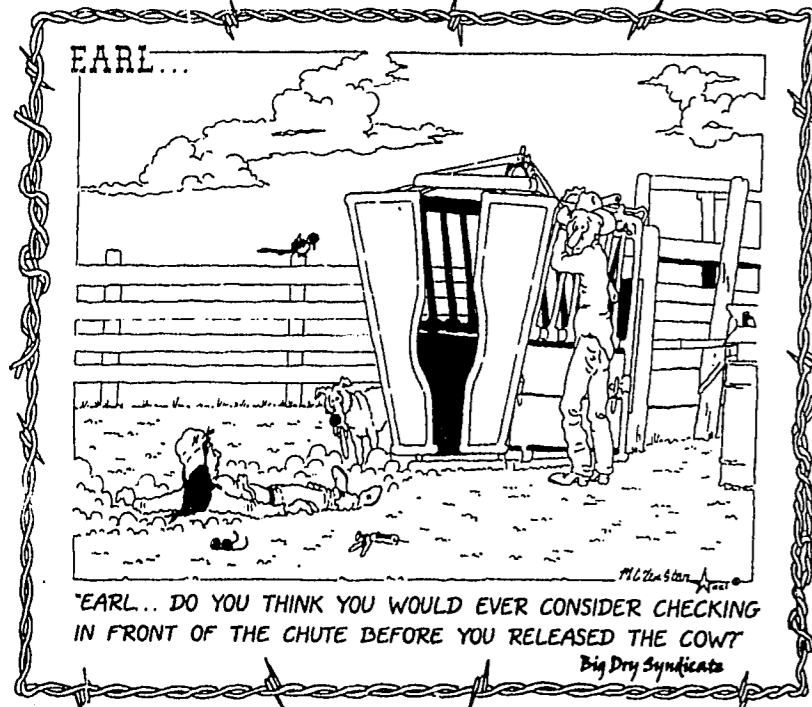
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Time to Think Twice!

It appears a vehicle recently started across the ice at Salmon Lake when the driver maybe gave it a second thought and decided to return to terra firma. Even though we recently had the biggest storm of the winter, warm temperatures returned immediately causing heavy run-offs and weakening the ice. A lone fisherman has walked across the ice in this photo (see figure above "Thursday" in dateline above.



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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

Drift riders, 3rd Wed, 7pm, S.L. Comm. Hall
S.L. Sewer Dist., 3rd Thur, 5pm, Pyramid Mtn. lbr.
Home School support group, 3rd Thur, 7pm, Faith Chapel
Swan Valley Comm. Club, 4th Mon, 7pm, Comm. Hall
S.L. Refuse Bd., 4th Mon, 7pm, fire hall
VFW, 4th Tues, 7pm, S.L. Fire Hall
S.L. Water Bd., 4th Wed, 5pm, Glen's Automotive
Lions Club, 4th Wed, 6:30pm, S.L. Comm. Hall
Tamarack Festival Comm., 4th Wed, 9:30 am, First Valley Bk.

WEEKLY EVENTS

Alcoholics Anonymous: (help for those with a suspected drinking problem)
-Condon: Faith Lutheran Church, every Sunday, 3pm
-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.
Ladies Double Arrow Golf League, Tuesdays, 10 am, \$10 dues

MONTHLY EVENTS

FAIM Outreach Specialist, 1st & 3rd Thur, 9:30-3, Seeley-Swan Med. Ctr.
Pinochle, every 1st & 3rd Sat., Senior Citizens Center, 7 pm
DUMPSTER 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, 11:00-4:00, 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) Mon-Fri, 8am-3pm (closed 11am-noon); Wed, 3-8 pm; Sat, 10am-3pm; Story Time-Sat, 11 am, 677-2224 ext. 5741
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.
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Swan Lake Residents: 886-2324 (Fire, QRU or Search & Rescue) or 1-406-752-6161 for Sheriff, Highway Patrol.

Editorial Comment

Chips . . . bits & pieces

A farewell party for John and Billie Sytsma will be held at 6 p.m. Wednesday (Mar. 19) at the Deer Country Quilts building with appetizers and beverages. John, who has served as president of the Seeley Lake Area Chamber of Commerce for the past term, and Billie are moving back to Florida after several years here. Gathering is coordinated the the chamber and all friends are welcome.

Tatum Hoehn was named to the first team of the District 5-B girls' basketball squad. Sarah Madinger made the second team. Watch out next year because these girls are just sophomores. Congratulations, girls. Final tallies show Abe Madinger led District 5-B in scoring with 20.9 points per game average. In fourth place among all district players was junior Zach Nelson with 17.7 points per game. Good show, guys!

It is not much of a surprise, but it is a sobering realization that we soon will be at war. The drawn out diplomatic maneuvering has unnerved the county and the rest of the world, and deep divisions have festered as the uncertainty of the situation has dragged on. We would like to have seen more of a unified coalition than we have, but a tendency to appeasement and retreat over many years has been a weakness exploited by those who see us as short of commitment and resolve. We hope the coalition will grow after the battle begins, that the war is short, and that fatalities are less than expected.

—Gary Noland

Forest Council will meet Tuesday

All are invited to the next meeting of the Seeley "X" Forest Council on Tuesday, March 25, at 6:30 p.m. at the Senior Center. The first half of the meeting will be a presentation by Peter Kolb from the University of Montana School of Forestry on "Forest Health - What does this mean; how can it be characterized." The second half of the meeting will be dedicated to the name of the forest council (candidates for "X" include Lake, Valley, and null element), draft by-laws, and other organizational matters.

Bring a guest. We look forward to seeing you.

Everybody Talks About It...but Community Needs Remain Undone

At the last meeting of the SXFC, several organizational arrangements and alliances were discussed. A consensus emerged that we should draft incorporation papers and a set of by-laws for an independent, non-profit, Seeley Lake organization and that we should apply for a small grant to assist with organizational and initial expenses. It is also recognized that there are benefits of maintaining regular, and perhaps formal, relationships with the Community Council, the Blackfoot Challenge, and the Swan Ecosystem Center.

During the course of attending community meetings and activities it seems that several 'nice to do' things keep coming up. Everybody talks about them and agrees somebody ought to do something, but nobody ever steps forward to do them.

Health Fair Saturday at Medical Center

Some of the community needs that get repeatedly mentioned are: Community calendar with currently scheduled events and special activities; Listing of various infrastructure board members and their terms of office; A composite map showing the geographic boundaries of the various infrastructure districts (e.g., schools, fire, sewer, hospital, water); A community file in the Seeley Swan library; Mailing lists sorted by type (e.g., infrastructure, business, non-profit, ad hoc group, etc.); Extract information from grants written to identify information requested repeatedly; and, a community profile (demographics, facilities, utilities, etc.).

The Seeley Lake Community Council would like to facilitate completion of these tasks. A limited amount of funding is available to help cover expenses for getting them done. Any individuals or organizations interested in helping with these projects should call Council Secretary Ron Cox at 677-3398, or email slcouncil@excite.com by April 24.

Don't forget to come down to the Seeley Swan Medical Center Health Fair on Saturday, March 22 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. There will be many informative booths for you to explore. Free diabetes testing will be available and you can see how your lungs measure up! The Montana Breast and Cervical Health Program will have information on free breast and cervical cancer testing available to women.

If you had your blood drawn at the Seeley Swan Medical Center, your test results will be available to be picked up at the Medical Center table at the Health Fair. You may take them to your doctor if you like. Elaine Myhra, R.N. will be there to answer questions you may have about your lab results.

MCT production in Condon this weekend

The Missoula Children's Theatre is coming to Condon this week to produce the classic story of Treasure Island—and to showcase the talents of 19 local students from Salmon Prairie School and area home schools.

The week will culminate in two performances on Saturday, March 22 at 2 p.m. and again at 7 p.m. at the Condon Community Hall (next to the Swan Valley Centre). The public is invited to both performances. No admission will be charged.

The production is the result of nearly two years of planning. Longtime Swan Valley residents, Neil and Dixie Meyer, have been especially supportive of the project. They enjoyed watching a Missoula Children's Theatre production at the Fairfield School (where their son, Lcs, is the principal and football coach). They were sold on the program.

"We thought, 'Golly, that would be worthwhile,'" Neil explained during the Monday morning auditions for the play at

Condon. "The upriver school [Swan Valley Elementary School] puts it on, but Salmon Prairie is a small school, and there's usually no opportunity for bigger programs like this," he said.

So he and Dixie provided the spark that has helped bring the program to life in this small community. The Salmon Prairie School is one of the few one-room schools still open in Montana. This year, teacher Chantel Elmer watches over nine students in grades kindergarten through eighth. That's not quite enough students to pull off a big theatrical production. So they invited the local homeschoolers.

"I think it's neat that the homeschool students and the Salmon Prairie students are working together. It shows a great sense of community," Elmer said. "I am glad to see all of them have an equal opportunity to participate in this kind of quality production," she added.

Elmer believes that the students will benefit, not just from the training in dramatics and art, "but because of the self esteem, and just being able to get up in front of an audience," she said. "It gives them a chance to shine," she said, obviously proud of every one of the students working with the actors earlier this week.

"I hope everybody in the community will come and see what these kids are accomplishing, and support them," Elmer said.

Missoula Children's Theatre actors in charge of the program agree. "It's going to be a good

show," promised Kristie Rolape. She and Micahel LoSasso have traveled from Missoula, to Las Vegas, California, New Mexico and Utah since January, creating weekly productions of Treasure Islands at dozens of schools, big and small.

The Salmon Prairie project involves one of the smallest casts they've ever worked with. "The good news is, everybody gets a part in the play!" Rolape laughed. "We don't do that every week. Sometimes only half of the students who try out get a part in the play."

The Missoula Children's Theatre project at Salmon Prairie has been funded by local residents, in cooperation with the Salmon Prairie School and the local Parent-Teacher-Friends Organization (PTFO).

The Seeley Lake Senior Citizens would like to thank all who attended their St. Patrick's Dinner, all who sold tickets, all who donated prizes, and all who participated. It was a successful dinner.

Thank you.

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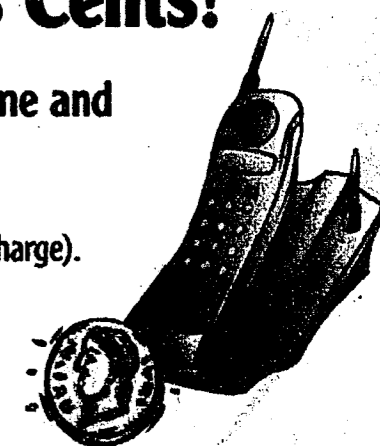
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'Spring Cleaning' Begins This Week

by Mike Thompson
I left my excuses in Kanab. And Monument Valley, Capitol Reef, Valley of the Gods, and Lake Powell.

After a week's vacation in the Southwest, Sharon and I can expect no sympathy from those we left behind at the workplace. It's time to roll up the old sleeves and see if we can keep up with spring-time in the Rockies.

For me, work begins with the lease on the old Dreyer property. Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) is considering a proposal to divide the work on the Dreyer Unit of the Blackfoot-Clearwater Game Range between two finalists: the Rich Ranch and the Bandy Ranch. I mailed a first rough draft of the lease stipulations to the Rich Ranch for review before I left for vacation, and expect to find their edited response in my mail this week. Now I need to write the first draft lease for the Bandy Ranch and obtain their review.

Once the lessees and local FWP personnel come to preliminary agreement, then I'll need to forward the documents to FWP program administrators in Helena for review, comment, and eventual approval. Then we'll need to present the leases to the Fish, Wildlife & Parks' Commission for final action in time for the lessees to begin work on June 1.

FWP's grazing lease with the Warren Creek Ranch on the old Boyd Unit of the Game Range has expired. So, I need to write up a new rough draft, incorporating ideas and suggestions I've received from the Ranch and FWP

over the past few months. Then I'll meet with folks at the Ranch, finalize a draft lease, and follow a similar approval procedure as outlined above.

Last winter, the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF) funded a proposal by FWP to cost-share the replacement of up to 4 miles of fencing along Woodworth Road, on the old Dreyer place. The idea is to build a fence that eases the passage of newborn elk calves that we all like to watch and photograph there in June. I need to work with others to decide upon the best type of fencing for the project, and to schedule the work around the needs of the grazing lessees and other fencing projects that FWP is contracting statewide.

Our local Blackfoot-Clearwater Chapter of RMEF has enthusiastically volunteered to tear out the old fencing. Thanks folks, and I hope to give you a timing window to plan for soon!

Mule deer surveys will begin in about 2 weeks. For me, that means most of 3 days in a helicopter to count and classify adults and fawns from Bearmouth to Drummond to Helmsville, and then on the Game Range. This is the time of year when we get the most reliable estimate of the trend in population size. We'll drop whatever else we're doing when the time is right to fly.

Likewise, we're about 2-3 weeks away from the start of our annual elk trend flights. FWP Region 2 is divided between we four biologists, and we survey the key winter-spring ranges in the Region from airplanes at dawn. We try to

Game Range Ramblings

by Mike Thompson, Wildlife Biologist
Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks



fly almost every morning in April, weather permitting, and usually finish by early to mid-May. My main survey area for fixed-wing flights is the Garnets.

If funding and priorities allow, I'll also do a helicopter survey of the bighorn sheep herd in lower Rock Creek this April.

I owe a new management plan for the Clearwater Junction Conservation Easement, held by FWP. A new owner bought the 250-acre property on the northwest corner of the Junction last year. Although the conservation easement passes from owner to owner in perpetuity, the separate management agreement between FWP and the landowner is now out of date. Among other purposes, the new plan will aid the landowner in deciding on an appropriate approach for weed control. Time's a-waistin' on this job.

Speaking of weeds, it's time to lay out this spring's weed control projects on our Game Ranges across Region 2. I have a general idea, but need to visit the sites and decide on boundaries that the helicopter pilot can recognize from the air. Herbicide will have to be ordered in advance of the first treatments that will occur in May.

This year, FWP is cooperating with the Powell County Weed District and the Blackfoot Challenge

on leafy spurge control along Cottonwood Creek. RMEF also pledged funding support to this important project, and we need to get our ducks in a row to implement on time.

Region 2 biologists have taken their first cuts at the new Statewide Elk Management Plan that FWP is preparing. We will be getting together soon with the statewide project coordinator to compare notes, identify problems, and decide upon solutions in preparing final drafts for each Elk Management Unit in Region 2. Then we need to carry these drafts to other personnel in FWP and co-operating agencies for their review and input before the coordinator can edit a final comprehensive draft for release to the public.

Work continues on developing a conservation easement that FWP proposes to purchase from the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) on the Game Range. The easement would cover the lands that DNRC recently obtained via exchange with Plum Creek, as well as lands that DNRC has long managed on the Game Range. The conservation easement would replace FWP's 10-year lease/license with DNRC on these lands, and would represent a cost-savings to FWP in the long run. This has to



be my top priority this spring whenever deadlines approach.

Plus, fences (for Jamie and Eric) to fix, questions to answer, meetings to attend, assignments to complete, hunting quotas to finalize, and arrangements to make for the elk calf study and a new black bear census in the Garnets.

Thank goodness I'm refreshed. And, it doesn't hurt to have the perspective gained from seeing hardy people in the Southwest trying to make a living on land that can't support more than one scrawny grass plant per square yard.

Give me more to do. I'm feeling fortunate!

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Swan Song

Geraldine Elaine 'Geri' Anderson

Geraldine E. Anderson, 78, of Seeley Lake, and wife of Leon "Bud" Anderson, passed away in the warmth of her home on Monday, March 10, 2003.

She was born in Chicago on Nov. 13, 1924, the third of four children of William and Lovern Young. Her father was a plumbing contractor who worked on various construction projects in many states and, consequently, the family lived in several states as the children grew up, including Illinois, Pennsylvania, Wyoming and just prior to World War II in Connecticut.

She married quite young and had her beloved daughter, Leslie, in 1940. In 1942, in Connecticut, she met her second husband and they married in 1943. They had their two wonderful sons, Alan and Joe, in 1946 and 1948, living portions of those years on Lake Phipps in West Haven, Conn.

The family lived in West Haven until "The Great California Trek of '55," when they moved to California in the summer of that year (perfect timing for a drive through the desert!), eventually settling in San Diego. There she worked for many years as a member of the Retail Clerks Union. In 1964, she met one Leon "Bud" Anderson, a Montanan whom she married in August 1971.

In 1975, Geri and Bud bought The Merc, a small grocery store in the center of Seeley Lake, which they ran until 1982, the year they moved into their log house on property on the west side of Seeley Lake. Now, there are several buildings on their ranch, with open pastures, not to mention galloping horses and for many years, a white mule named Snoopy.

We each have our own memories and experiences with our mom, wife, sister, grandmother and aunt, but in common with all, she was a loving, warm, affectionate, humorous person who despite life's difficulties, always had an outgoing willingness to try something new with a smile on her face and a ready laugh at her lips - roller skating as a young girl, snow-sledding (while pregnant!), playing softball as a young mother, working 2,500-piece puzzles with anyone who shared the passion for the hunt of the right piece, whitewater rafting, snowmobiling and horseback riding in the wilds of Montana in her 50s and 60s.

She lived life to the fullest. We love and miss her very much.

She is survived by her beloved husband, Leon "Bud" Anderson. She is also survived by her daughter Leslie and her son-in-law (and third son), Gary Berkey of Seeley Lake; her two sons and their wives,

Alan and Susan Lafo of Spring Valley, Calif., and Joe and Rachel Lafo of Bedford, Mass.; her two brothers and their wives, Hollis and Alicia Young of Monroe Township, N.J., and Richard and Ethel Young of Anaheim, Calif.; her sister, Barbara "Sissy" and William Prindle of West Haven, Conn.; and her brother and sister-in-law, Steve and Marie Tsois.

She is also survived by her nine grandchildren (in order of appearance), James, Mark, Amy, Sarah, Darsey, Emily, Devin, Michael, and Jacob; three great-grandchildren, Claire, Rachel and Ryan; and two great-grandchildren-to-be, Steven and Madeline. There are of course, several nieces and nephews, too: Terry, Barry, Marianne and Bruce Prindle, Gary Young and Marion Pearson, William Young and Susie Kahaunaale and Ronnie Tsois.

She is also survived by her stepdaughters, Vanessa and John Garben of Fairbanks, Alaska, Audrey Sesma of Poway, Calif., and Lavonne McCombe of Missoula, and their children, Derek, Chris, Scotty, Erik, Ryan,

Aaron, Brandy and Kayla.

She is also survived by her many friends. To all of them she would have loved to have said goodbye. Through the above, she does.

Though Geri has requested that there be no formal services, the family will find plenty of opportunities to continue to remember a wonderful person.

Arrangements were entrusted to the Cremation and Burial Society of the Rockies in Missoula.

Condon Area Senior Lunch

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

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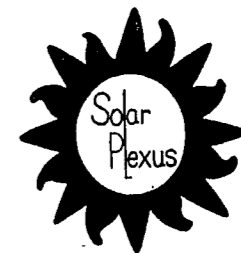
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3116 Hwy 83 South Phone-677-2268 (Founded 1953)
Pastor-Bill Bogardus

Holy Cross Lutheran Church

Sunday Worship-9:00 a.m.
Mon. 5 p.m. Jr-Sr High Confirmation Class: Tues 7:30 pm, Adult Bible Study
Wed. 6 pm Complimentary Soup-Sandwich Supper
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Pastor - Rev. Robert Benson ~1655 Alrport Rd.
Phone-677-2281 or 677-7677

Living Water Catholic Church

Worship Mass: Sunday-11:30 a.m.
152 SOS Road
Ph: 677-2688 or 258-6815
Pastor-Father Ray Gilmore

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3292 Hwy 83 North Phone-677-3575
Pastor-Scott Anthony

Spirit of Christ Episcopal Fellowship

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lake and Missoula County Commissioners will, on April 3, 2003 at 6:30 p.m. in Swan Valley School in Condon, Montana, conduct a hearing on the question of whether the Fire Service Area should be created and if so, what fee structure should be adopted for the Fire Service Area. The petition calls for an initial fee structure not to exceed \$100 per individual dwelling unit and not to exceed \$150 per business.
At the public hearing, any person wishing to speak on the establishment of the Fire Service Area and its boundaries, rates, kinds, types and level of service or any other matter relating to the pro-

posed Fire Service Area will be heard. The Commissioners will also accept written protests from property owners in the proposed fire service area.
In the event the County Commissioners determine that the Fire Service Area should be created, the creation will be effective 60 days after passage of the resolution unless written protests are filed by more than 50% of the property owners prior to the effective date. Additional information may be obtained from the Lake County Commissioners at the Lake County Courthouse, 106 4th Ave. E., Polson MT 59860-2125, (460) 883-7245; and the Missoula County Commissioners, Missoula County Courthouse, 200 West Broadway, Missoula MT 59802 (406) 523-4870.
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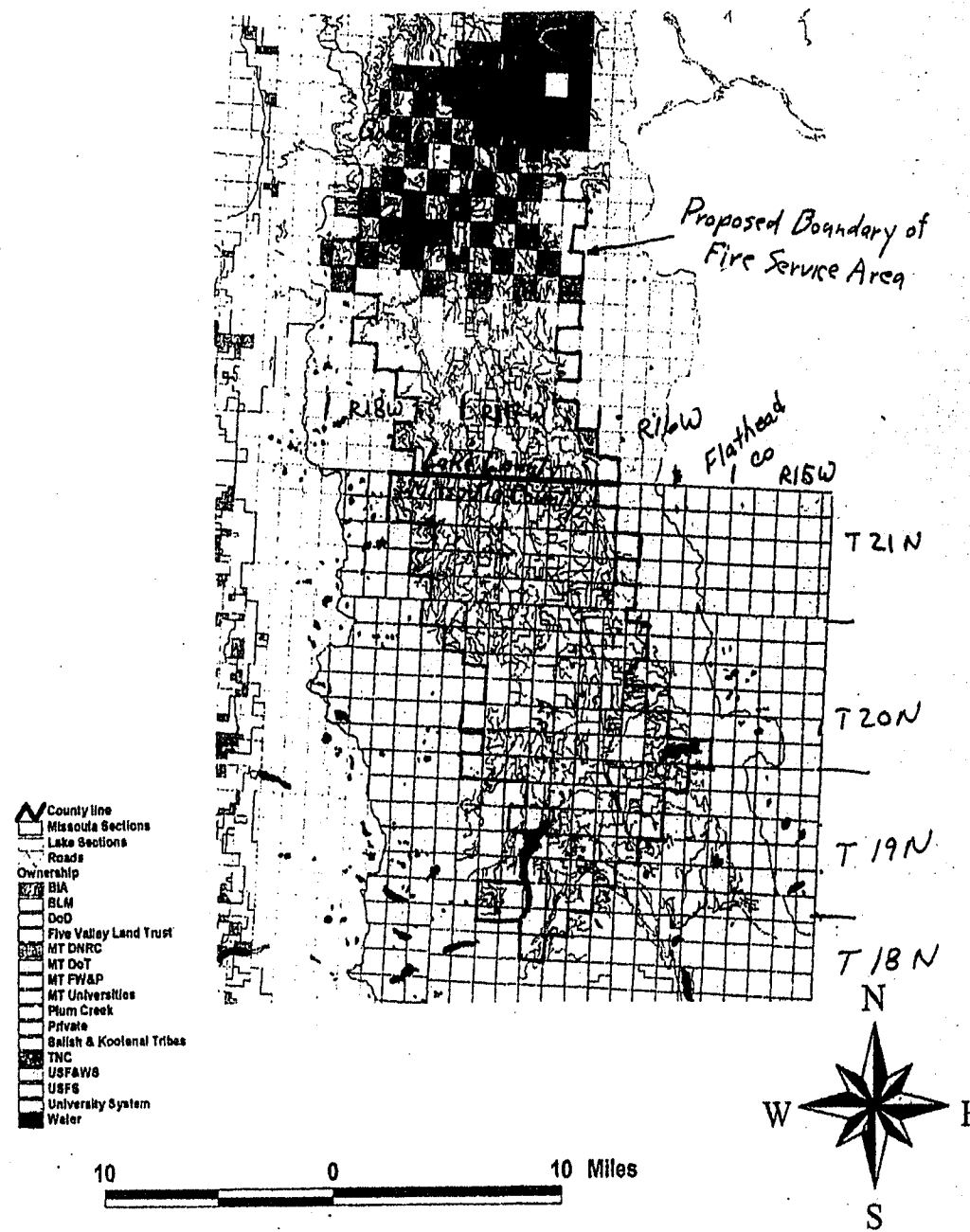


Exhibit "A"

Salmon Prairie eighth grader to state bee

Jacob Wood, grade 8, of Salmon Prairie School has qualified for the State National Geographic Bee in Billings, MT. The event will be held April 4th.

Seniors brave the weather for a party

Despite a heavy snowfall, over 30 people braved the roads on Sunday, March 9th, to attend an Appreciation Party at the Abolt residence hosted by the Swan Valley Senior Services.

This event was held to honor our many community volunteers who support the senior meals programs—the drivers and their substitutes, board members, donors, Hungry Bear staff, and all others who have supported us during the past years. Angela Everson was the caterer with great food and beautiful cakes.

TAIZE PRAYER SERVICES
Mountain Lakes Presbyterian Church each Wednesday during Lent at 7 pm.

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SSHS Students of the Week



Sadie Linford - Sadie has many great qualities. She is an excellent student and works hard in the classroom. Her positive attitude and leadership in Student Government as Vice President of the junior class show her desire to succeed. She is a dedicated member of our school community.

Brian Matthew - Brian is an excellent student. His hard work and positive attitude make him a great role model and an all around great citizen. He gets along well with his peers, his teachers and he is an enjoyable person to be around.

Students of the Week submitted by staff of SSHS

YMCA News Update on Activities

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Adult Fitness Classes: Walk Fit and Step are being offered through the YMCA. Morning programs consist of the walking program or step class, you choose! We are also offering an evening step class. Classes are held Monday, Wednesday and Friday in the Multi-Purpose Room at Seeley Lake Elementary School. Morning class is from 8:15 to 9:15 AM. Evening class is 5:15 to 6:15 PM. Walk-Fit is \$15.00 per month and Step is \$25.00 per month for morning or evening classes.

YMCA Basketball Programs Have Started

Bitly Ball (1st & 2nd grade boys and girls) started Saturday, February 8 and will continue through March 29 in the Seeley Lake Elementary School Gym from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. The registration fee is \$20.00. Scholarships and family discounts are available. **3rd & 4th Grade Basketball** began Wednesday, February 5 and will continue through March 26 in the Seeley-Swan High School Gym from 4:30 to 5:45 p.m. The registration fee is \$20.00. Family discounts and scholarships are available.

Thank You Coaches and Helpers!

YMCA basketball programs would not be as successful as they are without volunteer coaches and helpers. We appreciate your time and willingness to teach the fundamentals of basketball. Thanks 1st & 2nd grade coaches and helpers: Ted Linford, Gary Miller, Larry Westcott and Shawn Holmes Thank you 3rd & 4th grade coaches and helpers: Theresa Cahoon, Sandy Cahoon, Jeff Stoeger, Vicki Voegelin and Joel Cahoon

Condon Hearing on Fire Service Area

PUBLIC HEARING ON FIRE SERVICE AREA

A public hearing will be conducted on April 3, 2003 at 6:30 p.m. at the Swan Valley School in Condon, Montana by the Lake County Board of Commissioners and the Missoula County Board of Commissioners.

At issue is the question of whether or not to create the Fire Service Area for portions of Missoula and Lake County area not included in current rural fire districts in the Swan Valley.

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We need a home for Jasmine, a sweet, sweet spayed 7 month old female. Jasmine just wants to please, very devoted.

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Paws Up
to Ron and Diane Holt, who adopted our big beautiful Collie! What a wonderful loving home for a wonderful loving dog. I hear he is crazy in love with his new owners. Once again, a broken heart has been mended by love.

Paws Up
to Sherry Bryan, who adopted our little Heeler cross puppy. What a lucky little guy to find such a great home. His new name is Spanky. Spanky was a little puppy brought to town as a give-away to anyone who would take him, and then tossed out on the streets. Spanky was one of a litter of many, which was unwanted and the fates are unknown. PEOPLE, SPAY AND NEUTER YOUR PETS. WE DON'T NEED PUPPIES BEING BORN DUE TO YOUR LACK OF CARE OR CONCERN. ONLY TO FIND THEM ON THE STREETS DEAD, STARVING OR ABUSED BECAUSE YOU CHOOSE NOT TO NEUTER. CALL DR. CROSS NOW FOR YOUR APPOINTMENTS. PAWS UP SAFE HOME WILL HELP YOU WITH THE EXPENSE. CALL RENEE OR ME FOR DETAILS AND A CERTIFICATE. THERE IS NO EXCUSE NOT TO SPAY AND NEUTER. WE DO NOT WANT OR NEED PUPPY MILLS. PLEASE PEOPLE, DO NOT BUY FROM BREED FOR GREED PUPPY MILLS!

Paws Up
to Wes Brennan of Sun Lakes, Arizona for the wonderful donation. We so appreciate it and need it. Wes sent a nice letter also in which he states, "Don't let up on urging people to spay and neuter programs!"

Paws Up
to MaGee and Molly of the Avon wagon. Even the snow doesn't stop these two from helping Paws Up with a great donation. They were so busy, they sent the check down with Bill!

Paws Up
and many thanks to Boy Scout Troop 1919, who helped so much with the snow shoveling we so needed at Paws Up. We so thank this great group and their leaders.

Paws Up
to Charlie and Marion Burmeister for the large bag of dog food. Your help is so appreciated!

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to NorM and Kathy Sindelaar for the goodies. Oh how the dogs love their treats, and when the budget is tight, the treats are left out except for good people like you coming to the rescue.

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Paws Up
to Swanwoods, Jerry and Martha Swanson, who donated another gorgeous bowl for our spay and neuter raffle. Because our donors have been so awesome in responding to our raffle for prizes, we have decided to have a donor drawing at our party for the raffle drawing. The Swanwoods wood bowl is so awesome, we picked it to go to one of our wonderful donors. Thanks again to the Swansons of Swanwoods.

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Swan Song

Wilbur E. 'Bill' Hainline

MISSOULA - Wilbur E. "Bill" Hainline, 71, of Missoula, passed away on Sunday, March 9, 2003, at Community Medical Center of natural causes.

He was born May 11, 1931, in Spokane. Bill moved with his sister and parents to Missoula in 1940. In 1947 the first 4B's was built. Bill worked with his sister and parents as the business expanded.

Although Bill deliberately shunned the public spotlight and was extremely low-key about his charitable work, he was one of the truly great philanthropists in Missoula and western Montana. He was always particularly concerned about the welfare of children in his charitable giving.

While he never complained about the cancer that ravaged him, he fought a two-fisted battle with it until he succumbed on Sunday. He was preceded in death by his wife Janet and daughter Michelle.

He is survived by his daughter Bobbi and her children Charlie and Nettie; daughter Marlene Anderson, her husband Alex, their daughters Katie and Janet and son Stuart; and son Jeff Hainline and wife Julie of Swan Valley and their children Michelle, Denise, Jon and Sophie. Bill is also survived by his sister Bobbi Roumonada and husband Jim.

Bill is also survived by his wife Gay Anne of Missoula; stepson David Hardenburgh of Missoula and his children Amber and Michael; stepson James Hardenburgh of Issaquah, Wash., and his children J.J. and Annie; stepdaughter Diane Eastman, her husband Terry and their daughter Mallory, all of Hayden, Idaho; stepdaughter Kathleen Ormesher, her husband Allen and their children Amanda, Adam and Samantha, all of Missoula; and stepdaughter Sherry Winn and Grant Winn and their children Sarah, Hunter and Holly, all of Missoula.

Mass was celebrated at 10 a.m. Wednesday, March 12, at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church. Burial was at New St. Mary's Cemetery. A reception followed the committal services at 4B's North.

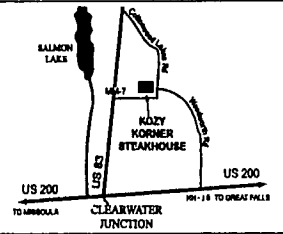
The family suggests memorials to the Goodfellows Club, P.O. Box 7369, Missoula, MT 59807; or to any charity that works with children.

Funeral arrangements were under the care and direction of Garden City Funeral Home and Crematory.

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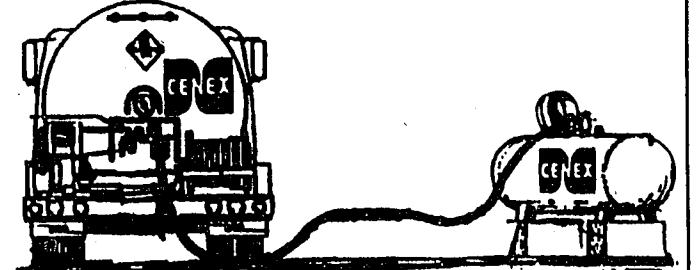
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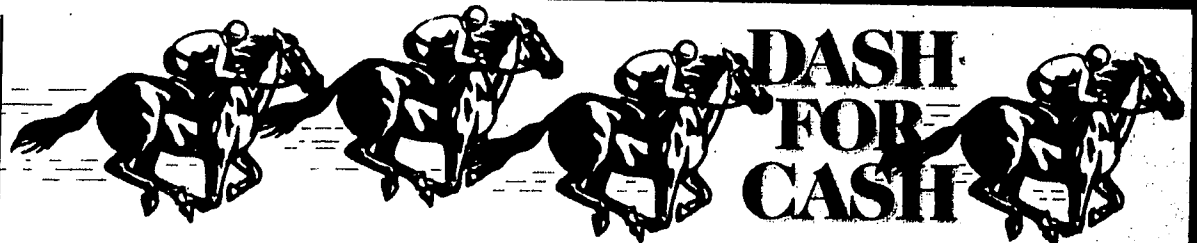
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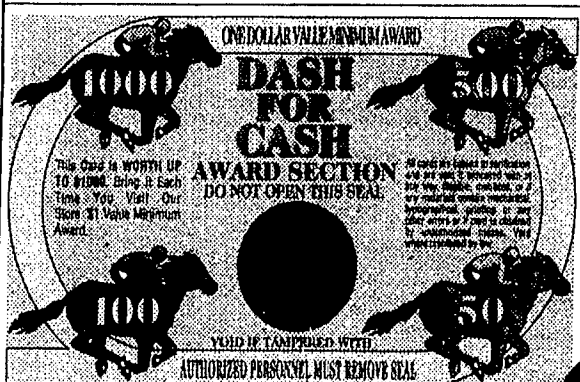
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