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3rd Annual "Magathon" begins Friday

The first week of March, in some circles, signals the beginning of spring and folks have been known to go about searching for robins, blooming pussy willows and buttercups.

Not so in snowbound Seeley Lake, where the first weekend in March signals the beginning of the internationally famous W.O.R.M. Magathon — serious competition caused by an annual epidemic of cabin fever and bored ice fishermen.

The Third Annual Magathon, set for March 6, 7 and 8 at Barney's Bar & Café in Seeley Lake is sponsored by the World Organization of Racing Maggots (W.O.R.M.), brainchild of Barney's proprietor, Bruce Burns.

Why maggot racing?

"Why not?" answers Burns, who acknowledged the desire to cure Seeley Lake's annual plague of cabin fever.

Last year, 80 competitors ran 270 races in the two-day event. This year, according to Burns, nearly 100 partici-

pants from throughout the United States, Canada and other corners of the world, are expected to arrive in Seeley Lake for the 3rd Annual Magathon (not to mention about two thousand maggots arriving here fresh from Roberts Bait Company, Helena).

Maggot races will be run on the "official" W.O.R.M. race track which consists of 6 lanes, approximately 12 inches long, grooved into a "Racing Board." The timed trials will be run in accordance with the "W.O.R.M. Racing Rules" and officiated by the "W.O.R.M. Racing Steward." The winning times of the timed trials will be the basis for a maggot entry to advance to the final "dash for the cash," or 1987 Magathon. The Magathon race is the only official race in which prizes are awarded — a cash purse and a trophy. "Grudge matches" will be conducted throughout the three-day race program on an unofficial basis to add to the excitement.

Admission will be \$1.00 per day, with 50% to benefit the Easter Seals Foundation and 50% going to the racers' "purse."

Racing will begin at 8 p.m. Friday, March 6, with a special Seniors Division (senior citizens 55 and older). A Juniors Division is scheduled for Saturday morning for children 6 to 8 years of age.

For more information contact Bruce or Victoria Burns, Barney's Bar and Café, P.O. Box 550, Seeley Lake, Montana 59868 or call 677-9244 or 677-2526.



Kathy River, left (winner of the Bushman Division in last weekend's Snow Joke Half Marathon), catches Bobbie Dixon as she crosses the finish line. Dixon won the Zulu Division (age 40 and over), and was the third fastest woman to finish Saturday's 13.1 mile race around Seeley Lake.

94 racers finish Snow Joke Half Marathon

Of the 98 runners who signed up to race around Seeley Lake last Saturday in the 8th Annual Snow Joke Half Marathon, 93 people and one dog finished the 13.1 mile course over ice, snow, slush and gravel.

"It was a miserable race," one of the first finishers grumbled breathlessly after he stumbled over the finish line.

"Miserable" is often synonymous with "great" among some of these hardcore runners who have braved the Montana winter daily for many months, training in miserable conditions.

The Snow Joke Half Marathon, which is presented by the Chectah Herders (winners in each division are inducted into the Royal Society of Chectah Rangers) appears to be a humorous poke at winter. However, the race was begun with serious runners in mind. It's the only region-wide race of its kind, and gives marathoners something to look forward to before the warm-weather race season begins.

"We get the top runners from Western Montana in this race," according to

race director Pat Caffrey. Bobbie Dixon, Helena, broke the race record this year in the Zulu Division for women 40 and over, running the race in 96 minutes, 25 seconds. Dixon is nationally ranked in the 50-mile marathon, according to Caffrey.

Other highlights of this year's Snow Joke included new division records in the Pygmy Divisions (ages 15 and under) and Zulu Divisions (age 40 & over) for both male and female runners.

Search and Rescue volunteers Bart Peterson, Dave Cromwell, Ron Ogden, Lloyd Hallgren, Barry Lewis, Gary Lewis, John Anders and Ron Sanguins from Seeley Lake also assisted with the race by directing traffic and being available if medical or other aid was necessary.

First and second place finishers and their times are:

Bushman Division Men (age 16-39): Doug Darko, Great Falls, first, 70:47; Jim Hatcher, Helena, second, 72:00.

Bushman Division Women (age 16-39): Kathy River, Helena, first, 90:15; Arla Tree, Stevensville, second, 93:27.

Pygmy Division (Age 0-15) Male, Jay Stipe, Missoula, 85:25 and Female Sarena Putnam, Missoula, 113:15.

Zulu Division (Age 40 & over) Men: Glenn Govertson, Missoula, first, 78:27; David Mueller, Butte, Second, 82:04.

Zulu Division (age 40 & over) Women: Bobbie Dixon, Helena, first, 96:25; Loreen Folsom, Missoula, second, 100:26.

Canine Division (Dogs) First place award, a package of soup bones, went to Scruffy Schiltz.

Oldest runner in this year's race was Phil Zamudio, Anaconda. Phil left before the awards ceremony was over, so the oldest racer award was given to Gene Jacobsen, age 62, from Kalispell.



Jim Hatcher, Helena (left) and Doug Darko, Great Falls (right) after running the Snow Joke Half Marathon Saturday in Seeley Lake. Darko won this year's race with a time of 70 minutes, 47 seconds. Hatcher was close behind with a time of 72 minutes for the 13.1 mile race around Seeley Lake. Hatcher holds the course record of 68 minutes, 10 seconds, set in 1981.

OPINION

Natty Bumpo

Hyperinflation

The strange ideas floating around Helena must be infectious. It seems they've spread to the Missoula County High School system. Readers will recall a short front-page article last week detailing proposed increases in "rental" rates for public use of our high school facilities. For instance, the charge for using the cafeteria would increase from \$40 per day to \$70 for three hours of use by a non-profit group. Use of a classroom would increase from \$10 per day to \$40 per hour. Increases like this can only be described as "astronomical" and one wonders what sort of bizarre logic underlies them.

If the intent is to raise more money from rentals, then the board of trustees may wish to reflect upon a fundamental economic truth known as "price elasticity of demand." Simply put, you can't increase the price of your commodity tenfold and expect to make ten times more money. People will simply find alternatives to your product, or else they will reduce their consumption. Demand for a commodity changes "elastically" in response to a price change — in a predictable direction. In fact, price-gouging usually engenders bitterness, and you'll usually end up with less income than you had prior to the price increase.

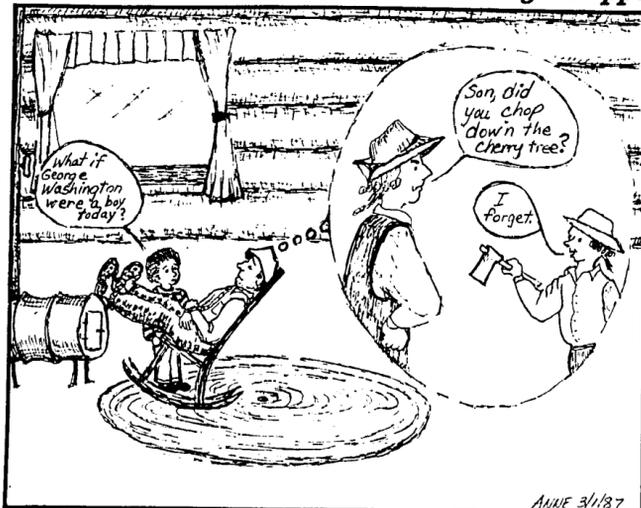
Surely, though, the board recognizes this elementary principle and does not regard the proposed rate structure as a money-maker. Perhaps there's another reason: could this be a none-too-subtle

way of radically constricting use of the high schools by the general public? If so, the board should be reminded that these facilities are funded solely by the taxpayers and are the property of the taxpayers. Accordingly, it would not seem unreasonable to make the facilities available at nominal cost to the taxpayers — especially to non-profit groups — especially in Seeley Lake, where most of the taxpayers don't have children in school and, therefore, realize only limited direct benefit from their tax investment.

Seeley Lake, like most other small communities, is not particularly long on meeting space. To be deprived (for all practical purposes) of the high school facilities would be both a capricious and politically naive move by the board. After all, the next time the trustees see fit to ask us for more tax revenue, some of us taxpayers may just remember this little matter of rental rates.

Bed-Bugged

Regular readers of this column know that the imposition of new taxes is not a favored idea here. There is one new tax being bandied about the chambers in Helena, though, which may be worthy of serious consideration. To wit, a nominal "bed tax" to be collected by motels and other hostelrys, the proceeds of which would be used to promote tourism in Montana. Recall that tourism is among the healthiest industries in the state, growing almost as fast as state government.



The maddening thing is that the state presently allots a paltry one million bucks toward tourism. Given the megabucks that are doled out to fatten the bureaucracy, one might think that a little more could be parceled out for tourism — without imposing a new tax.

Alas, "tax" seems to be the only operative word in our legislators' lexicon — and, so, a bed tax is the only approach under consideration. For this tax, Sports Fans, the good probably outweighs the evil (although this is somewhat dependent upon the size of the empire established to administer the tax).

— Dick Potter

More on gates

To the Editor:

This letter is written to address comments made by Charlie Goff in his January 29 letter to the *Pathfinder*, regarding forest road closure gates. These comments appear to have been spurred by the January 15 *Pathfinder* article on our Forest Service road closure study. Mr. Goff's theme appears to be that we "environmentalists" are overly critical of the Forest Service, have unrealistic expectations of its performance and should offer more constructive criticism.

Mr. Goff implies that we expect the Forest Service to install gates which cannot be removed by winch or cutting torch — not so. Our study cited examples of good Forest Service gates in the Swan as the basis for defining an "effective" closure — one which would require the use of tools to bypass it. Our study was based solely on whether reasonable measures were taken to make the closure effective. Was the gate installed so the public could not easily drive around it and was it closed and locked during the time period it is intended to be? The Berlin Wall was not used as a measure or example of what the public can reasonably expect of the Forest Service in closing roads for wildlife security.

Mr. Goff is correct, "It is impossible for the Forest Service or anyone else to daily monitor the hundreds of these closures on the forest." The Swan View Coalition and Resources, Ltd., however, felt it well worth the hundreds of dollars and days of volunteer time spent to provide to the general public and the Forest Service a scientifically conducted monitoring of a sample Forest Service road closure program.

Our study constructively criticizes the shortcomings of that program and constructively suggests very reasonable measures to be taken to bring the program up to the standards set by the Forest Service's own best examples.

Aside from its initial defensive posturing, the Forest Service has acknowledged our study as constructive citizen involvement in monitoring Forest Service programs, noting that many of our findings and suggestions reinforce the agency's efforts to improve its road closure program. Effective road closures are essential in mitigating the effects of road construction, timber harvest and recreational activities on wildlife populations. The Swan View Coalition has been on record with the Swan Lake Ranger District for two years in offering volunteer assistance in installing signs, gates and earth berms in instances where Forest Service monies are short and closures are needed.

Copies of the road closure study are available for a small fee, to cover the costs of printing and postage only, from the non-profit Swan View Coalition, P.O. Box 1901, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Keith J. Hammer, Chairman
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Legislature '87

Little progress by legislators at halfway mark

by Gordon Gregory
Helena correspondent

Lawmakers were back at work this week following a four-day recess which gave them the opportunity to review what they had — and had not — accomplished during the first half of the Fiftieth Legislature.

Said Senate President Bill Norman just before adjournment last Wednesday, "We're halfway... and the tough work is still ahead of us."

Rep. Ray Brandewie said the House had also accomplished little of substance thus far.

"This body is not disposed to making the tough decisions until it's forced to," said Brandewie, R-Bigfork.

The biggest issue that has yet to be decided is finding a solution to the \$130 million state budget deficit projected for the next biennium, while providing enough property tax relief to calm a rebellious citizenry.

Budget cuts are likely to be part of that deficit solution, but most legislators agree that the key element will be a significant tax increase.

A retail sales tax seems to be the tax of choice for many lawmakers. A recent survey of legislators indicated that a slight majority now believe that a sales tax should be put on the ballot before the end of the year.

Then there is the workers' compensation program. While the Senate approved a bill Monday that supporters say will hold the system's existing deficit in check, it does nothing to bring premiums down or erase the \$100 million unfunded liability—read debt—that plagues the program.

And there's the minor matter of balancing this year's books, expected to be about \$27 million in the red by the end of June if nothing is done.

The House voted to cover this year's bills with up to \$35 million from the education trust fund. The Senate, however, may have a different idea.

"I'm not sure the Senate is inclined to use \$35 million from the education trust fund," Norman said.

So, just what have these lawmakers been up to since January 5?

Most of the 633 measures passed from one house to the other are so-called housekeeping bills and will affect few Montanans.

Take the bill recently signed by the governor, raising the minimum campaign contribution that has to be reported from \$25 to \$35 for local office and from \$25 to \$75 for statewide offices.

Or the one repealing the mandatory retirement provision for judges, also signed by the governor.

Others will have a broad impact, notably the bill signed by the governor that raises the gasoline and diesel tax from 17 cents to 20 cents per gallon.

And many significant measures that aren't law yet have been passed by one house or the other, thus clearing the greatest hurdle facing most bills.

Some of the action in the Senate included:

- Revamping the state's workers' compensation program.
- Changing the flat vehicle tax system to a 2 percent tax based on the wholesale value.

- Restoring to the counties the responsibility for property tax appraisal, assessments and equalization.

- Widening the property tax-freeze called for by I-105 to all classes of property.

- Expanding Medicaid eligibility to provide medical care for pregnant, low-income women and for the care of their children immediately following birth.

- Exempting new oil and gas wells from review under the Montana Environmental Policy Act.

Action in the House included:

- Call for annual legislative sessions.

- Set aside almost one-third of Montana's nonresident big game hunting licenses for the clients of outfitters. The bill also creates an additional 6,000 nonresident deer-hunting licenses, 2,000 of which are to be reserved for clients of outfitters.

- Raise the \$5 ticket for daytime speeding to \$7.

- Allow judges to seize the vehicle registrations and license plates of drivers who don't have liability insurance.

- Permit the garnishment of workers' compensation to pay child support.

- Revise the method of calculating the state payments to school districts. This bill would reduce state funding to a number of schools that lie outside the boundaries of incorporated towns and cities.

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Voter registration deadline March 9

The close of voter registration for the April school election, which includes election of fire district and SOS hospital district trustees, is Monday, March 9 at 5 p.m. New registration of changes of name or address must be in the elections office in Missoula by that deadline, according to Pat O'Herren, Missoula Rural Planning Office. Blank voter registration cards may be picked up at the Seeley Lake Post Office.

If you missed the voting in the Presidential general election in 1984 you must re-register, unless you have already done so. For more information contact Mitzi Haglund in Seeley Lake (677-2263), or call (721-5700) or stop by the elections office in Missoula.

Janet Moore recovering from surgery

Janet Moore, State Representative from Condon, is recovering from major surgery in a Missoula hospital this week. Moore underwent exploratory surgery last Friday, and a second operation on Monday afternoon. According to family members, the operation went well, and she is expected to be returning home soon.

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Business of the Week ON THE LEVEL CARPENTRY



Partners Ward Clemer (left), John Devins (right) and Dee Baker (not pictured) each had about six years of experience prior to joining together as a team to form On The Level Carpentry. They are approaching their first anniversary in business this April.

John says, "It's been a good year for us." Ward laughed and said, "And it shows at home - I haven't been able to do anything at home!" It was pretty obvious that these partners and close friends had been more than pleased with the amount

of work that has come their way. New additions, remodeling and metal roofing have been the largest part of their work over the past year.

On The Level Carpentry offers a full range of construction services, including: concrete and foundations, new construction, log cabins, general carpentry, insulation, painting, decks and remodeling. "With the summer mosquitoes, people want protection," Ward remarked. On The Level Carpentry will expand their business this year to offer gazebo structures.

All three partners are married and are family-oriented. They live in Seeley Lake. Dee Baker was unavailable for the interview.



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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, 4 pm; call 677-2022 or 754-2365.

Events

Bingo, 2nd & 4th Thurs every month, open to public, 7pm, Comm Hall, Seeley Lake.

Public Meetings

Mar 5, Review Blackfoot River Fisheries Management Plan, 7:30pm, Leisure Lodge, Seeley Lake.

Mar 6, Public Hearing - Review Swan Valley Condon Rural Plan with Missoula County Commissioners, 1pm and 7:30pm, Swan Valley Comm Hall, Condon.

Mar 6, Public Hearing - Seeley Lake Refuse Disposal District Proposed Changes in Fees, 4pm, Comm Hall, Seeley Lake.

Mar 9, Swan Valley Volunteer Fire Department, Six-Week Training Sessions begin, every Mon (Mar 9 - Apr 13) at Swan Valley Comm Hall, Condon; and every Weds (Mar 11 - Apr 15) at Seeley Lake Fire Hall, Seeley Lake.

Mar 10, Missoula Co High School Board mtg, 7:30pm, Missoula Vo-Tech Center, Missoula.

Mar 10, Seeley Lake Refuse Disposal District Board mtg, 7:30pm, Double Arrow Ranch Landowners office, Seeley Lake.

QRU (Condon), 1st & 3rd Mon every month.

QRU (Seeley Lake), 1st and 3rd Fri every month, 7:30pm, Fire Hall, Seeley Lake.

Rural Fire District, Meetings at Fire Hall, Seeley Lake. 1st Tues, Regular Firefighters bus mtg, 7pm; 2nd Tues, training mtg, 7pm; 3rd Tues, Trustees mtg, 7:30pm.

SOS Trustees mtg, 2nd Mon every month.

Water District, 2nd Tues every month, 8pm, REA bldg, Seeley Lake.

Clubs & Organizations
Mar 16, PTA (Seeley Lake), mtg, 7pm, Elem School.

AARP, 1st Mon every month, Swan Valley Comm Hall, Condon.

Alcoholics Anonymous (Condon), Thurs, 7:30pm, Swan Valley Elem School, Condon.

Alcoholics Anonymous (Seeley Lake), Sun, 7pm, Mill basement, Seeley Lake; Weds, 7pm, REA Bldg, Seeley Lake.

Booster Club, 4th Tues every month, 8pm, Seeley Swan High School Gym, Seeley Lake.

Drifters Snowmobile Club mtg, 2nd Mon every month, 7:30pm, Comm Hall, Seeley Lake.

Seeley Lake Women's Club, Tues, 1pm, Comm Hall.

SeLa SenCi mtg and potluck, 3rd Wed every month, Comm Hall, Seeley Lake.

Senior Nutrition Program, Mon-Tues-Weds, noon. Open to public. Comm Hall, Seeley Lake.

Swan Valley Post No. 63 mtg, 2nd Fri every month, 7pm, Comm Hall, Condon.

Veteran's Coffee Group, Sat, 11am, Swan Valley Centre, Condon.

Other
Mar 5 (Thurs), Bookmobile, Seeley Lake Elem School, 9am-12pm; Seeley Lake town, 12:30-2:30pm.

Adult Volleyball, Weds, 7-9:15pm, Elm School Gym, Seeley Lake.

Men's Basketball League, Mon, 7-9pm, Elm School Gym, Seeley Lake.

Refuse Disposal Site, Winter Hours (October 1 thru April 30): Wed & Sat, 10am-4pm.

Swan Valley Community Library, Weds, 10am-6pm; Sat, 10am-3pm, Condon.

EMERGENCY: 911 (Seeley Lake or Condon); 1-728-0911 (Greenough or Ovando).

Black Tree Lichen: "Bear Hair" is a lichen which measures 3 to 10 inches in length with black hair-like branches. This plant can be seen dangling from conifers throughout the Northern Rockies.

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A Missoula woman and her four children survived a bad accident north of Seeley Lake last week which demolished this small car. The woman and her family were all reportedly either wearing seatbelts or restrained in child car seats and received only minor injuries as a result of the accident. (See related article.)

Car seats, seatbelts can save lives

If you have any doubts about the value of car seats for children or seatbelts for adults, local law enforcement officials advise you to think again. According to Highway Patrolman Norm Nash, "We would have many more fatalities in our area if people didn't use seatbelts."

An accident which occurred near milepost 21 on Highway 83 last week is just one example. From the picture (this page) it's hard to believe that a Missoula woman and her four children escaped serious injury when their car went out of control and collided with several trees. All of the occupants were reportedly either wearing seatbelts or were secured in child car seats.

Montana law requires the use of child car seats, and that is another good reason for using them for all travel in a car or truck.

The state law covering car seats for children under 4 provides for a possible fine of \$10 to \$15 and having to obtain one on first offense, with fines of \$15 to \$100 for subsequent offenses.

According to Roy Linn, Extension Safety Specialist at Montana State University, people have many excuses for

not using car seats. Following are some good reasons to use car seats or seatbelts.

•A parent's arms are not the safest place in a car for a child. A 30-mile-per-hour crash can exert a force of 450 pounds on a 15-pound baby. And, if not buckled in, the parent's body, slamming against the child and dashboard or seat, can increase the force of impact many times.

•It is 25 times more dangerous to be thrown from a vehicle than to be secured inside.

•Automobile accidents cause far more deaths of small children than diseases and illnesses. Eight of 10 fatalities can be prevented through use of car safety seats.

•Eighty percent of vehicle accidents occur within 15 miles of home, and 80 percent occur at speeds less than 40 miles per hour. It is important to "buckle up" at all times.

•Many kids hate car seats, but use of a car seat at all times, from the first trip in a vehicle, develops the proper expectations and habits.

•Odds are that half of all drivers will be in a disabling accident in their lifetime.

•Car seats really do protect children. Infants have survived, without injury, a crash in which the car rolled three times.

University of New York at Buffalo.

The series will be offered as a 195 or 395 course in the foreign languages and literatures, humanities, anthropology and geography departments.

Coordinating the series will be Professor Horst Jarka of the foreign languages and literatures department. For more information call him at 243-2401 or 549-8820.

Final registration is March 30, and night registration is also available 6-8 p.m., April 13-16, in the Registrar's Office.

CORRECTION

In last week's front page story about the traveling snowmobile trophy, the names of the people who traveled from Seeley Lake should have read: Seeley Lake residents Wayne Lowe, Al Castonguay, Ron Frohling, Bud Anderson, Gary and Bonnie Connell and Dan Cainan.

PIZZA!! Hungry Bear

COMMUNITY

Area man injured in mill accident

Raymond Davis, Seeley Lake, was injured last week in an accident at Pyramid Mountain Lumber. Davis, who works on the night shift, was trying to remove a board which was stuck in a machine center, when he lost his balance and stuck his foot in the saw, according to Roger Johnson, president and general manager of Pyramid Mountain Lumber.

On Wednesday night, Davis was transported by Life Flight helicopter to a Missoula hospital, where he is being treated. Doctors had scheduled him for surgery on Tuesday morning.

Deadline to apply for school boards-March 16

School elections this year fall on April 7, the traditional first Tuesday of the month. Petitions to apply as a trustee for any local school board in our area must be submitted to the local district clerk no later than March 16.

Trustees whose terms expire this spring in our area are:

Seeley Swan High School (actually Missoula County High School): Sue Holmes

Seeley Lake Elementary: Boyd Gossard, Larry Marx

Swan Valley Elementary: Mike Holmes, Dwayne Forder, Ronnie Matthew

Sunset Elementary: Tom Vannoy
Salmon Prairie: Ronald Turnacliiff
Ovando Elementary: Ted Murphy

4-H News

Whitetail 4-H

by Shawna Nemmers Reporter

On February 24, 1987, the Whitetail 4-H Club, Seeley Lake, held their meeting at Nanci Marx's home. Old business discussion was to schedule an activity such as roller skating, bowling or playing games. Adrian Mantei will check prices. We decided that at our next meeting, March 24, our club will make a poster on the meaning of 4-H. Everyone gave an update on their projects and the meeting was adjourned.

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MONTANA QUALITY!

Potomac gets updated phone service

Beginning March 10, Potomac residents will have to dial all seven digits when they make local phone calls, due to the upgrading of their phone system to digital central office switches. Avon-Elliston will receive this new service beginning March 16.

Some of the benefits of the digital service include call forwarding, three-way calling, call waiting, speed calling and last number redial.

Girls Volleyball Tournament this weekend

The Seeley Swan Blackhawk girls volleyball team will play in Divisional competition this weekend at Charlo, Montana, near Hamilton. The girls are currently ranked number one in the state.

VIP's at Seeley Elementary

VIP's this week at Seeley Lake Elementary School are: Sarah Buehler, kindergarten; Renata Marshall, 4th grade; Cory Thompson, kindergarten; Laurie Leonard, 6th grade; Jana Yiangst, 1st grade; Robin Kopke, 2nd grade; and honorable mention, Jason Nentwig, 5th grade.

Power outage scheduled

On Thursday, March 5, beginning at 1 p.m., the Missoula Electric Co-operative has scheduled a power outage for the area from Gray's Mill near Lake Inez, north to the Swan River Youth Camp at Goat Creek.

MEC expects the outage to last about an hour and a half as crews repair the main feeder line to the area.



Jeremy Hebnes (right) handed water to runners in the Snow Joke Half Marathon held Saturday in Seeley Lake.

CORNUCOPIA by Michele Potter

THINK GREEN! Kiwifruit originated in the Chang Kiang Valley of China. "Yang Tao", as it was called, was considered a delicacy by the court of the great Khans who relished the subtle fruit flavor and brilliant emerald-green flesh. Agricultural testing of kiwifruit in the United States began as early as 1935. The first commercial vineyards were planted in California in the 60's.

Most of our kiwifruit comes from California (California and New Zealand constitute the bulk of the world's kiwifruit production). You'll see it at the market from October through May. Kiwifruit should be plump, egg-shaped and free from wrinkles, cuts and bruises. When ripe, the fuzzy brown exterior should give slightly to gentle finger pressure. If necessary, ripen kiwifruit at room temperature several days.

Remove the fuzzy brown skin of the kiwifruit with a paring knife before serving. Kiwifruit may be sliced, wedged, chopped, diced or pureed in the food processor. Or, slice firm-ripe kiwifruit using a manual egg slicer.

Once for ounce, kiwifruit has more vitamin C than oranges and nearly as much potassium as bananas. It's high in fiber, sodium free, has no cholesterol, and has only 45 calories per fruit.

Kiwifruit Salad	
1 fresh winter pear, cored and cubed	2 kiwifruit, pared and sliced
1 red apple, cored and thinly sliced	Red leaf lettuce
Freshly squeezed lemon or lime juice	1/3 cup dairy sour cream
1 can (8 oz.) jellied cranberry sauce, divided	

Dip pear and apple in lemon or lime juice to prevent darkening. Reserve 3 tablespoons cranberry sauce; slice remainder into quarter slices. Arrange kiwifruit, cranberry sauce slices, pear and apple on lettuce. For dressing, combine sour cream with 3 tablespoons reserved cranberry sauce and 1 teaspoon lemon juice. Makes 4 or 5 servings.

Tips: (1) Kiwifruit may be used in salads, entrées or desserts or as attractive garnishes. Cut a kiwifruit in half crosswise and serve with a spoon to eat right out of the shell. Wonderful for breakfast or brunch, this also works well for lunch boxes — wrap the halved kiwifruit in plastic wrap until ready to serve; (2) because kiwifruit contain an enzyme which prevents gelatin from setting, they should only be used as a garnish for gelatin molds; (3) another enzyme in kiwifruit causes composition changes when kiwifruit is used with milk — however, ice cream and some other dairy products are delicious with kiwifruit — it is recommended that recipes containing milk products be served immediately after combining the two products; (4) some glazes used to top fresh kiwifruit recipes will become somewhat watery if allowed to stand — serve glazed dishes immediately; (5) the enzymes in fresh kiwifruit can act as an effective meat tenderizer.

The above information was provided by the California Kiwifruit Commission. For more ideas and recipes call 677-2022.

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Volunteer firefighters begin training

Swan Valley residents have begun to organize a volunteer fire department and will begin training sessions next Monday night at the Swan Valley Community Hall to enable the group to qualify as a certified volunteer fire company.

Training officers from Seeley Lake have agreed to help Swan Valley-Condon residents with their required 30 hours of training. Two 3-hour training sessions will be held each week for six weeks on Mondays (Swan Valley Community Hall) and Wednesdays (in Seeley Lake). After that, the fire company will hold regular monthly meetings.

Goals of the group include the construction of a fire department building and acquisition of a fire truck.

At last week's business meeting, Bill Shoup, Condon, was elected president. Rollie Matthew was elected as fire chief, and Curt Nebel is the new secretary-treasurer. About 15 people attended the meeting.

Residents interested in becoming active in the volunteer organization are encouraged to attend Monday night's meeting or call Bill Shoup, 754-2222, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays.

Commissioners to hold two meetings in Condon

Missoula County commissioners will be in Condon at the Community Hall twice on Friday to listen to comments from local residents regarding the final version of the Swan Valley-Condon rural land use plan.

At 1 p.m. at the Swan Valley Community Hall, all three county commissioners will be present; at 7:30 p.m. at least one county commissioner will be present to listen to residents' comments. The second meeting was scheduled because many local residents will not be able to attend the afternoon hearing.

The Swan Valley-Condon rural land use plan outlines some of the goals and objectives of residents of the Swan Valley, such as support of cottage industry, protection of natural resources and guidelines for development of the area. If the commissioners decide to approve this land use plan, it will be incorporated into the Missoula County Comprehensive Land Use Plan.

Commissioners will hold a public hearing in Seeley Lake, also on Friday, beginning at 4 p.m. That hearing is being held on the Seeley Lake Refuse Disposal District's proposed fee schedule, which will not affect Swan Valley residents.

Swan Valley Elementary

Honor Roll

Second-quarter honor roll for Swan Valley Elementary is:

Third grade: Cole Christianson, Sarah Cox, Amber Ekstedt, Jack Maloughney, Brooke Mason, Desiree Paulk. **Fourth grade:** Justin Shoup, Traci Styler, Danny Wilhelm; **Fifth grade:** Angie Himes; **Sixth grade:** Andrew Anderson, Lisa Cox; **Seventh grade:** Amy Gourde, Tracy Kearney, Matt Raible, Rosie Terrillion, Tracy Thompson; **Eighth grade:** Kaylee Mahaffey.

Good Citizens for February

Swan Valley Elementary students recognized for good citizenship for February are: Jamie Wood (Kindergarten); Jonathan Matthew (first grade); Leah Lapka (second grade); Amber Ekstedt (third grade); Danny Wilhelm (fourth grade); Boone Jensen (fifth grade); Tanya Squillante (sixth grade); Amy Gourde (seventh grade); Kalin Raible (eighth grade).

Huckleberry Festival set for August

The Swan Lake-Swan Valley Chamber of Commerce has announced plans for the annual Huckleberry Festival to be held August 8 behind the Swan Village Market at Swan Lake.

Local artists and craftsmen are invited to display their wares at the Festival. Booth space will be available at \$5.00 per space. Electricity can be made available for an extra fee.

For more information, contact the Swan Lake-Swan Valley Chamber of Commerce, c/o Sylvia Rozon, Swan Village Market, Swan Lake, Montana 59911.

Country Journal

by Suzanne Vernon

Yesterday, as I walked to the mailbox, I heard the unmistakable sound of geese, honking their way north. Just as surely as there are pussywillows opening now in the Flathead, the geese are migrating to the northlands, probably stopping over at Flathead Lake and other open waters along the western slopes of our Rocky Mountains.

Other birdsongs are changing now, too. I heard some unfamiliar notes the other day, and darned if I could find the feathered fellow making all the noise. The Audubon Society has tapes available of various western birdsongs—maybe I can plan to study them when I retire!

Rollie Matthew found the carcass of an immature bald eagle near his Swan Valley home the other day. He talked to Ken Wolff about it, and Ken notified wildlife authorities. Hopefully, they can make a determination soon as to the why the bird died.

Dolly Hill, Seeley Lake, has observed a Great Grey owl near her house. He appears to be wintering there, and she has seen other grey owls in past years. The Great Grey owl isn't as common here as the Great Horned owl but, according to Denver Holt, Missoula, the Great Grey owls are handsome and people really enjoy seeing them.

Denver is studying owls of Western Montana, and recently returned from Winnipeg, Manitoba (Canada), where he attended the first annual International Owl Symposium. Great Grey owls were the focus of the discussions there. People from Finland, Norway, Canada, the United States and other faraway places attended that conference.

Denver is studying owls full-time now, and is currently searching out some rare individuals wintering on the Lolo National Forest. If you have observed owls in our area, their nesting habits, wintering areas or made other notes about their lifestyles, Denver would like to hear from you. You can write to him at P.O. Box 8335, Missoula, Montana 59807 or call him (evenings) at 549-7626.

This uncertain season has put some other critters (besides geese) on the move. A mountain lion, seen frequenting the Sourdough Island area of Salmon Lake, was recently hit by a car on Highway 83. Game warden Jay Haveman found little sign of the cat, although there is no doubt the driver of the car did hit the large lion.

A spike elk has been seen by several people recently in the Rainy Lake area. It appears to be crippled from a gunshot wound, according to Haveman, and is sticking close to an area near Lake Alva and Rainy Lake.

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The Fear of Death

When the subject of death comes up, it is usually met with two fatal attitudes. The most common is simply to ignore it, "What we don't talk about can't hurt us." As much as we pretend it is just going to pass us by, to my knowledge there has not been a human being yet who has not had to face death. The second is to claim stoically, "I have no fear of death." On the surface, this second approach seems to be the courageous approach. In reality, it is just a more "acceptable" version of the first. For a moment, let us dare to really be courageous by being honest with ourselves.

One may claim no fear of death — and yet live an entombed existence of fear of failure, or fear of loneliness, rejection, poverty, or the dull pain of meaningless existence and loss of livelihood. All our anxieties about the security of tomorrow are in reality a fear of the loss of life itself.

Christians need not fear death, not just because of the promise of heaven, but for the fact that in a very real way they have already died. "If you have been raised up with Christ... set your minds on the things above... for you have died and your life is hidden with Christ." (Colossians 3: 1-3) For the Christian, the old self is put to death, a new life has begun. Christians not only have the hope of "pie in the sky" but enjoy the meat of life in all its fullness, here and now. Eternal life is as much a description of quality as it is quantity. So be honest, ask yourself are you really ready to die or is the fear of it killing you today?

CHURCH SCHEDULE

Condon Community Church
Pastor Jeff Crippen
Sunday School, 9:30-10:30 am
(Faith Lutheran, Condon)
Living Water Catholic Community
Father D.A. Okom, 754-2429
Sunday Mass, 11:30 am
(Holy Cross Lutheran, Seeley Lake)
Daily Mass, 5:00 pm
Sycamore Tree, Piper Creek
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
Mark Meissner, 677-2575
Sunday School, 11:45 am
Sunday Service, 10:00 am
Faith Lutheran Church - Condon
Rev. Herb Schiefelbein, Pastor 677-2281
Sunday Family Worship, 11:15 am
Holy Cross Lutheran - Seeley
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Sunday Family Worship, 8:30 am
Faith Chapel - A Spirit Filled Fellowship
Pastor Roger Combs, 677-2220
Sunday School, 9:45 am
Worship, 11:00 am & 6:30 pm
Bible Study, Wed. 7:00 pm
Potomac Bible Church
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Pastor Glen Eickmeyer
Sunday Worship, 10:00 am
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Black Tie Affair

New members chosen

Four students were chosen last week as new members in the 16-member Black Tie Affair choir at Seeley Swan High School.

Cary West and Tracy Malone (altos); Lisa Shoup and Leanne Dillree (sopranos) were selected from several students. Alternates for the choir are Brittanie Hebnes and Cary Castonguay.

The Black Tie Affair will be rehearsing for District and State Music Festivals in April. Last year, Seeley Swan received superior ratings at both District and State Festivals.

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Senior Nutrition Program

The following noon meals, which are open to the public, will be served next week promptly at noon on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at the Seeley Lake Community Hall:

Monday, March 9 — Salmon Loaf
Tuesday, March 10 — Chicken Pot Pie
Wednesday, March 11 -- Ham and Scalloped Potatoes

Menus are subject to change. Local residents are invited to come and enjoy the home-cooked meals. Donations toward the cost of the meals, which are sponsored in part through the Area Council on Aging, are appreciated. For more information call Hazel Ford, 677-2008.

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Seeley man suspected of wilderness break-ins

During the past several years, the Spotted Bear Ranger District, including the Bob Marshall Wilderness, has experienced a rash of backcountry facility break-ins. This has been occurring during late fall and winter months. Illegal entries are generally not investigated until spring, when Forest Service employees first visit the wilderness cabins.

Last fall, however, government officials began investigations and gathered evidence which has resulted in the issuance of an arrest warrant for Larry J. Courtois, 38, of Seeley Lake. Courtois has been charged with numerous counts of theft and destruction of government property and is now being sought by officials.

According to a recent Flathead National Forest news release, during late fall 1986, a wilderness ranger encountered an individual he believed had recently entered Hahn Creek Guard Station. This information, along with a description of the party, was reported to Flathead National Forest law enforcement personnel who began investigating the case.

Through aircraft surveillance of the Youngs Creek area and Hahn Cabin, officials found evidence of a person traveling on snowshoes. On February 15, 1987, two Flathead National Forest officers, and a Regional Agent, flew by helicopter to the vicinity of Hahn Cabin. The news release states that it was evident that the cabin had been illegally entered that day, only minutes prior to the officers' arrival.

Snowshoe tracks leading to the cabin were retraced to a camp several miles upstream (Otter Creek) from Hahn Cabin. Many of the items which officials saw at the camp were identified as government property, and some items were directly related to property belonging to Hahn Cabin and Big Prairie Station. On February 17, Forest Service officials secured the camp and removed items for evidence.

Further investigations at the Big Prairie work center showed evidence of illegal entry in six buildings on the administrative site. Evidence collected at Big Prairie provided probable cause, according to the news release, to believe that the suspect in question is responsible for all of the break-ins at the Hahn and Big Prairie sites during the past two years.

From other information received in conjunction with this investigation, it is presumed the suspect also entered Basin and Danaher cabins during the winter of 1986-87. The suspect is believed to have a minimum of eight permanent and temporary camps located in the southern end of the Bob Marshall Wilderness.



Left to right: Tomanie Hebnes, Rose Manos and Melitta Cahoon offered "safe water" to runners in Saturday's Snow Joke Half Marathon.

Fishing Report

New fishing licenses are now on sale at area license agents. (Yep, your license expired on February 28!) The new season began March 1.

A 1987 fishing license, along with the required conservation license, will cost \$11 for residents this year (same as last year). If you are over 62 years of age, you only need the \$2 conservation license to fish. Youngsters under 12 don't need a license if they are Montana residents.

New boat decals are also required now, although it will be a while before we see many boats on the ice-covered lakes in the Seeley Swan! Only motorized boats need to be registered with the county treasurer — canoes and sailboats are exempt.

Ice fishing is still fair to good in Seeley Lake, though the ice is deteriorating a bit. Folks are catching mostly westslope cutthroat (or the McBride strain of westslope cutthroat) which were planted in the lake last year.

Many of the large "tackle busters" (rainbow trout) have been lost through the ice lately. The huge rainbows, which were planted last fall, have been catching anglers by surprise. It's tough to get a twelve-pound trout through a six-inch hole in the ice! Most stories of late have been about the ones that got away!

Anglers are using maggots and night crawlers, together with brightly-colored jigs. Use caution when testing the ice before fishing.

Biologist to discuss Blackfoot River fishery

The Wilderness Sportsman's Club, Seeley Lake, will host fisheries biologist, Dennis Workman, at their regular meeting on Thursday, March 5 beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Leisure Lodge Resort. Workman will discuss the Blackfoot River fishery with club members and local residents.



John Anders, Seeley Lake, was one of several Search and Rescue members who helped with the 8th Annual Snow Joke Marathon in Seeley Lake last weekend. See story page one.

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Don Malmberg, Seeley Lake, and his schnauzer, "Mindy." Malmberg recently retired from Fish and Game.

Parks manager retires after 30 years

After nearly 30 years of monitoring the activities of tourists, recreationists, hunters and fishermen, Don Malmberg, Seeley Lake, retired from the state Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks on January 30.

What's he going to do for fun? "Go hunting and fishing," he laughed. "It'll be different... being able to vacation at some of these recreation sites, rather than work at them."

Don recently recalled some of the rewards and perils of his thirty-year career. He once had the opportunity to photograph a new-born calf elk near the Blackfoot-Clearwater Game Range. And in Deer Lodge, he once trapped eight "marauding" black bears during one season.

Malmberg began his career with the fish and game in 1957 when he worked as a cartographer in Missoula, mapping elk winter range in Western Montana. In 1960, he transferred into law enforcement as a game warden, and worked in the Fort Benton and Great Falls areas. By 1963, Malmberg had been promoted to First Warden Training Officer in Helena, where he worked for the next nine years.

In 1977, he decided he had had enough of "city life" and went back to work in the field as a game warden in Deer Lodge.

"I loved it—that's why I went back to it. It's the best job in the Department."

People in Seeley Lake are most familiar with Don because of the next position he held with Fish, Wildlife and Parks: As the manager of the Blackfoot-Clearwater Recreation Area, Malmberg enforced state regulations at dozens of fishing access sites and campgrounds along the 76-mile Blackfoot River Recreation Corridor, and at recreation areas near Salmon and Placid lakes.

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He and his wife, Margaret, love the Seeley Swan, and that's why they decided to call this place home.

"We like the winters here. It's nice snow—it comes straight down!" Don chuckles.

Besides snow, Don likes the people here. As a manager in the Parks Department from 1981 until last fall, he worked closely with landowners along the Blackfoot River Corridor. Efforts of private citizens and state officials finally resulted in a 10-year agreement allowing fishermen and others to use certain areas of the Blackfoot River Corridor for recreation. Landowners also agreed not to construct any buildings or start commercial activities within a certain distance of the river, thereby protecting the scenic quality of the corridor.

"Those people (Greenough, Potomac area) were terrific to work for," Malmberg commented, adding that it is important for managers of public lands to be able to sit down with landowners "and see where they are coming from."

Don has seen some important trends in recreation over the years, especially in the Blackfoot-Seeley-Swan area. Most of the people who use the campgrounds and fishing access sites in our area are "locals"—they hail from Missoula, Great Falls and Helena. Many of them have summer homes here.

One not-so-surprising observation he has made, is that an increasing number of recreationists seem to lack respect for personal property.

"They get out of the city and seem to think everything is Forest Service. They don't have much respect for landowners' property... they cut fences, trespass, and poke around where they aren't supposed to be."

Although there are always "bad incidents," Don is quick to point out that "you forget them fast." He remembers the better groups, those folks who are really interested in protecting the natural resources.

All in all, Don has few regrets about his career, although, if he had it to do all over again, "I'd get a job as a game warden in an outlying district—and stay there!"

Now, the Malmbergs plan to get started building a new house and wood-working shop on their property near Seeley Lake. They both enjoy wood-working: Don designs toys and other items. Margaret, an artist and carver, puts the finishing touches on their crafts. Together, they have seven children and nine grandchildren.

Forest Service accepting applications for volunteer positions

The Flathead National Forest is offering a volunteer program which gives people a chance to meet new people, gain valuable insight into forestry, wildlife biology, botany and ecology, while working in an outdoor setting.

On the Swan Lake District, forestry personnel are looking for volunteers to work as forestry aids in timber stand improvement projects. Individuals must be in very good physical condition. Government housing will be provided free, with a \$9 per day subsistence allowance being paid.

For more information about this and other programs (such as those at Tally Lake Ranger District near Whitefish), write or call Swan Lake Ranger District, P.O. Box 370, Bigfork 59911, 837-5081.

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NOTICES

BEGINNING AND INTERMEDIATE Water Color Classes will be starting again the week of March 16. There will possibly be an evening class on Tuesday or Thursday (7-9 p.m.), and possibly a Saturday morning class (9-Noon). For more information contact Hazel Foley, 549-0438 (Missoula) after March 10; or contact Jan Nemmers now, 677-2857.

TK-7 IS ALSO AVAILABLE at Valley Market and Mountain States Cycle.

ART CLASSES for Elementary students begin March 3rd, 3:10 p.m. to 4:10. Students will need supplies and \$2.00 per class. Please call Cathy Wray, 677-2113. Donations of magazines are needed.

NOTICE OF SCHOOL ELECTION
On Tuesday, April 7, 1987, the annual School Election will be held for District #34. Trustees Boyd Gossard's and Larry Marx's three-year terms will be expiring this April. Those interested in running for the board may pick up petitions at the Elementary School office during regular business hours. All petitions must be returned to the District Clerk on or before March 16, 1987.

NOTICE OF HEARINGS ON SEELEY LAKE REFUSE DISTRICT FEES

The Missoula County Board of Commissioners will hold two hearings on the following proposed changes in fees for the Seeley Lake Refuse District.

I. Residences:
Each single family residence will be assessed one (1) unit (currently \$28.00); EXCEPT:

(1) Residents eligible for and receiving a reduction of taxes under provisions of 15-6-134 Class Four 1C M.C.A. will receive the same percentage reductions of refuse fee.

(2) Residents who do not have reasonable access to their property for a period of four (4) or more consecutive months and swear that the property is never occupied during that period may receive a reduction of one half (1/2) of the refuse fee. Lack of reasonable access is deemed to be: (a) inability to drive an automobile to within 100 yards of the residence because of weather; OR (b) be registered to vote with a primary residential address located 100 miles or more from the residential property located in this refuse district.

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Motel: 1 unit for each 6 rooms or increment thereof

Outfitters (summer & fall): 1 unit
Outfitters (fall only): 1/2 unit
Recreational Equipment (sales & service shops): 1 unit for each 300 sq. ft. or increment thereof

Restaurants: 1/2 unit for each 75 sq. ft. of public area or increment thereof
Schools: 1 unit for each 50 students or increment thereof

*The maximum assessment for any business will be ten (10) units.

Any owner of property within the refuse district may file a written protest against the fee changes with the Missoula County Clerk and Recorder, County Courthouse, Missoula, Montana 59802, by March 24, 1987.

On March 6, 1987, at 4:00 o'clock p.m., at the Seeley Lake Community Hall in Seeley Lake, the Commissioners will receive public comment on the proposed changes.

On March 25, 1987, at 1:30 o'clock p.m., at Room 201, County Courthouse Annex, Missoula, Montana, the Commissioners will hold a hearing on all written protests and decide whether to approve the fee changes.

For further information, contact Ann Mary Dussault, at the County Courthouse, Missoula, Montana 59802, 721-5700, extension 200, or Kent Brown, P.O. Box 121, Seeley Lake, Montana 59868, 793-5595.

Dated this 18th day of February, 1987.
/s/Fern Hart
Clerk & Recorder

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

<p>Insurance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Life & Health Major Medical Medicare Supplement College Assistance Planning <p>677-2304</p> <p>FRAN HEBNES Your Local Independent Insurance Agent P.O. Box 272, Seeley Lake, MT 59868</p>	<p>YELLOW ROSE ENTERPRISES General Building Contractor</p> <p>"We take pride in what we build so that you may have pride in what you own."</p> <p>Dave & Nancy Marx Box 260</p> <p>Seeley Lake, MT 59868 (406) 677-2778</p>	<p>SEELEY LAKE AUTO PARTS</p> <p>— Closed —</p>
<p>Jean's PERMANENT SOLUTION Family Hair Salon</p> <p>754-2727</p> <p>Tuesday - Saturday</p> <p>* Winter Special - Hair Cuts \$5.00 * Next to Mission Mountains Mercantile, Condon</p>	<p>Sonny's Septic Tank Cleaning Service Lincoln, Montana 59639</p> <p>Reasonable Rates Prompt Service 7 Days a Week Modern Sanitary Equipment 20 Years Experience</p> <p>OUT-OF-TOWN SERVICE AVAILABLE 362-4495</p> <p>Licensed, Qualified Septic Tank Cleaning Service A FLUSH BEATS A FULL HOUSE!</p>	<p>FAMILY HAIR STYLE CENTER Seeley Lake - Just North of Community Hall</p> <p>Ladie Di</p> <p>Hours Tues/Weds/Fri: 9:30 am-6:00 pm Thurs: 1:00 pm-9:00 pm Sat: 9:00 am-2:00 pm</p> <p>677-2306 Diana Done</p>
<p>Put your cans in good hands!</p> <p>Larson Disposal</p> <p>Seeley Lake, Montana 677-2252</p>	<p>SEELEY LAKE BUILDERS General Building Contractors Box 59 Seeley Lake, Montana 59868</p> <p>Quality • Integrity • Honesty</p> <p>Custom Homes Ted Linford 677-2891 Additions & Remodels Log Homes Mark Williams 677-2896 Decks & Docks Custom Cabinets</p>	<p>Barney's Bar & Cafe Fine Family Dining</p> <p>FEATURING STEAKS & SEAFOOD</p> <p>406/677-9244 Seeley Lake, Montana</p>
<p>Regular Gas Unleaded Gas</p> <p>2-Stroke Fan Cooled 2-Stroke Liquid Cooled</p> <p>TK7</p> <p>Missoula Seeley Lake Derek & Mary Lou Ellinghouse</p>	<p>SPLIT RAILS LARGE POLES ROUND RAILS ROUGH LUMBER JACKLOG POSTS TREATED POSTS FENCING MATERIALS</p> <p>ALPINE PRODUCTS OF CONDON ALAN CHILDS 754-2725 (MILE MARKER 44)</p>	<p>MECHANIC • TIRE REPAIR ALL MOTOR FUELS CAR WASH MISCELLANEOUS "STUFF"</p> <p>Mon-Fri 6-10 Sat-Sun 8-9</p>
<p>SEELEY VETERINARY SERVICE</p> <p>Next to Barney's Seeley Lake</p> <p>Seeley Lake Hours Wednesday (only), 9am - 4pm 677-2550</p> <p>*Other weekdays & emergencies, calls forwarded to Missoula Veterinary Clinic</p>	<p>STATE FARM INSURANCE COMPANIES HOME OFFICES: BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS</p> <p>PAUL ZIEMKOWSKI Agent</p> <p>Auto • Life • Fire • Health</p> <p>308 West Broadway Missoula, Montana 59802 Phone: (406) 542-2101</p>	<p>MARX CONSTRUCTION 677-2555</p> <p>Arch Building Systems Rocky Mountain Log Homes Custom Homes Log Home Caulking • Concrete</p> <p>Larry Marx, Box 514, Seeley Lake, Montana 59868</p>
<p>GIFT WRAPPING SERVICE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All Occasions Your Gift or Ours <p>MOOSE FEATHERS & MORE A FINE CRAFTS GALLERY Kraft Creek Road & Hiway 83 N</p>	<p>SWAN VALLEY REFRIGERATION & APPLIANCE Winter Hours Tuesday thru Saturday, 9 am - 5 pm Closed Sunday & Monday</p> <p>P.O. Box 690 Seeley Lake, MT 59868 Leroy Vick/Rodney Vick 677-2766 or 677-2137</p>	<p>A-1 Body Works</p> <p>Bob Connell 123 Alder Missoula, MT 59801 (406) 549-0332</p>
<p>Dan Larson LARSON TRANSPORT Missoula Package Service</p> <p>Pick-ups & Deliveries (small and large items) 677-2252 Licensed • Bonded • Insured</p>	<p>Mountain States CYCLE</p> <p>SNOWMOBILES, SNOW BLOWERS, SMALL ENGINES</p> <p>Repairs and Parts</p> <p>Clare Herman 677-2842 (Located in "The Rendezvous" Store, Seeley Lake, Montana)</p>	<p>SWAN VALLEY CENTRE Grocery • Laundry Cafe • Auto Service Towing</p> <p>Condon, Montana 59826 Bill & Jo Lynn Mahaffey (406) 754-2397</p>

Take Out A Classified Ad In The Finder!

Need to Sell or Buy?
Time for a Garage Sale?
Lost? Found?
Mail form to:
PATHFINDER
Box 702
Seeley Lake, MT 59868

(or use our handy drop-off at Seeley Lake 1-STOP)

Rates (per week): \$1.25 for ten words or less, 10¢ each additional word. Payment must accompany this form. No charge for lost & founds or give-aways.

Name _____ Tel. No. _____
Street or P.O. Box _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Message: _____

Start Date: _____ Repeat Dates: _____

Classified Ad Deadline: 4:00 p.m. Friday

CHEF PAUL SEZ...
Menu selections this weekend are -

Friday Night
Crab Legs, Chicken Dijon, Filet Mignon, Halibut Steak

Saturday Night
Fresh Prime Rib
"As You Like It", Scampi, Cashew Chicken

Sunday
Brunch (11 am - 2 pm)
"Reservations Please"

Open Daily
Breakfast • Lunch • Dinner

Located in Flathead National Forest



Holland Lake LODGE
Condon 754-2282

Business Briefs

Diana Done of The Ladie Di "family hair care center" in Seeley Lake is celebrating her one-year anniversary this week. Done opened her beauty salon last spring and is very pleased with her first year of business.

"People here have been very supportive," she commented.

Diana is a long-time resident of Seeley Lake and, also, a graduate of Modern Beauty School in Missoula.

The Ladie Di offers perms, styles, coloring and highlighting, and sells a number of hair care products.

WEATHER FORECAST

Thursday-Saturday: Scattered rain showers in the valleys, with snow at higher elevations. Highs 45-55. Lows 30s.



This unidentified runner geared up for Saturday's Snow Joke Half Marathon with a few Rock 'n Roll moments before the race around Seeley Lake began.

SEELEY LAKE PHARMACY

St. Patrick's Day 
American Greeting Cards

677-2424 Monday-Friday 9:00-5:30 Saturday 9:00-5:00 Sunday Closed

 **WANTED TO BUY**
Antlers, Capes, Sheds, Etc.
PAYING TOP DOLLAR!
Call 754-2715

VALLEY MARKET
One Mile South of Seeley Lake on Highway 83
Phone 406/677-2121



FOOD FARM

Weekly Specials
March 4 - March 10

Round Steak (Bone In) **\$1.48** lb
Lettuce **37¢** hd

16 piece box
FLAVOR CRISP
CHICKEN
\$6.99



12 pack, 12 oz. cans
OLYMPIA BEER
\$4.39



25 pound
GOLD MEDAL
FLOUR
\$2.99



EAGLE SNACKS
HONEY ROAST PEANUTS
\$1.75 12 oz. tin



MIXED NUTS
\$3.29 11 oz. tin

CELLA WINES
LAMBRUSCO
ROSATO **\$3.98**
1.5 Liter



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