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## Boundary line discrepancy may put road inside wilderness

Recent surveys along the eastern boundary of the Mission Mountains Wilderness show apparent discrepancies in section line locations. A logging road constructed in the Beaver Creek area of the Swan Valley in 1985 may actually be located inside the true wilderness boundary.

In 1982, surveyors with the Flathead National Forest retraced blazed section lines with a compass in the upper Beaver Creek area. A road was built into the area and paid for with capital improvement funds. Logging hasn't taken place, however. The Sunset Beaver timber sale was advertised, but no bids were received and the timber was never sold.

Other portions of the eastern boundary of the Mission Mountains Wilderness are being resurveyed this fall because of similar wilderness encroachment. Swan Lake Ranger District employees discovered last fall that thinning crews had cut trees inside the wilderness area.

Foresters are now researching the validity of the original blazed boundaries. Determining which section line is accurate may take some time, according to public information officer John Denne. If the newly surveyed line is correct, then the logging road is inside wilderness by about thirty or forty feet, he said. If the blazed line, established around the turn of the century, is correct, then the road is outside of wilderness.

Flathead Forest Supervisor Ed Brannon requested that the recent discrepancy be resolved. "Any encroachment into the wilderness is unacceptable. We may not have a problem, but we want to be sure," he explained.

### Buckle Up: It's the law

No more excuses, folks, it's time to buckle up when you get in your car. State legislators voted last spring to make seat belt use mandatory in Montana. Beginning October 1, people violating that law will receive warnings. After January 1, 1988, officers can issue tickets when people do not use their seat belts. Only the driver of a vehicle may be cited, not the passengers.

Montana law enforcement officers have for many years promoted the use of safety belts. Deputy Sheriff Scott Mc-



The grizzly bears have reportedly left McDonald Peak this fall, after their annual migration to feed on insects in that area. The lake in the foreground, typical of many in the Mission Mountains Wilderness, is unnamed. Photo by Roger Wade.

Donald, Swan Valley, has seen people suffer because they weren't wearing seat belts.

"I've seen where people have been thrown out of their cars, had broken

necks, been knocked unconscious, drowned in creeks, been run over by their cars and been killed because they didn't wear seat belts," he said. Conversely, he has watched people walk away from serious car wrecks because they wore their seat belts.

"You might have a hard time figuring out how to get out of a seat belt when your car is upside down, and the roof becomes the floor, but at least you'll be alive and walk away from the scene," he added.

The use of seat belts should be something that every child learns how to do, just as they know how to close

the car door and roll up the windows, he explained. As far as enforcement of the law, McDonald said he would be particularly inclined to cite adults who don't buckle up their kids. Children under the age of four years old or weighing less than 40 pounds must be secured in appropriate child restraint seats.

Officers cannot stop a vehicle solely to check seat belt compliance. The vehicle must have been stopped for other traffic violations, according to an informational pamphlet published by the Montana Highway Traffic Safety Division.

Some exceptions to the seat belt requirement are:

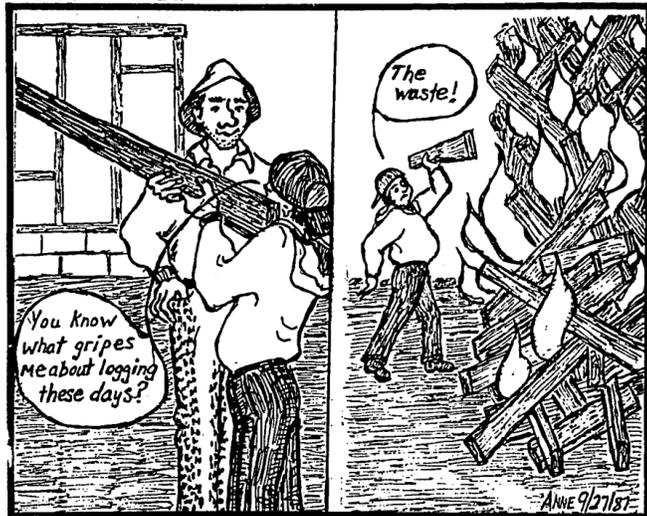
- Motor vehicles manufactured before 1968 were not required to have safety belts installed. Therefore, persons operating or riding in these vehicles are not required to wear safety belts.

- An unbelted adult can legally ride in the front seat of a vehicle if all other seating positions (seat belts) are occupied. Law officers are expected to use discretion in enforcing this law. The law enforcement officer cannot issue a citation when all available belts are being used and there is no room other than in the front seat for an unbelted occupant. However, the officer is likely to issue a citation if there is an unbelted occupant in the front and there is room for him/her in the back seat.

- Drivers of buses manufactured before January 1, 1972 are not required to use safety belts. Bus passengers are not required to buckle up under the safety belt law.

Other exceptions are listed in the Montana Highway Traffic Safety publication, available from that office, in care of Department of Justice, 303 North Roberts, Helena, MT 59620.

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**OPINION**

**Editor's Quandary**

The life of an editor is not always easy, Sports Fans. The original subject for this week's column was the inauguration of Montana's seat belt law. Then Jeanne Moon's letter, appearing in today's issue, arrived; her letter is definitive on the subject and the editor can add nothing more.

Seeking a new subject, it seemed appropriate to discuss the currently abysmal business climate in Seeley Lake. Many local businesses have noticed a fall-off in trade from local residents. So, the editorial plan was to revisit the subject of the "Missoula Pipeline" and discuss how this cash conduit drains our community's economic lifeblood. Alas, just as the words were beginning to flow, a letter from the Chamber of Commerce arrived on the very same subject. It, too, appears in today's issue and it, too, is a tough act to follow.

Growing desperate, the possibility of a Robert H. Bork editorial came to mind. But, how should it be styled: from the perspective of a "Nixon apologist" (perhaps entitled "Borklift")...or from the perspective of a "Missoula liberal" (perhaps entitled "Torque Bork")? Regular readers of this page will relate to this dilemma when they recall the recent attempts of a few readers to drive the editor into acute schizophrenia.

—Dick Potter

The solution finally came at the board meeting of the Seeley Lake Elementary trustees. It seems the trustees are interested in following in the high school's footsteps by enacting a levy for any public use of the facilities. Their concern is that the grade school will be inundated with requests for use unless its building-use policy matches that of the high school.

The good news is that the high school authorities appear disposed toward accommodating the unique needs of the Seeley Lake community for meeting space. The original proposal, which was put forth some months ago, suggested extortionate prices for taxpayer-use of the high school facilities. Now, however, it appears that there will be no charge for use by community groups during regular custodial hours. Outside of custodial hours, community groups will be charged according to a schedule which is apparently intended to recoup the school's additional out-of-pocket expenses for accommodating the group. This appears reasonable—school tax dollars shouldn't be expended for the benefit of other public groups. Likewise, when no additional costs are involved, public groups should have free use of the facilities.

So, the hue and cry paid off and an equitable solution is at hand—the very stuff of editorials.

**Seat belt law**

To the Editor:

I am writing to call attention to October 1st—the day the Montana seat belt law goes into effect. Much debate went on prior to the enactment of this law and, in the end, the governing bodies of this state ruled in favor of life and liberty. LIBERTY?!? Forced seat belt usage is liberty? YES—liberty from rising insurance rates because of the greater medical expenses for non-belt users...Liberty from being injured inside your vehicle when non-belt users crash into you...Liberty from the social costs of supporting orphaned children and widowed spouses of non-belt users...Liberty from enduring the greater physical pain that you personally can endure from making the poor choice of non-belt use.

I have used my seat belt 100% of the time since 1978, and I must honestly report that most of the above arguments didn't do much toward convincing me. I had to be run-over by a truck to convince me. The "freedom" issue at

that time for me was motorcycle helmets...to wear or not to wear...and, truthfully, much of the time I didn't wear a helmet despite the fact that many of the same arguments as those in favor of seat belt usage applied. As fate would have it, the day I was hit by a truck I was wearing a helmet. (It was raining and I didn't want to get my hair wet.)

I guess you could say this life-event knocked some sense into me. I deduced that Providence had saved my head in an effort to get me to use it. So, when faced with the choice of buckling up, I finally heard the logic and caring in the arguments for seat belt use.

Please, friends and neighbors, show that you care for yourself and your passengers. BUCKLE UP AND LIVE.

Jeanne Moon  
 Seeley Lake  
 (Member, Montana Safety Belt Coalition, Inc.)

**CHICKEN  
 Double Front**

**Show me the woods**

Forest Service "show me" trips used to be popular here among local residents. We would often tag along to see what was new in the world of logging.

It seems that people involved in the timber industry are beginning to return to the idea of public field trips. Recent concern over timber harvest techniques, especially clearcuts, has prompted several guided tours of logging operations in our area. The Swan Lake Ranger District conducted a tour last Friday, the Swan River State Forest has arranged

one for this Saturday, and Plum Creek foresters will lead a field trip next week.

Small timber sales are extremely important to area loggers and mills. Maybe it's time to get out from behind our desks, out of our cars, away from our favorite fishing holes, and onto the lands that have been logged. Sometimes we'll be disappointed. Other times, we'll see where loggers have been very careful in their work. Above all, we'll learn more about how our forests are managed.

The Forest Service, State Forestry and Plum Creek, have taken a giant step forward in public relations. Let's hope they continue—and keep the lines of communication open.

—Suzanne Vernon

**Experience Seeley & Save \$**

To the Editor:

Imagine these headlines: "Businesses Enjoy Best Winter Ever in 87-88" or "Job Opportunities in Seeley Swan." Wouldn't it be nice if more businesses could be open year-round? Or if our youth could find part-time jobs year-round?

The well-being of our local businesses has a positive impact on each profession, family and individual in the area. In recognition of this, the Seeley Lake Area Chamber of Commerce invites every resident of the Seeley Swan to become an important part of "EXPERIENCE SEELEY & SAVE \$."

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Local businesses donate regularly to your favorite organization or activity. Let's help them continue to do so. We who live in the Seeley Swan are generally independent, self-reliant types. We can further express our independence by EXPERIENCING SEELEY & SAVING \$.

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**Firefighting  
 reception for  
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Dan Cainan, longtime Seeley Lake civic leader, will be honored at a reception on Friday, October 2 in recognition of more than a quarter-century of volunteer firefighting.

The reception will be held at 4 p.m. at the Seeley Lake Fire Hall, according to Roger Burmeister, Fire Chief. Refreshments will be served, and the public is encouraged to attend.

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Eight complete housekeeping cabins are available year-round. Lazy, Lounger, Loafer, Lucky, Larch, Lingerling and the East-West Duplex (Leaping Lizards, as Tom calls it) have been undergoing a complete remodeling since day one, Tom says.

New to the resort is "quality country entertainment out of Nashville, Tennessee," according to Tom. Recently, Jaymie Leigh and Phil Marshall, country singers and songwriters from Nashville, performed at the resort. "These entertainers want to come to Montana...we're going to host more of these!" Tom says enthusiastically.

Tom and Donna emphasize that Leisure Lodge Resort is open to the public. They encourage local residents to come and enjoy the two sandy beaches and boating facilities, as well as their quiet lounge. Snack foods are available in the lounge, too.

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

**Events**

Oct 3, Forestry Tour, Swan River State Forest, 9am, Mcct at Goat Creek.

**Public Meetings**

Oct 6, Salmon Prairie, Swan Lake School Trustees Mtg, Salmon Prairie School.

**Clubs & Organizations**

Oct 1, Condon Alcoholics Anon, 7:30pm, Swan Valley Elm School, Condon.

Oct 4, Seeley Lake Alcoholics Anon, 7pm, Mill basement, Seeley Lake.

Oct 6, Seeley Lake Area Chamber of Commerce Mtg, 6pm, Comm Hall, Seeley Lake.

Oct 5, 6, 7, Senior Nutrition Program, Noon Lunch, Comm Hall, Seeley Lake.

Oct 7, AA Mtg & Alanon Mtg, 7pm, REA Bldg, Seeley Lake.

Oct 8, TOPS Open House, 10am, REA Bldg, Seeley Lake.

Oct 9, Swan Valley Post #63 Mtg, 7pm, Swan Valley Comm Hall, Condon.

Oct 9, Swan Valley PTA Carnival, 5-9pm, Swan Valley Elm, Condon.

**Other**

Oct 1, Bookmobile, Seeley Lake Elm, 9am-Noon; Seeley Lake Town, 12:45-2:30pm.

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**Feds tighten  
loopholes for  
small timber  
sales**

Two newly proposed clearcuts in the Swan Valley appear to have barely cleared the hurdle of changing federal regulations this summer. Until mid-August, a loophole known as categorical exclusion allowed foresters to bypass an environmental assessment process on small timber sales.

The new policy, effective August 25, allows categorical exclusions only on sales of less than 10 acres or 100,000 board feet of timber. The two projects implemented during policy changes this summer are the Moore Blowdown and the OSR Darn Yew sales.

The Moore Blowdown Timber Sale and adjoining clearcuts were the main subjects of discussion on a recent Forest Service tour of the Moore Creek-Jim Creek area. The tour was prompted by public concern over more new clearcuts in the Swan Valley.

Friends of the Wild Swan, Inc., appealed the Moore Blowdown decision, citing apparent violations of federal policy.

Using the categorical exclusion option contained in the "old" policy, District Ranger Bill Pederson had reasoned that an environmental assessment was not necessary on the 450,000 board feet

Moore Blowdown Timber Sale. His decision was issued on July 21, 1987—several weeks before he became aware of proposed policy changes. The sale was advertised on September 3, after the new federal policy was implemented.

Last week, Flathead Forest Supervisor Ed Brannon upheld Pederson's decision to harvest blowdown trees in the Moore Creek area. The categorical exclusion ruling, he implied, does not affect sales prepared before August 25, when the new ruling became effective.

Both Brannon and Pederson believe that other issues brought out in the Friends of the Wild Swan appeal, such as damage to wildlife, fisheries and water quality, are addressed in the Flathead Forest Plan. That Forest Plan, which is a complex document directing long-term management of resources in the Flathead and Swan Valleys, is also currently being appealed. A ruling on those appeals from the Forest Service's Washington Office is expected later this year.

Meanwhile, the decision to advertise the OSR Darn Yew timber sale, a 950,000 board feet sale above the western shores of Swan Lake, was signed on August 21 by Pederson. That decision came several days after notification of the new Forest Service policy and its effective date of August 25.

The appeal period for the OSR Darn Yew timber sale closes October 2. As of Monday, September 28, no appeals had been received, according to officials at the Swan Lake Ranger District.

**Swan River  
Forest to  
host tour**

The Montana Department of State Lands is conducting a field trip on the Swan River State Forest Saturday, October 3. Interested people should bring a sack lunch and meet at the Goat Creek headquarters at 9 a.m. The tour is expected to last until about 3 p.m.

Transportation to various management sites will be provided by the state for up to 40 people. The objective of this Swan Field Day is to provide the public and interested organizations with an opportunity to see State Forest management firsthand, to better understand and discuss State Forest management practices, and to improve communication between the public and Swan River State Forest personnel, according to Glen Gray, area supervisor.

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For the past six and a half years, Murphy has worked at the Helmville Post Office. Before that, she worked for 10 years at the Ovando Post Office as a clerk.

Eloise McNally, who has worked as an assistant at the Ovando Post Office in the past will continue to work there part-time.

Bonnie and her husband, Tom S. Murphy live in Ovando. They have two children and six grandchildren.



Bonnie Murphy, Ovando Postmaster

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- \*\*\* Stuff veal chops with roasted red pepper and a slice of Fontina cheese. Before browning, brush with oil.
- \*\*\* For a change from an omelet supper, how about pancakes flavored with fresh herbs and grated cheese? Serve with a "syrup" of melted butter and more herbs.
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The bull elk are buging in the high country now. These successful hunters recently spent time in the Scapegoat Wilderness. John and Mimi Strother, Seattle, were outfitted by Mike and Cinde Barthelness of Lincoln.

**Brown's Lake area  
closed to goose  
hunting**

An area around Brown's and Kleinschmidt lakes will be closed to Canada goose hunting for the 1987 season. The area is open to all other waterfowl hunting starting October 3 and running through December 20, 1987.

The Montana Fish and Game Commission established the Canada goose hunting closure to protect a flock of Canada geese which has been transplanted into the area.

The closed area is described as follows: Beginning at Helmville, thence northerly along State Highway 271 to the intersection of Highway 200, thence northwesterly along Highway 200 to the North Fork of the Blackfoot River,

thence southwesterly along the North Fork of the Blackfoot River to the Ovando-Helmville county road, thence southeasterly along the Ovando-Helmville road to Helmville, the point of beginning.

  
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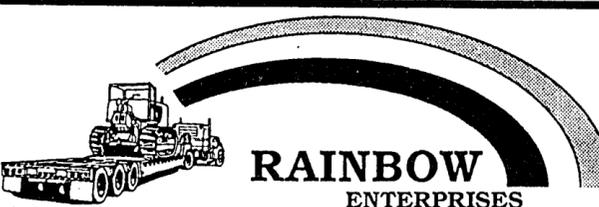


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### Burdens Into Bridges

A biologist tells how he watched an ant carrying a piece of straw which seemed almost too heavy for it to drag. The ant came to a crack in the ground which was too wide for it to cross. It stood still for a time, as though perplexed by the situation, then put the straw across the crack and walked over on the straw.

If only we were as wise as the ant! We speak much about the burdens we must carry. But have we ever thought about converting our burdens into bridges, of having our burdens bear US up instead of our bearing THEM up? The apostle Paul had learned the secret of being borne up by his burden instead of being borne down by it. Throughout

his life he had been afflicted by a physical deformity or handicap, the exact nature of which we do not know. But when he had once recognized his affliction as part of God's good and gracious will for him, he wrote: "Most gladly therefore will I glory in my infirmities that the power of Christ may rest upon me. . . For when I am weak, then am I strong." (2 Cor. 12:9,10)

If any man ever learned how to convert his burdens into bridges, that man surely was the apostle Paul. He took even his stripes and imprisonments and transformed them into open doors for the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Every person who has found eternal life in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, the Savior, can convert burdens into bridges—bridges that lead from the darkness of despair into the brightness of assurance—bridges that lead from a purposeless and drab existence into a life of usefulness and beauty.

Some of the most cheerful and radiant personalities have been those whom God has visited with the greatest crosses. And those who have accomplished the greatest in the Kingdom of God have frequently been those who were borne to triumph upon the arms of a cross. For, to know Christ is to know the love of God, and to know the love of God is to be assured of eternal fellowship with Him throughout the endless ages. In the light of that assurance no burden can continue to depress! Jesus is saying to us: "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness." (2 Cor. 12:9) And with His sustaining grace and love we shall be able to go on—converting burdens into bridges.



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## Baretta-Owens wed

Lisa Marie Owens and Mitchell James Baretta were married August 8 at the Double Arrow Homestead Cabin near Seeley Lake.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. James S. Owens and Ms. Rennae Owens, Seeley Lake. She is a graduate of Montana State University and is substitute teaching in the Washington public school system.

The groom is the son of Mr. Daniel J. Baretta and Mrs. Geri Netherton, Seeley Lake. He is a Montana State University graduate and is currently employed as an electrical engineer at Boeing Electronics Company.

The couple will live in Everett, Washington.

## Choir rehearsals begin

The Swan Valley Christian Singers will begin rehearsals this Sunday, October 4, in the Seeley Swan High School music room, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., according to Herb Schiefelbein, publicity director for the Singers.

The choir will present its annual Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 13, at 7:30 p.m. Rehearsals will be held each Sunday evening throughout October and November. Any Valley people interested in sharing the Christian message through music at Christmas are invited to join the choir, Schiefelbein said.

## TOPS hosts Open House

The Seeley Lake Chapter of the international TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) organization is sponsoring an Open House on Thursday, October 8, beginning at 10 a.m. at the Missoula Electric Cooperative building north of Seeley Lake.

Slides will be shown, and information on weight loss goals and nutrition will be presented. The purpose of the Open House is to invite everyone "to come and learn about TOPS," according to group leader, Delia Dreyer.



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### Whitefish-Vegetable Bake (2-3 Servings)

12 ounces cod, pollock or rockfish	1/4 teaspoon tarragon, crushed
Salt and pepper to taste	1 package (10 oz) or about 2 cups favorite frozen vegetable mix
1/4 cup chopped onion	1 tablespoon butter or margarine
1 to 2 tablespoons Dijon mustard	1 tablespoon chopped parsley (optional)

Cut fish into serving-sized pieces; season with salt and pepper and set aside. Microcook onion and butter in 2-quat microwave-safe dish at HIGH (100%) 2 to 3 minutes or until onion is tender. Stir in mustard, tarragon and vegetables; mix well. Place fish on vegetables; cover with waxed paper. Microcook at HIGH 7 to 10 minutes or until fish flakes when tested with a fork at thickest part. Sprinkle with parsley.

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### Savory Potatoes (2-3 Servings)

1 (10 to 12 oz.) Russet potato, pared	1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese	Dash pepper
2 tablespoons fine dry bread crumbs	2 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted
1/4 cup lemon juice concentrate	Paprika
1/4 teaspoon thyme, crushed	

Slice potato into 1/4-inch slices. Combine cheese, bread crumbs, thyme, salt and pepper. Dip potato slices in butter to coat; roll in crumb mixture. Place in single layer in 13x9x2-inch microwave-safe dish. Sprinkle with paprika. Microcook at HIGH (100%) 7 to 10 minutes or until potato is tender.

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### Golden Apple Streusel (3 Servings)

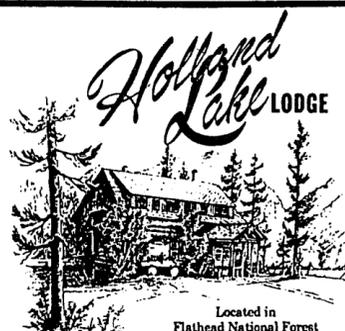
2 (about 3/4 lb.) Golden Delicious apples, cored and sliced	1/8 teaspoon each ground cinnamon and nutmeg
1 tablespoon lemon juice	1 tablespoon butter or margarine
3 tablespoons each flour and packed brown sugar	2 tablespoons each chopped walnuts and shredded coconut
	Half-and-half or cream

Toss apples with lemon juice; layer in 3-1/2 to 4-cup microwave-safe dish. Blend flour, brown sugar, spices and butter with pastry blender or fork. Add walnuts and coconut; mix well. Sprinkle evenly over apples. Microcook at HIGH (100%) 7 to 8 minutes; rotate dish one-quarter turn halfway through cooking time. Let stand 5 minutes; serve with half-and-half or cream.

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## Home Start program active in community

Parents are important teachers in our lives, and they deserve a "pat on the back" for sharing their routine activities with their children, according to Dianna Plum, of the Missoula area Home Start program.

"A lot of people don't get much credit for being parents," Plum said recently. The Home Start program, which helps a half-dozen families in the Seeley Lake area, is parent-focused. Children ages three to five years old benefit from the program by engaging in learning activities at home.

People who work with Home Start help parents expand their own daily routines. Children are encouraged to improve their communication and motor skills. When a child helps his parent set the table for dinner, for instance, he learns important math skills. By helping wash, dry and fold laundry, children learn to sort things by shape and color.

Since every family is different, every "teachable moment" is different, too, Plum explains. Most families, she said, already involve children in many household chores, but they may not realize the value of those learning experiences. Plum stressed that Home Start teachers do not tell parents what to do.

"We give support and recognition to the parent for what they're already doing with their children, as well as provide new ideas and techniques," she added. Activities, she said, are planned by parents, not by the Home Start teachers.

Dianna Plum's background is in elementary education, with emphasis on early childhood development. She is available to help families find various resource materials, and is also responsible for the Home Start program in the

Seeley Swan area. The program still has openings for two families. For more information about income guidelines call Dianna at 677-2663.

## SWAN SONG

### Theo B. Brotzman

Theo B. Brotzman, 75, of Seeley Lake died of natural causes Tuesday, September 22, at her home.

She was born March 28, 1912, in Rosalie, Washington to Elihu and Nettie Anderson. She was raised and attended schools in Bonner.

She married Clare Stevens in Missoula on December 7, 1934. They lived in Renton, Washington during World War II. She was employed by Boeing Aircraft for three years. Following the war, they returned to Montana and ranched at Evaro until moving to Missoula in 1947. She was employed at Missoula Laundry for several years. Her husband preceded her in death in 1955.

She married Fred Brotzman and they lived at Seeley Lake since 1958. Mr. Brotzman died in February 1968.

She was a member of the Seeley Lake Senior Citizens and raised poodles as a hobby.

She was preceded in death by three sisters and a granddaughter.

Surviving are a daughter, Shirley I. Mackie, Seeley Lake; a stepdaughter, Darlene Potter, Missoula; a brother, Frank Anderson, Missoula; six grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial services were held Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Seeley Lake Community Hall. The Rev. Robert Morris presided.

Cremation has taken place under the direction of Squire, Simmons & Carr Funeral Home, Missoula.

## SCHOOL SPORTS

### FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Seeley Swan High School

October 10, 1:30 pm  
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Junior Varsity  
October 12, 4:00 pm  
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Seeley Swan High School

October 9, 6:15 pm  
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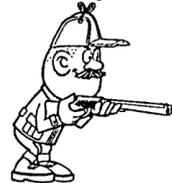
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## Hawks down Victor

by Lorena Cahoon

The Lady Hawk's varsity team beat the Victor Pirates with a score of 66 to 48 last Saturday night in Seeley Lake.

Sari Maki of the Pirates had a high score of 19 points. Stephanie Owens scored 20 points for Seeley Swan, which was the high score for the game. The next highest scorer for Seeley was Alvina Vannoy who tallied 14 points.

## Lynx crushed by Blackhawks

On Friday, September 25 at Lincoln High School, the Blackhawks beat the Lincoln Lynx 63 to 22. The leading scorers for the Blackhawks were Alvina Vannoy with 17 points followed by Brittne Hebnes, 13 points.

Leading the Lincoln Lynx in scoring were J. Sallin with 9 points and D. Stephenson with 7 points.

## Prospectors Dump Seeley

by Cliff Hawkins

Last Saturday, Seeley lost its homecoming football game to the Phillipsburg Prospectors 52-0. The Prospectors were powered by running backs Mike Cutler and Ray Hess and their line, which averaged over 200 pounds. The game ended late in the third quarter. The Prospector's season record is 3-1 and the Blackhawk's record fell to 1-3. Seeley must win their three upcoming games to advance to playoffs.

## AARP meets next week

The first meeting this fall of the Swan Valley AARP (American Association of Retired Persons) will be held October 5 at the Swan Valley Community Hall near Condon. A potluck dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m.



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The first regular meeting of the Driftriders snowmobile club will be held October 12, 6:30 p.m. at the Seeley Lake Community Hall. For more information call Vera Schmidt, 677-2481.

## Grizzly season opens

October 1 is the opening day of hunting season for grizzlies in Montana. The overall season quota for the Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem (excluding Glacier National Park) is eight, only two of which can be females.

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### Retirement and nursing homes on Chamber agenda

Seeley Lake senior citizens are interested in establishing a rest home here, and the public is invited to listen to a presentation on the subject next Tuesday night.

Many local residents favor the construction of a retirement/supportive care facility in Seeley Lake. A retirement home could make life easier for retired residents. Folks who have lived here a number of years are often faced with the difficult choice of staying in the community or leaving because they no longer enjoy routine chores such as cooking, chopping wood, and shoveling snow.

Retirement homes can offer separate apartments for residents—yet meals, for example, are prepared in a main dining room. Nursing care is often available for residents who need it.

A variety of people who work with Montana's elderly citizens have been invited to speak at the October 6 meeting of the Seeley Lake Area Chamber of Commerce. Topics to be discussed include how to finance construction of a retirement home; cost of room and board for residents; and management options for the board of directors in charge of the facility.

The Chamber meeting begins at 6 p.m. Tuesday night in the Seeley Lake Community Hall.

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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:

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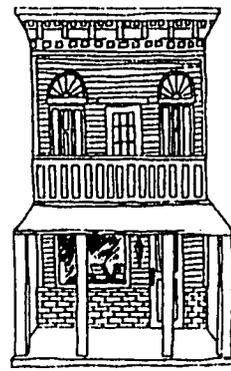
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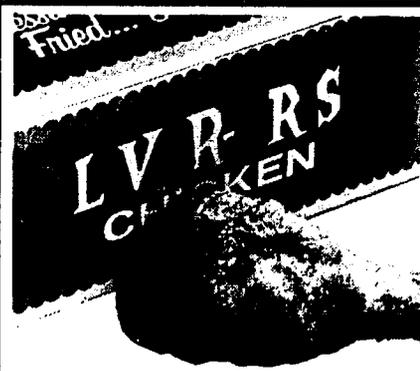
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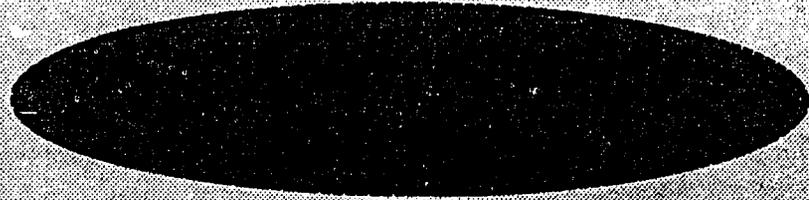
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