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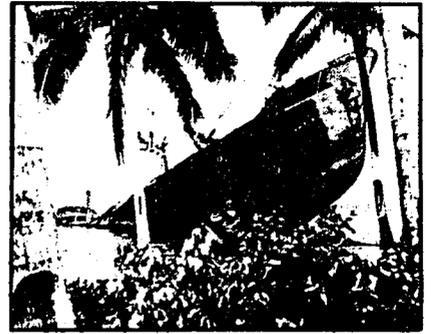
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WEATHER FORECAST

Thursday-Saturday: Scattered showers. Highs 40-50. Lows 15-30.

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Residents want fewer pike, more trout

by Suzanne Vernon

The message to fisheries managers during last Thursday night's meeting in Swan Lake was clear: residents want fewer pike and more trout in Swan Lake.

Jim Vashro of the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks conducted the meeting, hoping to get some response to newly proposed fishing regulations which will go into effect next year.

One of the new proposals was to lower the number and size of pike that may be taken from Swan Lake, and

thereby increase the number of trophy pike. Vashro admitted that he and other biologists have been under quite a bit of pressure to manage the lake as a pike fishery. Local residents at the meeting argued that the pressure was coming from "outsiders," not from Swan Valley residents.

Northern pike were illegally introduced into Swan Lake about ten years ago. Since that time, their populations have grown considerably in the lake, much to the dismay of loyal trout fishermen.

Vashro said on Monday that during many of the meetings held recently to

discuss the new proposals, the pike regulation was the most controversial.

"We've gotten largely that response throughout the Region," he said, referring to anglers who want more trout and fewer pike.

Vashro said that, as a result of these public meetings, he will withdraw the new proposal to reduce pike limits in Swan Lake. The Fish and Game Commission meets next week in Helena.

To comment on proposed fishing regulations, contact FWP offices in Kalispell, 752-5501 or Missoula, 542-5500.

Salmon season to close above Inez barrier only

by Suzanne Vernon

Biologists with the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Missoula office, are seeking public comments on the salmon snagging season in the Clearwater Valley.

The Montana Fish and Game Commission meets in Helena next week to hear final suggestions for the 1988-1990 fishing regulations. A draft copy of the tentative regulations released earlier this fall recommended that the salmon snagging season be closed throughout the Clearwater Valley. Other changes included closing the river to fishing during the winter months.

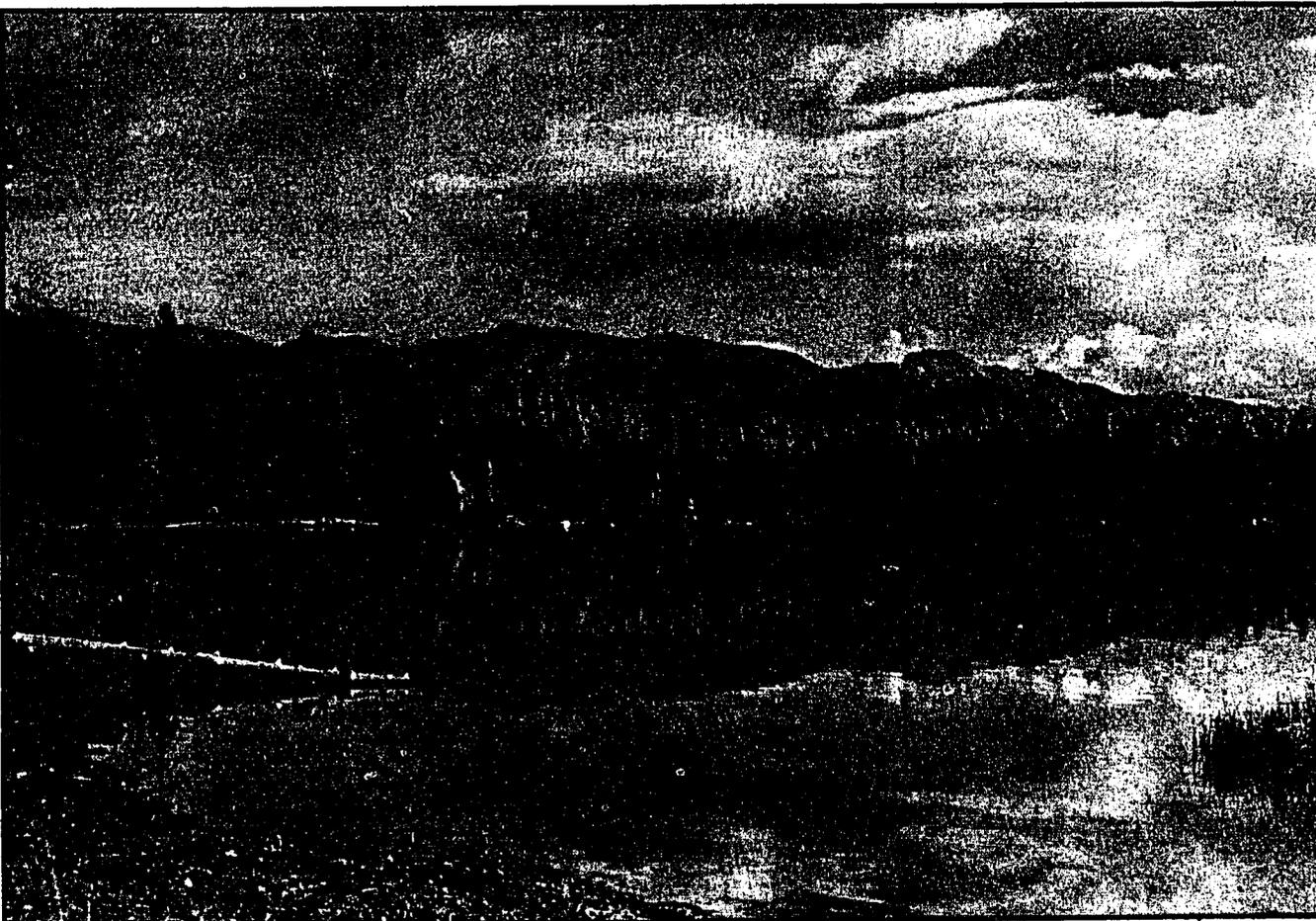
According to Dennis Workman, fisheries biologist with the Missoula FWP office, public comments have favored keeping the river open to whitefish fishing and salmon snagging.

However, biologists would like to close the river to salmon snagging above the Lake Inez fish barrier.

The population of salmon in Lake Inez and Lake Alva is relatively small, according to Workman. The two lakes are not stocked with salmon and are dependent on natural regeneration. He and other biologists fear that fishing pressure during the spawning season could adversely affect salmon in the two lakes.

Options to closing the salmon snagging season in that area have not been discussed. Workman implied that he would be open to suggestions, such as lowering the limit. Currently, anglers may snag up to 35 fish per day, and are allowed to have 70 fish in possession.

Throughout the rest of the Clearwater Valley, biologists will recommend that fishing regulations remain the same. (That is, the new, tentative proposals would be dropped.) The river would remain open during the winter months.

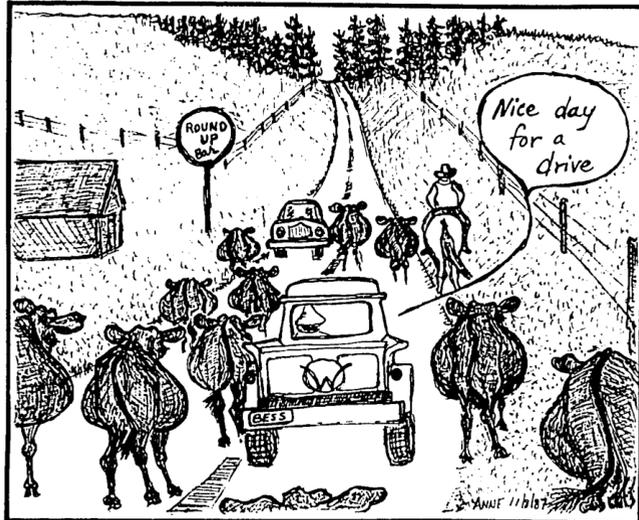


View of Lindbergh Lake looking east toward the Swan Range. This photo was taken about ten days ago. The larch trees have now shed their golden needles.

S. Vernon Photo

OPINION

Natty Bumpo



Even the Good News is Bad News

The current issue of *Montana Business Quarterly* reports that Montana led the nation in 1986 in terms of increased real personal income (5.4%). That's the good news. Then, they go on to explain that this laudable distinction is a statistical fluke. That's the bad news.

It seems that farm labor income in Montana was extremely low in 1985. When it rebounded in 1986 to a more normal level, it made the whole state look good. In fact, non-farm labor income (which is more than ten times greater than farm income) has been declining steadily since 1984 in real terms (ie, with inflation subtracted out).

The *Montana Business Quarterly* also predicts dismal growth in Montana's economy through 1989—lagging significantly behind the national economy. Jobs are expected to increase in the state, but at a rate of barely 3,000 per year. However, these projections were made prior to the recent collapse of the stock market, and will probably be revised downward.

More bad news: *Inc.* magazine recently reported that Montana has the 48th worst business climate in the nation (down from 47th last year).

There's even more bad economic news for Montana, but the subject is, *per se*, getting to be old news. Why are we in this fix? As has been repeated here *ad nauseam*, misguided state policies can shoulder much of the blame. If policies are the problem, perhaps a politician can fix them—or, at least, get things moving in the right direction. Let us hope that, somewhere within the emerging crop of gubernatorial candidates, there is at least one who has his economic wits about him.

Our plight is not unique. From time to time, other states have been in a similar predicament. The turnaround usually comes when a strong governor is elected—a governor who succeeds in bringing about meaningful economic reform. Accordingly, it behooves us all to follow the campaign and ascertain who is best qualified to breathe new life into our ailing economy. Perhaps there will be some good news, after all.

—Dick Potter

Weather

SWAN VALLEY—Weather data collected by Marty Kux near Lindbergh Lake shows that October this year was a near record month for low precipitation, second only to October, 1965.

Last month Kux recorded .24 inches of precipitation compared to .22 inches recorded by John Stark in 1965.

"We could very well be headed for a record low year," Kux noted, however. Total precipitation for the year so far has been 13.91 inches. The record annual low precipitation was 20.66 inches recorded in 1973.

"We'll just have to wait and see," Kux commented, adding that during 1973, more than eight inches of precipitation came in November and December alone.

Record high precipitation for the month of October came in 1967 when 5.21 inches was recorded.

No snow fell at Lindbergh Lake during October this year. Since 1981, two Octobers have passed with no snow recorded at Lindbergh Lake.

Other statistics for last month show a high temperature of 79 degrees Fahrenheit on October 2 and a low temperature of 18 degrees on October 10. Average high was 61.3 degrees (about 11 degrees warmer than the five year average). Average low for the month was 30.8 degrees, which is just about average, Kux said.

SEELEY LAKE—October 1987 was a record month for low precipitation, according to personnel at the Seeley Lake Ranger Station. Only .04 inches of rain was recorded in October. September 1987 was the second driest month on record, according to weather data collected by the Forest Service for the past twenty years.

"This is about the driest fall anyone has ever seen," said Dave Sisk, fire management officer for the Seeley Lake Ranger District.

The dry fall weather has created problems for Forest Service personnel. "We are still in the fire season," Sisk said. A total of eight fires have been suppressed just since hunting season began barely two weeks ago, he added.

The biggest problem is warming fires, he said. Hunters aren't putting the fires out before they leave an area.

Firewood gatherers should also be careful—one fire was started accidentally by a person cutting firewood. "That's really unusual for this time of year," Sisk commented.

"We don't have a lot of people around now to fight fires, either," he added. Several Forest Service personnel recently left for Tennessee and Pennsylvania to fight fires in those states.

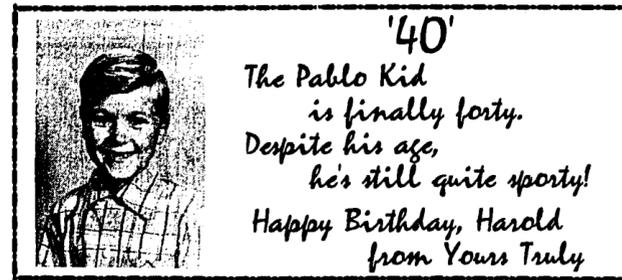
Country Journal

by Suzanne Vernon

Several people have seen eagles near Lake Inez this week. They are resting in the treetops, no doubt looking for the salmon to spawn in Lake Alva and Lake Inez. So far, not many salmon have been seen. The whitefish are schooled up in the river pools, but the salmon run seems to be late.

Fisheries biologists believe that the warm, dry weather has everything to do with the late salmon runs all across Western Montana. Placid Lake is a hot spot now for spawning salmon, unlike the other areas where biologists normally find the fish this time of year. People from the Somers fish hatchery were collecting salmon eggs at Placid Lake this week, to show you how desperate they are.

The salmon run is just one sign that winter isn't too far off, despite our continued, warm sunny days. The white-tail bucks are beginning to rut. We saw a four-point along Highway 83 near Rainy Lake last week. His neck was double the normal size, and the last thing he was concerned about was me and the kids—hanging out the window of the truck trying to take his picture!



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To the Editor:
I would like to comment on the dancing girl strip show that was held at the Roundup Bar October 24. I feel this is another part of our freedom to choose or not to choose to participate.

The lady who owns and operates this establishment is open-minded, offering this entertainment at no additional cost to those who wish to partake in some very good and entertaining entertainment, which is not there to offend anyone. The door closes and opens to all of legal age.

The group of people attending varied in age and sex. There was never a rude or smutty remark or anything that may cause problems. The group conducted themselves very mannerly, enjoying the show. The girls performed very professionally and seemed very delighted to do their thing. I personally talked to both of them and at no time felt uneasy or thought they were cheap.

My hat comes off to all involved. This is just another piece of our freedom—that being of legal age entitles us to our freedom of entertainment, the American way.

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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

Nov 14, Matthew Benefit Potluck & Hunting Season Dance, Potluck: 6:30pm & Dance: 9pm-1am, Swan Valley Comm Hall, Condon.

Nov 15, D.J. Show, 7-10pm, Holland Lake Lodge, Condon.

Nov 21, Women's Club Christmas Bazaar, 9am-5pm, Comm Hall, Seeley Lake.

Nov 21, Faith Lutheran Church Bazaar, All Day at Church, Condon.

Nov 17, Seeley Lake PTA Story Hour, 6:30-7:30pm, Elem School, Seeley Lake.

Nov 16, 17, 18, Senior Nutrition Program, Noon Lunch, Comm Hall, Seeley Lake.

Nov 18, AA Mtg & Alanon Mtg, 7pm, REA Bldg, Seeley Lake.

Nov 18, Veterans Rep at Ovando Post Office, 1:30-2pm; Seeley Lake 1st Valley Bank, 2:45pm.

Nov 19, Condon Community Club, 8pm, Swan Valley Comm Hall, Condon.

Public Meetings

Nov 16, Community Council Mtg, 7pm, Comm Hall, Seeley Lake.

Nov 17, Fire District Board Mtg, 7:30pm, Fire Hall, Seeley Lake.

Clubs & Organizations

Nov 12, Condon Alcoholics Anon, 7:30pm, Swan Valley Elem School, Condon.

Nov 12, Trout Unlimited (Big Blackfoot Chptr) Mtg, 7:30pm, Smiling Gulch Ranch, Lincoln.

Nov 13, American Legion, 7pm, Swan Valley Comm Hall, Condon.

Nov 15, Seeley Lake Alcoholics Anon, 7pm, Mill basement, Seeley Lake.

Nov 16, Seeley Lake PTA Mtg, 7pm, Elem School, Seeley Lake.

Other

Nov 12, Bookmobile, Potomac School, 10-11:30am; Sunset School, 12-1pm; Clearwater Junction, 1:30-2:30pm; Seeley Lake, 3-5:30pm.

Nov 12, Parent-Teacher Conferences, 2-5pm & 6-8pm, Elem School, Seeley Lake.

Nov 13, Bookmobile, Seeley Lake Elem, 9am-Noon; Seeley Lake Town, 12:45-2:30pm.

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Remembering World War II

by Suzanne Vernon

It's the "human interest" stuff that's important to remember about a war, according to one local veteran.

"That combat stuff is publicized all the time. . . it's the other things that really stick with you," says Herb Townsend, Seeley Lake.

Some of those "other things" that Townsend remembers about World War II in Guadalcanal and Guam include the way the natives of those countries appreciated the Americans. In a letter that he wrote to a friend in Seeley Lake during the war, Townsend shared some of his war experiences:

"The native people were happy to get with us again. Some little boys, 7 and 11 years old, told me they had been forced to work in the rice fields and older ones on the airport. They were being cared for in the good old American way now. Feel sorry for the children and babies and for the very old folks. Some of the other adults don't look too bad."

Townsend was with the Seabees—Construction Battalion Maintenance Unit #515. During what he calls a military "experiment" his unit served with the Marines when they landed on the beaches of Guam. The Seabees built everything from roads and portable kitchens to permanent camps and airstrips. He served about 24 months in advanced combat areas.

Townsend vividly remembers the temporary camps with their portable ovens. "Boy, those Marines sure appreciated a shot of that fresh bread and a cup of hot coffee," he said.

Many of the men serving in the Marines at that time were between the ages of 18 and 20. Townsend was in his late thirties when he enlisted in the military.



American Seabees standing in front of an ice plant which was taken over by Americans during World War II in Guadalcanal. Herb Townsend is pictured here, far right, back row. Photo this page and also front page courtesy Herb Townsend, Seeley Lake.

"From the day that war started, I just knew I was gonna do it," he recalls. "I just had to do it, just had an urge and left."

"I had no business being there, though," he says, shaking his head. His wife and children remained in Seeley Lake during those war years. He missed his family more than anything else during his time overseas.

Townsend, being older than most of the enlisted men, became "pop" to many of the soldiers. One young man, in particular, shared stories with Herb. "He was a young farm kid, he talked about his dog, his mom and dad, brothers and sisters. He was really homesick," Townsend remembers. Sadly, he also remembers that the youth must have had a premonition—he was one of the first men killed during the initial assault wave on Guam.

Townsend lost touch with many of the men he became friends with during the war. Others, though, he has contacted, and sometimes visited.

"You stay away from it for a long while," he explained. "But it comes back to you, and you realize how close you got to some people. They were a real good bunch of people."

Townsend doesn't talk much with other veterans. He is 81 years old, and admits that many of the friends he made during the war have now died. But he still believes that veterans of all wars have one universal feeling in common.

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Veterans Affairs on the 18th

Len Leibinger of the Montana Veterans Affairs Division will be available to veterans and their dependents on Wednesday, November 18th: Lincoln Senior Citizens Center from 10:00 to 12:00 p.m.; Ovando Post Office from 1:30 to 2:00 p.m.; Seeley Lake, 1st Valley Bank from 2:45 to 4:00 p.m.

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OUTDOORS

Destruction of habitat main concern for Swan

by Suzanne Vernon

Neither local residents nor biologists can prove that habitat destruction is causing a decline in cutthroat trout populations in the Swan River. But their gut feelings, discussed at a meeting last week in Swan Lake, point a finger directly at timber companies and the Forest Service as being partly responsible for loss of cutthroat in the Swan River.

However, all parties involved seem to realize that the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks has little control over general forest management practices.

Members of Trout Unlimited recognize that the Forest Service and timber companies are catching most of the blame for the poor fishing in the Swan Valley, even though nobody can prove that habitat is being destroyed. Don Alley, member of the Kalispell chapter of Trout Unlimited, has proposed catch and release fishing regulations for cutthroat and rainbow trout in the entire Swan River above the Bigfork Dam.

"There is no way we can prove that the logging has any effect on the Swan at all, we have no control over that," he said. Alley argues that if fishing pressure, and not habitat loss, is the

problem, cutthroat populations will "bounce back" after only two seasons of catch and release regulations.

"If catch and release does work, we can relax pressure on the Forest Service, and quit pointing to logging as the problem," he said.

The Montana Fish and Game Commission will consider Alley's catch and release proposal next week. Fisheries biologists are still talking to members of Trout Unlimited about their proposal. In general, according to Jim

Vashro of the FWP office in Kalispell, the department supports the catch and release proposal. However, Vashro would like to see a portion of the river remain open to all fishing. "We need a control section of the river," he said.

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Hunters up in Blackfoot, Swan

BONNER—More hunters stopped at the Bonner check station this fall, compared to 1986. However, the big game harvest still appears to be down, except for whitetail and mule deer. Statistics for the check station during the first two weeks of hunting season are as follows.

1987	1986
6791 Hunters	6441 Hunters
150 elk	167 elk
386 mule deer	371 mule deer
356 whitetail deer	346 whitetail
	2 black bear

SWAN VALLEY—Biologists have seen an increase in hunters this week at the Swan Valley check station. Elk and mule deer harvests appear to be up. Statistics for the first two weeks of the season are as follows.

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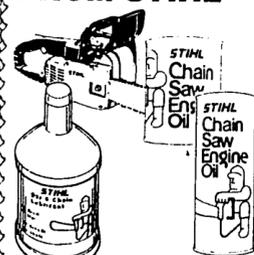
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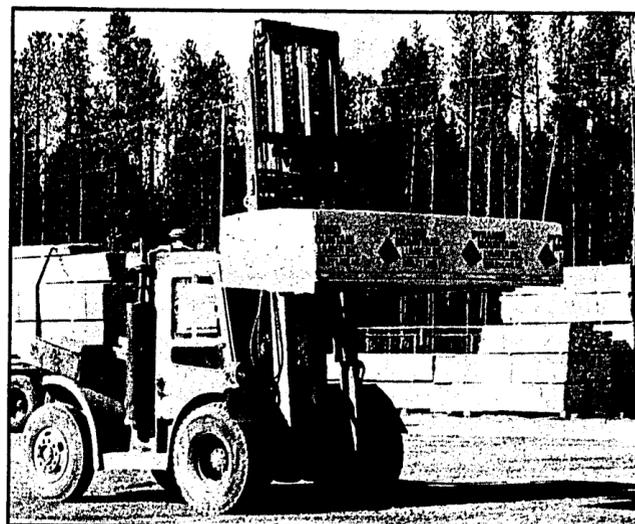


The Mill: A Profile (Part 3)

by Dick Potter

(Editor's Note: This week, we conclude our description of the Pyramid Mountain Lumber mill in Seeley Lake. Earlier in this series, we covered supply issues and the tree harvesting process. Now, we come to the heart of the matter—sawmill operations.)

Last time, you were asked to imagine yourself as a spruce tree. You patiently endured the process of being felled, limbed, bucked and hauled off to the Pyramid logyard in Seeley Lake. While waiting there, you may have wondered why nobody has turned a water sprinkler on you—a common sight in other mills. Contrary to popular belief, sprinkling is not a fire control measure. Instead, it is used to minimize the formation of "blue stain," a fungal rot which reduces the commercial value of lumber. Pine, especially Ponderosa pine, is susceptible to blue stain. However, since Pyramid handles Ponderosa only in cool weather, when blue stain isn't a problem, they don't do any sprinkling.



The loading yard at Pyramid Mountain Lumber, Inc., Seeley Lake.

Today marks your entrance through the portals of the sawmill. A very large loader has picked you up in its massive forks, along with several dozen of your brethren, and deposited you sideways on a conveyor near the sawmill. You'll recall that you arrived from the woods in three pieces: two "fat" 33-foot logs and a "skinny" 16-footer. First, let's take a (somewhat oversimplified) look at what happens to a 33-footer.

Your first stop on the conveyor is a circular bucksaw, which promptly chops you in half. (Nominal sixteen-foot lengths are more-or-less the standard for Pyramid.) Then, your pieces are shunted through a de-barker, whose whirring steel teeth take only seconds to remove your bark. Next, you arrive at a sorter which shunts you to either the large-log conveyor or the small-log conveyor, depending on your diameter. Anything

bigger than eleven inches in diameter ends up being handled as a large log. Since you are a former "monarch" of the forest, and have more than an 11-inch diameter, you find yourself entering the large-log side of the mill.

The Head-Rig

As you pass sideways through the entry slot high in the mill's wall, your first impression is of overwhelming noise. No doubt, the sound is like music to the ears of a lumber manufacturer; for the rest of us, though, it's just plain loud and more like cacophony than symphony. Conveyors and other machinery are whirring everywhere you look.

A long parade of logs approaches the head-rig, which is a very large stationary bandsaw equipped with a movable carriage. Arriving at the head-rig, you are quickly sized up by the sawyer, who operates his instrument console from a cab above the head-rig. Ruby-colored laser beams play over your side and act as a straight-edge to guide the sawyer's decision. The sawyer's hands are constantly moving over the array of levers and buttons, as though playing a Wurlitzer to accompany the march of logs.

He rolls you over with mechanical grapplers and positions you on the carriage for the opening cut. The carriage swiftly moves toward the turning bandsaw. Just before you arrive, your exposed side is flattened by a chipper head. Then, your entire length is passed through the bandsaw in a matter of three or four seconds. A slab of "side lumber" falls away and is conveyed to an edger saw, where the rounded edges are cut away. (Actually, the edger for the head-rig is a gang of three saws, which produces two boards simultaneously from each slab. Laser beams are used in this operation, also.)

In the meantime, the sawyer and his computer have established an optimized sawing pattern. You are conveyed back and forth on the carriage and rotated each time until all the side lumber has been removed, leaving a square "cant"—typically, ten or twelve inches on a side. The cant is then sliced into a variety of one- and two-inch thick cuts. (Since you are a whitewood species, one-inch

boards will predominate.) These pieces don't require edging and are conveyed directly to a trimmer where they are cut to length. They are joined here by the edged side lumber, which also requires trimming. About 225 large logs, representing 25-30% of total production volume, are processed in this way during each 8-hour shift at the mill.

The Twin-Band

Remember your 16-foot cousin? He'll end up going through the small-log side of the mill. The first encounter is with a twin-bladed bandsaw (with a chipper head on each side), which will produce two pieces of side lumber and a cant. The side lumber is conveyed to an edger saw and, from there, to the trim line (the same one serving the head-rig). The cant rides a "merry-go-round" conveyor and comes back through a gang saw, which can be set to make either 1-inch or 2-inch cuts. Just like everything else, this material is then conveyed to the trim line. Roughly 2000 small logs are processed during each shift.

The Green Chain and Beyond

After trimming, all the lumber is conveyed out of the mill onto the "green chain." The green chain is nothing more than a conveyor in an open shed, staffed by some very hard-working souls. Their task is to sort and stack the mix of different products arriving from the head-rig and twin-band. Recently, that task has been eased somewhat by the installation of an automatic stacker at the end of the line, which is used to stack whatever item is being produced in the greatest quantity.

Kiln drying is an important step in the operation; all of Pyramid's dimension lumber and boards are dried. Loads to be dried are carefully stacked using spacers, or "stickers," between each layer of boards. The cars which carry the loads are pushed along rails into the kilns and the doors are closed. Forced-air heating is used for anywhere from 30 to 72 hours to dry a load. When drying is completed, doors on the opposite side of the kiln are opened and the car is pulled out.

The other major operation conducted at Pyramid is planing; all dried material is planed. The planer building stands apart from the sawmill and resembles a large warehouse. The planer itself is housed in a relatively small cubicle inside the building. Boards emerging from the planer are graded by inspectors, who also make a final decision on trimming the boards. The boards then pass through a trim saw onto the "dry chain," where they are sorted and stacked for shipment. Right now, the planer is something of a "bottleneck" at the mill, and it is necessary to run two 10-hour shifts, five days a week.

Sales

Doug Mood is the sales manager for Pyramid, and the orders he obtains shape the production plans for the entire mill. Every Monday morning, Doug starts calling the forty or so wholesalers who purchase from Pyramid. (Including direct sales to retailers, Pyramid currently has about 125 major customers nationwide.) Lumber is a dynamic market, according to Doug, and prices fluctuate weekly. In addition to supply and demand considerations, prices are influenced by futures trading on the Chicago Mercantile and posted prices in *Random Lengths*, an industry newsletter. This is all complicated by the fact that Doug has to deal with a wide variety of 1-inch board and 2-inch lumber lengths and widths, covering a range of grades. The mill also produces some custom products. In today's market, Doug is able to sell everything the mill can produce.

Operating Style

As noted in Part 1 of this series, Pyramid has survived and prospered through some hard times. A major reason for this seems to be their willingness to adapt and innovate. Examples

abound. During the energy crunch of the mid-70's, Pyramid moved from fossil fuel to "hog" (ie, tree bark) fuel for generating process heat; their feedback-controlled boiler is state-of-the-art. The transition to 1-inch boards in 1980 required significant adaptation, including handling twice as many pieces as before and adding more drying kilns. Many mechanical innovations have been made, such as a switch to thinner saw blades to reduce waste from logs.

Other improvements are underway, including installation of a new trim line in the sawmill and expansion of the packaging and palletizing operation.

Management has wisely emphasized such things as safety and maintenance. Also, production incentives tailored to individual jobs have been established. A visitor to Pyramid is struck by the observation that none of the jobs appear easy. They are either intellectually or physically demanding, or both. Pyramid employees rise to the challenge which, in combination with good management, promises a long and prosperous future for our mill.

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If would be wise to obtain a Social Security number for a dependent right away, according to John Garrity, Field Representative for the Missoula office of the Department of Health and Human Services.

If people wait until after January 1, he said, the local Social Security office may be very busy and there could be a delay in issuing the number.

Parents can call 1-800-722-0453 to get a form SS-5—or visit the local Social Security office. After completing the form, it can be returned by mail with proof of age, citizenship, and identity. But, if the dependent is age 18 or older, he or she must apply in person.

Applications are also being distributed to local schools.

Evidence needed is date of birth, and citizenship or lawful alien status. Separate recent evidence of identity is also required. A public birth record established before age 5 is generally sufficient to prove age and U.S. citizenship. A school ID or report card, shot record or doctor's bill, day care record, drivers license, or recent identification is sufficient to prove identity.

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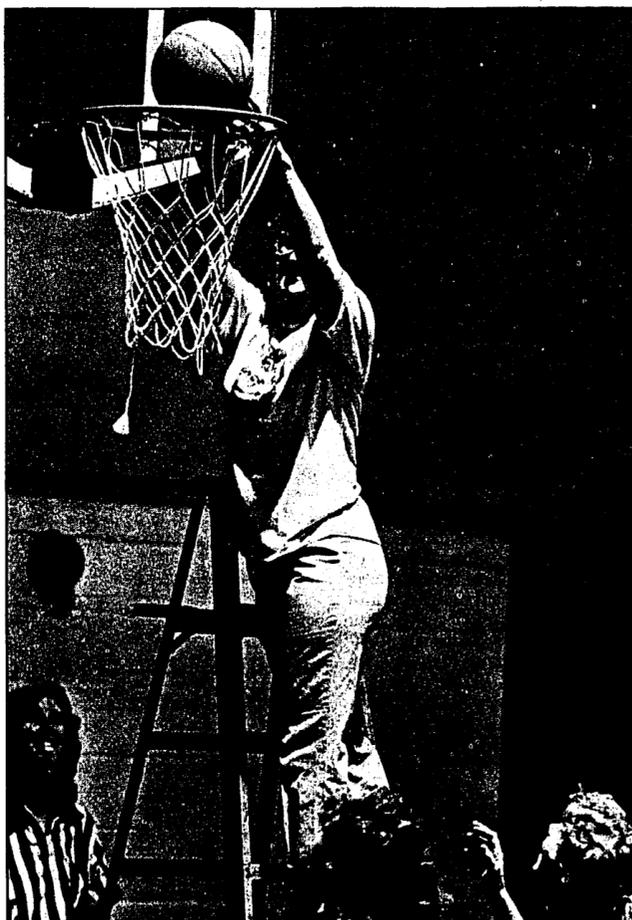
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Addrien Marx goes for two—the easy way—at the Mother-Daughter basketball game last week at Seeley Lake Elementary. The Moms won: 24-17.

Economic Task Force proposals adopted

At its monthly meeting last week, the Seeley Lake Chamber endorsed four proposals from the Chamber's Economic Task Force:

- 1) Focus efforts on assisting existing businesses rather than on recruiting new businesses. According to Jeff Macon, Task Force chairman, it was deemed inappropriate to attempt to attract major new businesses to the community until there is a more developed infrastructure, particularly a sewer system.
- 2) Assist small wood products

businesses in marketing and distribution of their products. Ron Klaphake, head of the Missoula County Economic Development Corporation, and Larry Gianchetta, dean of the UM Business School, will take part in this program.

3) Visit and obtain information from recreational "package" promoters in various areas of Montana. Macon and Howard Uhl, a Glacier Country director, will initially identify various package operators such as Lone Mountain Ranch near Bozeman. They will then invite local businesses to visit these operators and explore the possibilities for packaging existing recreational attractions in the Valley.

4) Initiate a public education program on the possible benefits of a sewer system for the community.

Local writers group forms

Some interest has been shown in forming a writer's club in Seeley Lake, according to local resident and author, Rod Kvamme. In response to that interest, Kvamme is asking writers and history enthusiasts to contact him at Box 512, Seeley Lake.

Kvamme is especially interested in organizing a local history project relating to the 1989 Montana Centennial. An organizational meeting will be announced for some time in January, he said.

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, Nov. 16
Lasagna
- Tuesday, Nov. 17
Sausage Gravy & Biscuits
- Wednesday, Nov. 18
Ham & Baked Beans

Reservations are appreciated for these noon meals. For more information call 677-2008.

Chamber moves toward Neighborhood Watch

In view of recent vandalism and theft in the Seeley Lake area, local businesses believe participation in the Neighborhood Watch program might act as a deterrent to future crime. At the November 3 Seeley Lake Area Chamber of Commerce meeting, members unanimously moved to make application for membership in the Neighborhood Watch program on behalf of Chamber businesses. If the Chamber application is accepted by the Neighborhood Watch board of directors for Missoula County, the next step is to hold a public meeting in the community to explain the program to local businesses and enlist participants.

Deputy Sheriff Lloyd Hallgren briefly discussed Neighborhood Watch. The program organizes the community by groups so that neighbors can get acquainted, discuss common problems and help protect their neighborhood by being aware of unusual or suspicious activity. Hallgren encouraged cooperation by the business community, remarking that "Burglary is one of the hardest crimes to solve, and it's one of the most prevalent." Criminals are less likely to operate in a community with a Neighborhood Watch program. Hallgren cited the success of the 2-year-old program at the Double Arrow subdivision, and he emphasized that sharing the responsibility of security is a cooperative effort.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Bonnie returns to Shear Pleasure

Bonnie Connell, owner/operator of Shear Pleasure hair style salon in Seeley Lake, returned to work last week after recuperating from surgery and a broken leg.

Bonnie's daughter, Rendie Khul, also a cosmetologist, helped her mother for the past two months at Shear Pleasure in Seeley Lake. Rendie has now returned to work at P. R. Host, Company, Missoula. Snowmobile Corner

Bonnie is glad to be back to work and feels "very fortunate" having a daughter to help her out in her Seeley Lake business.

Power outages scheduled south of Seeley

Helmville and Drummond also affected

On Wednesday November 18 starting at 1 p.m. the Missoula Electric Cooperative, Inc. has scheduled two planned power outages. Both outages will start at 1 p.m. and last approximately one hour. However, they will cover two different areas.

The Morrell Substation will be

shut down at 1 p.m. so that work can be done to return it to normal operating status now that all the PCB transformer oil has been removed from the substation transformers. The outage will affect Salmon Lake, Placid Lake, Double Arrow, Seeley Lake and the surrounding area. The area north of Seeley Lake will not be affected.

Also starting at 1 p.m. that day, the Helmville and Shelly substations will be shut down to replace broken insulators in the substations and replace a rotten pole on the transmission line. The outage will affect the town of Helmville and the surrounding area south to Drummond and Avon.

Two new directors for water board

Bob Scott and Bud Johnson were elected to the Seeley Lake water board in last week's election. Scott, who has served previously on the board and has been active in water district matters for many years, was elected to a 4-year

term. Johnson, who is also chairman of the Seeley Lake Community Council, was elected to a 2-year term.

All incumbents who ran were re-elected: Mary Adams (2-year term), Gary Bender (2-year term), and Dan Cainan (4-year term).

According to Doreen Culver, district secretary, the new directors will begin active service at the December meeting of the water board.

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Cornucopia by Michele Potter

Wild meat - more recipes. The Venison Steak Rolls came from Tammy Ryan, Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks. The Venison Strips with Wine came from The Reynolds Wrap Kitchens; if cooking bags are new to you, this is an easy first-time recipe.

Venison Steak Rolls

4 slices bacon	Salt and pepper, to taste
1/2 cup finely chopped onion	2 slices Swiss cheese (or your choice)
1/4 cup finely chopped celery	2 pounds venison steak, pounded, cut into serving pieces
2 cups bread crumbs	1/2 cup butter
1 egg well-beaten	1/2 cup cracker crumbs
1 teaspoon sage	

Fry bacon until crisp, remove from skillet and crumble. Add onion and celery and sauté. Add the bacon, bread crumbs, egg, sage, salt and pepper. Spoon about two tablespoons of the mixture on each piece of venison (this amount will depend on the size of the venison pieces). Top with cheese and roll up. Secure with toothpicks. Roll each roll in cracker crumbs and fry in butter. Turn often. For tough venison, use a lid and very low heat, then remove lid for crustiness.

Venison Strips with Wine

3 tablespoons flour	1-1/2 pounds venison cut in
1/4 teaspoon each salt, pepper, rosemary and thyme leaves	4 x 1/2-inch strips
3/4 cup dry red wine	1/4 cup chopped onion
3/4 cup beef broth	1 bay leaf
1 tablespoon vegetable oil	8 ounces egg noodles, cooked
	Parsley & Butter

Preheat oven to 325 degrees F. Shake flour, salt, pepper, crushed rosemary and thyme in regular size (10" x 16") Reynolds Oven Cooking Bag; place in 12 x 8 x 2-inch baking dish. Add wine, broth and oil; mix to dissolve flour. Add venison, onion and bay leaf. Close bag with nylon tie. Make 6 half-inch slits in top. Bake 1-1/2 hours or until venison is fork tender. Serve over noodles tossed in parsley and butter. Makes 4 servings.

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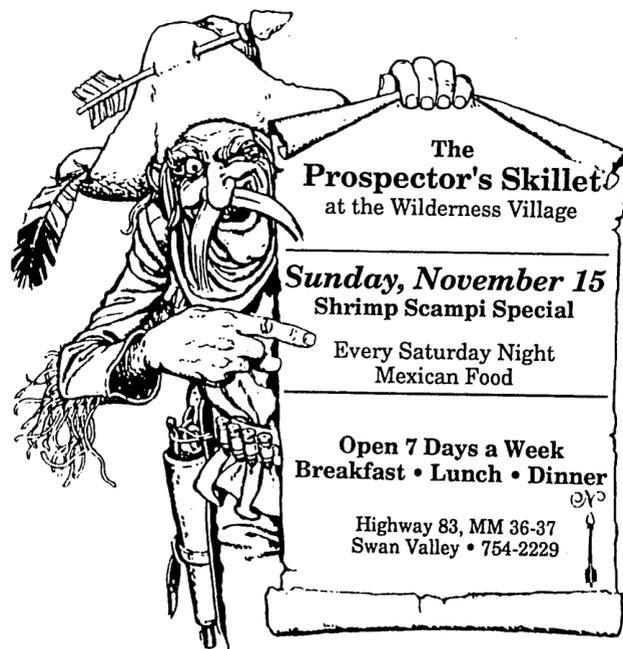
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New Fire Hall to be built near Condon

by Suzanne Vernon

Volunteer firefighters in the Swan Valley last weekend began construction of a new fire hall across from the Swan Valley Centre near Condon. They hope to be finished with the building before winter arrives, according to Bill Shoup, fire department president.

Shoup pointed out that the Swan Valley Volunteer Fire Company is now incorporated, and has been training firefighters for several months. The group is also completing paperwork to obtain necessary liability insurance.

Earlier this year, Swan Valley resident, Dale Conley, donated a portion of his land along Highway 83 to the Swan Valley Fire Department. Recent donations totaling \$25,000 are now being used to fund construction of the new fire hall.

Recent contributions from Swan Valley residents have been a real boost for the group. "We wouldn't be putting up a building without their support," Shoup said, grateful to the people who have donated money.

The new fire hall will house two fire trucks: a water tender and a pumper, along with the Condon-Swan Valley QRU ambulance. Shoup explained that the Quick Response Unit was not officially a part of the fire department, even though the ambulance would be stored in the building.

One of the fire trucks was donated by Rustics of Lindbergh Lake. The other came from the Ferndale Fire Department. Tentatively, the Department of State Lands may also store one of their fire trucks in the building during winter months.

The Swan Valley Volunteer Fire Department now has 13 charter members, all of whom have completed necessary training to become firefighters. This fall, four or five new members will begin training. Rollie Mathew is Fire Chief, and Curt Nebel is the secretary-treasurer for the group.

Eventually, the establishment of the Volunteer Fire Department will lead to lower insurance rates for local homeowners, Shoup implied. The Swan Valley volunteers will respond to fires from the Summit (Beaver Creek) north to Salmon Prairie. Currently, firefighters are equipped with QRU pagers and can be dispatched through the 9-1-1 emergency system.



Swan Valley Fire Chief Rollie Welch takes a look through the transit while Curt Nebel looks on. The Volunteer Fire Company began construction on their new fire hall across from Swan Valley Centre last weekend.

Although rumors of tax increases have been heard by local residents in recent months, Shoup assures people that the fire department is strictly volunteer. He is confident that donations will cover expenses for items such as insurance, equipment, and gas.

Public support has been tremendous, Shoup said, indicating that the fire department should be able to pay its way with fundraisers.

The group is tentatively planning to organize a Fireman's Ball, which will help cover operating costs for next year.

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The Lutheran Brotherhood, Shining Mountain Branch #8055, is holding a benefit potluck Saturday for Rollie and Linda Mathew and their newly acquired children.

Cole and Christie Sullivan, ages five and two, recently moved to the Swan Valley and are now living with their aunt and uncle near Condon. Money raised at the benefit dinner will be matched by funds from the Lutheran organization and given to the Matthew

family.

The potluck dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Swan Valley Community Hall, Condon. A Hunting Season Dance, sponsored by the American Legion, Swan Valley Post No. 63, will begin at 9 p.m.

A pie auction will also be held during the benefit. For more information about the event, call Marilyn Rose at 754-2565.



Pam Styler

Styler gets chance to cheer in Hawaii

Pam Styler, daughter of Linda and Gary Styler, Swan Valley, recently received an application for the National Cheerleading Championship in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Pam will be one of several girls across the United States to get a chance to cheer at the Hula Bowl, January 16, at the Aloha Stadium. If she can raise the necessary funds, Pam will be leaving for Hawaii on January 8th and will return on the 17th.

Pam has received a donation from the Seeley Lake Youth Fund, a fund set aside to support students representing Seeley-Swan High School on a national or international basis. An estimated \$1200 is needed for the Hawaiian trip. For more information about donations call Seeley Swan High School or Pam at 754-2272.

AARP offers driver training course

The Swan Valley chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons is sponsoring a Driver Training course December 2 and 3 in Condon.

According to a recent news release, older drivers continue to maintain a reasonably good driving record. They have continued this good record by learning to compensate for the physical deficiencies that come with the aging process. As traffic becomes more complicated and the number of older drivers increases, older people have to learn how to keep pace. All senior drivers want to remain independent and "able to get around" as long as possible, according to AARP members.

The 55/ALIVE driver training program is a defensive driving course for persons 50 years of age and older. The eight hour course to be held in Condon will be completed in two days, according to Del Pockrus, instructor. Each session begins at 10 a.m. and ends at 3 p.m.

A real benefit of the driver training course is that, thanks to recent state legislation, persons 55 years of age or older who take the course can receive a discount on their automobile insurance.

All of the 55/ALIVE driver training programs are taught by certified volunteers. Pockrus explained recently that he may be available to teach the course in the communities of Swan Lake or Seeley Lake, provided that about 20 people register for the courses there.

For more information about the driver training course to be held in Condon, contact Del Pockrus at 754-2475.

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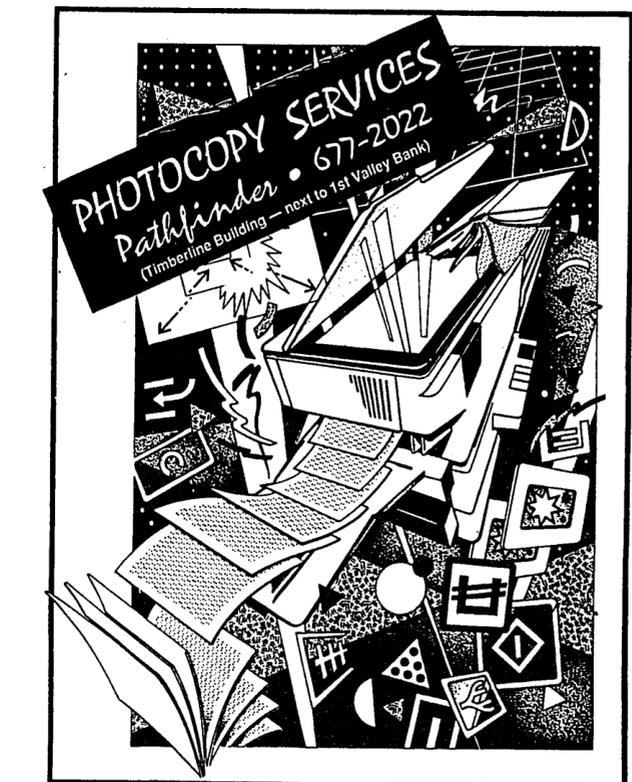
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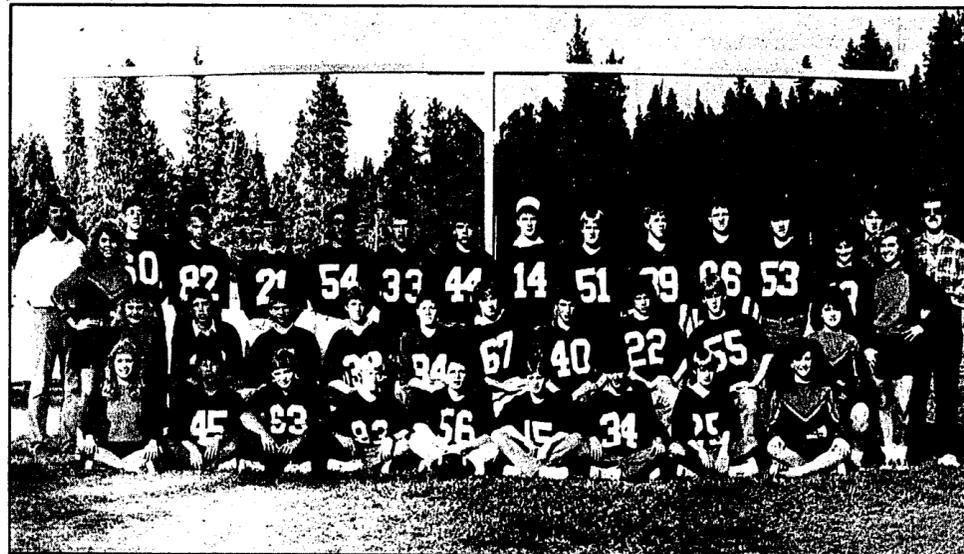
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The Blackhawk Football team completed their season about two weeks ago. Pictured here are, left to right, sitting: Tawni Richards, Derek Muchmore, Tom Leonard, Joey Anderson, Heath Harper, Scott Olson, Brian Payton, Mark Hickman, Cari Verworn. Kneeling from left to right: Pam Styler, Leelyn Cahoon, Gary Styler, Brian Morin, Jeremy Stevenson, Barry DeLeo, Kevin Lake, Ron Gossard, Trish Lora. Standing from left to right: Stacey Hencane, Coach Dennis Schneider, Matt Hickman, Levko Siloti, Les Meyer, Ken Cadena, Jeff Jette, Kvande Anderson, Dustin Gordon, Sean Thompson, Derek Broderick, Cliff Hawkins, Greg Herron, Pam Pohlman, Dusty LaMay, Brodie Verworn, Coach Mark Darrow. Not pictured Coach Terrence Williams.



The Blackhawk Cross Country team wrapped up their season about two weeks ago with the State Tournament in Helena. This year the team competed against large schools in Montana, and performed very well according to Coach Dan Baretta. Pictured here are, back row left to right: Damon Healy, Darren Baretta, and coach Dan Baretta. Front left, Jack Shoupe, Jr. and right, Jason Marshall.

PTA to discuss AIDS

Ellen Leahy of the Missoula County Health Department will discuss AIDS (acquired immune deficiency syndrome) at the November 16 meeting of the Seeley Lake Elementary PTA. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. at the school and is open to local residents.

Jeanne Moon, PTA member and school trustee, encourages all concerned parents to attend this discussion. Local schools are being asked to develop AIDS policies, she said. Moon believes that informed, local residents could help trustees better formulate an acceptable AIDS policy.

AIDS is preventable, according to local health officials. Montanans are fortunate that AIDS is not yet wide spread here, Moon said, adding that parents can benefit from the information now available about the disease. The United States Surgeon General, and other top health officials, advise parents to begin educating their adolescent children about the fatal disease, with emphasis on prevention.

A video will be shown during Monday night's meeting. The presentation is designed to help parents in educating their children about the disease.



By
Laura
Bogar

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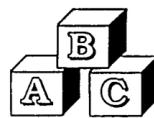
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Blackhawks defeat Knights

by Jo Vannoy

The Hellgate Knights were defeated by the Seeley Swan Blackhawks November 4. It was sophomores versus sophomores. The high scorers for the Blackhawks were Jenny Klebenow with 15 points, Brittne Hebnes with 14 and Melanic Rammell with 10 points. The Knights high scorer was J. Bourgeois who had 8 points with everyone else no higher than 5, leaving the final score 51 to 42.

Blackhawks boost record to 12-4

by Brittne Hebnes

The Blackhawks claimed a 12-4 record after beating the 4-12 Panthers. Alvina Vannoy led the Hawks with 18 points and 17 rebounds. She was followed by Sandy DeLeo with 10 points and 13 rebounds and Debbie Johnson with 10 points.

The Panthers were led by Chelcena Robinson with 15 points.

The Hawks have two more games before District: St. Regis here Friday and Charlo there on Saturday.

Hawks terminate Valley Christian

by Tricia Parker

The Hawks put down Valley Christian with a final blowout score of 69 to 47. Alvina Vannoy, the starting center for the Blackhawks led the team to victory. She crashed the boards for a total score of 38 points and 22 rebounds. She also had 10 steals and a total of 7 blocked shots.

Only one other person hit double digits, Stephanie Owens with 12 points. The third highest scorer was Brittne Hebnes with a total accumulation of 7 points. The two top scorers for Valley Christian were Jamie Clawson with 21 points and Julie Hicks with ten points.

JV Hawks down Eagles

by Tracy Malone

Seeley Swan beat the Valley Christian Eagles, for a second time, by a score of 47-19.

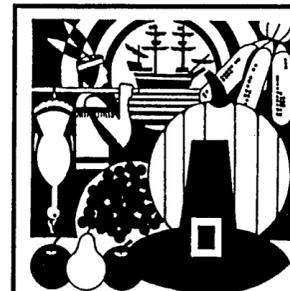
The Hawks were led in scoring by Melanic Rammell with 15 points, hitting 7 out of 8 freethrows, Kristen Paxton with 8 points, and Twila Salomon with 6 points. Patterson led the Eagles with a total of 6 points.

Bike Tips

Dogs can be very dangerous to a cyclist. Even a friendly pooch can cause a wreck by getting in front of your wheel or jumping up on you.

GOOD STRATEGIES: 1. Command the dog to "GO HOME!" Say it loudly and firmly. 2. Get off your bike on the side opposite the dog and walk away slowly; keep the bike between you and the dog. 3. If you know in advance that the dog will be a problem, arm yourself with some dirt clods and throw them as the dog enters the roadway. 4. Call 911 and tell the police where the loose dog is. 5. Take another route. 6. Squirt the dog with water from your water bottle.

NOT-SO-GOOD STRATEGIES: 1. Kicking at the dog can throw you off-balance. 2. Trying to outrun the dog may work, but encourages the dog to chase. 3. Hitting the dog with your pump means letting the dog get too close. 4. Attacking the dog will likely provoke it to further violence—and may bring its owner out to beat you up.



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PERMIT NO. P59399-76K

APPLICANT

Joseph P. Flood
Kari Gunderson
Star Route Box 590
Condon, MT 59826

SOURCE:

Alder Creek

DIVERSION POINT:

SESENE,
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Assistance or questions regarding this application should be directed to the local office: Kalispell Field Office, 3220 Highway 93 South, P.O. Box 860, Kalispell, MT 59901, telephone (406) 752-2288.

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The Helena Series for the Performing Arts has agreed to co-sponsor Ladysmith Black Mambazo—the male vocal group from South Africa featured on Paul Simon's Grammy Award winning *Graceland* album. For more information about obtaining tickets to the concert contact Keith Hammer, 755-1379, Kalispell.

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Upper Crane: approximately 200 acres, approximately 4.0 MMBF, and 2.4 miles of road construction located in T25N, R18W, and T25N, R19W, PMM.

Truman LP: approximately 600 acres, approximately 5.0 MMBF, 4.0 miles of road construction, and 1.3 miles of road reconstruction located in T26N, R22W, PMM.

Crane Lodgepole: approximately 250 acres, approximately 2.7 MMBF, and 4.1 miles of road construction located in T25N, R19W, and T26N, R19W, PMM.

This advance notice is given to afford all interested parties time to examine the sale area before winter weather makes reasonable examination impracticable. Information and maps concerning the sales may be obtained from the District Ranger, Swan Lake Ranger District, P.O. Box 370, Bigfork, Montana. Final minimum rates, bidding provisions, and other sale conditions will be announced at the time of final advertisement. November 2, 1987.

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The Church also has a day to honor those who have put their life on the line in the belief that faithfulness to Jesus Christ is greater than life itself. November 1, All Saints Day, is often lost in the "celebrating" of All-Hallow's Eve, October 31, by dressing up like gremlins and goblins. It would be comparable to, on the night before Veterans Day, wearing the uniforms of past enemies of war to mock American soldiers.

Most of us who make the claim of being Christians do so because of the faithful witness of someone else. Most of us have been converted, not by creeds and doctrines, but by the reality of Christ's presence in the life of some dear Saint. Let us not forget these soldiers of the cross who have been faithful, true and bold. Give thanks to God for those who have caused a change in your life and helped your faith grow and mature. If that person is still alive, let her or him know that their witness has made a difference—it will strengthen the faith of you both.

Give thanks to God for all the saints who persevered to the very end. "Since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us let us lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us. Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith..." (Hebrews 12:1-2)

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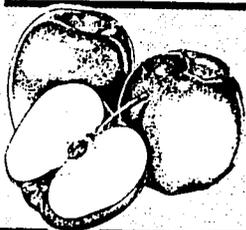
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