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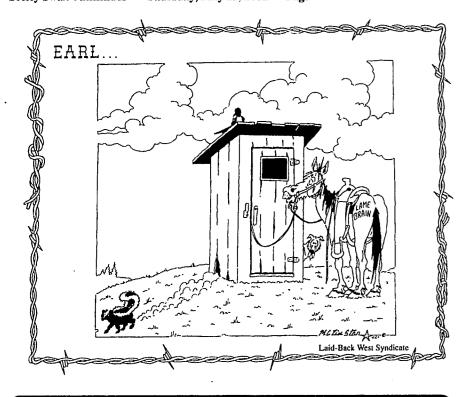
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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Community members are invited to submit dates, times and locations of events, meetings and other happenings. Submission deadline: Friday, 5 p.m.; call 677-2022

**PUBLIC MEETINGS** S.L. Water Bd., 4th Wed.,

5pm, Glen's Auto Lions Club, 4th Wed. 6:30pm, S.L. comm. Hall Thur, 5pm, Pyramid Mtn.

Ouiltmakers of the Tamaracks, 4th Thur, 9am, S.L. Comm. Hall

Swan Valley Comm. Club. 4th Mon, 7pm, Comm. Hall S.L. Refuse Bd., 4th Mon.

7pm, fire hall VFW, 4th Tues, 7pm, S.L.

### WEEKLY MEET-

**Alcoholics Anonymous:** (help for those with a suspected drinking problem) -Condon: Faith Lutheran Church, every Sunday,

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> Missoula County Commissioners Public Mtg. every Wed, Courthouse Annex, Room 201, Missoula, 1:30 pm.

T.O.P.S. Mtg, every Thurs, Mission Bible Fellowship bldg., Sceley Lake, 10am. MONTHLY SERVICES FAIM Outreach Specialist,

1st & 3rd Thur, 9:30-3, Secley-Swan Med. Ctr. Pinochle, every 1st & 3rd Sat., Senior Citizens Cen-

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Swan Lake Residents: 886-2324 (Fire, QRU or Food Bank: Tues, 12-4 Search & Rescue) or 1pm, next to Multi-purpose 406-752-6161 for Shcriff. Room, S.L. Elementary, 677-5025 Highway Patrol.

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**Seeley Lake Community** Hall: For hall rental, call Cheri Thompson, 677-

### **LIBRARIES:**

Seeley Lake Public Library (Seeley-Swan High School) Regular hours: Mon-Fri., 8-3pm (closed llam-noon for lunch); Wed., 3-8nm; Sat. 10am-3pm. Story Time-Saturdays at 11 a.m.

Swan Valley Library (Condon) Tues, 11am-4pm; Wed, 11am-7pm; Fri, 11am-4pm

Family History Ctr.-LDS Church: Open Wed, 11am-3pm. Call 677-2642 or 677-2575.

**EMERGENCY:** Dial 911 if you live in Seelev Lake. Condon, Greenough or

Editorial Comment

## Chips ... bits & pieces

We have just enough room left (space got so tight that we had to hold back several ads and copy for next week) to wish you a happy and safe weekend. With Memorial Day, SSHS graduation, and the Loon and Fish Festival, it promises to be very busy. Schedules are inside. Have fun, and be safe!

### Reception for new superintendent at SLE Thursday

Seeley Lake Elementary School invites the community to a reception for Patty McPherson on Thursday, May 23, from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the school.

Ms. McPherson accepted a position as Superintendent of Schools at Seeley Lake Elementary. She will begin work in July. Current Superintendent Bill Hyde is resigning effective June 30 to devote time to his consulting business.

## Fort Missoula Levy May Help Here

June 4th is an important voting day. The Seeley Lake Historical Museum and Visitors Center and the Seeley Lake Historical Society have been involved with various county officials in a coordinated attempt to draft a plan that allows the rural areas of Missoula County to seek capital improvement funds for the purpose of preserving local history. This plan is contingent upon the passage of the mill levy run by the Historical Museum at Fort Missoula - known as "YES to HISTORY." One-quarter mill of that levy will be earmarked for the rural and local area history endeavors.

Dr. Bob Brown, curator at Fort Missoula, stresses that the focus of the Museum is to accommodate the entire county of Missoula - not just the city. "We are THE county museum and will stay with our original mission but make it more responsive to the outlying districts." Evidence of the new direction may be seen with the Historical Weaving Display that the Historical Museum at Fort Missoula has set up at the Seeley-Swan High School Library. "We will do two displays a year at the public library housed in the local high school," commented Bob Brown at a meeting in which he and Fern Hart were asking for local input relating to the historical needs of this community.

County Commissioner Jean Curtis said at a meeting last fall, "I grew up in this Valley and I know how fast the history is leaving us." She has also supported the interest displayed by Dr. Bob Brown and his board at Fort Missoula. Such broad community wide support of the "barn" project continues to be evident as people locally and countywide continue to search for ways to fund the last stages of completion.

Now, with a valid, workable plan for such a grant application, the Seeley Lake Historical Museum and Visitors Center and the Seeley Lake Historical Society are working to inform local residents that a "YES" to the history mill will be of great benefit to the Seeley-Swan Valley. Such a large grant would get the Historical Museum and Visitor Center to a point that nears completion. Your vote on June 4th would be greatly appreciated.

## Main Street stands to benefit the most

As a board member of Glacier Country, I have been surprised by much of the research available on Montana Tourism. I had assumed that lodging establishments benefited most from a healthy tourism environment. In reality, "Main Street" retailers collect the largest piece of the "financial" pie.

According to a "non-resident spending in Montana" survey, conducted by the Montana Institute for Tourism & Recreation Research at the University of Montana, the pie is divided as follows: 24% retail sales, 22%

gas & oil, 18% restaurant & bar tabs, 17% lodging or camping.

Our local Visitor's Center/Museum, when complete, will certainly help draw tourists to the area. Specifically, the cultural visitor, who is known to spend more money in the local community, stays longer, & leaves less of an impact on the local environment. Please vote "Yes to History"

Dianna Plum **Double Arrow Resort** 

## **Open House at cemetery Monday**

An "open house" will be held at the Seeley Lake District Cemetery on Monday, May 27th, 2-4 PM.

The completed equipment / office building will be open and refreshments will be

Cemetery Manager Derek Ellinghouse

will be present to explain the use of the building and answer any questions regarding the

The public is invited to make a trip to the cemetery part of their Memorial Day observance at any time, but are especially welcome between 2-4 PM.

### Thankful for cemetery in Seeley Lake area

I want to say how thank ful I am to have a cemetery in the Seeley Lake area. In a small community such as this, it seems right and good that the funeral or memorial service for our loved one should be in our "Home Town." Better yet, that the interment can also take place in the area.

I, for one, was very grateful that we didn't have to do a lot of traveling on the day of these services. Although I own two

cemetery lots about 100 miles to the north, I went ahead and purchased the lot next to my late husband in the Seeley Lake Cemetery, as the price was so reasonable, and it gives me peace of mind knowing my children will have one less responsibility.

We all need to continue our support of the Cemetery on the ballot on June 4th. Helen Rose

Seeley Lake, Montana

Alpine Artisan Performing Arts series begins next week

by Rolly Meinholtz

Thursday May Thirtieth is the date for the 2 Valleys Stage preview event, A Grand Celebration. This introductory concert begins as four hands and a Grand (piano) join with four voices in celebrating love songs by Brahms.

The hands belong to concert pianists Steven Hesla and Jody Graves who will sit side by side at the high school's new Grand Piano and bring forth the sometimes boisterous sometimes gentle melodies of Brahms' New Love Song Waltzes.

The voices belong to Anne Basinski, soprano, David Cody, tenor, Dawn Douglas, soprano and Steven Kalm, baritone who will sing the love songs as solos, duets, and ensemble pieces. The songs will be sung in the original German. Rolly and Peggy Meinholtz have translated the short poems that inspired the songs into contemporary English which they will read before they are sung. Next on the program Jody

Graves has chosen to play "Un Sospiro" an etude by Franz Liszt. Graves says, "Liszt was a champion of the piano, and was a leader in promoting art for everybody. Often he would give his master classes and concerts for free so that the proceeds could go to buy another piano or provide income for other musicians." The whole program comes from the Romantic Period and Graves feels that Liszt was the epitome of the "Romantic" present programs for area schools.



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The musicians are faculty members at the U of M Music School. Among them they have received training and given performances through out the US and Europe. Performances by these various musicians have been popular at venues in Butte. Whitefish. Billings, Helena and other cities and towns across Montana.

The two groups will also



**Jody Graves** 

The piano Trio will give a presentation at The Swan Valley School in Condon on Wednesday May 29 at 2;00 pm. This short program is co-sponsored by the Swan Valley School Arts Committee. The public is welcome. The Pianists and Quartet will present a workshop for fourth through eighth grade students and interested high school students at the Small Gym in the Seeley Swan Highschool on Thursday afternoon May 30 at

A Grand Celebration is made possible in part by a generous donation from Bill Hyde, an Opportunity Grant from the Montana Arts Council, and many volunteer hours by community members. Adult tickets for the May 30

concert will be \$7 ( half the "at the door" price for tickets during the regular 2 Valleys Stage season.) Tickets for students from grade one through 12 are \$3.50. Out of consideration for the artists and audience, children under 6 years of age will not be admitted. This May program is most appropriate for people age 9 through 99.

2 Valleys Stage season tickets will be on sale at the concert intermission at special introductory prices which are \$40 for an adult ticket and \$50 for family ticket. Family tickets admit one parent These prices are a savings of \$10 are also available at Books Yarn the door.

A Grand Celebration begins over regularly priced season tick- at 7:00. Doors open at 6:30. Tickets Special priced season tickets ets for this event are available at

## REAL ESTATE TALK

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### **Market Update**

Property values in general have continued to increase in recent years. The percentage of increase varies depending on the type of of property and the supply and demand of certain types of the control o Property values in general have continued to increase in recent properties available for sale in the open real estate market. Properties located on a river or lake continue to be in the highest demand. Although the average days on market continues to be high as compared to a national average. We attribute this to our relatively short prime selling season of approximately June 1st through mid October of each year. According to the Missoula County Multiple Listing Service, in the calendar year of 2001 the following sales took place in the Seeley-Swan Valley.

2001	Average Sales Price	# of Properties Sold	Average Days on Market
Seeley Lake Land	\$46,751.	72	465
Seeley Lake Homes	\$141,404.	64	250
Swan Valley Land	\$72,485.	10	307
Swan Valley Homes	\$156,088.	17	311

There are currently approximately 70 homes and 117 bare land properties on the market in Seeley Lake and 23 homes and 17 bare land properties on the market in Condon/Swan Valley. The relatively high number of bare land parcels currently for sale in the Seeley Lake are is due to multiple parcels being available for purchase in a given subdivision as follows: Double Arrow Ranch 50, The Meadows (golf course lots) 28, River Watch 7 and Hillcrest Heights 5. If you would like to learn more about recent sales and or current properties available for sale in the valley please contact one of the real estate professionals here at Clearwater River Realty, Inc.

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## Research shedding light on Swan black bears

by Mike Thompson

Where do black bears den in the Swan River drainage?

Well, you've been looking in the wrong places if you haven't been looking "up." That's according to preliminary results from Montana Fish. Wildlife & Parks (FWP) research over the

Rick Mace, the project leader, shared photographs of den sites with FWP Region 2 employees at a coor-Missoula. Scenes of wintry

mountaintops on the crests of the Swan and Mission Ranges characterized about half of the den sites where radioed black bears have led Rick so far. "I thought grizzly bears were the only bears denning in that kind of countrv." he confessed to us.

But, the most interesting den sites were the other half—those clustered in the Swan Valley bottom. Still. vou need to keep looking upward. The representative photo that Rick showed us was of an adult female in a cavity dination meeting last week in near the top of a standing cottonwood



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



These revelations on the denning behavior of black bears in the Swan drainage complicate Rick's life almost as much as they enrich ours. That's because one important objective of Rick's research is to document reproductive rates of the local black bear population. However, his radioed bears stay out of sight in the forest and don't allow him to see them or their cubs while they're active in summer

No problem, Rick thought. He would follow radio signals to sleeping bears in the winter and count cubs in

But, not without considerable difficulty, as it turns out. Whether testing his winter mountaineering skills and endurance on the treacherous ridgelines of the highest mountains, or picking his way up tall, rotten and unreliable cottonwood trees, Rick's data on cub production and survival will come at great personal expense.

The rest of us who are sick, lame or lazy are pulling for him. The first reason, of course, is that we're glad it's Rick clinging to a sloughing slab of tree bark, instead of us. But, mostly we're pulling for him because we need to know what he set out to learn:

Is there any relationship between the demographics of the living black bear population and the harvest statistics that FWP uses to manage that

Well, we already have the harvest statistics. Every hunter who harvests a black bear is required by law to present the complete hide and skull to FWP for tagging and inspection. At that time, FWP personnel extract a tooth, from which the age of the bear is determined and the age-structure of the harvested population can be developed. Also, at that time, the sex of the bear is checked, and the percentage of males and females in the harvested population is subsequently developed.

What we don't know is whether there is any correlation between changes in the age and sex structure of the harvested population and those of the living population. And, the only reason we need to know that is because we can't monitor the living population directly without having lots of people like Rick doing what he is doing at great expense.

It's too early to draw conclusions. but so far the death rate in Rick's marked sample of black bears is fairly close to the 10% guideline for maintaining a stable population. He has documented the loss of 3 bears to hunting, 2 bears to management removals (in response to nuisance complaints), and 1 to a vehicle collision among 70 marked black bears so far.

He also found two newborn cubs

frozen at a den site that the mother abandoned in mid-winter. The location happened to be in the middle of a winter logging operation, leaving one to wonder whether the disturbance had displaced the bear. Rick later followed her radio signal to a new den that was located 9 miles away.

So, how many black bears are living in the Swan? Well, FWP is snagging bear hair at sampling sites all over the drainage in an attempt to answer that question, using DNA analysis. At each site, a smelly concoction is placed within a barbed wire enclosure for a 2-week sampling period. Then crews painstakingly retrieve all hairs from all barbs and catalogue them for

In this manner, Rick's crew submitted 317 hair samples from 177 hair snagging devises in the Swan last year, from which 212 individual black bears were identified. Then, using an expansion factor based on DNA from harvested bears and other data, a point estimate of 523 black bears was derived. The statistical confidence interval around this estimate is wide, and indicates that the true number is probably somewhere between 335 and 799 bears. Hopefully, this can be refined

In the meantime, you could say that there's about 1 black bear per square mile in the Swan drainage, and you wouldn't be very far off.

And, as always, wildlife research intended for one particular purpose vields other unforeseen insights into wildlife behavior. In this case, one unforeseen insight from FWP's black bear research in the Swan is that people who are interested in managing for black bear denning habitat will

## learn to look "up" as well as "under."

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Purchase them at Books, Yarn & More, 677-3300, the May 30th at the preview event, at the AAI's Loon and Fish Festival Memorial Day Weekend, or call Rolly Meinholtz at 677-3171 or Petie Luckman at 677-2762.

NOTICE OF ELECTION ON AN INCREASE IN PROP-ERTY TAXES OF UP TO ONE (1) MILL FOR SUPPORT OF THE SEELEY-SWAN CEME-TERY DISTRICT, SCHOOL **DISTRICT 34, PRECINCT 27** 

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners adopted March 18, 2002, the question of an increase in property taxes of up to WHEREAS, on March 13, 2002, one (1.0) mill for support of the Seeley-Swan Cemetery District will be submitted to the registered the election to be held on June 4,

The polls will be open at 7:00 a.m., and will continue to be open until 8:00 p.m. on Election Day at all polling places.

The absentee ballots may be requested in writing from the County Election Administrator during a for the support of the Seeley-Swan period beginning 75 days before the day of election and ending at authorized to the electors. noon on the day before the election. A ballot shall be sent to electors submitting valid requests after the official ballot is printed. The text of the resolution submitting the question to the electors

is set out below. Dated this 15th day of March,

Vickie M. Zeier, Election Admin-Missoula County

RESOLUTION 2002-029 SETTING DATE FOR SEELEY-SWAN CEMETERY DISTRICT

## **Please Vote** Yes!

The Seeley Lake District Cemetery was established by an 82% majority vote in the Primary election of June, 1994. That support made the cemetery a reality, and it has served the community since its opening in 1996.

In order to keep making necessary improvements, the Board of Directors seeks one additional mill. We encourage voters to show their continuing interest and support by a positive response to this re-

Please vote Yes in the election Tuesday, June 4th. Sincere thanks from the Board members: Allen Chaffin, Frank Maradeo, and Rod Kvamme.

MILL LEVY VOTE AND FIXING THE FORM OF THE BALLOT

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners received a request from the Board of Trustees of the Seeley-Swan Cemetery District to submit to electors the question of a levving tax of 1 additional mill for the support of the Seeley-Swan Cemetery District, and

after due public notice, the Board of County Commissioners conducted a public hearing on the revoters of Missoula County, MT at quest to submit to the electors a 1 mill levy for the support of the Seeley-Swan Cemetery District,

> WHEREAS, based on the testimony of those persons appearing at the hearing, it appears to be in the public interest to submit the question of whether a levy of 1 mill Cemetery District should be NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RE-

SOLVED the question of whether an additional tax not to exceed 1 mill should be levied for the Seeley-Swan Cemetery District be submitted to the voters at the primary election to be held on June /s/ Bill Carey 4. 2002.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED /s/ Vickie M. Zeier that the question be submitted to Clerk and Recorder the electors in substantially the following form:

Shall Missoula County be autho- County Attorney's Office

tax not to exceed 1 mill for the purpose of supporting the Seeley-Swan Cemetery District. If approved, the additional 1 mill will result in a maximum levy of 5 mills for the support of the Seeley-Swan Cemetery District. Passage of this proposal will subject a home with a market value of \$100,000 to a tax increase of \$2.39 per year and a home with a market value of \$200,000 to a tax increase of \$4.77

) FOR the additional 1 mill levy etery District

() AGAINST the additional 1 mill Cemetery District.

DATED this 18th day of March,

Missoula County Board of Com-/s/ Jean Curtiss /s/ Barbara Evans

Approved Form and Content /s/ Michael W. Sehestedt





rized to levy annually an additional

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levy to support the Seeley-Swan

The Elections Administrator is directed to place the question on the June 4, 2002 Primary Ballot, to give all notices of the election required by law and to take any other actions necessary to submit the question to the electors.

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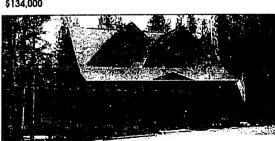
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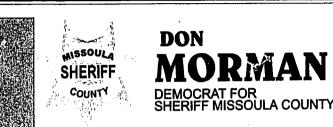
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## Portable exhibit on display at the library

The Historical Museum at Fort Missoula has a portable exhbit entitled Missoula Rag: Something the fall. Woven on display at the Seelev Lake Library. The display includes a history of weaving in writing and pictures, pattern drafts for weaving (similar to an architect's blue-

prints), and a woven hanging. This noon), Wednesdays from 3:00 to exhibit will be on display through 8:00 p.m., and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Summer library hours will resume in June. The Seelev Lake Library (lo-At that time, the Library will be cated at Seeley-Swan High School) is open school days, Monday open Wednesdays from 3:00 to through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Thursdays from 3:00 p.m. (closed 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.



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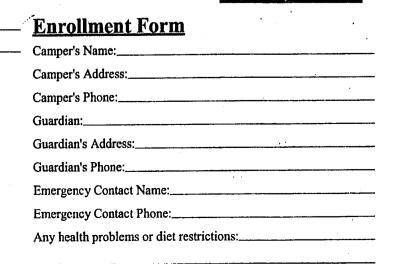
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## Forest Service bird walk a part of Loon & Fish Festival

Susan Reel and Dr. Dick Hutto will lead a bird walk on Saturday, May 25, from 8:30 to 9:30 AM. Participants should wear suitable walking shoes and clothing, bring binoculars and a field guide if you have them, and meet at the Seeley Lake Ranger

Susan and Dick expect participants to view bald eagles. loons and area songbirds in the riparian area at the north end of Seeley Lake.

Susan Reel is a wildlife biologist and the educational

specialist for the Lolo National Forest. She developed the Naturewatch Program for the Lolo, which was the first of its kind in the National Forest system

She produces wildlife interpretive signs and exhibits (see the new Seeley Lake Ranger Station display about Grizzly Bears). Susan also provides hands-on nature education programs about fire and water ecology for school children.

She loves to teach birdwatching to students of all

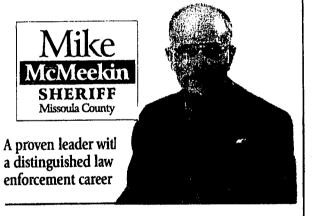
### Ad Hoc Committee sets new meeting date

The Swan Citizens' ad hoc Committee announces a new date for the May 14 meeting it postponed due to illness. The new date for the meeting is June 4, at the Condon Community Hall, 7 - 9 pm.

Revised agenda calls for:

- 1. Status review and update on possible alternatives for a solid waste disposal system for the upper Swan Valley;
- 2. Announcement and discussion on reducing open road density in the Clearwater Lake area of the Seeley Lake Ranger District, Lolo National Forest:
- 3. Report on the recent symposium of the Forest Stewardship Council, in Portland, Oregon.

Speakers for the above items are, respectively: Pat Swan Smith; Tim Love; and Bud Moore. The public is invited to participate.



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- Training Officer, 14 years Instructor at the Montana Law Enforcement Academy • Captain, Lieutenant, Detective, and Patrol Deputy
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  - Viet Nam Veteran 4 years with the U.S. Air Force

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Hutto have two young boys who learned to birdwatch as soon as they could hold binoculars.

Dr Dick Hutto is a professor in the Division of Biological Sciences at the University of Montana. He directs the Landbird Monitoring Program for the Forest Service and teaches field ecology and ornithology.

His field research has included studies about how fire affects bird communities, and the winter distribution of migratory songbirds in western Montana

He hosted the national PBS history and conservation to millions of viewers.

He is involved in numerous bird education programs for the public through the University Center, and is especially interested in citizen-based bird monitoring.

This walk is in conjunction with the Loon & Fish Festival at the Seeley Lake Community Hall, Saturday, May 25 and Sunday, May 26, from 10AM to 4 PM

ages. She enjoys working in the Seelev Lake area because of its natural beauty and rich diversity of bird life.

She and her husband Dick

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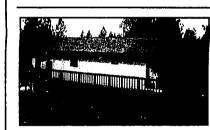


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NOTICE OF ELECTION ON AN INCREASE IN PROP-ERTY TAXES OF UP TO TWO (2) MILLS FOR SUP-PORT OF THE HISTORICAL MUSEUM

suant to a resolution of the Board March 18, 2002, the question of an increase in property taxes not to

exceed two (2.0) mills for support Notice is hereby given that pur- of the Historical Museum will be submitted to the registered voters of County Commissioners adopted of Missoula County, MT at the election to be held on June 4, 2002. The polls will be open at 7:00 a.m., and will continue to be open until 8:00 p.m. on Election Day at all polling places.

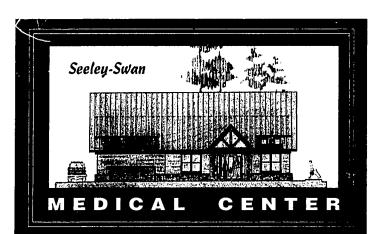
The absentee ballots may be re- istrator quested in writing from the County Missoula County Election Administrator during a period beginning 75 days before the day of election and ending at noon on the day before the elec-

tion. A ballot shall be sent to electors submitting valid requests after the official ballot is printed. The text of the resolution submitting the question to the electors

Dated this 15th day of April, 2002. Vickie M. Zeier, Election Admin-

is set out below.

**RESOLUTION 2002-028** SETTING DATE FOR HIS-TORICAL MUSEUM MILL



The Seeley Swan Medical Center is staffed by Cindy Gallea, Family Nurse Practitioner, and Brett Hollis, Family Nurse Practitioner who will be seeing patients during the transition period. They are supported by the Family Practice Missoula physicians.

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LEVY VOTE AND FIXING THE FORM OF THE BALLOT

WHEREAS, the Board of County the Historical Museum, and

Historical Museum, and

WHEREAS, based on the testiized to the electors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RE-SOLVED the question of whether a tax not to exceed 2 mills should be levied for the Historical Museum be submitted to the voters at the primary election to be held on June 4, 2002.

that the question be submitted to the electors in substantially the following form:

Shall Missoula County be authorized to levy annually a tax not to exceed 2 mills for the purpose of supporting the Historical Museum at Fort Missoula. Passage of this proposal will subject a home with a market value of \$100,000 to a tax increase of \$4.77 per year and a home with a market value of \$200,000 to a tax increase of \$9.55

( ) AGAINST the 2 mill levy to support the Historical Museum at Fort Missoula.

The Elections Administrator is directed to place the question on the June 4, 2002 Primary Ballot, to give all notices of the election required by law and to take any other actions necessary to submit the question to the electors.

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Attest /s/ Vickie M. Zeier Clerk and Recorder





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2:00-3:00

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Seeley Lake 677-2095

4:00

Seeley Lake

Commissioners received a request from the Friends of the Historical Museum to submit to electors the question of a levying tax not to exceed 2 mills for the support of

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2002, after due public notice, the Board of County Commissioners conducted a public hearing on the request to submit to the electors a 2 mill levy for the support of the

mony of those persons appearing at the hearing, it appears to be in the public interest to submit the question of whether a levy of 2 mills for the support of the Historical Museum should be author-

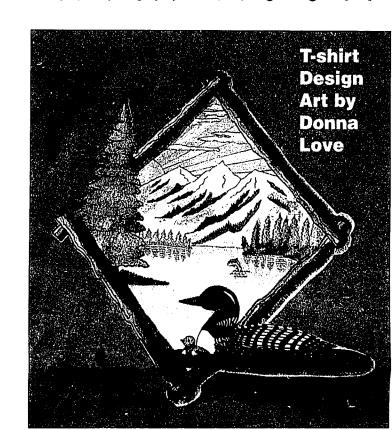
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

( ) FOR the 2 mill levy to support the Historical Museum at Fort Missoula.

DATED this 18th day of March,

Missoula County Board of Commissioners /s/ Jean Curtiss /s/ Barbara Evans /s/ Bill Carey

Approved Form and Content /s/ Michael W. Schestedt County Attorney's Office



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**SATURDAY** 

Childrens' Art Table

Loon Society Table

Forest Service Table

(behind Community Hall)

Bonnie Miller- Stained Glass

Nancy Rittel - Fabric Origami

Pam Peabody - Doll Sculpture

The Food Bank

Bob Korn - Throwing on the Wheel

Community Hall closes for the day

Sale of Art, T Shirts & Raffle Tickets

Guided birdwalk by Sue Reel, Lolo National Forest

Meet at Seeley Lake Ranger Station

MT FWP Hooked on Fishing (casting, outdoors)

Jon West – Bird Carving
Talk by Jim Stone of The Blackfoot Challenge

**EVENING LOON PROGRAM BY LYNN KELLY** 

Donna Love - Loon Toons & Water Balloons (outdoors)

Wildlife Educator and Dr. Dick Hutto, UM Orinthologist

MT Fish, Wildlife & Parks - Hooked on Fishing (indoors)

LUNCH - buy a Bob Korn hand thrown bowl of soup to benefit

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OLD TIME SAWMILL (behind Community Hall) Sale of Art, T Shirts & Raffle Tickets

Community Hall opens

Talks by Anne Dahl (Swan Ecosystem)

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## 8th Grade Graduation - Seeley Bake Elementary

Wednesday, June 5th, 2002, 7 p.m.

Front row: Laura Love, Amy Varner, Dana Friede, Stevie Johnson, Bruce Davis, Beau Maciag.

Middle row: Niki Minjares, Chase Stoeger, Andy Troutwine, Levi Kelley, Cody Thompson, Chris Anthony, Erik Rose, David Whipple.

Back row: Mrs. Rammell, Kyle Darrow, Sam Bernstrauch, Phillip Bedard, Treay Trevino, Andrew Meissner, Daniel Wisner, Logan Swanson, Jessa Linford, Mike Stewart, Jon Phipps, Stormie Kelley.

Not pictured: Joel Cahoon, Chris Esparza, Josh Peterson, Cody Rowe, Katie Williams, Lindsay Newell.



Seeley Lake

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**PROGRAM** 

Processional Lindsay Newell, Katie Williams, Niki Minjares, Laura Love

Drum Solo Andrew Meissner Mrs. Jenny Rammell Presentation of Awards Presentation of Diplomas Mr. Bill Hyde, Superintendent Mr. Bart Peterson, Mr. Loren Rose, Mr Mark Williams, school board.

## Swan Valley School - 8th Grade & Kindergarten Graduation

Thursday, May 30, 2002 - 7 p.m.



Kindergarten Class



Kindergarten Processional

'Star Spangled Banner"

Class Prophecy

First Grade, First Grade"

resentation of Kindergarten Diplomas



"Children's March" by Edwin Goldman

Ronnie Matthew, School Board Chairman

Cody Daenzer & Andrew Matthew



Cody Hulett

"My Sacrifice" by Creed Valedictorian Address

Kitty Logan

Mariah Childs

Rincon Parcell

Cole Hulett & Matt Schnabl Eighth Grade Teacher

sung by Sarah Thomas

Kitty Logan, Principal

sung by Kindergarten Class

Special Recognition

Graduation Address

Recessional

Kindergarten Teacher

Presentation of 8th Diplomas

Multimedia Presentation



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school staff

Colonel Robert F. Parcell

Kitty Logan, Principa











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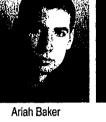
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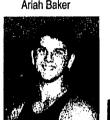
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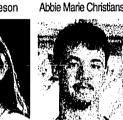
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Presentation of Diplomas

PowerPoint Presentation

"Butterfly Kisses" ..







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**Graduation at High School Gymnasium** 

Sunday, May 26, 2002 at 1 p.m.

Words & music by Anglea Williams and Cobralee Ruth





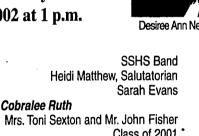






Valerie Lynn Niles





Mr. Anthony Gallegos

Mary Jean Yiengst

Class of 2002

Mr. Bob Green

Vice President

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Class Representative

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SSHS Band

President

Mr Anthony Gallegos, Mr. Larry Johnson



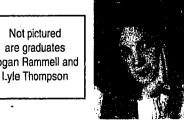
Cobralee Ruth





Emily Watson

Not pictured



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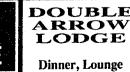
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# Students recognized at Spring awards banquet

Seeley-Swan High School 2002 Scholarships and Awards

Danielle Drew - Blackfoot Telephone Inc. Scholarship, First Valley Bank Scholarship

Brian Gallea - Board of Regents Tuiton Waiver, Centennial Gold Scholarship, Metallurgical Engineering Scholarship, Rotary Club Scholarship, William George King Memorial Scholarship, U.S. Air Force Math & Science Award, Army Reserve Scholar-Athlete Award, U.S. Marine Corp. Scholar and Athlete Awards

Heidi Matthew - Missoula Electric Scholarship, William J. Gallagher Scholarship

Desiree Nemmers - Lions Club Scholarship Scott Johnson - Cliff Nelson

Scholarship Mary Yiengst - Missoula County

Scholarship Fund Emmy Kats - Missoula County Scholarship Fund, Cliff Nelson Scholarship

Abbie Christianson - Army Reserve Scholar-Athlete Award, U.S. Marine Corp Athlete Award

Lindsey Evans - Music Award Varsity Letter - Golf - Brian Gallea, David Pitman, Nathan



Beth Copenhaver applauds her other track and field teammates as she is recognized for her accomplishments. The senior finished the Western B Divisional with a second in the 400, third in the 300 hurles, and fifth in the 200, and goes to the state meet this weekend.

latt, Sadie Linford, Hayley Blackburn, Jamie Adams, Karen Gehrke

Varsity Letter - Band - Ben Stratton, Lindsey Evans

Varsity Lertter - Track - Abe Madinger, Riley Devins, Cody

Hard, Spencer Balcom, Paul Lewis, Zach Nelson, Ryan Teafoe, Abbie Christianson, Beth Copenhaver, Jessie Diamond



Ben Stratton, SSHS freshman, is congratulated by Bob Green, music director, for his district superior rating and state excellent ratings for his trombone solo.



Ramsy Hoehn, SSHS junior, was named the school's best actor by Michael Johnson, drama instructor. Sarah Thomas and Sierra Parcell were named the best actresses.



Abe Madinger, a junior, receives a track letter. Madinger won first place in the Western B Divisional track meet high jump event when he cleared 6-4. He tied for second place in the pole vault at 12-0.



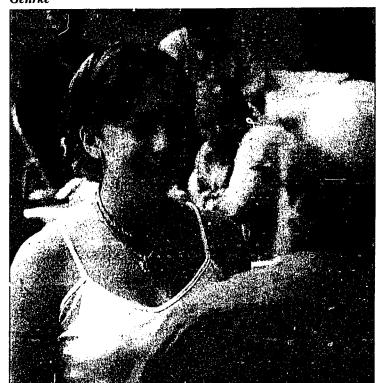
Brian Gallea is congratulated by coach Shawn Holmes. Gallea, a top scholastic student also, received several scholarships including he Army Reserve Scholar-Athlete award and the same award from the Marine Corp.



Abbie Christianson receives the U.S. Marine Corp Athlete Award. She received the Scholar-Athlete award from the Army Reserve. Abbie finished third in the Western B Divisional javelin event last week and



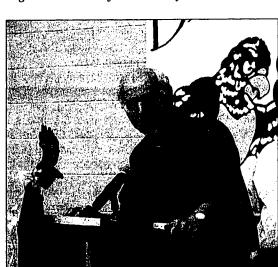
Coach Les Gordon, left, congratulates his ladyhawk golf team that finished fifth in the State B Tournament last week. Team members were Jamie Adams, center, Hayley Blackburn, Sadie Linford and Karen



Lindsey Evans is congratulated by music director Bob Green for her top Superior ratings at both the district and state musical festivals for her ciarinet solo.



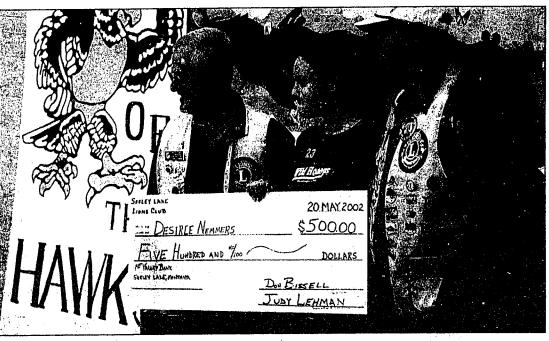
Rett Parker, right, and SSHS principal Tony Gallegos share a laugh at the awards banquet Monday night when Parker was recognized for the six years he's served as trustee representative on the Missoula County High School board for the Seeley Swan area. Parker is being replaced by Debbie Dupree.



Larry Johnson of the central Missoula County High School office shared his appreciation of Rett Parker's service over the years as trustee from this area.



Kevin Stroh, SSHS track coach, commended his track athletes, 10 of which are going on to the state tournament this weekend.



Tom Lehman, left, and Gary and Cheryl Lewis at right present Desiree Nemmers with the Seeley Lake Lions' Club first ever \$500 scholarship to a graduating senior.



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## Loon & Fish Festival running on 10 years

by Peggy Meinholtz Publicity Chairman

This Memorial Day Weekend, Alpine Artisans invite the public to help them carry on the many traditions developed over ten years of The Loon and Fish Festivals in Seeley Lake.

This year's Loon and Fish Festival offers two days filled with nature walks and talks, arts and crafts demonstrations, children's art activities and games, a Bowl of Soup Benefit lunch all centered around an Arts and Crafts Show and Sale featuring original work by area artists.

Most activities take place at the Seeley Lake Community Hall on Highwav 83. Admission is free.

Doors at the Community Hall will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday May 25 and 26, but early birds can begin their activities at 8:30 a.m. Saturday with a quided bird walk through a riparian area rife with bird life.

Sue Reel, Lolo National Forest Wildlife Educator, and Dick Hutto UM Ornithologist will meet participants at the Seeley Lake Ranger Station Highway 83 north of town.

This husband and wife team will and color from Rufus Hummingbirds, to Yellow Warblers, to Sapsuckers, to Loons. They will also help match songs to birds and explain the natural

The Community Hall schedule includes both indoor and outdoor ac-

All day indoor events include the sale of pottery, paintings, and other art made of fabric, paper, wood, iron, and moves out doors in the afternoons for greater appreciation for them.



Organizer/artists with Forest Service's Loon and Art for sale at Loon and Fish Festival in Seeley Lake. Left to right are Joyce Bissel, Cindy Torok, and Donna Love. Platter is by Bob Korn, vase by Marion Burmeister, and Rock art by Lynn Johnson. —G. Noland photo

There will also be sales tables for this year's T-shirts, tickets for the quilted wall hanging raffle, and information tables manned by the Loon Society, the Forest Service and 2 Vallevs Stage.

Indoor demonstrations on bird carving, fabric origami, stained glass, parade puppets, doll sculpting, pencil sketching, water color painting, and help them spot birds ranging in size pottery throwing, are scattered throughout the two days.

There will also be talks by the Blackfoot Challenge, Swan Ecosystem, and Northwest Connections. Neil history of some species spotted on the and Dixie Meyer will demonstrate their old time sawmill out doors both days.

Fish Wild Life and Parks start indoors with their Hooked On Fishing program then move out doors for casting. Donna Love begins each day with her children's art table, then

the Loons Tunes and Water Balloons children's activities.

At 11:00 on Saturday soup bowls, thrown by Bob Korn and decorated by several Alpine Artisans, go on sale inside. After choosing a bowl, folks can get it filled with soup donated by local restaurants and head out to tent sheltered picnic tables to enjoy their lunch.

All proceeds from the Soup Bowl Benefit go to the Seeley Lake Food

The traditional evening program on Loons by Lynn Kelly, (the "Loon Lady") takes place at 7:30 p.m. at the Ranger Station.

Kelly, who has been watching out for Loons in the Seeley/Swan Valleys since 1985 will show slides and give insights into the behavior of Loons that she hopes will inspire a sense of wonder towards the birds and lead to

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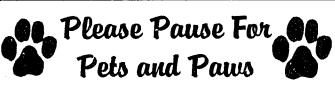
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to Linda, Paydon and Pat Holt of the Montana Pines Hideaway for your generous support and nice card and words. We need that!

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to Hank and Sandy Sommerdyke, for the memorial in the name of their beloved cat Snuggles, who was helped to start his journey to The Rainbow Bridge while

At The Rainbow Bridge

The grass was lush and green, the sun was warm and bright, and as always, there was camaraderie among all the little dogs, cats, horses and other special animals, for this was where they all waited for their special people. This was

Some were watching the cats as they chased the pretty butterflies, some were splashing in the stream of running water which glistened like diamonds, some of them watched Elsee ride her motorcycle, while others were just sitting to-

gether enjoying each other's company

Then someone sat up straight as if to listen, which made all stop what they were doing and look toward the path coming toward the Bridge. Then the music drifted faintly over all. The song that was playing was "I love you a bushel and a peck and a hug around the neck." There was excitement throughout. "Can you see? Who is it?" Freckles asked. The mist cleared and there stood Snuggles the Cat, and such a handsome cat at that 'Kashena stood and asked for silence, and spoke. "Misty, will you and Kalahari handle the greeting?" Snuggles reached the Bridge with Misty and Kalahari, urging him to come forward. This car was a special cat, they could tell. When Snuggles reached them, he put his arms around both and gave them a hug. All the animals laughed, for amongst them they had a cat who gave hugs. "Yippee" they all sang out. "Come," Misty said, "and tell us about yourself and your family." Snuggles felt so good and it was so beautiful here. He felt loved as he had on earth with his family. Snuggles began, "I was found when I was young, but the lady who found me, her cat did not like me, so I was given to the Sommerdykes, the best thing that could happen to a cat. I loved my family and I would always give hugs and snuggle, hence I got my name. I loved everybody and everything. I especially loved Tasha the dog. I was Tasha's pet. I lived a very loved life, but developed kidney failure. After a short period of vet care and love, I decided it was time to go, and my family let me go with love. I will always remember their love and will always be grateful, and our memories will always be with each other." There was silence, then there was clapping and barks and meows of happiness. Snuggles enjoyed the adoring looks. Misty and Kalahari then escorted Snuggles to the Memory Tree, where he was hoisted up by Brother to hang a star for Sandy and Hank. Snuggles gave Brother a hug as he put him down. There was happiness all around. Snuggles was happy, and there goes a butterfly. Snuggles wondered what it would be like to hug a butterfly and off he went, well and happy.

### A Doggie Prayer

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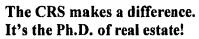
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The Lazy Pine Mall announces the opening of three new stores. The "Lazy Pine Place," operated by Sandi Irons, will feature crafts, furniture and antiques. Next door, the "Time & Again" shop, managed by Mary Stuart, will handle high quality re-sales. John Evans is opening Glacier Mountain Design with flooring, counter tops, etc. We also invite you to see Wes Newbold for home loans, visit Great Bear Properties, the Seeley-Swan Pathfinder, Seeley-Swan Physical Therapy, the YMCA and other occupants, including the Upper Deck, now owned by Jim and Karen Loconte and managed by Cori Drake.







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

Monday, May 27 Closed for Memorial Day Tuesday, May 28 Baked Chicken Wednesday, May 29 Baked Ham Thursday, May 30 Pork Pot Pies Friday, May 31 Baked Meat Loaf

#### **Public Notice**

Department of Natural Resources and Conservation Timber Sale The Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, Clearwater Unit, is in the preliminary stages of preparing the Headquarters Timber Sale located in portions of the W 1/2 of section 2, N 1/2 NE 1/4 of section 10, T14N R14W, and section 36, T15N R14W. The Department would like public input regarding the proposal to harvest between an estimated 2-4 million board feet of timber, construct approximately 1-3 miles of new road and recondition up to 10 miles of existing road to access these areas. Those interested should address written comments to: Dave Marsh, Montana DNRC, Clearwater State Forest, 48455 Sperry Grade Rd., Greenough MT 59823-9635, Phone: (406) 244-5857. The comment period for this proposed project has been extended. Comments must now be received by 5:00 p.m. on June 17,

### **NOTICE OF ELECTION**

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, June 4, 2002 the primary election will be held in the County of Missoula, Missoula, MT. All qualified voters may vote in this election.

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Absentee ballots may be requested in writing from the County Election Administrator during a period beginning 75 days before the day of the election and ending at noon on the day before the election. A ballot shall be sent to electors submitting valid requests after the official ballot is printed.

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### SEEFEY LAKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MENU

Week of May 27, 2002 Monday, May 27 No School

Wednesday, May 29 Stew Tomato Soup & Grilled Cheese Sandwiches Thursday, May 30 Friday, May 31 Burritos

Tuesday, May 28

There will be no school on Monday, May 27, for Memorial Day. June & July birthdays will be celebrated on Wednesday, May 29

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Thursday: "Mary Catherine's" Cream of Tomato Soup Friday: "Ranch Hand Ralph's" Barbecue Beef Sandwich Saturday & Sunday: "Yes, we have no Soup....."

Monday: MEMORIAL DAY - NO SOUP

Tuesday: "Cheddar is Better" Baked Potato Soup Wednesday: "Oodle of Chicken Noodles" Soup

\*Weight Watcher points available for soups and coffee drinks in the booth!

~~ 11 a.m. until gone, 12 oz. bowl with roll - \$2.50

### YMCA News Update on Activities

Summer Youth Programs: The YMCA Outreach will be offering several programs this summer: Gymnastics and Tumbling Camp, June 24-28-Tumbling (3-5 year olds), 9:00-10:00 am; Gymnastics (6 years old and up), 10:30-12:00. Both programs will be held at the Seeley Lake Elementary School Gym. The registration fee is \$20.00. Outdoor Fun Camp, July 8-12 (kindergarten-8th grade), 10:00-3:00 at the Swan Ecosystem Center in Condon. The registration fee is \$30.00. Volleyball Camp, July 8-12 (4th-8th grade), 9:00-10:30 at the Seeley Lake Elementary School Gym. The registration fee is \$20.00 Lake Swimming Lessons, July 15-24 (toddler to adults) at the Holland Lake Campground. The registration fee is \$25.00. Tennis Camp, August 5-16 (8 years & up) at the Seeley Lake Community Park tennis courts. The registration fee is \$20.00.

Family discounts are available for all programs.

Pre-registration for programs is recommended Some programs have limited space available.

The Summer Program Guide and registration forms will be sent home the last week of school.

For more information please stop by the Seeley-Swan Outreach office in the Lazy Pine Mall or call 677-3330. Office hours are Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to noon, and Wednesday from 8:00 to noon and 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

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