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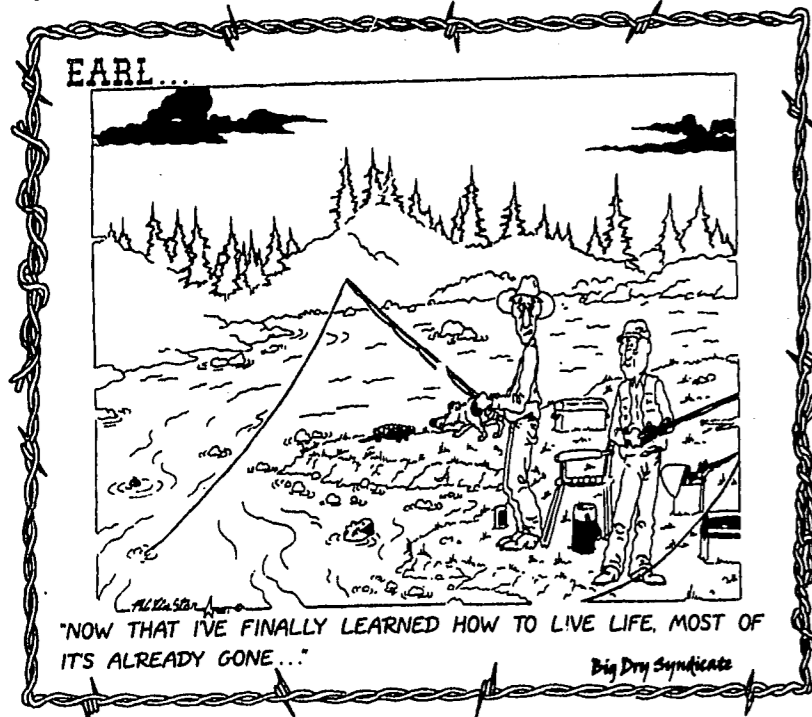
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...with a little feathered wing assist puts these two ducks up on the ice. They had seconds before been swimming near the receding ice at the Salmon Lake inlet.

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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. Cemetery Bd., 1st Thur, 7pm, fire hall
AARP, 1st Mon, noon, Condon Comm. Hall
S.L. Elem Bd., 2nd Tues, 6pm, Swan Valley School Bd., 2nd Tues, 7:30pm, school library
DARLOA, 2nd Wed., 4pm, Sr. Cit. Ctr.
Swan Lands Comm. mtg., 2nd Wed., 7pm, Swan Ecosystem Ctr.

WEEKLY EVENTS
Alcoholics Anonymous: (help for those with a suspected drinking problem)
-Condon: Faith Lutheran Church, every Sunday, 3pm
-Seeley Lake: Every Wed, 7pm, Living Water Catholic Church, on SOS Rd. For info: 677-3271 or 677-2892.
*Potomac: 406-244-5204
Alateen: (help for teenagers of alcoholic families) Hotline 677-2753
Overeaters Anonymous: every Thursday, 7pm, Faith Lutheran Church, Condon, 754-2371

Missoula County Commissioners Public Mtg, every Wed, Courthouse Annex, Room 201, Missoula, 1:30 pm.
T.O.P.S. Mtg, every Thurs, Mission Bible Fellowship bldg., Seeley Lake, 10am.
Ladies Double Arrow Golf League, Tuesdays, 10 am, \$10 dues

MONTHLY EVENTS
FAIM Outreach Specialist, 1st & 3rd Thur, 9:30-3, Seeley-Swan Med. Ctr.
Pinochle, every 1st & 3rd Sat., Senior Citizens Center, 7 pm
DUMPSTER TRANSFER SITE: Winter hours (Oct-Apr) - Wed & Sat, 10am-4pm, 677-3809
SSTEP Crisis Help Line: 677-3177. Domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse, community outreach & education
Food Bank: Tues, 12-4 pm, next to Multi-purpose Room, S.L. Elementary, 677-5025

Loving Hearts Thrift Store: Open Wed, 11:00-4:00, Sat, 11-3, 677-5683 (emergency 677-2110)
Seeley Lake Community Hall: For hall rental, call Cheri Thompson, 677-2454
LIBRARIES:
Seeley Lake Public Library (Seeley-Swan High School) Mon-Fri, 8am-3pm (closed 11am-noon); Wed, 3-8 pm; Sat, 10am-3pm; Story Time-Sat, 11 am, 677-2224 ext. 5741
Swan Valley Library (Condon), Tues, 11am-4pm; Wed, 11am-7pm; Fri, 11am-4pm
Family History Ctr.-LDS Church: Open Wed, 11am-3pm. Call 677-2642 or 677-2575.
EMERGENCY: Dial 911 if you live in Seeley Lake, Condon, Greenough or Ovando.
Swan Lake Residents: 886-2324 (Fire, QRU or Search & Rescue) or 1-406-752-6161 for Sheriff, Highway Patrol.

Editorial Comment

Chips . . . bits & pieces

We've Been There Before...

It was a crowning achievement to get into the State Class B Tournament this year. We thought it was good enough to be called the "first time ever", knowing that we've been there before, but thinking we were Class B then. Turns out we were wrong. Ray Cebulski remembers a time 30 years ago: "Hi Gary, after much thought more things are coming back to memory, after all 30 years is a long time!!! On the 1973 team that went to state the main players were Steve Curtis, Stuart Cebulski, Jack Rich, Rocky Houtchens, Joe Hals, with backups Rod Kessler, Dick Hoehn, Wayne Slight, and others that I cannot remember right off. I know that Stuart had a scrapbook of it all. At that time SS was smallest B school in district, and Bigfork was the largest [with approx. 3 times as many kids,] and was a very formidable foe, along with Loyola. Corvallis and Darby were also in the district along with the others I mentioned yesterday (see below).
Hi Gary, We were class B at that time, we started out as class C, went to B, back to C and then back to B. At that time [1973] we were B, and we were playing Loyola, St. Ignatius, Thompson Falls, Big Fork, etc. In fact in 1974 we had a very good team, [same kids I mentioned in 1973] won almost every game, went in as favorites of the district and fell on our faces. Lost to Thompson Falls, then to Big Fork, took 4th in District, and everyone was plenty upset including us. In 1973 we beat Loyola at Hamilton to get to go to state, put Loyola out of the running, which upset them plenty, as they were the favorites. There was a big hullabaloo in Missoulian with letters to the editor flying pro and con. Lots of fun. I think the Loyola coach darned near lost his job over the deal. We remember this very well, as that was the first year we had kids in the high school up here. Stuart transferred from Sentinel High School, he was a junior, and was on Sentinel jr. varsity team when we moved in Dec. of 1972.
—Thanks Ray!

Sportsman Club Meeting April 11

Wilderness Sportsman Club Meeting April 11 at 7 p.m. at the Seeley Lake Community Hall
***FREE 22 MARLIN RIFLE to lucky door prize winner!
This is our annual meeting to elect officers and directors; the floor will be open for nominations.
If you don't already belong and would like to join our gun club, please come to the meeting. Annual dues are \$20.00 for family memberships and \$10.00 youth (under 18 years old).
We will also be discussing the upcoming Sporting Goods Swap and Show which will be held May 10th at the community hall.

American Red Cross Blood Drive April 7

by Donna Cherry
It's time again for the Seeley Lake Senior Citizens sponsored blood drive. The date is April 7 and the hours are from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. This is our first year of having a second drive for 2003. The second date will be on October 16.
Donating blood is an individual responsibility that supports the needs of people in our community. Each time you donate blood, you may help save the lives of as many as three people. When you donate, remember the blood recipients and thousands of other real people whose lives have depended on the availability of blood.
As an example of a grateful recipient and his family, I would like to tell you about Chas Patterson of Fairfield, Montana, as reported in the American Red Cross' 2003 calendar. Chas was diagnosed with leukemia when he was five months old. He needed a complete blood volume replacement and uncounted units of platelets during his three and a half years of treatment. Chas' mother, Kari, believes that blood saved her son. The transfusions helped him recover from chemotherapy treatments. Today, Chas is an athletic teenager who participates in sports, camping, hunting and other outdoor activities. He is looking forward to a bright future.
Posters will be on display around Seeley Lake. Please call me, Donna Cherry, at 677-2604 for appointments. I am often at the Senior Center on Monday through Friday from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. at 677-2008.
Many lives are touched by your "Gift of Life."

YMCA News Update on Activities

Adult Fitness Classes: Walk Fit and Step are being offered through the YMCA. Morning programs consist of the walking program or step class, you choose! We are also offering an evening step class. Classes are held Monday, Wednesday and Friday in the Multi-Purpose Room at Seeley Lake Elementary School. Morning class is from 8:15 to 9:15 AM. Evening class is 5:15 to 6:15 PM. Walk-Fit is \$15.00 per month and Step is \$25.00 per month for morning or evening classes.
Spring Baseball Program
The YMCA would like to start a baseball program for Seeley Lake and Swan Valley kids. The type of baseball and ages for participants will depend on the number of parents and kids who would be willing to participate. Helmsville, Ovando and Lincoln have established programs for Pee Wee baseball (boys and girls, ages 6-8), girls softball (ages 9-13), and Little League (ages 9-13). Their season begins in May and goes into June. Seeley Lake and Swan Valley would play teams from Helmsville, Ovando and Lincoln. If you or your child/children are interested, please contact the Seeley-Swan YMCA Outreach for more information: 677-3330. Office hours are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to noon, and also Wednesday from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

AARP Discusses Estate Planning

Due to a spring snow storm, the March program for the Swan Valley AARP was postponed to the April meeting. We'll try again to present the program involving wills and organized records. Heather Jones of the Missoula Aging Services will describe to AARP members the decisions and choices seniors should be making while they are in good health.
The meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 7 at the Swan Valley Community Hall. Members will gather at noon. A potluck lunch will start at 12:30 p.m. The public is invited.
The hosts for the occasion are Larrine and Russ Abolt and June and Rod Ash.

Help Us Get Pinned!

By Ron Cox

Imagine the "Corps of Discovery" in the Blackfoot.

Officers of the Blackfoot River Chapter of Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Foundation are seeking people to design and develop a hat pin depicting the Lewis and Clark Expedition through the Blackfoot "River of the Road to the Buffalo" Valley.

Captain Meriwether Lewis and nine men with 14 horses plus one dog, traveled upstream along the Blackfoot River on their return trip from the Pacific in 1806. They dined on fresh shot antelope and quoniam in the lower end of Ninemile Prairie and camped near Monture Creek on July 5th. They did not see a large bull at Clearwater Junction but did make note of seeing a swan as they crossed "Werners Creek," now called the Clearwater River.

The main purpose of the hat pin will be to provide visitors and local people interested in the Lewis and Clark Expedition with a unique souvenir from the area, especially as they partake in the Bicentennial Celebration during the next three years. Ideas can be presented either as graphic art, sketches, or narrative form. Napkins, matchbook covers, parchment or any other media is acceptable. This project is a part of their mission as "Keepers of the Story, Stewards of the Trail."

Individuals who have studied the Lewis and Clark expedition, know the history of the area, have special interests in local plants and animals, or any other unique skills, knowledge or ability will be especially adept at providing good ideas for the pin. Anyone who would like to submit ideas, or wants information about the details of the iCorps of Discovery and their trip

through the Blackfoot Valley, should call 677-3398, fax 677-3418, email lewisandseaman@yahoo.com or pony express mail to P.O. Box 1201 Seeley Lake MT 59868. Visit their website at <http://blackfoottrail.homestead.com>. The pin concept or design should be submitted by April 10.

Arctic Rivers Topic of Evening Program

Cal Tassinari, retired wilderness ranger and long time resident of the Swan Valley will narrate a slide show of his adventures on some of North America's wildest rivers. This program will occur on April 10, 2003 from 7-9 p.m. at Swan Ecosystem Center.

Seen in these slides will be dozens of arctic wildlife species as well as sunlit landscapes. Wildlife will include everything from polar bears to arctic terns and thousands of caribou. For the whitewater enthusiasts, there will be numerous views of Class III and Class IV rapids on the Firth River.

Eskimo sewing, carving and basketry will also be on display. For more information call Swan Ecosystem Center at 754-3137.

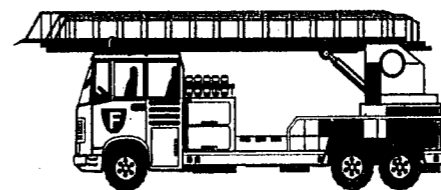
Seeley Lake Firemen's Ball Saturday, April 12

Seeley Lake Community Hall

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Baked Beans and Salad will be served beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Cake Walk and Silent Auction to begin at 7:30 p.m.
Karaoke from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Cost is \$5.00 per person or \$10.00 per family
Children under 12 free



To The Wonderful Seeley/Swan Valley:

Thank you everyone who organized, put together, donated & helped with the Baker Benefit! We really appreciate all you've done. your support means a lot!

I thought I'd be ready for work April 1st, unfortunately life has taken me on a new path. I'll be relocating in Missoula and I'd love you to come see me there. You are the best clients a girl could have.

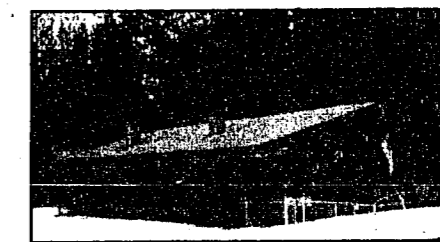
Thanks for your understanding & support! I'll let you know where I end up!

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Arctic Rivers

Date & Time: April 10, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Presenter: Cal Tassinari

Cost: Donations appreciated

Peggy's Puppets

Date & Time: April 29, 7-8:15 p.m.

Location: Swan Valley Community Hall

Topic: A fund-raiser for a children's natural resource collection at Swan Ecosystem Center.

Presenter: Peggy Meinholtz

Cost: \$5 per person or \$10 per family

Land Navigation /Map Reading

Date & Time: May 5-16, 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Presenter: Mike Lake

Cost: \$40 per person

Tree Diseases and Insects

Date & Time: June 7 (note date change), all day

Topic: Identification and treatment of common occurrences in the Seeley-Swan area.

Presenters: State and federal agency foresters

Cost: Donations appreciated

Awaiting final date confirmations:

- A story of a winter adventure in the Bob Marshall

- An introduction to local history projects

- Native plants

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Clearwater Resource Council Addresses Forest Health

By Mike Thompson
Last week when Peter Kolb informed his audience at the Seeley Lake Senior Center that his job is a hybrid of two, I remembered a story. My story involves Arnie Foss, the long-time FWP Wildlife Manager in Bozeman. Quite a few years back, someone asked Arnie what he thought of creating a new Conservation Officer position in FWP, which would be a combination biologist and warden. "It's like the Jeep Wagoneer," Arnie answered. "It's supposed to be half four-wheel-drive, and half family car."

"So, it's no good at either one." Unlike Arnie's Wagoneer, I discovered that Peter Kolb is very good at both parts of his job. On the one hand, he is part of the Extension Service at Montana State University, Bozeman. But, he is based at the University of Montana, Missoula, and is a professor of forestry there. And, his presentation to those who later that evening became the "Clearwater Resource Council" was very informative and thought provoking.

For one thing, I couldn't help appreciating how far our society has come in recent decades as I watched the antics of Peter's tiny, but highly mobile, daughter while she amused herself and the audience during Peter's presentation. I marveled at how flawlessly he would explain complex concepts while occasionally reaching out with his hand and calmly addressing his daughter. At one point, however, Peter had to interrupt himself completely to save the Seniors' half-finished jigsaw puzzle from its imminent demise.

"I'm babysitting," Peter explained to the chuckling crowd, and then picked up right where he left off, his voice elevated in volume slightly to overwhelm a brief temper tantrum. (Most importantly, the puzzle was preserved.)

While his daughter provided the charm, Peter provided the information. His topic was "Forest Health." Peter said he laughed when invited to give a 45-minute presentation on the subject. He laughed harder when the inviter tried to accommodate him by allowing less time, if that's what Peter would prefer.

"I was thinking of a week," Peter

Game Range Ramblings

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



said. Of course, Peter is correct. Forest health is the catchall for every person's opinion and perception of a forest, and it is complex. But, Peter focused our attention on an ecological perspective of forest health.

"The person who tells you that forestry isn't rocket science doesn't know what he's talking about," Peter said. "It is rocket science."

And, I think we believed him after he very clearly described examples of how local forests developed through time, where they're headed, and what kinds of things we should be thinking about when manipulating or not manipulating forests for our benefit.

Peter told us he believes that logging can be prescribed to mimic natural processes and as a partial substitute for fire and insect outbreaks that would naturally prepare a site for regeneration of early successional species such as ponderosa pine and larch.

"I'm concerned about the loss of larch in this valley," I heard him say. "When I look at the beautiful, big old larch around the outskirts of Seeley Lake, I don't see the larch regeneration coming."

Peter recommended some general forest management concepts to regenerate larch, and others to help interrupt or slow wildfires before they reach the town of Seeley Lake or other settlements in the Clearwater Valley.

But, he cautioned that logging should not begin without a clear understanding of the particular site you're working on.

The example that stuck in my head was one of a young Douglas-fir stand on a dry slope. Forest managers decided to thin the stand to reduce competition for moisture among stressed trees. But, when the thinning was completed, the remaining trees died. Why?

"This Douglas-fir stand originally established in a clump that provided shade," Peter explained. "The trees developed shallow root systems to take advantage of the surface moisture beneath the shade. When the shade was thinned on this exposed site, soil temperatures increased, moisture was lost in the shallow root zone, and the remaining trees couldn't survive."

I don't know about you, but I'm not sure I could have predicted that one if I had been the manager involved. Of course, in many cases thinning improves growth rates of Douglas-fir. But, knowing the difference ahead of time is what might make forestry rocket science.

Just don't ask me to call any of my forester friends "rocket scientists." That's where I draw the line.

When Peter finished, those assembled were more convinced than ever of their interest in helping to de-

velop community based land management solutions around Seeley Lake. They needed a name.

In discussion, there was strong interest expressed in the forests of the Seeley Lake area. Some pointed out that a forest is trees, water, grasses, insects, wildlife, and air. So, the term "forest" is an all-inclusive one.

Still, others wanted to be clear that the group is interested in all local resources, and ultimately the group voted to use the term "resource council" instead of "forest council." It became the "Clearwater Resource Council" when all agreed that Clearwater described the area of interest better than Seeley.

Keep watch in the Pathfinder and an ear to the ground to learn more about this emerging organization of citizens in your community.

And, what's in a name? Well, it can convey an impression of what is important to you. Like the fellow I heard about this morning who collected and analyzed elk scat in Yellowstone Park. Apparently his name was Piles.

Jarod didn't know whether the name is properly spelled with an "i" or "y," but it didn't matter to us.

COMMUNITY SINGLES BIBLE STUDY



Coffee, fellowship & Bible Study each Saturday at 8:45 am at the Lazy Pine Place in the Lazy Pine Mall. For more information speak to Sandi @ 677-0600

Swan Song

Harry Neil Kovatch

Army veteran Harry Neil Kovatch, 72, of Valier, died Sunday of emphysema at Benefis Hospital.

Harry was born, Nov. 25, 1930, to Steve and Mary Kovatch of Conrad. He was raised on the family farm with his brothers Merle, Joe, Jerry and Bob, and his little sister Patsy. He graduated from Valier High School in 1950. One of his greatest high school accomplishments was being the first young man from Valier to play in the East-West Shrine Football Game.

He was drafted into the Army and was stationed in Germany for two years. After his service, he came back to Valier and married his high school sweetheart and best friend, Lois Mae Henneman. Together they started their family when their first son, Kenneth, was born, followed by Kathy, Karalee and Kevin.

Harry always put his family first, whether it would be taking his family fishing, telling his unforgettable bedtime stories, coaching Little League or working extra long hours just to provide for his family.

Harry worked for many years at various jobs such as clearing snow for the railroad, building grain elevators, farming on Henneman's farm, Gambles, and driving school bus for nearly 15 years, before being employed by Pondera County as clerk for the city of Valier.

He was dedicated and worked hard on these jobs for 35 years. Most would know Harry by his outstanding community services. He held many offices in the American Legion during his 43 years, was Valier Fire Department chief and an EMT.

Harry loved being a community member of Valier, whether it was supporting the Valier Panthers or doing community development. Whatever he did, he always gave 100 percent. He never quit anything and he put his heart into his community. For 12 years, Harry was committed to being the mayor.

He was preceded in death by his parents and an infant sister.

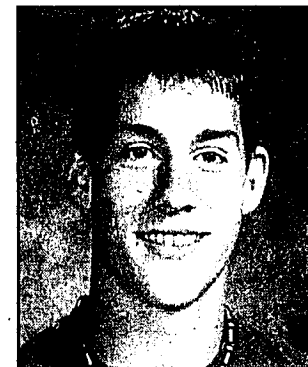
Harry is survived by his wife of 50 years, Lois of Valier; sons Kenny (Lorna) Kovatch of Ovando and Kevin (Christy) Kovatch of Valier; and daughters Kathy Kovatch of Missoula and Karalee (Wayne) Slaght of Ovando. He adored and lived for his eight grandchildren, including Kalvin (Karen) Kovatch of Seeley Lake, and Grant, Ben and Nicole Slaght of Ovando; and his two great-grandchildren, including Klaire Kovatch of Seeley Lake.

Visitation was Tuesday, March 25 at Day Family Funeral Home Valier Chapel. The funeral was Wednesday, March 26 at Valier United Methodist Church with burial in Lakeview Cemetery. Day Family Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

SSHS Students of the Week



Saray Muzzy - This determined young lady has many things going for her. Sarah is an independent thinker, and is original in everything that she does. She stands firm in her beliefs, even if there is no one standing with her. Her smile can light up a room, and her humor can bust a gut. Thank you Sarah for being YOU!



Rion Nash - Hard workin, smile havin, nice clothes wearin, track star racin, good grades happenin, sports lovin, pleasant individual that has a super outlook on life...Need I say more about him?

Students of the Week submitted by staff at SSSH

Attend the Church of Your Choice!

Seeley Lake Church Directory

Faith Chapel (Pentecostal Church of God)

Worship-10:30 a.m. Sunday School-9:30 a.m.
Hwy 83 North Phone-677-2220
Pastor-Gary Wayne

Seeley Lake Baptist Church

Worship-11:00 a.m. -Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
-Sunday Evening 6:30 p.m. -Wed. Bible Study & Prayer 6:30 p.m.
3116 Hwy 83 South Phone-677-2268 (Founded 1953)
Pastor-Bill Bogardus

Holy Cross Lutheran Church

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Living Water Catholic Church

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152 SOS Road
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Pastor-Father Jozef Perekubka

Mountain Lakes Presbyterian Church

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Pastor-Scott Anthony

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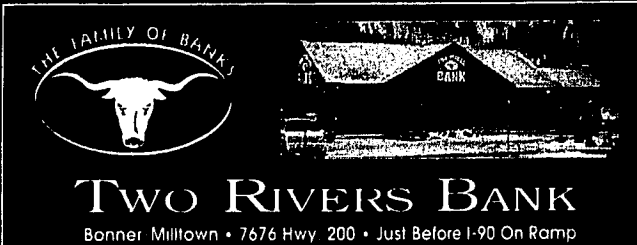


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Patricia (Pat) Gossard

Seeley Lake - Beloved wife and mother, Patricia Ann Gossard, 64, passed away March 29, 2003. She was born on April 25, 1938 to George and Ruth Duncan in St. Louis, MO. Her father passed away in 1943, and her mother remarried to Harold Hawkins in 1951. Her step-father was instrumental in her development into the person she became. He was in the Air Force and the family soon relocated to Warrington, England. He was stationed at Burtonwood Air Base, where she attended eighth grade through her sophomore year in high school. She studied French for two years and traveled to France and Switzerland for a class study. She visited the Eiffel tower and the League of Nations Building. She attended the Church of England on Easter Sunday in Geneva, which she said was the most beautiful she could remember. In 1954, the family relocated to Great Falls, MT, where her step-father was stationed. She graduated from Great Falls High School in 1956. After graduation she worked at the base Post Exchange (PX). She later relocated to Oregon where she met her husband and soul mate, Boyd, through a mutual friend. She greatly enjoyed her employment with Bell Telephone Company where she was a Senior Representative. They lived in vari-

ous locations in Oregon and the family often went to the Oregon coast for vacations, which was one of her favorite places. The family went on a vacation in 1972, which took them through Montana. They decided after that trip that Montana was where they wanted to continue raising their family so they relocated to Seeley Lake in 1978.

Throughout her life she was involved in various organizations and activities, including: glee club, square dancing club, teen club officer, vice president of her sophomore class, honor roll, youth fellowship, choir, school league bowling, girls athletics, future teachers and Beta Sigma Phi Sorority secretary, publicity chairman and valentines candidate. Hobbies included coin collecting, golfing, bowling, classic movies, reading, scrapbooking, painting, ceramics and quilting. She also worked at the Seeley Lake Chamber of Commerce.

She always gave unconditional love to her husband and children. Her family was the most important thing in her life and always came first. She also had a deep love of animals although supported the hunting lifestyle of her family. Through the years she had numerous pets that were loved and cared for far beyond what one would expect. She also cared deeply for the deer that roamed near the house even though they would eat her flowers.

She had high expectations for her family and was always there to help them through the difficult

times never asking for something in return. She always did the meaningful little things for her family, individualized for each of them. Additionally, she had a deep love for her grandchildren and greatly enjoyed spending time with them. She always welcomed everyone with open arms and was not judgmental.

She was preceded in death by her father, mother, step-father, two brothers and her grandson Mikael. Survivors include her husband, Boyd, Seeley Lake; her children, Scott, Steve, Jackie, and Ron; her grandchildren, Mathew, Anthony, Elizabeth, Erik, Jacob and Ashley.

A memorial service will be held on April 4, 2003 at 2:00 pm at the Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Seeley Lake with Pastor Benson officiating. Burial will follow the memorial service at the Seeley Lake Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials, in lieu of flowers, to the following:

- American Cancer Society
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or
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Hailey Towe

...with a little help from well known Swan Valley potter, Bob Korn, in photo at right. Alan Taylor assisted Korn throughout a week at school introducing the kids to pottery. Korn provided all the materials for the project and introduced older students to the potter wheel as well. "The children loved the experience," said Kitty Logan, school principal

Photos by
Kitty Logan



Bob Korn and Hailey Towe



Chase Hulett



KeAnna Conley



Sam Yates



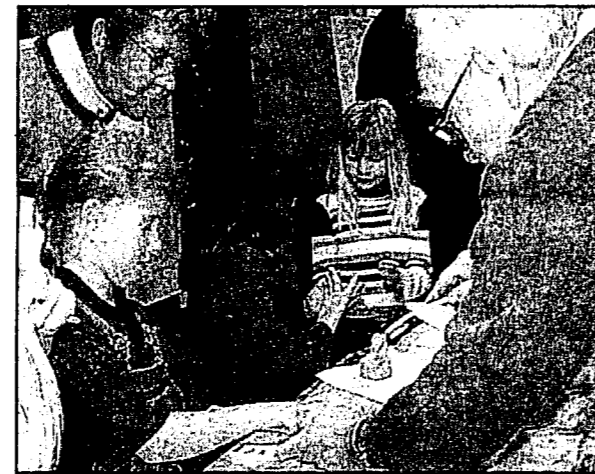
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Katie Hood and Anna Stevenson



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Ruth Korn and Michael Russell



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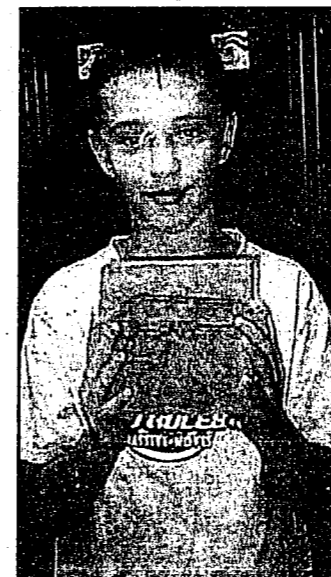
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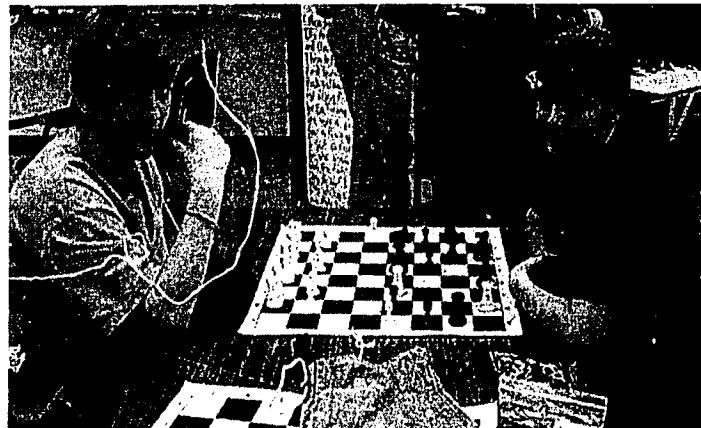
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Numbered and Finished

by Clay Sterling

I have never seen a country so giving over to idolatry and pleasure seeking. The lust for self gratification has blinded the eyes of Americans to the obvious. Violent horror movies are the "norm," and sodomy is shamelessly flaunted everywhere. A news clip I just came across stated: "It was recently reported that here in the United States, the homosexual community is playing a new thrill game that is rampant from Coast to Coast. The thrill is to become HIV positive. Those who are already positive are called 'gift givers' and infect the knowing and willing recipients called 'bug chasers.' A full 25 percent of all newly infected men were bug chasers and some said that the moment of transmission was the ultimate thrill." I'm embarrassed to even put into print the unmoral filth that is going on in our country. Suffice it to say that the handwriting is on the wall and the Lord himself wrote it. It's found in Daniel chapter 5. "And this is the writing that was written...MENE; God hath numbered thy kingdom, and finished it. TEKEL; thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting. PERES; thy kingdom is divided, and given to the Medes and Persians." This prophecy was given to a self-seeking nation not nearly as corrupt as ours. This will also be America's fate if she does not repent. Isaiah made it painfully clear when he wrote, "Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken the Lord, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger, they are gone away backward. Why should ye be stricken anymore? Ye will revolt more and more: the whole head is sick and the whole heart faint. From the sole of the foot even unto the head there is no soundness in it; but wounds, and bruises, and putrefying sores: they have not been closed, neither bound up, neither mollified with ointment. Your country is desolate your cities are burned with fire: your land, strangers devour it in your presence, and it is desolate, as overthrown by strangers." (Ch. 1:4-7).

The Gestapo controlled media has Americans convinced that World War III is necessary to align all the governments of the planet into a peaceful and serene One-World Government where fighting and war will be a thing of the past. But the word of God warns us what will happen if this comes to pass. "For when they shall say, peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape." (1 Thessalonians 5:3) When Daniel warned of the Anti-Christ (New World Order) he said this, "...and by peace shall destroy many..." (Ch. 8:25).

The Lord Jesus Christ is offering a pardon right now. He's offering grace and an opportunity to escape Hell and destruction. He'll give life in exchange for death but American still insists on choosing death over life. The Lord is calling, but nobody is answering. The wisdom of Solomon in Proverbs, chapter 1, is a fitting conclusion in these final days before God's judgment. "Because I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded; But ye have set at naught all my counsel, and would none of my reproof: I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh; when your fear cometh as desolation, and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish cometh upon you. Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer; they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me: For that they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the Lord: They would none of my counsel: They despised all my reproof. Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own way, and be filled with their own devices. For the turning away of the simple shall slay them, and the prosperity of fools shall destroy them." Ahh, but the last verse is the best, as it demonstrates the mercy of the Lord: "But whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet from fear of evil."

The fear of terrorism has totally gripped this country. The terror is not knowing if you'll get shot in the back or blown up in a shopping mall somewhere. I marvel at the blindness of a nation that's supposed to be world leaders in technology and ingenuity, yet cannot understand that terrorism is approved and sanctioned by our own government. Nor can Americans understand that, because the people of this once great country have thumbed their noses at the real God, God has sold them into the slavery of our traitorous leaders.

An incredible strong delusion has gripped this country with such a fierce intensity that it is impossible for the American people to comprehend world events and what is happening to our nation. We are deceived and stupefied to the point that we actually think the medical profession can cure our diseases. We think insurance is necessary for survival. We bow down and worship the gods of gold (stocks and bonds). Even though Americans have lost and are losing millions of dollars, the financial advisors are still telling us to invest. Has this world gone mad? Americans still believe the incredible lie that we are a free country and that by uniting together in patriotism we can endure anything. It's very hard to understand this kind of deception until you read II Thessalonians 2:10-12, "And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: that they all might be damned who believe not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness."

The only way to endure what's coming is a return to the Lord God Almighty. Anyone who humbles themselves and confesses their wickedness before the Lord can trust in this promise: "Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked when it cometh. For the Lord shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken." (Proverbs 3:25,26). If this nation does not heed God's warnings, then America is "finished and her days are numbered."

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This year's winners receive a Caribbean cruise during the first week of April.

Richard Lewis, owner of Seeley Lake Auto Parts, said that the cruise is a motivating incentive, but the real winners are NAPA customers.

"NAPA's Five-Star Excellence program is one of many reasons that NAPA Auto Parts stores consistently demonstrate a com-

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NAPA President Steve Handschuh said the program includes the word "excellence" for a reason.

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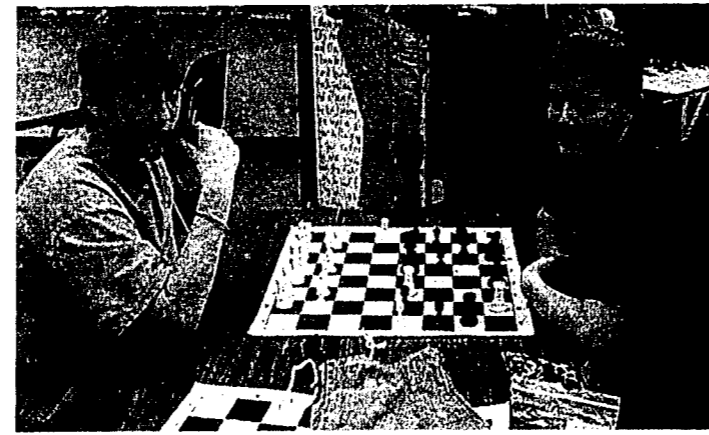
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Numbered and Finished

by Clay Sterling

I have never seen a country so giving over to idolatry and pleasure seeking. The lust for self gratification has blinded the eyes of Americans to the obvious. Violent horror movies are the "norm," and sodomy is shamelessly flaunted everywhere. A news clip I just came across stated: "It was recently reported that here in the United States, the homosexual community is playing a new thrill game that is rampant from Coast to Coast. The thrill is to become HIV positive. Those who are already positive are called 'gift givers' and infect the knowing and willing recipients called 'bug chasers.' A full 25 percent of all newly infected men were bug chasers and some said that the moment of transmission was the ultimate thrill." I'm embarrassed to even put into print the unmoral filth that is going on in our country. Suffice it to say that the handwriting is on the wall and the Lord himself wrote it. It's found in Daniel chapter 5. "And this is the writing that was written...MENE; God hath numbered thy kingdom, and finished it. TEKEL; thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting. PERES; thy kingdom is divided, and given to the Medes and Persians." This prophecy was given to a self-seeking nation not nearly as corrupt as ours. This will also be America's fate if she does not repent. Isaiah made it painfully clear when he wrote, "Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken the Lord, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger, they are gone away backward. Why should ye be stricken any more? Ye will revolt more and more: the whole head is sick and the whole heart faint. From the sole of the foot even unto the head there is no soundness in it; but wounds, and bruises, and putrefying sores: they have not been closed, neither bound up, neither mollified with ointment. Your country is desolate your cities are burned with fire; your land, strangers devour it in your presence, and it is desolate, as overthrown by strangers." (Ch. 1:4-7).

The Gestapo controlled media has Americans convinced that World War III is necessary to align all the governments of the planet into a peaceful and serene One-World Government where fightings and war will be a thing of the past. But the word of God warns us what will happen if this comes to pass. "For when they shall say, peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape." (1 Thessalonians 5:3) When Daniel warned of the Anti-Christ (New World Order) he said this, "...and by peace shall destroy many..." (Ch. 8:25).

The Lord Jesus Christ is offering a pardon right now. He's offering grace and an opportunity to escape Hell and destruction. He'll give life in exchange for death but American still insists on choosing death over life. The Lord is calling, but nobody is answering. The wisdom of Solomon in Proverbs, chapter 1, is a fitting conclusion in these final days before God's judgment. "Because I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded; But ye have set at naught all my counsel, and would none of my reproof: I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh; when your fear cometh as desolation, and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish cometh upon you. Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer; they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me: For that they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the Lord: They would none of my counsel: They despised all my reproof. Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own way, and be filled with their own devices. For the turning away of the simple shall slay them, and the prosperity of fools shall destroy them." Ahh, but the last verse is the best, as it demonstrates the mercy of the Lord: "But whose hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet from fear of evil."

The fear of terrorism has totally gripped this country. The terror is not knowing if you'll get shot in the back or blown up in a shopping mall somewhere. I marvel at the blindness of a nation that's supposed to be world leaders in technology and ingenuity, yet cannot understand that terrorism is approved and sanctioned by our own government. Nor can Americans understand that, because the people of this once great country have thumbed their noses at the real God, God has sold them into the slavery of our traitorous leaders.

An incredible strong delusion has gripped this country with such a fierce intensity that it is impossible for the American people to comprehend world events and what is happening to our nation. We are deceived and stupefied to the point that we actually think the medical profession can cure our diseases. We think insurance is necessary for survival. We bow down and worship the gods of gold (stocks and bonds). Even though Americans have lost and are losing millions of dollars, the financial advisors are still telling us to invest. Has this world gone mad? Americans still believe the incredible lie that we are a free country and that by uniting together in patriotism we can endure anything. It's very hard to understand this kind of deception until you read II Thessalonians 2:10-12, "And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: that they all might be damned who believe not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness."

The only way to endure what's coming is a return to the Lord God Almighty. Anyone who humbles themselves and confesses their wickedness before the Lord can trust in this promise: "Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked when it cometh. For the Lord shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken." (Proverbs 3:25,26). If this nation does not heed God's warnings, then America is "finished and her days are numbered."

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Seeley Lake Auto Parts Earns Five-Star Excellence Rating From NAPA Auto Parts

Seeley Lake Auto Parts announced that it earned the prestigious Five-Star Excellence Award from NAPA for 2002.

Of the more than 5,000 independent NAPA Auto Parts stores that competed for the Five-Star Excellence rating, some 270 successfully met the rigorous program criteria for winning.

Criteria included sales growth, store presentation, wholesale marketing efforts and demonstrated commitment to ASE (National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence) training and education.

This year's winners receive a Caribbean cruise during the first week of April.

Richard Lewis, owner of Seeley Lake Auto Parts, said that the cruise is a motivating incentive, but the real winners are NAPA customers.

"NAPA's Five-Star Excellence program is one of many reasons that NAPA Auto Parts stores consistently demonstrate a com-

mitment to quality service," Lewis said. "The award criteria are designed with the customer in mind by emphasizing the importance of ASE training, product quality, customer service, accurate sales and support and a store environment indicative of the NAPA brand promise that customer satisfaction always comes first."

NAPA President Steve Handschuh said the program includes the word "excellence" for a reason.

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to Cecil Collins for the donation for the caring of two cats. It is appreciated. Thanks also to Bob, Bobby T., and Blake Thorne for the nice donation. I miss you Bobby T. and Blake!

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Keep those raffle tickets coming in. We will draw at a party we hope to have, and all are invited. Possibly May 17th. I will get my act together and let everyone know soon!

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The Seeley Lake Missoula County Water District is seeking a full time Water Plant Operator. State Certification preferable but not required. Job requirements include operation and maintenance of the water plant and distribution system, meter reading, and digging installation and maintenance of water lines. Must be able to lift up to 75 lbs. at times. Job applications are due by April 11, 2003. For additional information, please contact Vince Chappell at 677-2559.

For Sale

Firewood, solid Doug fir, split & delivered, \$95/cord, 677-3142

8x16 trailer, 8' ramp, used for snowmobiles, rafts, ATVs, golf carts, small tractor or equipment, \$750, 677-2040

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Lost

Lost this winter a 12-14 foot aluminum ladder. Call 677-2891.

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Lunch Menu for this week... 4/3 - 4/9

Thursday: "Hoagie" Day, Hoagies ordered in the booth, SAVE - .25 OFF

Friday: "No Where Near New England" Clam Chowder!

Saturday & Sunday: No soup but we have sandwiches

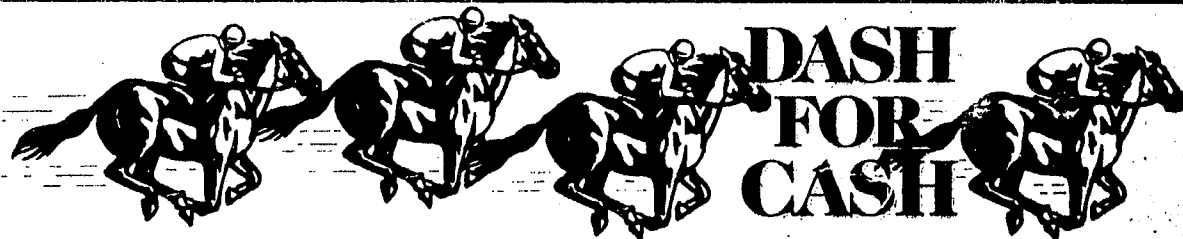
Monday: "Iron Kettle" Chicken-n-Dumplings, comfort food good!

Tuesday: "Tremendous Tato Day" — Baked Potatoes with your choice of toppings!

Wednesday: "Geez Louise It's" Wisconsin Cheese Soup, smokey, cheesy!

~ 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., 12 oz. bowl with roll - \$2.50

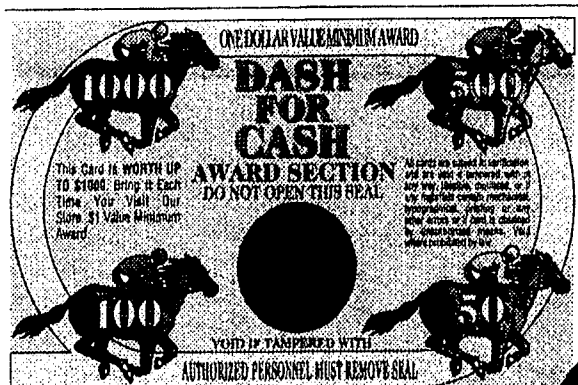
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\$10	1	10,000:1
\$5	1	10,000:1
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