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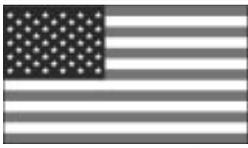
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Red Lake Attacks Drugs, Gangs

RED LAKE -- It's a matter of money. That's what Minneapolis Police Sergeant, and Chairman of Native American Law Enforcement Summit, William Blake, and Officer Robert Thunder told the large audience gathered at the Red Lake Humanities Center Jan. 17th, 2007 as part of a 2-day Red Lake Gangs and Drugs Summit.

Blake explained that youth gangs aren't social organizations. They're criminal business organizations, like small crime syndicates - mini mafias - and are organized for the same purpose: money from trading in drugs, stealing cars, and other illegal activities. Kids join not to seek a sense of belonging, as is commonly believed, it's just the money - they see the members' flashy cars and other things bought with the ill-gotten gains and they want a piece of the action. "Gangs form for one reason, and one reason only," he said, "to engage in criminal activity ... make money ... business."

But it's not that easy to get in. A local club may be allowed to join the larger organization by making their bones; that is, by perpetrating a random and senseless killing.

Blake and Thunder explained that the local gang, the Minneapolis-based Native Mob, organized in 1995, has become affiliated with the Chicago-based Vice Lords, and is now the nation's largest Native gang.

They explained key themes of gang awareness: Men running kids, and Label the activity, not the individual.

Does anything straighten out a gang member? Yes, according to Sgt. Blake, who told the crowd that, usually, when they have a family and kids, "they're done". They no longer have time for, nor can afford the risks of, gang activity. And police intervention, if in time, can sometimes work "If you get them out in time, you can turn their life around. ... If you can get to someone before they ruin their life and commit a major crime, I think you can save them," Thunder said.

Law Enforcement and judicial awareness and appropriate action is a key. Thunder told the audience of a time that he felt that the judicial system failed a young man arrested in the Twin Cities for having a gun on him. He explained to the officers that he needed the gun because a gang was after him. "He said 'they're gonna kill me'," Thunder recounted. At this point, actually, jail would have been the



Above, concerned Red Lakers pack the Humanities Center for the Drug/Gang Summit and to hear speakers, Sgt. William Blake (right inset) and Officer Robert Thunder.

Right, a member makes the hand sign of the Vice Lords/Native Mob. Gang members may be identified by hand signs, colours of clothing and the way it is worn, and tattoos.

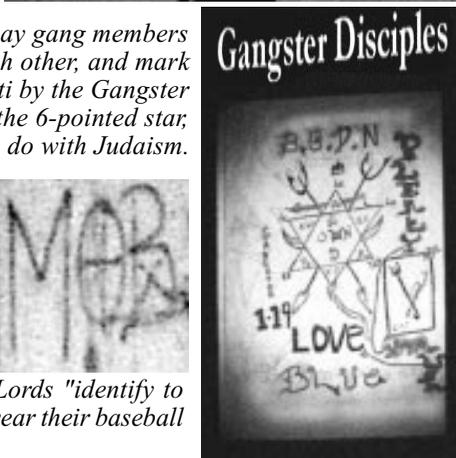
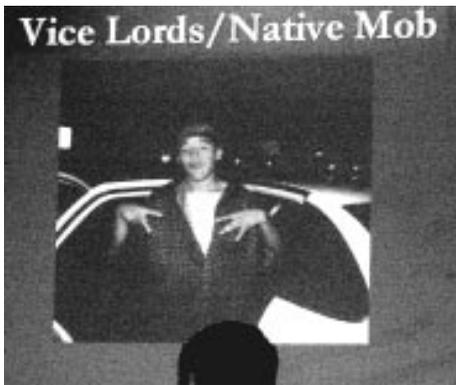
Graffiti is the way gang members communicate with each other, and mark their turf. At right is graffiti by the Gangster Disciples gang. Despite the 6-pointed star, the gang has nothing to do with Judaism.

At right, Vice Lords/Native Mob graffiti is identifiable by the cross in the "O" and the "x" in the "B". Other Vice Lords graffiti may be typified by a crescent moon, 5-point star, and a pyramid. Vice Lords "identify to the left" which means they wear their baseball caps turned to the left.

safest place for him. But there was no probable cause for the search of his person that turned up the gun, so no charges were brought and he was released. "He was released Thursday morning. Thursday night is when we found him . . . [dead from] birdshot. ... He was released, he was killed; he wasn't lying."

Thunder attributed their success in quelling violence among the Minneapolis gangs to letting them know of their presence and establishing a rapport with them. "I know what you do, I know who you are. I don't like what you do, I do not condone what you do, but I understand why you do it," he said.

Contact info for speaking engagements on drugs & gangs: Sgt. William Blake, 612-673-5774



THE PAUSE THAT REFRESHES FBI Makes Major Coke Busts at Red Lake

RED LAKE -- In a major move to cut off the flow of cocaine to and in Northern Minnesota, and involving many local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies, 20 members of an alleged coke ring, including two local policemen, were, in April and May 2007, arrested and charged in federal Court with cocaine-related offenses.

With its many thriving businesses, including a manu- (Continued, "Busted," page 14)

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U.S. Citizens Held Without Trial at Bemidji

On June 3rd, 2006, Bemidji police responded to what was called in as a "domestic disturbance" at 800 26th St. NW, Bemidji. Pamela Johnson had left her door unlocked, and, wanting to see his child, her former illicit male consort, John Russel Nelson had walked in and went to the child's bedroom. Arriving on the scene, police arrested Nelson, who was charged 3 days later, with 2nd degree burglary.

That was almost a year ago. But despite his demand, to his public defender (Margaret Dow), last October, for a speedy trial as guaranteed by the United States Constitution, and unable to post bail, Nelson was incarcerated in the Beltrami County Jail for over 10 months, until April 12th, 2007, before being tried.

Isauro Soto said that he came to Bemidji, from Minneapolis, to find work. Looking Native American, but actually of Colombian/Chinese descent, Soto stayed at the Bemidji House of Hospitality homeless shelter for a few days. With the weather turning cooler, Soto, a Catholic, said that he went to St. Philip's Catholic Church in Bemidji to try to get temporary help, but was turned away.

On October 9th, 2006, Soto was arrested for, allegedly, entering the St. Philip's Church thrift store through a window and taking a jacket with an estimated value of \$50, and a few dollars from the donation box.

In interview at the jail, February 6th, 2007, Soto said that his trial had been continually postponed, despite his having told his public defender (Dee Sweeney) on November 5th, 2006 that he wanted a speedy trial. He said that Sweeney refused to make the demand in court for same.

With no proof of his guilt, Soto was incarcerated at the Beltrami County Jail for 134 days (about 4

1/2 months) prior to trial, Feb. 20th, 2007.

In these two cases, both Nelson and Soto were eventually convicted of the charges, but that's not what's at issue here - it is the unconstitutional jailing of individuals for lengthy periods before trial. In a similar travesty a few years ago, a Native American newcomer to Bemidji, Roy Martin, was held at the Beltrami Co. Jail for almost 7 months, at great hardship to his family, before a jury found him **not guilty** of felony charges for which there never was any credible evidence, and where he did not match the description given to police by the alleged victim (Ida Stein Hightshoe, of Bemidji).

But don't Americans have a right to a speedy trial? Well, technically yes, but Minnesota has ways to get around that troublesome right which might inconvenience already overloaded court schedules.

Unlike certain other states which presume the demand, Minnesota law is crafted so that a person is only entitled to a speedy trial if he invokes the right - that is, he has to literally tell the Court that he demands a speedy trial. This can be done in writing or by standing up in court and simply saying, "I demand a speedy trial."

It's a little thing, but if the defendant (or his attorney) doesn't do it, he doesn't get it. Most defendants don't know that they have to do this, and neither the Court, nor the public defender are

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Correction

(no, not even we are without sin)

The December 27th, 2006 issue of NH contained a photo on page 5 with the caption mistakenly identifying the lady in the photo as "Mrs. Knop". The photo is actually of Mary Almendinger.

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A Minor Travesty

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thing in the world for one of them to call the police to have the other removed. But this is, after all, Bemidji; and a lot of people, parents and kids alike, aren't exactly rocket scientists. So that's what happened in the early morning of May 29th, 2007 at about 1:26 am. Travis Lee Thorson, 1368 Augusta Court, Bemidji, was cited for minor consumption, to appear in the District Court at Bemidji on or before July 13, 2007 (case no. 04-CR-07-2263). Responding to the call were Beltrami Co. deputies Martin Gack and Dan Rockensock.

It's a minor incident, but it is representative and telling about what happens to kids growing up in a community where parents are either afraid to discipline or don't want to; the schools can't discipline - not any more than they can teach morality and the existence of Providence; where too much of taxpayers' money is funneled into government child "protection" agencies; and law enforcement, as regards teen drinking parties, is regarded as not important, notwithstanding that many of them end up behind the wheel of a car.

The Thorson youth is reputed to have been holding regular beer parties, to which neighbourhood boys and their girlfriends are invited, at his parents' trailer home in east rural Bemidji Township for

This Year, Two Great Jams!

WALKER -- People wait for it all year, and those four days seem to pass faster than any of the other 361.

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This year, Moondance Producer Bill Bieloh has an answer. The June Country Fest, formerly at Turtle River, has been Moondance-classed (it's like first-class, but just a little more so) and moved to the Moondance Fairgrounds, and their first lineup, with Randy Travis, SheDaisy, and the Nitty-Gritty Dirt Band, just to name a few, is a knockout!

Each year, Moondance gets a little better. Mr. Bieloh, who with his wife, Mrs. Bieloh, creates Moondance, said that this year, due to demand, there are over 100 more electrical sites for RVers. There are now over 400 sites with electricity; and although some have been pre-reserved, up to a year in advance, the added sites have resulted in some still being available as we go to press.

Of course, for tenters and RVers who want the most pristine rustic natural sites amidst trees and a nearby creek, the North Wooded Reserved campground (it was first-come,

first-served last year, but this year is reservable) is the place to be. It was expanded last year, but these sites are hotly sought after and the best ones go fast, so people wanting one of these prime backwoods sites should order immediately. There may be a few sites available on the Jam first day, but the best ones will have been taken by then.

Also new this year is the expanded Backstage Bar. This is the building that used to be headquarters at Moondance Ranch, now moved to the Jam site, by the stage. It is available to all Jammers, as well as Country Festers!

As before, on-site parking for the *Jam* (\$15/day, when available) will be very limited, and, for optimum convenience, Jammers are encouraged to park at the Northern Lights Casino lot (\$5/day) and use the quick free shuttle that drops one right at the gate. Northern Lights will have an AYCE Midnight Jammer Buffet each night from midnight 'til 4 a.m.

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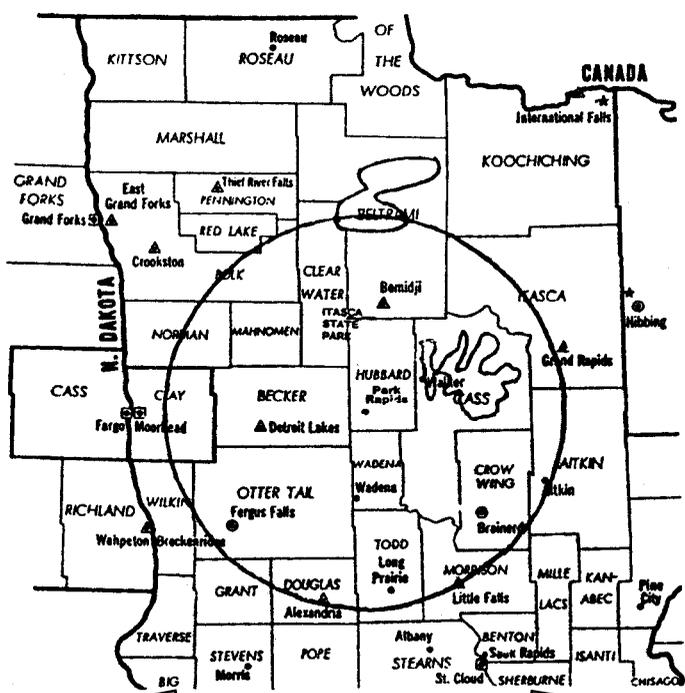
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Sherburne Co. Sheriff Sued For Jailhouse Murder

ELK RIVER -- Minnesota is tough on uninsured motorists. Not having proof of insurance with one, when driving, can result in the errant driver being beaten to death with a metal pipe.

So it was, on August 8th, 2006, when Carl Moyle was stopped by Elk River police for having a loud muffler and a cracked windshield, and then found to be driving without proof of insurance. They arrested him for the insurance count, and took him to the intake unit of the Sherburne County Jail.

The newly expanded Sherburne County Jail actively advertises its "rent-a-cell" program for use in pre-trial, and other temporary storage of federal inmates. On its web site, the jail states, in promoting its security, "Inside each pod of the jail is a control station, from which the corrections officer can monitor activity... [in]... each cell." But that somehow fell short this night. The computer screens must have been taking a coffee break or something.

When Moyle was brought in, the jail was, also in its intake unit, temporarily housing a state prisoner, Bruce William Christenson, an inmate of the Minnesota maximum security facility at Oak Park Heights. Christenson was at the Sherburne jail because he was to appear in court there for allegedly attacking, razor slashing, and severely beating a fellow inmate, in the prison dining line.

Serving a sentence for aggravated robbery, after the alleged prison dining room assault, Christenson had been placed in solitary confinement at Oak Park Heights, prior to being brought, for his court appearance, to Sherburne County, where he was reclassified by Sheriff's personnel as low-risk, and placed in the intake unit designed for low-risk arrestees, pre-trial detainees and prisoners. In other words, a

suitable jailhouse companion for a guy brought in on a traffic stop.

Christenson was placed in cell Ai30. There, he ripped a metal handicapped railing off of the wall, and at about 9 p.m. on August 8th, he walked out of that unlocked cell, and into the unlocked cell (Ai29) of Carl Moyle; and finding Moyle asleep in his bunk, beat the daylight out of him (allegedly) with the metal rail. Carl Moyle was pronounced dead by 10:24 p.m.

On February 6th, 2007, hallmark Minnesota attorney James R. Schwebel, Minneapolis, took up the cause, filing, on behalf of Moyle's minor son, suit in the United States District Court at Minneapolis, seeking damages against Sherburne Co. Sheriff Bruce Anderson, and others working with him, for the death of Carl Moyle.

The suit (No. 07-848-RHK/RLE) cites *deliberate indifference* to Moyle's civil rights, including reasonable care by the jail authorities to ensure that a deranged (our opinion) maximum-security, solitary-confinement prisoner, who had recently assaulted and severely injured another prisoner, wouldn't beat the daylight out of Moyle, while Moyle was awaiting arraignment the next morning in traffic court.

In this, the suit cites violation of 42 USC Sec. 1983, and the 4th, 8th, and 14th Amendments to the U.S. Constitution; as well as a state claim of negligence. The suit seeks damages in the amount of \$30 million, plus punitive damages in an amount to be determined, but exceeding \$50,000, and such other and further relief as the Court finds just and equitable. Jury trial has been demanded, and the case will probably be heard at the USDC at Fergus Falls, Minn.

Sheriff Anderson was contacted, but declined to comment on the incident.

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quite some time. The alcohol is furnished by the parents or older friends of one or more of the kids attending. Also present at the May 29th party was Robert Berube, age 21.

A total Bemidjian. For a time, Thorson was "seeing", reportedly, a daughter of the Bemidji *Ken K. Thompson, Jeweler* family and, for a while, was seen racing her snowmobile about over neighbours' properties, with the same degree of respect for

the property of others that is, among some, commonplace here.

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From left, Sgt. Les Plasschaert, Paul LaRoche, Derek Hanson Jonathan Hasser, Sara Wells, Derek Daniels, Derek Muelken, Hillary Duin, Weston Haugan, Kyle Morrison, Pete Miley, Eric Benson, BPD Chief Jerry Johnson



In Focus

Above, Sgt. Plasschaert pins new Captain's bars on Derek Muelken

Left, BPD Chief Johnson presents certificate to Johnathan Hasser; and 11 other reservists.

12 BPD Reservists Get Awards, Promotions

BEMIDJI -- In a ceremony held May 15th, 2007, and attended by the Bemidji Mayor, members of the Bemidji Police Dept. Reserve received Certificates of Achievement in six areas of law enforcement work for their good work in the 2006-2007 season.

The BPD reserve was established in 2001 by, and is directed by BPD Sgt. Les Plasschaert, with the clerical help of his wife, Betty, to provide hands-on training for students planning a career in Law Enforcement; and is estimated to provide the City with about \$10,000 per year in work, at a cost of about \$300. The reservists perform services necessary to police work, but which don't actually require that they be done by a licensed peace officer. At the ceremony, BPD Chief Jerry Johnson thanked Sgt. Plasschaert, a 20-year BPD officer, for "all the work" he's done with the Reserves, and before that, the Explorers.

Plasschaert explained that all Criminal Justice students may submit applications, generally at the start of the school year.

There's an interview, and the top students are selected for the Reservist program. Those selected sign an agreement not to use drugs, and not to use tobacco or alcohol until they are of lawful age. This season, two reservists had to leave for alcohol use.

Receiving certificates, by category of special merit (legend: B-Basic Law Enforcement Training, C-Community Service, E-Ethics, L-Law Enforcement Service, S-Skills Qualification Testing-Level 1, V-Volunteer Service) were:

Eric Benson (L,V,S); Derek Muelken (L,V,S), Sara Wells (C,L,S), Derek Daniels (B,L,S); Derek Hanson (B,L,S), Pete Miley (B,L,S), Paul LaRoche (L,S,E), Hillary Duin (C,S); Jonathan Hasser (L,S), Kyle Morrison (L,S), Weston Haugan (L), and Kyle Mlynar (L)

Promoted at the ceremony were, **to Captain:** Eric Benson, and Derek Muelken; **to Lieutenant:** Sara Wells; **to 1st Sergeant:** Kyle Mlynar; **to Sergeant Squad Leader:** Derek Daniels and Derek Hanson

Said reservist Weston Haugan, "I think it's a great program." His favourite part: "It has to be the shooting training," he said. New Cpt. Derek Muelken said his most exciting part is the ride-alongs with BPD officers.

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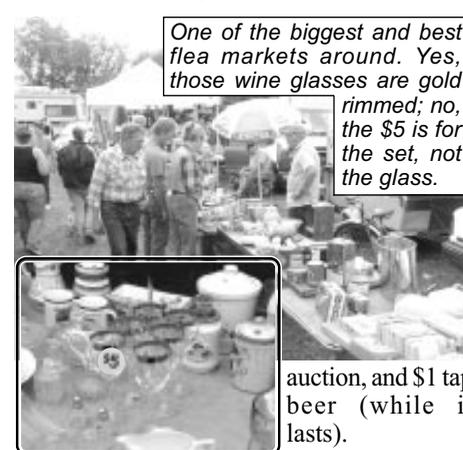
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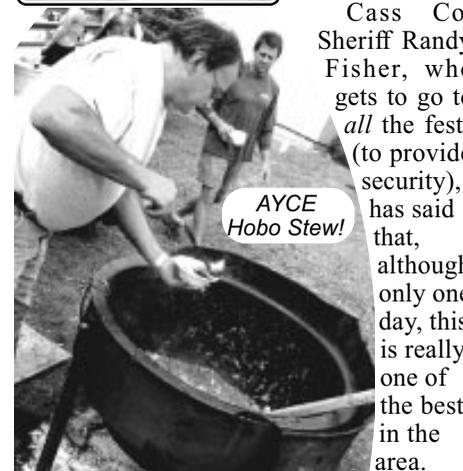
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OH, BOY! IT'S Boy River Hobo Day!

BOY RIVER -- Hobo day occurs each year, the Saturday of Labor Day weekend. There is some controversy as to just how many there have been, but the number is in the fifties. And in the 1950s, it started when a softball club got rained out and so made some Hobo Stew. It was so good that this tradition continued every year thereafter, and the Hobo Stew is still a key part of this event, which now includes the trap shoot, long parade, big pig roast with smoked sauerkraut and sides, kids' games, flea market, bake



One of the biggest and best flea markets around. Yes, those wine glasses are gold rimmed; no, the \$5 is for the set, not the glass.



AYCE Hobo Stew!

Goldens Lose Land

CLAIM Many Errors By Court, Officials
 HACKENSACK -- Generally, land deeds define a persons' real property and they can be secure in them. But this is Northern Minnesota, and there have been many horror stories of courts taking away people's property on a whim and in defiance of the law. It can happen to anyone, here, and it is often not a matter of what it is, but who you are, who you're related to, who you know, and who wants your land.

Patrick and Joan Golden have lived for many years on a 2.8 acre lakefront parcel on Ten Mile Lake near Hackensack. Their neighbours, attorney David and Norma Morse, were selling the property and wanted 6 ft. of their land, and tried to show that the abstracts and deeds were conflicting - but the Golden's had the senior, and normally, the superior title, defining their property as they have maintained it to be.

Origins. The trouble stems from when in the 1950s, Clara Moore owned 3 lots - lots 9, 10, and 11. She divided the land into only two parcels, lot 11 and the west 25 ft. of lot 10, which she deeded and transferred in 1951 and is now the Golden property; and in 1956, she deeded and transferred what should have been described as *lot 9 and lot 10, less the west 25 ft. thereof*, but which was erroneously deeded as lot 9 and the *east 25 ft. of lot 10* (this became the Morse property). Trouble was, that lot 10 was not uniformly 50 ft. wide.

To many, this would make the 1956 title (the Morse's) defective. Indeed, in his **supplemental report** filed with the Court March 3rd, 2005, Title Examiner Stephen M. Baker wrote, "it would be this examiner's opinion that the earlier deed recording would prevail as to the issue of who has the superior claim to the overlapped property" The 1951 title (to the Golden's land) was good, clear, and without defect. As a result, as of 1956, Moore didn't have 25 ft. of lot 10 to sell.

Over the years, the Morse deed has
(Continued, "Land Grab," page 13)

International Exchange Students Coming to Minnesota

Per their May release, STS Foundation will be placing new high school exchange students in Northern Minnesota for fall classes and is now inviting families, couples, and single parents, to become host families for the students' 10 month stay. In the past, STS has successfully placed students at Bemidji, Blackduck, and Bagley High Schools.

STS interviews prospective families to find the right match, taking into account factors such as religion, sports involvement, household and outdoor activity interests, musical talents, etc. A host family may have members who are interested in a particular country, or want to develop expertise in a foreign language that only comes by conversing regularly with someone who speaks it as their native dialect.

STS students include Raymond, 15, of Australia, who loves sports and is very involved with his (Australian) school's football team; Sabrina, 17, from Torino in Italy, who is an animal lover with 5 cats and a dog, and who attends church every Sunday with her family; and Aurelie, a 17 year old French student who comes from a medical family (her father is a doctor, mother is a nurse) and so values physical fitness. She enjoys jogging, swimming, skiing, and going to the gym; as well as board games and shopping.

STS Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to intercultural exchange. More info on hosting can be had by calling 800-522-4678, or by visiting www.stsfoundation.org

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Editor's recommendation: It pays to buy meats from people who specialize in knowing meats. We have found Bemidji Downtown Meats's product to be fresh and significantly more flavourful than some supermarkets' product. You can tell the quality difference just by looking at the meats in their case. Smell your usual ground beef, and then Downtown Meats's - is it really the same? And the most important things - the ones that affect flavour, cleanliness, and safety - can't always be seen or smelled. Don't take our word for it - try a pound of their ground and see if it isn't what you'd rather serve your family!

Another Big Posse Cookout!



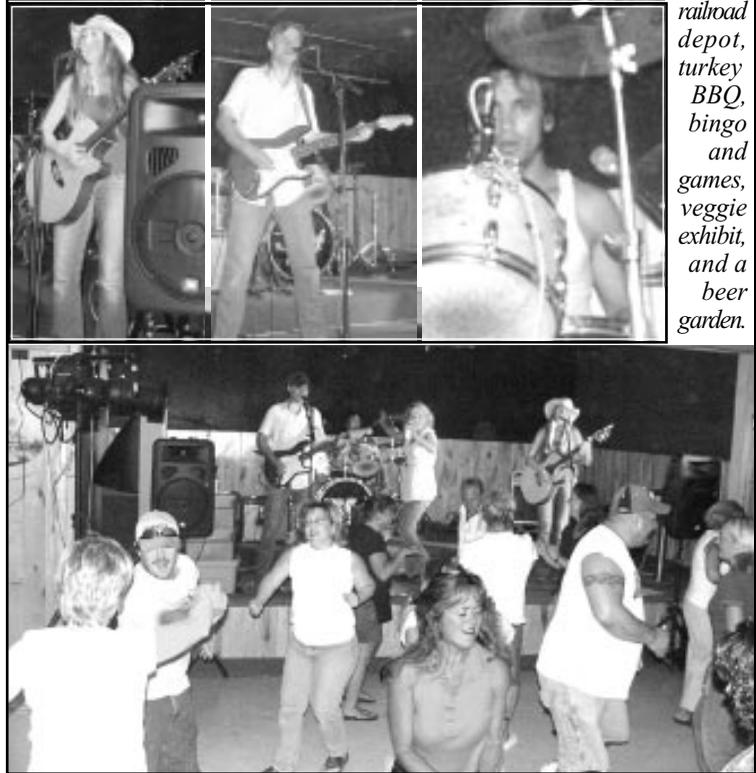
At top, afternoon square dancing while dinner's in the smoker. Plates of BBQ pork & turkey. Lower, after the feed, and most have eaten and gone, horsemen and posse supporters enjoy the campfire by headquarters.

NH What It Means:

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Harvest Dance at Remer!

REMER -- The band "Fireside" entertained the big crowd August 12th, 2007 closing the Friday & Saturday activities at the annual Harvest Festival at Remer. This gala celebration occurs the 2nd weekend of August, and the 2006 event featured, in addition to the dance, the parade on Main St., comedy by Jason James, flea market and crafts, picnic in the park with family entertainment, hot cake breakfast, mud run and fun run, basketball tourney, open house at the newly restored historic



railroad depot, turkey BBQ, bingo and games, veggie exhibit, and a beer garden.

LAKE GEORGE -- We don't know if it's the horse trails, camping and outings, the fun, dancing and festivity, the prizes, the great food - and all you can eat of it - or just the camaraderie and backing the posse; that keeps more and more people coming to the Hubbard County Sheriff's Posse Outing and Fundraiser Dinner each year, but we do know that if this keeps up, they're going to have to build a bigger dining shelter. It's pretty big as it is, but at times, it was hard to find a place at the 2006 event, always the Saturday just after Labor Day.

For equestrians, the Posse event includes a weekend of horse camping and trail riding (must bring your horse) right at Posse headquarters rustically in the backwoods, just N. of Lake George (signs posted on 71). Most, though, come for the big feed Saturday, when anyone can eat like a Posse member. It's AYCE, so, as Sheriff Mills puts it, "If you leave hungry, it's your own fault." There are too many door prizes to list, donated by area merchants and supporters, with special thanks, this year, to Dell and Angie Karl, of Meyer's Meats, for their donation of the food. The pork was done on-site, by Doug Eiklenborg and Shannon Rowie, using the big barrel roaster provided by Cannonball's Squeals on Wheels. Gary Plumley, of Nevis, did the turkeys. As always, Julie Eiklenborg brought her award-calibre baked beans. Roger Lueth, Park Rapids, called square dance, and Warren "Hawk" Morrison provided karaoke.

The Mounted Posse is essential for instant assistance to the Sheriff's Dept., both in Hubbard County, and elsewhere where help is needed. It has been invaluable in Search & Rescue operations, sometimes over terrain where vehicles just don't go.

In 2006, when a tornado ripped through Roseau County, the Hubbard Posse provided immediate response. Said Mills, "I got a request from the [Warroad] Chief of Police ... one phone call [and] I had ten people ... [who] ... went to Warroad and did a 24-hour shift!"

This year, Sheriff Mills presented special Certificates of Appreciation to Posse members Bobby Jacobson, Julie Eiklenborg, and Tanya Dudley.

Your Electronic Chip

Shocking movie Get your electronic chip - implanted in you! Under a

Free Admission



federal law that goes into effect in 2009, you will need it to do or buy almost anything. The movie *From Freedom to Fascism*, will be shown in part (40 minutes) free. It describes the Real ID Act. Other states have rejected it as the Minnesota senate did 51-14. You can help! Showings of this movie are being scheduled in Brainerd, Bemidji, Grand Rapids, Deer River, Remer, Park Rapids, Lake George, Walker, Pine River. For locations, dates, & times, call Dale for info: 651-454-0506.

Editor's Recommendation: Everyone needs to see this 40-minute movie. And it's free!

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STS Foundation is inviting host families to host teenage exchange students for 10 months starting this fall. The students come from over 40 countries around the world. They will attend local high schools and want to share their culture with an American host family. Host families are responsible for room and board and the students bring their own spending money and insurance.

STS will help you find the ideal match for your family. All types of families are welcome to apply to host including older couples, young couples, childless couples and single parents. Our local representative will be there throughout the year to assist you and your student.

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Permanent Family Resource Center Reminds Parents of Importance of Child Passenger Safety

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), approximately 7,500 lives have been saved by the proper use of child restraints during the past 20 years. Yet, motor vehicle crashes still remain the number one killer of children ages 4 to 14 in America. The reason? Too often it is the improper use or non-use of child safety seats and booster seats.

That's why Permanent Family Resource Center joined with NHTSA and other state and local leaders around Valentine's Day this year to commemorate Child Passenger Safety Week (Feb. 11-17).

While 98 percent of America's infants and 93 percent of children ages 1 to 3 are regularly restrained, not enough children ages 4 through 7 are restrained properly for their size and age. Only 10 to 20 percent of children ages 4 through 7 who should be using booster seats to protect them are actually in them. But children ages 4 to 8 who are placed in booster seats are 59 percent less likely to be injured in a car crash than children who are restrained only by a seat belt, according to a study by Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP).

Permanent Family Resource Center is working hard to remind all parents, grandparents and child care providers that if their children are under 4'9", they need to be in a booster seat. What better way to show you love your children than to make sure they are secured properly. Make it the law in your car - it might actually save your children's lives.

For more information about Child Passenger Safety please visit www.BoosterSeat.gov or www.SeatCheck.org.

Permanent Family Resource Center has two Certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians on staff. The agency currently offers a 3-hr. training on Child Passenger Safety. Please visit www.permanentfamily.org for more information or call us at 218-998-3400.

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EDITORIALS - OPINION

EDITOR'S 2007 MESSAGE TO YOUNG PEOPLE

The First Laws

"You couldn't enforce adultery laws in Bemidji. It would be too hard on Bemidji men. Too many of their wives would be in jail too much of the time." -- A. Steele

I recently asked a friend, in passing, if all was well at home. Surprisingly, he said just so-so. Said his wife had had an affair of tramping, but she'd stopped (he thinks), and they were putting things back together; still, it wasn't the same.

It can never be the same. The trust which underlies the marriage is gone - it's like if one took a fine handcrafted watch and smashed it with a sledge hammer. A skilled jeweler might be able to put it back together, but it will never run just quite the same as it did - as it was meant to.

Back in the days when things were sane and normal, the husband would simply tell his errant wife to hit the street, and put his life back together with a better person.

But things have changed since then and that obvious solution isn't so easy anymore.

It has been said that one of the driving points of the *women's*

liberation movement of the 70s and 80s was to make it possible for a woman to have a number of romantic partners - that is to be able to choose to be a tramp - without being known as one and suffering adverse consequences therefor.

And also as part of that movement, state laws have been modified to make it hard for an honest man to exfoliate a tramping wife. Under the guise of "child support", he may end up paying her up to 25% of his earnings, sometimes even more, for quite a number of years, putting his life in shambles, while she goes on with hers. The process is so streamlined, he doesn't even send it - they take it out of his paycheck.

By the action of law, many of today's men have thusly become what we used to call "panty-whipped". But not all, and in a few moments we'll talk about what a young man can do to maintain and make the most out of his livelihood without falling into this trap.

Morality of Bemidji. Whether or not one believes in the existence of the Divine, the Bible is, if nothing else, a good history of the (Cont'd, "First Laws," p. 12)

Letters to the Editor

To conscientiously present a diverse views and opinions, Northern Herald endeavors to use as many Letters to the Editor as space allows. These Letters, however, do not necessarily reflect the position of this paper.

More Tolerance Needed in Law Enforcement?

When my dad was a deputy, there were several cops on the force who were known as "by the book cops." They were always overly serious and looked at every single situation as a potential crime or possible arrest.

These cops made a lot of others ... [around them] ... uncomfortable. They were always dressed and buttoned up in perfect uniform, like Barney Phife. Why are all of our cops like this now?

Remember words like variety and individuality? There used to be a time when [if] you disagreed with someone in authority, even a teacher, ... you would just switch to someone with a different frame of reference, temperament, and personality. Not any more! And why are all of our judges so ... [darn] ... conservative?! Can we not have a variety of views and attitudes?

Why is it a crime to back into a parking place, to have headers, glasspacks, and cherry bombs? Why is squealing tires always punished? Where has our patience gone? Here are some words our cops and judges need to incorporate into their vocabulary: "who cares", "whatever", "no big deal", "no skin off my nose", etc.

When a homeless person is caught stealing a bag of chips, rather than chase him 4 blocks, and

tackle him behind St. Philip's [Church], why not just take him out for pancakes and just talk to him. Without any arrest? We have a law for every social irritation one can think of - but do all of these stupid "mommy laws" really need always to be enforced?

-- Sandy Bean, Bemidji

NH responds: Most would not like the prices that would result if shoplifting were routinely permitted, and while people with loud cars, pets, or driving don't see the harm, the guy next door who works 12 hours and needs his sleep to do his job may take a different view. And the County budget doesn't permit Law Enforcement officers to provide needy violators with food, unless they provide some lodging too.

We have become more intolerant in our laws. A few years ago, smokers and non-smokers could dine together in a restaurant and no one cared. Not so any more, notwithstanding that they both put far more pollutants in the air with their cars than a cigarette would ever generate, and everyone has to breathe it. But this is the fault of stupid voters who elect stupid legislators - it's not the cops.

Still, one can see the writer's point - it's a matter of attitude and perspective. To be equal and equitable, law enforcement often needs to be by the book, and by the same book regardless of who is involved.

In the last few years, we've gotten rid of a lot of our long-standing "good 'ol boy" corruption, and the Bemidji law enforcement teams may now be the best they've been in a long time. A clean Sheriff and a lot of good BPD cops. Not all, maybe, but a lot - the kind of integrious guys (and gals) that instill much more confidence than people have been able to have in the past.



Adam Steele, Editor

Wal-Mart Gives Consumers a Voice in the Marketplace

Time was, when manufacturers' prices were high, there was nothing the shopper could do about it. That was the price - one could take it or leave it. But those times have changed.

Using a unique demand-driven approach, Wal-Mart now does what individual shoppers would like to, but can't. It negotiates, on behalf of the shopper, for a more reasonable price. If the manufacturer is unwilling to do this, well, they'll lose Wal-Mart's audience and a lot of sales of their product. It's competition and free enterprise at it's best.

Lately, Wal-Mart has been the target of a lot of bleeding-heart propaganda because they are willing to trade with China, where manufacturers don't necessarily offer the wages and perks that have bankrupted many formerly strong American businesses. Guess the Chinese CEOs are just a little smarter.

Let's assume a scenario where a consumer wants to buy a television set. He has a choice of having it built by a surly, overfed American worker; or a Chinese worker. And let's say the quality is about the same. American workmanship used to mean something when American workers took pride in their work, but now they're thoughts are more dominated by their benefit cafeteria plans, motor homes, and profit-sharing stock portfolios, so that workmanship is not what it used to be; we can assume the quality of product is pretty much on a par. And they're both covered by similar warranty. So the consumer's conversation with the two prospective workers might go like this:

Consumer: "What would you charge to build me a TV set?"

American worker: "Well, I could use the money to beef up my 401(k) a little; so I'll do it for \$1,050; but I'll want some health and pension benefits thrown in."

Chinese worker: "I'd like to be able to eat tonight and feed my family, so I'll build it for \$150."

Now, who would you choose to build your TV?

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A Good Remembrance

President Gerald Ford passed away in December, and there was quickly implemented a national day of mourning, *Tuesday*, Jan 2nd, right after everything was shut down for the New Year's holiday, making it, for some, a 4 day weekend, on the heels of Christmas/New Year week when it's hard to get anything done anyway. We can see why the bears hibernate though it.

The Beltrami County offices are closed *the Friday after* Thanksgiving, which isn't even a holiday. With Martin Luther King day, former Hubbard County Cmmr. Ed Delahunt suggested that it might be easier to define the days we're *going to* work, rather than the other way around; I'm sure that if we looked hard enough, we could find a dead person to commemorate every day of the year; and I'm sure the unions will want to, whether or not people will really spend the day thinking of those people.

OK, when my time comes, if people choose to celebrate my going (and I'm sure some will, although it may not exactly be in *mourning*, which is fine - the Irish

and the bikers are the only ones who really know what to do when someone dies, anyway), here's how it should go down:

Everyone work a little harder that day. If possible, designate the day as one when things would otherwise be closed. But stay open that day; maybe even an extra two hours, in remembrance. Everyone do your jobs just a little better, put a little more quality into what you make or do, and give *super* customer service; maybe even a 10% discount, that day.

Unless the decedant was, in life, a bum, a day of good honest work makes a much finer tribute to anyone than a day of loafing, particularly if, when working, one keeps in mind the departed and tries to do the job as well as he would have. *That's* the way to be remembered!

Stay open, work a little harder and longer to produce superior product, and treat the customer right. Be productive, sell a lot, and make a lot of money in ways that benefit everybody. In short, for one day, *everyone* pretend that they're Wal-Mart!

-- Adam Steele, Editor

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Your editor understands where the letter writer is coming from, though. A number of years ago, he was a collection investigator for a major firm in the Twin Cities. After a while, a lot of the boiler-room collectors burn-out, and begin treating everyone as a deadbeat. Those collectors routinely were not as effective as others, who treated the debtors as people who also wanted to resolve their problem, and who knew that each situation is

different and some require individualized attention to make that happen. So it goes in Law Enforcement. We need the laws to live peaceably and they have to be enforced. An officer shouldn't be looking for trouble in everyone he meets, but when he finds (Continued, "Law Enforcement," page 7)

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trouble, it's his duty to act. For equitable, *impartial* law, he sometimes doesn't have a choice.

But now, more and more, the emphasis of the courts here is not just to punish the offender, but also to try to resolve the problem that led to the crime. This is a step in the right direction.

What really sticks in your editor's craw is when two offenders are dealt with much differently, without good cause.

As an example, when your Editor was a courtroom advocate, he assisted a tourist who had, while at a Bemidji department store, absent-mindedly put a pack of fish hooks (maybe \$1.50 worth) in his pocket and forgot them

when he checked out. A few weeks later, the guy had to drive back to Bemidji for court, and then pay a \$35 fine. At the same time though, many of the major stores here use checkout scanners which have been notoriously and repeatedly wrong, usually to the customer's detriment. (Often a sale sign on a product says one thing, but the till charges the regular price - so *always* check your receipt on scanned merchandise.)

The stores' managements know about this, yet allow it to continue, and in so doing, these stores routinely steal thousands of dollars each week from customers who didn't notice the overrings. And with impunity. Even if it is just a careless mistake, why aren't they paying the same penalty as the guy with the fishhooks?

especial, the type of leather and various specs, and asked for a price. *Martinez quoted it at \$30.* It would take six days, and he'd need a \$10 deposit. No problema.

Six days later, we returned to Martinez's shop to pick it up. It was done precisely on time, as promised, and a picture is worth a thousand words:



The bag was done perfectly to specification, right down to the adjust-

able Pepsi® can holder on the left side, and the fasteners and seamwork on the leather strap. It was manufactured from quality thick and strong single sheet (not patchwork) black leather, lined (like the original) with all of the niceties, and even a few fancies that we didn't ask for, like the leather V-tabs on all the zipper pulls. It was our old proven bag stylishly resurrected in new, heavy duty leather. It had the good, sturdy construction, with multiple stitching of the leather, that was needed for rough in-the-field use, tasteful workmanship with seams folded and overlapped, and even the things that we didn't think to specify, but the better leather artisans know to do; for example, knowing that bronze-colour zippers would look better on black than the usual silver.

This was obviously not done as a fast job, it was done with the degree of care that a customer looks for, but doesn't always find. This is true craftsmanship in leather done by someone who knows his trade. *Perfeccion!* And at the quoted price - \$30, though we gave the artisan a little extra for the high quality workmanship, and the extras, which were even better than *we* expected!

THINGS THAT JUST DON'T WORK

"There is no product that someone cannot make a little worse and sell a little cheaper. Those who consider price alone are this man's lawful prey."

This column is cumulative, and provided for consumer awareness. Signed consumer submissions are welcome.

Virgin Mobile® phones and service. In their ads, *Virgin Mobile* is recently touting top marks in a consumer satisfaction poll; but, apparently, they've gotten large enough now that they think they can excrete manure upon their customers.

A few issues back, our survey found *Virgin Mobile* prepaid cellular service to be, generally, far lower priced than their Northland market competitor, *Tracfone®*. But **consumers should be aware** that *Virgin Mobile's* hardware (the phone you buy to use their service) may be defective. With some of them, when you get a call, instead of ringing, the phone turns *off*. This tends to defeat the purpose for having a cell phone. It also may turn off sporadically; and the *chargers* may fail within less than 18 months of use. (The product tested here was *Virgin Mobile's* Kyocera brand phone and charger).

The funniest thing though, is that when one calls *Virgin Mobile* to report the problem, they may not ever get to talk to a person. *Virgin Mobile* really doesn't care if their customers have problems, and they don't particularly want to talk to them.

So they put an automated answering system (the automated voice that answers sounds like some

jive-talking tramp from the ghetto with a bad attitude - not exactly businesslike - and which, kind of, reflects their company attitude) who runs down a menu that, after wasting considerable of your time, doesn't address your problem. If you insist on talking to an actual person, or if the system doesn't understand you, rather than connect to a customer service rep (the norm), ***Virgin Mobile's system hangs up on you.*** Again, that's the company attitude toward their customers; it's not one that particularly makes us want to spend money there. Also, if you do go through the menu and eventually reach a "live advisor", the phone transmission quality is sometimes so poor that you might have to call back and go through it all again. You can spend an hour and never talk to anyone about the problem.

For these reasons, *Virgin Mobile* is ***not recommended*** by *Northern Herald*. There aren't that many ways to turn, here in the Northland, for quality cell phone service, but this isn't one of them. Hopefully, in time, a good quality, competitively-priced, vendor will see fit to come here.

For review of the following things that just don't work, from past issues, see *Things That Just Don't Work* at northernherald.com:

- **PATTON® Oil-filled Electric Radiators**
- **CELLULAR-ONE®**
- **HI-VAL® I/O MAGIC® CD-RW drives**
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BEMIDJI CONSUMER ALERT

BK's Auto No Longer Recommended

A number of years ago, Douglas Ruddick operated a very honest and conscientious auto shop in Bemidji known as *The Auto Clinic*, and it was recommended by *Northern Herald*. Bemidji consumers by and large, however, don't support meritorious work, preferring, instead, to get ripped off by their friends (which is why it's hard to find quality merchants here), and in time Mr. Ruddick had to sell the shop to Bob Klasen (BK), who operates it as BK's Auto Repair, Inc., at 702 Grant Ave., Bemidji.

At first, BK continued in *The Auto Clinic's* manner of offering excellent service; but something appears to have happened; and *Northern Herald* must now ***withdraw its recommendation*** of BK's as a Recommended Business.

Ken Peck, a mechanic there, now handles much of the work, and the quality of the work, and charges therefor, have become quite questionable. Further, Ken's attitude toward customer satisfaction appears to represent attitude of the shop, and if a customer requests that BK do the work personally, the customer may simply be told to "get your car the [heck] out of here," by BK. This is true even if the car was towed in for repairs and would have to be towed out. We think that BK has maybe been in this

If you removed all of the second-hand smoke from the environment today, the public health effect would be "zero to nil" - Dr. Daniel Weeks, leading epidemiologist and former Idaho state medical official

Read the comprehensive 40-year study, that showed that, notwithstanding the lies and nonsense some publicly-supported organizations try to feed the public,

Secondhand Smoke Never Killed Anyone

and does not cause the major lung and heart diseases attributed to it

in our issue of 10/25/04 in *The Library*, Vol. 10, at northernherald.com

or at bmj.com Vol. 326, p. 1057 (This is the British Medical Journal site. The research was done in the U.S., but due, apparently, to political pressure in opposition to the scientific results, they would not be published here.)

business for too long. If one wanted that kind of surly attitude, well, he could call a plumber.

After a series of three earlier questionable incidents, including a customer finding her brake fluid reservoir in a truck empty shortly following a brake line repair (it is most probable that Mr. Peck, after fixing the leak, simply forgot to fill the reservoir, and so released the truck for driving that way); the capper came in January, 2007.

In that case, we used the *Northern Herald* blumobile - an '81 Chevette - as the test vehicle. We brought it in and informed BK's of the symptoms: poor mileage, and missing and backfiring. This was due to two causes, a leaky fuel pump and a busted rotor. Mr. Peck correctly diagnosed the fuel pump and repaired it. He failed, however, to diagnose the ignition (rotor) problem.

Given the backfiring, most mechanics would have, at least, opened the distributor and inspected the cap and rotor, at which point the problem would have been obvious. Instead, the car was released, supposedly OK to drive, and broke down on the highway about 10 miles later.

Towed back to the shop that evening, the next day Peck insisted that it be left - that we couldn't see what was being done. Fortunately, we walked in on him right after the delivery of an assortment of parts which weren't needed, and the bill for which, with labour, would have come to about \$150. This, to fix a problem actually caused by a \$10 rotor. When we walked in, he had the busted rotor in his hand - even a non-mechanic could see that it was the cause of the problem, and not the plugs, wires and other stuff he'd ordered and was about to install.

We, of course, insisted that he replace the rotor, and nothing else. That fixed the problem and the car ran fine. But in billing the repairs, Peck then tried to charge a 1/2 hour's "diagnosis" (\$35) to find the faulty rotor - the *first* thing many mechanics would have looked at.

Consumer Corner

Readers are invited to submit consumer complaints or compliments to this column, and to our Auto Service Forum. Send info c/o this paper, P.O. Box 1535, Bemidji, MN 56619

SAVING ON CELL PHONE CASES

Be The Fastest Draw for Less

A penny saved is a penny earned. The current rage in cell phones has prices on the belt carrying cases up to \$7-20, and a lot of them are a bother to use or don't even fit the phone that well.

How does one save money? Well, there are some very good looking belt-loop cases that happen to be the perfect size for many digital cell phones but are available for as little as about \$1.

Why so cheap? They're labeled and sold as *camera cases* which don't command such a premium. To look at it, though, one would think it was made for a cell phone; and it has a Velcro® secured flap, so you don't lose your phone.

If You Do Misplace Your Cell Phone

Usually the quickest way to find it is to go to another phone and call your cell number. If it's nearby, you'll hear it ring. This also works if someone else has inadvertently picked up your phone in a public place.

Buying a Flashlight?

A few years back we asked the question: Why, in this age of high-tech, can't someone make a simple inexpensive flashlight that works? After all, they did 30 years ago.

Well someone has. The Ray-O-Vac® flashlight, about \$1 at Wal-Mart, has a dependable circuit; conversely, the low end Eveready® product, at about the same price, doesn't; it gets dim, goes out, and one has to shake it to get it to work for a while (and it's not one of those new flashlights that one is *supposed* to shake). BUT, in our testing, the Ray-O-Vac flashlight quit when dropped (as one might do in an emergency situation when checking the car, under the hood, at night). A better option might be the **DORCY® WORKLIGHT (a flashlight)**, which Wal-Mart sometimes stocks, at about \$3, including batteries. This flashlight seems to have a dependable circuit, and it's rubber clad to reduce the likelihood of damage when dropped. It comes with a lifetime warranty. For most people, this may be the best choice.

Now if someone would do something about the strainer/stoppers for kitchen sinks - you know, the ones that always hold water, except when you want them to.

Eveready used to be a sound company - we suppose that, like so many others, their execs decided to make a few extra bucks by letting quality control go to heck.

Does anyone remember the days, long before computer games, when flashlights had a real flash button, and kids used them to send Morse Code at night?

GOOD DEALS

Great Custom Leather Work For Not Too Much Dinero!

It's no secret that one gets some of the best deals on leather in Mexico where a whole hide can be found for \$50 or less. A vest can be had for about \$30, as opposed to about \$80 here. On *custom* leatherwork, there's clearly an advantage to outsourcing it.

The problem is finding the right leathersmith who'll do a good job at the right price. Prices and quality can vary greatly. For those going to Northern Mexico and wanting to get their *orden especial* done while there, ***we recommend*** the shop of **John Martinez, No. 209 in the Mercado de Artisanias, in Tijuana (Tel. 669-688-16-91).**

For a sample order, we used our old camera case. The original case was Naugahyde-look with nylon zippers; it was the perfect size - just big enough for camera, backup camera, tape recorder and binocs; with the perfect appurtenances - things like front compartments for tapes, batteries and notepad, and a Velcro®-closure pocket for the remote and camera cards.

After many years of good service, that Nauga had seen better days, and, now, various adornments of the *tape of waterfowl* gave it that unique homegrown Minnesota look that we like up here. When the nylon zipper broke, though, that was it - we know of no practical way to repair those. Even baling wire doesn't help much.

So the task was to have the bag replicated - exactly - but this time in leather, and with heavy-duty metal zippers, made to last into the next century.

We shopped the job around for a few hours getting prices from Tijuana leathersmiths from \$65 (using lesser materials) to \$100. If it was going to cost that much to get leather, we'd have had to just come back to the States and shoot another Nauga. Then, with evening falling, and just before he pulled down the closing gate, we stumbled onto Sr. Martinez's shop. We discussed the *orden*

Actions vs. words: Bart Simpson (to teenaged unmarried girl who has just told him that she is 'very religious'): "How religious can you be if you're pregnant?!"

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Radar Runs on Birch Lake



Below, big winner Kurt Mohawk, of Hibbing, took trophies for both 1st place in the unlimited class, and top



speed of the day (167 mph). Mohawk is shown here with Andy Bray, who presented the awards.

RELIEF FROM POISON IVY!

Many have reported relief from the symptoms of Poison Ivy after using these two natural products, now available in Bemidji, or by mail order, from **Northern Herald Naturals**. To order for mail or pick-up, call 218-759-1162

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It's Back To Hack!

HACKENSACK -- One thing they know how to do in Hackensack is have fun - rain or shine, snow or no! And that's what was happening - just plain fun - January 19th-21st, 2007, as Hackensack held it's annual winter festival - *Back-To-Hack* - when people from all over flock back to Hack for the event. Back To Hack normally occurs the third weekend in January.

This year's event opened Friday with the parade and fireworks at the waterfront, followed by the gala community bonfire (it's made from trees - not sticks) in the City Park and free hot dog roast. Over 600 dogs were served. Then karaoke and family night at the Senior Center, and a comedy show at Lucette's featuring two great comics from the Minneapolis-based *Hecklefest™*.

Saturday was a full day of fest! Events opened with Radar Runs on Birch Lake, as a Craft Fair was going on at the Community Building with lunch served. Afternoon saw a movie matinee at the new Bear Pause Theatre, Hay Rides, a Treasure Hunt, Chili Feed at the American Legion, then everyone over to Lucette's for the radar run awards and trophies!

This was followed by a teen dance at the Community Building, and

while the kids were there, their parents could go to the piece d'resistance of the weekend, the (rated PG-16) most notorious beauty pagant around, *The Snowflake Queen!* The pics below tell the story best, but you really gotta be there; and people were, as soon as the Fire Hall doors opened at 6, an hour before. By 7, as usual, the Fire Hall was packed to capacity, even with the bleachers, newly installed this year.

After the pagant, the *Haz Beenz* played the Snowflake Dance which went on 'til midnight. Sunday saw more fun with Breakfast at the American Legion, Ice Racing on Birch Lake, and the Back-To-Hack raffle drawing.

Below, hay rides were provided by Lindsey Waschek, of Pine River; they left from the City Park by the waterfront.

Chili Dogs! Below, Haley Sogge and Ken Charnley enjoy their chili on hot dogs at the American Legion chili feed.

Below, these hard to find classic Barbies are actually "rescued" dolls. Carol Olds, of Deer River; (218-246-2974) refurbishes

them to look like new. She also makes doll clothing.

Left, Phyllis Skurka, from Longville, brought baskets, sachets, and linens.

In Focus

American Flag bag dispenser by Arlene Gardinier, Longville



The Snowflake Queen

It's probably the most unusual beauty pageant around, and each year it raises thousands of dollars for the volunteer Hackensack Fire & Rescue.



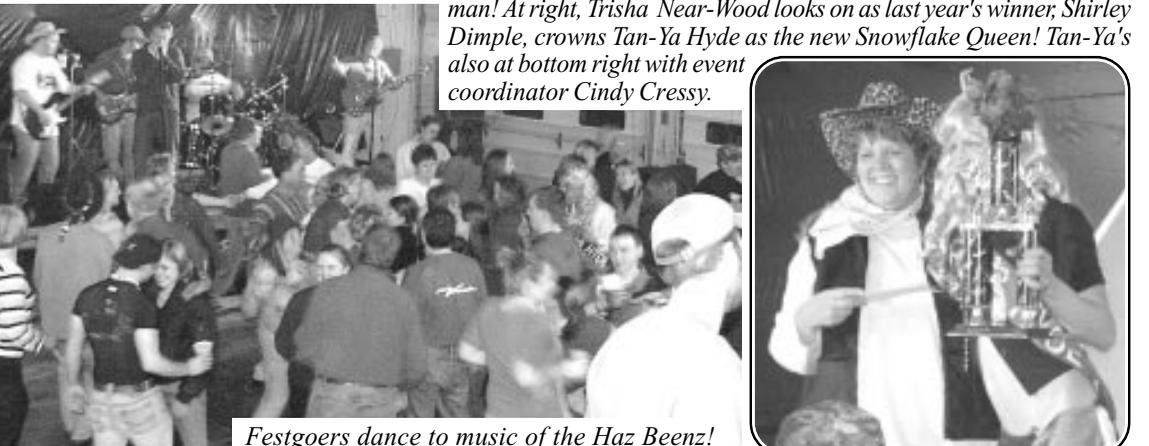
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The Contestants.

Above, Jay Cline escorts Wynonna Juggs to the stage. Above right, if Patsy Klimax is going to make it as a woman, she's going to have to shave more than her legs! Left, security removes Reba Tween-Da-Lines. It was discovered in the dressing room that "she" is actually a man! At right, Trisha Near-Wood looks on as last year's winner, Shirley Dimple, crowns Tan-Ya Hyde as the new Snowflake Queen! Tan-Ya's also at bottom right with event coordinator Cindy Cressy.



Festgoers dance to music of the Haz Beenz!



Hopes High For Plug-in Hybrids

Calls to cut use of gas spark new interest in electric cars

by Mark Sauer, Staff Writer, San Diego Union-Tribune
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Electric-car owners such as J. F. Lancelot of San Diego were devastated when auto companies pulled the plug on their battery-powered runabouts a few years ago.

Lancelot drives a Mini Cooper now. "I just waste a lot of gas, like everybody else," he said.

But Lancelot and many other Americans are taking heart from a surge of interest in plug-in hybrid cars, which began with national media exposure last year and got a boost ... from President Bush in his State of the Union address.

Bush set a goal of reducing gasoline use in the United States by 20 percent over the next 10 years. In addition to expanding the use of alternative fuels such as ethanol, wind and solar power, the president said, "We need to press on with battery research for plug-in and hybrid vehicles."

Bush followed that the next day with an executive order mandating that all federal agencies with more than 20 vehicles use "PHEVs" - plug-in hybrid electric vehicles - when they become commercially available.

For the long-suffering choir of PHEV advocates, Bush's sermonizing caused a burst of excitement.

"The president is increasing awareness for PHEVs, and that is really important," said Felix Kramer. He founded the California Cars Initiative, a Palo Alto-based group that advocates the immediate production of PHEVs.

"Our Web site traffic went way up after Bush's speech," Kramer said. "People want to get educated about this."

Conventional hybrids, such as the Ford Escape and Toyota Prius, are gasoline-powered cars made very efficient by employing an electric motor to start, idle and drive at low speeds, and whose batteries recapture power when the vehicles go downhill or brake.

Plug-in hybrids, which aren't yet available commercially, are electric cars with large batteries backed up by small, efficient, gasoline engines should the batteries run down.

Plug-in prototypes typically go 20 to 30 miles on battery power alone, with zero emissions. It's estimated that a typical, PHEV sedan would get 100 miles or more per gallon of gas, on average, when longer trips are factored in.

The cost of powering a PHEV is 2 to 4 cents a mile, compared with 8 to 20 cents per mile - depending on fuel efficiency - for a conventional gasoline-powered car when gas is \$3 per gallon, Kramer said.

A driver could plug his or her PHEV into a standard outlet and charge its batteries overnight, when electricity from the grid is plentiful and cheaper than during peak daytime hours, Kramer added.

He said that since the average American commutes less than 30 miles per day, many PHEV owners would rarely have to use gas, except to go on trips.

Unlike ethanol and other alternative fuels, which require massive infrastructure investment, "car manufacturers can do this anytime they choose," Kramer said.

James Burns, a professor of mechanical engineering at San Diego State University, has been researching PHEVs for 10 years and has built three prototypes.

"They work very well driving around town," Burns said of PHEVs. Current hybrid cars can be converted to Plug-ins now, he noted, with kits that cost about \$10,000 available from various manufacturers.

constitute nearly 85 percent of the nation's vehicles. That's because most charging can take place during off-peak hours.

Before Bush's encouragement ... PHEVs got a boost in October when Michigan Gov. Jennifer

Plug-in hybrids

A plug-in hybrid car is different from conventional gas-powered cars and standard hybrids in that it uses electricity and gas, but can also plug into a normal 110-volt socket to recharge. Chevrolet's Volt concept car has a range of 640 miles with a fully charged battery and fuel tank.

PLUG-IN HYBRIDS

■ Rely on electricity for the first 20 to 30 miles, the distance of most Americans' round-trip commute.

■ Use electricity that is cleaner because it comes from the power grid first, then from its gas engine.

■ Rarely uses its gas engine to recharge its batteries unless on longer trips, according to prototype users.

VEHICLES COMPARED

Vehicle type	Cost to drive 25 miles (gas at \$2.17 per gallon)	Miles per gallon
2007 Chevrolet Aveo	\$1.85	32 mpg on average
2007 Toyota Prius hybrid	\$0.99	55 mpg on average
Plug-in hybrid prototype	\$0.50	100-plus mpg on average

SOURCES: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; California Cars Initiative
AARON STECKELBERG/San Diego Union-Tribune

Burns said he was among several researchers and small companies offering demonstration vehicles to the South Coast Air Quality Management District in Los Angeles. He urges companies and utilities, such as San Diego Gas & Electric Co., to invite similar fleet demonstrations that could ignite public interest.

"This (PHEV) system is not much more complicated than today's hybrids; they just use bigger batteries," Burns said. "It's the next step in the transition from the internal-combustion engine to fully electric vehicles."

One downside is that the rechargeable batteries, which cost thousands of dollars, generally need to be replaced every few years. Some aren't recyclable. Despite a strong push from the farm lobby, corn-based ethanol is energy- and water- intensive to produce, and requires investments in distribution infrastructure, Burns and other experts say.

The idea of powering cars with domestically produced electricity instead of oil - 60 percent of which is imported - has drawn advocates across the political spectrum.

Environmentalists are enthused because it's easier to control carbon emissions, which contribute to global warming, at a relatively small number of power plants than in 240 million gas-powered vehicles.

Autoworkers and automakers are excited about the prospect of new products and markets. Utilities welcome the potential to sell off-peak, under-utilized power at night.

And nearly everyone embraces the idea of ending America's dependence on foreign oil.

Critics have said that power plants in many areas of the country, notably those burning coal to produce electricity, don't have California's strict controls and are highly polluting.

But the nonprofit Environmental and Energy Study Institute, which promotes renewable fuels and strategies for a sustainable environment, found an average reduction of 60 percent in carbon emissions per vehicle when a PHEV replaces a conventional car.

Some critics worry that a major shift from gasoline to electricity for powering cars would overtax the grid. To avoid potential brownouts, a major infrastructure investment would be needed, they say.

The U.S. Department of Energy estimates there would be no need to increase electrical-generation capacity until plug-ins

Granholm joined executives from General Motors, DaimlerChrysler and the BMW Group in launching the Hybrid Development Center in suburban Detroit.

In addition, GM introduced the plug-in prototype Chevrolet Volt at the 2007 North American International Auto Show in Detroit this month, and other automakers are presenting similar concept cars.

Yet proponents of PHEVs say consumer preferences, oil-company interests, bureaucratic barriers and other obstacles exist in the absence of dramatic market forces such as skyrocketing gas prices or a terrorist threat to oil supplies.

"The spike to \$3-plus gas last summer sparked a lot of interest," Kramer said. "But we missed a bet after the attacks of 9/11 by not switching to plug-in hybrids at the time when the country was ready for sacrifice and change."

"I'd be very happy if we could see (PHEVs) available commercially, by the end of the decade."

Library researchers Peter Uribe and Beth Wood contributed to this report.
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Your Northern Herald Editor adds: The plug-in hybrid electric car has great potential, also, for easing the transition to home-based alternative power, for those who want that, and is a logical step.

For now, it recharges from one's electric outlet. But, for further savings and environmental benefit, it could just as easily get its electricity from a properly equipped home windmill or solar panel array.

This is a much better solution than the hydrogen car. With that, motorists would be buying hydrogen fuel from the same people (that is, the oil companies who control the point of sale and would also control production) who are now jacking up the price of ethanol.

They grow great coffee, and more! Saudi Arabia has already expressed an interest in becoming a hydrogen supplier, should the hydrogen car come into its own.

Conversely, electricity is plentiful and competitive; it will become more so as wind farms and other commercial sources are developed; it can't be controlled by a handful of magnates. It is regulated, so price spikes on the whim of an executive or a sheik don't occur. And you can make it in your backyard. You can't do that with hydrogen or ethanol. Clearly, this is the better way to go!

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currently required to tell them (as, for instance, it tells them of their other rights such as right to an attorney, a jury trial, etc.); so it usually doesn't get done and, in Minnesota, the U.S. Constitution notwithstanding, the defendant can then be held indefinitely without trial. It makes a good argument for the demand being presumed, particularly when the defendant is in custody; but that is not current Minnesota law.

The situation is complicated by the public defender. The public defender does most of the talking in Court - the defendants don't know that they can speak up if necessary, and are reluctant to do so. It has been speculated that some public defenders actually work with the prosecutor to delay trial in hopes that the defendant, sitting in jail for many months, will eventually weaken and cop a plea (plead guilty) which makes both of their jobs (the prosecutor's and the public defender's) easier. In the Soto and Nelson cases, both defendants told their public defenders that they wanted a speedy trial. Neither of their public defenders demanded same in Court, causing question as to whether Soto and Nelson received the effective assistance of counsel, also guaranteed by the Constitution. Public defenders Dow and Sweeney refused comment, as did their boss, Kris Kolar, the Chief Public Defender for the Ninth Judicial District.

A further complication is that Minnesota law is also generally interpreted such that the demand for a speedy trial *cannot be made* before the omnibus (probable cause) hearing. Omnibus may not be concluded for several months after the arrest. This, also, would seem to run counter to the Sixth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which mentions no exceptions to the speedy trial requirement.

Catch 22: Habeas Corpus. When an individual is held in violation of his U.S. Constitutional rights, the remedy is to file for a *Writ of Habeas Corpus* before the federal Court. But over the years, the principle of Habeas Corpus, too, has been watered down to where it doesn't work, here, either. If the Writ is sought directly from the federal Court, the case will be thrown out because the defendant hasn't exhausted all state remedies - a requirement for filing in federal Court. If the defendant files first before the state Courts - the

District court, then the Appellate, then the Minnesota Supreme Court; by the time the case reached the federal level, trial would likely have happened by then, and the case for federal Habeas Corpus would be moot, and so, would not be heard. And then too, most indigent defendants in jail don't know how to prepare the initial *Petition for Writ*, let alone all of the appeal documents. That's why the Beltrami County procedure of lengthy incarceration pending trial is unlikely to be tested before the U.S. Courts - it's why the County can get away with it - but that doesn't make it legal.

If a State cannot try individuals Constitutionally, it cannot hold them unconstitutionally. These are the kind of injustices - denials of human rights - that we send men overseas, to topple governments, to stop them from happening. Yet, they are happening right here in Bemidji with little said.

As a state, under the United States Constitution, it is incumbent (pardon the bad word) upon the Governor, as an executive matter of compliance, to order the immediate release of any person who has been held for over ninety days without trial and conviction.

Failing this, we call upon the President of the United States to send Army Reserve troops into Minnesota to enforce the U.S. Constitution and secure the liberty of those persons being held in violation of the supreme law of this nation.

John Russel Nelson was convicted, at a court trial, April 12, 2007, of 2nd degree burglary and sentenced to 41 months at the state prison at St. Cloud.

Isauro Soto was convicted following jury trial, Feb 20th, 2007, of 3rd degree burglary, and sentenced to 27 months at St. Cloud. Both men were given credit for the lengthy time they served awaiting trial in the Beltrami County Jail.

Had they been found not guilty, they would not have received compensation for the lengthy time they were unconstitutionally held before trial. Roy Martin received no such compensation for the approx. 7 mos. he was held, without trial, before being acquitted.

Human Rights? If you could be held in jail indefinitely, without trial, on a person's (anyone's) say-so, you have none.

Consumer Corner Quick Tip

Looking for a good pipe?

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"In order for evil to prosper, it is only necessary that good men do nothing."
 -- Mark Fuhrman, LAPD detective (retired), paraphrasing Edmund Burke

Goings-On Winter, spring, summer, or fall, Northern Minnesota has it all!

Smothers Brothers Coming To Bemidji

Tom and Dick Smothers - *The Smothers Brothers* - will be in Bemidji for a one-night performance, with special guest: The Yo-Yo Man, Tuesday, July 24th, 2007, at 7:30 p.m. in the Bemidji High School Auditorium. The concert benefits Lakeland Public Television. All seats are reserved and are \$28. To order tickets, call 218-333-3024 or 800-292-0922 ext. 124

Summer & Fall Fun

Each summer the Northern Minnesota sun shines, and so does each Northern community. These are some events you won't want to miss!

Pow-Wows are held at the Cass Lake Veterans Memorial Grounds June 29th-July 1st, and Aug. 31st-Sept. 2nd; and at Red Lake, July 6th weekend.

Kids' Fishing Contest, every Tues., June 13th-Aug. 29th, 11 am, at Hackensack pier

Each spring and fall, **Lamb Weston/RDO at Park Rapids** has an unbelievable **public sale on their frozen potato products**. Call Lamb Weston 218-732-7252 for exact dates.

June 28th-30th **Jammin Country Fest** at the Moondance Fairgrounds, Walker

July 6th-8th **Wild Rice Festival** at Deer River
 July 6th-9th - The play: **The Ballad of Lucette** by Northwoods Arts Council, Hackensack Community Bldg.

July 7th - **Firemen's Day BBQ & Bingo** at Remer
 July 9th-11th **Sweetheart Days**, Hackensack
 July 11th-14th - **Moondance** at Walker

July 14th-15th - **Mi-Gwitch Mahnomen** Annual Celebration in Ball Club, MN

July 20th-22nd - **Cass Lake Rib Fest** - Cass Lake

July 24th - **Smothers Brothers** at Bemidji H.S.

July 27th-29th - **North Star Rodeo** at Effie

July 28th - **Woodcarvers fest** at Blackduck

July 29th - **Fly-in Breakfast** at Backus Airport

August 1st-5th - **Clearwater County Fair (the Best in the Bemidji-Bagley area - and FREE)** at Bagley

Aug. 3rd - Arts and Crafts Fair in Bigfork

August 3rd, 4th, 5th - **White Oak Rendezvous** at Deer River

August 4th-5th - **Tall Timber Days** - Grand Rapids

August 10th & 11th **Harvest Days** at Remer

August 11th - **Backus Corn Fest** at Backus

August 15th-19th - **Itasca County Fair** - Grand Rapids

Sept. 1st - **Hobo Day** at Boy River

Sept. 1st - **Community Garage & White Elephant Sale** at Remer

Sept. 2nd - **Firemen's Pancake Breakfast**-Remer

Sept. 7th & 8th - **Ethnic Fest** at Walker

Sept. 8th - **Hubbard County Sheriff's Posse BBQ & fundraiser** at Lake George. AYCE - If you leave hungry, it's your own fault.

Sept. 15th-16th - **Goods From The Woods** at the IRA Civic Ctr. Grand Rapids

Sept. 21st-Sept. 30th - **Fall Has It All** at Hackensack, Walker, Longville with **National Chainsaw Carving** Invitational

Sept. 28th-30th at Hackensack City Park

October (every Saturday) **Pumpkin Party** at Carter's Farm Market, Park Rapids

Oct. 6th - **Harvest Supper** at Deerfield Town Hall

Oct. 6th - **Chili Cook-Off** and Scarecrow Contest at Remer

Oct. 26th & 27th - **Remember When Dance** by BSU Jazz Band, Bemidji. Call for location.

Oct. 27th - **Halloween Masquerade Dance** - Remer

Nov. 3rd - **Christmas Crafts and Bake Sale** - by Lions Club at Backus

Nov. 10th - **Craft Club Holiday Bazaar** at Remer High School

Dec. 1st (date may change, call to be sure: 218-751-9551) **Huge AYCE Game Feed** at Becida Community Church - free will offering

Dec. 8th - **Breakfast with Santa** - Remer

Firemen's Fish Feed at Backus

BACKUS -- Each year, the first Saturday in May marks the annual Firemen's Fish Feed at Backus when people come from all over to feast on all they can eat of the best cod and smelt around, and help the acclaimed Backus volunteer Fire Dept. get the equipment they'll need during the year. On May 5th, 2007, the Fire Hall doors opened as usual at 4 pm for the 42nd annual event. With a backdrop of the firemen's uniforms hanging in their compartments on the wall, the hall quickly filled with hungry diners; and it's capacity had turned over several times by the time the last diners finished, several hours later.

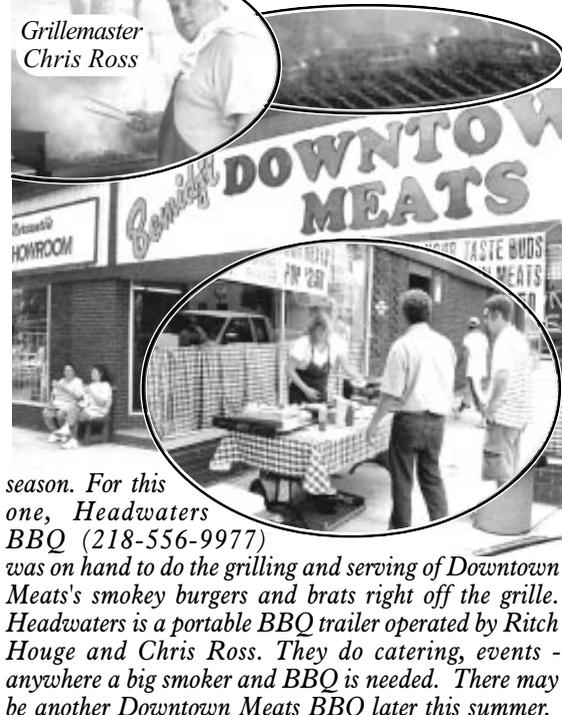
After expenses, the event was expected to raise about \$ 1,500.

Best-priced ice cream cone in Bemidji is found at Gary Trueblood's Paul Bunyan fun park by the downtown waterfront. **Genuine hand-dipped for \$1.50 ! Reasonably priced chili dogs, cotton candy, sno-cones and a lot of other stuff, too. One can actually feed the whole family here, by lakeside, and if you're stuck in Bemidji, or just on the way to Wal-Mart, this is a good place to cool off. At right inset, visiting minstrels of the duo "Iron Maiden China" pick guitar and enjoy the shade and lake air by Trueblood's stand.**

You put a BBQ smoker out in front of the best fresh meat store, you're probably gonna have a lot of visitors! And that's exactly what happened Friday, June 1st, 2007 when



Bemidji Downtown Meats held it's first public BBQ of the



Grillemaster **Chris Ross**

season. For this one, **Headwaters BBQ (218-556-9977)** was on hand to do the grilling and serving of **Downtown Meats's** smokey burgers and brats right off the grille. **Headwaters is a portable BBQ trailer operated by Ritch Houge and Chris Ross. They do catering, events - anywhere a big smoker and BBQ is needed. There may be another Downtown Meats BBQ later this summer.**



Above and below, firemen and volunteers serve up sides of creamy cole slaw, excellent baked beans, potato salad, rolls, potato chips, gelatin, and delicious dessert cupcakes in many eye-catching varieties; and of course, the main attraction, the Backus Fire Dept.'s secret recipe beer-battered Smelt, and Cod nuggets. For \$8, diners get all they can eat of everything!



Above, firemen Paul Haddix (left) and Tommy Lukenen serve. Other firemen include Jeremiah McMillen, Pat Borman, Kevin Beal, Jason Day, Brent Godfrey, Jake Dwire, Ross Borman, Todd Sawyer, Nathan Burns, Austin Young, Neil Dwire, Aaron Young, Brandon Blanchard, Chris Cunningham, Ben Pollock, Troy Sewel, Jason Smith, Kerry Krumwiede and Richie Bean.

The Backus firefighters are known for their excellent response in area emergencies, including the big Scamp factory fire last year. The Dept. proudly serves the communities and townships of Backus, Blind Lake, Bull Moose, Deerfield, McKinley, Pine River, Ponto Lake and Powers. Many citizens and merchants, each year, contribute money or merchandise to the feed. Volunteers for the feed included Kim Beal, Tammy Hathaway, Leeann, Debbie, Kristie Digiovanni, Kathy, Megan Young, First Responder Nicole Smith, and Brandon Joy.



Below, Chief Ramrod of the North Star Rodeo, now in it's 52nd year, Howard Pitzen of Effie, Minn.



Above, Lynn Johnson of Sandstone, Minn. rides a wild cow. A good cowboy knows how to handle an unintentional dismount. Below, Steve Sondrel of Mesa, Ariz. falls off of a bull named "Juicy Fruit"

Below, Kristina Delaney of Blackduck, Minn., rounds the barrels in 18.502



WRANGLERS RIDE HARD AND TOUGH AT NORTH STAR

EFFIE -- It's a taste of the old west. A time when cowboys invented games to pass idle moments - when they had them. Like, if one had a string of good horses, there might not really be cause to ride a bull. But after a long day of ranch work, wouldn't it be fun to try? So evolved rodeo, which combines skill in the things that cowboys had to do, like roping, with a few things they might just want to do. So it was at last year's North Star Stampede Rodeo, always held the last full weekend of July.



Team roping requires not only skill, but uncanny coordination - almost choreography - of the riders. Above, the roping team of Kurt Lorensen (Sebeka, Minn.) and Bill VanLith (Cedar, Minn.) takes only 10.63 seconds to get their steer.

In the bucking events, the rider has to stay on for eight seconds, at which time he hears the horn, which sounds like an 18-wheeler's. At one point, Jesse, the rodeo clown, asked Mr. Pitzen to quit sounding that horn. Said his ex-wife ran off with a truck driver, and every time he hears that horn, he's afraid that he's bringing her back!

- Winners of the 2006 North Star Rodeo, by event, were:**
SADDLE BRONC RIDING: 1st-Leroy Pitzen, Effie, Minn.; 2nd-Bob Cryan, Henry, So. Dak.; 3rd-Morgan Dwire, Backus, Minn.
BAREBACK BRONC RIDING: 1st-Jason Lenzen, Cook, Minn.; tied for 2nd-Will Jurek, Culver, Minn. and Zack Cole, Alexandria, Minn.
BULL RIDING: 1st-Kenny Lueman, Rochester, Minn.; 2nd-Darek Bauch, Rice Lake, Wisc.; 3rd-Christian Greenwald, Rice Lake, Wisc.; 4th-Rory Connell, Northome, Minn.
CALF ROPING 1st-Roy Bell, Motley, Minn.;

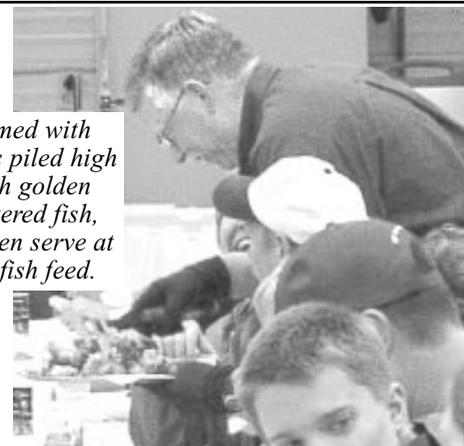


Riding the rodeo circuit is a tough job. A rodeo cowboy pays all of his travel, and entry fees, and the only times he gets paid is when he wins his event. But Bob Cryan, of Henry, So. Dak. is good enough to make his living that way. Above, he scores 79 points on a saddle bronc.

- 2nd-Keith Melby, Backus, Minn.; 3rd-Kyle Wilson, Deer River, Minn.
STEER WRESTLING 1st-Allen Oberfell, Backus, Minn.; 2nd-Ken Carlson, Rush City, Minn.; 3rd-Lyle Gutzke, Backus, Minn.
BARREL RACING First set: 1st-Laura Carter, Orr, Minn.; 2nd-Tally Gunderson, Angora, Minn.; 3rd-Justine Botner, Fergus Falls, Minn.; 4th-Soni Martins, Int'l Falls, Minn. Second set: 1st-Brenda Hughes, New Salem, No. Dak.; 2nd-Amy VanLith, Cedar, Minn.; 3rd-Bambi Egle, Hibbing, Minn. 4th-Georgette Bloom, Gonvick, Minn.



Armed with plates piled high with golden battered fish, firemen serve at the fish feed.



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to them that if they do, they'll be sleeping under a bridge with the other bums. It's seldom too late to finish high school.

A good talker, at only 18, Thorson has already been given several jobs in various Bemidji retail establishments, but they have usually been of short duration. One supervisor said that Thorson just didn't show up one day. Employers with customers waiting to be served frown on that. It is not known if there were other reasons, but any prospective employers are encouraged to check Thorson's job references before hiring.

The crime of minor drinking is, in itself, a minor problem. But it is part and parcel of a trend in the way Bemidji, and some other places, are going due to the way some people raise their kids; and a governmental system that encourages it, while discouraging necessary firm parental control over their own homes and those in them, and doesn't allow benign things like "Thou shalt not steal" and "Honour thy father and thy mother" to enter it's schools.

The outcome of this should hardly be a surprise.

period, and IRS does not require that you send any documentation (but you should keep it for your records, so to be able to prove, if necessary, that you had long distance service during the stated period).

Is itemizing better? Well, here's a rule of thumb: add up all of your total long distance charges (the toll charges - not the tax) for one average month, including all home and business¹ phones, and your cell bill. Multiply this average monthly total by 1.23. Generally, if this amount is substantially more than your IRS standard credit [ante], you'll do better to itemize. The amount of the difference will indicate how worthwhile it will be. You cannot, however, use this "rule of thumb" amount on your tax form.

For those wanting to itemize, you'll need form 8913, and instructions for form 8913, both available at the IRS web site.

If, however, you want to just take the standard credit, that's easy - just fill in the appropriate amount - \$30, \$40, \$50, or \$60 on your tax form or 1040EZ-T. The line will tell you to "attach form 8913 if required," but if you're taking the standard credit, it isn't. The IRS will normally send your refund in 6 to 8 weeks.

FOOTNOTES:

¹ Sole-proprietors and independent contractors can claim refund as indicated here. Partnerships, corporations, and other business entities, however, must claim their refunds on their *business* tax returns. They cannot use the standard credit, but there are allowed business estimation methods. See the instructions to form 8913.

² Nonfilers: Use the number of exemptions that you could claim if you had to file a return - you are generally entitled to one exemption for yourself, one for your spouse, and one for each of your dependents.

³ If you could be claimed as a dependent on *someone else's* return, and your number of exemptions is thusly zero, you are generally not entitled to a standard credit. If you paid for long-distance service, you may still itemize on form 8913 and claim a refund.

Did you or your spouse have a 401(k) in 2006? If you did, *and* your income was not more than \$50,000 if filing Jointly, \$37,500 for Head of Household, or \$25,000 if Single; then you'll want to look at line 51 of your form 1040, or

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JULY 27TH, 28TH, 29TH

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Consumer Corner Quick Tip

If you're buying your milk anywhere but Walgreen's, you're probably paying at least a dollar a gallon more than you have to. Their usual price is \$2.69 a gallon, *sometimes* less.

Ask the Tax Guy

by Adam Steele, Certified Public Accountant

Tax information presented here is general in nature and is not necessarily applicable to, or advantageous upon, any specific return. Persons interested in strategies and savings discussed here are advised to discuss same, in light of all pertinent financial and tax considerations, as they may apply to the specific taxpayer, with their qualified accountant, or barber.

Tax Refunds Available For Non-Filers; also Check Over Your 1040 for These Costly Mistakes

Whether you prepared your own tax return, or had it done professionally, take it out and have a look at line 71 (form 1040), line 42 (form 1040A), or line 9 (form 1040EZ). If there isn't an entry on that line, you probably didn't get all the money you were entitled to.

Available to non-filers, too! A small tax refund, generally \$30 - \$60 is available this year, even for people without income and who do not usually have to file a return. This includes seniors, and people with low, or no, income.

This is the refund of the federal Telephone Excise Tax (FET). It is generally available to anyone who had long distance telephone service (including flat-rate long distance) billed in their name at any time from March 1, 2003 through July 31, 2006. This generally includes home phones, business phones¹, and most cellular plans if the plan allows long-distance calling. Prepaid long-distance cards and prepaid cellular cards bought from a retail store, however, do not generally qualify.

A number of people who were eligible didn't get this refund. IRS has said that more than one-third of early filers failed to claim it. Per an IRS newsletter, "Out of the tax returns filed through Feb. 16, more than 10 million taxpayers did not request the telephone tax refund. And nearly half of those returns -- more than 4.8 million -- were completed by a tax preparer."

"We are surprised how many tax preparers are overlooking the telephone tax refund," IRS Commissioner Mark W. Everson said. "We want all taxpayers entitled to

this refund to get it, whether they are using a tax preparer or doing the return themselves."

Getting Yours. If you already filed, but without your telephone tax credit, you can request your additional refund *only* on form 1040X, available at the IRS web site - <http://www.irs.gov>. If you're not required to file, and didn't file, but want your refund, you can still file any tax form - 1040, 1040A or 1040EZ; the easiest, though, is a special refund form for people not required to file a regular tax return: **Form 1040EZ-T**, also available at the IRS web site. (But you cannot use 1040EZ-T if you already filed a 2006 tax return - in that case, you *must* use 1040X to *amend* your return and claim the refund.) If you don't owe tax, there's no penalty for late filing and you'll still get your full refund. So why not get yours?

The IRS allows the refund to be a *standard credit*, or the person claiming the refund can itemize - that is, they can collect all of their old phone bills (don't forget the cellular), add up the tax, and claim the actual amount.

Standard credit. Most people don't want to go through all of their old bills, and so claim the standard credit. **This is it:** If the number of exemptions you claimed on your return (Nonfilers, see footnote²) is 1, your credit is \$30. For 2, it's \$40, 3 yields \$50, and 4 or more exemptions gets \$60. (Dependents: see footnote³) You are entitled to the full standard credit even if you only paid \$1 in long distance charges during the stated

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OUTSOURCE YOUR U.S. TAX RETURN TO INDIA ???

It blew us away. A recent accountants' ethics publication recited, "A number of CPA firms, both multi-state and local, have begun using the burgeoning outsourcing and technology markets in India to process client tax returns." It went on to say that AICPA rules do not prohibit this practice.

Your tax return done in INDIA ??? We don't think so. We are not opposed to some outsourcing of manufacturing, etc. to better markets; but there is a whole host of reasons why U.S. tax returns should be done here, in the U.S., by someone who is familiar with and subject to the same U.S. tax laws that he is administering. It's a high-tech world, but sometimes the old traditional way of doing things is how they get done best, with the best and most accurate results.

NOW! VERY EXPENSIVE INSURANCE HELP

If you're having trouble with your adjuster, or aren't sure you're getting fully paid, give us a call.

These days, due to policy complexities, more and more people are having trouble making valid insurance claims and getting a fair settlement. We are not attorneys (we make an honest living), so we cannot represent you in court or give legal advice. But most claims don't require litigation; in many instances these are accounting matters - not legal matters; and in many cases we can help people evaluate and submit their insurance claims and reach a fair settlement with the insurer. We can assist in matters of understanding your coverage, valuations, proper documentation, and negotiations with the insurer to arrive at a proper settlement. Often, it's just a matter of preparing and documenting the claim so that the insurer's accountants can understand it, and helping to ensure that the claim includes all covered items at proper value.

Our fees for this service are payable at time of service, and, like our other work, will be estimated at your initial appointment before any chargeable work is performed. They are not cheap. They may be almost as much as you pay your plumber, if it's not a weekend. In some cases, though, particularly in business claims, these claim preparation fees are reimbursable to you from the insurance company, and if applicable, we include them in the final amount to be claimed.

From simple returns to complex situations, this is what real people say about Very Expensive Tax Service:

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"... Steele seems to take forever to do anything. In the end, and even after his exorbitant fee, his work saved us \$29,684.89 over the amount originally assessed."

-- Timothy and Susan Anderson, Spirit of the North Resort, Walker, Minn.

"I have used Adam Steele's very "expensive" tax service every year for thirteen years, now.

"... My tax returns are fairly simple - usually just a 1040, itemized deductions, and Minnesota return. Even so, I believe that the work done by Steele to maximize all legal deductions, and in planning of events that affect my tax, has resulted in substantial net savings, even after paying his "exorbitant" fees. ..."

-- Dr. Frank Saccoman, former Dean (ret.)
Division of Science and Mathematics, Bemidji State University

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line 32 of 1040A. If there's not a credit amount there, you may be owed some money. (But this doesn't apply if you were under 18 as of January 1, 2007, or if you were someone's dependent, or a full-time student during any part of 5 calendar months of 2006.)

This retirement savings credit is a gold mine freebie for low to moderate income people. Why? Because with it, the same voluntary contribution to your IRA, 401(k), or other qualifying retirement plan (see instructions for form 8880 for list) can increase your refund not one, but four primary ways: 1) the contribution (which you, really, pay to yourself) is not taxed this year; 2) you get a direct credit against tax of up to 50% of the contribution; 3) the contribution reduces income for figuring the Earned Income Credit; and 4) the contribution reduces Minnesota taxable income.

As a further benefit, the contribution may affect other tax return elements which are based upon adjusted gross income (like the medical expense deduction).

For one considering making a contribution this year, the only way to know for sure is to figure your tax (federal *and* Minnesota) both ways - with and without it, and compare the refunds or tax due.

To give an example of how powerful these combined effects can be, let's consider a married couple making a total of \$30,000 in 2006, with one kid and no other deductions. A \$1,500 contribution to their retirement plan would increase their refunds (federal and

Minnesota, combined) by \$980. Or to put it differently, if they were to pay themselves (for retirement) \$1,500, the government would give back almost 2/3rds of it right away. And, if your refund falls short, remember, a contribution to an IRA can be made after the end of the year, right up to the filing deadline. What a freebie!

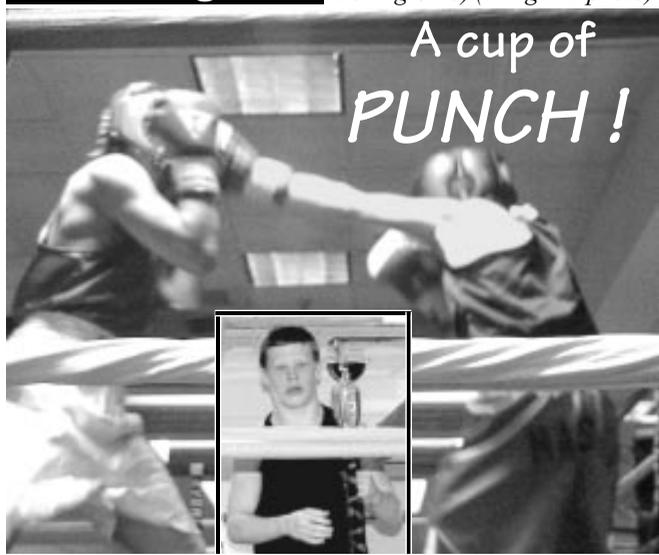
The retirement savings credit, per current law (26 USC Sec. 25B), is permanent. It is good for tax year 2007, and will remain in effect thereafter unless repealed by Congress. The 2007 income limits are joint: \$52,000, HoH: \$39,000, Single: \$26,000.

BUT all taxpayers should be aware that retirement plan withdrawals, by either spouse, will generally have an *severe* adverse effect on the availability of the credit to *both spouses* for three to four years thereafter, and that effect, generally, cannot be undone.

Persons considering using this credit should consult with a qualified accountant to determine eligibility and tax effect, or can see IRS form 8880 and instructions, available at the IRS website [ante]. Persons with income below or near the retirement savings credit limits [ante], and who have a retirement plan, should *ALWAYS* consider the effect upon future retirement savings credits (see form 8880) *BEFORE* taking any distribution from their plan; income limits are indexed for inflation and will probably be higher in future years. Again, it's best to consult with a good accountant *before* making any withdrawal.

More Goings-On

Below, though seemingly severely outsized, Dusty Mason, (White Bear Lake Boxing Club) (at right in photo) has a long reach and delivered one after another of punishing blows to his opponent, Cody Goggeye (Leech Lake B. C.) Mason won his bout and went on to take the "fightingest fighter" trophy (Jr. Div.)(inset), at the Golden Gloves "warm up" fights in the Paradise Room of The Palace at Cass Lake April 1st, 2007.



A cup of PUNCH!

Below, Nicole Northbird and Anna Ebsen (Fergus Falls B.C.) trade licks in the girls' division. The match was won by Hanna Ebsen (black trunks).



Other trophies won were: Fightingest Fighter (overall): Dave Rutledge, (Winnipeg B.C.); Best Boxers: Lenny Drewelow (Fergus Falls B.C.) and J.R. Robinson (Leech Lake B.C.).

The Golden Gloves bouts are a regular event at Cass Lake. Persons looking for a fight are encouraged to contact Henry Harper, who has coordinated this and made it happen for many years, at 218-335-2121

Big Game Feed at Becida !!



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Below, at inset, Calvin Carter, who cooked when in the Army, said he'd been working since before 9 am helping put a lot of it together. "I got the deer, ... the rabbit, ... the squirrel; you name it, it's here!" In foreground, Jenny Werlein, of Becida, serves up one of many trays of desserts - even raspberry cheesecake - to the packed hall of seated diners.

wonderful; the Lady Steele gave the venison chili two thumbs up, and everything else was super. What a great and wild feast! With fall approaching, hunters, willing to help the Youth Group by donating some of their extra game to the 2007 feed, may contact coordinator and Deacon Tim Ewert (shown at inset, top photo), 218-751-9551.

BECIDA -- The 2006 December Game Feed at Becida Community Church went off on schedule as it has for many years. The All-You-Can Eat Feed, the first Saturday of December, raises money for the Church Youth Group by free will offerings. It supports scholarships to Bible Camp for kids who otherwise couldn't go, as well as field trips and projects. This year, it was expected to raise about \$400. On this year's menu was buffalo, pheasant, snowshoe hare, elk, beaver, squirrel, antelope steak, caribou steak, venison chili, venison meatballs, venison steak, wild rice soup, cole slaw, beverage and many elaborate and delicious homemade desserts. Hors d'oeuvres included cheese, crackers, and venison summer sausage.

BBQ'd Beaver really doesn't taste like chicken! Shelly Berry, of Bemidji, brought her secret recipe wild rice soup. She won't tell how to make it, but we do know it was very popular - creamy and delectable, with lot and lots of wild rice. The venison meatballs were

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last 5700 years or so of mankind, complete with anecdotes and parables which teach what generally happens when the right choices aren't made. It has nothing to do with theology to observe, correctly, that those who do not learn from history are condemned to repeat it.

There are a great many girls and women in our community who claim to be pious - some proudly proclaim, on their walls, a notice for visitors that "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord". This is one of the most blasphemous forms of taking His name in vain. All people are known by their actions; for those few who actually abide by this creed, no other notice of it is necessary, nor should be placed.

And the further fault is, that many who hang this plaque don't actually follow the rules laid down in the Bible - some flaw in one of the first principles of living under the Bible, and that is why their marriages, and lives, often fail.

For the voluminous Bible is like any other learning. It is cumulative and builds on itself. To try to abide by its latter parts, ignoring the foremost principles is of no avail. It would be like taking and trying to understand Advanced Accounting 301, when one hasn't had (or flunked) Accounting Principles 101.

Bible teaches is the indispensable relationship of man and woman.

This is first brought out as early as the beginnings of Genesis, which teaches that man was created in the image of the Divine, and woman was created of a rib taken from man, that she be his helpmate; "... thy desire shall be to thy husband and he shall rule over thee." -- Genesis 3:16 Simply put, this is to love, honour, and obey. These then, are the First Laws; to which must be adhered if a couple or family is to have a wholesome and holy life.

It should be noted that the Bible, the oldest history of mankind and the most widely accepted set of principles to live by, is not at all gender-neutral. It correctly observes that there are distinct differences between men and women - which extend from the obvious physical, to the perceptual and emotional (that is, the way men and women think, react and deal with things) - and those differences shape their most beneficial respective roles, functions, and behaviours.

If it hadn't been for that apple! And shortly following the defining of woman, with relation to man, Genesis follows with a parable which demonstrates what happens when woman fails to accept the direction given her as Providence has commanded. She succumbs to temptation and does the wrong thing. And the consequences are usually profound. As Genesis explains, that apple is why men all now must work - if she hadn't eaten it, we'd all just

be basking around on our chaise lounges in the Garden amidst our wine and cheese. But Eve's defiant act, and the apple, changed all that forever. It also made things a little tougher on women.

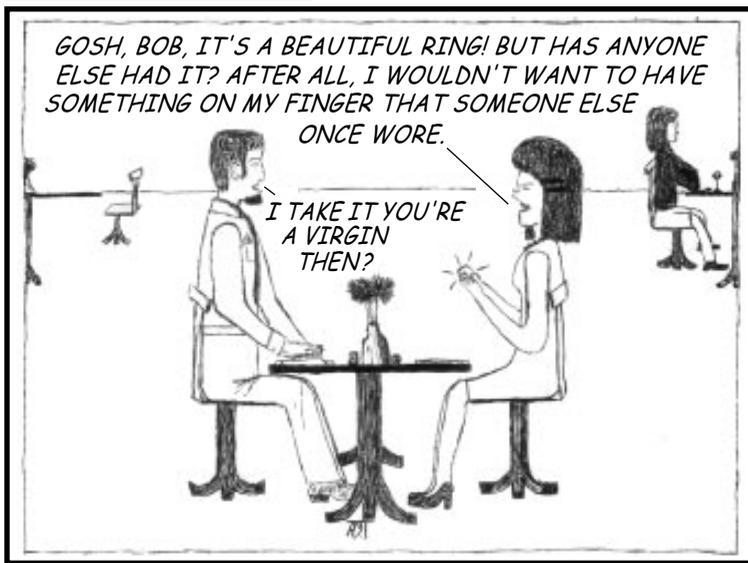
So it is today, when a woman acts not primarily, foremost, and wholly, as her husband's helpmate, but for other causes. As it was originally in the Garden, their lives are likely to be ruined. If this primary principle isn't learned; what follows in the Bible can't be properly applied and is of no redemption.

Still, as woman was created as man's helpmate, she is so, by nature, bound. If she cannot serve only one man, her lot becomes, as with any harlot, to serve all of them. In that way, even for the common harlot who cannot get along with one man for more than a few minutes, there is a place in the world for her.

The Bible, though, favours marriage - the coming together of two complementary individuals who are, in themselves, incomplete (in many ways) to form a solid, complete union that was never meant to be then severed. And so, the Bible also offers advice to further the success of the union. Rules to live by.

When a marriage fails, regardless of the reasons given, or who actually initiates the filing of legal papers, the cause of the union being asunder can usually be traced to the failure to abide by this first, primary, traditional and

TRAMPS 'N JOHNS - THE RING



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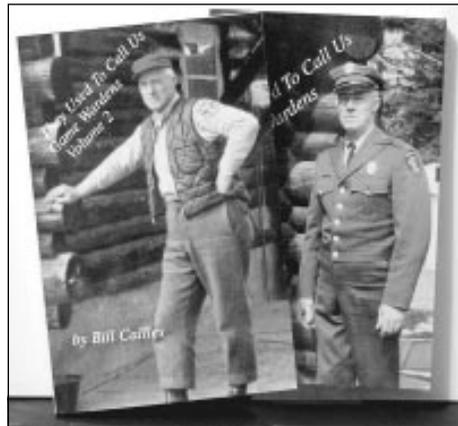
I TAKE IT YOU'RE A VIRGIN THEN?

~~ A Northern Herald Best-Read ~~

Book Review by *The Lady Steele*

They Used To Call Us Game Wardens

With, due to recent mergers, about as much competition between publishing houses as between oil companies, more distinctive authors are turning to self-publishing, and the reader has to look there for some of the most fresh and innovative works. This one is uniquely pertinent to those who live in Northern Minnesota.



20 year veteran state Game Warden Bill Callies patrolled from 1960 through 1980 in Northern Minnesota from the Baudette and Waskish areas to the Superior arrowhead region and Crosby; but wouldn't allow his family to publish his candid recounts of the familiar places and people until after he left Northern Minnesota, and this earth, in 2003.

All of the recognizable locations, towns, and many of the people named make this a delightful book, a fun read. Bill Callies is the hero of the wildlife and people he protected. This 2 volume, 20 year adventure is funny, though sometimes sad at the same time. It makes one want to stand up and cheer on the men and women who police our Northern wilds that need protection even more today, with the advanced technology available to wrongdoers.

The second volume is even more interesting than the first, but one should read them in order for the best understanding.

The books are available in paperback at \$13.95 each from MacKenzie Place and L&M Fleet, Bemidji; and also at BarnesandNoble.com and Amazon.com; or may be ordered (\$17, incl. tax and S & H) from Callies/Hanson Publishing, 3308 1st Ave., Hibbing, MN 55746 (tel. 218-258-7831). Reseller discounts are available.

Biblical principle which defines the relationship of men and women. Even where the divorce is said to precipitated by male infidelity (which is wrong, but sometimes occurs if the marriage is falling apart), the underlying cause is generally here. No sane man is going to stop off for a taco when he has roast beef waiting for him at home.

Generally, in high school or shortly thereafter, girls divide themselves into two groups - one, which will save their virtue to deliver same at the altar as the greatest gift possible to the one man with whom she will spend her life; and a second, the members of which will choose to become tramps. This choice is usually made early on.

As those who choose to tramp have no husband to support them and the offspring they will likely eventually bear (and Murphy Brown aside, a woman's trying to do it all herself doesn't, due to natural and biological factors, usually work), they have to look to their illicit male consorts, and the government, for it. And these days, if they can trap a naive young guy, the law allows them to take more than their share because this eases the government's burden. She'll have him by the short hairs, and he's plumb panty-whipped - plain and simple.

Times have changed. A few years ago, if a guy got a girl in trouble, it was cause for wedding bells. Indeed, many now upstanding and fine families got started this way. In those days,

"You're WHUTT?!?" was a perfectly acceptable from of proposal. Conversely, today, well, not so long ago a guy said to a tramp, contemplating what might have happened earlier in the month, "Well, if you're pregnant, we'll just have to get married;" to which she replied, "When a guy gets a gal pregnant, these days, they don't get married - he just sends her money."

No matter what is said in passionate moments, or in other moments, that's today's female thinking; and the law supports it; to the extent of 1/4 of what he earns for the next 18 years. That can make for a lot of bad workdays, paychecks, and rent-due days.

So what's a guy to do? Until the laws can be changed to honour traditional precepts that have worked for people since they learned to walk upright, a guy can keep himself out of trouble, and also avoid contributing to a world population problem, by following a few simple rules:

1) **ALWAYS** carry romantic (Cont'd, "First Laws," p. 14)

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Celebration Of Art at Cohasset



Two works of art. At left, Mrs. Linda Kieffer, of Backus, Minn., took 1st place in the Intermediate Portrait division of the Artists of Minnesota Spring Show, for her portrait entitled "88". Kieffer said that the portrait is a relative of her husband, done from a photograph.



The art show, including display of a wide variety of art, primarily by Minnesota artists, took place March 30th through April 1st, and was held at the rustically elegant Ruttger's Sugar Lake Lodge, at Cohasset, Minn. At right is Dianne Jandt, of Apple Valley, Minn., with her 1st prize award in the Advanced Transparent division for her painting, "The Olson's Youngest".

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consistently been recognized as defective. Mrs. Golden stated that a plat map and a variance application in the Morse's abstract differs from the deed in that it properly defines their lot 10 property as *less the west 25 feet*. And in advertising the property for sale, a similar description was used. It was accepted that the Morses owned not the *east 25 ft. of lot 10*, but rather *lot 10, less the west 25 ft.*, which belonged to the Goldens.

But Judge Harrington, at Walker, interpreted it differently. In his findings of May 15, 2006, His Honour recited, "The Deeds conveying the East 25 feet and the West 25 feet evidence a clear intent that Lot 10 was to be divided equally."

In fact, the deeds evidence no such thing. Judge Harrington's order gave no recognition to, that the transfers were 5 years apart; further, intent is not even at issue - at law, the 1951 transferee (of what became the *Golden* property) properly relied on the description on their title, which was

demonstrably clear - it did not infringe adjacent properties; while the 1956 title (of what became the *Morse* property) was, at that time, demonstrably defective - had the prospective 1956 transferee had the title diligently examined, with respect to adjacent property titles, it could have been determined then that that title misrepresented the property, and, in fact, it has been historically recognized (ante) that the title misrepresented the Morse property, and so was defective.

Now, after 3 years of litigation (Cass Co. No. C1-04-0184), and legal costs to them that the Goldens estimate at about \$35-40,000, Joan Golden said that they will be allowed to keep all but about 9 inches of their land.

They don't agree with the outcome, but could not afford to pursue the matter further through the courts, and question

whether justice would ever be done, if they did.

The Goldens are outraged by the lack of due process that they claim has been allowed to occur, and that they are caused to bear this expense to defend their property against an action that should have been dismissed at the start, had the law (Minnesota Statutes (M.S.) 508.13, requiring that, immediately after filing, court cases to determine title be first submitted to the Title Examiner for examination, and report and opinion on the title) been followed.

In the going, the Goldens have cited over 60 errors by the courts, and authorities, that they maintain were intended to facilitate the taking of their land. Included in their claims of lack of due process are that 1) mediation was conducted without notice to all of the parties; 2) the matter was decided at a trial held Dec. 20, 2005, when the Goldens were wintering in Florida, before Judge Harrington at Walker. The Goldens, however, were denied the opportunity to attend that trial, present evidence and be heard, because they were given no notice of it; 3) the Morses failed to obtain and file a survey, by a registered land surveyor, as required by Rule 211 of the Minnesota General Rules of Practice, in order to register a title. In his letter to the Goldens of Sept. 13, 2006, Title Examiner Baker stated, "I did not require David and Norma Morse to conduct a certified survey of the property they applied to have registered, however, they would not have been able to proceed to have the court order the boundaries to be registered without presenting to the court, at some point in time, a certified survey." Yet it appears that this is, in fact, what happened; and 4) the Title Examiner, Stephen Baker, (who is the brother-in-law of Pat Moran, the realtor selling the Morse property), did not file his original report as required by M.S. 508.13

The Goldens have further asserted that officials and the courts have tried to cover up their actions in the case; although commenced in 2004, the Goldens were only able to obtain a copy of the Court's Register of Actions in September 2006. They say that they found it in the file in a sealed envelope marked "confidential".

In a letter seeking a federal investigation into the court practices, Mr. & Mrs. Golden stated, "We repeatedly had requested a court document showing actions in this case, from the Court Administrator, and were falsely told there was no such record."

Editor's note: This case is a continuing Northern Herald investigation. Nothing herein constitutes legal advice and should not be taken as same. We are not attorneys (we make an honest living) and so we can only give the illegal kind.



Over the past few years, the Goldens have had to do a lot of reading and have become fairly well versed in real estate law. Mr. Golden is now a licensed realtor as well as a licensed Civil Engineer, and, in his work, has supervised survey crews.



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A visitor's or resident's guide to the better sit-down dining in Northern Minnesota. These are Northern Herald rated establishments; as such, except as noted, all are hospitable to all guests, whether or not they smoke. These are ALL outstanding establishments, run by the kind of hospitable people you like as your hosts. If they didn't rate at least three stars overall, they're not here.

Ratings: ★★★ Very good overall; good food and/or value ★★★★★ Superb food, plus exceptional value or ambience/extras ★★★★★ Exceptional as to cuisine as well as value, plus ambience or something extra. (Detail: Q2 or Q3 is the quality rating (top is 3 stars); \$ denotes exceptional value; + denotes ambience; extras)

WALKER AREA

★★★★ (Q3 \$) **The Ranch House**, Walker. Daily AYCE specials served homestyle. Salad bar. Giant popovers (excellent) with all meals. Specials: Su: Roast turkey, baked ham & fried chicken, \$10.99; Mon: Tenderloin & sirloin tips, \$13.99; Tu: Stemed shrimp, \$17.99; Wed: Ribs & chicken, \$13.99; Th: Alaskan snow crab - market price; Baked chicken \$10.79; Fri: Fish Fry, \$8.59, w/soup & salad bar \$12.54; Sat: Steamed shrimp, \$17.99 Open 7 days a week, Mon.-Sat. at 4:30 pm, Sun at 11:30 am. 9420 Hwy 371 NW, 218-547-1540

★★★★ (Q3 \$) **The Wharf**, Walker. Walleye swim all the way from Alaska to jump into Marie's secret recipe beer batter to be in her AYCE Walleye feed every Friday 'til 10. Other excellent quality, good value, daily specials (not AYCE) include: Wed.: GIANT Tacos, Sat: Prime Rib, Salmon. Full bar, nautical ambience. 218-547-3777

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★★★★★ (Q3 \$+) **River House**, Hackensack. Daily AYCE specials served home-style: M: Ribs, \$14.99; Tu: Chef's choice special, or Deep fried chicken, \$11.99; W: Steamed peel 'n eat shrimp, \$15.99; Th: Baked chicken, \$10.99; F: Fish fry, \$10.99; Sa: Crab legs, \$27.99, or Deep fried chicken and BBQ rib buffet \$14.99; Su: Roast turkey, \$10.99 **Also**, gourmet special dinners (not AYCE): Th, F, Sa: Certified Black Angus Prime rib, 12 oz. \$17.99, 17 oz. \$19.99; F, Sa: Bone-in pork prime, 12 oz. \$14.99, 17 oz. \$17.99 All dinners, including AYCEs, include their lavish salad bar and popover or dinner roll. Full bar. Dine to live piano on weekends. 222 Highway 371, 218-675-6200

★★★★ (Q3 \$) **Up North Cafe**, Hackensack. Open for breakfast and lunch. Summer and Fall weekend brunch buffet is rated: It's *the best* weekend buffet in the Northland with egg & cheese bake, corned beef hash, creamed chipped beef (loaded with lots of beef) on biscuits, Toast of France with strawberries; fresh fruits, kielbasa, much, much, more. This is a real feed and a great way to start a weekend morning! Rotating daily specials with the same good Up North quality for Breakfast and Lunch all year long. 105 Hwy 371 S, 218-675-5300

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★★★ (Q3) **Tasty Pizza North**, Pequot Lakes. A very good thin crust pizza at usual market prices. Pastas, sandwiches, including their Dago Italian sausage. Daily specials. Domestic Chianti. Open 3 - 10 p.m. every day except Mondays. Rustic ambient motif; smoking area is best seating. This is the only pizza restaurant in the Nisswa-Pequot Lakes area that remains hospitable to smokers and non-smokers, alike. 28889 Hwy 371 (midway between Pequot Lakes and Nisswa), 218-568-4404

CASS LAKE AREA

★★★ (Q3) **North Country Junction Bar & Grille**, Cass Lake. Tasty food, good service. Live entertainment Wed. & weekend evenings. 106 Aspen Ave SW (Hwy 371 on S end of town), 218-335-6324

BEMIDJI AREA

Note: All of Beltrami County is non-smoking, by law. These listed Bemidji restaurants are exceptional, and remained hospitable to all right up to the end when the law took effect. If one has to be here, these are good places to eat.

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Increase Your Word Power! Subdude: From the Latin *sub-*, meaning under, and *dude*, the American Colloquial for a guy. Subdude, thusly, means to be under a guy. Usage example: "Was my new girlfriend at the frat party last night?" "Yep; we were all getting pretty drunk and she was kinda subdude at the time."

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The charge carries a mandatory minimum sentence of 10 years in prison and a maximum of life in prison, and/or a \$4 million fine. Also indicted was Billy Joe Mason.

An April indictment in the same case (no. 0:06-cr-00291) resulted in the arrest of Gary Lee Strong, Frederick Alann Desjarlait, Jr., Nicholas Avery Strong, Dana Alphonse Oliver, Gary Lee Head, Marida Dawn Seki, William Antoine May Jr., Joseph Jacob Thunder III, and Rochelle Lynn Strong. The indictment of this ring stems from investigations pursuant to an original charge brought August 29, 2006 against one Augustin Martinez-Miranda, age 26, also known as (aka) "Paul Andrew Aranda," aka "Pablo", who, in addition to the federal charge of possession with intent to distribute cocaine, also faces federal prosecution for illegal re-entry (into the U.S.) after deportation.

The filed Complaint states that following surveillance of a suspected drug transaction between Martinez-Miranda and Gary Strong, in Hennepin Co. (Twin Cities area), on August 17, 2006, agents of the FBI, ATF, Mpls. Police Dept., and Hennepin Co. Sheriff's office pulled over the Dodge Caravan occupied by Strong and four others, and recovered approximately one kilogram of cocaine. All five occupants were arrested, as was Martinez-Miranda, who, per the complaint, stated that he had sold the kilo to Strong.

These charges are merely accusations and the defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

This case was the result of an investigation by the Headwaters Safe Trails Task Force, which is comprised of the Beltrami County

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protection - and have enough for more than one use. And ALWAYS use it if you tramp, or meet your future wife and get taken by the moment. One never knows when this is going to happen so guys who've stayed out of trouble ALWAYS have it handy. Now, protection doesn't necessarily mean a "raincoat". There are many other forms of non-obtrusive, spontaneously-applied birth-control, including Conceptrol® available. Just stroll down the dirty

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Special Assistant United States Attorney John E. Haak from the District of South Dakota is prosecuting the case because the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Minnesota has recused itself due to a potential conflict.

May, Vanwert, and Gary Strong were each released on \$25,000 bond.

Trials for many of the defendants are scheduled for Sept. 10th, 2007 before Chief Judge, the Honourable James M. Rosenbaum, at the United States District Court at Minneapolis.

They drew a good judge. His Honour, Judge Rosenbaum, knows drug cases, and has a strong record in trying them. The learned jurist has testified before Congress on judicial matters; and is reputed to have once sentenced a foreign drug lord, operating here, to such a lengthy term of years that the criminal requested that his sentence be commuted - to death. --Ed.

the guys were the ones that ended up in litigation. Remember, ALWAYS. It only takes one indiscreet encounter to ruin the rest of your life; and 15 minutes of fun isn't worth paying 18 years for it.

Also, promises and engagements fall apart; wait until well after the wedding - until you know the marriage is sound - to have kids, if you find you need the aggravation at all. In Minnesota (and whether married or not), having a child is how she gets her hooks into you. If the marriage fails, or if you otherwise break up, it's

OBITUARIES

Elizabeth Charlotte Gennes, 89, of Buffalo died peacefully Sunday, March 18th, 2007. Memorial Service for Elizabeth was held Saturday, March 24th, 2007 at The Peterson Chapel in Buffalo at 3 pm. Inurnment was Tuesday, March 27th, 2007 in Greenwood Cemetery in Bemidji. The Peterson Chapel of Buffalo served the family. Online condolences may be made at www.thepetersonchapel.com

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A few years ago, when people who were romantic with each other almost always got married, a known statistic told that if one married a divorcee, his chances of it being a lifetime union (the only kind which is worthwhile and productive for the spouses) were notably less. And common sense corroborates this - a woman who has once broken holy vows is more likely to do it a second or subsequent time. She knows her way around the courthouse. Not a good prospect for lifetime marriage. And it doesn't matter why she says her earlier marriage failed. There are two sides to those stories - all that matters is that it did.

Today, the statistic as concerns previous involvement is still valid. But the difference is that, today, it doesn't only apply to former marriages, as the broken couple may not have actually gotten married to begin with - the relationship was the same, though. So a girl who's been around the block enough to have worn a light rut in the sidewalk, similarly, isn't a good prospect for a lifetime of happiness. She knows about getting into and out of romances and has chosen that avenue.

But, as we recall, there were some girls who decided early on that they would save themselves to serve only one man for a lifetime, giving them the greatest wedding gift at the altar. These are the ones with whom lifetime marriage, living in the proper way, is most possible. Some may not make it, and decide in the going, due to peer pressure (i.e. the immorality of Bemidji has much the same effect as the snake in the Garden of Eden) or otherwise, to cast off their holy vows taken before the Divine, and all that history teaches is right, in favour of a lifetime of tramping, taking with her a shattered family, instead; but marrying a person who has not already done this, a person who has demonstrated her belief in

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virtue and so has kept herself for only one man for her lifetime, puts the odds in your favour.

Some women have drives, inclinations, and values which make it very difficult, if not impossible, for them to adapt to the most beneficial lifestyle: lifetime monogamy. While it may be satisfying for a guy to think that he can change all of that, it is actually something that is internalized in the woman, and has little or nothing to do with who she's with. To try to press this type of person into the mold of a devoted wife is almost always self-defeating. The guy involved generally ends up frustrated, miserable, and often well in debt with obligations that will keep him that way for many years, with little to show for it.

People do change, when they want to, but the odds of a person changing past ways, particularly when they are tied to fundamental values, are not good.

It's like trying to beat the house at Las Vegas; yes, it can be done, but the odds are strongly against it and in the end, the odds will determine the outcome of the game. Even when one beats the house, they're not really beating the odds - the odds allow for this, once in a great while. The odds are strongly against lifetime happiness, tranquility, and stability with a woman who has been married several times, or has been in and out of many illicit romances, and are best with a spouse who has intended, and kept herself for, only one.

3) **For a holy life, marry early in it.** Nowadays, some adults counsel young people to defer, or postpone, marriage. This is almost always bad advice. The longer one waits, the more time there is for him to get into trouble. The sooner he has his home in order, the sooner the couple starts to build a productive union and career, which is important in today's ever-competitive business and professional world. Still, as it has always been, even with today's advancements and changing world, the root of a man's (and woman's) stability and productivity is in the home. It lies in a sound marriage and stable home life. Employers know this, and although they may not say as much, with some, whether or not an applicant is married makes a difference at hiring time. Employers like a stable, non-volatile, staff that keeps its mind on work. The positive effect of marriage upon direction and stability has existed since Biblical times, and though some offer that things have changed since them ("that was then - this is now"), as far as people go, they really haven't. People have only changed their environment some - and they have more stuff - but men and women are (Cont'd, "First Laws," page 15)

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pretty much put together the same way as they were 5700 years ago, shortly after creation. Thusly, as concerns people, what the Bible teaches happened in those times, and the lessons to be learned thereby, is as valid now as it was then.

But the travesty of divorce can tear apart all that you've built. In a great many cases, when a man's marriage ends, his job will too, and his career will be set back. So the person he chooses is essential to a stable and productive home life. As time goes on, there will be fewer eligible ladies. Remember, we started with a pool of them who had decided to live the right way. Over time (and a short one at that), the *worthwhile* ones will get married and stay that way. They won't be back on the market. What will come back on the market will be the ones who failed in their marriage or romance. At a point, not far downline, that's all you'll see in the single crowd; at that point, and with very few exceptions, the old saying, "The good ones are all taken," becomes very valid and true. So, to avoid having only lesser women from which to choose, and for the best chances of a good and lifelong marriage, a young man should make his decision early, and stick to it. Rabbis teach that a good wife is to be valued, cherished, and treated as one would a precious jewel. A man doesn't always understand her (no mortal man can - she is a creation of the Divine) but he always cherishes her. In most cases, she is essential to the man's success in many ways. Just by the action of time, if he gets divorced for any reason, *his* chances of finding lifetime union, happiness, and prosperity are also substantially reduced.

And now, a few words for our Sponsor, and His bestselling book, The Bible:

There has long been a competition between those who believe in science, alone, and those who espouse theology. These respective beliefs, however, don't need to be competing forces. One of the world's greatest scientists, as well as being a theologian, Sir Issac Newton, postulated and believed that science and religion are *not* wholly different,

separate, and mutually exclusive spheres. That they both do the same thing - that is, to better enable people to understand the world around them. Science and theology can be integrated; really, they are part and parcel of the same thing, and much of Biblical teaching is just common logic, augmented by the experiences of history, and generally applied, so as to be relevant to the greatest number of people. Yes, there are exceptions, but not nearly so many as some would like to think. As pertains to any individual, or any situation which they might contemplate or in which they might be involved, there exists a far greater likelihood that the *rule* applies, and not the *exception* to it.

A world without Providence? There are those, however, who seek to explain how things might have happened without the assistance of Providence. So, for a moment, let's put theology aside, and look exclusively at those secular evolutionists' arguments. You know - the five billion years and all that. And to simplify, let's not even look at the wonders of the universe and the Earth, with all its symbiotic ecosystems that work together like clockwork. Let's go much simpler - to only a single molecule:

Consider chlorophyll. Evolutionists say that at one point, a few billion years ago, *chlorophyll* just happened. This was a *very important* happening. It made it possible for life on earth to utilize the sun's energy and convert it to sugar - energy in a form that organisms can use. Without chlorophyll, most of the life - plants and animals - as we know it on earth, could not exist.

So suddenly, chlorophyll just happened, the evolutionists say. They concede that they can't say how it happened - it wasn't there before - or why. It must have just brewed up in the "primordial soup".

The chlorophyll molecule is a complicated, immense molecule. It is comprised of exactly 72 atoms of hydrogen, 55 of carbon, 5 of oxygen, 4 of nitrogen, and one of magnesium. Not 0 or 2 of the magnesium - it has to be only one atom. Do you think that this molecule would have just come together in the primordial seas?

Even if it could, it wouldn't have been enough for the molecule to have just occurred. One molecule of chlorophyll somewhere in the primordial seas would have done no good, and would soon have broken down. To work, it had to be useful, and self-replicating - that is, there had to be, *at the same time*, a plant that somehow could use this molecule (which had never existed before), and that plant would somehow have to have had a gene that would replicate the molecule.

All at the same precise moment, amidst the expanse of the 5 billion years that evolutionists speak of. And all of this by happenstance.

Does this make a lot of sense to you? Or does it seem more likely that something would have had to have *built* the chlorophyll molecule? And that same something then made a plant, which contained it, was able to use it, and could replicate it?

If so, we call that something, "Providence."

Does Providence really provide, sometimes in miraculous ways? Well, let's consider the current energy crisis. In the early days, not much energy was needed. Heat and light from the sun was enough for man to work and grow things. As man became more knowledgeable about his world, and learned to use machines, more energy was necessary. Providence knew this at Creation, though, and put a storehouse of it in the rock. We call it coal and oil. It fueled our "industrialization" and made it possible.

But now, even this isn't enough. Providence knew this too. So He created a miraculous substance, that we would discover when we were ready for it, that can turn mere light, from the sun, into electricity to power all of our machines. With this, we would have all of the energy that we might need.

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All of the energy we might need travels from the sun to the earth, not as heat, but as light. And so, we can now make *valuable energy from sand!* And yet, some people think that there are no more miracles.

At Creation, of course, He knew all of this and so, just before creating coal, and oil, and silicon, with all of their amazing properties, He said: "Let there be light." Or do you think that all just happen by coincidence?

Editor's note: Although this message is, in part, for the benefit of young people, it is not suitable for use in their schools. By law, Providence is not allowed there, which may explain a few things that have gone on there. Accordingly, this is released in our summer issue, which is not distributed to the schools (they are not in session now).

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