

Vagabonds

them to the museum where the Hjemkomst is on display. For those of you not up on Viking ships, this is a replica that was built in Hawley through the inspiration of a Moorhead teacher who has since passed away.

The next stop in Minnesota was in Itasca State Park which is the Headwaters of the Mississippi River. The very large Minn. mosquitoes at this point created great anxiety for Grant and Linda as they beat a hasty retreat to the South and West taking them into South Dakota. The headwinds traveling West were an experience to say the least. The van began to use large quantities of gas and water. Stopping in Rapid City it was discovered that a new radiator was necessary. No problem because the Black Hills is a very interesting place to

spend a few days. Steam train rides, cave visits, gold mine tours and Wild Bill Hickock's grave were just some of the things available to hold interest. On to Wyoming, Devil's Tower and Yellowstone were quick stops. No reservations for Yellowstone, so on to Idaho and Craters of the Moon. The last leg of the journey included an overnight stop in Truckee at Linda's brother's for a very quick

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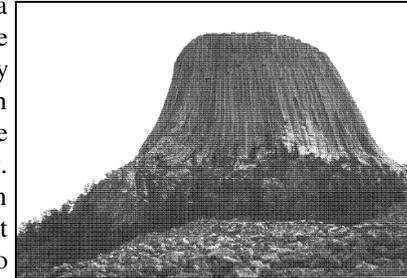
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Vagabonds Wander the Western United States

Grant and Linda Bodwell spent three weeks on an odyssey that took them through ten states during late June and early July. The trip began in Sonoma with the first leg taking them to Medford, Oregon to



Devil's Tower, Wyoming
Photo by Grant Bodwell

visit with Linda's sister, Tory and her mother, Flora. Two nights were spent camped in Tory and Carl's side yard in the little Scamp travel trailer. The next leg of the journey took them into eastern Oregon and Washington. Traveling eastward from Walla Walla through Idaho into Montana. The next few days were spent driving through

Montana and North Dakota. On the eighth day of the trip the van and trailer pulled into Hawley to rest for three nights. While there visits were made to Grant's grandmother in Twin Valley and his Uncle Bud in Hawley. A quick trip into Moorhead took

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A Family of Eagles

Kevin Bodwell was awarded the rank of Eagle Scout by Troop 10, sponsored by the Sonoma Kiwanis Club. His service project at Annadel State Park was to control the growth of unwanted conifer trees in a forested area of oaks and other hardwood trees. Kevin joins his two brothers, Patrick and Charles as Eagle Scouts. Pictured from left to right are Patrick, Kevin, Grant, Linda and Charles.



Photo by B. Weiner

Brothers Enter the Work World

Charlie finished his schooling in Phoenix and was given an award from the school for achievement. The job market in the North Bay is very tight now so he is working for a Firestone Dealer in Roseville which is about an hour and a half commute. That really puts the miles on his pickup! Charlie is continuing to research jobs

in and around Sonoma County. He and Kevin are planning a trip to Disneyland before Christmas. Kevin has graduated from Sonoma High and is continuing his education at Santa Rosa Junior College. He is studying electronics, computers and fire science.

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Valley Talking

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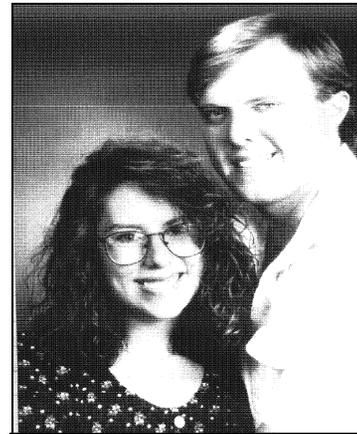


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Julie Ann Clotere and Patrick Allen Bodwell have announced their plans to marry July 6, 1996 at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church. The future bride is the daughter of Richard and Shirley Thurow of San Jose. She is a 1993 graduate of California State University, Chico with a degree in Health Psychology and is currently employed as an assistant administrator with Hicks and Company in Chico. Her fiance is the son of Grant and Linda Bodwell of Sonoma. He is a 1994 graduate of California State University, Chico with a degree in Civil Engineering and is currently working on his Masters Degree in Construction Management.

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He is a volunteer for the Sonoma Fire Department and has a job working for the Sonoma Rental Center at their Napa store which specializes in party supplies. With his earnings he is buying a new pickup.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year