



Ethan Knight was chillin' with some good, furry friends lately – probably wondering what his parents were thinking. Ethan was born July 11 to Michele and Dave Knight of Dillon, and we hear he's a 'wonderful' baby. He showed up to his first Rotary meeting already on Tuesday, so we expect some big things from you, young feller!- *Special to the Daily*

Summit Up 8-25-10: High karma and misdemeanors edition

BY SUMMIT UP,

Good morning and welcome to Summit Up, the world's only daily column that would like to kick off today with a Super Mega Angel & Good Karma Alert! That's right, this is a biggie: A few days ago, we printed a letter from Jeff McAbee of Frisco, who told of how some low-life dirtbags horked his Orvis fly rod and other gear while he was camping locally. But Jeff didn't say things like "low-life dirtbags" – instead he just expressed his incredulity that someone would do something like this, and then he did this Jesus-like turn-the-other-cheek thing where he left out the fly rod case and other stuff the thieves missed the first time (along with a little note to the thieves that was devoid of condemnation). We guess he figured the case wasn't much good without the rod, and perhaps he was curious to see if the thieves would take the bait.

They did, and off they went with Jeff's gear and a whole bag-load of bad karma following them for the rest of their days. But that's not the end of the story. We received an e-mail from Angel James Hathaway, senior manager of communications, conservation and social media at The Orvis Company in Sunderland, Vt. Through the miracle of modern communications, James read Jeff's letter and asked the Daily how to get in touch with him because ... they wanted to replace all his gear ... for free!

We figured Jeff wouldn't mind if we gave out his info, and his new gear is on the way.

Nice, eh? So Jeff gets new stuff, Orvis gets a Summit Up Cool Company of the Year Award and the thieves, well ... they get a thousand pointy arrows of bad karma.

So endeth the tale.

Here's another Angel Alert! from Joyce Crowe in Colorado Springs, who writes thusly:

"My husband had a bike accident last Friday on the recpath just beyond Frisco on the way to Breckenridge. He was thrown from his bike. I just wanted to thank the doctor and his wife that stopped and helped him and called 911. You may have prevented him from quadriplegia or even death. He had multiple back and neck fractures. Thank you so much!"

Good stuff.

We wonder if anyone out there is reading this column on something other than a printed paper or a regular ol' website. We keep hearing of things like smart phones (which we think make most of SDN available through Yahoo! news and other services) and things like iPads and whatever else. Our own jury is still out on these things, cuz we're pretty used to the old-school paper thing and the slightly less old school Internet. We like the

crinkle of the paper on the first thing, plus the fact that we can wrap fish, line bird cages, start fires and make papier mâché with the “real” newspaper. (And you'd be hard-pressed to ever be able to use a word as incredibly cool as papier mâché in conjunction with any kind of smart phone or table or whatever.

Anyway, if anyone has any thoughts on “e-readers” and all this other crap, let us know at summitup@summitdaily.com. Is it the wave o' the future or just another high-priced 8-track kind of thing?

Well folks, that's all the whatever we have room for today. It's Wednesday already, so hang on baby, Friday's comin'!

We out.

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