

THE LAKE WASHINGTON MYSTERY

Lake Washington (in Seattle, Washington) is a wonderful place to sail, water ski, swim, and even fish. However, it is not a place you would normally go to have your jewels stolen. Especially if you were Abigail (Abbie) Appleslugger.

Abbie comes from one of the pioneer families of the area. Her grandfather made his fortune with a fleet of fishing boats that caught tons of fish each year. Her great Uncle "Chips" Appleslugger, made millions in the timber industry. Her father owned some of the largest wheat lands in the State and was worth \$15,000,000 in his own right. "Fig" Appleslugger (her brother) had decided to be a race car driver, but was not too good at it. He was killed in the first lap of his first race and Abbie became the sole heir of her Grandfather's, Uncle's, and father's estates. Abbie is now 32 years old and is worth about \$26,004,887.79.

Abbie loves working with young girls. She says it make her stay young since she has no husband or children of her own. She has volunteered to be Pod Leader (like a girl scout leader) for the girls group "The Orcas". Yours is the Pod called the "Seals" and you have 8 girls in the group. You meet every Saturday at 9:00 AM. The "Seals" join in all the other activities of the Pods, but your group is really centered around playing and solving mystery games. Abbie has offered the group a \$200.00 reward if they can solve who stole her jewelry. She will also take them on a week-end trip to Victoria, Canada (which is very English in customs, speech, and food.)

Abbie has a beautiful home (the "Frog Pond") on the shores of Lake Washington and likes to have lavish 4th of July parties where all the guests come and admire her jewels she wears for the occasion. (Red Rubies, White Pearls, and Blue Turquoise). She also likes to wear a Gold and Diamond Tiara so she looks like the Statue of Liberty. She had invited to Seals to the party to help her with the food and serving the other guests.

Now two days after the party, Abbie has discovered that someone has stolen the Tiara and all the Rubies from her home. All of the guests are under suspicion. Bloodhounds are being used to search the grounds. A school of giant Salmon are searching the waters of the lake, and Abbie has several carpenters building a large floating scaffold on which to hang the thief(s). She plans to have a huge crab feed for all who want to come watch the hanging.

You better get busy and find out who is the thief. You would not want to have some one mistake you for the villain and hang you by accident.