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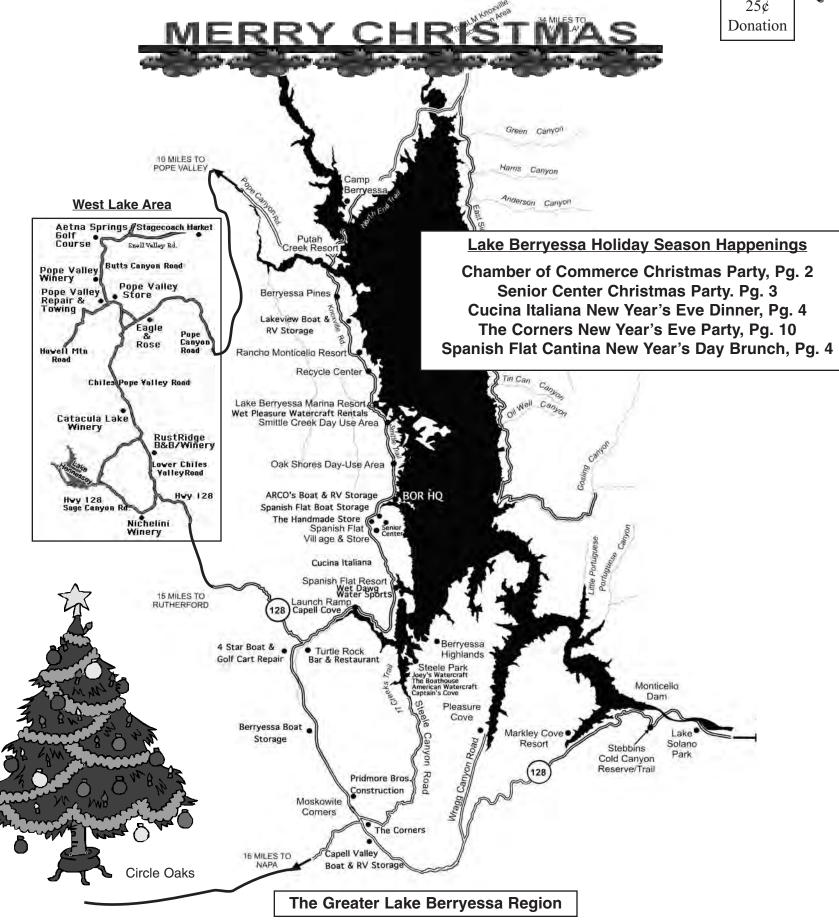
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Kids Around Lake Berryessa

The Lake Berryessa Lions Club Kids Bike Rodeo and Eye Exams The Berryessa Lions have a long, 25+ year history at Lake Berryessa. The only charitable organization at the lake, the Lions focus on eye health, especially that of our local children. Each year they pay for a doctor to come out and give free eye exams at the local schools. This year the exams will be at Pope Valley School on Dec. 11th and at Capell Valley School on Dec. 12th. They also donate money at Christmas for gifts for the less fortunate.

The Lions also sponsor an annual bike rodeo at Pope Valley School where they donate 8 brand new bicycles for the bike skill rodeo winners for each grade. Below are a couple of letters from the kids in Pope Valley. Elaine asked how the Lions get the money each year for the rodeo bikes.

The answer is that the money comes from two special events each year: the Lions Club Poker Run and the Lions Club Crab Feed. Everyone should support these two events because all the money goes back into the community. The Lions are always looking for new members. It's also a fun group with whom to socialize - there's never a dull meeting. Call President Jim Tschida at 966-1413 for information.

Dear Lions Club

Thank you for the bikes. I was 1 of the lucky winners. I was so happy because this was the last year that I had to win. I have been here 9 years. This was my last year to have a chance. I am really happy and I really wanted to say thank-you for all of the bikes you donated. I was so happy to win. I didn't have a bike at home and my sister's bike had a flat tire, so I needed one. I am very grateful for winning this bike and this is going to make my 8th grade year so memorable. So once again, Thank You! Sincerely, Claudia Ramirez

Dear Lions Club.

I think it's really nice of you to provide bikes for us year after year. I thought all the bikes were really nice; you must have the best ones out of the whole store. As far as I know, no other school has a bike rodeo and if they do it's not as good as ours! How do get the money for the bikes every year? I mean it must be a couple hundred dollars for them altogether! Sincerely, Elaine

The Corners For Kids

If you've dropped by The Corners lately (and you should), you may have noticed how much new stock has been added to the store for a great selection of food and drink. You may also have seen the colorful menus

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and other computer graphics around the store and cafe. This is the work of young Veronica Watt, Managers Ron Watt & Deanna Bradley's daughter. Veronica has designed a new "Corners for Kids" menu with tasty choices like Scooby's Slurpin' Spaghetti & Meat Sauce. You can see her menu (unfortunately without the color) on Page 10.

Lake Berryessa Chamber of Commerce Christmas Party

Saturday, Dec. 9, 5 - 9 P.M. Berryessa Senior Center

Members, Guests, & Community Supporters Welcome!

This will be a potluck party. Soft drinks and beer will be provided by the Chamber. Wine donations will be welcome.

2006 Lake Berryessa Calendar of Events

- 12-9 Chamber of Commerce Christmas Party, Senior Center, 5 pm
- 12-15 Berryessa Seniors Christmas Dinner (Potluck) & Gift Exchange, Berryessa Senior Center, 6 pm* (Bring a new \$10 gift to exchange)
- 12-31 Cucina Italiana New Year's Eve Dinner
- 12-31 The Corners New Year's Eve Party with Live Band
- Spanish Flat Cantina Grand Opening Champagne Brunch
- 1-13 Senior Center Crab Feed
- *Every Monday Bingo 1pm, 252-8488,
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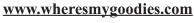
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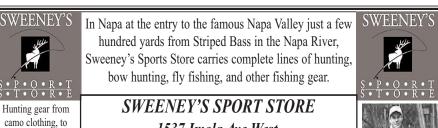
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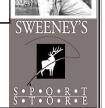
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Silly String Helps Soldiers Stay Alive in Iraq

American troops in Iraq have become masters of improvisation, like bolting jury-rigged armor to humvees to shield themselves from sniper fire and shrapnel. Lately, an even more novel item has joined their battle kits.

Stratford, NJ., mom Marcelle Shriver recently got a call from her son Todd requesting... Silly String. Marines working with his unit in Iraq had shown the Army combat engineer how it can be used to detect trip wires. Before searching buildings, for example, personnel spray doorways from at least 10 ft. away with streams of foam - and see if they're snagged by barely visible wires, which are often affixed to bombs.

The Army acknowledges the off-label use, and Marine spokesman Captain Jay Delarosa says, "We force Marine trainees to improvise," Shriver is raising money to mail string to Iraq (aerosol cans are hazmat and costly to ship).

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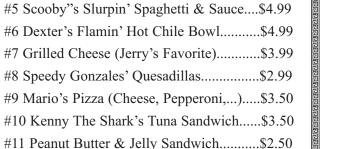
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Lake Berryessa Chamebr of Commerce Meeting Report

Lake Berryessa Economic Development meeting report.

The near term improvements to the Lake Berryessa business climate will depend on attracting more visitors and/or having visitors stay longer during each visit. To that end the Chamber will focus next year's efforts on the items listed in the minutes below. Long-term strategies will be depend on the redevelopment of the resorts with the goal of having more revenue generated for Napa County by the resorts. The County would consider returning some of that new revenue to the Lake Berryessa area in the form of road improvements and better road signs and visitor information signs. The Chamber wishes to partner with the County in these efforts to promote our region to the larger Napa County population.

The Chamber is also participating in Napa County Destination Brand Promise process. The process of developing a Napa County Destination Strategy begins with the premise that a successful destination must differentiate itself from its competition by 1) being perceived as "distinctive" in the visitor's mind, and 2) by creating a "promise" to the visitor that communicates the destination experience and serves as the basis for countywide decision making and future destination planning.

There was also some discussion about creating public parks for residents, possibly under the new Napa County Parks District. Local non-profit Berryessa Trails and Conservation has also received a \$9,500 grant to design trails along the north and west shores of the lake. These new trails would complete some partial trails along the north shore as well as create connecting trails on the west shore between Oak Shores and Smittle Creek as well as extending them to Berryessa Marina and Spanish Flat Resorts.

Dues & Recruitment Letter

January 1, 2007 is the beginning of our new fiscal year. A combination Dues & Recruitment letter will be sent out by the first week of January. Membership dues will once again be only \$25. The letter will also seek to recruit new members so we need the names and contact information for businesses and individual you think may be potential new members.

Next Chamber Directory

The 2006 Directory appears to have been a success in bringing business to the listed members and paid for itself by charging a nominal \$25 for a member to be listed with their logo and contact information. The 2007 directory will be produced the same way. The Dues letter will include a request for your directory listing at an additional service fee of \$25. So you can be a member of our active Chamber of Commerce, be listed on the Chamber Web Site, and be in the Chamber directory which will once again be mailed to all local residents and distributed widely throughout the local and surrounding areas for only \$50! The deadline for being included in the new Directory is February 17, to sell. Also, Paul Quarneri and Georgia Craddock will also have tickets. The 2007 and the directory will be mailed by March 21, 2007.

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Map and Advertising Brochure for 2007

The consensus was to produce a standard-size glossy brochure/map for wide distribution. There is not enough detailed information about Lake Berryessa which includes directions to our recreation and business destinations available to tourists or residents. The final open size of the brochure will depend on the size of the map, the number of advertisers, and the amount of additional recreation information included. Gary Howes and Susan Heyden, our web site and directory designers, agreed to produce some sample brochures with pricing for the January 22 meeting. The proposed schedule for completion is April 1,

Road Signposts and Information Kiosks

The Chamber will work to partner with Napa County to develop tasteful yet informative road signs for key locations such as The Corners, Turtle Rock, Spanish Flat, Pope Valley, and Chiles Valley intersections so that visitors will have an easier time finding us. Larger "information center"-type signs for commercial locations will also be researched. These signs may include a map, distances, and directions but will advise travelers to go into one of our local businesses for further information and brochures.

Berryessa Senior Center Newsletter

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

The Holiday Season is here and with rain and snow let us all enjoy a safe and happy time with family and friends wherever you may travel... As a final reminder to those of you who have not paid your dues....the 2007 dues are due. Am I being redundant??? Yes!!...If you know some one who is at least 50 years of age and would like to join our group, please give them an application, which you can pick up at the Center. To date we have 70 paid members plus our life time member Elsie Plunkett.

HOLIDAY POTLUCK

The December "Holiday" Pot Luck will be held on Friday, December 15. If you would like to participate in a "Secret Santa" gift exchange; bring a wrapped gift valued at no more than \$10.00. The Center will supply the main course of Ham and rolls. As usual, the festivities begin at 6pm with your favorite libations and dinner at or around 7pm. Our very special guests will be Mr. and Mrs. Clause. If you are planning on attending please bring a side dish that will feed at least 6 people. Also, if you would like to bring either a hors d'oeuvres or dessert to share with others, please do so, and don't forget to bring your own utensils. Sign up on the sign up sheet at the Center, via phone, or e-mail Berryessasenior@aol.com.

The crab feed is being planned for Saturday, January 13; tickets will go on sale 12/1. Brenda, at the Spanish Flat Country Store, will have a supply of tickets cost is the same as last year, \$30.00 per ticket. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year so buy your tickets early as they go fast.

REPORT ON FELLOW MEMBERS

We lost two long time members in November:

Sy Brigham passed away on November 3.

Doug Roberts passed away on November 18. A memorial service will be held for Doug at the Center. The date and time to be announced at a future date.

Terry Hamlin, son of former member and long time resident of Lake Berryessa Betty Hamlin, passed away. Funeral services were held on November 20.

Betty Fehrenkamp wants everyone to know that the 2007 Calendars are for sale. The cost is \$6.00 each and remember, they make great stocking stuffers!

Spanish Flat Cantina's Hard Working Owners Continue Renovation

Since they took possession of the old Boone's Saloon building on September 1, Christine Roussopoulos and Kathy Riggins, have been working hard toward their goal of a Grand Opening on Monday, January 1, 2007! They have completely renovated and redecorated most of it, but there is still more to do. If you stop by the Spanish Flat Village Center (to pick something up at Brenda's Country Store, for example) and walk over to the new Cantina, you're likely to find them cleaning, painting, and decorating.

brunch & buffet to soothe the result of your late night New Year's Eve activities - scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, fried potatoes with red and green peppers, every condiment to create your own breakfast burritos, an assortment of Mexican pastries and cookies, a fresh fruit basket, coffee, tea, and orange juice. Christine and Kathy will also mix and pour mimosas and mangosas. Free champagne is included with your brunch.

The formal opening of the Spanish Flat Cantina which includes Dos Amigas Mexican Restaurant and Flats Bar is on Thursday, January 4, 2007. The Cantina's Winter Hours are Thursday & Friday, 5 P.M. to 9 P.M. and Saturday & Sunday, 9 A.M to 9 P.M. Although Christine and Kathy will do all the cooking (their Mexican last supper at Turtle Rock was a sellout) they are looking for responsible employees - bartender, waitresses, kitchen help, dishwashers, handyman - will train, no experience necessary. Stop by for an application & interview on December 9th, 10th & 11th or call 966-0549 for information.

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ated by Christine and Kathy. Spanish Flat Cantina primarily aims to serve local people good fresh food in a family environment. They intend to provide a fun, relaxing atmosphere without late party-time hours. Flats Bar will serve beer and wine - at least 20 local wines and 20 brands of beer, including seven Mexican beers.

Cucina Italiana New Year's Eve Feast

Cucina Italiana at the Spanish Flat Village Center will be closed for the Christmas Holiday from December 22nd until December 31st. They will also On New Year's Day, from 9 A.M. to 2 P.M., they will serve a champagne be closed from January 1st until February 2nd so that Stefano and Sharyn can take a well-earned vacation. But on New Year's Eve, Deceember 31, the night before Spanish Flat Cantina's Grand Opening, treat yourself to a fantastic "special menu" dinner at Cucina Italiana, arguably Lake Berryessa's finest restaurant. There will be two seatings for New Years Eve: 5 P.M. and 8 P.M. Reservations required. Cost: \$49.50 per person RSVP: 707-966-2433

NEW YEARS MENU: Sunday, December 31st, 2006 Champagne Salute!

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DOLCE CUCINA ITALIANA: Puff Pastry stuffed with fresh fruit & Chantilly Cream

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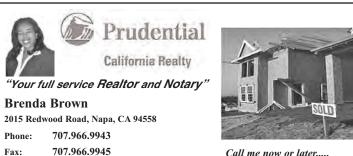
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Fishing With Sid

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Changing to a rattle trap and throwing it into three or four feet of water and skimming it over the top of the grass landed him a two and a half pound bass. Now Steve wanted to try his hand at worming with a weightless senco. Coming thru the grass in about four to six feet of water he hooked another two pound plus bass. He was a pleasure to fish with and I was sorry that the day ended so quickly. He and I agreed that all fish lost coming to the boat must weigh at less four pounds (hahaha).

Sunday I went out of Emeryville on the "C-Gull" with Captain Don for a crab and rockfish combo. If you have never tried it I recommend it highly. I caught a total of fifty-two fish including one lingcod that we did not land using the River2Sea knife (see photo). The weight is distributed where half

of it is sixty percent and the other half is forty percent so it cuts through the water and flutters to the bottom. It seems to attract larger fish.



We had a total of thirty-one people on the boat and all of us helped in some manner with the crabbing and all of us walked of the boat with six crab each. Next week I will be in Florida so 'til the following ..good fish!!!!!!!!!!!!!! week.

www.fishingconnection.net If you have any fishing stories to share please email me at bestguide@hotmail.com or call me at 650-583-3333.



Berryessa Earthquakes

Two small earthquakes here at Lake in the last 2 days. The first was at 7:22pm on Tuesday, 11/28/06 and was a 3.2, and then another Wednesday, 11/29 at 7:21 pm (almost exactly 24 hours apart!) which was a 2.4. No big deal, but strong enough to be felt. According the the USGS (you can find info and maps at usgs.gov) the epicenter for both quakes seems to be pretty close to the old elementary school north of Putah Creek. (Thanks to Gary Howes of Berryessa Pines for this information.)

A lawyer and a blond.....

are sitting next to each other on a long flight from LA to NY. The lawyer leans over to her and asks if she would like to play a fun game. The blond just wants Steve was bringing in a chugger and let it rest for awhile when a huge large to take a nap, so she politely declines and rolls over to the window to catch a

He brought it most of the way to the boat only to lose it when it jumped again. The lawyer persists and explains that the game is really easy and fun. He explains "I ask you a question, and if you don't know the answer, you pay me \$5.00, and vice-versa." Again the blond declines.

> The lawyer, now somewhat agitated, says"Okay, if you don't know the answer you pay me \$5.00, and if I don't know the answer I will pay you \$500.00!"

> This catches the blonde's attention, figuring that there will be no end to this torment until she plays. The lawver asks the first question, "What is the distance from the earth to the moon?" The blonde doesn't say a word and reaches into her purse and hands him \$5.00.

> Now it is her turn. She asks him "What goes up a hill on three legs and comes back down on four?" The lawyer looks at her with a puzzled look.

> He takes out his laptop and searches all his references. He taps into the Airphone with his modem and searches the Net and the Library of Congress.

> Frustrated, he sends E-mails to all his coworkers and friends. All to no avail. After an hour, he wakes the blonde and hands her \$500. The blonde politely takes the \$500 and turns away to get back to sleep. The lawyer, angry, wakes the blonde and asks, "Well, so what IS the answer!"

Without a word the blonde reaches into her purse, hands the lawyer \$5.00, and goes back to sleep.

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'Twas the night before Christmas and Santa's a

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And labour conditions at the North Pole were alleged by the union to stifle the soul. Four reindeer had vanished, without much propriety,

Released to the wilds by the Humane Society. And equal employment had made it guite clear That Santa had better not use just reindeer. So Dancer and Donner, Comet and Cupid Were replaced with 4 pigs, and you know that looked stupid!

The runners had been removed from his sleigh; The ruts were termed dangerous by the E.P.A. And people had started to call for the cops When they heard sled noises on their rooftops. Second-hand smoke from his pipe had his workers quite frightened.

To be continued next issue Dec. 21st.

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As reported by Carlos Jeffreys of The Corners total for the last rain was 6.14"

12-9 ~ 1.1" **12-10** ~ .82" **12-12** ~ .97" **12-13** ~ .05" **12-15** ~ .14"

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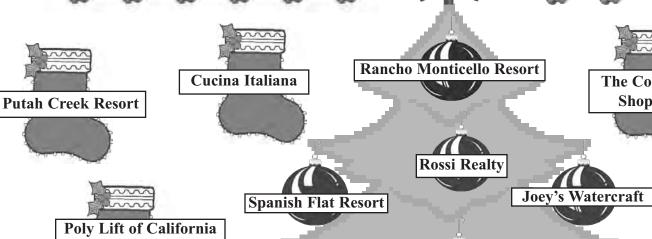
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To the Editor,

Those attempting to rally the Highlands residents to fight the sewer moratorium should realize that the majority of the long-time residents support the moratorium as a way to bring an end to the junky manufactured homes and the huge influx of people into our once quiet and peaceful communi-

I fully support the moratorium and anticipated rate increases as a way to stop growth and cull out some of the problem residents that move here because the limited law enforcement allows them to engage in illegal activities. When we moved here in the early 90's we had planned to retire here but now, unless there is a major change, we will be leaving for good

Probably the biggest reason for this decision is the influx of new young residents that have no respect for the people around them and see no problem with letting their kids run wild and trash the community, allowing their dogs to run free or bark 24-7, ignore the posted speed limit, and, my pet peeve, blare music from sunup till midnight with no regard to anyone else. I will gladly pay \$300.00 a month in water and sewer if it forces these people out and brings a little peace to our lives.

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2006 Lake Berryessa Calendar of Events

- 12-31 Cucina Italiana New Year's Eve Dinner
- 12-31 The Corners New Year's Eve Party with Live Band
- Spanish Flat Cantina Grand Opening Champagne Brunch
- 1-13 Senior Center Crab Feed
- *Every Monday Bingo 1pm, 252-8488,
- *1st Monday of each month Potluck Noon
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- P: Left inside main tire almost needs replacement.
- S: Almost replaced left inside main tire.
- P: Test flight OK, except auto-land very rough.
- S: Auto-land not installed on this aircraft.
- P: Something loose in cockpit.
- S: Something tightened in cockpit.
- P: Dead bugs on windshield
- S: Live bugs on back-order.
- P: Autopilot in altitude-hold mode produces a 200 feet per minute descent.
- S: Cannot reproduce problem on ground.
- P: Evidence of leak on right main landing gear.
- S: Evidence removed.
- P: DME volume unbelievably loud.
- S: DME volume set to more believable level.
- P: Friction locks cause throttle levers to stick.
- S: That's what friction locks are for.
- P: IFF inoperative in OFF mode.
- S: IFF always inoperative in OFF mode.
- P: Suspected crack in windshield.
- S: Suspect you're right.
- P: Number 3 engine missing.
- S: Engine found on right wing after brief search.
- P: Aircraft handles funny. (I love this one!)
- S: Aircraft warned to: straighten up, fly right, and be serious.
- P: Target radar hums.
- S: Reprogrammed target radar with lyrics.
- P: Mouse in cockpit.
- S: Cat installed

And the best one for last...

- P: Noise coming from under instrument panel. Sounds like a midget pounding on something with a hammer.
- S: Took hammer away from midget

Mom, can I have a dog for Christmas? [No, you can have turkey like everyone else.]

What nationality is Santa Claus?

[North Polish.]

What do you call a cat on the beach at Christmastime? [Sandy Claws!]

What do you call people who are afraid of Santa Claus? [Claustrophobic.]

How do sheep in Mexico say Merry Christmas? [Fleece Navidad!]



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A Politically Correct Christmas Story Continued from Dec. 7th issue.

His fur trimmed red suit was called "Unenlightened." And to show you the strangeness of life's ebbs and flows, Rudolf was suing over unauthorised use of his nose And had gone on Geraldo, in front of the nation, Demanding millions in over-due compensation. So, half of the reindeer were gone; and his wife, Who suddenly said she'd enough of this life, Joined a self-help group, packed, and left in a whiz, Demanding from now on her title was Ms.

And as for the gifts, why, he'd never had a notion That making a choice could cause so much commotion. Nothing of leather, nothing of fur, Which meant nothing for him. And nothing for her. Nothing that might be construed to pollute. Nothing to aim, Nothing to shoot. Nothing that clamoured or made lots of noise. Nothing for just girls, or just for the boys. Nothing that claimed to be gender specific. Nothing that's warlike or non-pacifistic. No candy or sweets...they were bad for the tooth. Nothing that seemed to embellish a truth.

And fairy tales, while not yet forbidden, Were like Ken and Barbie, better off hidden. For they raised the hackles of those psychological Who claimed the only good gift was one ecological.

No baseball, no football...someone could get hurt; Besides, playing sports exposed kids to dirt. Dolls were said to be sexist, and should be passe; And Nintendo would rot your entire brain away. So Santa just stood there, dishevelled, perplexed; He just could not figure out what to do next. He tried to be merry, tried to be gay, But you've got to be careful with that word today.

His sack was quite empty, limp to the ground; Nothing fully acceptable was to be found. Something special was needed, a gift that he might Give to all without angering the left or the right. A gift that would satisfy, with no indecision, Each group of people, every religion; Every ethnicity, every hue, Everyone, everywhere...even you. So here is that gift, it's price beyond worth...

May you and your loved ones, enjoy peace on Earth.

From The Lake Berryessa News *******

What do you have in December that you don't have in any other month? The letter "D"!

What do snowmen eat for lunch? Icebergers!

How do snowmen travel around? By iceicle!



Lake Berryessa Chamber of Commerce Wants You to be a Member!

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line for being included in the new Directory is February 17, 2007 and the directory will be mailed by March 21, 2007.

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Pass this information on to anyone in the community you think may wish to be a Business Member or Associate Member (Community Supporter). The Chamber is really the only other social organization besides the Lions Club in our area and we want our community members to know about us and participate in our activities.

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1990s - POKEMON

Kids felt powerful because adults couldn't keep track of the characters on the trading cards.

1980s - CABBAGE PATCH KIDS

At first turned off by the weird vegetal spawn, parents soon fought to "adopt" the dolls at the toy store.

1970s - STAR WARS

The figurines sold out so fast that Kenner, their maker, started mailing out empty boxes with IOUs.

1960s - G.I. JOE

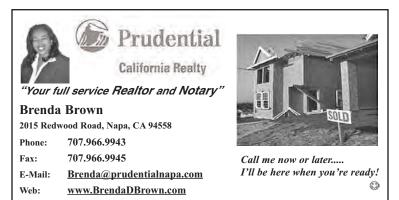
The action figure made it O.K. for boys to play with dolls. In many girls' rooms, Joe dated Barbie.

1950s - MR. POTATO HEAD

The original version: plastic body parts children would stick into a real potato from Mom's kitchen.

I'd like to wish our daughter Angela Crow a happy birthday... born on Christmas day 29 years ago.... Ed Berg

My birthday is 12/28 and my daughter's is 1/9. She is Amanda Love and most of all I would like to wish her a very Happy 17th Birthday...Barry





Great analogies and metaphors

Every year, English teachers from across the country can submit their collections of actual analogies and metaphors found in high school essays for the amusement of teachers across the country. Here are some winners:

Her face was a perfect oval, like a circle that had its two sides gently compressed by a Thigh Master.

His thoughts tumbled in his head, making and breaking alliances like underpants in a dryer without Cling Free.

He spoke with the wisdom that can only come from experience, like a guy who went blind because he looked at a solar eclipse without one of those boxes with a pinhole in it and now goes around the country speaking at high schools about the dangers of looking at a solar eclipse without one of those boxes with a pinhole in it.

She grew on him like she was a colony of E. Coli and he was room-temperature Canadian beef.

She had a deep, throaty, genuine laugh, like that sound a dog makes just before it throws up.

Her vocabulary was as bad as, like, whatever.

The little boat gently drifted across the pond exactly the way a bowling ball wouldn't.

McBride fell 12 stories, hitting the pavement like a Hefty bag filled with vegetable soup.

From the attic came an unearthly howl. The whole scene had an eerie, surreal quality, like when you're on vacation in another city and Jeopardy comes on at 7:00 p.m. instead of 7:30.

Her hair glistened in the rain like a nose hair after a

The hailstones leaped from the pavement, just like maggots when you fry them in hot grease.

He fell for her like his heart was a mob informant and she was the East River.

Even in his last years, Granddad had a mind like a steel trap, only one that had been left out so long, it had rusted shut.

The plan was simple, like my brother-in-law Phil But unlike Phil, this plan just might work.

He was as lame as a duck. Not the metaphorical lame duck, either, but a real duck that was actually lame, maybe from stepping on a land mine or some-

It was an American tradition, like fathers chasing kids around with power tools.

He was deeply in love. When she spoke, he thought he heard bells, as if she were a garbage truck backing up.

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Berryessa Lions once again paid for Dr. Tonya Watson to come over from Berekely to give eye exams to the local school kids from Capell Valley, Pope Valley, and Angwin.







HAPPY HAPPY **BIRTHDAY** To All In December

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HA! HA! Harvey Just in case you weren't

feeling too old today, this will certainly change. The people who are starting college this fall across the nation were born in 1987. They are too young to remember the space shuttle blowing up.

Their lifetime has always included AIDS. The CD was introduced the year they were

They have always had an answering machine They have always had cable.

Jay Leno has always been on the Tonight Show.

Popcorn has always been cooked in the microwave.

They never took a swim and thought about

They don't know who Mork was or where he was from.

They never heard: "Where's the Beef?". "I'd walk a mile for a Camel", or "de plane Boss, de plane".

McDonald's never came in Styrofoam

They don't have a clue how to use a typewriter Do you feel old yet? (Sorry)

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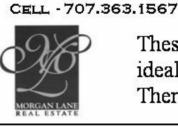
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Like a burning star to those whose lonely sighs Show need of such a time for love and fun. For children first, whose pain is never done.

Whose bright white fire of anguish never dies. It's time to give your heart to every one, That not one angel fall, to hatred won For lack of ears to listen to her cries.Or arms to carry him towards love and fun. Or friends to care wat happens on the run To adult life, where joy or

It's time to give your heart to everyone, For God loves all, and turns His back on none, Good or twisted, ignorant or wise.

sadness lies.

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Angel

LIFE

People come in to your life for a reason, a season or a lifetime. When you know which one it is, you will know what to do for that person. When someone is in your life for a REASON, it is usually to meet a need you have expressed. They have come to assist you through a difficulty. to provide you with guidance and support, to aid you physically, emotionally or spiritually. They may seem like a godsend and they are. They are there for the reason you need them to be. Then, without any wrongdoing on your part or at an inconvenient time, this person will say or do something to bring the relationship to an end. Sometimes they die. Sometimes they walk away. Sometimes they act up and force you to take a stand. What we must realize is that our need has been met, our desire fulfilled, their work is done. The prayer you sent up has been answered and now it is time to move on.



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