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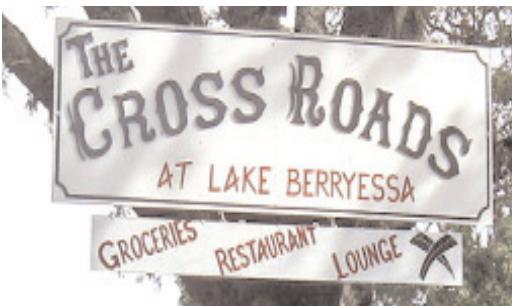
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- Before diving off the high board, always take the time to ask yourself, "Is there water in the pool?"
- Never dive into very cold water. Cold water causes both goose bumps and constricting blood vessels. And nobody can swim with a bunch of geese bumping his tiny vessels.
- If you are not an expert swimmer, never float into deep water on a raft, an inner tube, or a duck.
- Always get out of the water during an electrical storm. It is also a good idea to get out of the water before blow-drying your hair.
- If you do not know how to swim at all, filling your pool with Jell-O won't help.
- Never engage in horseplay while swimming in a public pool. Just think how bad you would feel if there was an accident and the horse drowned.
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Percentage of U.S. national debt owed to the Social Security trust fund: 17.9

Percentage of U.S. national debt owed to China: 9.5

Total worldwide capacity for energy generated from wind in 2001, in megawatts: 24,322

Total U.S. capacity for energy generated from wind in June 2010, in megawatts: 36,300

Total worldwide capacity for energy generated from wind in June 2010, in megawatts: 175,000

Number of ingredients in the "light cream" that comes with McDonald's oatmeal: 7

Number of those ingredients made from dairy: 2

Bank of America's 2009 pre-tax income: \$4.4 billion

Amount Bank of America paid in taxes in 2009: \$0

Number of foreign tax havens Bank of America used in 2009: 115

Percentage of Americans who want to end tax cuts for the richest Americans: 59

Fatalities per million hours of driving an automobile: 0.47

Fatalities per million hours of bicycling: 0.26

Fatalities per million hours of living (all causes of death): 1.53

Number of viewers who tuned into the 2011 Super Bowl: 111 million

Percentage of Super Bowl viewers who tuned in primarily for the ads: 22

Percentage of annual budget the average American thinks is spent on foreign aid: 27

Percentage the average American thinks should be spent on foreign aid: 13

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Median weekly earnings of full-time union workers in 2010: \$911

Median weekly earnings of full-time non-union workers in 2010: \$717



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## Summer is Coming! (Soon, We Hope)

### Record Setting Bad Weather Hits Lake Berryessa in Juneuary

People often complain about the weather, especially when it ruins a few plans - as happened this last Memorial Weekend (and the first weekend of June!). It was one of the worst Memorial Day weekend and early June weather periods that many can remember. One forecaster referred to this month as Juneuary!

A few years of history confirm that this May has been one of the worst in years. Unfortunately some 2007 and 2008 data are missing, but they

The last year the lake was full was 2005 - a wet year with floods - and it rained in June that year. Prior to that there had only been a

May	Rain	High Temperatures	Last Rain of Season
2005	3.2"	8 days - 80+	5/18 6/7 & 6/17 - .5" ea
2006	.7"	10 days - 80+; 7 days - 90+	5/22
2007	0.18"	19 days - 80+; 10 days - unknown but warm	5/4 7/18 - .02"
2008	.31"	2 days - 80+; 3 days - 90+; 2 days - 100+ 24 days unknown	5/25
2009	.76"	14 days - 80+; 7 days - 90+; 1 day - 100+	5/5
2010	1.26"	10 days - 80+	5/28
2011	2.23"	11 days - 80+	6/6?

were warm months. If you remember, the Mays between 2005 and 2009 appear to have been quite nice.

light rain in June of 1998. 2011 is in the weather record books with 1.62" of rain in June as of 6/6.

What will Summer bring?

### Lake Berryessa Swim Called Off

It seems illogical that too much water could wash out an open water swim race. But that is what happened as the 30th Annual Lake Berryessa Open Water Swim was canceled for the first time in its history on Saturday, June 4, 2011.

The event is hosted by Davis Aquatic Masters and usually draws between 900 to 1,000 competitors.

Water wasn't the problem, exactly, rather waves that were whipped to two to three-foot white-caps by a blustery and somewhat erratic south wind at the race site at on the lake's northwest shore.

As some 100 intrepid competitors stood around in the rain, a decision was made not to hold the race, because of concern for safety of the swimmers and volunteers who work as part of the water safety crew.

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I may not know what I'm talking about, but as I always say, "I'd rather be wrong than quiet."

A friend said his boss is all heart. He promised that if there's anything my friend needs just let him know and he'll show him how to get along without it.

## Monticello Memorial Day Memories

On Sunday, May 29, history combined with reasonably nice weather to provide some family fun at the Spanish Flat Village Center which houses the Monticello History Exhibit.

Thanks to ever-firing spark plug, Carol McGinnis Fitzpatrick and friends, many folks who actually lived the old Town of Monticello before it was inundated by Lake Berryessa were able to share memories and stories.

A 300 pound bell from the old school was on display along with many other photos and artifacts.

Story-teller Murray Clark acted like a human time-machine explaining the history of the artifacts, maps, and photos to visitors. As I said in the last issue, I have many of Murray's stories so it's time to print a couple more.

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## Why Six-Shooters End Up in the Mud

At the time this story unfolded my grandfather owned a 600-acre farm in the Berryessa Valley. This ranch had originally been part of my great-grandfather Abraham Clark's large tract of land. In 1887 he owned more land than any one in Napa County, a total of 10,500 acres.

In those days it required a lot of people to farm that much land. It was all done with horses and mules. Each different ranch had a bunkhouse for the hired help. Even when I was a small boy in the early 40's many of the ranches still maintained a bunkhouse.

One time when my dad was a young man he



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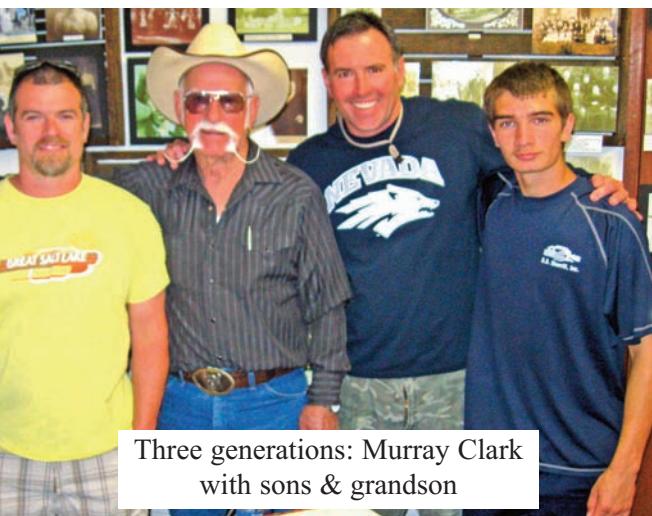
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found this old 6-shooter. It had been laying out in the weather for a long time and was in bad shape. So in the winter, when it was raining too hard to work outside, he would sit around the bunkhouse with the hired hands and clean the old pistol. I don't remember what make it was, but it broke open in the middle to load.

After several days he had it working pretty well. So he decided it was ready to test fire. He put some bullets in it stepped out the back door of the bunkhouse, aimed at an oak tree, and fired it. Upon firing it broke open and the spent shell casing flew out of the chamber - hit by Dad on the



Three generations: Murray Clark with sons & grandson



bridge of the nose, skinned his nose and forehead. He said, "Now I know why the damn thing was laying in the mud."

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## All Stories Don't Have Happy Endings

I have to put in a little history about my mother. Her name was Martha Ethel Washabaugh-Clark. She always went by Ethel. She was born in Lindsay, Tulare County, California in 1897. Her father was Charles Amos Washabaugh and her mother was Sarah Elmira Barron-Washabaugh. Her father, my grandfather Washabaugh, had a freight line between Winters and Monticello.

One day he had too much to drink in Winters before he started home. My uncle, Elwin Scott,

## June Birthdays

Betty Fehrenkamp  
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1st - Leroy Sayas  
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## Event Calendar

June 10 - Friday: Napa County Taxpayers Association is sponsoring the first in a series of Taxpayer Forums this coming Friday night in St. Helena at 7 PM at the American Legion Hall. The public is invited and attendance is free. They will be discussing current issues important to taxpayers. The public is invited to discuss and speak out about tax issues.

June 11 - Saturday: Suscol InterTribal Council Free Morning MOVIE!!!, 10am-12pm, Napa County Library, Down Town Napa. Everyone welcome! Join us to view a child's life on a Native American Reservation through his eyes and his tribe's dream, visions, hopes, history and heartaches, the roots of the tree of life. "I am the 7th son of a 7th son and I am 7 years old and I am the dream of my ancestors!"

June 13 - Monday: Winters Chamber of Commerce will be having their June Mixer at Canyon Creek Resorts from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. We would like to invite the Lake Berryessa Chamber members and the people of the lake area to this mixer.

June 15 - Wednesday: Berryessa Seniors River Rock Casino Bus Trip. Bus pick up on the Jordan St. entrance side of Walmart in Napa at 8:10am. Call 800-254-3423 for reservations. Cost is \$11 and you get \$25 back in free play. An excellent Breakfast Buffet is available at the casino.

June 16 - Thursday: Fly Fishing Putah Creek (CreekSpeak), 7 PM, Winters Public Library, 708 Railroad Ave. Join expert fisherman and Putah Creek guide, Jordan Romney, for a look into the secret underwater world of Putah Creek's trout. These fish can grow to salmon-sized proportions in Putah Creek, but they're not easy to catch. All CreekSpeak talks are free and open to the public. A \$5 donation is requested, but not required, from people who are not active members of Putah Creek Council.

June 18 - Saturday: Casino Night & Free Pasta Dinner & Big Raffle, Berryessa Senior Center, 5:30 P.M. - 10 P.M. 707-966-0206, 925-699-3729. This is a major fundraiser for the Center. Please try to come and bring your friends!

June 18 - Saturday: Putah Creek Trout's Annual Wine Tasting and Fundraiser, 1:00-4:00 PM, Lake Solano Nature Center, 8685 Pleasant Valley Rd., west of Winters.

Putah Creek Trout is the only regional nonprofit conservation organization focused entirely on improving the cold water fishery from Monticello Dam to Lake Solano. The Nature Center is a new regional educational facility, focused on the aquatic life of the Putah Creek region.

## Dam Level Update as of Monday, 6/6/11

The elevation of (Glory Hole) at Monticello Dam is 440 feet (msl). Lake Berryessa has had 37.13 inches of rain since July 1, 2010. The water is now 5.94 feet below the top of the spillway.

Date	Elevation	Evap	High	Low	Rain
5/23/11	434.35	0.22	75	47	0.00
5/24/11	434.31	0.23	74	44	0.00
5/25/11	434.31	0.23	76	45	0.00
5/26/11	434.26	0.07	64	42	0.20
5/27/11	434.22	0.17	70	49	0.00
5/28/11	434.18	0.21	72	46	0.00
5/29/11	434.14	0.04	65	41	0.26
5/30/11	434.10	0.19	72	41	0.00
5/31/11	434.06	0.17	65	42	0.02
6/1/11	434.04	0.06	61	42	0.04
6/2/11	434.02	0.05	62	43	0.25
6/3/11	434.00	0.10	65	42	0.00
6/4/11	434.00	0.03	63	46	0.33
6/5/11	434.06	0.02	60	52	1.00

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Exceptions to this law are:

- Persons 12 to 15 years of age may operate a vessel powered by a motor of 15 horsepower or more, including personal watercraft, if they are supervised on board by a person at least 18 years of age.
- There is no age restriction for operating a sailboat under 30ft. long (with wind as the main source of propulsion) or a dinghy used between a moored vessel and shore or between two moored vessels.

It is illegal to permit a person under the age of 16 to operate a vessel powered by a motor of 15 horsepower or more, including personal watercraft, without onboard supervision by a person 18 years of age or older.

Students who pass the Boat California online course will be issued a boating safety education certificate approved by the California Department of Boating & Waterways.

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## Community Emergency Response Team Training (CERT)

Free Class to be scheduled in the Lake Berryessa area sometime in January, 2012. Twenty-five participants are needed to conduct this class. The class schedule will most likely be include several weekday evenings and an eight hour Saturday and Sunday session. Dates and class location are still to be determined.

Dee Cuney is collecting names, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses for those interested in signing up. Contact Dee at 707-966-3706 or email your contact information to DEECUNEY@aol.com

## SENIOR HUMOR!

Two elderly women were out driving in a large car. Both could barely see over the dashboard. As they were cruising along, they came to an intersection. The stoplight was red, but they just went on through.

The woman in the passenger seat thought to herself, "I must be losing it. I could have sworn we just went through a red light." After a few more minutes, they came to another intersection, and the light was red again. They went right though it.

This time, the woman in the passenger seat was almost sure that the light had been red and was really concerned that she was losing it. She was getting nervous and decided to pay very close attention to the road and the next intersection to see what was going on.

At the next intersection, the light was definitely red, and sure enough, they went right through again.

She turned to the other woman and said, "Mildred! Did you know we just ran through three red lights in a row? You could have killed us!"

Mildred turned to her and said, "Oh my, am I driving?"

(Plagiarized without shame from the Berryessa Senior Center Newsletter - Thanks, Gary)



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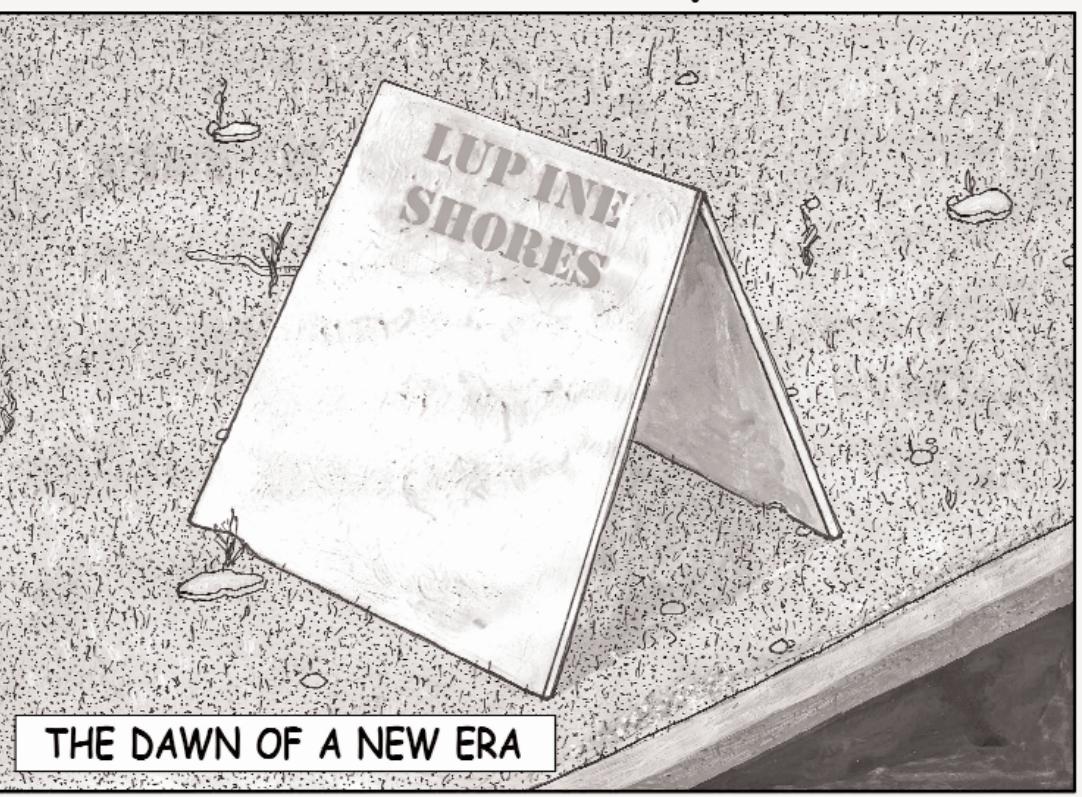
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### **Making an Appetizing Meal Out of Unappetizing Ingredients**

Just because a menu item sounds a little odd doesn't mean it isn't delicious. Ask chef Chris Cosentino, co-owner of San Francisco's Incanto restaurant. He's famous for serving up every part of an animal—even the bits that might make you say ick. "It's about not being afraid of your food," Cosentino says.

With his favorite dish, Chris' Last Supper, he takes some unconventional ingredients—blood sausage, trotter stock, duck eggs—and makes you want to inhale them. Here's how it works.

Sanguinaccio (northern Italian blood sausage): Blood sausage scares some people—but it's delightful for those brave enough to eat it. In Cosentino's, the blood thickens a mixture of pork heart, onions, buckwheat groats, and spices. The flavor is rich, nutty, and creamy—like chocolate, but savory. Plus, before it hits the plate, the sausage is seared in butter. Mmmm. Butter.

Pig trotter stock: Trotters—that's feet to you—are full of collagen, which adds richness and body. Before the stock goes into the dish, it's finished with more butter.

Duck eggs: Fried in more butter ("This is my deathbed meal. Why would I hold back?"), the eggs are cooked sunny-side up so the viscous yolk can mingle with the other liquids on the plate.

Oysters: They're poached in trotter stock and butter but not cooked all the way through, in order to preserve an alluring, creamy mouthfeel.

Buckwheat sprouts, chives, and chive flowers: A visual representation of ingredients inside the blood sausage, the flowers add a sense of whimsy and fun—and who's not charmed by flowers?

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## Another Tragedy Strikes Pope Valley.

Sometimes we get too used to medical miracles, but they don't always happen. Jim Jenkins died June 4th. Jim had been sick for a little more than a week. Turned out to be a recurrence of his heart problem from 2002 when he underwent successful surgery to repair an aortic dissection. But last week the doctors were not able to repair it in time.

Jim and Lynn, who built the ranch of their dreams in the foothills southeast of Pope Valley, have been married 25 years. Both have been active in Pope Valley where Lynn is a member of the Pope Valley Ropers and Riders. She had been keeping me up to date on their gymkhana and the equine virus scare that cancelled the first event.

I met Jim and Lynn several years ago at Cucina Italiana and see them there regularly. It's always fun to swap stories with folks who have had as interesting lives as theirs. The last time I met them with Bryant Morris at Cucina was only a few weeks ago. There was much laughter as they reminisced about the three of them running a water theme park many years ago in Southern California.

One thing I'll remember about Jim is that he had the nicest, gentle voice – and he looked good in a cowboy hat!



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## Pensus Progress

On Wednesday, June 1, Pensus released the following statement:

"We are taking all your comments into consideration and doing our best to provide enjoyable camping experiences. I wanted to clear up some of the rumors surrounding The Bureau and Pensus's activities. The Pensus Group signed the Concession Contract on April 28 2010. We made a huge 3 week push to get some of the sites open for RV and camping for Memorial Day Weekend 2010.

For the past year Reclamation and Pensus have been continuing the clean up of the sites, which is a massive undertaking given all the debris that was left. We are currently doing the Environmental Assessment which we have to do under Federal Law before we disturb anything. That means we cannot trench to lay infrastructure or disturb any dirt to build anything. So unfortunately we were very limited in the facilities we were able to provide for this year.

However, starting in 2012 you will see things happening more quickly and facilities improving. We know that conditions are not optimal at this time but we are doing our best given what we have to work with. We will be adding more porta potties for the coming weekends and will be cleaning them more often. Although the facilities are primitive the lake is full and beautiful!"

Pensus has also expanded their Lake Berryessa project staff by adding a new Project Manager, David Mattson. Per Pensus: "David Mattson will be overseeing all permitting, continuing development, design and construction. Operations on-site are handled by David Peet. For off-site operational issues Georgi Ffinch would be the person to contact."

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Your engine uses the fuel you purchase in several ways.

- 35 percent is given up to the atmosphere in heat
- 25 percent is given up in heat and vibration absorbed by surrounding water
- 10 percent is given up to overcome wave resistance
- 6 percent to overcome wave formation and prop wash against the hull
- 7 percent to overcome skin friction
- 2 percent is wasted in friction at the propeller shaft
- 1 percent to overcome air resistance

This leaves about 13-14 percent of the original energy to turn the propeller.

### How much do gasoline and diesel engines consume?

Diesel engines consume about 1 gallon per hour for every 18 hp used. You can estimate the number of gallons consumed per hour by multiplying horsepower used by 0.055. Note: An engine at cruising speed usually uses only about two-thirds of its maximum available horsepower. Most marine engines are designed to run continuously at between 60 and 75% of maximum speed. Diesels tend to be more toward the top of the range.

Gasoline four stroke inboard engines need about 1 gallon per hour for every 10 hp used. The number of gallons consumed per hour can be estimated by multiplying horsepower used by 0.100. (See note above) Outboards might use considerably more since two stroke motors seem to have a greater thirst than four stroke motors.

### What about fuel economy?

Any attempt to force a displacement hull beyond its maximum theoretical hull speed brings exponentially higher fuel consumption for minimal gain in speed. On the other hand, slowing down a little almost always is rewarded by gains in economy, and thus range. This same principle applies to high-speed planing hulls as well, but only up to the point at which they start to come off plane. Once off plane they tend to lose efficiency.

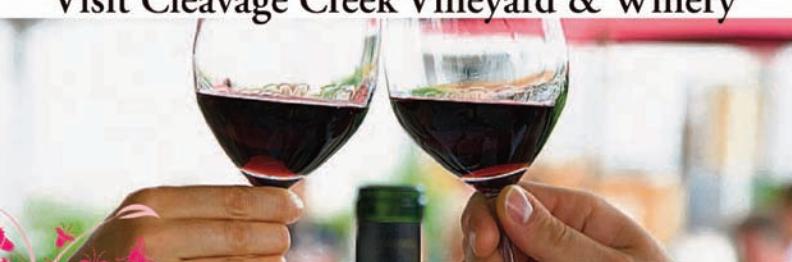
### How about fuel reserves?

Use the old rule of thumb: Use one-third of the fuel in your tank to get there, one-third to get back and save the last third as an emergency backup.

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### Bilgee is Baaaack!

On Memorial Day weekend, the new Lake Berryessa Watershed Partnership interns, Jesse Hewson (below right) and Sabrina Larsen (below left), started the 2011 summer season. Even though the weather was chilly and cloudy the interns still had quite a successful turn out. Jesse and Sabrina spoke with 120 boaters at the Capell Cove launch ramp and 149 visitors at Oak Shores Day Use Park. They provided invasive species education and conducted boater surveys.



Sabrina Larsen Bio: Hi everyone! I'm Sabrina and I can't wait to see you all around Lake Berryessa this summer! I just finished my third year at UC Davis and will be graduating in the fall with a degree in environmental policy, analysis and planning with an emphasis in water quality (I know - a mouthful). When I'm not at the lake or in school, I spend my time serving as the president of the professional agricultural sorority at Davis and working as a tutor/substitute coordinator at an afterschool program in Woodland. On the off chance that I get a day off, I enjoy spending time deep sea fishing and attempting to complete puzzles, usually ones with pictures of sea creatures on them! I hope to use my experience this summer to work in water and fisheries outreach in the Northern United States.

Jesse Hewson Bio: Hello, my name is Jesse and I will be spending pretty much every weekend this summer here at Lake Berryessa! I am currently finishing up at the Santa Rosa Junior College, where I will be earning my A.S. in Environmental Conservation, with an emphasis on Watershed Management. I'm truly excited to find such an amazing internship program, especially in such a gorgeous setting. I feel right at home out here. If I wasn't working I would be out camping, boating, fishing, or hiking anyway. It's not often that you're able to find a job that combines the majority of your passions all into one. I'm hoping to use this experience as a stepping stone towards a future in watershed restoration. I feel truly blessed to be here, and I look forward to seeing you all this summer!

### World Environment Day Clean-up at Markley Cove: A Success Story in the Rain!

Wet weather did not deter the World Environment Day cleanup Sunday, June 5th, at Markley Cove. Thanks to the Lake Berryessa Watershed Partnership, Budweiser, Markley Cove Resort, Lake Berryessa Boat & Jet Ski Rentals, and all the volunteers for their efforts.



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### The Lake Berryessa News Horoscope

Aries (March 21-April 19): Don't worry: There is nothing wrong with you that emergency brain surgery and a quadruple bypass within the next 90 minutes won't solve.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): While it's true that someone in Baltimore loves you, this is less a reason for a jaunty T-shirt than a cause for genuine concern.

Gemini (May 21-June 21): It's probably best if you just put your head down and keep sharpening pencils for the next few years.

Cancer (June 22-July 22): You're not the kind of person who can wear those stylish strappy heels, mostly because you're too stupid to figure out how shoes go on.

Leo (July 23-August 22): Love, wisdom, and luck are all strong in your zodiac sign this week, providing further proof that you are not your zodiac sign.

Virgo (August 23-September 22): You'll become embroiled in a vicious conflict between those who feel Queens of the Stone Age are overrated and those who want control of the cocaine trade on the Eastern Seaboard.

Libra (September 23-October 22): The stars have nothing to say to you this week, as they're trying to work on their own future for once, if you don't mind.

Scorpio (October 24-November 21): You'll have strange dreams in which a bearded hippie in a long robe urges you to cast off your burdens and join him at the right hand of his father, but it's probably nothing.

Sagittarius (November 22-December 21): Next week will be a joyful whirlwind of magic, laughter, and romance, so it's too bad you're going to miss the whole thing.

Capricorn (December 22-January 19): You'll be saddened when it turns out that all those people who only like you for your money turn out not to be very good friends.

Aquarius (January 20-February 18): It's important, as Kipling said, to treat triumph and disaster both the same, but it seems all you ever get are mild satisfaction and vague disappointment.

Pisces (February 19-March 20): You will soon be judged by a jury of your peers, which is a good thing, as people who aren't also self-centered drunken jerks would probably want you dead.

Tragedy in Washington today as an escaped rodeo bull reportedly ate a congressman. It's the first known instance of a bull being full of politician.

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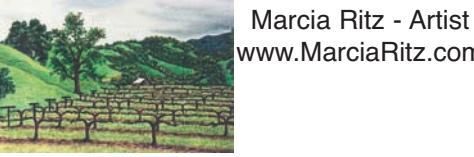
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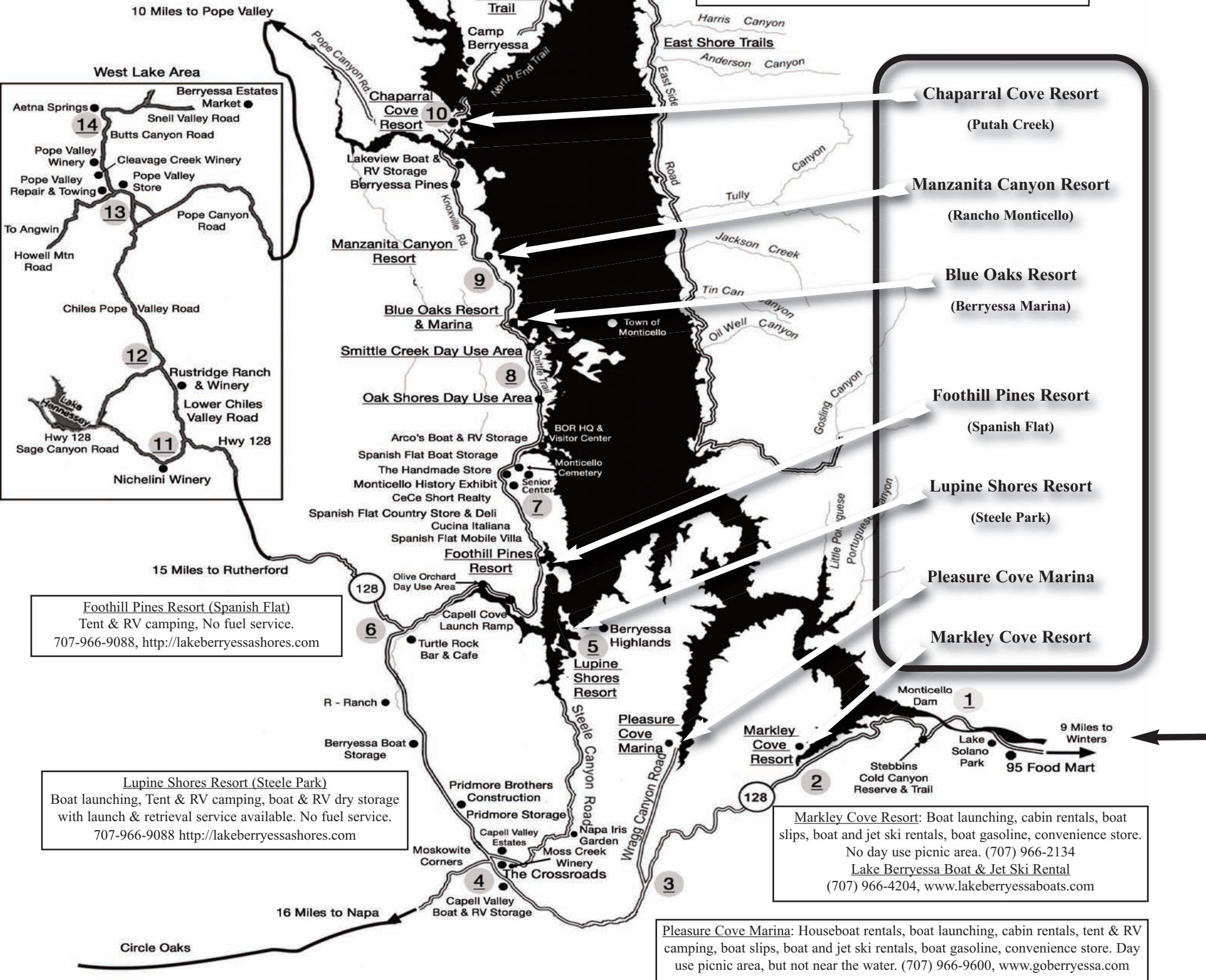
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## Seeing Underwater at Lake Berryessa

By Peter Kilkus

In the Spring of 2007 the Solano County Water Agency (SCWA) performed a survey of the underwater landscape of Lake Berryessa. They wanted to accurately determine the capacity of the lake using the latest technology. Siltation from a lake's shoreline is often a factor in lowering the total water-carrying capacity of reservoirs. SCWA wanted to investigate the sedimentation rate and establish a baseline as well as create accurate bathymetric maps.

The data used to make bathymetric maps today typically comes from an echosounder (sonar) mounted beneath or over the side of a boat, "pinging" a beam of sound downward at the lake bottom. The amount of time it takes for the sound or light to travel through the water, bounce off the lake bottom, and return to the sounder tells the equipment the depth at that location.

Of course, doing this from a moving boat requires a lot of calibration and measurement. The SCWA system used a motion reference unit, a gyrocompass, and attitude sensor for dynamic corrections for vessel movement. Deep water surveys can produce a large variation of sound velocity values due to thermal changes. Sound velocity casts were performed hourly to account for sound velocity changes through thermoclines.

A "cast" is the process of slowly lowering a sensor through the water until it reaches the bottom. Then it is hoisted back to the surface. As the instrument runs through the water column, the sensor obtains conductivity, temperature, and pressure data.

For you techies out there the list of survey equipment is fascinating:

- 26 ft. Research Vessel Sounder with Multibeam Sonar (300 kHz Dual-Head, Vertical Accuracy 1cm)
- 17 ft. Survey Skiff with Singlebeam Sonar (200 kHz Single Head, Vertical Accuracy 1cm)
- Real-Time Kinematic (RTK) GPS

-DMS Motion Reference Unit and SG Gyrocompass  
-Odom Sound Velocimeter

The Dual Head System has 125 beams per head with an across-track beam width of 1.5 deg. The system provides an approximately 200 degree swath coverage, or ten times depth. Maximum survey speed is 5 knots with sonar pings rate of 15 pings/sec.

The MultiBeam system was used for measurements in areas with depths greater than 10 ft. The SingleBeam system was used in shallow areas from 3 to 15 ft depths. MultiBeam and SingleBeam depth resolution was an amazing 1cm (0.4 in.) Each dual beam (set at 40 degrees) has 125 transducers and in ideal conditions provide a swath width that is 10 times the depth.

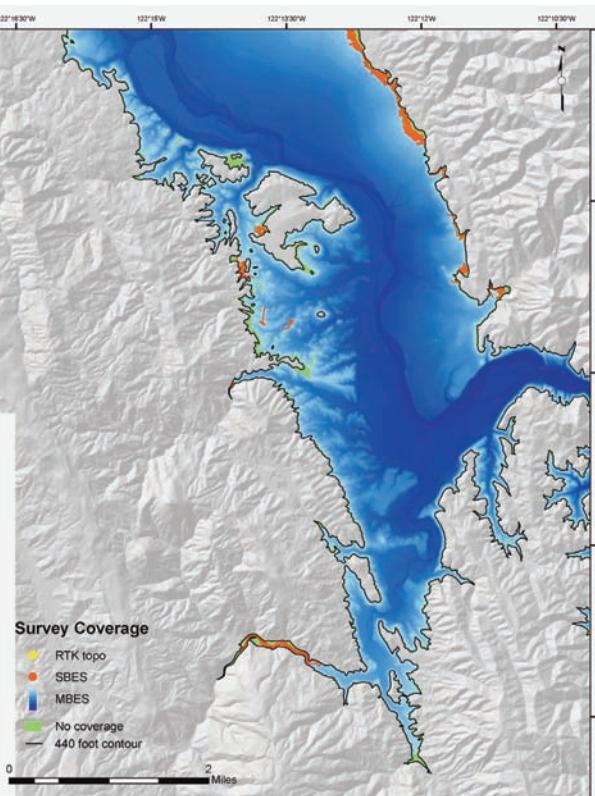
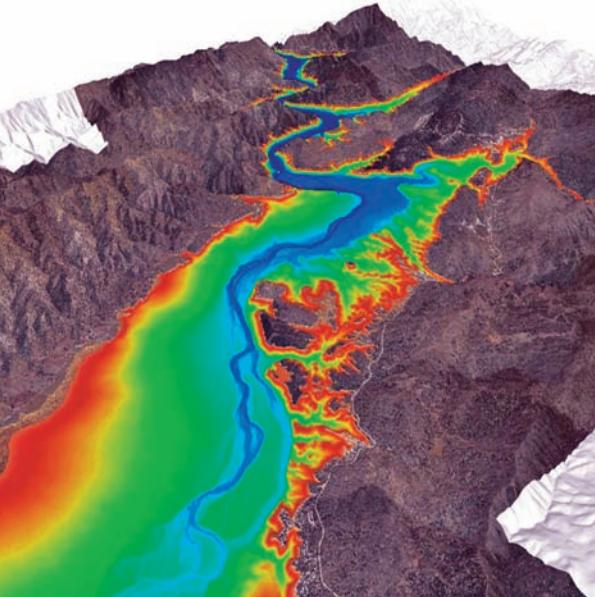
The Real-Time Kinematic (RTK) Global Positioning System survey data was used to merge the bathymetric data with the existing Napa County Digital Terrain Model (DTM) resulting in some astonishing visuals. Depth data is shown as color variations rather than contour lines.

A SCWA engineer said that you can see the old roads if you look closely at some of the images. I had hoped that the old Town of Monticello streets might stand out, or the Putah Creek Stone Bridge. Although there is a lot of detail visible, the images don't seem to show the old town.

You can download the high resolution images I've posted on the Lake Berryessa News web site and look for yourselves. The old Town of Monticello was just northeast of the Big Island on the east side of Putah Creek. A map of Monticello is included below so you can make your own comparisons.

The survey results confirmed that Lake Berryessa retains its full capacity – which is now more accurately known. Siltation has not been a factor in reducing the total volume of water behind Monticello Dam.

The pictures don't show up well in black & white. Striking color illustrations are available on the Lake Berryessa News web site. Old maps (below right) can be seen at the Monticello History Exhibit.



1. Monticello Dam	3.0 miles
2. Markley Cove Resort	5.3 miles
3. Wragg Canyon Road	3.0 miles
4. Moskowite Corners	5.0 miles
5. Lupine Shores Resort	4.7 miles
6. Turtle Rock	5.0 miles
7. Spanish Flat Village Center	2.4 miles
8. Oak Shores/Smittle Creek/Visitor Center	2.4 miles
9. Blue Oaks/Manzanita Canyon Resorts	2.8 miles
10. Pope Canyon Road/Chaparral Cove Resort	10.2 miles
11. Hwy 128 @ Lower Chiles Valley Road	3.0 miles
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**A Note From Koda, the Wonder Dog,  
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Dear Editor,

I want to thank Dr. Katy Wilson and the Silverado Veterinary Hospital for saving my life two weeks ago. I had just finished helping the Lake Berryessa Watershed Partnership with their World Environment Day clean-up. It was great fun. But when my boy, Evan, and I got home I started feeling poorly. Within a couple of hours I was in such pain I couldn't move!

An emergency operation found that I had developed a "liver lobe torsion" - one lobe of my liver had actually twisted around inside me cutting off its blood flow and had started to die. This is a very rare condition usually diagnosed upon autopsy! I'm sure glad I had people who cared about me.

I was actually unable to perform one of my primary duties, which was to encourage my boy's father, Peter, to go for his afternoon hike.

By the next day Evan and Peter were so worried they decided to take me to the hospital. Although I could hardly move, I knew that Peter would not be able to carry his 90 pound grand-dog (me) down to the car by himself so I struggled to my feet and hobbled down the stairs myself.

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### Summer Is Officially Here - Finally! 4th of July Is Time To Celebrate

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- the potatoes cook underground, and all you have to do to have lunch is to pull one out and add butter, salt and pepper.  
- farmers are feeding their chickens crushed ice to keep them from laying hard-boiled eggs.

- the cows are giving evaporated milk.  
- the trees are whistling for the dogs.  
- you learn that a seat belt makes a pretty good branding iron.  
- the temperature drops below 95, you feel a bit chilly.

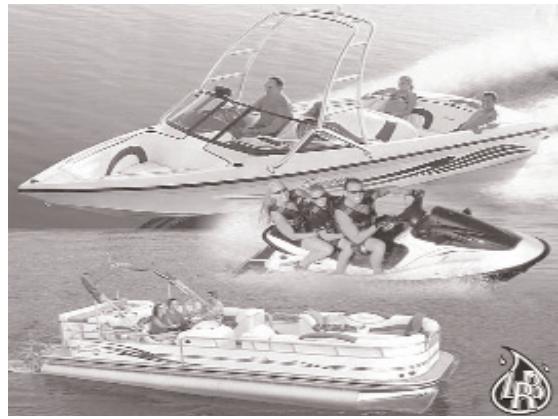
The Lake Berryessa News discovered an internal Pensus memo which described the real reason that the Phoenix, Arizona-based company bid on the Lake Berryessa resorts. They may be planning to move their whole operation here because:

- your biggest bicycle wreck fear is, "What if I get knocked out and end up lying on the pavement and cook to death?"

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Happy July Birthday to Becky Litwin, July 25. She's doubly famous since her birthday is the same as mine.

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## Memorial Day Weather

In response to our lead article in the last issue, I received this note:

In the 20 years I spent at Lake Berryessa it probably rained 6 or 7 times during the Memorial weekend. I can remember going to B point at Berryessa Marina and watching people slide in the mud into the lake, not a planned event.

When the lake was low the resort owners tried to capitalize on it on busy weekends by renting space below the high water mark. People trying to set up camp in the rain-caused mud were having their stuff slide into the lake.

Pretty funny stuff, but Memorial Day Weekends were always interesting and entertaining.

Being entertained by other folks misery was probably bad, but entertaining nonetheless. Karma struck a few years later while I was driving through Putah Creek Park during jet ski races. I was ogling a young lady in an orange thong bikini and drove my vehicle right into the mud and got stuck myself. It took a tow truck to get me out not to mention the embarrassment.

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The Capell Valley Community Center is still moving forward. The volunteer coordinators are beginning the process to become recognized as an insurable entity and working out the final agreement with the Napa School District. Some funding has been secured but more is needed until the center is up and running and able to raise its own funds. Thanks to those who are supporting this effort.

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I have a friend who can offer lots of advice. Good advice. Advice that's been passed down from generation to generation and never been used.

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## County recommends new budget

No cost of living increases as State budget uncertainty looms large. The budget generally holds the line on staffing, includes no employee cost of living increases, and reflects a slight revenue increase from several sources, including secured property tax, sales and use tax and Transient Occupancy Tax, realignment and Proposition 172, which funds public safety and justice programs.

The Board will begin hearings on the recommended budget on Monday, June 13, at 9:00 a.m., and is scheduled to adopt a final budget on June 21.

The recommended All Funds budget is \$334,426,688, a 1.7 percent increase over the FY2010/11 final budget. The major reasons for the increase include:

- \$6 million increase in the Affordable Housing Fund budget, reflecting the inclusion of funding for a number of housing loan projects or potential projects;

- salary and benefit cost increases for existing employees (primarily step increases and increases in retirement, health insurance and Workers' Compensation costs);

- an increase in Other Post-Employment Benefit (retiree health insurance) costs; and

- a net increase of \$3 million in the various Capital Improvement Program (CIP) budgets.

The recommended General Fund budget is \$227,344,602, a 1.0 percent decrease from the FY2010/11 final budget. The main reason for the decrease is a \$9.2 million reduction in the amount transferred to the Accumulated Capital Outlay Fund, which includes money set aside for future capital projects.

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## Dillon the Detective: Kitty Action and Feline Humor!

Makenzie Payne (right) and Faith Berger (left), third graders from the Berryessa Highlands, have written a new children's book. Follow the adventures of an intrepid kitty determined to solve the most challenging crimes.

They will be at a book signing at Copperfield's in Napa on Saturday, July 9. The book was generated from an after-school program that they took at Vichy and was inspired by their very own pets.

You can buy the book or download it by going to www.lulu.com and searching for Dillon the Detective. It's well done and I could envision them smiling while they wrote it. Below is an excerpt.

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My name is Dillon. I am a black and white, twelve year old cat. My home is at the very, very top of the Empire State Building. I live in a large apartment on the top floor with my People Family. I know that I can be much more than just a handsome good cat. I can also be a detective!

Three days after I opened Kitty Cat Investigations, I received a call to help solve one of the city's biggest mysteries.

A mystery the city had been experiencing for some years. There was an evil villain in the sky that has been causing much harm and loss to the city's restaurant industry. The villain was GUNNER!

Gunner has metal wings, which makes him look very scary. If you took away his wings and sharp claws, Gunner would look like a regular friendly dog. Until he smiles, his four front eyeteeth were as sharp as razor blades. He was fast on foot and those giant metal wings made him fast in the air and hard to catch.

We had to capture Gunner and send him to Mars to live alone with the Martians, before he destroyed the world.



*Dillon the Detective*



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Thanks to reader Fred Mahannah who identified the car in the old photo in a previous issue of a hydroplane being launched at Steele Park as a 1959 Chevrolet. Fred and his family had been mobile home owners in the Outback at Peasure Cove Marina since 1967 when it was South Shore Resort.

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## Event Calendar

June 24 - Friday: Canyon Creek Resort right below Monticello Dam will sponsor a Grand Opening Benefit for the Winters Fireworks Fund, at the brand new CREEK-SIDE MARKET AND CAFÉ at the Resort, 5:30 PM. Although the resort itself is a members-only club (with some openings for new, local memberships,) the brand new Creekside Market & Café is open to the public!

June 25 - Saturday: Crossroads presents the FBR Band from 8:30 PM to 12:30 AM. The FBR Band is a Country & Southern Rock band made up of local former bronc riders!

June 25 - Saturday: The Berryessa Lions Club is having their Cowboy Steak Night at The Turtle Rock. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door.

June 26 - Sunday: Jim Jenkins Memorial, 11 AM, Pope Valley Farm Center

July 7 - Thursday: The Community Church of Lake Berryessa will host a second marriage workshop showing the "Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage" series starting at 6:30 PM. Come and enjoy some solid material to improve your marriage and laugh (a lot) while you learn. Workshops will run for 2 hours on July 7 & 21 and August 18 & 25. Married or not you are welcome. Please call 252-4488 so we can plan on the number of attendees. Arrangements can be made for childcare.

July 9 - Saturday: Book signing by Makenzie Payne and Faith Berger of the Berryessa Highlands at Copperfield's in Napa for their new children's book Dillon the Detective: Follow the adventures of an intrepid kitty determined to solve the most challenging crimes.

July 9 - Saturday: Benefit for Japan featuring Bill Scholer's band, Waiting for Bruce. John Natsoulas Gallerie, 521 1st Street, Davis, 7-10 PM, \$5, 530-756-3938

July 10 and Aug 7th: Pope Valley Ropers and Riders Gymkhana.

July 16 - Saturday: Wine, Food, Cheese, and Olive Oil Tasting. Berryessa Senior Center, 4-7 PM. \$5. 707-966-0206

August 5, 6 - Friday, Saturday: 18th Annual Pow-Wow, Honoring the Ancestors. Yountville Veteran's Home Picnic Grounds. 11 AM - Dusk.

### Ongoing Events:

Exhibit honors Monticello Valley: A free exhibit, honoring the people of Monticello Valley, which was flooded in 1956 to create Lake Berryessa, is open at Spanish Flat Village Center, 4318 Knoxville Road, Lake Berryessa. For information, call Carol Fitzpatrick at 287-3708 or e-mail [pumpkinridge@ymail.com](mailto:pumpkinridge@ymail.com).



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## Dam Level Update as of Monday, 6/20/11

The elevation of (Glory Hole) at Monticello Dam is 440 feet (msl).

Lake Berryessa has had 37.13 inches of rain since July 1, 2010.

The water is now 6.37 feet below the top of the spillway.

Date	Elevation	Evap	High	Low	Rain
6/6/11	434.08	0.04	64	52	0.00
6/7/11	434.09	0.02	61	49	0.00
6/8/11	434.09	0.18	78	50	0.00
6/9/11	434.08	0.24	82	52	0.00
6/10/11	434.06	0.17	87	52	0.00
6/11/11	434.03	0.24	84	51	0.00
6/12/11	434.00	0.22	78	51	0.00
6/13/11	433.97	0.22	85	54	0.00
6/14/11	433.92	0.20	88	57	0.00
6/15/11	433.89	0.26	94	59	0.00
6/16/11	433.83	0.27	94	58	0.00
6/17/11	433.77	0.30	88	54	0.00
6/18/11	433.70	0.28	88	53	0.00
6/19/11	433.63	0.22	88	58	0.00

## Bureau of Reclamation Summer Activities

Stargazing, Saturday, July 30, 8:00-9:30 p.m. Oak Shores Day Use Area,  
Acorn Beach Parking Lot

Come enjoy Lake Berryessa after dark during this leisurely exploration of the night sky. See the sky as the ancients did as Ranger Victoria shares mythology and astronomy facts. Participants will learn about stars, planets and constellations as they look through telescopes at the wonders above.

Various Ongoing Activities, Saturdays and Sundays from Memorial Day to Labor Day, Oak Shores Day Use Area and the Water Education Station

Keep an eye out for the Park Rangers at Oak Shores on summer weekends. Throughout the day, they will share games and fun presentations on water safety and the natural history of Lake Berryessa. Visit the Water Education Station in Oak Shores to learn more about the lake and borrow life jackets at no charge. Kids 'caught' wearing life jackets in or near the water can win prizes! The Water Education Station at Oak Shores is open 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on weekends, Memorial Day through Labor Day.

Displays and Exhibits, Weekends from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Weekdays from 12:00-2:00 p.m. Lake Berryessa Visitor Center

The Lake Berryessa Visitor Center offers displays and exhibits on the history and wildlife of Lake Berryessa. Park Rangers are available to answer questions about natural resources, recreational opportunities, wildlife and the area's history. Brochures, maps, trail guides and other educational information are available free of charge. Families or groups who reserve a shade shelter in the Oak Shores Day Use Area for birthday parties or special events may want to schedule a Park Ranger to join them, bringing fun activities and interesting information. To reserve a shade shelter – and schedule a Ranger, if desired – please contact the Lake Berryessa Outdoor Recreation Planner, Jason Jordan, at 707-966-2111 ext. 143 or e-mail [jgjordan@usbr.gov](mailto:jgjordan@usbr.gov).



## **Pope Valley School - A Wonder of the Hard Work World**

by Katie Gonzalez

There are many Wonders of the World... the Great Pyramids of Egypt, the Great Wall of China, Stonehenge, the Mayan Temples, and many, many more. We usually stare in awe and state how amazing these structures are. But all too often, we forget about the one thing they all have in common...the people that built them. Slaves or people that were dedicated to some cause built these amazing accomplishments; they didn't just sprout up over night for the world to enjoy! Hard working people spent years and years working on the same project to make sure it was exactly what they wanted it to be.

We in Pope Valley don't have to look far in our rural area to see that we also have our own Wonder nestled among our vineyards and farmland: The Pope Valley Elementary School. Yep, I said it! Our little school is just as amazing as the Great Pyramids of Egypt! Think about it for a minute. Which would you consider to be more important, your own child or some gigantic structure on the other side of the world?

Everyone's heard the old saying "It takes a village to raise a child." In Pope Valley, we take that saying quite literally. Mrs. Eaton, Pope Valley Elementary School's Superintendent, Principal, and 7th and 8th grade teacher, begins her graduation speech each year by asking all the people involved in raising the graduating class to stand. She starts with the family and friends, teachers and staff, board members past and present, etc. By the time she is done with her list of people that need to take credit for helping guide the graduating class, there are very few people left in their seats.

I asked the teachers and staff to tell me what they thought about working at Pope Valley's little school. I was amazed to hear over and over that many of them thought of the school as their family.

Susan Eakle, the K-5, 1st and 2nd grade teacher, has been with the school for 35 years. She came to the school with the thought of staying until a "real" job opened up somewhere else. Today, she couldn't imagine teaching at another school. She enjoys the family feel of the school and loves working with the students in the afterschool sessions teaching music and drama.

Ashley Cooper is the newest edition to PVES's

family, and the 3rd and 4th grade teacher. She attended Wooden Valley Elementary School as a child and feels right at home at Pope Valley. She loves the small school because she is able to have a personal relationship with each of her students. If she were teaching at a larger school, this would probably not be possible.



The Class of 2011: Nicholas Saul Gonzalez, Timothy John Lanphear, Guadalupe Martinez Gonzalez, Rafael Medina, Cathrina Ramirez, and Rosa Saraih Rodriguez

lessly to build your child's knowledge base and prepare him or her for high school. I feel incredibly lucky to have such a great little school for my kids to attend and such hard working teachers to teach them.

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### Annual Pope Valley School Pool Party



The Community Church of Lake Berryessa wishes to thank those who made our Tri'ing For Scholarships fund raiser a success. Pastor Bob and Board Member Dirk Werning both completed the April 30th Triathlon here at a windswept Lake Berryessa.

We were able to add over \$1,000 to the scholarship fund this year due to your contributions. As a result the church was able to provide five scholarships to local graduating High School students headed off to college. One \$500 and four \$200 scholarships were awarded. The photo comes from the Vintage High graduation ceremony this May in which Donald Copeland, Travis James and Jack Gililand were awarded their scholarships.

Thanks again for all the support and let's wish our graduating seniors a great future.



Not just the teachers appreciate the small, family feel of Pope Valley Elementary School. Several of the students also mentioned how much they appreciated and enjoyed the environment at the school. It's always great to visit the school and see the kids working together on projects, helping younger children with their work or just hanging out with each other regardless of age, race, or social status.

The Pope Valley Elementary School recognizes the importance of keeping up in our technological world, so the school provides all students in grades 2 through 8 with laptop computers, and is now looking into upgrading the 7th and 8th grade classroom with a SmartBoard. Mrs. Eaton and the teachers are very grateful to the board for allowing regular technology upgrades to be considered and purchased for the kids and teachers. Our kids need to know how to function in the modern world, and PVES is doing a great job building a firm foundation for them.

With so many small schools being shut down, it has been wonderful to see PVES holding its own through the economic downturn. It was a shame to see Wooden Valley and Capell Valley lose their schools last year. We know that without careful planning and a close eye on our budget, we could face the same fate. So we spend frugally, and make sound decisions that are in the best interest of the children.

As your child walks out your front door to enter kindergarten, keep in mind that he or she will spend the next 9 years in the protection and care of the teachers and staff at your local school. Those teachers will work tire-

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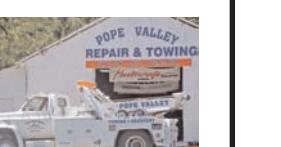
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The boss's new secretary isn't working out. He asked her to take a letter. She took "Q."

I wish you could see this. Right outside the window there are three cute little robins basking in the sun. Strange, I get an urge for ice cream every time I see basking robins.

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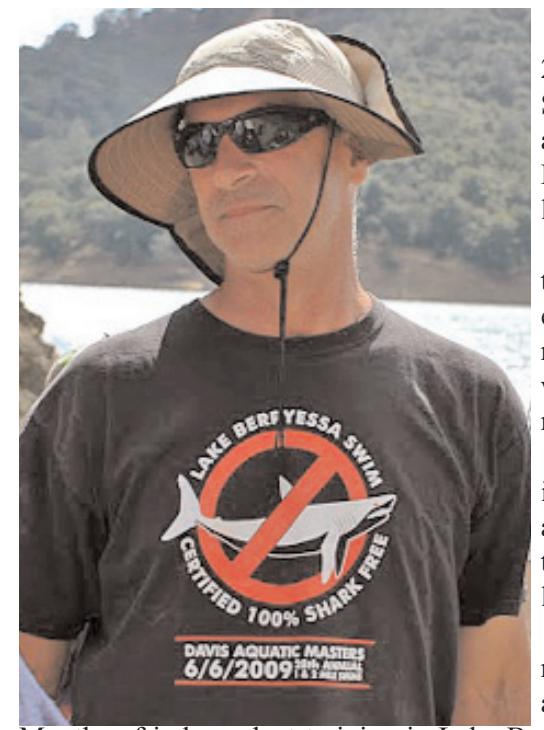
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## Lake Berryessa Swim nets \$2,400 for Putah Creek Council!



In the early hours of Monday, May 23, 2011, swimmers from Davis, Oakland, Sacramento, and Irvine began what was to be an all-day swim down the length of Lake Berryessa. The lake is sixteen miles long, nearly the length of the English Channel at Dover.

Most swimmers were part of relay teams of two, three, and six people, but a few swam the entire way solo. Each swimmer was accompanied by a boat carrying a tow-rope, snacks and water. Swimmers took breaks about every 30 minutes to eat and drink.

Mother Nature smiled on the event, providing ideal conditions for the swimmers who appreciated the flat water, the 68 degree water temperature, the wind at their backs, and very little boater traffic.

They came for the challenge, the peace of nature, the company of good friends, the fun, and also to support Putah Creek Council.

Months of independent training in Lake Berryessa acclimated the swimmers to the unique conditions. An organizer quipped, "There's a high level of insanity that goes along with this."

The weary and wet athletes emerged to a cheering audience, glowing with sincere admiration for the swimmers. Although as you'll notice from the t-shirt above that they knew Lake Berryessa was certified shark-free (for now). [www.putahcreekcouncil.org](http://www.putahcreekcouncil.org)

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### Fire Season is Here!

The 2011 fire season started June 20 according to CalFire's Sonoma-Lake-Napa unit. Staffing will gradually increase at CalFire stations in the Sonoma-Lake-Napa unit. CalFire will assign an engine at each of its 20 fire stations in the three counties, as well as three bulldozers, 11 fire crews, and one helicopter. Sonoma's Air Attack Base will also open for reloading air tankers.

On July 1, one air tactical plane and two air tankers will arrive at the Air Attack Base. The Sonoma-Lake-Napa Unit will enter into its peak staffing period July 4.

Sonoma-Lake-Napa Unit Chief Tim Streblow reminds everyone to use caution when mowing grass to maintain defensible space for fire protection. Residents should mow early in the day and avoid high temperatures and windy conditions. Each year, CalFire said, mowing equipment causes fires. Most are caused when a blade strikes a rock, casting a spark into the dry grass. For more information, visit [fire.ca.gov](http://fire.ca.gov).

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### Napa County Jobless Rate Drops in May

The unemployment rate in Napa County dipped to 8.7 percent in May, down from a revised 9.6 percent in April, and below the year-ago estimate of 9.0 percent, according to statistics released by the state's Employment Development Department. This compares with an unadjusted unemployment rate of 11.4 percent for California and 8.7 percent for the nation during the same period.

Overall, Napa County has the sixth lowest unemployment rate in the state, compared to 8th place in April. Marin County had the lowest jobless rate in the state at 7.4 percent, the report said.

Napa County farm jobs saw the biggest gain in one month, rising 41.5 percent or 1,700, followed by a 30 percent gain - or 300 jobs - in health care and social assistance. Leisure and hospitality jobs rose 4.4 percent over the past year, with accommodation and food services jobs rising 12.5 percent over one year. Federal government jobs fell 33.3 percent and city employment fell 11.1 percent over the past year.

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### The Lake Berryessa News Horoscope

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is an excellent day to try something new and exciting - like maybe forklift drag racing.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): You'll ask the tool salesman for a drill press that can bore all the way through a bowling pin the long way, but he'll know damn well what you really want it for.

Gemini (May 21-June 21): You'll be asked to give up your destructive patterns of behavior by concerned people who love you but don't understand how much fun it is to destroy things.

Cancer (June 22-July 22): The blessed arrival of a baby in your life would be greeted with a lot more joy if you could figure out who mailed it to you.

Leo (July 23-August 22): Investigators on the scene of the accident will say there was nothing you could have done, unless you count not stomping on the gas and driving straight into the huge tanker truck.

Virgo (August 23-September 22): Someday, people will have healthy, well-adjusted attitudes toward sex, but until then, you can still have it occasionally.

Libra (September 23-October 23): Your ravenous hunger for human flesh will be quashed when you find out how it's made and how much artificial crap is in it.

Scorpio (October 24-November 21): You will be granted an uncommonly long life, though an uncommonly large part of it will be spent getting into bus accidents.

Sagittarius (November 22-December 21): There will be a brief cease-fire in the age-old war between the sexes as both sides cooperate in hunting you down to try you for war crimes.

Capricorn (December 22-January 19): The flaw in your plan was the part where your accomplice would start a fire, and in the confusion, you would sneak into the philosophy department and finish writing your dissertation.

Aquarius (January 20-February 18): You'll become embroiled in a steamy office romance next week, which would be better if you weren't the trusty in charge of bringing the warden his meals.

Pisces (February 19-March 20): It's going to be hectic and stressful for the next few days, but it'll all be worth it by Friday when the pope excommunicates you for the coolest reason ever.

My wife turned on both the air conditioner and the humidifier. In two hours it was raining in the kitchen.

It was our first date. I took her to dinner. She had crab legs. But the rest of her looked pretty good.

Give me ambiguity or give me something else.

A bartender is just a pharmacist with a limited inventory.

If you understand something today, it must be obsolete.

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## World in a Time Capsule: At Least Just a City

By Peter Kilkus

I read a David Morrell thriller, Scavenger, some months ago, which had time capsule theme. I've been meaning to write an article about time capsules since then and was spurred into action by the discovery of a time capsule at the Napa Public Library. Coincidentally, the Napa Library is one of my favorite places and is where I originally checked out the Morrell book.

At the start of a library renovation project in May, 2011, county maintenance workers removing a bronze plaque on what originally had been an exterior wall discovered the 23-pound copper box behind it.

Among the long-hidden items pulled from the capsule were symbols of a smaller Napa: a phone book for a population of about 42,000, a pamphlet guide to local restaurants scarcely thicker than a church-service program, even a copy of that year's county farm report - Napa Valley wine grapes ranking only third in revenue, behind livestock and nuts!

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Inside the Napa time capsule:

- Napa Valley Register: two issues
- San Francisco Chronicle: "Nixon Resigns"
- Time magazine: Gerald Ford on the cover
- Richard Nixon impeachment report
- Napa County budget (yellow softcover book)
- Napa County telephone directory (inch thick)
- Montgomery Ward catalog
- "The Making of Napa's New Era" book
- "One Room Schoolhouses of Napa County" book
- Various photographs
- "The Friendly Persuasion," by Jessamyn West
- "Jonathan Livingston Seagull," by Richard Bach
- Napa County annual crop report
- Napa College course catalog
- Floor plan of the library
- Napa County Airport fact sheet
- An issue of the St. Helena Star

## Travel Distances

1.	Monticello Dam
2.	Markley Cove Resort
3.	Wragg Canyon Road
4.	Moskowite Corners
5.	Lupine Shores Resort
6.	Turtle Rock
7.	Spanish Flat Village Center
8.	Oak Shores/Smitte Creek/Visitor Center
9.	Blue Oaks/Manzanita Canyon Resorts
10.	Pope Canyon Road/Chaparral Cove Resort
11.	Hwy 128 @ Lower Chiles Valley Road
12.	Pope Valley Road
13.	Pope Valley
14.	Aetna Springs

**Note: No auto gas available between Winters**

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**Note: No auto gas available between Winters and Napa or at Lake Berryessa!**

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- U.S. Postal service stamp book (8 cents each; price went up to 10 cents that year)
- A history of Calistoga for the town's centennial
- Napa park and recreation department sign-ups

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The Westinghouse Company, which was building a pavilion for the 1938-39 New York World's Fair, buried a project, which was not to be opened until 6938 A.D. It was called a "Time Capsule" and our language gained a new term almost overnight.

The contents of the 1939 capsule made for an impressive list. There were the usual sort of things one expects for a time capsule: a watch, fountain pen, lady's hat, child's Mickey Mouse cup, deck of cards, money, etc.

But there were also things that are surprising at first glance: swatches of cloth; seeds; samples of alloys; articles on economics, politics, philosophy, and chemistry; pieces of industrial machinery; and even a news reel.

This was clearly not some gimmicky shot at time capsule making; this was a serious attempt to provide a clear description of the civilization of 1939. And it wasn't being done just to give 70th century archaeologists a leg up. It was 1939's calling card to the future from the pivot point of history.

The time capsule included messages to the "Futurians" from the physicists Albert Einstein,

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2=>3	5.3 miles
3=>4	3.0 miles
4=>5	5.0 miles
4=>6	4.7 miles
6=>7	5.0 miles
7=>8	2.4 miles
8=>9	2.4 miles
9=>10	2.8 miles
10=>13	10.2 miles
6=>11	3.0 miles
11=>12	3.2 miles
12=>13	8.5 miles
13=>14	3.7 miles

**Note: No auto gas available between Winters and Napa or at Lake Berryessa!**

Robert A. Millikan, and Karl T. Compton, who was MIT's president, and from the Nobel Prize-winning writer Thomas Mann as well as from Oglethorpe's Thornwell Jacobs. After describing both the achievements and perils of his age, Einstein closed by writing, "I trust that posterity will read these statements with a feeling of proud and justified superiority."

The capsule also contained a newsreel created for the occasion, a microfilm "essay" of twenty-two thousand pages, seventy-five samples of textiles and other materials, and thirty-five "small articles of common use." A glance at the list suggests how much has changed in little more than sixty years. Who today appreciates the song that went "Flat-foot floogie with a floy floy"? The words and music are in the capsule.

Time capsules usually are lost due to thievery, secrecy or poor planning. The International Time Capsule Society, which has formed with the mission to record the burial of all time capsules, is still in search of nine time capsules of which little is known. The society estimates there are approximately 10,000 capsules worldwide, most of them lost.

The International Time Capsule Society maintains the Crypt of Civilization, a swimming-pool-size vault sealed in 1940 that has been described as "a kind of Noah's Ark of Depression-era knowledge and technology"; it will not be opened until 8113. That year was chosen because the people who created the crypt decided that 1940 was the midpoint between the start of time and 8113.

The crypt includes, among many other things, 640,000 pages of microfilmed material and, crucially, a film reader with a wind-powered generator. The crypt's planners left little to chance: the first item encountered upon entering the crypt is a device designed to teach English to its finders. The Crypt, located under Phoebe Hearst Hall, is a room 20 feet long, 10 feet high and 10 feet wide (60 palms long, 30 palms wide and 30 palms high). The Crypt, resting on a bedrock with 2 feet of stone above it, is lined with porcelain enamel plates embedded in pitch. It is sealed with a stainless steel door welded in place.

A longer version of this article including the Crypt of Civilization contents, the "Ten Most Wanted Time Capsules", and more photos is available at [www.LakeBerryessaNews.com](http://www.LakeBerryessaNews.com).

