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The top elevation of the spillway (Glory Hole) at Monticello Dam is 440 feet. The water is now 10.96 feet below the top of the spillway.

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## LAKE BERRYESSA'S "HERO OF THE WEEK"

Mrs. Stanley, of Putah Creek Park Resort, reports that at her little pet dog, "which looks like a dust mop", is definitely her "Hero Of The Week", and is now "worth over \$10,000".

Since obtaining the little dog, named "Kim Lee", she has tried her best to train it to have the very best of "doggie manners," and especially,

NOT TO BARK FOR NO reason".

Last Wednesday morning, as Mrs. Stanley sat at her kitchen table in her mobilehome at Putah Creek Park, sipping her coffee, Kim Lee raced down the hallway and into the bedroom, then back to her again, barking loudly. Finally, she got up, with the full intent of a good spanking, but had to chase Kim Lee back again into the bedroom. When reaching the room, Mrs. Stanley smelled something burning.

Realizing that the night before, upon arrival at the resort, the hot water heater, just off the bedroom, had been out, and had to be relit, she opened the door and found the area in flames!

Quick action with a hose quickly

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## Two Large Fires Here



Flames and billows of thick black smoke

rise from the dock at Putah Creek Park Resort where five boats were destroyed last Wednesday afternoon. See the article for details. (Photo is compliments of Jim Hains of Putah Creek Park.)

Last Wednesday was a hot one - in more ways than one - when a large grass fire endangered subdivision homes, and a large dock complex and five boats burned at a resort.

At 12:57 P.M. on Wednesday afternoon, 53 firefighters from the California Division of Forestry and Napa County were summoned to battle a blaze which was believed started just behind Steele Park Resort by youngsters playing with matches.

A strong breeze quickly spread the flames into the Berryessa Highlands subdivision, blistering the home of Leo Nelson on Steele Canyon Road, and coming very close to several other residences in the area.

Fortunately, quick action by residents with garden hoses, fast engine and equipment response, and accurate drops by the air tankers, no serious damage or injuries occurred, except possibly to the nerves of the homeowners!

Over sixty acres were burned before the fire was completely controlled at approximately 10 P.M. in the evening.

While things were really getting hot in the Highlands, another fire was started at Putah Creek Park Resort when a boat, belonging to Mel Liebelt of San Leandro, but being operated by Anthony Hernandez of Novato, caught fire after refueling at the gas dock and drifted

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# WEDDING BELLS



## HAVE RUNG

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWLYWEDS, MR. AND MRS. PAT NOLAN, WHO SAID THEIR VOWS LAST SATURDAY MORNING AT SOUTH SHORE RESORT, WITH THE SPARKLING WATER OF THE LAKE CREATING A BEAUTIFUL SCENE IN THE BACKGROUND.

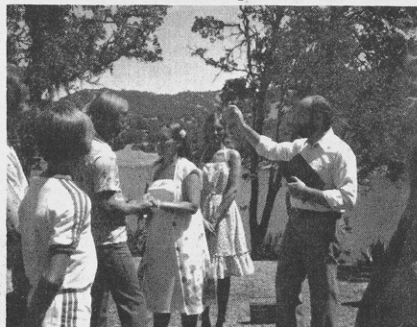
Groom Pat Nolan, and bride, the former Laura Wyles, are both from Vallejo, and both are tenants of South Shore Resort.

Reverend Bloomfield from the First Presbyterian Church in Napa, officiated at the ceremony, with Noni Jones, sister of the bride, acting as her Matron of Honor, and Norman Coover as Best Man for Pat. Also, acting as Junior Best Man was Pat's nephew, Mike Nolan.

Following the beautiful and inspirational outdoor ceremony, over 100 guests joined the newlyweds inside the Commodore Restaurant at South Shore for a lovely buffet, champagne, and a piece of the beautiful and delicious wedding cake.

It was a lovely wedding, with relatives and friends from far and wide coming to extend their best wishes to the happy couple.

We all wish Pat and Laura many, many happy years together, and lots of fun hours at Lake Berryessa!



Reverend Bloomfield pronounces Pat and Laura "Man and Wife" following the exchange of their vows last Saturday at South Shore Resort. See additional photo on Page 3. (Lake Berryessa News Photo.)

## Thank You

To Harold Gunder and all of our many friends, a big "THANK YOU" for the lovely, fun-filled barbecue last Sunday at Aetna Springs. The food was

great, and the company couldn't have been better!  
Sincerely,  
PAT TIEDEMANN and  
TOM ERL  
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## LAKE BERRYESSA

### Church Services



You are invited to attend Church Services at Spanish Flat, on Loop Road, throughout the entire summer.

Nondenominational Services are on Sundays at 9:30 A.M. Catholic Mass is on Saturday, and is at 5 P.M.

## REYNOLDS' ALUMINUM PICKUP SCHEDULE

Bob Simmons, Assistant Recreation Manager of the Water and Power Resources Service, advises the following schedule for the Reynolds Aluminum truck at the lake:

Until further notice, the truck will be here EVERY WEDNESDAY.

Truck will be at MOSKOWITE CORNERS from 11 A.M. until 12 Noon.

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# MIKE CREAM

Lake Berryessa continues to set the pace, as limits are common in most fish species.

Trout, Bass, Crappie and Catfish are all being hooked, and the kids are being passified with red worms and Blue Gill.

Rainbows and Browns are cruising at depths of 25 to 50 feet. Pink Lady trolling device, lead line, sinker releases, weights or downriggers are the methods being used to reach the depths now. Top lures include Dick Nite Spoon, Andy Reekers, Triple Teazer, Needle Fish and Z-Ray. Top trolling zones are in 100 feet of water, so fish deep. Trollers should troll over the old creek bed, from the tip of Big Island to The Narrows, and the Spanish Flat Pump House, across to The Narrows.

Bass are rated good, early mornings and evenings. Boat to shore plug casting in most major coves, rocky ledges, or creeks is best. Surface lures like Rebel, Devil's Horse, Hula Popper, Lucky 13 or Bomber Spin Stick are all good early and late. Mid-day Bassers should go to 1/4 ounce Spinner Baits.

Crappie are thick - Fish heavy brush and sunken trees in coves and creeks. Minnow, Brawley's Crappie Jig or Mimi Jig are best. Check at the marinas for top coves.

Catfish are also in cover areas. You should take Cats where you find Crappie - just drop to the bottom.

Blue Gill are around Marinas and launching areas. Salmon Eggs or Red Worms, on a No. 12 hook is your set up.



This cute young lady is Sara Sontag of San Jose, holding some nice 16 inch, 1-1/2 pound Trout. She caught three of them, and her uncle, Harold Sontag, also of San Jose, caught one. They fished north of Spanish Flat, using Dick Nite Spoon. (Photo is compliments of Spanish Flat Resort Marina.)



Three days in a row Harold Sontag of San Jose has come in with limits of Trout, from 16 inches to 2 pounds. His lure was the Dick Nite Spoon. (Photo is compliments of Spanish Flat Resort Marina.)

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## SPANISH FLAT RESORT NEWS

Reported by  
**Sisile Plunkett**

Lake Berryessa is not so very far from civilization - only 25 - 30 miles from the nearest towns. But, when you go over the grade from Napa, or come up Interstate 80 and Wooden Valley, you get into a part of the country that looks and feels very different from the Napa Valley and the Bay Area. You feel you are far away in the mountains, and you can relax and forget about every day worries and strains.

As a matter of fact, we're so "remote" that one of the residents in Spanish Flat Mobile Villa, Lucchesi, met what she thou-

ght was a mountain lion on her walk around the Loop Road a couple of weeks ago! She was just as surprised as it was, and it disappeared quickly from her sight, up the hill. They are not fond of people.

We noticed, at about the same time, the remains of a couple of dead fawns not far from there. The buzzards were circling around and cleaned up the job of whoever or whatever killed them. It could have been a mountain lion, or a big bobcat.

Also, the coyotes are getting braver these nights, but it's doubtful that they would attack a fawn of any size. We often hear their eerie songs up in the hills during the night. But now, when the Manzanita berries are getting ripe, they are coming closer and closer to the house. The other morning I noticed their "calling card" on a flat rock by a faucet, only about 150 feet from the house.

Donna Halsted of Rancho Monticello and Spanish Flat had an operation on her foot last week. She will be unable to use it for a week or two, but we hope it'll work well when she gets permission to "Waltz around"! We wish you a quick recovery!

## TOO MUCH CAFFEIN?

More than half of all Americans over the age of nine drink large quantities of coffee and other caffeinated drinks despite studies linking caffeine to birth defects, according to a recent issue of Environmental Nutrition newsletter.

Of those who drink coffee, the most highly caffeinated beverage, the publication says about 23 percent have five or more cups per day. This puts them well over the recommended daily limit of 200 milligrams, the amount of caffeine in just one 8-ounce cup of coffee.

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CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1, COLUMNS 4 & 5 into another dock, containing four boats tied up in wet storage.

Not only was the Kona-Jet boat operated by Hernandez destroyed, but all four of the other boats were totally burned and sank. One of the burned vessels belonged to the resort, the other four to customers.

According to the CDF, total estimated damage was \$32,000 - \$10,000 to the dock system, and \$22,000 to the boats. (See the photo on Page 1.)

CDF claimed the extensive destruction was due to the fire burning a good ten minutes before it was reported, then another 14 minutes before an engine could get to the scene. No injuries were reported.

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1, COLUMN 3 extinguished the fire, without any extensive damage except to the heater and the surrounding area.

Kim Lee had, by barking, prevented a real disaster, and Mrs. Stanley promised that last Wednesday evening was going to receive a "reward" - "The biggest, juiciest bone available!"

Mrs. Stanley said to inform our readers that the morale of the story is: "Teach your dog to only bark when there is a REASON for it!"

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Thanks for sharing the story with us - and Kim Lee is officially proclaimed "HERO OF THE WEEK" by the authority of the Lake Berryessa News!)

UCK Pfatner or Putah Creek celebrated his birthday and had a big surprise by his two daughters, Dandy Creeks from Shelley, Idaho and Nancy Menitz from South San Francisco. The girls were also celebrating their birthdays as Dandy's is on August 1st, and Nancy's on August 7th. What a great day for Chuck!

Lots of other "Happy Birthdays" this week: On Thursday, August 7th, Claire DeSanti of Wooden Valley, and our Editor, Gerri Elliott, Lake Berryessa News, will be celebrating their big "same day" birthdays with a dinner party the following evening at the new Buckhorn Restaurant in Winters.

At Spanish Flat Resort, Len Martin's "Old Man", Earl, has his birthday on Friday, Aug-

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As friends cheer them on, the newlyweds Pat and Laura, cut their beautiful wedding cake. Naturally, both "wore" the first piece very nicely - all over their faces! See the article and additional photo on Page 2. (Lake Berryessa News Photo.)

GUESS WHO in Pope Valley is going to have "LOTS OF BIG GOINGS ON" on August 14th and August 16th?

GUESS WHO is going to take their husband to the Vet cause he "barks and growls" when he is sick?

## LAKE PATROL ACTION

Hot weather resulted in many boaters on the lake over the weekend and the Lake Patrol reports they issued 29 Verbal Warnings and 10 Citations. They performed a dock and boat fire at Putah Creek, reported on Page 1.

**HELPFUL HINT FOR THE WEEK: PREVENTING BOAT GASOLINE FIRES** - All motorboats using gasoline for fuel must have adequate ventilation. Engine and fuel compartments must be vented with at least two ventilator ducts fitted with cowls.

Many boat explosions occur shortly after fueling. Caution should be used by the operator during fueling operations, and each time the engine is started.

Best means of checking for explosive gasoline fumes is to use your nose, sniffing any compartment in which fumes could collect. IT COULD SAVE YOUR LIFE!!

GUESS WHO has the only Number "23" in the hospital?

AROUND THE LAKE



With Nancy Courtney

Well! I am back already! Time sure flies when you are on vacation!

I was in Fairbanks, Alaska, to attend the wedding newlyweds are now vacationing here at Spanish Flat for the month of August. They will make their home in Fairbanks.

I am very glad to report Mickey Walker of South Shore Resort is now home from the hospital, and feeling great. In fact, Mickey will be off to Hawaii shortly for a nice vacation with his daughter.

"Get Well Soon" wishes to "Gracie" Schaut of Capell Valley and Turtle Rock. She had surgery last Tuesday night, but is reportedly "doing well" and will be home again soon!

All his friends and customers have been missing Jack Boydstrum of Basalt who has also been spending some time in the hospital as the result of a horse accident. Jack too is "doing fine" and should be home by the time you read this. Hurry back

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In the above photo, the "PARTHENON TAVERNA YASSOU GREEK DANCERS" who will be appearing this Friday night at Putah Creek Restaurant and Lounge. On the far left, Nick Prasinos of South Shore Resort, who will be dancing with the group, says "They will all be wearing authentic Greek costumes, all are different, and they will give the 'history' of each." See the ad for more details of "Greek Night" at Putah Creek.

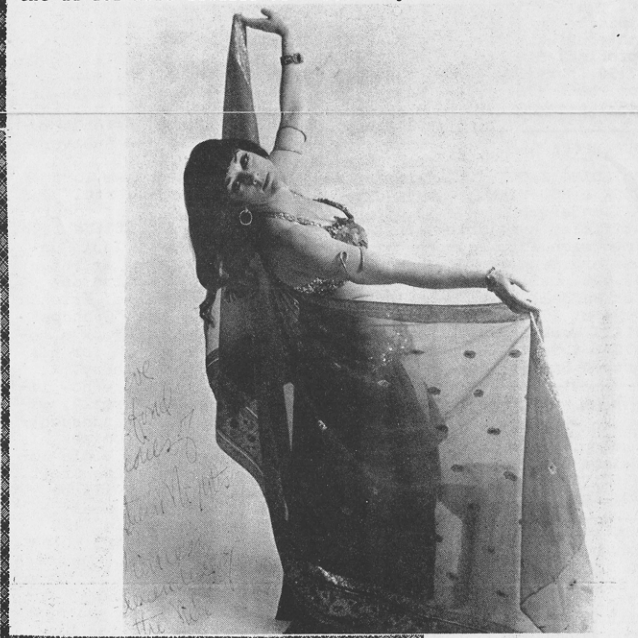


PHOTO ABOVE: The very beautiful "PRINCESS ALEXANDRA OF THE NILE" Bellydancer appearing Friday night at Putah Creek. See the ad for more details.

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# Markley Cove

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At Markley Cove Resort, nearly all fishermen and the management wish to give the Department of Fish and Game a big vote of thanks for the great job of taking care of the Trout Program!

This year has been a terrific trout year, due to the planting of Eagle Lake Trout. These trout are real scrap-pers, and are growing real fast. Also, they are easily caught.

Most of us who fish a lot feel we are going to have the best trout harvest of all time!

We all especially thank Bob Rawstron, formerly "the Fish and Game Biologist for Lake Berryessa," and now the Management Supervisor for the Yountville office of the Department of Fish and Game, for rescuing us. The low water years put a damper on the fishing at Lake Berryessa, but all is very good once again, thanks to Bob.

Small shad minnows are showing in the stomachs of the trout now, and easy limits are the rule. Just get down 25 to 50 feet with a big variety of lures, and a little time will make a successful fishing trip.

Bigger fish are coming in now, and fishing for trout is very good.

Ken Rettig, Buster Hertzberg, and yours truly, all fish several times each week, and find the pink and white Andy Reeker #0 to be a "RED HOT" lure for catching trout.

We all find very easy limits using our Big Jon Downriggers and 25 to 50 feet seems to be the best depths.

Early A.M. we get many trout at 25 feet down, and then as the day gets brighter, the trout go deeper.

Big trout are coming from The Narrows, and it will only be a few days and the dam area will have lots of big trout. That is the pattern for the last ten years, according to my fishing diary.

For those who may be interested, I have kept every fishing trip in my diary for ten years, and it helps me a lot. If there are any specific dates you are interested in, just let me know . . .

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Jim and Mary Clutter of Turtle Rock entertained Reverend Joseph Leone Jr. and family, and Mr. Frank Phillips and family, at a delicious barbecue last weekend.

Reverend Leone held special services on Sunday, then enjoyed relaxing the rest of the day with the Clutters.

Jim and Mary enjoyed having them, and hope they will come again real soon!

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## TREE SQUIRREL SEASON OPENS IN FIVE COUNTIES

Tree squirrel hunting season in five San Francisco Bay area counties opened Saturday.

August 2nd, the Department of Fish and Game said in a reminder issued today. The counties are Marin, Napa, Solano and Sonoma, and that part of Lake County outside of Mendocino National Forest.

Daily bag and possession limit for the season, which will run through January 25, 1981, is four.

The general tree squirrel hunting season will open September 13th, and also run through January 25th, with the same bag and possession limit.

Also opening on August 2nd was the archery and falconry tree squirrel hunting season in 25 California counties and a portion of a 26th. The season will continue through September 12th, with a daily limit of four in bag and possession.

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ust 8th. "Happy Days" Earl!

On Monday, August 11th, Ruth "Mom" Hausmann, formerly of Lake Berryessa, now residing in Napa, will celebrate her birthday with her daughter, Terry DeWils of Moskowite Corners and Hoppe Creek Inn in Yountville. Hope you have a nice one Ruth!

Wednesday, August 13th, is "Happy Birthday" for Helen Sullivan, now of Fairfield, formerly of Lake Berryessa, but still a faithful visitor here. Hope you have a really good one Helen!

Last Sunday night, August 3rd, Jim and Peg Molinaro of Rancho Monticello, Road 8, 302, were celebrating "23 years of LAWFUL BEDDED BLISS", with a dinner at Putah Cr. Lounge. Friends toasted the Anniversary couple, and wished them lots more "Blissful" and happy years together here at the lake.

Also, last Sunday night at Putah Creek Restaurant and Lounge, friends of Louie "Grandpa" Garcia, drank a toast to him for his 99th birthday. Although Louie now lives in Norwalk, with his granddaughter, he promises his daughter, Viola Holly of Putah Creek, that he "will be here next year" - for the big "100 years Party" which Nick Petsas promised him. . . . "Happy 99th Birthday" Louie - See you next year for the big one!

That is about all the news I have for this week, but just a reminder - get your tickets for the big Chamber of Commerce Barbecue on August 16th.

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