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Markley Cove
Reported By Ruth Curtiss

You people who do not write a column are very lucky. Do you know why? Well, what would you do when you have no news? That is my predicament today. What would you readers consider interesting? Perhaps with the start of a New Year, you might be interested in cures for hangovers . . . so you can have this information next New Year's. Here are a few, some "All American" and some from foreign countries.

Make your last drink of the evening: a Milk of Magnesia highball;

The Prairie Oyster . . . a can of chilled tomatoes, teas steak sauce, a dash of salsa colorado, (I don't know what that is) and a raw egg;

A Bull Shot . . . a jigger of vodka over the rocks, with beef consomme;

From Korea . . . called Haejank . . . a stew of beef blood, onions and peppers;

From Hungary . . . sauerkraut soup;

From Russia . . . salted cucumber juice;

From France . . . rub ice cubes on neck and wrists;

From Mexico . . . Mexican tripe soup, rich with hominy and herbs. Also . . . The Boal . . . made of equal parts of orange pop and stale beer;

From Baja, California comes this one . . . enchiladas con juevos smothered with warm tequila.

Here is another item which might interest you readers. It is a fact that "radical nudism" is killing the nudist camps. Nudist camps have for years fought to keep a good image, but with pornography movies, nudism has been given a bad name. The boom years of nudism were during the 1950's and through 1965. This now is a declining time for the nudist camps.

Did you know . . . every 8 1/2 seconds a new American is born and begins to scream loudly in a voice that can be heard for 70 years. He is screaming for 56 million gallons of water, 21,000 gallons of gasoline, 10,150 pounds of meat, 28,000 pounds of milk and cream, 9,000 pounds of wheat, and great store-houses of all other foods and drinks. These are his lifetime demands on his country and it's economy! - Readers Digest -

(Editor's Note: Thank goodness for nice people like you Ruth, who do write a column! Believe me - I know how hard it is to find news around here in the winter time, but you always seem to manage to come up with something very interesting and informative. This time however, I certainly hope that no-one takes your advice about the hangover cures! We need to keep our readers around - and those "cures" sound worse than the disease! Just kidding Ruth, but please - don't anyone try one - it's enough to make you sick just thinking about it!)

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Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Reeves of Spanish Flat, are shown here cutting their anniversary cake last Saturday night. The 25th Silver Anniversary party was given for the happy couple by Mrs. Donna Cochran and Mrs. Margaret Reeves. Shown to the right is the "money tree" which was one of the gifts they received. (See the story to the right.)

Berryessa 4-H Club

By Kathy Samuels, Reporter

An after Christmas, Christmas party was held by Berryessa 4-H members on Monday. Presents were exchanged among members and games were played.

Games were led by Ken and Gil Pridmore. Musical chairs was won by Diana Samuels. Pin the star on the Christmas tree was won by Tom Gomez and Jeannie Freeman. Other game winners were Bob Bisset, Kelly Pridmore and Diana Samuels. Stacy Pridmore received a prize for being the youngest game player.

After the games, Christmas songs were sung. Music for the games and songs was played on the piano by Mary Ann Plunkett. Refreshments were also served.

Before the party there was a short business meeting where Carol McGinnis reported on our bake sale. We had a very good bake sale and made quite a bit of money from it. We wish to thank all of the people who purchased the baked goods from us.

SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION HELD HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Reeves were given a surprise party last Saturday night in honor of their 25th Wedding Anniversary. The big celebration was held at Spanish Flat.

Wilford and Madeline were married in Vallejo, California on January 3, 1946. They moved to the Berryessa area in November of 1951 and are well known around the Lake.

The Reeves have five children and eight grandchildren. Four of their children and their families attended the party. Present to celebrate with their parents were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Crettenden and their three children from Santa Ana, California, Mr. Tom Reeves of Woodland, Mr. and Mrs. John Cochran and their two children and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Reeves, all from Napa. Also present were many other relatives and friends.

One of the many lovely gifts which the couple received, was a silver money tree, full of silver. Madeline Reeves gave her husband a beautiful new wedding band, while he presented her with a diamond necklace, which also contained her birthstone.

THE FUN SHINES BRIGHT AT
LAKE BERRYESSA



This happy group are part of the children and grandchildren belonging to Wilford and Madeline Reeves, seen to the extreme right of the photo. The celebration was a surprise party to honor the couple on their Silver Wedding Anniversary. Four of their five children and their families were there for the happy occasion. (Story above.)

Weather report

As of Wednesday, January 6th, Lake Berryessa had collected a total of 19.72 inches of rain since July 1st. Last year's total at this time was 10.97, while the average rainfall for this time is 5.09.

Date	Elevation	Evaporation	Temp. High	Temp. Low	Precipitation
12/30/70	437.84	.03	55	36	.00
12/31/70	437.93	.03	58	38	.00
1/1/71	438.15	.09	49	40	.61
1/2/71	438.16	.24	49	35	.00
1/3/71	438.19	.10	47	29	.00
1/4/71	438.26	.10	53	31	.00
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Letters to the Editor

TO THE EDITOR OF THE LAKE BERRYESSA NEWS:

This is my response to the January 1st issue editorial and the letter from Mii e Crean, Sports of Spanish Flat, to "speak out." Also, before that, to the report of studies on the problems connected with the management of Lake Berryessa.

Certainly there are problems. There probably are inequities and vast differences of opinion, but the thing that causes me more concern than anything else that I've heard or read is the threat or suggestion, that the management be turned back to the federal government.

This I oppose for several reasons. For one thing, I am very much in favor of private enterprise and individual initiative, and am opposed to the trends toward increased federal control.

I do not believe that the federal government should control anything which individuals, or groups of individuals together can control.

I believe it would be abandoning the idea that we can do the job; that we can improve, and, that we have more competence, because of our on-the-job training, than any federal staff which could be sent here.

I would seriously question the failure, or even near failure, of the management so far. I believe the whole Lake project shows what private enterprise can do, and in a most realistic way. If it is a failure, why are people by the hundreds of thousands coming to it and then returning again and again?

We visited Lake Mead in the 1930's, and would be hard pressed to think of anything done for the visitors comfort, yet it has been federally controlled from it's start. The first three years at Lake Berryessa saw more done for the visitors comfort than had been done yet at Lake Mead.

The criticism of the under-developed free access areas is based largely on the general unattractiveness of it — due to lack of various facilities, which is why it is free. If laws had to be planted and maintained and the grounds more thoroughly policed, it would not be free. For that matter, what's so great about the ankle-deep dust in Yosemite, a federally owned park?

A other criticism was leveled at the Park Headquarters picnic area and the fact it could not be used by the general public. This is something else that seems to be a rather hasty complaint. The Park Headquarters is just exactly that — the office for the whole Lake. The picnic area could be called the Council Room, the Convention Center, the Conference Hall, or by any other designation of that order. The fact that Napa County has made this "Conference Hall" very attractive, isn't any different than any of the federally operated parks, projects and development, that I've seen or read about.

I'd like to urge Mike Crean to continue to support a Lake Berryessa Chamber of Commerce. It hasn't been perfect — but what is? The need here is so great that it must be done!

Before there was any thought or talk of a Chamber of Commerce, my husband tried to tell every resort owner that they had to work together. They had to promote the whole area, and it had to be a continuing process! He believed in it so strongly that he constantly talked with visitors, got little stories, took pictures of fishermen and their catches, events, camping, skiing and boating scenes, and then had them published in the Week-end Sporting News. In his own way, he tried to make the Lake of interest, beauty and order.

Bert is gone now, but I believe his dream can come true! That was: That Lake Berryessa SHOULD, and CAN, be the showcase of Napa County. I hope so, for all our sakes!

Helen Sinclair

(Editor's Note: Beautifully put! I am sure Bert would be so very proud that you took the time and made the effort to "speak out," as Mike Crean had requested. Now — let's hear from the rest of you! Unless you are a robot, you DO have an opinion! Let's hear it! NOW!)

Letters to the Editor must be signed by the writer and have the writer's address on it. A fictitious name will be used, if requested. Unsigned letters will not be published.

Maps of Lake Available Free

Maps of Lake Berryessa are available free at the News office, Moskowite Corners. The maps are printed in two colors and marked so that most areas may be located at a glance. Printed on two sides, the map measures 11 inches by 15 inches and contains no advertising.

They are flat sheets, suitable for framing; or they can be folded for mailing, as they are printed on lightweight paper. Due to the number of requests for maps to be sent by mail, we have found it necessary to charge 25 cents for handling and postage. This is for mail requests only.

Persons who wish to pick up free maps at the News office may continue to do so without charge.



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THIS SPACE CONTRIBUTED BY THE PUBLISHER

Dear Berryessa Betty:

Dear Berryessa Betty:

My wife and I live at Lake Berryessa and I work in a town nearby. I work the swing shift, from 4 p.m. to 12 a.m. Last week I pleaded with my boss to let me have the night off so we could celebrate our Silver Wedding Anniversary. He was very nasty about it and turned me down. Why would he refuse at a time like this?

Unhappy Employee

Dear Unhappy Employee:

Guess he is afraid you would ask again in twenty-five years!

Berryessa Betty

Dear Berryessa Betty:

My husband is a traffic cop. We just returned from our honeymoon, which was ruined for me because of him having nightmares every night. What do you think causes this?

Disappointed Bride

Dear Disappointed Bride:

Since he is a traffic cop, perhaps he is seeing "Stop and Go" signs all night.

Berryessa Betty

Dear Berryessa Betty:

Do you think you will be with the Lake Berryessa News much longer? There is a rumor that you are going to resign or that you might lose your job because you don't always make it to work when you are supposed to.

Lake Berryessa News Reader

Dear L.B. News Reader:

I am not sure about this now. I did recently write a letter of resignation to the Editor, but she informed me that it was full of errors and I would have to retype it because it was "unacceptable" like that!

Berryessa Betty

Dear Berryessa Betty:

When you were out "celebrating" over the holidays, did you meet any "characters?" If so, would you tell us about it?

Curious Reader

Dear Curious Reader:

You'd better believe I did! If there is one place to meet some real "characters" it is at Lake Berryessa! I guess the best one was a well known, retired bachelor who was telling me that next summer he is going to "water his tomatoes with gin to save time," because he likes "stewed tomatoes!"

Berryessa Betty

Dear Berryessa Betty:

My husband and I live in an apartment right across the hall from a very nice bachelor. My husband and him get together

occasionally and play cards and have a few cocktails. If this doesn't happen though, my husband falls asleep right after dinner. What would you do about this?

Lonely Wife

Dear Lonely Wife:

When he goes to sleep, why don't YOU go play, and have cocktails with the bachelor?

Berryessa Betty

Dear Berryessa Betty:

My wife is very quick tempered, but I try very hard not to get angry at her. I don't really think when she is like that, that she really means half of what she says, do you?

Patient Husband

Dear Patient Husband:

Maybe not — but you had better try to figure out which half she does mean!

Dear Berryessa Betty:

During the holidays, I met my best girlfriend's new husband. She is not a bit attractive, but she sure managed to get a handsome husband! How come some girls have such sheer luck?

Jealous Girlfriend

Dear Jealous Girlfriend:

Some girls get their men with "sheer luck" — but others get them with "sheer negligence!"

Berryessa Betty

Dear Lake Berryessa News:

I have just recently returned from the North Pole and I had a wonderful trip. I celebrated New Year's Eve in a "new way." I would have stayed longer, but it was just too cold and I missed everyone at the Lake so much. As far as I could tell, the only way to keep warm at the Pole was to "rub noses" and I really couldn't see much fun in that. Also, I found out that there is a "Mrs. Santa Claus" who is not nearly as lovable as the little old fat guy that took me for the "sleigh ride."

I didn't make any New Year's resolutions this year because it is just too hard for me to keep them — especially at good ole' Lake Berryessa!

I am now getting in shape for Cupid, who will be here on February 14th. Then I must celebrate "George's birthday," which is on February 22nd. Really, everyone ought to celebrate that one, especially us gals, because there has never been another man who "could not tell a lie!"

Berryessa Betty



Markley Cove Resort

reported by
CLAUDE DAVIS

Terrific winds knocked the fishermen out of the box this week. A few fish were landed, but the winds were so strong and cold, only a handful of fishermen gave it a half-hearted try. I was one of them.

A 3½ pound German Brown came in from the Portuguese Cove area. Two Trout were caught, trolling behind the Pink Lady, with an Abalone Demon and a Cast Master.

The tiny Shad are still under Markley Cove floats, so there will be Trout as soon as the wind lets up. It was too windy for Sam Mitchel and Curly Driscoll and when THEY give up, it is really time to quit and go home!

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Ten-year-old Scott Hampton from Travis Air Force Base is shown here with his father, Dixie, and they both have reason to be smiling at this catch — one of them tagged and worth \$5.00. They used minnows and fished at Markley Cove.



Marion Lee on the left and Ronald Messick on the right, were lucky with all these Trout weighing 12 pounds and caught out of Markley Cove. Both these fellows are stationed at the Transmitting Facility near Dixon.



Isn't this 3½ pound German Brown a real beauty? The lucky fisherman is Craig McRae from Vacaville. He was using minnows, and fishing at Markley Cove Resort.



G. W. Arnel of Winters, caught these nice size Trout at Markley Cove using minnows. (This photo, as well as the three above it, were taken and given to us through the courtesy of Markley Cove Resort — and we thank you!)



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PUTAH CREEK PARK

Reported by Norman N. Crump
Putah Creek Tackle Shop

A happy—happy to everyone for 1971! May all be healthy, prosperous and helpful, and I am sure we can make this a wonderful year. It is up to each and everyone of us to make our country proud of us. It can only be what we make it.

It was a quiet New Year's Eve at Putah Creek Park. The motel was filled. A few house parties were going on, while some went to Usbelli's. The loudest noise I heard was an air horn, now who do you suppose that could have been???

The Tiptons had house guests. Ruth's sister Joyce Dotzauer, from Sacramento was visiting with them for a few days.

Days when the Lake is calm, the fishing has been good. So, let us hope the storms will stay away for a few days and give the fishermen a chance.

Improvements are still going on at Putah Creek Park. The campsite will be much nicer this summer and will accommodate more people.

The people with permanent campsites have made them very attractive, and they are an asset to the park.

The deer are still coming down into the Park, so evidently they like rose bushes and dichondra diet better than what they have in the mountains.

God blesses you and will help you to keep the good resolutions you have made for 1971.

Take care, '30' for this week.



Fishing in the Putah Creek Park area is great, as evidenced by these six Trout which weighed up to 1½ pounds. Drifting with minnows, Vernon Rugs and Newton Rogalski of Hayward pulled these in from Pope Creek. (Photo compliments of Putah Creek Tackle Shop.)

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