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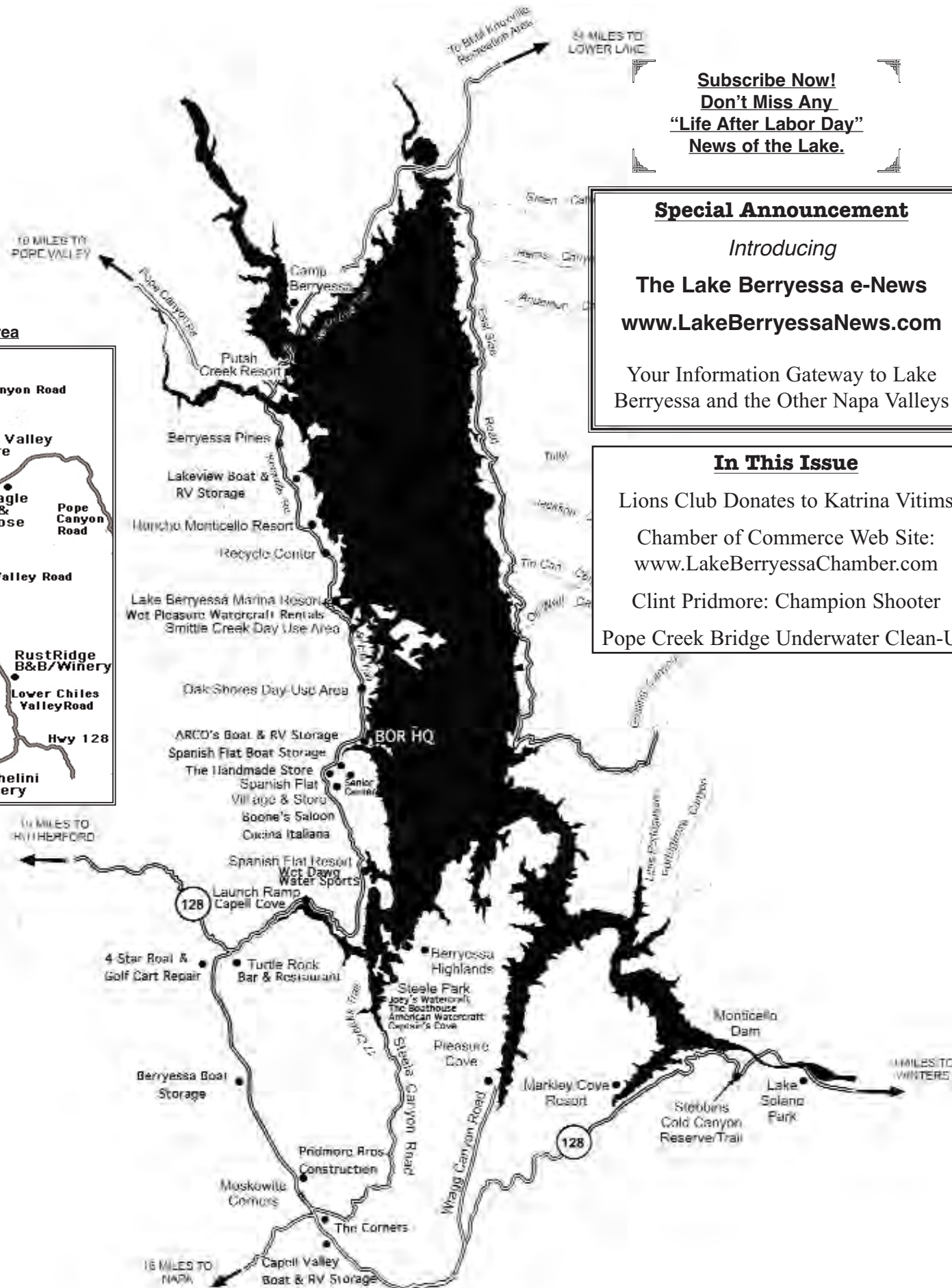
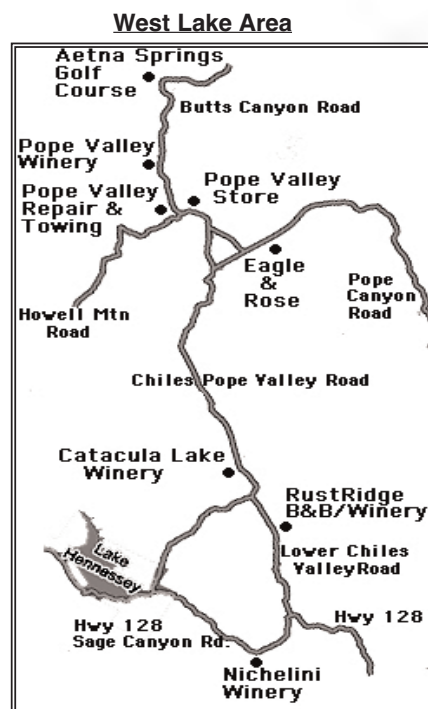
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To the Editor

Dear County Supervisors:

We formally request that you change the ballor language for the Fair Pay for Public Benefit Act to read exactly as follows: Shall Napa County Ordinance No. 05-02 be adopted? (Requires Napa County to do one of the following whenever the County Board of Supervisors adopts a new land use restriction: (1) reasonably, fairly, and promptly compensate owners of real property for any established decrease in property value resulting from the restriction; or (2) eliminate the adverse impact on property value by rescinding or permanently waiving the restriction; or (3) agree with the property owner to a compromise solution.)

1. The first requested change makes it clear to voters that the ordinance applies only to actions by the Board of supervisors and not to actions by Napa County voters. This language is taken directly from the ordinance and is therefore very appropriate for inclusion in the ballot question, as it will more clearly convey to voters the real meaning of the ordinance.

2. The second change makes it clear that the ordinance requires only reasonable and fair compensation. This language is also taken directly from the ordinance and is therefore very appropriate for inclusion in the ballot question, as it will more clearly convey to voters the real meaning of the ordinance. "Reasonably and fairly" lie at the very heart of this ordinance, and we believe that staff was remiss in excluding this critical wording from the originally proposed ballot language.

Inclusion of the "reasonably and fairly" clause is particularly important in light of the misrepresentations and mischaracterizations of the intent of the initiative that are already appearing in letters to the editor from the ordinance's primary opponents, and which will undoubtedly also be used during the campaign. For instance, contrary to the intent, letter, and spirit of the ordinance, Nancy Tamarisk, writing for the Napa Sierra Club (Napa Register Sept. 23, 2005), labels it a "treasury-looting scheme," says that it "hands over a blank check from the taxpayers to developers," and that it "would feather the nests of a few land speculators at the expense of the rest of us." Nowhere does she mention that the Act specifically states that any compensation must be reasonable and fair. Her omission is clearly intended to mislead voters, and the all-important ballot question must not be allowed to mirror that critical omission.

The "reasonably and fairly" clause is a critically important part of the Act that should definitely be included in the ballot question. A ballot question that omits it could lend credence to Ms. Tamarisk's claims and other similarly false and misleading claims. We trust that this was not the intention of staff when they chose to omit it, and that the omission was inadvertent. However, any appearance to the contrary can be eliminated by including the clause now.

3. We also formally request that you reject Supervisor Dillon's suggested change regarding adding a fourth option of filing a lawsuit. We believe this addition is unnecessary, distracting, confusing, and contrary to the actual wording of the initiative. We believe it to be an intentional misrepresentation and a fraudulent act upon the voters. We believe it is intentionally pejorative and intended primarily to sway voters away from voting for the ordinance, which is an improper objective for any ballot question.

Supervisor Dillon is widely known for her opposition to this ordinance. On this issue and others, she sometimes conveys the impression that she is more interested in maneuvering for procedural advantage than in fostering an open and honest public discussion of the issues on their merits. We suspect she may be trying to use her position as Chair of the County Board of Supervisor to improperly influence the wording of the ballot question for campaign purposes.

The ballot question is mandated to be neutral and accurately reflect the intent and wording of the ordinance. It would be highly improper for a Board that is considering writing the ballot argument against this measure to try also to manipulate the wording of the ballot question in a way calculated to sway voters against it. We urge the Board to reject this apparent corruption of the ballot preparation process, which has all the appearance of an illegal and unconscionable attempt to manipulate election results. If Supervisor Dillon wants to convince voters to vote no, we suggest that she put her comments into the ballot argument, where they belong.

Sincerely,

George Bachich

President, Napa Valley Land Stewards Alliance

Lion's Club Donates to Katrina Victims

The Lake Berryessa Lion's Club voted last week to donate \$1,000 to the victims of Hurricane Katrina. Rather than donate to the large relief organizations such as the Red Cross, Lions Club members wanted their money to more directly reach the people in need. Their check will go to Habitat for Humanity which will immediately assist in home reconstruction.



Bill, Peter, Linda, Diane, Teri, & Jim

Katrina was especially catastrophic for families in low-income housing and mobile home parks. In a disaster like this, families who were hanging on by a thread before the hurricane will sadly suffer the most in its aftermath. The Lions Club also voted to donate the remaining tee shirts from the last poker run to local Lions Clubs in the affected area.

Many local people have wondered how to help the victims of this disaster. The Lions Club suggests matching their donation and getting the money directly to the victims by sending your check to: Lake Berryessa Lions Club, PO Box 9101, Napa, CA 94558. You can be assured your donation will make a difference.

Annual Lions Club Bike Rodeo

On October 7, 2005, at 9:30 A.M. the Lake Berryessa Lions Club will sponsor a Bicycle Rodeo for about 100 children at the Pope Valley Elementary School. Kids will be able to exhibit their bike riding skills in several fun events. The lucky winners will receive one of six new bicycles, 4 donated by the Lion's Club, 1 donated by the Monticello Ski Club, and 1 donated by Jim Rains, a Lions Club member.

Previous rodeos were as much fun for the adults as the kids. If you'd like to volunteer to help out contact Jime Tschida at 966-1413 or email fluppenstooop@aol.com.

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Sunday, October 30 - Children's Halloween Party

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Senior Center - Call 966-0206

Valley Christian Church

Weekly Bible Study on Monday nights, 7:30 until 8:30 PM.

Currently meeting at the Community Church across from the Corners. For more information call 257-0527.

Weekly Berryessa Youth Meeting on Wednesday nights, 7:00 PM at the Vol. Fire Station. For more information call Gina Hamilton, 966.2816

Sufi Center ~ Meditation & Healing Circle - Pope Valley

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Alligators in Lake Berryessa?

Although Fish and Game has not yet released the new genetically-engineered freshwater sharks into Lake Berryessa for the excitement of anglers and swimmers alike, there has been an alligator sighting! Rumor has it that someone may have released an 8 foot pet alligator at an unnamed resort during the Labor Day holiday.

Rumors expanded! There were a couple of unverified sightings by resort guests and a claim by someone that something alligator-like attacked his dog along the shore. Fish and Game was notified. Several fishing boats were out on shore patrol.

The Lake Berryessa News investigative team verified that someone saw something, but no one confirmed an alligator. More likely the culprit was a large catfish. No dog was attacked, but a woman walking a dog saw a large shadow in the water. The next day an 18 pound catfish was caught in the same area. Alligator sightings have now stopped.

Pope Valley Turkey Shoot is Coming!

The statistics are impressive. 28 years running. 750 turkeys given away in a day. 2,000 people having a good time. Kids can win - grandmas too. Paintball and dart gun competitions. Games for kids. 6 AM pancake breakfast - if you can get up that early! Great tri-tip sandwiches.

The Pope Valley Fire Department & Pope Valley Gun Club present the annual benefit TURKEY SHOOT on Sunday, October 23 rd, 2005 8:00 a.m. to Sundown across from the Pope Valley Farm Center

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Environmental Defense (www.environmentaldefense.org), one of the most reasonable of the environmental organizations, published a short article about organic wines that will be of interest to Lake Berryessa News readers.

Behind the Label: Organic Wine Comes of Age

Actor Paul Giamatti, who plays wine connoisseur Miles Raymond in the film Sideways, detects a “suspicion of asparagus” and a “flutter of nutty cheese” in one wine and waves away another as “quaffable but far from transcendent.” Surprisingly for an up-to-the-minute oenophile, however, he never wonders if the wines he’s critiquing are organic.

Organic wines have come a long way. In the 1970s, many were just plain bad, but today’s offerings compete with the world’s top vintages. Organics now make up 2 to 3% of the U.S. market and production is growing a steady 20% a year, mostly in California. In Mendocino County’s winemaking region, for example, 14% of the vineyards have switched to organic production, avoiding the use of conventional pesticides and synthetic fertilizers. Environmentally, this represents a major shift from conventionally grown grapes, which—contrary to wine’s “natural” image—use large amounts of pesticides.

In California, where 90 % of domestic wines are produced, grapes receive more pesticides than any other crop. But the momentum of the industry is threatened by a vexing question: How do you

define organic wine? Three years ago, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) began certifying and labeling organic products, including wines. Some winemakers say USDA standards for organic wine are too strict. The requirement not to add sulfites, they say, makes it very difficult to control fermentation. Without sulfites, “the wine is likely to turn bad before consumers can enjoy it,” says wine buyer Michel Ginoulhac.

Sulfites aren’t a problem for the great majority of wine drinkers, but they can trigger allergic reactions—including headaches and cramps—in up to 5%, and they are especially hazardous for asthmatics. Although sulfites occur naturally in wine, vintners typically add more (to a concentration between 50 and 200 parts per million) as a preservative that inhibits bacteria.

Here’s a brief guide to the universe of organic wine and tips for negotiating the labeling maze:

USDA organic. To be labeled “organic,” a wine must have 95% organic ingredients and no added sulfites.

Almost organic. To be labeled “made from organic grapes,” a wine must contain 70% organic ingredients, and sulfites must be below 100 parts per million (ppm). If sulfites are above 10 ppm, a “Contains Sulfites” label is affixed.

A “transitional” wine is produced organically, but the vineyard is in a prescribed three-year waiting period as it moves away from conventional methods.

A “sustainable agriculture” claim may or may not be true; it doesn’t have a legally defined meaning.

With imported wines, the buyer is often in the dark. Look for the label of a certifying agency. Wine labeled “organic” or “made from organic grapes” ranges from \$8 to \$75 a bottle. Not surprisingly, quality varies considerably. From an environmental point of view, though,

both of these categories are preferable to conventionally produced wine.

Guest columnist Jim Motavalli is editor of E/The Environmental Magazine - for subscription information: 800-967-6572 or emagazine.com.

Status of Women Commission

The Napa County Executive Office announces the existence of seven (7) general public openings on the Commission on the Status of Women due to expiring terms and vacant positions. The openings are as follows:

Six (6) Terms expire 10-01-07

One (1) Term expires 10-01-06

The Commission is composed of eleven (11) members. No professional experience is required for membership, but members are expected to support the elimination of discrimination and prejudice against women and to have shown themselves qualified in community leadership. Business, the professions, women’s organizations and low-income minority interests are to be represented, but representation is not to be limited to those areas. The Commission works to eliminate the practice of discrimination and prejudice on the basis of sex in the areas of housing, employment education, childcare, community services and related fields.

Meetings are held the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at Health and Human Services, 2344 Old Sonoma Road, in the City of Napa.

Anyone interested in applying for appointment to the Commission should contact the County Executive Office, 1195 Third Street, Room 310, Napa, 253-4421, to obtain an application. The deadline to submit the completed application is Friday, October 14, 2005 by 5:00 p.m. Applications are also available on the County website at www.co.napa.ca.us.

Chamber of Commerce

The Chamber Board of Directors meeting on September 26 was well attended with several new members signing on. Most of the discussion focused on the new web site and how to market Lake Berryessa and the Other Napa Valleys to the rest of Napa County and beyond.

The existing web site at www.LakeBerryessaChamber.com is being upgraded by volunteer web site designers Gary Howes and Susan Heyden of Heyden-Howes, residents of Berryessa Pines. The web site will contain a full directory of chamber members and their contact information, a description of the service they provide, and a link to their web site - if available.

Since so many businesses depend on the weather, there will also be a weather module on the site so that site visitors will know the real-time Lake Berryessa weather. Often the weather may be poor in Napa and Fairfield, but outrageously beautiful at the lake. The Chamber will also explore connecting a web cam to the site so potential visitors can see an actual picture of the lake on

their computer.

Many Chamber members complained that due to the lack of attention on the part of County Government and negative publicity in regional media, Lake Berryessa and the West Lake Area have not received their overdue recognition as prime recreation and visitation destinations. Therefore, a major public relations and outreach strategy will be developed.

Members said they constantly hear the same thing from their customers, "If only we had known how great this place was, we would have come sooner. We'll be back." It's easier to get repeat business for a great destination than it is to get that first time visitor. But information about the area needs to be widely available to the public and

easy to find for that potential first-time visitor.

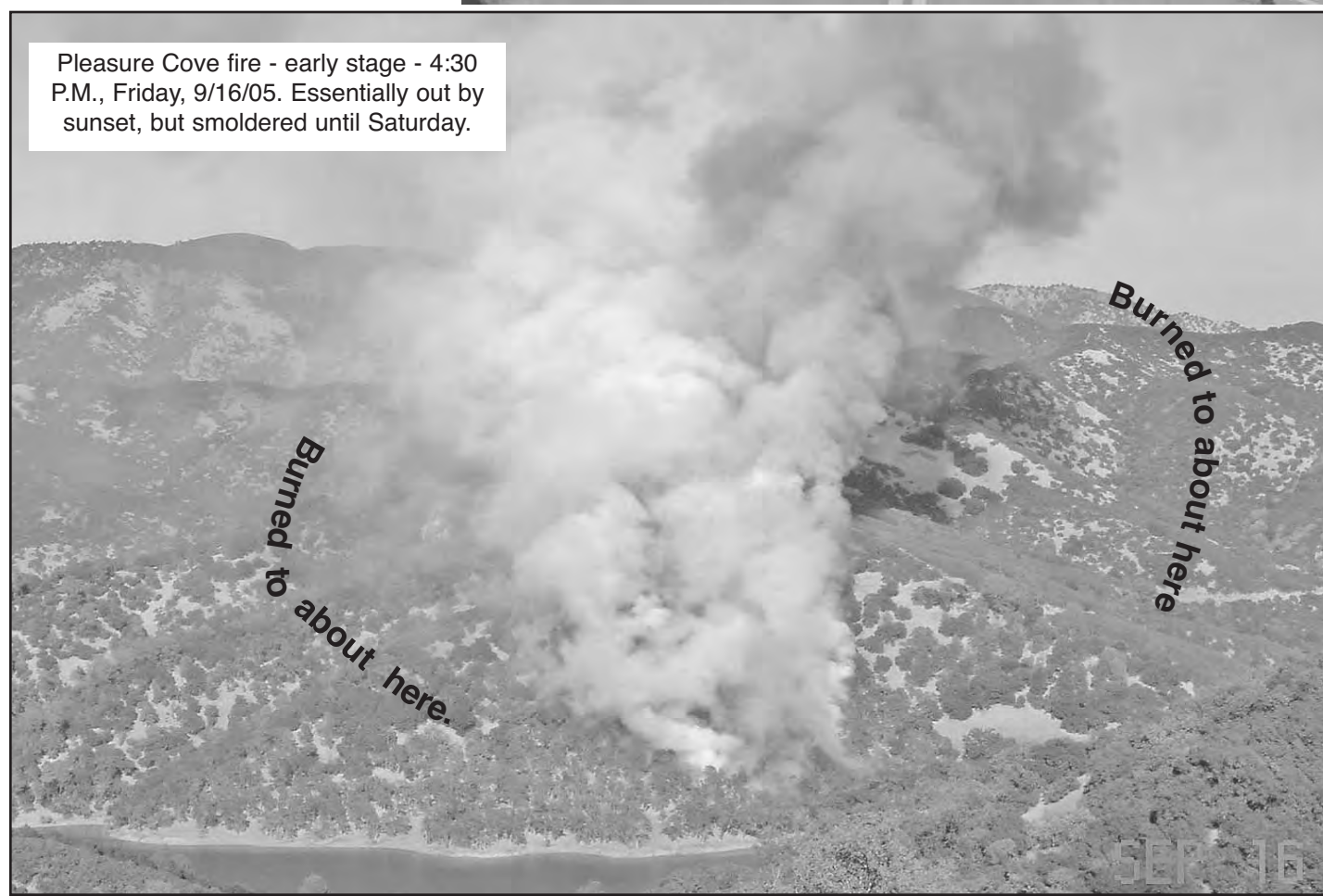
The Board also agreed to develop a strategic planning calendar for the next year with seasonal marketing goals. The "Life After Labor Day" concept was highlighted by the many members' comments about the recent beautiful weather and how so many people miss some of the best times at the lake because they just don't know about them. The Chamber vowed to change this.

The next Chamber meeting will be at 7 P.M. on Monday, November 28, 2005, at Boone's Saloon. Come early, have dinner, meet friends, and get ready for another productive status report and planning session.



Commute Blues - Single car rollover on Monticello Road before the Silverado Country Club around 8 A.M.

Pleasure Cove fire - early stage - 4:30 P.M., Friday, 9/16/05. Essentially out by sunset, but smoldered until Saturday.



Berryessa Marina Resort Homeowners Association



A group of concerned mobile home owners have just created the Lake Berryessa Marina Resort Tenants Association (www.lbmrtta.org).

Board members are: Phil Constantino-President, Del Wagner-Vice President, Mike Coombs-Treasurer, Lynne Van Tilburg-Secretary, Myron Steele-Parliamentarian, Stephen Buccheri-Webmaster, Dan Garabaldi, Ken Gilmore, and Dean McAlister. There are approximately 305 boat slips and 100 trailers at the resort.

Goals of the organization include increasing communication with management and tenants, establishing a committee to meet with other resort tenant associations, and instituting a Complaint Policy in cooperation with management and permittees to deal with mobile homeowners who do not maintain their sites or who cause other problems.

The Handmade Store

The Handmade Store located in the Spanish Flat Boat Storage building at 4420 Knoxville Road is a fascinating place to poke around for gifts and mementos. Owner Christine Roussopoulos and her cadre of 16 local artists and craftspeople have the store stocked with handcrafted jewelry, soap, candles, dragons, wooden toys and whirly-gigs, as well as handmade jellies and oriental sauce.

Collectors can also find many gently-used items including a selection of vinyl opera records, original Calistoga Water bottles, historical photographs, and a couple of walls of Willie Nelson memorabilia. The vintage popcorn machine from the original Spanish Flat Store in the back room may not be for sale, but it sure brings back memories. Call Christine for an appointment at 707-966-0144.

Clint and the Banditos Gringos

Clint Pridmore had just tied the U.S Skeet Shooting champion in Texas the week before, but now he was working on a TV special in his backyard. Clint was hosting a Public Broadcasting System crew shooting a segment of the PBS series American Experience about the legendary Annie Oakley. But “shooting” with a camera and “shooting” with an over/under shotgun clearly take different visual skills. As the film crew adjusted their equipment, Clint calmly shattered clay pigeon after clay pigeon until the camera focus was just right.



Pull, bang, poof! Watching the targets disintegrate brought to mind the official government definition of explosion: rapid mechanical disassembly.

During a lunch break, Clint and the producer, Riva Freifeld of New York, discussed

Annie Oakley and shooting accuracy. Clint's answer as to why he thought he was so accurate was the same as Annie Oakley's answer to that same question many years ago, “I don't know - I just feel it.” The conversation switched to eye coordination and cross-dominance and soon Clint had the whole crew holding up their index fingers trying to determine which was their dominant eye.

Clint claims he started shooting “when they took my diapers off” and has been shooting in heavy competition since 1978 - 1,200,000 rounds in one gun alone! He's also a member of the exclusive 1,000 rounds in one day club and has actually fired off just under 1,500 rounds



in a single day. Skeet shooters reading this may be wincing at the imagined shoulder pain, but Clint, the 60-something athlete, says it's not too bad. The shotguns use a reducer and light target loads. The stock has a shock absorber and the shooting vest has two gel pack/bubble pack shoulder inserts.

Clint enjoys competitive shooting because he's good at it (multiple championships) and because of the camaraderie with other shooters. But he also loves the fact that it's a multi-generational family affair for him. The Pridmore family

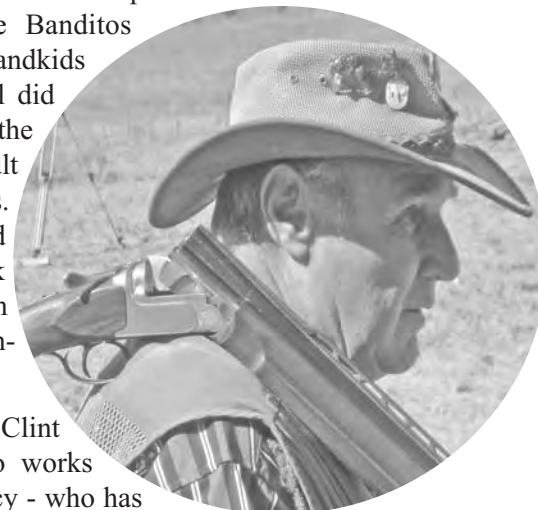


now stretches back six generations to the 1800s in Napa County. His children were good shooters and now his grandkids, who started at 9 years old, are champions too. A couple of years ago three generations of Pridmores jour-



neyed to Spain for an international competition where they were billed as the Banditos Gringos. Clint and teenage grandkids Austin, Clinton, and Whitney all did well, with Austin winning all the Junior classes and 4 out of 5 adult classes against 520 adult shooters. Granddaughter Whitney placed third in the Women's class. Back home, Austin also plays high school football while Clinton concentrates on baseball.

As with any modern sports star, Clint has an agent and manager who works behind the scenes - his wife Nancy - who has



always encouraged him and helped organize the family adventure to Spain.

The Pope Valley Turkey Shoot is only a couple of weeks away. Hopefully people will get a chance to see Clint and other great shooters in action there.



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The Pope Creek Bridge Party: Before and After

Many people take their first-time lake visitor friends, with cameras, to see the holiday weekend parties at the Pope Creek Bridge. It's a cultural experience! A huge group of party people with hundreds of \$50,000 and up wakeboard and hot boats pulsing together to heavy bass music. Free-flowing beer and boobs (not the female kind), Mardi Gras beads and boobs (the female kind), warm water, friends and sun combine for an almost surreal scene. The sheriff's deputies on jet skis probably would like to see less of it, but the American public is free to use public facilities and law enforcement, and its cost, is part of that equation.

Most people are there to relax and have a good time after a hard week at work -



sort of a mild "Take this job and shove it" routine. Hopefully continued consistent enforcement of the rules of good behavior will keep it a fun place for everyone. Also a few mooring buoys would be helpful.

Americans form a bell-shaped curve ranging from the clueless to the responsible. On September 17 Napa Dive and Sport spearheaded the latter group in a clean up at the Pope Creek Bridge. Scuba divers performed an underwater trash pickup as part of California Coastal Cleanup Day. Dozens of bags of trash were collected - mostly



beer bottles and cans and the ubiquitous Mardi Gras beads. The good news is that organizers thought the amount of trash had decreased from previous years. A modest education program and some bins on shore to toss the empties might have an even bigger impact next year.



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Fishing with Sid

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This week I would like to talk about sqaw fish also known as sacramento pike. Apparently they are increasing in numbers rapidly and they cause havoc to the survival of all other species of fish in the lake. I have been told by Fish & Game that if I catch one it should be destroyed and thrown on the shore for the birds.

With the cooling water the bass bite is increasing and the trout are coming closer to the surface. With summer winding down and less boat traffic the fishing should improve week by week. If you have any questions or stories to share regarding fishing, call me at 650-583-3333...til next week.....good fishing!!!!!!
www.fishingconnection.net

Fishing with Dino

Crappie are on at the lake! Early morning hours using Jigs or Minnows....get your bait to the bottom near docks or brush areas. Cappell Cove is a great area. Cats are still hitting on dip bait or hot dogs. Any shoreline for cats will work. Throw plastics on rocky shoreline in 20 feet of water and you will do OK on small mouth bass. A Large mouth has come in now and then. The Trout and Salmon are down at the 45 to 65 Foot depths. The Narrows or Skiers Cove Shoreline are good areas this week. Apex Lures or Needlefish will work great. Anglers have not been using flashers. The water temperature is 68 degrees 8 ft from the surface. - Dino Righetti, Spanish Flat Marina, 707-966-7708



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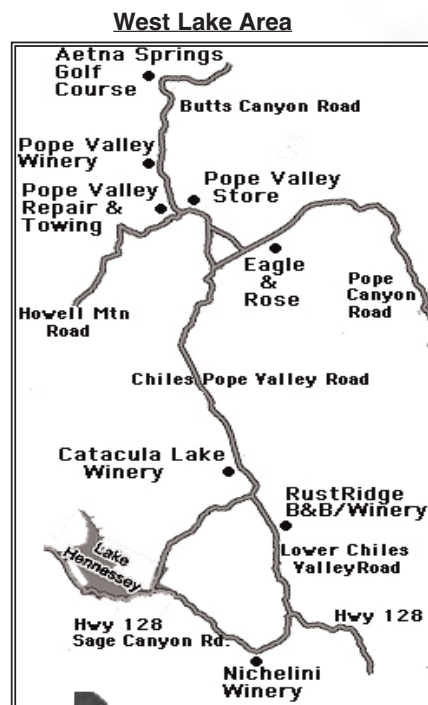
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From the Editor

The following story is reprinted from Marin County’s Point Reyes Light. After reading the first line, you might think it was something that could only happen in Napa County. Point Reyes was my home town for a couple of years and I was fairly involved in Marin environmental issues as a board member and trainer for the Environmental Forum of Marin. I’m familiar with all the players in the mini-drama described below and most are quite reasonable. But there are always the radical nutzoids who can hijack the legal system and wreak havoc on their fellow citizens. This is a cautionary tale for Napa County where groups like the one causing trouble in Marin have a strong base and have negatively affected Lake Berryessa already. Reasonable people need to stand up to these groups and individuals. Read it and see what you think. Is 5 acres of new wetlands near hundreds of acres of existing wetlands worth destroying 5 acres of one of the oldest, most productive local organic farms?

Environmentalist Harassed by “Environmentalists”

A group of environmental activists are mounting a legal attack on state and county government and in doing so are threatening the survival of the oldest organic farm in California. The Tomales Bay Association in Marin County claims county government and the Coastal Commission did not require enough environmental studies before allowing the farmer to make environmental improvements to five acres of his land in Bolinas.

"This piece of land has a history of growing some very nice crops over the years," Warren Weber, one of the most respected organic farmers in Marin County, said. Today, he added, produce grown on the five acres makes up roughly 12 percent of his business.

But Weber can no longer take that 12 percent for granted. The Tomales Bay-Association has gone to court, claiming the County of Marin and the California Coastal Commission failed require enough environmental studies before issuing permits for irrigation pipes underneath the road and altering his dikes to suit the Army Corps of Engineers.

Those old dikes, Weber says, date from the nineteenth century - protecting farmland from lagoon waters at high tide. When he sought permits for the work from county. government, however, members of the Tomales Bay Association went before the county Planning Commission to oppose him - to the bafflement of some planning commissioners.

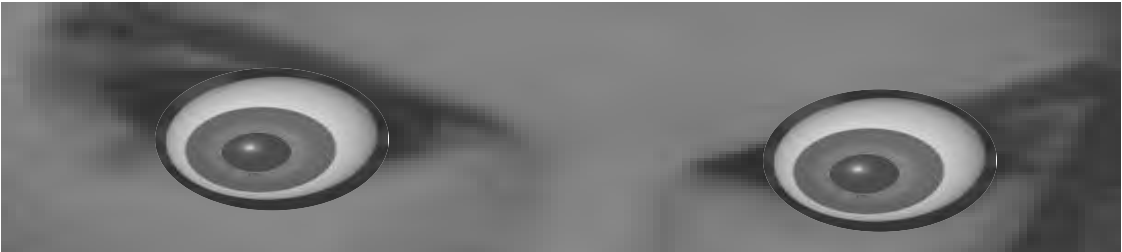
In 2004, the Tomales Bay Association announced that it was suing both agencies, and as a result of that lawsuit, the planned wetland restoration had to be postponed. "This is such a waste of taxpayers' money and time," Weber said. "The only object they have seem to have in mind is to prevent me from using the property in any way."

Weber's operation, Star Route Farms, is the oldest certified organic farm in the state. The farm totals 100 acres, of which 11 are protested by the dikes. Of the 11, only five are actually farmed. The six acres bordering Bolinas Lagoon lie fallow, though Weber mows the fields to provide habitat for small shorebirds,

Weber said that the association's real goal is to end all farming in his fields on the lagoon side of Olema-Bolinas Road. To this the Tomales Bay Association responded that the land would be "most productive" as a wetland than a farm. Weber disagrees. In the late 1990s, he said, soil scientists from the federal Natural Resources Conservation Service concluded that the five acres of the field he cultivates are "prime ag soil."

Tomales Bay Association's litigation has drawn confusion and criticism from some elected officials and fellow environmentalists. "It's absolutely incomprehensible to me," said Phyllis Faber, a wetlands biologist, former coastal commissioner, and co-founder of Marin Agricultural Land Trust. "I think it's counterproductive. To pick away at Warren Weber, who really is a great steward of the land, and not look at the big picture, is disappointing."

"We don't want to try to restore habitat at the expense of an endangered part of our economic and cultural tradition in West Marin," Marin Supervisor Steve Kinsey said. "Managers of the ecological resources at the Bolinas Lagoon should take a long view, and not a short view."



Lions Club **Bike Rodeo Winners**

The Annual Lions Club Bike Rodeo took place at Pope Valley Elementary School on Friday, Oct. 7, 2005.

Congratulations to the winners!

Morgan Stipanovic (8th grade)

Courtney Brown (7th grade)

Mariana Maldonado (5th grade)

Cathlina Ramirez (4th grade)

Chrosofer Martinez (2nd grade)

Justin Portue (1st grade)

Yesenia Montanez (Kindergarten)

"Thanks so much for everything. The Berryessa Lions and they're support group have meant the world to us in our bike rodeo and our vision screening program. Any of you are welcome to come by and visit our school anytime!"

Thanks,

Roxanne Sanderson

Business Manager/Secretary
Pop Valley Elementary School
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rsanderson@ncoe.k12.ca.us

Pre-Halloween in Napa

Halloween is probably one of the most fun Holidays of the year, and this Halloween there is a safe place to take your little goblins for trick or treating. Saturday, October 29 will be the second annual Hometown Halloween Parade in Downtown Napa. Pre-built, 'scary' backdrops of skeletons and spider webs, provide photo opportunities for little ghouls.

The parade is free and open to children of all ages. Dress up in your Halloween costume and join others at the corner of Main and Pearl Street in Downtown Napa. The parade will begin at 4 PM and end in the Napa Town Center. Children of all ages are invited and parents can march with the young ones.

Immediately following the parade, trick or treat at stores displaying black and orange balloons. The parade is free and no registration is required. For more info, visit the calendar of events at www.napadowntown.com. Happy Halloween!

Trick or Treat!



Calendar of Events Around Lake Berryessa

Senior Center Crafts

Every 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month
Call Betty at 966-2254

Every Monday – Bingo – 1 PM til??

Every first Monday is Bingo Pot Luck – Starts at Noon.

Seniors Pot Luck

Every 3rd Friday Night – bring a dish.

Senior Center – Call 966-0206

Valley Christian Church

Weekly Bible Study on Monday nights, 7:30 until 8:30 PM.

Currently meeting at the Community Church across from the Corners. For more information call 257-0527.

Weekly Berryessa Youth Meeting on Wednesday nights, 7:00 PM at the Vol. Fire Station. For more information call Gina Hamilton, 966.2816

Sufi Center ~ Meditation & Healing Circle - Pope Valley

Every Thursday - 7pm ~ Every Sunday - 6pm

1st Sunday of every month - Pot Luck - 4pm to 6pm

Info - Call 707-965-0700, 2950 Pope Canyon Rd.

Get your event on the calendar by calling 966-3806 or 287-6240
Email shirllake@myexcel.com or pkilkus@aol.com.

BOONE'S SALOON LIVE MUSIC ROADHOUSE

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Kids of all ages welcome!

Saturday, October 29 – Annual Halloween Party

This is an adult-only party. Dance to fabulous music, enjoy ghoulish finger foods after the 10:00 hour, and participate in the costume contest.

Sunday, October 30 – Children's Halloween Party

Free mini-pumpkins for all the children to decorate, treats, games, and a costume parade. The fun begins at 12:00 noon.

Saturday, November 12 – Autumn Barn Dance

Cowboy steak bar-b-que 5:00pm-9:00pm

Musical guest **Way Out West** will play from 8:00pm-Midnight

New Years Eve Party...start planning ahead now

Ring in 2006 with Boone's Saloon where there is sure to be a night of dancing and celebration!

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday open at 5:00pm for Dinner
Closed Wednesday

Saturday open at 12:00am for Lunch and Dinner

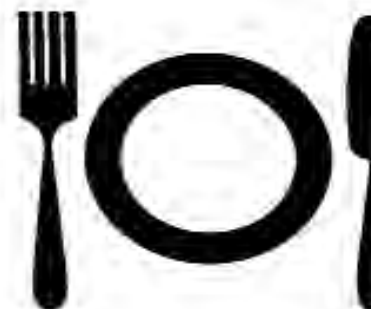
Sunday open at 11:00am for Lunch and Dinner

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Napa County Voting Process

The Napa County Elections Department will provide two Federal and State certified voting systems for the November 8, 2005 Special Statewide Election. "We have used our optical scan ballots successfully in six major elections," Registrar John Tuteur said, "and over 70,000 votes have been accurately tallied on our touchscreen voting machines since March 2002." Approximately one-third of voters vote absentee on optical scan ballots with the remaining two-thirds of voters using touchscreen voting machines in early voting locations or at their polling place on Election Day.

Absentee voters and voters without a polling place in their precinct (mail-out) will use optical scan (paper) ballots on November 8. There are approximately 15,500 Permanent Absentee Voters and approximately 3,300 mail-out voters who will receive their optical scan ballots the week of October 10.

Early touchscreen voting begins at the elections office on Monday, October 10, 2005 and continues weekdays between 8 AM and 5 PM and Saturday November 5 and Sunday November 6 between 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM. Early voting will also be available from Monday October 31 through Monday November 7 from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM including Saturday November 5 and Sunday November 6 at the following locations:

CALISTOGA FIRE DEPARTMENT - 1113 WASHINGTON ST
SAINT HELENA PUBLIC LIBRARY - 1492 LIBRARY LANE,
YOUNTVILLE COMMUNITY SERVICE BLDG - 6550 YOUNT ST.
AMERICAN CANYON POLICE DEPARTMENT - 2185 ELLIOTT DRIVE

A FREE PROGRAM OFFERED BY THE NAPA COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE



AT A LOSS WITH WHAT TO DO WITH YOUR BAD CHECKS?

You now have an option with the District Attorney's newly-upgraded Bad Check Restitution Program. This program provides free assistance to Napa County Businesses in recovering their losses due to bad checks. Statutory fees paid by the bad check offenders provide operating funds for the program, thus making it virtually making it self-supporting.

FIRST, WE RECOMMEND YOU TAKE THE FOLLOWING SIMPLE, BUT OFTEN OVER-LOOKED PRECAUTIONS BEFORE ACCEPTING A CHECK:

- Check date to be sure it is the current date.
- Inspect dollar amounts to be sure they match in both columns.
- Check the license details carefully and be sure there is a stated telephone and address.
- Be cautious of low or no check numbers which denote a new account.
- Get a complete street address not just a post office box.
- Note the check's date. Post-dated checks normally cannot be prosecuted.
- Observe the writer's signature and make sure the signature matches their I.D.
- Make sure written and figure amounts match.

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"The primary goal of this program is to create a self-supporting program that obtains restitution for the victim while deterring repeat offenders."

Napa County District Attorney, Gary Lieberman

**Contact the Napa County District Attorney
Bad Check Restitution Program at:**

866-799-9056

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www.checkprogram.com/napacountyca

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Chamber Barbecue

IT IS TIME AGAIN TO GET YOURSELF IN THE MOOD FOR A BIG, JUICY, MOUTH-WATERING BARBECUED STEAK DINNER!!

Tickets are now on sale at all resorts and most roadside businesses for the big Lake Berryessa Chamber of Commerce Annual Steak Barbecue, to be held at Putah Creek Park Restaurant and Lounge on Saturday, August 16th, starting at 5 P.M. Price of the tickets is \$7.50 each, just \$15.00 per couple, for the complete dinner.

Besides enjoying a delicious barbecue with friends you may not get to see very often, your ticket stub entitles you to be eligible for some really great Door Prizes, and there will be live music continuously for your dancing or listening pleasure.

It makes it so much easier to plan things if there is some idea of how many people to plan on, so it would be most appreciated if you plan to attend if you would purchase your tickets **IN ADVANCE**, although, they will be sold at the door

TAKE THE BUS !!

Lake Berryessa residents have been very fortunate to have been offered the services of the TRI CITY BUS SERVICE since the 11th of June - but are they taking advantage of the \$2.00 round trip fare to Napa each Wednesday every week?

While we haven't noted many, there have been a few who have tried it - and they really liked it! Some said it was just like having a private chauffeur or a private taxi at their disposal. How about you? Have you tried

CRIME DOES PAY... SOMETIMES - ACCORDING TO U.S. SENATOR S. I. HAYAKAWA

We've all seen a late night gangster movie that ended with the detective putting handcuffs on the crook, and with a cold, callous demeanor saying, "You'd better learn Bugs, crime doesn't pay." Sorry Inspector, in some cases it can pay quite well. According to the Social Security Act a convicted criminal can receive up to \$500 a month from the Social Security Administration while in prison.

David Berkowitz, better known as "Son of Sam," is receiving \$300 a month while serving his 315-year sentence in Attica Prison. One man serving four life sentences in Soledad Prison for killing four people, two of whom were police officers, is receiving \$195 a month. He filed for the money on the grounds that slaughtering four people is evidence enough of his unstable mental condition and therefore he's disabled. The Social Security Administration agreed, and now he receives his check in the mail every

Daylight Savings Time Changes October 30th

At 2 a.m. on October 30, groggy Americans will turn their clocks back one hour, marking the end of Daylight Saving Time (DST). Until 2006 DST will be from the first Sunday in April to the last Sunday in October as it has been since 1986. In Aug. 2005, Congress passed an energy bill that included extending Daylight Saving Time by about a month. Beginning in 2007, DST will start the second Sunday of March and end on the first Sunday of November.

Daylight Saving Time has been around for most of this century and even earlier. Benjamin Franklin, while a minister to France in 1784, first suggested the idea. British Summer Time was introduced by an Act of Parliament in 1916. England recognized that the nation could save energy and changed their clocks during the first World War.

In 1918, in order to conserve resources for the war effort, the U.S. Congress placed the country on Daylight Saving Time for the remainder of WW I. When America went to war again, Congress reinstated Daylight Saving Time on February 9, 1942. It remained advanced one hour forward year-round until September 30, 1945. From 1945 to 1966, there was no U.S. law about Daylight Saving Time. So, states and localities were free to observe Daylight Saving Time or not.

This, however, caused confusion -- especially for the broadcasting industry, and for trains and buses. Because of the different local customs and laws, radio and TV stations and the transportation companies had to publish new schedules every time a state or town began or ended Daylight Saving Time. By 1966, some 100 million Americans were observing Daylight Saving Time through their own local laws and customs. Congress decided to step in end the confusion and establish one pattern

across the country. The Uniform Time Act of 1966 created Daylight Saving Time to begin on the last Sunday of April and to end on the last Sunday of October. The law was amended in 1986 to begin Daylight Saving Time on the first Sunday in April.

Following the 1973 Arab Oil Embargo, Congress put most of the nation on extended Daylight Saving Time for two years in hopes of saving additional energy. This experiment worked, but Congress did not continue the experiment in 1975 because of opposition -mostly from the farming states.

DST saves energy. Based on consumption figures for 1974 and 1975, the Department of Transportation says observing DST in March and April saved the equivalent in energy of 10,000 barrels of oil each day -- a total of 600,000 barrels in each of those two years.

Daylight Saving Time saves lives and prevents traffic injuries. The earlier Daylight Saving Time allowed more people to travel home from work and school in daylight, which is much safer than darkness. And except for the months of November through February, DST does not increase the morning hazard for those going to school and work.

Daylight Saving Time prevents crime. Because people get home from work and school and complete more errands and chores in daylight, Daylight Saving Time also seems to reduce people's exposure to various crimes, which are more common in darkness than in light.

When year-round daylight time was tried in 1973, one reason it was repealed was because of an increased number of school bus accidents in the morning. Observers attribute the huge spike in other accidents on the first Monday of DST to the sudden change in the amount of light during driving times.

The Glory Hole

The Glory hole is a non-regulated spillway, which is located about 200 feet behind the dam. The outside diameter of the Glory hole is 72 feet. The hole in the center tapers down to no less than 28 feet.

The distance from the crest (top edge), to the exit point which is situated in the south side of the canyon, is about 700 feet. The crest of the Glory hole, sits 16 feet lower than the crest of the dam. When and if the water level of the lake rises to 15 1/2 feet over the top of the Glory hole (its maximum design), it will release 48,400 cubic feet per second, or in layman's terms, 362,000 gallons every 1 second !



The Asteroids are Coming

According to Wired Magazine thousands of asteroids are heading towards Earth, but, fortunately, their aim stinks. Most will miss us by millions of miles. In fact, the speeding chunk of rock that'll come closest to our plane in the near future has only a 1-in-5,882 chance of a bulls-eye. You're more likely to die of the flu.

Still, a collision with even a modest-size asteroid - say, a quarter-mile in diameter - could devastate an urban area or small country. The good news is that it will be 2068 before the most dangerous near-Earth object becomes a threat. Hoping to save future generations, NASA is funding a program to identify 90% of potentially hazardous flying objects. Thanks to their efforts, 15 times as many asteroids (about 16 per day) were discovered in 2004 as in 1995. But that's not enough. The ultimate goal: finding the one with our name on it!



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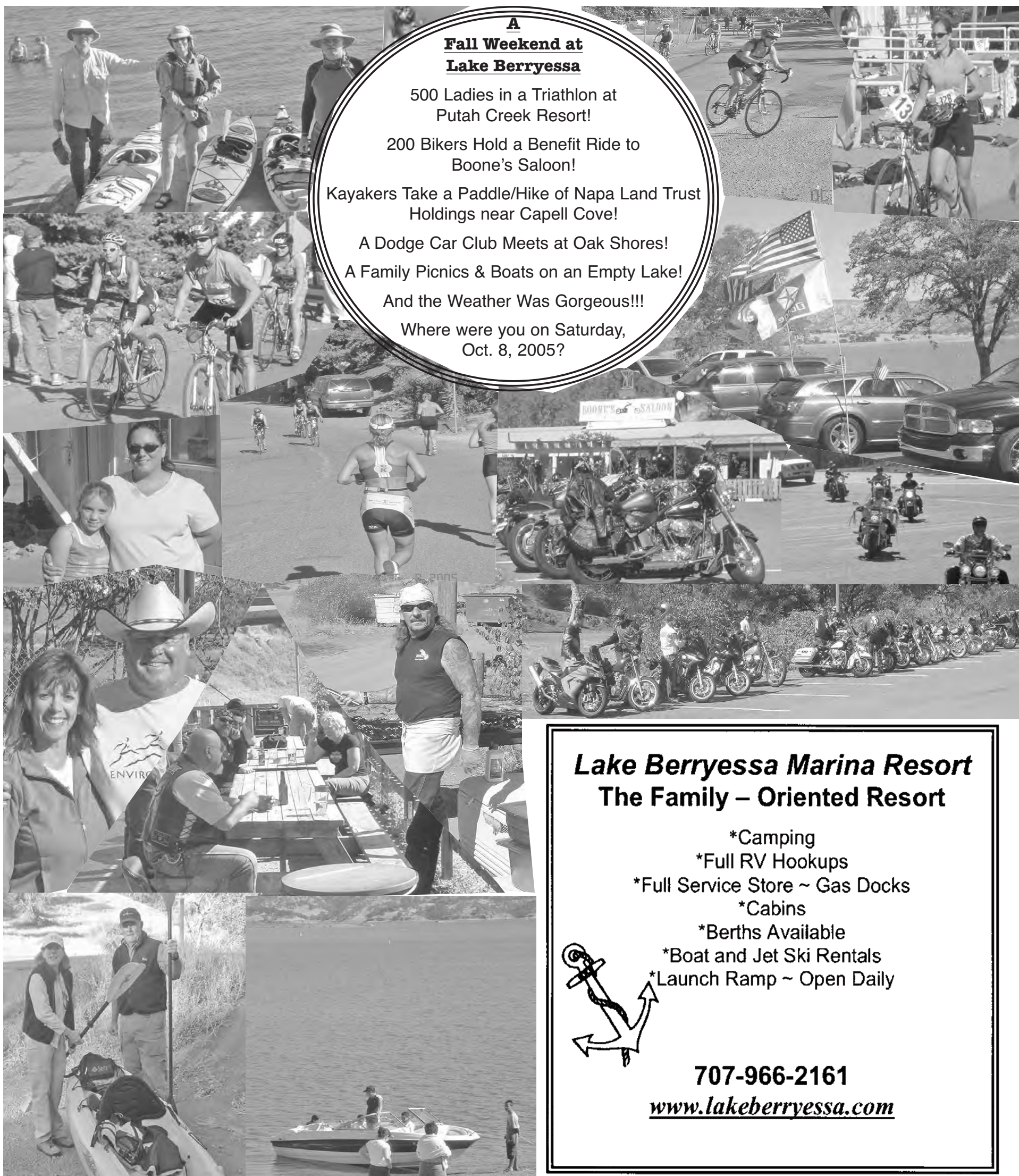
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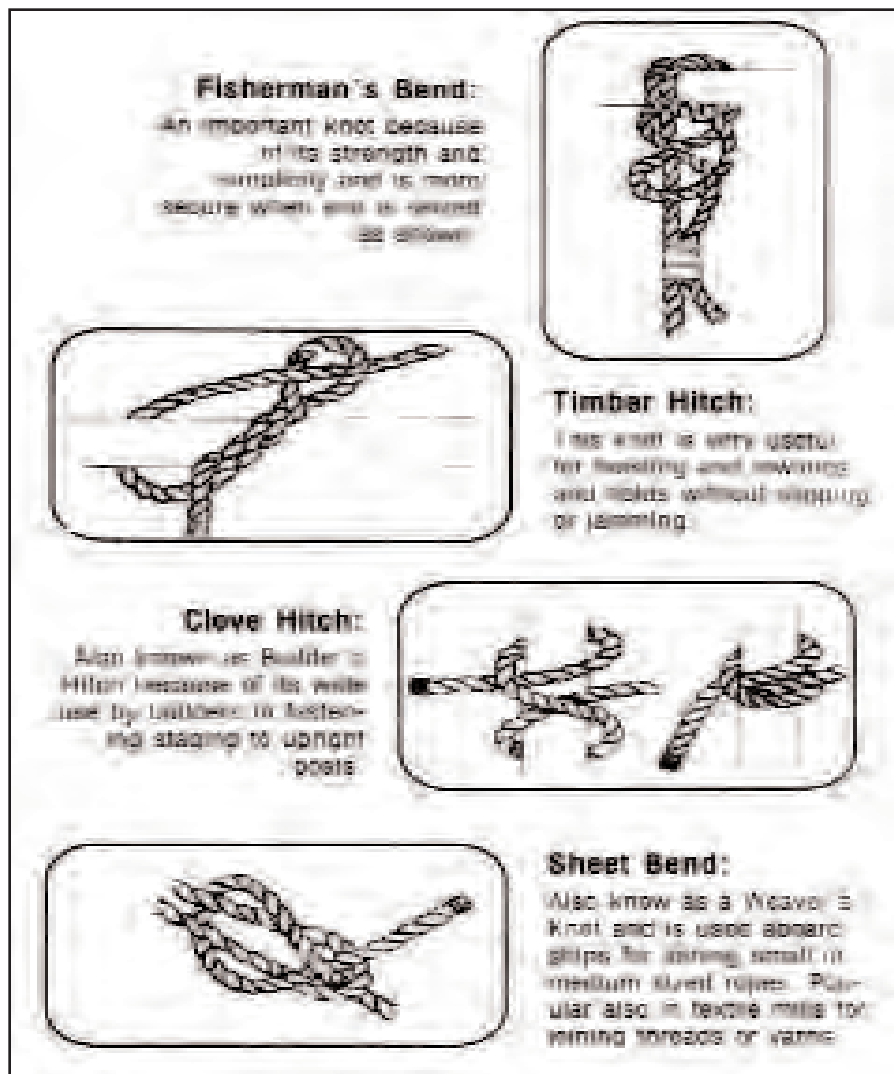
Survival of the Smallest?

In a Darwinian twist of fate, scientists believe fish are downsizing.

Driven by years of excessive fishing of larger and more highly prized fish, the average body sizes of many species have dropped dramatically. The trend, say scientists, is genetically based and signals dire consequences for marine fisheries.

By selecting the largest fish for harvest, you're preventing long reproductive life spans. In leaving the smallest to be the parents of the next generation, smaller size is evolving in populations. Smaller fish grow more slowly but mature faster, producing fewer, less hardy eggs than older, larger fish. Such a genetic shift in reproductive capability reduces a population's chance for recovery after being decimated by fishing.

One way to counter the problem is to harvest mid-sized fish. Releasing both the largest and smallest ones would favor those that grow fastest to protected size, while increasing the number of big, more fertile fish. And establishing a network of marine protected areas would not only sustain natural genetic variation in fish populations, but also allow them to replenish depleted areas.



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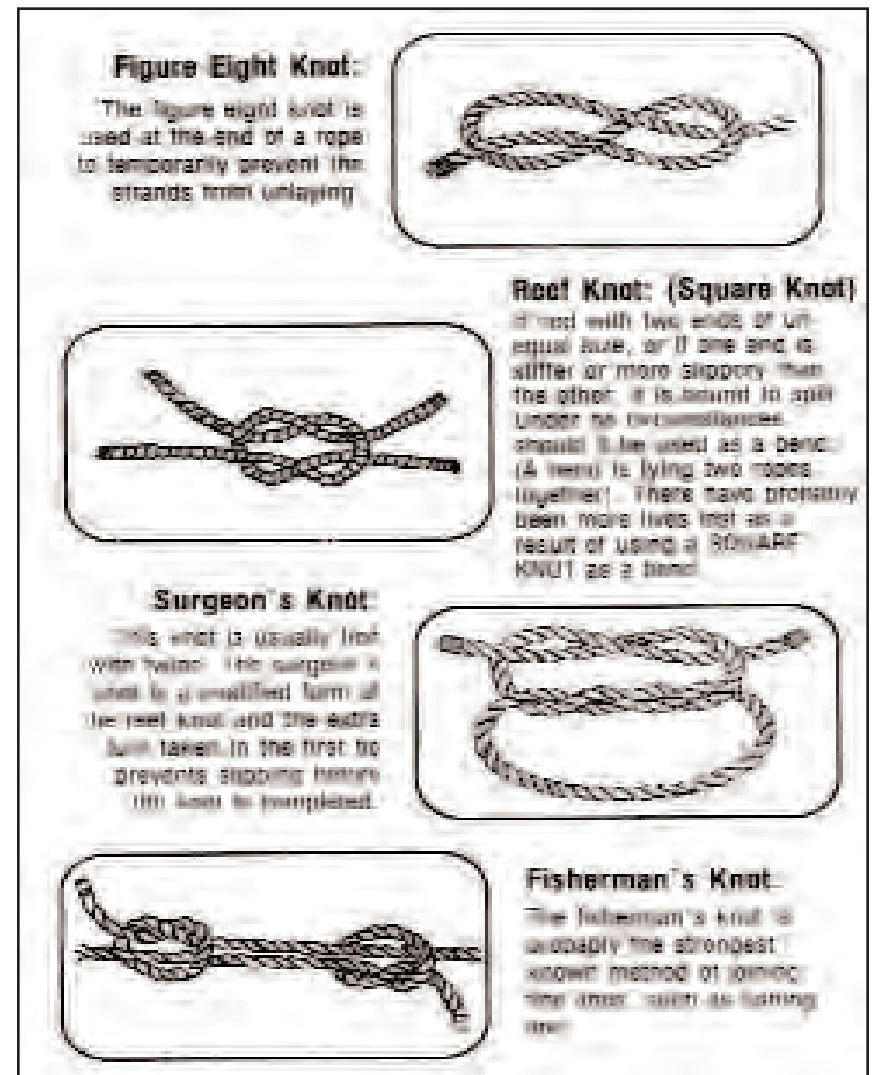
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Numbers, Numbers, Numbers

A ton of grapes makes about 720 bottles of wine, or 60 cases. Each bottle of wine contains about 2.8 pounds of grapes which means it takes about half a pound of grapes to produce a 5 ounce glass of wine.

18 - Average number of Category 4 and 5 hurricanes - those with winds of at least 131 mph - since 1990, up from an average of 10 per year in the 1970s.

1 - Increase in degrees fahrenheit of tropical sea surface temperatures since 1970, fueling speculation that global warming is making storms stronger.



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