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Scoop Nisker was a longtime fixture on San Francisco radio's KFOG during hippie times. He became well known for the catchphrase, "If you don't like the news... go out and make some of your own." Today his catchphrase would probably have to be "If you don't like the news, go out and MAKE UP some of your own."

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Everyone has a right to be stupid; some people just abuse the privilege.

Never attribute to malice that which can be adequately explained by stupidity

Only two things are infinite, the universe and human stupidity, and I'm not sure about the former.-Albert Einstein

Nothing in the world is more dangerous than sincere ignorance and conscientious stupidity.-Martin Luther King, Jr.

Kids now speak a language..."Oh, and I'm like, so happy to like, be here! And he's like, really cute". Teachers have coined the phrase "Like Latin" to describe this language.

The biggest cause of trouble in the world today is: the stupid people are so sure about things, and the intelligent folks are so full of doubts. -- Bertrand Russell

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Sadly, the days of people using proper English are went! Most people could care less that people say irregardless. This misuse should of been nipped in the butt long ago. Maybe they are just escape goats for the broader problems of the decline of education, but even though I have been biting my time here, cringing at the next foe par while they get off scotch free, it's truly a mute point these days. Face it: it's a doggie dog world. I think I'll just go curl up in a feeble position. Ex cetera, ex cetera, ex cetera...

### The Older Generation:

Walked to school and walked back.

Did their homework quickly to get out to play in the street.

Spent their free time on the street with their friends.

Played hide and seek after dark.

Collected sports cards.

Collected and returned empty soda bottles to the grocery store for 5 cents each, then bought a soda and candy bars with the money.

Bought vinyl albums to play on record players.

Collected photos and albums of clippings.

Played board games and cards on rainy days.

TV went off at midnight after playing the National Anthem.

Had parents who were there but not smothering.

Read books under the covers in bed so parents didn't know we were still awake.

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"Blew off" firecrackers and cherry bombs all day on the 4th of July.

Loved growing up when they did.

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# The Lake Berryessa News



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**April 1, 2022 - America's Favorite Holiday**

Remember, if you read it in The Lake Berryessa News April 1 Special Edition it must be true?

## The Lake Berryessa News Print Edition Is Back! Happy Saint Stupid's Day

### Glory Hole Up For Historical Landmark Status

Several local historical groups are thought to be bringing a proposal before Congress to have Lake Berryessa's Glory Hole Spillway designated as a national historical landmark. A National Historic Landmark is officially recognized for its outstanding historical significance as an aspect of American history and culture.

Although Glory Hole has been relatively well-known since Monticello Dam was built, it came to significant international prominence in 2017 when Lake Berryessa ended a ten-year drought with a dramatic forty-one foot rise in lake level and the overflow of Glory Hole by four feet!

Dramatic drone videos shot by the Lake Berryessa News Drone operator, Evan Kilkus, (available on the Lake Berryessa News website at [www.lakeberryessanews.com/photo-album/videos.html](http://www.lakeberryessanews.com/photo-album/videos.html)) were distributed around the world and seen by millions of viewers on YouTube. Thousands of visitors flocked to Lake Berryessa to see the Glory Hole in person. Lake Berryessa's Glory Hole deserves NHL status!

The proposal includes adding statuary to the spillway lip. Subjects range from famous people associated with building the dam to symbols of the primary recreation and sports activities of lake recreationists.



### Big Island Lagoon Water Park Proposed

In a highly unpopular move with no real public support the Bureau of Reclamation arbitrarily closed Big Island Lagoon, a traditional family boating rest area, to motorized recreation more than ten years ago. Finally acknowledging that their decision to outlaw motorized boats in favor of kayaks was a failure, i.e., very few kayaks or non-motorized boats have been seen there, the Bureau of Reclamation may propose a "better" public use of that part of the lake – a floating water park!

Reclamation is thought to have partnered with In the Great Scheme of Things (ITGSOT) recreation development company to pursue the possibility. The customer service motto of ITGSOT closely matches the BOR customer service approach to new projects: "You may not like it, you may disagree with it, you may actively oppose it, but in the great scheme of things we believe it makes perfect sense – and we are in charge!"



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**I can explain it to you, but I can't understand it for you!**



2 **A Little Bit O' Philosopher**  
**Helps the Satire Go Down...**

This is my favorite issue of the year. Sometimes satire is so close to reality that the joke simply escapes the uneducated and ignorant. And satire usually escapes the profoundly stupid.

In this Post-Truth World the Lake Berryessa News stands firmly behind its Truthiness. Truthiness is a quality characterizing a "truth" that a person making an argument or assertion claims to know intuitively "from the gut" or because it feels right without regard to evidence, logic, or facts. Truthiness is the error of preferring opinions or beliefs one wishes to be true, rather than concepts known to be true.

**St. Stupid's Day and the Dumbing Down of America**

St. Stupid is the patron saint of religion, politics, and the Internet. He and his followers are responsible for the dumbing down of America by the methodical destruction and purposeful elimination of the means by which a society educates and enlightens itself.

Historically there have always been stupid people, but the trend seems to be accelerating with attitude triumphing over substance in so many areas of modern culture—especially lately in politics and on various social media (another major source of blatant stupidity.)

Although April Fools Day celebrates sly wit and twisted humor, it also inadvertently highlights the serious lack of scientific and mathematical knowledge of the American public, as well as a complete lack of the ability to think analytically on the part of many.

This issue of the Lake Berryessa allows readers to hone their own mental skills as they decide how much truthiness each article contains.

**Will Rogers Sayings**

Never slap a man who's chewing tobacco.  
Never kick a cow chip on a hot day.  
There are two theories to arguing with a woman. Neither works.  
Never miss a good chance to shut up.  
The quickest way to double your money is to fold it and put it back into your pocket.  
Good judgment comes from experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment.

**New Luxury RV Camping Option?**  
**Dry Stack PODS With a View!**

Sun Communities, the parent company of Sun Lake Berryessa, is the nation's premier owner and operator of manufactured home and RV communities. It keeps growing and expanding into new markets such as the Napa Valley, which is why it bid aggressively to win the Lake Berryessa resort revitalization opportunity.

As an innovator in luxury RV camping opportunities, Sun is thought to be exploring new methods to provide facilities that would enhance a family's RVcamping experience in locations such as Lake Berryessa with its spectacular views while producing a smaller environmental footprint. Enter the RV dry stack pod concept. You've seen it expand for boats and cars. Now imagine it for RVs!



Each RV Stack POD will be a 3-level by 4-bay structure with full hook-ups and a front patio looking out over Lake Berryessa. The patio will include a BBQ and picnic equipment. The bays will have interconnecting doors for visiting friends in the next bay.

These POD Stacks are environmentally friendly since they provide facilities for twelve RVs in the normal footprint for four, leaving more open space for ground level activities.

Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot easier'n puttin' it back.

Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.

The older we get, the fewer things seem worth waiting in line for.

Being young is beautiful, but being old is comfortable and relaxed.

**Lake Berryessa's Golden Leeches**  
**Spur Health Startup**

The burgeoning beauty tourism industry is developing quickly, and the Lake Berryessa Chamber of Commerce hopes to be on the leading edge. Tourists are traveling to all corners of the globe in pursuit of cosmetic surgeries and beauty treatments.

Why do Hollywood celebrities swear by "leech therapy"? Throughout the medieval period, leeching was a standard therapy. Leeches were allowed to remove the blood from patients that were deemed to be 'out of balance'. The treatment also helped people suffering from different skin diseases, diseases of the nervous systems, and inflammation.

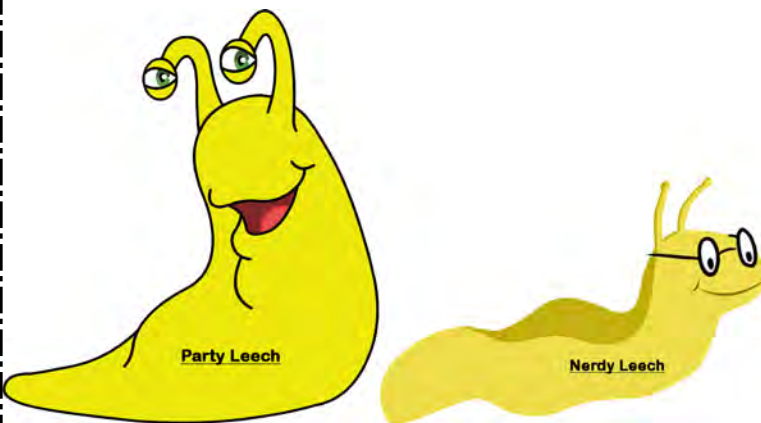
Celebrities like actress Demi Moore and model Miranda Kerr swear by the benefits of leech therapy on their skin. Leeches have an enzyme called Hirudin in their saliva, which is an anticoagulant. It prevents clots, promotes blood circulation, and prevents infections.

Increasingly studies conducted by the University of Lake Berryessa suggest that chemicals in the saliva of the endemic Berryessa Golden Leech species improves the blood flow and can help with a host of diseases, including heart disease, cancer, and more.

ULB scientists have isolated two species of Berryessa Golden Leeches - photos below. A combination of extracts from both of them gives people an intellectual boost while enhancing their personality and conversational ability.

Some mothers have been upset when their children had leeches on their legs from playing in warm shallow water at the lake. However, anecdotal evidence seems to indicate that those children suffered from fewer colds or other health issues during the winter school season. More ULB research needs to be done.

Meanwhile, the Berryessa Beauty Boo-tique will be opening soon. The owners have partnered with the makers of Berryessa BioFuel Body Boost to provide a full-service vacation experience, including the opportunity for a boating expedition for their customers to capture their own Berryessa Golden Leeches for their beauty treatments.



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I was jut thinking about the word "minimum" written in cursive!

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**Easter 2022**

This year, Easter will be observed on Sunday, April 17. Easter this year happens just one day after April's full Moon (Saturday, April 16), which is the first full Moon to occur after the spring equinox (March 20, 2022)

The first full Moon to occur after that date rises on Saturday, April 16. Therefore, Easter will be observed on the subsequent Sunday, which is Sunday, April 17.

Ironically, Easter fell on April Fool's Day in 2018 - for the first time since 1956. Since 1900, Easter has fallen on April Fool's Day only four times - 1923, 1934, 1945 and 1956. It won't happen again until 2029.

Over a 500-year period (from 1600 to 2099 AD), it just so happens that Easter will have most often been celebrated on either March 31 or April 16.



**Onion Headlines**

Putin Pleased As Plot To Ruin Russian Economy and Destroy International Standing Goes Exactly To Plan

GOP senators Silent On Russian Invasion Of Ukraine - "We're Waiting For Trump To Tell Us How We Feel"

Trump tells GOP to take notes from Putin on how to properly topple a democratically elected government you don't like

Putin stops invasion because everyone is being so mean

AARP Offers Honorary Membership To Young People Whose Lives Are Essentially Over

Body Language Expert Can Tell With 90% Accuracy If Person Sitting

Twitter User Shares Same Photo Of Dead Body In Rubble For Every International Conflict

Weather Center: We Dumb It Down The Best We Can For Our Viewers In The Deep South

Weather Center: Scattered Deaths of Elderly Floridians Expected Throughout The Week

Bostonians Urged To Speak Like Normal Human Beings When Communicating With Flood Rescue Personnel

Professor Not Buying Student's Excuse About Having To Play In NCAA Tournament

Kremlin uncovers Ukraine's vast bioweapons stockpile next to Iraq's weapons of mass destruction

GOP Leadership In ICU With Whiplash Following Abrupt Change In Russia Policy

Trucker Convoy Arrives Late in DC, Now Protesting That There Are No More Mandates Left to Protest



**April Horoscopes**

Aquarius (1/20-2/18): You've always had a strong fight-or-flight reflex, which turns out to be completely useless when negotiating for the best price on a bedroom set.

Pisces (2/19-3/20): You've finally risen to the top of your profession only to find the world's other 450,000 deep-fryer operators are pretty much there, too.

Aries (3/21-4/19): You've avoided throwing the baby out with the bathwater. However, you're now left with the problem of how to dispose of a clean but rapidly drying baby.

Taurus (4/20-5/20): You won't be thanked for helping to solve a major social problem when people decide to give all the credit to the guy who made the bumper sticker.

Gemini (5/21 – 6/21): There aren't many people who get as angry at a poorly made Manhattan cocktail as you do, making it very easy for investigators to figure out what happened.

Cancer (6/22-7/22): You'll learn a painful lesson about accepting dares while drunk, but at least the residents of Niagara Falls will have something to talk about for a while.

Leo (7/23-8/22): You always thought ladybugs were such cute, innocent insects, but it turns out that in sufficient numbers, any creature can gnaw one's leg down to the bone.

Virgo (8/23-9/22): Your actions have not gone unnoticed. Prepare to receive a summons to appear before the House Subcommittee on Talking About Work While People Are Trying to Watch Football.

Libra (9/23-10/22): Due to your optimism, your death next week with come as a big surprise; however, due to your devout Christianity, what comes after will be a terrible shock.

Scorpio (10/23-11/21): You've never considered yourself much of a music person, which means you'll have a lot of adjusting to do after a high-speed collision with a harpsichord leaves you tragically harmonious.

Sagittarius (11/22-12/21): The stars foretell that food will materialize in your refrigerator the fourth time you open it.

Capricorn (12/22-1/19): The baboon will see you as a threat to the social hierarchy of the pack, which truth be told, is giving you way too much credit.

**BitCoin, DitzCoin, NFTs, BFDs:**  
**Crypto-Craze for Lake Berryessa Investors**

The Lake Berryessa News (LBN) has entered into a partnership with the University of Lake Berryessa (ULB) to introduce a series of Incredible Investment Instruments (III-pronounced aye-a y e - a y e s ! ) founded on a radical new cryptocurrency, DitzCoin, developed at ULB’s Lake Berryessa campus located deep beneath Big Island.

DitzCoin (a Little Bit o’ Bitcoin) refers to a new type a cryptocurrency designed by Professor Eduardo Ponzi of the Advanced Economics Department of the University of Lake Berryessa. While a bit more dodgy than “traditional” cryptos, i.e., with a lifetime of more than one year, which have exploded as investment options, DitzCoin is designed to appeal to the uber-risk takers seeking a new get rich quick (GRQ) scheme. GRQers practice an eclectic thought process once referred to a ditzy but now known to have created a class of millionaires trading financial instruments of no actual value.

**Non-Fungible Tokens (NFTs) vs**  
**. Berryessa Future Developments (BFDs)**



NFTs, or Non-Fungible Tokens, are digital tokens stored on the blockchain. They have exploded on the financial market during the last few years.

Unlike cryptocurrencies where each coin is the same (there’s no reason to prefer one particular Bitcoin over another), each NFT is unique using the Blockchain as a way to prove ownership over some sort of digital file which can then be bought and sold. NFTs have typically been used to purchase art but have expanded into the “anything goes when you’re

trying to make money” realm. NFTs have no intrinsic value but have created several millionaires. Types of NFTs: Collectible items/Trading cards; Artwork; Event tickets; Music and media: Big Sports Moments; Virtual Fashion; Real-world assets.

BFDs, or Berryessa Future Developments, have no intrinsic value - the same as NFTs. BFDs will be photos and stories from the Lake Berryessa News of the future development of the lake resorts and community. Investors will be able to own these digital through the Blockchain, as is now the case with NFTs.

Investing in BFDs (Berryessa Future Developments) using DitzCoin is an innovative, yet risky and volatile application of decentralized finance. DeFi has skyrocketed in popularity recently thanks to further University of Lake Berryessa financial innovations such as yield farming, liquidity mining, and Ditzcoin diving.

Ditzcoin diving is equivalent to Bitcoin mining. But Ditzcoin diving occurs when a potential investor earns BFDs by scuba diving Lake Berryessa to retrieve hermetically sealed packages of DitzCoin.

The future value of BFDs is dependent on the number of Ditzoids who wish to play this game, getting in on the new financial bubble. As with the stock market, which also has no intrinsic or productive value, (See “The Stock Market Is NOT The Economy, Stupid!” at [www.lakeberryessanews.com/past-stories/the-stock-market-is-not-the.html](http://www.lakeberryessanews.com/past-stories/the-stock-market-is-not-the.html) ). Investors assume all the risks and rewards.

In the words of Dr. Ponzi’s relatives and mentors from the past, “What could possibly go wrong?”



**Floating Native American Casino (FloNAC) Coming to Lake Berryessa, But When? (April 1, 2022 Update)**

Now that Sun Lake Berryessa, LLC has won the bid to redevelop three resorts at Lake Berryessa to include a wide range of amenities and lodging, the subject of the long-delayed Floating Native American Casino (FloNAC), first proposed in 2010 and resurfacing in 2016, has once again become a topic of interest. The business synergy between Sun Lake Berryessa and FloNAC is obvious. Sun provides nearby lodging, recreation, food services, electric shuttle boat services, and logistics support under contract with FloNAC; FloNAC attracts more customers and achieves more revenue without any large additional monetary investment.

Part 1 of this saga began in 2010 when, in a stealth legal action with profound long-term consequences, a consortium of Native American tribes forced the Bureau of Reclamation to allow them to build a floating casino on the surface waters of Lake Berryessa. The April 1, 2010, announcement of the project included the timeline and legal basis for this development.

Native American attorney, Hadge Uefuuld, said that Reclamation opened the door to this action during the 2009 Lake Berryessa concession bid process by formally defining the “land surface” as categorically different from the “water surface” under federal government control.

The recent Supreme Court ruling that corporations are people with the rights of individual human American citizens has added significant weight to the Native American tribes’ arguments. Now that the Supreme Court has ruled that private corporations can legally be considered private citizens with all the rights that entails, it follows that citizens can now be considered corporations with all the rights that entails.

The five-justice majority reached an outcome that greatly expands the legal rights and political power of corporations — by trying to redefine basic reality. Since Native Americans have historically had their basic reality redefined by the federal government in disastrous ways, they were quick to take advantage of this ruling.



**Original FloNAC Plan**

Lake Berryessa is an official FAA seaplane base so access to the casino for high rollers is guaranteed. Seaplane ferry service is already being developed from regional airports as well as, Las Vegas itself. ICON



Aircraft, a Vacaville manufacturer of the ICON A5 Light Sport Aircraft – the “jet ski of the skies”- will lease A5s to qualified FloNAC customers. Sun Lake Berryessa may also rent the A5 to adventurous resort guests. The photo above shows the Lake Berryessa News publisher, Peter Kilkus, also a veteran jet ski racer, piloting the sporty plane above Lake Berryessa.

Part 2 of this saga continued into 2016. Although the project has been delayed since then, the failure of the Bureau of Reclamation to achieve any progress since 2010 nor receive any successful

**Future FloNAC Plan**



proposals in its lake resort redevelopment bid process in 2016 brought the project back under consideration.

Native American organizers and their supporters had planned to reveal the next stage in this development on April 1, 2017 - seven years after the initial proposal was released. Native American attorney, Hadge Uefuuld, said that year would have fulfilled the “7th generation” principle for the floating casino project.

This Native American principle says that in every decision, be it personal, governmental or corporate, we must consider how it will affect our descendants seven generations into the future. Because of the speed of modern life and the impact of social media on decision-making, Native Americans are now substituting the word “year” for “generation”. Thus 2017, seven years later, was the spiritual target for the casino's completion. Coincidentally, 2017 was the year that the political momentum for Napa County taking over management of the lake resorts from the Bureau of Reclamation peaked – spearheaded by the Lake Berryessa News.

Local businesses and residents were delighted with the prospect of this potentially very positive impact of FloNAC on the Lake Berryessa economy, especially now that Napa County itself has taken over management of the lake resorts under a Managing Partner Agreement (MPA) with the Bureau of Reclamation. All development at the lake was managed by Napa County from 1958 through 1974.

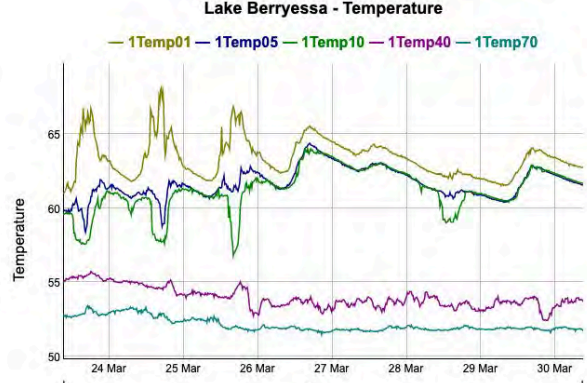
It was under Napa’s guidance that the resorts were developed, mobile home units were leased to provide ongoing revenue to support the day use facilities, and the lake became a profitable, top recreational destination for the whole Bay Area and beyond. This could be the new future legacy for the Native American community since they were the original residents of the Berryessa Valley. So here we are in 2022, five more years later – 12 years total delay. Finally full circle, anyone?



## Lake Berryessa Statistics (4/1/22)

The lake is now down to 401 feet – 39 feet below Glory Hole. The level had held steady for more than 2 months. The official rainfall total at Monticello Dam to 16.81 inches despite the .70 inches that fell on March 28.

The Gamble Gauge shows the lake at 65.4% capacity. Water temperatures are mixed but rising slightly. The surface is up to 65 degrees.



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Thirty years ago, Anheuser-Busch Inc. was looking for a West Coast home for its Budweiser distilling vats, it tested the water in Solano County and stipulated it would move to Fairfield if the city could guarantee to provide only Lake Berryessa water. According to the Fairfield Brewery, “Lake Berryessa is a consistent, high quality water source for our brewery”.

A new local company, Berryessa BioFuel Body Boost, LLC, has developed a process to make Lake Berryessa water’s health benefits available to more than just Lake Berryessa swimmers and Budweiser drinkers. The company, founded by the same three young environmental innovators who just started Napachar, has also found a way to supercharge their Berryessa Biofuel Body Boost product by infusing it with algae harvested from the lake.

The potential health benefits of Lake Berryessa water may be due to the runoff from some of the endemic vegetation in the hills above the lake. The wide variety of local plant and water-based species, including the rare Lake Berryessa Golden Leeches, are still being studied for their unique chemical constituents and health attributes.

This may be the source of the nutrients that cause a rare intermittent bloom of a unique algae in the lake. These algae are harvested and grown in large high-volume bioreactors and filtered through biochar created by anaerobic transformation of select local manzanita cuttings. The Berryessa Body Boost is then inoculated with this special extract producing an elixir with enhanced benefits well beyond those found in less effective products.



## The Greater Lake Berryessa Region

