

RIEL FAMILY NEWS LETTER

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EASTER CELEBRATION BIG SUCCESS

Easter Sunday 1991 was celebrated at home, starting at 11:00 am, and everyone was there except for the Hartman bunch, who were away in snow, hunting eggs. The usual buffet lunch was served, including turkey, ham, candied sweet potatoes, broccoli (Richard's special blend), several salads, bread, rolls and a lot of other goodies. Bob G. did an outstanding job of carving the turkey, and has been awarded that job on a permanent basis. After lunch was served the traditional easter egg hunt, organized by Carol, Margaret and the others was enjoyed. Children, and some adults lunched on the lower patio, and eggs were cleverly hidden in the bushes, under tables, and in Bob R.'s socks and grandpa's shirt pocket. Selected eggs contained two one dollar bills, (not new), and to the best of our knowledge no eggs were overlooked. As a matter of fact, some left-over eggs from last year were found. Francie and Jose had to leave early, but Uncle Alan took charge of Brett and Bryce. A good time was had by all, and we look forward to the next family party. We all missed Birdy and Company, but we received the following news flash on their Easter celebration.

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NEWS FLASH "DAD FINALLY GETS SNOWED APRIL 1ST"

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RUNNY NOSE DEPARTMENT

Bruce Hartman recently underwent orthoscopic surgery on one knee. This procedure is fairly simple, compared to the older methods, and Bruce was out of the hospital the same day. Get well soon, Bruce!

KRISTY GILLINGHAM



GOOD CITIZEN AWARD FOR KRISTY GILLINGHAM

We learned recently that our own Kristy was honored by receiving the weekly school "Good Citizen" award. This award is given to the student having the best all around record of responsible behavior and good reports from all classes, during that period of time. She commented as follows; "Once upon a time there was a girl named Kristy, and she won the Good Citizen award. She got a blue one, her favorite color. Kristy had to stay in after school to get the award"

VACATION NEWS

Mom and Dad recently spent a mid-week vacation in Laughlin, Nevada. We stayed at the Colorado Belle, and enjoyed the excitement of the casinos. We had some good luck at the bingo games, winning nearly \$200, which covered bingo expenses plus a few dollars profit. Dad did have a first time perfect bingo, that is, a bingo in only four calls, which is pretty fast. He got a lot of dirty looks from the rest of the players. Unfortunately, the win was on a give-away bonus card, so it paid only \$60. The machines were another story, however, in that all the winnings and some more went into the slots and never came back. We also enjoyed some good meals, (and some not so good) and it turned out to be a nice vacation. The car still makes the funny little noise that has been going on for some time, and has mystified several mechanics, but it performed perfectly the entire time.

BIRTHDAY CALENDAR

There were two birthday celebrations involving a day with the grandparents. Dustin (5 years old) was taken to lunch, followed by an afternoon at the park and zoo. April 11th was Kevin's 12th birthday, and he was treated to lunch at Garcia's, followed by a visit to the Space Museum. During lunch he announced that he plans on a career as a lawyer, so he can make lots of money. Mom says she can hardly wait until she can sue somebody. Brian also became a year older, on the 5th, and soon will be old enough to join in on his annual lunch and day of fun. Robert and Jan also celebrated, and a HAPPY BIRTHDAY to all.

MAY BIRTHDAY SCHEDULE

Hugh Mehan	May 28	39+
Bob Gillingham	May 31	36
Michelle Hartman	May 17	9
Curtis Hartman	May 2	7

It should be noted that Uncle Bud hits a major milestone in May, when he starts on his second half century. See next months issue for the story on this momentous event.

SPORTS NEWS

In response to numerous requests RFNL is starting a new feature with this issue. We plan on listing the schedules for the various teams which include family members. In addition, selected "great achievements" of individual players will be reported on, as they are called to our attention. In order to make this a news available, we need input from the various families. We have some information, as listed below, but we need the rest, in order to cover all of the games going on.

Brett and Bryce Sorem both are active in the Little League program. Brett will be playing on May 4th(8:00AM), 11th(12:00PM), 18th(4:00PM) and 23rd(5:00PM). Bryce will play on May 4th(10:00AM), 11th(10:00AM) and 18th(10:00AM). All games will be at Tecolote Field, upper. Brett plays shortstop and 1st base for the Pinto Division Yankees. He has been hitting well and playing hard. Although they have not been winning a lot, all of their losses have been by less than three runs. Bryce plays every position (usually all at once) for the T-Ball Angles. His enthusiasm and great love for a good time has been duly noted by all of the parents. That makes him a star in our book.

Kristy plays for the Red Hots mini-softball team, and games are scheduled for 8:00AM each Saturday, at Lake Murray field. Bob G. is one of the coaches. David plays T-Ball for the Giants, and their games are on Saturdays, at Lake Murray field.

Kevin, Chris, Nathan and Timmy all are playing baseball this season, and additional details on their achievements will be published in a later issue. We understand that Michael Mehan is a star goalie on his soccer team, but we need more details for a future issue.

JOKE OF THE MONTH

Another new feature in this publication is being introduced this month, and we are starting off with a church joke.

Once there was a widow who was sad and lonely over the loss of her husband. However, she was very attached to their pet dog, which she and her late husband had raised from a puppy. As the years went by she took great comfort in the company her pet provided. However, as time went by the dog became more and more infirm, and one day he died. Once again she was saddened, and decided that as a final gesture of affection she would arrange a religious ceremony when the dog was buried. She called her pastor, but he told her that their church did not have a burial rite for animals. She tried several other churches, but the answer always was the same. However, the last pastor she tried suggested that she try the Catholic church. "Those Catholics have a rite for almost anything", he said. She decided to visit the rectory and talk directly to the priest in charge. When she explained to him her wish he replied "Madam, I am sorry, but we do not give last rites to dogs". She replied, "I'm so sorry, I really was hoping you could help me. As a matter of fact, I had made up my mind that I was going to give your parish \$25,000 if you could fulfill my request." The priest paused for a few seconds, and then replied. "Madam, you forgot to tell me that the dog was Catholic".

We will need additional contributions for the coming issues, so be sure and send in one of your favorites. Entries are invited from grandchildren as well, so lets hear from you.

CORRECTION

In the last issue we misspelled the last name of the Hartman family. This error was derived from a similar error in the annual "Everything You Ever Wanted to Know..." book put out by Richard. Hopefully this error will be corrected in the next issue. Also, it was noted that Curtis's birthday is listed in the Birdy Christmas Calendar as May 2, whereas the "Everything.. " book lists it as May 17, (Michelle's birthday). We assume that Birdy knows the correct date, hence another correction is expected.

NEW FORMAT FOR RFNL

Because of the large volume of news we deemed important enough to publish, the second issue is printed in small type, and on two pages. However, we still are lacking news from some members, so don't be reluctant to send in your own items for publication. Let' hear from everyone!

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Dad - here is my contribution to your newsletter. In case you are going to have a sport section I included May schedules & information. Please feel free to delete & edit as space available. Hope you get lots of response, I loved the 1st edition. Hope you enjoy my contributions.

Francie

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Francie

Brett + Bryce Sorens little league schedule

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Sat. May 11th 12:00 P.M. Sat. May 11th 10:00 A.M.
Sat. May 18th 4:00 P.M. Sat. May 18th 10:00 A.M.
Thu. May 23rd 5:00 P.M.

All games played at Tecolote Field (off of 5 at mission Bay - Tecolote exit) upper fields.

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Dad - you may want to mention that Bud turns 50 on May 28th! I'm sure if solicited for an interview he would give the appropriate answer - no comment.

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Kristy G Award

"Once upon a time there was a girl
named K. and she won the good by
award. She got a blue ^{and} her favours
color, K had to stay in from school
and to get the award."

Over + 1 per week, for

to show all other good citizens

Because never get a bad report

per sci, and, all good reports

spn

K - Red hats mini soft ball team

Bob is assistant coach

Sas as 8 PM Lake Mary

Field

D: T - Ball Center

Sas as J. M. field
various school.

Bob interview - decision in May
m/v/cu comp exam for PhD Sat next
Po from College

Education - reduce budget
science
seals of ed