

# RIEL FAMILY NEWS LETTER

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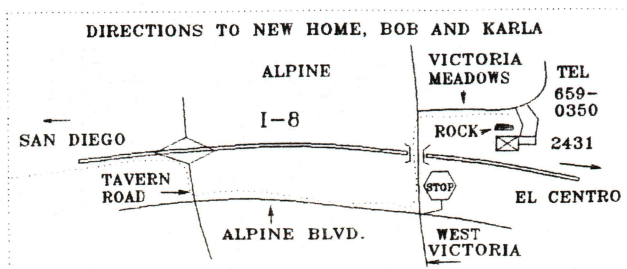
## BOB AND KARLA MOVE FAMILY TO ALPINE

**MOVE TAKES TWO DAYS** - Friday and Saturday were special days for the Bob Riel family. Friday was the last night at 7710 Bacadi Drive, and Saturday was the first night at the new home in Alpine, 2431 Victoria Meadows Drive, Alpine 91901. Moving was a big job, but everything went well, thanks to the well organized way the various items had been packed and labeled. On Saturday a volunteer crew, including some friends plus the able assistance of Ed, Timothy and Grandpa Riel finished up loading everything on several trucks. By 10:00 AM everyone took off in convoy, with Grampa Riel bring up the rear in his little Toyota loaded to the top with various items. We all pulled in at the new place by 10:45, and everyone pitched in to unload. The garage got it's share of boxes and the like, and all of the furniture was put in it's proper place. The most exciting part was the use of the lift that Bob had rented to take care of moving in the upstairs items. Due to the loose soil in the back yard, there were some stability problems when the lift was raised. After some strategic spade work, plus positioning against the side of the house it was pronounced safe, and everything was unloaded without a hitch. For two story houses a lift really beats carrying heavy items up a staircase.

After everything was in the crew retired to the local restaurant for a well earned lunch. Just as lunch was finished (tough luck) Jeff, Carol, Jessica and Dustin showed up. However, all was not lost, since Grandpa treated the second shift to ice cream. We understand that Richard and Liz and also Margaret and Bud arrived at Bacadi street too late to help out. The next time we will leave a note so they can find us and help out with the unpacking.

The new home is simply great. There is a living room with a fireplace and an adjoining dining room, a kitchen with new appliances, a family room with a fireplace, and a three car garage. The upstairs master bedroom has an outside deck, a large walk in closet and the master bathroom with tub and shower. The other three bedrooms are for Katie, Brian and Bob's office. The entire house is air conditioned, so warm days are no problem. The lot is a full acre with tremendous potential for back breaking labor. The most unusual feature of the front yard is a huge half buried rock, which is there to stay.

Although we all have fond memories of the old house, especially the Halloween haunted house exhibit Robert created, the new place is much nicer, and we all wish it's new occupants many happy years of enjoyment. The map below defines how to find the new place, and when the time comes we all look forward to a visit.



## MICHAEL AND MEGAN SAVE FAMOUS HISTORICAL SITE

**NEWS FLASH - PISA, ITALY** In a very dramatic manner one of the most famous historical sites and tourist attractions in the world was saved from destruction by the quick thinking and positive action taken by RFNL International Correspondents Michael and Megan Riel-Mehan. When it was noted that the famous tower in this city was about to topple over Michael and Megan rushed over and held it upright (almost) until workers could be summoned to prop it up with fresh concrete. This dramatic moment was captured in picture by RFNL International Photographer Margaret Riel, and her photograph is published exclusively in RFNL, as shown below.



FAMOUS LEANING TOWER LEANING TOO FAR

**VACATION NEWS**

The Mehan family returned home from their latest trip, a visit to Italy, as reported in the September issue of RFNL. Their tour included not only Pisa, as noted above, but also visits to Florence and Venice. Both cities were very impressive, as was the Pisa visit. Some of their experiences are described by RFNL International Correspondents Michael and Megan, as follows:

Correspondent Michael - "My jaw dropped when I walked under the archway where the famous tower of Pisa leans. The leaning tower of Pisa has eight stories, and on the eighth floor are four bells (that's because it's a bell tower). Nobody knows if the tower was meant to tilt or if it tilted unexpectedly. People injected cement under the tower so it would stop tilting but it didn't work. You can't go in the leaning tower of Pisa today because they think it might tip over. The leaning tower of Pisa was built in 1200 and every year it tilts more."

Correspondent Megan - "THE MARBLE STATUE" - "Next to the cathedral we saw a marble statue that we thought was a real statue, and you probably would too, but to our surprise she started to move and then she passed around a hat to the big crowd. The crowd put money in the hat very gratefully. Then she got on her stand again and stood as still as a statue while the crowd took pictures."

Grandpa and Grandma Riel enjoyed another trip to casino land, Laughlin, Nevada again, during the week of the 23-28. We stayed at Sam's Town again, and reconfirmed that when the outside temperature is 105 the best way is to check in and stay there until check out time. The food was excellent, and we were quite lucky, especially at bingo, so it was a fun time.

**BIRTHDAY CALENDAR**

September was not a very busy month for birthday celebrations. The only one was Jason, left over from August due to scheduling problems. It did happen last month, however, and Grandma and Jason took a trip to the Wild Animal Park. We understand that such a good time was had that Jason was too tired to go to the toy store, so he was given a cash gift to spend later on. HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JASON!!!

**OCTOBER BIRTHDAY CALENDAR**

Edward Riel	October 3	43
Katie Riel	October 6	6
Scott Hartman	October 15	6

**SPECIAL NOTICE**

If anyone is planning a trip by air, be sure and check with RFNL Travel Consultant Francie. She has subscribed to a magazine which provides information on how to achieve remarkable savings on air travel. This same publication was discussed recently on Channel 8 news, and recommended

by them. Apparently it is not used by travel agents, and is disliked by airlines because it reveals how special rates on certain flights can be used in ways not intended by the airline. For example, Francie reports that she will be flying to Boston and return this month, and the total fare is only \$200.00! By the way, don't forget that the next payment on the FRANCIE FORTY celebration is due on November 1.

**SPORTS NEWS**

Grandpa and Grandma Riel were winners in the September Tournament of Champions event at Stardust Country Club. This event is a monthly better ball of partners competition, and each month's winning team will compete in the year end tournament, in January, 1992, for the years best team. The September winning score was a net 59 (13 under par), a 31 on the front nine and a 28 on the back nine. We are looking forward to January

**SPECIAL NOTICE - MERICA FAMILY NEWS**

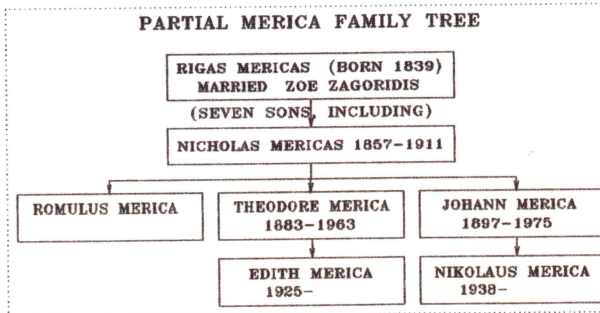
Recently Edith received a letter from a cousin she has never met, since he has lived in Europe or Iran his entire life. His name is Nikolaus Merica, and he currently lives in Germany. His letter is reproduced, as follows:

"Dear Edith, Isa requested me to send you a copy of our great, great parents Rigas and Zoe Mericas, because she had lost her copy. First of all, I would like to introduce myself to you. As you know I am Nikolaus, born in Vienna in 1938, son of the brother of your father, Johann Merica. My father died in 1973 and my mother two years before.

As you know, I was working for some years in Teheran with Romulus and Byron as a representative of Messrs. Siegle. (1968-1972) Afterwards I went back to Germany and joined the company Dr. Hans Heubach. (1972) With these people I still work as a sales manager for Bavaria and Austria. The apartment from my parents, I still have it and will be there when I am in Vienna. Heubach is a producer of materials, especially zinkoxide, zinkwhite and pigments.

I do not know if Isa informed you that I am living alone and do not have children. For a short time I was married, but the problems were too much, so I got divorced.

This, dear Edith, is in short my life and I do hope that the copy will satisfy you and I would be glad to hear from you in the future. With best regards to you and your husband, yours, Nikolaus Merica"



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--This is your foreign coorespondent, Megan Riel Mehan, ~~coming~~ to the Riel Family Newsletter

reporting

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