RIEL FAMILY NEWS LETTER

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FAMILY ENJOYS THANKSGIVING DAY CELEBRATION

FUN DAY AT GRANDMA'S AND GRANDPA'S

The annual Riel Thanksgiving day celebration was held at home, this year, and was enjoyed by all who were present. Arrangements were informal, with some of the gang showing up at Grant School yard for a soccer game. We have no real information on the outcome, but we did determine that the proceedings were marred by an injury to Aunt Margaret, who limped back home with an injured toe, resulting from a poorly placed kick. Later on we learned that there was a break in the bone, but this type of injury needs no special treatment, except for lots of sympathy, which was expressed by all present. There were two turkeys, one cooked by Mom and the other by Jeff and Carol. In addition., there were many other goodies, including salads, candied yams, (Francie special) bread for sandwiches, and some delicious desserts. After the food there was lots of action in the pool room, both pool and ping pong. Grandpa gave some expert instruction on how to shoot pool, and a number of the kids learned some of the finer points of the game. All in all, it was another fun day, and a good opener for the holiday season.

CHRISTMAS PARTY CONTEST NEWS

The selection committee met in secret recently, and examined all of the entries submitted. After considerable discussion on the merits of the many fine entries a decision was made on the final winner. As previously announced, the winner is a secret until the January 1st Christmas party, at which time the T-shirts with the new logo will be distributed, and prizes awarded. The January issue of RPNL will display the new logo, and the lead story will define the basis for the winning selection. There were many excellent entries, and the choice of the winner was not easy. Several of the better runner-ups also will be published, so watch for the next issue.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAY CALENDAR

Liz Riel	December 3	41
Alan Sorem	December 4	45
Frank Riel	December 6	74
Kristy Gillingham	December 8	q

SICK CALL

As most of you know, Grandpa spent a week in the hospital, in early December. He woke up one night with severe stomach cramps and vomiting, and after several hours without any relief the doctor ordered him to the

emergency room for examination. He was required to stay in the hospital for treatment and some tests. The opinion of the medical experts was that it was an attack of pancreatitus, that is, inflammation of the pancreas. That organ secretes various fluids which aid in digestion, especially insulin, which controls metabolism of sugar. The most common cause of pancreatitus is the consumption of alcohol, and it was recommended that no more be consumed. This recommendation will be followed. After the holidays, however, there will be another procedure which involves insertion of a fiber optics tube into the stomach in order to inspect the opening of the pancreatic duct into the stomach. Any blockage or small stone obstruction to the release of pancreatic fluid would produce the same symptoms. The procedure is done at the hospital, under out-patient conditions. In addition to the above, Grandpa sustained some cartilage damage in the right knee, which has made walking very painful. The doctor has said that it will heal up by itself, and no treatment is required.

We understand that Bruce Hartman is not yet fully recovered from his recent thyroid problems. We do not have any details, except that he is experiencing vision problems. We hope all will be corrected shortly.

LAST MONTH'S PUZZLE SOLVED

The key to solving last month's puzzle was to count the number of open ends in each letter. The following diagram shows the code and identifies that the only remaining letter having the code number of one is P. There were four correct solutions submitted, by Michael Mehan, Kevin Riel and Jason and Jessica Benesch. Nice going, kids, and keep up the good work.

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BRAIN TRASER FOR THIS MONTH

With this issue of RFNL we are introducing a new policy, as requested by some of our readers. We will have two puzzles, one for the older kids, designated seniors, and an easier one for the younger ones, designated juniors. We have selected January 1, 1983 as the cut off date. All born after that date are juniors, and all born prior to that date are seniors. We hope that this procedure will encourage more participation, by giving easier, (relatively) puzzles for the younger ones. The rule is that seniors can compete only in their class, and juniors in theirs. All answers must be submitted in writing, and be sure and sign your name, so that we know who you are.

The junior puzzle for this month is another word game. You must figure out a word or phrase which is defined by the letters or words found in each box. Keep in mind both the letter or word shown and its position in the box.

The seniors puzzle is a numbers game. You must figure out the beginning and ending words in the phrase which defines the number listed. The correct answer is given for sample a, so you can see what is wanted. You must fill in the remaining ones to be a winner. Be sure and get your answers in no later than the end of December.

MARGARET ADDRESSES CONFERENCE AT STAN-FORD UNIVERSITY

We mentioned in the last issue that Margaret had just returned from another leg in her lecture tour. This one was at Stanford University, at Palo Alto, CA, and was a part of a conference on interactive learning in mathematics and science. The conference was organized by the Institute for Research on Learning, and many papers were presented by experts from all over the country. Margaret's paper was well attended, and as usual was one of the better presentations in the conference.

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SECOND ANNUAL RIEL BOWL SCHEDULED AT THE BOB AND KARLA COUNTRY ESTATE IN ALPINE, JANUARY 1, 1993

In spite of the many Christmas holiday activities, plans are going ahead for the celebration of the second annual Riel Bowl. As mentioned above, the contest winner has been selected and Margaret and Francie are making the arrangements for the new T-shirts with the new RFNL logo. Other activities are still in the planning stage, but you can look forward to another big celebration to welcome in the new year with food, fun and games, and some gift exchanges among everyone.

POLITICAL COMMENTARY

Now that the election is over, politics are not much in the news. However, with the coming inauguration of the new president, and the many changes which his new administration will bring, political activities will become top news when the new year is ushered in. In order to help you keep track of the various new people in important positions in the government, RFNL is publishing for your guidance the following handy set of guidelines which will help you identify the real party affiliation of each newcomer.

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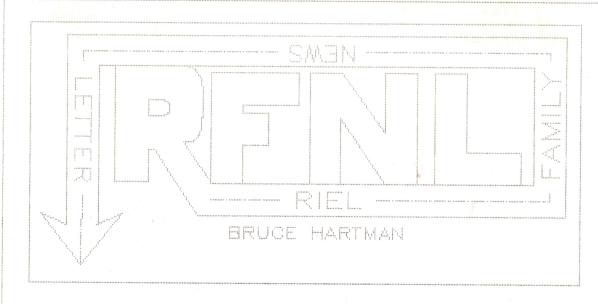
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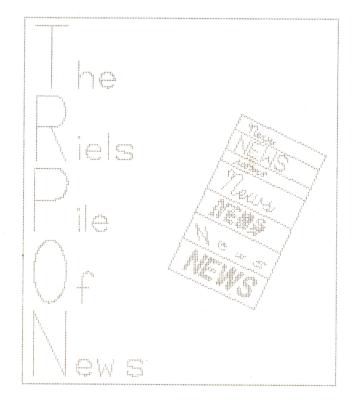
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- ●DEMOCRATS GIVE THEIR WORN-OUT CLOTHES TO THOSE LESS FORTUNATE. REPUBLICANS WEAR THEIRS.
- •REPUBLICANS ENJOY EXTERMINATORS. DEMOCRATS STAMP ON BUGS.
- •REPUBLICANS TEND TO KEEP THEIR SHADES DRAWN, ALTHOUGH THERE IS SELDOM ANY REASON WHY THEY SHOULD. DEMOCRATS OUGHT TO, BUT DON'T.
- REPUBLICANS STUDY THE FINANCIAL PAGES OF THE NEWSPAPERS. DEMOCRATS PUT THEM AT THE BOTTOM OF BIRD CAGES.
- MOST OF THE STUFF ALONGSIDE THE ROAD HAS BEEN THROWN OUT OF CAR WINDOWS BY DEMOCRATS.
- REPUBLICANS RAISE DAHLIAS, DALMATIONS AND EYE-BROHS. DEMOCRATS RAISE AIREDALES, KIDS AND TAXES.
 DEMOCRATS EAT THE FISH THEY CATCH. REPUBLICANS
- HANG THEM ON THE WALL.

 REPUBLICAN BOYS DATE DEMOCRATIC GIRLS, THEY PLAN
 TO MARRY REPUBLICAN GIRLS, BUT THEY FEEL THEY'RE
- ENTITLED TO A LITTLE FUN FIRST.

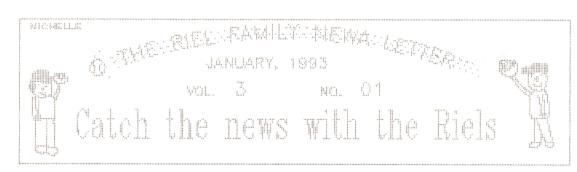
 DEMOCRATS MAKE UP PLANS AND THEN DO SOMETHING
 ELSE. REPUBLICANS FOLLOW THE PLANS THEIR GRAND-FATHER MADE.
- REPUBLICANS SLEEP IN SEPARATE BEDS, SOME EVEN IN SEPARATE ROOMS. THAT IS WHY THERE ARE MORE DEMOCRATS. THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD 1874

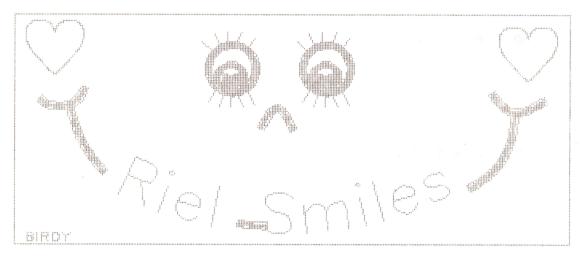




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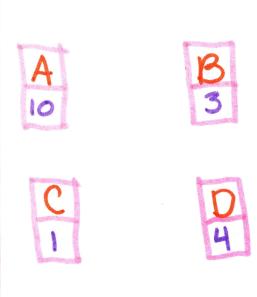






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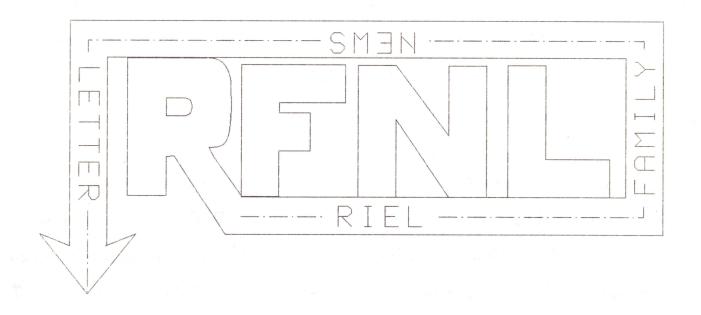
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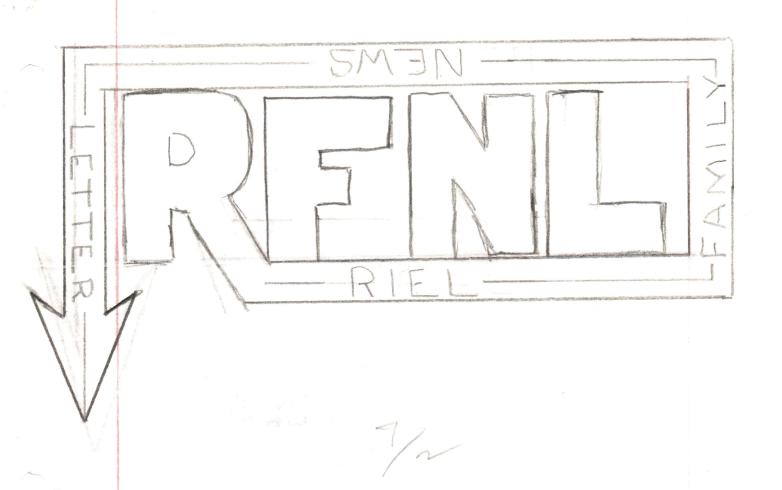
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Bruce Hartman-

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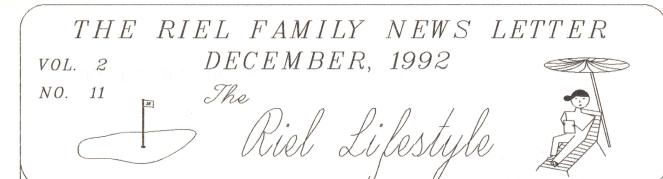
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