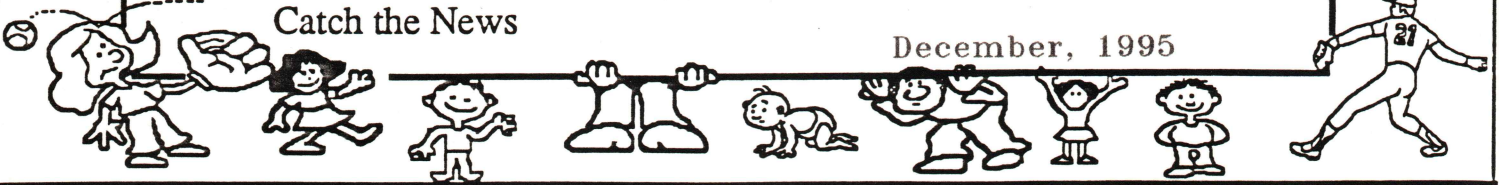




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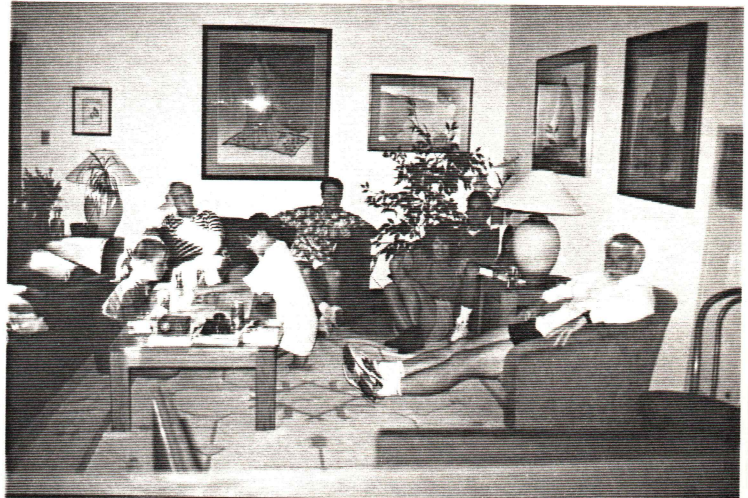
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FAMILY ENJOYS FUN, GAMES, FOOD ON THANKSGIVING DAY

MARGARET AND BUD HOST '95 PARTY

Thanksgiving '95 was celebrated in Encinitas, and all who attended enjoyed a special day. As usual, there was lots of turkey and ham, along with salad, sweet potatoes, rice, and stuffing. Prior to all this food, however, the early birds enjoyed coffee and rolls, to get the celebration started. Then most of the group took off to Cardiff Park, where the annual soccer game was organized. The composition of the two teams varied, as participants came and went, and several claims were made for the winning team. No clear decision could be made, but there were several great scoring plays, and lots of fancy ball handling. Fortunately there were no injuries, although Annie did get hit by a flying ball. Fortunately Mom was available for immediate first aid, and no harm was done. The hungry crowd then went back to the home and the food was passed out, buffet style, as usual. Finally, dessert was served, (pumpkin pie, of course). By that time things were a lot quieter, and as shown in the adjoining photo most were quite content to take in a TV football game. The football haters mostly sat around and talked, although some of the kids still had enough energy to play on the backyard trampoline or shoot baskets in the driveway. The only unhappy circumstance was that Grandma was not her usual self (see details in next item), and had to go home early. However, it was a great party, and we all thank Margaret and Bud for letting us share their home on this holiday. Also, we thank all who brought the great food, and Francie for providing haircuts for those in need.



SOME TIRED OUT SOCCER PLAYERS ENJOYING A FOOTBALL GAME ON TV

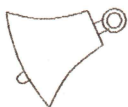
RUNNY NOSE DEPARTMENT - GRANDMA HAS PNEUMONIA

On the morning after the Thanksgiving party Grandma felt so sick that she was taken to the urgent care facility. After a long wait, X-ray

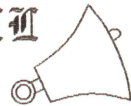


GRANDMA AND HER FIVE FAVORITE DAUGHTERS ENJOY SOME CALIFORNIA SUNSHINE

SEASONS GREETINGS FROM ALL



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5Th Annual Riel Bowl

This year's Riel Bowl will be held on January 1, 1996 at the Alpine home of Bob and Karla Riel. It starts whenever people show up and ends when the last of the guest leave. Dinner will be at 1:00 pm with a 15 lb. Prime Rib as the main dish. The rest of the family should contact Bob or Karla as to which of the following to bring:

Veggies
Drinks

Potatoes
Desserts

Bread
Fruits

Munchies
Meats

This years white elephant exchange will work much like last years, so remember to bring two presents, one a white elephant and the other a nice present. Additionally, this year we are starting a "Adventure Exchange" for all the kids or should I be more specific, "Grandkids", sorry Bird, you'll have to sit this one out. It will Work like this:

First we will define an adventure, it could be a ticket to a Padre's game, a round of miniature golf, admission to the space theater, or anything else that would be appropriate for a family outing. Remember that you are only supplying the adventure for one, the parents of the adventure receiving grandchild will pay for the rest of their respective family to go along.

Next, each parent will wrap up a present that has something to do with the adventure they intend to supply. For example, if your adventure was an admission to the Zoo, you could wrap up a toy zebra, or if you are giving a pass to the movies, you could wrap up a roll of film. Be creative, but don't try to trick the kids into thinking it is something better than it really is, i.e. wrapping up a Mickey Mouse and then having a video tape rental of Mickey's first movie as the adventure. Remember these are kids and they may not take a zonker of a adventure like an adult would. On the other hand I have seen some adults not acting very mature when they get zonked. Remember to bring one wrapped adventure for each child that wants to participate. Finally, do not tell your child what adventure you are supplying, we want it to be a total surprise and you know how a Riel can't keep a secret. Besides they may end up with the gift you supplied! So better make it a nice one.

After the adult white elephant exchange we will have the "Adventure Exchange" and the rules (although not fully defined yet) will be pretty much the same as the white elephant exchange. You will receive more information later this month, however, if you have questions please call the "Comish Bob Riel" for clarifications. See ya at RIEL BOWL!

and blood tests confirmed that she had pneumonia. The doctor prescribed an antibiotic, and after the weekend she began to feel better. However, she had to cancel the after Thanksgiving day shopping spree with Listy and Birdy, which reveals how sick she really was.

Grandma was not the only sick one, however. Brian

Riel recently suffered through a few days with a high temperature, which finally responded to treatment, and he now is OK. Also, Curtis Hartman showed up one recent morning at Grandma's, feeling poorly. Since he did not make the Thanksgiving party due to continued illness, we are awaiting news on his condition.

- Dustin is one of the main characters, Avery in Cyt's next play, Charlotte's Web* Jessica ~~is a also got a part~~ is in the play as a tap dancer & one of the baby spiders. (*Avery is Fern's bratty little brother, a role we think he is perfectly suited for.)
- Jason made the cross country team at Patrick Henry High School. He is running daily and ~~can~~ runs 6 miles in 47 min. When I ~~bratty~~ get my cast off (3 more weeks) ~~and~~ my goal will be to beat his time! Jason also sports a new set of braces. "