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DUSTIN, FRANCIE, GRANDMA AND JASON ON A BIKE TOUR OF THE RESORT



ALAN AND JEFF TAKING IT EASY LUNCH

MORE BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

July was a busy month for Grandpa and Grandma, on the birthday front. There were three celebrations, Michelle, Dustin and Jessica. For Michelle we had lunch at La Pinata, in Old Town, followed by the movie Con Air. For Dustin's celebration we had lunch at Trophie's at Grossmont Center, followed by the movie George of the Jungle and some shopping at Target. Finally, Jessica was treated to lunch at a new location, Panda Country, on Clairmont Mesa, near the new Pacific Theaters Town Square 14. When we discovered that an old time favorite Chinese restaurant in the Diane Shopping Center was closed for remodeling we happened to see Panda Country as we were driving toward the theater. It was very nice, and we recommend it to those going to Town Square 14. Incidentally, we like the T.C. 14 facility better than the AMC 20 in Mission Valley. There is much less congestion, better parking, and no long lines at the ticket office. We have the following pictures, plus one left over from last month, of Curtis Hartman. We wish a HAPPY BIRTHDAY to all of the kids.



GRANDMA AND CURTIS AT THE MANDARIN PLAZA RESTAURANT



MICHELLE AND GRANDMA AT LA PINATA IN OLD TOWN



JESSICA AND GRANDMA AFTER THE MOVIE AND READY TO HIT THE MALL

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DUSTIN SHOWS OFF HIS NEW DART BOARD
TO MOM AND GRANDMA

AUGUST BIRTHDAY CALENDAR

Carol Benesch	August 2	43
Nathan Riel	August 13	16
Christopher Riel	August 13	16
Annie Gillingham	August 13	10
Jason Benesch	August 30	16

RUNNY NOSE DEPARTMENT

Grandpa finally got his cataract operation, on July 14th. It was no problem, either during or following the procedure, which involves removing the old cloudy lens and replacing it with a new plastic one. After about one and a half hours for application of eye drops the actual operation takes only about 15 minutes. There was no discomfort during or afterwards, and by the third day much improved vision was enjoyed. Not only is the vision free of cloudiness but also colors, especially blues, are much enhanced. The two week check up revealed that everything was normal, and the right eye now is scheduled for August 19. The only post operation problems were no golf or aerobics for two weeks, and eye drops four times each day.

TRAVEL NEWS

There was a lot of traveling in the past few weeks. First of all. the Mehan family returned from an extended vacation in Spain. Margaret and Megan left early, so that Margaret could attend a conference. Bud and Michael followed one week later, and the entire family enjoyed a vacation in the Barcelona area. We are waiting for pictures and a full account, which will appear in the September issue of RFNL.

CORRECTION

In the July issue of RFNL we incorrectly listed one of the signers of Bud's Distinguished Teacher Award Certificate as Howard Layne. The correct name for the 78th District Assemblyman is Howard Wayne.

Francie returned recently from a two day business conference in Boca Ratan, Florida. This was an Iso instruction class, where the latest in hair styling trends was presented. We understand it was very interesting, and she is looking forward to next year's meeting, which will be on a cruise ship in the Caribbean.

The family presently is well represented in Colorado, since the Hartman and Gillingham families are vacationing there. Shortly they will be joined by the Benesch family, who are renting a camper to drive there. We look forward to lots of news and pictures when they return, just in time for school opening.

MYSTERY PHOTO OF THE MONTH

Who is this lovely young lady with the beautiful smile? Yes, you guessed it, it is none other than Kristy gillingham, minus the braces for her teeth. They came off recently, and as you can see the results were just great. Mom Listy reported that although it cost a lot, it was worth every penny, and we certainly agree.



CRAIG HARTMAN WINS 1ST PLACE AWARD AT DEL MAR FAIR

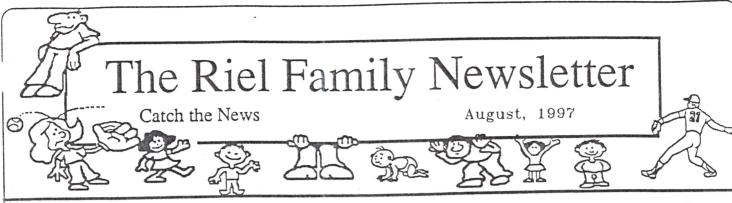
We learned recently that the wooden goblet made by Craig won a 1st place award in the General Woodworking, Grade 8 catagory at the County Fair. We saw his entry, and certainly agree with the judges, who awarded him 49 out of a possible 50 points for his craftsmanship.

SOME SCENES FROM TIM RIEL'S ROLE IN "THE TAMING OF THE SHREW"

As we reported in the last issue of RFNL Tim played the role of the Haberdasher in a recent production of this famous Shakespeare comedy. On the next page we have some pictures of the play and the family party held in the park after the performance.

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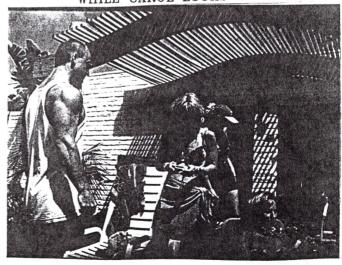
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