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## Northern California Trivia

- Q. Where is Benbow Lake?  
A. Near Garberville.  
Q. What town was once known as Campo Seco?  
A. San Andreas.

From *Northern California Trivia*  
by Ernie & Jill Couch

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# Happy New Year

## Pot-Luck Dinner

The joint pot-luck dinner with the San Jose Post Card Club was at our December 3rd meeting and was a rousing success. There was food enough to feed the proverbial army and all of it of very good quality. The honey-baked ham proved popular and side dishes were all well received and if you left hungry that was your fault.

Steve Schumann's door prizes were a great deal of fun as most were stamp oriented and elicited lively debate as to which side of a post card was the front (stamp collectors are in conflict with post card collectors as to which is the front of a post card). Proponents of each argument carried themselves quite well and in very good humor.

A very generous donation by Ken Jackson of some 15 to 20 thousand postcards to the post card club were gratefully accepted. They are in the process of being sorted prior to being placed in the post card club boxes. It's certain that there are some really great deals there for only one quarter. Such a deal. . .

Your editor acquired two very nice comic mosquito post cards thanks to Darlene Thorne of the post card club. Thank you Darlene, they're very nice.

Sharing this event with the San Jose Post Card Club was a very good idea. This was the second year we've done this and once again was very successful and we should plan on continuing it in the future.

Someone lost a serving spoon at the dinner. If you have one that you didn't have before the dinner please call me. Also, someone left a serving spoon behind after dinner, identify it and we'll return it — besides it matches nothing I have (call 408.445.2694).

Yes, we checked the spoon left vs the spoon lost — no match, so please check to see if you have gained or lost a serving spoon.

## Club Officers

Once again we appeal to the membership to offer their services to the club and serve as an officer, to make a difference, to be meaningful and help the club grow and move forward—and once again nothing!

We can change our name to the Silicon Valley Philatelic Society but I have received NO feedback from the membership as to whether or not it's a good idea. I guess I'm a damn fool to think you will come to a meeting if you won't even call or e-mail me with your opinions and/or suggestions.

Here's your chance to make me out a liar — thought I would show everyone how the masthead would look with a name change. Have you any thoughts or comments? Have you even noticed?

## Margarita Cortez

It's late afternoon on Christmas Eve as I write this. When I spoke with Margarita earlier she informed me that she had fallen once again and struck her head and as a result was in a care facility. She lamented that it was unlikely that she will ever go back to her home as there is no one there to watch over her. It's likely that she will go to New York state where she has family that can look after her.

She's in the White Blossom Care Center located at 1990 Fruitdale Avenue at Bascom. She expects to move to another facility in south San Jose prior to her move east.

It's my intention to go and visit her tomorrow and should have current information on her condition for those who wish to call me after receiving this newsletter. I will also ask her to allow me to give out her cell phone number so everyone wishing to can call her from time to time.

