

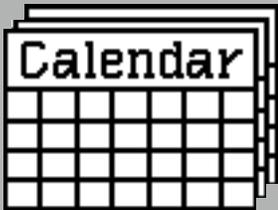


# Ruff Notes

January, 2002

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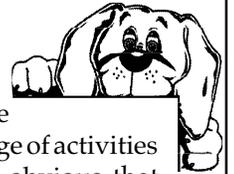
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## What's Happening in January?

- 2 Pet Pals, Soquel AM classes start
- 3 Capitola PM & Salinas classes start
- 7 Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m., First National Bank, Watsonville
- 8 Watsonville classes start
- 15 Conformation classes start
- 19 General membership meeting, 2:00 Country Waffles, Watsonville
- 22 Ruff Notes deadline
- 26-27 Agility Seminar, Fairgrounds

## Paws for the President



The Christmas Party and Awards Presentations have been completed for another year. Members of Monterey Bay DTC have continued to get the best from their pets in an ever-widening range of activities this past year. With the expanding opportunities it is really obvious that Monterey Bay is truly a TRAINING club in the expanded sense of the word. We were proud to present awards across the training spectrum. Congratulations to all members who completed titles and to those who earned legs on the next title. We are proud of all of you.

Members should take the time to thank those that saw to it that the Awards ceremonies were offered. A vote of thanks to the following: **Betty Garcia**, chairman of the Christmas party; **Kim Sutherland** and **Dennis Vierra** co-chairman of the Awards Committee with helpers **Dale Root** and **Christy Thomas** and **Scott Lindberg**; Silent Auction and Doggy Gifts were organized by **Dani Nelson** and **Marion Bashista**; Program **Lynnette Smith** and **Pam Strametz**.

Nice touches to make the evening special included cake, cute place cards, and very charming reindeer cookies for each dog completing a title...Thank you for the special efforts.

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## January 19 General Meeting

The January General Membership Meeting is scheduled for January 19 at Country Waffles, 1970 Freedom Boulevard, Watsonville.

There will be a light luncheon menu (to be announced); charge to be announced also. **Pluis Davern** will be speaking on her guide dog training and affiliations.

## Club Brags...

Kathy Souza, Davis DTC

Wow! A truly professional newsletter! My compliments on both the newsletter and the website.



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"Recollect that the Almighty, who gave the dog to be companion of our pleasures and our toils, hath invested him with a nature noble and incapable of deceit."

—Sir Walter Scott



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## Demonstrating Responsible Dog Ownership



## Brag

### Jennifer Slater:

*Keeper* qualified three times in Elite with two second places and a fourth to finish her elite jumpers title, running in her last round at an exhilarating 5.8 yards per second at the Starfleet NADAC trial. At the same trial *Dutchess* qualified twice in Novice Standard, placing first and second. At the Canine Agility Team NADAC trial *Dutchess* qualified five times in eight runs. She had four qualifying standard novice runs with two firsts and two seconds and qualified in Novice Jumpers to finish her title. *Keeper* qualified once in Elite standard and once in Elite jumpers.

### Denise Panzich:

*Jade* took her class at the Del Monte KC match and went Best in Breed and Group 1.

### Marion Bashista:

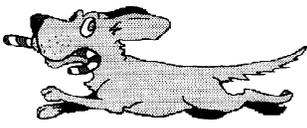
*Kelli* finished her CDX with a 188 score from Open A at the San Mateo Kennel Club show.

### Michael Bashista:

*Merlin* earned a first leg in their rookie debut from Novice A with a fourth place ribbon.

### Christa Cordtz:

*Hooligan* finished his Senior Courser title at the Cascade Coursing Club with two second places. He completed his title in four consecutive trials. At the Monterey Bay Coursing Club he took first place and Best of Breed for 8 more ASFA FCH points. At Salinas Valley KC *Fay* took Winners from the Bred-By class and Best of Opposite Sex for 2 more points. At the San Mateo KC show she took Winners Bitch from the Bred-By class for a 3-point major and also took Best of Winners and Best of Breed over 3 specials.



### Linda Lang:

*Tyler* went Best of Winners for 3 points and *Phoenix* (*Amber's* other son) went Reserve at San Mateo KC.



**Keeper EJC  
Dutchess NJC  
Kelli CDX  
Hooligan SC**



This month's Hot Dog Awards run from November 21 through December 18.

*Trial Hot Dog*—This month the Trial Hot Dog Award goes to Marion Bashista and Kelli for their 188 score at San Mateo KC.

*Agility Trial Hot Dog*—This month no AKC Agility Trial scores were reported.

*Note:* Agility Hot Dog Awards are based on the score earned. In case of a tie, the dog who completed the course in the fastest time relative to the time allowed will be selected. When reporting agility scores, please include the time allotted for the course and the time in which your dog completed the course.

## Christmas Dinner 2001

Betty "B.G." Garcia

I would like to thank everyone who came to our Christmas party. It's great to see people come together to have fun and enjoy congratulating those who had through the year succeeded in earning titles and the awards the Club gives out.

A special thanks to the following people who helped put this party together: **LeVaun Sheetz** for making the name placements and **Verta Strametz** for making some phone calls for me.

I would like to thank the group of people who put on a great Awards Program for us: **Dennis Vierra** for cutting the ornaments, **Kim Sutherland** for getting all the pictures and info on the awards, and to **Pam Strametz** for organizing the program at the last moment for **Lynnette Smith**, who couldn't make it.



## Christmas Dinner 2002

Betty "B.G." Garcia

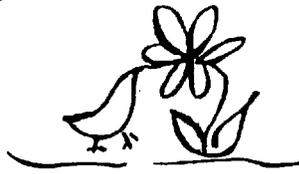
I know it's early to start talking about next year's dinner, but I have been asked to check into other possible places to have it.

So I would like your input on what and where you would like it. I have heard from some of the members that they would like us to go back to Severino's.

If we go to a place that doesn't decorate for Christmas, then we need people who would be willing to go and decorate the room that afternoon and clean up after the party.

If you have any ideas, please contact me at class on Tuesday nights or call me at 722-1748 by the end of February.

## Poking Around



## With Luane

### "Miraculous" Pesticide

From SF Chronicle 12/08/01 by  
**Richard Fagerlund**  
(board certified entomologist,  
U. of New Mexico)

There is a new product on the market from China which advertises that it: "Kills cockroaches and ants effectively. Harmless to human being and animal. Safe to use." It goes under the name of Miraculous Insecticide Chalk. (MIC)

According to the above-named entomologist, it is not harmless. It contains Deltamethrin, a very dangerous pesticide. Children who have put MIC in their mouths have been hospitalized. The product, he says, is imported illegally from China; and the claim to harmlessness is false. Further, he reminds that no pesticide not having an EPA

Registration number should ever be used.

You can find more information on Miraculous Chalk and other illegal pesticides on the EPA's web site at [www.epa.gov/region02/health/chalk.htm](http://www.epa.gov/region02/health/chalk.htm).

## Auto Accident Again Touches Fancy

Luane Vidak

**Terry Southard** was involved in a serious auto accident. I'm told her vehicle overturned, sending her to the hospital with injuries. *Pepper*, her Golden Retriever, was killed, *Dixie* her pup was lost for some time but was recovered, and the third dog was uninjured. Fortunately, Terry's injuries are reported to be minor. One can only reflect, despite the sadness of losing *Pepper*, that **Terry** and **Steve** have much to be grateful for this holiday season. If you would like to contact them, their address is: **Terry and Steve Southard**, 1465 Gerlach Drive, San Jose, CA 95118

## Tis the Season...

### Golden Gate Kennel Club and AOCNC

Luane Vidak

AOCNC is looking for some helpers to man the Education table for 2-3 hours. In exchange for your services they will pay for your admission to the show and parking fees (if you are not already entered at the show). After your shift, you are free to enjoy the GGKC show and exhibits courtesy of AOCNC. Contact either **Sally Cerrato** at: [mccerrato@home.com](mailto:mccerrato@home.com) or home phone: 510-790-1494 or **Luane** at [luanemv@cs.com](mailto:luanemv@cs.com) or 724-6657.

## Member Reinstatement

**Uli Morgan** has been granted reinstatement as a member. Please add her information to your Directory: 711 Bronte Avenue, Watsonville, CA 95076  
Phone: 761-2151 e-mail: [ulimorgan@aol.com](mailto:ulimorgan@aol.com)  
Breed: Pomeranian

## E-mail Buddy System

Luane Vidak

Much of the communication in the club is done by e-mail via the computer these days. Members who do not use computers are feeling left out of the process. It would be very much appreciated if those with computers and those without would form a buddy system to print out and share the various e-mails directed to the general membership.

## Morris Walkathon Date Change

Luane Vidak

Because of an Agility event scheduled locally on February 10-11, 2002, the Board has moved the date of the annual Morris Animal Foundation Walkathon to Saturday, February 16. Here's hoping for a lot of member interest in supporting the big supporter of animal health research. Save the day!



# Happy Birthday



January	1	Danny Griffith
	1	Susan Westover
	2	Jane Mangels
	6	Kathie Haines
	16	Del Richards
	17	Crissy Hastings-Baugh
	18	Liza Pierce
	23	Pam Strametz
	25	Adrienne Harrold
	27	Anne Terry

and to all our furry friends born in January

1	Kiska Lambert CD, CGC, TDI (Keeshound Mix)	age 15
1	Skittle CD, U-CD, NA, NAJ, CGC (Papillon)	age 13
1	Phoenix Lambert (Toy Manchester)	age 12
1	Paco Lambert CDX, CGC, NAC (Terrier Mix)	age 12
1	Jay Vidak (Mixed Breed Sporting)	age 12
3	OTCH Grace Root-Strametz (Golden Retriever)	age 16
6	Sizzle Del Conte (Doberman Pinscher)	age 2
7	Kiah Green CDX, CGC (Rottweiler)	age 6
10	Cinnamon Gidding CGC (Labrador Retriever)	age 6
11	Shelby Lang MB-UD, CGC, OJC-V, OAC-V (Husky Mix)	age 11
11	Malachi Thompson (Australian Shepherd)	age 3
12	Bree Nelson DD, CGC (Newfoundland)	age 3
12	Hunter Nelson WD (Newfoundland)	age 3
15	Ch Zippy Holderman CDX, OA, OAJ, CGC (Ches. Bay Retr.)	age 7
15	Ch Wind Silva CDX, NA, CGC (Chesapeake Bay Retriever)	age 7
18	OTCH Sunshine Root-Strametz UDX, AX, AXJ, CGC (Gold.)	age 12
23	Finegan Force CDX, RD, CGC (Dalmatian)	age 8
30	Missy Coe (German Shepherd Mix)	age 5

# Logo Items for Sale

Denise Panzich

Hey folks,

MBDTC has many logo items for sale, and Christmas is the perfect time to fill those stockings. Christmas may be over when you get this Ruff Notes, but they are still available and warm.

We have Sweatshirts in Brown and Gray in medium to XX large. We have Polo Shirts and T-shirts in Beige and Gray in all sizes. The old style Sweatshirts are still available in Blue on White in SML and White on Blue in medium. And don't forget the Patches, Pins and Hats. Wear proud.

The pins are great for all those new clothes you just got for Christmas. Got a new jacket? Get a patch. Keep the sun out of your eyes with a hat. Just let me know how many you need by e-mail [deebbers2@aol.com](mailto:deebbers2@aol.com) or call me at 722-2935.

# School Stories

From the Internet  
via LeVaun Sheetz

The children had all been photographed, and the teacher was trying to persuade them each to buy a copy of the group picture. "Just think how nice it will be to look at it when you are all grown up and say, 'There's Jennifer; she's a lawyer,' or 'That's Michael, he's a doctor.'"

A small voice at the back of the room rang out, "And there's the teacher; she's dead."

"The world was conquered through the understanding of dogs; the world exists through the understanding of dogs."

—Friedrich Wilhelm Nietzsche

# Nose to the Ground Hound

Persimmons dangling from tree branches!!!...Hummingbirds buzzing chilled feeders!!!...Camellias starting their winter show!!!...**Jessica Hetrick** and **Amanda Nie** field tripping to Watsonville SPCA Thrift Store and the Watsonville Animal Shelter for their Junior Member project!!!...**June & Tom Laman** planning an extended visit in Oregon!!!...**Elisabeth Lambert** reversing the trip with a December visit to the Monterey Bay Area!!!...**Cindy Snow** settling in at frigid Fallon, Nevada!!!...**Anne Terry** studying up on Equine Dentistry!!!...**Dale** and **Wally Kodis** enjoying a California visit with new Australian Cattle Dog, *Mollie* in tow!!!...**Jennifer Church** and **Danny Griffith** welcoming their new baby!!!...**Linda** and **Dick Lang** visiting Death Valley area!!!...**Bette Kuepfer** keeping up with the Doctor's orders!!!...**Debbie Nelson** feeling better!!!...**Sandi Pensinger** wanting to get Rally Obedience set up for Tuesday Runthroughs...sounds fun!!!...Here's to you all enjoying a lovely holiday season!!!...til next year.....**Luane**.



# Surprise!

from the Internet via Pam Strametz

It was the end of the school year, and a kindergarten teacher was receiving gifts from her pupils.

The florist's son handed her a gift. She shook it, held it overhead, and said, "I bet I know what it is. Flowers." "That's right!" the boy said, "But, how did you know?" "Oh, just a wild guess," she said.

The next pupil was the sweet shop owner's daughter. The teacher held her gift overhead, shook it, and said, "I bet I can guess what it is. A box of sweets." "That's right, but how did you know?" asked the girl. "Oh, just a wild guess," said the teacher.

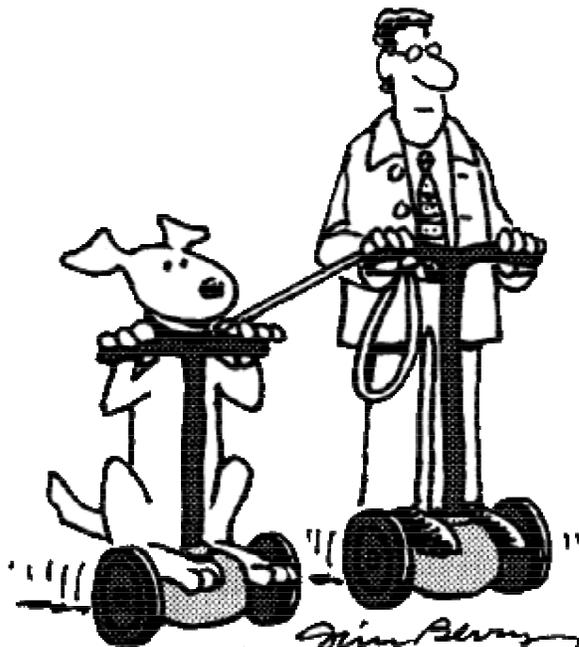
The next gift was from the son of the liquor storeowner. The teacher held the package overhead, but it was leaking. She touched a drop off the leakage with her finger and put it to her tongue. "Is it wine?" she asked. "No," the boy replied, with some excitement. The teacher repeated the process, tasting a larger drop of the leakage. "Is it champagne?" she asked. "No," the boy replied, with more excitement. The teacher took one more big taste before declaring, "I give up, what is it?" With great glee, the boy replied, "It's a puppy!" SURPRISE!

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## Directory Change

Please make the following change in your Directory:

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# A Sweet Killer

via *Dog Fancy*, October 1998

Danger hides in winter on roads and driveways, and while you may never see it, your dog's nose can find it—antifreeze. Many animals, including dogs, are drawn to its sweet taste. Unfortunately, most antifreeze contains ethylene glycol, a highly toxic chemical that crystallizes in the kidneys, causing irreparable damage and renal failure. Just 2 ounces can kill a dog, and by the time poisoning symptoms appear—vomiting, lethargy, excessive thirst and drunkenness—it is often too late to administer an antidote.

To protect your dog:

1. Clean up antifreeze spills and leaks immediately.
2. Supervise your dog around driveways and parked cars, and walk dogs on leashes.
3. If you suspect your dog may have ingested antifreeze, take it to a veterinarian right away. Do not wait for symptoms to appear.
4. Educate pet sitters about the danger, and keep your veterinarian's phone number handy.
5. Replace ethylene glycol-based antifreeze with propylene glycol-based antifreeze. Propylene glycol is less toxic and tastes bitter, making it less appealing.

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"Children and dogs are as necessary to the welfare of the country as Wall Street and the railroads."

—Harry S Truman



# The Top 20 Reasons Dogs Don't Use Computers

20. Can't stick their heads out of Windows '95.
  19. Fetch command not available on all platforms.
  18. Hard to read the monitor with your head cocked to one side.
  17. Too difficult to "mark" every website they visit.
  16. Can't help attacking the screen when they hear "You've Got Mail."
  15. Fire hydrant icon simply frustrating.
  14. Involuntary tail wagging is dead giveaway they're browsing www.pethouse.com instead of working.
  13. Keep bruising noses trying to catch that MPEG frisbee.
  12. Not at all fooled by Chuckwagon Screen Saver.
  11. Still trying to come up with an "emoticon" that signifies tail-wagging.
  10. Oh, but they WILL... with the introduction of the Microsoft Opposable Thumb.
  9. Three words: Carpal Paw Syndrome
  8. 'Cause dogs ain't GEEKS! Now, cats, on the other hand...
  7. Barking in next cube keeps activating YOUR voice recognition software.
  6. Smell U - Smell Me still in beta test.
  5. SIT and STAY were hard enough, GREP and AWK are out of the question!
  4. Saliva-coated mouse gets mighty difficult to maneuver.
  3. Annoyed by lack of newsgroup, alt.pictures.master's.leg.
  2. Butt-sniffing more direct and less deceiving than online chat rooms and the Number 1 Reason Dogs Don't Use Computers...
  1. TrO{gO DsA[M,bN HyAqR4tDc TgrOo TgYPmE WeljTyH P;AzWqS, \*
- (\* 1. Too Damn Hard To Type With Paws.)
- This list is posted here courtesy of **Chris White's** Top Five List.

# Breed Specific: Golden Retriever

Relaxed but responsive, calm but alert, sensible and serene, the Golden is, in many ways, the ideal family companion. This affection-demanding, multi-purpose, easy to train, and attractive breed is even more popular in North America and Scandinavia than in its native Great Britain. Bred to retrieve waterfowl, it has a gentle mouth and will rarely snap or bite—it is especially patient with children. Different breed lines have evolved for different purposes. One variety works as a gundog, another has been developed for use in field trials, while the largest line is devoted to the show ring and family life. A fourth breeding line has produced dogs that are trained exclusively as assistants for blind or disabled people.

**Breed History:** Records reveal that this gentle breed was developed in the late 1800s, by crossing a light-colored Flat-Coated Retriever with the now-extinct Tweed Water Spaniel. The first Golden Retrievers were exhibited in 1908.



## BREED Facts:

Country of Origin: Great Britain  
 Date of Origin: 1800s  
 First Use: Game retrieving  
 Use Today: Companion, gundog, field trials, assistance dog  
 Life Expectancy: 13 - 15 years  
 Weight Range: 60 - 80 pounds  
 Height Range: 20 - 24 inches

## Subject: Re: True Stories ~ ~ A DUH ~ !

from the Internet via **LeVaun Sheetz**

Picture these as you read ... Think we all know someone who we feel would do this .. careful .. it may be one of YOUR own ~!!! :o)



A lady at work was seen putting a credit card into her floppy drive and pulling it out very quickly. When inquired as to what she was doing, she said she was shopping on the internet and they asked for a credit card number, so she's using the ATM "thingy".

Data gathered from:  
 DOGS (Portraits of over 400 Pedigrees)  
 Bruce Fogle, DVM  
 A Darling Kindersley Book  
 First American Edition, 2000

*Editor's Note: Breed Specific is a column in which I will highlight a different breed in each issue. Some will be club breeds, some not.*

# Christmas Awards Announced

*Canine Good Citizen:*  
Merlin Bashista  
Tyler Lang  
Abby Sutherland  
Julia Slater

*NJC-JH (NADAC):*  
Tess Hetrick  
Keeper Slater  
Amber Lang

*Master Agility Excellent:*  
Jasmine Hetrick  
Gracie Baugh

*JH:*  
Deja Westover  
Jiffy Vidak

*Road Dog:*  
Piper Force

*OJC (NADAC):*  
Jasmine Hetrick  
Keeper Slater  
Amber Lang

*Novice Agility Jumpers:*  
Coby Nielsen  
Eclair Harbertson  
Dutchess Slater  
Sarah Strametz  
Rosita Lambert  
Razz Strametz  
Curry Holderman

*JC:*  
Hooligan Cordtz

*SC:*  
Hooligan Cordtz

*HRD2 (AHBA):*  
Jasmine Hetrick

*EAC (NADAC):*  
Shelby Lang

*Open Agility Jumpers:*  
Keeper Slater  
Amber Lang  
Buddy Root  
Tess Hetrick

*Herding Tested:*  
Fargo Strametz

*AD (USDAA):*  
Keeper Slater

*Novice Agility:*  
Dutchess Slater  
Sarah Strametz  
Finnegan Force  
Razz Strametz  
Zoe Thompson  
Curry Holderman  
Willie Laman  
Bree Nelson

*Agility Excellent Jumpers:*  
Morgan Meyer  
Gracie Baugh  
Noah Thompson

*Pre-Trial Tested:*  
Gracie Baugh

*RS-N (ASCA):*  
Dutchess Slater  
Keeper Slater

*JS-N (ASCA Games):*  
Keeper Slater

*JS-O (ASCA Games):*  
Keeper Slater

*NAC (NADAC):*  
Dutchess Slater  
Keeper Slater  
Amber Lang  
Tess Hetrick

*Open Agility:*  
Keeper Slater  
Gracie Baugh  
Amber Lang  
Tess Hetrick  
Dutchess Slater  
Coby Nielsen

*Master Agility Excellent Jumpers:*  
Jasmine Hetrick  
Gracie Baugh  
Logan Baugh

*Champions:*  
Hobbes Nelson  
Rusty Cordtz  
Twig Holderman

*Companion Dogs:*  
Kara Nelson  
Jiffy Vidak  
Candy Terry  
Bradie Runyan  
Zoe Thompson  
Hooligan Cordtz  
Blondie Cordtz  
Tess Slater  
Bree Nelson

*OAC (NADAC):*  
Jasmine Hetrick  
Amber Lang

*Agility Excellent:*  
Gracie Baugh  
Noah Thompson  
Morgan Meyer

*Tracking Dog:*  
Jiffy Vidak



*Companion Dogs Excellent:*  
Buddy Root  
Fleur Harbertson  
Noah Thompson  
Willie Laman  
Jessy Westover  
Jiffy Vidak

*Highest Aggregate Score, completing a title in 3 shows:*  
Debbie Nelson with Kara

score 572

*Most Trial Placements:*

Carol Davis with Heather and Sugar

30 placements

*Two Titles in One Year:*

Linda Harbertson with Fleur  
Luane Vidak with Jiffy

CD & CDX  
CD & CDX

*Non-AKC Registered Dog:*

Jennifer Slater with Tess

average score 185

*Hot Dog Award (Obedience):*

Carol Davis with Heather and Sugar

3 times each

*Hot Dog Award (Agility):*

Carolyn Meyer with Morgan  
Jennifer Slater with Keeper

2 times  
2 times

*MX/MXJ Award:*

Pam Hetrick with Jasmine  
Crissy Baugh with Gracie

*High Combined:*

Carol Davis with Heather

394 points

*UDX Plaque:*

Carol Davis with Sugar

*VCD Award*

Luane Vidak with Jiffy

*Utility Dog:*  
Anji Vente

*Utility Dog Excellent:*  
Sugar Davis

*Versatile Companion Dog 1:*  
Jiffy Vidak

*Phoebus Award:*  
Hazel Welborn and CJ

*Board Appreciation Award:*  
Betty Garcia

*Monterey Bay Sportsmanship Award:*  
Dale Root



# Subject: Things My Mother Taught Me.....

via Denise Panzich

My mother taught me TO APPRECIATE A JOB WELL DONE: "If you're going to kill each other, do it outside: I just finished cleaning!"

My mother taught me RELIGION: "You better pray that will come out of the carpet."

My mother taught me about TIME TRAVEL: "If you don't straighten up, I'm going to knock you into the middle of next week!"

My mother taught me LOGIC: "Because I said so, that's why."

My mother taught me FORESIGHT: "Make sure you wear clean underwear, in case you're in an accident."

My mother taught me IRONY: "Keep laughing and I'll \*give\* you something to cry about."

My mother taught me about the science of OSMOSIS: "Shut your mouth and eat your supper!"

My mother taught me about CONTORTIONISM: "Will you \*look\* at the dirt on the back of your neck!"

My mother taught me about STAMINA: "You'll sit there 'til all that spinach is finished."

My mother taught me about WEATHER: "It looks as if a tornado swept through your room."

My mother taught me how to solve PHYSICS PROBLEMS: "If I yelled be-

cause I saw a meteor coming toward you; would you listen then?"

My mother taught me about HYPOCRISY: "If I've told you once, I've told you a million times: Don't Exaggerate!!!"

My mother taught me THE CIRCLE OF LIFE: "I brought you into this world, and I can take you out."

My mother taught me about BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION: "Stop acting like your father!"

My mother taught me about ENVY: "There are millions of less fortunate children in this world who don't have wonderful parents like you do!"

THANKS, MOM!



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