

## VILLAGE TIDBITS

By Toni Pelletier

I believe we were giving a little tidbit about all the businesses last month and I left off at the Village Salon. That's because I live there!

So, as we travel on around the Village, our first stop is Button's & Bow's with darling baby & very small children's clothing and a great assortment of books and educational toys. Stop in and see Macy. Oh, you better say Hi to Dorothy, too.

Willis & Bennett, Inc., the great home furnishing shop, is just so classy and a neat place to get a house warming gift or an item for yourself, whether it's a piece of furniture or some gorgeous candlesticks.

If you think you've seen one guitar you've seen them all, then you haven't been to Lightning Joe's. A million and 3 guitars to ogle! What a sight. And there's lots more to check out in this unique store.

Almost all of Bridge St. speaks for themselves; Klondike Pizza, Osty Insurance, Osty Realty, Dr. Hutton, Dentist, the Village Family Doctor, McLintock's Restaurant, The Hair Saloon (well, this could be a little confusing), the I.O.O.F. Building is the Historical Society and Sienna Home Boutique is a really fun shop to get unusual and classy times from huge glass bowls to wonderful custom jewelry to kitchen accessories.

One more place to visit, especially before July 31. Susie from Bill's Place is moving on and O'Connor boys are taking over. I'm sure we're in for a change of fun so stop by and say good luck to Susie & if you're so inclined, have a snort.

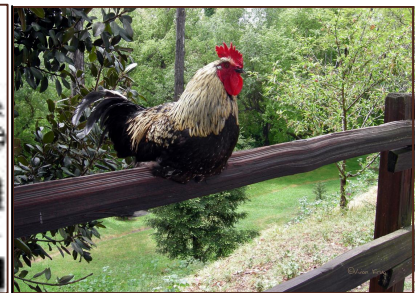
See you in August... Toni



### No meeting for July



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**WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE VILLAGE**  
**July 2011**

**Wow! Wow! Wow!** Now that was a Centennial celebration that we will never forget. From beginning to end (and we are really not at the end for awhile) every event was a class act. Bike Ride, 5K run, Sunrise Service, opening of the 1986 time capsule, burying of the 2011 time capsule, Centennial Gala, Nonagenarian birthday party, Historical Society stories from our past, summer concert series, booths in Olohan Alley, a great parade, country-western & square dancing and a truly great finale with a fireworks show like I have never seen before. Many, many thanks to the huge number of people that contributed an incredible amount of time and effort to making these events become reality plus those that did all of the fund raising, publicity, marketing and administration. I believe that there are very few communities that have the high level of community spirit and pride like what exists here in Arroyo Grande. Many thanks to everyone for being such an important part of what makes this city great.



Our next event will be the car show on July 30<sup>th</sup> here in the Village. There will also be a cruise night on Grand on Friday, July 29<sup>th</sup>. Branch Street and Bridge St. will again be closed on Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup>. There will be no parking in Olohan Alley from Short Street to Bridge Street on Saturday. FarmersøMarket will be held at Heritage Square that Saturday.



After that we look forward to the Harvest Festival on September 23 and 24.

The new parking lot behind the Council Chambers will be completed in a couple of weeks except for the lighting that will come from PG & E. That will happen in about six weeks. The planting of the area will be done shortly and that will improve the looks considerably. There is a small area next to the house behind Branch Street Deli that will be made into a small park by volunteers from Arroyo Grande in Bloom. That should happen in October. Arroyo Grande in Bloom will also be doing the planting along the sidewalk that goes from Branch St. to Le Point St.

There will be no general meeting in July but we will have one in August.

**Thanks, Bob Lund**

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