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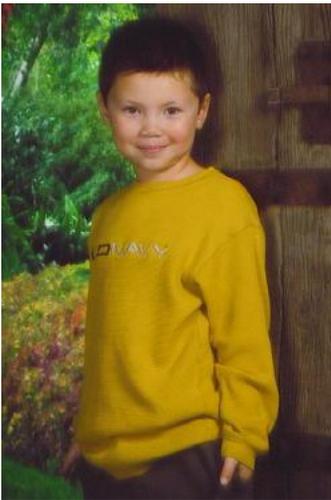
May 2009 Update



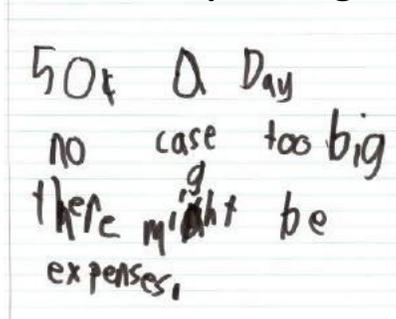
Yes! Summer is here! Arleney and some of you receiving this letter finally convinced me to put air-conditioning in the gallery. Yesterday it felt so good.

Next: This letter is going out to hundreds and hundreds of people. I have totally lost count. If you are receiving it and prefer not to, please send me an email and hopefully I will remove your name. Also, if you have any suggestions, please let me know.

The next next: Any suggestions in regard to my website will be appreciated. Yesterday two different folks suggested that I change my hours to “By Appointment”. I am going to do that.



OK: My family comes from a long line of Law Enforcement. My Grandpa Monroe was a Texas Ranger, my Father, Charles L. was a Correctional Officer, my Brother, Rudell was a Inspector for the USAF, and I held several positions starting as a California Highway Patrol Officer and retiring as a Sr. Special Investigator. I also held a Private Investigator’s License for many years. Well I was a still a little shocked when my grandson Alex hung this note on his mother Cindy’s refrigerator:





I love Cotton Pickin pictures as I remember my early childhood in Texas. I can vividly see my brother, Rudell who is 6 years older than me and myself out in the cotton field. No! We weren't playing. My brother remembers that when we got old enough to quit riding our mother's cotton sack, she made one for us.!

I came across this picture on ebay. We are certainly kindred spirits with this young fellow!



Recently I bought a Painting that I want to share with you. I am not quite sure if and when I will sell it. There are more by the same artist. His name was William (Willie) Walker. He was born in Alabama. He died about 10 years ago at the old age of 93 years old! The paintings are in the possession and for sale by: R. Edwin Miller---email- edwinart@aol.com



The painting to the left is mine. The others are for sale and I wish were mine!



I have spent at least an hour trying to show you the above paintings. Please excuse my lack of ability! The paintings are wonderful!

And the show goes on (I hope). Last Saturday we attended the Laird Family Winery Antiques and Folk Art show in beautiful Napa. We want to thank Gail Laird for inviting us. We had the pleasure of seeing many dealers and friends that we know. There were wonderful hors d'oeuvres, wines, and cold drinks. It was a great show.

One outstanding artist that we met was Liz Mamorsky

www.lizland.com

Please check her website. Here is an example: What fun!



At the winery show we saw Tom Baker. He asked us to remind you of the California Country Show, set for June 13th in Los Altos. That show is worth attending. You will see the best!

www.californiacountryshow.com Tom and his wife, Sheila also have a website for you antique folks www.digantiques.com Please check both out.

Kelly Moore! Darn Kelly Moore anyway. He has me hooked on his website www.kellymoore.net I absolutely love his art and his poems. I can't afford to be hooked Kelly!

Bernice Sims sends her love to all. She is well in Brewton, Alabama ---and still paints!

Please folks, remember Shane Campbell in your prayers. He has just went thru many hours of major surgery. This is one fine man. He is an outstanding carver! In fact, one of his carvings, the Statue of Liberty was in Jean Compton's (Texas dealer) booth at the winery show.

If you collect folk art you must pay attention to this show! It is the sale of a lifetime--part of Joe Adam's personal collection (America Oh Yes). I would honestly say that Joe Adams is the most loved man in the folk art world. At least Arleney and I

believe so! Sterling's Auction kimballsterling@earthlink.net www.sterlingsold.com Listen to Kimball call-great fun!



Announcement!!!!!! Arlene is one proud grandmother! She is headed to Seattle to see her newborn Baby granddaughter, Faith Maria, born to Ricky and Teena Frisk on May 13th. This is her 10th grandchild, plus one great-grandchild! (I can't get the photo to go larger!)



**In closing,
Let us enjoy
God's
painting
from Paul
and Diane
Maupin. Fall
Rivers Mill,
Northern
California on
May 6th.**

May God be with you and keep you safe.

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