

Macy McClung Crowned May Day Queen
School Classes Raise Money for Projects
Cloverdale Kiwanis Wins Rib Cook-Off

Macy McClung was crowned May Day Queen at the 31st Annual Geyserville May Day Festival on Sunday May 4, 2008. Her entourage (and runners up) attending with her were Diana Mercado, Andrea Gaona and Jennifer Reyes. As is typical in Geyserville, it was a fun, full day with entertainment by Hillary Marx with the Geyserville Christian Church crooning his mixture of songs, the fourth grade class doing the May Day Pole dance, the Ballet Folklorico performed 11 dances (third graders thru seniors participating) and Flutter-by the Clown entertained many children with stories and magic.

31st Annual Event Sponsored by Geyserville Chamber of Commerce

The Chamber also provided a Rock Climbing Wall and Jubilee Jumps, beer and wine. Studio 128 delighted the kids with temporary hair color in neon and sparkles called Rock Star Hair Color. The Historical Society sold beverages and borrowed back their display from the Healdsburg Museum for the day to show at the Festival.

Children and adults worked together to make this event fun and a fundraiser for various projects at school

Geyserville POSSE sold lemonade and t-shirts. The Presidential Youth Inaugural Conference raised funds by selling incredible homemade pies. AVID (Academic Via Individual Determination), which prepares students for college, raised money with a coin toss and a 50/50 raffle. The money raised helps pay for trips to colleges so that students can explore their options. Geyserville School Garden had "Grow It and Eat It Nutritional Project". They sold live plants and partnered with School Garden Co. offering garden starter kits and to help fund the school garden. DELAC (immigrant parents with English language students, a state-mandated program — very active in Geyserville) sold awesome tacos and carnitas to raise money to support students activities. Some very creative pieces were coming from the booth sponsored by the Day Care Center and Geyserville After School Care program, which offered free crafts and coloring to children. MEChA (Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan,) a latino club open to all students, sold T-shirts. Jesus Fernandez, the Social Sciences teacher for Geyserville and advisor for MEChA, manned the booth to raise money for scholarships to club members. The tenth grade class will be sponsoring the prom next year. They were raising money for it by selling delicious home baked goods. Seventh grade offered face painting to raise funds for their field trip to South America. The freshman bake sale and fish toss (not in the same booth, thank goodness) are thinking ahead to when they are going to be sponsoring the prom. Geyserville Christian Church raised some coin with a dime toss. Broncho Booster sold cheeseburgers, candy, and beverages to raise money for uniforms, wall mats in the gym, tournament fees, and a new score board. Ballet Folklorico under the direction of Graciela Flores made Tamales. Flores has worked in the Geyserville Schools since 1986 directing, cooking tamales, and making the colorful costumes the students wear. Seniors coordinated the games. The egg toss is a big favorite and a wonderful, old fashioned family game, so popular that they did it three times. The first contest Carson Kalbfleisch and his dad Mike Kalbfleisch won. The second contest Carson threw the eggs with Ben Paine and won, and the third contest was won by Brian Crebs and Mike Ruis.

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And as if that wasn't enough! The Kiwanis sponsored a BBQ rib cook-off. Contestants were the Healdsburg, Geyserville and Cloverdale Kiwanis Clubs, as well as, the Healdsburg and Geyserville Fire Departments. Third place was a tie with the two fire departments. Second place went to the Geyserville Kiwanis, and the winner of the rib cook-off was the Cloverdale Kiwanis.

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