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You have been chopped, 11/27/11 "Chop Chop!" "Who's there?" "Wood!" "Wood who?" "Wood you like a tree cut down?" Someone called police when they heard a chopping noise outside their residence. A look around failed to reveal Paul Bunyan, but they did notice a small tree had been cut near their property-the felled tree was actually on city property. No leads, no suspects. No Babe the Blue Ox either.

Water ways, 11/27/11 Someone threw a filled gallon water jug at a victim's parked car and broke the left rear tail light. Gives a whole new meaning to "water park" doesn't it? Damages are estimated at between \$300 and \$600, which will surely dampen your enthusiasm.

Party time, 11/27/11 Did you hear about the burglars who broke into a Lafayette residence? They stole some things (valued at \$2700), yes, but they liked the place so much they stayed to party. The intruders caused an additional \$1150 worth of damage while entertaining themselves. I would definitely cross them off my guest list.

Slick job, 11/28/11 Thieves broke into a work place on Mt. Diablo Blvd. and absconded with 30 cases of oil, plus a battery charger. More than two grand in cash and checks were taken too. Oil gone in a jiffy.

Pulling the old switcheroo, 11/28/11 A 2007 Prius was stolen in Lafayette. Perhaps the oil thieves grew weary of their wares? Half an hour later police recovered a 2004 Beemer, parked next to where the Prius was stolen.

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