



# The Clark Chronicle

## Being Californian



### Today's Weather: Nice

between droughts and el niños we find sunshine and warmth

The big news for the Clarks is the family moving from Washington to California. Nostalgia and excitement get all blended together as our family climate dries out and warms up. Sara is sticking around the Northwest as a sophomore at the University of Washington; Caleb is a seventh-grader at Price Middle School; and Amy is in the fifth grade at Sartorette Elementary.

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#### OUT WITH THE OLD

sold our home in Lynnwood, just north of the liberal bastion of Seattle, in May

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... AND ...

finished up school years and once the summer began made our way to California

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#### IN WITH THE NEW

bought our home in San Jose, just south of the liberal bastion of San Francisco, in July



**"It's OK! We're Using Shower Water!"**

How Californian neighbors greet each other while watering the plants



**"Half As Nice For Twice The Price!"**

The honest but poorly-conceived slogan for the Bay Area real estate industry



**Welcome, Westie!**

# Man Cook With Fire

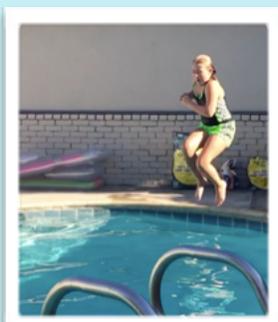


Old barbecue good. Old barbecue break. Man sad no cook no more. Man drag family south. Man buy ceramic barbecue. Man cook with fire. Man happy. Family eat.



Sara and Caleb enjoyed a trip to Alcatraz. Since we're newcomers to California we figure we can get away with doing all the touristy stuff that the old-timers never get around to.

## PLAYING AROUND IN CALIFORNIA



We have been exploring new places around our new home. The kids have a blast jumping into the swimming pool, and there is a lot to discover in the area, like a road-to-Hāna-esque drive up Mt. Hamilton to the humongous refracting telescope at the Lick Observatory.



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