at a pressure of 1400 psi. Samples of the coated steel were passed around. It became obvious that this company is being very forthright and informative about this project which had a controversial start, particularly on its routing. This writer was convinced that the benefits to the community will be overwhelmingly positive. After fielding numerous questions the speakers were thanked by Ray Bradbury and the meeting was adjourned at 12 pm.

#### Of interest

Here are some websites that have a lot of information pertinent to us seniors.

http://seniors.tcnet.org/articles.html

http://seniors-site.com/referenc/websites.html

http://www.senioryears.com/hobbies.html

http://www.seniorssearch.com/

## Now for the Funnies

What else could be the theme for this issue but Christmas.

This weekend while shopping in a local toy store, I came across a long line of people waiting for a promised shipment of dolls from Mattel. As I scanned the line, I noticed a friend waiting with all the others. I knew my friend had no daughters or young relatives, so I figured he must like the dolls himself. "Bill," I said going up to him, "I didn't know you were a collector!" "I'm not," he replied.

"Oh," I said, "You're buying a gift, then." "No, not at all," my friend responded.

"If you don't mind my asking then Bill," I said, "Why are you standing in this line?"

"Oh that," he answered. "It's like this," my friend stated, . . . "I've never been able to resist a Barbie queue!"

#### What A Boy Wants For Christmas

Darren remembers accompanying his father out shopping in the toy department of MRA one Christmas Eve.

Dad said, 'What a marvelous train set. I'll buy it.'

The girl behind the counter looked pleased and murmured, 'Great, I'm sure your son will really love it.'

Dad replied with a glint in his eye, 'Maybe you're right. In that case I'll take two.

#### **What A Girl Wants For Christmas**

The Santa Claus at the shopping mall was very surprised when Emily, young lady aged about 20 years old walked up and sat on his lap. Now, we all know that Santa doesn't usually take requests from adults, but she smiled very nicely at him, so he asked her, 'What do you want for Christmas?' 'Something for my mother, please,' replied Emily sweetly.

'Something for your mother? Well, that's very loving and thoughtful of you,' smiled Santa. 'What do would you like me to bring her?'

Without turning a hair Emily answered quickly, 'A son-in-law.'

Christmas Riddles

What did the reindeer say before launching into his comedy routine? - This will sleigh you.

What do lions sing at Christmas? - Jungle bells!

When is a boat like a pile of snow? - When it's adrift.

What do you call the fear of getting stuck in a chimney? - Santaclaustrophobia

How do snowmen get around? - On their icicles.

What does Santa call reindeer that don't work? - Dinner.

Did you hear about the optometrist who fell into a lens grinder and made a spectacle of himself?

Doctors tell us there are over seven million people who are overweight. These, of course, are only round figures.

What is the purpose of reindeer? - It makes the grass grow, sweetie.

There were two ships. One was painted red. One was painted blue. They collided. At last report, the survivors were marooned.

The other day I sent my girlfriend a huge pile of snow. I rang her up and asked, 'Did you get my drift?'

Where do you find giant snails? On the ends of giant's fingers.

Christmas: The time when everyone gets Santamental.

### Some snappers from My Christmas Crackers

What did the dog breeder get when she crossed an Irish Setter with a Pointer at Christmastime? - A "pointsetter"!

What do sheep say to each other at Christmastime? - Merry Christmas to ewe!

What do sheep say to shepherds at Christmastime? - Season's Bleatings!

How do sheep say Merry Christmas in Mexico? - Fleece Navidad!

How do Chihuahua's say Merry Christmas? - Fleas Navidog!

What's the best thing to put into Christmas dinner? - Your teeth!

A definition of Christmas: The time when everyone gets "Santa"-mental.

What's red, white and blue at Christmas time? - A sad candy cane!

# Merry Christmas to all from the staff of the Phoghorn - Ralph Wood & Cathy Porter (The UPS Store)