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One day, several years ago, I was riding my bike the wrong way on a one-way street. A police officer, who happened to be a friend, stopped me and said I was the same as an automobile, so to comply with the law, and also for my own safety, I needed to be on the other side of the street, or go to a two-way street. Sometime after that, my son was riding down H Street the wrong way on his way to school, and a lady driving a high-centered pick-up, whom I knew, looked to the right for oncoming traffic and pulled out and he ended up under her pickup. He was not hurt, but the bicycle was totalled. After that, he also knew why it was important to ride with the traffic, especially on a one way street. One day last week, I was driving down Harris Street, just past the Safeway Store, and there was a guy, pedalling as hard as he could, on the wrong side of the street. If you are familiar with that area, you'll know that there are some driveways to doctor's offices and medical supply businesses and care homes on the left side of the street. I happened to be right there when here came this man in his twenties, I imagine, pedalling as hard as he could and a driver pulled out after looking to his left, right in front of the bicyclist, who laid it down and jumped up and said he was O.K. Fortunately for the cyclist, someone was coming up Harris Street and the car stopped, or he would have run over the bike and possibly the rider. So, the moral of this whole story is-RIDE ON THE CORRECT SIDE OF THE STREET AND MAKE SURE DRIVERS OF CARS SEE YOU!//Right now, I happen to be on a medical merry-go-round, seeing 8 doctors for some cellulitis, bone cancer, restless legs and some excess moisture in my

system, causing the fluids to leak out through the skin on my lower legs. I have Medicare and a good secondary insurance, which costs me a bundle, but good for the docs and their staffs. I would like to say that without exception, the doctors and their crews are fascinating people- all very kind and pleasant and very helpful!//Valentine's Day is coming up in a few days. The Humboldt Harmonaires have some quartets who are going to sing Love songs to wives, husbands, lovers, significant others, or just special friends. Specific times are available or just any old times can be arranged for. Just call Steven Plourde at 825-0920 to arrange for specific or general times. I used to be able to do it, but my disability prevents it any more. It is so much fun to see a wife or sweetheart bubble up with joy or a husband or boyfriend to feign embarrassment. * Again- to arrange for a singing valengram in Barbershop Harmony from a quartet from the Humboldt Harmonaires, call Steve Plourde at 825-0920. You can also ask for specific songs from their repertoire. Friday or Saturday will be available dates. ^{The 13th}

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