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(Letters to the Editor)

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Dear Sir,

Man hath entered the forest. Homo ludens, that is...ex urbanis, in this case.  
Gene Beery..."playful man."

As per your compelling article in the November issue..."XXX<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>."

(Commencing on page 100.)

Gene Beery...Amador County, California, implant...and well indeed a  
precious resource.

Here's a guy who in his underlying quest for JOY teases us in that direction  
by way of quirky humor...quizzically delighting.

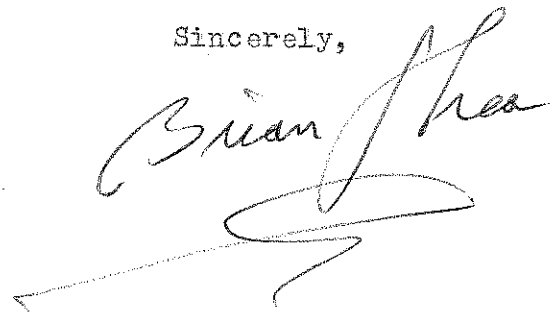
As if our every-day perceptiveness needed such needling!

Mightn't Mr. Beery be *vital* proof that <sup>lives led</sup> in a balance of urban  
and rural interrelation nudge our level of flowering to heights  
unattainable to those living exclusively citified or ruralized?

Here we happily have in our midst a piper of mirth,  
a living exemplar of Homo ludens.

"Be amazed."

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brian J. Shea". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "Brian J. Shea".