

by The Campus League of Puzzlers
Solution to A Bit of Bubbly:

Each of the answers to the clue phrases contains the trigram POP:

Overcome with rage: APOPLECTIC
Cell death: APOPTOSIS
Golden State flower: CALIFORNIA POPPY
Amazing to behold: EYE-POPPING
Purportedly hungry animal: HIPPOPOTAMUS
Breed too quickly: OVERPOPULATE
John Paul or Alexander: POPE
Kick the bucket: POP OFF
Rubbish: POPPYCOCK
Propose: POP THE QUESTION
Out of favor: UNPOPULAR
Majority opinion, from the Latin: VOX POPULI

Placing these answers in the grid such that the pop! symbol replaces each POP trigram and reading down the letters enclosed in the champagne bottle gives the final answer EFFERVESCENT.

Congratulations to Team Surfbort, TS_1989, and Justin A. for being the first to submit the correct answer to last week's puzzle on our website.

If you enjoy puzzles, we hope you will join us at the annual Berkeley Mystery Hunt at the end of the spring semester.

This puzzle is the ninth and final in this series. However, once you are finished there is also a META puzzle to be solved. The solutions to both this puzzle and the META puzzle will be printed next week along with the start of a new puzzle series. Submit your answer on our website (<http://puzzle.berkeley.edu>). We will print the names of the first solvers to submit a correct answer in next week's column.

Week 9: Keep on...

Celia: "Hi Brad, how's it going? My location is Main and Vine."

Brad: "I'm good. Hey, could you relay message for me?"

Celia: "Hmm. I can't hear you very well, receiving poorly."

Brad: "Oh well. Should I bring my rain coat? Advise weather."

Celia: "No, and actually over here there's nothing for you, return to base."

Brad: "That's annoying. My location is near you."

Celia: "Too bad. Could you relay message for me?"

Brad: "Not right now. You sure that there isn't anything for us?"