

I have a word I use to describe things I find lovely and worth having. It isn't technically a *real* word, but one I use nonetheless. The word? "**Pretties.**" Don't ask me where or how it started, all I know is "pretties" is part of my language. Stuff is just stuff, but I'm of the opinion we are allowed to like stuff, and we should only surround ourselves with the kind of stuff (and people!) that add joy and value to our everyday lives. "Pretties" are the little joys in life that come in many forms.

I love all things vintage...how they have a story and time of their own. As someone who works on homes from the 20's-30's all the time, I often find little "pretties" and trinkets in the very walls of San Leandro





homes! Knowing the history behind antiques makes them special, and the hunt is especially exciting! In a recent Blog, I shared about my love for vintage glass. The corners of my home are filled with colorful treasures, and I enjoy sharing my passion with my daughters. It is my legacy of convictions, hard work, deep love, family, & faith that mean the most to me, but these collections of "pretties" represent my influence and place in my daughters' lives. One day, they will pass on their legacy and "pretties" to their daughters, and so on. These pieces will only increase in value, but it is really the stories and tradition that are valued above the rest. We use our "pretties" and enjoy them, and in doing so we become part of the history of the pieces, and they become a piece of our tradition. Perhaps this holiday season you will share traditions with the people you love. I encourage you to find the beauty in the people you surround yourselves with, sprinkle in some "pretties," share traditions and most importantly, make memories. ~ As always, See you in the 'hood, Terry

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The holidays are upon us, but before you know it Spring will be here! If you (or someone you know) is considering selling their home, now is the time to start planning! Give me a call and we can meet!