

Gifts for Bonnie & Charlie

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Jojo dolls & basketballs

 a mindflex & pick-up sticks

 Parcheesi and—no, not Parcheesi

 a supersoaker, a Care Bear

 an outdoor smoker, some new hair

 a cherry red sixties Corvette

 a share of their own private jet

 a mansion up in the mountains

 with long-walled drives, hedges, fountains

 plus throw in the mountain, the brook

 the dedication of a book

 stars, planets, a constellation

 a European vacation

 a candy factory, never used

 that pardoned turkey from the news

 beach balls, hula hoops, army men

 a Red Ryder BB gun & then

 all the land in Argentina

 the wardrobe gate to Narnia

 a real-life Bilbo Baggins ring.

Or better yet: a new sibling.

