

Westlake Village newsletter

Village News, Events &

August 2017

- ✓ **BINGO** First Tuesday 7 p.m. Rogue Lea Estates
- ✓ **BINGO** Third Tuesday 7 p.m. Westlake Village Clubhouse
- ✓ **HAND & FOOT** Second and Fourth Tuesday at 1:30 & Saturdays, also after the potluck.
- ✓ **POTLUCK** Friday, August 26 at 5:00 Westlake Village Clubhouse

August Birthdays

8/9 **Maureen Phillips**~8/19 **Richard Greenwood**~8/21 **Blondina Yarbro**~8/23 **Grace Dauphinee**~8/25

Frank Owens

541-955-7193 if I missed your birth date.

OUT & ABOUT *Virginia Loar*

What a full and busy life **Lester and Christy Jones** lead. They come to us from the Santa Barbara area of California. **Les** was born there and **Christy** moved there from Los Angeles at one and one half years of age. She met **Les** as the years rolled by they married. 38 years. They became the parents of three boys and a girl. **Les** managed Yellow Cab in Santa Barbara and enjoyed it immensely. He met so many celebrities in his line of work and found them friendly, happy and just plain nice. **Christy** was a stay at home mom. Then Yellow Cab was sold and **Les** went to work at lumber mills in Northern California for almost 20 years. By now one son was living in Santa Barbara who had 4 of their grandchildren, a daughter and son were in Lompoc, CA and she had three of their grandchildren and the youngest son is floating between Oregon and Florida. They made two more moves, one in Truckee, CA and then back to Santa Barbara, CA and then they went to Buena Park, CA to take care of **Christy's** Dad who was very ill and later passed away. **The Jones** came here in March of 2006 following **Christy's** sister **Peggy Thomas**. **Peggy** had lived in Grants Pass a number of years and resides in our Park also. When they arrived here and took a look around they were overwhelmed by the beauty of the area. They love the peace and quite. They enjoy the Geese as they chatter away. **Christy** and her sister **Peggy** are very close and it is a happy event when the three of them are together. **Christy** works helping people in Assisted Living and that keeps her busy. At home she does a lot of crafts and reading. James Patterson and Janet Evanovich are two of her favorite authors. **Les** likes fishing and hunting. He does all the cooking. He was trained to cook when he was in the Marine Corps. He even learned how to butcher a cow. He does not need a recipe. **Les** helps around the house since **Christy** works. They have a dog name Maggie who loves to chase bugs and shadows. She quietly welcomed me at the door with a wag of her tail. We are happy you are in Westlake Village.

A LITTLE BIRD TOLD ME *The Listener*

The mystery is still unsolved. Who put the 3 little angels under a tree in **Nadine Luikart's** yard? **Julia** has a new grandchild. **Mitzi** is feeling better after a quick stay in the

hospital. **Donnie & Julia Tyree** have a new grass land in their backyard. Someone on Winston Drive is missing two back teeth. Gone for 10 days in July; what a nice treat for **Don and Barb**. Cataract surgery for **Bob White!** **Della and Virginia** had luncheon at Elmer's. They had chicken fried steak.

DURFEE DISHES THE DATA *Durfee Bedsole*

BASTILLE DAY REAL BLOWOUT!—If you missed the last potluck, you missed a humdinger. We stormed the Bastille with all kinds of picnic fare, some furnished from the kitty money and others brought the rest. **Nadine** brought all kinds of soft drinks in ice buckets, plus red, white and blue paper goods. All the tables were covered with plastic to look like the French flag. **Alta Koch** brought a display of roosters (chanticleers), and some great World War I French Postcards. **Odile**, our resident from France, decorated with some of her French mustard jars, had a friend make a bunch of French flag and displayed an assortment of maps, books on the Louvre and Versailles etc. Even a Metro map was on a table. She even dared to include a glass Eifel Tower filled with brandy! **Diane White** won the bright red colander filled with French goodies. Musical entertainment provided by resident **Gene La Haie** who sang and played the banjo with his friend Bob Palmer on the piano. They could play anything. What a treat! We want more! Thanks everyone for coming and bringing such great food and stuff. Mark the calendar for Friday August 26, to meet again for our monthly potluck. Details later. I need door prizes. **COINCIDENCE!**—Just finished reading "A Gathering of Finches" by Jane Kirkpatrick. All about the history of Shore Acres south of Coos Bay. Our friends in Eugene invited us for a weekend with them on the coast and guess where they took us? Shore Acres. They had no idea I had just read the book. Then they let me borrow 3 golf gadgets that for the most part defy description. One looks like a

weapon of mass destruction. It weighs a ton, has a grip built into the shaft so you won't turn your hands. If you swing too hard, you'll fall over. Another is called a "Medicus." Looks like a regular club but if you do not swing in the right plane, the bottom one-third of the club unhinges, making it impossible to hit the ball,

and you fall down. The third one looks like an inverted windmill. When you swing it too hard you lose your balance. They are supposed to "improve" my game? it.

BEWARE OF FITTING ROOMS WITH BETTER LIGHTING, DECORATIVE SPACES—you are being seduced to linger and buy more. The dingy fitting rooms are being transformed to squeeze more profit. If we are being asked to "cut back" in order to save the country from default, then here is our chance. Stay out of the new fitting rooms! Buy off the rack and save

LOOKING FOR A "WILD" VACATION?—How about a tree house in the South African savanna that comes with yummy cookies, gorgeous views and killer neighbors. We are talking black mambas, wild buffalos and ferocious lions. It is called sleeping with the enemy. That's why the tree house is very high off the ground. Oh, yes, one small detail. The Private Game Reserve costs \$1000 a night. Ouch!

RIGHT PLACE AT THE RIGHT TIME—In Maine recently a cardiologist and a team of nurses are being credited with saving the life of a heart attack victim, but it wasn't in the emergency room. It happened during a lecture on heart disease with all kinds of heart medicos present. A man in the audience could not breathe, had no pulse and collapsed. One of the nurses grabbed a defibrillator to revive him. The lecture continued.

IS IT IMMORAL TO CUT THE BUDGET? Some religious progressives think so according to the Wall St. Journal. Does it mean we all have to be good Samaritans to save us from the poor house? As I write this our country is in crisis over this budget thing. I am hoping that Congress settles their differences quickly so I can sleep better or I will lie down on a real bed of nails

FINALLY, SICK OF HOUSE WORK?—Let the little robot that could clean the icky spots. The battery-powered device mops, scrubs and squeegees while you are out. But it doesn't sweep. Bummer. While you are at it, pick up the new Sweet Smells of Clean that include soaps and all-purpose cleaners that smell like basil, ginger, apricot leaves and lemon grass zest. Might even clean out your sinuses! Keep cool and see you at the potluck on August 26.

COMPUTER CORNER

<http://www.patheos.com/community/deaconsbench/2011/06/07/stunning-koreas-susan-boyle/>

RECIPE FOR THE MONTH BLACKBERRY ALMOND GARDEN SALAD

2 1 lb bags prepared salad mix (Romaine or Spring Mix)
1 large can mandarin oranges (drained)

Dressing:

1/2 cup balsamic vinegar 2 tablespoons olive oil
3 tablespoons sugar
1/2 fresh or frozen blueberries (thawed)

Mix dressing ahead of time to marinate the berries. Pour over salad greens and top with slivered almonds. Add grilled chicken to salad for a complete meal.

THIS & THAT *Diane White*

Sitting on the side of the road waiting to catch speeding drivers, a Massachusetts state trooper sees a car puttering along at 24 mph. He

thinks to himself, "This driver is as dangerous as a speeder!" So he turns on his lights and pulls the driver over. Approaching the car, he notices that there are five elderly ladies - two in the front seat and three in the back, wide-eyed and white as ghosts. The driver, obviously confused, says to him, "Officer, I don't understand. I was going the exact speed limit. What seems to be the problem?" The trooper trying to contain a chuckle, explains to her that 24 was the route number, not the speed limit. A bit embarrassed, the woman grinned and thanked the officer for pointing out her error." But before you go, Ma'am, I have to ask, is everyone in this car OK? These women seem awfully shaken." "Oh, they'll be all right in a minute, officer. We just got off Route 108."

TATTLE TALES *Diane Mead*

Ben & Lorraine Ogletree are the happy guardians of Suzita a 10 year old female Chihuahua. A hefty little gal weighting in at 8 lb. but let me tell you, that is 8 lbs. of might. Suzita is black, tan and grey (sounds like my coloring".) She doesn't mind letting strangers know where not to tread. She is friendly but a family protector. **Lorraine's** sister Rose had a kennel in Cave Junction, and when **Lorraine & Ben** visited and saw the puppies that Rose had, well that was all she wrote for the **Ogletrees**. So they have had Suzita since "childhood". Rose has since passed so having Suzita is a nice reminder of her.

Suzita stands on her hind legs and dances when she is excited to see someone. She plays keep away and fetch with her toys, but her favorite pass time is napping. (Bo she fits in here in Westlake Village.) When the **Ogletrees** are on a trip and Suzita wants to get out of the car she starts a high pitched chatter that sounds like "Let me outta here".

We have so many lovely and loving animals here in Westlake Village, why not contact **Diane Mead** and tell her about your pet. Cats, dogs, fish, fowl or reptile, it makes no difference. You can contact her at **541 244-1619**.

Tip: Contact the Humane Society or County Shelter. There is help in Josephine County to get pets spayed or neutered.