

LINN VALLEY LAKES NEWSLETTER

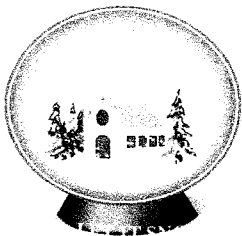
DECEMBER 2007

It is unknown exactly when or why December 25 became associated with Christ's birth. The New Testament does not give a specific date.

The word "Christmas" is a contraction of two word "Christ's mass" and is derived from the Middle *Christemasse* and Old English *Cristes maesse*, a phrase first recorded in 1038. In early Greek versions of the New Testament, the letter X (*chi*), is the first letter of Christ. Since the mid-16th century X, or the similar Roman letter X, was used as an abbreviation for Christ. Thus, *Xmas* is an abbreviation for Christmas.

The Twelve Days of Christmas are the twelve days from Christmas Day to the Feast of Epiphany on January 6 that encompass the major feasts surrounding the birth of Christ: a week after Christmas Day on January 1 is the Feast of the Naming and Circumcision of Christ (Jesus was a Jew). The naming of Christ is the formal end of the Christmas story in Luke. The Feast of the Epiphany marks the visit of the Magi (wise men) and is the formal end of the Christmas story in Matthew.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year



**YARD
SNOW
GLOBE
RAFFLE**

\$1.00 EACH

OR 6 FOR \$5.00

TICKETS MAY BE PURCHASED AT THE POA OFFICE

PROCEED GO TO

THE MAYOR'S CHRISTMAS TREE FUND

TO ASSIST LINN VALLEY FAMILIES IN A TIME OF NEED

Drawing for the winner will be at the
December City Counsel Meeting

NEW CITY

BUILDING INSPECTOR APPOINTED

Due to the resignation of Wally Hook as Linn Valley Building Inspector early in November, Mayor Ralph Fitch announced the appointment of Don Ritter, Jr. as the new inspector.

After consideration by the Linn Valley City Council in an Executive Session at the November Council Meeting, the Council approved the appointment.

Mr. Ritter is busy getting acquainted with the permits in progress and the new ones coming in to his office.

Wally was the first Building Inspector for our newly formed city and has served in that capacity since his appointment. Wally has also been instrumental in helping the Planning Commission with the construction of our almost completed Comprehensive Plan.



**BRAIN
TEASER**
(COURTESY OF CHUCK HENNEN)

AGE REVERSAL

Jim said to Andy, "It's funny about our ages. If the digits of your age are reversed, you get my age. If you double your age, you get what my age will be on my next birthday."

How old are Jim and Andy?

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POA LOT FORECLOSURE SALE

The POA will be conducting 2-3 Sheriff's Foreclosure Sales in January and February of 2008. Anyone interested in the details of the sales, inquire at the POA office.

DECEMBER ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8TH



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SHOP

9 AM - 1 PM

at Clubhouse Lower Level

11 AM

Santa's Visit at Clubhouse

Refreshments will be served

**NEW YEAR'S
EVE DANCE**

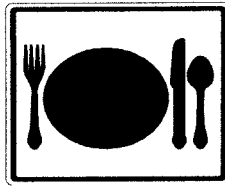


MONDAY, DECEMBER 31ST

8:00 PM - 12:30 AM

CLUBHOUSE LOWER LEVEL

DJ - MICHAEL JAY



**LADIES
LUNCH BUNCH**

The "Lunch Bunch" will be leaving the Community Center at 10:00 am on December 13, 2007 to have lunch at The Great Wolf Lodge, 10401 Cabela Dr., Kansas City, Kansas (@ the Legend's). This is a fun outing and open to any lady that would like to join in and enjoy good food and fellowship.

RSVP to: Bennie Kirk @ 757-4868

Happy Birthday to: Moretta Hennen

Betty Miller

Louise Kratzer



**RECYCLE
REMINDER**

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THE RECYCLE BINS ARE NOT FOR PLASTIC BAGS OR CARDBOARD. YOUR COOPERATION IS NEEDED

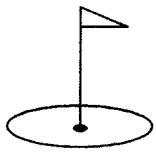


A "thank you" to everyone who participated and helped make our 9th Annual Mayor's Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony a success.

Special thanks to Carl Marrs for use of his time and equipment to put the lights on the tree and to Jerry Moore for the use of his trailer for our platform. The Choral group from Prairie View High School, under the direction of Dawn Bailey, was a real treat. Their Christmas music presentation made the evening even more festive.

The children of Linn Valley added their 'good cheer' by singing "Away in a Manager" and "Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer".

Thanks to all those who helped with serving the treats and drinks.



DEER TRACE GOLF COMMITTEE MEETING

November 5, 2007

Deer Trace Golf Course Superintendent, Dale Moles, stated that the grass is growing! The same holes remain closed at this time. The greens on Nos. 16 and 17 are growing in well. The rough needs rain. With the help of Keith Virgin, Dale has been re-mapping the layout of the sprinkler heads on the front nine. Dale is again ordering fertilizer/chemicals early to save money. We are still looking for an Assistant - hopefully finding someone by March, 2008. Dale emphasized that everyone needs to stay on cart paths as much as possible, in order to save the grass. He is putting fill dirt in the hole on No. 8. Frost is now on the greens in the mornings, so play cannot begin until mid-morning.

Discussion was held regarding moving the "out of bounds" stakes on No. 15 to higher up on the hill.

WGA REPORT: Augusta stated that last Tuesday's play had a really good turnout. The Ladies will now play every Tuesday at 1:00 pm only. Augusta is working on the Tournament Schedule for 2008.

CO-ED REPORT: Drew stated that last Wednesday was the Co-Ed's final play for this year. The Co-Eds (and anyone else) are starting Bunko games this Wednesday at 6:30 pm at the Main Clubhouse and will be playing probably every-other Wednesday through the winter months.

MGA REPORT: The Men lost the Paola Ryder Cup by one point. A discussion was held regarding contacting other area clubs to play also. Some of the men will be getting together to discuss ways to make the Men's Association better.

A motion was made and passed to retain the current Chairman, Don Spitzenberger; Secretary, Sue Moore; Resident Member, Keith Virgin and Non-Resident Member, Joe Hamilton, for 2008.

A long discussion was held regarding the Breast Cancer Tournament - the cancellation this year, etc. It was decided that there will be a Breast Cancer Tournament in October, 2008, regardless of conditions of the golf course, etc.

General Manager, Pam McCoy, needs the Tournament Schedules from each Association as soon as possible. Ms. McCoy informed the Committee that the "Sixsomes Proposal" approved by the Committee last month was not approved by the POA Board. The proposal died for lack of a motion at the last Board Meeting. It was decided that meetings in December and January would not be necessary.

The next meeting will be 6:00 pm, Monday, February 4, 2008, at the Community Center.



Donations needed for KID'S CHRISTMAS SHOP

GIFT DONATIONS are being accepted at the POA Office now through December 6th. New & like new items that kids may purchase for family members, ages ranging from babies to grandmas and grandpas, are needed.

Shop will be open on December 8th

Items range in price from \$.25 to \$2.00.

Questions? Call Lee at 757-2958

Sponsored by the LVL Recreation Committee.

LINN VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

DECEMBER 16th



The choir will present the Christmas Cantata, "The Light of the World" at the 10 o'clock worship service. The children's choir will join the adult choir in this presentation.

DECEMBER 24th



A Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be held at 6 pm.