

# LINN VALLEY LAKES NEWSLETTER

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## DECEMBER 2006

**CHRISTMAS** or **CHRISTMAS DAY** is a holiday celebrating the birth of Jesus, the central figure of Christianity. Aspects of celebration may include gift-giving, Christmas trees, display of Nativity sets, church attendance, the Father Christmas/Santa Claus myth, and family gatherings. The traditional date of celebration is December 25, but the actual birthdate of Jesus is unknown.

The word *Christmas* is derived from Middle English *Christemasse* and from Old English *Cristes moesse*. It is a contraction meaning "Christ's mass". The name of the holiday is often shortened to Xmas because Roman letter "X" resembles the Greek letter X (chi), an abbreviation for Christ.

In Western countries, Christmas is the most economically significant holiday of the year, and is even celebrated by non-Christians. The popularity of Christmas can be traced in part to its status as a winter festival. Many cultures have their most important holiday in winter because there is less agricultural work to do at this time.

## DECEMBER ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

*Merry Christmas  
& Happy New Year*

*From all of the POA Employees*

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9th

**Deadline for registering to enter the "Tour of Lights" Contest. This is for outside decorations, only. Residents can enter their homes for judging by contacting Tera @ 757-3086 or Kim @ 757-3425.**

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16th @ Clubhouse

**7 pm -- "Tour of Lights" top 3 entries will be announced and maps will be available to tour and see the homes entered into the contest.**

**The Starz Dancers will be performing and then Cookies and Hot Chocolate will be served.**

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16th

**9 am - 2 pm**

**\*\*Children's Christmas Shop @ CH**

**10 am - Santa's Visit @ CH**

**\*\*This is for kids thru high school age. Gift prices range from \$.25 to \$2.00. There will be volunteers to assist the children in preparing their list with the accompanying adult before they begin their shopping. Adults are not allowed in the shop. There will also be volunteers to help the children wrap their packages.**

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31st

**8:00 pm - 12:30 am**

**"New Year's Eve Dance"**

**@ CH**

## LOCAL CHURCH NEWS

The Choir of the Linn Valley  
Community Church will be  
presenting  
"He's Still the King of Kings"  
a Christmas Cantata on  
December 17th at 10:00 am.  
Everyone is welcome!!

The Linn Valley Community  
Church will have a  
Candlelight Service  
on December 20th at 7:00 pm.  
The children and youth of the  
church will participate in song and  
scripture preceeding the  
candlelighting.

Our Lady Of Lourdes  
Catholic Church in LaCygne  
will be changing the  
Sunday Mass time.  
Effective December 3rd,  
Mass will begin at 9:00 am.

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### TAKE NOTICE!!

#### NEW ORDINANCE AGAINST LITTERING AND DUMPSTER ABUSE

The City of Linn Valley has adopted Ordinance #98 pertaining to littering and misuse of our dumpster. There is a camera located at the dumpster area and all activity is recorded for review by the POA office and the Police Department. Fines for violating this ordinance are from \$100.00 to \$1,000.00.

We each have the responsibility to take pride in our community and to follow the guidelines set out by the POA and the city.

### COMPACTOR RULES OF USAGE

#### FURNITURE

Any furniture that will compact easily.

#### APPLIANCES

NO large applicances are to be put in the Compactor.  
(Microwaves may be compacted)

#### DEAD ANIMALS

Small pets will be accepted only if they are double bagged. Large animals are not accepted. Refer to National By-Products, Topeka, KS 1-800-332-0312

#### WOODS

NO limbs, burshor leaves accepted in compactor. No grass cuttings or yard waste.

#### BUILDING MATERIALS

**\*\*NOT ACCEPTABLE\*\*** This includes shingles, brick, sheetrock, plaster, blocks and wood products.

#### FLUIDS

NO automotive or industiral oils, grease or antifreeze are acceptable.

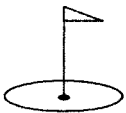
#### HAZARDOUSE WASTE

NONE ACCEPTED Possible \$500 fine from the county.

#### TIRES

NO tires accepted.

ALL UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS AT THIS COMPACTOR SHOULD BE TAKEN TO THE LINN  
COUNTY LANDFILL IN PRESCOTT, KS 913-471-4631



# DEER TRACE GOLF COMMITTEE MEETING - November 6, 2006

Golf Course Superintendent, Dale Moles reported that new trees have been planted between No. 1 and No. 6. More sand bunkers have been put in and he would like to have all bunkers in place by next summer. Dale reported that the POA has purchased a rough mower and a leaf blower. Also, two leaf rakes have been put to use.

Discussion was held regarding the 2007 annual, green and trail fees. A motion was made and approved to recommend to the POA Board that the fees for 2007 be increased in the amounts suggested.

Discussion was held regarding the cart shed fees. A motion was made and approved to recommend an increase in cart shed annual fees to \$200.00.

The outside tournament fees item on the agenda was tabled until our next meeting.

The next meeting will be on MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2006 AT 6:00 pm at the Community Center.

## POA BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVE FEE INCREASES

The Board of Directors approved the following fee increases for 2007 at their November 18, 2006 meeting:

Golf Cart Storage Shed Annual Fee \$200.00

RV Storage Annual Fee \$150.00

### Camping Fees:

#### Member:

Daily	\$ 7.00
14-days	90.00
30-days	190.00
90-days	550.00

#### Guests:

Daily	\$ 15.00
14-days	200.00
30-days	400.00

There will be a 90-day maximum stay. The camper must be removed for a minimum of 7 days. If the POA feels this policy is being abused, the camper will be asked to vacate the premises.

The POA Board of Directors have approved a cost of living increase for the 2007 assessments. This results in the assessments for 2007 being \$317.00. Statements will be in the mail mid to late December.

## THE LINN VALLEY LAKES RECREATION COMMITTEE SAYS A BIG THANK YOU!!

Approximately 170 children and adults enjoyed the Fall Family Festival, consisting of pumpkin decorating, hayrack rides, weiner roasting and roasting of marshmallows.

A big thanks go to the following for making the event possible:

POA MAINTENANCE GUYS -- Wood for the bonfire.

LVL FIRE DEPT. -- Lighting and attending the bonfire.

JACK STOTLAR -- Making weiner roasting forks.

GARY HARPER & PRICE CHOPPER -- Hot Dog Buns.

PACT COMMITTEE -- Weiners.

JIM TIEHEN -- Hayrack rides.

VICKY SAYLORS -- Cupcakes

MARY STRINGER -- Chocolate Covered, Decorated Marshmallows.

This was a great evening provided by these volunteers assisting our LVL Recreation Committee. Many hands go into making these events successful. Cindy Wempe is the Chairperson of this great group of people.

# *The Sound Of Music*

Several of our Linn Valley high school students participated in the production of

Sound of Music presented

November 17th & 18th at PVHS.

They all did such a great job!

The students from Linn Valley were:

Jessica Baker, RC Bailey, Will Miller, Wes Miller, Tiffany Saunders, & Nikki Hale.

On Saturday, November 18th, it was a Dinner Theater setting. The dinner was marvelous and the service was the best!

Christy Coen was the Maitre' De and our table server was Jessie Smith

(granddaughter of Dick & Pam George).

A great job by all the kids that participated in this production and the leaders that made it happen.

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## **WOOD FOR THE CUTTING!!**

The downed trees are for the taking that are along the creek that runs from Ullery Road, (previously

Esthers Pond), north of the Shelter House to

N. Linn Valley Dr. Anyone that would like

firewood is welcome to take what they need, we

just ask that you clean up any mess that you may

have made during the cutting. Any questions,

just call the office @ 757-4591.

## **LADIES LUNCH BUNCH**

The "Lunch Bunch" will be leaving the Community Center on December 14th at 10:00 am to travel to the Cheescake Factory, 6675 W. 119th, Overland Park, KS. Reservations will be for 11:00 am.

Call Mary Lou Weber @ 757-3011 for more information or to make your reservation.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Betty Miller  
Moretta Hennen  
Louise Kratzer

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## **DEER TRACE GOLF COURSE RESTAURANT**

### **CHANGE!!!**

SPECIALS WILL NOW BE SERVED ON

## **MONDAYS**

NOT FRIDAYS

### DECEMBER 4th

Meat Loaf

### DECEMBER 11th

Fish Platter

### DECEMBER 18th

Chicken Fried Steak

### DECEMBER 25th

**CHRISTMAS - NO DINNER**

# LINN VALLEY AUXILIARY - 2006

The following is a recap of the 2006 activities and accomplishments of the Linn Valley Auxiliary.

- JANUARY** - Donated \$300.00 to a family in Linn Valley for groceries and medical bills.
- MAY** - 1. Fund raiser food sales for Memorial Day.  
2. Gave a \$500.00 scholarship to a Prairie View High School Student.  
3. Linn Valley annual fund raiser auction.
- JULY** - Fund raiser food sales for 4th of July.
- AUGUST** - Donated \$122.00 of back to school supplies for LaCygne Elementary School.
- SEPTEMBER** - 1. Fund raiser food sales for Labor Day.  
2. Donated \$75.00 to MDA.
- DECEMBER** - 1. Donated \$725.00 for 15 fire dept. jackets.  
2. Presented honorary membership plaque.  
3. Donated \$50.00 to the Mayor's Christmas Tree Fund.  
4. Donated \$100.00 to the Linn Co. Children's Coalition.  
5. Hosted an appreciation dinner for the LV Fire Dept. and LV Auxiliary.  
6. Donated food baskets to 3 families.  
7. Adopted a Linn Valley family for Christmas.

# CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

## A SUCCESS

The weather was terrific and the company was great! Many friends and neighbors met at the Community Center on the Sunday evening after Thanksgiving to celebrate the lighting of our Christmas Tree. The evening was accented by the Linn Valley Band, the Prairie View High School Choir and the Starz dancers.

As with any other successful endeavor, it took many hands to get the job done. Many, many thanks to Carl Marrs and Julia Ihrer for the stringing of the tree lights, Jerry Moore for providing the trailer, stage and lighting, Terry Keffer for the sound system set-up and a constant help as needed, Bob & Kim Gray for the stage decorations, and Paul & Glenda Kasper and Vickie Saylor for serving the refreshments.

Also, a special thanks to Grace Keefhaver and her PVHS choir for the beautiful christmas carols. The Starz Dancers are always a treat and we really appreciate Kim Gray and her troupe. What a great addition to our Linn Valley amenities!

Thanks especially to Pam McCoy and the POA for the generous use of the Community Center and their utilities.

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## MAYOR'S CHRISTMAS TREE FUND

The City of Linn Valley Mayor's Christmas Tree Fund is an organization that provides for any property owner in Linn Valley that may be in need any time of the year but especially at Christmas time.

This fund has provided water and/or sewer service, food, Christmas gifts, toys and other needs that we were made aware of and could provide assistance. This fund is supported entirely through donations. If you are interested in donating, there are donation cans at City Hall, POA office and the Pro Shop.

If you have any questions or know of a need, please contact Joyce at City Hall @757-2926 or

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## LINN VALLEY AUXILIARY PLANNED EVENTS FOR 2007

- FEBRUARY 24th** - Fund raiser Spaghetti Dinner  
**APRIL 28th** - Annual Salad Luncheon/Auction  
**MAY 27th** - Fund raiser Brisket Dinner  
**JULY 1st** - Fund raiser smoked Brisket Dinner  
**SEPTEMBER 2nd** - Fund raiser smoked brisket dinner.

Anyone interested in joining this fine organization, please contact Rose Harper at 757-3594.