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Top row: Cindy Ioimo, Trish MacDonald, Cindy Ferrel
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Every Year, a group of us at Oak Shores (all property owners) participate in the Polar Plunge in Cayucos.

This is a photo of last years (2013) Plunge. They did it again January 1st this year. It was their 5th Annual Plunge. They call the Group the "Oak Shores Babes".

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President's Message

By Randy Gillenwater



We are in the second week of March and the lake level is at 23%. The rain we received last week was a little over 4 inches and raised the lake level only 3 feet. I talked to Monterey County Water Resources Agency today and was advised they are planning on releasing the minimum required by the Fish and Game, currently 60 cubic feet per second. At least there will be some water in the lake for the next few months. Most of you probably know Lake San Antonio is at 5% capacity; you might say it is empty.

The new Entrance Sign should be completed by the end of this month. The rock-covered monument is done and awaiting the new sign to be installed. Our Maintenance Staff has completed four of the mailbox stanchions, with three to go. Another nice improvement for our community.

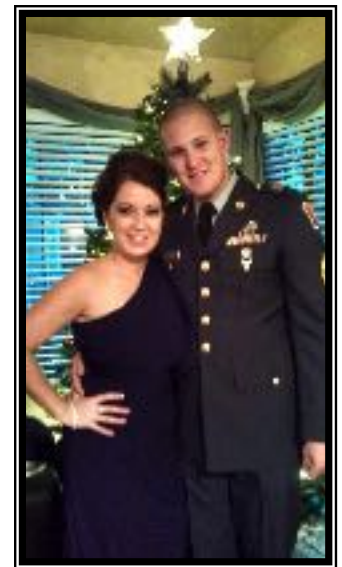
We are in the process of replacing the grass area next to the pool, where the pigs destroyed this winter, with a new extended patio area. Our Recreation Committee is looking at purchasing more tables, chairs and umbrella shades for the area for all to enjoy. With not having much of a lake this summer, the area will be welcome addition.

The Office Staff advised me they were updating all of our owner's files and some of us, myself included, did not have an owner's deed on file. This is required by our CC&R's page 9; so if you receive a letter requesting a copy or phone call, please comply with the request. They are only doing their job, thanks. I believe they are also updating the guest list for all owners. The Manager has information on this in his message.

The annual Firefighters fund raiser dinner dance will be held March 22 at the Club House. This is the main fund raiser for our Fire Volunteers.

The Cal Fire Cuesta Crews have been very busy clearing more brush in our community. There are several areas that have been cleared of brush and the trees limbed up. This will be of great help; if we have a fire start, in controlling the fires spreading.

Still hoping for some April showers!



Special Congratulations to Randy and Janice Gillenwater's daughter Kate on her upcoming marriage April 12 at Oak Shores to Elliot Reed.

General Manager's Report

By Dennis Javens



Immediate Family and Family Sticker Authorization forms

Early this year our office sent out letters to every Oak Shores member requesting that they update their *Immediate Family and Family Sticker Authorization forms*, if it is necessary. We included with that letter a copy of the most recent form that we had on file, and many of them were well over 10 years old.

You may not be aware, but this form is one of the most important forms that we keep on file. Why is this so important? When your family comes to the community to visit you, we want them to feel welcome and have a good experience as they enter the community. If you have failed to put your family members' names on the list, and have not authorized them to have stickers or to call in guests, they will not be allowed in; will be denied a sticker for their vehicles or watercrafts, and their guests will not be allowed to enter with them, unless those guests have been prior authorized by the property owner. If this happens, it is upsetting to your family and is not pleasant for the gate staff to have to tell them that they have not been authorized. We have already received hundreds of updated forms. Thank you to those who responded to this request so quickly. If you have not updated your form yet, please do so as soon as possible.

New Website

We are proud to announce the launch of our re-built and modernized website. The web address, www.oakshores.us, is the same, but the look has completely been updated. Stephanie Dayton in the office assisted the web-designer in restructuring the entire site. The new site has valuable information about the community, including all of the Association forms that you can print out, event information, Architectural information, Board meeting information and even a photo album that will be updated regularly. We also have a Facebook account, "theofficialoakshorescommunityassociation". Make sure to "like" this page to get the most current information about Oak Shores' on goings.

New Street Signs

Beautiful new street signs have been installed. The new signs are modern, reflect the community's color pallet and are made of reflective material, making them able to be seen at night, unlike the old brown, faded and mildewed street signs. The staff collaborated with members of the Beautification Committee and ARC to bring this great improvement to the community.

Clubhouse Patio Project

Last winter the wild pigs destroyed the grass in front of the Clubhouse. We were not the only location damaged, but this damage caused us to stop and reconsider what we should do now and in the future. It was determined that a better long-term solution would be to concrete the area instead of replacing the grass. The Recreation Committee agreed that installing concrete in this area will be a huge benefit to their outdoor events and owner's events, weddings etc., making that area much more useable. Staff reached out to a member of the community, Curt Illingworth, to help in designing the look and feel of the concrete area. The plan was then presented to the Architectural Review Committee for their approval and then to the Board of Directors for approval and funding. The first phase of the project was to remove the two large pine trees in front of the clubhouse in order to make room for the new patio area. The project is estimated to be completed by April 1st. Please follow the progress on our Facebook page.

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Meet Your Neighbors Jeff and Debbie Killion

By Janice Gillenwater and Nancy Feltman

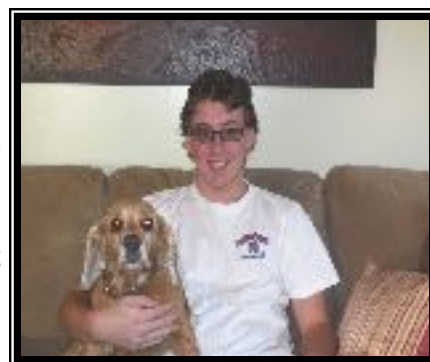


When you first drive into the community and hopefully stop at the Stop Sign by the golf course, your neighbors, Jeff and Debbie, might be on the deck of their beautiful home ready to wave at you. Just look up to your left and wave back because they really enjoy waving to their neighbors.

Many of you know or recognize Jeff as one of our Board Directors. He was elected to serve on the Board in 2011 and is currently serving his second term as Vice President. He also has been serving on the ARC Committee since 2009. He brings to ARC and the Board valuable knowledge, experience and expertise as a Licensed General Contractor and owner of Killion Construction Inc.,

specializing in custom framing which he started in 1998. He is very active in the community, not only as a Board and ARC member, but generously donating his equipment and volunteering his time helping out with many of the projects at Oak Shores. When he first moved to Oak Shores our pool construction was under way. Jeff donated his equipment to help with that project along with other projects such as the flagpole at the gate, the log boom and working with Maintenance with tree trimming at the campgrounds. He enjoyed working on the new kiosk at the gate along with "all the wonderful talented volunteers". Jeff was one of the key volunteers bringing his expertise to this project doing the framing and siding. His Mom also has volunteered for the community. She has donated many items to our Fireman's Ball Auction helping to raise thousand of dollars. One of Jeff's more memorable times of volunteering his equipment was using his forklift to remove a sunken boat wedged in the sand at the West Ramp. Now you can see "Jeff and his equipment" all over Oak Shores helping with projects.

Jeff's career started at an early age when he helped his grandfather build forts and tree houses where they lived in Arroyo Grande. Jeff was born in Ventura and at 8 yrs. old moved with his family to Pismo Beach. While in Arroyo Grande High School, he worked for his step dad who owned "Fun Rentals", which was a rental equipment store for sand dune activities. Jeff vividly remembers, the morning after graduation, his grand dad, Grandpa Fitzhugh, said to him, "So what are you going to do"? Jeff wisely took this question seriously. His Grandpa took him down to the Union Hall and signed him up for a 4-year apprenticeship program and joined the Carpenters Union. It turned out to be a very good decision. Jeff says that, "Grandpa Fitzhugh was a huge impact in my life".



In 1989, Jeff migrated to Ventura to pursue jobs through contacts with his Grandpa who still lived in Ventura. He discovered his niche working as a specialized framer on some very big homes in the Bel Air, Brentwood, Beverly Hills and Santa Barbara areas. Jeff is recognized in his field as a respected professional with a reputation for his honesty, conscientiousness and communication skills with clients ensuring quality materials and service. Jeff's wife, Debbie, joins in with, "He always keeps a clean job site and is an all-around good guy".

In 1992 while living in Thousand Oaks, Jeff met his wife, Debbie, through a mutual friend. Debbie is from Staten Island, New York where she was born and raised and worked for a Manhattan law firm. As a

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college graduation gift, her parents bought her a plane ticket to visit her uncle and his family in Ventura. Debbie fell in love with sunny Southern California. Her short visit eventually turned into a permanent move. Not long after moving to California, Debbie met Jeff and they became friends, started dating, and in 1994 on a trip to Yosemite at the bottom of Bridal Veil Falls, Jeff proposed and popped an engagement ring out of his pocket. Debbie was so excited, she found the first phone booth (yes, before cell phones!) to call her Mom with the news. They got married in 1995 and settled in Ventura where they currently live with their 17 year old son, Sean, and their Cocker Spaniel, Sally. Sean is a junior at St. Bonaventure High School active in cross country.

Jeff and Debbie would come up to the lake a lot on weekends. Jeff was well familiar with Lake Naci growing up in the area and came up to escape the fog in Pismo Beach. He knew about Oak Shores from cruising by on the lake. Jeff and Debbie came up one weekend to tour the community with a realtor and found the ideal lot for them. They both wanted to live by water, so they bought the lot in 1998 on their 3rd anniversary. They broke ground in 2006. Jeff designed and built the house, working on it with his crew on weekends and in between his other jobs. Jeff incorporated many unique designs and features he saw from working on custom homes. They both did a serious amount of work in their beautiful home, and their goal is to eventually retire here after they get Sean through college.

Jeff loves the feeling of being in a unique close friendly-family environment and how fast he has made friends here. He told a story of how one day he got stuck in the wet sand in his Polaris at the East Beach and before he could call for assistance, more than 30 people were there to help him. Jeff and Sean enjoy riding their stand-up jet skis. The family enjoys cruising on their pontoon, exploring the lake and especially likes Thursday Pontoon Night. You can spot Jeff easily when he rides around the community in his Polaris, because the dogs of Oak Shores watch and wait for him to come by with doggie biscuits he carries with him. Debbie really enjoys the peace and relaxing no-stress environment away from her job. She enjoys visiting with their friends and working on custom jigsaw puzzles which she has framed around the house.



As an act of generosity, Jeff donates blood approximately every 12 weeks and has for the past 25 years. He just hit the 108 pint mark! He really likes doing this because it makes him feel rejuvenated, relaxed and feels good about helping others.

Pretty good for a guy who in his senior year in high school was named "Welder of the Year". Many thanks to Jeff and his family for being valued assets to the community.



4th Annual Children's Easter Egg Hunt



**Saturday April 19th at 1pm at the Oak Shores
CAMPGROUND**

2 Age Categories:

Children 5 years and under

Children 6-10 years

**Please, remember to bring your
own basket and camera!!**



Parents/Grandparents, Please RSVP by April 14th

To: Janice - 472-9404 or Connie - 472-9630

with your child's age and name





Getting To Know Your Staff and Neighbor, Julie Munro

By Janice Gillenwater and Nancy Feltman



Life in Oak Shores is never dull for Julie Munro. Over 20 years ago, her brother-in-law, Larry, showed Chris and Julie the location of Oak Shores. That day has led to the biggest adventure for Julie which is still being lived today.

In 1988, Chris and Julie bought a lot in Oak Shores. Then in June of 1990, they moved into their pole-house built by Chris. Now Julie has worked for Oak Shores Code Enforcement for the past 10 years. She started working at the gate part time in 2004 then transitioned to patrol in 2007. In 2009, she was hired as a full-time employee as patrol. Julie also lives in Oak Shores full-time with her husband, Chris and son, Matt. (Matt is the first resident baby to be born and raised in Oak Shores.)

Julie tells us that she likes - wait "loves" - her job and truly cares about the people in the community. She jumps at the opportunity for training which will help keep Oak Shores a safe environment. In 2011, she received training in Los Osos for our Volunteer Fire Department. She passed the First Responder course. In 2012, Julie took the Sheriff's Citizens Academy course which led to becoming a volunteer in SAVP (Sheriff Auxiliary Volunteer Patrol). To become a SAVP, she attended certification classes and training then graduated in March 2013. Julie, along with another volunteer, Katie De Koster, who lives and works for Heritage Ranch does volunteer patrol for the lake areas and San Miguel. This is strictly a volunteer program. Julie enjoys giving back to the community and sees her training and volunteer work becoming an extension of her Code Enforcement job. The program, SAVP, is growing fast countywide (particularly the North County), and Julie encourages you to reach out and find out how you can volunteer. She also has brochures and information on how to join the SAVP. Another avenue is the CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) which Julie is also involved in.

The Oak Shores Christian Fellowship is another important aspect of Julie's life where she is an advisor on the Church Board. The position suits her well since she has been a member of the church for 15 years. She volunteers her time to do the set up for the church service Sunday mornings. She would love to see you on Sunday morning at the Clubhouse or almost any community event. In addition to all that, Julie finds time each year to volunteer on the Fishing Derby Committee.

Julie grew up traveling as her family moved due to her dad's job transfers. She was born in Minnesota, and as a toddler her family moved to California to escape the snowy winters. By the time she was at East Bakersfield High School, she was able to remain there all four years. Julie attended Cuesta College in SLO, where she received her A.A. in Early Childhood Education. Chris spent his teen years in Cambria working for a local business called the "Soldier Gallery". There he learned he could not only manufacture toy soldiers, but also design and sculpt. The store is still on the west side of Main Street in Cambria, and has been family-owned since 1993. Chris and Julie met when he was a senior and she was a freshman. They dated and when Julie graduated high school, she moved to Cambria. They were married a year later. Julie remembered that on her first date with Chris, they stopped at the Soldier Gallery (then called Soldier Factory), and Chris told her that she could have anything she wanted in the store. She chose a "Pigasus" (small pewter painted pig with wings). Next time you are in Cambria strolling along Main Street... Check out the Soldier Gallery with Aviation & Historical Art.

She lights up when she talks how fortunate she is to get paid for something she loves doing. She looks at her job as helping to take care of the community like it's her own home. She says, "It's important for me to
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THE AUSSIES



This article talks about pet birds that, unlike finches, need lots of human interaction. The psittacines are one of the most intelligent group of birds, only the corvids (ravens, crows, jays, and magpies) are more intelligent. The psittacines can be funny and talkative. Sometimes they get much too loud, or get too aggressive and bite us; but they are always beautiful. They range from the smallest at five inches and weighing one ounce to the largest flying member of the psittacines at a massive 3.3 feet long and 2-3 pounds. Whether big or small all psittacines (parrots) have 4 distinct features.

First, parrots are often called hookbills because of the shape of their bill. They have a massive curved upper part that ends in a sharp point. Parrots have strong beaks and can do considerable damage if they nip you. The second feature is the way they stand. Many birds hold their bodies horizontally and often seem to be crouching; parrots, sit straight up and down. Thirdly, they have the ability to mimic human speech and other sounds. Finally, all parrots have zygodactyl feet; two toes face forward and two toes face backward. Woodpeckers also have zygodactyl feet which aids in their climbing trees. These very dexterous feet manipulate food and other objects. The parrots, just like humans, exhibit "handedness", and they are left-footed or right-footed. While there are about 350 species of parrots in the wild, only a few species make good pets for the average pet owner. This article covers the two most popular pet birds in America.



The parakeet is from Australia. Properly known as Budgerigar (Budgies), it is only one of the many small or medium sized birds in the parakeet group. They are 6-8 inches long and weigh 1.1 to 1.4 ounces; the little guys can live to be 14 years old. Some have even made it to 20 years old. The normal budgie is green, and you can tell the sexes apart by looking at their nose. Look at the cere (nostril area above the beak); the adult male's is blue and the adult female's is pinkish-brown. There are 32 primary color mutations and sexing these color varieties can be difficult or impossible. However, in the photo in this article, both budgies are color mutations; yet you can still tell them apart. The male (blue cere) is preening the head of a female.



Budgies are highly social birds and as social animals, they need to be stimulated in order to stay happy and healthy in captivity. If you have only one budgie, it's imperative that you socialize with him or her every day. If you decide you don't have enough time for your budgie and want to get him a partner, be aware that not all budgies get along with each other. If you don't want a mated pair, it is best to get 2 males, as 2 females can get into nasty territorial fights.

Budgies are very intelligent, active, playful birds, and bond closely with their human. Some (but not all) budgies learn to talk. They can be quite good talkers, albeit with tiny little voices. Some budgies have learned 100 words. Listen closely your budgie may be repeating words or phrases but because of their very low, quick voice it might just sound like chatter. How vocal they are depends on the individual bird but males are somewhat more vocal than females.

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Our second Aussie is the beloved cockatiel (tiel). The tiel is the smallest member of the cockatoo family and like all the other members of this group, has a mobile crest of feather on the top of its head. The position of the crest can tell you what mood your tiel is in. A tiel's crest is naturally a little raised, as though someone took a curling iron to the very end of the feathers. This posture generally means the bird is calm and content. A relaxed tiel may be contently grinding its beak. Some tiels keep their crest at "half-mast". This just means the bird is alert, curious and content. A defensive, angry bird holds its crest feathers flattened close to the head; and if it is really stressed, the tiel will also make a hissing sound. A completely raised crest is an all-purpose alert signal.

Cockatiels are 12 to 14 inches long and weigh about 3 to 6 ounces. Adult cockatiels are sexually dimorphic. The "Normal Grey" is the natural color and is the type found in the wilds of Australia. The adult male has a dark grey body with a white stripe on each wing. The male has a bright yellow face with a round orange cheek spot and an unmarked grey tail. The female appears duller with almost a brown tint to the gray but, like the male, has a white stripe on her wings. Her face has traces of pale yellow and a faded looking orange spot. The underside of the female's tail has horizontal bars instead of the solid grey of the males. While you can tell Normal Grey tiels apart, telling the sexes apart in the various different color morphs is difficult if not impossible.

As far as parrots go, tiels are not very noisy. There are times of the day when they get vocal, but in general they are quiet. Cockatiels are also talented whistlers, and male cockatiels in particular are known for their whistle serenades. They can whistle at their own reflection in a mirror, or at their favorite objects, or at their best human. My Claudius whistled when I brushed my teeth. I used the toothbrush like a baton and I would conduct his aria. The males do a lot more whistling, talking and mimicking than the females.

Cockatiels make wonderful pets even for those who've never had a bird before. Tiels are quite intelligent and need mental stimulation to keep them healthy and happy. Like all the parrots, bored or unhappy tiels can become self-destructive and pluck out their own feathers. Tiels are docile, gentle, loving and have a very sweet personality. Truly companion birds, cockatiels want to be part of the family and enjoy interacting with their humans. They are very affectionate and love to snuggle and be petted. If treated well, parakeets and tiels make fantastic companions for us humans.

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know where every kid in the community lives and where every pet belongs". She finds herself saying over and over, "A lot of really neat people live here"! One last thing Julie observed is that it takes a lot of people and teamwork to help make Oak Shores a special place to live, and she considers herself lucky to be part of the team!

If Julie has not met you already, she looks forward to doing so - either as a fellow Oak Shores resident or guest! Thank you Julie for your caring and kindness as a staff member and homeowner and being an integral part of Oak Shores.



ANNUAL KIDS PARTY

**CHRISTMAS DINNER
and
Musical Performance**



**Santa heard everyone's wish
list including the Staff!.....**



**73 Carolers brought joy
to our neighbors Plus
enjoyed a progressive
Dinner at 4 WONDERFUL
OWNERS who opened up
their home...THANK YOU
TO ALL**



**The
Good
Girls...**



**The
Good
Boys..**



**The
Good
Pets!**

**A Special Visit
for Christmas
Caroling**



**Singing
Leaders**

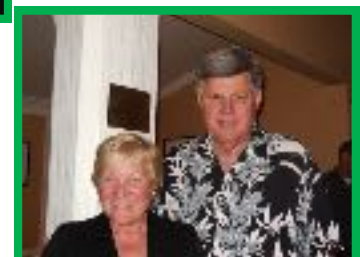
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A GREAT THEME, FOOD, A FUN
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BROUGHT LAUGHS AND
SMILES TO ALL!!**





**OAK SHORES RESIDENT EAGLES
RETURNED TO THEIR NESTS**

WHAT'S NEW?



**WILD BOAR ARE HERE...DAMAGED
LAWN BY POOL...SO, NEW STAMPED
CONCRETE PATIO INSTEAD!**



**NEW
STREET
SIGNS**



T H E N E W S I G N





RIGHT IN YOUR OWN BACKYARD

by Cathy Anding Wolfe

Sometimes I can't decide what to write about in my article, since there are so many interesting things to see in "our backyard" when you aren't out on the lake. I thought about the 6th Annual Warbirds, Wings & Wheels Museum Event on May 10, located at the Paso Robles Airport, would be a great example of a family fun outing. You can check out over 250 classic cars & race cars, meet the 3 x's Indy 500 winner, the legendary Bobby Unser, check out military vehicles and airplanes, fly in a vintage T38 or T28 warplane, or try your skills on the Navy's F18 training simulator, and peak inside a Navy F14 Tomcat fighter jet, plus enjoy many more displays, demonstrations and food! It is free to enjoy the event too. Just follow the signs off Hwy 46W & Airport Rd....go to www.ewarbirds.org for more info. Our own Chuck & Lynn Kincannon (on the corner of mini golf and stop sign) are extremely active with the Wheels Museum and are always willing to give the details of all the Museum's activities. But the final decision came to me in the form of the March issue of the Paso Robles Magazine. (Get a copy by contacting the PR Chamber of Commerce.) So here you go, history buffs...the celebrations of the 125th Birthday of El Paso de Robles as an incorporated city, and all the festivities that have begun....plus events that will continue all year long!

Tuesday March 11, 2014 was the official date of the 125th Birthday Celebration. A FREE event/celebration in the Downtown City Park included speeches, special school marching bands, the Carnegie Library Museum items, a time capsule was buried, 1,000 cupcakes were served, the NEW City Flag is flying, AND the Paso Robles "Special Mail" was delivered by way of San Miguel to Paso Robles via Stage Coach, just as it had been done over 100 years ago! Many activities will continue during 2014. For more info go to www.prcity.com/125 for more info.

So how did this little rest stop by a muddy spring near a river become a world-class resort? The hot mineral-springs area along the Salinas River was enjoyed by native Salinan and Chumash Indian tribes, missionaries, explorers, and Mexican landowners. Because of the California gold rush, the little town of Hot Springs brought settlers seeking land for agriculture and commerce. In 1857, brothers James and Daniel Blackburn arrived by stagecoach and purchased the 25,993.18 acres of the former Rancho El Paso de Roblas for \$8,000. The brothers soon uncovered a hot springs pool at what is now the corner of 10th & Spring St. (the same location that re-sprung from the 2003 earthquake). In 1860, the brothers split the property, with Daniel staying in the stagecoach stop and James heading across the Salinas River to build a ranch. Daniel built a successful 14-room Hot Springs Hotel on Stagecoach Rd in 1864. Drury James (yes, Jesse's uncle Drury) got acquainted with the brothers and bought an interest in the up and coming Stagecoach Hot Mineral Springs Resort in 1865. In 1866, Daniel & Drury married sisters Mary and Cecelia Dunn. In 1867, a post office was established and later the name of the post office was changed from "Hot Springs" to "El Paso de Roblas" translated "the Pass of the Oaks". The brothers-in-law envisioned a city rising with a world-class spa at its center, and they began to map out their dream. The town had a Sanitarium, located in the Blackburn residence, which accommodated 25 patients, had an operating room, culinary department, office and parlor. The idea of a health resort caught on. James Blackburn got interested in town activities again, so Daniel sold him an interest in the town's property in 1873. The 3 brothers continued their dream building because within 10 years the newspaper reported an average of 11,000 visitors a year who came to take the mineral baths at the newly built Bathhouse on 10th St to enrich one's mind, body and soul. In 1886 the Grand Auction took place and 228 Paso city lots were sold.

The incorporated cityhood was born because of the railroad. The founding fathers saw the railroad coming down the Salinas Valley, and they knew the stagecoach days were fading. Thousands of settlers and developers began arriving. So the brothers incorporated the city of El Paso de Roblas on March 11, 1889. (later that year it was changed to Robles). With the railroad, the central location in California and productive wheat farmers, the town emerged as a capital in the wheat export business. Daniel built the magnificent 125 room Hotel El Paso de Robles, where now is located the Paso Robles Inn, completed by

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Recreation Committee Report

By Janice Gillenwater

The 2013 Christmas and New Year's events far surpassed anyone's expectations. The Christmas Caroling & Golf Cart Parade included a progressive dinner at 4 homes. It blew everyone away when the count exceeded 70 participants! A special thank you to all. "Santa Paws" made sure our furry pals got something in their stockings. Santa Claus arrived in Oak Shores at the annual Christmas Kids' Party. A Powerfully Fun New Year's Party rung in 2014, despite the electrical power outage! Thank you again for a great 2013....

I want to personally thank Andrea Olguin for chairing the Annual Firefighters Ball for me, and for all the volunteers that help make this event happen and for all of you that come out and support our local Volunteer Fire Department here in Oak Shores.

The upcoming Children's 4th Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday April 19th at 1PM at our campgrounds. Last year was very successful and so much fun for the children, Please remember to RSVP your child's name and age so we have enough eggs for the appropriate categories hidden for the children. Please remember your child's basket and your camera for a photo with the Easter Bunny!!!! (Please see the enclosed Flyer!

Thank you in advance for all of your support at our events, truly that's what makes Oak Shores so special is all the friendships and all the activities throughout the year to enjoy with friends and neighbors and meeting new faces all the time. In addition, I would like to the Board and Staff for enlarging the patio area located at our clubhouse. We have outgrown the pool area during the summer and for our Events not to happen in the parking lot this will be a beautiful and also extremely useable space to enhance our Clubhouse area.

General Managers Report—(Continued from Page 3)

Code Enforcement Patrol Truck

The Board of Directors approved replacing the Ford Ranger currently being used by the Code Enforcement staff with a brand new full size truck. We have out grown the little Ranger and need a larger vehicle that can accommodate all of the equipment required by management in the truck in order for the staff to perform their assigned duties.

Staff Projects

The maintenance staff has been working hard to complete the construction of the new mail box stations. Three stations have been completed with the remainder to be finished by this summer. This is a huge task and the staff has done a great job.

Gate Hours

With the uncertainty of how much rain we will get before this summer, we are not sure what staffing will be necessary at the gate, and exactly what the gate hours will be. Because of this we advise all owners to check the website for information regarding the gate hours.

Right in Our Own Backyard (Continued from Previous Page)

1891, drawing dignitaries from around the world. It overlooked the city park and the newly named Spring St., formerly Stagecoach Rd. The 2-block park was given to the town by Drury James. The stipulation was that it be used only for the public's pleasure. Completed in 1892, the city's "acorn"-shaped clock tower building, at the corner of 12th and Park Street, was built by Daniel. In the plan it was to be the financial center. In 1893, the Bank of Paso Robles, opened on the ground floor. (The clock tower stood proudly as the icon of Paso Robles until Dec. 22, 2003 and the 6.5 earthquake.) The Sanitarium's Ladies Auxiliary wanted to have a full library to serve the residents and visitors. So, in 1906 they contacted philanthropist Andrew Carnegie. He offered them \$6,000. But, as strong-willed Paso Robles women were then and seem to be still, they gave Mr. Carnegie a counter offer of "no we need \$10,000"...and he accepted! The Carnegie Library opened in 1908 and continued as the town's library until 1998. It is now the historic museum. The quaint, friendly town, 23 miles from our front door, commonly known as Paso Robles, has a rich history, and more historic facts will come another time. We are so very fortunate to have this historic town to visit, learn and enjoy the birthday celebrations...and then to pass the learned facts onto the next generations. Afterall, it is Right in Our Own Backyard!



Dan in the Vines

By Dan Del Campo



If only they were making wine in 1894 and you had cellared a bottle, you might have one of the most collectable bottles of wine in all of San Luis Obispo County. But don't concern yourself; current vintages of wine from this historic family are available. The family is the Steinbeck family. They are long time grape vineyard growers and now making their own Steinbeck label. Recently I was out at the vineyards with Cindy Steinbeck, and her father and son Ryan. Ryan is the winemaker, and at the age of 28, he is young but experienced well beyond his years. Cindy's mom and dad have been in catering for 5 years and part of the Ag tours here in the North County. Cindy conducts vineyard tours in an old 1958 Willys, but there is no way you could juggle a glass of wine while out riding around. Cindy is always thrilled to talk about the sustainable grape growing and how it benefits the wine. After all, tasting is the final experience.

Another little known history of the family was that they were part of the long ago Creston Band. On the wall in the wine tasting room hangs the original family trumpet and a photo of the Creston Band.

Almost 56 years ago, this April, a B-26 with a crew of five, crashed in the Steinbeck vineyards. All survived, having bailed out and parachuted just 200 yards from the Steinbeck home. Today when you visit the winery, an American flag designates the site. For more on this story visit steinbeckwines.com.

Steinbeck Winery only makes 1,000 cases per year making it limited but exclusively available at the winery. There are about 6 varietals, but I will focus on three of them. Each one made a lasting impression not to mention distinction for the varietals and the blend.

The 2009 Crash, a blend of cabernet/zinfandel/merlot/viognier/petite syrah, had just the right percentages of each. Viognier??, it works. Of course this is the wine named after the B-26 crash. Here is how it landed with me. A tannish red glow to its color, creating a visual sense of warmth. The nose was filled with plum and raspberry and a bit of spice. Tasting was a smooth blend and not overstructured due to the 5 varietals. The finish was like a water slide, fast and wet with no other expectations. Score of 8.5 corks out of ten corks. \$43 a bottle.

2009 Cabernet. This is a cab with a surprisingly well-balanced performance. The nose brings out a spiciness with fruit infusion into your nasal senses. The taste was even between the fruit and the culmination of terrior and minerality. This is not a chewy cab due to its lower viscosity. The tannins are velour like feelings, comfy. The lingering taste is a fruity coffee bean. Scoring 8.9 corks. \$44 a bottle.

2007 Cabernet. Here's the big boy of the three. Aging well but very drinkable now. Open and let it sit for twenty minutes to get the "dust" off. Aromas are of strong rhubarb and floral bouquets. The legs on the glass are good which helps it hang out on your palate. The taste comes in with bing-bing dark cherries. This evolves into a finish of the bubbliest of mocha chocolate. Chocolate and cherries, yeah! There is not a lot of the 2007 left. \$45 a bottle. Score of 9.2 corks. Don't wait.

For more info: visit www.steinbeckwines.com



FREE CHIPPING PROGRAM!



The Firewise Committee is sponsoring a chipping program to encourage Oak Shores owners to cleanup their property and further mitigate the risk of fire within the Community. **FREE** chipping services will be provided May 26-31, 2014 and September 1-5, 2014.

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HAZARDOUS WASTE

The Firewise Committee is also looking into renting a waste container for owners to dispose of hazardous waste material like paint and motor oil. Once more information is obtained it will be posted on the Oak Shores Web Site; <http://oakshores.us/> and our Facebook page; <https://www.facebook.com/TheOfficialOakShoresCommunityAssociation>. Please check those locations for updates.

Beautification Committee Update

By John Watkins


Dear Oak Shores Residents,

I am thrilled to announce that our new river rock entry sign for Oak Shores is almost complete! Sandy Rice, an artist and longtime homeowner, had the passion and the idea for a new Oak Shores sign to announce that you have finally "arrived"! She chose to oversee the design, supervision and development of our new sign. As project chairperson, Sandy recruited the help of the Beautification Committee volunteers to design the rural style monument using river rock, corten and stainless steel. Fellow resident and architect, Curtis Illingworth, had pencils in hand, and Sandy worked closely with him on the drawings for our new entry sign. And for the sign itself Sandy chose Jeff Timmer of Coastal Iron Works to construct the 700-pound sign, and he is the son of residents Cindy and Steve Goble.

The seemingly never-ending steps to bring the sign from concept to fruition provided Sandy with a long and arduous task taking about a year and a half to get to this point. Sandy brought in our manager, Dennis Javens, to assist her with gathering bids for the expensive masonry portion. Along the way the costs seemed to escalate faster than your best expectations for your personal stock portfolio!

This beautiful new addition is just right for our new entry and garnered enthusiasm within the community committees. Three committees came together to fund the almost \$ 14,000.00 to build the sign. All of the expenses to build our new sign came entirely from fundraising activities of the Recreation Committee, Logos and the Beautification Committee, congratulations to all of the volunteers for all of your hours, and thank you to the homeowners who generously support our fundraising efforts that entirely funded this significant addition to our beautiful community.

The Beautification Committee is presently looking into additional possibilities to best serve our community with "fabulous ideas".



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at the Oak Hills Market Center.**

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2359 Lakeview	2/2	\$369,000
2665 Pine Ridge	2/3	\$389,000
2635 Pine Ridge	3/2	\$389,000
2772 Oak Shores Dr.	3/3	\$395,000
2486 Captains Walk	3/3	\$399,000
8768 Pronghorn	3/3	\$425,000
2586 Captains Walk	3/3	\$489,900
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2849 Lands End	3/2	\$515,000
8125 Smith Point	3/3	\$545,000
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8767 Pronghorn Ct	7000sf	\$72,500
2768 Oak Shores Dr.	5153sf	\$74,500
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2653 Pine Ridge	8500sf	\$85,000
3120 E Beach	11726sf	\$89,000
2879 Saddle Way	12110sf	\$119,000
8209 Woody Point	8580sf	\$149,000
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