

The California Village News

December 2010 / January 2011

Next Meeting of the
California Community Council

7:30 P.M.

December 14th, 2010

Ebersole Community Center
5701 Kellogg Avenue

Planned Agenda

- 1) Call to order by President
Pledge of Allegiance
- 2) Minutes
- 3) Treasurer's Report
- 4) Police Report
- 5) Guests
- 6) Old Business
- 7) New Business
- 8) Adjournment

Volunteers Requested

We are requesting volunteers to assist in moving Jackie Frazier's historical collection from her house to the Ebersole Center as well as assistance to sort, catalog and generally organize the information. We now have a nice facility in which to do this but the tasks are too much for a few. If you can either provide some simple moving tasks or can take some time to work with Jackie Frazier and Jo Shepherd to organize the information please call Jackie (231-4402) or Jo Shepherd (232-0320).

Flag Update

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the volunteers that have been putting up and taking down flags for many years are currently unable to perform that work. Negotiations are underway with a flag company that may be able to provide this service at a reasonable cost. We will keep you updated. Thanks for your patience.

THE SUITCASE

Several months ago Charles and I were asked to go on a 3 day bus tour to Washington, D.C. along with several Legion Posts. He, as always, agreed to go although he just had been there in June with the Honor Flight. So we signed up for Oct. 8th, right after his new chemo treatment. So read on.....

Terry Helton's son, and Shirley (my sister) Helton, grandmother of Trevor, is stationed at Ft. Meyer in Wash. D.C. with the Old Guard. Trevor's, mother Sam, asked if we could take a suitcase to Trevor, filled with goodies such as Cincinnati chili and other things. Shirley asked the tour leader and he said "sure" we took off with the suitcase and then try to meet up with Trevor sometime during our tour. Washington, D.C. is always a hectic place, anytime you go there. So off we went from the post, met another bus load of vets from upper Ohio in Columbus, Ohio. Traveling all day on Friday until evening, made it impossible to get with Trevor.

All day Saturday visiting all the memorials and walking our legs off, Shirley was trying to set up a point where Trevor could get a cab and meet up with us. HARD TO DO WHEN THE TRAFFIC IS HORRENDOOUS EVEN ON SATURDAY. Buses are on such limited conditions as there are so many there, so it was becoming impossible to get to together. When we had a place he couldn't get the cab. SUITCASE STILL RIDING IN THE BUS. On Sunday morning we arrived at Arlington Cemetery where Trevor said he would be able to walk to the TOMB OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER. Charles and I were sitting waiting for the change of

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GIVE US YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS!

As we continue to improve communications as well as try to save money, we would like to electronically keep everyone "in the loop" and provide periodic instant notifications from the city as well as the newsletter provided to your computer! Simply email us at info@californiaohio.org and we'll put you on our list. There may be a time in the future when we might not have to print the volume of newsletters that we do now which would be a significant savings in printing costs and delivery.



Birthday Greetings to our Community Members and Friends



December Birthdays

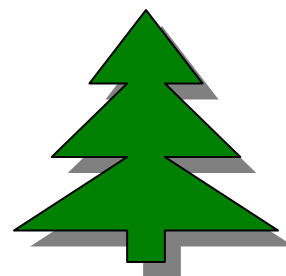
- 2nd Tabitha Betscher
- 3rd Jackie Frazier
- 7th Sara Waldlow
- 12th Richard Cope
- 13th Bryson Weir
- 18th Jennifer Woods
- 18th Dylan Shepherd
- 20th Jeff Christ

January Birthdays

- 1st George Weir
- 30th Mariam Clark

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THE SUITCASE

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guard when someone tapped me on the shoulder and as I looked around it was OUR 6 FT, 4" HANDSOME YOUNG MAN asking where his grandmother was. Hurrah! we met up with Trevor but still had the problem of the suitcase. He had to get a ticket to ride the shuttle back to the front gate where we all met up. Was considering calling a cab when our tour director said "hop in and we will take you there". So having a young handsome soldier riding with us and all these vets was sure inspiring. We dropped him off at the gates of the fort and he took off with his suitcase where an officer was driving by and asked if he needed help to which he took him up on it. It was strange seeing that suitcase in the luggage compartment for 3 days all by itself.

We had a wonderful trip, had two bus loads of vets, 3 terminal cancer vets, one with a whole leg off that got around faster than anyone with 2 legs, one with advanced emphysema, and one taking dialysis 3 times a week, most Vietnam and Korean vets. The fellow across from me asked how long we were married when I said 62 years he said that is older than I am.

Charles had just days before broken out with a horrible rash that itched and become like sores from the newer treatment he was taking. We toured all over D.C. had lunch at the Union Station, all the memorials. At the W.W.2 memorial, two Honor Flights were there and I was busy hugging and thanking them and seeing the tears of joy on their faces of being there. Our pics were taken in front of the Capital and then again at the rear of the White House where we were warned that a lot of protestors gather. To my surprise one has been there for 23 years protesting nuclear war and telling everyone we were killing babies. Next to her was a Muslim singing thing we didn't know what he was saying. When we noticed the woman is living there with tent, etc. and a big picture of George Bush made up as a terrorist. CAN YOU BELIEVE THAT? I had to question all this and was told that she is funded by some organizations, freedom of speech! At this point we, all our group of vets, gathered together and burst in song with GOD BLESS AMERICA, I AM SURE THEY COULD HEAR US.

After returning from this trip I was set up for a ride on the W.W. 2 bomber B-17 that was in town and on display. What an experience. Only could handle 10 people, and I being the only woman took the only seat (canvas like chair) the rest were benches. No windows so it was hard to see out the small window in the door. It handled great and flew smoothly and at one point I saw our town. After in the air you could unbelt and move around which was difficult as it had nothing but the bare metal, still equipped with guns and we noticed there was not much armor for the gunners. I finally made it to the nose gunner underneath the pilot, which was easy to do with my bad legs and balance so I ended up on my hands and knees crawling around. Had always wanted to do this to compare it to the 9 hrs. cruise I had on the nuclear submarine. The sub wins out!

ALL HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

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ALL AROUND TOWN

KUDOS TO; BOB AND DAVE HEHN, WHO CAME THRU FOR A NEED TO REMOVE THE FLAGS ON THE MAIN DRAG. I WAS ASKED TO TRY TO GET SOMEONE TO DO SO AND HAD THREATENED TO TRY TO CLIMB A LADDER AND STRUGGLED TO TRY TO GET THEM DOWN, DUE TO THE CONDITION OF THEM. IT IS A SHAME WE DO NOT HAVE YOUNGER PEOPLE THAT CAN HELP WITH PROJECTS LIKE THIS. A TOWN IS WHAT YOU MAKE IT TO BE. AS OF NOW WE CANNOT DO FLAGS DUE TO THIS PROBLEM. IT IS BEING DISCUSSED AT THE COUNCIL MEETINGS WITH NO SOLUTION AT THIS TIME.

A FEW WEEKS AGO I NOTICED THE CALIFORNIA SIGN IN FRONT OF CONEY HAD PARTIALLY FALLEN OFF, I SHOWED CHARLES AND HE THOUGHT THAT HE COULD SECURE IT UP AGAIN SO HE AND I WENT UP, I TOOK SOME PAINT, HE DID THAT AND I PAINTED THE SIGN. WASN'T EASY FOR AN 86 YOUNG MAN BUT HE WANTS TO DO HIS PART OF TRYING TO KEEP THE TOWN IN TACT. WE NEED HELP!

THE ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER WITH BOTH CHURCHES WAS WELL REPRESENTED AND THOROUGHLY ENJOYED BY ALL. THE FOOD WAS FABULOUS, FRIENDSHIP GREAT, AND SORRY SOME OF YOU MISSED IT. WE HAVE TWO BEAUTIFUL CHURCHES AND COULD USE MORE MEMBERS FROM TOWN.

ON OCTOBER 21ST, OUR FIRST HISTORY PRESENTATION WAS HELD AT ST. JEROME HALL. THOSE WHO CAME REALLY ENJOYED IT AND A LOT OF HISTORY QUESTIONS WERE ANSWERED AND THINGS DISCUSSED. IT WAS THRILLING TO SEE SOME OLD RESIDENTS THERE - HOPEFULLY WE CAN HAVE SOMETHING LIKE THAT AGAIN SOON. THANKS AGAIN, KIM LEIST, FOR THE WONDERFUL BOX OF TREATS, SO THOUGHTFUL.

I HAVE JUST RECENTLY BEEN ABLE TO ACQUIRE ALL THE PICTURES OF THE COMMANDERS OF THE STANLEY CLIST POST FROM YEARS BACK ALONG WITH OTHER MEMORABILIA FROM THAT ERA. WE DECIDED FROM POST 744, WILMER AVE. THAT WE NEED TO HAVE THEM FOR OUR HISTORY. SLOWLY GETTING THINGS PUT AT THE HERITAGE CENTER.

St. Jerome to Remain...but with Changes

Beginning July 1, 2010, St Jerome Church became a mission church of Guardian Angels Parish and Fr. Tom King became Pastor. Fr. Carl Wollering retired but he continues to live at St. Jerome's Rectory and serves as "Priest in Residence". Sunday Mass is now celebrated only once at 9:30 am. Saturday, Tuesday and Friday Masses remain unchanged. Jo Ann Leppert, secretary for over 26 years also retired. Ron Kienzle has stepped into that role.

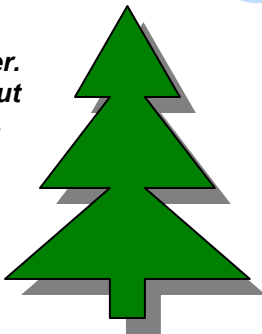
(Information obtained from St. Jerome website www.st-jerome-cinci.org)

Holiday Party!

Mark your calendars! California Community Council is holding it's Children's Holiday Party on Sunday, **December 12th at 2:00** at the Ebersole Community Center. Come visit Santa and enjoy refreshments, candy and gifts!

For children 10 and under. Come for the fun but please do not come early.

If you have not done so, please RSVP to Jo Shepherd (232-0320).



2011 NSP/NBD Projects

Come to December's CCC meeting to discuss and vote on projects for 2011 NSP and NBD funds. Each neighborhood is allowed up to \$5,000 NSP and \$2,000 NBD per year. Projects have historically been used for beautification, park maintenance, newsletter, website, etc.

RECENT OBITUARY

Margaret (Snooks) Singler Maynard passed away just a few days ago, with visitation at St. Jerome Church where she attended many years ago and lived growing up on Rhode Ave. Most people only knew her as SNOOKS and didn't know her given name. She was related to several families that lived here at one time.

Snooks kept in touch with me until the last two weeks of her life, as she lived for her newsletter about the town and what was going on. When she found out about the Honor Flight she wanted so much for her Jim to go. Finally just a few weeks ago he was able to go along with his son, Tony, as his guardian. This made Snooks so happy. Snooks put up a good fight and finally gave out to be with her little girl that she lost many years ago from cancer. Charles and I looked forward every spring to seeing her and Jim at Coney for the Senior Expo, this year she couldn't make it. I, along with her family, with miss her so much. She always made it to the California Reunion each year. One year she brought her bicycle she had growing up and brought it to the picnic. **OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO JIM AND THE FAMILY.**

Jackie

California Community Council Meeting November 9, 2010 7:30 P.M.

The meeting opened at 7:30 P.M. with President David Ross leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Roll call of officers was read and found that Diane Havey, Kathy Chandler and Mike Christ were not present at the meeting. There were eight (8) members and one (1) guest present at the meeting

A motion was made by Jo Shepherd, seconded by Bess Carnes to suspend the reading of the meeting minutes. Motion passed.

The Treasurers Report was read and accepted by a vote on a motion made by Hilda Davenport and seconded by Jackie Frazier.

The Police Report was given by Officer Germaine Love. California incurred three (3) offences for the month of October. Hilda Davenport mentioned street lights out. She indicated she would call Duke Energy. There continue to be multiple break-ins of storage sheds and off property of scrap metals. Officer Love encouraged everyone to report the crimes.

Guests

There were no guests present.

Old Business

The flags have been taken down by Bob and Dave Hehn. The community would like to express there gratitude. No volunteers or funds are available to put up fall or holiday flags this year. A solution for flags will be made prior to next Memorial Day.

New Business

2011 NSP/NBD projects will be voted on at the December meeting.

A CHF meeting was held. Volunteers are needed to move the rest of Jackie's historical files to the center as well as to assist in organizing the collection.

Thanks to Jackie and Charlie Frazier for repairing and repainting the entry signs.

Ideas for flags were discussed, we could look for more volunteers or hire a company. We could do banners on streetscape light poles only. We could do fewer flags and still continue to do them the same way. We could look for a sponsor to donate money for flags. (Like a local business). A decision will be made in time for next year's Memorial Day.

The Methodist Church Bells have been installed and you should be starting to here then ring!

With no further business before the council, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Hilda Davenport and seconded by Jo Shepherd. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectively submitted,
David S. Ross
President
California Community Council

**California Columbia
United Methodist Church**

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California, Ohio
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SERVICE SCHEDULE

9:30 A.M. Sunday Service



**St. Jerome
Catholic Church**

*a mission church of Guardian Angels
Parish*

Father Tom King
131 Rohde St.
California, Ohio
513-231-7042

MASS SCHEDULE

5:00 P.M. Saturdays

9:30 A.M. Sundays

7:30 P.M. Tuesdays

7:30 P.M. First Friday



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