



Glen View Cemetery

News Letter

Fall 2008

Friends of Our Cemetery

You will often see him walking, watering, and caring for the grounds and making sure the Board is well informed about how things need to be done.

This friend's name is Valdemar Wilhelm Olson. You know



him as "Val". Course everyone around here knows the mayor of Clements.

In this world of twists and turns and so many forks in the road we are blessed to have Val wind up here in Clements.

He was born down in Pasadena of Swedish immigrant parents, but wanted to "see the world". He served our country in the Navy for four (4) years. The next fork in the road led to higher education at the University of Oregon where he met his future wife Audrey Deal. They lived in San Francisco for awhile but the call of the country moved them to

Novato where Val honed his horse training and golf skills until 1958 when he got a job offer that allowed them to buy the ranch on Mackville Road and start a life long dream of ranching and farming.

They raised cattle and sheep, farmed alfalfa and later planted the vineyard all while raising two daughters Karen and Kristine.

Val's honesty and friendly personality paid off as being a great salesman for Eyre Grain Co, Wilkerson Grain Co, Continental and Young Grain Co until he retired at 70.

After Audrey passed away Val married Ida Peart and they were able to enjoy a good life for several years.

Val still farms the vineyard, visits friends and enjoys the coffee & talking at Lays – Older now but still anxiously waiting the next fork in the road.

Thank you Val.

We thank the following Businesses for their Donations!



Payless Market Lockeford

Glen View Recap By Randy Jones

All in all, the turnout this year was slightly down from previous cleanups, but we seemed to get the job done. The weather was perfect and the grounds once again look presentable. Dave Vaccarezza from California Waste Recovery Systems donated a 60 yard trash bin and disposal for the cleanup day. United Rentals in Lodi also contributed a very nice tractor for a very reasonable price. Lockeford's Payless Market donated the Tri-Tip at a price that couldn't be beat.

The web site, www.glenviewcemetery.com, has been updated! On cleanup day I told everyone that I was in the process of updating the web site and I am very happy to say that I have finally completed that task. Although there are a few things that I would like to add/modify, it is now ready to be viewed. You will find all kinds of good information on the site. So far we have posted a **Visitors map**, **Curbing specifications**, recent **newsletters** and **pictures** from the last clean-up day. Take a look and send me some feedback as to what you think. This is your site so let me know what you would like to see, or not see for that matter.

While I am on the subject of the web site, I need to give a long awaited thanks to Steve Fetzer and his crew at CCT Telecommunications. They have been hosting our website for the past 4 or 5 years now at no charge, I might add. We have bothered his staff numerous times getting the site up and running and they are always quick to get use pointed in the right direction. Thank you for all of your help.

During the annual board meeting, one of the members asked if they could get the newsletter by E-mail. This is a fantastic idea. The biggest expense of issuing the newsletter is postage. Last spring we sent out close to 1,000 letters. That adds up to over \$400 in postage alone. Now I realize that not everyone has the ability to get E-mail but I would be willing to bet that more than half of our members can. So if you would like to receive the newsletter by E-mail, log onto our website and at the bottom of every page is my address, randy@glenviewcemetery.com, and I will add you to the list.

Another comment at the meeting was about sending in stories for the newsletter. This again is a fantastic idea. We are very interested in hearing of all the family history from all of you. If you would like to have all the members read and enjoy the background of your family please send it to us either by mail or email and we will run it. Keep in mind that the newsletter is only four pages long. So try to keep your story under 500 words. If you would like, I can condense the story in the newsletter but post the complete story on the website for all of us to read.

Speaking of room, I am about out of space so I will take this chance to thank all of you who participated in the clean-up this year. Every year we are very grateful of the help and support from all of you. Clements is a special place in all our hearts. Thomas Clements and Stillman MaGee would be very proud of the way we are respecting the grounds and all of the families that lie here. Keep up the good work.

Best Regards.
Randy

LATEST HAPPENINGS

Treasure Chest By Ed Jones

Our income seems to follow the stock market these days.

Just as the Dow goes so goes our Profit & Loss.

2008 started off fairly well with about \$4,500 in plot sales and contributions and then the "Networks" reported the sky was falling.... and like a switch sales and \$\$\$ stopped coming in.

There were about the average burials but mostly in already paid for family plots and the cost of operations keeps rising.

Since January the upkeep has surpassed the input by \$315.48, we had a little left over from last year and some in a money market that we will be using unless some of the 700 Billion trickles into our account. So if some of it comes your way---Please remember Glen View.



Your Treasurer
Ed

Board Room BY Noah Hesseltine

Hi, my name is Noah David Hesseltine. My parents are David and Gina Hesseltine. They are the 1st Vice President and Secretary of Glen View. I was born on May 6 2008 and have been the sole focus of my parents for the last 5 months. I tell you this because it seems my Dad, who usually pens this column, has gotten behind in his duties because (according to him) he wants to spend all of his time with me. So I asked him what he usually writes for you and he told me that he tries to update you on activities or interesting things that have happened lately at the cemetery. I'm still not sure what he's talking about. I mean, after all, I'm only 5 months old. I do like to hear (watch) Mom and Dad talk about the importance of keeping up the cemetery for our loved ones and preserving the history for future generations (I think that means Me). They talk about people like you who care enough to help on work day, send financial help (big word for a baby), and can always be counted on to support Glen View in any way you can. Hold on..... OK, I'm back. Sorry. I needed a diaper change but I'm back now. Anyway, it's nice to meet all of you and I would love to meet you in person. Hey, how about next workday? I'll be there since Mom and Dad need all the help they can get. Hope to meet you then.



Thanks again for your support!
Noah Hesseltine



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***Next Annual Cemetery Clean-up
Saturday April 18th 2009 at 8:00 AM
Free BBQ Tri-Tip Lunch
Don't Forget a POT LUCK SIDE DISH
Stay for the Annual Board Meeting***

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