

## News Letter

Fall 2015

### R.I.P. Old Oak Tree by Randy Jones

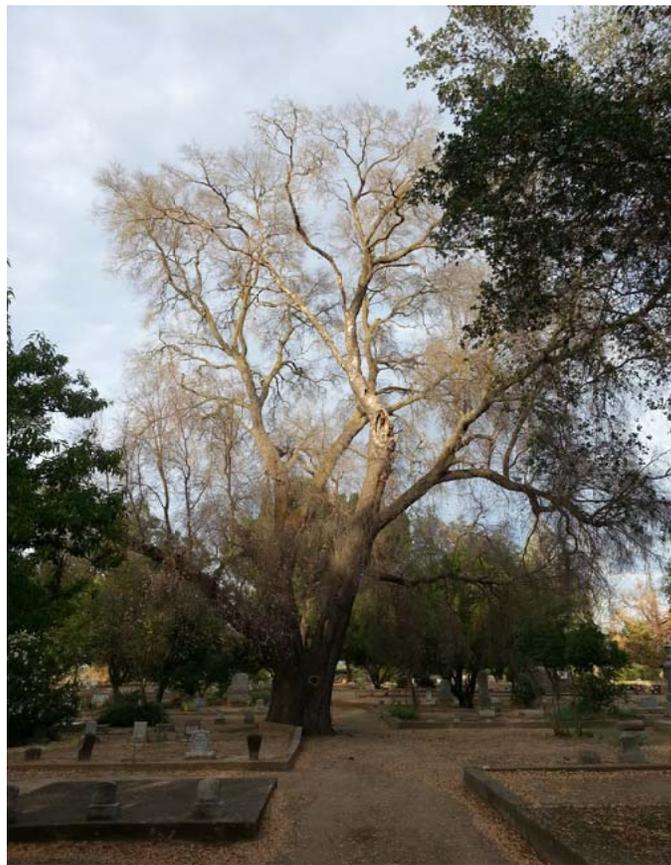
The Oak Tree. In my opinion one of the most respected trees in the valley. Standing strong and proud for several hundred years. Providing an lookout for hawks as they track prey in the golden grass. Creating the perfect backrest at a family picnic in the spring. Relaxing large bulls as they vacation together under its broad canopy on a hot summer day. Sometimes sharing this comfort with coyotes as they blend into the trunks sneakily hiding from any foes. And ultimately shedding large limbs to provide fire wood to keep us warm in the winter.

We are blessed to have so many Oak trees call Glen View Cemetery their home. Some might say they are a nuisance with all the leaves. But I feel it's a worth while trade that I am most certainly willing to take.

I have no recollection of the first time I saw or touched an Oak tree. They have been a part of my life from day one. Standing like a beacon in an open field all alone barking "I Am Beautiful". Demanding respect and inviting you in all at the same time.

I do remember the first time I witnessed one come to an end. In the still of a hot summer afternoon. I heard this thunderous pop. Followed by a heart breaking crash. It frightened me like nothing else. To this day I still get chills in my spine and a tear in my eye. Looking around all I could see was a huge void on the western horizon. One of the grandfather Oaks that marked the turn in the trail to our neighbors house was now laying on the ground. I felt as if my whole life up had been snapped like a twig. It was a tree that would greet me in the morning sunrise with all arms open. And turn rusty red in the afternoon dusk when it was time to come in for dinner.

This year we had to take down one of the grandfathers of the cemetery. It was a great tree that has been here since the inception of the cemetery. Quite possibly



one of the reasons why they chose this piece of land in the first place. Something we will never know.

So the next time you visit the cemetery stop by the six foot diameter trunk that remains and pay your respects of the 100 plus years that this gorgeous tree graced the cemetery grounds as one of the pillars in our community.

**R.I.P Old Oak Tree**

## We thank the following Businesses for their Donations!



### Payless Market Lockeford

#### *Deep In December Its Time To Remember* By Winnie Jones

Our beautiful Cemetery Glen View is struggling. Because of the drought we've lost several of our **large old oak** trees.

We were able to pay to have one of the old oak trees in the front of the Cemetery taken down Thanks to the donations from our 2015 Clean-up and 2015 Memorial Day Service for tree removal. The wood from this tree still needs to be split and moved to the back of the cemetery.

We have several people to Thank this year if you see anyone listed below please let them know how much we appreciate their help keeping our cemetery beautiful.

**Berndt Trees Service** donated their time removing several of the trees by dropping them and cleaning the brush around them.

We have several people in the community that have donated their time to cutting up downed trees they don't leave their names, however Ida Peterson tells us when any new work has been done.



We have at least **five additional trees** that need to be taken care of. One tree has fallen down missing memorial stones which needs to be cut up, split and the brush removed. The Board of Directors would like to have this work done before our Clean-up in 2016 as it is too dangerous during Clean-up. The one tree costs the cemetery \$2,850.00 so we need additional funds to remove the others.

**Thank you to Mark Steely** for donated his time and a new pump, Tom Barbaro, Don Gibson & Ed Jones along with Mark and two workmen lowered the piping at the pump site and replaced the pump. It is so great being able to have water again at the Cemetery.

**Lodi Alarm** donated a **rescue vehicle** to Eric Schneider to use. Eric has paroled our cemetery for several years on Halloween night which have kept vandals from stopping by. It was a lot easier and safer for Eric this year being able to stay in the rescue car and shine the light into the cemetery.

A Personal Thank you to my Board of Directors' for all of the Time & Energy they have donated to our cemetery during the year we appreciate every one of you and all that you do.

Any donations would be greatly appreciated. We wish you a **Merry Christmas** & a **Happy New Year** and remember our **Clean-up Day** will be the **Third Week of April of 2016** so please mark your calendars for **April 16<sup>th</sup> 2016**.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone there.

Winnie Jones  
President Glen View Cemetery



# SEPTEMBER BOARD MEETING

Glen View Cemetery Board Meeting Minutes  
September 28, 2015

Location: 25130 N. Hwy 88 Clements, CA

Attendees: Winnie Jones, Ed Jones, Randy Jones, Robert Edwards,  
Eric Schneider and Joann Barbero.

Meeting called to order at 6:45 PM

The minutes from the previous meeting were tabled.

Ed Jones read the treasurer's report. Robert Edwards made a motion to accept the report as read. Joann Barbero 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

1. Pump & Well. Per Ed Jones, the well is 150' deep. Robert Edwards will check on the water depth. Robert Edwards made a motion to ask Don Gibson for the records on the well and pump, and have Mark Steely try to drop the pump to see if it will still pump water. Ed Jones 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.

2. Tree Removal. Acampo Tree Service is to remove the pine tree and Bob Hesselstine will have the tree removed by Leah's plot. The tree removal people need to have liability insurance.

New Business:

1. CD Interest Rates. Ed Jones is looking for a better interest rate for our CD.

2. Signers for Bank Accounts. Eric Schneider will be added as a signer on our bank accounts.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM.

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**Glen View Cemetery**

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***Next Annual Cemetery Clean-up  
Saturday April 16th 2016 at 8:00 AM  
Free Lunch  
Don't Forget a POT LUCK SIDE DISH  
Stay for the Annual Board Meeting***

**Board of Directors**

President : Winnie Jones  
1st Vice President: Eric Schneider  
2nd Vice President: Robert Edwards  
Treasurer: Ed Jones  
Secretary: Joann Barbero  
Directors: Glenn Thorns, Mike Schneider, & Randy Jones  
Clerk: Ida Peterson

***For comments/concerns/corrections please feel free to contact the board***

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