

Village of Long Creek

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Kudos to the Garden Club!



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# 2025 Holiday Food Drive

## ***VOLC Neighbors:***

*It is that time of year again as we think about those in need during the Holiday Season and begin to stock up on essentials to share.*

*We will again be collecting and delivering donations of food to:*

***The Food Bank of Delaware***

**Donations of any non-perishables may be dropped off at:**

**93 Devalinder**

**on:**

**Saturday, December 6 from 10:00am-3:00pm**

If unavailable, donations may also be placed at our door on Thursday/Friday, December 4-5

*We will consolidate and load up our donations for delivery to the Food Bank Of Delaware on Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup>.*

*Through the last 6 years we, VOLC, have delivered  
over **4,500 pounds** of food to those in need!*

*Bob and Ruth Leaming*

### **Important Donation Notes:**

**Urgently needed:** Hot and Cold Cereals, Peanut Butter, Canned Fruits, Canned Meats and Vegetables, Spaghetti Sauce. **Avoid:** Candy and Soda

## Medical Equipment and Supplies for those in need

*From **Bob Leaming**—As we made our way through a couple of medical recoveries, I was hesitant to simply throw out some of the no-longer-needed medical devices. Looking for a good outlet, I found Donate Delaware. When I called, they shared that there are many Delawareans without insurance who can ill afford some of the devices and supplies necessary for them to heal. In our case, we are donating a walker, an ankle boot and an ice machine used for healing after knee replacement surgery.*

*For anyone interested in donating, here is the information:*

*Donate Delaware*

*345 Water St.*

*Newport, De. 19804*

*Website: [donatede.org](http://donatede.org)*

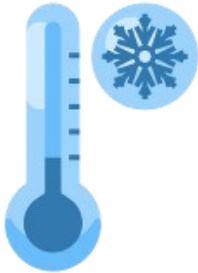
*302-690-6946*

*They do not post hours, so it would be wise to call to ensure they will take what you have and to arrange a drop off.*



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## Seasonal Reminders



***Karl Markiewicz** sent along this reminder: With the change from cooling to heating, now is a good time to change your furnace air filter.*

***From Delmarva:** Keep dry leaves away from outdoor electrical cords.*

***From AARP:** Make sure to have a stock of cold and flu meds available. Wash*

*your hands often! This is one of the best ways to prevent sickness. Hand sanitizer works too!*

***From Ready.gov:** Update your car emergency kit. Winter is coming, prepare now. Keep things like blankets, flashlights, and water in your car just in case. Find more information on what should be included at [ready.gov](http://ready.gov).*

### **From Electrical Solutions:**

- \_Clear Gutters & Downspouts: Prevent clogs that cause water damage as fall rains increase.*
- \_Inspect Roof & Flashing: Catch loose shingles or gaps before winter storms exploit them.*
- \_Check Safety Devices: Replace smoke/CO detector batteries before winter season begins.*
- \_Seal Cracks & Gaps: Keep pests and cold drafts out while lowering heating bills.*
- \_Test Outdoor Outlets & Lighting: Shorter days mean more reliance on safe walkways.*

# GOINGS ON...



*The Line-up! **Jean Pokropski, Fran Rapp, and Bonnie Anderson** wait for their rides after the Bertucci's luncheon. (Photo from Jean Skelly).*



*She said YES! **Janice Losito's** daughter, **Olivia, (JoanMarie Powers' granddaughter)** happily said "Yes" to boyfriend, **Danny**, when he popped the question this summer. The wedding will take place in the Fall of 2026 in Massachusetts, southern gal **Olivia's** adopted state.*



*Bottom left—**Linda Trach** took this picture of backup mail carrier, **Mimi**, who delivers Halloween cheer as well as the mail! **Mimi** paints her face anew every day during the month of October!*



*Right—Members of the Clubhouse Committee recently installed a long-awaited sign identifying the building. From Left—**Bill and Judy Anderson, Linda Trach, Cheryl Werner and Joe Lemanski.***





Left—People were asking, “what are those white things near the street sign?” **Kay Bennett** found they were mushrooms! Huge, pretty white mushrooms!



Above—**Jean Skelly and Odette Haight** recently attended a production of NOAH at the Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster. Before the show, they went to lunch at Casey Jones Restaurant in Ronks PA. The restaurant was made by the connection of two original P-70 80-ton dining cars used by the Pennsylvania Railroad in the early 1900's.



Center—A beautiful Orchid Cactus blooms in **Chandrikamma Thankappan's** garden. Chandrika also managed to snap a photo of a seasonally – appropriate hot air balloon hovering above the VOLC.



Above—**Ken Francis** captured this pair of mourning doves, who look suspiciously like feuding love birds.



**Seasons:** *Photographer and nature observer, Ken Francis, shot his backyard in four seasons.*

**Factoid:** *Bob Greenblatt asked Google “How many communities in the United States are named ‘The Village of Long Creek’?”*

*From Google’s AI Overview:*

*“There are two communities in the United States called ‘The Village of Long Creek’*

- ◆ *The Village of Long Creek in Illinois: (A very small town with a government and post office)*
- ◆ *The Village of Long Creek in Delaware: a 55+ active adult community in Newark DE, established in 2007, which features approximately 98–100 single-family homes. It’s situated near the intersection of Route 40 and Route 896, offering convenient access to shopping, dining, parks, and medical facilities.”*

***We are unique!***



## Leaf Peepers, RV Style

*Above: Don and Grace Hobson went north—to VT, through NH to ME, then back down to NH and then MA, turning west into NY and PA on the way back home. Their itinerary was developed using AI to help find times for peak foliage.*

*Grace says, “As expected because of the drought, the color wasn’t too great. There were few large colorful vistas until we got to NY, but we saw lots of beautiful individual trees and got some good photos.*

*Top right—I call this one Serendipity. It was taken from the parking lot behind a restaurant in Kennebunkport, ME. To the left, is one of my favorites - from Smuggler’s Notch VT.”*



*Right—Sharon and Bob Dickol also RVed their way north to the Poconos in PA.*

*They found lots to enjoy, including hiking the Wallenpaupack Trail, taking a scenic train ride on the Stourbridge line of the DL&S Railroad, and going back in time on a tour of the #9 Coal Mine and Museum in Lansford, shown at left.*



# More Getaways!



*Dorene and Dick Grant recently made a trip to Illinois to see kids and grandkids. The girls even came home from college to spend time with them! All had a great time!*



*Janet and Stan Sanders recently got away to Myrtle Beach.*



*Above—Although **Odette Haight** had done a lot of traveling, she had never sailed with the British cruise line, Cunard. That void ended this October, when she cruised to Canada on the Queen Mary 2. The ship departed Brooklyn, NY, and stopped at Newport, RI before entering such Canadian ports as Halifax and Quebec City. Above—Odette is shown at Montmorency Falls in Quebec.*



*Left—Quebec City Parliament Building  
Right—Saguenay*



*Cheryl and Guy Werner's grandson, Garrett, got into the Halloween spirit with a colorful scarecrow, all lit up, holding a Garrett-made kite.*



*Above—Slim keeps guard over Sharon and Bob Dickol's mailbox.*



*Nancy Halbedl received an early Christmas gift after commenting on the comfort of a Cracker Barrel rocking chair while out with her daughter and son-in-law. Nancy learned that the hardwood-woven chairs are handcrafted by the Hinkle Family business in Tennessee which has been around since the 1800s!*



*Stan Sanders captured this recent sunset!*

*Bottom right—Sharon and Bob got to dog sit their daughter and son-in-law's adorable dog, Adam. Sharon says he has a quirky personality and wants to know everything that's going on.*



# WHO IS THAT???



**1**



**2**



**3**

*Meet the three new mystery women for our second ID guessing game. Anyone look familiar?  
Take your best guess and then check your answers on the last page.*

*Below– Marilyn Abrams’ grand dog, Penny, is in canine heaven at the beach in Lewes!*



**CONGRATS,  
NOAH!**

*Right -Carol and Donnie Thompson are proud and happy to share that their grandson, Noah, a Junior at St. Mark’s, has committed to play baseball at Seton Hall University upon graduation in 2027.*



*Noah has competed and performed at a high level on the national circuit, and Donnie and Carol have enjoyed traveling to watch him play.*



## *Cheryl Ford's favorite Christmas Project*

*Operation Christmas Child, sponsored by Samaritan's Purse, a Christian International Relief Fund, has sent boxes of joy since 1993 to more than 200 million children worldwide. Each box is filled with small toys, articles of clothing, and hygiene items. Boxes are sent to over 100 countries, with many going to war-torn areas, such as the Gaza Strip and Ukraine, National Collection Week is November 17th—24th. Faith Church in Elkton, MD is now a designated drop-off center.*

*If you'd like to donate to this project, contact [Cheryl Ford](#), 302-832-2572.*

*At left— Cheryl's boxes are ready to go.*

## **Halloween 2025**

*Right—Folks had a spooky good time at the 10/31/25 Friday Meetup!*

*Clockwise from left— **Judy Anderson, Linda Trach and Mindy Steele, Jean Skelly with Bear.***



*At left— **Odette Haight's** 10 year old grand-daughter, **Hadley.***



## *Thoughts on Aging*

*"Aging is not for the weak. One day you wake up and realize that your youth is gone, but along with it, so go insecurity, haste, and the need to please... You learn to walk more slowly, but with greater certainty. You say goodbye without fear, and you cherish those who stay. Aging means letting go, it means accepting, it means discovering that beauty was never in our skin... but in the story we carry inside us." Sometimes attributed to Meryl Streep*

*Submitted by Dorene Grant*

*"I love living. I love that I'm alive to love my age. There are many people who went to bed just as I did yesterday evening and didn't wake this morning. I love and feel very blessed that I did." ~Maya Angelou*

*"Getting old is like climbing a mountain; you get a little out of breath, but the view is much better!" - Ingrid Bergman*

*Don't forget—Life's journey is not to arrive at the grave safely in a well preserved body, but rather—to skid in sideways, totally used up and worn out—shouting, "Man, what a ride!"*

*Attributed to Hunter S. Thompson*

*"When I was younger I made it a rule never to take strong drink before lunch. It is now my rule never to do so before breakfast." - Winston Churchill*

*"Do not grow old, no matter how long you live. Never cease to stand like curious children before the great mystery into which we were born." ~Albert Einstein*



## **Chesapeake Brass Band**

***(with our own Sam Ferrara!)***

<https://www.chesapeakebrassband.org/upcoming-concerts>



• **December 3, 2025, Wednesday, 7:30 PM**

*Maris Grove*, Cardinal Theater, 200 Maris Grove Way, Glen Mills, PA

• **December 5, 2025, Friday, TBD (Small group)**

*Marshall Steam Museum*, 3000 Creek Rd, Hockessin, DE 19736

• **December 8, 2025, Monday, 7:00 PM**

*Skyline United Methodist Church*, 3100 Skyline Dr, Wilmington, DE 19808

• **December 11, 2025, Thursday, 7:00 PM**

*St. Philips Lutheran Church*, 5320 Limestone Rd, Wilmington, DE 19808

• **December 13, 2025, Saturday, 1:30 & 4:00 PM (Small group)**

*Christiana Mall*, Newark, DE 19702

• **December 21, 2025, Saturday, 7:00 PM**

*Milton Theatre*, 110 Union St., Milton, DE

## **Annual Music Of Christmas Celebration**

*Church Of The Covenant*

*503 Duncan Road, Wilmington, DE 19809*

*December 11, 2024*: 7:00 PM

*Music from: Harry Connick, Jr., The Eagles, The Beatles, Michael Bublé, Queen Latifah, The Carpenters, Frank Sinatra and more. Free Will Offering'*



***St. Mark's High School, Pike Creek Rd. Wilmington***

*December 13, 2025 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM*

***New York Tenors Christmas Concert to Benefit Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Wilmington***

<https://www.simplenetix.com/e/new-york-tenors-christmas-concert-to-benef-tickets-205282>

***The Playhouse Presents Rain: A Beatles Christmas Tribute***

@ THE PLAYHOUSE

*Fri, Nov/28/25, 8:00PM – Hear holiday favorites alongside the legendary sounds of the Beatles.*

<https://www.thegrandwilmington.org/productions/8988-rain-beatles-christmas/>

***The Havre de Grace Christmas Spectacular***

*12/12 and 12/13*

<https://starcentremd.com/event/the-havre-de-grace-christmas-spectacular-presented-by-the-star-centre/>

***Newark Symphony Orchestra with the Wilmington Handbell Ensemble***

<https://newarksymphony.org/events/sunday-december-7-2025-a-holiday-concert/>

<https://www.wilmingtonhandbellensemble.org/concert-dates.html>

***For other holiday events,***

***Go to “[Holiday events in Wilmington and Brandywine](https://www.visitwilmingtonde.com/events/holiday/)”***

<https://www.visitwilmingtonde.com/events/holiday/>



## Useful links and info

**File this one under “The VOLC has it all...”**

*Did you know that we have two Notaries in our community?*

**Debora Johnson and Nancy Weldin** have over 50 years of combined experience as Notaries. Neither charges for service, and both are happy to come to your home. Both can be reached by email, but prefer a phone call:

**Nancy—302-547-5390**  
[neweldin@aol.com](mailto:neweldin@aol.com)

**Debora—302-740-2088**  
[isiah5718@gmail.com](mailto:isiah5718@gmail.com)



**Debora**



**Nancy**



**Libby app for books**—<https://www.overdrive.com/apps/libby>

Borrow eBooks, audiobooks, magazines, and more for free from your local library with Libby, the library reading app.

**Birthday Pak**— (currently for ladies only.) <https://www.birthdaypak.com/receive-a-pak/>

Get a Happy Birthday packet full of gift cards to local stores and restaurants.

**AARP**—Keeps you up to date on issues that affect our aging population. <https://www.aarp.org/>

# The VOLC Wayback Machine



# Jean Talks Movies

Reviews by Jean Skelly, movie buff/theater group organizer



Hi, Movie Lovers,

There are a lot of good movies coming for the holidays, just in time for Oscar nods. The three movies below were actually based on true stories and, in my opinion, are worth seeing. I always enjoy seeing the real people depicted in the movie talking about it at the end.

"Roofman" is about a man who robs McDonald's restaurants by cutting a hole in the roof. We loved this one.

"Soul on Fire" is about a 9-year-old who is burned over 100 percent of his body. He grows up to be motivational speaker. It's an inspiring story.

"Christy" is the story of Christy Martin, the first female boxer and how she survived the discrimination of the boxing world.

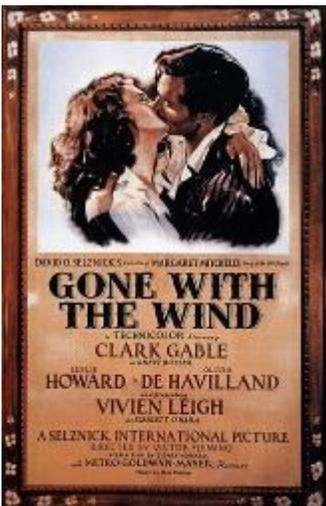
You might also want to catch "Dead of Winter" and "Good Fortune" both of which our group gave a 3 out of 5 for entertainment value.

That's all folks! See you at the movies.

Jean



According to Wikipedia, The highest grossing films of all time, adjusted for inflation:



Gone with the Wind	1939
Avatar	2009
Titanic	1997
Star Wars	1977
Avengers: Endgame	2019

Around the



# END OF SUMMER

## COOKOUT

*This event has always been one of the most attended of the year, and 2025 was no exception! Around 50 people gathered to toast the end of summer with a Burger and Dog feast.*

*Below—**Bob Leaming** filled his familiar role as Grill Master, serving up juicy burgers and hot dogs. Bob's wife, **Ruth**, helped shuttle them to the buffet table.*



*Below right—September birthday babies were serenaded by neighbors before delicious desserts and the evening's 50/50 sale.*

*From left:  
**Nancy Halbedl, Cheryl Werner, Sue Gandy, and Christine Killian.***

***Cheryl Ford and Janet Sanders, Activities Committee Co-chairs, planned and oversaw the event with a ready committee of volunteers.***



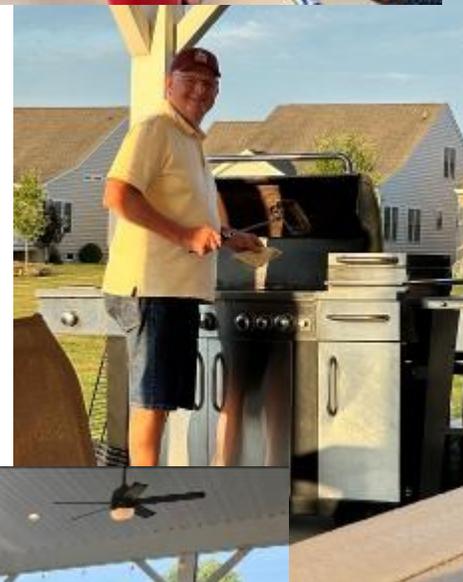
*At left: **Joe Lemanski** pockets his 50/50 winnings...*



*Inside...*



*...Outside*



*An End-of-Summer party  
means good food and good  
friends.*





***Bone Health with a Sweet Twist***

*Community members gathered in the clubhouse for an engaging presentation by Valerie Hughes, Bone Specialist from Christiana Care. Valerie, pictured center, packed a wealth of information into a lively hour—complete with candy rewards for correct answers! Attendees left with practical, actionable steps to improve their bone health.*

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***While at the Clubhouse:***

- ◆ *Treat yourself to a book, or several if you choose, and return them when through. No checkout, no limit, no due-date—just reading made easy.*
- ◆ *Pick up a jigsaw puzzle found in the large file cabinet in the meeting room. Same rules as the books. (Please return the pieces in a sealed plastic bag so we keep them all.)*
- ◆ *Take a peek at the picture albums in the baskets on the bottom shelf under the coffee bar. You'll find our VOLC social history in photos taken by **Jean Skelly**.*
- ◆ *Then take a look at some of the building and DIY projects shown in the photo collages in the back hallway.*
- ◆ *Report anything missing or broken to a member of the Clubhouse Committee.*

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# Oktoberfest!

The Activities Committee held its annual Oktoberfest on October 12th. It was again overseen by **Christine Killian**, seen at right, a master at sharing her heritage.



**Bob Leaming**, shown above with **Susie White**, grilled the German sausages, offered along with chicken, multiple sides, and scrumptious desserts.



*Christine knows how to kick up a party!*





# DELAWARE OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY



## ***From the Delaware Department of Highway Safety: Arrive Alive! Pedestrian tips***

*The Delaware Office of Highway Safety (OHS) is on a mission to make Delaware roads safer for our pedestrians. Unfortunately, Delaware has one of the highest per-capita pedestrian fatality rates in the nation. Below are important tips to ensure you get to your destination safely.*

- Be predictable. Use crosswalks and obey traffic signs and signals.*
- Be observant. Look for cars coming from all directions and avoid distractions like handheld devices.*
- Be visible. Carry a flashlight and wear reflective items so that drivers can see you.*
- Be patient. It's hard to tell how fast a car is approaching. Only cross once the car comes to a full stop.*
- Be sober. It's dangerous to either walk or drive while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.*

*If you follow these tips, you're one step closer to getting home safely and protecting those around you. Love your neighbor! Arrive alive!*



## ***Driving Tips for Seniors from the DMV***

*The safest time to drive is during the daylight and in good weather. It is encouraged that you find the safest route with well-lit streets, intersections with left turn arrows, and easy parking. You should also plan your route before you drive and share your plan with others. The following are some tips for being a safer driver, both on and off the road. See more at*



[https://dmv.de.gov/DriverServices/senior/index.shtml?dc=driving\\_tips](https://dmv.de.gov/DriverServices/senior/index.shtml?dc=driving_tips)

*(Driving Tips cont.)*

### **On the Road**

- *Move into an intersection only when you have checked the area for pedestrians, cyclists, vehicles, and any other hazards*
- *Don't allow other drivers to pressure you into sudden moves*
- *Leave a large following distance behind the car in front of you*
- *Drive at the posted speed limit. If you must drive more slowly, stay in the right lane*
- *Always signal before turning. Cancel your turn signal if it does not shut off automatically after a turn*
- *Keep eyes moving to scan the roadway from shoulder to shoulder to avoid highway hypnosis*
- *Drive with low beams during the day, especially on two-lane roads*



### **In the Car**

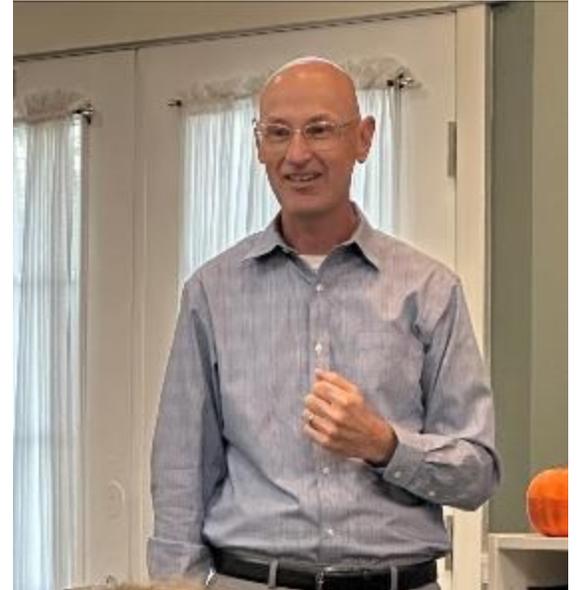
- *Limit conversation while driving*
- *Keep the radio volume low*
- *Do not talk on your cell phone or text*
- *Avoid eating while driving*
- *Discourage smoking. Smoke in the vehicle aggravates breathing problems and leaves a film on your windshield that may interfere with your visibility*
- *Put on your headlights and seat belt, even for quick trips*
- *If your seat belt is extremely uncomfortable or cannot be fastened properly, take it to a competent mechanic for alterations. Many cars have adjustable shoulder belt mounts or you can buy devices that improve the fit*
- *Adjust your mirrors and seats for a comfortable fit. For more information, please reference the Your Vehicle pages*

### **Out of the Car**

- *Clean your headlights, taillights, windshield and rear window inside and outside*
- *Clean your wiper blades with a paper towel dipped in windshield washer fluid to remove grime and oxidized rubber from the edge of the blade (helps prevent streaking)*
- *Check your tire pressure at least once a month, and always before a long trip*

## Special Presentation

*In October, Dr. Christopher Higginson of Loyola University, Professor of Neuropsychology and researcher at the Loyola Clinics, spoke on the topic of Memory and Cognition. Dr. Higginson explained the field of Neuropsychology and answered questions from those residents in attendance. He focused on changes in thinking and what to do if you notice them in yourself or others. He named the types of thinking: Concentrating, thinking quickly, remembering, communicating, thinking spatially and problem-solving.*

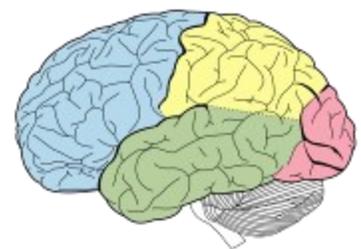


*Some takeaways:*

- It is usually a more serious issue if others notice the change than if you yourself do.*
- There are many reasons for a change in thinking, such as medication, stress, hearing, etc.*
- If the issue is not related to something that can be adjusted, such as hearing aids or medication, and safety is involved, it is best to talk with the individual and their primary care physician.*
- Testing will be done and referrals may be made. A neuropsychologist can pinpoint the exact nature of the issue by testing and can then recommend treatment.*
- Dementia is a broad term for the many causes of a decline in thinking as one ages. Alzheimer's disease accounts for the majority of causes.*
- Great strides are being made in this area through research and new tests and therapies are being developed.*



- There are things you can do to keep your brain healthy: ex. puzzles, new activities, reading etc. But, change it up and try to learn new things.*
- **If it's good for your heart, it's good for your brain!***





Above—**Chandrika Thankappan** painted the creative designs of **Maureen Graham** into bright art pieces.

## Get Artsy #7

At right:

A group of merry crafters got into the holiday spirit early as they designed, painted, and glued to turn raw wood slices into holiday ornaments.



## Get Artsy #8



Above—Crafters designed stunning jewelry with sea glass (provided by **Odette Haight**) wrapped in gold or silver wire.

From left—**Nancy Halbedl**, **Maureen Graham**, **Chandrikamma Thankappan**, **Cheryl Werner**, **Judy Anderson**, and **Janet Sanders**



Above—**Janet Sanders** made both a pendant and matching earrings.



At left—**Jean Skelly** made earrings for her granddaughters.

*Scenes from a Friday Meetup/  
Farewell Tribute to long-term  
neighbors*



*Pam Smith and Paul Wellborn are shown above  
with Stefano Medio.*



*Pam and Paul, we wish you best of luck!*

# Observations

Submitted by Jean Skelly

## *Studies show that Men Are Just Happier People!!*

*When they marry, their last name stays put. The garage is all theirs. Wedding plans take care of themselves. Chocolate is just another snack. They can never be pregnant. They can wear a white T-shirt to a water park. You can wear NO T-shirt to a water park.*

*Car mechanics tell them the truth. They never have to drive to another gas station restroom because this one is just too icky. They don't have to stop and think of which way to turn a nut or a bolt. Wrinkles add character. Wedding dress - \$5,000. Tux rental - \$100. People never stare at their chest when they're talking to them. New shoes don't cut, blister, or mangle their feet. One mood all the time. Phone conversations are over in 30 seconds flat. They know stuff about tanks and tools.*

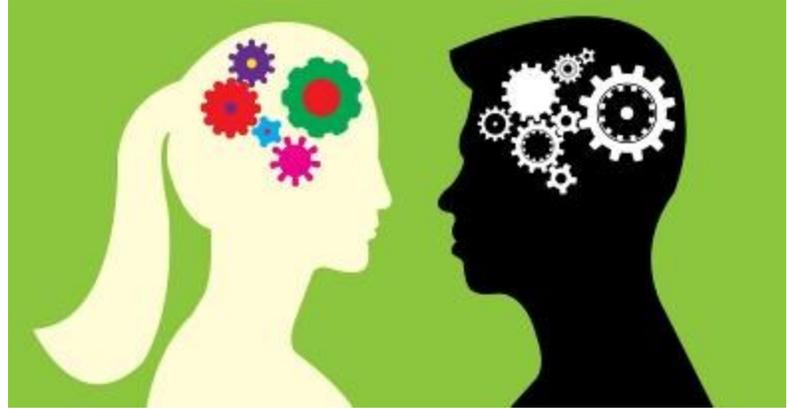
*A five-day vacation requires only one suitcase. They can open jars. They get extra credit for the slightest act of thoughtfulness. If someone forgets to invite them, they can still be friends. They're underwear is \$8.95 for a three-pack. Two pairs of shoes are more than enough. They almost never have strap problems in public. They are unable to see wrinkles in their clothes. The same hairstyle lasts for years, maybe decades. They only have to shave their face and neck.*

*They can play with toys all their lives. One wallet and one pair of shoes - one color for all seasons. They can wear shorts no matter how their legs look. They can 'do' their nails with a pocket knife. They have freedom of choice concerning growing a mustache. They can do Christmas shopping for 25 relatives on December 24 in 25 minutes.*

*No wonder men are happier!!*

## More observations...

*When the bill arrives, Mike, Dave and John will each throw in \$20, even though it's only for \$32.50. None of them will have anything smaller and none will actually admit they want change back.*



*When the girls get their bill, out come the pocket calculators.*

*A man will pay \$2 for a \$1 item he needs.*

*A woman will pay \$1 for a \$2 item that she doesn't need but it's on sale.*

*A man has six items in his bathroom: toothbrush and toothpaste, shaving cream, razor, a bar of soap, and a towel.*

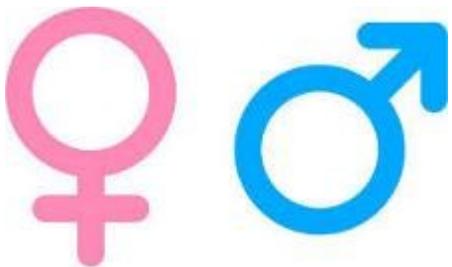
*The average number of items in the typical woman's bathroom is 337. A man would not be able to identify more than 20 of these items.*

*A woman will dress up to go shopping, water the plants, empty the trash, answer the phone, read a book, and get the mail.*

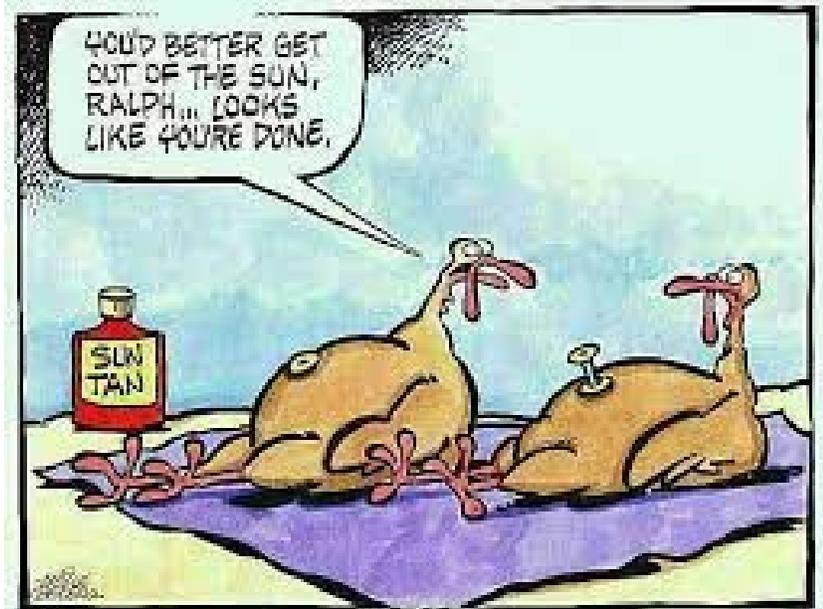
*A man will dress up for weddings and funerals.*

*Men wake up as good-looking as they went to bed.*

*Women somehow deteriorate during the night.*



*And so it goes...*



"Hello, young man. They tell me you're quite the wrapper!"



Santa has a senior moment

Guessing Game answers:

- 1. Dorene Grant
- 2. Sharon Dickol
- 3. Susie White



**HAPPY HOLIDAYS**