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MONDAY MORNING Meeting MINUTES
January 13, 2020

Pledged Allegiance to US Flag at 9:00am; Sang Star Spangled Banner AND

O Canada, led by Paul Barcenas and accompanied by Jeanne Leach.

Delores Simpson gave wellness report-Arleen

- Buchanan, who fell at the TIP and had to go back to Canada, now has an arm cast for broken wrist;
- Jim Adams went to hospital with shortness of breath and skipping heartbeat. Had pacemaker put in and is needing an aeortic valve replaced in 4-5 wks.
- Ken Childs is scheduled for Thursday surgery in Harlingen due to excess fluid on the brain.
- Also, Peggy Lawrence needs prayers for her cancer situation.
- Delia Oberloh, former resident, is now in assisted living in Worthington, MN.
- Karyl David went to hospital Thursday with Type A flu; also diagnosed with double pneumonia and has had a set-back.
- Peggy Morris, former resident, passed away last week.
- John and Darlene O'Brien: John just recently had a heart attack and Darlene is still dealing with cancer. They won't be coming to the TIP again this season.
- Bill Kimber begins radiation this week for cancer.

Nancy Schmitz is giving blood pressure today.

Pastor David Lightner said prayers for above as well as giving thanks. Pastor also mentioned two bible studies weekly: Donna Williams is leading a study on Tuesdays at 9:30am and Pastor leads one on Wednesdays at 10am, both in the AC room. Tomorrow's session is cancelled.

A big thanks was given to Bonnie Lynch and crew for setting up the Chili Contest held last Friday. It was well attended and enjoyed by all.

Marilyn Strandberg, who is now in charge of the Our Town, apologized for the emails necessary to publish it, as the printer is broken or too costly. Now a new computer program has been designed to present a single email of Our Town all at once. It is important to have in your file the emails of Dave Ochs and Marilyn Strandberg which are as follows: Dave: dnjochs@gmail.com and Marilyn: Yosemite50401@mchsi.com. You might not receive the Our Town if they are not in your contact lists.

Also, go to TOTFYI. It's a great way to find out information about the Tip and what is happening here.

From Manager Al Septrion, TIP O TEXAS has 589 residents registered on 355 sites and welcomed back returning and new Winter Texans. Also, Office worker Carolina had a baby BOY (not a girl, as was expected) on Friday 1/10/20 at 12:17pm.

The Kody Norris Show performed excerpts of his upcoming Tuesday evening show Jan. 14th at 7pm.

Jenny, manager of Out Post states that TOT T-shirts are now available. Place your order at the Out Post. Also, today is pie day at \$2 for a piece of pie.

Thirsty Thursday is at Chili's this week.

Guest Speakers were Robert and Billie Ferguson from a travel tour. They are offering 4 Rio Grande Valley tours including Kingsville Ranch, Eagle Pass, Farm tours, and Livestock and Rodeo show. They also offered an 8-day Historical Mexico tour, a flight to Monarch Butterfly Forest in Mexico, and Copper Canyon tour. He also encouraged each resident to vote once for a performer for the season. Talent is listed in the Winter Texan. Vote for your favorite but only once.

Linda Gillick, chairman of the Valentine's Pot Luck Dinner Dance and show announced it will be held on February 14 at 5pm. Tickets are now being sold for \$10 per person, plus bring a dish to pass. Ham will be provided. Entertainment will be provided by Jason Whorlow, Piano Man. Correct change is needed when paying for ticket.

Linda also thanked all the TOT bell ringers for the Salvation Army in December. She presented manager Al with an official documented thanks to the TOT from the Salvation Army.

Warren Martin, president of the RC Club (remote control cars), announced an RC show and luncheon on January 24th. Lunch is \$5 per person. Get tickets in advance. Also, today the RC women are having a show at 3pm. Bona and Sheryl Tibbits also demonstrated their RC prowess at the Monday meeting today. Email Sheryl Tibbits for complete RC info.

Entertainment:

- On Tuesday, January 14th, Kody Norris will perform at 7pm for \$9.00,
- Tuesday, January 21st-Shelly & Darren Duo -\$7
- Tuesday, January 28th, Mollie B & Squeezebox tickets are \$13 in advance, \$15 at the door. 7pm performance.

CASINO DAY will be held Friday, January 31 from 1-4pm. Time is now changed. \$5 bag includes \$2000 funny money + 6 tickets for the drawing + food and drink tickets. Helpers needed. Sign up on bulletin board. There will also be a 50/50 drawing. Bags are on sale now. Skits are welcomed, let Alta know prior to date.

Allen Holdsworth teaches magical tricks every Thursday, 3:30pm in the card room by pool hall.

Singles will head to Texas Roadhouse on Wednesday this week. Barbara Chappell wants you single MEN to join our group. Meet indoors near flagpole at 3:50pm to carpool. We leave promptly at 4pm.

Gary Dreibelbis is hosting a Four Score (80th birthday) party for himself on Saturday, January 18, 7-10 pm. Please, no cards or gifts.

Nancy Schmitz: Bird Walk will be on Tuesday, January 14 at 8:30am to Edinburg World Birding Center for two hour guided walk. Meet at the flag pole at 7:45am for carpooling.

On Saturday, January 18th destination is Bentsen-Rio Grande Valley State Park 8:30-10:30am. Leaving from flag pole at 7:45am.

Sewing room notes: Thursday, January 16th- Sewing for Soldiers and Vets from 9am to 3pm. On Tuesday, January 21, sewers will have a dessert destination. Details and sign-up are posted in sewing room.

Preparations are in full swing for the 2020 Style Show and Luncheon. This year's premise is Weddings of the Decades, featuring wedding dress styles from the past. Fashion show will be held on Friday, February 21st after luncheon. Tickets start on sale today. This is a fundraiser for sewing room Charity Groups. They are still looking for more wedding gowns or pictures of you in your gown.

Martha Wilson spoke about a wire wrapping class she is holding on Friday, January 17th, 10am -noon at the Al Barnes Building. Her beginning class will make three pairs of earrings using wire wrappings.

Karen and John Cowley are hosting the annual celebration of those married for 50 years, so if you were married in 1970, sign-up on board or contact them.

John Cowley is hosting a KETO class every Wednesday, 12 noon. It's the way to eat to lose weight, as proved by both their losses; Karen is also a TOPS loser.

Chuck Stromberg, President of the Village Chapel board, announced next Sunday, January 19th, as a collection for the Pharr Food Pantry. Sunday, January 26th is Communion Sunday, and Sunday, February 2nd will be the annual Polka Service. A few more instruments are needed. Service begins each Sunday at 9:00am. Also every Sunday at the main hall at 6:30pm. are jam sessions.

Sherry Sasthoff announced the Memorial service will be held on Sunday, February 9th in main hall after church service, approximately 10:15am. Check the church bulletin board for list of names of all TOT residents and friends who have passed away in 2019. If you know of someone else to be honored at the service, contact Sherry at lot 531 or the main office.

Marilyn Bullington announced this Saturday Jan.18, 8am -noon, as the next craft show. Doughnuts from 8-10am and luncheon from 10:30-noon will also be served.

Horse Collar on Fridays at 6:15. Marilyn's goal is 100 so come on out! Jim and Jo Carroll were winners for past the season. New competition for the season began 1/3/20 and goes through March, 2020.

Peter Piper Pizza-tomorrow at 11:30, Tues. Jan. 14th. 71 have signed up!

Marilyn would like to have a Marilyn-Mary-Marlene-etc. luncheon. More info. to follow.

Julie Barr announced the Canada Day Celebration luncheon on Monday, February 10th, 11:30am at Golden Corral, 1301 E. Jackson Ave. Price is \$9.15. Sign-up is necessary.

Queen Phyll announced The Missouri luncheon on Monday, January 27th at 11:15am, which will be pizza at Ghatti's on 2nd St. and Nolana. Sign up in back of hall.

Mary Kitkowski announced the Wisconsin reunion will be February 8th, 2020. Cost is \$5. Sign up in hall.

Joyce Sauter reminded people that Tai Chi meets after Monday meetings and each Tuesday and Thursday at 9am.

TipOTexas now holds TOPS meetings in the AC room on Fridays from 8am -9:30am TOPS stand for Take Off Pounds Sensibly. New members have all ready signed up. Come on out.

Party Bridge is at 12:30 in the Barnes Bldg.

Monday Nights- Bingo begins at 7pm. Come early to pick out cards and horse race.

Line Dance instruction began last Wednesday from 10:30 to 11:30, AC room.

Chair volleyball is held every Saturday in main hall at 3pm.

Samba is played EVERY night, seven days a week, 52 weeks per year.

Every Wednesday 65/99 is played in the AC room at 6:30pm.

Every Wednesday and Saturday Social Security is played in the Barnes bldg. at 6pm

Bowling is played every Friday at the bowling lanes at 1pm. Hearts practice is every Friday afternoon at 1pm.

Card Elimination is played at 2pm in the main hall on Sundays. Bring your coins.

Ice cream is served every Sunday from 2pm to 3pm.

Fast Track is played on Sunday evenings in the AC room, 6:30pm

Golden Age Olympics began last week. This week is Hearts and Darts Competition. Next week is Bowling Singles, Billiards 10-ball, Bird - a - Thon, 500 cards, Sudoku, Cribbage, and Table Tennis.

First sport sign-up is \$7, then \$5 for each event after that. Must enroll one week prior to the event. Registration is at three community centers listed in bulletin in back of hall.

Bean Bag Toss returns to normal time of Wednesdays at 1pm. in main hall.

January 14th and 15th the Senior Expo is held. Free admission to McAllen Convention Center.

BUS TRIPS:

- Thursday, January 23,2020. Ropa & Thrift Store Shopping. Bus leaves at 10am. Lunch is at Los Asodo Restaurant, then shop 'til we drop! Cost is FREE!
- Tuesday, January 28, 2020. Bessi III Trolley Tour of Rio Grande City.Lunch at Caro's Restaurant. Bus leaves at 8:30am. Cost is \$13.00.
- Thursday, January 30th, Indoor Kite Fest on So. Padre Island: Leaving at 2:30pm, eating at Harlingen, then to Island for 6:30-8:30pm kite fest. Cost is \$10.00. Sign up in advance with payment, if there is a fee, to reserve a place on the bus.

Kitchen Band: On Jan. 14th we will go to Bridges in Edinburg-5208 Sugar Rd. 1/21 we are performing at Heights of Alamo-1214 So. Alamo Rd., Alamo. Meet in AC room at 1:50pm to carpool by 2pm.

Steve May's Birthday will be honored at the weekly Wednesday Night Dance. Bring cards and wishes for him, but SSSHHH! Keep it a secret until then so he surprised!

Woodshop 50/50 drawing consisted of \$76.00. Don't forget the Woodshop Spaghetti dinner on Friday, February 7th, 2020 from 4pm-6pm. Silent auction winners will be announced following dinner. Cost is \$8.

Bob McDougall passed out free raffle tickets to all meeting attendees. Gift certificates were donated by Sprouts, Stars + RV Center, Nasaria's, Fazoli's, Sweet Temptations, B J's, Anne's Restaurant, two Vipers tickets, and UT Cosmetology, hair cut or manicure or pedicure. Bob announced that on St. Patrick's Day, four South Padre Island trips will be raffled off. Be prepared to buy tickets soon.

Today 1/13 from 4pm until 5:30pm Happy Hour music will be provided by Steven May in the Main Hall.

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Pam's Notes
Good Evening,

I'm sorry to report long time past Tip resident Peggy Perkins passed. Our deepest condolences to her family.

This is David Perkins. My mother, Peggy Julian Perkins, passed away on Sunday, Jan. 5th. She looked forward to reading your MMM emails, even up to her final week when I read them to her. Please share this news with those folks who knew my mother and wish to attend her service. Mom was at home for the holidays with her family, receiving hospice services. She said her goodbyes to family at Christmas. Mom is no longer suffering from her cancer, and is now at peace and in heaven with her beloved husband. Her funeral service will be on Monday Jan. 13 at 2:00 pm at

the Timpson Methodist church next door to her home on Timpson Street. Taylor Funeral home in Timpson is handling her funeral with viewing on Sunday Jan 12th. Sincerely, David Perkins.

John O'brien has updated totfyi.com web site: photos that John DeVaney took New Years Eve and at the Jan. 5 Church Service are available on the totfyi website. To view the albums click on "Links to TOT Photo Albums" on the opening page of the totfyi website, then click on the name of the album that you want to view on the page that lists all of the available albums. If you want to view more albums, return to the list of albums webpage. the January, 2020 issue of "Our Town" has been uploaded and available on totfyi. Click on "Link to Issues of Our Town" on the home page. Thank you John.

We are needing tennis players. Free beginning tennis lessons will be available if there is an interest. Please sign up on the board located at the southwest corner of the tennis courts. Check out the board and sign up for other activities.

This weather is exactly why we're here. Enjoy.....Have a fun filled week. Pam