

MONDAY MORNING MEETING MINUTES

December 20, 2022

Johanna D'Aleo opened the meeting at 9:04 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. There were new guests from MN and OK, and several returnees.

Delores Simpson gave the Hospital report. Jeannice Walters had Open Heart Surgery. Bill Ely was also hospitalized for an infection and his toe was amputated. Also, Tina Anderson had a shoulder replacement. Sue Flatten and Diane Suhr had falls but both are doing better. Delores Simpson led us in prayer.

Al reported 402 guests on 254 sites. If you are just coming in and have not already checked in to the Office, please do so to update your information. Trash needs to be out at the curb by 8 a.m. or you will need to take it to the dumpsters.

A big Thank you to Bob and Alta for the employee lunch, and the generous donation. The money was divided between the two office workers and the Maintenance Staff, and each received \$88.00. And thank you to all who participated and helped with the meal.

Sue and Al will be taking the employees (Office, Maintenance and Activity) out to lunch tomorrow, so the Offices will be closed from 10:30 to 1:30.

No Thirsty Thursday this week. There are a lot of events and a half sheet of the week activities will be available in the back of the Hall. Pulled pork sandwiches last week was done by the Activity Office, since Brian was under the weather. This week we are back to Brian and the Smoker on Thursday at the Outpost. If there are no volunteers, we will cancel.

Speaker: Brook from Heritage Village, an Independent Living facility for 55+ ages. They offer three meals/day and emergency devices for the residents. They are open for tours and events and have apartments for rent if you want to bring your parents down here for the winter.

BPs are being taken after the meeting today.

New Years Eve tickets will be sold until the end of this week for \$15. All tickets are in advance so we can have a count for food. The menu will be posted shortly. Entertainment is Rick Dodson, who is well known in TN and Branson.

Vipers tickets for January 27th are available. We need 25 people to pay. They will contact us about the restaurant that we will go to and the menu to select from. Includes transportation and dinner.

Deadline for Our Town articles is this Thursday. Please give any to Regina or the Activities Office.

Tonight is Steven May Happy Hour at 4:00 in the Main Hall. Donations.

The first Holiday Glow is at 6 pm tomorrow night at the Outdoor pool. We will be at the inside pool if the weather gets bad.

Tai Chi is Tuesday and Thursday at 9:00 a.m. in the Main Hall. It will improve your balance and outlook.

Bunco is canceled till January 7.

Sign-up sheets for hostesses for Christmas Dinner are in the back. Set up is Saturday morning at 8 a.m. Decorate tables after that. Dinner is at 12:30. Gather at noon for socializing. Coffee, tea, water provided. Dorothy and Carolyn tables are merging. See her if not signed up for a dish to pass. Table 3 meet after meeting with Kay Betker.

Exercise with Weights is on Tues, Thurs, Saturday from 8-8:30 in the AC Room.

Sewing Room: Today is the Christmas Social and Meeting in the Sewing Room, 2-4 pm. From 2-3 – Bring a snack to share and your own drink. 3-4 meeting to discuss scheduled activities and recruit volunteers. Please sign up in the Sewing Room if you plan to attend. Classes for January are posted in the Sewing Room with sign up sheets for the Jan 3 and 10 class on Paper Piecing taught by Jackie Hood and Nancy Schmitz.

Carol David brought back 39 quilts this year which were distributed to 3 of the Charity Quilting Groups – Ronald McDonald, Sewing for Children and Vets groups. These groups meet from 9-3 on Thursdays. We are planning to give out quilts to TOT vets who did not receive one several years ago. Please sign up outside the Sewing Room if interested.

Blood Drive by Vitalent is scheduled for Tuesday, Jan 4th in Al Barnes. Blood donations are down since Covid, so please think about donating now. Sign up sheet posted on the Medical Board by the indoor pool.

Stained Glass class in January – Sign up sheet posted in back of the Hall.

Kitchen News: Lunch will be Wednesday this week – chicken pot pie with biscuit topping, dessert and salad. 11:30-12:30.

Wood Shop meeting today at 1 pm in the Arts and Crafts Room. January classes will be cheese boards and pens.

Golf is on Tuesday at 9 a.m. at Los Lagos. Meet at 8:15 by the indoor pool for carpooling. Cost is \$32 for non-vets and \$26 for veterans.

Friday night is Horse Collar – Team Shuffleboard. Meet at 6:20 and play at 6:30 pm. We had 28 last week. Prizes are hot chocolate bombs. Try it once, meet new people, and have a great time!

Regular shuffleboard is Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 8:45 a.m. Cost is a nickel per game so if you lose all three games, you will lose \$0.15.

Church on Christmas Eve is at 4:00 pm for a candlelight ceremony.

There is a mini-concert by the Strings subgroup of the Winter Texas Orchestra on Friday at 1:30 at the inside pool (or the Main Hall if weather is bad).

Photo directory picture appointments are being taken by Linda Beem. For a few minutes of your time, you will get a free 8 x 10 portrait and a free park directory with all your friends and neighbors. And of course there will be an option to purchase additional photos when you see your digital proofs the day of your appointment. If you are not in the park yet, call Linda Beem at 816-914-2698.

Linda Linden is collecting for Metamoris Orphanage. There are 250 children in need of gifts, dinner, school supplies, etc. Take an envelope home and return it next week if you can help.

50/50 \$48 – Won by lot 776. Bob McDougall also drew tickets for prizes given by our vendors.

The Offices are also closed on Christmas Eve for the holiday which falls on Saturday.

The Golden Age Olympics will soon be starting. Billard's 8 ball for men and women, and bean bag toss are competing the first full week in January. Participants have to be signed up and paid a week ahead of the scheduled event. That means you need to act by next week. There are entry booklets available in the main hall. If there are no booklets there, please check with the Activity Office. Please check out the challenges and sign up to compete. It's always a good time.

For your information, as of today January 21, 2021 there is longer an Advisory Board. The Wilder Corporation has mandated that the Activity Office act alone. This directive applies to all Wilder parks. We encourage all guest to continue your support for the directors. We also thank you for your support in the past.

I received a nice note from the Bells:

Tom and I are doing good, getting slower, but we still get around. We miss the Tip, our exercise and line dance. I can't do it anymore. Darn

Our family are all coming home tomorrow for Christmas, Melisa from Brooklyn and is worried about the COVID-19.

I had to thank you for the Monday Morning Minutes, we really appreciate the news.

Love, Jeanette

A big Thank You to John O'Brien for keeping the web site (TOTFYI) updated on the obituaries. Phyliss Titus's obit has now been posted.

A Very Merry Christmas to all and please have a Blessed Happy New Year! Pam