## MONDAY MORNING MEETING MINUTES

## January 17, 2022

Johanna D'Aleo opened the meeting at 9:02 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. We welcomed Gary and Sharon Branson from Kansas.

There was no Wellness Report, but Pastor Dave led us in prayer for those struggling with health issues.

Bible Study is at 10 a.m. on Thursday in Al Barnes.

Al reported 506 guests on 310 sites. If you are just coming in and have not already checked in to the Office, please do so to update your information. Thank you to all who volunteered with the Craft Show on Saturday. The Resident Phone book is being updated. If you do not want your information listed, please let the Activities Office know.

Our guest speaker was Tomas Gonzalez from Viva Tours. They have been doing tours in the RGV since 1988. There are no more bus tours to Mexico, only flying in. There is a 2-day \$299 tour to San Antonio, staying at the Holiday Inn, going to the Stock and Rodeo, with Brad Paisley performing, plus boat ride at the Riverwalk and historical Alamo tour. They also have tours to Roma, Falcon Lake and Cancun. There is also a 7-day tour to Mexico City and San Miguel de Allende for the Monarch butterflies (\$1050/pp) as well as Veracruz for the vanilla, tobacco and coffee (\$1050/pp). There is a Farm Tour of the largest greenhouse in the RGV (\$75/pp), and a train ride to the Copper Canyon (\$1,250) for 7 days. Contact him for additional info at 956-227-8192.

Movie Rentals are here to be signed out. Please take them.

Thirsty Thursdays will be at Texas Roadhouse on Trenton this week. Be there at 3:30 pm, eat at 4:00.

Horse Collar (Team Shuffleboard) is on Fridays at 6:15 pm. Try it – you will like it! Bill Kimber is in the lead so far this season. In March, tee shirts will be given out to the winners.

Regular shuffleboard is Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 8:45 a.m.

Marilyn also gave a big thank you and applause to Cledia for the Craft Show.

There are Fast Track boards in the Activity Office to be loaned out. See the Activity Office.

Molly B tickets for February 8<sup>th</sup> are on sale for \$14 in advance.

On February 1, we have Shake, Rattle and Roll, from 7-9 pm. 50s and 60s music. Wear your poodle skirts! Sign up sheet in the back for volunteers for door and concessions.

Party bridge is on Mondays at 1 pm. No partner needed.

Singles lunch is on Wednesdays, but is cancelled this week. Signup sheets at back board.

Dave Almquist, Lab Director from RGV labs was a guest speaker. They offer an opportunity to get great testing on January 28<sup>th</sup> at 7 a.m. There are also 3 outpatient labs if you miss this draw. The basic Wellness screening is \$20 and includes 50 tests. They will ensure we have enough lab techs to get everyone done in one hour. If any abnormalities, they will call you on the same day as your test. There is also a Male Executive Profile which includes a Prostate Cancer screening and testosterone levels. The Female Executive Profile is 50 tests plus TSH and Iron levels, in addition to Tumor Markers for breast and ovarian cancer, AIC, diabetes screening and protimes. They also have Covid Antibody Levels. Do not eat breakfast, but take your medicine on the day of lab draw. If you are diabetic, you will be done first. On February 9<sup>th</sup>, he will return to talk about results. Cash or check. Signup sheets at the Medical Board near the Indoor Pool.

There is no Wood Shop Board meeting today.

Spaghetti Feast is February 4, Friday. It is a benefit for the Wood Shop. The Wood Shop is selfsupporting. Machines are available to all park guests to use, and are paid through fund-raising. The dinner is salad, spaghetti, French bread and cake with cream filling. There is an auction after with crafts made by the woodworkers. Their craftsmanship is outstanding! Also, there is gluten-free pasta and meatless sauce available, as well as carryouts. Tickets are available in the back of the room at MMM, or through Wood Shop members.

The Missouri luncheon is on January 31<sup>st</sup> at Mr. Gatti's. 11:00. \$9.00. Everyone is invited. It is a great way to meet people in the Park. Signup sheet in the back.

Sewing Room classes for January are posted in the Sewing Room with signup sheets for the Jan 31 and Feb 7 class on Friendship Spool Wall hanging taught by Nancy Schmidt. There are also signup sheets for Feb 6 Super Bowl Sunday activities from 1-3 pm. Interest sheets for Wood Applique class in March, and for carpooling to local quilt shows in Jan and Feb are also in the Sewing Room.

Sewing Room Dessert Destination will be held on Jan. 26 (Wed) outdoors at Lot 260, hosted by Marcia Albers and Nancy Franck. Cost is \$2. Bring a chair and show and tell.

Charity sewing this week is on Thurs, Jan 20<sup>th</sup> for Vets/Wounded Warriors, from 9-3 pm in the Sewing Room. Looking for 2 people to chair this activity. There are also some quilt kits to distribute.

Looking for vets who did not get a quilt yet. Signup sheet outside the Sewing Room. Quilts will be delivered on Jan 31 after the MMM.

There are a number of sewing machines that can be signed out for your use while you are here. See Nancy Schmitz.

Teena will be doing blood pressures after the MMM.

It is the last week for the pictorials. There are a few openings on Saturday, Jan 22<sup>nd</sup>. Contact Linda Beem or Jennifer Kirkland.

Cloggers are cancelled today.

Vipers have 35 signed up for January 27<sup>th</sup>. We are still waiting for times for the bus, but you can still sign up. The menu is posted on the back board. We will order when we get there.

Bingo is tonight at 7 pm. Cards on sale at 6:30.

Up and Down the River is on Saturdays at 6:30 pm. Wear a mask if you are uncomfortable.

Linda Luncheon (for Linda's, Lynn's and all L first names) is on February 1<sup>st</sup> at 11:00. Signup sheet will be posted on the back along with location.

Teena Shrek announced that Kay Betker came in third place in Hearts last week. If anyone is entered or attending an event, please take pictures and email them to the address on the back board.

Ice Cream Social on Sundays is back on, with volunteers Ron and Joyce Forbes chairing this even. It is from 2-3 pm. Thank you, Ron and Joyce!

Valentine's Day party will be on February 14 (Valentine's Day) at 3:00 in the Main Hall. There are hostesses/hosts listed by table for a potluck. Entertainment by Steve May at 4:00. Please sign up for a table at the back board. BYOB.

Wood Shop 50/50 was \$47 and won by Lot 273.

Tickets were drawn by Bob McDougall for prizes from vendors.

## Pam's Notes

Good Monday Evening....Glad to inform you that Pete and I are both released from captivity...or maybe it was just isolation...anyway we escaped having any severe symptoms of the Covid. I know it was thanks to our 3 shots. Each of us had a cough, but that was all. Thank you Lord for looking after us Again.

## I did receive a nice note from Virginia Van Alstine. I am so glad she doing so well.

So sorry you couldn't get your tests done when you went to MD Anderson. This new covid is so easy to pass on when most people don't know they are sick with it. Most people just have a cough and think they have a sinus infection or slight cold. Then others end up in the hospital. I am only out for doc appt. Kinda lonesome but safe. My blood counts are so low 1/2 the time anyway that I wasn't usually out before covid even started. I'm doing well. Raining here today. Probably change to freezing rain or snow tonight. Most of the bad weather has missed us. We did get 5" of snow a couple

weeks ago. Kids loved it. Had never had that kind of snow and built snowmen and played in it. Continue to pray for you that the treatments work. Pass on the word to TIP friends that I continue to be doing well. Virginia

I did receive sad news. Wylie Hough passed away around Jan. 6 or so. Wylie had been fighting cancer for some time. Our prayer and cares go out to Dori and her family. If you'd like to send her a card, address is : Doris Hough, POBox 805, Miami, OK 74355

I also know that Rita Jalovy has moved into an assistant living facility. Her address is Island Shores Assistant Living, 131 E Water Street, Neenah, WI 54956. I am sure she would love to hear from you.

We've had some cancelation of activities this past week, but nothing to report now. Again if you live within the park and want to get text or notices, please provide the activity office with your email and the office your text number.

Be safe and have a good week....and please get your vaccines for your sake. Pam