MONDAY MORNING MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: April 290, 2023

Happy Memorial Day

Marilyn had the coffee ready and opened the conversation at 9am. We all said the pledge of Allegiance and sang the National Anthem (with Paul on lead). Marilyn welcomed all to our summer get together and said this was our way of checking on our neighbors and communicating about things in the park and our sharing which of our friends need our prayers.

We welcomed Greg and Amy who are new to the park. They are super friendly and are avid walkers. We also welcomed back Dorie, Pam and Pete.

John Willis is home! You can't keep those Hawkeye fans down for long.

Carolyn Adams is doing much better and they hope to head home to Kentucky next week.

Nancy Rickert is still in rehab but is hopeful to come back to us soon, please keep up the prayers, they are working.

Joy Ochs was taken to the hospital, no update as of yet.

On a sad note, Fred Mohr passed away last Friday, his family is here and they could use our prayers too. Fred was 97 years old.

Marilyn offered up a prayer for those in need and also added our military personnel, fire fighters, police and their families.

Marilyn put together a beautiful program for Memorial Day. She began by sharing her experiences when she has visited Military cemeteries and how there are flags on every grave site and flower petals dropped from helicopters to honor the men and women in these cemeteries. She also told us about the tradition of leaving a coin on a military person head stone. If you see a penny; it means that someone stopped by. If you see a nickel; someone who stopped by attended boot camp with the solider. If you see a dime; someone served in the same unit as the solider. If you see a quarter; the person who visited this solder was with them when they passed. Marilyn recommends that we visit a cemetery to see for ourselves. There is one in San Antonio; Fort Sam Houston and there is one near Mission Rio Grande Valley State Veterans Cemetery. Maybe we can get a group together and car pool next Memorial Day, what do you think??

Marilyn also shared the flag she was given when her first husband had passed. The military presents one to every family at the time of burial. Taps was played and one of the accounts of how it came about was shared with us. It was in the civil war and a Captain in the Confederate military tried to rescue a solider but when he got him to his side of the fight, he found he was a Union solider and his SON. The captain did not know that his son has joined the Union and wanted to give him a proper military funeral. His superiors compromised and allowed one bugler and the captain had found the music in his son's pocket and he asked him to play it. (His son was a music student before the war). That music in what we now call Taps.

Marilyn, Jennifer, Margie, Arlene and Jackie brought donuts and pastries for us and they were set up next to a table set for a missing solider. (Margie took some pictures and I've tried to attach the pictures; I hope they come out.)



Bruce let us all know that it was Linda's birthday so she was serenaded by all of us!

July $4^{\mbox{th}},$ golf cart parade meet in front of the building at 11am. Note about Joy from Dave

I took Joy to the emergency room on Saturday eve for a hacking cough that would not stop. The Dr cured the cough with medicine, but found that she dangerously low on sodium and admitted her to the hospital immeadiatly. She will be there 3-4 days. The are giving her solutions through an IV and she seems much better. I'll update as she comes home.

This week's activities:

Everyday:

- Water Aerobics 7:30am indoor pool, 9am outdoor pool
- Pickle Ball Mon through Sat 8am

Monday:

- Coffee & Conversation 9am
- Poker 6pm
- BINGO! Is at 7pm, you can start buying cards at 6:30pm.

Tuesday:

Contract Rummy 6pm Al Barnes

Wednesday:

- Water volleyball 1pm
- Hot Dogs, Hamburgers Sausage starting at 5:30
- Dance, Steven May 7pm

Thursday:

- Pickle Ball 8am
- Hand Knee and Foot 10:15 in AC room
- Thirsty Thursday University Draft House in Edinburgh, meet 3:30 eat at 4
- Contract Rummy 6pm Al Barnes

Friday:

Horse collar – 6:30

Saturday:

Sunday:

Mexican Train 6pm Al Barnes

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## Pam's Notes

Happy Memorial Day! Just a quick update. Pete was able to fly to Houston last Monday and after my treatments last week we were able to come back to the Tip. I did find out I have some new lesions that need more radiation, so back to Houston we go tomorrow for a couple of weeks of treatment. I'm just taking one day at a time. I still feel good without pain, so the Lord is good!!! Pete had a good report from his doctors....so that's it in a nutshell.

Haven't heard from anyone, so nothing else new. Have a good week. Pam