## MONDAY MORNING MEETING MINUTES

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Regina opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Gary led us in singing the National Anthem and O'Canada.

## WELCOME BACK!

New Guests: Mike and Julie Wilson from Topeka, Kansas.

Returning Guests: Rich and Christine Scott from Ontario and Greg and Donna Roy from Ontario. This is both couples' second year. Also, Ginger and Stoddard Allen from DeKalb, IL and Jeanine Sather from MN.

Wellness Report: Larry Gillem was in the hospital this week with dehydration. Marie Lara went back to Cannon Lake, TX to undergo serious surgery on February 1<sup>st</sup>. Praise Report: Rick Schafer has no cast. Sierra Suhr is now walking. Stoddard is here and going to rehab. Nancy Richter is in Solara and call if you would like to visit. Kim Sawatski is recovering from her surgery and can now write legibly and touch her nose.

Pastor Dave reminded us that Bible Study is 9:45-10:45 in the AC room. All are welcome. He led us in prayer. Ken Scott was back in the hospital with an abscess that got into his bloodstream & qas septic. He should be out of the hospital soon, but it doesn't look like he and Donna will be at the Tip this year.

Al commented on the US Mail issues that were mentioned last week. Mail that was found was back to July 2023. It is being addressed by the Post Office. He also obtained a new AED machine to make it more visible. Chris Buege is willing to help orientate anyone who may be interested in being trained to use it. He also reminded us to be aware of our neighbors and tell the Office if you do not see them around so they can do a wellness check.

Guest Speaker: The American Red Cross brought us donuts. They install free smoke detectors to anyone who requests it. It is a 10-year lithium battery. See them to sign up. The Red Cross is also looking for volunteers for their Disaster Action Team, who respond to families in need because of fire or other hazards that make their homes uninhabitable. There is a gift for the first 8 people to sign up to volunteer. Training is 1 day on February 22<sup>nd</sup> at their McAllen Office.

Thirsty Thursdays is at Don Pepe's this week, 306 W. McColl.

Peter Piper Pizza is on the 13<sup>th</sup>.

Bps today by Chris Buege.

We are looking for volunteers who can ask restaurants and businesses for freebies that we can use for our MMM raffles. See Debbie Bashaw.

The Activity forms for 2024-25 season are printed and are in the box outside the Activities Office. This year, we are asking for a Co-Chair on all Activities – someone who can step in and take over should the Chair be unable to run the activity. Chairs need to fill out a form for your activity to be scheduled.

If you have not paid for the Alpaquita bus trip, please do so ASAP.

Fiddler on the Roof was full BUT we asked for a bigger bus and got it, so we can take 15 more. The trip includes the bus and tickets to a 2:30 performance on Sunday, Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> for \$30.00. First come basis.

February 21<sup>st</sup> is the Linda Luncheon (Wed).

Golden Age Olympics – We have completed 3 weeks of events and have the following winners: Sukoku – Bronze – Byron Wickman; Golf – Gregg Straka had closest to the hole; Bird N Thon – Gold – John Schmitz, Bona and Don Malo; Table Tennis – Singles: Silver - Kathy Thate; Doubles: Bronze - Marlene Ryks and Kathy Thate; Mixed Doubles – Gold: Kathy Thate. There were 42 people for Walk N Talk from TOT.

You need to register for next week: Shuffleboard Mixed Doubles, Bowling Team, Euchre, Poker Men and Women, Duplicate Bridge, Volleyball. Good luck and thanks for participating to all!

Sewing Room: Sewing for Children will meet on Thursday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> 10-2. Help needed to sew, pin, press and tie. Yesteryear's Treasures annual luncheon and fundraiser on Leap Day, Thursday, February 29<sup>th</sup>. Tickets on sale at all Monday morning meetings. Carpooling opportunities to local quilt shows are posted in the Sewing Room. The Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show is Feb. 9 and 10<sup>th</sup> on So. Padre Island.

TOT Showcase is Friday, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1-2:30 in the Main Hall. Sign up if you are interested in displaying your items or contact Nancy Schmitz at Unit 878 Plains, 608-445-2029 by Monday, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>.

Lab Draw by the Rio Grande Hospital is Friday, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7 a.m. in the AC Room. Sign up on the Medical Bulletin Board. Fast for 10-12 hours before blood is drawn.

Treasure Hunt had 4 correct answers this week. Karen Woodard's name was drawn as the home for Bongo this week.

Al volunteered to pay for the mulch and fertilizer needed to support the Rose Garden in March. Everyone clapped.

Floy has 2 tickets left for the Red Hat event. See her.

March 3<sup>rd</sup> is the Memorial. Names for 2023 are posted in the hall by the Treasure Table. If you know of anyone missing, please let her know.

The winners of the football pool were: Lots #708, #723, #883, #844, #758, #374, and #617. Super Bowl will have a new \$5 pool. See Lou White or Terry Dickey for details.

Grannies Gone Wild will be held on Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> and includes lunch where names will be drawn, shopping at TX Thrift. Sign up sheet on back. Theme this year is Working Women and costumes that can be bought could be anything from Construction workers to High Paid Escorts. There will be prizes for the winners at the dance on Wednesday night.

The MO Luncheon is today at 11:00 at Gatti's on 2<sup>nd</sup> and Nolana. Wear MO (or KC Chiefs) tee shirts.

The Shuffleboard tournament is at 8:30 on Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>. Sign up by Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>. Totally our Park, the \$5 entry fee covers hot dogs, beans, chips, and trophies. See Ginny or Mike Craine or John and Jody Rawlings.

Deadline tomorrow for Our Town articles. We also have a new app called BAND that Debbie can help you get signed up for. BAND allows anyone to post events for all members.

On Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, Justice Terry will be in concert from 3-5:00 pm. He is fantastic. If you are a vet, you will appreciate him. \$8 at door.

On February 8<sup>th</sup>, Shake, Rattle and Roll will be here from 2-4:00 pm. Tickets at Activity Office. \$9 in advance, \$10 at door.

On February 11<sup>th</sup>, we have an Illusionist, Roger Wayne, to amaze and delight us. \$8 at the door.

Rocket Ranch bus tour – Still no confirmed date for Rocket Ranch but still need MORE people to sign up. We are trying to set a new date with another park to fill our 45-person bus – we have 17 so far. They are building a privacy fence, so this may be the year to go. Those that came back Thursday told us the tour was fantastic!! Help fill the bus! \$50. Sign up in back of the Hall.

Kitchen News – Tomorrow's lunch is Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, dessert. Sign up on the Kitchen board near the Kitchen door.

The RC Car race this Sunday had 14 4-wheel and 7 2-wheel drive cars. They are raffling off a race ready car for \$5/ticket. See Lot #88 or any RC racer.

The Canadian Lunch is on Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> at Golden Corral on Jackson. Price is \$11 (discounted from \$18.99).

Thanks to everyone who attended the Bicycle trip to Santa Ana Wildlife Refuge. There were 24 participants. The Bicycle Tour is Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>. You can still sign up. This week the Bike Club will meet at 8:15 a.m. on Friday at the Hobby Shop for breakfast at Coco's on Cage.

Karaoke will be in Al Barnes this week on Friday.

On Saturday, Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> is the Poker Run. Cards can be purchased at 1 pm and meet back at 4 pm for hot dogs, chips and announcement of winners. Bring own chairs as none can be taken out of the Main Hall. Bob also instructed those using the microphone to keep it 2 inches from your mouth.

Golf is Tuesday – tee times 9:37 and 9:45 a.m. Meet at 8:45 at the Chapel.

Winter Texan Orchestra will play for us on January 30<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm. Everything from Glen Miller to Classical. Great program!

All those who wore Buc EE's tee shirts stood to be recognized.

The Wood Shop bought a CNC machine and John Bloem will give a class on January 30<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm. Seating is limited. Sign up at Wood Shop. Last day to be counted for Spaghetti tickets. We will be setting up at 12:30 pm on Friday. Workers will meet at 3:00 on Friday to eat. Tickets are on sale here and in the Activity Office. Any donations to auction or for State baskets should be brought to Anita at lot #803. Quilt raffle will be drawn on St. Patrick's Day.

Germanfest tickets are available in the Activity Office. It is Saturday, Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>. Bring samples of something you never tried for drinks. Can be alcohol free, or German wines or beers, or water. Come out and have food and fun! Tickets are \$10.

Lotteria and Zumba activities have been canceled.

Happy Hour today at 4:00, Chris Moreau.

Several raffle items today were given out.

50/50 was \$63 today. Won by Lot 993.

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

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