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MONDAY MORNING MEETING NOTES

November 14, 2005

Activity Director, Lavon Walters, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance by the residents.

Hospital Report. Carilyn Glass said Robert Arce is in the McAllen Memorial Hospital, Dave Sturgeon is back in Renaissance Hospital, Jeanne Clair Miller had a stroke and lost her voice but it is back, Don Wilcox has a broken kneecap and is recuperating at home, Bob Kline is doing well, Verna Schultz has pneumonia and is in ICU in hospital in Peoria. Dorothy Hoggatt is home.

Rosie Gleason was operated on for aneurysms on her aorta and is recovering with nursing home care. Jerry fell off the roof of his summer trailer and fractured his neck and is in a cast for three months. They will not be here this season.

Joe Horak had a stroke on Saturday. Pat and Joe were on their way to TOT and stopped at their daughter's in Indiana. Joe is hospitalized and is paralyzed on the left side. The prognosis for full recovery is good. They are hoping to get down to TOT in January if all goes well. Carilyn said they, and all of the above, can use our prayers. Pastor Bill prayed for all.

Returning residents. A few more happy people who had arrived this week were welcomed back by Lavon.

Bonnie Christian's Remarks. Brush pickup day has been changed from Thursday to Wednesday. This change was necessary because the dumpsters are emptied on Thursdays and the in-park pickup was not always completed before the dumpsters were emptied.

There are still some pictorial directories in the office that need to be picked up. If you didn't get yours, check with the office.

Ice is available at the Outpost. Since activities have picked up, there is no longer a surplus as there was in the summer. So, no more free ice. The cost in the Outpost is fifty cents for a large bag of ice and twenty-five cents for a small one.

As most of the residents know, the electric rate has been raised to \$.15 kWh. The electric provider to Wilder has raised the rate and it is a cost of doing business increase. This increase was generated by the provider.

Monday Lunches. Alta and her kitchen staff wore their new kitchen attire - fluorescent green shirts. You can't miss them. Alta's menu for today is scalloped potatoes, ham and green beans plus a dessert. Today will be the last Monday luncheon until the New Year as Alta and Bob are going home for the holidays. Alta asked if anyone wanted to do the lunches in her absence and there were no volunteers.

Shall We Dance. Jane Head said Dancercise will be Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. in the Hall and line dancing will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. Beginner clogging starts at 1:30 p.m. today. You don't need to have clogging shoes.

Memorial Service. Norma Pepe said the annual memorial service will be held on February 19. She asked people to check the names on the list on the Village Chapel bulletin board and, if you knew any of the people whose names are not circled, please see her. The Committee will need to know something about those persons and contact someone to represent them at the Memorial Service.

Exercise Room. Richard Haupt said it's going great. He said there are two columns on the list and those using the equipment should sign only one, but sign each time they use a machine. He will be there from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m.

weekdays and after Monday Morning Meetings to assist people on the use of the machines. Good news - the Activity Directors have ordered a bicycle for the exercise room and it will be here on Wednesday.

Bridge. Dave Ochs said duplicate bridge will start tonight at 6:30 p.m. Bridge on Wednesday and Saturday schedule - get the room at 6:30 p.m. to set up and game starts at 7:00 p.m.

Thanksgiving. Mary Kitkowski said there are thirteen hostesses so far for the Thanksgiving meal. She said she needs three more as normally there are sixteen tables. She said the job of the hostess is to meet with the people who will be at her table and determine who will bring what dish to the meal; just like planning a family dinner. At Thanksgiving, the Activity Office gives \$1.00 for each person at the table; and the Wilder Corporation does the same for the Christmas dinner. Mary gets the tables set up and the hostesses bring the decorations for the tables. There will be sign up sheets on the bulletin board until the Tuesday before Thanksgiving.

Pharr Chamber of Commerce. Doris Peters reminded everyone that a few weeks ago at a Monday Morning Meeting, she had asked for a show of interest for volunteering at the Pharr Travel Convention Center. She had received a positive response so she arranged for the TOT volunteers to have December 1 through 16. We will need to furnish volunteers for 5 days a week, with two people working 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and two from 12:30 to four p.m. She said that initially there may not be a lot to do as there may not be many customers, so bring a book or a deck of cards or whatever you prefer. If the CofC can tell the State we did try to staff the center, the State should fund the project next year. If you want to volunteer or have any questions, see Hilda Claude at Lot 818 on Mountain Trail or call her at 783-0591. If you can't reach her, see Doris Peters at Lot 888 or call her at 702-7442.

Health. Al Barnes said there were no flu shots given as Maxim Company asked for the vaccine to be sent back to them; that the vaccine was being issued to the Health Department. Al contacted the Health Department, the local pharmacies, and any other place he could think of that might have the vaccine. He cannot say that there will be any vaccine available for inoculations to be done at the TOT. The HEB pharmacies do have a small amount available and would have to be called for an appointment.

Al said the following are posted on the back bulletin board:

Sign-up List for donating blood on December 2

Wellness screening sign-up list for December 9

Information on Health Seminar on November 29, subject is dementia

Activity Directors Jeannice made the following announcements:

PSJA Thespians are doing a production of Smokey Joe's Café. Tickets will be available and cost is \$5.00. A poster will be on the bulletin board soon.

Sharyland Mansion is going to be open for one day only, Saturday, November 19, and they will be giving a one-hour tour. Cost is \$10 a person.

Jeannice said the "Our Town" is out. And she said she made some mistakes in the Activities Schedule, but she was working with the information available at the time. Changes to the schedule will be printed in "Our Town", so if you have any corrections, get them to the Activity Office.

Lavon made these announcements:

Pancake breakfasts start on Saturday and will be every Saturday except Craft Show days.

Still need volunteers to help with popcorn on bingo and dance nights. Some of the current volunteers would like a night off now and then. Come to the office to chat about it if you are willing to help. Lavon will get you signed up.

Videos have been transferred to the outside room with the blue door. They are open Monday and Friday from 10:30 to 11:00. The new list of videos will be ready by Friday. Please return videos and DVDs the next day after signing them out. The Video Room is accepting donations of VHS and DVD movies.

Singles Group meets at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesdays.

Sewing for Children program. Dorothy Phillips said the Sewing for Children program has yarn, materials and other sewing supplies available for persons wanting to make garments and knit hats for children. They also need volunteers to cut out material. Dorothy will train persons on use of the sewing machines. Also, the Lap Robe group meets on Thursdays. If you want any information on these programs, see Dorothy Phillips or Mary Kitkowski.

Jenny Faasen said was really pleased when she returned home and found someone had left some full shoeboxes for the Operation Christmas Child. There are brochures on this program on the shelf by the bulletin board.

More from Lavon.

Ladies Horseshoes - Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4 p.m.

There will be free waltz lessons in the Hall at 3 p.m. on Tuesday.

Lunch today - please don't pay with any bill larger than a ten. It's

Hard to keep enough change on hand to cash big bills.

End of the Driveway Sale is this Saturday.

The Sweetwater Band is playing at the Saturday night dance.

Bulletin Boards. Charlotte Cooper outlined the use of the bulletin boards and reminded everyone that the ads in the P.O. lobby are paid for by the advertisers - don't put up ads from non-paying businesses. Some areas are dedicated for other things, for example, charitable and church groups.

The Activities Bulletin Board in the back of the Hall is currently under construction. If you are in charge of an event and see a mistake on the poster for your event, don't write on the poster - take it down and give it to Jeannice.

The large chalk board is to be used for changes to activities; not to list all of the daily activities. The board will be cleaned off and used for changes and cancellations only.

Jim Merton. There will be a brief woodshop meeting after this meeting to work on some details for the spaghetti dinner.

Quizno's is having an appreciation celebration from 4 to 6 p.m. on November 19. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the hall.

50-50 Drawing. Congrats to Linda Merton. And, no, Jim didn't draw the winning number, Pastor Bill did.

The meeting ended at 10:30 a.m. with Carilyn Glass leading the group in the singing of God Bless America.

Beth Stagdon
Recording Secretary