

Subject: MMMeetings

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Hello to all: After returning from Ireland and the UK I am just now catching up on e-mails and things. I had a nice trip, even though driving on the wrong side of the road on VERY narrow roads was a very harrowing experience. We only had one blown tire from hitting a hole, two curb rebounds, and a couple of swipes of our left passenger side mirror. Other than that.... We did have a nice time and the country is beautiful. We didn't even know of the bomb at Glasgow airport until we read e-mails from home. By the time we were in Scotland all things had settled down again. We did see London Bobbies carrying automatic weapons on the streets, that's rare since they didn't even use to carry guns.

I've heard from a few people while I was gone and I would like to pass on their greetings: Floyd and Carol Shepherdson Just a quick note to let you know how our summer has been going.

I pulled a groin muscle again when trying to play tennis. After a bit of physio I am able to get back at it (but a little Slower) We took a bus tour to New York City and thoroughly enjoyed the 4 days. Good travels, good tours of the city and good food. Planning on another tour next year, probably to Cape Cod and Boston.

Carol has a hopefully small bioptic surgery (my interpretation) early in August so we can not make any plans to attend the tennis week until after the results are in. We are expecting to see you and everyone at the weekend if all is well and we can make site reservations at that late date.

Hope you are having a good summer, take care Carol & Floyd

Then I always get nice notes from Midge...here are a couple of weeks worth of news:

Hi again from Missouri, It has rained here so much thought we were gonna have to buy a boat. Ha. We are certainly enjoying these big boys ages 8 and 12.

Carolyn Glass had written that they are on a trip to the Carolinas to see their kids. Also heard from Orral Craig also Don and Joan Phillips. Wilhelm's wrote they went to Donna Scheibels birthday in Mn. and toured Mn afterward. McIlherans send lovely greeting for the 4th along with others sending greetings. Just got off the phone with Bugs Metten and then Kathy Hall who stated they were under Tornado warnings and it was raining lots.

Adair's friends and family had a huge cul d sak (however spelled) party. Food was fabulous and Adair, the bar tender, did his famous margaritas. Adair bought over \$200 worth of fireworks, they were great. The adult guys were enjoying fireworks as much as the kids. "You can tell the age of the boys by the price of their toy."

Kathie said Karaoke is really going over well and sounds like their 4th party by Barb and Bob was nice. That sure was nice of them.

FYI serious satellite radio is on your computer at www.seriousradio.com FREE for a short while like a week or so. Also last week I did a type O on the hoax web site. it is F-secure.hoaxes.com then type in the name of the hoax by the description in your e mail (You can figure out what title it might be under) like child cancer fund. Look up cancer or child, or even fund. It will be there if it is a hoax. Nuf til later ... Midge

Then on July 9 she wrote:

Hi again from Mo. What a surprise I got today via e mail from Pam Brown. I am so glad folks are able to go abroad to English speaking countries. I for one couldn't survive in a foreign country. Don't do too well in Mexico. ha-ha Adair is doing well, every one of you that have written I thank you for your interest. Billie Wagner injured her back and is having chiropractic therapy. Hope she does well, as she wants to go see her great grandsons and when the new twins arrive this month. She also wants to go to see Lavina Perman and Gert Thorentsen.

Adair and I go to the super center here and walk daily to get exercise and of course I have to shop. I miss the Tues. out with the girls, Connie. Its too hilly here to take a walk, besides being too hot and humid. By the way we heard from Piskas and Deanna is up and at um after having bed rest for the fractured pelvic bone. She was done with chemo..and they are going to look at motor coaches in Ft Worth. Hope they buy it and come to the valley early this year. Kathie Hall tells us the Wilcox/Goddard Motor coach was to leave the valley this past weekend, so sounds like they both are feeling better. Have gone to Ameristar Casino with Adair's son and daughter in law and guess what ? I am still in PAY BACK time. That's what my sons call the stag of losses I have been in. ha-ha So we have been to 3 out of 5 casinos so far. Sure wish Texans would vote them in since they approve of pull tabs, bingo and lotto, I can't see what the difference is. The casinos here won't let you gamble over \$500.00 at a time.

They keep track of how much your spending, in case Texas thinks you will spend too much. The taxes they would gain would be tremendous. NUF SAID Midge

I would like to add that my mother, Rose Ann Hancock had a slight stroke on Friday, June 29, the day I was flying to Ireland. Thank the Good Lord she has no serious after effects. Only her speech was slightly slurred and she has a small tendency to walk to the left. She is in physical therapy and that is helping those two things. I am proud of my dad, Shorty...he even made his own breakfast three days in a row. Of course that ceased when Mom came home from the hospital. I was quite concerned while in Ireland and made daily phone calls. I felt a little more at ease when I learned that Mom had made two stops on her way home from being released from the hospital. One to Home Depot and the other to Wal-Mart...I knew she was on the mend if she was still shopping.

So sorry this is so long and I'm still waiting for this past MMMeeting of July 16. Have a good week and please let us know what you're doing this summer. Pam

July 2 MMMeeting

Lavon opened the meeting at 10. We said the pledge to our flag.

Lavon gave the hospital report:

Ethel Conunale is doing well.

Mary Gray is still in the hospital, but she is now able to move some body parts, and can speak to her visitors.

Peggy Baker was taken by ambulance to Renaissance Hosp. on Sunday. No report as yet.

WONDERFUL NEWS !!!!!!!!!!!

Don Maxiner is out of the rehab and was here at the meeting! He looks well, if still a little pale. Thank you, GOD.

Bob Miller led us in prayer, asking for blessings on our people and for special blessings for our Service men and women.

Bill and Janet Graham are celebrating their 67th anniversary today! They brought cake for us to share in their celebration.

Dave Ochs told us that this Thursday's baseball game is Pharr Chamber of Commerce night. Tickets are \$3.00. Beer will be \$1 that night at the stadium.

There were three members of the Pharr Police Department present at the meeting. They came to hear our concerns and to assure us that the Department does take the break-ins seriously. The officers do patrol the Park especially at night and in the early morning hours. The late-night officer said he uses all his lights except the Mars lights while going through, so don't get upset if you see him.

They also warned us about some current lottery scams and warned:

---Not to EVER give out personal information on the phone to any incoming callers. Police do not ever ask for SS nos. or credit card nos. on the phone.

---Report any cases of shots being fired.

---Take pictures of your possessions and etch your name or mark them in some way.

There was some discussion about the feasibility of getting electronic gates installed and also about establishing a neighborhood watch. The list for those willing to volunteer is on the board.

THIS WEEK;

---Bottom Line Band on Wed. from 7-10

---Thirsty Thursday will be at Grand China Buffet on Jackson at El Centro Mall 4:30. Jim Raabe, Host.

---Coyote Baseball Thurs at 7:10. \$1 beer night.

---Friday -Bowling at 23rd St. Lanes at 12.

---Karaoke with Barb and Bob . Friday from 7-10 in the AC room.

We all stood and sang God Bless America.

Thought for today:

Life is like pizza

Even when it's bad, it's good.

We had made no plans to celebrate the 4th, but about 1:30 Barb Horne, Bob Mattai, and Yvonne Kempfer called around and got as many of us that could be reached to come over to the AC room at 2:00 for a spur-of -the- moment karaoke ,

margarita , and pizza party. We had a blast! Thanks guys. We missed the rest of you all--hurry home!

Sorry this is so late, my computer let me down.

Kathie

Lavon opened the meeeting with the pledge to the flag.

The hospital report:

- Jane Hubard is having eye surgery today.
 - Ruth Burda is having work done on knee this morning.
 - Yvonne Kempfer will have surgery on the second eye tomorrow.
 - Jean Claire Miller will have eye surgery on Wed.
 - Jim Merton has had serious surgery on his back, and is now making a good recovery.
 - Ray Ransdell is undergoing chemo.
 - Peggy Baker is home.
 - We have recieved conflicting reports about Deanna Pisca,
. We hope she is doing well. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Bob Miller led us in prayer for all these residents.

The address for Delores Sear's birthday cards is:

c/o Linda Kaderlik
1385 Glynview Trail
Faribault, Mn. 55021

(I hope we got it right this time)

Donuts today were from Jay and Dave Ochs.

Juanita Dempsey is here with one of her daughters to pack up their belongings, as she and Oscar are moving into an assisted living apartment in the Houston area.

Joy Ochs asked us to have a potluck dinner Thursday night instead of going to a restaurant. This will give us all a chance to see Juanita and bid her farewell. The sign up sheet is onthe board. Dinner at 4:00 in the Main Hall.

It is hard to say goodbye to to these friends.

Ray Pepe announced the next baseball game will be Tuesday July 26. Sign up and pay Ray for your ticket.

J.C. Aguierre, The Pharr Police Public Relations officer was with us today to talk about establishing a Neighborhood watch in ths park. He stated that this type of program has been very effective elsewhere in curtailing criminal activities. There is power in unity, as we already know. J.C. will met with us for 4 weeks after the regular MMM until we are organized. He reminded us again to report any stolen bikes or property or criminal activity to the Pharr Police.

Anything reported to the police is documented. The best deterrent is to secure your bicycles, to etch your name on your property, to record serial numbers, and for everyone to use their eyes and ears and report suspicious activities to the police.

THIS WEEK:

- Wed. night Dance with the Bottom Line Band. 7-10
- Thurs. Potluck dinner at 4:00-
- Friday- Bowling at noon
- Friday -Karaoke in the AC room 7-10

Card games: Poker, Samba, Bridge, Ups & Dominos continue to keep us entertained.

We ended by singing "God Bless America"

Thought for today:

The greatest thing you may ever do
Is to surprise yourself.

Sign just went up on the Activity Board

Karaoke Contest

Friday Night , August 3

7:00 P.M. in the AC room

Prizes! Prizes! Prizes!

Have a great week. Hurry back!

Kathie