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I think we Northerners missed the big "Blow Out" at the Tip. Thanks to Beth Stagdon and Barbara Horn thru John O'Brien's web page we are able to see the damage from the storm.

I have uploaded two sets of TOT storm damage photos to the TOT Photo website picasaweb.google.com/melroseirish. One set was taken by Beth Stagdon and the other by Barb Horne.

I have added some photos of the storm damage at Tropic Star to the TOT Photo website picasaweb.google.com/melroseirish. It would appear that they had more damage than TOT. The photos were sent by Maury Owen at Tropic Star. Maury said:

"John, these are pictures of the damage in Trpopic Star. The only damage we had on our unit was about 2 or 3 shingles which didn't cause any leaks and our flag pole blew down and there wasn't even a flag on it."

Best regards,

John P. O'Brien

We want to keep Dorothy Haggert in our prayers. I received this from Ted.

Please pray for Dorothy She is in Hospital-(Doctors-Edinburg) Same simptoms as stroke-she cannot speak, but can squeeze my hand. Will let you know when she gets better.

Ted

I also received an update that Nancy Beilke is doing much better and will soon be starting rehab physical therapy. Best of luck to Nancy.

I received a note from the Wilhelm's:

MARTY AND I ARE DOING GOOD. BONES ARE CREAKING A LITTLE MORE THIS YEAR THEN LAST, BUT 2 MOTRIN AND WE ARE GONE. WE ARE NOT TAKING ANY VACATION THIS YEAR JUST ENJOYING THE GRANDKIDS EVERY MINUTE WE CAN. THREE WILL BE GOING OFF TO COLLEGE THIS AUGUST. THEY ARE READY FOR THE CHALLENGE BUT THE MOMS ARE RELUCTANT TO LET GO. I ASSURE THEM THEY WILL HEAR MORE FROM THEM WHEN THEY ARE GONE AND THE MESSAGE IS ALWAYS THE SAME "SEND MONEY"

LOOKING FORWARD TO HOOKING UP WITH OUR WINTER TEXAN FRIENDS.

MARTY AND EILENE

And a big Congratulations to the new Grandparents, Bob and Jenny Faasen.

We have our granddaughter TEYA (Cherokee for precious) and she is a bundle. You can see her as well as our travels on our blog at: <http://faasen.blogspot.com/>

Please free to pass this along to the TOT folks.

Thanks,Bob & Jenny

I also heard from Mary Kosta: WOW, what beautiful pictures. We went as far as Vermont on our trip to Cape Cod. We had gone across eastern Canada and dropped down through Vermont to the Cape. From the Cape we traveled down to Washington, DC and back home. However, that was in the early 70's. We do need to go back to the northeast. Thanks for the pictures.

Summer has arrived with vengeance. We had 1 3/4 inches Wednesday night and over 1 inch last night. Last night we had a beautiful lightning show on our way home from dinner. A business was hit. Luckily, it wasn't our house. We do sit up high and do worry about lightning, but not the flooding. It has really been a strange summer.

Enjoy your pictures and information. Thanks.

Mary Kosta

And the notes from Midge on the happens of the park. Always nice to hear from her:
 Hi to all and isn't it amazing after seeing the photos Beth and Barb Horne got for us that we are all still a "FULL FAMILY" no one hurt etc. I feel that perhaps all had insurance and can get back in order soon and thank God noone was hurt. I feel very sorry for those of you who still have no electricity and the have the sewer not working properly back by the maintainance shed..Hopefully it will all be back to normal soon, I want to thank Beth Barb Linda Terrie and Ed and Bugs, Don, John D.and Kathie and all who called or sent us photos and e mails. What a family, Ed tied down all our patio furnishing can you beat that??? What great neighbors and what a marvelous neighborhood and resort, in full..And for the break in's, I have been told that they took stuff along with a computer and owner will press charges as fingerprints have be identified.. My opinion is Thats what we need is for someone to press charges and if kids did it that the family is held

responsibly and see that stuff is replaced and the kids taught SOMEHOW to stay home nights. haha And another OPINION of mine is IF someone is going door to door begging for money as I was told he was doing, then why don't the police come and "talk" to him for soliciting, we don't need someone "accused of being a druggie" in our park, he needs H E L P and I hope he gets it. Gee whiz this has turned into a OPINION PAGE> oh well what else can I write about when I am not even in texas.??? Got an OPINION lets hear of it???? Thanks Joe for the beautiful meaningful prayer in the MMM below..
 haha

Midge and Adair
 Have a good week. Pam

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Lavon led the pledge to our flag.

HOSPITAL REPORT:

Dorothy Hoggett is still in Renaissance Hospital.

Peggy Amos is at Comfort House in McAllen.

Joyce Haupt has sent word that her son is doing reasonably well after bone marrow transplants. He has Leukemia.

Word from the Shoemaker's son is that Dick is getting around with a walker; he has fallen several times, but managers to get up and keep going. Marge is doing too much, and has not gained any of her lost weight at yet. They hope to return to the TIP in the fall.

Ernie Davis, a former resident has been moved to a nursing home. His wife would appreciate calls from friends. Her number is 763-323-7436.

Mary Hill's daughter Janet passed away Saturday.

Lawrence "Boots" Taylor died July 2.

Joe Strain said a lovely prayer.

DOLLY REPORT:

There are trees and branches down all over, part of the fence around the outdoor pool is down and part of the fence around the shuffleboard court was down (it has been replaced). The big tree near the fountain in the rose garden has split. Many awnings are history. But as far as we know none of us were injured. Thanks go to everyone who helped out during hurricane Dolly. Many people spent time in the main complex. Residents shared fellowship and supplies.. Tom brought over a TV so the storm could be traced, Lavon and Jeannice brought cots, others brought food and drink to share. In the aftermath of the storm, many went around the Park checking for damage and notifying those who are not here of the status of their homes. Many helped out by picking up branches and debris. Some folks still do not have

electricity, but are coping with the help of friends. We are a family!
Barbara Raabe reported that she has spoken with the family of the resident going around asking for money for food. The family states that they have provided for his needs, and asks that no one give him money. Please do not turn your back on this person if he falls, or needs some other kind of help.

ACTIVITIES:

Bottom Line band plays for the dance on Wednesday from 7-10.

Thirsty Thursday will be at The Golden Corral on 10th St. Be there before 3:45 to get the discount. Maxine Brooks is hostess. (This was cancelled last week due to the storm.)

Karaoke with Larry and Yvonne starts at 7:00 in the Al Barnes building on Friday. There continues to be a good turnout.

Most other games continue.

There will be a Health fair at the Pharr Convention center on August 15 & 16th. Many FREE items available.

Joe Strain read an article called "While you thought I wasn't looking." which we all enjoyed. Joe followed this with some jokes to tickle our funny bones.

Ruth Burda led the singing of "God Bless America".

Thought for today: Friendship is the only cement that will ever hold the world together. Woodrow Wilson

The prayer that Joe Strain wrote and shared with us today was so lovely that

I thought to share it with all of you. It follows.

"Thank you Lord for giving us new life. Help our faith to grow so that we can love you more and more and love others better.

May all who feel sad today find comfort in your love. Help us to see ourselves as you see us and to love others as you love them.

Help us to be honest about who we are and what we do. Help us to be aware of all your gifts and to be grateful for each one.

Fill us with your strength so we can endure hardship and bring comfort to others..

In your name we pray."