

**Subject:** MMMeetings....June 7 & 14

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Hi folks: I've finally settled in back in Illinois to hot steamy weather with lots of rain. Of course nothing compared to those of you in the Oklahoma area. Our thoughts and prayers for those who have been majorly effected by the floods. I recently traveled from Missouri and found that fields around St. Louis are still so wet that farmers have been unable to plant any of their bean crops. That means many fields will lay dormant this year and the farmers will lose much of their income. That will affect the food prices, etc. etc.

I did visit Marvin and Zee at Chapman last week. We played tennis, golf, and even got a bike ride in. Of course there were a couple of days of 100+ degrees of heat. I had a great time and thank my hosts for putting up with me. Now I'm home for a while and back at yard and house work.

I heard from St. James:

Howdy Good Friends and Buddies..

Did not forget to forward the MMM, just got them this A.M. (Friday).. Hope all is well with all of you. Donna and I are keeping

busy with the landscaping and finishing our downstairs with my son on his off days from working on the railroad.. He is on the spare board so he can only come every so often, but we still keep on with what has to be done, not too much time left in a day to do what has to be done.. Because of what we are doing here at our new house we decided to NOT play shuffle this summer and I called up our choir Director to tell her that I could NOT continue singing in the choir.. We just decided that burning the candle at both ends just does not work. With the little bit of time off that we will get we will visit our beautiful County and go relax at the beach which is only a 5 minute drive.. We do walk every morning around our "55 Plus" community which takes us at least 45 minutes non stop.. It is a fantastic way to start the day..

Well take care and hope that where ever you are and what ever you are doing this summer that you are enjoying every minute of it and relaxing before returning to the TIP.. See you there if not sooner.

Donna joins me in sending our Love and Hugs to Y'ALL..

Rene.

And from Midge:

---Hi from Tucson Az. I have arrived here to attend my Oldest marriage to a gal I just met and LOVE She is all that my son told me about. Very Nice and we bonded immediately. Went shopping second day HAHA Carol and you and Cindy will relate to that. LOL She rides the cycle with my son just like two teenagers. Robyn and Leon will love that The flight here was delayed in Dallas for over an hour, but I still got the flight I wanted (no ups and downs a straight flight to tucson from dallas. I am contemplating renting a park model and staying a while but will fill ya in on that IF it developes. I would still return to my HOME SWEET Home in Tx (can't get rid of me that easy) Weather here just like Pharr was when I left Will take lots of photos and bore ya with them as I am no John OBrien, wish he was here to take them...My last hearing from Jim Collierr was he was in REHAB in Mission It is marvelous that he has gotten that far in his recovery, a son came to be with Ms Collier Oh my the NEW CHEF Katleen Kirkendal (Kathie Halls daughter) filled in right away for Mary Kitkowski. Our sunday dinner of baked chickens was fabulous. The presentation was nice, decorated so nice - Don't let her down, hopefully the park will show up every SUNDAY.. Havent heard from the Schoutens so can't report on ARVIDS SURGERY OF tUES THE 8TH I called Siltmans and they too have not heard. Keep us informed folks as we love you all and want to keep up with your progress.--Donna and Henry Sceibel got a new computer just to receive our MMM and I am trying to forward them to her new address which is now yahoo, I believe.. Nuf said: Thu, June 10, 2010 10:34:32 AM..

Midge Sykes..

I have tried to keep up with Larry Booth's recent surgery on the replacement of his brain probe. The surgery went well and he is recovering back at the Tip. He recently wrote on Tuesday the 8th: After having my brain surgery redone, I now need to wait 4 weeks before they can set my stimulator. I am getting anxious, it has been 9 weeks since I started this go

around. Larry

After I sent an inquiry out to Tip Tennis players regarding Tennis Camp in Sept. in Branson, I received a nice update from the Dickeys:

**Sounds like you are busy as usual, and enjoying a wonderful summer. We haven't been home much either. We left the TIP on April 22, and headed west. We went to Big Bend, Carlsbad, Albuquerque, the Grand Canyon, and the National Parks in southern Utah. We rode the narrow gage RR in Durango, and then headed back to Omaha, having added 4500 miles to the odometer. We were back a week, and then went to Lake Okoboji, in NW Iowa, for a week. While in Iowa, we stopped to see Lanvon Lanus--she is healthy, happy, and has a lovely retirement home apartment. We are headed for Minneapolis this weekend, but after that, we'll be home until July 4. Yesterday I played tennis with Joan Cuda--she is great.**

**Take care, Sherry Dickey**

I also had a nice note from the Wills:

Hi Pam, it's been a busy time, some cool weather, but warming up now. We flew to east coast for our granddaughter's first communion the 1st of May and a week later Clark was in the hospital having back surgery. Surgery lasted 10 hours and meeting with Dr. afterwards we received a great report. Pins and rods were used and he has 3 incisions. Was in hospital for a week, and a rehab center for 10 days. Continues to make great strides every day. Doing lots of walking. On the first visit to Dr after surgery, Clark got to see his new xrays for first time and was really happy to see such a nice curve to his lower back. Says he hasn't had any curve there for 30 - 40 years. Still has a long way to go with recovery, but we are very hopeful lots of the pain will really improve over the course of time.

We will be staying pretty close to home this summer.

Love receiving your emails with the updates from everyone. Looking forwards to seeing everyone back at the Tip next fall.

Kathy and Clark Will

Such good news about Clark's back surgery....it sounds he's doing great with rehab. Clark, you know I'll be encouraging you to come play tennis with us next fall.

Marty and Eilene Wilhem's grandson was recently drafted to play professional Ice Hockey. From Michigan they wrote:

Lincoln ,Nebraska area if you see a good looking 6 footer kid with a pair of ice skates slung over his shoulders and answers to Wilhelm during the week of June 12-16th he was drafted 13th round by the USHL hockey team and

will be trying out during this time. Proud grandparents Marty and

Eilene wish him well.

Enough from me....sorry this is so lengthy...I'll do better next week, but remember, everyone enjoys hearing about what **YOU** have been up to this summer. Until next week....Pam

June 7, 2010

Sara opened the meeting as usual with the pledge to the flag and the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner". Maxine Brooks led the singing.

Hospital report:

Connie was not here as she was taking Morris to the doctor.

\*Vera Janis's sister in law passed away last Wed.

\*Betty Burrows is doing quite well after her surgery, she must take it easy and not do much walking or any lifting.

I had a call from Betty and she was very please with her surgery. The doctors believe that all cancer was removed with surgery and she will not have to go thru radiation or chemo. All of your prayers were greatly appreciated and the good Lord heard our concerns.

\*Arvid Schouten will have back surgery tomorrow.

\*Jim Stagdon went to the Emergency room yesterday, but was able to return home.

\*Brenda Muller and Jim Collier are both still in the hospital.

Evvie Phipps said a prayer for all these folks and for those of our family who are traveling.

Kathy Kuykendall reported that this week's Sunday night potluck supper well be Roast Pork and Baked apples. We will need salads, breads, and desserts. Be sure you sign up and list what dish you will bring to pass. A small charge will be levied to defray the cost of the meat. 4:00 MH

Thirsty Thursday Out will be at the Red Lobster this week. It is on North Tenth Street in McAllen. 4:00 - Please sign up.

Be thinking of suggestions for future dining spots-there will be a drawing each Monday.

Bonnie Christian announced that she will be retiring from Wilder Parks on July 1, 2010. We will miss her bright face and sweet smile. She may go to Iowa to be near her family and return to Texas as a Winter Texan. Best Wishes and Good luck in your future, Bonnie.

Joe told some jokes.

We sang "God Bless America".

June 14, 2010

Sara led the pledge to the flag and the singing of The Star Spangled Banner.

Connie gave the hospital report:

\*Jim Collier is home.

\*Harold Phillips is still in the nursing home undergoing chemo.

\*Morris Harmon is doing well.

\*Joella Wyantt is in the hospital, but hopes to come home today.

\*Becky McNab (daughter of Ivar and Sharon Rowlet) is critical on life support.

This was sent on Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup> for Ivan and Sharon Bramlett's daughter.

Prayer alert!!!

Their daughter, Becky Mayabb had a seizure yesterday afternoon and has been comatose since that time. She is on life support at the hospital in Sikeston, Mo. Big decisions for tomorrow. All the family is at the hospital, but no response what so ever. Pray for Becky and all the family.

Thank you,

Lee and Mary Olson

Connie said a prayer.

Thirsty Thursday out will be at The Republic of the Rio Grande on Tenth Street across from the old Civic center. Menu is on the board - 4:00 -Please sign up.

Sunday supper this Sunday will be an indoor Beach Party. Wear your beach attire-no bikinis please. Menu for this Father's day will be Meatloaf and Baked potatoes. When you sign up please note on the sheet what you will bring to share. Bring your table service and drinks- 4:00 MH- There is a small charge to help with the cost of the meat.

Next Sunday the supper will be a farewell party for Bonnie Christian.

Joe was not here to tell a joke.

We sang God Bless America.

Thought for today: When life's problems seem overwhelming, Look around and see what other people are coping with.

You may consider yourself fortunate.

Ann landers

