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We're back to cool weather after hitting 100\* twice last week. Only 55\* this a.m., but we can't complain when we hear of the snow storm making it's way through the mid west. With Easter around the corner, several residents are heading north. After suffering the cold, I'm sure they will murmur, "I don't know why we came home so soon." I think we've all said that on more than one occasion.

I had a nice note from Mary and Lee Olson:

Well, here we are, back in Missouri with 30 some degree's and snow flurries. At least none of it has stuck on the ground.....I understand that St. Louis might have one ft. of snow. It is overcast and cool, and sitting here with a sweatshirt on, instead of enjoying the pool in Texas. We had a good trip home, leaving the park on Friday 17th after the orchestra concert on Thursday night. Drove to our daughter's at Bellville, Tx. (40 miles N.W. of Houston) arriving there about 2:30 on the 17th. Enjoyed time with the family, and celebrated our 56th anniversary on Monday. Left on Tuesday and spent the night near Little Rock, Ark. and arrived at Cape Girardeau, Mo. about 2:30 on Wednesday. Good trip and sunny weather. I understand that on Tuesday night, at our daughters' home, that they had golf ball size hail storm that lasted about 45 minutes. Attached is the picture of the Newman's Castle at Bellville, Tx. This business man has built this castle .....we were invited Monday evening to tour the castle, that has 4 bedrooms, 4 baths, library, two huge dining rooms, kitchen and laundry, court yard and adding on a Bed and Breakfast area. He had all the necessary items displayed so each one could make their own pizza, and he put them in a flat oven in the wall, with a long handled scoop. Also had drinks there for everyone when their pizza was finished. Quite a neat place, especially for me, as our McLeod Family has a huge castle named Donvegan on the Isle of Skye in Scotland. ....never been there, but know all about it.

Went to Curves this morning while Lee ran some other errands, then to Walmart for items we thought we needed.

Finally got my desktop computer working again after being gone since November. Our son David and his 8 year old daughter Jolie, came in yesterday evening and got the computer going. It doesn't like to be shut down for so long. Didn't have a bit of problems with my laptop that I had with me in Texas.

Take care and see you again in November, Lord willing and the Mississippi River don't flood.....it is at it's crest of 32' right now, which is close to the top of the flood wall. We are located on the West side of town, so we won't receive any flooding.....if it occurs.

Blessings,  
Lee and Mary Olson

I have a sad note from Gene and Hattie McDaniel's daughter concerning Hattie:

First of all Daddy wanted me to express his appreciation and love to all of you for your cards and calls.

Mother's health is now to the point of Comfort Care (Hospice type care handled by the nursing home). Her temperature Wednesday went to 90 and oxygen was also low. She went to hospital by ambulance and they wrapped her in a blanket that had warm air blowing into it. They got her temp up to 95 and transferred her to a 24 hour room. The MD staff shared how her condition was terminal and future prolonging procedures would not be advisable due to the complexity of her health. Our family then all agreed that we had done in our hearts what we could medically and feel at peace to give it to God and let her die naturally as she directed in her living will.

She is now back at Paris Healthcare where Daddy can be by her side and the MD told us before we left it could be days

to a month. She is not taking nourishment so weak, her medication has been removed and orders have been written to give her any comfort medication as required. I can tell you I rarely see any pain on her face and although she mumbles, she knows us.

Love and Hugs to all our family and friends –

Becky McDaniel Hamilton

Please keep the McDaniels in your prayers.

John O'Brien has posted obituaries of Cal Wagner and Goergianna Childs on the Tip's web site [totfyi.com](http://totfyi.com) A memorial service for Gerry St. Aubin was held after church last Sunday. Our condolences to her family.

For all who are traveling this week, please let us know when you safely reach your homes. Your Tip Family worries about you. Have a good week. Pam

## MONDAY MORNING MEETING – March 25, 2013

**Good Morning – Lavon Walters**

**Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.**

**National Anthem led by Nancy Beilke was sung.**

**O'Canada led by Rene' St. James was sung.**

**Hospital Report. No one in hospital.**

**Prayer. Floy Kilgore led the prayer.**

**Al Seprion, Park Manager. Even though the season is winding down, the park will continue on projects for which funding is available. Al spoke of the recent break-ins and asked that people pull together and watch each other's places. The gates will close more often so greeters can make more rounds during the night.**

**Golden Age Olympics. Phyll Thackery said she attended the wrap-up session and questioned why Tip O Texas didn't win an award in Walk and Talk. A mistake had been made; we won the Silver in Walk and Talk, not in Biking. The park will receive a corrected award.**

**Alta Hough: oiughh Biscuits and Gravy last for season this Wednesday - 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Bingo tonight is last for season– doors open at 6:30 and play starts at 7:00. Still playing water volley ball on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays at 3:00 p.m. as long as people show up to play. Alta thanked all the volunteers who helped make this a successful season for the park.**

**Bonnie Lynch** - the season's last 2-Bonnie Lunch will be tomorrow. Cost is \$4.00. The two Bonnies will be doing their lunches next season. She also thanked the volunteers who helped with the lunches this year.

**Mary Kitkowski** - Easter dinner will be buffet style. Those wishing to have a "family" style dinner can save a table for your group. Mary said tables will have a white tablecloth and can be decorated. There will be a \$2.00 cost per person for meat. Bring a dish to share that will serve 16 people. Social time at Noon; dinner at 12:30 p.m. Mary also thanked the park's volunteers who make this a great place to live.

**Janice Noranbrock** announced there will be an Easter Parade at 4:00 p.m. on Easter Sunday. Wear your favorite Easter Bonnet and stroll around the pool. There will be prizes. It will be at the outdoor pool. Bring your own drink and, if you want, snacks and munchies.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Lavon said so many people will be leaving this week and he and Jeannice wanted to express their appreciation to all the volunteers who helped make this a good season for the park residents.

**Pancake breakfasts** - last Saturday was the last one for the season.

There will be a Red Hat meeting today.

Walk- Away the Pounds - 8:00 a.m. session 's final day will be March 29. The 11:00 a.m. sessions are finished for the season and will resume next January.

McAllen Symphonic Band's last concert of the season is tomorrow night. Tickets are available in the Activity Office.

50-50 drawing - Won by Lot 935.

Sang God Bless America. Meeting ended.