

Good Evening. I received two different notes from Marian Thompson:

Hi All, Just a quick up date of our goings on. Merle, is still in therapy every day along with Occupation & speech therapy. He is still having better luck with the physical therapy than he is with the speech and occupational. He has been working hard at all three but he is still unable to swallow like he needs to. They are saying they will keep working with him for another 2 weeks fore sure but they feel he is coming to a level where he is not improving anymore. Hopefully they will continue with the physical though because he is improving in that. He is able to get from the bed to his wheel chair by himself as long as the chair is in lock and by his bed also able to get back into bed when he wants to which gives him a lot of independence to move around on his own. He is doing more walking with assistance and a walker for his left hand so we have hopes of him being able to walk with a walker anyway.

We had a home inspection Mon. to see what needed to be done to accommodate a wheel chair. The chair fit to get into the bedroom but will not work in the bathroom without some major reconstruction. We are looking at assistant living apartment living and trying to find out what kind of home health care we can get if that is a option.

I am doing ok and have not fallen sense we got back to Mn. (KNOCK ON WOOD) our neighbor is mowing lawn for us which I sure appreciate. We are so lucky to have good neighbors that are so helpful. (as we had in Tx.) We got some rain this morning which was needed so it should make the crops grow for the farmers. Well not much more going on here so tell next time, take Care. Marian

The second note:

Have been some changes in our plans sense my last e-mail. This past Monday we had a house inspection and found out our house would not work for a wheel chair, The Wheel chair will not fit in bathroom, have no walk-in shower on main floor.. So Maxine and I looked into renting in the assistant living home in Perham where they have a opening. That idea was shot down when we were told the Perham Home health care service is only from 6:30 a.m. until 11.30 P.M. we were told he is in need of a place that he can get 24 hr. service for his care. So we are back to a nursing home or a home care house with 24 hr. care. So we are back to trying to get him back to Perham at either place when he is more or less done with P.T. They are talking 2 - 3 weeks that he maybe thru with therapy. How they know that I am not real sure, but I think its when Medicare or our ins. quits paying for it. P.T. charges around 300.00 to 350.00 per hr.

The good news is that he is improving in P.T., He is able to get in and out of the bed with out assistance as long as his wheel chair is parked close enough so he can reach it. He is walking with assistance with the sm. walker further each day. He can not do it with-out assistance to help him keep his balance, which means he can't depend on me to help him being I use a cane myself to keep my balance. He is to have a swallow test again next week Tue. so they can see why he is having such a hard time to swallow, which also affects his speak. They have stopped feeding him any food by spoon due to he ended up with a start of phenomena again and ended having to take antibiotics to get rid of it. His right hand and arm are not improving at all either, so we are looking at the improvements as a big highlight each week.

Well not much more to write about except we are getting rain which is needed a lot around Perham but maybe not as much in others. Will be thankful for what ever we can get, Take care Marian

I also want to post this:

Just received word through John DeVaney that Loren Halder had back surgery last week. He is home and doing well. Several vertebrae were fused and he will have to walk with a walker until fully healed. No other news....sorry. Have a good week. Pam

**MMM Minutes  
May 22, 2017**

Meeting called to order by Dave Ochs

Pledge to the flag

Shirley Lakin suffered a stroke. Her son has come to take her home.  
Wally Pensil is in rehab.

**Prayer** : Dave Ochs.

**AI: Manager Report:** 171 residents on 113 lots. He also reminded us about securing our belongings and units when we leave for the North. Take care of mail forwarding as well.

\*SPECIAL NOTICE: On June 5 the outdoor pool will be drained and re-plastered, Then the deck will be painted. Should be back in operation by June 26th.

\*With our resident numbers down so low, please look out for neighbors, especially those who are living alone.

\*If you stay here for the summer and are planning to travel, please let the office know so we will know you are gone.

\*SPECIAL, SPECIAL NOTICE: THERE WILL BE NO TRASH PICKUP ON MAY 29TH (MEMORIAL DAY). PICKUP WILL BE TUESDAY MAY 30.

### **Dave's announcements**

\*There will be ice cream Sunday from 2 - 2:30 with a social hour lasting until ??????. i

\*Thirsty Thursday will be at Red Lobster Restaurant on Nth 10th @ 4 PM.

\*Wednesday night dance will be serving hot dogs.

Bill Mauck announced "Dee and Rachel re-did the hobby shop rooms. Stop in and see what a great job they did.  
Thanks Ladies!!!!

\*Memorial Day is Monday May 29th. We will have our weekly meeting at noon, followed by a potluck dinner. Please sign up on the board. We need a count for the hot dogs and corn dogs that will be provided. Please bring a dish to pass and beverage of choice.

Meeting adjourned.