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MONDAY MORNING MINUTES
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Pledge of Allegiance to the flag

Many residents are returning for the season.

The park has two new work campers, Doug and Laurie, from California. They work in the kitchen. They did own a restaurant at one time.

Hospital Report:

Norma Boschma was taken to the hospital by ambulance, treated for high blood sugar and returned home.

Bob Robinson passed away last week.

Bob Beebe has been moved from the hospital to a nursing home.

Virginia VanAlstine will be going in for additional chemo this week.

Pastor Robertson led us in prayer.

Delores Simpson (acting Red Hat Queen Mother) announced a Red Hat luncheon at "Just Between Friends". Cost \$10.00. Signup sheet on board. (Date and time is on signup sheet).

Al Seprion, park manager, reported 425 residents on 259 sites.

Many thanks to Fix-a-Crack for their help with cracked windshields in the park.

Fruit picking will continue this week on Friday.

Shelby from Mr. Mobile Home Insurance gave a short presentation on the company. Donuts were provided.

Jorge from "Go with Jo" gave a brief presentation on travel opportunities available.

Movie rentals with Bonnie will be available after the meeting. Please donate any DVD's you no longer want.

Pam Brown announced:

1) Potato bake on December 8. For \$5.00, you get a huge baked potato with all the fixings, dessert and a drink. Tickets on sale in the activity office. Tickets must be purchased by Wednesday, December 6 in order for the team to buy the appropriate number of potatoes.

2) Recycling is located on the southwest corner of the park. Please break down cardboard boxes before putting in bin.

3) Bob and Alta Hough will be making a lunch on Monday, December 18th from 11:30 to 12:30. They will have goulash, salad, bread, dessert and a drink for \$5.00. No tickets, just come get in line and pay and eat. There will be a 50/50 raffle. Bob and Alta pay for everything, nothing comes out of or goes into the activity fund. All money taken

in is divided among the workers for Christmas, so if you want to donate a little more than the \$5.00, it would be greatly appreciated.

Thirsty Thursday will be at Jason's Deli on McColl.

Peter Piper Pizza (495/10th Street) will be on Tuesday, December 12 at 11:30.

Many thanks to Marilyn Strandberg, Denis and Monique for all the work they do on "Our Town".

Blood pressure will be taken after the meeting.

Kitchen menus are posted in Our Town. Specials are posted on board. Last Friday, 80 fish dinners were sold.

Volunteers are needed for morning breakfast on Wednesday and Saturday.

Today's lunch will be steak on a hoagie bun with cheese, sautéed onion and green peppers with salad.

Chuck Strandberg announced a special Christmas Eve service on December 24, 2017 at 4:00. There will be a special social hour with bread pudding provided by Bonnie. (Sorry no figgy pudding).

Iowa pizza reunion will be Thursday, February 22 at 11:00.

Jenny Faasen announced the kitchen band will be performing at the Alfredo Gonzalez Texas State Veterans Home on Tuesday 12/5/17. Band will leave the park at 2:30 instead of 2:00.

Choir rehearsal is on Thursdays at 3:30 in the Arts and Crafts room. Please come out and join the singers..

Marilyn and Kay showed three beautiful quilts. One will be raffled off (tickets are 3 for \$5 or \$2 apiece) and proceeds go to Sewing for Children. The other quilts are for sale. This is the only fundraiser Sewing for Children has each year. They will be sewing on Thursday making blankets. They need volunteers to pin, cut and iron.

Carolyn Williams, chairperson for craft time, announced craft time will be after the MMM until 1:00 today. Joe Horak will be showing residents how to make Christmas tree ornaments out of cork. Come join the fun!

Carolyn is starting a petition among residents to bring back singing the U.S. and Canadian national anthems at the MMM.

Card elimination Bingo will begin on Sundays in the Main Hall at 1:00.

Barb Horne and Marilyn Bullington announced the Arts and Crafts Sale on December 16. Barb is the new chairman for the blood drive and the signup sheet will be up on Tuesday. The blood drive will be on December 20, 8-10:30. Barb will be the new editor of "Our Town" and will announce the December deadline for January articles at the next meeting.

Kay announced china painting will be today at noon in the Hobby Shop.

Sherry Dickey announced party bridge will begin today at 12:30. The Book Club will start on the 1st Tuesday of each month in the Arts and Crafts room at 3:30. Bring a book you've read and share your thoughts with others. Exchange books if you'd like.

Mary Kitkowski is still collecting money for the 200 orphans in Matamoros. Hostesses, please see Mary as she is the Christmas Coordinator for the Christmas dinner. On Christmas Eve at 7:00 there will be an open house. Bring a dish and games if you'd like.

Joyce Sauter explained that Tai Chi is a slow moving exercise good for balance and flexibility. It will be after the MMM and on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:00.

Joyce would like to meet with Lions Club members after the meeting to discuss a TOT Lions group.

Trish announced the following:

- Activity office is selling coupon books. These books contain over \$1,000 in savings and sell for \$10.00. Activities will receive \$2 for each book sold.
- Blood screening will be on December 8 at 7:00 a.m. Signup sheet will be posted. Marty Haggard
- (Merle Haggard's son) will pay a special tribute to his Dad on January 26 at 7:00 pm. \$25.00 advance tickets, \$30 at the door.
- Blood pressure screening after the meeting this morning.
- The "Comedy Magic Circus" with Pat Davison and family will be here on Tuesday, December 5 at 7:00 pm. Tickets \$7.00. This group is direct from Branson, Missouri and is hailed as the "most fun show in the valley".
- Razzmatazz will be here at 2:00 on Saturday, December 9.
- Diego will play for a dance on Tuesday, December 19 at 7:00. \$6.00
- Raffle tickets are being sold for two coffee tables (displayed at the back of the hall) donated by Wilder. This is another fund raiser for the activity fund.
- Blood screening will be on Friday at 7:00 a.m.
- Beginning line dance will begin on Tuesday from 10-11 in the Arts and Crafts room.
- If you'd like to tour the food bank, sign up in the activity office and we'll set up a date.
- Visitors to the Outpost in December are asked to please donate a protein (peanut butter, tuna fish, Velveeta cheese, etc.) for the kids in the valley.
- There will be a Winter Texan Homecoming party at Riverside on December 5 from 11-2.
- Bowling will start on Friday at 1:00 pm at Flamingo Bowl.
- Campbell soup label points are no longer accepted.
- Bingo begins tonight; buy your boards at 6:30, games begin at 7:00. Kitchen will be open from 4-7.
- Money for turkeys (Thanksgiving) is available for pick up in the activity office.
- Please do not disturb the string practice on Thursdays in the Arts and Crafts room.
- Free Spanish lessons will be provided by the school system starting December 12 from 6 to 8. Location to be announced later. Sign up in activity office.
- Coffee pot revenue is not paying for the cost of the coffee. This is a very expensive item and costs the activity fund thousands of dollars.
- This Saturday (12/9), soup and salad (all you can eat) will be served in the main hall from 3-5. Cost of \$6 will be used to update Christmas decorations in the hall.
- Entertainment volunteer list is available in the activity office. Volunteer and attend the entertainment for free. Volunteers needed for all shows.
- New Year's Eve tickets are available. When you buy your tickets, you will need to indicate whether you want lemon chicken or New York strip. At 10:00, appetizers will be served. Tickets are available in the activity office for \$15.00 per person.
- The protein drive for the children in the valley is going great! Thanks for your donations.
- The Outpost has been reconditioned (newly painted, etc.) Next Monday (12/11/17) will be open house at 10:00 (after the MMM).
- The Arts and Crafts Show needs volunteers for help in the kitchen. Pies are needed and the ingredients are available in the pantry (spices, flour, sugar, etc.)
- If you're interested in having a cookie swap, sign up in the activity office.
- Tuesday Walk away the Pounds has been cancelled.
- Activity fund has been spending \$4600 yearly for advertising park activities. The activity office has cut out a lot of the advertising as it is duplicated in several places. This should be a nice cost savings for the activity fund.
- Bob, our marketing man supplies all the free goodies at the MMM. He has also provided ten 2-night stays plus \$50 gambling money in Eagle Pass which will all be raffled off.
- Minute taker took a brief nap so missed out on how much the 50/50 was or who won it! SORRY!

- Purchases must be approved by the Activity Office before purchasing items. No reimbursement will be made on unapproved purchases.

Have a good week everyone!

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**Pam's Notes**

Having trouble sending, sorry if you are receiving several copies.

Good morning. It is with sad news I report that my street neighbor Robert (Bob) Robinson passed away last week due to heart problems. If you would like to drop his widow, Phyllis, a note her address is 312 N. Water Street, Batavia, IL 60510.

I did receive a note from Mary Mitchell that I would like to pass on:

Thanks as always for keeping us informed as to what is going on at the Tip. It keeps us "in the loop"! We will have a different winter this year as I am not able to come down this winter. I am slated for back surgery on January 2. So I will be recuperating throughout the winter. Don, on the other hand, may be able to get down for a few weeks to get away from the cold and to get to the woodshop!! We are not sure of any time frame yet. He had knee replacement surgery in September and is coming along OK. I will truly miss being there especially in the sewing room and in the orchestra! Our best regards to all our wonderful friends down at the Tip. The Mitchells

We want to keep all our Tip family members who are unable to be with us for one reason or another in our prayers. Have a joyful week. Pam