

Pam's Notes for the Week of November 30, 2020

Back from another trip to Houston with some good news. Spot on spine will be taken care of with one high dose of radiation instead of several. A semi new type of treatment at MD Anderson. I go again next week to get fitted with a brace that will hold me still and the following week for the treatment. Hopefully at the end of this ordeal I am going to have a bonfire and burn all my radiation mask. Like when you burn your mortgages. I'm still doing good. No pain and still active. (So much for that!)

First a message from Al

Good morning and welcome everyone

I hope everyone enjoyed their Thanksgiving Holiday, and were able to be safe in your travels.

Remember we have the TOY BOX in the lobby by the Office and appreciate anything you can give for the local children, boy or girl gifts.

Also we have set out the box for EMPLOYEE CHRISTMAS also located in the lobby, thank you in advance for your giving.

We currently have 289 Guests on 197 sites.

Activities has more games to sign out and share and they just purchased a POP CORN machine. For use at the Outpost so on a given day we should have the AROMA throughout the resort so bring your money and come on out and get a bag or two.

Safe travels to all who are traveling be sure to wear your mask, it's a must everywhere and limit your groups to no more than 10 people.

Thanks

Al

Heather Merkau has recent news on Virginia Imalh:

Just saw on facebook from Virginia imlaws son that she was due to come home Wednesday but had breathing problems and was tested for Covid and came back positive. Keep her in your prayers **Poor Virginia. She and John were ready to return to the Tip when she fell and had to go to rehab. Prayers.**

Dave Ochs reported on note from Eilene Wihelm:

A NOTE FROM EILEEN WILHELM

TO MY TEXAS FAMILY SCATTERED FAR AND NEAR

I AM HUMBLLED AND BLESSED FOR ALL THE PRAYERS, KIND WORDS AND
"MARTY STORIES" AND FOR REACHING OUT TO ME AT THIS MOST
DIFFICULT TIME.

I CHERISH THE LOVE AND FRIENDSHIP OF EACH OF YOU STARTED SO LONG
AGO AT THE TIP.

KEEP ME IN YOUR PRAYERS AS I WILL YOU

THE JOURNEY WILL BE ROUGH BUT MY FAITH IN GOD AND FRIENDS LIKE YOU
THE LOAD WILL GET LIGHTER

HUGS HUGS HUGS

EILENE WILHELM

**Her Husband, Marty, will be sadly missed by all who knew him. Stay strong
Eilene.**

A couple of notes from Janice Noranbrock:

Could you put this note out the next time you send a non Monday Morning Meeting out? We
are trying to get an idea of the people who would be willing to meet for church while following
the Covid restrictions. Thanks in advance. Janice

Village Chapel News

*As more people return to the park, the Village Chapel would like your input. We know that all
of us are taking care and learning to abide by new restrictions on park activities. We have
been told that we cannot use the main hall for church services.*

*We can, however, meet outside provided we wear masks and practice social distancing. We
would like to know how many would be interested in having church outside starting in
January. We are considering meeting at the street side of the Al Barnes building. We can
have people attend on their golf carts, practice social distancing and wear masks. There will be
chairs spaced six feet apart for those who do not have golf carts.*

*Please contact Janice Noranbrock at noranbrock@mac.com if you are interested in having
church starting in January.*

Please add this note to the meeting notes.

Deck the Halls

All of Santa's helpers will be busy tomorrow decking the halls with trees, bows, and
stockings. We will begin at 10:00 am and continue until the Tip is fully decorated for the
holidays. If you have a few minutes, please come and help. Janice Noranbrock

**So....if you're around....please help Jancie decorate the hall.
Have a good, safe week. Pam**

~~~~~**More Notes**~~~~~

**I know it's midweek, but need your prayers for friend and fellow Tipster, Chuck Stone. Wife, Gwen called to say they were performing hip replacement on Chuck, tomorrow in IL. This is happening, even though all surgeries have been suspended in our area back home due to the virus. Chuck's special case is due to the fact the doctors feel that he has to have controlled replacement before the hip breaks and then have to do an emergency surgery. Chuck has serious heart problems, so please put Chuck and Gwen on your prayer list.**

**Also Dave Ochs has reported the passing of another past resident:**

I forgot to add that Lois Corken passed away Nov 26th. Lois was a long time resident of the park, she sewed for children, played cards and swam in the indoor pool a lot, She was from Dubuque, Iowa

**I received a nice note from Virginia Van Alstine that I would like to share:**

I haven't been to MD Anderson since last Jan because of the covid. My blood counts have stayed the same so see no reason for me to make the trip. If my counts change it will become more necessary. I have a temporary appointment for Jan, but doubt that I will be going then either. I take chemo every 6 weeks with 3 infusions and then 7 days of a chemo pill, veneclax. Then I get 3 injections of neuprogen to help my white cells. So far it is working and has keep me out of the hospital, where before I was in the hospital every months when my white counts stayed too low.

I am enjoying being in my own home. It is about 2 miles from my daughter and family. We put up my little 3 ft Christmas tree yesterday and put other decorations around the house. It helps moral since I am so isolated because of the covid.

Virginia Van Alstine

**We pray the Good Lord continues to look after Virginia and keep her condition under control.**

**I also heard from good friend Alice LaCoursiere:**

As for myself, I'm managing to live in our same home that Merle and I had out here on the Mississippi River. I never tire of the changing water - ice forming now, and of course wildlife. With the covid pandemic I've managed to order groceries on-line and then use curbside pickup. Find it a lot easier than going into the stores!

I think of you often, miss the Tip and everyone that we would see every day.

Do stay well and take care of yourself.

**A thank you to Marge Johnson for an update on Henry Scheibel:**

Henry Scheibel's daughter, Deb, called me and said Henry was moved to an apartment in an Assisted Living complex. He knows several people there. There is an activity room, and he can play cards with old friends. The complex can have visitors, unlike the rehab facility. He has 2 bedrooms, and, since there is no night nurse, one of his family stays each night. He is doing quite well....dresses himself, etc. and he will continue therapy and has approximately 5-7 weeks of wearing the neck brace, after which he hopes to come to the TIP, if his family thinks he can. He says to say hello to everyone **I'll ask Marge if she can get Henry's address for us.**

**I do want to Thank all who have dropped me a line wishing me the best. It has been humbling to know so many have me in your prayers. Bless you all. Stay warm and safe!!! Pam**