

Skylight

Monthly newsletter for the residents at Rose Anna Hughes Home

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Wayside Mission Update

Our offering for the month of June was \$93. As the weather becomes hot, the homeless of our city appreciate the shelter and nourishment that Wayside Christian Mission provides.

Editor's note:

We have been saddened by the passing of four of our RAH neighbors this summer: Vivian Swango, Sara Pope, Pete Bingman, and Evelyn Taylor. This issue of the Skylight was begun before their deaths, so you will see quotes from Pete and Sara in these articles.

Lifelong Friends

Emma Boone spoke up right away about her sister-in-law, Catherine. When asked how long they had been friends, Emma exclaimed, "Oh, mercy!" Catherine and Emma's brother went to school together, after she moved to town from the country. Emma got to know Catherine when her brother started going with her. Emma said that they "just had a good time together." Catherine is still living, but she lives on one end of town, and Emma on the other. They get to go visit one another every so often.

Dorothy Vanderhoff recalled that she made friends in Girl Scouts. They stayed together for a while as they grew up, but lost track of one another as girls got married. Dorothy said, "I often think of some of them, and once in a great while, I might hear from one of them."



Pete Bingman remembers a childhood friend. She said that

they would do things together, like swimming. "Whatever you did, they were in it too."



Louise McDaniel has a lifelong friend whom she met when they lived in the same neighborhood. (She grew up on Shelby Street.) "We became friends then, and stayed friends all our lives. We still talk on the phone."

Elaine Warren said that her two daughters are her friends. She has considered them friends since they were old enough to know what a friend was. They have depended on one another, and have stuck together. "Anytime I hurt, they hurt, and anytime they hurt, I hurt." Elaine also said that Jesus is her best friend. "He made my girls what they are. I couldn't get through the day and night without him."

Hargis Brewer talked about his children as well. He said that since he and his wife

were in the hospital, his children have been great to them. “Gary and Linda have taken us to just about every doctor in town!” His two daughters Norma and Kathy spend a lot of their time helping their mother. Hargis thought about how blessed he is to have a good family, and he said, “It would be lonesome without someone to step in.”

Activities Spotlight



On July 6, 2009, we had a “**Banana Split Social**” in the RAH dining room. There were lots of folks and lots of fun! Checkered tablecloths and a relaxed setting made it feel like an outdoor café. Special thanks to the family members and staff who pitched in to help scoop and serve!!



What Makes a Good Friend?

All the residents of RAH were invited to share their thoughts on what makes a good friend. Here are their responses.

“A friend loves you even when you are not loveable! Always

“One who is kind and honest...one you can trust.” – Grace Mims



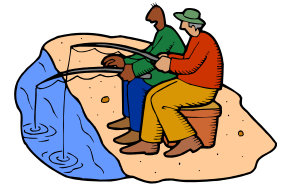
“Someone who cares about you, faults and all.” – Anna Merritt

“Someone who has respect for you and your feelings.”

“A good friend should be kind, compassionate, trustworthy, and peace-loving, as also you should be as his or her friend. Each should be there for each other through all of the ups and downs of the many human experiences. Lastly, a spiritual walk between two friends can cement a life long walk together until eternity.” – Betty Meyer

“Compatibility” – Charlie Reinhardt

“Somebody that doesn’t agree with me, is still a good friend.” – Emil Johnson



What Makes a Good Friend? (cont'd)

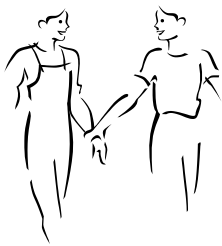
“A person that helps me, is always there to help. Someone I can talk to, who understands me.” – Catherine Johnson

“A good friend is someone that you can trust and depend on. They help you when needed. They are there when you need someone to talk to.” – Midge Loveless

“A good friend is one that I can help at any-time needed. A good friend is someone I can go to in time of need.” – Martha Otto

“One who knows all about you and still loves you.” – Mildred Martin

“Someone who is there through thick or thin. A good friend is with you wherever you go. A good friend comforts you.” – Ilene Towery



Friends

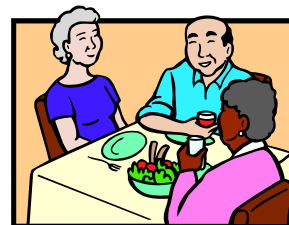
“A good friend is someone that you can trust, confide in. They accept you for who you are and are

“Someone who knows you well and still likes you.”

“Someone who is positive and makes you laugh. Someone you can talk to.” – Rita Stottman

“A good friend is always there in an emergency time. Whether your face is clean or dirty, a good friend is there. There is nothing like an Aggie, a Marie, a Faye, and a Crystal.” – Sara Pope

“A good friend is a true buddy. There to always help with my computer and anything else I need a helping hand with.” – Patt Pope



Pictures from the Mother's Day Tea

Everyone looked so pretty!



Grace Blandford with her daughter



Aline Christman and her daughter



Jane Deatz and her son



Irene Johnson with her granddaughter



Louise Kurtz with her daughter



Oliver Stone and his brother

