

The Diary of
Anna Kropf Ropp

1978-1982

Sunday, January 1, 1978. Had several inches snow, cloudy, cold, temp falling during day. Pete & I to church. Pauls home. Rons, Pauls and we to Mary's for dinner. Watched ballgame. We all & Rons to CRs awhile in evening. Rays and Gordons there. Gordons just back from week in Florida.

Monday, January 2, 1978. Clear, cold, 2° below. Pauls and we to Rons for breakfast. Pauls left at 12:00 noon for Memphis. We miss them. I washed & ironed. We cleaned up house. Pete watched parade & ballgames.

Tuesday, January 3, 1978. Clear, cold, 4° below in morning, 23° during day. I went to prayer group at June [Jantze]'s. I washed sheets & towels. We took Christmas tree & decorations down. I didn't feel too good. Boys back to school. Rons to work. [I] have temp.

Wednesday, January 4, 1978. Clear in morning, warmer, 32° during day. I ironed sheets & rested most of day. [I] have temp, nearly 101°. Guess it's flu. Taking ascription [aspirin with Maalox]. Talked to Dr. Bertsche in evening.

Thursday, January 5, 1978. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m., 39°. I still don't feel good. Have temp. Read & rested most of day. Pete fixed children's chairs. They found Val Kampmeier in his apartment. Think he died yesterday. Louise is in nursing home at Hopedale. It's so sad.

Friday, January 6, 1978. 39°, foggy in morning, cloudy & foggy again in late p.m. and evening. Pete to auxiliary & did some shopping. Dr. ordered penicillin & expectorant for me. I'm about same. Still have temp. Pearl hemorrhaged in evening. Neighbors found her. Took her to hospital. She is in ICU. Ron there awhile.

Saturday, January 7, 1978. Cloudy, foggy all day, in 30s. Did some cleaning. Temp down most of day. Still lots of cold. Worked on quilt. Rolled up my hair. Pete [went] with CRs & Marie at 5:15 to Minier here. He went to visitation for Val Kampmeier. Rons to visitation too. They had hog sale at ISU. Boys had 2, did well, \$400 each. Talked to Allens. They're okay.

Sunday, January 8, 1978. Mostly cloudy, snow flurries. Strong Northwest wind. Temperature falling all day. Zero at 4 PM. Windchill 32° below zero. Pete to church. I got dinner. Had some temp in morning. Pete left at 12:30. Took Marie and see ours to Val Kampmeier funeral. They stayed for lunch. Our electricity off, 1:32 4:00. Got chilly. Ron made fire in fireplace. Electricity just came on.

Monday, January 9, 1978. Fair, cold, windy, 2° below in morning. Was zero all day. Pete worked in basement while. I worked on quilt. Have little temp sometimes. Getting tired of doing nothing. Coughed quite a lot. No temp. Pearl some better.

Tuesday, January 10, 1978. Clear, cold, 7° below in morning. 7° above during day. Pete marked some tools. I worked on quilt. We sorted some pictures & snapshots & marked them. Pearl was moved out of ICU. [She's] some better.

Wednesday, January 11, 1978. Clear, zero in morning. We did washing. I ironed. I feel better. No temp for which I'm thankful. Still cough at times. I worked on quilt. Pete to church in evening with David Colter. Edgar Epp, MCC consultant to offenders, spoke. Jo along. Pearl seems rather confused at times.

Thursday, January 12, 1978. Cloudy, snowed most of day. Pete to town in morning. Got pork we had butchered. We cleaned & dusted upstairs & sorted papers, etc. from desk upstairs. Worked some on quilt.

Friday, January 13, 1978. Snowed off and on most of day. Pete with Ron and boys to Chenoa. They went with Gail Bressner to [hog] show in Statesboro, Georgia. Boys took 2 hogs. Pete brought Ron's truck home. Did cleaning. Wrote some letters & went through some papers, etc. Jo here for supper. Pete chored. Shampooed my hair.

Saturday, January 14, 1978. Cloudy in morning. Few flurries, fair in p.m. Some snow blowing. Colder in p.m. & evening. Pete to men's breakfast. I finished cleaning. Done some reading. We went to town in p.m. Volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:00. First I was out for nearly 2 weeks.

Sunday, January 15, 1978. Clear, 2° below, nice day, but cold. We went to 2nd service. Went to Mary's for dinner. Jo & Marie there too. Home in evening. Watched Super Bowl football game. John Scheets passed away.

Monday, January 16, 1978. Snowed all morning. Sun shone some in p.m. I washed & ironed. Watched TV in p.m. Hubert Humphrey funeral was televised. Pete helping Jo with chores. I worked on quilt. Jo here awhile in evening. Marty placed 4th and 6th in show. Jon 16th in show in Georgia.

Tuesday, January 17, 1978. Clear, 6°. Pete helping Jo chore and fixed electric wire in barn. We went to town at 9:00. I went to prayer group at June [Jantze]'s. Pete went to library. I went to Harvella [Stutzman] at noon. Had permanent. We took Mary to Eastland at 3:00. Looked for coat. I got fur hat. Met Jo at 4:30. Went shopping with her. She got pants suit. She took us to Steak 'n Shake for supper.

Wednesday, January 18, 1978. Mostly fair, 2° in morning, 25° in PM. We went to town at 8:00 to volunteer at hospital. Pete took care of Dr. bill for Pearl. Pete to John *Sheets* (sp?) funeral in p.m. Mary and I to club meeting at Alta Litwillers. Had gift exchange. Got water sprinkler for flowers. Jo here for supper. Pete helping with chores.

Thursday, January 19, 1977. Mostly cloudy, few snow flurries. Pete worked on auxiliary books. Helped Jo chore in morning. I baked coffeecake braid & quick coffeecake. Worked on quilt in p.m. Ron & boys got home at to: 30 p.m. Glad they're home. Had bad roads through Kentucky. Drove all night. We took Merle & Mary to Bob Johnson's for supper.

Friday, January 20, 1978. Cloudy, snow flurries all day, rather windy, cold. Did cleaning. We went to town in p.m. I saw Mrs. Conklin at hospital. Reach for Recovery. She's doing well. Saw Pearl. She wants to go home. I got material for Shirley's quilt. Got groceries. Home in evening. Worked on quilt.

Saturday, January 21, 1978. Clear, zero in morning, nice day. Finished cleaning. Baked brownies. Shrunk quilt back & pressed it. Went to hospital annual meeting. I was delegate. Ron had devotions. Good meeting.

Sunday, January 22, 1978. Fair, near zero, warmed up some during day. We went to 2nd service. Had dinner at church & annual meeting at 1:30. Were home in evening.

Monday, January 23, 1978. Clear, 28° during day, nice day. I washed & ironed. Mary & we to Eureka in p.m. Eds about same. Fannie S. very poorly. I sowed quilt together that Mary crossed stitched for Shirley. June J[antze] & Mary came in evening. We put quilt in frame. Put in living room.

Tuesday, January 24, 1978. Cloudy, had some freezing drizzle early a.m. Snowed little. Got to 33°. We went to town at 9:00. I went to June [Jantze]'s, prayer group. I took refreshments. Mary came home with us. We quilted in afternoon. Mary here for supper. Took her home when we went to Heritage group at Waltner's. John Bertsches showed pictures of Europe. Jo home in PM, ill.

Wednesday, January 25, 1978. Cloudy, 28° during day, windy in evening, & temp dropped rapidly. Near zero at 9:30 p.m. Started to snow at 9:00. We went to town. I volunteered at hospital. Pete at Marie's. Mary home with us at 1:00. We quilted. Pete took care of gilt having pigs. Ron took Mary home in evening as he went to work. Jo better, went to work.

Thursday, January 26, 1978. Blizzard conditions, 8° above high. Very high winds gusting up to 50 mph at times. Had inch of snow, but blowing & drifting. All schools closed. Rons home. I quilted & got things ready for supper. Rons here for supper. Visibility very poor all day & evening.

Friday, January 27, 1978. Clear, 2° below, got to 10° above. Not so windy. Snow plows out but I-55 closed from Lexington north. Many people stranded. 3 deaths. I did cleaning & quilted. No school. Ron & Jo got to work.

Saturday, January 28, 1978. Clear, 2° below in morning. Pete to men's breakfast. I finished cleaning & quilted little. Jo & we to town at 10:30. Went to Eastland. Got towel rack for Mary's bathroom, for birthday. Got groceries. We went to hospital. Worked Info Desk and Gift Shop, 4 – 8:30. Ron scooped out drive with tractor.

Sunday, January 29, 1978. Clear, 3° below in morning. We went to 2nd service. Marie & we took Mary to Cambridge Inn for her birthday. Went to Mary's awhile. We went to Meadows Church

in evening. Our church invited. Had supper & program. Dr. Bob Stutzman showed his pictures of Europe. Talked to Allen in morning.

Monday, January 30, 1978. Fair, 3° below, cloudy in p.m. Started to snow in p.m. Had 1 inch. I washed and ironed. Baked Apple cake. Quilted. Mary came in PM. June [Jantze], Harvella [Stutzman] & Mary here in evening. Jo came, brought pudding. Had cake & pudding for Mary's birthday.

Tuesday, January 31, 1978. Fair, zero in morning. I went to June J[antze]'s. Pete took Mary to bank. We were at Mary's for lunch. I went to Marge Nesters to help pattern Dwaine. Mary home with us. We quilted. Rons & we took Mary to Grand Café for supper. Went to her house. Rons & we got a pole rack for her bathroom. Ron put it up. Jo took cake.

Wednesday, February 1, 1978. Cloudy, 10° above, snowed in p.m. We went to hospital, volunteered. I saw Mrs. Sheppard for Reach for Recovery. We shopped some. Got Pete shirt. I finished quilt in evening. Took [it] out of frame. Jo here awhile in evening.

Thursday, February 2, 1978. Fair, nice day, 11° above. We went to town and to Service Company meeting. Large crowd. Went to reception at Farm Bureau for past directors & employees, 50th anniversary. We went to hospital at 4:00. Volunteered, Gift Shop and Info Desk. I went to alumni meeting a while. Dr. Wright talked on hip replacement. Mabel in hospital for tests.

Friday, February 3, 1978. Cloudy, few snow flurries, warmer. Did cleaning. Went to auxiliary at 9:00. Stopped to see Mabel at noon. She's about same. Dr. thinks may be Shingles. Did some shopping. Got groceries. Went to Hudson, got Jon & Mohr children. I did some handwashing. Worked on quilt.

Saturday, February 4, 1978. Cloudy, snowed in p.m., rather foggy in evening. I baked rolls & shampooed my hair. Went to town at 4:00. Took Mabel basket of fruit. We went to Wen-lang Lin's at 6:00. Had delicious meal. 9 different dishes. Ron and Marty to Springfield barrow show & judging.

Sunday, February 5, 1978. Fair, 12° above, rather windy in morning. Roads kinda slick in morning. We went to 2nd service. Ron & boys sang. Went to Mary's for dinner. Church was invited to East Bend [Church] for evening, but didn't go. Were home in evening. Rons to Meadows church. He spoke.

Monday, February 6, 1978. Fair, 3° – 4° below. I washed & ironed. Sewed binding on Shirley's quilt. Worked some on my quilt. Got supper. Clearance here for supper. Mabel still in hospital. Had gallbladder x-rays.

Tuesday, February 7, 1978. Zero in morning, fair. We went to Edgars at 9:30. We took them to Peoria. Went to mall, then to Jumers, then to Hopedale to see Louise Kampmeier. She seemed

fairly good. Were at Edgars for supper. I went to Good Will. Pete came home. I came home with Jo. I baked bars for Sunday school teachers meeting next Saturday.

Wednesday, February 8, 1978. Mostly fair, warmer. We went to town, volunteered at hospital. I baked sugar cookies in p.m. and did some packing. Pete got apples at Birkelbaws. Mabel home from hospital. Pete to pastoral care meeting. Mary & I to Eastland, looked for pattern.

Thursday, February 9, 1978. Everything covered with frost, beautiful scene. 8° above. Mary & we left for Allens at 8:30. Had lunch at Amana. Got to Allens at 3:00. Thankful for good trip. Was partly cloudy. Had few flurries when we got to Nevada.

Friday, February 10, 1978. Fair, nice day. Allen and Shirley to work. Jeff & Pam had no school. Jeff to Dr. about his foot. Mary, Pam and I uptown. Got pattern, zipper & thread for my dress. Pam took brownies & cookies to 4-H bake sale. She helped in p.m. Pete with Allen awhile in morning. Shirley cut out my dress in p.m. I made cinnamon apples. Allens & we to Golds in Ames for Shirley's birthday.

Saturday, February 11, 1978. Cloudy, in 20s. Had late breakfast. Jeff to Pella, to look over college. Pete, Allen and Deb cut & hauled wood in. Shirley sowed on my dress. Mary & I did sweeping and dusting. Shirley & I to town. Each got pair of shoes on sale & got groceries. Took Pam to library & got her. Allen, Shirley, Pete & I uptown at 5:00. Pete & Allen each got new suit on sale. Fixed some pork for supper. I made salad & shampooed my hair.

Sunday, February 12, 1978. Cloudy, started to snow late evening. We all went to church. Dick Pilgrims here for dinner. Had nice time. We went to Union Lenten services at Christian Church in evening. Allen gave talk, very good. Presbyterian & Christian Church choirs sang. Had Fellowship time after program.

Monday, February 13, 1978. Snowing. Talked to Jo. Whether bad there too. We had planned to go home. Many schools closed. I washed. Allen & Shirley to work. Children in school until 1:00. We baked 4 apple pies. I made potato soup for lunch. Shirley & I worked some on my dress. Finished mine except for the hem.

Tuesday, February 14, 1978. Cloudy. Pete and Allen to Kiwanis club breakfast. We left for home at 8:40. Roads to I-80 were snow packed and icy. Interstate 80 good, but wet. I-74 dry. Got home at 3:20. Everything drifted shut here. We took Mary home. Pete & boys scooped snow. Ron used tractor after supper so we could get cars off road. We are grateful for good trip & good to be with Allens. Allen called at 6:15 to see if we got home okay.

Wednesday, February 15, 1978. Cloudy, 16°, few flurries. We went to town at 8:00. Took Mary's car to her. I went to hospital, volunteered. Pete to income tax office. Mary & I to Garfield club. Served for (unclear). Small group met at Marie Heiser. Pete to see Glenn Maxwell.

Thursday, February 16, 1978. Fair, 6° above in morning, in 20s. Pete worked on books. I made salad. Did some odd jobs. We went to Mary's for lunch. She pinned up hem on my dress. Took Mary to Dr. Bertsche. Check up, blood pressure up & kidney infected. Went uptown a few minutes. Got supper. Rons here. Had waffles & sausage.

Friday, February 17, 1978. Clear, 6° below in morning, up to 18°. Did cleaning. Put hem in my dress. Worked on quilt. We went to town at 4:00 to bank. Marie, Mary & we to Red Lobster for supper. Stopped at Marie's awhile.

Saturday, February 18, 1978. Clear, 10° below at ISU in morning. I did washing and ironing. Shampooed my hair. Did some cross stitching on quilt. We went to hospital at 4:00. Volunteered at Info Desk & Gift Shop.

Sunday, February 19, 1978. Clear, zero in morning, up in 20s. We went to church. Mary & we ate at Hardee's. Went to Eureka to see Eds. They are about same. Packed suitcases in evening. Rons had group of people in to meet with Gordon.

Monday, February 20, 1978. Cloudy. Finished packing. We left at 9:30 with Earl & Marie Kaufman for Florida. Saw lots of snow through Indiana. We drove to Shepherdsville Kentucky, 10 miles south of Louisville. Had best Western motel.

Tuesday, February 21, 1978. Left motel at 8:30 EST. Drove in snow to Nashville. Roads bad. Drove 30 – 40 mph. Ate lunch south of Nashville. Roads better in PM. Melted some. Saw snow all way to Atlanta. Had Best Western at Stockbridge Georgia, south of Atlanta. Drove 435 miles. Talked to Rons in evening. They're okay. Had snow. Cold there.

Wednesday, February 22, 1978. Clear, cool, nice day. We drove to planes fill in morning. Visited the Carter Station gift shop, etc. Ate lunch there. Got to Florida before 3 PM. Drove to Ocala Florida. Motels nearly all full. Finally found one at 6:00 p.m. We drove to Silver Spring's for supper. Had seafood.

Thursday, February 23, 1978. Fair. Drove to Brooksville. Marie's brother, Mike and Verna Heiser here visiting. Their daughter, Joan *Pickettinho* (sp?), lives here. Mike took us to find motel. We spent the day with them. Ate lunch at blueberry patch. Good food. Visiting Santa House. Took drive to orange groves. Had fish dinner at Joan's. Played cards.

Friday, February 24, 1978. Clear, nice day, in 60s. We and girls to Disney World. Many people. Some things very similar to Disneyland. We enjoyed the day very much, but tired. We stopped at Claremont to see Merle Bright. His sister Ruth there from Montana. Came back to motel at Brooksville about 9:00. [We are] tired.

Saturday, February 25, 1978. Fair, warmer, 60s. Mike's, Joan and we went to Tampa to Cuban stores and airport. Drove to Clearwater to beach. Spent some time there. Ate at Fisherman's

Wharf. Good food. Got back to motel at 10:00. Tired, another day of walking. Fanny Schrock funeral today. Jo took Mary. Talked to Marie Yoder.

Sunday, February 26, 1978. Fair, in 60s, fine day. We and Mike and Joan had breakfast at restaurant. We all went to WeekiWachee underwater show. Took boat ride on River Bird Shows. Interesting. Had good dinner at Morrison cafeteria. Back to motel. We call Rons. They are okay. Went to Joan's awhile.

Monday, February 27, 1978. Clear, nice day, 70° – 72°. Mike's had breakfast with us. Marie and I to beauty shop at 9:00. We left books filled at 11:00. Drove to Sarasota. Got here about 12:30. Got motel Casa Sarasota. Went to Ringling Brothers Museum and to Cars and Music of Yesterday. Very interesting. Took drive to Gulf. Ate at Chinese restaurant. Called Mary & Berman. They came to our motel. Had visit with them.

Tuesday, February 28, 1978. Partly cloudy, windy, 70°. We drove to Nocomis to Esther and Joe Carters. Had a nice visit with them. Left there at 1:30. Drove to Herman Smuckers. They have nice home. They took us for ride to Siesta Beach. Gulf rather rough. They took us to Grape Vine. Had a delicious meal. Nice place. Back to Herman's awhile.

Wednesday, March 1, 1978. Cloudy in morning. Had showered some in night. Fair in p.m. We left Sarasota at 7:30. Got to Merritt Island at noon. Had seafood for lunch. Got motel, Ping-Pong, not so hot. Drove to Kennedy Space Center. Had tour. Very interesting place. We stopped on way here. Had citrus fruit sent to Allens & some home.

Thursday, March 2, 1978. Cloudy, showered some in evening, colder. We left our motel at 6:30. Stopped for breakfast at 7:00. Went through Atlanta at rush hour. Traffic was terrible for 25 miles. Drove to Cartersville, 40 miles north of Atlanta. Got a Quality Motel. Very nice & good food. Talked to Marjorie in evening.

Friday, March 3, 1978. Cloudy, cold, some ice on treetops. Left motel at 7:30. Very foggy going over mountains. Pavement dry in p.m. We got to Pauls at 3:30. Good to see them. Earls went to motel. We stayed at Pauls. We took all to German restaurant for supper. Earls back to motel.

Saturday, March 4, 1978. Clear, cold. Paul to Nashville at 7:00 meeting. Earles & we left Pauls at 8:30. Got to Cairo at 12:00. Went to Gary [Kaufman]'s house. Went to restaurant for lunch. Gary took us for little tour of Cairo. Left there at 1:30. Got to town at 6:30. Ate at Sambo's. Good to be home & thankful for good trip.

Sunday, March 5, 1978. Fair, 2° below zero. Cloudy in p.m. We went to church. Ate lunch at Golden West. Home in PM. Read and wrote some letters. Jo here awhile in evening.

Monday, March 6, 1978. Partly cloudy, warmer. I washed and ironed. Went to town in p.m. I went to June [Jantze]'s. She helped me with jacket for new dress. Made it smaller. Went to Alma

G[alloway]'s. Worked on guidelines for Hostess committee. Mary, Merle & we to Streid's for supper. Merle paid for meal. Took Merle to Mary's apartment.

Tuesday, March 7, 1978. Cloudy, windy. Snowed in p.m. Some drifting again. I went to prayer group at June [Jantze]'s. Pete worked on auxiliary books. We washed walls in kitchen in PM. I worked on quilt in evening. Didn't go to Good Will. Too snowy.

Wednesday, March 8, 1978. Fair, still blowing some snow, roads drifted. Ron dug out driveway. We went to hospital, volunteered. I done some painting in kitchen. Baked peanut butter cookies. Pete to pastoral care committee meeting.

Thursday, March 9, 1978. Clear, fine day, 7° in morning, up to 36°. I made 4 pie crusts for MCC sale. We went to town at 10:00. Pete to Kinders to sale of Scott Estate land. Mary & I uptown and to Eastland shopping but didn't find anything. Ron left at 7:00 for Dallas Texas (flew) to [Mennonite] Hospital & Homes meeting.

Friday, March 10, 1978. Fair, nice day, in 30s. Went to church at 8:00. Helped make 100 shoofly pies for MCC sale. Got home at 2:00. Did cleaning. Shampooed my hair. Went to Jo's at 5:00. Helped get supper. Did some pressing. Jo & Don Nesters left at 9:30 for Dallas Texas.

Saturday, March 11, 1978. Cloudy, started to rain at noon, some snow mixed in, rather foggy in evening. We, Mary, Marty & Jon left at 7:00 for MCC sale at Peoria. Large crowd. Got some sausage, head cheese & cheese. Got home at 1:30. Pete and I to town. Volunteered at Gift Shop and Info Desk, 4 – 8:30. Not busy.

Sunday, March 12, 1978. Cloudy, rather foggy, damp. Jon and we to church. Marty home, studied. Ron called in morning. Nice in Texas. We were home for lunch. Helped Marty finish a project for school. We, boys & Marie to ISU to hear Kansas Mennonite Men's Choir sang. 550 in choir. Was wonderful. Came home to chore. Marie along. We all went to Sambo's for supper. Some of choir members sang at morning service.

Monday, March 13, 1978. Cloudy, foggy, started to rain at 4:30. Pete helping boys chore. He got feed at Yuton. I washed & ironed. Cleaned broom closet & cupboards. Got supper. Boys here. Made custard.

Tuesday, March 14, 1978. Cloudy, foggy in morning, 36°. Pete to Lenten men's breakfast at Wesleyan. CR with him. I went to prayer group at June's. Took refreshments. Did some laundry for boys, & some mending. Worked on quilt. Boys ate at home.

Wednesday, March 15, 1978. Cloudy, following some. Boys here for breakfast. We went to town at 8:00. Volunteered at hospital. We went to club meeting at Elsie Miller's. Pete along. Visited with Bill [Miller]. We showed our European pictures. I was on committee.

Thursday, March 16, 1978. Fair, 34°. Rons got home from Dallas at 11:00 a.m. Drove all night. Pete took Marie to hospital for back treatment. I went to District Home Extension with Mabel at Lakeside. Steve Estes here in p.m. [to] get information on Christian Ropp.

Friday, March 17, 1978. Partly cloudy, snow flurries. We did cleaning. Baked shoofly pie & coffeecake braid. Rons here for supper. We went to Rons in evening. They had coffee for Judge *DeCardy* (sp?). Some from Jo's office, Rays, CRs, Denzers & Paul Bates [there].

Saturday, March 18, 1978. Fair, 24° in morning, windy. We went to church at 8:30. Helped clean church. I took coffeecake for coffee break. We were finished by noon. Had car washed. Jo here awhile in p.m. Shampooed my hair. Marty sang solo in music contest at Gibson City. Got an 'A'.

Sunday, March 19, 1978. Fair, nice day, in 40s. We went to church. Mary and we to Western Sizzlin Steak for dinner. Went to Eureka in p.m. Eds about same. Nettie confused. Went back to Mary's. We went to see Lucy C[atherine] in evening. Chet Roths there too.

Monday, March 20, 1978. Fair in morning, had shower in p.m., before degrees. I washed & ironed. Baked sugar cookies & iced them. Pete sorted some slides. I worked on quilt.

Tuesday, March 21, 1978. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m., in 40s. I baked rolls & cleaned 3 closets in bedrooms. Pete to Town Hall. Is poll watcher from 11 to 1:00. I went to vote at 3:30. We went to Gordons in evening. People there to watch election returns. Gordon won. Pearl not good in evening.

Wednesday, March 22, 1978. Fair, warmer, in 60s. We went to town at 8:00. Had auxiliary bake sale in [Hospital] Lobby. Made \$312.87. Had a lot of goodies. Took some clothes, etc. to Thrift Shop. Pearl seems some better.

Thursday, March 23, 1978. Cloudy, chilly, and 40s. Pete to Glenn Maxwells sale. I went to town at 9:00. Went to hospital [to] see Mrs. Eldrid Chapman who had a simple mastectomy. Mary & I left at 10:30 for Morten. Mary got 2 dresses. We went to town at 5:00. We ate at Denny's & to church at 6:30. We were greeters for communion service. Pete helped serve communion.

Friday, March 24, 1978. Cloudy, rained, sleeted, snowed and very windy. 28° Roads slick by noon. Did cleaning & waxed kitchen floor. Jo, boys & I to town at noon. Boys to Marie's awhile. Jo, Marie and I to Good Friday services at Normal Baptist Church. Ron sang. Rev. Waltner had message. We got groceries. Jo took Marty to Dr. He has sore throat. Merle was going to take us out to eat. Called it off.

Saturday, March 25, 1978. Everything covered with ice. Temp 28° in morning, got to 31°. Many people out of electricity. Misted periodically during day. Had some limbs down. I colored eggs & worked on quilt. Shampooed my hair. We] were to work at hospital at 4:00 but canceled out. Fixed boys [Easter] baskets. Our electricity off at 8:30 p.m. until 12:30. Paul called in evening. He & friend coming Thursday evening on way to Chicago.

Sunday, March 26, 1978. Easter. Cloudy, light snow, melted some ice on roads trees. Lot of limbs & branches down. Electricity off short time. We went to early service. Went to Rons for dinner & supper. Mary, Marie, May Mohr, CRs & Ray there. Carol & children in Florida. Gordons to [Roberta's sister] Joan [Cutter]'s. Had a nice day. I took cookies & baked corn & peas. We took girls home.

Monday, March 27, 1978. Fair, warmer, 44°. Ice off trees, etc. I washed & ironed. Cleaned the upstairs in p.m. Pete took garden tractor & lawnmower to town to have them checked. Worked on quilt in evening.

Tuesday, March 28, 1978. Fair, nice day, 62°. We went to town at 9:00. I went to prayer group at Dolores Bauman's. Pete to bank. Had lunch at Ponderosa. Took vacuum cleaner to shop. Went to hospital to see Pearl. She isn't very good. Saw Elsie Necessary. Scott [Necessary] had bowel surgery. I went to Dr. McGinnis at 3:00. Had good report, [am] grateful. Bluffton choir at Flanagan.

Wednesday, March 29, 1978. Fair, in 50s, nice day. We went to hospital at 8:00. Volunteered. Mary home with us. We went to Eureka at 3:00. Saw Eds awhile. Went to Washington. Had supper & went to church. Bluffton choir there. Visited with Steve. He & Lawrence Matthews here all night.

Thursday, March 30, 1978. Fair, fine day, 60s. Rons left at 11:30 p.m. for Central District Conference at Wooster, Ohio. Stephen friend to Washington. Brought Diane Brickman and Cindy Ramseyer & 3 boys back. Had dinner here. I made salad & dessert, roast beef. Washed 2 loads for boys. They left after dinner. Went to CRs & to hospital for tour. We & Marie to program at church. Mary helped get supper. Program very good. Steve & 3 boys home with us. Paul & his friend got here at 8:15. Too late for program. Rons here awhile.

Friday, March 31, 1978. Fine day, 80°. Got breakfast for boys at 6:00. Pete took them to church at 7:00. They left for Wayland Iowa. Got breakfast for Paul & Mr. Copper at 7:30. They left for Chicago at 8:15. They slept at Rons last night. I washed bedding from guest room & cleaned it [guest room]. Did other cleaning. A big day. Marty & Jon here for supper.

Saturday, April 1, 1978. Fair, in 60s. I washed bedding & ironed. Finished cleaning. Shampooed my hair. Went to town at 4:00. Mary along. She got sweeper. Merle & we to Smugglers Inn. Nice place. Food was good. Boys here for dinner.

Sunday, April 2, 1978. Cloudy, had thunder shower in morning, chilly northeast wind. Rons got home from Central District Conference at 2:15 a.m. Ron elected on [Bluffton] College Board again. We went to 2nd service. Went to Mary's for dinner. Edgars there too. Wrote letters in evening.

Monday, April 3, 1978. Fair, warmer, in 90s, nice day. I washed & ironed. Cleaned our bedroom & Cedar closet. Pete worked on auxiliary books & worked outside. Put up posts & wire for grapes. Done some trimming on trees.

Tuesday, April 4, 1978. Rained early a.m. 68°, cloudy until in p.m. I cleaned bathroom in morning. Went to June [Jantze]'s, then delivered Meals on Wheels. Cleaned hall in p.m. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I went to Good Will in evening.

Wednesday, April 5, 1978. Mostly cloudy, had several showers, rained late evening. Went to hospital, volunteered until noon. Cleaned drapes, furniture and bookshelves in PM. Went to church at 4:30. Jane Gleystein (sp?) showed slides of Anabaptists & scenes of Europe. We ate at Grand Café & [went] back to church at 7:30. Had showing of churches in US & Europe. Interesting.

Thursday, April 6, 1978. Cloudy, showers, windy. Cleaned living room & cleaned rug. We went to town at 3:00. Got Merle & took her to beauty shop at Eastland. She had hair done. She took Mary & we to Streid's for dinner.

Friday, April 7, 1978. Fine day, 73°. Did cleaning. Went to auxiliary at 9:00. Shopped some in p.m. Got a 2 suitor (Tourist) for Jeff's graduation. Baked bars & oatmeal cookies in p.m. Pete got mower & garden tractor in town. Allens, Jeff & Pam got here at 10 PM. Rons here too. Got to bed late. Good to have them.

Saturday, April 8, 1978. Rained early morning. Partly cloudy. Allens left at 5:20 for Bluffton. Had breakfast here. Pete to men's breakfast. I baked coffeecake braid & made angel food cake & dressing for Jo. Rons & we to vote for school election. We went to hospital at 4:00. Volunteered at Gift Shop and Info Desk.

Sunday, April 9, 1978. Fair, in 70s, fine day. We went to first service. Mary, Marie & we to Cambridge Inn for dinner. Got home at 1:30. Paul called. Wanted us to come next weekend. We went to small group meeting at Dan Stalters. Took sandwiches & salad. Allens back from Bluffton at 4:00. [They] visited in town. Here all night.

Monday, April 10, 1978. Cloudy, rained most of day, colder in evening. Allens left for home at 7:10. Was good to have them but time was short. I did washing & ironing. Baked 2 angel food cakes for Jo. Baked rolls. Washed sheets from guest beds in p.m.

Tuesday, April 11, 1978. Fair, windy, cool. I ironed sheets. Went to prayer group at Shirley Krahn's. We delivered Mobile Meals. I cleaned fruit room in PM. We went to Merle's in evening. Showed our European pictures. Marguerite & Mildred [Burwitz] there too.

Wednesday, April 12, 1978. Fair, fine day, cool, near 70. We went to town at 7:30. Volunteered at hospital. Pete had car greased. I went to Regis Beauty Shop at Eastland at 11:30. Got

permanent. We uncovered roses & raked yard in p.m. Pete to pastoral care meeting in evening. I packed suitcases.

Thursday, April 13, 1978. Clear, nice day. Mary & we left at 7:00 for Pauls. Got here at 4:45. Everything green in Memphis. Dogwood & azaleas in full bloom. Beautiful. Good to see Pauls. Everyone is fine. All are busy with school. We ate outside.

Friday, April 14, 1978. Another fine day. Children to school. Paul & Marj went until noon. I washed. We raked yard in morning. Marjorie took us for ride in p.m. to see beautiful homes and flowers. Paul took Andy to dentist at 3:30. We took Pauls to Peking Restaurant in evening. Very good. Paul left for Knoxville at 9:00 PM. [He] flew.

Saturday, April 15, 1978. Fair, 82°, fine day. Marjorie studying. We went to Audubon Park. Beautiful azaleas. Had lunch at shopping center. Went to Fontaine Home. Had tour. Beautiful old home built in 1870. Stopped at bookstore. Got few things for children. We visited the Fromans awhile. Paul home from Knoxville at 6:45.

Sunday, April 16, 1978. Partly cloudy, 81°. Paul & children to Sunday School. Marjorie studying. Paul, Amy, Benjy & we to Botanical Gardens. Took pictures. Pauls took us to Japanese Restaurant for dinner. Very good. Paul played ball in PM. He, children & we to Art Museum at 4:00. Saw some Chinese paintings, many ancient.

Monday, April 17, 1978. Partly cloudy, humid, 80°. Thunder shower in evening. Pauls & boys to school. Amy home with us. I washed. We baked cookies. Went to Paul's office at 11:30. Had lunch with him in cafeteria. Went to Women's Exchange. Went to campus at 3:30. Watched Andy work out with gymnastics. We went with Paul to barbershop rehearsal. Had tornado watch out. Rained at home.

Tuesday, April 18, 1978. Fair. We left Pauls at 8:10 for home. Got here at 5:00. Had a nice day to travel. Thankful for a good trip. Had wind & rain here last night. I washed & ironed. Benjy has cold so Marjorie stayed home with him until noon when Paul gets home.

Wednesday, April 19, 1978. Cloudy, rained most of morning, cold, 50°. We went to town at 7:30. I went to church. Helped to get breakfast for Area Mennonite Ministers. Alma [Galloway] & Alta [Litwiller] helped. We came home before dishes were done. I went to Garfield [School Club] tour. Took Mabel & Marie. Went to Law and Justice [Center]. [Had] lunch at Smuggler Inn and[then] to [David] Davis Home. I cleaned rec room.

Thursday, April 20, 1978. Cloudy, cold. I cleaned laundry room in morning. Fell in basement, hurt my leg & ankle. Mary & we to Eureka in p.m. Eds about same. Rons & boys left at 4:00 for Bluffton for Inaugural for Elmer Neufeld, President of Bluffton College. Pete doing chores.

Friday, April 21, 1978. Fair, 36° in morning, 52°. Did cleaning. We went to town at 10:00. Took Merle to Ludtke [Law] Office. Went to Smugglers Inn for lunch (she paid). Pete to finance committee meeting for auxiliary. I went uptown, shopped. Pete chored.

Saturday, April 22, 1978. Cloudy, 32° – 33° in morning. Near 60°. Rained in evening. Pete to men's breakfast. I finished cleaning. Shampooed my hair. Pete to CRs with Steve Estes awhile in morning. Cleaned off garden & trimmed raspberries. Lot of dead ones. Went to town at 2:30. I shopped some. Went to hospital at 4:00. Pete home to chore & back to hospital at 5:30. Volunteered, Gift Shop & Info Desk.

Sunday, April 23, 1978. Partly cloudy, had shower in p.m. We went to 2nd service & to Mary's for dinner. CRS, Marie and may Mohr there too. Pete Jordan. Rons home at 6:30. We went to church in evening. Home Builders had film (*Peige*) (sp?). Ron introduced film & led discussion. Jo home with us. Ron to hospital.

Monday, April 24, 1978. Fair, rained in evening. I washed and ironed. Pete trimmed Rambler roses. We went to town at 3:30. Marie & we to see Irene Lowery at St. Joe hospital. She is to have surgery Thursday. Pete and I to Merle's at 5:00. I made oyster stew & took salad. Mary & Marie there too. Merle bought oysters.

Tuesday, April 25, 1978. Rained early a.m., ½ inch. Fair, chilly wind. I went to prayer group at June [Jantze]'s. Pete to hospital awhile. We delivered mobile meals. I cleaned silverware in p.m. Have pain in my back. We went to committee meeting [on] Funeral Practices.

Wednesday, April 26, 1978. Fair, fine day, 61°. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Mary & we went to Eastland. Shopped some. We got Jon & Mohr children at Hudson. I got mint green dress at Darlene's. Got supper. Rons here. Had pizza & rhubarb crunch. Larry Mohr here in evening.

Thursday, April 27, 1978. Fair, near 70°, lovely day. Pete burned some brush for Glenn Maxwell & fixed mower. Mowed lawn. I baked rolls & shortened my dress. We washed car. Took Merle to Beauty Shop at 3:00. We, Merle, Mary & Marie to Red Bud at Morton. Merle took us. Lyle Yeakel died at Streator.

Friday, April 28, 1978. Mostly fair, 72°, fine day. Did cleaning. Cleaned Windows. Put screens in. Pete spread some manure on truck patch. I made salad. We helped Ron set our 130 white pine trees for windbreak. Started at 4:00. Nearly 8:00 when we quit. Rons took us to Arby's for supper. Allens came.

Saturday, April 29, 1978. Mostly cloudy. Allens left at 9:30 for Mrs. Yeakel. Then to Lyle's funeral at Streator. Allens home from there. We went to genealogical meeting at church. I took salad. Had large group. Dr. Kreider spoke. Rons finished setting out trees. We went to nurses homecoming banquet at ISU. Good to see so many friends. Brought back memories.

Sunday, April 30, 1978. Mostly fair, chilly. We went to 2nd service. Home for lunch. Went to church at 4:00. Children's choir gave program. Had supper there following the program. Took sandwiches, stuffed celery & fruit. Had Congregational meeting after supper.

Monday, May 1, 1978. Clear, windy, cold in 30° – 31° in morning. I did washing & ironing. We went to town at 3:30. Got planter. Took it to Irene Lowery at St. Joe. Got plants for Mrs. Yeakel. Stopped to see her. Marie, Mary & we to Cambridge Inn for supper. Went to Marie's for awhile.

Tuesday, May 2, 1978. Clear, 31° – 32° in morning. 62°. I went to prayer group at Alma G[alloway]'s. Took food. Met Esther Brown and Willie *Agustion* (sp?) at 11:00. We met nurses at Elks Pontiac for lunch. Had nice time. Got home 3:30. We planted potatoes & a row of peas. Larry [Mohr] disc truck patch. Jo and I to Mothers Day salad luncheon. Had it at our newly acquired church. Mary along.

Wednesday, May 3, 1978. Mostly cloudy, chilly East wind. Went to hospital at 8:00. Volunteered. Pete mowed Glenn Maxwell's lawn. We planted peas, onions, lettuce, radishes, beets, carrots & spinach. Set out 15 cabbages & ½ dozen cauliflower. I spaded some flower beds. Set out pansies and Lily bulbs. Set out strawberry plants. Pete to pastoral care meeting.

Thursday, May 4, 1978. Cloudy, rained most of day, windy, cold. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I baked coffeecake, rhubarb crunch & loaf of bread. Cleaned oven & cleaned some drawers. Worked on quilt. Steve Estes here awhile in p.m. Steve Ropp called in evening. He is coming next weekend. Mary to [Camp] Menno Haven with Ruth Zehr.

Friday, May 5, 1978. Cloudy, rained, cold. Did cleaning. We went to Carlock at 8:30. Pete met with Ropp Cemetery committee from Township. We went to auxiliary. Stopped at Brokaw to see *Jine J* (sp?) Took her rose bowl. She had surgery. Merle, Marie & we to LeRoy for supper. Mary home from Menno Haven at 6:50. Ron to Chicago for the day.

Saturday, May 6, 1978. Mostly cloudy, 54°. Pete to men's breakfast. I finished cleaning. Shampooed my hair. Our dog Shep (Collie) was killed on road by neighbors. Sorry it happened. We went to town at 3:00. Stopped at Leath [Furniture], looked at chairs. Went to hospital, volunteered until 8:30. Made salad when got home.

Sunday, May 7, 1978. Rained most of day, windy. We went to first service. Rons, Mary & Marie here for dinner. Had chicken, baked potatoes, rhubarb crunch. Ron to Washington [Mennonite Church], spoke to youth group. I wrote Pauls, Frances, May Smucker & Esther Carter.

Monday, May 8, 1978. Mostly fair, windy, 70°. Pete took truck to town [to] get sticker for it. I washed & ironed. We trimmed some shrubbery in PM. Worked on quilt.

Tuesday, May 9, 1978. Mostly cloudy, windy, in 50s. We went to town at 8:30. I went to prayer group at Harvella [Stutzman]'s. Went to hospital at 11:00. Marie and we had lunch in hospital cafeteria with Pearl. She seems little better. Went to church at 1:00. Finance committee met to

plan for Wendy *Koehn's* (sp?) wedding. We shopped for chair. Marie & Irene Lowery went for ride. Ate at Cambridge Inn. First time [Irene was] out since surgery.

Wednesday, May 10, 1978. Clear, beautiful day, in 70s. We went to hospital. Volunteered. Went to Eastland at 1:00 to volunteer at Tel – Med Booth. Stayed until 5:30. Paul Millers here awhile in evening. Plowed garden. Ron got a sheep dog. Marie Kaufman is patient at Carle Clinic [in Champaign] for tests. Has trouble with speech & walking. So sorry for her.

Thursday, May 11, 1978. Mostly cloudy, rained in evening. Ron to Chicago in morning. We planted some sweet corn & beans. Set out Easter Lily. Went to HEA. Mary & Mabel along. Pete mowed yard. I spaded flower beds. We went to May Mohr's in evening. Paul Millers there too. Had Chinese dinner. Her students cooked. Marie Kaufman has disintegration of nervous system. So sorry.

Friday, May 12, 1978. Fair, warmer, in 70s. Had rain in evening and night. Tornado watch out. Did cleaning. We went to town at 11:00. Got Merle. Went to Smugglers Inn for lunch. Took her to Gailey's at 12:45. I got Jon and Mohr children at Hudson. Pete mowed Glenn Maxwell's yard. Steve got here at 5:30. Good to see him. Rons got back from Chicago at 6:15. Mary brought me a rose.

Saturday, May 13, 1978. Rained all day, windy, in 40s. Steve & we to town at 8:00. Marie took us to Bob Johnson's for breakfast. I baked 2 rhubarb strawberry pies. Washed my hair. Steve to town with Ron in p.m. to hospital. Jo & I to town, looked for chair. Got one at Ensenbergers. Got supper. Rons & Steve here. Had casserole.

Sunday, May 14, 1978. Cloudy, cold, misted some in p.m. Steve and we to first service. We & Mary to Rons for dinner. Ron & boys got dinner. I took angel food cake & strawberries. Steve left for Bluffton at 2:15. Good to have him. Talked to Allens at noon. Got rose bush from Rons & money from Allens for rose.

Monday, May 15, 1978. Cloudy, chilly. I washed & ironed. Pete set out white lilac we got from Glenn Maxwell. Mary & we to Eureka to see Eds. They are about same. Jo brought our new Chevy home, Doeskin color. Merle, Mary & we to Peking Place in evening. New Chinese restaurant.

Tuesday, May 16, 1978. Cloudy, chilly. Had prayer group here in a.m. Pete worked in strawberry patch in morning. Cleaned some in hen house in p.m. I baked chocolate chip & carrot cookies in p.m. We went to Funeral Practice committee meeting at church.

Wednesday, May 17, 1978. Fair, warmer, nice day. Went to hospital in morning, volunteered. I went to Garfield club at Debbie Paullins. Pete mowed lawn. We set out dozen cauliflower & dozen cabbage plants & cut dandelions out of raspberries. We went to see Earl K[aufman]s but they wasn't home. Did handwashing.

Thursday, May 18, 1978. Fair, 80 – 82°, fine day. We set out rosebushes from Rons & Mary. Went to town at 10:00. Took Edgars to Hopedale to see Louise K[ampmeier]. She had dinner with us in cafeteria. Wheeled her outside awhile. I had hair done at 3:30. We planted more corn & green beans & set out broccoli. Jo helped awhile. Packed suitcases.

Friday, May 19, 1978. Fair, warm, 80° plus. Mary, Marie & we left at 7:30 for Allens. Got here at 2:30. Had lunch at Amana. Good to see Allens. Jeff had last day of school. Pam has earache & sore throat. Jeff to lock-in at church. Had thunderstorm & rain in evening.

Saturday, May 20, 1978. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m., much cooler. We helped Shirley. Made bars & sandwiches. Deb here awhile. We took Allens & Jeff to Mr. Steak at Ames. Pam didn't feel like going. Allens went to several open houses for graduates.

Sunday, May 21, 1978. Fair, nice day, 70s. We went to church in morning. Dick Pilgrims gave choir music, "People to People." Dedicated it to Allens. Deb & Randy Kain here for dinner. We went to Baccalaureate at Gates Memorial at 2:00. Large crowd. Allens made more calls. We went to see Deb's apartment in evening. Is nice. Ron preached at Roanoke [Mennonite Church].

Monday, May 22, 1978. Partly cloudy, in 70s. Had little shower in evening. Shirley to work until noon. Allen to meeting at Newton. We cleaned up house. Went to town before noon. Jeff & Pam to Dr. in. Pam has ear trouble. We all went to restaurant for supper. Got things ready for Jeff's graduation reception. All went to Jeff's graduation at 8:00. Had large crowd (150 – 175) at open house. Had sandwiches, cookies, cake & coffee. Shirley Pilgrim brought relish tray. Had punch & coffee. Got to bed at 2:00 a.m.

Tuesday, May 23, 1978. Cloudy, rather foggy in morning. Had some light showers. We left Allens at 8:30 for home. Got here at 3:20. Had good trip for which we are thankful. Had a very nice weekend & busy one. I did laundry. Rons here awhile. Had heavy rain here this morning.

Wednesday, May 24, 1978. Foggy in morning. Partly cloudy, in 70s, humid. We went to hospital, volunteered. Got tomato plants. Set out 2 dozen. Pete mowed lawn. I baked rhubarb cake. Gave Rons some. Mary not feeling very good, has cold.

Thursday, May 25, 1978. Fair, in 80s, humid. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I cleaned out desk drawer. Fixed 5 boxes rhubarb for Jo (freezer). Pete pulled weeds & did some trimming. Pete to Glenn's in p.m., mowed his lawn. Mary & I to church, cleaned silver service. We went to Niepagens. Got rose (white), Allens gift. Got petunias. Fixed my porch box & planted rose.

Friday, May 26, 1978. Fair, hot, high 80s, humid. Did cleaning. Worked up garden & truck patch. Planted corn & set out Dahlias, glads, petunias & reset Phlox. Planted cucumbers. Set out sweet potato plants. Took Mabel & Marie to cemeteries at 3:00. Ron has day off. Here for lunch. Worked on tractor & put up some new spouting on house. Jo to Chicago, early morning meeting. Lila Leadbetter passed away.

Saturday, May 27, 1978. Fair, hot, 90°. We planted melons and more corn, also squash & pumpkin. Pete plowed & hoed truck patch. I shampooed my hair. Finished cleaning. Got dinner. Ron & boys here. We left at 1:30 for Arthur [Illinois]. Took Mary & May Mohr. Paul Miller arranged meetings and meal with Amish. Visited woodshop Mr. Beachy owns & harness shop owned by Amos Miller who is preacher. Had delicious big meal at Edna Millers. Enjoyable time.

Sunday, May 28, 1978. Fair, in high 80s. We went to first service. Had communion. [High school] graduates had part in service. We had lunch at Sambo's. Home in PM. Ron & boys went fishing. Jo home from Chicago about midnight.

Monday, May 29, 1978. Fair, windy, had rain, wind and some hail at 7:30 p.m. I was sick all day. Vomited & diarrhea. Did the laundry in PM. Pete dug up some dead rosebushes & mowed lawn. Ron home working ground. Jon home from school. [He has] cold. Family all at CRs for ice cream in evening.

Tuesday, May 30, 1978. Partly cloudy, nice day. I still not feeling very good but better in evening. Did ironing & cleaned up house. Jo & boys home. Pete & boys to church. Got some chairs. Jo made rhubarb dessert for me. Heritage group here. Steve Estes gave paper on Christian Ropp. Very good. Had 25 here. Rons, Marie, Mary & Mabel here.

Wednesday, May 31, 1978. Fair, warm, high 80s. We went to town at 8:00. I volunteered at hospital. Pete had car serviced at Willys. Went to *Murry* (sp?), Got silver tray for Wendell Millers. We sowed flower seeds in PM. I hoed strawberries. Pete plowed truck patch. I feel better. Pete to pastoral [care] meeting. Mary & I got 2 dresses for Nettie.

Thursday, June 1, 1978. Partly cloudy, 80°, cooler in evening. Pete worked on auxiliary books. We reset flag Iris. I washed porches. Pete hoed in truck patch. I washed some winter things. Jo here awhile after work. Ron finished putting spouting on house.

Friday, June 2, 1978. Fair, nice day, cooler. We went to town at 9:00. Auxiliary until noon. Went to church to set up for wedding reception for Wendy Koehn & David Jones. Having it in East Building. Lots of work. Planted lima beans & hoed some. Rons to wedding rehearsal & dinner.

Saturday, June 3, 1978. Partly cloudy, nice day, cool. Pete to men's breakfast. I finished cleaning. Shampooed my hair. Hoed some in truck patch. Jo here awhile in morning. We went to church at 6:00. Jeanette along. Served at reception [for] Wendy Koehn. Ron had ceremony. Nice wedding. Had reception in East Building. Pete helped carry dishes, etc.

Sunday, June 4, 1978. Fair, fine day, 81°. We went to 2nd church service. To Mary's for dinner. Clara B[rodbeck] and May M[ohr] there also. LeRoy Troyer (architect) spoke at church about our building plans. We went to group meeting at church at 5:30. Took Merle.

Monday, June 5, 1978. Fair, nice day. We took bars and eggs to [Lloyd] Singleys, also [took] memorial for Lloyd's mother, Mrs. Thomas. Rons gave too. I washed & ironed. Mary & we to

Eureka. Had dinner with Ed. He's having ear trouble. Nettie has cough. Pete and I to Lucy Catherine's at 6:00. We ate at Denny's. Then back to her house.

Tuesday, June 6, 1978. Fair, 80°. Had shower in morning. I baked rolls. Pete worked outside, burned brush & trimmed some trees. I hoed some in garden & truck patch. Went to Good Will with Jeanette. Jo along to Building Committee meeting. Ron & boys to Meadows.

Wednesday, June 7, 1978. Had rain early a.m. and again in p.m., about an inch. We went to hospital at 8:00. Volunteered. Pete & Jim Waltner met with Kibler about funeral practices. I went uptown. Got hose. We went to Funeral Practice committee meeting at church at 3:00. Merle, Mary & we with Marie to Red Bud at Morton at 5:00.

Thursday, June 8, 1978. Cloudy, cool. Pete cut tree down by powerhouses. I baked cookies. We went to town at 2:00. I had physical at Dr. Bertsche's. Have to have blood work done. I fixed arm covers on chair. Ron to Chicago to chaplains meeting. Jo & we to Minier at 5:00. Went to Louise K[ampmeier]'s apartment. Nancy [Kampmeier] there getting ready to sell things. We got twin mattress. We took Nancy to eat in Minier.

Friday, June 9, 1978. Fair, 47° in morning, fine day, 80°. Did cleaning. Picked quart of strawberries. Pete worked on some wiring on pole. He mowed lawn in p.m. I went to committee meeting at 1:00 for Summer Festival. Went to Consistory to see how to set up. We hoed in truck patch. Sprayed roses.

Saturday, June 10, 1978. Fair, nice day, windy. Pete worked some in truck patch. I baked cake & rhubarb crisp. Baked ham. Shampooed my hair. Got things ready for supper. Pete to Glenn Maxwells in p.m. Pauls got here at 5:50. Good to see them. Mary here for supper. We all went to Rons. Elmer Neufeld & Jim Mohr there. Also some Bluffton alumni.

Sunday, June 11, 1978. Fair, very windy, 90°. Paul & we to early service. Rons, Pauls & we ate at Sambo's. Ron back to church to take table & chairs to John King's for church picnic. Pauls left here at 1:40 for Chicago. His seminar starts tomorrow. I fixed things for picnic. Jo & Mary with us to John Kings. Ron & boys went early. Had large crowd at picnic. Windy.

Monday, June 12, 1978. Clear, cooler, 79°, windy. I did washing & ironing & some mending. Picked quart of strawberries. Pete worked some in truck patch. Cleaned out eaves & trimmed some shrubbery. He got Marty & Jo at Bible school. Rons here. Had strawberries, cake & ice cream.

Tuesday, June 13, 1978. Clear, nice day, 47° in morning. I went to Dr. Bertsche's office. Had fasting blood [work] done. Went to hospital. Helped Marilyn G awhile. Got boys at Bible school. We worked in garden in p.m. Pete cut down 2 dead peach trees. Marie & Irene L[owery] here little while. Got lettuce & radishes.

Wednesday, June 14, 1978. Fair, warmer. We went to town at 8:00. I volunteered at hospital. Pete brought boys home from Bible school. We took Merle to Gailey's at 1:00 & found her appointment is July 14 [?]. Took her to Troyer Cemetery. Pete trimming trees. Brought Merle here awhile. Went to Streid's for supper. We went to Mary's awhile, then to church. VS [Voluntary Service] Harmonies gave program.

Thursday, June 15, 1978. Rained most of morning, 8 tents inch. Glad for rain. Fair in p.m. We went to auxiliary board meeting at 9:30. Harry Frank met with us to talk about changes. Rachel served us lunch. I went to cancer office to get kit for Mrs. Rexroat. Saw her in evening before going to Festival committee meeting at 7:00. Mary at Rons in p.m. Helped Jon baked cookies & pies. We were at Rons for supper.

Friday, June 16, 1978. Cloudy in morning, dark in north. Had rain in northern part of state. Fair in p.m. Windy. Did cleaning & baked coffeecake braid. Picked some berries. Gave Rons some for supper. I made pint of preserves. We sowed lettuce, radishes, beets & carrots. We sowed snapdragons. We went to Hudson at 5:30. We & Earl [Kaufman]s to Lexington for supper. Marie not too good. Speech is poor at times and [she] is weak. Talked to Allens.

Saturday, June 17, 1978. Partly cloudy, windy, hot. Had 2/3 inch rain at 11:00 PM. Some wind & lightning. I baked brownies and angel food cake. Shampooed my hair. Pete to men's breakfast. He & Rons worked some in truck patch. I made salad & ham loaf & deviled eggs. We went to Bob Stutzman's. Potluck supper for Emerson Millers. Dunns & Paul Millers & Brenda & family there.

Sunday, June 18, 1978. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m., not so hot. We went to first service. Mary & we to Arby's for lunch. Home in PM. Ron & boys fishing. Paul called in p.m. Emersons & Paul Millers here awhile in p.m. Saw Ron's house. We went to Rons for supper. Had steak, very good. Paul called in p.m. They're coming Friday.

Monday, June 19, 1978. Clear, fine day, 81°. I did washing and ironing. Pete to Glenn Maxwells in p.m. We planted some ageratums, asters and marigolds. Planted more sweet corn. I hoed in garden awhile & worked on quilt. Mary here in p.m. Washed car. Marty planted squash.

Tuesday, June 20, 1978. Mostly cloudy. Had rain in p.m. Pete mowed lawn & plowed garden. I hoed in garden. Wrote Allens. We went to Mr. Dunn (attorney) to see about our will. We took Merle, Lorene Reeser and Mary to Red Bud. Merle paid. We got 2 crates, 16 boxes, strawberries. Mary got 2 boxes. I put 6 boxes in freezer. Gave Rons a crate.

Wednesday, June 21, 1978. Clear, beautiful day. We went to town at 8:00. I volunteered at hospital. Pete did some errands. We went to Earl Mishler's, Garfield club met. Pete visited with Earl. We were home in evening. Worked on quilt.

Thursday, June 22, 1978. Fair, nice day, 82°. Pete to town. Got new [roto]tiller. Old one broke. I waxed kitchen floor. We dressed 2 roosters. Went to town in p.m. Pete to Glenn's. I got 4 boxes berries & took auxiliary money to bank. Cooked chicken in evening. Worked in truck patch awhile.

Friday, June 23, 1978. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m. We did cleaning. Picked peas (nearly bucket full). Defrosted freezer. Got things ready for supper. Had roast beef & strawberry shortcake & peas. Pauls got here at 5:00. They & Rons here for supper. Were at Rons awhile in evening. Ron laying bricks on patio.

Saturday, June 24, 1978. Mostly fair, hot and humid, near 90°. Pauls to Marie's at 10:30. Had lunch in town & went to see Pearl. I got things ready for company. Pete & Paul to grocery store in PM. Pauls, Rons, Mary, Marie, Pearl, May M[ohr], CRs, Gordons, Rays & (unclear) here for supper. I made chicken casserole. Jo brought fruit tray. Mabel brought freezer of ice cream. We made freezer. Nice evening. 30 here.

Sunday, June 25, 1978. Mostly cloudy, humid. Paul and we to first service. We, Marie & Mary took Pauls to Cambridge Inn for dinner. Paul & Marjorie left after 2:00 for Chicago. Children stayed. Ron took boys swimming. Jo to Congregational meeting in evening. We were home. Had tornadoes at Chatworth.

Monday, June 26, 1978. Partly cloudy, hot and humid, near 91°. I washed. We picked 2 buckets peas. I put 3 1½ pints & 1 quart in freezer. Jo some & we had [some] for supper. Did ironing in p.m. Carol took children & Jon to Walt Disney show. Pete watered raspberries. Looked rainy but no rain. Children at Rons all night.

Tuesday, June 27, 1978. Fair, hot, 90°, not so humid. Defrosted icebox. Worked some in garden. Got lunch. Marty & Jon here too. We went to town at 3:00. Took Andy, Benjy & Amy to Mary's. We went to Funeral Practice meeting. Marie, Mary, children & we to Denny's for supper. Girls & children to Park, then to Marie's. Pete to Pastoral Care meeting. I to Heritage at Litwillers.

Wednesday, June 28, 1978. Fair, hot. We picked little over bucket of peas. Put one 1 ½ quarts & 2 pints in freezer. Gave Jo some & kept some to eat. Washed 2 loads. Got lunch. Marty & Jon here too. Made strawberry pie for supper. Pauls called in evening.

Thursday, June 29, 1978. Fair, 88°. I baked coffeecake & made casserole for dinner. Cleaned up kitchen. Carol & Marie took children to Miller Park zoo in p.m. Pete mowed lawn & worked some in truck patch. I worked in garden awhile in evening. Rons here in evening. Had rest of homemade ice cream.

Friday, June 30, 1978. Partly cloudy, hot and humid, 90°. Had rain in p.m. Had 6/10 inch. Had none in town. We picked peas. Put 3 pints in freezer & kept some to eat for Rons & us. We went

to town at 12:30. Pete to Dr. Bertsche's for physical. I had hair done. I washed 3 loads. Carol took children swimming at 4:30. Gave her some plants. Done packing for children.

Saturday, July 1, 1978. Mostly cloudy. Rained here. Pete to men's breakfast. I finished packing. Children & we left at 9:30 for Chicago. Got to Pauls little after 12:00. Glad to see them. Allens got here at 5:00. They met bill Dunns down town to register Allen & Bill for the marathon running. Paul, Allens & we drove to Buckingham Fountain. Beautiful with the colored lights. Walked down to the Lake. We all stayed at Pauls. Pam here too.

Sunday, July 2, 1978. Rained most of day. 72°. Allen and Bill ran in marathon (12 mile run). Paul, Pam, Pete & I left at 8:30 to watch them. Shirley with Irene. We met them after the run. Near 8,000 ran. It was something to see. Allen beat Bill by about 10 minutes. We had waffles & sausage at Pauls about 10:00. All of us except Paul went to [Museum of] Science & Industry in p.m. which is few blocks from Pauls. Allens left for Normal at 5:30.

Monday, July 3, 1978. Cleared off in morning, a beautiful day. (Cloudy here & misty.) Paul to class at 10:00. We took drive around Chicago University campus. Met Paul at 12:30. Had lunch in university cafeteria. Marj, Amy & I to Hyde Park Shopping Plaza. We all went to Grant Park at 5:00 to hear the Grant Park & Chicago Symphony's concert. Sat on blanket. Had our lunch. Such a crowd. One couldn't walk. After the 1812 Overture, a gorgeous display of fireworks over the lakefront.

Tuesday, July 4, 1978. Fair, nice day. Marj with us to Fish Market on Grand Avenue. Got some smoked shrimp for Merle & us. We left Pauls at 11:30 for home. Got here at 2:00. Traffic not heavy. Thankful for safe trip and had nice time. I washed & ironed. We went to Rons for supper. Mary there too. She was there in p.m.

Wednesday, July 5, 1978. Fair, 86°. I went to hospital, volunteered. Pete worked in truck patch. Pulled up some of peas. Plowed garden. I washed bedding from upstairs & ironed. Ron and boys to Spotlight Chester White Show at Springfield. Jo here for supper. I worked some in garden. Pete helped Jo chore.

Thursday, July 6, 1978. Fair, near 90° but good breeze. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I picked peas. Put 1 ½ pints in freezer. Gave Mary some & we had some for lunch. I worked in garden & some in truck patch. Pete plowed truck patch. We picked 2 quarts raspberries. Put 1 ½ quarts in freezer. Picked beans, put 1 ½ quarts in freezer. Sowed endive. Fed roses. We went to see Eds in PM. Jo to Springfield. Pete chored in evening.

Friday, July 7, 1978. Had 1/3 inch rain at 8:00 a.m. Fair, hot & humid. Did cleaning, also dusted upstairs. We went to auxiliary meeting. Pete had F[arm] B[ureau] sugar done [?]. He mowed lawn in p.m. I did some trimming. Pete helped Jo with chores. She was here for supper. I got stick pin for Lucy C[atherine].

Saturday, July 8, 1978. Clear, fine day, in 80s. We went to town awhile in morning. Deposited auxiliary money. I looked for dress. I baked bars & canned 2 ½ pints beets. Jo and we picked Waltner's beans in evening. I canned 7 quarts & gave Jo some to eat. Ron and boys back from Springfield. Boys late for 4-H ball game. Had to forfeit. All felt bad. Jon had grand champion carcass.

Sunday, July 9, 1978. Had bad electrical storm at 4:00 a.m. Had over 2 inches rain here. Electricity off from 4:00 to 10:30. Had bad hail around Clarence Siegs. We went to early service & to Woizeski Reunion at Art Siegs. Rons there, also Roger & Bob & wife Woizeskis. 34 there. Had nice time. We were home in evening.

Monday, July 10, 1978. Partly cloudy in morning, fair in p.m., 57° in morning, fine day. I washed & ironed. Picked beans. Canned 7 quarts. Pete worked in garage. Took tin cans to dump. We picked little over 2 quarts raspberries. Gave Jo a quart. I put quart in freezer. Pete plowed in garden in evening. I hoed.

Tuesday, July 11, 1978. Clear, cool, in 50s. Got to 76°. Fine day. I went to Personality at 9:30. Got permanent. Pete worked in truck patch. Pulled up some of peas. We picked peas, got enough for meal for Rons & us. We planted some sweet corn. I worked in garden, hoed & pulled weeds. Baked cookies in p.m. for auxiliary bake sale & gave Rons some.

Wednesday, July 12, 1978. Mostly cloudy, cool. Had little shower late p.m. We picked nearly 2 quarts raspberries. Gave Jo some. Put 1 ½ pints in freezer. I baked coffeecake. I hoed some. We went to town in p.m. Went to Consistory to set up for Summer Festival. Went to Eastland. Got picture arranger for Mary's birthday. Talked to Allens.

Thursday, July 13, 1978. Cloudy & humid, fair later p.m. and cooler. I baked 2 pies for Summer Festival. Pete pulled peas and Waltner's garden & pulled weeds. We went to town at 12:30. Took Mary to Health Center for physical. Went to Consistory to get ready for the auxiliary dinner. I was in charge of bake sale & dessert table. Had large crowd & many many pies & baked things. Had few things left for Coffee Shop. Had work out. Rons were host and hostess. Got home at 9:00.

Friday, July 14, 1978. Fair, warm, less humid. Ron to Elkhart early a.m. Pete busy counting money from last night. I cleaned up bedrooms & picked over a quart of raspberries. Put 1 ½ pints in freezer. We went to bank at 11:30. Stopped at hospital. Got Merle at 1:00. Took her to Gailey's. Went to her apartment awhile, then to Streids to eat. We hoed in pulled weeds in Waltner's mellon patch. Jim [Waltner] called in evening.

Saturday, July 15, 1978. Fair, in 80s. Pete to men's breakfast. I did cleaning & picked beans. Canned 7 quarts. Jo helped to get them ready. I canned 1 ½ quarts beets. Picked nearly quart of raspberries. Pete plowed some in truck patch & mowed lawn. We went to Rons for supper. I took

shrimp for salad, also had our smoked shrimp. Took raspberries & cookies. Ron home from Elkhart.

Sunday, July 16, 1978. Fair, in 80s. We went to 2nd service. Went to Mary's a while, then met Marie at train at 1:30. She had nice time at Paul's. She took us to Cambridge [Inn] for dinner. Took Mary & she home. Went to Danvers to visitation for Ida Alwes. We went to church at 6:00. Timothy & Hamah (sp?) Lair served Taiwanese meal, sweet-and-sour pork. He showed slides of Taiwan.

Monday, July 17, 1978. Partly cloudy, 89° – 90°. I washed & ironed. Picked cucumbers. Made 6 quarts Dills. Gave Rons and Marie several. We picked quart of raspberries. Put 1 ½ pints in freezer. Pete pulled up last of peas. Had sweet corn from Jim's garden. We went to town at 3:00. Mary along. I looked for dress, but didn't find anything. She & Marie gave me money for birthday. We took Marie to Streids for her birthday & to her house. Gave her picture arranger.

Tuesday, July 18, 1978. Mostly cloudy, 86°, humid but good breeze. We picked beans. I canned 7 quarts. Helped Pete weed little evergreen trees. I hoed them. Marty helped little in morning. Jo helped finish when she got home. I cooked 2 big kettles applesauce. Worked little in garden.

Wednesday, July 19, 1978. Fair, hot, humid, 90°. I went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. I canned 6 quarts dill. Picked quart of raspberries. Gave them to Jo. I baked brownies. Made salad & deviled eggs. Cooked kettle of applesauce. We went to Garfield picnic at CRs. Not many there. Ron came a while after supper to visit.

Thursday, July 20, 1978. Fair, hot, humid, 90s. I baked pecan rolls & made 2 apple pies to put in freezer. Hoed some. Cooked kettle of applesauce. We went to town at 3:00 to bank. Then to Farm Bureau Service Company Farm Day at fairgrounds. Mary with us. Marty & Jon to Chicago on train to Pauls.

Friday, July 21, 1978. Fair, hot, humid, 94°. We picked beans (Ann M[iller]'s). Canned 14 quarts. Made 5 quarts dills. Did cleaning. Washed & ironed. Shampooed my hair. Picked few raspberries. Gave them to Rons. Did some packing. Helped Jo pick some beans.

Saturday, July 22, 1977. Mostly fair, hot. Mary and we left at 7:30 for Harrisonville [MO]. Got to Frances's at 4:30. Lot of traffic. Thankful for good trip. Ron & Jo to Pauls in Chicago. Got Marty & Jon. Orvie at Frances's for supper. Good to be with them. Cooler in evening.

Sunday, July 23, 1978. Mostly cloudy, 76°, pleasant day. Frances & we to Methodist Church. We all & Orvie met Arthurs at Harvest House for dinner. (Arthurs paid bill) wW all went to

Orvie's apartment awhile, then to Frances. Arthurs & Orvie home at 5:30. Frances, Mary & I to see Rosa Gilkerson awhile in evening.

Monday, July 24, 1978. Partly cloudy, nice day. I washed some. Had lunch at Frances. We all & Orvie went to Garden City. Saw Carrie & stopped at Clear Fork Cemetery. In evening, Frances & Orvie took Garnett, Lucille & we to Cedar Inn at Garden City for dinner. Had nice visit with Garnetts.

Tuesday, July 25 1978. Clear, windy, hot, 100° at Wichita. We left Frances at 7:30. Got to Wichita at 11:30. Went to Century II to Mennonite World Conference. Saw Franzie [Loepp]s and Paul [Miller]s. Went to Alvin Beachys at Newton at 4:00. Took them out to eat, then to first session of World Conference. Large crowd. Saw Willie Peterschmidts of France & others. Very interesting to see so many from different countries. 44 countries represented.

Wednesday, July 26, 1978. Clear, hot, 102° at Wichita. Alvins & we to conference at 8:30. Went to morning session & to Study Group. Ate lunch at Hardee's, then to Study Group. Pete and I to play, about Indians. Indian choir sang in evening & Russian delegation spoke. 2000 met in Music Hall. Overflow from Convention Hall.

Thursday, July 27, 1978. Clear, hot, 100°, good breeze. Vera [Beachy] & we went to conference at Wichita. Went to morning session. Looked at exhibits. Went to Café for lunch. Vera & I to recital at Baptist church. Pete to Century II, saw film on Amish & 150th anniversary at Kitchener. Vera & I to Foods Group at 4:00. Ate at Holiday Inn & [went] to evening session.

Friday, July 28, 1978. Clear, hot again. Alvin to conference. Vera & we to Friezens to see Robert Wohlgenuths from Germany. Glad to see them. We left for Harrisonville at 9:30. Got here at 1:30. Orvie at Frances's for supper. Talked to Rons. Had rain several days ago. Nice weather. Marty got Grand Champion Chester White carcass for 4-H fair.

Saturday, July 29, 1978. Clear, hot. I went to beauty shop at 9:00. Helped get things ready for lunch. Allens & Pam got to Frances's at 2:00. Had lunch here. We all accept Frances went to Orvie's awhile. Bills there. We all went to Cedar Inn at Garden City. Had dinner. Guests of Orvie. Drove around our home place. Stopped at Clearfork [Cemetery]. Arthurs came at 8:00. Frances had birthday cake for us & ice cream. Nice evening. Allens stayed all night at Orvie's.

Sunday, July 30, 1978. Partly cloudy. We left Frances at 8:15. Got home at 5:15. Had shower before we got to Springfield. Cooler here. Pam came home with us. Jo & Marty getting vegetables for 4-H fair. Everything grew. Had good rain several days ago. Arthur Baum passed away.

Monday, July 31, 1978. Fair, cool in morning, 50s. 80s in p.m. Pete worked some in truck patch & plowed garden. I washed & ironed. We picked Paul Millers snow peas & podded them. Got 7

pints. Gave Jo 5 pints. I made 2 quarts applesauce. Worked in garden. Pete mowed lawn. Ron & boys took livestock to 4-H fair. Pam to Friedenswald.

Tuesday, August 1, 1978. Mostly cloudy in p.m. We put 28 pints corn in freezer in morning. Picked beans for Mary. Canned 7 quarts & 14 pints. She came in p.m. Also did 10 pints corn for her. A big day. We went to church in evening. Taiwanese ladies choir sang. Had 2 guests overnight. Ron preached at Art Baum's funeral in morning, then [went] to fair. Jo there all day. Jon got 2nd on calf. Rosalee came to fair.

Wednesday, August 2, 1978. Rained in morning. We had 3 force inch. Had nearly 2 inches at the fair. Pete took guests to church. I washed 2 loads. Ironed. Made up beds. Helped Jo fix supper for McLane [High School] Choir from Fresno California. We took food to Miller Park where concert was held. Had good program. We have 5 boys overnight.

Thursday, August 3, 1978. Clear, cool, fine day. Pete took boys to church at 7:30. We went to fair at 8:30. Jon got first and Grand Champion on gilt, got 8th on another. Marty got 4th & 5th. Mary with us. She & I came home at 3:00. Pete home with Jo. I washed bedding & towels. Sheets dried outside. I ironed in evening. Picked bucket of cucumbers for Jo. Rons here for supper. Pete to pastoral [care] meeting. Talked to Pauls. They're coming Saturday.

Friday, August 4, 1978. Clear, in 50s in morning, lovely day. Did all cleaning. Picked over a quart of strawberries. Pete to town, got weed mower. We planted some peas, lettuce & radishes. Went to town after supper. Got groceries. Marty's hog carcass sold for \$650. Jo worked, then to fair for auction. Allen & Shirley got here at 9:40 p.m. Good to see them. Jo has resigned her job, but is helping out some.

Saturday, August 5, 1978. Clear, pleasant day, cool. Baked 2 apple pies. Baked ham. Pete helped Jo pick beans. We helped her stem them. Ron & boys brought livestock home from fair. Pauls got here at 12:40. Jo & boys here for dinner. Ron ate late. They all & Mary here for supper. Had hamburgers. Allens at Mrs. Yeakels in morning. Allens gave us flower stand.

Sunday, August 6, 1978. Fair, little warmer. We all went to first service. Rons, Allens & Pauls took us to Peking Restaurant for dinner. Mary, Marie, Pearl & CRs there too. Jo had cake for us, decorated with 3 boys on top. We took some pictures. Allens to Mrs. Yeakels a while. Pauls, Rons & we home. Girls got supper for us at Rons. Allen grilled pork chops. Ron called to hospital. Boys played pool. Had a wonderful day. So much to be thankful for. We miss Allens' children. Rons gave us book ends & Pauls money.

Monday, August 7, 1978. Partly cloudy, warmer, 85°. Allens left at 6:00 for home. Pauls left for Memphis at 9:45. We miss them all. I washed & ironed. Pete swept rugs. Mary & we to Eds in p.m. They wasn't very good. Nettie has lot of pain. Ron to work. Jo home. Paul & Ann Miller came to garden in evening. Had watermelon.

Tuesday, August 8, 1978. Fair, warm, 80s. Pete mowed lawn. I washed bedding from upstairs & more towels. Ironed. Jo & I fixed 5 containers broccoli. Gave her 3. I picked over a quart of strawberries. Gave Rons some. We went to town at 2:00. Took Merle to Dr. Her B[lood] S[ugar] high. Merle took us to Barney's for our anniversary & birthdays. I hoed some in garden.

Wednesday, August 9, 1978. Fair, 88°, had thunder shower at 4:00, over one half inch here. We went to hospital in morning, volunteered. Home in PM. Dusted upstairs. Rons took livestock to Springfield in p.m. Gail B[ressner] took hogs & Mohrs took calves. Earl K[aufman]s, Lucy C[atherine], Merle & we to Smugglers Inn for our birthdays. Marie about same, speech not good.

Thursday, August 10, 1978. Partly cloudy, quite warm. I canned 3 quarts beets & 6 pints beans. Jo to Springfield in morning, stayed all night. We went to church at 2:30. Had Funeral Practice committee meeting. Went to Colonial Plaza & Kmart. Went to Mary's for supper. Jean & Carolyn from West Liberty Ohio there.

Friday, August 11, 1978. Cloudy in morning, showered little, fair in p.m., 80s. Did cleaning. Picked cucumbers. Made 2 quarts dill pickles. Picked nearly 2 quarts strawberries. Made 3 pints preserves. Rons to Springfield at 3:30, stayed all night. Mary, Jean & Carolyn left in morning 4 Ohio. I worked on quilt. Carolyn *Fairan* (sp?) picked our beans. Got 4 buckets.

Saturday, August 12, 1978. Fair, 87°, rather humid. Pete did chores. I finished cleaning. Shampooed my hair. Marie took CRs & we to Peppermill for lunch. Marie, Mabel & we to Birkelbaws. Got few peaches. Marie here awhile. We went to town, got groceries. Ron & Jo home at 9:00. Boys doing pretty good at fair.

Sunday, August 13, 1978. Fair, nice day. We went to first service. Were greeters. Marie & we to Cambridge Inn. Drove to Cemetery. Went to Marie's awhile. Home rest of day. Rons to fair, got home at 8:00.

Monday, August 14, 1978. Fair, 80s & humid. I washed & ironed. Pete dug some potatoes. I got things for supper. Lorraine Roth from Kitchener here & all night. We went with her to Larry Jantzes in evening. Ron & Jo worked. She did corn in evening.

Tuesday, August 15, 1978. Partly cloudy, hot & humid. Had thunder shower in evening. Lorraine & Pete looked over Ropp history. I picked bucket of beans. We & Lorraine to John Stutzmans for lunch. Enjoyed it. Lorraine left for Indiana. I canned 7 quarts beans for Jo & put 9 pints corn in freezer. Ron & Jo ate supper with us. Had steaks. Dick Ropps here in evening.

Wednesday, August 16, 1978. Clear, much cooler, fine day. We went to hospital, volunteered. Met Jo at noon. Shopped for Ron's birthday. Got him shirt & tie. She & Ron worked. I worked some in garden. Ron to [State] Fair in evening.

Thursday, August 17, 1978. Had 2/3 inch rain in morning. Had more at Springfield. Jo & we left at 7:30 for State Fair. Boys showed. John got 6th on gilt. Marty got 16th in Land of Lincoln. John

sold the gilt for \$500 & another one for \$300. We got home at 6:45. Stopped & got peaches in town. Jon home with us. Ron & Marty stayed.

Friday, August 18, 1978. Mostly cloudy in morning, fair p.m., near 90°, humid. Did cleaning. Washed 3 loads. Ironed. Put 6 quarts broccoli in freezer. Gave Jo 3 quarts. Jo worked. We went to town in p.m. to bank. Stopped up town. Had Sidewalk Days & Corn Festival.

Saturday, August 19, 1978. Cleared off, cool, nice day. Pete mowed lawn & trimmed shrubbery. I put 6 quarts peaches in freezer. Made 3½ pints marmalade & 1½ pints preserves. Baked angel food cake. Canned 3 quarts tomato juice. Shampooed my hair. Rons here for supper. Jo brought fried chicken. Gave Ron tie & shirt for birthday. Shirley Lehman brought Mary home from Ohio.

Sunday, August 20, 1978. Clear, beautiful day, in 70s. Went to early service. Had to usher at both services. Mary & we to Elms at El Paso for dinner. Then to see Eds. They are about same. We gave Mary some vegetables. Took her home. Ron preached at Bellflower.

Monday, August 21, 1978. Clear, 79°, fine day. Pete & Marty finished digging potatoes. I washed and ironed. Put 3 ½ quarts peaches in freezer. Baked brownies. Worked some in garden. Got ready for company, Garden picnic. [Jim] Waltners, Paul M[iller]s, Franzie Loepps, Jon Gundys, Stan Clemenses & Rons here. Had nice time. A full day.

Tuesday, August 22, 1978. Fair, little warmer. I canned 6 quarts tomato juice. We picked nearly quart of strawberries. We went to town at 4:00. Took Merle to bank. Then to Morton to Red Bud [Restaurant] for dinner. Mary along. Marie busy.

Wednesday, August 23, 1978. Fair, warmer, near 90°. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. I canned 8 ½ quarts tomato juice in p.m. Gathered some phlox seed & watered roses. Worked some on quilt.

Thursday, August 24, 1978. Cloudy in morning. Had ¼ inch rain in morning, fair in p.m., hot, humid. I washed some. Put 2 cartons peaches in freezer. Went to town awhile in p.m. Got groceries. Baked chocolate chip cookies & bars.

Friday, August 25 1978. Cloudy, rained and showered all morning. Did cleaning & canned 8 quarts tomato juice. Baked apple pie. Worked on quilt. Steve & Jeff got here at 8:15. Good to see them.

Saturday, August 26, 1978. Cloudy, showered in morning, fair in late p.m. I baked cookies for boys. We all went to Rons at 9:30 for brunch. Stephen Jeff helped us. Took picture window off so could clean it. They played pool & ball. We went to Mary's for supper. Marie & Jon there too. Rons to ministers meeting at Morton. Marty home waiting for Gail Bressner who was to get some pigs.

Sunday, August 27, 1978. Partly cloudy, had thunderstorm about 5 PM, 6/10 inches. Steve & Jeff left at 7:00 for Bluffton. Was good to have them. We went to first service. Walter Dyck preached. Were home in PM. Marie Yoder, Lucy C[atherine] & we to Cambridge Inn for supper, then to Marie's. Had nice visit.

Monday, August 28, 1978. Cleared off in morning, 83°, not so humid. I washed. Went to Gailey's at 10:00. Met Ed there. He has to have glasses changed. Pete picked 5 5-gallon buckets tomatoes. Helped Jo can 30 quarts tomato juice. Ironed some in evening. Busy day.

Tuesday, August 29, 1978. Partly cloudy, 80°, pleasant day. Jo & I canned 12 quarts tomato juice. She had lunch with us. We helped her shuck corn for freezer. We went to town at 3:00. I went to Carol Skinner's home on Reach for Recovery. She's doing real well. I cleaned Iris bed in evening.

Wednesday, August 30, 1978. Fair, fine day. We went to hospital, volunteered. Pete mowed lawn. I trimmed edge of walks. Mary here awhile, got some beets. Pete to pastoral care committee meeting in evening. I worked on quilt.

Thursday, August 31, 1978. Clear, nice day, little warmer. We went to town at 10:00 to bank, then to [Edgar & Dorothy] Gurtner's. Went with them to Hopedale to see Louise [Kampmeier]. She seems much more alert. Had dinner with her. We worked at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Friday, September 1, 1978. Clear, another fine day. Put 3 pints lima beans in freezer. Did cleaning. Went to auxiliary at 9:00. Had hair done at Personality. Saw Marie K[aufman]. She's no better. They are going to Florida to Drs. Hope she can get help. I helped Jo in p.m. Canned 17 quarts tomato juice. Ron & Marty to Lincoln in evening to hog sale. Pete helped Jo chore. Rons left about midnight for Ohio.

Saturday, September 2, 1978. Clear, nice day, Pete chore. I fixed things for dinner. We went with Mabel to Ropp Reunion at Morton Oak Wood Park. Visited museum at Congerville. Marie, Roberta, Mabel & I to Deland at 4:30. Roberta campaigning for Gordon. Had barbecue at homecoming. Was nice drive. Got home at 7:45. Ropp reunion, Ron Pres., Ray Vice Pres.

Sunday, September 3, 1978. Clear, nice day but warmer, 91°. We went to early service. Went to Elmer Siegs Park for brunch. Came home before 1:00. Looked after hogs. Have one is sick. Talked to Ron. It's better in evening. Were home in p.m. & evening. Renée Kennedy (Jo's niece) got married this p.m.

Monday, September 4, 1978. 30 foggy in morning, fair, nice day. I washed & ironed. Got things ready for supper. Pete doing chores. Marie & Mary here for supper. They brought chicken. Rons got home from Ohio at 8:00. Glad they had good trip. Earl Kaufmans to Florida to clinic, seeking help for Marie.

Tuesday, September 5, 1978. Another nice day, in 80s. I went with Mary to Dr. Bertsche. She's been having rectal bleeding. Is to have x-rays. I went to prayer group at Alma Galloway's. Made 8 pints chili sauce in p.m. Picked a few strawberries. Went to Good Will in evening. Jeanette [Colter] with me.

Wednesday, September 6, 1978. Fair, warm, 80s. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Mary along. She was admitted in p.m. for x-rays and tests. We went to Harvella Stutzman's. Helped Dr. Bauman quilt. Were home in evening.

Thursday, September 7, 1978. Fair, near 90°. I baked coffeecake braid. Canned 6 ½ quarts tomatoes. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I worked upstairs in p.m. Washed windows & floor. Went to Harvella Stutzman's in evening. Helped her mother quilt. Mary had BA enema, IUP, EKG & chest x-ray.

Friday, September 8, 1978. Fair, hot, 90s. I cleaned 2 bedrooms downstairs. Washed bedding & curtains in our room. Mary had gallbladder & upper G.I. x-rays. We took Rons to Bob Johnson's for supper.

Saturday, September 9, 1978. Fair, hot, 93°. Pete to men's breakfast. I canned 3 ½ quarts tomatoes. Put 3 pints lima beans in freezer. Gave Mary some. Shampooed my hair. Finished cleaning. We took Mary home from hospital at 2:30. She's feeling pretty good, kinda weak. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, September 10, 1978. Another hot day. We went to 2nd service. Ron sang solo. We had our small group meeting at noon. Went to Maplewood Park. Dan Stalters & we only ones for dinner. Kay Ann Franzen came awhile. Came home at to: 30. I finished scrapbook from trip to Japan. Gathered few flower seeds. Talked to Allens in evening. They're okay.

Monday, September 11, 1978. Fair, 91° but more breeze. I washed & ironed. Went to Brittany at 11:30. Nurses group met. Had nice time. Got home at 2:30. Cleaned furniture & drapes & bookshelves. Worked in garden awhile in evening.

Tuesday, September 12, 1978. Partly cloudy, good breeze, in 80s. I went to prayer group at Alta Litwillers. Cleaned living & dining room in p.m. Cleaned rug. We went to town at 5:00. Mary & we ate at Steak n' Shake, then to Stutzmans. Helped Ella Bauman quilt.

Wednesday, September 13, 1978. Fair, 90°, rather windy. We went to town at 8:00, volunteered at hospital. Went to Eastland after lunch. Did some shopping. I baked cookies in p.m. Gave Rons some. Had letter from Marie Kaufman. She seems hopeful. Is taking therapy. Jo taught school at Heyworth.

Thursday, September 14, 1978. Cloudy in morning, had 4/10 inch rain. Clear in p.m., cooler. I canned 3 quarts tomatoes. Went to HEA with Dorothy S[ingley]. Mabel along. I went to hospital

at 5:00. Helped register for Arthritic Seminar. Pete to Marie's. They & Jack Poists [Virginia Ijams & husband] to Barney's. Jo started working at Carlock elevator.

Friday, September 15, 1978. Partly cloudy, nice day. I baked angel food cake & made dressing for Jo. Did cleaning. Pete did some painting on west side of house. Got groceries. Got Jon at school. Marty & Ron at Gail Bressner's. Jo, Jon and we to Gail's at 4:00. He had his sale. Marty sold boar for \$900. He bought a gilt. We came home at 9:30. Allens & Pam got here at 10:30.

Saturday, September 16, 1978. Fair, in 80s. Allens left at 6:30 for Bluffton. Good to have them but time was short. We went to Joe Stutzman's sale at 10:30. Large crowd. Came home at 1:30. I washed sheets & bedspread & shampooed my hair. We went to town at 5:15. Got Marie. Met Jack Poists and Gary Ijams at motel and on to *Riesers* (sp?) at Downs. Nice evening. I took cake. CRs there too.

Sunday, September 17, 1978. Had one half inch rain early morning. Had storms in Livingston County & Iowa near Grinnell. We went to church. I ushered again. Lucy C[atherine], Mary & we to Grand Café for dinner, then to Eureka to see Eds. They're about same. Went to Congregational meeting in evening.

Monday, September 18, 1978. Rained most of morning, 4/10 inch, fair in p.m., 88°, humid. I washed & ironed. Jim Waltner gave us some tomatoes. Canned 5 quarts & made 1 ½ pints yellow tomato preserves. Pete helped Mohrs in PM.

Tuesday, September 19, 1978. Fair, hot and humid, 90°. I went to prayer group at Lynn Romyn. Made part of dessert for tomorrow. Did some cleaning. Pete took truck to church in morning. Got some lumber & junk. Jo to work at elevator. Had long day.

Wednesday, September 20, 1978. Fair, hot, 98°, humid. Showered in evening, little cooler. I made lemon dessert & got things ready for club. 20 adults & 5 children here. Virginia & Jack Poist hear for supper. Mabel brought casserole & apple crisp. A big day.

Thursday, September 21, 1978. Cloudy, much cooler, 66° high. Quite a change. I went to Annual Hospital Auxiliary meeting at Decatur. Carolyn Brown, Evelyn B, Margaret B & Chris Sanders. Rachel had 4 others. Good meeting. Got home at 4:30. Pete home all day. I went to arthritic seminar in evening. Was at Consistory. Jo taught school at Heyworth.

Friday, September 22, 1978. Clear, 45° in morning, 70° p.m. Did cleaning. Got endive for Merle. Pete dug few sweet potatoes. We went to town at 2:30. Did some shopping. Got ½ bushel apples & peach culls. Merle, Mary & we to Elms at El Paso at 5:00. Mary paid for our dinner. Was very good. Jo worked at Elevator.

Saturday, September 23, 1978. Fair, cool. Pete to men's breakfast. I put quart & pint of peaches in freezer & made peach cobbler. Finished cleaning. Shampooed my hair. Marty & Jon here for

lunch. Ron to Chicago. Was accepted into American Chaplaincy Association. Glad for him. Jo working. We went to hospital at 3:00. Worked until 8:30.

Sunday, September 24, 1978. Another fine day, little warmer. We went to church. I fixed dinner for guests but had none at church so invited James Waltners & Twyla Schmidt. We went to reception at Bob Stutzmans for Gary & Julie, then to Farm Bureau Field to Ropp Rally for Gorden. Had steak. Had good crowd. Jack Poist's, Marie there. Mary with us to. Golda Rupp passed away.

Monday, September 25, 1978. Clear, windy in morning, chilly, 72° in PM. I washed & ironed. Ron on vacation. He ate lunch here. He and Pete hauled tin & iron scraps to town. I went to Dr. McGinnis at 2:00. Had good report for which I'm grateful. I done some shopping. Jo working late.

Tuesday, September 26, 1978. Clear, fine day. I went to prayer group at Marge Nesters. Pete & Ron worked on scrapbook in morning. I cleaned bathroom & Cedar closet. Made lemon dessert for meeting at church tomorrow. Picked a few strawberries. Marie & Irene Lowery here awhile in p.m. We & Mary to visitation for Goldie Rupp. Then to Heritage group at Ina Sutters. Gave Jon money for birthday.

Wednesday, September 27, 1978. Partly cloudy, cool. We went to hospital at 8:00. Volunteered. I saw Mrs. Thom for Reach to Recovery. We went to Goldie Rupp's funeral at 1:30. I baked angel food cake in p.m. Baked apples. Got supper for Rons. Had barbecued ribs. Ate late.

Thursday, September 28, 1978. Clear, cool, 40s in morning. I cleaned hallway, cleaned cupboards & washed curtains. Cleaned kitchen. Pete helped Ron & Robert Patton move Robert's furniture etc. from Ron's house & garage. We went to town at 5:00 to bank. Ate at Ponderosa. I went to last meeting of Arthritic Seminar at Consistory. Helped register. Pete to show ("Heaven Can Wait").

Friday, September 29, 1978. Fair, cool, 44° in morning. Did cleaning and waxed kitchen floor. Cleaned fruit room in PM. Ron here for lunch. He & Pete worked in barn yard and in Ron's garage. I gathered flower seeds. Home in evening. Ron has pastoral care families out for Wiener roast.

Saturday, September 30, 1978. Mostly cloudy, chilly, 65°. Had shower early morning. I cleaned recreation room in morning. Baked pumpkin bread. Pete worked outside. We took papers, etc. to recycle in PM. Got groceries. Jo working.

Sunday, October 1, 1978. Clear, fine day, cool. We went to first service. Helped get ready for communion. Then set up for 2nd service. Also had to usher both services. We went to Mary's for dinner. Marie there too. We took Marty to YPU at 5:30. Rons at Lake Bloomington. Dunns had hospital administration. We stopped to see Al Mohr. Jon here awhile. I wrote letters.

Monday, October 2, 1978. Fair, cloudy in evening, had light shower. I washed & ironed. Laundered tablecloths from communion table. Cleaned laundry & furnace room in PM. Pete mowed lawn in p.m. Had sinus headache. Ron & Jo to work. 4-H Wiener roast at Gordons in evening. Rained in evening.

Tuesday, October 3, 1978. Mostly cloudy, cool, in 60s. Got ready for prayer group. Marge Nester, Alma G[alloway], Alta L[itwiller], Kay Ann Fransen, Lynn Romyn [here]. Jo here awhile as she didn't have to work on account of rain. Went to Good Will with Jeanette.

Wednesday, October 4, 1978. Had shower early a.m. Partly cloudy, cool. Went to hospital at 8:00. Volunteered. Potted some plants in p.m. Went to Golden West for supper. Pete to Pastoral Care meeting. I went to Mary's. Helped quilt on baby quilt for auxiliary.

Thursday, October 5, 1978. Fair in morning, cloudy, windy and colder in p.m., 60° in PM. We went to auxiliary meeting at 9:00. Did some shopping in p.m. I put 3 quarts cauliflower in freezer. Gave Jo one. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I went to alumni meeting in evening. Jo worked late, [until] 10:30.

Friday, October 6, 1978. Cloudy, windy, cold, 50° – 52°. Did cleaning. Went to Richard Dunns (attorney). Had our will updated & Pete transferred half of farm to me. We went to Mall. Volunteered for Tel-Med at Mennonite display for Health Fair from 12:30 to 4:00. Got Mary. She took us to Red Lobster for supper. Merle was going but not able.

Saturday, October 7, 1978. Partly cloudy, cool. Pete to men's breakfast. He put potatoes, onions in basement. We picked some little tomatoes. Marty & Jon here for dinner. Rons working. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30, Gift Shop & Info Desk. Jo worked late.

Sunday, October 8, 1978. Clear, had some Frost, nice day. Got things ready for dinner. Went to 2nd service. Men's chorus saying. Ron & Jon sang with them. Very good. We had church picnic at noon. Was to be at Fairview, but cool so had it in East building. Were home in p.m. & evening. Jo to work in p.m.

Monday, October 9, 1978. Fair, windy, warmer, 70° plus. I washed and ironed. Canned 4 quarts tomato juice. Pete took nails out of boards. We put storm windows in. We took Marty & Jon to town at 3:00. Helped Marty by some jeans for his birthday. We & Mary took boys to Sizzling Steak House for supper. Ron to Chicago at 4:30, [he] flew. Jo at work.

Tuesday, October 10, 1978. Cloudy, showered some. Baked quick coffeecake. Went to prayer group at Kay Ann Fransen. Went to Eastland. Got pair of tan slacks on sale. Went to church in p.m. Helped finish quilting baby quilt for auxiliary. Canned 5 quarts tomato juice in evening.

Wednesday, October 11, 1978. Mostly cloudy, in 60s. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Pete took load of iron scraps to town in p.m. I shortened pair of slacks. Marie & Irene Lowery

here awhile. Marie got her old dolls. Wants to have them repaired. Worked on quilt. Home in evening.

Thursday, October 12, 1978. Fair, cloudy in evening. Pete to jury duty. Wasn't selected. Came home at noon. I went to Home Extension. Mabel along. I went to committee meeting at Roelie Homan's for Kitchen & Fellowship plans for church. We, Merle, Mary & Marie to Red Bud at 5:00. Good food.

Friday, October 13, 1978. Fair in morning, cloudy in p.m. & showered some. Colder. Did cleaning. Went to Harvella's at 8:30. Had permanent. Pete to town. I went to hospital to see Mrs. *Wickendgust* (sp?), Reach for Recovery. I baked pumpkin pie & peanut butter cookies. Got supper. Rons here. Had waffles & sausage.

Saturday, October 14, 1978. Partly cloudy, cold, in 50s. Pete, Ron & Marty went fishing at Fairview. I baked coffeecake braid. Finished cleaning. We went to town at 1:00. Took Merle to bank. Got Mary. We went to Eureka to *Rockes* (sp?) & to see Eds. Went to Elms for supper. Took Merle home. Went to US Army Field Band & Chorus at Consistory.

Sunday, October 15, 1978. Partly cloudy, very windy, cold. We went to 2nd service. Home for dinner & in PM. Watched World Series. Dodgers got beat. Allen called in evening. They & Pilgrims are coming Thursday evening on way to Bluffton.

Monday, October 16, 1978. Partly cloudy, windy, cold, high 52°. Pete to jury duty. Came home at noon. I washed & ironed. Put flower seeds away. Mended some. Cooked squash. Pete dug Dahlia bulbs & some carrots. Mabel got endive & squash. Rons at work.

Tuesday, October 17, 1978. Heavy Frost in morning, 30°, clear, nice day. Pete to jury, was dismissed at 10:30. I went to prayer group at Alma G[alloway]'s. I baked 2 batches bars in p.m. Mary here. We went to Birkelbaws, got apples. I made 1 ½ quarts tomato juice. Pearl had hemorrhage in right eye. Packed box of bars & cookies for Steve & Jeff.

Wednesday, October 18, 1978. Partly cloudy, showered little late p.m., warmer, low 60s. I baked pumpkin pie. Went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. I went to Garfield winner loser at Normal City Hall room. Pete volunteered awhile. He did some shopping. I dusted up house & baked apple crisp. Alvin and Vera Beachy got here at 7:00. Rons came awhile. Got to bed late.

Thursday, October 19, 1978. Fair, in 60s, nice day. We and Alvin's and Jo to hospital at 10:30. Vera had hair done at hospital beauty shop. I saw Pearl. She had hemorrhage in right eye. Can't see out of it. Ron took Alvins on tour of hospital & Health Center. We all had lunch at hospital. Left Alvins at 2:00. They went to Melvin Clemens. Jo & we home. I washed 2 loads. Shampooed my hair. Jo pinned it up. Packed suitcases. Allens, Pam & [Dick] Pilgrims & *Melline* (sp?) got here at 11:15 PM.

Friday, October 20, 1978. Clear, fine day. Had late breakfast. Shirley to see her mother awhile. Allens & Dicks left at 12:10 for Bluffton. Jo, Jon, Pete & I left same time to town. Took some baked things to bazaar. Jo did a few errands. We left for Bluffton at 11:10. Got to Franklin Basingers at 7:30 our time. Jo on to Rosalee's. Marcella had some supper for us. Got to bed late again. Allens & Dicks to Emerson [Miller]s.

Saturday, October 21, 1978. Fair, near 80°, fine day. Franklin's and we to BC homecoming, to coronation of Queen. Saw Steve & Jeff, also Allens. Toured new Science Building. Jo there too. We went back to Frank's for lunch, then to ballgame. Bluffton 6, Defiance 16. Allens & Dicks to banquet in evening. We went to Steve's room after game. Franks and Harold Bixels took us to Finley to Bill Knapp Restaurant. Went to Heralds.

Sunday, October 22, 1978. We went to church. Back to Franks for dinner. Steve, Jeff, Diane Brinkman and Cindy Ramseyer and Harold Bixels there. Allens & Dicks left for home at 3:00. Jo & we left at 2:20. Thankful for good trip & lovely weekend. Foliage was gorgeous.

Monday, October 23, 1978. Cloudy in morning, had rain early a.m., fair in p.m., colder. I washed & ironed. Went to town at 12:30. June [Jantze], Roelie [Homan], Phyllis King & I to Meadows church to see the Fellowship Hall & Kitchen. Pete took iron, etc. to town. I washed sheets & towels in evening. Got endive & lettuce in.

Tuesday, October 24, 1978. Fair, nice day. I went to prayer group at Alta Litwillers. Pete did some errands. We went to Auxiliary Annex. They were having ½ price sale. We came home at 2:00. Counted money. Got to bank just before closing. Bazaar made little over \$3000. We ate at Grand Café. Went to Heritage group at Larry Jantze's.

Wednesday, October 25 1978. Rained most of morning & rained again in evening. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Met Marie at noon. She & I to Jack Lewis. She wanted me to pick out jewelry for Christmas. She, Mary & we to Cambridge Inn for dinner. Were home in PM.

Thursday, October 26, 1978. Cleared off in morning, 38° in morning 55° [later]. I baked pecan rolls and pumpkin pie. Gave Rons some of each. Pete worked outside a while in p.m. I cleaned silverware.

Friday, October 27, 1978. Clear, nice day. Did cleaning. I went to town in morning. Baked coffeecake braid in p.m. Pete worked outside. Pulled flowers in garden. We went with Earl & Marie Kaufman to Elk's for supper. Went to (unclear). Marie had IU. She seems some better although her speech is about same. Ron to Alton to meeting, pastoral counselors. Allens, Bob S[tutzmans] and [Bill] Dunns at (unclear).

Saturday, October 28, 1978. Fine day, in 50s. We went to genealogical meeting at Hopedale church. Went with Gerald Galloway's. I washed & ironed when got home. Packed suitcases. Ron home from Alton. They went to Bluffton alumni dinner at El Paso.

Sunday, October 29, 1978. Clear, beautiful day, warmer. Pete and I left at 7:30 for Allens. Got here at 2:00. Good trip. Sure surprised Allens. Deb & Pam knew we were coming. Allens home from Amana at 1:00. About 30 [people] at Allen's. Friends came in evening. Surprised them. Shirley Pilgrim & Deb got it up. Deb baked cake for them. Had sandwiches, ice cream & cake.

Monday, October 30, 1978. Fair, nice day. Allen and Shirley to work. Home at noon. Pam to school. I made vegetable soup. Washed some on quilt. Pete & I uptown awhile in morning. Debbie here awhile in p.m. We took Allens & Pam to Hickey Park at Ames for supper. Debbie & Randy came after we got home. Jo started working at Provident Book Store.

Tuesday, October 31, 1978. Partly cloudy, nice day. Allen and Pete to Kiwanis breakfast at 7:00. Shirley & Allen to work. We left for home at 8:15. Got here at 2:15. Had a lovely weekend & grateful for good trip. Pete got Marty at school at 5:00. We went to Rons for supper.

Wednesday, November 1, 1978. Clear, warmer, fine day. We went to hospital at 8:00. Volunteered. Pete to finance committee meeting in p.m. Mary & I went to Kmart and Provident Book Store. Got yarn for Mary to make me an Afghan. Lynn Rader plowed truck patch.

Thursday, November 2, 1978. Clear, another fine day. We went to auxiliary meeting at 9:00. Went to June [Jantze]'s after lunch. Took my blue silk dress for some altering. I washed car after got home. Mary & we took Merle to Streids for her birthday. Gave her [a] towel set.

Friday, November 3, 1978. Fine day, 73°. Did cleaning. Pete cleaned off garden & spaded some. Baked coffeecake braid & apple crisp. Pete sold truck. We went to town. Changed title. Were home in evening. Worked on quilt.

Saturday, November 4, 1978. Beautiful day, in 70s. Pete to men's breakfast. I shampooed my hair & made vegetable soup. Ron & Pete set up to dress Ron's chickens. Pete to Congerville Museum with Steve Estes. I dressed 8 hens. Ron helped me. Paul Millers, Don Nesters, Jo Clemens's, Bill Dunns here in p.m. Dressed chickens. Mabel here awhile. Got 5 hens. Mary here, got 3. We worked at hospital, 5 to 8:30. Some of group had wiener roast at Rons.

Sunday, November 5, 1978. Cloudy in p.m., little cooler. We went to first service. To Mary's for dinner, home awhile in p.m. We went to church in evening. Had baptismal service & reception of [new] members and communion. An impressive service. Rained in night.

Monday, November 6, 1978. Rained all morning, cloudy and cooler. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I washed & ironed. Put summer clothes away. Worked some on quilt. Mary, Merle & we to Ozark House. We got Jon at NCHS at 7:00. Took him to 4-H meeting. Ron & Jo working.

Tuesday, November 7, 1978. Clear, nice day, 54°. We went to hospital at 8:00 to get ready for bake sale in connection with Gift Shop Christmas sale. Don't have too much, but took in nearly \$182. Pete and I took care of sale. Got home at 1:30. I baked brownies & chocolate chip cookies.

Pete spaded some in garden. We went to Bill Lawrence at 8:00 to celebrate Gordon's election to House of Representatives. Took CRs & Marie. Milo Miller passed away.

Wednesday, November 8, 1978. Fair, nice day. Pete to hospital, volunteered in Coffee Shop in morning. I went with Evelyn Bertsche to Illinois Women's Fellowship. 140 for there. Joyce Gerhardt speaker. I baked 2 recipes of apple cake. Pete spaded garden. Pete to pastoral care committee meeting. I worked on quilt.

Thursday, November 9, 1978. Fair, nice day, in 60s. Pete took Mabel and I to Town Hall, HEA. We were hostess. We took dessert. Marie got us at 2:00. Went to Pekin to visitation for Milo Miller. Pete finished spading in garden & had interview with Pantagraph reporter about 100 year old farm. I worked on quilt. Ron & Marty to Bluffton at 5:00.

Friday, November 10, 1978. Another fine day, 64°. Did cleaning. We went to Milo Miller's funeral at Pekin at 11:00. Had large crowd. We went to home for lunch. Left at 1:45. Went to Mennonite Hospital to see Mrs. Slayback, Reach for Recovery. Went to June [Jantze]'s. Got my silk dress & blouse she altered. Got groceries. Jo had day off from Provident [Book Store]. She taught at Oakdale.

Saturday, November 11, 1978. Cloudy, cooler. I spaded flower bed. Jon & we to Congerville at 10:30. Open house at museum. Jo at work. Pete and Jon mowed lawn, crushed leaves. I shampooed my hair. Made sample quilt block. We went to Waltners at 7:00. Warner Fransen showed pictures of Russia. Henry Pankratz there. Ron & Marty home in evening. Put dirt on roses.

Sunday, November 12, 1978. Cloudy, chilly, misted some. We went to first service. Ate at White House, new restaurant. Got ready for small group meeting. Dan Stalters, Kay Ann Fransen & girls here. Rest of group couldn't come. We had dessert.

Monday, November 13, 1978. Cloudy, rained some in p.m., in 60s. I washed & ironed. We went to town in p.m. Mary along. Shopped some. Got Marty at school at 5:00. Ron & Jo working late.

Tuesday, November 14, 1978. Fair, colder, in 40s. I went to prayer group at Kay Ann Fransen's. Pete to bank. Did some other shopping. Got cards at Provident [Bookstore]. Pete to dentist. We were going to Eureka but got too late. Mary & I uptown. Shopped some.

Wednesday, November 15, 1978. Cloudy, colder. I went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I got clothes hamper for Marie's Christmas. I sowed the cross stitch quilt together. Got supper. Ron and boys here. Had catfish. Jo working.

Thursday, November 16, 1978. Cloudy, rained in p.m. and evening, windy, chilly, 43°. I baked apple bread. Mary & I to Hudson in morning (Darlene's). Didn't get anything. I went to club with Dorothy S[ingley] to ISU. Marie & Mary were hostesses. Basting girls showed pictures. Pete & I worked at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Ron to Denver to meeting, [he] flew. Rained in night.

Friday, November 17, 1978. Cloudy, rained some early, very windy, colder in p.m. Did cleaning. Mabel and I to Town Hall, HEA. Had workshop. Made mat & started macramé. Came home at noon. Made chili. Steve & Jeff came at 7:20. We all, Mary & Marie at Jo's for supper.

Saturday, November 18, 1978. Fair, nice day. Pete to men's breakfast. I did some laundry for Steve. Shampooed my hair. Boys to see Mrs. Yeakel. We took Marty & Jon to Eastland. Barbershoppers sang at 1:00. Jo to Menno Haven. I made salad. We, Mary & Marie & boys to Cambridge Inn for supper. Jo & Jon to Peoria. Met Ron at 9:00, back from Denver.

Sunday, November 19, 1978. Cloudy, gloomy & chilly. We went to 2nd service. Had carry in dinner at church for mission Sunday. Boys and we home after dinner. They left for Bluffton at 2:20. Pete & I to Pearls. Marie, Mabel & Gordons there. Pearl gave me 2 cut glass dishes. Didn't stay as she didn't feel good. Marie took her back to hospital.

Monday, November 20, 1978. Cloudy, low 30s, few showers mixed with snow. Washed & ironed. Pete worked on books. We went to town at 12:15. Roelie Homan, June J[antze] & I met at nurses home for New Fellowship Hall. Got Merle. Took her to Gailey's at 3:00. Got Marty at school at 5:00. Got Mary & Marie. Merle took us to Streid's.

Tuesday, November 21, 1978. Cloudy, few flurries, cold. Had prayer group here in morning. Alma G[alloway], Alta L[itwiller], Lynn R & Marge N[ester]. We & Mary to Eureka in p.m. To see Ed's. Ed hasn't felt very well. Ron & boys took Jo out to eat in evening.

Wednesday, November 22, 1978. Mostly cloudy, misted some in evening. We went to hospital at 8:00. Volunteered. June Jantze & I to downs in p.m. to Charlotte's Web. I got lining & batting for Steve's quilt & material for Jeff's. Pete at hospital. Worked in Coffee Shop. I made salad in evening. We were home.

Thursday, November 23, 1978. Cloudy, chilly. I washed sheets from upstairs & stirred up cookies. We went to Rays at noon. Rons, CRS, Marie, Mary, Pearl & May Mohr & Carol's folks there. Had a nice day & much to be thankful for. I took layered salad. Talked to Allens. Steve and Jeff home.

Friday, November 24, 1978. Fair, nice day, 40s. Did cleaning. I baked pecan rolls & cookies. Made quilt back. Ironed sheets. Gave Rons rolls & cookies.

Saturday, November 25, 1978. Partly cloudy, nice day. Finished cleaning. Shampooed my hair. Wally Denzer putting up hog house for Rons. Pete put cones on roses. We went to town at 11:30 to bank & done some shopping. Got alarm clock for Jeff, hot pot for Steve & pocket calculator for Ron. We got new radio for kitchen. Went to Nancy (sp?) Heiser wedding at Miller Park Pavilion. Had buffet luncheon at 4:00.

Sunday, November 26, 1978. Had some snow last night, cloudy, rained in p.m. mixed with sleet. We went to first service. We & Rons to Mary's for dinner. Ron called to hospital in p.m. Jo & Marty home with us.

Monday, November 27, 1978. Cloudy, few snow flurries. Pete took car to garage at 8:00. Had tuneup. I washed & ironed. Went to town with Jo at noon. Met Pete. I went to committee meeting at Homans. Pete to Glenn M[axwell]'s awhile. We took Mary & went uptown. She got a red pants suit for me for Christmas. Got her a necklace. Pete and I to Eastland. Got picture arranger & gloves for Shirley. Got Allen shirt. Home in evening. Rons working.

Tuesday, November 28, 1978. Fair, 17° in morning. I went to prayer group at Alta L[itwiller]'s. Met Laura Otto Stanback & Irene Lowery at Sambo's. Had lunch. Went to June's at 1:00. She helped me cut blocks to set Jeff's quilt together & cut out apron. Went to hospital to see Miss Schrock, Reach for Recovery. Pete did odd jobs. Packed suitcases. We went to Heritage [Group] at J[ohn] Bertsche's.

Wednesday, November 29, 1978. Cloudy at home. We left at 7:15 for Memphis. Got to Pauls at 4:20. Had some showers from Springfield to St. Louis. Fair in p.m. Thankful for good trip. Good to see Pauls. They are fine.

Thursday, November 30, 1978. Fair, nice day. Everyone to school. Paul home at noon. Had class after supper. Marjorie gone all day. Class in evening too. We addressed Christmas cards. We raked along drive way & all of front yard. Lots of leaves.

Friday, December 1, 1978. Fair, fine day, 66°. Marjorie home, didn't have class. Worked on a paper. Did laundry. Pete & I to market. Got pecans & walnuts to take home. We finished raking the lawn. Sure lot of leaves. Had delicious Chinese food in evening.

Saturday, December 2, 1978. Partly cloudy, 73°, nice day. Paul, Amy & we to one of old homes with Christmas decorations. Shopped some. We got Andy stopwatch. Home for lunch. Pete & Paul replaced broken window in living room & put up basketball hoop. Marj & I went shopping. Got her bedroom slippers, Paul turtleneck, Benjy shirt, Amy shirt & slacks. Got Benjy calendar too. We took Paul's to Magic Pan at Germantown. Had ice cream at home.

Sunday, December 3, 1978. Started to rain early a.m. Rained hard most of day. Had between 5 & 7 inches. We went to church. Had nice service. Were at Paul's for lunch. Paul, Andy, Amy & we to Benefit Christmas Home. Paul sang with Barbershoppers quartet. Benjy at friend's house. Marj studying. We stopped at university library to see books [Paul] got from Japan.

Monday, December 4, 1978. We left Pauls at 8:00. Cloudy in till noon. Nice day to travel. Got home at 5:15. Thankful for a safe trip. Unpacked & did some laundry.

Tuesday, December 5, 1978. Fair. I went to prayer group at Alma G[alloway]'s. Baked the fruitcakes in PM. I went to Women's Fellowship Christmas meeting. Had homemade gift exchange. Pete home. Worked on auxiliary books.

Wednesday, December 6, 1978. Cloudy, chilly. We went to hospital, volunteered. I saw Mrs. Adams, Reach for Recovery. We, Mary and Marie to new Katy O'Toole Pancake House for supper. Pete to Pastoral Care Committee meeting. Mary & I to Marie's. Started to rain & sleet in night.

Thursday, December 7, 1978. Cloudy, cold. Ground covered with sleet & ice. Lot of meetings canceled including the annual auxiliary meeting. I baked 2 pumpkin pies. Went to grocery store in morning. Baked ginger cookies & sewed some on Merle's apron. Got supper. Rons here.

Friday, December 8, 1978. Cloudy, 14° in morning, turned colder, 10° at noon. Snowed some in morning. Did cleaning. Pete finished cracking nuts we brought from Memphis. I baked carrot & yummy cookies & iced them. I finished and apron for Merle. Home in evening.

Saturday, December 9, 1978. Fair, cold, 4° above. I baked coffeecake braid & Crescent cookies. We went to town awhile in p.m. Shampooed my hair. Ron went to Congerville. Cut [Christmas] trees for them & us. Franzie Loepp helped him put in glass in front of their house.

Sunday, December 10, 1978. Fair, cold, zero. We went to 2nd service. Went to Anton and Lynne Romyn for dinner. Mary along. Carol & *Rawsey Farren* (sp?) & Boys there too. Had a nice time.

Monday, December 11, 1978. Fair, warmed up some, up to 34° during day. I washed & ironed. Baked cashew & sugar cookies & iced them. Made fruit balls.

Tuesday, December 12, 1978. Fair, warmer, 42°. Lot of ice melted. I went to prayer group at Lynne Romyn. Baked press cookies. We went to Downs. Got more print material for quilt. Stopped at June's. She's shortening new slacks for me. We went to hospital at 4:00. Volunteered.

Wednesday, December 13, 1978. Fair in morning, cloudy PM, windy & colder, in 20s. We went to hospital at 8:00 (volunteered). Shopped. Got Jo blouse. Got Merle, took her to Dr. at 2:30. She took us to Streid's. Went to her apartment awhile. Sang carols. I baked date bread when got home. Orvie called, he's coming the 22nd.

Thursday, December 14, 1978. Fair, windy, in 30s. I went to Home Extension. Had silent auction. I took date bread. Mabel with me. We put up Christmas tree when got home. We took CRs & Marie to Art Siegs for supper. Edgar's, Mildred [Burwitz], Nina & Clarence Siegs there. Had nice time.

Friday, December 15, 1978. Clear, 43°, nice day. Did cleaning. Waxed kitchen floor. Finished putting up decorations. Went to visitation for Wayne *Lucus* (sp?), then to potluck supper at Basting sisters. Had old neighbors, Hastings, Mohrs, Meyers, Bastings. 25 there. Nice evening.

Saturday, December 16, 1978. Fair, windy, 39°. Pete to men's breakfast. I shampooed my hair. Made caramels & cheese ball. I didn't feel good, stomach upset. Were to go to Bob Stutzman's 25th anniversary supper, but didn't feel like going.

Sunday, December 17, 1978. Nice day. We went to 2nd service. Had surprise luncheon. We went to Ruth Zehr's. Galloways, Arlene Litwiller & her mother & Mary Stanberry there. We came home at 3:00. Went back to church at 4:30 for dessert. Had Christmas program at 6:00. Nice program & enjoyed the day.

Monday, December 18, 1978. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m., 41°. Washed & ironed. Made penuchi & wrapped gifts. We went with CRs to Edgar's. Mary & Marie along too. Art & Helen [Sieg] there.

Tuesday, December 19, 1978. Cloudy, in 30s, misted some in evening. I went to prayer group at Marge Nesters. Pete took some things to Thrift Shop. We went to Eastland, shopped some. Went to Merle's. Took her gifts, apron, candle. Took her some oysters & fresh pineapple. I wrapped gifts. Were home in evening.

Wednesday, December 20, 1978. Very foggy in morning, misted & rained some in morning. Colder in p.m., very windy in evening. Went to hospital, volunteered. Hospital had Christmas dinner at noon. I went to club at Sandy Schwoerer with Marie. We got Merle at 5:00. She took us, Earl [Kaufman]s & Herald [Patton]s to Barney's.

Thursday, December 21, 1978. Nice day, 30s. Fixed box for mailman. Dusted up house. Made salad & cinnamon apples & chili. Edgars, Mary, Marie & CRs here. Had oyster stew & chili. Inviting Rons but Jo sick. [She] didn't work.

Friday, December 22, 1978. Clear, fine day. Straightened up house. Washed some slacks. Pete worked outside awhile. We went to town at 12:30. Went to Harvella [Stutzman]'s, had hair done. Orvie got here at 2:00 PM. Came with Harvey Roths. Glad they had good trip. Orvie here all night.

Saturday, December 23, 1978. Partly cloudy, rather windy, in 30s. I washed & ironed. Mary, Orvie & we to Eureka at noon. Took Ed out to eat. We went to Home, visited with them. They are about same. Wen Lang and Kathy Lin came as we got home. Brought box of candy. We met Edgars at Cambridge [Inn] at 5:00. Had dinner together. I made salad & wrapped boys' gifts.

Sunday, December 24, 1978. Cloudy, misted some early a.m., turned colder at noon. We went to early service. Orvie & we at Mary's for dinner. We came at home at 3:30. Went to candlelight service at 6:00. Rons in charge of service. Nice service. Marie, CRs & Rays there. We all went to Marie's. I took salad. Rons, Mary & we had gift exchange with Marie. Orvie at Mary's all night. I got necklace from Marie, Pete money.

Monday, December 25, 1978. Fair, nice day, 30s. Got breakfast at 10:00. Rons, Mary & Orvie here. Had our gift exchange. I got stick pin, More-for-Less Cookbook and Full Circle book & All in Our Family picture frame with some pictures. Pete got 2 books & Swiss calendar. I got pants suit & blouse from Mary. We went to Rons at 3:30. I took oyster dressing, cranberries & cookies. Bill Dunns & Bob Crumplers there. Mary took rolls, Irene pies & Mrs. Crumpler sweet potatoes. Had nice evening & nice Christmas. Marie at CRs. We talked to Allens.

Tuesday, December 26, 1978. Fair, colder. Orvie, Mary & we to Eureka at 11:30. We got decorated cake for their 63rd anniversary. Oliver Yoders & we had dinner with them at the Home. Got home at 3:20. I got things ready for supper. Rons & Orvie here. Mary at Clara Brodbeck's for supper. Orvie here all night.

Wednesday, December 27, 1978. Clear, 12° in morning, nice day. We took Orvie to Stalters at Eureka. Got there, 7:15. They left for Missouri. We went to hospital, volunteered. I saw Mrs. Fletcher, Reach for Recovery. I washed in p.m. & ironed. Ron & Jo to work. Jon to Tim Kaufman's birthday party.

Thursday, December 28, 1978. Cloudy, windy, chilly, 32°. Sleeted in evening. We went to town at 10:00. Pete had executive auxiliary meeting. I visited with Pearl & saw Florence. Met Mary at hospital at noon. We went uptown. I took shell blouse back, too large. Got cross stitch quilt at Klemms. Went to Eastland. Mary got quilt there. We went to CRs in evening. Paul called, they're coming Sunday.

Friday, December 29, 1978. Cloudy, rather slick in morning, rained most of day, 35°. Did cleaning. Baked pecan rolls. Went to bank & grocery store in PM. Allen called at noon. They & Pam were coming if roads not too bad. They started but roads to icy. Went back home. He called at 4:30 again. Sure disappointed. Jon here for dinner. Ron & Marty to sale at Deer Creek.

Saturday, December 30, 1978. Cloudy, foggy, turned colder in p.m. Had some freezing drizzle & sleet in evening. I washed & ironed. Shampooed my hair. Made some quilt blocks. Normal police found Mrs. Yeakel at 7:30 a.m. at Linden & College. Very confused. Called Allens. They got here at 7:00. So glad to see them. Roads slick from Peoria here. Allens stayed with Mrs. Yeakel all night. Pam here. Paul called this morning. They can't come. Car trouble & bad weather. Sure disappointed.

Sunday, December 31, 1978. Cloudy, freezing rain and sleet. Little snow most of day. Very disagreeable. Bad driving. Pam & we to first service. Allen & Shirley took Mrs. Yeakel to Brokaw ER. Dr. thinks she had light stroke. I got dinner. Had chicken casserole. Allens, Rons, Mary & Marie & Rachel Clemens here. Shirley to her mother's in p.m. Pam & Rachel to show in evening. Pam home with Rachel. Rons to New Year's Eve program at church. They took Mary & Marie home. Allens at Mrs. Yeakels.

Sunday, January 1, 1979. Snowed most of day, rather windy, falling temp. We went to Rons for the day. Allen brought Pam, Mary & Marie to Rons. Allen back to town. Ron with bill Dunn at ISU. CRs & Rays at Rons too. Allen brought Shirley out for supper. They went back to town for the night. Pam here. Gordons got back from Florida. He came to Rons awhile.

Monday, January 2, 1979. 10° below in morning, to 1° below during day. Clear. Allens & Pam left for home at 10:00. Got home at 5:30. Glad they had good trip. I washed & ironed. Rons and we to Pearls in evening. Worked in her basement. Took some old tables & a cupboard out. Lot to be done.

Tuesday, January 3, 1979. Clear, 8° below in morning, got to 10 above. We went to hospital, volunteered. Took Mary as her car is all iced over. We took tree down & put decorations away. Pete to pastoral [care] committee meeting. Boys back to school.

Wednesday, January 4, 1979. Clear, zero, 7° above. Snowed little in evening. We went to auxiliary annual meeting which was a December postponed meeting. Evelyn Bertsche new president. Pete elected treasurer again. Had potluck lunch. We took Merle to hairdresser at Eastland at 3:00. We then ate at Bob Johnson's. Jo left at 7:00 for Pennsylvania. She flew. Went for [Provident] Book Store.

Thursday, January 5, 1979. Zero in morning, got to 15° short time. Light snow most of day. Did cleaning. We took Rons truck to Pearl. Hauled junk out here & burned it. We took Mary to beauty shop & got groceries for her. I pieced some quilt blocks. Ron & boys to Chester White banquet & took 2 hogs to sale at ISU.

Friday, January 6, 1979. Fair, 2° – 5° below in morning. Up to 15°. Finished cleaning. Shampooed my hair. Got things ready for supper. Pieced quilt blocks. Steve, Jeff & Dan *Heisery* (sp?) got here at 6:00 PM. They, Ron and boys here for supper. Ron & boys to sale at ISU. Marty sold hog for \$400. Jon brought one.

Saturday, January 7, 1979. Fair, 10° above, colder in evening. We went to 2nd service. Marie, Mary & we took boys & Ron & boys to Cambridge Inn for dinner. Were home awhile in PM. Pete & I to Love Feast and Communion at 6:00. Boys stayed here. Jo was to get home from PA but planes fogged in at Pittsburgh. Ed & Stella called. Nettie in hospital since Wednesday evening. Lungs filled up. Isn't good. Erma Birkey passed away.

Monday, January 8, 1979. Clear, 9° below, up to 1 – 3° above during day. Boys left for Bluffton at 10:00. Sent some lunch with them. I washed & ironed. We & Mary to Eureka. Took Ed to see Nettie at hospital. She has pneumonia. Isn't very good. Jo got home from PA at 7:30.

Tuesday, January 9, 1979. Clear, zero. Had prayer group here. Pete sorted through Roy's files. I washed sheets & towels in p.m., also cleaned vases that were in Pearl's basement [to] take them to Thrift Shop. We went to visitation for Erma Birkey. She passed away Sunday.

Wednesday, January 10, 1979. Mostly cloudy, cold, near zero. Our electricity off from 3:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. Wire broke out at road. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Pete took Mary. I ironed sheets & worked on quilt blocks. Rons & we met Jo at Katy O'Toole at 6:30. Had supper. Then went to Pearl's. Finished cleaning out her basement. Brought another truck load out.

Thursday, January 11, 1979. Cloudy, snowed late p.m. and evening. Was 10° below in morning, up to 10° in PM. We & Mabel & Marie to Pearls. Took things out of cabinet & buffet as they were sold. Sorted some things. Were home at 2:00. June [Jantze] & Mary came out. We put Steve's quilt in frame. Quilted awhile.

Friday, January 12, 1979. Cloudy, not as cold as has been. Did cleaning. I worked on quilt. Pete looked through some files & books. We went to Paul Millers in evening. Had cheese fondue. Waltners there too. Ron & 2 consolors from Health Center to St. Louis in p.m.

Saturday, January 13, 1979. Snowed all day, about 8 inches. 29° in morning. Became windy in evening & turned colder. Snow blowing. Jo & we dressed 3 hens that they had left over. Jo & boys here for supper. Jo fixed chicken & dessert. I made rest of supper. Quilted. Roads drifted. Blizzard warnings. No mail.

Sunday, January 14, 1979. Clear, 2° below zero. Didn't get above zero all day. Temp dropped during day. Nearly all roads & churches closed, also Eastland & other businesses. I quilted. Pete scooped some snow. Snowplow went by at noon. Ron got home from St. Louis at 5:00. Roads icy until they got to Bloomington. Glad he's home. No Pantagraph. Talked to Allen. Is cold there. 20° below last night.

Monday, January 15, 1979. 21° below zero. Broke records in morning. Fair, cloudy in p.m. Had little snow late PM. Rather windy. Mohrs opened our driveway in p.m. Ron & Jo to work. No school. Jon to town with Ron. Marty here for dinner. I washed & ironed & quilted. Got mail, [it] was late.

Tuesday, January 16, 1979. Fair, 15° in morning, in 20s during day. We went to town at 10:00. Got groceries. Got some for Mary. Pete to bank for auxiliary. Went to hospital. I saw Mrs. Peacock for Reach for Recovery. Saw Pearl. She wasn't feeling very good. Rons here for supper, had pizza. Jo to building committee meeting at 8:00. Talked to Marj. They are okay.

Wednesday, January 17, 1979. Near zero in morning, in 20s, nice day. We went to hospital, volunteered. Took Mary. She came home with us in p.m. We quilted. Took Mary home as we went to Leaders Meeting for Small Groups. Club meeting at Evelyn S[shwoerer] canceled.

Thursday, January 18, 1979. Fair, zero in morning, 15° during day. I quilted most of day. Pete sorted some papers, read & played pool. Mary talked to Ed. Nettie still in hospital. Has difficulty breathing.

Friday, January 19, 1979. Mostly cloudy, drizzled, slick in morning & again in evening. Up to 30 in p.m. Did cleaning & quilted. Ron to Eureka in morning. Saw Nettie. She's little better. Ron, Jon Reimer, Meredith King took 20 NYF's to Friedenswald. Marty went too. Ron resource person at Camp. Very foggy in p.m. Hated to see them leave at 4:00. They got to camp at 10:30. Gordon had hernia surgery.

Saturday, January 20, 1979. Cloudy, warmer, got to 42° awhile in p.m. Were home all day. I shampooed my hair. Quilted.

Sunday, January 21, 1979. Cloudy, had some freezing drizzle in morning. Roads rather slick, in 20s, windy, some snow blowing in p.m. We went to 2nd service. Took Mary. Went to her house for dinner. Jo to Conklin Theater with Provident [Bookstore] employees. Jon to Nesters birthday party. Ron & Marty home at 4:00. Glad they're home. Had some slick roads.

Monday, January 22, 1979. Cloudy, in 20s, windy in p.m. & evening. Washed & ironed. Quilted some. We went to town at 1:00. Stopped to see Gordon at hospital. Took him flowers & magazine. He's doing okay. Got Mary at Thrift Shop. She was helping Ruth Zehr. We went to Eastland. Got tablecloth for Mary's birthday. She got shoes. We ate at Red Lobster.

Tuesday, January 23, 1979. Cloudy, snowed in evening and night, 5 inches. I went to prayer group at Kay Ann Fransen. Pete took Mary to dentist. I finished quilting Steve's quilt in p.m. We went with Jo to Heritage at Galloways. Ron went from hospital. He gave history of Bluffton College. Everything hanging full of snow. Looks like fairyland.

Wednesday, January 24, 1979. Having another blizzard, snow blowing, can't see Ron's house at times. 10° above. Everything closed, also schools. Our roads drifted & high drifts in our yard. Rons home. I baked coffeecakes. Gave Rons one. Made quilt blocks in p.m. Rons here for supper, waffles & sausage. All roads closed out of town.

Thursday, January 25, 1979. Clear, 3° below in morning, up to 15°. Pete, Jo & Ron scooped snow so Ron could get truck out. He & Jo to work at noon. Snowplow went by last night. Wayne Mohr here in p.m. with Cat & scoop. Cleaned out snow at garage & around barn. Snow piled high. I baked bars & worked on quilt blocks.

Friday, January 26, 1979. Mostly cloudy, near zero in morning, up to 3°. We went to town at 8:30. Pete to auxiliary board meeting. I went to Harvella's, got permanent. Stopped at June June [Jantze]'s, cut binding for my quilt. Took Mary to get hair done at 1:00. Pete home with Ron. Loaded 3 barrels for Gail Bressner to take to show at Springfield. He went back to hospital with Ron. I saw Irene Miller Birky & Mrs. Pieter for Reach for Recovery.

Saturday, January 27, 1979. Snowed all day, 5 inches. Pete to men's breakfast. I took boys to Springfield to Barrow show. They did very well. Ron & we to hospital at 11:30. Was to have

annual hospital meeting but it was called off due to whether. We took some girls home from hospital. Glad to get home. I sewed binding on quilt. Made salad.

Sunday, January 28, 1979. Cloudy, in 20s. Rons & we to church. Ron drove. We had carry in dinner & business meeting in p.m. Roads not good in morning, snowy. Ron got Mohrs' trailer in evening to take hogs to Peoria. Had [hard] time getting in yard, so much snow. Had some drifting in night.

Monday, January 29, 1979. Clear, 3° above in morning, up to 20°. Rons to work. I washed & ironed. We went to town at 11:30. Took Mary to dentist to have dentures fixed. Went to bank. She took us to Pancake House for lunch. Took Mary to get groceries. We went to Normal. I got blouse.

Tuesday, January 30, 1979. Partly cloudy, 10° above, some snow in p.m. and evening. I went to prayer group at Alma [Galloway]'s. Pete to hospital. Volunteered awhile. We went to Provident & got Merle at 1:00. Had lunch at JB's. Took Merle to Ludtke [attorney]. I took Mary to dentist to get her dentures. We were home in evening.

Wednesday, January 31, 1979. Clear, 6° above. We went to hospital, volunteered. Took Mary. Were home in PM. I worked on quilt binding. Rons & we took Mary to Grand Café for her 80th birthday.

Thursday, February 1, 1979. Clear, 10° below, 12° above during day. We went to auxiliary in morning. Mary along. She worked in Gift Shop in p.m. We were home. I worked on binding quilt. Rons had 4-H meeting in evening.

Friday, February 2, 1979. Cloudy, near zero in morning. Did all of cleaning. Cooked chicken. Shampooed my hair. Were home in evening.

Saturday, February 3, 1979. Nettie passed away at 12:30 p.m. Cloudy, cold. I made chicken casserole. Got ready for company. Jo & I had party for Mary's 80th birthday. Marie, Mabel, May M[ohr], Clara B[rodbeck], Lenore W[altner], Leatha G[ilbert], Alma G[alloway], June J[antze], Edith M[iller], Ruth Z[her] & Mary. Had casserole. Jo made 3 salads. Had relishes, ice cream & cake. Ron & Jo brought ladies out. Ron & Pete to Eureka when we got the word about Nettie. Jo, Mary & I went at 4:30. Ed doing fairly well. Talked to Pauls & Allens.

Sunday, February 4, 1979. 3° below zero, clear and cold all day. We went to 2nd service. Mary & we to Pancake House. To Mary's awhile. Took her clock to Paul Millers. We went to see Clara Brodbeck about Pearl's things in her house. Were home in evening.

Monday, February 5, 1979. Clear, 16° below zero. Around zero all day. I washed & ironed. Went to town at 10:30. Took Mary to Dr. for checkup. Had lunch at Sambo's & went to Eureka. Got Ed. Went to funeral home at 2:30 for visitation for Nettie. Ron there too. Olivers there all p.m.

Ron took Ed back to Home at 5:00. Pete & Ron home. Pete to MMA dinner at Howard Johnson's. Mary and I came back at 7:00. Ate at Howard Johnson's. Brought Pete home.

Tuesday, February 6, 1979. Clear, 3° below in morning, up to 26°. We & Mary left at 9:00 for Eureka. Got Ed & went to church for Nettie's funeral. Rons & boys there. Ron led Congregational singing & solo, "The Holy City." Was beautiful. Went back to church after the burial. Had lunch. 47 there. Pearl G back to the Home with us. We sorted some of Nettie's things & took her clothes to the Etcetera Shop. Ed did very well. Feel so sorry for him.

Wednesday, February 7, 1979. Cloudy and some snow in a.m. Clear, cold, near zero. We went to hospital. Volunteered. Mary along. She & I with Marie at noon to Baptist Church. Had salad luncheon. Ron Speaker after noon lunch. Pete & I took Mary to beauty shop at 3:00. She got permanent. We came home. Back to town. Got Marie, ate at Ponderosa. Went to Bergners. Shopped some. Pete to pastoral [care] committee meeting. We to June [Jantze]'s, quilted.

Thursday, February 8, 1979. Cold, near zero. Snowing, had 3 inches. Drifted some at noon & PM. We went to Service Company meeting in morning. Came home at 2:00. Small crowd. Our drive was drifted. Pete scooped some to get car in garage. Home Extension postponed.

Friday, February 9, 1979. Clear, cold, below zero. Up to 7° during day. Did cleaning. Pete scooped snow. Cy [Colter] came in p.m. and opened driveway. Ron left early for Freeman, S[outh] D[akota] (flew). I started setting Jeff's quilt together.

Saturday, February 10, 1979. Zero, cloudy, warmer, near 20°. Pete to men's breakfast and to pearls. Mabel and I went with Jo to pearls. Clara [Brodbeck], Jane [Brodbeck] & family, Margaret R[ader] and Janet, Bruce Otto's wife, sorted & packed Pearl's things. Everyone took what they wanted. Rest took to Thrift Shop. A big day. Marie R[opp] there too. Pete & I worked at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, February 11, 1979. Cloudy, little warmer, in 20s. We went to first service. Had our group meeting at John Bertsche's. 16 there. Had good dinner. Evelyn had ham. I took potato salad & corn. Were home in evening. Wrote Frances. Ron home from South Dakota.

Monday, February 12, 1979. Cloudy, windy. Snow blowing. Our drive drifted shut again. I washed & ironed. Mary & we to Eureka at noon. Had dinner with Ed. We took memorials to Home & did some more sorting of Nettie's things. Jon helped us open the drive when we got home.

Tuesday, February 13, 1979. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m. I went to prayer group at Lynn Romyn. Pete to Mary to have income tax taken care of. We were at Mary's for lunch. She & I to June [Jantze]'s in p.m. Quilted. Were home in evening.

Wednesday, February 14, 1979. Cloudy, misted some, very foggy p.m. & early evening. We went to hospital, volunteered. Mary along. Went to June's in p.m. Quilted. Were home in evening.

Thursday, February 15, 1979. Cloudy, 32°, misting, freezing. Streets & roads slick. I worked on setting Jeff's quilt together. Baked sugar cookies. Gave Rons some. Ron took hog to Chenoa early morning. Roads very slick. Colder in p.m. & evening. Mary at June's, quilted.

Friday, February 16, 1979. Snow flurries in morning. Up to 20° but colder in evening. Did cleaning. Went to town at 10:30 to Federal Savings & bank. Went to Eastland & grocery store. I set some blocks together in PM. Made rhubarb crisp & got supper. Rons here.

Saturday, February 17, 1979. Clear, cold, windy. 10° below early a.m. Snow blowing again. We went to Consistory at 10:30. Mary along. We got lunch ready for hospital annual meeting. Had chicken salad sandwiches, relishes, fruit cups & cookies. Ron gave report on pastoral care program. Auxiliary gave check for \$20,500 to hospital. Fairly good attendance considering whether.

Sunday, February 18, 1979. Snowed most of day, 2 inches. Fair in evening, colder in evening, near zero. We went to 2nd service. Took Mary. We went to Cambridge Inn for dinner & to Kiwanis Travelogue on the Norway. Mary to her group meeting in evening. We were home. 14° below during night.

Monday, February 19, 1979. Clear and frosty, zero. Up to 20° during day. Washed & ironed. Finished setting quilt blocks together. Merle, Marie & we to Ozark House at 4:30. Mary went to Bible class. She served refreshments.

Tuesday, February 20, 1979. Partly cloudy, warmer, 39° – 40°. Rather windy. Some drifting in morning. Melted during day. We went to town at 9:00, to prayer group at Marge Nesters. Pete to hospital & did some errands. We went to Mary's for lunch. She & we to June [Jantze]'s. Quilted. June helped put border on Jeff's quilt. Harvella [Stutzman], Edith [Miller], Leatha [Gilbert] at June's too. Had 1/3 inch rain in night.

Wednesday, February 21, 1979. Mostly cloudy. Roads very slick in places. Driveway melting & slushy. Lot of water in places. We went to hospital. Mary along. Volunteered. Mary fell on walk. Hurt her knee. Ron & boys left for Columbia Missouri hog show. Went to club meeting at Evelyn Schwoerer. Served for cancer [?]. Took Mabel & Mary. Marie came with Marie Heiser. Mary home with her.

Thursday, February 22, 1979. Cloudy, showered little, 40°, foggy in evening. Pete helping Jo with chores. I marked Jeff's quilt. Jo here for supper. She helped me make pattern for quilt border. Rained in night. Thundered & lightninged.

Friday, February 23, 1979. Very foggy in morning, 40°, fair in p.m. and colder. Did cleaning. We went to town at 9:00. Had auxiliary board meeting. Ate lunch at hospital. Took Mary to beauty shop. Went to Eastland. Got thread for quilt. I marked part of border on Jeff's quilt. Pete helping Jo chore. She went to building committee meeting in evening.

Saturday, February 24, 1979. Partly cloudy, 19°, up to 33°. Pete to men's breakfast. I finished marking Jeff's quilt and started to cross stitch on the Fort town quilt. Went to Goshen College choral [concert]. Eric Metzler here all night. Had lunch when came home. Jo here too. Ron & boys got home at 12:30 a.m. Marty bought hogs & he won the judging contest. They sold 3 hogs.

Sunday, February 25, 1979. Cloudy in morning, clear, very windy, 30°. We took student to church at 7:45. We went to Mary's & went to 1st service. Ron, Jo, Mary & we to Katie O'Toole for dinner. Then to Mary's for cherry pie. Jo to building committee meeting. Ron home with us at 2:00.

Monday, February 26, 1979. Clear, 18°, not so windy. Got to 28°. I did laundry & ironed. Mary & we to Eureka in p.m. Ed about same, rather lonely. We sorted some pictures for him. We went to grocery discount store on Vernon [Street] on way home. Edgar had heart attack, is at Mennonite.

Tuesday, February 27, 1979. Clear, 40°, nice day. Had prayer group here. Lynn [Romyn], Kay Ann [Fransen], Marge [Nester], Alma [Galloway], Ina [Suter] & Eddie Stalter here. June [Jantze] & Mary here in p.m. We put Jeff's quilt in frame. We quilted awhile. Mary stayed for supper. Took her home when we went to Heritage meeting at Tom Yoder's.

Wednesday, February 28, 1979. Cloudy, started to rain in forenoon, 37° – 40°. We went to hospital at 8:00. Took Mary. We volunteered. Home in PM. I quilted. Pete took Marty to church at 5:30. MYF to Hopedale. Pete to pastoral care meeting in evening.

Thursday, March 1, 1979. Cloudy, foggy in morning, in 30s. I baked pumpkin pie. We went to auxiliary at 10:00. Mary along. She came home with us in p.m. We quilted. Went to school at 4:45, got Marty, Jon with us. We met Jo at hospital. Had spaghetti supper for student summer program. Ron left at 8:00 for California, flew. [Mennonite] Hospital & Homes meeting. I took pie to supper.

Friday, March 2, 1979. Cloudy, 36°. Did cleaning. I baked cookies & bars. Quilted in PM. We went to Earl Kaufmans awhile in evening. Feel so sorry for Marie. Can't understand her. She writes when she wants to tell you something. Took them some cookies & bars.

Saturday, March 3, 1979. Rained and foggy most of day, in 40s, windy. We went to Singleys awhile in morning. Took cookies & bars. Dorothy still has cast on her leg. Gets around some with walker. I quilted. Jo to Camp Menno Haven. Called Allens in evening. They're okay. Allen has bad cold & bronchitis. We had over 1 inch rain.

Sunday, March 4, 1979. Cloudy, rather foggy in morning, windy, colder in p.m. We went to 1st service. Mary & we took Dorothy [Gurtner] to Brunch at The Elks. Good food. Edgar seems some better. We were home in p.m.

Monday, March 5, 1979. Cloudy, 34°, some mist & snow flurries. I washed & ironed. Quilted. Marty & Jon here for dinner, no school. Pete & boys played pool. I went to Women's Fellowship in evening.

Tuesday, March 6, 1979. Clear, fine day, cloudy late evening. Rained some. We got Marie at 8:00 went to hospital Coffee Shop. Had breakfast. Marie had hair done. Pete took me to Kay Ann F[ransen] to prayer group. Pete took Marie to train to St. Louis. Leaves there tomorrow for California. We went to tax office at 1:00. Mary & we to Eastland and Provident Book Store. Pete & I to hospital at 4:00. Volunteered until 8:30.

Wednesday, March 7, 1979. Cloudy, light snow mixed with mist most of day. Pete to hospital, volunteered. I & Mabel went with Helen Larkin to district HEA meeting at Minier. Had good attendance but too small room at Dinner Bell Restaurant. I got supper. Jo & boys here.

Thursday, March 8, 1979. Foggy in morning, cloudy. I made 4 pie shells for MCC sale. Made vegetable soup. Mary came in morning. We quilted. Ron got home from California at 4 AM. Glad he's home. He & boys here for supper. Jo had meeting at El Paso.

Friday, March 9, 1979. Snowed all day, over 4 inches. Melted on roads. Did cleaning. We & Mary to church at 8:30. Helped bake 100 shoofly pies. Left at 1:00. Took Mary to Beauty Shop. Got groceries. Took Mary home. Shampooed my hair & quilted some.

Saturday, March 10, 1979. Fair, cold, windy. Rons and we left for MCC sale at Peoria at 6:30. Large crowd. Our quilt sold for \$275. We came home with Cys. Got home at 4:00. Rons home at 5:20. We & May Mohr to Wen-lang Lin's for dinner. Had big meal. Jon to Danville with Parkside chorus. Jon got 1st on solo.

Sunday, March 11, 1979. Partly cloudy, 8° above. We went to first service. We took sausage & shoofly pie to Merle she had ordered from sale. Went to Mary's for dinner & to Congregational meeting at church at 3:00. Had sandwich & fruit supper at 4:30. Paul called in evening. They are on break at school. They want us to come. Good to talk to him.

Monday, March 12, 1979. Clear, 12° in morning, nearly 40°. Nice day. I did laundry & ironed. Quilted. Pete helped Ron change leathers on deep well pump.

Tuesday, March 13, 1979. Clear after 10:00 a.m. Showered little early. Warmer, in 50s. I went to prayer group at Ina Sutters. Pete went to Income Tax office. I went to Brokaw to see Mrs. Smyth, Reach for Recovery. Quilted in PM. Mary here in p.m. Helped quilt.

Wednesday, March 14, 1979. Partly cloudy, very windy, colder in evening. We went to hospital at 8:00. Mary along. Volunteered. Pete to Rotary at noon with CR. Mary along home. We quilted. Rons took her home in evening when they went to open house for junior high students & parents. Talked to Allens. They're coming Friday evening.

Thursday, March 15, 1979. Clear, 12° in morning, 30° during day. Mary here. We quilted all day.

Friday, March 16, 1979. Clear, fine day, 40s. Did cleaning. Baked brownies & shoofly pie. Went to town at 12:30. Took Merle to Gailey's at 1:00. We went to Streids to eat. Quilted little. Allens & Pam got here at 8:40. Good to see them.

Saturday, March 17, 1979. Cloudy, rained intermittently. Allens to Mrs. Yeakels to help clean out her house. We went to Meadows at noon, farewell for David Schrags. Jo met with building committee all day. Ron had fire in farrowing house at 5:30. Burned one sow pretty badly. Just ready to farrow. She had 7 pigs in night but fortunately he got boar and sows out & got fire out, no damage to building. Allens, Mary & Rons here for supper. Rachel Clemens here all night.

Sunday, March 18, 1979. Fair, warmer, in 60s. Allen, Pam & we to 1st service. Jo & Jon along. Shirley to her mothers. Ron & Marty took little pigs to Gridley. Put them on machine to feed them. Mary & we took Allens to Cambridge Inn. Jo & Jon along too. Allens left at 2:45 for home. Mary & we to see Ed. He wasn't feeling too well. We got Mary's clock at Paul Millers. Had lunch there & went to Kiwanis Travelogue. Brought Marty home from MYF.

Monday, March 19, 1979. Mostly cloudy, warm, 66°. Washed & ironed. Finished quilting Jeff's quilt. Shirley passed her Real Estate Test. They drove in dense fog 1 ½ hours going home. Had water in their basement when they got home.

Tuesday, March 20, 1979. Mostly cloudy, cooler. Went to prayer group at Eddie Stalter's. Pete to town & hospital. We went to discount grocery store. June and I to Zayres. Got material for quilt for Marty. Went to hospital. Got some flowers & took them to Florence. Her birthday yesterday. I washed bedding, etc. from west bedroom & cleaned the closet.

Wednesday, March 21, 1979. Mostly cloudy, 50°. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. I went to club meeting at Maxine Alwes in p.m. Mabel along. We took Irene Lowry to Cambridge Inn. Mary along. I sewed binding on quilt.

Thursday, March 22, 1979. Partly cloudy, 70°, nice day. I cleaned the west bedroom. Cleaned cupboards in kitchen & washed woodwork. Made fruit cobbler for supper. Pete took Jo to town at 1:00. She went to Central District Conference at Fort Wayne Indiana with Bob Kaufmans. Ron & boys here for supper. Marie got home from California.

Friday, March 23, 1979. Cloudy, some showers, 60°. I cleaned upstairs in morning. Worked some on quilt, binding it. We went to Morris Heiser's in evening. Helped Marie set up schedule for Meals on Wheels. Ruth Zehr there too.

Saturday, March 24, 1979. Snowed all day, melted some, 30 – 32°. Colder in evening. Roads slick in evening, icy. Pete to men's breakfast. I cooked chicken. Made cherry dessert. Shampooed my hair. Worked some on quilt. Went to hospital at 4:00. Volunteered. Got groceries. Roads very slick coming home.

Sunday, March 25, 1979. Mostly cloudy, 19° in morning. Roads much better in morning. We went to 1st service. Ron & boys sang at 2nd service. Mary, Marie, Ron & boys here for dinner. Girls here for lunch. We took them home & went to Home Builders at Werner Franzen's. Showed pictures. Told about Mennonite churches in Russia. Jo home from conference. Talked to Paul. He has grant to do research in Ann Arbor for a year.

Monday, March 26, 1979. Mostly cloudy, 18° in morning, near 40°. Washed bedroom. Washed Pete's Leisure Suit & sport coat. Finished binding Jeff's quilt. Worked on cross stitch quilt. Begin & Sadat & Pres. Carter signed peace treaty, Israel & Egypt.

Tuesday, March 27, 1979. Had little sunshine in p.m., 26° in morning, 40°. I washed bedding in our bedroom. Went to prayer group at Lynne R. Washed curtains and cleaned bedroom. We went to Heritage at Myrna Parks. Walter Dyck had program. 20 there.

Wednesday, March 28, 1979. Rained most of morning. Thundered and lightning. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Went to Dr. McGinnis at 2:45. Had good report, thankful. We went to Edgar [Gurtner]'s. Took them to Eastland. EA walked a while. Went to Bob Johnson's for supper. Pete to pastoral care meeting. I went to Mary's.

Thursday, March 29, 1979. Rained in morning and some showers in p.m., windy. I cleaned bathroom & medicine cabinet & put shelf paper in kitchen drawers. We went to town at to: 30. Took Merle to Eastland, beauty shop. Went to Streid's for dinner. I went to alumni meeting honoring class of 1979. Pete to Auxiliary Health Series at Bloomington Library.

Friday, March 30, 1979. Cloudy, windy. Rained hard at 5:00 PM. Under tornado watch until 9:00. I cleaned hallway. Cleaned & waxed furniture in dining & living room. Stamped quilt block for Newswanger quilt. We & Mary to Kiwanis Pancake Supper at Consistory.

Saturday, March 31, 1979. Cloudy, chilly. Cleaned some drawers. Shampooed my hair. Worked on quilt block. Marie took CRs, Pearl and we to Central Station for dinner in evening. Went to Marie's afterwards. Jo here awhile in morning.

Sunday, April 1, 1979. Cloudy, misted & showered most of day, chilly. We went to 2nd service, to Mary's for dinner. Ruth Zehr there too. Marty to Decatur to judging training school. We were home in evening. Talked to Allens. Was snowing there. They are okay. [They] plan to come Easter.

Monday, April 2, 1979. Cloudy, cold, 39°. Washed & ironed. Cleaned bookshelves, drapes & vacuumed furniture. Cleaned silverware.

Tuesday, April 3, 1979. Partly cloudy, nice day. Pete to Lenten Breakfast with CR. I went to prayer group at Marge [Nester]s. We delivered Mobile Meals. Cleaned living and dining room. Cleaned rugs. Washed some rugs, bathroom rugs, etc. Went to Good Will with Jeanette.

Wednesday, April 4, 1979. Cloudy, snowed & rained in morning, misted some in p.m., near 40°. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Home in p.m. & evening. I waxed kitchen floor & stirred up cookies.

Thursday, April 5, 1979. Partly cloudy, 60° at noon, dropped rapidly late PM. Very windy from Northwest. We went to auxiliary board meeting at 9:00 & to auxiliary meeting. I saw Phyllis Litwiller & Agnes *McDugle* (sp?), Reach for Recovery. We left after lunch for Sibley to Dr. Bill Garrett & his wife who are related to Beachys. Interesting PM. Stopped at Ropp Greenhouse, got some plants.

Friday, April 6, 1979. Fair, cold, 20° in morning, in 30s. I baked rolls & coffeecake braid. Did cleaning. Pete went to White Oak Township meeting at Carlock.

Saturday, April 7, 1979. Partly cloudy, sleeted little early a.m. Pete to men's breakfast. Then to church to help clean. I went to church with Jo. We worked until 11:30. Shampooed my hair. Went to hospital at 3:30. Volunteered at Info Desk & Gift Shop. Brought 2 boys home who are with Freeman [Jr. College] choir. They stayed all night at Rons.

Sunday, April 8, 1979. Cloudy, intermittent showers, colder in evening. We went to first service. Freeman choir sang. Our small group met here at noon. Evelyn B[ertsche] & I made barbecue. Others brought salad & dessert. I made drinks. Were 21 here with children. We were home in evening.

Monday, April 9, 1979. Cloudy, cold, in 30s. Washed & ironed. Stirred up sugar cookies. Went to town at 11:30. Met Esther Brown & Willie *Quaristom* (sp?). Went to Elms for dinner. Erma Stuckey along. Girls from Chenoa – Fairbury there. 11 in all. Baked cookies and iced them. Boys home, vacation.

Tuesday, April 10, 1979. Fair, in 40s, frosty in morning. I cleaned recreation room. We delivered Mobile Meals at 11:00. Mary & we to see Ed in p.m. He's having problems with hemorrhoids & chest pains. We took them to Cemetery to see Nettie's grave. Stopped at Bob Yoder's. Were home in evening.

Wednesday, April 11, 1979. Rained all day, heavy rain in evening. We took Merle to Dr. L. At 8:00. Had B[lood] S[ugar] taken. Ate breakfast at Bob Johnson's. Took Merle home & back to Dr. at 11:00. She has much fluid, needs to go to hospital. Got her things at home. Took her to hospital at 4:00. Had over 4 inches rain. Water in basement. Leak in cistern. Water came in fruit room.

Thursday, April 12, 1979. Mostly fair, windy, warmer, 74°. Went to hospital at 8:00. Had bake sale at hospital, \$296.00. Went to Mary's. She had water in their basement. Her deep freezer was turned over. I cleaned fruit room when got home. Steve & Jeff got here at 5:30. Good to see them. We all went to communion. Jo along. Ron has cold. We took Mary.

Friday, April 13, 1979. Nice day, cool. Boys & we to Mary's at 8:00. Took things out of her freezer. Took them to locker. Brought some home. I did big washing for boys. Ironed. Did cleaning. Allens, Deb & Pam got here at 4:30. Good to see them. We all went to Rons for supper.

Saturday, April 14, 1979. Fair, nice day, in 50s. Allen & Shirley to see her mother. Rest of us met them & Marie & Mary at Brittany. Marie took us to lunch there. Deb & we to Eastland a while. Looked at dresses & material. Got rest of thread for Pam's quilt. Pete & I home at 2:30. Allens to Marie & Marys & Edward Yeakels. Rons & Allens here for supper. Had pizza. Rachel Clemens here all night.

Sunday, April 15, 1979. Beautiful Easter day, clear, cool. Allen & Shirley to Bill Dunns for breakfast. We all went to first service. Mary took Allens, Rons & we to Bob Johnson's for dinner. Had a private room, very nice. We all came home. Took some pictures. Allens & girls left at 2:00 for home. So good to have them. Rons had egg hunt for rest of us. Ron, boys, Steve & Jeff to show. Had a nice day.

Monday, April 16, 1979. Mostly fair, 62°. Boys to ISU library in morning. I washed and ironed. We all to town at 10:00. Took Edgars to Red Bud in Morton. EA paid our lunch. Stopped at Witzigs, got brown jacket. Dorothy got one. We stopped to see Merle. Boys waxed Mary's car. We sowed lettuce, radishes, squash & some peas. Set out onions, cabbage, broccoli & cauliflower. I set out Pansies Ron gave me for Easter. A big day.

Tuesday, April 17, 1979. Fine day. Boys to library. I went to prayer group at Alma G[alloway]'s. Pete got some seeds. We delivered Mobile Meals. Met boys at hospital. Had lunch with them. They left for Bluffton at 1:30. Lori Kaufman and Terry Stutzman with them. I washed sheets & towels & ironed. We planted peas, bottle onions & potatoes. We miss Steve & Jeff.

Wednesday, April 18, 1979. Fine day, in 60s. We went to hospital, volunteered. I went to Garfield tour. Met at Cambridge Inn for dinner. To Bloomington Library & McLean County Museum. Went with Marie. Pete worked at hospital until 2:00. Met him at Museum. I baked cookies for County Home Extension. Cleaned off some of flowerbeds.

Thursday, April 19, 1979. Cloudy, showered some in p.m. I trimmed raspberries in morning. Dusted upstairs. I went to Harvella's at 9:00, got permanent. Took cookies to mall for HEA. We went to Health Lecture at Bloomington Library. Took Mary. We served fruit trays.

Friday, April 20, 1979. Cloudy, rained in evening. Did cleaning. Went to town short time. Packed suitcases. Gerald Galloways & we left at 3:40 for camp Menno Haven. Got to Peoria.

Their water pump went out. Called Nesters. Had them find someone going to church retreat to bring our car which they did. Jim & Lenore [Waltner] took our car to Peoria. Left Gerald there to have [car] repaired. Got to camp at 7:00. Drove in rain. Gerald's & we shared motel, very nice.

Saturday, April 21, 1979. Cloudy, chilly. Had breakfast at 7:30. Program on prayer and meditation. Took long walk in woods. Went on tour of the Bloomington *Morrine* (sp?), Interesting. Had family variety show in evening. Marty & Jon came to camp with John Schrag's. Got there at 7:00. Jo came from Goshen at 7:30. Had good attendance, 90 – 95.

Sunday, April 22, 1979. Foggy in morning, fair, warmer, near 70°, nice day. We had church service at 10:00. MYF had morning watch at 7:30. Some more people came in morning. We & Gerald's started home at 1:40. Got here at 3:40. Stopped in Peoria, got Gerald's car. Nice weekend. Thankful for good trip. Went to Earl Kaufman's in evening. Marie can't talk. She isn't good.

Monday, April 23, 1979. Cloudy, 70°. Washed & ironed. We spaded flower beds in p.m. Were home in evening.

Tuesday, April 24, 1979. Rained early morning, ½ inch up to 7:00 a.m. Rained at intervals. We went to town at 9:00. I went to prayer group at Alta Litwillers. We delivered Mobile Meals. I got new dress, pale lilac with jacket. Shortened it in p.m.

Wednesday, April 25, 1979. Cloudy in morning, partly cloudy in p.m. Showered. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Took Merle home from hospital in p.m. We went to town in evening. Pete to pastoral care meeting. I went to Mary's. Helped her clean a closet. Talked to Frances. She's at Arthurs. Is to have surgery Friday. Ruth Bastings passed away. Rons got another car, Buick. Traded old one. Talked to Frances. She's having surgery.

Thursday, April 26, 1979. Had ½ inch rain early morning hours. Mostly cloudy, in 50s. I cleaned laundry & furnace room. Baked rolls. Pete still has cold. We went to visitation for Ruth Basting at 4:00. Mary along. We had supper at her house. Went to Health Lecture at Library at 7:00. Helped serve refreshments. Ron to meeting in Chicago, then on to Bluffton.

Friday, April 27, 1979. Cloudy, showered, cold wind, 40s. Went to Harvella's, had hair done. Went to auxiliary board meeting. Went to FS Supply. Went to Ruth Basting's funeral. Ron at Bluffton. Frances had surgery. Did biopsy but didn't remove anything. Many tumors in stomach area. So sorry to hear it. Georgia called.

Saturday, April 28, 1979. Chilly, 38° in morning, had few showers and some sunshine. We went to town at 10:00. Historical meeting at church. I went to alumni homecoming luncheon at Long-Term [Care] Lounge. Large attendance. Good to see so many from a distance. Went to tea for Beulah Nice. Pete met Maurice Troyer at train at 2:30. We came home at 4:00. Ron home from

Bluffton at 5:00. We all went to hospital 60th anniversary banquet at Consistory. 1000 there. A full day but enjoyable.

Sunday, April 29, 1979. Rained intermittently, chilly. We went to early service. Chet Roths, Esther & Joe Carter, Lucy C[atherine], Maurice and we to Cambridge Inn for dinner. Mary to Galloways. We took Maurice to Harold Fosters and Bernadine Forbes. I got supper. Maurice & Rons & Steve Estes here. Steve getting information from Maurice for hospital book.

Monday, April 30, 1979. Fair, chilly, 50s. Pete took Maurice T[royer] to see John Millers. I washed & ironed. We took Maurice to town. Had light lunch at hospital. He left for home on 11:50 train. Enjoyed having him. Mary & we to see Ed in PM. Ron to Chicago to meeting (flew). Talked to Paul. Marjorie is finished. Has her degree in speech therapy.

Tuesday, May 1, 1979. Partly cloudy, high 50s. I went to prayer group at Ina Sutters. Pete did some shopping. I made salad & baked bars. Pete mowed lawn. We planted few green beans, beets & carrots. I went to Mother – Daughter dinner at 6:00. Took Jeanette. Mary J & Mary Y met Jo at church. She went to Jon's concert after dinner.

Wednesday, May 2, 1979. Fair, warmer, 72°. Rained in evening. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Packed suitcases. Packed some tomato juice & beans for Pauls. Talked to Allens.

Thursday, May 3, 1979. Cloudy, rather foggy until noon. Mary, Marie, Pete and I left at 7:30 for Pauls. Got to Memphis at 5:15. Thankful for good trip. Misted occasionally, humid, rained hard in evening. Thunderstorms all evening. Pauls had some of his students & families in evening for snacks. Good to be with Pauls again. Ron to Chicago for 2 days.

Friday, May 4, 1979. Cloudy, chilly, drizzled some. We all went to District Court (Federal). Amy received her citizenship. Some 60 people from many nations were admitted. Very impressive. We went to luncheon. Paul busy grading papers in evening. We all went to *Anderton* (sp?), restaurant. Nice place.

Saturday, May 5, 1979. Cloudy, chilly, in 50s. We all went to relays. Children ran in them. Went to Messick school short time. Amy won a cake on the cakewalk. We baked 2 cakes. Got things ready for evening. Pauls neighbors came to celebrate Amy's citizenship. A busy day.

Sunday, May 6, 1979. Clear, beautiful day, 80°. Pauls to Sunday school. We took Paul's to Hong Kong Restaurant at noon. Very nice & good food. Drove past Elvis Presley home. We all relaxed in Paul's backyard in p.m. We went to see the Fromans awhile. Paul played a tape of a talk he gave on China. Very interesting.

Monday, May 7, 1979. Clear, fine day, windy, 84° here. We left Pauls at 8:45. Got to Bloomington at 5:30. Came on I 57, good Road. Thankful for safe trip & had enjoyable weekend. Pauls to Blytheville Arkansas this evening where he gives a talk on China. Doctors gave Frances chemotherapy. Made her very sick. Vomited.

Tuesday, May 8, 1979. Fair, 87°, very windy, dust blowing. I went to prayer group at Kay Ann Friesen. Pete plowed truck patch. I washed 2 loads & ironed. We planted green beans & corn. Worked up garden. Planted gladiolas & sowed lettuce and parsley. Marty plowed some in evening. Jo got onion plants. Set them out.

Wednesday, May 9, 1979. Fair, 86°. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Went with Mary to look for refrigerator. Pete mowed lawn. Jon helped some. I potted a rose geranium. We planted bottle onions & some mush melons & watermelons. Set out pepper plants. Talked to Georgia. Frances to go home tomorrow.

Thursday, May 10, 1979. Fair, 87°. Went to Home Extension with Mabel. Pete worked up rest of truck patch. Cleaned windows & put in screens. Planted squash & zucchini. Ron left for Elkhart at 8:30 p.m. Rained some in night.

Friday, May 11, 1979. Cloudy, much cooler, in 50s. Did cleaning. Pearl asked us to take she & Jay Wright to get marriage license. Went at 10:00. Ate lunch at hospital. Left some cancer material for a Mrs. Fonger. Stopped at *James* (sp?) J. & Bill Cutlers. Jo & boys here for supper. Mary got new refrigerator. Rained some in night.

Saturday, May 12, 1979. Partly cloudy, cool. Baked coffeecake braid. Shampooed my hair. We set out Dahlia bulbs & geraniums. Pete trimmed lilac bushes. Took Jo some lilacs & helped her awhile get ready for company. Provident Book Store employees there. Ron home from Elkhart at 7:10. Larry Mohr hauled manure for Ron.

Sunday, May 13, 1979. Fair, had little thunder shower at to: 30. We went to 1st service. Mary took us to Cambridge Inn for dinner. We stopped to see Dr. Wellmerling at Heritage. He was glad to see us. He had to cry when we left. We went to Rons for supper. Ron grilled chicken. Allens called. Had check, \$5, from them. Also Mary. Rose Bush from Rons.

Monday, May 14, 1979. Fair, thunderstorm and windy at 6:30. Washed & ironed. Went to Pearl Bohrer & Jay Wright wedding at Mennonite hospital chapel. Hospital had reception for them in Long-Term lounge. Hard to believe. CRs, Marie, Clara [Brodbeck], Jane [Brodbeck], Bryce & Betty there & Jay's family, Franks & Dr. Jon Wright's family. Rons gave them flowers. Ron in Peoria all day, back in time to see them at reception. We set out petunias & rose bush from Rons.

Tuesday, May 15, 1979. Clear, 69°, fine day. I went with Elsie Smith, Carolyn Brown, Evelyn Bertsche & Margaret Blakeman to Illinois Hospital Association workshop for volunteers & auxiliaries at Sheriton Inn, Springfield. Pete set out sweet potato plants & tomatoes.

Wednesday, May 16, 1979. Fair, nice day, 70s. We volunteered at hospital in morning. I went to Garfield [club] in p.m. Pete came home. I came with Maxine Alwes. Pete plowed truck patch. We sowed flower seeds & planted cucumbers when I got home.

Thursday, May 17, 1979. Fair, 82°, windy. We planted 4 rows sweetcorn. Went to town at 10:30. Took Merle to Mennonite [Hospital], beauty shop, had her hair done. She took us to Smugglers Inn for lunch. Home at 2:00. I cleaned Cedar closet. Pete washed car. I fixed porch box. Painted picnic table. Planted more cucumbers in evening & hoed potatoes.

Friday, May 18, 1979. Fair, 87°. Pete mowed lawn. We done some trimming. Did cleaning. Took Merle to Dr. at 11:00. Had lunch at Steak 'n Shake. Took her home. We got I medicine for her at Gailey's. I went to Dr. Bertsche at 3:00. Have infected sweat gland under my left arm. [He] gave [me] antibiotic. Merle, Mary & Marie & we to Red Bud in evening. I drove. Merle paid for dinner. Ate with Harry Wiermans. Merle gave me cameo necklace.

Saturday, May 19, 1979. Cloudy in morning, fair, cooler. Pete to men's breakfast. I worked some in garden. Washed off porches. Pete worked in truck patch. I shampooed my hair & finished cleaning. Ron helped take air-conditioner out. Cleaned Windows. Put it back. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, May 20, 1979. Partly cloudy, nice day. Got things ready for dinner. We went to 2nd service. Had carry in dinner. Timothy & Hannah Liau here from Taiwan. Had Congregational meeting. Voted to give Margaret Richer a call as Minister of Christian Ed. Rons had pastoral care group out for picnic.

Monday, May 21, 1979. Clear, cool, near 70°, chilly Northwest wind. Washed & ironed. Pete worked outside awhile. We took Bill Cutlers to Meadows Home in PM. They inquired about possibility of going there. Saw Joe Stutzmans and Alpha Baughmans. Lydia about worn out. Alpha is so confused.

Tuesday, May 22, 1979. Fair, nice day. Got ready for prayer group. Baked Irish coffeecake to serve & had fruit. Baked 2 apricot yellow cakes in p.m. We had Heritage group here in evening. Was 17 here. Rons came over later. Had cake. Delmar Woizeski called in evening. They had just arrived from California.

Wednesday, May 23, 1979. Fair, very strong northwest wind in p.m., cooler. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Home in PM. We went to Cambridge Inn for supper. Met Delmar Woizeskis, Edgars, Art Siegs, Clarence Siegs, Marie, and M[arguerite] Burwitz. Pete to pastoral care meeting at 8:00. Rest of us to Marie's. Had nice evening.

Thursday, May 24, 1979. Hartley cloudy, very windy, cold. Had several showers in p.m. Got ready for company. Delmar Woizeskis, Mary & Marie here for dinner. Delmars here for supper & evening. We went to Rons few minutes. They took Marty to awards night at Parkside. Delmars & we to CRs short time in evening.

Friday, May 25, 1979. Clear, windy, chilly, 60s. Went to auxiliary board meeting. Took Merle to hospital beauty shop. Went to Elms for lunch & drove northeast of El Paso [to] junkyard. Pete

got metal posts for Ropp Cemetery. Got plants for Merle. Took her to Troyer Cemetery. She filled our gas tank. Had car washed. Rons left at 6:00 for Allens.

Saturday, May 26, 1979. Cloudy, rained ½ inch in p.m. We went in Ron's truck to north of El Paso. Got metal posts for Ropp Cemetery. I baked cookies. Pete doing chores. We & Mabel took flowers to Cemetery in p.m. (got wet). Marie couldn't go, has back trouble.

Sunday, May 27, 1979. Clear, fine day, 72°. We went to 1st service. Mary & we to Eureka. Took Ed to Kountry Kitchen in Eureka for dinner. Got a plant & went to Cemetery. Ed has rash on his body. Paul Millers, Franzie Loepps & [Jim] Waltners & friends from California here awhile. We went to Merl's in evening. Dudley Callendars there.

Monday, May 28, 1979. Beautiful day, 70s. Pete mowed lawn & plowed truck patch. We planted more sweetcorn. I washed & ironed. Made potato salad. Picked a few strawberries. Mary, Marie & Irene Lowery came at 4:00. Brought chicken. Rons home from Allens at 6:00. They were here for supper. Rons called Frances in evening. She's some better.

Tuesday, May 29, 1979. Fair, nice day, 85°. Pete worked on pipes for cemetery sign & worked some in truck patch. I went to prayer group at Marge Nesters & to June [Jantze]s in p.m. Helped put quilt for Newswangers in frame. Quilted until 4:00. Mary there awhile too. I hoed in truck patch awhile.

Wednesday, May 30, 1974. Fair, 92° – 95°. We went to hospital, volunteered. Got groceries. Home in PM. Got roses with Allens' money for Mother's Day (Mr. Lincoln Red). Picked over a quart of strawberries. Gave Rons some. Jo to Kentland, Indiana with building committee. Met with Mr. Troyer. Worked in truck patch awhile.

Thursday, May 31, 1974. Partly cloudy, 80s and rather humid. Looked rainy at times, cooler in evening. I baked rolls & cookies. Pete worked in truck patch. I went to June [Jantze]'s in p.m. Quilted on Newswangers quilt. Took Marty to Joe Jantze's to go to church ballgame.

Friday, June 1, 1979. Fair, fine day, 70s. Did cleaning. Picked 3 quarts strawberries. Got things ready for supper. Pauls got here from Ann Arbor at 5:30. Good to see them. They & Rons here for supper. Pauls & Rons to Gordons at 9:30 for reception for Darren who graduated from high school.

Saturday, June 2, 1979. Mostly cloudy. Paul, Rons, Pete & I to men's breakfast. Ladies were invited as Paul spoke on China. Marie R. went along too. We picked over a quart of berries. We looked at some old pictures. Paul took some. Carol & children here in p.m. We all, Rons, Mary and Marie to Barney's at 7:00.

Sunday, June 3, 1979. Clear, nice day, 85°. Got things ready for dinner. Pauls and we to 2nd service. Rons, Pauls, Mary & Marie here for dinner. Mary brought pies. Marjorie took children to Comlara Park swimming. Ron took south to Peoria. Jon & Benjy along. Marty to youth group.

Monday, June 4, 1979. Fair, 84°, windy. Pauls left at 9:30 for Memphis. We miss them. I did laundry. Had large one. Ironed. Pete worked outside some. Watered plants again. John Gundy's and Paul Millers here in evening. Worked in their gardens. We called Ed in morning before Pauls left. He still has [rash] breaking out on his body.

Tuesday, June 5, 1979. Fair, 87°. We picked 5 quarts strawberries. Gave Jo a box. Made pint of preserves. Put 1 ½ quarts in freezer. Went to June's in p.m., quilted. Stopped at Dunns. Left card & \$10.00 for Sherry's graduation. Went to Good Will with Jeanette.

Wednesday, June 6, 1979. Fair, hot, 90° – 91°, windy. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Went to June [Jantze]'s awhile in p.m. Helped finish Newswangers quilt. We went to Earl Kaufmans awhile in evening. Took a box of strawberries & coffeecake. Marie gradually getting worse, weaker. We got Collie dog (4 years old) from Peter Archer (Aicher?).

Thursday, June 7, 1979. Rained in morning, 8/10 of an inch. Partly cloudy. I picked 3 boxes berries in morning. Put quart in freezer. Gave Mary a box. Picked another box in p.m., gave to Jo. We went to auxiliary meeting at 10:00. Had hair done at hospital beauty shop at 12:30. Were home in PM. We went to hospital auxiliary & volunteer reception at ISU at 7:30. Nice.

Friday, June 8, 1979. Mostly cloudy, had wind and nearly 2 inches rain in p.m. We went to town at 10:00 to Cutler's. They had yard sale. Jo went on way to work. Bill had fallen so Jo took him to hospital. We took Merle to get hair done and to Red Lobster for dinner. I put box of broccoli in freezer. Had water in bedroom from big rain. Storm window wasn't in right.

Saturday, June 9, 1979. Partly cloudy, hot and humid, 90°. We picked about 7 boxes berries. Gave Jo some. Put quart in freezer. Made pint of preserves & keep [some] to use. Pete picked peas. Put 1 pint in freezer. We defrosted deep freezer & set out 20 tomato plants. We went to small group meeting at Werner Fransen at 6:30. Had potluck supper. Rons group at their house. We had 2 ½ inches rain at 9 PM.

Sunday, June 10, 1979. Had shower in morning, clearing in p.m., much cooler & windy. We went to 2nd service and to Woizeski Reunion at Wood Hill. 33 there. Bev Walters elected president. Marie VP and Mildred Davidson Sec. CRs & we to Marie's for lunch. We & Mary to Coast Guard Band at Consistory. Very good.

Monday, June 11, 1979. Nice day, cool, 50s in morning. Did laundry & ironed. We picked 10 boxes strawberries. Put 1 ½ quarts in freezer. Made 3 pints preserves. Gave Jo 4 boxes. Pete trimmed shrubbery. Sprayed roses. I wrote Allens & Frances.

Tuesday, June 12, 1979. Partly cloudy, light shower at noon. Warmer. We picked peas. Put 1 ½ pints in freezer. Kept out [some] to eat. Gave Jo some. Pete mowed lawn. Plowed garden & truck patch. We sowed radishes. I went with June [Jantze] to Downs. Got material for dress & back for quilt. Several other ladies along. We stopped at Zayres too.

Wednesday, June 13, 1979. Had over 1/3 inch rain in morning. Fair in p.m., near 80°. We went to hospital at 8:00. Volunteered. Got some ageratum plants. My seed didn't come up. We picked about 14 boxes berries. Gave Waltners a box, Rons 6 & Mary & Marie each one. I put 2 ½ quarts in freezer. Made 1 ½ pints preserves.

Thursday, June 14, 1979. Fair, 87°, windy. We picked peas. Put 3 pints in freezer. Gave Mary a few. Baked cookies. I went to June [Jantze]'s in p.m. Took Mary & Marie each box of berries. Gave June 2. Took my material for dress to June. Mary & I quilted on June's quilt. Pete finished trimming shrubbery. We worked outside in evening. Loepps & Gundys working in garden.

Friday, June 15, 1979. Fair, hot, 90°, good breeze. We went to town at 7:30. Took Merle to Dr. at 8:00 for blood sugar. Had breakfast at Sambo's. Had car washed. Merle filled gas tank. Went back to Dr. at 11:00. Went to Streid's for lunch. Did cleaning & waxed kitchen floor when got home. Jo & we picked strawberries. Got 13 boxes. Gave Jo 9 boxes. I put 1 ½ quarts in freezer. We picked some peas.

Saturday, June 16, 1979. Clear, 92°, windy. I baked brownies and piecrust. Pete to men's breakfast. I helped Jo pick peas & podded them. I put 2 cartons of broccoli in freezer. Made strawberry Jell-O salad & pint of preserves & shampooed my hair. We went to hospital, volunteered, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, June 17, 1979. Fair, 86°, turned cooler in evening. We went to first service. We helped serve at communion. Had farewell dinner at church for Rev. Newswangers. Gave them Friendship Quilt. Had Congregational meeting at 2:30 to talk about building program. Pete & boys home after dinner. We were at Rons for supper.

Monday, June 18, 1979. Partly cloudy, looked rainy at times, had little shower here, more in other places. Washed & ironed. Picked peas and 2 ½ quarts berries. Put 6 ½ pints peas in freezer. Gave Mary some. Mary here for dinner. We went to see Ed in PM. He's about same. Can't sleep at night.

Tuesday, June 19, 1979. Fair, windy, 90°. Went to June [Jantze]'s. Tried on my dress. Got groceries. Pete worked in truck patch. I trimmed some in yard. Got things ready for company. Marie, Virginia & Jack Porst here. Had cauliflower & peas from our garden & strawberry shortcake. Mary with Lucy Catherine and Marie Yoder.

Wednesday, June 20, 1979. Had light shower early a.m., fair, hot, in 90s & windy. Tornado watch out awhile in p.m. Volunteered at hospital in morning. Went to club meeting with Marie. Was at Marie Hastings. We picked peas in evening. Jo helped pod. Gave them to Jo. Paul Millers here, worked in garden. Had light refreshments for them.

Thursday, June 21, 1979. Clear, nice day, near 90°, good breeze. We picked nearly quart of strawberries. Made pie. Mary & Jon here for dinner. I put carton [of] broccoli in freezer. We

made mints for Debbie's wedding. Lavender, white & green leaves, about 300. We went to Revere Ware store at Clinton. I got 2 pans for Deb. Mary got tea kettle. Hoed some in garden.

Friday, June 22, 1979. Fair, 89°. Picked peas. Put 3 ½ pints in freezer. Had some for dinner. Marty & Jon here. Did cleaning. We went to town in p.m. Got groceries. Went to Eastland.

Saturday, June 23, 1979. Partly cloudy, cool, 58° in morning, 70° high. Had shower in evening. I baked coffeecake braid. Pete finished hoeing weeds around trees in windbreak. Mowed lawn. Ron moved things from our attic to their house. Dusted upstairs. We had iced tea & coffeecake when they finished. Jack Poists, CRs, Marie & we to Streid's for dinner. Went to Marie's awhile. Talked to Allens.

Sunday, June 24, 1979. Clear, 50° in morning, beautiful day. We went to first service. Church voted to move to new site and build new rather than remodel. Went to Mary's for dinner, then to Meadows, dedication for new building. Large crowd. Jon sick in morning. He & Jo home. Ron and Marty to Chester White picnic at Roseville.

Monday, June 25, 1979. Fair, 48° in morning, warmer, in 80s during day. Washed & ironed. Pete worked in truck patch. I hoed some in garden. Packed suitcases in evening.

Tuesday, June 26, 1979. Clear, beautiful day. Mary, Marie & we left at 7:50 for Allens. Ate lunch at Amana. Got to Allens at 3:00. They were home. Rachel Clemens came with us. Jeff home in evening. He's working with HiWay department. Debbie here for supper. Allens & I to garden at Pilgrims. Picked peas. Set out tomato plants.

Wednesday, June 27, 1979. Had thunderstorm at 2:00 a.m. and 2 inches rain. We cleaned silverware in morning. Allens to work. Allen took us to Ames at 11:00. Went to China shop and stopped at motels, got prices for lodging at time of Deb's wedding. Mary & I made cream puffs in p.m. for sandwiches. Went to town. I got pair of beige shoes. We all went to Dick Pilgrims at 7:00 for Debbie's shower. 30 there. She got a lot of things. Nice evening. Pete & Allen visited with Dick. Randy came later. Helped take gifts home. Frances to hospital for chemotherapy.

Thursday, June 28, 1979. Posted cloudy, hazy, rather foggy in morning. Allens to work. We left at 8:15 for home. Stopped at Amana an hour. Got home at 3:00. Thankful for safe trip. Glad we could go. I picked few raspberries & yellow beans. Hoed, fed & watered roses. Rachel Clemens stayed at Allens. Jo got peas last evening.

Friday, June 29, 1979. Cloudy to partly cloudy. Cooler in evening and windy. Did cleaning. We went to auxiliary board meeting at 9:00. Had lunch at coffee shop & went to June [Jantze]'s. Helped her quilt. She did an alteration on my dress. We were home in evening. I called Georgia. Frances was very sick again from treatment. She went to Mary Lee's for several days.

Saturday, June 30, 1979. Fair, had 3/10 inch rain at 6:45. Pete to men's breakfast. Jo & we picked peas. I kept some for lunch & picked few green beans. Gave to Jo. Dug few potatoes. I

put 5 containers cauliflower in freezer. Gave Lenore [Waltner], June [Jantze] & Jo [each a] head [of cauliflower] too. I picked pint of raspberries. We volunteered at hospital in evening. Stopped at June's, got my dress.

Sunday, July 1, 1979. Clear, nice day, in 80s. We went to first service. Merle, Mary & we to Elms for dinner. Mary & we to Gerald and Alma Galloway's 40th wedding anniversary. Home in evening. Rons here for ice cream and raspberries. Ron had early service at ISU for Special Olympics.

Monday, July 2, 1979. Fair, near 90°. Pete worked on sign for Ropp Cemetery. I hoed flower garden, washed & ironed. Baked brownies & other bars. Got things ready for supper. We went to 4-H picnic at Rons. Helped Jo some.

Tuesday, July 3, 1979. Had 2/3 inch rain in forenoon. Fair in p.m. We picked peas. Put 2 ½ pints in freezer. Picked nearly 2 quarts raspberries. Gave Rons some. I canned 3 quarts beets. Transplanted some flowers in p.m.

Wednesday, July 4, 1979. Cloudy in morning, cleared off in p.m., windy, chilly, in 40s. We picked some of Paul Millers snow peas for Jo. We went to Ron's at noon. Helped Jo fix Chinese food for dinner. Mary & Marie there too. We picked 3 quarts raspberries. Put 2 quarts in freezer. I took some to CRs. We went there for picnic supper. Rons all left at 4:00 for Washington Court House, Ohio. Took 2 hogs. Frances is home again after treatment.

Thursday, July 5, 1979. Clear, 54° in morning. We went to town at 9:30 to bank & auxiliary meeting. Had potluck dinner. Got home at 3:00. Picked peas. Put 3 ½ pints in freezer. Picked beans. Canned 7 quarts. Pete choring.

Friday, July 6, 1979. Mostly cloudy in p.m., cool. Did cleaning. We went to Earl Alwes. Got some wheat & went to Birkelbaws, got apples. Picked over 3 quarts raspberries. Put 1 ½ quarts in freezer. Pulled peas & planted corn & sowed endive & more lettuce. Got supper for Allens but they got here late.

Saturday, July 7, 1979. Fair, nice day, 80°. Allens to see Mrs. Yeakel in morning. I baked custard – raspberry pie & got dinner. We all went to town in p.m. Shopped. Shirley looked for dress. We got a silverware chest for Debbie. We all and Mary to Red Lobster for supper. Marie still having back trouble. Pete choring.

Sunday, July 8, 1979. Cloudy, cool, misted some at noon. Allens & we to first service. They went to Yeakel reunion at Forest Park. We went to Mary's for dinner, then home. Picked 2 quarts raspberries for Allens & picked few snow peas for them. They left for home at 4:15. Rons home from Ohio at noon. Marty bought guilt. We went with CRs & Marie to Cambridge Inn. Nancy Kampmeier, EA [Gurtner]s, Art [Sieg]s and Marguerite [Burwitz] there.

Monday, July 9, 1979. Foggy & cloudy in morning, 80°, humid. I washed & ironed. We picked beans. Canned 20 quarts in p.m. Picked 2 – 3 quarts of Paul Millers as they are gone. I hoed roses & dusted them.

Tuesday, July 10, 1979. Hazy, near 90°, humid. I cooked apples. Put 3 quarts in freezer. Pete pumping water from north cistern to west one. I went to annual HEA meeting. Mabel & I went with Dorothy S[ingley]. I washed sheets from guest beds & ironed. Pete picked little over quart of raspberries. Gave Rons some. Pete to dentist in p.m.

Wednesday, July 11, 1979. Partly cloudy, hazy, humid, 90°. We went to hospital at 8:00. Volunteered. Pete, Marty & I to Paul Larkins in p.m. Picked cherries. Mary came & helped seed them. Jo came after work. We canned 17 quarts & put 4 quarts in freezer & Jo made a cobbler. Worked late.

Thursday, July 12, 1979. Partly cloudy, hazy, hot & humid. We picked beans. Canned 23 ½ quarts. Gave Mary 10 pints & 4 quarts. Mary here all day. Pete & boys picked more cherries. Gave Mary some. We canned 5 quarts & put 2 in freezer. Made 5 glasses jelly & 6 pints preserves. Jo helped in evening. Pete picked 1 ½ quarts raspberries. Put jar in freezer. Gave Mary some. June [Jantze] here, got Paul Millers' beans. Gave her 2 quarts cherries & broccoli. Paul to LA on way to China.

Friday, July 13, 1979. Partly cloudy, 90°. Had some wind and ½ inch rain at 2:30 p.m. Did cleaning. I worked in garden. Made 2 pints cherry preserves & 5 glasses of jelly. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I cooked applesauce. Lucy Catherine, Merle, Mary & we to Ozark House for our birthdays. We missed Earl [Kaufman]s. Went to Lucy's awhile.

Saturday, July 14, 1979. Had inch rain in early a.m. Mostly cloudy. Had another rain storm at 5 – 5:30 & little over inch again. Pete to men's breakfast. I baked 2 apple pies & put 2 in freezer. Picked cucumbers. Made 3 quarts dill pickles. We helped Jo pick beans. Got as many as last Thursday. Jo had to leave at 1:00 for building committee meeting. Ron & boys here for lunch. Had sweetcorn. We worked at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, July 15, 1979. Foggy in morning, fair. We went to first service. We took Edgar [Gurtner]s to Eureka at noon. Got Ed & went to Elms for dinner. Drove to Cemetery. We stopped here awhile. Gave EAs green beans, cabbage & corn. We went to Cambridge Inn at 5:00. EAs paid. Took them home. Was a nice day. Allen called in evening. Wanted some addresses. Jo to St. Louis to meeting.

Monday, July 16, 1979. Fair, cooler, fine day. Washed and ironed. Made 5 quarts dill pickles & canned 4 quarts beets. Galloways picked Paul Millers' beans. Jo got home from St. Louis at 3:00 a.m. Connie with her. We took Marty to church ballgame at 5:00. They won, 20 – 10. Played 2nd Presbyterian.

Tuesday, July 17, 1979. Clear, fine day, 75°. We picked beans. Canned 14 quarts. I went to Harvella [Stutzman]'s at 12:30. Had a permanent. Made ½ gallon dills in evening. Pete worked in truck patch. Ron & boys to Allens at 9:00. Have hog sale at Ames in evening. Jo's brothers Carlton & Gaithel at Jo's in evening. Pete watered hogs.

Wednesday, July 18, 1979. Clear, 54°, beautiful day, cool. We volunteered at hospital in morning. I baked apple pie. Made salad. Picked quart of raspberries. Gave Rons some. We went to Garfield picnic at Steve Edgecomes. Ron & boys home from Ames at 5:15 a.m. Ron to Champaign at noon to meeting. Jo to book convention at St. Louis.

Thursday, July 19, 1979. Clear, fine day, little warmer. We put 19 pints corn in freezer. Made ½ gallon dill's & fixed Swedish cabbage. Mary here. Pete mowed lawn. We went to town in p.m. Mary shopped some at Eastland. Went to Farm Bureau Field to annual Field Day. Large crowd. Ron to Elkhart in p.m.

Friday, July 20, 1979. Fair, warmer. Did cleaning. I went with Shirley Krahn & Phyllis Litwiller to Champaign (Ben drove). Each got prosthesis. Got home at 1:30. Pete helped put up Ropp Cemetery sign at Ropp Cemetery. Ron back from Elkhart at 4:30. We took him to I AA at 5:00 for dinner for Bill Dunn. Jo going later. Merle took us to Streids for our birthdays. Mary along. Picked quart of raspberries. Nesters picked our beans.

Saturday, July 21, 1979. Fair, quite warm, 80s. I made 4 quarts dill pickles & coffeecake braid. Cut broccoli & cleaned it. Put container in freezer. Gave Jo some & cut some grass & weeds around flower bed in yard. We helped Jo pick beans & stem them.

Sunday, July 22, 1979. Fair, rather humid, hazy. We went to 1st service. Ramsi & Carol *Farrau* (sp?) invited we & Mary to their home for dinner. Had some Arab dishes. Very good. Was an enjoyable day. We were home in evening.

Monday, July 23, 1979. 90°, very hazy, humid, but good breeze in evening. I washed & ironed. We picked Paul Miller's beans. Canned 8 ½ quarts for Jo. I made 6 quarts dill pickles. Jon here for dinner. Ron & Marty to FFA fair at Pontiac. Got back after 1:00. Ron to work. We picked quart of raspberries. We went to town at 3:00. Took Mary to Ensenbergers. She got place setting for Deb.

Tuesday, July 24, 1979. Partly cloudy. Had shower in morning. It rained again in evening, ½ inch. I baked zucchini bread. Made custard raspberry pie & angel food cake. Made dressing. We went to Barney's in evening. CRs & we took Marie to dinner. Mary & May Mohr along. We went to Mary's, had ice cream and cake. CRs & we gave Marie glasses & iced tea spoons. Pete to pastoral care meeting.

Wednesday, July 25, 1979. Had thunderstorm early hours. Had 4 inches rain. Mostly cloudy, very humid. We went to hospital at 8:00. Volunteered. Stopped at Novak's [Flowers]. Got 1 ½

dozen red roses for Marie Kaufman from Merle, Lucy Catherine & we. Pete & I to Earl [Kaufman]s at 5:00. Took roses & angel food cake. Marie isn't good. So weak & can't eat. Feel so sorry for her. Allen called in evening. Wanted to know when we were coming out.

Thursday, July 26, 1979. Foggy in morning, partly cloudy, 86°, humid. I baked rolls & we picked beans & stemmed them for Summer Festival. Pete to Lester Litwiller's sale awhile. We went to town at 3:00 to bank & hospital & took beans to Consistory. I picked bucket of cucumbers for Jo.

Friday, July 27, 1979. Foggy in morning, Hartley cloudy, in 80s, little cooler in evening. We went to town at 10:00. Pete had haircut & I went to Harvella [Stutzman]s, then to Consistory to get ready for Summer Festival. We had lunch at Grand Café. Lois Fagerburg & I started marking baked goods [with prices] at 1:00. Rest of committee came after 2:00. Never saw so much baked things. Got rid of all of it. Had good attendance at dinner. Jo & we counted money when got home. Rons were helping at dinner.

Saturday, July 28, 1979. Fair, quite warm again and humid. Pete to men's breakfast. I did washing. We went to Dr. Wellmerling's funeral at 11:00. Talked to Jack [Wellmerling] few minutes. Quite a few doctors there. Pete mowed lawn in p.m. Marjorie, Andy, Benjy & Amy got here at 8:00 p.m. Glad to see them. Rons here too for supper.

Sunday, July 29, 1979. Fair, 90°, very humid. We all went to 2nd service. Had lunch at home. Jo & Marj got dinner for us. Had nice birthday. Mary & Marie at Rons. Pete with Ron to take load of hogs to Peoria in evening.

Monday, July 30, 1979. Partly cloudy, hot and humid. Had shower 5:00 and again in evening. Had heavy rain in places. I washed and ironed. Marjorie, Mary & we to see Ed in p.m. [He] still has rash and [is] uncomfortable. Marie took us all to Grand Café for dinner in evening. Went to Mary's, had cake & ice cream. CRs & May [Mohr] there too. Ron & boys took livestock to 4-H fair. Marty took vegetables too. Rosalee came in evening. Talked to Allens.

Tuesday, July 31, 1979. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m., little more breeze. We put 8 containers corn in freezer. Went to town at noon & to 4-H fair. Jon showed his 3 Ayrshires. Got first on all of them. Marty got first on peppers, cucumbers & summer squash. Got 2nd on basket & onions. We were home in evening.

Wednesday, August 1, 1979. Rained all morning, ½ inch. We all went to fair. Pete & I to bank. Boys showed barrows. Marty got 4th, Jon 8th. Pete & I home after lunch. I went to Earl Kaufmans at 1:00. Stayed with Marie until 3:30. Earl to town. Marie getting worse. I washed after got home. Packed suitcases in evening.

Thursday, August 2, 1979. Foggy early a.m., fair, nice day. Pete & I left at 8:10 for Allens. Held up an hour in Peoria on account of bridge work. Got to Allens at 3:40. Had a good trip. Brought

flowers from home, corn & tomatoes. Everyone busy. We went to mall at Ames after supper. Jeff home from road work.

Friday, August 3, 1979. Fair, nice day. Everyone busy cleaning. Made fruit for tomorrow. Shirley took things to church. Deb here several times. Open some of her gifts. She is very pleased with the silver & chest. Marie, Mary & Mabel got here after 4:00. They're staying at motel in Ames. Ron, Jo, Marjorie, Andy, Benjy & Amy got to Ames motel at 1:00 a.m.

Saturday, August 4, 1979. Clear, hot, 93° – 95°. Rons came at 8:30. Jo helping get things ready. Ron, Marj & children to church at 10:00. Steve got home from harvest at 11:00 a.m. We all went to Deb & Randy Karn wedding at 2:00. Steve & Jeff ushers. Jeff sang. Steve played guitar. Pam maid of honor. Ron helped with ceremony. Andy & Benjy lit candles. A nice service. Had reception at church. Had supper at Allens for family & friends. Deb & Randy to canoe trip to Eli, Minnesota. Rons & Marj home at 7:00 PM.

Sunday, August 5, 1979. Clear, hot. We all went to church at 9:30. Allens took Mary & we to smorgasbord at Gateway in Ames. Steve doing chores for Dick Pilgrims. Shirley, Mary & I to Deb's apartment to see some of her gifts. Merle & Mabel left at 8:00 for home.

Monday, August 6, 1979. Clear, hot, 93°. We and Mary left Allens at 9:00 for Harrisonville [Missouri]. Got to Frances's at 3:30. Allens all to work. We enjoyed the weekend & thankful we could be there. Frances had supper for us. She isn't very good. Orvie at Frances's too. Mary stayed with her & we stayed with Orvie. Marj left for Memphis in morning. Had car trouble at New Madrid, Missouri. Had to stay all night.

Tuesday, August 7, 1979. Fair, hot, 94°, good breeze. Mary & Frances came to Orvie's in morning. We had lunch at Frances's. Orvie, Mary & we to Garden City in p.m. to see Carrie. She's very frail. Orvie took Frances and we to Harvest House in evening.

Wednesday, August 8, 1979. Fair, hot, in 90s. We left Harrisonville at 8:00. Got home at 5:00. Had a good trip for which we are grateful. Marty & Jon at [State Fair at] Springfield with livestock. Ron & Jo took us to Peking Palace for our anniversary.

Thursday, August 9, 1979. Fair, hot, 90°, little more breeze. I washed & ironed. Had large one, sheets, bedspread, etc. Pete mowed lawn. Dug onions, got 3 wire baskets. Dug some potatoes. I hoed & pulled weeds in garden. Ron to Springfield in evening. Stayed all night. Jo here awhile.

Friday, August 10, 1979. Mostly cloudy. Had several showers. Pete dug more potatoes. Cleaned up house. We went to town to hospital. Got auxiliary money. Saw Marie Kaufman. She had surgery. Made opening in her stomach to feed her. I canned 5 quarts tomatoes. Marty got 2nd in showmanship.

Saturday, August 11, 1979. Fair, cool, 73°. Pete worked on auxiliary books in morning. Dusted upstairs. Baked bars & shampooed my hair. Worked outside. Cut weeds. We finished digging

potatoes. Ron here for lunch. Jo to Springfield. Marty got 4th and 12th on Barrows. We went to Merle's for supper. Took Famous Chicken. Took Merle vegetables & cantaloupe.

Sunday, August 12, 1979. A beautiful day, 47° in morning, little warmer. We went to 1st service. Went with Marie to Jumers in Peoria. (Unclear) & Irene L. Along. Went for drive along [Illinois] River. Pete helped Ron chore. Don Friesens from California at Rons for dinner. Rons to Springfield.

Monday, August 13, 1979. Partly cloudy, pleasant, 82°. Washed & ironed. Pete chore. We put 21 pints corn in freezer for Jo. Ron called from fair. Marty got 2nd & 3rd & 2 6th [places] in junior show.

Tuesday, August 14, 1979. Mostly cloudy. Misted little in morning, cool, 65°. We went to town at 8:00. Volunteered at hospital. I canned 7 quarts tomatoes & baked cookies in p.m. Pete worked in truck patch and chored. We & CRs to Marie's for supper. Jon got 4th and 5th in open show on calves.

Wednesday, August 15, 1979. Fair, chilly, 47° in morning. Pete Jordan. We & Mary left at 7:50 for Springfield. Jon got first and Grand Champion on junior heifer and 3rd on other one and in Boys Showmanship in Ayrshire breed. He was real happy. We are too. Boys showed hogs in open show. Didn't do too well. Marty got 9th. Jo home with us. She & Pete chored. Jo ate supper with us.

Thursday, August 16, 1979. Fair, little warmer. Worked in yard in morning. Went to town at 11:00. Took Marty to Provident Bookstore. Jo took him to register at school. We got Merle. Went to *Len Sun* (sp?) for lunch & to Gailey's for Merle's checkup. Got Ron shirt for birthday. Marty home with us. Ron & Marty home from fair at 9:00 a.m. Marty back in evening with Darren [Ropp]. Mohrs brought Jon & calves home in PM. Ron & Jo at work.

Friday, August 17, 1979. Partly cloudy, warmer, & more humid. Did cleaning. Washed some windows & worked in yard. Pete mowed yard. Took car to town at 11:30. Got new tire & had car aligned. Went to Cutters awhile. Mary home with him. I got ready for company. Anton Romyns & Ramsey Farrau, Mary, Jo & Jon here for supper. Ron to Springfield. Got Marty & pigs.

Saturday, August 18, 1979. Had inch of rain early morning. Partly cloudy, hot & humid. I canned 9 quarts tomato juice, did washing & ironing, baked angel food cake. Shampooed my hair. Jo pinned it up. Pete & Ron to Paul Ziebarth's sale. We went to Merle's at 5:30. Took she & Glenn Augsburgers to McLean (Merle paid). Jimmie Grady's at Merle's awhile.

Sunday, August 19, 1979. Partly cloudy, hot and humid. We went to 1st service. Congregation voted to sell 2 churches & buy 9.5 acres at Hovey & Cottage [Streets]. Mary took Rons to Red Lobster. We went along. Were home in PM. Got things ready for supper. Pauls got here at 6:45.

Glad to see them. Rons to church picnic at Maplewood Park. We made ice cream. Rons here for ice cream and cake. Gave Ron shirt [for birthday].

Monday, August 20, 1979. Partly cloudy, humid, rained in evening. Marjorie did some laundry. We canned 8 quarts tomatoes for her. Pauls & we drove to Ropp Cemetery to see new sign. Pauls jogged home. Mary to Eureka with Ruth Zehr.

Tuesday, August 21, 1979. Mostly cloudy, in 80s. Pauls left at 9:00 for Ann Arbor. Was good to have them although time was short. I washed & ironed. Dried everything outside. Belt broke on dryer. Pete trimmed shrubbery in PM.

Wednesday, August 22, 1979. Had ½ inch rain early a.m., fair, 80s. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. I canned 7 ½ quarts tomatoes in p.m. Mary came in evening. Got 5 gallon bucket of tomatoes, some green beans & mush melons. Boys started to school, ½ day.

Thursday, August 23, 1979. Partly cloudy, cooler. Baked quick coffeecake & made 2 apple pies to put in freezer. We went to town at 2:30 to bank. Got Mary & Ruth Zehr. Went to Eureka. Had supper at Dairy Queen. Went to see Ed. He wasn't feeling very good. We went to Eureka College gym to Myron Augsburger's meetings.

Friday, August 24, 1979. Clear, 78°, beautiful day. Did cleaning. Baked pecan rolls. Pete mowed lawn. Marie here in p.m., got tomatoes & mush melons. I picked lima beans. Put 3 pints in freezer. Got supper. Rons here, had pizza.

Saturday, August 25, 1979. Fair, nice day, in 70s. Pete took car to Pennys at 7:30, had new shocks put on. I finished cleaning. Went with Rons to Maxwell Park to church ballgame. We lost. They played again at 2:30 & won. Played at 5:30 & lost. Pete came to Maxwell Park. We got groceries. I canned 11 quarts tomatoes in p.m. Picked a few strawberries. Gordon & Roberta in car accident at Hastings corner. Man ran stop sign. Roberta in hospital. Ron at hospital with them. She hit windshield with head, some lacerations.

Sunday, August 26, 1979. Partly cloudy, pleasant. We went to 1st service. We took Rons to Streids for their anniversary. Mary & Marie along. Were home in PM. We went to Charles Hoffmans in evening to see Lawrence Mishlers. Dr. Barbers there too.

Monday, August 27, 1979. Cloudy in morning. Partly cloudy, near 80°. I washed & ironed. Canned 6 quarts tomato juice. Worked in garden. Pulled weeds. Pete finished cutting weeds around evergreen trees & worked in truck patch. Roberta still in hospital, but little better.

Tuesday, August 28, 1979. Foggy in morning, warmer. I made 9 ½ pints chili sauce. Pete worked outside. Roberta home from hospital. Very Beachy called. [They] are coming tomorrow. We, Lucy Catherine & Marie Yoder at Mary's for supper. Ron to pastoral care meeting.

Wednesday, August 29, 1979. Fair, in 80s, rather humid. We went to hospital, volunteered. Went to see Roberta. Took her some glads & melon & fruit. Got things ready for supper. Alvin & Vera Beachy came at 6:00. We went to Melvin Clemens awhile in evening.

Thursday, August 30, 1979. Fair, 87°, humid. Alvin Beachys left for Newton at 6:30. I washed 3 loads. Went to Harvella [Stutzman]'s. Helped quilt. Mary there. Left after lunch. I ironed when got home. Pete trimmed raspberries. Picked about bushel of tomatoes for *Kievets* (sp?). We went to town at 7:00. Got pump leathers for deep well. Quit pumping. Helped Pete some until Ron got home.

Friday, August 31, 1979. Fair, 87°. Did cleaning. We went to auxiliary board meeting at 9:00. Did some shopping. Went to Birkelbaws [to] get peaches but no peaches. Mick Mishlers came just as I was ready to work on grapes. Made 6 glasses jelly. Baked cake & iced it. Cooked apples. Put 3 bags cantaloupe balls in freezer. Cantaloupe weighed 15 pounds.

Saturday, September 1, 1979. Had shower at 7:00 a.m. Fair, nice day. Got things ready for dinner. Pete and I left at 9:30 for Ropp reunion at Morton Park. Went early to hold table. Rons there. CR's family & Marie [there]. 33 there. Went to Morton Mennonite Church to see display for their centennial. Steve & Jeff came at 4:00. Glad to have them.

Sunday, September 2, 1979. Fair, 80s. We & boys to 1st service. Marie & we to Cambridge Inn for dinner. Were home in PM. Mary to Conklin Play with Arlene Litwiller. Steve, Jeff, Jo & we to Centennial Pageant at Morton church. Very good. Ron on call so couldn't go.

Monday, September 3, 1979. Steve and Jeff left for BC at 7:30. Clear, nice day, 84°, cool in evening. I did washing & ironing. Made chicken & eggplant casserole. Pete mowed lawn. Picked tomatoes for Wilbur Bauman. Had garden picnic. [Jim] Waltners, [Franzie] Loepps, Paul M[illers] and J[ohn] Gundys here. Jo ate with us. Ron & Marty to hog sale at Rossville. Jon with Mohrs to of fair. Mary here in morning. Got grapes & vegetables.

Tuesday, September 4, 1979. Fair, nice day. I cleaned upstairs & washed all bedding. We went to town at 2:00. Helped paint at Farm Bureau building for hospital auxiliary. Evelyn [Bertsche], Rachel and Ina [Sutter] there too. Steve here when we got home. Had forgotten his shaving kit. Left at 5:00 for Nevada [Iowa]. I went to Good Will with Jeanette.

Wednesday, September 5, 1979. Mostly fair, 85°. I went to Earl Kaufmans at 7:45. Stayed with Marie until 11:30. Earl to meeting & town. Marie about same. Pete to hospital with Ron. I went at noon. Volunteered until 3:00. Saw a Mrs. Talley for Reach for Recovery. Pete painted in p.m. at Farm Bureau building. I ironed when got home.

Thursday, September 6, 1979. Fair, 80s, cooler in evening. We went to auxiliary meeting. I helped finish a quilt. Pete painted at Farm Bureau building. I washed some paneling in p.m. Got

¾ bushel of peaches, a few calls. I made 4 ½ pints peach marmalade. Mary came, got few peaches & some pint jars. Gave Rons some peaches.

Friday, September 7, 1979. Clear, cool, 70s, fine day. I cleaned our bedroom. Washed bedding & curtains. Put 3 quarts peaches in freezer & made 2 pints preserves. Pete picked tomatoes for Don Nesters. Marge came for them. We took Merle, Mary & Lorene Reeser to Red Bud. Merle paid. Dr. Jim Chrisman passed away in Minnesota.

Saturday, September 8, 1979. Clear, 42° in morning, 70°, nice day. Pete to men's breakfast. I fixed 4 containers of peaches. Gave Rons 3. Made peach cobbler for dinner. Ron & Marty here. Jo & Jon to fair at Sandwich Illinois. I cleaned west bedroom in p.m. We volunteered at hospital, 4:00 to 8:30.

Sunday, September 9, 1979. Clear, cool, fine day. We went to 1st service. Ron sang solo. Mary & we to Eureka. Took Ed to dinner. Went to Cemetery & to Bob Yoders. Ed talked to Mrs. Yoder. Bob not home. Pete & I to visitation for Dr. Jim Chrisman. He passed away in Minnesota. We were home in evening. Paul Millers here awhile, got tomatoes.

Monday, September 10, 1979. Fair, warmer, 80s. I washed & ironed. Went to nurses luncheon at Arnie's. 10 there. I made 11 glasses grape jelly in p.m. Gave Jo 8 glasses. Paul Miller here in p.m. Cut down dead tree in front yard. Pete helped him. Rosalee & (unclear) friend at Rons.

Tuesday, September 11, 1979. Fair, 85°. I went to prayer group at Shirley Krahn. Cleaned living & dining room. Paul Miller cutting up tree. Pete helped him some. I cleaned of yard. Got supper for Rons, Rosalee & friend.

Wednesday, September 12, 1979. Partly cloudy, in 80s. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Did some shopping in p.m. I cleaned Cedar closet and hall way. Home in evening.

Thursday, September 13, 1979. Cloudy, cooler, 70° – 73°. I cleaned bathroom. Went to Home Extension with Dorothy Singley. Got home at 1:30. We took Ruby (the dog) to vet. Got her shots. Pete picked tomatoes & dug glads. I canned 9 ½ quarts tomatoes for Pauls. Ron took hogs to Gail Bressners for sale tomorrow.

Friday, September 14, 1979. Clear, 69°, rather windy. Did cleaning. I cleaned cupboards in kitchen. We went to Lucy Catherine Pattons at 6:00. Mary along. Morris & Marie Heiser & Luella[Mishler], Fern (sp?) Mohr Brown [there]. Had nice evening. Pete & Jon did chores. Ron & Marty to Bressners at noon. Took Jon to Book Store. He & Jo to sale. Boys had good sale & bought one [pig].

Saturday, September 15, 1979. Clear, 39° in morning, fine day. I cleaned the fruit room. Baked cookies & made lemon dessert. Shampooed my hair. We went to hospital at 4:00, volunteered. Went to Rons when we got home. Had wieners & marshmallows. They had counseling families from Health Center.

Sunday, September 16, 1979. Dutiful day, little warmer. We went to 1st service. Got Merle & went to group meeting at John Reimers. They & Tom Yoders leaders. 17 there. Had nice time. Took Merle home. We were home in evening. Jon here. Rons to Dunns. Marty to MYF.

Monday, September 17, 1979. Fair, fine day, low 80s. I washed. Went with Arlene Litwiller at 9:00 to Champaign. She went to Carle Clinic for allergy. I went to orthopedic center awhile. Had lunch. Got back at 2:30. We cleaned recreation room. I did ironing. Pete picked tomatoes for Zehr girls & worked on mower & did odd jobs.

Tuesday, September 18, 1979. Beautiful day. I went to prayer group at Alta Litwillers. Pete did some shopping. We took Jo to lunch. We went to Gift Shop meeting at hospital at 2:00. Went to see Earl & Marie [Kaufman] at 4:30. Took some cookies. Marie is failing. Weak today. So sad to see her this way.

Wednesday, September 19, 1979. Foggy in morning. Fine day. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. I went to club meeting at Sue Schwoerer. Ed Miller here while Fern went to meeting. I got Jon at school at 4:00. We were home in evening. Farmers combining beans.

Thursday, September 20, 1979. Partly cloudy, pleasant day. Cleaned the furnace & laundry room. Cleaned windows & put storm windows in. We went to town at 3:00. Shopped, looked for dress. Mary, Merle & we to Bishops at 4:00. Had good meal (Mary payed). Ron at Chicago for the day. Allen called, [they] are coming Saturday.

Friday, September 21, 1979. Cloudy, chilly, in 60s. Did cleaning. We went to town at 10:00. Went to Blinks and Thrift Shop and bank. Went to Eastland, looked for dress. We went to May Mohr's at 1:30. Helped she & Carol make mints for Clarence's 50th anniversary reception. Home in evening. Picked pint of strawberries.

Saturday, September 22, 1979. Clear, fine day. Pete to men's breakfast. I baked coffeecake. Made chili. Finished cleaning. Allens & Pam got here at 12:00 noon. They went to see Mrs. Yeakel in PM. I got things ready for supper. Allens, Rons, Mary & Marie here. Marie brought birthday cake for birthdays. Allens & Rachel Clemens here all night.

Sunday, September 23, 1979. Another fine day, cool. We all went to 1st service. Pete & I [were] greeters. Allens & we at Rons for dinner. Bob Kaufmans & Stan Clemens there too. Allens left for home at 2:15. We miss them. Glad they could come, although time was short. We went to movie at Normal Methodist Church, "Hazel's People." Was good. Mary along.

Monday, September 24, 1979. Fair, warmer, near 80°. I did laundry. Had extra bedding, towels etc. Did ironing. Canned 6 quarts tomato juice for Jo. Pete doing odd jobs. Were home in evening.

Tuesday, September 25, 1979. Fair, warm, 82°. I washed some dresses & trousers. Went to prayer group at Eddy Stalter's. Took tomatoes to Dorothy. I polished silverware. We took Marty

to FFA meeting at NCHS, Jon to Clemens. We went to Heritage at Galloways. Rons to dinner at hospital.

Wednesday, September 26, 1979. Fair, 80s. We went to town at 7:00. I went to Danville with Evelyn Bertsche to District 3B auxiliary meeting. Lenore & Dorothy Schwartz along. Were 13 from Mennonite. Several gave slide presentation of Ed program and Tel – Med closed[-circuit] TV. Got back at 4:45. Pete volunteered at hospital. Mary brought him home. Jo took boys & we to Avanti's to eat. Ron at meeting.

Thursday, September 27, 1979. Fair, nice day. Did odd jobs. Repotted some flowers. We went to town in p.m. to bank. I got dark rose or wine colored dress. Mary & we met Marie & Irene L. at Ozark House. Had dinner together. Jeff got here at 3:00 PM. We didn't expect him until evening. He came with Roeschley from Gridley. Glad to see him. Ron to Chicago.

Friday, September 28, 1979. Fair, 80s. Did cleaning. Pete & Jeff took air-conditioner out. I cleaned windows. Did some laundry for Jeff. Baked bars. Made chicken casserole for dinner. Went to Birkelbaws. Got bushel of apples. I canned 6 quarts tomato juice for Jo. She went to Goshen at noon. Jeff to Gridley for supper. (Unclear) Ron & boys here for supper. Ron home from Chicago at 4:30.

Saturday, September 29, 1979. Partly cloudy, warmer. I picked quart strawberries. We went to town at 10:30. Pete to church 11 to 3:00 (?). Stayed at Illinois Historical Library. Marie took Jeff, Marty, Jon & me to Red Lobster for lunch. Went to her house, played cards until 3:00. She brought Marty, Jon home. Jeff & we to Merle's. Went to see her apartment at Westminster, then to Teachers Fish & Chip for supper (Merle payed). Stopped at her apartment a while.

Sunday, September 30, 1979. Cloudy in till late PM. We went to 1st service & to Mary's for dinner. We went to see house church has rented for Vietnamese family. Have it all furnished. We gave chair & other things. Mary & we to Maple Lawn picnic for residents & families at 4:00. Went to see Pearl Greaser's new apartment. Got back to church for Congregational meeting at 7:00. Jo back from Elkhart at 4:30.

Monday, October 1, 1979. Foggy in morning, fair in till noon, had shower at 2:00, cooler. I washed. Did Jeff's too. Fixed lunch for him. Took him to R Stutzman's at 11:00. He went back to Bluffton with Judy and Terry. I did ironing. Wrote to Evelyn. We were home in evening. Rained in night.

Tuesday, October 2, 1979. Cloudy, chilly, in 50s. Quite a change. I went to prayer group at Martha Dicks. I got cheese on truck at *Radas* (sp?). Got donuts for Women's Fellowship. Made vegetable soup. We went to see Earl & Marie [Kaufman]. Took Earl some soup. Marie feeling worse. We put flower seeds away. Ron & Jon to Madison Wisconsin. John showing calf. Went to women's fellowship. On committee, had donuts and cider.

Wednesday, October 3, 1979. Cloudy, showered some. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. I cleaned & waxed kitchen floor in PM. Pete to pastoral care meeting in evening. Mary & I to June [Jantze]'s [to] help quilt.

Thursday, October 4, 1979. Fair to mostly cloudy in p.m., 38° in morning, in 50s during day. We went to auxiliary board meeting at 9:00, to workday afterwards. We came home at 3:00. Took some vegetables to new Taiwanese family. I baked carrot cookies for CR's reception. Ron & Jon home at 8:00.

Friday, October 5, 1979. Foggy in morning, 34°, partly cloudy, chilly, in 50s. Did cleaning. Went to town at 10:30. Took Merle to Beauty Shop. Had lunch at Steak 'n Shake. Took Merle shopping for lamp & magazine rack. Went to Westminster to see about her apartment. We did some shopping. Got stepstool for Merle. Merle took us to Barney's. Saw Roger Woizeski there.

Saturday, October 6, 1979. Partly cloudy, cold wind, in 50s. Pete to men's breakfast. I baked cookies. Got some flowers in. Shampooed my hair. Went to Eastland at 1:00. Helped at Mennonite Hospital booth for Health Fair. I took blood pressure. Pete helped in Tel – Med. We went to hospital at 4:00, volunteered until 8:30. Jo at workshop at church. Ron on call, was at hospital late p.m. and all evening. Had a death.

Sunday, October 7, 1979. Clear, fine day, little warmer. We went to 1st service. Helped to get ready for communion. Had lunch at Arby's. Home awhile in p.m. Had a surprise. Steve came about 2:00. He had been to Bluffton to wedding. Pete & I to church at 3:00. Dr. Crumpler's training program for Laity Ministry. Took sandwiches & fruit. Steve left here at 4:30. Went to town to see Mrs. Yeakel & on home to Sponslers.

Monday, October 8, 1979. Partly cloudy, warmer, 75°, nice day. I did laundry & ironed. Pete moved potatoes in basement. I gathered more flower seeds. Got things ready for supper. Rons, Mary & Marie here for Marty's birthday. Jo brought pork chops & cake. I fixed shrimp cocktails. Gave Marty money.

Tuesday, October 9, 1979. Cloudy in morning, then fair, 55°. I went to prayer group at Alma G[alloway]'s. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I canned 7 quarts tomato juice. We went to town at 6:00. Helped auxiliary serve coffee & cookies for special meeting of delegates. Also had open house for auxiliary rooms.

Wednesday, October 10, 1979. Partly cloudy, 31°, in 50s. We went to hospital, volunteered. Did some shopping. I baked bars & cooked squash. Took tomatoes to Jo. Wrote to Frances. Saw a Mrs. Myers at hospital for Reach to Recovery. Talked to Allen. They are okay. Going to Bluffton Friday for homecoming.

Thursday, October 11, 1979. Fair, little warmer, 62°. I put some summer clothes away. Washed some dresses. Went to Home Extension with Mabel. I baked pumpkin bread & made 2 pie crusts.

Pete got Jon at Parkside at 5:00. He's in runners club. We were home in evening. Mabel got endive & squash.

Friday, October 12, 1979. Fair, windy, cold. We went to town at 10:30. I had hair done at Harvella's. Went shopping. Got groceries. We watched NCHS homecoming Parade. We went to Clarence & Mabel's 50th anniversary dinner at ISU. The Mohr brothers & sister [Mabel's siblings] & Marie & we, Gordons & Rays & families. Nice evening. We gave CRs a book of the years 1930 – 1940. Rons gave them a beautiful guestbook. Ron to Elkhart.

Saturday, October 13, 1979. Fair, cold, 25° in morning. I baked pumpkin pie & quick coffeecake. We went to town. Exchanged some PJs we had gotten. Washed some summer pantsuits. Put more summer things away. Picked quart of strawberries. Pete gathered some sweet corn for seed. Gave Jo some of pie.

Sunday, October 14, 1979. Clear, fine day, cool. We went to 2nd service & to Mary's for dinner. We went to reception for Clarence's 50th anniversary at Baptist Church at 2:00 PM. Jo & I helped serve at the table some of the time. Allen & Shirley came at 3:00 on their way home from Bluffton. Good to see them. They left at 4:30 for home. Jo & Mary to Clarences at 4:30 to get things ready for lunch. The family & close friends there. A nice day.

Monday, October 15, 1979. Mostly cloudy, warmer, 70° – 72°. Washed & ironed. Baked coffeecake braid. Pete worked outside awhile. We went to town at 3:30. I went to Dr. McGinnis. Didn't get out until after 6:00. He had an emergency. We ate at Cambridge Inn. EAs were there. Talked to Pauls. Marjorie working 3 days [a week] at Detroit in nursing home.

Tuesday, October 16, 1979. Rained in early morning and in forenoon. I went to prayer group at June J[antze]'s. Martha Dyck with me. We dressed 3 geese in p.m. Merle, Mary & we to Streid's in evening.

Wednesday, October 17, 1979. Fair, warmer, 70°. We volunteered at hospital in morning. I went to winner – loser luncheon at Alta Litwiller. I was winner. I made apple crisp. Made 1 ½ quarts tomato juice. Made salad. Gerald *DeSabe's* (sp?) Wife died. (Gerald is counselor at Health Center.)

Thursday, October 18, 1979. Very foggy in morning, fair, warm, 73°. I went to Illinois Mennonite women's meeting at our church. Helped serve punch & cookies when visitors registered. Ellen Sprunger from Japan speaker. Jo brought book display at noon. We were home in evening. Did some packing.

Friday, October 19, 1979. Showered in early morning, fair p.m., 70s. We went to town at 7:30 to auxiliary bazaar. Had charge of bake sale. Pete cashier. Had good sale. Got home after 4:30. Packed suitcases. We went to DMC tour at Goodfield, then to Schrag's for wiener roast. Had ice cream & cake for their 25th anniversary. Group gave them money tree.

Saturday, October 20, 1979. Mostly cloudy, warm. Mary, Marie & we left at 8:00 for Ann Arbor. Got to Pauls at 4:30. The trees were beautiful. Thankful for good trip. Good to see Pauls. Ron to Whitewater Wisconsin to Mrs. De Sabe funeral.

Sunday, October 21, 1979. Fair, nice day, near 80°. We had late breakfast. Went for drive to Dexter to Apple orchard and cider press. Had donuts & cider. Then to another orchard. Girls got some apples. Paul took us to his office & tour of campus. We all went to Old Heidelberg Restaurant.

Monday, October 22, 1979. Partly cloudy, windy & warm. Marjorie to work at Detroit. She does speech therapy at nursing homes. Paul home studying. Children to school. We took Marie to Jackson. Met Lucille Eckhart. Had lunch together. Marie home with her. We got back to Pauls at 3:30. Rained some in evening.

Tuesday, October 23, 1979. Cloudy, windy, much colder, light shower in evening. Paul to his office. Marjorie & we went shopping. Got Christmas gifts for children. We met Paul at campus cafeteria at noon. He took us to lunch. Helped Marjorie baked cake & made vegetable soup for supper. We did some mending & I ripped open a skirt for Marjorie. Boys had soccer practice.

Wednesday, October 24, 1979. Cloudy and some showers. We left Pauls at 7:45 their time. Met Marie and Lucille at Jackson. Had breakfast together. Were delayed around Gary Indiana 45 minutes, had been accident. We got home about 4:00. Had sunshine. Thankful for good trip. Our dog Ruby here when we got home.

Thursday, October 25, 1979. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m., 44°. I did washing & ironing. Mary & we to Eureka at 11:30. Took Ed to dinner. He seems to feel some better. Mary had physical at 3:30. We went to hospital. Got rest of bazaar money. I went to alumni meeting in evening. Was on committee.

Friday, October 26, 1979. Fair, 28° in morning. Did all of cleaning. Pete pecan rolls. Gave Rons some. Ron here for dinner. He's working on his house. We dressed rest of geese (4). Glad they're done. Pete cleaned out spouting.

Saturday, October 27, 1979. Fair, warmer, 66°. We went to the Genealogical meeting at East Bend Church with Gerald Galloways. Interesting day. Saw Ada Birkey Foley & other friends. We got groceries. Home in evening.

Sunday, October 28, 1979. A beautiful day, near 70°. Went to 1st service, large attendance. Men's chorus sang. We went to CRs for dinner. Mary, May & Marie there. Looked at pictures & cards. Pete & I to Dr. Crumpler's class at 2:00 – 5:00. Went to Merle's. Got her geraniums. Got Mary & went to Installation Services for Margaret Richer. Reception afterwards. A nice service.

Monday, October 29, 1979. Another beautiful day, warm. Did laundry. We went to town at 10:00. Pete to auxiliary finance committee meeting. I went to June [Jantze]'s, [to] help quilt. She

had group of ladies in. We were there for lunch. Left at 3:00. Pete burned some weeds in truck patch. I raked some leaves.

Tuesday, October 30, 1979. Fair, nice day, warm, 70° plus. Got things ready for prayer group. 10 here. Pete pulled up flowers in garden. I went to Kay Ann Fransen's at 1:30. Dorothy Clemens there too. We took Merle to Ozark House for her birthday. Mary & Marie along. All gave Merle step stool.

Wednesday, October 31, 1979. Cloudy, strong wind. Rained in evening. We went to hospital, volunteered. I saw a Mrs. Bertsche for Reach to Recovery. Pete to pastoral [care] meeting. Mary & I to June Jantze's to quilt. We went to Rons awhile when we got home. Cheryl Rempel there. She is just back from 3 years VS work in Swaziland.

Thursday, November 1, 1979. Partly cloudy, chilly, 45°. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I washed lace tablecloth & goose feathers. Baked French bread in PM. I went with Jo & Marty to chorus at NCHS. Ron to Open House at Parkside. Jon to 4-H achievement night. Pete home.

Friday, November 2, 1979. Fair, 23° in morning. Did cleaning. Made apple dessert & vegetable soup. Worked on quilt. Talked to Frances in evening. She is feeling some better. Jon here in evening. Ron & Marty to ballgame. Jo had a dinner.

Saturday, November 3, 1979. Clear, nice day, cool, 40s. Pete to men's breakfast. I finished cleaning and shampooed my hair. Worked on quilt. We went to town in p.m. Shopped some. Worked at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Ron to Peoria to PTA meeting.

Sunday, November 4, 1979. Clear, fine day, 29° in morning. We went to 1st service. We were hosts for fellowship hour. Mary, Ruth Zehr & we to 76 Restaurant. Pete & I to Mary's awhile. Went to church at 3:00. Had last meeting with Dr. Crumpler, Equipping Laity for Ministry. Had lunch together.

Monday, November 5, 1979. Fair, warmer, showered little in evening. Pete cleaned off flower bed & spaded some. I washed & ironed. Baked few leaves in p.m. Steve Estes here awhile in p.m. [to] get more information for his thesis. We went to Earl K[aufman]'s at 4:00. Marie weaker. We went with Jo & boys to music department chili supper. Ron at hospital meeting.

Tuesday, November 6, 1979. Cloudy, cold, 42°. Pete worked on auxiliary books for annual meeting. I went to prayer group at Dorothy Zehrs. Went to Harvella's at 11:30. Had permanent. Roy Millers here in p.m. to talk about Mennonite aid. I went to Women's Fellowship with Jeanette.

Wednesday, November 7, 1979. Fair, chilly, 43°. We volunteered at hospital. Pete spaded some in garden. I got endive in. Worked on quilt. Lynn Rader here. Plowed truck patch. Showered some in night.

Thursday, November 8, 1979. Mostly cloudy. I baked apples. Got some things ready for supper. I took Mabel & Dorothy Singley to District HEA meeting at Carlock community building. Had a good meeting. Pete spaded garden. Had dinner in evening for Edgar's 50th anniversary which is the 16th. Art Siegs, EAs, CRs, Mary & Marie here. Had decorated cake for them. CRs & Marie helped pay for it.

Friday, November 9, 1979. Cloudy, misted some, colder. Rained early a.m. Did cleaning. I washed 3 loads, tablecloths, napkins, etc. Ron here for dinner. Took day off to work on house. We went to town in p.m. to bank & shopped some. Went to Earl Kaufmans at 6:15. Stayed with Marie until 9:00. Lonnie [Kaufman] came to stay with her until Earl gets back from playing [saxophone] at Colfax.

Saturday, November 10, 1979. Cloudy, few flurries in morning, cold, in 30s. Pete helping Ron and boys to build a shed for calves. I made 2 pumpkin pies. Finished cleaning. Rons here for dinner. Had waffles & sausage. Harry Martens came at noon. Had lunch with us. Dudley Callenders, Merle & we to Red Bud. I drove. Merle payed for dinners.

Sunday, November 11, 1979. Fair, nice day, 18° in morning. We went to church. Had Congregational meeting at 10:45. Showed plans for new church. We went to small group meeting at Tom Yoder's at noon. We went to IAA Tours at 2:00. Was at IAA building. Jo here awhile in evening.

Monday, November 12, 1979. Fair, nice day, 43° high. I washed & ironed. Mary & we to Eureka to see Ed. He has cold. Helped Pete spaded a little garden. Worked on quilt.

Tuesday, November 13, 1979. Mostly cloudy, 39° – 40°. I went to prayer group at Wendy Jones. Martha Dyck along. Pete spaded some in garden. We went to Merle's in p.m. Did some packing for her. Had supper with her. We got groceries. Home in evening.

Wednesday, November 14, 1979. Fair, nice day, 40s. We went to hospital, volunteered. Went to Provident Book Store. Got Christmas cards. Done some shopping. Were home in evening.

Thursday, November 15, 1979. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m., rather windy. Pete finished spading garden. I baked coffeecake braid & bars. Cooked cranberries. Made sweet pickles. Pete helped Ron & boys chore. Rons left at 5:30 for Bluffton. We & Mary went shopping at Eastland. Ate at Ponderosa.

Friday, November 16, 1979. Clear, fine day, warmer. We went to auxiliary board meeting at 9:00 & annual meeting. Had potluck dinner. I went to nurses home at 11:30. Talked to student nurses about Reach to Recovery. Dr. Paul *Rosene* (sp?) talked to us in p.m. on music therapy. Were home in evening. Pete doing chores.

Saturday, November 17, 1979. Beautiful day, 60s. Marie Kaufman passed away about 4:00 PM. Pete to men's breakfast. Crushed leaves in yard. I finished cleaning. Washed some windows.

Made up beds upstairs. Marie here awhile in p.m. Got carrots. Pete doing chores. We went to Earl K[aufmans] at 6:00. Feel so sorry for them.

Sunday, November 18, 1979. Fine day, 60s. We went to 2nd service & to Mary's for dinner. Ina Sutter there too. We came home at 3:00. Rons got home at 2:00. We went to church at 7:00 for Baptismal & Communion service. 7 young people were baptized. Marty was one of them. We are happy for him & all of them. Pete helped Jim [Waltner] with baptism. We all went to Marie's awhile. She was at service. Talked to Allens.

Monday, November 19, 1979. Had a shower in morning, fair, warm. Did laundry & ironed. Pete worked outside. Put cones on roses. We went to Earl's in p.m. Took 3 pound canned ham & coffeecake. We went to Birkelbaws. Got ½ bushel apples. Went with Rons to Carlock for visitation for Marie Kaufman.

Tuesday, November 20, 1979. Fair, rained in evening. We worked outside awhile. Dusted up basement. We went to Marie Kaufman's funeral at 1:30. Pete pall bearer. Ron had Memorial for Marie. Nice service. We went to [Kaufman] house. Had lunch. We went to help Merle at 4:30. She moved to Westminster Village. We unpacked boxes. Got groceries. Got home at 8:30.

Wednesday, November 21, 1979. Cloudy, misted & rather foggy all day. I dusted up house. Made salad. Baked ham. Went to club meeting at Dorothy Singley. Made chili. Went to town at 9:00. Got Jeff at Stutzmans. Allens, Deb & Randy got here at 10:15. Pauls at 11:15. Glad to see all of them. Pauls, Randy & Deb & Pam here all night. Allens at Rons, also Steve & Jeff.

Thursday, November 22, 1979. Mostly cloudy. Allens, Rons, Pauls, Mary, Marie and Ed here. Had geese & all the trimmings. Mary made pies & rolls. Jo roasted one of the geese & oyster dressing. Marie brought relishes & fruit. Took some pictures. Clarence & Mabel here for supper. Allens took Ed home at 3:30. They went to see Shirley's mother & sister at Metamora. Gordons here after supper. Much to be thankful for. So good to have all our family here. Jo's niece Kay's husband died.

Friday, November 23, 1979. Mostly cloudy, colder. Ron & Jo to work. We all went to Denny's at 9:30. Marty and Jon along. Marie paid. Went to her house awhile. I took Randys to see Mary's apartment. Shirley brought her mother out for afternoon. Randy & Deb left at 1:00 for home. I washed table cloth & towels, etc. Allen, Shirley, Paul, Marj and we went to town at 4:30 to go see "Fiddler on the Roof" and it was canceled. We went to Grand Café. Paul's children home with Steve & Jeff. We went to Mary's. Ron, Steve & Jeff brought children to Mary's. They went to show. Allen & Paul took children & Jon to show.

Saturday, November 24, 1979. Clear, nice day, chilly, windy. Pauls left at 10:00 for Ann Arbor. Allen & Shirley to Dunns for brunch. They, Steve & Pam left at 12:45 for home. Jo left at noon for Ohio, then to South Carolina to Kay's husband's funeral. Did cleaning. Washed sheets &

towels. Ironed tablecloths & napkins. Jeff studied all afternoon. Ron & boys here for supper. It was so good to have all the families here.

Sunday, November 25, 1979. Cloudy, rained in p.m. and evening. We went to 1st service. Mary, Lucy Catherine, Jeff & we to Cambridge Inn for dinner. We took Jeff to Chenoa at 1:30. He went back to Bluffton with Roeschley boy. We went to Gerlof Homans. Roger Weeks showed his artifacts of Egypt for home builders.

Monday, November 26, 1979. Cloudy, had some snow in early a.m. hours. Chilly, 39° – 40°. I washed & ironed. We went to Merle's in p.m. Helped unpacked some things. Lorene Reeser there. Pete & I had supper with Merle. Got carry-outs at Bob Johnson's. Ron & boys delivered some feeder pigs to man near Eureka. They met Jo at Peoria airport.

Tuesday, November 27, 1979. Cloudy, in 30s. Snowed most of p.m. I went to prayer group at Shirley Krahn. Dusted upstairs. Cleaned drawer. Baked ginger cookies. We were home in evening. Worked on Pam's quilt.

Wednesday, November 28, 1979. Cloudy, cold, in 20s. Snowed some late p.m. Streets in town very slick. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Went to Eastland, shopped. Got Steve & Randy underwear, Deb sweatshirt, Pam gloves. Got Allens smoke detector. Pete to pastoral care meeting.

Thursday, November 29, 1979. Cloudy, snow flurries, 20s. We went to Mary's in morning. Made fruitcakes. Pete counted auxiliary money. We went shopping in p.m. Got Mary necklace & Jo slip, Marty & Jon gloves. Mary got a dress. We were home in evening.

Friday, November 30, 1979. Mostly cloudy, 30°. Marty to Iowa to Chester White meeting. Did cleaning. Baked apples & cherry torte. Went to Farm & Fleet. Got overalls for Jeff, smoke detector for Rons. Got supper. Earl Kaufman & Rons here.

Saturday, December 1, 1979. Snowed in morning, cold day, 20s. Fair in p.m. Pete to men's breakfast. I finished cleaning. Made vegetable soup. Ron & Jon here for lunch. Jo working. We went to town at 2:00. Went to church, to baby shower for Taiwanese lady. Volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Louise Kampmeier passed away.

Sunday, December 2, 1979. 12° in morning. Clear, nice day. We went to 1st service. Earl Kaufman & we to Merle's. Had dinner with her at Westminster Village. Pete & I to open house at new Farm Bureau building. We went to Earl Kaufmans at 4:30. He & Tena gave me clothes of Marie's, coats, pantsuits & sweaters.

Monday, December 3, 1979. Partly cloudy, warmer, 30s. I washed & ironed. We went to luncheon at 11:30. Linda Huizinga also [had] baby shower for Karen Rupp. Pete shopped. We went to Eastland. Got gloves for Jeff's birthday & shirt for Ron. I got Jon at school. Pete & Ron

worked on pump at deep well. We went with CRs to Minier to visitation for Louise Kampmeier. Marie along. Ron went little later.

Tuesday, December 4, 1979. Fair, fine day, 40s. We went to Louise Kampmeier's funeral at Minier. Marie and CRs along. We had dinner at the church. Thom Thietjes here [a] short time. We went to town at 3:00. Got cheese at cheese truck. Went to see Fred Meyers in their new home on Ethyl Parkway. Went to Women's Fellowship. Jeanette & Mary [Colter] along.

Wednesday, December 5, 1979. Fine day, 55°. Pete took Mabel & I to town at 7:00. Went with Home Extension to Chicago. 2 busloads. Our bus to Water Tower. Mabel & I took a cab to State Street to see decorations. Shopped some. Went to Stop & Shop. Left Chicago at 5:00. Got to White Fence where we had dinner. Got home at 9:30. CR met us. Pete volunteered at hospital. Put up snow fence. Went to Dr. Crumpler's meeting in evening.

Thursday, December 6, 1979. Fair, cooler, 44°. Pete worked on Auxiliary books. I baked carrot & cashew nut cookies & fruit cookies (Elaine's recipe). We addressed Christmas cards. Pete got Marty & Jon at school at 5:00.

Friday, December 7, 1979. Cloudy, windy & colder. Did cleaning. Went to auxiliary at 9:00. Got groceries & apples at Birkelbaws. I baked snickerdoodles and waxed kitchen floor. Sorted out Christmas decorations for Thrift Shop. Addressed Christmas cards. Ron to Elkhart in morning.

Saturday, December 8, 1979. Clear, fine day. We went to Marie's at 9:00. We had breakfast at Denny's. Took her to train at 10:20. She left for Alton. We did some shopping. I baked crescent cookies & shampooed my hair. We, Mary & CRs to James Waltner's at 7:00. Henry Pankratz showed their China pictures. Were good. Jo & Jon there too. Steve here when we got home, on his way to Bluffton to hear Messiah & register. Ron home at midnight.

Sunday, December 9, 1979. Another fine day, warmer. Steve left at 6:30 for Bluffton. Good to see him. We went to 2nd service. Adult & Junior choirs sang. Very good. We had lunch in town. Mary, Freida Blair & we to Eureka in p.m. Frieda to see *Marjorie* (sp?) Shrock at Apostolic Home. Ed about same. We finished addressing Christmas cards.

Monday, December 10, 1979. Fair, in 50s, rather windy. I washed & ironed. Pete worked on picture frames. I baked sugar cookies & iced them. Baked press cookies. We went with Rons to Jon's Christmas program at Parkside. Very good. Went to Denny's, had dessert.

Tuesday, December 11, 1979. Mostly cloudy, in 50s. Turned colder in evening, showered some. I went to prayer group at Martha Dycks. Pete to Cutler's to help them with insurance papers. We got Christmas tree. Home at noon. Pete worked on picture frames. I made caramels. Packed fruit cake & cookies for Pauls. We went to 2B's dinner at Peking Palace.

Wednesday, December 12, 1979. Cloudy, in 20s. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Went to Merle's in p.m. Took her to Gailey's at 2:30. Did few errands & back to Merle's. Had dinner with her at Westminster.

Thursday, December 13, 1979. Clear, fine day. Mary and I went to Home Extension with Mabel. Took bars for the auction. Bob Yoder auctioneer. Made favors for McLean County Nursing Home. Pete worked on auxiliary books & finished making a picture frame for Rons. I made soup & finished wrapping gifts. Cleaned rug.

Friday, December 14, 1979. Clear, fine day, 40°. Did cleaning. Put up our Christmas tree and decorations. We went to Art Siegs for supper. Took CRs, Marie & Mary. Edgar [Gurtner]s, Mildred [Burwitz] & Clarence Siegs & 2 friends there. Willis [Sieg]'s family came later.

Saturday, December 15, 1979. Clear, 40s, rather windy. Pete to men's breakfast & he helped Paul Miller cutt down a tree. I baked coffeecake braid & cooked chicken. Made penuchi candy. We took poinsettia to Mrs. Strange from Garfield club. Went to hospital, volunteered, 4 – 8:30. Got groceries.

Sunday, December 16, 1979. Cloudy in morning, snow flurries, windy, falling temp all day. Fair in p.m. We went to 1st service. Had surprise luncheon. Wilbur Baumans and Esther Detweilers here. We went to church at 4:30 for desserts. Had program at 6:00. Jon & Ron had part in it. Had commissioning service for Bob Kaufmans who leave for Taiwan, January 3, for 3 years.

Monday, December 17, 1979. Cold, zero, fair. Electricity off from 9:10 to 11:20. I washed and ironed. Got things ready for supper. Wen Lang & Kathy Lin here. Had nice visit.

Tuesday, December 18, 1979. Fair, warmer, 30s. Packed cookies. Did odd jobs. We wanted to leave for town at 12:30. Car didn't start. Battery dead. Got CR's truck. Went to town. Stopped at church. Truck wouldn't start. Had filling station come & Ron came too. Finally got started. I went with Ron to Dr. Bertsche for physical. Pete got battery. Got to Dr.'s office at 3:00 for his physical. Marie, Mary & we to Barney's. Had gift exchange. Gave Marie mirror for door. I got gloves. Pete billfold.

Wednesday, December 19, 1979. Fair, 49°, fine day. We volunteered at hospital in morning. I went with Marie to Garfield club at April Kinsingers. Mary stayed here after club. I got supper. Rons & Mary here. Had oyster stew & chili. Had our gift exchange. Rons gave me hair curler & knit blouse. Stationery from Marty. Jon gave us basket [of] cheese. Pete [got] *Martyrs Mirror*, magnifying glass. Got gown & Bundt pan from Mary. Pete got slippers.

Thursday, December 20, 1979. Foggy and frosty in morning, fine day. We took decorations off our tree. Gave Rons the tree. We went to hospital at 9:30. Helped with Christmas card hospitality. Took cookies for it. Mary helped awhile. I had hair done at hospital beauty shop. We went to

Merle's awhile. Took bathtub stool from Earl Kaufman. I washed 2 loads & ironed. Packed suitcases.

Friday, December 21, 1979. Cloudy, 50s. Mary and we left at 7:50 for Allens. Drove in fog from Davenport to near Iowa city. Got to Allens at 2:40. Had lunch at Amana. Good to see everyone. Helped Shirley with her work. Pilgrims third daughter Lynn & boyfriend & Melanie & friend here for supper. Randy & Deb came later. Nice evening.

Saturday, December 22, 1979. Very foggy, mild. Rained in p.m. Fog lifted. Shirley, Deb, Mary & I uptown in morning. Got material for Shirley's blouse. Mary & I picked out Black Walnut & Hickory nut meats. Allen & Pete to Ames awhile in p.m. Shirley sewing on Randy's shirt. Pam has laryngitis.

Sunday, December 23, 1979. Cloudy, gloomy. We all went to church. Jeff sang solo, "Little Baby Jesus," was beautiful. We were home for dinner. Deb & Randy came in evening. Here for supper. We played cards. Jeff went caroling.

Monday, December 24, 1979. Cloudy, windy. Allen & Steve went hunting in southern Iowa. Shirley worked. I did laundry. Pete cracked some nuts & we picked out nut meats. Cooked squash. Deb & Randy here awhile. We had pheasant for supper. We all went to church at 11:00 p.m. Had communion 2. Choir sang. Jeff sang solo. Deb & friend sang duet. Pam in angel choir. Randy at service too. Nice service. Got to bed at 1:30.

Tuesday, December 25, 1979. Cloudy, chilly, 20s. Got up late (10:30). Had gift exchange. Pete got book. We got box of cheese. Got candle from children. Had turkey & all trimmings. Talked to Rons in morning. Marie with them in morning, then to Rays. Randy & Deb to his grandmother's. Allen, Shirley, boys, Pete & I took walk through woods. Deb & Randy came at 6:00. They had supper with us. Pauls called in evening. They were home. Minda Liechty there. Nice Christmas.

Wednesday, December 26, 1979. We left Allens at 8:20. Got home at 3:20. Had a good trip for which we are grateful. Had little sunshine early morning. Cloudy & quite foggy at times. Colder in evening. Unpacked suitcases. We went to Rons for supper. They had Dunns & Crumplers out yesterday evening for light lunch.

Thursday, December 27, 1979. Mostly cloudy. Pete fixed storm door that wind had broken. We rearranged toy box in basement. Ron took old wardrobe, refinished it for Jo. Very nice. I washed 2 loads. We went to town in p.m. Jon along. He stayed with Jo. Rons to Fairbury to visitation for some of Gail Bressner's family. Marty & we to Dr. Crumplers at 7:30. Rons there too.

Friday, December 28, 1979. Fair & frosty in morning. Cloudy & foggy in p.m. & evening. Did cleaning. Shampooed my hair. Shortened pair of slacks. Worked some on quilt. Marty on the

judging team. He was first on the team. They got trophy. We went to CRs for supper. EA [Gurtner]s, Art Siegs, Marguerite & Mildred Burwitz, Marie, Mary & May M[ohr] there.

Saturday, December 29, 1979. Foggy & very frosty in morning. Trees, shrubbery, etc. hanging heavy with frost. Stayed on until in p.m. I finished cleaning. Worked on Pam's quilt. Pete cracked some nuts. We went to town at 3:00. Got groceries. Volunteered at hospital, 4:00 – 8:30.

Sunday, December 30, 1979. Partly cloudy, nice day. We went to 1st service. Mary & we to see Ed. Took him out to dinner. We all visited Pearl Greaser & Ruby & her family were there. Ed not feeling too well. Has sinus problems. We were home in evening.

Monday, December 31, 1979. Mostly cloudy, 30s. Washed & ironed. Made cinnamon apples & chili. Pete cracked more nuts. I wrote to Frances. Rons at work. They went to New Year's Eve program at church. They & Leon S[mucker] were in charge. We were home.

Tuesday, January 1, 1980. Cloudy, frosty all day, 30s. I got things ready for dinner. Made chili. CRs, Rons, Mary, Marie & Rays here. Gordons gone east. Mary & Marie brought salad, Joe dip, Carol chips, Marie fruit. Watched parade & ballgames. Rons here for supper. Had nice day.

Wednesday, January 2, 1980. Cloudy, light mist at times. We volunteered at hospital. Went shopping with Mary. She got 2 pantsuits. We went to bank & Federal Savings. Were home in evening.

Thursday, January 3, 1980. Mostly cloudy, some snow flurries, low 30s. Got things ready for dinner. Lucy Catherine Patton, Mary, & Earl Kaufman here. Merle not able to come. Lucy Catherine has retired & going to Arkansas for the winter. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Earl Kaufman moved to Duplex in Normal.

Friday, January 4, 1980. Cloudy, snowed in p.m., ground covered, 29°. We went to Health Center. Had fasting blood [test]. Ate breakfast at hospital. Went to auxiliary board meeting at 9:00. I quilted awhile. Got groceries. Had lunch at Denny's. Put remainder of decorations away. Did cleaning.

Saturday, January 5, 1980. Clear, nice day, high 32°. Baked pecan rolls. Washed 2 loads, tablecloths, etc. Ironed. Pete cracked some black walnuts. Ron & boys to sale at ISU. Boys sold 2 hogs, one for \$370. Jo here for lunch. I worked on Pam's quilt.

Sunday, January 6, 1980. Cloudy, misted in p.m., rained and snowed in evening. We went to 1st service. Rons, Marie & we at Mary's for dinner. We went to church at 3:30 to help get ready for Love Feast & Communion. Mary along too, June [Jantze], Ina [Sutter], Ruth Z[her] & John Schrags helped.

Monday, January 7, 1980. Fair, 11° above, windy, up to 19° during day. Did laundry & ironed. Pete cracked more black walnuts. I worked on Pam's quilt. Boys back to school.

Tuesday, January 8, 1980. Fair, 12° above, in 20s, nice day. I went to prayer group at Alma G[alloway]'s. Pete took some jewelry to Vollmer's. Got \$65 for it. We went to Mary's for lunch. Took her to Eastland. She got *pural* (sp?) & tennis shoes I got gown & robe for Jo & 2 to give Mary for her birthday. I went with Jeanette to Good Will. Took Mary Y[oder].

Wednesday, January 9, 1980. 6° above, clear, nice day, 30s during day. We volunteered at hospital. Went to Merle's in p.m. Put her Christmas decorations away for her. We had dinner with her. Pete to pastoral care committee meeting. I went to Mary's.

Thursday, January 10, 1980. Cloudy, windy, warmer, 40°. I went to Home Extension with Carol & Mabel. Baked chocolate chip cookies. Pete worked on auxiliary books. Chris Sanders husband, Herbert, passed away, heart attack. Called Frances. She had chemotherapy Tuesday. Real sick since says she has another tumor and having lots of pain. Feel so sorry for her.

Friday, January 11, 1980. 54° & shower in a.m. Dropped to 30° in several hours. Very windy from Northwest. Clear. Did cleaning. Went to town at 1:00. Took rolls to Chris Sanders. Her husband died suddenly yesterday a.m. Went to Dr. Bertsche. Had procto[scope]. Went to Eastland & Provident [Book Store]. Got supper. Rons here for pizza.

Saturday, January 12, 1980. Fair, 10° in morning, warmer during day. Pete to men's breakfast. I finished cleaning. We met Edgar[Gurtner]s, Marguerite [Burwitz], & Nina at Bob Johnson's for lunch. We went to Herbert Sanders funeral at 2:00, then to hospital. Volunteered, 4 to 8:30.

Sunday, January 13, 1980. Mostly cloudy, 30s. Rained some in p.m. Slick in places. We went to church. Had Congregational meeting at 10:45. Building & finance committees reported. Marie, Mary & we to Elms for dinner. Dudleys and Merle stopped in a few minutes. Robert Patton stopped to show us the baby. He's a cute baby. Talked to Georgia. Frances not good.

Monday, January 14, 1980. Clear, 46°, fine day. I did washing & ironing. Drain clogged on bathroom sink. Pete got it opened. He worked on genealogy book. I went to June [Jantze]'s in p.m. Helped quilt on Relief [Sale] quilt. Mary, Edith [Miller] & Ina [Sutter] there.

Tuesday, January 15, 1980. Cloudy, damp, in 40s. Ron left for Alabama with Gail Bressner. He took 3 hogs. I went to prayer group at June [Jantze]'s. Stayed & quilted until 4:30. Others were there too. Pete cracked hickory nuts.

Wednesday, January 16, 1980. Cloudy, rained at intervals, 50s. We volunteered at hospital. I saw Mrs. Burns, Reach to Recovery. I went with Marie to Garfield club at Elsie Millers. Baked angel food cake when got home. Jon here in evening. Jo to building committee meeting. Marty to FFA.

Thursday, January 17, 1980. Cloudy, in 30s. Did odd jobs. We went to Meadows in p.m. Women's Fellowship had birthday party. I took cake. We served punch & bars, angel food cake for diabetics. Lenore [Waltner] & Cheryl Rempel with us. Pete took Marty to Yuton to get feed. We went to Merle's at 5:30. Had dinner with her. She had James Waltners too.

Friday, January 18, 1980. Clear, nice day, high 30° to 40°. Did cleaning. Went to town at 10:30, to bank, Provident [Book Store] & Eastland. Mary along. I got mattress cover. We got paint (Ivory) for living, dining rooms & hall. Got supper. Jo & boys here. Had waffles & sausage. Boys were home from school. Ron called. Marty got 3rd on his best guilt & 2nd and 3rd in another class.

Saturday, January 19, 1980. Cloudy, mixture of rain & snow most of day. We got bushel of apples at Birkelbaws (\$4.00) Pete worked on genealogy. Jon Reimer here for fund drive for new church. Jo & Marty here awhile to tell us Ron called. Marty's gilt sold for \$3200. Other 2 brought 300+ and 200+.

Sunday, January 20, 1980. Fair, nice day, near 30°. We went to 1st service. Had committee meeting afterwards for Mobile Meals. We & Mary & Gerald Galloways at Ina Sutters for dinner.

We all went to Kiwanis Travelogue in p.m. Talked to Allens in evening. Steve is coming the 30th on way to school. Ron got home after midnight.

Monday, January 21, 1980. Cloudy, some snow flurries. Did laundry. We painted the living room (ivory or off-white). I took Jon's gym close to school (he forgot them). Rons helped put rug back down & move bookcases. I cleaned rug. Georgia called. Frances in hospital since last Friday. She is having a lot of pain & distended. Feel so sorry for her.

Tuesday, January 22, 1980. Partly cloudy, windy and colder. I went to prayer group at June [Jantze]'s. I took refreshments. Pete painted. We painted dining room & hall way. I washed woodwork & cleaned rug. We went to church in evening. Cornelius Krahn & wife talked and showed slides of Russia.

Wednesday, January 23, 1980. Clear, 5° above, nice day. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Took Merle to Gailey clinic at 2:00. [Were] there all p.m. We took Merle to Cambridge Inn for supper. We moved furniture, etc. back into living room. Snowed little in night.

Thursday, January 24, 1980. Cloudy, warmer, 40°. Rained in p.m. and evening. I varnished around windows in living room. Pete worked on auxiliary books. We took Marguerite [Burwitz], Marie & Mabel to Burnham City Hospital in Champaign. Left town at 11:00. Got back at 4:00. Mildred D. not feeling so well today but is doing okay. Has Levine [tube] & oxygen. Marguerite paid for Pete & my dinner, also for gas.

Friday, January 25, 1980. Mostly cloudy, turned colder during day. I baked rolls. We painted stairway. Went to town at 1:30. I had permanent at hospital Beauty Shop. We went to Earl Kaufman's new home. He took us to Grand Café. Took him some pecan rolls & vegetable soup. Ron & Marty took 4 barrows to Springfield in p.m.

Saturday, January 26, 1980. Frances passed away at 4:00 a.m. Makes us sad, but thankful she didn't have to suffer any longer. Partly cloudy, cold, in teens. Ron & I to hospital annual meeting. Pete has cold. Jo took boys to Barrow show at Springfield. Talked to Allens.

Sunday, January 27, 1980. Cold, 8° above, cloudy, some snow. Mary & we left at 7:00 a.m. for Harrisonville [MO]. Got to funeral home at 3:40. Visitation, 4 to 5:30. Mary Lee took Arthurs, Blanche, Bernice, Garnetts to Dinner Bell for supper. We stayed at Harold and Phoebe Hershbergers all night. Rons took Marty's gilt to Iowa & [went] on to Allens.

Monday, January 28, 1980. Clear, cold, 10 – 12 above. We went to Frances's funeral at 10:30. Our hearts are heavy but thankful she could be relieved. Allen, Ron & Jo there, then back to Allens. [Rons] got there truck & [went] on home. We all had lunch at church. Mary Lee & Arthur to the lawyer. We were at Frances's apartment in p.m. Mary & I got some dresses. At Harolds all night.

Tuesday, January 29, 1980. Clear, cold, 10°. We left Harold's at 8:10. Got home at 4:30. Thankful for safe trip. [I] did all driving. Pete not feeling good, cold not much better. Unpacked suitcases. Wrote to Pauls. Glad to be home.

Wednesday, January 30, 1980. Cloudy, snowed early a.m. and again in p.m. I washed & ironed. Baked bars in p.m. Steve got here at 2:30. Good to have him. Pete still not feeling good. Got antibiotics in evening. Jo, boys, Steve, Marie & I took Mary to Red Lobster for her birthday. Pete didn't feel well enough and Ron had gilt farrow & couldn't leave.

Thursday, January 31, 1980. Clear, cold, near zero in morning. Steve left at 8:30 for Bluffton. I went with Jo to Provident Book Store. Helped take inventory. Got home at 6:00. Pete about same.

Friday, February 1, 1980. Clear, 3° below. Did cleaning. I went to auxiliary board meeting & got groceries. Jo flew to Pennsylvania workshop. Pete some better. I have cold too. Jeff got here about 3:00. Allen & Shirley came at 6:30. Ron & boys here too for supper. Had chili. Allens & Jeff to see Mary awhile after supper.

Saturday, February 2, 1980. Partly cloudy, 4° in morning, 18° during day. Allens to Mrs. Yeakels in morning. Jeff with Ron to help tear house down on church property. Allens, Jeff, Marie & I to Grand Café in evening. Pete home. He is some better. Mary left with Lorene Reeser & Freida Blair for Florida.

Sunday, February 3, 1980. Clear, nice day. Allens & Jeff to see Mrs. Yeakel. Jeff stopped at church. Allens left for home. I went to church. Ron to St. John's Lutheran Church. Boys to church. Jeff, Ron & boys here for dinner. Pete some better. Jeff & Jon to show in evening. Marty to MYF. Jo home from Pennsylvania.

Monday, February 4, 1980. Clear, near zero in morning, in 20s. Jeff to hospital with Ron at 8:00. Met his ride to Bluffton there. I washed & ironed. Did some mending. Worked on Pam's quilt. Pete feeling better.

Tuesday, February 5, 1980. Snowed intermittently all day. Heavier in evening. We went to town at 8:00. I went to prayer group at June [Jantze]'s. We delivered Mobile Meals. Went to hospital & Eastland. Went to Marie's. She went with us to Denny's for supper. I went to Fellowship Committee at 6:30. Good Will met too. Pete at Marie's. Jeanette home with us.

Wednesday, February 6, 1980. Cloudy, some snow flurries, in 20s. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Got home at 2:30. Pete to pastoral care committee meeting. I worked on Pam's quilt.

Thursday, February 7, 1980. Clear, nice day, 20s. I baked cookies. We went to town at 1:00, to hospital. Had hair done & saw Mrs. Bertram and Mrs. Abel for Reach for Recovery. Did some shopping, to grocery [store]. Got few things for Merle. Went to her apartment. Had dinner with her.

Friday, February 8, 1980. Cloudy, snowed in p.m., 1 inch. Did cleaning. Went to hospital at 10:00. I was to her guide for children from Morton school. Ron home with us at 1:00. He & Pete to new church site. Got load of lumber. Cy [Colter] helping too. I took varnish off table in living room.

Saturday, February 9, 1980. Foggy & frosty in morning, clear, in 20s. Pete to men's breakfast. I worked some on living room table. We went to town with Jo at 10:30. Went to Steve Simpsons 13 month old child, a sad funeral. Jo did some shopping. Had lunch in town. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, February 10, 1980. Very frosty in morning, beautiful, near zero. Mostly cloudy. We went to 2nd service. Ate dinner at Cambridge Inn. Went to travelogue on Yellowstone [Park] & Grand Tetons. Got Merle at 5:00. Went to small group at John Reimers. Took sandwiches & salad.

Monday, February 11, 1980. Partly cloudy in morning, 10° in morning. Did laundry & ironed. Worked some on table. Baked coffeecake braid. Worked some on quilt. Pete worked some on genealogy. We went to Eureka with Jo in evening.

Tuesday, February 12, 1980. Clear, cold, 3° above in morning. I polished silver pieces. We went to town at 11:00. Delivered mobile meals. I baked cherry pie. Got things ready for supper. Jo & boys here. Ron had meeting. I put another coat of tung oil on table.

Wednesday, February 13, 1980. Cloudy, little warmer. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Pete worked on auxiliary books & I made chili for Home Extension in PM. Pete to Crop meeting in evening. I went with Ron to Peoria stockyards with load of hogs. Put another coat tung oil on table.

Thursday, February 14, 1980. Cloudy, in 30s. I went to Home Extension with Mabel. We were on committee. We made chili. Had relishes & cream puffs. Put another coat tung oil on table. Pete went with Jo to Peoria stockyards with load of hogs. Ron to PTA. I worked on Pam's quilt.

Friday, February 15, 1980. Cloudy, snowed late p.m. & evening, blowing. Did cleaning. Shampooed my hair. Worked on Pam's quilt. We went to town at 5:00. Marie & we to Denny's. Came home after eating as roads weren't too good.

Saturday, February 16, 1980. Clear, cold, 3° above. Ron plowed out our drive. Some east & west roads drifted. We went to town at 9:00. I went to June Jantze's. We set Marty's quilt together & did some marking. Pete to Edgars & had dinner with them & Arts at Bob Johnson's. He went to see Mildred D. Jo at workshop at church. Ron and boys in town.

Sunday, February 17, 1980. Clear, cold, 3° below in morning. We went to 1st service. Ate at White Horse Inn [for] brunch. Were home in PM.

Monday, February 18, 1980. Fair, 10° above in morning, up to 30s. Did laundry & ironing. Finished marking Marty's quilt. Worked on Pam's [quilt] some. Luella Mishler here. Brought some writings of Walter Ropp. Very windy, east-west roads drifting, also our drive.

Tuesday, February 19, 1980. Cloudy, warmer, 38°. Ron plowed out the driveway. We went to Marie's at 8:00. She took us to breakfast at hospital. She had her hair done at 9:00. We took her to train at 10:00. She left for California. Went to St. Louis. [Will] fly from there. We delivered Mobile Meals. Ate lunch with Earl [Kaufman] and Cy [Colter]. Marty to Wichita with Gail Bressner.

Wednesday, February 20, 1980. Very foggy in morning, cloudy, 48°. Dusted up house. Finished making cherry dessert. Garfield club here in p.m. 15 here. Mrs. Brooke showed slides of McLean County. I worked on quilt in evening.

Thursday, February 21, 1980. Cloudy, foggy, some rain in p.m. We went to town at 9:30. Did some errands and to Service Company annual meeting at Consistory. We won popcorn popper. Got supper. Larry Jantze's here. June & I put Marty's quilt in frame. We quilted awhile.

Friday, February 22, 1980. Cloudy, foggy, in 30s. Did cleaning and quilted. We went to town at 3:30. Worked at hospital, Info Desk and Gift Shop. Marie called from California. She got there okay. Lots of rain in California.

Saturday, February 23, 1980. Cloudy, foggy in morning. Pete to men's breakfast. Gordon with him. He spoke. I finished cleaning. Quilted. Jon here for supper. Rons to supper with Health Center group.

Sunday, February 24, 1980. Fair, 30°, nice day. We went to 1st service and to Merle's. Had dinner with her. Jo here awhile when we got home. Quilted. We went to Home Builders at Bill Dunns. Mick Johnson from Wesleyan spoke on Gandhi. Large crowd.

Monday, February 25, 1980. Started to snow about 4:00 a.m. Had 1 ½ inches but a strong northwest wind. Blizzard conditions. Visibility nil at times. Rons to work. Roads out of town closed for while. Rons brought boys home. Got here around 4:00. I washed & ironed. Got supper. Had elk steak Allens gave us. Rons here. Jo helped quilt.

Tuesday, February 26, 1980. Clear, near zero in morning, warmer, in 20s. I went to town at 9:00. I went to prayer group at Alma [Galloway]'s. We delivered Mobile Meals. Earl & Cy and we had lunch at Steak 'n Shake (Cy paid). I quilted some. We went to Heritage meeting at Homer Park. Kay Ann [Friesen] gave report on Mennonite literature.

Wednesday, February 27, 1980. Mostly fair, cloudy in evening, snowed. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Went to Eastland. Baked cookies & cake in p.m. Quilted a little. We went to Dr. Crumpler's visitation group at 8:00. Had little over inch [of] snow.

Thursday, February 28, 1980. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m. We went to Meadows Home annual meeting. I took cookies for the Home. Had basket dinner. We stopped at Ed *Weiners* (sp?) in Gridley on way home. I quilted in evening.

Friday, February 29, 1980. Fair, cold, 3° above. Did cleaning. Quilted. We went to Eureka at noon. Had dinner with Ed. Met with Keith Schwartzentruber (assistant administrator). [He] showed us the new addition & Ed's new room. He is to move next Wednesday. We were home in evening. Quilted.

Saturday, March 1, 1980. Fair, cold all day. Finished cleaning. Quilted. Jo here awhile in p.m. Quilted. We went to town at 3:00. Visited Ed Millers at Americana [Nursing Home]. Volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Ron & Marty to sale at Roseville [Illinois].

Sunday, March 2, 1980. Clear, zero in morning, nice day. We went to 1st service. Had lunch in town. Home awhile. Wrote Orvie & Arthurs & Allens. Went to Congregational meeting at 4:00 and to Koinonia chili supper at church. They took in \$425 for building fund. Lora Kirton passed away.

Monday, March 3, 1980. Fair, windy, low 30s during day. I did laundry. Ironed. Got dinner. Marty & Jon here. No school, teachers workshop. I quilted. Were home in evening.

Tuesday, March 4, 1980. Fair in morning, cloudy in p.m., misted some in evening & foggy. I went to prayer group at June [Jantze]'s. Quilted in PM. I went to church at 6:30. Fellowship committee. Kitchen Committee met to plan meals for Bluffton choir the 17th. Cheryl Rempel showed pictures of Women's Fellowship.

Wednesday, March 5, 1980. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m., colder during day. We went to hospital at 8:00. Volunteered. We went to Eureka in p.m. Helped Ed moved to new building. Has double room, a nice room. Quilted in evening.

Thursday, March 6, 1980. Fair, 14° in morning, low 30s. I made 4 pie crusts for MCC sale. Quilted. Mary got home at 3:30 from Florida. She had nice time. We and Mary to student nurses spaghetti supper. Ron to Hospital & Homes meeting in St. Louis.

Friday, March 7, 1980. Cloudy, rained in p.m. & evening, low 30s. We went to church at 8:00. I helped make 100 shoofly pies for MCC [Sale]. Pete to auxiliary meeting. Got home at 2:00. Did cleaning & shampooed my hair. Marie, Mary & we to Grand Café for supper. Jo here awhile in evening. She was home all day, has cold. Rained in night, over ½ inch.

Saturday, March 8, 1980. Cloudy in morning, 30°. Partly cloudy in p.m. We went with Meredith Schwoerer to MCC sale at Peoria. She wanted us to tell her the way. We came home with Jim Waltner. Got home at 1:45. We got sausage for Merle, Rons & us. Got cheese & shoofly pie for Marty. Large crowd. Jon got 2nd in solo & 1st in duet at music contest at NCHS. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, March 9, 1980. Fair, nice day, 40s. We went to first service. Had committee meeting. More plans for Bluffton choir. Took Merle her sausage. Mary & we ate at Cambridge [Inn]. Went to church at 2:00. Jan Glaysteen showed slides of Austria & New Zealand. Pete to Illinois Men's dinner at Mennonite Hospital at 6:00. Marty with him to MYF.

Monday, March 10, 1980. Fair, much colder in p.m. & evening. Windy. I did laundry & ironing. Got things ready for dinner. Mary here, quilted. I quilted in PM. We and Jo to Rays in evening. Ron Doger & wife there (States Attorney).

Tuesday, March 11, 1980. Clear, nice day, 30s. I baked quick coffeecake. Went to prayer group at June [Jantze]'s. I took refreshments. Pete to Seth Swift. Had income tax figured. Mary here in p.m. We quilted. I got supper. Marty & Jon here. Jo had building committee meeting.

Wednesday, March 12, 1980. Cloudy, windy, snowed in p.m. & evening. We went to hospital, volunteered. Quilted in PM. Mary here awhile. Went home when it started to snow. Ron got home from St. Louis before 8:00. Train late. Had 1 ½ inches snow.

Thursday, March 13, 1980. Cloudy, few flurries, in low 30s. I went to HEA. Mabel along. Pete worked on bathroom drain. I finished Marty's quilt in p.m. Glad it's done. Pete got Jon at school.

Friday, March 14, 1980. Clear, nice day, 40s. Did all of cleaning, dusted up stairs & made up beds. We went to town at 2:30. Saw a Mrs. Brigham, Reach for Recovery. Got eye gttts (?) for Merle. Took her to get hair done. We ate at Streids. Got groceries. Jo worked late with Bible School material. Ron & boys took hog to Bressners.

Saturday, March 15, 1980. Fair, nice day. I baked Bundt cake & shampooed my hair. We went to town at 11:00. Had dinner with Edgar [Gurtner]'s & Art Siegs & others at Bob Johnson's. Rons here for supper. Had waffles & sausage.

Sunday, March 16, 1980. Cloudy, rained in p.m. & evening. Went to church at 8:30. Had groundbreaking for new church at Hovey & Cottage at 11:00. Started to rain just as service was over. Mary & we ate at Denny's & [went] to see Ed. He wasn't feeling well. Went to town at 5:00. Took Marty to church. Mary & we to MYF talent & dessert auction. I took cake.

Monday, March 17, 1980. Cloudy, few snow flurries in morning, fair in p.m. I did laundry & went to church at 2:00 to get meal for Bluffton choir. Steve, Jeff & Jay Marquardt & Pete came out here in p.m. Choir was very good. Rons ate supper with choir. Steve, Jeff, Jay Marquardt, Bill Headings & Bruce Hilty here all night. Rons had 3 girls. They all went to CRs awhile. I washed 3 loads for boys.

Tuesday, March 18, 1980. Clear, 50s, nice day. I took boys to town at 8:00. They left church at 8:30 for Fortuna, MO. Enjoyed having them. I went to prayer group at June [Jantze]'s. I washed sheets, towels in p.m. Went to vote. Pete to pastoral care [committee] at 6:30. We went to Gordons awhile to watch election returns. Gordon won, delegate for Reagan.

Wednesday, March 19, 1980. Fair, in 50s, windy. We volunteered at hospital in morning. I went to Garfield club at Mabel's. Sandy Schwoerer & I on committee. Joyce Skippert demonstrated cake decorating. I ironed sheets when got home. Were home in evening. Worked on Pam's quilt.

Thursday, March 20, 1980. Fair, nice day, near 60°, cloudy in evening and rained. Did some dusting. Went to town at 10:30. I had hair done at hospital [beauty shop]. Took Merle's watch to her that Billy Eaton fixed. Did some shopping. I did some handwashing. Packed suitcases.

Friday, March 21, 1980. Fair, windy. Ron, Jo, Pete and I left at 7:40 for Central District Conference at Berne Indiana. Got here at 1:30. Attended afternoon & evening session. Went to women's dinner in evening. Went to Mrs. Liechty for the night. Ruth Ann and Merritt Gardner there too. Had nice visit. Got to bed late.

Saturday, March 22, 1980. Clear, nice day. We went to conference all day. Rons and we to Minda's for supper. Ruth Ann & her family there too. Bluffton choir arrived at conference in p.m. Saw Steve & Jeff. They sang in evening. We all went to conference in evening. Back to Minda's.

Sunday, March 23, 1980. Fair, chilly. We went to conference. Was closing session. Bluffton choir sang & had communion. Jo left for home with Gerald Galloways. Ron & we ate dinner at Back 40 in Decatur (nice place) and on to Bluffton. Got to Emersons, 3:30. Ron stayed with Steve all night and we [were] at Emersons. We all went to see Harry Yoders in evening. Had nice visit. Talked to Marcella Basinger. Ron & we stopped at Rosalee's awhile.

Monday, March 24, 1980. Rained all morning. Ruth to work & Emerson busy. We went to Franklin Basingers for dinner. Franklin got us at 9:30. I quilted awhile for Marcella. Harold Bixels there too. Had nice visit. Back to Emersons with Heralds. Ron & we left for home at 12:30. Got home at 7:30. Ate at Gillman. I drove awhile. Rained here last night.

Tuesday, March 25, 1980. Mostly cloudy, 26° in morning, 44°. I went to prayer group at June [Jantze]'s. Washed & ironed in p.m. Sewed binding on Marty's quilt. Pete raked some yard.

Wednesday, March 26, 1980. Cloudy, chilly. Went to hospital. We volunteered. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I cleaned kitchen cupboards in p.m. Binding Marty's quilt in evening.

Thursday, March 27, 1980. Partly cloudy, nice day, near 60°. I baked coffeecake braid & sugar cookies. Iced them. Washed woodwork in kitchen & washed curtains. Pete worked outside some. He went to Health Lectures at Bloomington Library. I went to alumni meeting. Honored the graduating class. Dr. Sawyer spoke & showed his slides on vascular disease & surgery.

Friday, March 28, 1980. Cloudy, rained intermittently most of day. We went to hospital at 8:00. Got ready for bake sale. All sold out by 12:00 (\$355.00). Came home. Pete counted money. I worked on quilt. Back to hospital at 4:00. Volunteered until 8:30. Boys home, vacation.

Saturday, March 29, 1980. Cloudy, 49°. Did cleaning & waxed kitchen floor. Went to town at 11:00. Met Edgar [Gurtner]s & Art Siegs & Marguerite [Burwitz] at Bob Johnson's. Had dinner there. We stopped at Bill Cutler's awhile. Pete helped Marie with some papers. Shampooed my hair. Baked Bundt cake for Jo. Finished sowing binding on Marty's quilt.

Sunday, March 30, 1980. Cloudy, rained all morning, & had periods of rain rest of day. We went to 1st service. Mary & we to Eureka. Took Ed out to eat at Country Kitchen Smorgasbord. We went to Harold Kenagys awhile before coming home. Ed not feeling well. Wrote to Arthurs & Marie Hieser.

Monday, March 31, 1980. Cloudy, chilly. Pete worked on auxiliary books & filled out census report. I washed & ironed. Cleaned 3 closets in bedrooms. Worked on Pam's quilt.

Tuesday, April 1, 1980. Mostly cloudy. Showered in evening. Pete to the Lenten breakfast. I cleaned our bedroom. Washed curtains & bedding. Pete & Jon took mower & Rototiller to town. I went to Fellowship Committee meeting at 6:30 & then to Good Will.

Wednesday, April 2, 1980. Cloudy, 50s. We went to hospital at 8:00. Volunteered. Went to Millers, got garden seeds. Took Mary to Eastland. She got all weather coat. Went to Provident [Book Store]. Got wall hanging (plaque) for Rhonda *Badertschu* (sp?) & Mike Yoder's wedding. Worked on Pam's quilt. Talked to Allens. Mrs. Yeakel moved to Maple Lawn Home.

Thursday, April 3, 1980. Cloudy in morning, some showers, some sunshine & windy in PM. Tornado warnings out in PM. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I cleaned bathroom closet & dusted upstairs. Rested some. Didn't feel very well. We went to communion. We were greeters. Ron sang.

Friday, April 4, 1980. Cloudy, chilly, 30s in morning. Clear in late p.m. Did cleaning. We went to Good Friday service at St. John's Lutheran [Church] at 12:50. Marie & Mabel there too. Ron spoke. Lenore W[altner] sang solo. We went to Merle's awhile. Got groceries. Jo here awhile.

Saturday, April 5, 1980. Clear, fine day, 60°. Pete to men's breakfast. I colored eggs. Made salad dressing. Pete worked in garage & put straw on raspberries. I raked off the Iris beds. Made lemon dessert. Worked at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Allen called in morning. They're coming tomorrow PM. Ron & boys hauled manure.

Sunday, April 6, 1980. Easter. Mostly cloudy, rather windy, 60s. We went to 1st service. We, Rons, Mary, Marie, May [Mohr], & Rays at CRs for dinner and supper. I took tossed salad. Allen and Shirley got to CRs at 7:20. They left [from home in Iowa] after church. Stopped at Eureka to see Mrs. Yeakel. She didn't know them. Allens here all night. Rons here awhile.

Monday, April 7, 1980. Partly cloudy, 73°, thunder shower in evening. I got dinner. Allens, Ron & boys, Steve & Jeff here. Boys on their way back to school. They left at 1:40. Allens left at 1:15 for home. They were stopping at Eureka. I did washing & ironing. We planted a row in

garden, lettuce, spinach & radishes. Ron & boys cleaning out calf sheds. Tornado warnings out in night. 1 inch rain.

Tuesday, April 8, 1980. Cloudy, windy, colder in p.m. Showered & misted most of afternoon and evening. I went to prayer group at June [Jantze]'s. Pete cleaned out garage. I cleaned west bedroom in p.m. We went to town at 5:30, ate at Denny's. Pete to pastoral care meeting at 7:00. I took Mary & June to Pennys. June & I got quilt backing on sale.

Wednesday, April 9, 1980. Cloudy, rained & snow mixed intermittently all day. Cold, in 30s. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. I saw Mrs. Kinder, Reach to Recovery. I cleaned bathroom in p.m. Pete counted auxiliary money. I worked on Pam's quilt in evening.

Thursday, April 10, 1980. Cloudy, fair in evening, 33° in morning. I went to HEA. Mabel along. We went to Frank Wright's funeral in Danvers at 1:30. Our meeting over at noon. I polished silverware. Pete worked outside some. We went to Health Lecture at Bloomington Library in evening.

Friday, April 11, 1980. Cloudy, colder in evening, 30s. We went to auxiliary board meeting at 9:00. I quilted after meeting. Got groceries. Went to Merle's at 3:30. Took her to Eastland Beauty Shop. I got material for tablecloth & dress. Merle took us to Ozark House. Went to grocery [store]. She got cheese & meat for a tray.

Saturday, April 12, 1980. Fair, chilly. Pete to town with Ron in morning. Got lawnmower & Rototiller. Pete worked rest of day on drain for bathtub. I made lemon lash & made sandwich filling. Washed bedspread, blanket & mattress cover from guest bedroom, also bathroom rug. We went to Rons for supper. Had goose. Marty to Prophetstown [IL] to FFA judging contest.

Sunday, April 13, 1980. Fair in morning. 28° in morning, cloudy and windy in evening. We went to 1st service. Had our group meeting here at noon. Dr. Bob Stutzmans, John Reimers, Tom Yoders, Cy Colters & Merle. Had nice day. Jo & Jon had lunch with us in evening. Ron not feeling very well.

Monday, April 14, 1980. Had blizzard early a.m. Hours. Several inches snow. Travel hazardous. Snowplows out. Melted, temp near 32°. Schools closed. I washed & ironed. I went to town at 11:30. Went to El Paso with Willie Quastrom. Esther Brown & Lois Baker along. 8 nurses at Elms. Had nice time. Got home at 3:00. Sowed lace on yellow knit tablecloth. Misted & snowed all day.

Tuesday, April 15, 1980. Fair, nice day, 32°, up to 50°. I went to prayer group at June [Jantze]'s. Mabel along. Met Lucy Catherine at church. She went along. Mabel & I with Marie at 11:30. Took Lucille Eckhart to lunch at Central Station. Went to Marie's awhile. Were home in evening. Worked on Pam's quilt.

Wednesday, April 16, 1980. Fair, fine day, warmer, high 50s. We went to hospital at 8:00. Volunteered until 10:30. Pete [worked] until 2:30. I went with Garfield club tour to Westminster. We had lunch there, then to Occupational Development Home in evening. Ron and Marty to FFA speaking contest at Joliet. Marty did well, got 4th. I was at Jo's awhile in evening. She didn't feel well.

Thursday, April 17, 1980. Mostly fair, 58°, light shower in evening. I cleaned the upstairs & we cleaned the fruit room. Were home in evening. I called Donna Kropf in evening. Willis [Kropf] has been in hospital. Is better. Has cirrhosis of liver & bad phlebitis. [He's] to go home Saturday. We emptied box we had in attic. Found many [of my nurse's] training days pictures.

Friday, April 18, 1980. Clear, beautiful day, near 70°. Did cleaning & cleaned recreation room. Went to town at noon. Went to Kiwanis Pancake & Sausage [lunch]. We planted potatoes, peas & onions. Set out cabbage & broccoli & cauliflower. [Jim] Waltner & Paul Millers out, planting garden.

Saturday, April 19, 1980. Beautiful day, 70°. Pete to men's breakfast. I made chicken casserole & cherry torte. We sowed beets & carrots. Pete helped Ron dig holes for some evergreen trees in the windbreak row. I helped some in p.m. Ron & Jon here for dinner. Jo at Roanoke meeting. Marty at FFA judging. Took cones off roses. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, April 20, 1980. Another beautiful day, warm, 79°. We went to 1st service. Mary & we to Eureka at noon. Took Ed out to dinner. We saw Mrs. Yeakel. She seems some better. Saw Charlene with her husband as we were leaving. Talked to Allens in evening. Was 90° there today.

Monday, April 21, 1980. Fine day, 80°. Washed & ironed. Pete worked up around some of shrubbery & trees. I raked yard. Cleaned laundry & furnace room. Pete took some of dirt off roses. A full day.

Tuesday, April 22, 1980. Fair, hot, 89°, broke records. Windy. I went to prayer group at June [Jantze]'s. I took refreshments. Lucy Catherine along. Pete helped at church site. He planted 2 cherry trees in PM. I washed off porches & spaded some of flowerbeds. Went with Jo to Heritage meeting at church.

Wednesday, April 23, 1980. Fair, cooler, 60s. We went to hospital at 8:00. Volunteered. I went with Marie & Irene Lowery to Lakeside Country Club. Met Laura *Stamback* (sp?). Had nice time. Back to hospital. Got Pete. We shopped some at Eastland. Went to Dr. McGinnis at 3:45. Everything okay. Thankful. Ron to Chicago early morning.

Thursday, April 24, 1980. Cloudy in morning, fair, colder, 30s in morning. Mabel and I with HEA to Tiskilwa & Princeton [IL]. Mary & May [Mohr] our guests. 38 went. Saw antique house. Had lunch at Prime Quarter. Visited jewelry store with China patterns of past. Got home at 5:45. We went to Health Lecture at Bloomington Library. Jo, Jon, Kay & Dennis Reimer left in p.m.

Jo & Jon to Indianapolis to Ayrshire show. Reimers on to Bluffton. Ron to Bluffton from Chicago.

Friday, April 25, 1980. Fair, cool. Did cleaning & spaded Iris beds. Went to town at noon. Had hair done. We had lunch & to bank. Back to hospital at 2:00. Volunteered until 8:30.

Saturday, April 26, 1980. Fair, chilly, 50s. Baked Texas cake. Pete fixed screen door & mowed back lawn. I went to alumni homecoming at 10:00. Had lecture on diabetes until 12:00. Had luncheon at Farm Bureau building. Had nice time. They had tour at 3:30 but [I] didn't stay for it. Dave Yoder got to Mary's at 3:30. We all went to Elms for supper, & took Dave to see Ed. Rons got home at 8:10. They came over awhile. Dave at Mary's all night.

Sunday, April 27, 1980. Cloudy, showered some in p.m. and evening. We went to 1st service & to Mary's for dinner. Visited with Dave. Got Merle at 2:30. Went to Cy Colters' 40th wedding anniversary reception at Joe Jantze's. Took Merle home. Got ready for Home Builders. Hospital personnel reported on Hospice. Had 37 here. Galloways co-hostess.

Monday, April 28, 1980. Cloudy, chilly, near 50°. Rained in p.m. They've left Mary's at 6:00 Washington DC. I washed & ironed. Pete plowed some in truck patch. We put my training days pictures in album. Ron to Chicago for the day (flew). Jo to [Camp] Menno Haven for Provident Book Store.

Tuesday, April 29, 1980. Cloudy, showered some, 50°. I went to June [Jantze]'s. Quilted all day, making a quilt to be sold at MYF garage sale. Proceeds go to [church] building fund. Pete worked in garage awhile.

Wednesday, April 30, 1980. Cloudy, misted some at noon, 50s. We went to hospital at 8:00. Volunteered. Got things ready for supper. Earl Kaufman here. Had good visit.

Thursday, May 1, 1980. Fair, nice day, 60s. I went to June [Jantze]'s in morning, quilted. Pete worked on auxiliary books. We planted green beans, sweet corn, more carrots & onions & lettuce. Also some garlic. We took Merle, Mary & Marie to Red Bud at Morton at 5:00. Ron to Chicago in p.m., meeting.

Friday, May 2, 1980. Fair, fine day, 72°. We went to auxiliary board meeting at 9:00. I stayed and quilted. We came home at 2:00. Pete mowed yard. I trimmed raspberries. Ron home from Chicago, 5:15. We were home in evening.

Saturday, May 3, 1980. Fair, fine day, 70s. Pete to men's breakfast. I baked cake & made salad. Pete worked up ground in truck patch & garden. We planted glad bulbs & 2 rosebushes. I trimmed grass. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Ron and Marty worked at church site in morning.

Sunday, May 4, 1980. Clear, 80s, fine day. We went to first service. Rons, Mary & Marie here for dinner. Ron & boys play golf. Marie took Mary & I for ride. We went to prayer service in evening for the American hostages and Iranians. RL Hartzler, Gerlof Homan & 2 Iranian students spoke.

Monday, May 5, 1980. Fair, rather windy, 88°. Did laundry, ironed. Washed windows & put screens in. I went to Fellowship Committee meeting at 6:30. Pete helped at church site while I was at meeting.

Tuesday, May 6, 1980. Fair, cooler, 70s, windy. I went to prayer group at June [Jantze]'s. Pete to church site. Lucy Catherine met me at church to go to June's. We planted Dahlia bulbs & geraniums. I cleaned Cedar closet. I went to mother – daughter salad luncheon & program. Marie & Mabel went as my guests. Jeanette drove. Rons to Marty's concert.

Wednesday, May 7, 1980. Fair, 60s, chilly wind. We went to town at 8:00. Volunteered awhile, then to auxiliary board meeting at 9:00. Bill Dunn talked to us awhile. We had lunch at health service building. Took some things to Thrift Shop. Got plants at Niepagens & candy at Beichs. Pete to dentist at 3:30. I helped Marilyn awhile. We were home in evening.

Thursday, May 8, 1980. Partly cloudy, 40° in morning, chilly all day, 50°. I washed some dresses & blouses. Went to HEA with Dorothy Singley. Did some work on dress [I] got at Thrift Shop. Pete took mower to town in morning. Worked on auxiliary books. Were home in evening. Worked on Pam's quilt.

Friday, May 9, 1980. Fair, 34° early a.m., warmed up some. We planted pansies and petunias. Did weekly cleaning. Went to town awhile in p.m. Set out peppers, eggplant & 2 dozen tomatoes. Wen Lang & Cathy Lin here in evening. Brought lovely decorated cake for Mother's Day. Mrs. Strange (Marie Hasting's mother) passed away. We took some bars over. Neighbors gave plant & rest in memorials.

Saturday, May 10, 1980. Mostly cloudy, very windy, 70°. Pete plowed some in truck patch & mowed yard. Evelyn Schworer here, brought money for Marie Hasting's mother. I ordered plant. We went to Clinton in evening to visitation for Mrs. Strange. Marie & Mabel along. Ate when got back to town. Stopped at Marie's awhile to see her new rug. Showered little at night.

Sunday, May 11, 1980. Fair, nice day, 72°. We went to first service. Jon, Pete & I had small part in service. Talked on family. Mary & we to Rons for dinner. Went to Eureka, Maple Lawn, at 4:00. Went to have picnic for residents & families but called it off. Thought [weather] too cool. Visited with Ed & saw Mrs. Yeakel. Got money from Shirley & Mary, petunias from Rons.

Monday, May 12, 1980. Cloudy. Had ¼ inch rain early a.m. Rained in evening. I washed & ironed. Made quiche & rhubarb pie for dinner. We set out sweet potato plants. Planted more corn & planted squash & cucumbers. Set out Petunia plants & fixed porch box. Pete to pastoral care

[committee] meeting. I took Mary to Eastland. Had over 1 inch rain. Small tornado in north Normal.

Tuesday, May 13, 1980. Fair in morning, cloudy in p.m. & windy from northwest. Colder. I went to prayer group at Wendy Jones. We cut grass away from walks & defrosted freezer in p.m. I took Marty to high school at 6:00. [School] choir had dinner.

Wednesday, May 14, 1980. Clear, fine day, 60s. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Did some weeding in truck patch & planted more cucumbers. I made rhubarb crisp & pizza for supper. Rons here for supper.

Thursday, May 15, 1980. Fair, nice day, low 70s. We took trash to landfill. We sowed some flower seeds in morning. I went to town at noon. Had permanent at hospital beauty shop. We finished sowing flower seeds & hoed in truck patch. We took Mary & Merle to Barney's. Marie couldn't go.

Friday, May 16, 1980. Cloudy, rained in p.m. and evening. Windy from North East & chilly. Pete worked on auxiliary books. Did cleaning. I baked coffeecake braid & brownies for MYF garage & bake sale. Ron to Elkhart at 4:00 a.m. Talked to Marcella Basinger. They have tickets for next Saturday night play at Bluffton.

Saturday, May 17, 1980. Foggy in morning, cloudy, rained most of afternoon. Pete to men's breakfast. We went to town at 10:00. Stopped at Cutler's. They are selling some things. We met Edgar's & Art Siegs at Bob Johnson's at noon. Did some shopping. Volunteered at hospital, 4:00 to 8:30. Jo had meeting all day. Marty to Champaign, judging team. Ron home from Elkhart at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 18, 1980. Cloudy, showered some in p.m. We went to 1st service. Ate at Cambridge [Inn]. Went to hospital at 12:45 to open house. Auxiliary volunteers helped. Pete helped with refreshments. I took blood pressure from 1 to 4. Ron home with us. Jo & boys came earlier. Jo and we to Home Builders at Bill Dunns. Lynne Miller spoke. Talked to Paul in evening. Volcano, Mount Helena in Washington, erupted.

Monday, May 19, 1980. Cloudy, 60s, hazy. Washed & ironed. We & Mary to Eureka in p.m. Met with Mr. Kandell (administrator). Talked about possibility of moving Ed to an apartment at the Home. Worked on Pam's quilt and wrote Donna and Willis [Kropf].

Tuesday, May 20, 1980. Partly cloudy, 72°. I went with Rachel Mitchell to Illinois Hospital Association Council on Volunteers at Springfield, Holiday Inn. Good meeting. 9 went. Pete mowed lawn, sprayed Cherry & Apple trees. We sprayed roses. Planted mush melons & watermelons & lima beans.

Wednesday, May 21, 1980. Fair, warmer, 70s. Hazy from ash from Mount Helena. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Went to Garfield club at Katherine Mishler's. Pete showed

pictures of sunsets, flowers, etc. Marie, Mary, Merle & we to The Wharf at Peoria. Marie drove. A different place. Is on River.

Thursday, May 22, 1980. Partly cloudy, warm. Pete plowed truck patch. We hoed everything. I hoed some in garden. Went to town at 12:45. Did some shopping. Had my hair done at hospital [beauty shop] & at 3:00, I took Spanish class from Wesleyan on tour of hospital. We planted some sweet corn in evening. Packed suitcases.

Friday, May 23, 1980. Cloudy, showered during day. Foggy in p.m. at home. We left at 7:10 for Bluffton. Got to college at 2:30 our time. Had lunch with Milton Sprungers. They were on way to Bluffton. We went to Frank Basingers & changed clothes. Met Allens & Pauls at 5:00. We all had dinner at Marbeck [Center]. Good to see them all. We all went to play, "Two br Two." Jeff had leading part. Very good. Franks & we had front row seats. At Franks all night. Rons left at 5:30 for Bluffton. Got to Rosalee's at 12:50.

Saturday, May 24, 1980. Nice morning. Rained in p.m. We all went to choir concert at First Mennonite [Church]. Alumni sang several songs with choir. All very good. We went to May Day activity, crowning of Queen, etc. Franks & Harold Bixels took us to Findlay for dinner. Franks & we to musical in p.m. Steve & Jeff packing. Allens & Rons to alumni banquet. Rons to play. Harold & Bob Gerbers at Franks for supper. Bobs showed some European pictures. Had 7 tornadoes sighted near home.

Sunday, May 25, 1980. Fair, nice day. We went to baccalaureate services at founders Hall. Went to Frank's for dinner. Had picnic dinner. Jo & Rosalee fixed most of it. Allens, Rons, Bill Ramseyers & family, Steve, Jeff, Pam, Ruth Miller (Emerson Miller in hospital) & Rosalee [there]. Nice dinner. We all went to Steve's graduation. Large crowd. Rons left for home at 3:30. Allens and boys left at 4:30 (Ohio time). Allens & boys at our home all night. Bill Ramseyers & family & several from college at Franks for supper.

Monday, May 26, 1980. Clear, nice day, cooler. Frank, Pete & I to the Schmucker Homestead in morning awhile. We had lunch with Marcella & Frank. Left there at 1:00 p.m. Stopped at Emerson[Miller]s. Talked to Ruth. Emerson may have surgery on his back. Got to Ann Arbor at Pauls at 4:00 p.m. Had good trip. Pauls got home from Berne at 5:20.

Tuesday, May 27, 1980. Fair, warmer, 80°. Paul to his office all day. Pete & I went with Marjorie on some errands and grocery shopped. She worked on reports in p.m. Pete & I worked up flower beds. I fed & watered roses. Children in school. We all left at 4:30 for Frankenmuth. Got there at 6:40. Visited some shops but most were closed. Had dinner at Zehnders. Lots of food. Home at 9:45.

Wednesday, May 28, 1980. Fair, 84°. Marjorie to work. We took Paul to his office. Children in school. We met Paul at noon. Had lunch at university. We went to show ("Being There"). Got Paul at 5:00. Took Andy to soccer practice. Helped Paul get supper. Ate outside. Marjorie had

meeting in evening. [She] got home at 10:00. Ron called in evening. Mrs. Yeakel passed away in evening.

Thursday, May 29, 1980. Cloudy in morning, showered some in morning, fair late p.m. Little cooler. Pauls took us to Renaissance Center in Detroit. An unusual place. Took elevator up 71 stories to overlook Detroit & Windsor, Canada. Got home at 3:30. Marj to meeting in evening. Paul & children to library. Allen called in morning. Mrs. Yeakel's funeral Saturday. Shirley & Steve going to our place this p.m. They got there at 10:30.

Friday, May 30, 1980. Cloudy in morning. We left Pauls at 7:15 our time. Got home at 2:15. Had hard rain around Hammond Indiana. Hard to see. Had rain here in morning. Tornado watch out most of day. Very windy. Thankful for safe trip. Got things ready for supper. Picked quart of strawberries. Jo brought cold cuts. Rons, Shirley & Steve here. Shirley at visitation for her mother in p.m. Steve here. Allen, Deb, Jeff & Pam got here at 7:30. We all went to funeral home. Rons to Chenoa after visitation to reception for graduates.

Saturday, May 31, 1980. Fair, nice day, 80s. Allens to town at 10:00. They took our car. We went with Rons to Mrs. Yeakel's funeral at 11:00. Deb, Steve, Jeff & Pam sang "How Great Thou Art." Very nice. We went to Cemetery to. Rons & we ate at Arby's. The Yeakels had dinner at the church. I got things ready for supper. Had ham & made rhubarb cake. Jo baked turkey. Deb, Steve & Jeff left at 3:30 for home. Allens, Pam, Rons & Mary & Marie here for supper.

Sunday, June 1, 1980. Had over 3/4 inch rain early a.m. Had 3/4 inch at Eureka. Showered at 4:30. We all went to 1st service. Had communion. Allens, Mary & we to Denny's after church for brunch. Allens, Pam & Rachel Clemens left at 12:34 home. We miss them. Mary and we to Eureka to see Ed. Took him some fruit for his birthday. Took him for ride & had sundaes at Dairy Queen. Rained in night.

Monday, June 2, 1980. Had bad rainstorm. Had 3 inches in forenoon. H2O everywhere. Came in north window upstairs & H2O in recreation & fruit rooms. Roads flooded. Water across road south of house. Under tornado watch, also thunderstorm. Picked 3 quarts strawberries. Washed & ironed. Pete cleaned out eaves.

Tuesday, June 3, 1980. Fair, nice day, 70s. I baked cookies. Did some handwashing. Went to town at 11:30. Pete did some shopping. I went with Marie, Irene Lowery & Laura *Stauback* (sp?) to Brittany for lunch. Pete and I to Bill Cutlers. Got dishes. They are moving to New York. Jeanette & I to Good Will. Had fellowship committee meeting.

Wednesday, June 4, 1980. Cloudy in morning, light shower, fair in p.m., 70s. We went to hospital in morning, volunteered. I washed sheets & bedspread in p.m. Ironed. Pete worked on auxiliary books & counted money. I picked nearly 4 quarts strawberries.

Thursday, June 5, 1980. Mostly fair, rather windy, in 80s. Took Merle to Gailey's at 8:30, then to [a] lady to have dresses altered. Had dinner at Perkins, new restaurant. Took Merle to get groceries. Pete & I did some shopping at Eastland & Provident [Book Store]. Got home after 4:00. I mowed yard while Pete plowed garden. He finished yard. I worked in garden. Pete plowed truck patch after supper. Planted little sweet corn.

Friday, June 6, 1980. Fair, quite humid, 80s. We went to quarterly meeting of auxiliary. Had potluck dinner. I went to Federal Savings & Bank. Went to June [Jantze]'s with dress material. Got groceries. Ron and boys helped pick berries.

Saturday, June 7, 1980. Partly cloudy, high 80s and humid. Had little shower in p.m. Tornado watch out in PM. Windy & turned much cooler in evening. I baked coffeecake braid & rhubarb cake. We worked in truck patch. Picked 3 quarts strawberries. Gave Jo some. Shampooed my hair. Marie & Bob & Mary Woizeski here awhile in evening.

Sunday, June 8, 1980. Fair, cool, near 70°, fine day. Went to 1st service, then to Woizeski Reunion at Wood Hill [Park]. Ron preached at Flanagan, didn't go to reunion. Reunion to be at Bev Walters in Peoria next year. I went to church at 2:30 to get ready for Cynthia Bertsche & Charles Regier reception. Jo & Mary helped too. Got done at 7:00. Went to small group met Bob Stutzmans. [Had] ice cream.

Monday, June 9, 1980. Beautiful day, 70s. 54° in morning. Rather windy. Did laundry. We picked 7 boxes berries. Put 2 quarts in freezer. Gave Jo 3 boxes & kept [some] to eat. Pete worked in truck patch. We planted more sweetcorn. Sprayed roses.

Tuesday, June 10, 1980. Fair, cool, nice day. I cleaned linen closet & aired bedding. Pete worked outside some. I painted picnic table & benches. Worked in flower garden. We & Lucy Catherine [Patton] to Red Lobster, then to her home. Had nice visit.

Wednesday, June 11, 1980. Clear, fine day. We volunteered at hospital. Got groceries. Picked about 10 boxes berries. I put 2 quarts in freezer, made 2 pints preserves. Fixed over 4 boxes for Jo. They had group from Bluffton, also R[obert] Stutzmans.

Thursday, June 12, 1980. Fine day. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I went with Mabel to HEA meeting at 9:15. Had brunch, style show & installation of officers. Home at noon. Pete & I cut weeds around Evergreen trees. Went to town at 4:00. Got dresses for Merle & went to June [Jantze]'s awhile. Mary & we to Westminster. Mrs. Fuller took Mary to dinner. Merle took us. Marty home from FFA meeting.

Friday, June 13, 1980. Partly cloudy, had several light showers. Did cleaning. Baked pecan rolls & 2 pie crusts. Made strawberry pie. We picked about 12 boxes strawberries stemmed them. Gave them to Jo. I made 2 pints preserves from small ones. Picked new peas, had [some] for supper. We went to Rons for supper. All went to new church site. They put beams up today.

Saturday, June 14, 1980. Had shower early morning, fair, hot & humid. Pete to men's breakfast. I cooked chicken. Did usual work. Jo picked 2 – 3 boxes berries. We went to open house at Dr. McGinnis' underground house. Very nice. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Made chicken casserole for Hartzler dinner at church.

Sunday, June 15, 1980. Had severe thunderstorm at 12:30 a.m. Lightning struck tree in front yard. Rained in a.m. & again in p.m., had 1 ½ inches. Much cooler in p.m. June [Jantze], Lenore [Waltner] & I had dinner for 20 of RL Hartzler's family. Got along okay. Jim Waltner's & we to open house at Health Center. Pete & I to Mary's awhile, then to church picnic. Had [picnic] at church. Left in group saying. Rons to St. Louis, [Cardinal] ballgame.

Monday, June 16, 1980. Mostly fair, cool, near 70°. We picked 8 boxes berries. Gave Marie & Mary some. Gave Jo 4 boxes. Washed & ironed. We went to town awhile. I had wax removed from my ears at Dr. Knights. We picked peas. Put 4 pints in freezer. Gave Jo some & we had [some] for supper. I transplanted flowers in evening. Jo home with bad head cold. Boys at Mohrs. Called Allens. Steve home, waiting to go to California [for Mennonite voluntary service]. Paul called.

Tuesday, June 17, 1980. Clear, cool, 45° in morning, fine day. Worked outside. Pulled weeds. Pete cut weeds around Evergreen trees & mowed lawn. I picked some strawberries for shortcake. Got things ready for supper. Rons here. We planted rose Rambler.

Wednesday, June 18, 1980. Clear, fine day, 70s. We volunteered at hospital. I went to June [Jantze]'s. Had dress fitted & went to Garfield club at Bob Johnson's. Mary & Marie hostess. We picked 5 boxes berries. Gave Jo 3. I put quart in freezer. Picked cherries. Got 2 ½ quarts. Picked peas. Put 1 ½ pints in freezer. Worked in garden. Transplanted some.

Thursday, June 19, 1980. Partly cloudy, few light showers in town. Clear in p.m., much cooler. I went to workshop for auxiliary in morning. Pete plowed truck patch. We and Ina Sutter left at 2:50 for [Camp] Menno Haven. Ina to her sisters while we went to camp to get Benjy & Amy who came with Ron Guengrich from Ann Arbor. We ate in Peoria. Got home about 9:00.

Friday, June 20, 1980. Nice day, pleasant. Did cleaning. Picked 4 boxes berries. Went to town at 10:30. Got my dress at June [Jantze]'s. Took her box of berries & lettuce. Pete hoed in truck patch. Benjy at Mohrs with Jon. Mary with Rons here for supper. Harvey Roths & Wilma, Ida Hershberger, Pearl Greaser & Frances Stalter here in evening. Had ice cream & berries & brownies. Rons here later.

Saturday, June 21, 1980. Another fine day. I washed 3 loads. Jo & we picked peas. I kept [some] for dinner. Gave Rons the rest. Benjy with Jon at Mohrs all day. [They are] having their dairy sale. Pete with Ron to help at church site. I washed car.

Sunday, June 22, 1980. Fair, fine day. We went to 1st service & to Mary's for dinner. Ron preached at Champaign. We went to Gordons 25th wedding anniversary reception in p.m. Rons & we gave them silver tray. Kenny here awhile in p.m. We & children to Gordons for supper. Rons went later. Pauls called, talked to children.

Monday, June 23, 1980. Mostly cloudy, few light showers. We picked 5 ½ boxes berries. Put quart in freezer & had shortcake. Gave Jo 3 boxes. I washed & ironed. Lengthened my peach dress. Hemmed some tea towels. Transplanted some marigolds. Children at Rays awhile in morning. Marty & Jon here too for dinner.

Tuesday, June 24, 1980. Cloudy most of day, fair in evening. We picked peas. Put 1 ½ pints in freezer. Gave Jo some to eat. I went to Karen Schweinfurth at 9:30. Eddie, Alma & Lynne there. Pete cut weeds around trees. Kenny & Karen here awhile. Marie got them & Benjy & Amy & took them to Park. We had supper with them at Dairy Queen Brazier. Pete to pastoral care meeting. We went to Marie's.

Wednesday, June 25, 1980. Fair, hot and humid. Pete to Paul Millers for breakfast. Ron, Bill D[unn] and Earl K[aufman] there. I went to hospital at 9:00. Volunteered & saw Mrs. Lois McDonald, Reach for Recovery. Pete & Amy picked 2 boxes berries. I put container of broccoli in freezer & had [some] for supper. Pete & I to meeting at church with Dr. Crumpler. Children at Rons.

Thursday, June 26, 1980. Fair, hot and humid. I washed 4 loads. Baked cookies & made 2 strawberry pies. Pete doing odd jobs. We went to church site at 5:30. Helped sweep floors. Jon & Benjy & Amy helped. They & Marty to show in p.m. Marj called in p.m. Children all to go home tomorrow. Rons here for strawberry pie.

Friday, June 27, 1980. Fair, hot, 93°, good breeze. Did cleaning. We left at 10:40 for LaSalle. Met Ron Guengrich at Holiday Inn at 1:00. He took Benjy & Amy back to Ann Arbor. We picked peas. Put 1 ½ pints in freezer. Had [some] to eat & gave Jo some. Waltners & Dorothy Loepp here in evening picking peas. Helped Lenore pod them. We miss the children. Steve left for 2 years voluntary service at Fresno California.

Saturday, June 28, 1980. We had thunderstorm early a.m. and 1 ½ inches rain. Lots of lightning. Pete to men's breakfast. I washed extra sheets, etc. Shampooed my hair. Did some trimming around walks. Went to hospital, volunteered, 4 – 8:30. Mostly cloudy, hot & very humid.

Sunday, June 29, 1980. Clear, much cooler, a relief from humidity. We went to 1st service. Cy [Colter]s, Mary & we ate at Cambridge Inn. Mary & we to Eureka to see Ed. He wasn't feeling very well. Has problem with his rectum. We were home in evening. Mark & Ramona Emmerich at Rons all night.

Monday, June 30, 1980. Fair, fine day, some warmer, in 80s. Did laundry & ironing. We picked peas. Gave Jo some. Put 1 ½ pints in freezer. Put container [of] broccoli in freezer. Gave Jo some for supper. Picked some [of] Paul Miller's sugar peas. Put 2 pints in freezer. I worked some in garden. Ron & Jo home. Marks left in p.m. Jo got green beans & some potatoes.

Tuesday, July 1, 1980. Mostly fair, hot and humid in p.m., 90s. I worked in garden. Went to Alma G[alloway]'s at 9:30. Quilted until noon. Picked over box of raspberries. Gave Rons some. I pulled weeds around shrubbery. Pete worked in truck patch & plowed garden. I went to Fellowship Committee meeting at Roelie Homan's. Don Nesters here in evening. [They] got some of Paul Millers peas & [we] gave them lettuce.

Wednesday, July 2, 1980. Mostly cloudy, 80s. Quite warm & humid, little shower in evening. We volunteered at hospital. Irene L, Laura S, Mary & I to Streids for lunch. Pete worked at hospital until 1:30. We got groceries. I saw Mrs. *Holderbey* (sp?) for Reach to Recovery. I lengthened my flowered dress.

Thursday, July 3, 1980. Partly cloudy, 83°. We picked peas. Boys helped us pod them. Gave Jo 5 packages. Put 2 ½ pints in freezer. Picked over a quart of raspberries. Put 1 jar in freezer. Worked some outside. Rons took us to ISU Shakespeare play at Ewing Castle "Midsummer Nights Dream." Enjoyed it. Went to Perkins [Restaurant] afterwards.

Friday, July 4, 1980. Partly cloudy, hot, 90°, hazy. Did cleaning. Ron helped put air conditioner in. Baked ham. Helped Jo pick beans. Got things ready for picnic. Mary, Marie, May M[ohr], CRs, Rons, Rays & Gordons here. I furnished meat & drinks. Gordons & Rays left after supper. We watched fireworks at Rons. Rays came back too.

Saturday, July 5, 1980. We had bad storm at 3:00 a.m. Took our tree down that was struck by lightning several weeks ago. Also one in Ash Grove. Were without electricity until 4:00 p.m. Bloomington hard-hit downtown and East Grove [Street]. Roy Miller's barn & corn crib were destroyed. Much corn was damaged in different areas. I took refreshments to workers at church. We ate dinner with EAs & Art Siegs at Bob Johnson's. We picked peas. Gave them to Jo. Put 3 cartons cauliflower in freezer, also quart of raspberries. Gave Rons quart of berries.

Sunday, July 6, 1980. Clear, not so hot & humid. 80s. We went to 1st service & to Mary's for dinner. Took her some raspberries, peas & cauliflower. Marie there too. We all went to see the storm damage at Roy Miller's. Were home in evening.

Monday, July 7, 1980. Fair, hot, 97°, good breeze. Pete picked cherries at Larkins. I washed & ironed. We picked 4 quarts raspberries. Gave Jo 2 quarts. Put some in freezer. Picked beans. Canned 7 quarts. Mary here, helped seed cherries. Put 4 quarts in freezer. Gave Dorothy Loeppe some. Mary took some. I canned 5 ½ quarts beets. Gave June [Jantze] some beets. Larry [Jantze] here, worked on the tree. A busy day.

Tuesday, July 8, 1980. Fair, hot, 95°. We picked peas. Put 4 pints in freezer. I went with Dorothy Singley to annual HEA meeting at ISU. I baked cherry pie & coffeecake. Gave Rons some pie. Larry Jantze here again working on tree. Ron helped some. Marty with Gale Bressner to hog show at Spencer Iowa. Took a gilt.

Wednesday, July 9, 1980. Partly cloudy. Not quite as hot, 90°. We volunteered at hospital. Did some errands. Picked over 2 quarts berries. Gave Merle a pint. Gave Rons some and put a quart in freezer. Merle, Mary & we to Streid's. Went to Eastland. Car wouldn't start, vapor lock. Some nice young fellow got some gas, poured [it] on carburetor & it took off. Grateful to him.

Thursday, July 10, 1980. Cloudy in morning. Looked rainy. Hot, 93°. Not quite as humid. We picked beans & canned 8 quarts & picked peas. Put 2 pints in freezer & had [some] to eat. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I went to town in p.m. Took Mary shopping but no luck. I got towels for Lucy Catherine's birthday. Ron & Jo getting ready to leave for conference.

Friday, July 11, 1980. Partly cloudy, hot & humid, 90s. Ron and Jo left at 1:00 a.m. Got to Allens for breakfast, then on to Spencer Iowa to get Marty. Pete and Jon choring. I did cleaning. We picked raspberries. Got over 3 boxes. Put 4 jars in freezer. Jon to show with Eric Augsburger in p.m. Got bushel of apples at Birkelbaws. Pete & Jon cleaned up some brush from tree. Ron called. They were on way to Estes [Park].

Saturday, July 12, 1980. Mostly fair, hot, 96°. Pete to men's breakfast. Picked beans & canned 13 pints. Put 2 containers broccoli in freezer. We picked raspberries. Put 4 jars in Jo's freezer. Made 2 quarts dill pickles. Made custard raspberry pie. Jon staying here. He helped Mohrs bale straw in morning. Ron called at 11:00. They got to Estes at 2:00 p.m.

Sunday, July 13, 1980. Clear, cooler, near 90°, less humid. We went to 1st service. We ate at Denny's. Pete & Jon home in PM. Mary & I to see Ed. He's about the same. We were home in evening. Our telephone out. Ron tried to call.

Monday, July 14, 1980. Fair, hot, 97°, rather windy. Washed & canned 7 quarts beans. Got 2 quarts raspberries. Put them in Jo's freezer. Also put 3 containers cauliflower in their freezer. Made 2 quarts dills. Pete pulled peas & lettuce. Did chores & watched hogs & watered them. Jon here. Ron called Wayne Mohr in morning as he couldn't get us. Got our phone at 4:30. Ron called.

Tuesday, July 15, 1980. Fair, hot, high 90s. I went to Lynne Romyns. Helped varnish cupboards for new church. Home at noon. Pete mowed yard. Worked some in truck patch & watered cucumbers & raspberries. Chored & took care of hogs. Jon here. I cooked applesauce to put in freezer. Had sweetcorn. Ron called.

Wednesday, July 16, 1980. Cloudy in morning. Looked rainy. Turned cooler in evening. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Picked nearly 2 quarts raspberries. Made one ½ dills. Got

things ready for supper. Jon helped bail hay at Mohrs. Pete & I to Garfield picnic at Bob Schwoerer. Fine evening. Ron called.

Thursday, July 17, 1980. Clear, warmer in p.m., near 90°. Humidity lower. I baked coffeecake braid. Made 2 apple pies, put in freezer. Put 2 bags cauliflower in Jo's freezer & one in ours. Pete helping chore & watching hogs. Jon at Mohrs, helped unload hay. We & Jon & Mary to Farm Bureau day at 4-H grounds at 5:00. Came home after we ate.

Friday, July 18, 1980. Cloudy in morning, 91°, had a little shower. We dug some of onions & helped Mrs. Mike Yoder pick our beans and Paul [Miller]'s. Gave her cabbage & beets. Picked broccoli & put bag in Jo's freezer. Also quart of raspberries. Picked 1 ½ quarts berries. Did cleaning. Made 3 quarts dills. Jo called at noon. Ron & Marty with group climbing Long's Peak. Jon at Mohrs. We took fruit to men working on church.

Saturday, July 19, 1980. Fair, hot, 100°. I finished peeling apples. Made of pie & put [apple]sauce in freezer. We went to town at 11:30. Had dinner with Edgars and Art S[iegs] at Bob Johnson. Car stopped on us again at Kroger's grocery. Had to put gas in carburetor. Got supper for Rons. They got home at 4:00 p.m. Glad to see them. Ron & Marty had quite an experience climbing Mt.

Sunday, July 20, 1980. Fair, hot, near 100°. Pete & Ron worked on water pump. Had no water. Put an old motor on temporarily. Went to 2nd service and missed Sunday School. Ate at Denny's. Home in PM. Jo came over. Had nap here as [it's] cooler. Got nearly quart of raspberries. Gave [them] to Rons.

Monday, July 21, 1980. Had light shower early a.m., cloudy a.m., looked rainy in p.m. Had rain in town, 87°. Pete to town. Got new motor for pump. I washed & ironed. Worked outside. We cut the hollyhocks down. Made 4 quarts Dills. Picked a few strawberries. Rons to Barrow show in evening. We sowed some endive & lettuce.

Tuesday, July 22, 1980. Fair, fine day, low 80s. We went to take drivers license test. We both passed for which we are grateful. Helen Sieg took Marie & I to Brittany for our birthdays. Pete at hospital. We picked big bucket of beans for Jo. We & Marie to Cambridge Inn as Edgar [Gurtner]'s guests. Henrietta & Marilyn [Thietje] there also. CRs, Art Siegs, Carl & Mary N, Thietje sisters [there]. Dorothy not good. Had letter from Steve.

Wednesday, July 23, 1980. Fair, nice day, 80s. We took car to Wiley's. Had tuned up, etc. Went to hospital, volunteered. I went with Marie, Irene L[owery] & Laura S to Brittany for lunch. Pete to dentist at 2:30. Mary & I uptown. She got dress at Anderson. I made 2 quarts Dills. Picked over a quart of raspberries & picked broccoli.

Thursday, July 24, 1980. Fair, little warmer, 86°. I went to Lynne Romyn. Worked on church cabinets. Lucy Catherine with me. Pete worked on auxiliary books & watered tomatoes & some

of sweetcorn. I baked zucchini bread. Picked some beans for Marie. CRs & we took Mary & Marie & May Mohr to Streids & to Mary's, had ice cream, cake & brownies. Gave Marie Bloomington-Normal Magazine. Ron to Akron Ohio.

Friday, July 25, 1980. Fair, warmer, 91°. Did cleaning & waxed kitchen floor. Made 2 quarts dill pickles. Picked pint of raspberries. Got last of cauliflower. Gave Jo some. Jan G[undy] & Dorothy L[oepp] got blueberries. Brought 6 boxes for us. Put 5 in freezer. Jo got 12 boxes. Harvella [Stutzman] here in evening. Got carrots for Mag's reception. Wrote to Allen.

Saturday, July 26, 1980. Cloudy, had few light showers. Wish we could get more. Pete to men's breakfast. I shampooed my hair. We met EAs, Art Siegs & others at Bob Johnson's for lunch. Dorothy about same. We went to Eastland. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Ron home from Akron at 4:30.

Sunday, July 27, 1980. Cloudy, Misty, cool, 60s. We went to 1st service & to Mary's for dinner. We went to church at 4:00 to reception for Mag Richer & Bob Smith who were married July 5th. Had short program. Mary & we to Westminster Ice Cream Social. Guests of Merle's. Irene Davis & Esther Cash there too. Got home at 8:00. I was at Rons awhile.

Monday, July 28, 1980. Fair, cool in morning, warmer in p.m. Pete took car to town to have radiator fixed. Came home with Ron & went back when Ron took hogs to 4-H fair. Then car wasn't done. I washed & ironed. Made 4 quarts dills. Picked pint of raspberries & [of] strawberries. Gave to Rons & picked beans for meal. Boys at 4-H fair.

Tuesday, July 29, 1980. Clear, nice day, warmer, 90°. Pete and I went with Lucy Catherine to Lynne Romyns. Worked on cabinets. She took us to Wiley's, got our car. Went to fair. Jon showed dairy. Got first on all 3 & grand champion of Ayrshire's. Got home after 5:00. Had hamburgers in town. Went to church site at 6:00. Helped sweep up. Pete to pastoral care [committee] meeting. I came home with Franzie [Loepp]s as they came to garden.

Wednesday, July 30, 1980. Fair, 92°, rather windy. We volunteered at hospital, 8 – 11:00. Marie took us to Peppermill at Morton for our birthdays. Mary & Irene along. Got home at 4:00. Put 5 pints corn in freezer & made 3 quarts dills. Jo here awhile. Gave me quilt book [for birthday]. Marie [gave] picture arranger; Mary, money. We went [to] pastoral visiting meeting.

Thursday, July 31, 1980. Fair, hot, 90s. Good breeze. Mary & we to fair. Boys got 3rd, 4th and 5th on gilt's. Marty got 1st on pair of Chester Whites & Grand Champion overall breeds. Glad for him. We came home at 3:30. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I washed car. Lucy Catherine, Merle, Mary & we to Red Bud at Morton. I drove. Nice evening.

Friday, August 1, 1980. Had light shower in morning, fair, hot, 90s. We went to auxiliary board meeting in morning. Home in PM. Did some odd jobs. Pete did some watering. We met Rons at 5:30 at Grand Café. [They] took us to dinner for our birthdays. Marie to McHenry.

Saturday, August 2, 1980. Cloudy most of day, cool, looked rainy. Had few very light showers here. I baked bars & cookies. We dug some of the potatoes. Made some sauerkraut. Jo here awhile. Her oven not working. She baked cookies here. Ron brought livestock home from fair.

Sunday, August 3, 1980. Fair, nice day, 80s. We went to 1st service. Mary took us to Bob Johnson's for dinner. We went to open house for Elsie Stahly's 80th birthday. We went by Gordons for supper for the August birthdays. Rons there too. Pauls called in evening.

Monday, August 4, 1980. Fair, hot, 97°. Looked rainy in evening. I did laundry. Pete finished digging potatoes & did some watering. I did handwashing, dresses & sweaters. Marty & Jon here for dinner. They helped bale hay at Mohrs in PM. Mary here, got cucumbers. Had ¾ inch welcome the rain.

Tuesday, August 5, 1980. Cloudy in morning, fair p.m. I went with Lucy Catherine to Lynne [Romyn]'s. Varnished cabinets. Mary along. We went to town at noon. Got flowers at Washburn's from Deb & Randy. Got cheese from cheese truck. We replanted endive, lettuce & radishes, also some beans. Went to church. Helped sweep up dirt. Ron took Marty & hogs to Springfield in evening.

Wednesday, August 6, 1980. Showered little in morning, fair in p.m., 87°. We volunteered at hospital. Home in PM. I worked some in yard & garden. Pete worked on auxiliary books. Jon & his dairy to Springfield with Mohrs.

Thursday, August 7, 1980. Few scattered showers. Mostly fair, hot & humid. Worked outside awhile. We went to Clinton at 10:30. Got Marie & Irene L[owery]. Went to Lincoln Depot for lunch. Girls paid. Marie having car serviced at Baums. We got ½ bushel peaches. I put over 6 quarts in freezer. Made (blank) pints preserves. Went to town at 5:30. Merle took us to Ozark House. Ron to Springfield in evening. Stayed all night.

Friday, August 8, 1980. Fair, hot, 97°. I went to town at 8:00. Had permanent at hospital beauty shop. Did cleaning. Washed 2 loads. Got things ready for supper. Paul called at 5:30. [Their] car stalled. Pete went after them. Got their car started & drove it to station at Raab [Road] & Route 51. Marie, Mary & Jo here for supper. Glad to see Pauls. Sorry they had car trouble.

Saturday, August 9, 1980. Fair, hot, 94°. Marjorie washed some. Jo to Springfield. Pete looking after hogs. Pete & Paul took Paul's car to mechanic. Have to get another engine so decided not to try & fix it. Pauls & I to Baums at Clinton at 3:00. Dick [Baum] has Century Buick, [he] wants them to use it over weekend. We all went to new church in evening. Ron & Jo home at 10:00. Marty got 2nd on pair [of] gilts.

Sunday, August 10, 1980. Partly cloudy, hot, 93°. Had shower in evening. We went to 1st service. Marie, Mary & we took Pauls & Ron & Jo to Cambridge [Inn]. Pauls to Marie & Mary's awhile.

Rons & Pauls here for supper, Mary too. CRs & Rays here in evening. Had cake, ice cream & peaches. Paul & Ron took Mary home.

Monday, August 11, 1980. 80°. Had rain in morning & shower late p.m., 1.15 inches. Glad for it. Pete with Pauls to see about car. Went different places. Decided to take the Buick. I washed & did some for Marj. I went to committee meeting for auxiliary bazaar. Pauls home at 2:30. They packed car. Children to State Fair with Carol. Rosalee came. She & Jo to fair. Were here for supper.

Tuesday, August 12, 1980. Fair, nice day, 80s. Pauls left at 8:10 for Memphis. We miss them. Ron to State Fair at 7:30 a.m. I washed sheets, spread, towels, etc. Canned 5 quarts tomato juice. Mary & we to see Ed in PM. He is just fair. Pete doing chores.

Wednesday, August 13, 1980. Fair, 80s, had thunder shower at 7:30 PM. We & Mabel left at 7:30 for Springfield. Jon showed in Open Show. Got 2nd and 4th on bowls, 6, 8th and 10th on females. Marty got 2nd on a gilt & David [Ropp] got Premier on Jersey cow. We got home little after 5:00. Pete chored. Jo home after 7:00. Al Giermann passed away.

Thursday, August 14, 1980. Rained in morning [&] off & on most of day & evening. Had 1 ¼ inches. I went to Lynne [Romyn]s in morning. Worked on cabinets. Mary along. Pete picked tomatoes. I canned 11 quarts. Pete helped Jo with chores in morning. We went to visitation for Al Giermann. Ron & Marty home in night with hogs.

Friday, August 15, 1980. Cloudy, cool. We went to town at 11:30. Had lunch at hospital. Went to Al Giermann's funeral at 1:00. Also went to Cemetery. We went to new mall at College. Home in evening. Jon home from State Fair. Edgar [Gurtner]s home from Mayo's. Dorothy not good.

Saturday, August 16, 1980. Cloudy. Rained all morning until 1:30. Had 1.7 inches rain during day. I canned 9 ½ quarts tomato juice & 4 pints bread-and-butter pickles. Pete worked on auxiliary books. Rons worked at church. Cool, in 60s.

Sunday, August 17, 1980. Rained in morning, fair in p.m. Warmer, 80s. We went to 1st service. Ron & Marty sang with John & James Schrag. We & Mary took Rons & Marty to Peking Restaurant for Ron's birthday. Went to Mary's. Had pie & ice cream. Home at 2:30. Jon to Springfield with Mohrs.

Monday, August 18, 1980. Rained in morning, fair in p.m., warm & humid. I washed & ironed. We went to Horace Fagerburg's funeral at 11:00. Went to Provident [Book Store]. Jo & we to Murrys. Got luggage for Ron's birthday. I canned 14 quarts tomato juice & baked some bars. Went to Rons little while in evening.

Tuesday, August 19, 1980. Fair, hot, near 93°. Humid. We went to Lynne Romyn. Worked on church shelves. Pete mowed lawn. I helped trim. Did some mending. Washed 2 dresses. We met

Edgars at Cambridge Inn at 5:30. Art [Sieg]s & Ella Sandborg there too. Dorothy not good. Rons took hogs to Fairbury Fair in evening.

Wednesday, August 20, 1980. Fair, hot, 92°. We volunteered at hospital. Jim W. gave us some corn. Put 5 pints in freezer. Pete picked tomatoes. We sowed endive & lettuce again for 3rd time. Hope it grows. We, Merle & Mary to Barneys. Gave Mary tomatoes to can. Took Merle tomatoes, onions & cucumbers. Marty registered for school. He & Ron to Fairbury. Marty & Jon with Gail Bressner to Indiana State Fair in evening.

Thursday, August 21, 1980. Fair, nice day, not so humid. I canned 5 quarts tomato juice. We put 8 bags of corn in freezer for Jo. Kept 1 ½ pints. I picked few lima beans. Pete mowed some lawn for Rons. Ron to Indianapolis, [Indiana] State Fair at 4:00 PM. Cheryl at Jo's all night.

Friday, August 22, 1980. Fine day, 82°. Did usual cleaning. Went to town at 10:00. Went to June [Jantze]'s awhile. She had garage sale. Went to Eastland. Mary & we got dinner plate for Pam Reeser's wedding. Jo had lunch with us. I canned 5 ½ quarts sauerkraut & pint of tomatoes. Jo here for supper. Pete helped her with chores. He finished cutting weeds around evergreen trees.

Saturday, August 23, 1980. Another fine day, 80s. Pete plowed some in strawberries. Finished cleaning. Washed car. Ron & boys home at 2:00 a.m. from Indianapolis. Ron helped take picture window off so [we] could clean it. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Made salad.

Sunday, August 24, 1980. Fine day. We left at 8:00 for East Bend Church at Fisher. Mary & [Gerald] Galloways with us. Had dinner at Nachtigals. We all took something. Saw Mrs. Weberg (Amanda Knox's daughter), also Earl Knox & other friends. An interesting day. We went to Marie's for supper. CRs along too.

Monday, August 25, 1980. Fair, warmer, 88°. Washed & ironed. Pete picked tomatoes. Worked in truck patch. We took Marty & Jon to Bank & Health Center at 11:00. Jon had physical. I canned 5 ½ quarts tomatoes in p.m. I gathered some flower seeds.

Tuesday, August 26, 1980. Fair, 92°, more humid. Lucy C[atherine] & I to Lynne [Romyn]s in morning. Worked on shelves for church. Pete mowed lawn. I potted African Violet. Worked some on quilt. Boys started to school, ½ day. Pete to pastoral care [committee] meeting. I went to Mary's.

Wednesday, August 27, 1980. Fair, hot, 93°. We volunteered at hospital. I went with Marie, Irene L[owery], and Laura S. to Lakeside for lunch. I got supper for Rons. Had pizza.

Thursday, August 28, 1980. Fair, hot. Did some cleaning & scrubbing. Baked angel food cake & peach cobbler. Got things ready for supper. Franklin & Marcella Basinger got here around 3:00 o'clock. Here for supper & all night. We took them to see new church, also our present church.

Friday, August 29, 1980. Mostly cloudy, little shower in p.m. Franklins left at 8:30 for Kansas. Terry Stutzman came at 9:00. We made French Bread. I made ice cream pudding & baked brownies. Terry home at 2:30. I got things ready for supper. Edgars, CRs, Mary & Marie here. Dorothy seems little better.

Saturday, August 30, 1980. Partly cloudy, hazy. Had shower 4:00 p.m. Got things ready for dinner. Washed 2 loads. We went to Ropp Reunion at Ash Park. Voted to have reunion 1st Saturday after Labor Day. Gordon president & Ray Vice Pres. next year. About 30 there. Officers to decide meeting place. I ironed in evening. Ron & Marty to Mahomet [Illinois] to sale. They were at reunion. Ron & Jon worked at church in p.m.

Sunday, August 31, 1980. Rained in morning, fair in p.m., 80s. We went to 1st service. Were greeters. Mary, Lucy C[atherine] & we ate at Cambridge [Inn]. Mishler family there. Morris & Marie there too. We went to Lucy C's after dinner. Were home in evening.

Monday, September 1, 1980. Cloudy. Rained in morning. I washed & ironed. Mary & we to see Ed in p.m. He has had headaches & dizziness the past several days. Didn't go to dining room to eat. We went to Rons for supper. Called Allens in evening. Talked to Pam. Allens not home.

Tuesday, September 2, 1980. Rained early a.m. Had over 2 inches rain past several days. I went with Lucy C[atherine] to Lynne [Romyn]'s. Varnished shelves, etc. I cleaned upstairs. Washed windows & floors. I went to committee meeting at 6:30 & to Women's Fellowship. Jo went in with me. Pete worked on auxiliary books.

Wednesday, September 3, 1980. Clear, nice day, 80s. We volunteered at hospital in morning. I washed bedding from our bedroom. Pete mowed lawn. I worked in garden awhile. We went to Cy [Colter]s in evening. Jeanette having back trouble. Hasn't been able to work for several days.

Thursday, September 4, 1980. Had showers in morning. Partly cloudy p.m., 80s. I cleaned 2 bedrooms & washed curtains. Pete worked on auxiliary books. Pete with Marty at 4:30 to have pigs tattooed at Farm Bureau. Jo to [Camp] Menno Haven at 3:30. Ron took our car to work. I baked brownies & got supper. Ron & boys here. Allen called in evening. Wanted to know when we were coming.

Friday, September 5, 1980. Cloudy in morning. Had shower at noon, fair in p.m. We went to auxiliary board meeting at 9:00. Did some shopping in p.m. We went to Vollmers. Sold 2 ounces of gold for \$1270. We bought it 1 ½ years ago for \$450. We went with Ron to Bloomington-Normal football game at ISU. NCHS won, 20 – 0.

Saturday, September 6, 1980. Partly cloudy, 80s. Pete to men's breakfast. I baked blueberry crunch cake. We met Edgars at Bob Johnson's at noon. Went to Pam Reeser's wedding at 2:00. Ron had wedding at Wesley Methodist Church. Jo back from [Camp] Menno Haven. Was on way to wedding at 1:30. She was in accident at Yuton Road. Woman stopped for sign & pulled

out in front of her. Had bruises. Taken to Mennonite [Hospital] & released. Had neck x-rays. Car badly damaged. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, September 7, 1980. Rained in morning, fair in p.m. We went to 1st service & to Elmer Siegs Park. Came home at 1:00. Were home in p.m. & evening. Jo at church. Her neck bothers her some & is sore. They had youth meeting at noon. Paul called in p.m. Good to talk to him.

Monday, September 8, 1980. Cloudy in morning, fair, hot, 90° & humid. Washed & ironed. Made 8 glasses grape jelly. Gave Jo 6. Cleaned bathroom & washed curtains. Dorothy Basting here. Am helping her with United Fund Drive.

Tuesday, September 9, 1980. Mostly cloudy, few sprinkles, cooler. Clear in evening. Car battery was dead when I wanted to go to prayer group. Lucy C[atherine] came after me. Pete got car started & got a replacement [battery]. [He] got me at Eddie's. I cleaned hallway & kitchen cabinets in p.m. We had lunch at Denny's & went to hospital Auxiliary Volunteer Recognition Party. Nice program. Mr. Mosiman (artist). Ron got car at Baums (rented).

Wednesday, September 10, 1980. Clear, 50°, nice day, 70°. Went to town at 8:00. Pete volunteered. I went to 3B auxiliary meeting at Jumers in Champaign. Went with Carol & Margaret B. We shopped some. I got Navy skirt & jacket. Pete got bushel of peaches for Jo.

Thursday, September 11, 1980. Clear, 48° in morning, nice day. Cleaned furniture. Went to Home Extension with Dorothy S[ingley]. Gathered some flower seeds. Mary came out with Ron at 4:30. Jo came soon after. We baked 8 pies for the sale at Gail Bressner's tomorrow evening. Ron & Marty to Gail's at 6:30. Jo, Mary & Jon here for supper. Pete mowed lawn. Mowed some of Ron's.

Friday, September 12, 1980. Cloudy, rained some in morning, fair late p.m. & evening. I cleaned living & dining room & cleaned rug. Marie Hastings with me to Esther Brown's. She, Eunice B. & Lois Baker met other nurses at Lexington restaurant. Were 16 of us. Had nice time. Ron & Marty to Gail B[ressner]'s at noon. Jo, Jon, Allen Denzer & we went after chores. Marty & Jon sold 10 gilts & 2 boars. Did well. One boar \$950.

Saturday, September 13, 1980. Had ½ inch rain early morning. Fair, in 80s. Pete with Ron to get tire fixed. I cleaned oven. Made 7 glasses grape jelly for Jo. We went to grocery store after lunch. I fixed 2 quarts peaches for freezer & mended some. Jo had workshop at Trinity Lutheran Church. We went to CRs for supper. Marie, Jack & Virginia Porst there too.

Sunday, September 14, 1980. Cloudy, cool. We went to 1st service. Mary, Marie & we to Westminster for dinner. Guests of Merle. Went to Congregational meeting at 4:00 p.m. Had sandwich & fruit supper. Jo home with us. Ron to hospital.

Monday, September 15, 1980. Cloudy most of day, cool. Did laundry & ironing. Cleaned fruit room. Cleaned kitchen & washed curtains in PM. Home in evening. Had inch rain in night.

Tuesday, September 16, 1980. Mostly cloudy, cool. Had thunderstorm at 6:30, hail & were under tornado warning. Some were sighted. I went to prayer group at Karen S. Lucy C[atherine] with me. We cleaned the recreation room in PM. We were going to Health Lecture in evening but was storming so stayed home. Wrote Steve.

Wednesday, September 17, 1980. Clear, 45° in morning, nice day. We volunteered at hospital in morning. I went to club with Marie at Maxine's. I baked angel food cake. Made dressing for Jo. Were home in evening. Had 1.8 inches rain last night.

Thursday, September 18, 1980. Clear, nice day, 40s in morning. We took Merle for B[lood] S[ugar test] at 7:30. Had breakfast at Denny's. Went back to Dr. L. Got finished there at 11:45. Went to St. Joe [Hospital] for x-ray of Merle's arm & shoulder. Took Merle home. Got Mary. Went to Meadows Home for birthday program. Mary L Yoder & Werner Fransen gave program. Had angel food cake & orange juice. We took Jack & Virginia Porst to eat. Jack took us to Elks. Nice visit.

Friday, September 19, 1980. Fine day, 40s in morning, warmer. Did cleaning. Cleaned the furnace & laundry room in morning. I mowed yard in p.m. Pete worked on broken tile under sidewalk that leads to south cistern. Ron helped awhile after work. He worked at church in evening.

Saturday, September 20, 1980. Fair, 90°, windy. Pete to men's breakfast. I washed car. Went to town at 10:30. I got pair of Cobbie Shoes. Met Edgars at Bob Johnson's for lunch. Done some shopping at Eastland. Volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Ron & Jon to Ayrshire sale at Princeton [Illinois].

Sunday, September 21, 1980. Fair, nice day, warm. We went to 1st service. Mary & we to Eureka. Took Ed out to eat. He didn't feel very well. We went to Rons for picnic. They had pastoral counselors & their families. Large group.

Monday, September 22, 1980. Fair in morning, cloudy in p.m., windy. Turned much cooler in evening. Did laundry & ironed. Wrote to Allens & Pauls. Baked cake & apples. We went to Rons for supper. Had John's birthday dinner. Took cake & apples. Marie down with her back & Mary busy. So they couldn't be at Rons.

Tuesday, September 23, 1980. Clear, 47° in morning, 67° high. I went to prayer group at Lucy C[atherine]'s. Pete had tire fixed. We painted at new church in p.m. Lynne Romyn & Lucy C[atherine] there too. Were home in evening. Worked on quilt.

Wednesday, September 24, 1980. Clear, beautiful day, 67°. We volunteered at hospital. I went with Marie, Irene L & Laura S to Brittany for lunch. Pete & I to bank. Got travelers checks. Went to Eastland. I canned 3 ½ quarts tomatoes in p.m. Pete helped Ron put new leathers on

pump. I saw a Mrs. Johnson for Reach to Recovery. A friend is taking Jeff to Bluffton. Talked to Allens. Jeff broke bone in his foot. Has cast on & is on crutches. He goes to Bluffton Saturday.

Thursday, September 25, 1980. Fair, 72°, windy in p.m., cooler. Evelyn Bertsche came for tomatoes in morning. We went to town at 11:00. I had hair done at hospital. Pete got haircut. Took auxiliary money to bank. Had lunch at hospital. I did some handwashing & packed suitcases. Pete mowed lawn & dug sweet potatoes.

Friday, September 26, 1980. Fair, 38° in morning, fine day. Ron took Mary, Pete & I to Howard Johnson where we met the Prairie Land Tours at 7:00 a.m. Left at 7:30 for trip to New England states. Stopped at Manor Joliet, had rolls & coffee. Had dinner at Palamata Inn at Pokagon Park. Drove to Shaker Heights. Took long way around [Cleveland]. 8:00 p.m. when we got to motel. Had light lunch at hotel.

Saturday, September 27, 1980. Fine day, cool. We left our hotel at 8:00. Stopped for rolls & coffee at 10:00. Saw many vineyards along Lake Erie. Ate dinner at Red Mill Inn at Clarence New York. [Dinner] was on CO [tour company] (a surprise). Some beautiful scenery along the way. We got to Howard Johnson's at Syracuse at 5:00. Bus driver took some of us to Denny's for supper.

Sunday, September 28, 1980. Partly cloudy in morning, fair, cool, 60s. We left Syracuse at 8:00. Had coffee & rolls on way to Lake George. Arrived there at about noon. Had lunch at McDonald's. Drove through mountains most of day. Some color. Stopped at Fort Ticonderoga which is at junction of Lake George and Lake Champlain. Crossed over to Vermont on the bridge and on to Middlebury Vermont to Middlebury Inn where we were treated royally. A buffet dinner at 9. Many dairy farms in valley.

Monday, September 29, 1980. Beautiful, clear crisp morning with Frost. Chilly wind, 50s. Breakfast at Inn. Drove to Pettiford Vermont to Maple Sugar Museum. Sent Allens syrup & Pauls candy. Back to Middlebury. Went downtown. Left Middlebury at 1:30. A wonderful place to stay. Manager took our pictures. Stopped at Kennedy Wood Factory & to Shelburne Museum. An interesting place. On to Burlington Sheraton Inn.

Tuesday, September 30, 1980. Partly cloudy and hazy. Not good for pictures but see more colors. Left motel at 8:00. Went to Barre Vermont. Huge granite quarry & on to Maple Grove Place at St. Johnsbury. Ate at Lincoln Inn. Got to *NH live* (sp?) At 2:00. Saw old man & rode train to top of Cannon Mountain & on to Conway to Red Jacket Mountain Inn. Huge place. Saw more colors today. Drove in mountains all day.

Wednesday, October 1, 1980. Foggy a while in morning, fair. Left motel at 8:00. Stopped at McDonald's for break. Crossed into Massachusetts at 10:00 & on to Gloucester where we had a delicious sole dinner. Many boats in harbor. A character from across our table had to be taken out by police. Back on road at 1:15 and 2 house of 7 Gables. Very interesting. We arrived at

Cambridge Massachusetts at 5:00. Stayed at Holladay Inn. Bus Tours everywhere. Gary Ijams & friend Rebecca here awhile to visit.

Thursday, October 2, 1980. Cloudy, foggy in morning. Partly cloudy. Went on tour with a guide of Boston, Cambridge, Lexington Common, Bunker Hill, statue of Minuteman, Old Ironsides, Harvard campus. Spent some time at market. Visited the Old North Church, Paul Revere statue and other places. Back to Howard Johnson Hotel. Ate at hotel. A full day.

Friday, October 3, 1980. Cloudy, showers, chilly. Left motel at 8:50. Some of our group were caught in elevator between 2 floors. Mark, our driver, one of them. Mark had a prayer as we started out. We went to Plymouth. Saw the Rock & the Mayflower, then to Ocean Spray Cranberry Center, then on to Cape Cod & Hyannis. Had lunch at Mildred's Chowder House. Then to boat docks where we took boat ride. Then to Concal [Conceal?] Candle shop & then tour of city. Past Kennedy homes. Arrived at Outriggers Inn. Nice room. But meals high.

Saturday, October 4, 1980. Cloudy in morning, fair before noon, cool. Left hotel at 8:00 for Newport Rhode Island where we were met by a guide. Took tour of wealthy resort area and the Breaker Mansion built, 1893 – 1895, for \$20 million for Cornelius Vanderbilt. Drove along Atlantic shoreline where the sailboat races are held. Drove to White Plains & Stoffer Hotel. Couldn't find it. Had Direct us. Talked to Rons in evening. Jo was in Indiana.

Sunday, October 5, 1980. Fair, cooler, nice day. Left hotel at 9:00. Arrived at Hyde Park 10:15. Visited Franklin Roosevelt Home & Museum. Beautiful grounds, garden, etc. Then to Vanderbilt Mansion Historic Site. Left there at 1:00. Had lunch at Poughkeepsie. Beautiful drive over the mountains. Colors gorgeous. Got to Sheraton Inn at Danville Pennsylvania at 6:30. Have nice place. Went to Dutch Pantry for supper.

Monday, October 6, 1980. Mostly fair, cool, had Frost at Danville. Ate breakfast at Dutch Pantry. Left hotel at 8:30. Not as much color. Drove to Milan Restaurant at Mercer Pennsylvania where we had lunch. Stopped for break in p.m. Got to Columbus, Ohio at 6:00. Staying at Hilton, another nice place. Jean & Frank Nelson came after us after supper. Took us to their home for awhile. Had nice visit.

Tuesday, October 7, 1980. Clear, fine day, warmer. Left hotel at 8:30. Had break at 10:00 at Dutch Pantry. Had apple fritters on (not clear). Drove to Indianapolis for a free meal at Heritage House Smorgasbord. Very good. Got to Bloomington at 4:30. Ron came after us. Had a wonderful trip for which we are grateful. Good to be home again.

Wednesday, October 8, 1980. A beautiful day, 82°. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Pete worked on auxiliary books and counted money. I did laundry and ironed. Things dried outside. Home in evening. Maple Lawn Home called, said Ed was admitted to hospital this morning. Has chest pain [on] right side.

Thursday, October 9, 1980. Another fine day. I went to HE a. Came home at 1:00. Mary & we to Eureka hospital to see Ed. He wasn't feeling good. Pain on right side and expectorating blood. Dr. *Kukronska* (sp?) from Bloomington saw him. Thinks he may have blood clot in lung. Wants to do lung scan so transferred him to Mennonite Hospital. Got there at 6:00. Hospital van went after him. Met him at hospital. Got him admitted. Ron there too. Jo & boys met us, then we all & Mary to Red Lobster for Marty's birthday.

Friday, October 10, 1980. Fair, rather windy, cooler. We went to town at 9:30. Ed about same. Moved him to ICU. I went to auxiliary workshop. Quilted awhile. Brought some of YPU out. They & Jo picked up corn at Gordons. Ron to Springfield. We put storm Windows in. I cleaned windows. Merle & Esther C[ash] here awhile in evening.

Saturday, October 11, 1980. Cloudy to partly cloudy, windy, cold. Pete brought some things to basement. Dug Dahlia bulbs. We went to town at 10:00. Ed had lung scan. Was worn out from it. He seems about same. We had dinner with Edgar [Gurtner]s & Art [Sieg]s at Bob Johnson's. Went to Marie's awhile. She has back trouble. Taking treatments at home. We worked at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Jo had workshop. Ron home from Springfield.

Sunday, October 12, 1980. Clear, 28° in morning, 54°, chilly all day. We went to 1st service. Went to hospital, had lunch there. Ed seems little better. Still has pain. Complained of his stomach. Dr. says he has enlarged heart & some fluid. Scan showed he has blood clot. Came home at 2:00. I baked apples. Went to group meeting at Cy [Colter]s. Had Wiener roast.

Monday, October 13, 1980. Fair, frosty again. I did laundry & ironing. Got dinner. Marty & Jon here, no school. Ron left at 5:00 a.m. for Wayland Iowa. Talked at Women's Meeting. Esther Wenger Brown with him. Pete moved potatoes, onions to basement. Pete helped at church in p.m. Mary & I to see Ed. Seems little better but doesn't feel much better. Was up in chair a little.

Tuesday, October 14, 1980. Partly cloudy, warmer. Pete to church to work. I went to prayer group at Shirley K[rahn]'s. Went to hospital to see Ed. He's about same. I cleaned silverware in p.m. We went to June J[antze]'s at 6:00. Helped refinish chairs for church. Had good group there.

Wednesday, October 15, 1980. Cloudy, rained in evening. We volunteered at hospital. I took group of high school students on tour, 10 – 11:15. I went to winner – loser club meeting at Alta Litwillers. I was winner. Mary with me to meeting. Pete worked at hospital until 2:00. He went to fundraising meeting at hospital at 7:00. I took Mary to Eastland. They moved Ed to Coronary Unit

Thursday, October 16, 1980. Cloudy, showered in morning and again in evening. We and Mary to Alpha Baughman's funeral at Meadows Church. 10:30. Ron sang "Holy City," beautiful. We stayed for lunch at church. Got to see Normans & Walts. Got home at 1:00. Pete dug carrots. I planted violets. We went to hospital at 4:00. Ed may be little better. Has pain on left side now.

We went to Merle's at 5:30. Glens there. She had others for dinner. Brought Jon home from Parkside.

Friday, October 17, 1980. Cloudy in morning. Rained last night, .71 inches. Cleared off in p.m. 62°. Did cleaning. I baked 2 loaves cranberry bread & peanut butter bars. Put flower seeds away & washed some summer dresses. We went to see Ed in evening. He's about same.

Saturday, October 18, 1980. Clear, fine day, 50s. Pete to men's breakfast. He helped Paul Miller cut some wood in Ash Grove. I did usual work. We went to town at 3:00. Got groceries & saw Ed. He's about same. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. I wrote Deb letter.

Sunday, October 19, 1980. Partly cloudy, nice day. Went to 1st service. To Mary's for dinner. Went to new church site at 1:00 for laying of cornerstone. Large crowd. Visitors here for homecoming of the church. Went to church at 3:00 for program & slides. Ron, Frank Bertram, Ina Sutter spoke. [Rev.] Leonard Metzger here also spoke. We had lunch at church. Jo & Mary & we to see Ed awhile.

Monday, October 20, 1980. Cloudy in morning, clear, 60s, nice day. I did laundry & ironed. Made apple torte. We went to town at 2:00. Took Mary to Carson's looking for dress but no luck. Went to see Ed. Think he is some better. Took Marie & Mary to Funk's Grove. Took some pictures. Went to McLean for supper. Pete cleaned off garden.

Tuesday, October 21, 1980. Fair, fine day. Got ready for prayer group. Eddie, Alta & Alma here. Others were busy. We went to town at 12:00. Got Merle & to Cambridge [Inn] for lunch. Took Merle to Dr. Wright's for treatment of shoulder. I went to June [Jantze]'s in evening. Helped refinished furniture. Pete to new church to work. Stopped to see Ed.

Wednesday, October 22, 1980. Another fine day. We volunteered at hospital. I went with Marie, Irene & Laura to Carson's for lunch. Pete & I worked at new church awhile in p.m. Baked cake for alumni chili supper. Ed was moved to [Room #]360. They needed room on Coronary Care. He's about same.

Thursday, October 23, 1980. Fair, warmer, nice day. We took Mary, Evelyn B[ertsche], Lenore [Waltner] & Edith Miller to women's meeting at Washington. Pete visited Lawrence Ropp at Washington. They went to Cemetery. We went to alumni chili supper at 5:00. Marie along. Pete to hospital meeting at 7:00. Mary and I to Klemms. I got wine colored dress. We saw Ed. He didn't seem as good, depressed.

Friday, October 24, 1980. Rained most of morning, windy, falling temperatures most of day. Did cleaning. Went to town at 10:00 to bank. Went to auxiliary workshop, quilted. Worked until 3:30. Stopped to see Ed. Felt little better this p.m. Ron took day off, worked at church. [He] went back in evening too. We were home in evening.

Saturday, October 25, 1980. Cloudy, windy & cold, 50°. Finished cleaning. Shampooed my hair. We went to town at 10:00. Did some errands. Had lunch at Bob Johnson's with Edgar [Gurtner]s & Art [Sieg]s. Dorothy about same. We stopped to see Ed. He's about same. Still spitting up some blood. Rons here for supper. Had waffles & sausage. They got quarter o[f] beef from Gail [Bressner]. We got some.

Sunday, October 26, 1980. Cloudy in morning, partly cloudy in p.m., 29° in morning. We went to 1st service. To Mary's for dinner. Went to hospital in p.m. They took Ed for little walk. Saw Frank Rendall, administrator at Maple Lawn [Home].

Monday, October 27, 1980. Rained & snowed in morning. Rained in p.m. 35° – 37° high. Very windy, disagreeable. I washed & ironed. Made vegetable soup. Ron & Pete worked at church all day. Ron ate lunch here. I went to Dr. McGinnis at 3:00. Good report for which I'm grateful. Stopped at hospital to see Ed. Think he was rather discouraged & lonely.

Tuesday, October 28, 1980. Fair, chilly, 20° – 25° in morning. I went to prayer group at Alma [Galloway]'s. Pete to town. We got cheese on Wisconsin truck. Went to Merle's at 12:00. We went to [Bloomington] Airport for lunch. Took Merle to Dr. Wright's for treatment of arm. Stopped to see Ed. They walked him. [He] still has IVs. We went to June [Jantze]'s in evening. Shirley K[rahn] there. We finished most of chairs & tables.

Wednesday, October 29, 1980. Clear, cold, 20°, very frosty. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Ed seemed rather lethargic. We went to church in p.m. I stained folding doors. Lucy C[atherine] there too. Mary came at 2:30, helped.

Thursday, October 30, 1980. Clear, fine day, 23° in morning. Pete burned some brush. I baked pecan rolls & cookies. We went to see Ed at 3:00. He had chest x-ray again. He's about same. Still getting IVs. Rons to Employees Banquet. He gets 10-year pin. Ron Chairman of program.

Friday, October 31, 1980. Fair, fine day, near 60°. We went to town at 8:00. Had hair done. Pete helped Carolyn. I quilted. Got Merle at 12:30. Took her to Dr. Wright & she also had treatment on her arm. We took she & Mary to Elms for Merle's birthday. Gave her cheese & sausage. Ed about same.

Saturday, November 1, 1980. Fair, nice day. Pete to men's breakfast. Lynn Rader disc & chisels truck patch. We took refreshments, coffee & cake & pecan rolls, cider & coffee to men [working] at church. Rons & MTF painted Mrs. Hamilton's house. MYF had Wiener roast at Rons in evening. We volunteered, 4 – 8:30 at Gift Shop and Info Desk. Ed didn't seem as good. [He is] weak, discontinued IVs.

Sunday, November 2, 1980. Fair, fine day, warmer, 60s, windy in evening. We went to first service. Earl Kaufman and his new bride, and green where there. We ate at Cambridge Inn. Mary, Freida & Lorene there too. We went to hospital to see Ed. He was in chair all morning. Mary

home with us. I got supper. Edgars, Marie & Mary here. Had chicken casserole & apple crisp. Dorothy not so good. Hard for her to talk.

Monday, November 3, 1980. Partly cloudy, 60s, showered some in evening. Pete spaded some in garden. Put picnic table away. I washed & ironed. Baked coffeecake braid. Went to hospital at 4:00. Dr. said Ed would go to Eureka Wednesday. He was up in chair in morning. We went to Hospital Drive kickoff dinner at Consistory at 5:30. Good meeting.

Tuesday, November 4, 1980. Fine day. Voted at 8:30. I went to prayer group at Eddie S. Pete worked at church. Went to hospital to see Ed. Talked to Caroline Roberts (social worker). She & we to Westminster but can't get Ed in there. Called several places. Went to town at 6:30. I had Fellowship meeting. We went to Bill Lawrence's for election returns. I took bars. Reagan won with landslide. Gordon won.

Wednesday, November 5, 1980. Another fine day, 50s. We went to hospital, volunteered. Ron & we spent time with Ed making arrangements to move him. Finally got a bed at Hawthorne Lodge in El Paso. Ed is rather upset about moving but Maple Lawn has no bed for him. Ed didn't feel as well today. We went to Consistory to see set up for Bazaar. Were home in evening.

Thursday, November 6, 1980. Nice day, windy, 60s. We went to hospital at 9:00. Took Ed to Maple Lawn. They called last evening. Said they could take him. Ron went in town, told him. He was so relieved. Took Ed in car. Got there at 10:45. He stood the ride quite well & [is] happy to be back. Pete finished spading north side of garden. I washed some summer things. Ron to Elkhart this morning.

Friday, November 7, 1980. Partly cloudy, nice day. We went to town at 7:30 to Consistory for Bazaar. Had a large crowd. Lots of baked things. Took in around \$700. Pete and Carolyn took money to bank twice. They counted money when we closed at 7:00 & put it in hospital safe. It was a big event and [sold] many things. Got home at 9:00. Jo & boys to B[luffton] C[ollege] alumni dinner at Elms. Jo here awhile.

Saturday, November 8, 1980. Partly cloudy, windy, 62°. Did cleaning. We went to Trinity Lutheran Bazaar at 11:00. Didn't have too much. We had dinner there. EAs, Nina & Marguerite [Burwitz] & Art [Sieg]s [there]. Helen [Sieg] working. Pete finished spading garden in p.m. I worked on Pam's quilt.

Sunday, November 9, 1980. Clear, beautiful day, 67°. We went to 2nd service & to [small] group meeting at Jurgen Schoeur at noon. Had sandwiches, salad & dessert. Were home in evening. I talked to Marjorie. Paul just got back from meeting at Tucson [Arizona]. They are wanting us to come for Thanksgiving.

Monday, November 10, 1980. Clear, cooler, nice day. I did laundry & ironed. We went to hospital at 11:00. Took rest of Bazaar money to bank, deposited some over \$11,000. Mary & we

to Eureka to see Ed. He isn't doing very well. Still coughing up some. He's up in chair most of time.

Tuesday, November 11, 1980. Fair, another nice day, 40s. I went to prayer group at Lucy C[atherine]'s. Pete put ground around roses. We went to new church. Worked in p.m. We went to town at 5:00. Ate at Denny's, then to church. Pete had pastoral care meeting at 6:15. Worked on Pam's quilt.

Wednesday, November 12, 1980. Fair, rather windy, 50s. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Pete mowed lawn. Crushed leaves. I washed some blouses, trousers & sweater. Pete counted auxiliary money. Were home in evening. Worked on Pam's quilt.

Thursday, November 13, 1980. Fair, warmer, 64°, fine day. We went to town at 8:00. I had permanent at hospital beauty shop. Pete had new water pump put on car. Mary & I to Eastland. She got shirt & tie for Pete. We went with CRs to Bud Basting's funeral at 2:30. Stopped at Birkelbaws. Got ½ bushel apples. I baked pumpkin pie for supper. Gave Rons some. Worked on quilt. Rained in night.

Friday, November 14, 1980. Cloudy, colder, 40s. Misted some. Did cleaning. I waxed kitchen floor. We went to auxiliary at 10:00. Had it at Thrift Shop Open House. Had good crowd. Thrift Shop Committee served coffee, punch & cookies. Bazaar took in over \$15,000. Cleared over \$10,000. Worked on Pam's quilt.

Saturday, November 15, 1980. Cloudy, chilly. Pete to men's breakfast. I fixed sweet pickles & spiced carrots. We went to Bob Johnson's at 11:30. Met Edgars & Art S[iegs]. We shopped awhile. Got dress shirt for Ron & flannel shirt for Marty. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, November 16, 1980. Mostly cloudy to fair in p.m., cool. We went to 1st service. Were hostess for fellowship hour. Mary & we ate at 76 Truck Stop. Then to Eureka. Ed is about same. Can't sleep nights. Seems depressed. We went to church with Rons. He made rounds at hospital. Jo & we to church. Floyd Bartel preached in morning & again in evening.

Monday, November 17, 1980. Cloudy, 30s. I did laundry. Pete & I had physicals at Dr. Bertsche's at 10:00. Went to Merle's at 1:00. Made plans for small group to meet with Merle. We took Merle to post office and to Provident Book Store. Went to Bob Johnson's for supper & back to Merle's awhile. We went to church. Floyd Bartel spoke again.

Tuesday, November 18, 1980. Fair, nice day. I finished ironing. Went to prayer group at June [Jantze]'s. Pete & I worked at church in p.m. Got Jon at school at 4:30. We took Earl & Ann [Kaufman] to hear Fred Waring at ISU. We ate at Golden West at 6:00. The program was wonderful. Large crowd. We stopped at Denny's on way home. Nice evening.

Wednesday, November 19, 1980. Fair, cold, 21° in morning, frosty. We volunteered at hospital. I went to club meeting at Lucy C[atherine]'s. Pete volunteered in Gift Shop in p.m. We were home in evening. Marty sick in night.

Thursday, November 20, 1980. Fair, 50s, windy. Mabel and I to Denny's at 8:30. Had breakfast with Marie, Lucille & Marilyn from Michigan. Clara B[rodbeck], May M[ohr], Ruth & Betty Jane Otto [there]. Mabel & I to HEA district meeting at Farm Bureau building with Dorothy Singley. Pete burned brush & worked on family history. Home in evening. Marty home from school. He's some better. Ron & Jo left for Bluffton about 11:30 p.m.

Friday, November 21, 1980. Another fine day. We went to town at 8:00. Had blood tests. I had EKG. Went to hospital. Helped at Mini-Bazaar in lobby. I went to lunch with Marie, Irene & Laura at noon. We got home at 3:00. I baked cookies. Went to Bill Dunns for dinner. Earl & Ann K[aufman] there. Sherry home. Marty better, stayed home.

Saturday, November 22, 1980. Fair, cloudy in evening. Finished cleaning. Made bars & tapioca. Got dinner. Boys here for dinner. We went to town at 2:00. Did some shopping & volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, November 23, 1980. Cloudy, showered & misted most of day. We went to 1st service. We & Mary to Ramsay Farraus for dinner. Carol's folks there. We all went to church at 4:00. Joint meeting with Christ the King Episcopal Congregation who bought our church. Had fellowship time. Nice meeting. Rons home at 9:30.

Monday, November 24, 1980. Mostly cloudy, chilly, 30°. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I washed & ironed. Mary & we to see Ed. He moved to his room yesterday. He's some better but depressed & doesn't feel well. Pete & I to visitation for Esther Stutzman who passed away Saturday evening. Jeff called. He's coming Wednesday evening with Judy.

Tuesday, November 25, 1980. Fine day, 20° in morning. We worked at church in morning. Got groceries. I baked ham & made chili. Pete worked on auxiliary books. Were home in evening.

Wednesday, November 26, 1980. Fair in morning, 16°, frosty. Cloudy in p.m. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Home in PM. Did some dusting & made cinnamon apples. Pete worked on auxiliary books. We & Mary to community Thanksgiving services at Normal Methodist Church. Ron preached. Jeff got here at 8:30. Allen came at 9:00. Rons came over. Had lunch.

Thursday, November 27, 1980. Snowing & blowing. Stopped about noon. Had over 2 inches. Roads bad for a while. Allens, Rons, Mary & Cheryl Rempel here. Had goose. Jo fixed one & I [fixed] one. Had oysters. Mary made mince & pumpkin pies. Ron got Cheryl & Mary & made rounds at hospital. He took Cheryl back at 2:30. She worked. Pam to Rachel [Clemens] all night. Steve called, also Paul. Wish they could have been with us too. Had a nice Thanksgiving.

Friday, November 28, 1980. Had another inch snow during night. Had 4 – 6 inches altogether. Cloudy, sun shone awhile in p.m., 30s. I washed 3 loads, tablecloths, towels & some for Jeff. We & Allens to Mary's for dinner. Went to hospital. Allens to see [Shirley's sister] Fern Wick in Adult Day Care, then over to Clifford's apartment. We stopped at new church. Allen & Shirley to Dunns for supper. Jeff & Pam here.

Saturday, November 29, 1980. Fair, nice day, some snow melted. Allens, Jeff & Pam to Auburn Illinois to see Don Yeakels. I made brownies for Jeff & baked coffeecake. Did some cleaning & ironed tablecloth, etc. Allens, Rons, we, Mary, Marie & CRs to Grand Café at 6:30. Marie & Mary paid for Allens. Ron called to hospital. We all went to Marie's, had dessert. CRs home.

Sunday, November 30, 1980. Another nice day, 40s, windy. We all went to 1st service. Allens & Pam left after 1st service for home. They are stopping to see Ed. Mary, Lucy Catherine, Jeff & we to Ambassador Café for dinner. Went to Lucy C[atherine]'s awhile. Took Jeff to Stutzmans. He & Judy left for B[luffton] C[ollege] at 1:00. We worked on pictures awhile in p in p.m.

Monday, December 1, 1980. Fair awhile in morning, cloudy, foggy awhile, 40s. Pete worked on annual auxiliary report most of day. Put cones on roses. I washed & ironed. Baked coffeecake braid & apple nut bread. Washed 3 loads in evening, sheets & towels. Worked on Pam's quilt.

Tuesday, December 2, 1980. Cloudy, windy, much colder, 20s. I stirred up sugar cookies. Went to prayer group at Wendy Jones. Pete did some errands. Went to bank. I baked sugar cookies & iced them. Baked ginger cookies. I went to Women's Fellowship Christmas meeting [and] gift exchange. I took apple nut bread. Got candy from Mabel Bertram.

Wednesday, December 3, 1980. 12° above. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Mary & we went shopping. Got gloves for Mary, sweatshirt for Jeff & dress shirt for Allen. Were home in evening.

Thursday, December 4, 1980. Cloudy, misted some in evening, 30s. We went to Mary's at 9:00. Baked fruitcakes. We went to Eastland after dinner. Then to Eureka to see Ed. Think he's improving some. Mary here for supper. I took her home, then to alumni meeting at Phoenix Towers.

Friday, December 5, 1980. Mostly cloudy, warmer, 50s. We went to auxiliary annual meeting. Had carry in dinner. Stopped at hospital, also at Marie's. We fixed picture arranger in evening.

Saturday, December 6, 1980. Partly cloudy, warmer, 66°. Showered in evening. I baked carrot & cashew cookies. Finished cleaning. Shampooed my hair. Got things ready for supper. Wen Lang & Kathy Lin here. Pete put up snow fence & put straw on strawberries.

Sunday, December 7, 1980. Gloomy day, 57°. Rained & misted most of day. We went to 1st service. Mary & we ate at Perkins. Went to McLean County Museum at 2:00. CR showed us his

toys. We went to Congregational meeting at 4:00. Discussed budget & talked about plans for moving. Had sandwich & fruit supper. We worked on Christmas cards.

Monday, December 8, 1980. Cloudy, rained in morning, had 1 inch [rain] over weekend. Colder in p.m. I washed & ironed. Baked pecan rolls & pumpkin bread & stirred up Crescent cookies. Made caramels. Pete wrote some Christmas notes. Baked Crescent cookies after supper.

Tuesday, December 9, 1980. Snow flurries in p.m., fair in p.m. I went to prayer group at Shirley K[rahn]'s. Pete did some errands. We worked at new church in p.m. We went to Merle's in evening. Took her some cheese & lima beans. Had given her amaryllis earlier. Had good dinner.

Wednesday, December 10, 1980. Cloudy, cold, 20s. We volunteered at hospital. Pete had work done on car. I made white bark cookies in p.m. Wrote few cards. We & Marie went with CRs to Art Siegs. Edgars, Nina, Marguerite and Mildred [Burwitz], & Clarence S[ieg]s there. Had nice evening.

Thursday, December 11, 1980. Cloudy, chilly & damp. I baked pumpkin pie. Wrote few cards. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I went to HEA. Mabel along. I got things ready for supper. Rons here. Talked to Pauls in evening.

Friday, December 12, 1980. Clear, fine day, 51°. Went to hospital at 8:00 to get ready for bake sale. Made about \$95. I made strawberry cookies & press cookies in p.m. & did cleaning. Finished addressing Christmas cards in evening.

Saturday, December 13, 1980. Fair, colder, near 30°. Pete to men's breakfast. I made salad & cheese ball & shampooed my hair. Met EAs at noon. We shopped. Got 2 shirts & shorts for Ed. Mary & Arts paid too [on Ed's gifts]. I got blouse with Marie's money. I got all weather coat. Also got belt for Allen. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, December 14, 1980. Nice day. We went to first service. Had surprise luncheon. We went to Wilbur Bauman's. Don Nesters there too. I took salad. Went to church at 2:45 to get ready for dessert time. Made punch & coffee. Had lots of cookies. Went to program at 4:00, then dessert time. Stopped at Marie's on way home.

Monday, December 15, 1980. Cloudy in morning, fair, 30s, nice day. I did laundry. Packed box for Steve. Fixed boxes [of] cookies for Allens, Rons, Pauls, mail man, Marie & Marilyn Gillin. We went to town at 3:30. Got Merle & Gladys Jensen (Merle's cousin). Did some errands for Merle. Got Mary & we all went to Red Bud at 5:00.

Tuesday, December 16, 1980. Mostly cloudy, 30°. Had prayer group here in morning. Alma, Lucy C[atherine] & Wendy here. Others couldn't come. Mary & we to see Ed in p.m. Took his gifts. Shorts too large, shirt too small so exchanged them in evening while Pete went to pastoral care meeting. Mary with me.

Wednesday, December 17, 1980. Fair, windy, 38°. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Hospital had Christmas dinner. I went to club at Kate Edgecombs. CR showed his toys. I got stationery from Sunshine Friend. I finished wrapping gifts. Were home in evening. I saw Mrs. Dean Elliott & Mrs. Wilder for Reach to Recovery. Paul called in evening. They can't come during holidays.

Thursday, December 18, 1980. Cloudy, colder. We worked at church all morning. I made salad & penuchi in p.m. We went to town at 5:00. Mary, Marie & we to Grand Café. Went to see some decorations. Went to Marie's, had gift exchange. Pete got money & book. I got blouse, money from Marie.

Friday, December 19, 1980. Clear, windy, cold. Temp dropped during day, 8° above, high. We went to town at 9:00. Pete to dentist. I got things ready for supper. Earl & Ann Kaufman here. Had ham loaf & sweet potatoes.

Saturday, December 20, 1980. Clear, zero, little below here. I washed & ironed. Shampooed my hair. We went to Bob Johnson's at 11:30. EAs, Art Siegs, Burwitzs there too. We shopped some. I went to Clara Brodbeck's 90th birthday at 2:00. Pete home. I came home with Mabel. Marie there too. Marie gave Clara booklet. Talked to Allen.

Sunday, December 21, 1980. Fair, nice day, little warmer. Went to 1st service. Were greeters. Mary & we at Rons for dinner. Had our gift exchange. We got toaster oven, pin from boys. Pete got books & scarf. Gave Jo blouse & slacks (paid toward it). Gave Ron & Marty shirt, Jon dartboard. Pete gave Jon his earphones & Marty his gun.

Monday, December 22, 1980. Fair, 30s. Mary and we left home at 7:50 for Allens. Cloudy in p.m. Some light sprinkles. Ate lunch at Amana. Got to Allens at 3:00. Thankful for good trip. Good to see Allens. Jeff working some for a lady & he & Allens sawing wood for fireplace. I worked some on quilt.

Tuesday, December 23, 1980. Cloudy, started to rain and snow in p.m., colder. Roads kinda slick. Had 1 inch snow. Pam to school until 1:30. Allen, Shirley & Jeff to work in morning. Jeff split wood in p.m. Pete cracked some nuts. Mary & I to Ames with Allen & Shirley. Deb & Randy here awhile in evening. I worked on quilt.

Wednesday, December 24, 1980. Partly cloudy, cold, 3° below in morning. Allen & Shirley to work in morning. I baked pineapple coffeecake. Deb & Randy here for supper. Had waffles & sausage. We all went to church at 11:00 p.m. Allens all sang in choir. Jeff sang solo, "O Holy Night." Pam in motion choir. Shirley got sick, stomach. 11° below zero.

Thursday, December 25, 1980. Mostly cloudy, 10° above, warmer during day. Shirley better as day went on. Allen & I got turkey ready for oven at 7:00. Deb & Randy here. Had gift exchange after breakfast. Got necklace from Allens, stationery from children, scarf pin from Deb & Randy.

Pete got box of nuts from them, books from Allens & cheese from children. Had Turkey & all trimmings. Talked to Pauls & Rons in evening. Rons at CRs at noon. His staff there in evening. We had nice day.

Friday, December 26, 1980. Cloudy, some warmer. Allens & we to Des Moines Botanical Center. Beautiful flowers. Ate lunch at Steak House. Allens to offices awhile in p.m. Jeff working some & skating. Pam's boyfriend Mike Jamison came in p.m. We all & Deb & Randy to Dick Pilgrims for a delicious dinner. Played "Pit."

Saturday, December 27, 1980. Mostly cloudy, 16° in morning. Allen went to Kiwanis breakfast at Ames. We & Mary left Allens at 7:50. Got home at 2:30. Thankful for safe trip & good roads. Had over 3 inches snow here Christmas eve. Also had some ice. Unpacked suitcases. We went to CRs for supper. Edgars, Henrietta, Mary, Marie & Marilyn there. Dorothy isn't good.

Sunday, December 28, 1980. Fair, nice day, 30s. Cloudy later in day. We went to 1st service. Our last service at our church. I was one who was asked to share some memories. Ron shared at 2nd service. We had lunch at Denny's. Rons, Mary & we to Eureka to see Ed. He looked & acted much better. We were home in evening. Hence some mist in evening. Froze a little.

Monday, December 29, 1980. Cloudy, little slick in morning, foggy in p.m. Cleared away in evening. I washed. We went to church at 9:30. Packed dishes, etc. in kitchen, getting ready to move to new church. We ate lunch in town. Took silver service & punch bowl to new church. They are working hard to get ready to move next several days. I ironed in p.m. Were home in evening. Worked on Pam's quilt. Boys to MYF institute at Metamora.

Tuesday, December 30, 1980. Cloudy, chilly, 32°. We went to town at 9:00. Worked at the new church all morning. Rons there too. They helped move things to new church. We had lunch together at Steak 'n Shake. We went to bank and Federal Savings, then back to church until 5:00 p.m. Lot of people working.

Wednesday, December 31, 1980. Cloudy, chilly. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Went to church in p.m. Unpacked dishes in kitchen. Our kitchen is lovely. We went back to church at 7:00. Large crowd. Unpacked chairs for auditorium. Had finger foods & fruit, punch & coffee. Played some games. Gerlof [Homan] had meditation. Got to bed at 1:00.

Thursday, January 1, 1981. Had little ice early, then light snow, cloudy, colder in evening. We, Rons & Marie to Mary's for dinner. Pete, Ron & I to Florence Miller's funeral at 2:00. Ron sang with group. Jo to new church in p.m. Ron & we got groceries, then to church awhile. Home in evening. Mary fell, hurt her leg.

Friday, January 2, 1981. Fair, nice day, good to see the sun. Near 30°. Did cleaning. Put Christmas decorations away. Made vegetable soup & cherry pudding. Finished putting pictures in picture arranger. Shampooed my hair. Worked on Pam's quilt. Ron took day off from work. Worked at home.

Saturday, January 3, 1981. Clear, cold, strong wind from Northwest, falling temp. I went with Jo to Chester White State Sale at ISU at 11:00. Marty got Grand Champion gilt. He sold her for \$900. Jo & I to church at 1:30. Helped get church ready for services tomorrow. Got home at 6:00. Pete home, has a cold. Home in evening.

Sunday, January 4, 1981. Fair, cold, 8 – 10° below. We went to our 1st service in the new church. Very exciting, hard to believe in such a short time. Were 300 people there. We were home for lunch. Back to church at 3:30 to help get ready for Love Feast around tables. 110 there. Rons & we had Cindy Ramseyer & Bob Stutzman family here for light lunch after the evening service.

Monday, January 5, 1981. Fair, zero in morning, up to 20s, rather windy. I washed & ironed. Went to town at 3:00. Took Marie, Mary and Merle to log cabin at Pontiac. Had special on Lobster. Very good. Were home by 7:30. Wrote to Steve & worked on Pam's quilt.

Tuesday, January 6, 1981. Snowed, had 4 1/3 inches. Windy & colder in evening. Prayer group called off. I baked coffeecake braid. Washed covers from sofa pillows. Worked on quilt. Went to Women's Fellowship with Jeanette. Roads rather slick & drifted a little in places.

Wednesday, January 7, 1981. Clear, cold, 2° below. We volunteered at hospital. Took Mary but she wasn't able to stay on account of her leg which she hurt when she fell. Tried to see Dr. Bertsche but couldn't. He told her to put heating pad on it and take ASA. Pete had budget committee meeting at 1:00. I took group of NCHS students on tour of hospital. Evelyn B[ertsche] helped with group. Were home in evening. Had 2 inches snow in night.

Thursday, January 8, 1981. Clear, 8 – 10° above. Up to teens during day. I did some mending. Went to HEA with Mabel. Home after lunch. I worked on Pam's quilt. Paul called in evening. [They] want us to come last week in January.

Friday, January 9, 1981. 6° below in early a.m., up to 20° during day. Everything full of frost. Mostly cloudy. Ron left at 7:50 for South Carolina. Took hogs for boys & [Gail] Bressners along too. We went to auxiliary board meeting at 9:00. Took Mary along. Took her to Dr. Bertsche at 10:45. Had x-ray of leg. No fracture but painful to walk on. Pete & I to Eastland. Got flannel shirt & longie [long underwear?] for him. I got gown.

Saturday, January 10, 1981. Clear, 10° below, warmed up little, nice day. Pete to men's breakfast. I finished cleaning. We met Edgar [Gurtner]s, Srt [Sieg]s & others at Bob Johnson's for lunch. Dorothy isn't good. We shopped some. I got brown jacket. Worked at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, January 11, 1981. Clear, cold, 5° below. We went to church & to Merle's. Had dinner with her. Went to Vesper service at 4:00 at Westminster. At 5:00, our small group met there in end of dining area. 21 there. I helped Merle.

Monday, January 12, 1981. Partly cloudy, 5° below, warmed up some during day. I washed & ironed. Wrote Allens. Pete wrote some letters. I worked on Pam's quilt. Jon here for supper. Jo at church. Marty to MYF skating at Washington. Ron called. They had Grand Champion gilt.

Tuesday, January 13, 1981. Clear, nice day, warmer, in 30s. I went to prayer group at Alma G[alloway]'s. Went to Mary's for lunch. She & I to June [Jantze]'s to help with quilt for MCC sale. Eddie S there too. Pete to Township calling with Gordon. I worked on Pam's quilt.

Wednesday, January 14, 1981. Cloudy, few snow flurries & little mist. Went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered awhile & [went] to auxiliary board meeting at 9:30. Had lunch there. Made plans for the coming year. Mary there too. Her leg some better.

Thursday, January 15, 1981. Cloudy, misted some in morning, colder in p.m. I sowed Pam's quilt together. Made vegetable soup. Pete went with Gene Heading to see Lila & the new church. Gene here for lunch. June [Jantze] came at 4:50. We put Pam's quilt in frame. Jo & I to church. Committee for conference. Heard Jeff [is] leaving B[luffton] C[ollege]. Talked to Pam. Allens left at noon for BC to get Jeff. Sorry he's leaving.

Friday, January 16, 1981. Fair, cold, 4° below in morning. Did cleaning & quilted. Pete sorted some slides. We went to East church building at 6:00. Helped with sale of furniture. Sale was open to church members. Sold nearly \$300 [worth]. Rons came to church at 8:00. Marty had stomach pains early evening but was better. We all went to Denny's at 9:00 for supper.

Saturday, January 17, 1981. Zero in morning, fair, 20s during day. We went to the church again at 9:00. Helped with sale. Didn't have many in but some good sales. We got 6 folding chairs & rug for the basement. Ron in awhile. Got some things for pastoral care and Jo to [Camp] Menno Haven with Rachel Zehr. I quilted in evening.

Sunday, January 18, 1981. Clear, beautiful day, warmer, thawed some. We went to church. Mary & we to Eureka. Had dinner at Country Kitchen. Ed has cold, otherwise he is about same. Were home in evening.

Monday, January 19, 1981. Partly cloudy, high 30s. I did washing & ironing. Mary here most of day. We quilted. We went to visitation for Cecil Raber.

Tuesday, January 20, 1981. Cloudy, 40s. I went to prayer group at Eddie's. Pete went to Federal Savings, got auxiliary money to give hospital. Mary here for dinner. We quilted in PM. We went to auxiliary tea for volunteers in evening.

Wednesday, January 21, 1981. Cloudy, rather foggy most of day. We volunteered at hospital in morning. I went to Garfield club at Verna Wallace's. Marie drove. Rons here for supper. Had pizza.

Thursday, January 22, 1981. Foggy in morning, fair, in 40s. Pete sorted more slides. I quilted all day. We went to church at 7:00. Pete had last pastoral care meeting. Visitation group met at 8:00. Had refreshments for those going off pastoral care [committee], Pete, Ina [Sutter] & Ruth.

Friday, January 23, 1981. Fine day, 40s. Did cleaning. Quilted. We went to Ann & Matthew *Nadakaroukarens* (sp?) Home. Had potluck supper & surprise for Wen Lang Lin [who] passed his tests for his PhD. Happy for him. Shoerers there too. Had enjoyable evening. Marty & Jon with MYF to [Camp] Friedenswald for weekend.

Saturday, January 24, 1981. Clear, another fine day, 52°. Pete to men's breakfast. We went to town at 10:30. Shopped some at Eastland. Met Edgar [Gurtner]s, Art [Sieg]s & others at Bob Johnson's. Went to annual hospital meeting at Consistory. Pete delegate. Mary & I helped get food ready & [helped] clean up. Ron home with us.

Sunday, January 25, 1981. Mostly cloudy, mild. We went to church. Marie & Rons here for dinner. Ron was late as he preached at East Bend [Church]. Boys home from Friedenswald at 5:00. Mary with Lorene, Freida and Lorene Shelly. We went to Home Builders at John Schrag's.

Monday, January 26, 1981. Partly cloudy, windy, 30s. I washed & ironed. We went to Meadows [Home] to see about Bill Cutlers going to the Home. Had letter from Marie [Cutler] wanting to go to Meadows. I met Jo in town. Took her to Dr. Century. She had wisdom tooth pulled. I made chili, orange salad & tapioca. Took to Rons for their supper. Talked to Paul.

Tuesday, January 27, 1981. Fair, nice day. I went to June [Jantze]'s. Quilted on MCC quilt. Came home at noon. Quilted on Pam's [quilt] in p.m. We went to town at 4:30. Got Merle. Met Marie & Mary at Barney's. Took Mary for her birthday. Went to Marie's, had cake & ice cream. Gave Mary lunch cloth & pillow kit. Jo home. She's doing okay.

Wednesday, January 28, 1981. Clear, colder, 15° in morning. We volunteered at hospital in morning. I & Mary to June [Jantze]'s awhile in p.m. Quilted. Pete went to bank, etc. Packed suitcases. Ron came home in morning. Guess [he] has flu. Pete helped with some pigs.

Thursday, January 29, 1981. Clear, cold, 8° above. We left home at 7:15 for Pauls. Got into snow 65 miles south of St. Louis. Drove out of it around Sikeston Missouri. About 70 miles. Got to Pauls at 4:50. Glad for safe trip & good to see Pauls. Marjorie home. She was ill all day, but better this evening.

Friday, January 30, 1981. Cloudy, had light rain last night. Marjorie to work. Paul & children to school. I did laundry. Pete cracked some pecans. Paul home at noon. Benjy to friend's house overnight. Andy to birthday party in evening. Rons & MYF had lock-in at church.

Saturday, January 31, 1981. Mostly cloudy, near 50°. Marj, Amy & I went shopping in p.m. Got Andy sweater & Amy slacks for their birthdays. Also gave Amy some money. Paul & Pete took Benjy to his basketball game. They won. We took Andy to gymnastics to practice. We had birthday dinner. Turkey and all trimmings & black forest cherry cake. Rained during night.

Sunday, February 1, 1981. Rained nearly all day, over 1 inch, chilly. We all went to church. Pete & I with Paul & Andy to gymnastic practice. Enjoyed watching Andy. He does real well. We took Paul's to Formosa Chinese restaurant in evening. Good food.

Monday, February 2, 1981. Fair, cold, 24°. Everyone to school. I did laundry. We worked on fireplace, taking paint off. We visited with the Fromans awhile. Mrs. Froman is not well, very feeble. We went with Paul & Marjorie to International Banquet at Singapore Chinese restaurant. Chinese student spoke. A delicious meal. Jo called in evening. Very cold & windy at home. Ron feeling some better.

Tuesday, February 3, 1981. Clear, cold, 18° – 20°. Pauls & children to school. I baked lemon bars & we finished taking paint off of fireplace. Mr. Froman brought us a delicious loaf of bread he baked. Marj & I to floral shop. Got little plant for Fromans. Marj to some friends open house little while. Andy to gymnastics practice.

Wednesday, February 4, 1981. Clear, 24°. Pauls to school. We left for home at 8:10. Got here about 5:30. Much colder here. 6° when we arrived. Had good trip for which we are grateful. Unpacked suitcases.

Thursday, February 5, 1981. Mostly cloudy, some warmer but strong southwest wind. Snowed some in p.m. I did some laundry, also washed sweaters & slacks. Quilted in PM. Pete worked on auxiliary books & cracked pecans. Rons took Mary to Grand Café. We went with them. Ron had to speak to student nurses so he got there late. Had ½ inch snow.

Friday, February 6, 1981. Fair, fine day, 32° – 34°. We went to auxiliary board meeting at 9:00. I went with Marie to Maxwells for lunch. Irene L[owery] & Laura S there too. Had nice time. We got groceries. I quilted & shampooed my hair.

Saturday, February 7, 1981. Fair, 37°, turned colder in evening. Pete to men's breakfast. I baked lemon bars. Took Edgar [Gurtner]s some. We had lunch at Bob Johnson's with Art [Sieg]s & Dorothy. EA [Gurtner] hurt his ankle. Hard to get around. I quilted some in p.m. Went to Wen-lang Lin's in evening. Had big dinner for Chinese new year. Schoerers & Matthew *Nadakavukarens* (sp?) there.

Sunday, February 8, 1981. Fair, cold, near zero and windy. We went to church. Took Merle & Mary. Earl & Ann Kaufmans & we ate at Vernes (sp?). Took Merle home. Mary & we to Edgar Gurtner]s awhile. Edgar's ankle better. He walks without a cane. Dorothy not good. Just can't understand her when she talks. I talked to Allen. He has had laryngitis. Jeff working at hospital, long-term care, 11 – 7.

Monday, February 9, 1981. Fair, near 30°. I did laundry. Made cherry pudding, casserole & cornbread for dinner. Mary came at 10:45. We quilted. Pete cracked some pecans. Snowed in night.

Tuesday, February 10, 1981. Snowed all day. Got to 32° a while at noon. Steady falling temp in p.m. All schools closed. Ron & Jo to work. Came home at 5:00. Strong wind from northwest late p.m. Near blizzard conditions. We were to deliver Mobile meals. Tom Yoder and Ruth Zehr went in our place. Over 6 inches snow by evening. I quilted all day.

Wednesday, February 11, 1981. Clear, cold, 8° – 10° below, windy. High for the day 1 – 3° below zero. Roads drifted. Snowplow went by at noon. Ron & Jo to work than. I quilted all day. Electricity off at 5:15 nearly 2 hours. Sure glad when it came on. Rons here for supper. We roasted bratwurst in fireplace. I had date pudding in oven when electricity went off, but [it] turned out all right. Over 7 inches snow.

Thursday, February 12, 1981. Clear, 10° – 15° below in morning. Got to 14°, windy. Our drive drifted again. John cleaned it out. I baked sugar cookies. Gave boys a box. I finished quilting Pam's quilt. Glad it's done. Done some cleaning.

Friday, February 13, 1981. Clear, 7° above in morning, up to 34°. Thawed some on road. I have cold, some temp. Were invited to Paul Millers in evening but had to cancel. Disappointed.

Saturday, February 14, 1981. Clear, warmer, near 40°. I finished cleaning. I feel better, no temp for which I'm thankful. We went to town at 5:30. Got groceries, then to church. MYF had a Valentine dinner for members & others. Had good crowd. Group from Eureka High [School] gave program. Rons & boys helping.

Sunday, February 15, 1981. Partly cloudy, windy, warmer, 40s. Snow melting. We went to church. Took Mary. We ate at 76 Truck Stop, then to Eureka to see Ed. He has flu & has such a bad cough. We took Mary home & went to church. Dr. Winifred Fretz's lecture & pictures on China.

Monday, February 16, 1981. Foggy in morning, fair in p.m. I washed & ironed. Cut patterns for Jon's quilt. Rested awhile. Still have headaches & my neck & shoulder bothered me. Wen-lang Lin and Kathy moved to Maryland.

Tuesday, February 17, 1981. Foggy most of day, 40s. We went to town at 7:30. Got Marie. Had breakfast at hospital. Marie had hair done. We took her to train at 10:00. She went to St. Louis,

then [will] fly to California in a.m. We delivered Mobile Meals. Came home awhile after we took Marie's car to Companys for Dick Baum to pick up. Went to town at 5:00. Mary & we to Zayres. Got binding for quilt, then to Fellowship Committee meeting.

Wednesday, February 18, 1981. Foggy again in morning, then partly cloudy, in 50s. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. I went to Garfield club at Marie Hastings. Mary came out & went along. Also took Mabel. I cut binding for quilt. Ron to Elkhart in p.m.

Thursday, February 19, 1981. Very foggy in morning, fair, near 60°. We went to town at 8:00. I had permanent at hospital beauty shop. We went to Service Company annual meeting. I sewed binding on Pam's quilt & made sample for Jon's quilt. Ron home from Elkhart.

Friday, February 20, 1981. Beautiful day, near 60°. We went to town at 7:30. Took Merle to Dr. at 8:00, then to breakfast at Perkins. Then back to Dr. with Merle. Had lunch at Bob Johnson's. Took Merle to attorney, then to Merle's apartment. Had dinner there. Took she & Gladys Jenkins & Mary to our church. Bethel [College] Trio gave program. I got yarn for Afghan for Jo. Very foggy in evening.

Saturday, February 21, 1981. Foggy in morning, partly cloudy, rained in evening. Pete to men's breakfast. I did all of cleaning. Had dinner with Edgar [Gurtner]s & Art [Sieg]s at Bob Johnson's. Dorothy & Edgar look bad. Met Jo. We look for material for Jon's quilt but didn't find anything. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Had ½ inch rain last night.

Sunday, February 22, 1981. Rained in morning, windy. We went to church. We were hosts for Fellowship Hour. Ron preached. Had good sermon. Merle not able to go to church. We went to Mary's for dinner. Went to Gerlof Homan's for Home Builders in evening. Jo along too. Shoerers showed pictures of Germany.

Monday, February 23, 1981. Snowed most of day, slushy, temp 31° – 33°. I washed. Went to Harvella [Stutzman]'s at 10:30. Quilted. Mary along. Ina [Sutter], Alma [Galloway] & Harvella's neighbor there. Harvey had lunch for us. Finished ironing. Had little over inch of snow.

Tuesday, February 24, 1981. Clear, fine day, 50s. Went to town at 8:30. I went to prayer group at Wendy Jones. Pete to College Mall. We delivered Mobile Meals. I baked cookies in p.m. We & Mary met Edgar [Gurtner]s at Bob Johnson's at 5:30. We went to Heritage meeting at John Bertsche's. Marty left with Gail Bressner for Texas at 8:15 (Lubbock).

Wednesday, February 25, 1981. Nice day, clear, in 40s, rather windy in evening. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Cleaned recreation room in PM. Put carpet down that we got from old church. I finished binding Pam's quilt in evening. Heard Lester Litwiller is very ill in Florida, [has] gallstones.

Thursday, February 26, 1981. Fair, low 40s. Ron left at 6:00 for San Antonio to Hospital Conference. Pete took Jo to airport to get their car. We went to Meadows [Home] annual meeting. Went to Normal. Got cheese from Wisconsin cheese truck. We and CRs went with Lloyd Singleys to Senior Citizens group at Farm Bureau. Bill Adams showed pictures of barns.

Friday, February 27, 1981. Mostly fair, 61° in PM. Did cleaning. Cleaned kitchen cupboards & broom closet. We delivered Mobile Meals. Irene Lowery & we to Red Lobster for lunch. Irene paid. Jon here for supper. Jo & Connie S to meeting at Peoria.

Saturday, February 28, 1981. Cloudy, chilly wind, near 40°. Joe & I went with June & Mary Jantze to Washington to quilt store. I got material for Jon's quilt. Pete home. Did some book work. We receive Paul's book that he wrote, *Dissent in Early Modern China*. He dedicated the book to Pete & I. Jo & Jon here for supper. Jo brought chili.

Sunday, March 1, 1981. Cloudy, cold, 30s. We went to church. Jo & Jon home with us. John Schrag took their car to take MYF to Fisher. We ate dinner at Denny's. Mary & we to see Ed in PM. He is using a walker to get around. Still has a cough & is weak. We were home in evening.

Monday, March 2, 1981. Fair, cold, 30s. Did laundry. We washed walls & wood work in kitchen. Washed curtains. I made salad & tapioca. Jo, Jon & John's friend (Henry boy) here for supper. Boys to 4-H meeting.

Tuesday, March 3, 1981. Fair, 40s. I went to prayer group at Shirley Krahn's. Cleaned the upstairs in p.m. & cut border for Jon's quilt. I went to Women's Fellowship with Jeanette. Marty got home from Texas at 6:50 p.m.

Wednesday, March 4, 1981. Cloudy, rainy all day. We went to town at 7:30. Pete volunteered at hospital, had income tax taken care of in p.m. I went to District B auxiliary meeting at Urbana. Garnet Frank, Irene Arnold, Rachel M, Barb Richards and Polly ? [went]. Got back to town at 4:40. Ron home at 9:30 from San Antonio. He was elected Pres. of American College of Chaplains.

Thursday, March 5, 1981. Cloudy in morning, in 20s, fair. I baked pecan rolls, chocolate chip cookies & bars. Made 4 pie crusts. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I scrubbed & waxed kitchen floor. We went to summer student nurses spaghetti supper. I took pecan rolls for alumni bake sale.

Friday, March 6, 1981. Partly cloudy, cold, 30s. Few flurries. We went to church at 8:00. I helped bake shoofly pies (101). Evelyn Bertsche, Lynne Romyn, Ann Ryan helped awhile. Pete to auxiliary meeting. He came at noon. Helped us. Ron brought us some Texas grapefruit.

Saturday, March 7, 1981. Clear, 18°, chilly, 38°. Ron, Marty, Mark Yoder, Lynne Romyn & we left at 7:30 for MCC sale at Peoria. A large crowd. Our quilt brought \$600. Got sausage for

Edgars, Merle, Marie, Mary & us. Got home at 3:10. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Jo & Jon at sale too. They all helped serve pancakes.

Sunday, March 8, 1981. Fair, nice day, 40°. We went to church. Had our [small] group meeting at noon at church. Several other groups met there. We went to Marie's awhile. Took her sausage. She's having back trouble. We were home in evening.

Monday, March 9, 1981. Mostly fair, nice day, 50°. I did laundry. We met Edgars at Bob Johnson's at noon. Gave them their sausage. Dorothy not good. Marguerite & Nina there too. We took Merle's sausage to her. Went to Clinton to see Dick Baum about car. He wasn't there. I cleaned closets in our bedroom. Marty won FFA Section Speaking Contest.

Tuesday, March 10, 1981. Fair to mostly cloudy, near 40°. I baked coffeecake. Got ready for prayer group. Alma, Shirley, Eddie & Wendy here. I cleaned our bedroom in p.m. Washed curtains & bedding. Hung things outside. I went to Fellowship Committee meeting in evening.

Wednesday, March 11, 1981. Fair, chilly wind, 40s. We volunteered at hospital. Had Gift Shop meeting at 1:00. I got Jon at school at 11:00. Took him to dentist. Jo got him. Jeanette [Colter] & I helped with supper at church for Industrial Arts group. Had 31. I took green beans. Cy [Colter] & Pete to Bonzo for supper. They played pool here until Jeanette & I got home.

Thursday, March 12, 1981. Fine day, 60s. I cleaned closet in west bedroom. Went to HEA with Dorothy Singley. Cleaned bathrooms when got home. Pete wrote some letters. I cut quilt blocks for Jon's quilt.

Friday, March 13, 1981. Clear, 40s, chilly wind. Cleaned the West bedroom, Cedar closet & hallway. Pete trimmed grapes. I sowed quilt blocks in evening.

Saturday, March 14, 1981. Clear, 50s, nice day. We met Art & Helen [Sieg] at Bob Johnson's. Dorothy [Gurtner] much worse. EA took her to hospital in morning. We stopped to see her in p.m. She was having difficult time. Hospital called Ron around 6:00 p.m. He, Pete & I to hospital. Dorothy passed away at 7:30. Thankful she could be relieved of her suffering. Rons here for waffles & sausage.

Sunday, March 15, 1981. Mostly fair, nice day. We took Merle to church. Goshen choir gave program. Mary & we ate at Golden West & back to church for dedication of the new church. Berglund Waltner gave the address. Large crowd. Over 400 in morning. Was a very nice service. We took Ron to hospital to make rounds. I made salad for Mary Nierstheimer.

Monday, March 16, 1981. Clear, 40°, nice day. I did laundry. We went to town at 10:45. Took salad to Mary Nierstheimer. Pete took tractor to Kaufmans. Had lunch at Dairy Queen. Mary & we to Eureka in p.m. Ed seems little better. We went to visitation for Dorothy. Henrietta, Marilyn [Thietje] & Vernon [Woizeski] there. Also Roger Woizeski. Rons to visitation after work.

Tuesday, March 17, 1981. Fair, nice day, 40s. Went to prayer group at Alma [Galloway]'s. We went to town at 1:30 to bank & several other stops. Went to Dorothy's funeral at Trinity Lutheran [Church]. Ron there too. We had lunch at church. All took something. I took salad. Bob & Roger W[oizeski] & Tom Woizeski there too. Rons stayed for lunch. Was a nice service for Dorothy.

Wednesday, March 18, 1981. Fair in morning, 16°, windy and cold, 30s. We volunteered at hospital in morning. I went to Garfield club at Elsie Millers. Mary & I on committee. I had Eunice *Beetzyl* (sp?) tell about Hospice program. She drove here. I took she & Dorothy Singley. I baked bars.

Thursday, March 19, 1981. Partly cloudy, windy, cold, 30s. We went with Prime Times (senior citizens) to Springfield. Left Farm Bureau at 8:30 on bus. Visited legislature. Gordon [Ropp], John Maitland & Dean Sears talked to us. Attended both Senate and Representatives sessions for short time. Went to Governor's Mansion. Back to Farm Bureau at 5:00. Lloyd Singleys & CRs went too. We went to auxiliary sponsored Health Meeting at Health Service Building.

Friday, March 20, 1981. Fair, nice day, near 50°. We went to hospital at 8:00. Got ready for bake sale. Didn't have too much. Made \$70. Gift Shop had sale. Went to Pennys, got new shades for our bedroom. Did cleaning.

Saturday, March 21, 1981. Mostly cloudy, 40s, nice day. Pete & Ron to men's breakfast. Ron told about his work. I cooked soup bones & made pickled heart. We went to town at 11:30. Met Edgar, Art [Sieg]s, Thietje girls, , Nina, Mildred & Marguerite [Burwitz] at Bob Johnson's. Edgar doing pretty well. We went to Mary Nierstheimer's. Got my dish. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, March 22, 1981. Mostly cloudy, near 50°. We went to church. Took Merle & Mary. Went to Denny's for dinner. Took Merle home. We went to groundbreaking for Mennonite Hospital. Helped some with reception. Got ready for Home Builders.

Monday, March 23, 1981. Fair, nice day, 50s. I did laundry. We went to Clinton in p.m. to see Dick Baum. We got a different car. Traded ours. Got \$2200 for it. We bought Bill Dunn's car, 1980's LeSabre Buick. White with maroon top. We move books on shelves & washed shelves.

Tuesday, March 24, 1981. Fair to partly cloudy. I went to prayer group at Lucy C[atherine]'s. Cleaned living & dining rooms. Shampooed rugs. Pete got garden tiller & worked up some ground. We went to nurses home at 6:00. Helped fold papers & stuff envelopes for alumni Homecoming. We went to Heritage Group at Galloways. Mrs. Vercler told of her experience leaving Russia.

Wednesday, March 25, 1981. Cloudy, few light showers. We volunteered at hospital in morning. I went with Marie to Lakeside [Country Club] for lunch. Irene & Laura there too. We got Merle

at 2:00. Took her to Federal Savings & made other stops. Got Mary & went to Morton. Shopped some. Merle got new hat. Went to Roches. Merle got meat. She took us to Red Bud.

Thursday, March 26, 1981. Partly cloudy, windy, 60s. I waxed furniture. Pete worked on auxiliary books. We planted potatoes, peas, onions, lettuce, spinach & radishes. I raked off Iris beds. We went to Health meeting at Health Service Bldg. Helped Mary with refreshments, cheese, crackers & apple juice.

Friday, March 27, 1981. Clear, rather windy, 50s. Pete trimmed some trees. Did some cleaning, baked cookies, polished silverware. Got things ready for supper. Edgar [Gurtner], Ron & boys here. I didn't feel up to par. Willis [Kropf] called in evening. They are planning a trip. Hope to be here September 15th.

Saturday, March 28, 1981. Fair, 70s, very windy. We went to town at 10:30, to bank & did some errands. Had lunch at Bob Johnson's with Edgar, Thietje girls & Marguerite [Burwitz]. Pete helped Ron's transplant trees in PM. I helped cover some [trees]. Jo home from Newton at 12:30 a.m. [She] had good meeting.

Sunday, March 29, 1981. Cloudy, rained in morning. Windy. We went to church. Ate dinner at Country Kitchens with Earl & Ann Kaufman & Lucy C[atherine]. Went to church at 2:00 for open house for neighbors & community. We were tour guides. Some over 300 people there. Mary helped with refreshments.

Monday, March 30, 1981. Fair, nice day, windy. Washed & ironed. Pete took fence down. I cleaned China cabinet. Pres. Reagan, Grady, Press Secretary & 2 police were shot at Hotel in Washington DC. Reagan had surgery to remove bullet from chest. Grady shot in head, also had surgery. A terrible thing. We went to church at 7:00. Worked on lodging for Conference, a big task.

Tuesday, March 31, 1981. Fair, warm, very windy, 80°. I went to prayer group at June [Jantze]'s. Pete got mower in town. He plowed truck patch, planted 2 apricot trees. I done lot of calling to find beds for guests at Conference. Cut some quilt blocks. Went to church at 7:00. Worked on Lodging for Conference.

Wednesday, April 1, 1981. Fair, very windy, 60s. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I cleaned some Windows on outside. I went to church in evening. We worked late, 11:00. Jo & John worked late too. Ron & Marty to Joliet to Conservation & Lawn Management. Ron one of judges. Marty got 2nd.

Thursday, April 2, 1981. Fair, windy, near 80°. Got things ready for guests. Went to town at 11:00. I had hair done. Pete to Howard Burton's funeral, [he was] pall bearer. We went to ISU at 3:00 to get set up for Conference. We had places for all guests. Made some changes. Minda Liechty & John Schwartzendrubers here.

Friday, April 3, 1981. Partly cloudy, 80°, very strong wind. Had shower, had hail & more rain in town. Had tornado watch out in evening & most of night. We went to conference in morning. Minda, Pete & I came home a while in p.m. I fixed casserole for Saturday morning breakfast. Jo came home a while part of night. Ron up all night at church.

Saturday, April 4, 1981. Cloudy, windy again in some dust storms. Much colder in evening. Schwartzendrubers to conference early. Minda & we went at 10:00. I worked at Info [Desk] part of time. Pete & I came home at 2:30. I washed load of towels & done some cleaning. Back to town at 5:00. We took Minda to Country Kitchens for supper. Went to evening session. Touth put on program. Very good.

Sunday, April 5, 1981. Mostly cloudy, 32°, cold. We all went to session at 9:30. Choirs sang & had communion. Some over 1000 there. Minda & Bomgardners left after church. Schwartzendrubers took us to dinner. Ate at Carson's. We took them to see church. They left at for home at 3:15. Rons cleaned up church. They had a big order. We enjoyed our guests.

Monday, April 6, 1981. Clear, 28° in morning, low 60s during day. I did laundry ironed. Pete worked outside, fixed roof on old shed, etc. I cut quilt blocks for Jon's quilt.

Tuesday, April 7, 1981. Fair, very windy, dust blowing. Pete to Lenten breakfast. [He] took CR. I went to prayer group at Eddy Stalter. Pete to Farm Bureau. We went to Washington. Got more material for Jon's quilt. Went to Eureka. Ed seems some better. Mary with us. Went to Women's Fellowship in evening.

Wednesday, April 8, 1981. Mostly cloudy, windy, 70s. Had light shower in morning. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Cleaned fruit room in PM. Pete worked outside awhile. Wrote to Steve. Had rain in evening, ½ inch.

Thursday, April 9, 1981. A beautiful day, not windy, 60s. I cleaned laundry & furnace room in morning. Mabel with me to HEA. We worked some in yard in p.m. I made lemon dessert.

Friday, April 10, 1981. Mostly cloudy, had rain and thunderstorm at 5:00 a.m. Rained again at noon. Went under thunderstorm warning in PM. Some areas had tornado watch. We went to auxiliary meeting in morning. Mary took Rachel M to lunch at Grand Café. We went along. I got things ready for supper. Anton & Lynne Romyn & Larry Jantzes here for supper.

Saturday, April 11, 1981. Had rain early a.m., ¼ inch. Rained again in evening, ½ inch. We had lunch at Bob Johnson's with Edgar, Art [Sieg]s & others. Did little shopping & I worked on quilt blocks. We helped Rons a little while planting some trees. We took Ron & Jo to hear Army Band & Chorus at ISU. Marty to FFA judging.

Sunday, April 12, 1981. Rained some early morning. We got Merle & Mary. Went to church. We all & Lucy C[atherine] to 76 Truck Stop for dinner. All went to Merle's apartment awhile. Were

home in evening. Bob Bertsche called from [Camp] Friedenswald. Wants me to be camp nurse. Talked to Allen & Paul to check with them when they would be coming.

Monday, April 13, 1981. Rained most of morning. Had storm warnings & tornado sightings in southwest part of [radio station WJBC] listening area most of evening. Had thunderstorm here at 8:30 & rain. I did laundry. Marty & Jon here for dinner. No school. We went to town at 1:30. Had appointment with Dr. McGinnis. Had good report. Grateful for it. A very stormy night, hail wind & rain before midnight. 2 inches in places. Tornados in our area.

Tuesday, April 14, 1981. Clear day, quite cool. I baked sugar cookies & iced them. We went to town at 11:30. Pete had dentist appointment. I got some plants. Took Mary to College Mall. She got pair of shoes. I went to Fellowship Committee meeting at church.

Wednesday, April 15, 1981. Clear, fine day, 34° in morning, 50s. We went to hospital at 8:00. I volunteered until 9:00. Pete volunteered until 1:30. I went with Mary to Garfield tour to Roches at Morton. Had lunch at Red Bud. Mary, Mabel & Marie Hastings along. Pete mowed lawn. I worked on Jon's quilt blocks.

Thursday, April 16, 1981. Mostly cloudy, little warmer. Pete worked on auxiliary books & done trimming in yard. I made rhubarb crisp & worked on Jon's quilt blocks. We went to town at 4:00. Took Mary, Lucy C[atherine] & Merle to Grand Café, then to communion services at church. Pete & I were greeters.

Friday, April 17, 1981. Fair, warmer, 80°, nice day. Did cleaning. Lenore W[altner] & her mother here a while in morning. We set out cabbage, broccoli & cauliflower. Planted onion plants & sowed some carrots & beets. I spaded some. We were at Rons for supper. Had fish. Marty went fishing yesterday. Allens to Pauls.

Saturday, April 18, 1981. Fair, little cooler, near 70°. Pete to men's breakfast. I made lemon dessert, baked ham, finished cleaning, washed 3 loads. Pete transplanted a tree in front yard. Ron hauling manure all day. He put some on raspberries. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, April 19, 1981. Easter. Rained most of day. Came slowly, ½ inch. We went to church. Merle not feeling well. Mary along. Rons, CRs, Mary, Marie, Rays & May M[ohr] here for dinner and supper. Gordons at Joan [Cutter]s. Mabel brought salad, Jo scalloped potatoes, Mary rolls, Marie relishes & strawberries for supper. May and Carol brought (blank) for supper.

Monday, April 20, 1981. Fair, chilly, 34°, in 40s during day, windy. I did laundry & ironed table linens, etc. Mary & we to see Ed. He is about same. Gets around with walker. Marty to Decatur FFA meeting.

Tuesday, April 21, 1981. Fair, 31° in morning, near 60°. I went to prayer group at Wendy Jones. I sowed quilt together that Mary cross-stitched. I helped Pete plant 11 Evergreen trees on west

side of garden. Made quilt block in evening. Marty home from Decatur. He did well on his ACT test.

Wednesday, April 22, 1981. Cloudy, rained most of morning & periods of rain during day. We volunteered at hospital. Did some shopping in p.m. Took Merle to Gailey's at 4:30. Left there after 6:00. We & Mary to Ozark House to eat. Merle paid.

Thursday, April 23, 1981. Partly cloudy, windy, 50s. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I made quilt blocks. We went to town awhile to cheese truck. Took Marie some rhubarb. We took CRs & Singleys to Prime Timers at Farm Bureau. Ron & Jo to Bluffton late PM.

Friday, April 24, 1981. Mostly cloudy, windy, chilly, 50s. Did all of cleaning. Took Mary to College Mall at 11:00. She got shoes. Had lunch there. I had hair done at hospital Beauty Shop at 12:30. I worked on quilt in p.m.

Saturday, April 25, 1981. A beautiful day. We went to hospital at 10:00. Met Lorena Lehman Wachtel & her husband. Lorena & I to Nurses Home for Alumni Homecoming. Pete and Earl W[achtel] toured some of city & came out here. We met Frances M, Laura S, Irene F at [Nurses] Home. We were presented silk flower corsages for our 50th anniversary. We all went to Crestwicke for lunch. Irene F went home. Rest of us to Lakeside [Country Club] for dinner and to Laura's. Irene Lowery wouldn't go.

Sunday, April 26, 1981. Fair, nice day, warmer, near 80°. We went to church. Took Merle. Had dinner at church. Mennonite Seminary Choir gave program. Very good. Had large group at dinner. Took Merle home. We went to John Reimers to Home Builders. Bill Dunns showed pictures of Mexico. Rons home from Bluffton at noon.

Monday, April 27, 1981. Fine day, 84°. Pete plowed truck patch in garden. I did laundry. We planted some corn, more lettuce & sowed some pepper seeds. I went to town awhile in p.m. Got quilt block for Marjorie's quilt. June [Jantze] & Mary came at 5:00. Helped put it in frame. Pete mowed lawn. I fed my roses. We went to visitation for Florence Kinsinger.

Tuesday, April 28, 1981. Mostly cloudy. Had about 2/4 inch rain in late p.m. Much cooler in evening. Pete plowed some in truck patch. I went to prayer group at Karen *Schwernfurth* (sp?). I spaded flower beds & set out Petunia plants that Rons gave me. Quilted in PM. Mary here a while. We, Marie, Jack & Virginia [Porst] & CRs ate at Barney's. We went to Heritage Group at Tom Yoder's. Ron in Chicago. Marty in National Honor Society.

Wednesday, April 29, 1981. Cloudy, rained some in p.m. & evening. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Mary here in p.m. We quilted. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I wrote to Willis [Kropf] & Allens. Marty elected Pres. of FFA.

Thursday, April 30, 1981. Mostly cloudy, few light showers, 50s. Mary here. We quilted all day. Pete trimmed roses & raspberries. Fanny Weaver was killed in car accident.

Friday, May 1, 1981. Partly cloudy, had some showers, cool, 50s. Did cleaning. Went to auxiliary board meeting. I saw Mrs. Donald Ummel, Reach for Recovery. We had lunch at Denny's. I quilted some. Got things ready for supper. Rons here. Orvie called in evening. He's coming Monday.

Saturday, May 2, 1981. Fair, nice day, warmer. Pete to men's breakfast. I did washing & ironing. We met Edgar, Arts [Sieg]s & others at Bob Johnson's for lunch. Went to Eastland. I did little shopping. Volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Got dozen tomato plants & dozen cabbage [plants].

Sunday, May 3, 1981. Fair, windy, 70s. We went to church. We ate at Country Kitchen, & back to church for Congregational meeting in p.m. Home in evening. Were outside awhile. Talked to Alta Litwiller in Florida. Lester still very ill.

Monday, May 4, 1981. Fair in morning, showers in p.m., 60s. Marie & I took Pearl to Gailey's for 8:00 appointment. Got new glasses. Pete & I to Peoria at 12:15. Met Orvie at airport. Got in at 2:05. He had a good trip. We stopped to see Ed. He wasn't feeling very well. I got supper & quilted awhile. Rons had 4-H [meeting] at their home. They came over awhile after meeting. I made layered lettuce salad.

Tuesday, May 5, 1981. Cloudy, showered some, colder in p.m. and evening. I went to prayer group at Shirley K[rahn]'s. Pete & Orvie read and played some pool. I quilted in PM. Mary here awhile. I took Jeanette, Mary J[antze] & Mary Y[oder] to mother-daughter salad luncheon & program. Jo there too. Came from work. I made vegetable soup & salad for Pete and Orvie.

Wednesday, May 6, 1981. Fair, windy & chilly, 50s, dust blowing. Pete & I to hospital in morning. Volunteered. Orvie home. We came home at noon. Mary here in p.m. We quilted. Pete mowed lawn. I quilted in evening.

Thursday, May 7, 1981. Fair, rather windy, near 60°. Mary here. We quilted. I washed 3 loads. We put out glad bulbs & more beet seed. We took Jack & Virginia Porst, Orvie, Mary & Marie to Grand Café at 6:00. Had good visit.

Friday, May 8, 1981. Fair in morning, cloudy in p.m., 60s. We went to town at 9:00. I had hair done at hospital. Then took group of schoolchildren on tour of hospital. Pete & Orvie did some shopping. I went to nurses luncheon at Denny's. 15 of us. Pete & Orvie at Mary's for dinner. I finished Marjorie's quilt in evening. Pete planted rose bush Mary gave me. Rons here awhile.

Saturday, May 9, 1981. Cloudy, rained in p.m. and evening, chilly. We took Orvie & Galloways to Eureka at 8:30 to Illinois Historical meeting at Roanoke Church. Orvie stayed with Ed. Orvie to Mary's for supper. Pete & I to Matthew *Nadakaruparan* (sp?) potluck supper for Wen-lang Lin who graduated today. Kathy and Wen Lang's parents & Schroers there too. I took tossed salad. Had nice visit.

Sunday, May 10, 1981. A disagreeable day, rained, cold, windy. We went to church. Took Merle. We, Orvie & Mary at Rons for dinner. Ron & boys got most of dinner for Mother's Day. I got \$10 from Allens. Jack & Virginia Porst stopped awhile. Also Marie & May M[ohr]. Allen called in evening. Steve is coming 21st of May. Rons gave me vest for Mother's Day.

Monday, May 11, 1981. Had 2 1/3 inches rain over weekend. Cloudy, cold, 34° in morning. Windy, cleared off in evening. I washed & ironed. Went to town in p.m. Got binding for Marj's quilt & some groceries. Mary along home. I got things ready for supper. Edgar [Gurtner], Orvie & Mary here. Had waffles & sausage.

Tuesday, May 12, 1981. Over 1 inch rain, some tornadoes in north Normal. Fair in morning, 30°, broke records, cloudy in p.m. I went to prayer group at Alma G[alloway]'s. I baked angel food cake. We took Orvie & Mary to Meadows [Home] in p.m. Orvie visited with John Miller. We saw the Cutters. Were home in evening.

Wednesday, May 13, 1981. Cloudy, rained some in morning and again in evening. Pete & I to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Orvie stayed here. I made angel food cake dessert for HEA. We took Orvie to Mary's in evening. Mary took us to Country Kitchens for supper. Rained in night.

Thursday, May 14, 1981. Rained most of day, windy, cold. Fields underwater. I went to HEA with Mabel. Pete worked on Ropp History. I sewed binding on Marjorie's quilt. Did cleaning. We went to Mary's for supper. Orvie home with us.

Friday, May 15, 1981. Clear, fine day, good to see sun. Mabel & I to town at 7:00. Went with HEA County group to Arboretum at Naperville, then dinner at King Edward Restaurant on way to Lombard to see lilacs. Most were gone but tulips were pretty. Went to Fox Valley Shopping Center for 3 1/2 hours. Left there at 7:00. Got home about 9:00. Pete & Orvie took mower to town to have it fixed & [they] mowed lawn. They ate supper at Denny's.

Saturday, May 16, 1981. Fair, nice day, 70s. Pete and Orvie to men's breakfast. I made sandwiches. Fixed lunch. Pete set out sweet potatoes & eggplant. I pulled weeds. Our church group to Clinton energy plant for tour. Orvie & we went with Tom Yoder. An enormous project. We had lunch there. Took sandwiches & fruit. We planted 5 rows sweetcorn. Willis called Orvie. He's in hospital.

Sunday, May 17, 1981. Cloudy, misted some, chilly. Went to church. Had baptismal service. Went to small group at John Reimers. Orvie at Mary's for dinner. We all to Maple Lawn [Home] at 4:00 for picnic for families. Ate inside. Large crowd. Ed about same. Orvie home with Mary. Rained in night.

Monday, May 18, 1981. Cloudy, rained, windy, cold, 40s. I did laundry. Baked refrigerator rolls and coffeecake braid. We went to town at 3:30. Got Pearl's glasses at Gailey's & took them to her. Orvie & Mary with us to Eastland. We went to Red Lobster for supper.

Tuesday, May 19, 1981. Clear, nice day, windy, cool, 60°. I had prayer group. Eddy [Stalter], June [Jantze], Lucy C[atherine], Shirley [Krahn] here. I baked brownies for Marty to take to choir supper. We went to town at 9:30. Got petunias at Niepagens, also tomatoes. Went to Barney's at 6:00, guests of Carl & Mary Nierstheimer for Edgar [Gurtner]'s birthday. Went to Carl's afterwards.

Wednesday, May 20, 1981. Clear, beautiful day, near 70°. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Orvie at hospital too. Ron took him around to see hospital. I went to club with Marie at Debbie Paullin. Orvie home with us. Pete set out some tomato & pepper plants & washed car. Orvie, Mary, Ron, Jo, Pete & I & Lucy C[atherine] at Merle's for dinner at 6:00. Nice evening.

Thursday, May 21, 1981. Fair, fine day, 75°. I baked bars. We went to town at 11:00. I had permanent at hospital beauty shop. We planted cucumbers, mush melons, more beans, beets & carrots. Set out petunias along paths in garden, also Dahlia bulbs. Pete plowed some in truck patch. Got lettuce, spinach & rhubarb ready to take to Allens. Packed suitcases.

Friday, May 22, 1981. Fair in morning. We left home at 7:50 for Allens. Got here at 2:50. Had intermittent showers. Mary & Orvie with us. Good to see all & Steve. He got home yesterday. Deb came awhile in evening. We all took a walk after supper. Had some rain in night. It's been dry here.

Saturday, May 23, 1981. Had thunder shower in morning. Had storm warnings out in areas in evening. Rained. Allen & Shirley & Jeff to Jeff Pilgrim's wedding at 2:00. Steve to graduation for Mark Sponsler. Deb, Mary & I to town. I got pair of white shoes. Sponslers stopped here in evening. Stayed for supper. Randy & Deb here too. Had nice time. Had over 1 inch rain.

Sunday, May 24, 1981. Cloudy, fair in p.m. We all went to church. Deb & Randy there too. We all went to the Rendezvous Brunch after church. Allens took us. Mary & Orvie to Cooks Antique Shop and took drive to Ames & University campus. Looked at some pictures in evening. Steve, Randy & Deb [went] to show. Pam to girlfriend's. Talked to Ron. Everything okay at home.

Monday, May 25, 1981. Partly cloudy. Shirley washed. Mike, Pam's boyfriend, here. We all went to Dick Pilgrims for dinner. Allen & Shirley worked some in their garden. Had a good time with Dicks. Mike Jamison (Pam's boyfriend) here for supper. Steve to Joe Sponslers. I baked cookies for Shirley. Deb & Randy here little while.

Tuesday, May 26, 1981. Pete with Allen to Kiwanis breakfast. We left Allens at 8:10. Got home at 3:15. Thankful for good trip. Had shower at noon. Pete mowed lawn. I did the laundry. Orvie stayed here. Lester Litwiller passed away last night in Florida. Feel so sorry for Alta & family. Jo here few minutes.

Wednesday, May 27, 1981. Partly cloudy, 70s. Pete & I volunteered at hospital. Orvie stayed here. We sowed flower seeds in PM & more cucumbers. Went to town at 5:30. Marie, Mary,

Orvie & we ate at Beningos. Marie took Orvie. Pete & I took coffeecake to Alta Litwillers. Feel so sorry for Alta. We went to Marie's awhile. Ron to Chicago meeting in morning.

Thursday, May 28, 1981. Fair, 80s. We worked in truck patch. Planted more corn & planted watermelons & squash. Mary, Orvie & we to Eureka in p.m. Took cake & berries & ice cream for Ed's birthday. Pearl & Oliver there. Orvie home with Mary for supper. We went to town at 5:00. Had hamburgers at McDonald's & [went] to church, for visitation for Lester Litwiller. Tom Yoders & we were to great people & had charge of guestbook. Large crowd. Talked to Paul. They remodeled a room.

Friday, May 29, 1981. Mostly cloudy. Had shower in evening. Did cleaning. Went to Lester Litwiller's funeral at 10:30. Large attendance. Did some shopping. Went to bank. I made 2 pie crusts & shampooed my hair. We met Jo at Perkins at 5:00. Had dinner with her. She worked in evening. Orvie & we to Mary's. Jo came after work, [had] ice cream & berries. Ron at Elkhart. Pauls to Berne for the week.

Saturday, May 30, 1981. Partly cloudy, cool, 60s. We left at 7:10 to take Orvie to Peoria airport. He left for Tucson [Arizona] at 9:35. I got spinach for [Jim] Waltner's dinner tomorrow. Baked 2 Dutch Apple pies for Waltner's dinner. Picked a few strawberries. We worked at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Ron home from Elkhart. Orvie called. He got home at 3:00 our time. Had good trip.

Sunday, May 31, 1981. Beautiful day, near 80°. We went to church. Took Merle. Ate dinner at Golden West. Went to Merle's awhile. At 3:00 went to church for Jim Waltner's 25th wedding anniversary. Ron had little party program. Very nice. Had lunch at the church. I helped with dishes. Got home at 7:00.

Monday, June 1, 1981. Cloudy, had shower at noon and again in p.m. Nearly ½ inch. I did laundry. Pete hoed in truck patch. I worked on Jon's quilt in p.m. & evening.

Tuesday, June 2, 1981. Mostly cloudy, foggy in morning, 81° in PM. Pete worked outside some. I washed some winter clothes. Went to grocery store. Got things ready for supper. I picked 2 ½ quarts strawberries. Made shortcake. Bill & Irene Dunn & Rons here for supper.

Wednesday, June 3, 1981. Partly cloudy, warm. We volunteered at hospital in morning. I went to Mabel's at noon. Luncheon for Lucille Eckhart. Marie, Clara B[rodbeck], May M[ohr] there. We defrosted freezer in p.m. I washed off porch. We went to Bob Stutzman's for supper. Terry got meal for us & Walter Dycks, Mexican food. Very good.

Thursday, June 4, 1981. Clear, 80s, nice day. We washed windows & put screens in. We picked peas, enough for dinner. I picked 4 quarts strawberries. Gave Mary & Rons some. Pete mowed lawn. We went to see Ed awhile on his 90th birthday. Worked outside in evening. Re-planted some sweet corn.

Friday, June 5, 1981. Partly cloudy, 80s, humid. We went to auxiliary meeting at 9:00. Had potluck dinner there. Did some shopping. Home at 2:30. Packed suitcases. We left home at 5:10 for Camp Menno Haven. Got here at 6:50. Ina Sutter, Edith Zehr, Hazel Yoder & Alice Swift came with us. Group got together at 8:00. Had game. Scott & Dawn Yoder led in singing. We have nice room in Oak House, number 15.

Saturday, June 6, 1981. Clear, nice day, 80s. Had breakfast at 8:00. Some of us went to Lovejoy Homestead Museum. Interesting. At 1:31 to plow Creek. Some of the group explained their lifestyle. Had family talent program in evening. Meals are good and plenty to eat. Pearl Bohrer Wright fell, broke her hip. Feel sorry for her.

Sunday, June 7, 1981. Another nice day, 80s. We had church service at 9:30. Walter Dyck preached. James Waltner preached here at home. Rons to Hopedale Boynton [Church] where he preached. We left for home at 2:15. Got here before 4:00. Ina [Sutter] came with us. Had good trip & nice weekend.

Monday, June 8, 1981. Mostly fair, windy, hot, 90°. Pete worked in truck patch. I washed & ironed. We picked peas. Had [some] for dinner. Gave Rons some. Picked 8 boxes strawberries. Put 4 quarts in freezer. Gave Rons 2 boxes & had [some] to eat. Hoed some in flower garden. Pauls to New York City. He's going to seminar [at Columbia University]. Tornado watch & warnings out. Had over 1 inch rain.

Tuesday, June 9, 1981. Fair, 81°, cloudy in evening. Tornado watch out again in evening, cooler. We went to Clinton. Baums had lock fixed on door. Finished paying off car. We shopped some. I got a skirt & blouse on sale at Bergners. I went to Fellowship Committee meeting in evening. Marty to FFA convention in Champaign.

Wednesday, June 10, 1981. Fair, 81°, nice day. We volunteered at hospital in morning. I helped Harvella [Stutzman] & June [Jantze] mark things for flea market. We picked 7 boxes strawberries. I put 2 quarts in freezer. Gave Mary & Rons [eac] a box. Pete & Jon picked enough peas for supper. I got things for supper. Ramzi Farraus & Mary here. Had nice visit.

Thursday, June 11, 1981. Mostly cloudy, 70s. Mabel & I to HEA at 9:00. Had brunch, pancakes, sausage & fruit. Installation of officers. Home by 11:00. Pete picked peas. I put 3 pints in freezer. I baked cookies & we planted more sweet corn. I replanted African violets. I went to June [Jantze]'s awhile. She shortened my skirt & blouse. I quilted for her. Took her box of berries. Marty home from Champaign.

Friday, June 12, 1981. Had thunderstorm at 7:00 a.m. Over 1 inch rain. Did all of cleaning. Baked coffeecake braid & brownies. Put carton of cauliflower in freezer & had [some] for dinner. Jon here for dinner. He helped Pete trimmed some trees & shrubbery. We picked 5 ½ boxes berries. Put 1 ½ quarts in freezer.

Saturday, June 13, 1981. Had several showers in morning. We picked peas. Put 3 pints in freezer. We went to town at 11:00. Met Edgar [Gurtner], Art [Sieg]s, Henrietta & Marilyn [Thietje] & Andy at Bob Johnson's. St. Louis folks left after dinner. Arts & we to Edgars awhile. Looked at pictures. Went to Rons for supper. Cheryl Rempel & her folks and 30 friends of Cheryl's there as she is leaving for Chicago. We picked 4 boxes berries. Bob, Roger & Clarence Woizeski here awhile.

Sunday, June 14, 1981. Partly cloudy, windy, humid, near 90°. We went to church. We took Marie and CRs to Woizeski Reunion at Bev & Bill Walters in East Peoria. 42 there. Andy Clark elected Pres. and Peggy Knudson Sec. May Giermann in hospital. Clarence & Helen Woizeski, Roger and Bobs & Bob's daughter there. Rons busy.

Monday, June 15, 1981. Mostly cloudy, very windy. Rained in evening. Tornado watch out. I washed & ironed. We picked peas. Put 3 1 ½ quarts in freezer & had [some] to eat. Gave Rons some. Picked 5 ½ quarts strawberries. Gave Jim W[alters] a box & Rons some. I put 2 quarts in freezer & made 3 ½ pints preserves. Put 3 containers broccoli in freezer. Pete hoed in truck patch & mowed yard. Had ½ inch rain.

Tuesday, July 16, 1981. Fair, cooler, 70s. I went to Shirley Krahn's at 10:00, had our prayer group. Alta [Litwiller] with us too. I went with Marie, Irene & Laura to Lakeside for lunch. Pete cut weeds around little trees & watched one of Marty's gilts that farrowed. Boys to state FFA judging. I worked on Jon's quilt. Wrote some letters.

Wednesday, July 17, 1981. Clear, fine day. We volunteered at hospital in morning. I went to club at Freida Blair. Came home with Mabel. We picked peas. Gave Jo some. Put 1 ½ pints in freezer. I picked 3 quarts strawberries. Pete plowed truck patch in garden. Fed & sprayed roses. I worked in garden awhile. Gave Rons quart of berries & shortcake.

Thursday, July 18, 1981. Another fine day, 80°. I baked rolls & lemon bars & made strawberry pie. Gave Rons some rolls & pie. We picked peas. Put 4 ½ pints in freezer. Gave Mary & Rons some. Pete hoed in truck patch. I worked in garden. We took Mary & Alta Litwiller to Perkins, then to church. Group from Bluffton [College] gave program.

Friday, July 19, 1981. Cloudy, rained some in town, fair in p.m. We took Merle to Dr. at 8:00. Ate breakfast at airport. Took Merle home. We went to auxiliary room. Helped carry some things outside for flea market. Did cleaning after got home. I put 2 containers of broccoli in freezer. We worked in garden & truck patch. I picked a few strawberries. Rons & MYF on camping trip to Weldon Springs.

Saturday, July 20, 1981. Fair, rained in evening. Tornado watch & warnings in evening. We went to auxiliary flea market & bake sale at 7:30. Did real well. \$450 plus for bake sale. We took around \$4100 to bank. Got home at 5:30. We picked peas. Gave Jo a pan full & I put 4 ½ pints in freezer. Made salad.

Sunday, July 21, 1981. Mostly cloudy, rained early a.m. We went to church. Ropps were going on picnic but too rainy so went to Gordons. Rons & Jon there too. Marty to Chester White picnic. Paul Millers came by, wanted us to go along to see their acreage near Congerville. Enjoyed it. Allen called in evening. Talked to Pete. Tornado warnings out. One touched down east of town, one south of town. Electrical storm, 8 – 8:30. Had 1 ½ inches rain & ½ inch last night.

Monday, June 22, 1981. Clear, nice day, cooler after the storm last night. I washed & ironed. Pete picked peas for dinner & pulled up some of the vines. Marty & Jon here for lunch. Mary & we to see Ed in p.m. Bluffton College quartet gave program in evening. I worked on Jon's quilt in evening.

Tuesday, June 23, 1981. Clear, nice day, 85°. We picked peas. Put 5 cartons in freezer. Gave Rons quart & pint to Merle. We took Merle to Dr. at 1:30. Pete got 2 new tires on car. Merle & we ate at Grand Café at 2:30. Pete plowed garden. I hoed & transplanted flowers. Washed pantsuits, blouses & 2 raincoats. Jo to St. Louis to meeting. Marty to 4-H meeting in Champaign.

Wednesday, June 24, 1981. Mostly fair, near 90°. Had severe weather at 6:00 p.m. Under tornado warning. Many funnel clouds sighted all around. Heavy rain & strong wind. One touchdown east of town. We volunteered at hospital. Went to bank with Mary. She & I to Hudson & El Paso. Got dresses at El Paso.

Thursday, June 25, 1981. Clear, fine day after the storm, 70s. I went to auxiliary meeting at Garnett Franks. Went with group from hospital [to] (board members) evaluation meeting. Had lunch there. Got cheese from cheese truck. I mowed some yard. Pete mowed yard. I picked some peas after supper. Put 3 pints in freezer.

Friday, June 26, 1981. Fair, another nice day, 82°. Did cleaning. Picked peas. Gave Jo 2 quarts & put 1 pint in freezer. I have 23 pints in freezer. Went to town at 11:00. Pete had wheels balanced on car & went to bank. I had hair done at hospital beauty shop. I quilted on auxiliary quilt awhile. Pete plowed garden & truck patch. I hoed. We planted more corn, lettuce & endive.

Saturday, June 27, 1981. Fair, warmer, 82°. Pete to men's breakfast. I put 2 quarts broccoli in freezer. Gave Rons some. We went to Bob Johnson's at 11:30. Had lunch with Nancy Kampmeier, Edgar [Gurtner], Art [Sieg]s, Clarence S[iegs], Mary, Mabel & others. I washed in p.m. & done some packing. Pete worked in truck patch. We went to Roger Reimer & Judy Kebler's wedding & reception at our church.

Sunday, June 28, 1981. Light shower early morning, fair in p.m., 80s. We went to church. Took Merle & Mary. Ate dinner at Morys (new place). We finished packing. Ron took us to Carlock. Left there at 3:30 on bus for [Camp] Friedenswald. Got here at 9:00. Large group of children, 4th – 5th grades. We're staying in nurse's quarters. They brought me all children's health cards & medications. Got to bed late. Was a noisy trip.

Monday, June 29, 1981. Fair, nice day, hot. Some 120 children here. Have 13 – 14 children on daily medications. Some with stomach aches, one “homesick.” Have breakfast 8:30, lunch 12:30, dinner 5:30. We went to Senior retreat meeting awhile in p.m. Had a busy evening, cuts, bruises, stomach aches & homesickness.

Tuesday, June 30, 1981. Mostly cloudy. Several children still having stomach problems & homesickness. We went to Sr. retreat awhile in morning after I helped put breakfast dishes away. Senior citizens took a pontoon ride around Lake after lunch. Very nice. Keep busy with youngsters. Senior citizens took part in some of recreation.

Wednesday, July 1, 1981. Cloudy, cooler. We went to Sr. citizens meeting awhile in morning. Pete helped Maintenance awhile in p.m. I had a busy day with sick kids. Saw 25 plus those that get regular medication. Several boys have high temps. Got to bed late.

Thursday, July 2, 1981. Partly cloudy, few sprinkles in evening. We went to Sr. citizens meeting awhile in a.m. Leland Gerber showed pictures of 4 seasons in p.m. A usual day of cuts, bruises, headaches, temp, etc. Kelly Nussbaum gave me a little gift she made in crafts.

Friday, July 3, 1981. Partly cloudy, warmer in p.m. Went to Sr. citizens meeting awhile in morning. C Smucks, Leland Gerbers, *Lehes* (sp?) All left about noon. We went to Carnival at the Flat or Waterfront. Also turtle race. One of the boys' cabins gave me a turtle (called it Band Aid) but he didn't win the race. Ha. Mary Yoder, Bud Ulrichs came in p.m. Staying at A Frame house for Marquis family reunion. Had nice visit with them.

Saturday, July 4, 1981. Mostly cloudy. We packed and returned meds to children. Staff gave out awards to some of children & gave me one for camp nurse. We left on bus for home at 1:30. Had a load. Had several children ill with headaches, etc. Got to Carlock at 6:30. Jo & Mary got us. We had to wait until folks came after their children. We had several showers coming home. Had intermittent rain here most of day. We were at Rons for supper.

Sunday, July 5, 1981. Cloudy, we went to church. Took Merle. We ate at Denny's. Took Merle & came home for awhile. Volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30, Info Desk. We went to Rons at 9:00 [to] watch fireworks.

Monday, July 6, 1981. Clear, quite warm, no breeze, 80s. I did laundry. Pete pulled up peas. We picked 1 ½ quarts raspberries. I put quart in freezer. Gave Mary some. We went to Birkelbaws. Got bushel apples for Jo, ½ bushel for us and peck for Mary. I cooked apples in p.m. Had new potatoes & beans for dinner. I worked in garden in evening.

Tuesday, July 7, 1981. Fair, hot, high 80s, humid. I put 4 containers cauliflower in freezer. Pete finished pulling peas. Cultivated some in truck patch. I went with Dorothy Singley & Mabel to annual HEA meeting at ISU. I finished cooking applesauce. Worked outside awhile. Put 6 ½ quarts applesauce in freezer.

Wednesday, July 8, 1981. Fair, hot, 90° but good breeze. We volunteered at hospital in morning. I put 2 cartons of broccoli in freezer. We picked 1 ½ quarts raspberries. Put some in freezer. Had [some] for supper. Ron and Pete put air conditioner in. Rons here for supper, had pizza. Marty with Gale Bressner to Spotlight [Hog Show] at Logansport Indiana.

Thursday, July 9, 1981. Mostly fair, hot, 91°, humid. Some showers in area in evening. Pete hoed in truck patch in morning. Worked on books (auxiliary). I canned 3 quarts beets. Got dinner. Jon here. We went to town in evening. Took Mary to Murrays. She got new radio. We went to June [Jantze]'s. Helped her quilt awhile.

Friday, July 10, 1981. Clear, nice day, 87°. Not so humid. We picked beans, also Paul Millers as they are gone [and] wanted us to pick them. Canned 7 quarts. Picked nearly quart of raspberries. Put pint in freezer. Did cleaning. I did some handwashing. We worked outside in evening & sprayed roses. Ron to Spotlight sale at Logansport.

Saturday, July 11, 1981. Fair, about 90°. Pete to men's breakfast. Finished cleaning. Shampooed my hair. Jo & we to Chris King & Hans *Thogerson* (sp?) Wedding at 11:00. Had lunch there too. Very nice, meaningful wedding. Jo to 4-H ball game at Fairview Park. We worked at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, July 12, 1981. Fair, hot, 95°, humid. We went to church. Were invited to Edith & Rachel Zehr's. Toms, Mary & Edith Miller there too. Had a nice time. We went to church in evening. Pastor Kilkunga & [his] wife from Zaire spoke. Ron preached at Metamora [Mennonite Church] in morning. Willis called. They're coming September 1.

Monday, July 13, 1981. Fair, hot, 96°. I washed & ironed. We picked beans. Canned 10 quarts. Picked nearly 2 quarts raspberries. Put jam in freezer & made custard raspberry pie. Gave Rons some. Picked cucumbers. Made 4 quarts dill pickles. Had rain south of us in evening.

Tuesday, July 14, 1981. We had over an inch rain at 5:30 a.m. Fair, 89°. Marie took Mary & we to Peoria. Had dinner at Bishop's. Then went to see Jane Bell about invitations for Ropp Reunion. Got home at 4:30. Gave girls vegetables. We stopped at Roches meat market.

Wednesday, July 15, 1981. Rained early morning, 1/3 inch, cloudy most of day. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Picked beans. Canned 7 quarts & 3 pints. Made 4 quarts dill pickles. Picked quart of raspberries. Got things ready for supper. Went to Garfield picnic at Carlock Community Building. Was to be at Robert Patton's but weather threatening. Talked to Allens. They plan to come the 24th.

Thursday, July 16, 1981. Cloudy, cool, 72°. I scrubbed & waxed kitchen floor. Pete trimmed shrubbery (evergreens). I cleaned up from that. Got bunch of cauliflower in. Gave Jo 3 containers [cauliflower] & one of broccoli. Pete mowed yard. We raked up the grass. Had sweetcorn.

Friday, July 17, 1981. Partly cloudy, 80s. Did cleaning. Picked cucumbers. Made 5 quarts dills. Gave Mable some. Picked quart of raspberries. Put jar in freezer. Went to town at 11:00. Got candy at Beichss. Pete to bank. I had hair done at hospital [beauty shop]. Went to Eastland, shopped some. Got paper plates, cups & napkins to match for Lucy C[atherine]'s birthday. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Saturday, July 18, 1981. Mostly cloudy, very hazy. High 80s, humid. CR, Mabel, Pete & I to Geneva to Carl Ropp's Museum sale. Has auction today & tomorrow. Never saw so much. We drove. Got home at 3:40. Jo & we picked beans. Gave them to Jo. I worked in garden. Hoed.

Sunday, July 19, 1981. The rainy day, had over 2 inches. We went to church. Took Merle & Mary. We ate at Denny's. Pete & I to church at 2:00. Helped with reception for Aldine Combs' uncle (Mr. Zimmerman). Got home after 5:30. Home in evening. Had heavy rain late evening. Parts of Bloomington had 6 inches, flooding. We had 3 ½ inches last night & today.

Monday, July 20, 1981. Partly sunny, little cooler, not so humid. I did laundry. Mary & we to Eureka at 11:30. Took Ed to lunch & went for drive to country & cemetery. He has trouble breathing. Had oxygen & has fluid buildup. We picked pint of berries. Got bucket of cucumbers. Gave Mary & Jim Waltner some & Jan Gundy [some]. I worked on Jon's quilt.

Tuesday, July 21, 1981. Cloudy in morning awhile, fair, cooler, 70s. Nice day. Picked beans. Canned 7 quarts. Marty here for dinner. Jon at Peoria fair. We went to Gift Shop meeting at 2:00. I saw Mrs. Lambrecht, Reach to Recovery. Were home in evening.

Wednesday, July 22, 1981. Mostly fair, nice day, 70s. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Got Merle at noon. Had dinner with her at Red Lobster. Took her to grocery store & left papers at lawyers. I cleaned last of broccoli. Canned 4 quarts dill pickles. We sowed more lettuce, endive & radishes. Went to Visiting group meeting.

Thursday, July 23, 1981. Cloudy in morning, cool, fair in p.m. We hoed in truck patch. Picked few beans. Put bag in freezer. I picked pint of raspberries. Pete mowed lawn in p.m. I baked bars & cookies. Gave Jo some cookies. Worked in garden in evening.

Friday, July 24, 1981. Fair, 80s. Did cleaning. Went to town, stopped at Marie's. Gave her money for birthday. Allens & Pam got here at 5:00. Made freezer of ice cream. We all, Rons, CRs, Mary, May M[ohr], Marie, Gordons to Grand Café for Marie's birthday, then to CRs for ice cream & cake. Rays there too.

Saturday, July 25, 1981. Rained in morning & had hard rain & thunderstorm at 11:00 p.m. Had over inch rain in short time. Allens, Marie & we to Denny's at 9:00. Had breakfast. Allens to Marie's awhile. Went to Mary's but she wasn't home. We picked big bucket of cucumbers. Gave to Shirley. I baked 2 Apple pies. Allens, Pam, Rachel [Clemens] & we to Rons for supper. Rachel here all night. We got a new dog, black & white.

Sunday, July 26, 1981. Cloudy, rained, had 1 ¾ inches since yesterday. We all went to church. Allens to Forest Park. Shirley's brother Dons had 40th wedding anniversary. We went to Merle's. Earl Kaufmans, Harold & Helen [Patton] there. Came home at 3:00. Picked beans for Shirley. They left for home at 3:00. We miss them. Was good to have them. Rons & boys getting ready for fair.

Monday, July 27, 1981. Rained in morning, had 2/3 inch. Cool. I did laundry in morning. Washed extra sheets & towels in p.m. Sheets dried outside. Picked nearly pint of raspberries. Pete worked some in garage. Had over 1 inch rain again in evening. Boys took livestock to 4-H fair.

Tuesday, July 28, 1981. Cloudy, cold, 59° to low 60s. We went to town at 11:00. Went with Jo to fair. Jon showed dairy. He had Grand Champion Ayrshire, also had some firsts. We saw some of the fair after dairy judging.

Wednesday, July 29, 1981. Fair, 52° in morning, nice day. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Picked beans. Canned 6 pints. Picked some cucumbers. Gave Merle, Lucy C[atherine] & Earl Kaufmans [some cucumbers]. Mary, we, Lucy C[atherine], Merle & Earl Kaufmans went to Morys for our birthday dinner. We, Merle & Mary to Lucy C[atherine]'s. She gave me cup & saucer, Merle, [gave me] \$50.

Thursday, July 30, 1981. Fine day, some warmer. We went to fair at 8:00. Marty got Champion on gilt, champion on pair [of] gilts, Reserve Grand Champion over all breeds. Jon got 2nd on 1 gilt & 5th on 1 and 4th on pair of cross-breds. We were home in evening. Got \$10 from Allens.

Friday, July 31, 1981. Clear, fine day, about 80°. Did cleaning. Picked cucumbers. Hazel & Dawn here to look at flowers for Dawn's wedding. Gave them cucumbers. Marie, Mary & Irene Lowery took us to Red Bud for lunch for our birthdays. I made mint lemon tea & ice cream – chocolate dessert for freezer. Pete mowed lawn.

Saturday, August 1, 1981. Fair, nice day, low 80s. I finished cleaning. Pete dug some potatoes. I picked beans for Sunday dinner. We had lunch with Edgar, Art [Sieg]s & others at Bob Johnson's. Rons took us to Eric's for our birthdays. Pete & I had free dinners birthday cakes from Eric's restaurant. We went to Rons a while. They gave me cookbook.

Sunday, August 2, 1981. Partly cloudy. Rained hard early evening. Nearly 3 inches. We went to church. Took Merle & Mary. I was in nursery during service. We were hosts for guests but had none so invited Doug Harms & Dawn Yoder, Rons & Mary. Had meatloaf, potatoes, beans, etc. Took Mary home at 4:00.

Monday, August 3, 1981. Cloudy in morning, 83°, humid. Had 5 inches rain in town last evening. I washed & ironed. Picked 2 buckets cucumbers. Arlene Litwiller & her mother got them. Mary

& we to see Ed in p.m. He isn't good, so much fluid. Legs, feet & hands so swollen. Boys here for dinner.

Tuesday, August 4, 1981. Fair, foggy in morning, 89°, humid. We cut grass away from walks. I went to town at 11:30. Took Marie & Irene Lowery to Lakeside for lunch. Met Laura there. I made some Swedish cabbage for freezer in p.m. Picked beans. Canned 6 pints. Ron & Jo took Marty & his hogs to Springfield at 8:30 p.m. [State] Fair starts tomorrow.

Wednesday, August 5, 1981. Cloudy, had hard rain again in forenoon. We had 1 inch here. Think more in town. Rain shower in evening. We volunteered at hospital. Went to Marie's in p.m. Mabel, Carol & we addressed Ropp Reunion invitations. Jo & we put some corn in freezer. Jo had 5 pints, I had 4. Rons here for supper.

Thursday, August 6, 1981. Partly cloudy, warm & humid. I baked coffeecake braid. We went to town in p.m. Mary along. We looked for dresses, found nothing. Got gift for Doug & Dawn, place setting & extra plate (Rons & us together). Mary took Merle & we to Barney's for our anniversary. Went to Merle's awhile. Gordon & Mildred Panagas from Florida there. Ron to Springfield.

Friday, August 7, 1981. Fair, cooler, less humid, nice day. Had shower in evening. We went to auxiliary meeting at 9:00. Got home at 1:30. Pete mowed lawn. I made 5 ½ pints peach marmalade. We met Jo at Denny's at 6:15. Had supper together. Pete helped Jo with chores.

Saturday, August 8, 1981. Mostly cloudy, 79° – 80°. Baked zucchini bars. Shampooed my hair. We put 11 ½ pints corn in freezer. Pete helped Jo chore in morning. She went to [state] fair. Picked beans. Took them to Mary. She canned 6 quarts. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Rons home in evening. Marty got 2 3^{rds} on gilt's.

Sunday, August 9, 1981. Fair, had tornado warnings out at 3:30 until 5:30. Several sighted north of us. Had rain & some hail in places. We had shower. We went to church. We & Jo at Mary's for dinner. Ron to Springfield.

Monday, August 10, 1981. Cloudy, showered and drizzled most of morning, fair in evening, cool. I washed & ironed. Put 8 jars of peaches in freezer. We got corn ready for Jo. She was here for supper. We got 11 pints [corn] for Jo. Pete helped her chore. Ron to Springfield at 6:00.

Tuesday, August 11, 1981. Fair, nice day, 70s. I went to Alma Galloway's in morning, quilted. Mary & we to Morton in p.m. shopping. Found nothing suitable. I picked cucumbers. Alma G[alloway] got some. Pete helped Jo with chores. Charles Hoffman & Mick Mishler here awhile in evening. Jon had some firsts and Grand Champion on heifer in Junior show [at state fair].

Wednesday, August 12, 1981. Fair, nice day, little warmer. We left at 7:00 with Jo to State Fair. Jon showed in open show. He did well. Marty also showed in open show. Had 5 in top 10. We

got home after 8:00 p.m. Had call from Jim Waltner (he's in Ohio). He wants us to help with visitation for Cesta King who passed away last night.

Thursday, August 13, 1981. Partly cloudy, 83°. I put 4 ½ pints corn in freezer. Canned 3 pints beans. Pete mowed lawn. We went to church at 4:30. Had visitation for Cesta King. We were there all evening as hosts. Had supper at Country Kitchens.

Friday, August 14, 1981. Cloudy, rained hard at noon, 6/10 [inch]. I baked cake for Dawn & Doug's wedding. We went to town at 11:30. I got permanent at hospital beauty shop. Pete went to dentist. I got things ready for supper. Pauls got here from Memphis at 5:45. Good to see them. Jo & Jon here for supper. Ron to Springfield to get hogs. He & Marty home at 9:00. Had thunderstorm at 11:00, 2 inches rain.

Saturday, August 15, 1981. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m. Pauls to CRs for lunch. Pete & I to Doug Harms & Dawn Yoder's wedding at 10:30. We had charge of guestbook. Nice wedding. Had lunch in there. Rons at wedding too. Were home in PM. Pauls took Rons & we to Morys for our anniversary. Nice evening. Marty & children to show & McDonald's.

Sunday, August 16, 1981. Partly cloudy, cooler. We all went to church & to Mary's for dinner. Marie there too. Came home early. Got things ready for supper. Rons, Pauls, Mary & Marie here. Jo fixed sirloin steak for supper.

Monday, August 17, 1981. Clear, fine day, cool, 70s. I washed 3 loads, some for Marj. Pauls & we to Denny's at 10:00. Had brunch with Marie. Pauls to her house & hospital. I washed 3 loads in p.m. Paul & Marjorie left at 2:15. They plan to stay at Granite City State Park. Heating element burned out in clothes dryer.

Tuesday, August 18, 1981. Clear, near 50° in morning, beautiful day. We put sweet corn in freezer, 11 pints for Jo, 8 for us. Made salad. We took Andy to work out at ISU at 3:00. We got heating element for dryer. Pete & I to McLean for picnic for Morris Heisers and Mike Mishlers. Children at Rons.

Wednesday, August 19, 1981. Another fine day, 70s. We volunteered at hospital. Children home. Pete & children with Ron in p.m. to Fairbury Fair. I went to meeting at church at 2:00. Talked about church directory. Met with Alan Mills. Rons here for supper. Mary baked butterscotch pies for Ron's birthday. She came out with Jo. Marty home from fair, [he] is ill.

Thursday, August 20, 1981. Fair, nice day. Pete dug some potatoes. Had some rotten ones from all the rains. I washed 4 loads. Marie took children & Karen to park & to Dairy Queen for lunch. I took Andy to ISU at 3:00 to work out. Went to grocery [store]. Pete mowed lawn. I worked little in garden. Marty has very sore throat. Morris Heisers here awhile.

Friday, August 21, 1981. Fair, little warmer. Children & we to Eureka in morning. Ed isn't good. Very edematous. Talked to Dr. Children to Carol's at noon. I canned 5 quarts tomato juice.

Took Marty to Dr. at 2:30. His throat about same. Made some pudding for him. Rosalee came on bus.

Saturday, August 22, 1981. Fair, 81°. I washed 2 loads. Went to church at 9:00. Helped Jon & Rosalee set up for Rons reception. I baked cake. Children at Carol's in morning. Kenny & Karen here in p.m. We all & Mary to church at 5:30. Made coffee & then went to eat. Took flowers from garden. Had reception [for Ron's 25th wedding anniversary], 7:00 to 9:00. Had cake, punch, coffee, etc. and means. Nice evening.

Sunday, August 23, 1981. Fair, 80s. We all went to church. Had lunch at Country Kitchen. Washed some for children. Got things ready for picnic. Went to church picnic at Maplewood. Large crowd. Marty along. He's feeling better. Children packed suitcases.

Monday, August 24, 1981. Cloudy, more humid, 86°. I washed. Helped children packed. We took them to town at 10:20. They left for St. Louis. Paul met them there. We miss them. I washed sheets, bedspreads in p.m. Pete picked 2 ½ buckets tomatoes. Did ironing.

Tuesday, August 25, 1981. Partly cloudy, 86°, rather humid. Had thunder showers in areas around. I canned 14 quarts tomato juice & fixed 8 pints corn for freezer. Gave Jo 5 pints. Talked to Marjorie in morning. Children got along fine on train. They got home at 7:30. [Ron's] boys started to school.

Wednesday, August 26, 1981. Mostly cloudy, had thunderstorm & rain at 1:00 p.m. Showered in evening. We volunteered at hospital. Did some errands. We took Rons & boys to Barney's for Ron's 25th anniversary. Nice evening.

Thursday, August 27, 1981. Cloudy, showers, had tornado touched down at Sunset Lake near Carlock. I baked pecan rolls in morning. Mary & we to see Ed. He isn't any better. Still very edematous. Seems weaker. Dennis Rempels at Rons.

Friday, August 28, 1981. Cloudy in morning, partly cloudy in p.m. Did cleaning. I took Marie some tomatoes & went to auxiliary workshop. Quilted until noon. I canned 8 quarts tomato juice in p.m. Pete mowed lawn. Worked outside awhile in evening.

Saturday, August 29, 1981. Partly cloudy, 80s, had shower in town. We & Mary had lunch at Bob Johnson's with Edgar, Art [Sieg]s & others. Went shopping. Mary & I got dresses, white or cream top & dark brown skirt. Stopped at (unclear) got yellow tomatoes. Made 3 ½ pints preserves. Stirred up refrigerator muffins mix. Talked to Allens.

Sunday, August 30, 1981. Mostly cloudy. Looked rainy at times. We went to church. Merle was going along but she fell in bedroom at 5:00 a.m. Hurt her nose but [it's] not fractured. Mary & we ate at Ambassador Inn. Went to Merle's. Took her tomatoes & eggplant. She's doing pretty good. We stopped to see Fred Meyer who was home from hospital after bowel surgery. Home in evening.

Monday, August 31, 1981. Cloudy in morning. Partly cloudy in p.m., 80s & humid. I washed & ironed. Canned 5 quarts tomato juice. Started working on Amy's cross stitch quilt which I got Saturday. Pete picked tomatoes & finished cutting weeds around little trees.

Tuesday, September 1, 1981. Cloudy, little cooler. I went to organizational meeting for prayer groups at June [Jantze]'s. I took muffins for brunch. Came home at noon. Pete cut weeds around trees. We took Merle to Gailey's at 1:30. Got out of there at 5:00. We ate at Bob Johnson's. I went to Good Will at church. Pete home. I came home with Jeanette.

Wednesday, September 2, 1981. Partly cloudy, cooler, 70s. We volunteered at hospital in morning. We went with Marie at noon to Morton. Mary & Irene along. Ate at Red Bud. Stopped at Birkelbaws. Got some apples. I got vegetables ready for chili. Went to Rons in evening. They cut their wedding anniversary cake. Larry Mohrs there for supper.

Thursday, September 3, 1981. Cloudy to partly cloudy, low 70s. I made 7 ½ pints chili sauce. Pete worked on auxiliary books. We met Mr. & Mrs. Lay (Pete's teacher, 1917) at Denny's. CR, Marie, Earl Mishlers & Arbuckles there. All except girls came here. Then to CR's Museum. Mary & we to see Ed at 3:30. He's no better. Ron, Jo and Marty left at 6:00 PM for O'Hare [Airport] & California. Jon here.

Friday, September 4, 1981. Mostly fair, 70s. Pete & Jon choring. We went to auxiliary meeting. I had hair done at 8:30. Jon to school. We came home after dinner. Pete mowed lawn. I cleaned west bedroom. Washed curtains, etc. Jon to Reesers in evening.

Saturday, September 5, 1981. Fair, nice day, 70s. Pete to men's breakfast. I got things ready for dinner. We went to Ropp reunion. Nearly 40 there. Ray Ropp Pres. next year. Met at Glen Oak Park in Peoria. Jon rode to town on bike. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, September 6, 1981. Fair, nice day. We & John to church. Pete & I & Marie to Elmer Sieg's Park for brunch. Went to Carolyn Nord's wedding at 2:00. Was at Dr. Stanley's. Huge crowd. Was held in yard. Had reception. Jon with Karen Reeser.

Monday, September 7, 1981. Fair in morning, rained in p.m. I washed & ironed. Cleaned our bedroom. Washed bedding & curtains. Canned 6 quarts tomatoes. Pete picked tomatoes. Mary came, got some tomatoes. Jon here for dinner & supper. No school. Ron called. They were in Fresno. Camp was good. Talked to Steve too.

Tuesday, September 8, 1981. Beautiful day, cool, 50s in morning. I cleaned furniture & drapes. Went to prayer group at Sherry Zehr's. Cleaned living & dining rooms & cleaned rug in p.m. We picked lima beans. Put container in freezer & had [some] for supper. Pete plowed strawberry bed & cut weeds. Jon here for supper & all night.

Wednesday, September 9, 1981. Another fine day, 48° in morning. We volunteered at hospital in morning. I went with Marie to Brittany for lunch. Irene [Lowery] & Laura there too. I cleaned kitchen cupboards & broom closet in p.m. Pete cut some weeds.

Thursday, September 10, 1981. Clear, 86°, fine day. I washed 3 loads. I went to HEA in morning. Cleaned kitchen. Cleaned windows outside. Canned 4 quarts tomato juice. Pete worked on auxiliary books, mowed lawn, helped John with chores. Ron called from upland, just got back from the coast.

Friday, September 11, 1981. Fair, warmer, 80s. I finished cleaning. We washed car. Went to airport at 10:30. Donna & Willis [Kropf] came. Had lunch at Perkins. Stopped to see Mary a few minutes. Got things ready for supper. Donna & I went after Mary at 4:00 & took her home after supper. Jon to NCHS & Bloomington football game. Rons left on train for home. Our dog Sport was killed by car. So sorry.

Saturday, September 12, 1981. Partly cloudy, quite warm & humid. Willises & we to town at 11:00. Donna wants dish towels but didn't find any. Ate lunch at Steak 'n Shake. Mary & we all to see Ed in PM. The swelling in his hands little better. We went to Mary's for supper. Willises there all night. John cleaned out the garage, worked on cars and mowed lawn.

Sunday, September 13, 1981. Fair, 88°. Had shower in p.m. Pete & I left at 8:15 for Galesburg to meet Rons' train. On time, 10:16. Good to see them. They are home. They had good trip. Willises at Mary's. Ron & Jo & we to Mary's for lunch. I took potato salad & made lemon dessert. Willis & Donna here all night.

Monday, September 14, 1981. Foggy in morning, 80s, rather humid, cooler in evening. Willises, Mary & we to Provident Book Store & College Hills Mall. Donna got tea towels. Had lunch with Marie at Denny's. I got things ready for supper. Willises, Mary, Ron & Jo here. Boys had 4-H meeting. Pete & I took Mary home.

Tuesday, September 15, 1981. Fair, nice day, cool. We took Willis & Donna to Airport at 7:20. Plane left at 9:24 for Kansas City. Enjoyed having them. I did laundry & ironing. Gathered some flower seeds. Went to church at 5:00 for Fellowship meeting. Met with Olan Mills [Photographers] men to talk about pictures for new church directory.

Wednesday, September 16, 1981. Fair, cool, 60s. We volunteered at hospital in morning. I worked in OR waiting room. I went to Garfield club at Katherine Mishler's. Pete did some shopping. We were home in evening.

Thursday, September 17, 1981. Mostly cloudy. Light shower. Chilly, 50s during day. I cleaned bathroom, hall & Cedar closet. We cleaned fruit room. Ina Sutter here, got Paul Millers tomatoes. Were home in evening.

Friday, September 18, 1981. Fair, cool. Did cleaning. I packed suitcases. Pete took me to Waltners at 2:00. Alma [Galloway] & I with Lenore [Waltner] to Women's Retreat at Camp Friedenswald. Met Hazel Yoder & Kay Ann Fransen & trainee at Perkins at Elkhart for supper & [went] on to camp. Got there around 8:00. Lenore, Alma & I are in dorm. Went to evening meeting. Phyllis Dixon speaker. We weren't very pleased with her presentation. Rons to Gail [Bressner]'s sale. Marty sold 14 gilts & 10 boars. Did pretty well. Jo & Pete went [to sale] after chores.

Saturday, September 19, 1981. Clear, beautiful day. We went to meeting at 9:30. Sue Goerzen speaker, spoke on self-love. Went to some workshops in p.m. & to evening meeting. Mrs. Goerzen spoke on Happiness. Went to campfire at 9:00. Saturday fire & sang. Staff popped corn for us. Pete to men's breakfast. Mowed yard until mower broke. Ate supper at Rons.

Sunday, September 20, 1981. Clear, fine day, warmer. Went to session at 9:45. Topic, Love for Others. Enjoyed Mrs. Goerzen's messages. Had communion. Pete took Merle & Mary to church. Ate at Bob Johnson's. Lenore & we left at 12:50 for home. Got here at 5:30 after nice weekend.

Monday, September 21, 1981. Fair, nice day, 80°. Pete took car to Pennys to have wheels aligned. I washed & ironed. Pete picked bucket of tomatoes. Mary & we to see Ed in p.m. He fell several days ago. Guess [he] fractured a rib. He was very depressed. Seemed very feeble. We were home in evening.

Tuesday, September 22, 1981. Fair, fine day, cool, 60s. I went to prayer group at Lucy C[atherine]'s. Cleaned the recreation room & canned 6 quarts tomato juice. Pete took lawnmower to town to have it fixed. Got it in p.m. & finished mowing lawn. We went to Heritage meeting at John Bertsches.

Wednesday, September 23, 1981. Fair, 36° here in morning, 40s in town, 71° in PM. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Took Mary to bank & to Phoenix Towers. She filled out application. Will be a year or more before there would be an apartment. I made mint tea concentration.

Thursday, September 24, 1981. Partly cloudy, 70s. I went with Rachel Mitchell to 3B annual meeting at Mattoon. 13 went from Mennonite [Hospital]. Pete worked on auxiliary books, burned brush. Pete to hospital delegate meeting. I went to alumni meeting.

Friday, September 25, 1981. Partly cloudy, 70s. We went to town in morning. Pete met with Chet Roth about hospital drives. I quilted for auxiliary. Had hair done at 11:30. We took Merle to beauty shop in p.m. Had supper at Bob Evans, new restaurant. Got groceries for Merle.

Saturday, September 26, 1981. Partly cloudy in morning, 70s. Rained late p.m. & evening. Thunderstorms. 1 inch [rain]. We went to town at 10:00. Took papers to recycle & [went] to

bank. Got groceries. Had lunch with Edgar, Art [Sieg]s & others at Bob Johnson's. I baked cake for Jon's birthday. We worked at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, September 27, 1981. Clear, cool, windy. We went to church. Marie, Mary & we at Rons for dinner for Jon's birthday. We went to church at 5:00. MYF had "slave auction," had sandwiches & fruit for supper. Congregational meeting at 7:00.

Monday, September 28, 1981. Clear, beautiful day, cool. I did laundry. Went to church at 2:30 to help with picture taking for new church directory. Roelie Homan & I helped. June [Jantze] came at 6:00. Pete & I ate at McDonald's. Got home at 8:30. We had our pictures taken.

Tuesday, September 29, 1981. Had thunderstorm in morning, had 1 ¼ inches rain. Chilly, sun came out at noon. I went to prayer group at Julie Stutzman's. Pete made calls for hospital [fund-raising] drive. I cleaned furnace & laundry room. Mary & we to see Ed in p.m. He's about same. Were home in evening.

Wednesday, September 30, 1981. Fair, windy, 80s. We volunteered at hospital. Took Mary to bank. Stopped at Brokaw [Hospital] to see Kay Reimer who had cholecystectomy [removal of gall bladder]. Friday. She's feeling better. Pete mowed lawn. I washed some summer dresses & gathered more flower seeds. We went to John *Copenhagen* (sp?) to see Helen & Janet & others.

Thursday, October 1, 1981. Fair, cooler, windy. We met Merle & Glen Augsburg at Bob Johnson's at 9:30. I baked sugar cookies. We cleaned windows & put storm windows in. Pete dug sweet potatoes, [he got] 3 5-gallon buckets. Rons here for supper. Had pizza. Ron home from Chicago at 6:00. Had chaplains meeting yesterday & today.

Friday, October 2, 1981. Clear, fine day, near 30° in morning. We went to auxiliary meeting at 9:00. I quilted. Took Merle to get hair done at to: 30. We took Mary & Merle to Elms at 5:00.

Saturday, October 3, 1981. Fair, 28° & frosty in morning. Pete to men's breakfast. I finished cleaning. We cleaned east & south attics. Pete burned 2 old mattresses. I baked dessert for tomorrow. Jo working. Ron & Marty here for dinner. We mowed truck patch in p.m. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, October 4, 1981. Had rain early. Cleared off in morning. 70s. We went to church. Had communion. Had dinner with Merle at Westminster. She fell last evening. Wasn't able to go to church. We went to church at 4:00 to get ready for small group. Homer Parks and we leaders. 16 there.

Monday, October 5, 1981. Mostly cloudy, warm, 87°. Had rain & thunderstorms at 6:30 p.m. I washed & ironed. Cleaned east room upstairs. We went to June [Jantze]'s in evening. She helped me set Jon's quilt together.

Tuesday, October 6, 1981. Partly cloudy, windy, colder. I went to Alma Galloway's to prayer group. Pete done some soliciting for hospital [drive]. I baked cake for Good Will. Am on the committee. Repotted some plants. I went to Women's Fellowship with Jeanette. Lori Oyer was speaker. 34 there.

Wednesday, October 7, 1981. Clear, 36° in morning, nice day. We volunteered at hospital. Mary & we to see Ed in p.m. He fell again last night. Didn't feel as well today. I made lettuce layer salad for Home Extension. Were home in evening.

Thursday, October 8, 1981. Fine day, frosty in morning. Mabel with me to HEA. We were on committee. Made lettuce salad. Pete sorted potatoes. I washed summer dresses & Pete's slacks. Put some summer clothes away. We & Mary took Marie Yoder & Lucy C[atherine] to Barney's. Went to Marie's apartment awhile.

Friday, October 9, 1981. Another nice day, 60s. We went to committee [for] bazaar meeting at 9:30. I baked angel food cake for Marty's birthday. Cooked some pears. Canned 1 quart. Pete put potatoes in basement. Marty to ballgame at Decatur.

Saturday, October 10, 1981. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m. Ron & Pete took air-conditioner out. I cleaned windows. We went to town at 11:00. Had lunch with Edgar, Nina, Marguerite [Burwitz]. I baked pie & got things ready for wiener roast. Rons, [Jim] Waltners & Paul Millers here. Had nice evening.

Sunday, October 11, 1981. Fair, fine day, 60s. We went to church. Took Merle. Took her home after church. Mary, Freida Blair & we ate at Denny's, then to Eureka. Frieda to see Glenn Schrock's. We stopped there too awhile. Went to see Ed. Thought he was little more cheerful. CRs & we to Marie's for supper. Paul called in evening. Wanted to know when we were coming.

Monday, October 12, 1981. Cloudy most of morning, fair rest of day. I washed & ironed. Went to town at noon. Mary along. We went to Klemms sale & to Eastland. Mary got all-weather coat & purse. I went to Dr. McGinnis at 2:15. Had good report & am grateful. Anton & Lynne Romyn adopted little girl, Monica Ann.

Tuesday, October 13, 1981. Partly cloudy, 60s. I went to prayer group at Alta L[itwiller]s. Pete done some soliciting for hospital. I polished silverware in p.m. Made vegetable soup. Pete cleaned out gutters. We went to Anton Romyns in evening. I had Fellowship committee meeting. Took new baby a dress. Antons are so thrilled about the baby.

Wednesday, October 14, 1981. Gloomy day, showered & misted all day, windy. We volunteered at hospital. Went to Lynne Romyn's in p.m. We called people who didn't sign-up for church directory. Were home in evening.

Thursday, October 15, 1981. Cloudy, foggy, misted. I baked brownies. Mary & I to Illinois Mennonite Women's meeting at North Danvers Church. Tina Block Ediger the speaker. We

went to visitation for Dorothy Sylvester. I gave Alma G[alloway] brownies as her brothers are there.

Friday, October 16, 1981. Fair, fine day. Did cleaning. Went to town at 10:00. I quilted for bazaar. Pete did some shopping. We watched NCHS homecoming parade. FFA float best in division. We went with Rons to ballgame. NCHS lost, 20 – 27. I fell down on the way to car. Bent my glasses. Awkward.

Saturday, October 17, 1981. Cloudy, rained, misted. Thunderstorm at 8:30 in evening. Pete to men's breakfast. Made some tomato juice & canned 2 quarts pears. We went to town at 10:45. Had my glasses straightened. Met Art [Sieg]s & EA at Bob Johnson's. We went to Eastland & College Hill Mall. Volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, October 18, 1981. Cloudy, windy, cold, 40°. We went to church, took Merle. Took her home after church. Mary & we to Eureka. Ate there. Went to see Ed. He's about same. We went to Rons in evening. They had Ron's staff for picnic. Fixed tables in garage. Got along OK. Probably around 50 there. Wrote to Deb.

Monday, October 19, 1981. Clear, 25° in morning. I did laundry. We went to town at 11:15. Had my glasses straightened at Gaileys. We went to church at 12:50. Man from Olan Mills there with proofs of pictures which were taken in September. We ordered some pictures. Roelie [Homan] came at 4:00. We were home in evening.

Tuesday, October 20, 1981. Fair. Nice day, 60s. Had prayer group here. Alta [Litwiller], Lucy C[atherine], Eddy [Stalter] & Sherry Zehr here. We went to church at 1:00. People there to look at prints & others to have pictures taken. We went to hospital Volunteer Reception at Elks. Was good attendance & good program. We took Eric Bliss home.

Wednesday, October 21, 1981. Fair, cloudy in PM, windy & colder. We got Merle at 7:15. Took her to Dr. Livingston for blood sugar [test]. We had breakfast at Bob Evans. Went to hospital. I worked until 11:00. Pete took Merle back to Dr. at 10:30. I went with Marie to Club Winner-Loser Luncheon at Carlock Community Building. I was winner. Steve Paullin putting insulation in walls.

Thursday, October 22, 1981. Cloudy, partly cloudy, chilly. I baked coffee cake braid, 3 pies & bars. Got endive for Allens. Pete took things out of attics to put insulation in. We went to bank at 4:00. Mary & we to alumni chili supper. I took pie & bars for bake sale. Went to visitation for Margaret Rader's mother. We went to Prime Timers. Isabel [Basting] showed pictures.

Friday, October 23, 1981. Partly cloudy, cold, 20° in morning. Did cleaning. I went to bazaar committee meeting. Had hair done. Steve Paullin here [working on] insulation. I made vegetable soup & packed suitcases. Ron left early with some of counselors for meeting at Des Moines. Jo,

Marty & I left at 6:00 for Allens. We stopped at Iowa City for Jeff. Got to Allens at 12:40. Allens got Ron at Des Moines. Good to see everyone. Got to bed late.

Saturday, October 24, 1981. Nice day here [at home], 14° in morning. Cloudy at Allens, started to snow about noon. Melted as it came, but chilly. Allen, Ron & Marty to I[owa] S[tate] U[niversity]. Shirley, Jo & I to shop. Had sandwiches in car. Went to ball game. ISU beat Colorado, 17 – 10. Deb & Randy at Allens for supper. Pam at music contest. Mike there in evening. We went to Ames, had dessert. Played cards. To bed late again. Pete worked [at home] cleaning upstairs.

Sunday, October 25, 1981. Foggy in morning, some sunshine then. Nice here [at home]. We left Allens at 9:30. Took Jeff back to school at Iowa City. Ate lunch at Amana. We got home about 3:40. Drove in rain awhile. Pete helping Jon with chores. Pete to church. He, Mary & Marie to Red Lobster. We went to Home Builders at John Bertsches. Gerlof [Homan] showed pictures of Holland.

Monday, October 26, 1981. Cloudy, showered some in morning. I did laundry. We sorted & put things back in attics. Washed everything off & scrubbed floors. Pete used sweeper to take up some of insulation. Glad the job is done.

Tuesday, October 27, 1981. Fair, nice day, in 70s. I went to prayer group at Shirley K[rahn]s. Pete made some calls for hospital drive. Had accident at K-Mart. Some lady hit [our] right fender, \$500.00 damage. Marie & we had lunch at Denny's. She & I shopped. I got her a pair of gloves for Christmas. She got me a brown purse. We went to Heritage meeting at Zehr girls.

Wednesday, October 28, 1981. Partly cloudy, 60s, nice day. We volunteered at hospital in morning. I washed spreads & quilts from upstairs, also our bedspread. Made cherry dessert & baked apples. Ron & Jo here for supper. Had chicken. Boys were busy. John *Kieviets* (sp?) passed away.

Thursday, October 29, 1981. Fine day, near 70°. We went to church at 8:30, meeting, Illinois Elderly Services program. Came home after lunch. Pete & I raked garden. He burned the flowers. I raked leaves around shrubbery. Pete crushed leaves with mower. We went with Rons to Marty's choir program. We went to Country Kitchen. Jon to Reesers. We enjoyed program.

Friday, October 30, 1981. Fair, warm, 70s. Did cleaning. I went to hospital at 9:30. Quilted at auxiliary room. Shirley Krahn came for 1st time. I saw Mrs. Riddle, Reach for Recovery. Pete spading garden. We went to see Ed in PM. Thought he felt some better. Ron there a few minutes which pleased him. We went to Harold Pattons for supper. Merle & Esther there. Had nice evening.

Saturday, October 31, 1981. Mostly cloudy, mild, nice day. Pete to men's breakfast. I baked pecan rolls. Made barbecue. Shampooed my hair. Pete spaded some in garden & washed car. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Marie home from her trip to Smokies.

Sunday, November 1, 1981. Mostly cloudy, mild. Went to church, took Merle. Had our small group meeting at Homer Parks. I took barbecue for everyone. Others brought salad or dessert. We took Merle home at 3:30. Jeff called at 6:20. He & Judy S. on their way back to Iowa after weekend at Bluffton. MYF had wiener roast at Rons.

Monday, November 2, 1981. Cloudy, light rain in morning, 60s. I did laundry, ironed. We went to auxiliary building. Helped finish baby quilts for bazaar. Brought placemats home to whip around edge. Were home in evening.

Tuesday, November 3, 1981. Fair, nice day, 60s. I went to prayer group at Wendy Jones. We voted at Town Hall for school board. Pete finished spading flower garden. I set out tulip bulbs Shirley gave me. Put flower seeds away. We went to chili supper at NCHS with Jo. Choirs sang & bands played. I went to Good Will. Pete home with Jo.

Wednesday, November 4, 1981. Partly cloudy, 60s, some showers. We went to hospital at 8:00. I went to district HEA meeting at Farm Bureau at 10:30. Pete worked until 3:00. We went to church at 8:00, visitation committee meeting.

Thursday, November 5, 1981. Partly cloudy, rained some in evening, windy & much colder. I baked date & orange nut bread. Steve Paullin put thermal glass in picture window. We went to hospital in p.m. Had hair done. Went to auxiliary room. Took Merle to bazaar. She bought over \$100 worth. We took her to Morys for her birthday. Mary along.

Friday, November 6, 1981. Clear, nice day, chilly. We went to auxiliary bazaar at Farm Bureau building. Large crowd. Took in around \$1000 [for] baked goods. Dr. Merle S. helped Pete with money. Roy Miller & I took last deposit to bank at 5:45. Ron left for meeting at Philadelphia. Jo & Jon left at noon with Mary Mohr to dairy show at Louisville Kentucky. David Ropp & Denzer boys with Marty.

Saturday, November 7, 1981. Fine day, 60°. I did cleaning. Pete finished counting money from bazaar. Took in over \$8000. We went to bank at 10:30. Met Edgar, Art [Sieg]s, Marguerite [Burwitz] & Ella at Bob Johnson's. I made blueberry dessert. Pete put ground on roses. Ron to Louisville today from Philadelphia. Jon got 1st & 4th in Jr. show.

Sunday, November 8, 1981. Mostly cloudy, cooler in evening. We went to church & to Mary's for dinner. Came home 2:30. Got things ready for supper. CRs, Marie & Marty here. Had chicken casserole & made biscuits. Marty went to Lexington at noon to judge beef. Mary went to group meeting in evening.

Monday, November 9, 1981. Fair, nice day, cool, 40s. Did laundry & ironed. We went to Health Service Building. Got Christmas trees Merle bought at the bazaar. Took them to her. Mary & we to see Ed. He's about same. Marty here for supper.

Tuesday, November 10, 1981. Clear, nice day, 40s. I went to prayer group at Eddie S[talter]. We went to town at 1:00. Got Merle & Clara Brodbeck. Took them to church to see their proofs for church directory. Pete took them home. I stayed at church until 5:31 Lynn Romyn came. Merle & we to Denny's for supper. We got groceries for her.

Wednesday, November 11, 1981. Clear, fine day, cool. We volunteered at hospital. Went to church at 2:00. People coming to see their proofs. We were home in evening. Worked on Amy's quilt. Marty left early morning for FFA convention in Kansas City.

Thursday, November 12, 1981. Another fine day, 50s. Pete cleaned out the eaves. I did some repairing on dress. We went to Doris Irvin's funeral at Metzler's in p.m. Went to Eastland & Provident [Book Store]. Got our Christmas cards. Made apple pie. Got supper. Rons here for blueberry pancakes. We got Rons' beef at butcher shop. We got some of it.

Friday, November 13, 1981. Fair, near 60°, nice day. We went to auxiliary board meeting at 9:00. Went to Merle's at noon. We went to Grand Café for lunch. Took Merle to Eastland beauty shop. Esther got her at 4:00. We got rest of Ron's meat at butcher shop. Shampooed my hair. Home in evening. Rons to Bluffton [College] dinner.

Saturday, November 14, 1981. Another fine day, 60°. Pete to men's breakfast & helped Ron get load of hay at Heyworth. I made 3 recipes of apple dessert. We took Merle & Mary to Morton at noon. Ate at Red Bud. Got some meat for Merle at Roches. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Arthur [Yoder] called from Indianapolis. They are coming tomorrow.

Sunday, November 15, 1981. Mostly cloudy in p.m. We went to church. Went to Mary's. Arts got there at 1:00. We took them to Bob Evans. Came out here a while and back to Mary's for supper. Pete to Gerlof Homan's at 7:00. We were co-hostess with Gerlofs. I furnish refreshments, Apple cake. Arts to motel. Marty home from Kansas City. He got 5th in individual judging and 2nd on beef.

Monday, November 16, 1981. Foggy in morning, fair later. I did laundry & made salad. Mary & Arthurs came at 11:00. We had lunch at Busy Corners [at Goodfield]. Went to see Ed. He was glad to see Arthurs. I got supper. Had hamburger casserole. Mary brought apple cake. Rons, Arthurs & Mary here. Had nice visit with Arthurs.

Tuesday, November 17, 1981. Clear, nice day, 50s. Pete took car to Carl's [Body Shop] to have new fender put on. I took Ron's car. Got Pete. Went to Lucy C[atherine's to] prayer group. Pete put up snow fence in yard. I made 2 ½ recipes of Lemon Lush. Worked on Amy's quilt. Arthurs left for home.

Wednesday, November 18, 1981. Partly cloudy, windy, near 60°. I dusted up house. Garfield club met here. Had 19 adults & 3 children. Men from Path spoke. Were home in evening. Worked on quilt.

Thursday, November 19, 1981. Cloudy, foggy, misted & rained in evening. Turning colder. We went to hospital with Ron. I helped Marietta Sension with schoolchildren at Health Services Building. Pete made chart at hospital. We got car at Carl's Body Shop. Good to have a car again. I baked coffeecake braid in p.m. Pete worked on auxiliary books. Rons to employees banquet.

Friday, November 20, 1981. Cloudy, windy, cold, 30s, snow flurries. We went to hospital at 9:00. Had mini-bazaar in lobby. Took in \$627. I had permanent in PM. Went to Ina Sutters at 2:30. Helped quilt awhile. Ron flew to Chicago this morning, then to Bluffton in evening. Marty & David R[opp] left after school for Bluffton.

Saturday, November 21, 1981. Mostly cloudy, cold, 20s. We went to breakfast at 8:00 at church. Peter Dyck spoke. Came home at 10:30. I washed blouses & pair [of] slacks. Pete worked on auxiliary books. Jo to workshop at Metamora. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Talked to Allens & Pauls.

Sunday, November 22, 1981. Fair, 18° in morning, warmed up some. We went to church. Had carry in dinner. Peter Dyck spoke. He's an interesting man. Stayed for service at 1:30. Went to open house at Vrooman Home but such a crowd, [we] came home. Marie invited us to go with she & Jo for Jo's birthday. Went to Grand Café.

Monday, November 23, 1981. Misted and rained most of day. I see under bridges early a.m. Many accidents. 3 people killed. Pete to town with Rons, had budget meeting. I did laundry. Got Pete at 10:00. We went to Clinton. Met Marie at Baums. We went to Lincoln for lunch. She paid. They finished her car at 3:00. We did some shopping. Went to church in evening. Worked on church directory.

Tuesday, November 24, 1981. Cloudy, 34°, little sunshine in p.m. I went to prayer group at Julie Stutzman's. Pete to hospital. Got Thrift Shop money and put it in bank. I baked cranberry bread. Mary & we to see Ed in PM. He's having problems with his hernia. Packed suitcases.

Wednesday, November 25, 1981. Cloudy, windy. Mary and we left at 7:50 for Allens. Drove in mist & rain from Iowa City to Nevada. Had lunch at Amana. Got to Allens at 2:45. Good to see everyone. Deb & Randy here for supper. Jeff home from school. Pam had all her wisdom teeth pulled this p.m., so feels rather bum.

Thursday, November 26, 1981 Thanksgiving. Cloudy, windy. We had late breakfast. Deb & Randy here for breakfast. We had big dinner at 3:30. Deb roasted the turkey in their microwave. She also baked apple pie. We helped Shirley get dinner. We all talked to Steve in morning. We played Texas Canasta. A lot to be thankful for.

Friday, November 27, 1981. Partly cloudy, colder. Shirley worked. We baked cookies. Allen & we went uptown at noon. Met Deb. I got pair of black shoes. Met Shirley at furniture store. Deb with us to get shirt for Randy. Shirley home at 2:30. She, Deb, Jeff, Allen & we to Ames. Shopped. I got pair of jeans for Steve & Jeff & hot pot for Pam & microwave dishes for Deb. We met Randy at Hickory Park for supper.

Saturday, November 28, 1981. Fair, nice day, 30s. Helped Shirley get things ready for supper. Had late breakfast. Deb here. Went uptown a while in p.m. Helped Deb pick out three-piece outfit for Shirley. Dick Pilgrims here for supper. Had nice time. Allen showed their canoe trip pictures.

Sunday, November 29, 1981. Fair, nice day. We all went to church. Shirley went home after choir & had dinner ready when we got home. Jeff & we left Allens at 1:10. Left Jeff off at Iowa City. Got home at 6:50. Lots of traffic. Thankful for safe trip. We took Mary home.

Monday, November 30, 1981. Cloudy, very frosty in morning, rained in p.m., very windy. Temp, 31° – 32°. I washed & ironed. Pete worked on auxiliary books. We went to Mary's at 11:30. We made fruitcakes. Went to Eastland. Mary got pants suit for my Christmas & [got] Pete house slippers. [We] got Mary house slippers. Ron to Iowa City at 5:30 a.m. [for] workshop.

Tuesday, December 1, 1981. Cloudy, drizzled, windy. 30s to 40s. I went to prayer group at Alma Galloway's. We went to Prime Timers potluck dinner at 12:00. Stopped at June [Jantze]'s. She did some altering on dress. I went to Reach to Recovery meeting at library at 3:00. Went to Women's Fellowship with Jeanette. I took cranberry bread. Got chocolate rolled candy from Edith Zehr. Got Jo 2 place settings for her table service.

Wednesday, December 2, 1981. Partly cloudy in p.m. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I baked ginger cookies and sugar cookies & iced them. Cooked beef heart & tongue. Pickled them.

Thursday, December 3, 1981. Mostly cloudy, 40s. Wendy and rained some in evening, colder. I baked carrot cookies. Went to Ina Sutters at 10:00. Helped her quilt. Evelyn B[ertsche] & Mary there too. Pete worked on books. I baked apple pie & got supper for Rons. Had steak.

Friday, December 4, 1981. Mostly fair, 43°. Colder in evening. We went to auxiliary annual meeting. Had potluck dinner. Met Jo at 1:00. We shopped for bedspread for Mary. Got one at Sears. Jo back to work. We got Christmas tree at Ace Hardware. I baked Crescent cookies.

Saturday, December 5, 1981. Fair, nice day, 40s. Finished cleaning. Jo here awhile. We went to town at 11:00. Met Edgar, Art [Sieg]s & others at Bob Johnson's. Had lunch together. We went to College Hill Mall. I baked cashew & yummy cookies.

Sunday, December 6, 1981. Fair, 40s, rather chilly wind. We went to church. Marty & we ate at Denny's, then to Eureka [to] see Ed. He's about same, has a cold. We went to Congregational meeting at 4:00.

Monday, December 7, 1981. Fair, nice day, 57°. I washed & ironed. Pete finished covering roses & put straw on strawberries. I made white back cookies. Went to Ina Sutters. Helped her quilt. I made caramels.

Tuesday, December 8, 1981. Fair, nice day, cooler. I went to prayer group at Alta L[itwiller's]. Pete to bank. I got things ready for supper. Larry Jantzes & Bob & Mag Smith here for supper.

Wednesday, December 9, 1981. Fair, colder, 43°. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Went to Provident Book Store. Stopped at Marie's. She gave us dried fruit, etc. I baked press cookies & baked apple bread. Worked on Christmas cards.

Thursday, December 10, 1981. Clear, cold, 10° above, near 30°. Nice day. I went to HEA. Had silent auction. I took apple bread. Pete wrote some cards. I baked coffeecake braid & made sugarplum balls. Wrote Christmas cards & notes.

Friday, December 11, 1981. Clear, chilly, nice day. I baked rolls & did cleaning. We went to town in p.m. Took some things to Thrift Shop. Did some shopping. Went to Mary's awhile. She went with us to Grand Café for supper. We went to Marty's choir Christmas program. Very good. Rons to Dunns after program.

Saturday, December 12, 1981. Fair, nice day, 30s. Pete to men's breakfast. I finished cleaning. Made salad. Wrote some cards. We went to town at 3:00. Worked at hospital in evening, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, December 13, 1981. Cloudy, chilly. We went to church. Ron sang solo. We had surprise luncheon. We went to Lotus Hershbergers. Fellowship committee had charge of dessert time at 4:00 p.m. Had lots of cookies, punch & coffee. Had program at 5:30.

Monday, December 14, 1981. Mostly cloudy, 30s. I did laundry. We put up our Christmas tree & decorations. Went to town at noon. Met Marie at train at 1:20. We had lunch. Took her home. Went to Merle's. Took her to Dr. Livingston at 3:00. He wanted to admit her to Mennonite Hospital. Went to apartment, got her things & [took her] to hospital for tests & x-rays. We ate supper at Denny's. Finished cards.

Tuesday, December 15, 1981. Fair, cold, 20s. Got things ready for prayer group. 8 here & 3 children. We fixed boxes of cookies. Packed one for Steve & mailed it. We went to Dr. Bertsche for physicals. Have to have chest x-ray & proctoscope, also blood work.

Wednesday, December 16, 1981. Mostly cloudy. Started to snow at noon. Kept it up most of afternoon & evening. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Hospital had Christmas dinner. We

had blood work at Health Center. Went to Garfield club at Mabel's. Marie co-hostess. I got candle from S[unshine] F[riend]. Had 4 inches snow.

Thursday, December 17, 1981. Mostly fair, cold. Snowplow went by early. Jon cleaned out driveway. We went to hospital at 9:00. Helped with hospitality cart until noon. Got cheese from Wisconsin cheese truck. Got groceries. We took CRs, Mary & Marie to Art Siegs. Edgar took Nina, Mildred & Marguerite [Burwitz]. Clarence & Elmer Siegs there.

Friday, December 18, 1981. Clear, cold, near zero. Did cleaning. Wrapped some gifts. Went to town at noon. Went to Merle's apartment. Got some things for her. Went to hospital. Pete to Dr. *Seehofer* (sp?) [to see] about skin on his nose. Were home in evening. Worked some on Amy's quilt. Merle had cysto. Has infected bladder.

Saturday, December 19, 1981. Allen called in morning. Clear, cold, 10° below here in morning. Finished cleaning. Mary & we to McLean Dixie [Truck Stop]. Met Dorothy Scogin there. Had lunch, then to her home. She served apple pie & coffee before we came home. Mary took some cookies to lady at Westminster. We got Merle's mail. Stopped to see her.

Sunday, December 20, 1981. Fair, cold, 10° below. Warmed up some. We went to church. Good attendance. Young people home from college. Mary & we to see Ed. He still has cold, also infected eye. We were home in evening. Rained in evening, froze some, very windy.

Monday, December 21, 1981. Cloudy, misted, near freezing most of day. Foggy in evening. I washed & ironed. Roasted some almonds that Steve sent us. Did some mending. Pete cracked more black walnuts.

Tuesday, December 22, 1981. Cloudy, foggy. Started to snow in p.m. Driving hazardous. We were to go to Larry Jantzes. Anton & Lynne [Romyn] came after us but decided we best not go, so they went back home. I cooked some cranberries & dried fruit. Roasted more almonds. Had over 4 inches snow.

Wednesday, December 23, 1981. Clear, 8° above. Jon cleared out driveway. We volunteered at hospital. Took Mary along. Went to Merle's apartment. Got some things for her. Had my hair done at hospital beauty shop, gift from Merle. Marty had biopsy of nodes in his neck. He hasn't felt good for some time. We hope everything is okay. Made some tapioca for his supper.

Thursday, December 24, 1981. Clear, 8° above. Did some cleaning. Made chili. We went to town at 4:00. Went to Merle's apartment. Got her mail. Got Mary & we went to Christmas eve program at church & to Marie's after we ate. Pete got sick. Very distended. Ron & I took him to ER. They took x-rays, etc. Admitted him to [Room] 242. He had number of stools & at 3:00 a.m. he passed blood. I came home at 2:30 a.m. Ron stayed all night.

Friday, December 25, 1981. Fair, warmer. I went to hospital at 8:00. Pete little more comfortable but still has distress. Dr. McGinnis & *Trefgger* (sp?) & John B[ertsche] saw Pete. Taking blood

tests & x-rays. Allens got to Rays at 3:00. They stopped to see Ed. Rons & Mary at Rays. Allens came to hospital at 4:00, Ron too. Shirley, Jeff, Pam to Rays for supper. Allens stayed with me. We came home from hospital at 10:00. Went to Rons. Dunns there. Talked to Pauls. Deb & Randy got here at 12:00 midnight.

Saturday, December 26, 1981. Fair, 30s. Allens and I to hospital in morning. Pete feeling some better. Took more blood test. Talked to Dr. McGinnis. X-ray shows has diverticuli. Allens & I to Mary's for late breakfast or brunch. I went back to hospital. Jeff with me. Allens to see [Shirley's sister] Fern Wick. I came home at 3:00. Allen stayed with Pete. Shirley helped Jo get dinner for all of us. Allen brought Mary & Marie out. Ron, Allen and I took them back as we went to hospital at 10:00. Pete resting.

Sunday, December 27, 1981. Cloudy, chilly. We all went to church. Many surprised to hear Pete is in hospital. Allens, Mary & I guests of Marie at Denny's at 10:30. Allens & I to hospital at noon. Allens left there at 1:00. Came here, got their things, left [for home] at 2:00. Rons went to hospital at 3:00. Gave Pete his gifts. He got sweater & books. We got picture of Allens family, one from Pam & Marty. I got skirt & blouse & pantsuit.

Monday, December 28, 1981. Snowing, had 3 – 4 inches again. Clear in evening. I went to hospital at 8:00 with Rons. Pete had sigmoidoscopy in morning. Lower bowel is clear. Bleeding coming from higher up. Dr. McGinnis thinks it best to do surgery which is scheduled for 8:00 a.m. Thursday morning. So sorry to hear he has to go through surgery. Pete has some clear liquids. Marty & Jon to [Camp] Menno Haven. I did laundry in evening.

Tuesday, December 29, 1981. Foggy, everything full of Frost, 9° below zero. I went to hospital with Rons. They took Mary too. Pete is feeling pretty good, up in chair some & walked in hall. Had some company. Still getting IVs.

Wednesday, December 30, 1981. Fair, cold, very windy in evening. Drive drifted shut. Pauls got here at 1:00 a.m. Glad to see them. Paul & I to hospital at 8:00. Marj & children came later. We came home at 4:00. Got supper. Had chili. Rons here too. Paul & I back to town at 9:00. Jon opened drive for us. We stayed at Mary's all night. Pete got enema. He was up in chair in morning. Worked on auxiliary books.

Thursday, December 31, 1981. Cloudy, rained some, turned much colder in evening. We went to hospital at 6:45. Pete to surgery at 8:00. Removed some of colon, also upper bowel & gallbladder. Had diverticulitis on colon. Small bowel had some blood clots & thickened wall. Came through well. He's in ICU. Feel so sorry for him. Pauls & I ate dinner at Mary's. Had supper at Rons. Pauls & I back to hospital. Children with Rons to church. We stopped at church awhile.

Friday, January 1, 1982. Fair, 4° above, little warmer. Paul and I to hospital at 8:00. Pete had pretty good night. He sat in chair 20 minutes in morning & ½ our in evening & walked a few steps. Pauls to Marie's for lunch. Paul back to hospital. Ron made rounds. I ate lunch with ICU nurses. Paul & I home awhile in p.m., back to hospital at 4:30. Marie & CRs & Mary took Pauls & I to Grand Café for supper. Pauls & I to hospital until 8:30. Pauls to Rays awhile.

Saturday, January 2, 1982. Cloudy, windy, misted & rained in p.m. Quite slick in places. Marjorie & children left at 9:15 for home. Rons here in morning. Paul & I to hospital at 10:00. Pete up in chair. Had good night. Didn't feel quite as good in p.m., rather dizzy when we get him up. Rons there at noon. We had lunch together. Paul & I home at 4:30. He went back with Ron at 7:50. Marjorie called. They got home at 6:30. Drove in rain. Allen called.

Sunday, January 3, 1982. Cloudy, rained in evening. Paul to hospital at 8:00. I went to church with Rons. Paul took Mary to church. He came & got us after church. Paul & I ate at hospital. We came home at 4:30. I went to Love Feast & communion with Jo at 6:00. Paul took Ron to hospital. Jo & I to hospital at 7:45. Pete got his Levine tube out. Glad for him.

Monday, January 4, 1982. Cloudy, very windy, snow blowing. Visibility poor. Better in PM. Paul & I took tree & decorations down. We went to town at 10:00. Pete gaining slowly. Moved him out of ICU at 5:30 to [Room] 218. Glad to move. Rons, Paul & I to Eric's for supper. Stayed with Pete until 8:00.

Tuesday, January 5, 1982. Fair, nice day, 40°. Paul left on bus at 6:45 for home. (Ron took him.) Glad he could be with us. I washed 3 loads. Went to hospital with Jo. Pete rather uncomfortable part of day. He walked some in hall. Sat up in chair. Is having some callers. Had sherbet & milk for supper which tasted good to him. I went home with Ron at 8:00 p.m. Finished ironing. Talked to Shirley in evening.

Wednesday, January 6, 1982. Mostly cloudy, cold, windy. I went to hospital at 8:00 with Ron. Came home at 6:30 with Jo. Pete got some solid food, potatoes, meat, vegetables. He was up in chair. Walked a little in hall. Marie to see him, also others.

Thursday, January 7, 1982. Clear, cold, zero, didn't warm-up much. Ron and I to hospital at 8:00. Pete not feeling quite as well. Had suppository and [it] didn't work either. Part of one drain removed. He was up some. Appetite isn't very good. Had company, Paul M[iller], Irene D[unn], John & Kay R[eimer] & others.

Friday, January 8, 1982. Fair, zero, warmed up some. Ron & I to hospital at 8:00. Pete feeling some better. Got both drains out. I went to auxiliary board meeting. Helped Pete with his bath. Mary & I with Marie to Red Lobster for lunch. Pete got more flowers. Jo stopped at hospital. Rons & I to Country Kitchen for supper. Went shopping with them. Boys to show.

Saturday, January 9, 1981. Fair, cold, 6° below, windy all day, snow blowing in morning. I did cleaning. Went to hospital at 9:30. Stopped at bank. Pete seems more tired & exhausted. Didn't sleep so well last night. Had his first bowel movement. Glad for that. I came home at 5:00. Jon here, we had pizza. Rons to Morton. Provident Sook Store employees [dinner]. Ron & Marty to Chester White hog sale at Springfield. Marty didn't get home. Visibility bad. Allen & Paul called. Blizzard in Iowa.

Sunday, January 10, 1982. 21° below with windchill 60 – 70° minus. Snow blowing. Churches called off. Ron took me to hospital at 10:00. He went to *Freed* (sp?) to get Marty. Couldn't get truck started. Ron & Marty got me at 4:00. Went very strong. 10° – 11° below all day. Electricity off at noon, off and on in evening. Pete feeling better. I went to Rons all night. Paul called Pete.

Monday, January 11, 1982. Fair, 6° below, little warmer during day. Ron & I to hospital at 8:30. Pete up quite a lot of day. Earl Kaufmans & others to see Pete. Still getting a lot of cards. Ron & I home at 7:00. I ate supper at Rons. Washed load of clothes & ironed.

Tuesday, January 12, 1982. Mostly cloudy. Snowed little in evening, 2 inches +. Little above zero in morning. I went to hospital at 8:30. Pete about same. Went with Mary at 10:00 to Phoenix [Towers] to see about apartment on 12th floor. She doesn't like the height. Undecided what to do. I brought Pete home at 5:00. Dr. McGinnis in OR all day, so were late getting home. So good to have him home.

Wednesday, January 13, 1982. Fair, frosty, near zero. Pete up most of day. Ate fairly well. I made soup, pudding & salad. Wrote some notes. Cleaned off walks. Put some Christmas gifts away. CR & Mabel here a while. Brought chicken & noodles. Ron & Jo stopped in evening. Talked to Allens & Pauls. Memphis has 4 inches snow, no school.

Thursday, January 14, 1982. Mostly fair, cold, near zero all day. Pete getting some stronger. Counted auxiliary money & worked on books. I marked Jon's quilt. Ron & John Bertsche to Sterling [to] give talks. Left at 3:30.

Friday, January 15, 1982. Cloudy, 14° below during night, up to 20°. Snowed in morning & again in evening. I did cleaning. Went to bank & got groceries at 10:00. Pete feeling better, little stronger. Ron left with Gail Bressner for Statesboro Georgia. Took 2 of Marty's hogs. Schools dismissed early.

Saturday, January 16, 1982. 14° below, strong wind chill, 60 – 70° below. Snow blowing & drifting, some roads closed. Deep well, some pipes froze, no water. Jo & boys with Pete's guidance got them thawed out. A cold job. I got lunch for them. Made pancakes. Jo brought ham. Pete about same. 8° below high for the day.

Sunday, January 17, 1982. 12° – 14° below again. Winds stronger again. Snowed some in morning & snow blowing. Visibility poor. Paul & Ann Miller came after church (during Sunday

School). Jo & boys to Sunday school & to their small group at John Bertsches. I made salad & peach crisp. Jo & boys here for supper. Winds layed after dark. Zero high for day.

Monday, January 18, 1982. 4° above, got to 20°, a heat wave – no wind, which is a relief. Mostly fair. I washed & ironed. I went with Jo to meeting at church for plans for trainee conference February 2. David Colter here in morning.

Tuesday, January 19, 1982. 15° in morning, up to 33°, mostly cloudy. I went to June [Jantze]'s at 9:30. Helped quilt on MCC quilt. Mary along. Came home at 3:00. Stopped at bank for auxiliary. Glenn Maxwells here in p.m.

Wednesday, January 20, 1982. Cloudy, started to rain at 1:15 p.m. Froze, everything icy in evening. Roads & walks very slick. I went to town in morning. Volunteered at hospital awhile. Went to Corn Belt Bank for Pete. Got checks for auxiliary. I baked 2 batches cookies for Trainee Conference. Pete counted auxiliary money.

Thursday, January 21, 1982. Cloudy, 20s, misted little in morning. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I went to bank, deposited auxiliary money. Went to Health Center to meeting about annual hospital meeting. Got groceries. Ron home from Georgia before noon. Glad he's back.

Friday, January 22, 1982. Cloudy, raining, freezing. Warmer in p.m. Ice falling off trees, etc. I did cleaning. Baked coffeecake braid. Worked on marking Jon's quilt. Pete worked on auxiliary books. Marty here for lunch. Jon at Mohrs. No school. Temp, 41° at midnight, then dropped sharply.

Saturday, January 23, 1982. Mostly cloudy, 10° above, very windy all day. Some snow flurries. I finished cleaning. We sorted papers, etc. in books case. Rons took we & Mary to Bob Johnson's for supper & got groceries. They drove the car up to backdoor for Pete. He didn't get cold & enjoy getting out. Paul called in evening. They are okay. Paul got promotion [to] associate professor.

Sunday, January 24, 1982. Clear, 5° below, not quite as windy. I went to church with Rons. Had carry in dinner & annual meeting. I helped with dinner during Sunday school. Jo brought John & me home at noon. Ron to hospital [to] make rounds. They went to meeting. Jon here for dinner. Congregation asked Jim Waltner to stay another 4 years. Pete rather uncomfortable. Called Dr. Shonat. Said okay to give him enema. Had results. Had over 1 inch snow.

Monday, January 25, 1982. Fair, cold, near zero, 7° above during day. Windy, some flurries in morning, drifted some in drive. I did laundry & ironed. Made coffee cake & rhubarb crisp. Worked on Amy's quilt in p.m.

Tuesday, January 26, 1982. Fair, 8° below, up to 15° above. We worked on scrapbook for our trip to New England states. We went to Heritage meeting at Galloways. Steve Estes gave paper on Christian Ropp Jr. Very interesting.

Wednesday, January 27, 1982. Fair, 17° in morning, up to 30s, very windy. Snow blowing, drive drifted again. I didn't go to hospital [to] volunteer. Finished scrapbook. Worked on Amy's quilt. Jo here for lunch. She was home as [she] has to work Saturday.

Thursday, January 28, 1982. Fair, near 30° during day, not so windy. Worked on Amy's quilt. Pete feeling pretty good. I went to town in p.m. Stopped at hospital. Got auxiliary money & bills. Went to Eastland. Got billfold & keyholder for Mary's birthday (Rons helped too).

Friday, January 29, 1982. Cloudy, rained, sleeted & snowed in p.m. Kinda bad driving. Did cleaning, baked coffeecake braid, butterscotch pie & angel food cake. Pete worked on family tree. Rons & Connie Schrag here for supper. Connie did some printing on family tree that Rons gave us. Boys to town.

Saturday, January 30, 1982. Cloudy, gloomy, misted some. 31°. Colder in p.m. We went to bank at 11:00. Stopped at church. Ate lunch at Country Kitchens. Nice to have Pete able to get out. Got groceries.

Sunday, January 31, 1982. Had a blizzard again. Snowing & blowing. Visibility very poor. Church was called off. Many others closed. Everything drifted. Had invited Rons, Mary & Marie for dinner. So Jo and Marty here. Ron still has cold & cough so sent him his dinner. Jon & Brian Mohr went to Reesers on snowmobile & couldn't get it started. Didn't get home until late p.m. Had 4 ½ inches snow.

Monday, February 1, 1982. Clear, near zero, 20° during day. Nice day. I washed & ironed. Did some things outside. Pete worked on auxiliary books. We went to town in p.m. to post office. I sent our pictures back to Olan Mills. Went to Merle's awhile & to Dr. McGinnis. He says Pete is doing well. We took Mary & Marie to Grand Café for Mary's birthday. Rons & we gave her billfold & keychain.

Tuesday, February 2, 1982. Foggy most of morning, fair in p.m., 21°. I baked cookies & pudding. Worked on quilt block auxiliary is making for Rachel Mitchell. June [Jantze] came at 4:30. Helped me put Jon's quilt in frame. MCC trainees came to church for their conference. We were to have 4 [stay here] but weather forecast is for snow & drifting so all trainees are staying in town. Jo helped with their supper.

Wednesday, February 3, 1982. Near zero, cloudy, snowed some. Windy & drifting. I went to town with Jo. Went to Mary's until Jo took Mary & I to church. We made chili for trainees' supper. Had relishes & pie. Ann Miller, Ina Sutter helped. Jo came after work. Helped serve & clean up. 80 trainees. Our drive drifted. Ron & boys opened up on south of drive. Pete home all day. Viola Hensley died.

Thursday, February 4, 1982. 5° above, fair, no wind for a change. I washed 2 loads. Quilting rest of time. Jo helping at church after work.

Friday, February 5, 1982. Cloudy in morning, snowed. Had over 3 inches. We went to auxiliary board meeting at 9:00. Took Mary to volunteer. We came home at noon. I cleaned off walks. Had little trouble getting car in garage. Everything full of snow. I quilted awhile. Jo's last day at Provident [Book Store].

Saturday, February 6, 1982. 20° below, clear, no wind. 7° – 8° above during day. We went to Viola Hensley's funeral at 11:00. Met Edgar & Art [Sieg]s at Bob Johnson's for lunch. Home in PM. I baked cake, made Jell-O salad & potato salad. Quilted awhile in evening. Jo at church all day helping with MCC trainees.

Sunday, February 7, 1982. Clear, zero, nice day, 20°. We went to church. Pete's first Sunday since his surgery. We had dinner at church for congregation & trainees. Had some over 200. June [Jantze] & I co-chairmen for kitchen committee. Had plenty of help. Jo helped too. We came home awhile. We went to church in evening. Trainees gave program. Very interesting. Glenda [Scholz] Middleton called from California. She heard Pete had been in hospital.

Monday, February 8, 1982. Cloudy. Started to snow late evening. I washed. Jo & I to church at 9:00. Got lunch for trainees. I came home at 2:30. Brought Mary out. She quilted. I finished laundry. Trainees all left during day & last ones in evening. Jo & Evelyn [Bertsche] got supper for some. Wen-lang Lin called. They moved to Urbana a week ago. Had over 4 ½ inches snow.

Tuesday, February 9, 1982. Clear, cold, not much above zero all day. Mary & I quilted. Jo here awhile in p.m. Did some chores for us. No school again. Some drifting. Our drive closed. Jon cleared out more snow. Rons came after supper. We had Mary's birthday cake that we didn't get to have [on] the 31st. Marty made FFA State Farmer.

Wednesday, February 10, 1982. 20° below again. Clear, 6° – 8° above during day. We took Mary home & volunteered at hospital. Nice to get back again. We went to Eastland. Got shirt for Ed. I took my new pants suit back to Pines. Not wearing well.

Thursday, February 11, 1982. Clear, 3° below, near 20°, nice day. I went to HEA. Mabel along. I quilted in p.m. & evening. Pete sorted through some of my pictures from [nurses] training.

Friday, February 12, 1982. Cloudy, some light snow in forenoon, near 30°. We went to town at 10:30 to bank & ate at Brown's Chicken Place. Edgar there. Pete got haircut. I went to hospital beauty shop, had permanent. Quilted. Jo left at 10:00 for Bluffton. Has some workshops.

Saturday, February 13, 1982. Foggy in very frosty in morning. 8° above, in 30s during day. Mostly cloudy. I baked sugar cookies. Gave Rons most of them. Gave Marie some. I quilted some. We went to church at 4:00 to Chet Roths 50th anniversary. Had buffet [supper] at 6:00. I had charge of it. Mary, Zehr girls & Ramona helped. Called Pauls. We plan to go there last week of February.

Sunday, February 14, 1982. Fair, in 30s, windy in p.m. We went to church & to Marie's for dinner. CRs there too. Ron & boys to Jim Waltner's for dinner.

Monday, February 15, 1982. 31° in morning, in 40s, fair in morning, cloudy PM. Snow melting. Glad of it. I washed & ironed. I went to meeting at School of Nursing. Pete to Dr. Seehofer about his skin on his nose. We went to Bob Johnson's. Met Merle & Dudleys. Had lunch with them. Mary & we to see Ed in p.m. Hadn't been there since before Christmas. June [Jantze] came at 6:00, helped quilt. Mary home with her.

Tuesday, February 16, 1982. Foggy all day, 30s, rained in p.m. I went to prayer group at Eddy [Stalter]'s. Melted in p.m. Got supper for Ron & boys. Pete looking through some files & looks after a sow that farrowed. Allens called. He wants his birth certificate.

Wednesday, February 17, 1982. Cloudy, 30s. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Mary home with us. She, Mabel & I to Garfield club meeting at Sandy Schwoerer. Mary stayed all night. We quilted in evening.

Thursday, February 18, 1982. Cloudy, rained in morning, turned to snow before noon. We took Mary home at 10:00 & went to Service Company meeting. Got home at 2:00. I quilted.

Friday, February 19, 1982. Cloudy, very foggy all day. We went to hospital at 9:00. Pete had committee meeting. Went to courthouse. Got Allen's birth certificate. Met Edgar at Bob Evans. I quilted in p.m. & evening. Jo home from Indiana at 4:15. She went to workshop at Carlock at 5:00.

Saturday, February 20, 1982. Clear, good to see the sun, 40°. I baked a lemon bundt cake. We went to annual hospital meeting. I helped with Health Fair. Pete was delegate. I quilted in evening.

Sunday, February 21, 1982. Clear, nice day, 40s. We went to church. Mary & we ate at Corner Café. Mary home with us. We quilted some. Ron gave us tickets to Bloomington-Normal Symphony. They went to church with boys. MYF had auction & play. Mary with them. I sent a cake for the auction. Called Pauls. We plan to go to Memphis Thursday.

Monday, February 22, 1982. Clear, 40°. We went to town at 8:30. I went to Dr. Bertsche. Had proctoscope. Everything okay [for] which I'm grateful. Went to Dr. Seehofer. Have dark spot on my scalp. Dr. took top of it off. I did laundry & quilted. Pete worked on auxiliary books. We got bus tickets to go to Memphis Thursday.

Tuesday, February 23, 1982. Fair in morning, cloudy, windy & colder in p.m. We went to town at 8:30. Took Merle to dentist. Had lunch at Central Station. Mary home with us in p.m. We quilted. Took Marie & Mary to Grand Café at 5:00. We went to Heritage group at Tom Yoder's. Marty to Oklahoma with Gail Bressner.

Wednesday, February 24, 1982. Cloudy, windy, colder, 20s. Pete to hospital, volunteered in morning. I quilted all day. Mary came in p.m. Jo helped awhile & came back after supper & finished Jon's quilt. I packed suitcases.

Thursday, February 25, 1982. Pete and I left at 6:45 by bus for Memphis. Got to St. Louis at 10:50. Left there at 1:00. Got to Pauls at 8:30. We had snow flurries from home to Springfield. Cloudy in p.m., 30s. Raining when we got to Memphis. Paul & Amy met us. Marj at meeting. We had a good trip, tired. Had many stops in evening. Good to see Pauls.

Friday, February 26, 1982. Cloudy, chilly, rainy. Pauls & children to school. I baked cookies & made salad for supper. Worked on Amy's quilt. Marjorie to convention. Her friend Evelyn [Suib] came home with her. Stayed all night. Jo to Wayland Iowa for workshop.

Saturday, February 27, 1982. Cloudy. Paul on radio talk show, 9:20 to 11:00. Talked about China. Marjorie & friend to meeting in morning. Mr. & Mrs. [JC] Williams took Benjy, Pete & I to basketball game. Benjy's team lost but played good game. Marjorie, children & we went shopping. Picked out material for boys' quilts. Andy to gym practice. Had steak dinner. Very good.

Sunday, February 28, 1982. Mostly cloudy, 40s. We all went to Sunday School. Went to Germantown to Seafields for brunch. Very nice place. Loads of food. Marjorie to meeting in evening. Andy to birthday party. Marty home from Oklahoma. He got 2nd in judging & 2nd in showmanship.

Monday, March 1, 1982. Clear, warmer, nice day. Pauls and children to school. I baked coffeecake braid. Worked some on quilt. Helped Paul get supper. Pete & I with Paul to take Andy & Amy to gymnastic practice. Enjoyed watching Andy.

Tuesday, March 2, 1982. Fair, nice day, 60s. I baked cookies & washed 2 loads. Pete & I walked to the University. Had lunch with Paul. Nice to be out. We went to see Fromans. They are in very poor health (pitiful). I worked some on Amy's quilt. Paul & Pete took Andy to gym practice. Call Rons. Having snow again, roads not good, blowing.

Wednesday, March 3, 1982. Mostly cloudy, 60°. Pauls & children to school. I washed a load. Worked on quilt. Read some. We went for walk. We took Paul's to Formosa (Chinese food) in evening. Very good. Having sleet & ice at home.

Thursday, March 4, 1982. Cloudy, 60s, cooler in evening. Rained early a.m. I baked rolls. Benjy & Amy home at noon – teachers meeting. We went with Paul, Benjy & Amy to athletic banquet at church. Benjy got some honors. Marjorie taught school at University. Andy to gym practice.

Friday, March 5, 1982. Cloudy. We left Pauls at 7:00. Marjorie took us to bus station. Left there about 8:00. Got to St. Louis at 2:05. We left there at 2:45. Got to Bloomington at 6:25. Ron met

us. We went to Rons for supper, boys to ball game. Thankful for good trip. Came home to more ice & snow.

Saturday, March 6, 1982. Clear, 12°, in 20s. Still ice on trees. I did cleaning. Shampooed my hair. We met Edgar & Art [Sieg]s at Bob Johnson's at noon. Went to Eastland. Stopped at Mary's. Got groceries. Got Eddy Stalter's hoop to finished Jon's quilt. Quilted awhile.

Sunday, March 7, 1982. Clear, cold, 10°. We went to church. Mary & we & Homer Parks had dinner with Merle at Westminster. We went to Mary's at 4:00. We went to church in evening. Bob Stutzmans showed pictures of their trip to India. Mary along.

Monday, March 8, 1982. Cloudy. Started to snow at noon. Kept it up until evening. Windy. Pete worked on auxiliary books. Took check to hospital in morning. I washed & ironed. Baked pecan rolls. Finished quilting Jon's quilt with the hoop.

Tuesday, March 9, 1982. Fair, near zero in morning, 30s. Got ready for prayer group. Alta [Litwiller], Shirley [Krahn], Alma [Galloway] & Wendy [Jones] here. Eddy [Stalter] couldn't come. I sewed binding on Jon's quilt. Worked on it in evening. Wen-lang Lin called in evening. Had some rain in evening.

Wednesday, March 10, 1982. Fair, 40s, nice day. Snow melting. Kinda slick early a.m. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Edgar, Art [Sieg]s & we had lunch at Barney's. We went to bank. I worked little on Jon's quilt. Got supper for Rons. Had pizza. Marty not here, to ballgame. Marie home from California.

Thursday, March 11, 1982. Fair in morning, cloudy, 40s. I made 4 pie crusts for MCC [Relief Sale]. Went to HEA with Mabel. Mary, Jo & we to Eureka in p.m. to see Ed. He's about same.

Friday, March 12, 1982. Cloudy, showered some in p.m., windy. Had tornado watch out in evening. We went to church at 8:30. Helped make shoofly pies (80) for MCC sale. Jo helped Pete deliver Mobile Meals. We went to June [Jantze]'s few minutes & to Marie's. She had fruit, etc. from California. Got groceries. Were home in evening. Had .35 [inches] rain in evening.

Saturday, March 13, 1982. Clear, fine day, 50s. Rons left at 6:00 a.m. for Louisville Kentucky to [Protestant] Hospital & Homes meeting. We left with Larry Jantze's at 6:45 for MCC sale at Peoria. Jon with us. Large crowd again. Our quilt only brought \$250. Sold early in day. I made potato salad & cottage cheese salad & shampooed my hair.

Sunday, March 14, 1982. Mostly cloudy, 40s. We went to church. Had our small group meeting at Phoenix Towers. Potluck. 17 there. Went to Merle's awhile. Took her sausage from MCC sale. I wrote Allens & Lucy C[atherine]. Marty & Jon here for supper.

Monday, March 15, 1982. Cloudy, rather foggy. I did laundry. Wrote to Steve. We went to town at 10:45. Did some shopping. I cleaned some cupboards in p.m. Baked shoofly pie. Pete helped me cut patterns for Andy & Benjy's quilts. Marty & Jon here for supper. Had steak.

Tuesday, March 16, 1982. Cloudy in morning, fair. Irene Dunn, Pete & I left at 4:30 for Louisville Kentucky to Protestant Hospital Convention where Ron was inducted Pres. of the American College of Chaplains. We surprised Ron & Jo. He was so pleased. We enjoyed it all very much. Was kind of Bills to do it for us. We got there at 10:40. Left at 4:50. Had supper on way home. Got here at 10:15. Bill home with us. We had wonderful day. George Blakeman passed away.

Wednesday, March 17, 1982. Cloudy. We went to hospital at 7:45. Pete volunteered. I went with Garnet Frank & others to 3B auxiliary meeting at Jumers Castle at Urbana. Had good meeting. Rachel [Zehr] had morning program. Pete to Seth Swift. Had income tax done.

Thursday, March 18, 1982. Cloudy, rather chilly. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I finished cleaning cupboards in kitchen & cleaned broom closet. Made chili & tapioca pudding. Jo & we to visitation for George Blakeman. Went to Eastland. Pines gave me a new pants suit. Marie, Mary & Irene Lowery here for supper. Had chili. Irene still doesn't have her teeth.

Friday, March 19, 1982. Cloudy, windy. Rained most of day, chilly. We went to Oakland School at 8:30 for Grandparents Day. Mrs. Parkhurst's 6th grade. Had lunch with them. Room mothers brought food. Very nice. We took Mary to Phoenix Towers, looked at apartment. Guess she'll take it. Went to June [Jantze]'s. Got material for quilts. I cut some quilt blocks & made a block for Andy's quilt.

Saturday, March 20, 1982. Mostly cloudy, 30s. Pete to men's breakfast. We went to church at 9:00. I helped make lasagna for Bluffton choir. We had lunch with Edgar, Art [Sieg]s & Ella at Denny's. We did some shopping. Volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. We went to Rons when we got home. They had some of Ron's staff.

Sunday, March 21, 1982. Mostly cloudy, windy, cold, 30s. We went to church & to Mary's for dinner. We went to church at 3:30 to get supper for Bluffton choir. Rons there too. Marie there for [the] program. We had one boy, Blaine Stiles, all night. Talked to Allens. They're busy. Jeff is on break for week.

Monday, March 22, 1982. Fair, nice day, 40s. Ron to choir boys to church at 8:00. I washed, had more, load of tea towels from church. I washed woodwork in kitchen & washed curtains. We got Marie at 4:30. Went to see "[On] Golden Pond," show at 5:00. Was good play. Henry Fonda & Katherine Hepburn. We ate at Bob Evans after show.

Tuesday, March 23, 1982. Fair, nice day, 50s. I cleaned closet in West room. Jo & I to town at 9:00. I went to prayer group at Wendy [Jones]'s. Jo shopped some. We looked for bathroom

paper. Had lunch in town. Pete worked on books. I washed bedding & curtains in west bedroom & cleaned room. Had some rain in night.

Wednesday, March 24, 1982. Clear, nice day, 50s. We volunteered at hospital. I took high school students on tour of hospital. We took Mary to Pennys to get her car but [it] wasn't done until late. She looks for suit but found nothing. I cleaned the upstairs when got home. Paul called. They decided not to go to Chicago next weekend. They're okay.

Thursday, March 25, 1982. Cloudy in morning, few snow flurries, fair in p.m. Chilly wind. Jo & we took Mary to Phoenix Towers with more of her financial papers. We did some measuring. Had lunch at Perkins. Got Mary's car at Pennys. I cleaned closet in our bedroom. Cut quilt blocks.

Friday, March 26, 1982. Fair, 25° in morning, chilly wind. Did cleaning. Waxed kitchen floor. We went to town at 10:00 to bank. Delivered Mobile Meals. Pete to dentist at 12:30. Had lunch at hospital. Got boxes at Provident [Book Store] for Mary. Stopped at June [Jantze]'s. Worked on quilt in evening.

Saturday, March 27, 1982. Fair, near 40°. I cleaned our bedroom. Washed curtains & bedding. We went to Paul Millers in evening. Had fondue, very good. Anton [Romyn]s there too. Jo to Kalona Iowa for workshop.

Sunday, March 28, 1982. Clear, little warmer, nice day. We went to church. Mary & we ate at Denny's. Then to Eureka to [see] Ed. He hasn't felt so well, dizzy, has to use wheelchair.

Monday, March 29, 1982. Fair, near 50°, nice day. We went to Mary's. Jo & we helped her pack. Earl & Ann Kaufman came at 1:00, helped. Ron came at 1:30. Boys helped after school. Moved Mary to Phoenix Towers apartment 400. Ron & boys home to chore. Jo & we stayed. Ate supper at Grand Café. Then back to apartment. Unpacked more things. Got home at 9:15.

Tuesday, March 30, 1981. Cloudy, very windy. Did some damage in places. Rained hard at 1:00 p.m. I went to prayer group at Eddy [Stalter]'s. Pete & Jo to Mary's. I went after the meeting. We unpacked dishes & washed them. Got about everything done. I did the laundry.

Wednesday, March 31, 1982. Clear, fine day, 60°, rather windy. We volunteered at hospital. Stopped to see Mary on way. She has things all in place. Pete & Ron looked at mowers after lunch. I baked brownies and apple nut bread. Made muffins for supper. Ron & Marty to Joliet at 2:30 to FFA evaluation. Marty won.

Thursday, April 1, 1982. Clear, fine day, 70°. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I baked coffeecake braid & sugar cookies & iced them. We worked outside, rate flowerbeds and yard. Sowed lettuce, radishes & spinach. Ron brought Mary's refrigerator home. Had it painted avocado. Ron & boys moved our old one in basement. A big day. I cleaned silver service.

Friday, April 2, 1982. Mostly cloudy, windy, rained in p.m. We went to hospital at 8:00. I helped at bake sale. I took coffeecake, apple bread & brownies. Pete to auxiliary board meeting. We made \$247. Did cleaning in p.m. I polished silverware. Jo & Marty with youth group to Washington DC. Left at 7:00 p.m. We were under tornado watch most of night. Very high winds. Some damage done in area.

Saturday, April 3, 1982. Cloudy, high winds all day, cold. Pete to men's breakfast. We went to town at 11:00 to bank. Met Edgar, Art [Sieg]s & Marguerite [Burwitz] at Bob Johnson's. We went to College Hills [Mall] & to Zayres. Got curtain for upstairs. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, April 4, 1982. Clear, 30s, not so windy which we appreciate. We went to church. Ron sang "The Holy City." Was beautiful. We ate at Perkins. Went to Larry J[antze]'s. Helped June quilt awhile. Got supper for Ron & Jon. Had waffles & sausage. Pete with Ron to get hogs at [Gail] Bressners.

Monday, April 5, 1982. Snowing and blowing all day. Visibility poor, windy, cold. I did laundry. Cleaned bathroom closet & cleaned all bookshelves & flower stand. I washed quilts & rugs that we used when Mary moved. Had over 5 inches snow. A miserable day.

Tuesday, April 6, 1982. Clear, 15° in morning. Broke records. Roads slick, but snow melted. Jon cleared driveway. Had drifts in yard again. We went to town at 10:00. Got [wall] paper. Mary came home with us. We papered bathroom - a full afternoon. Pete took Mary home. I went to Women's Fellowship with Jeanette.

Wednesday, April 7, 1982. Cloudy, started to snow in early evening. 15° in morning, broke record again. In low 30s. We volunteered at hospital. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I washed tile and bathroom & washed curtains. Got supper for Ron & Jon.

Thursday, April 8, 1982. Snowed most of day and evening. Have had nearly 13 inches snow since last Monday. A record. Pete painted woodwork in bathroom. I finished piecing Andy's quilt blocks. We went to church with Rons. Had communion. We all & Dean Reeser's to Denny's afterwards. Jo & Marty & rest of group got home about 5:00 from their Washington DC trip. Had a good time.

Friday, April 9, 1982. Partly cloudy in morning, cloudy in evening, 20° in morning, some snow melted. Roads better. Everything hanging full of snow in morning. Did cleaning. Went to town at 9:00 I had hair done. Pete to bank. Got to see Carolyn Brown. She is here from Canada. I colored eggs & made part of dessert.

Saturday, April 10, 1982. Cloudy in morning. Had snow shower. Fair in p.m., 40° in PM. We & Rons to Paul Millers for 8:00 a.m. breakfast. Bill [Dunn]s, Earl and Ann [Kaufman] there too. Rich & Jan [Miller] & boys are here. Had good time. We went to grocery store. Rons gave me an

Easter Lily. Very pretty. I baked hams & finished lemon lush desert. Fixed [Easter] baskets for boys.

Sunday, April 11, 1982. Easter. Clear, fine day, 50s. We went to church. Rons, CRs, Mary, Marie, Gordons, Rays & May Mohr here for dinner & supper. Diana & children here for supper. Mabel brought salad also Carol [brought salad], Mary rolls, Jo scalloped potatoes & vegetables, Roberta vegetables & salad for supper. Mary chips & cheese. Allens called in evening. They're fine.

Monday, April 12, 1982. Partly cloudy, warmer, 70°. Most of snow melted. Did laundry. Cleaned up house. I went to church in p.m. Quilted on Lenore Waltner's quilt. Wrote letters in evening for Alumni Scholarship Fund. Pete worked some in garage.

Tuesday, April 13, 1982. Cloudy, clear in evening. We went to June [Jantze]'s at 10:00. We set Andy's quilt together. Had lunch with June. We took Mary & Merle to Morton at 2:30. Mary looked for dress. We shopped at Roches for Merle. Ate at Red Bud at 5:00.

Wednesday, April 14, 1982. Clear, fine day, 60°. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Took Mary to College Hills Mall. Looked for dress but no luck. I worked on Benjy's quilt in evening.

Thursday, April 15, 1982. Fair, warmer, near 80°. Rained in evening. I cleaned living & dining rooms and cleaned rug. We planted potatoes & peas & onions, lettuce & radishes. Paul [Miller]s and Jim [Waltner]s planted some garden too. Jon helped us after school. Ron to Bluffton College board meeting. Jo not feeling good. Jon ate supper here. Marty had choir practice.

Friday, April 16, 1982. Cloudy, rainy day and evening. Mabel and I left at 7:40. Went with County HEA to Peoria radio station, then to Northwoods. Mabel got dress. Had lunch at Carsons. Went to Illinois Agricultural Research Center for tour. Got to Farm Bureau at 4:00. We had hard rain on way home. Didn't have quite as much here as in Peoria. Jo to Camp Menno Haven for workshop. [She] went with Rachel Zehr. Gerald Galloway passed away. A shock to everyone.

Saturday, April 17, 1982. Cleared off in morning. Windy, chilly. Pete to men's breakfast. We went to Galloways until noon. Feel so sorry for Alma. Lucy C[atherine] with her when we left. We went to Heritage meeting at Morton. Volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Then to Rays for his 40th birthday surprise party. Ron home from Bluffton. Stopped at Melvyn at hog sale. Marty sold 9 pigs. Did well. He was in music contest in morning. NCHS got first.

Sunday, April 18, 1982. Clear, fine day, cool. We went to church. Wilbur Albrechts there. We all & Lucy C[atherine] to Mary's apartment. Lucy C[atherine] went home & we & Mary with Wilburs to Denny's & on to Eureka. They visited *Rollas* (sp?). We visited with Ed. He's about same. We stopped to see Glens. Pete & I to Galloways awhile before coming home. Jo home from Menno Haven at 3:00 PM.

Monday, April 19, 1982. Mostly cloudy, rained in evening. I did laundry. Pete worked in yard & cut shrubbery by kitchen. I worked on Benjy's quilt. We went to church at 6:00 for visitation for Gerald Galloway. Large attendance. Jeff called. He's coming with Judy S. Friday evening.

Tuesday, April 20, 1982. Fair, windy, chilly. We went to church at 8:30 [to] help get lunch for Galloway family. Gerald's funeral at 10:30. Had 35 for dinner. I quilted awhile at church. Got home at 4:00. Baked coffeecake braid. Jo had D&C at 7:30. She came home in evening. I went to Rons awhile. Ron [was] called to hospital. Mrs. RL Hartzler not good.

Wednesday, April 21, 1982. Clear, 28° in morning, 50s. We went to hospital at 8:00. I saw Mrs. Young from Atlanta, Reach to Recovery. Pete volunteered. I took Mary to Garfield tour of ISU Planetarium, Greenhouse, Ewing Castle. Ate lunch at Bonanzas. We got Pete. Went to LeRoy to Mrs. Zehr's store but found nothing. Jo here awhile.

Thursday, April 22, 1982. Clear, fine day, 60°. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I cleaned hallway, Cedar closet, aired some of bedding. Jo & we to town at 10:30. Got fabric for Pete's chair & dining [room] chairs. Ate lunch at Bob Evans. We put out dozen cabbage plants, ½ dozen cauliflower & onion plants, beets & carrots. I baked cookies.

Friday, April 23, 1982. Nice day, 60s. I went to hospital at 8:00. Had hair done. Then [I was] tour guide for Morten 6th graders. [Had] group at 9:30, 11:00 & 1:00. Got home at 2:30. Finished cleaning. Made dessert. Pete worked outside awhile & on auxiliary books. Jeff got here at 8:00 p.m. Came with Judy S. Had chili for him. Good to see him. Ron & Jo here awhile. Talked to Allens.

Saturday, April 24, 1982. Clear, fine day, 70°. Jeff to hospital with Ron at 8:00. We went to town at 10:30. Took Pete to Marie's. She took Jeff and Pete to lunch. I went to alumni homecoming luncheon at our church. We and Jeff went shopping. Got luggage for Pam's graduation. Ron broke his hand in morning. Just back of forefinger. Jeff helped him with cleaning out hog shed. Marty to Champaign. Got 1st in state in swine project for FFA. Pete & Jeff ate supper at Rons. Jeff had date with Lynne J. I went to homecoming banquet at Morys. Took Marie Hastings & Elaine.

Sunday, April 25, 1982. Mostly cloudy, warmer. We went to church & to Mary's for dinner. Marie there too. We went to Congregational meeting at 4:00. Jeff, Marty & Jon here for supper. Made pizza. Rons to Symphony. I washed some for Jeff.

Monday, April 26, 1982. Mostly cloudy, had shower in p.m., 60s. Turned much colder after shower. I did laundry & we cleaned fruit room. Jeff left for Iowa City with Judy at 7:30. CRs & Marie to Harold Hickson's funeral at Sheldon. Ron got cast on his hand.

Tuesday, April 27, 1982. Fair, 36° in morning, chilly all day. I went to prayer group at Lucy C[atherine's]. We cleaned the recreation room. Got ready for Heritage group. Made peach crisp. 13 here. Pete talked about his dad. Ron & Jo here awhile.

Wednesday, April 28, 1982. Mostly fair, cool. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Took some things to Thrift Shop. Took Mary to Eastland. I worked on Benjy's quilt in morning. Ron flew to San Antonio [Texas]. Left at 11:30.

Thursday, April 29, 1982. Partly cloudy, 60s. Cleaned furnace & laundry room. Jo here for dinner. I went to church in p.m. Quilted on Lenore's quilt. I went to Flea Market Committee meeting at 7:00. We went to pastoral care meeting at 8:00 at church. We ladies quilted. Jo, Marty, Kay Reimer, Mark Yoder & friend of Marty's left at 6:30 p.m. for Newton Kansas. Jon here all night.

Friday, April 30, 1982. Mostly cloudy, near 70°. Pete helped to Jon chore & took him to school. I went to town at 9:00. Quilted on auxiliary quilt. Got groceries for Merle & took them to her. She is ill with cold. Pete mowed lawn & plowed truck patch & garden. I spaded flower beds. I finished piecing Benjy's quilt.

Saturday, May 1, 1982. Fair, nice day, 70s. Pete to men's breakfast. He worked up ground in truck patch. I set out Lily & Narcissus bulbs. We went to town at 11:00. Met Edgar, Thietje girls & Marguerite [Burwitz] at Denny's. We shopped some. Worked at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, May 2, 1982. Fair, in 70s, nice day. We went to church. Mary and we to Eureka. Ate at restaurant north of town. Ed about same. Ron got to town at 9:30. We met him there. Jo & Marty got home at 4:30 AM Monday morning.

Monday, May 3, 1982. Fair, near 80°, nice day. Did laundry. Pete spaded some around perennials. Worked on auxiliary books. Jo & I took the recliner chair to Mr. White to have it upholstered. Got Marty at school. They took some pigs to Chenoa. We planted another row of potatoes, row of beans & some sweet corn. Set rose bush out that Mary gave me. Finished marking Andy's quilt.

Tuesday, May 4, 1982. Mostly fair, 80°, windy. I went to prayer group at Alma [Galloway]'s. We trimmed raspberries & worked in garden. Cleaned out paths. Jo & I to mother-daughter salad luncheon. I took layered lettuce salad. Mary to [Camp] Menno Haven with Ruth Zehr. Sr. citizen retreat.

Wednesday, May 5, 1982. Mostly fair, 86°, very windy. We volunteered at hospital in morning. June [Jantze] here awhile in p.m. Helped put Andy's quilt in frame. I quilted some. Pete set out 10 tomato plants.

Thursday, May 6, 1982. Partly cloudy, very windy, 80°. Had several showers in evening, cooler. I quilted in morning. Went to town in p.m. Pete to finance meeting at hospital. I got groceries for

Merle & took them to her. She is some better. Took her some rhubarb, also took Marie some. I quilted in evening. Had $\frac{1}{4}$ inch rain. We got plants at Niepagens.

Friday, May 7, 1982. Fair, nice day, 70°. We went to hospital at 8:00. Auxiliary had tour of new construction. Had auxiliary meeting after tour. I quilted some. Harold Hoovers & we to Grand Café for lunch. We set out Petunia & pansy plants. Cleaned up some in yard after the wind yesterday. Had letter from Marj. Andy winning in gymnastic meeting, qualifies to go to regional in Orlando, Florida in June.

Saturday, May 8, 1982. Fair, 70s. We went to church at 8:00. Had cleanup day. We worked in kitchen all morning. Had lunch with Edgar and Thietje girls. Pete mowed lawn in p.m. I finished cleaning. Washed car. Marty helped me awhile. Rons & Jon to Danville. Bought 2 Ayrshire calves.

Sunday, May 9, 1982. Fair, near 84°, rather windy. We went to church. Had dinner at Rons. He made most of it. Mary there too. She bought pies. Got begonias from Rons. Ron & Jon Ferrell to Milwaukee at 3:00 PM. Allen called from Wisconsin. He & Shirley had vacation on Insurance Co.

Monday, May 10, 1982. Fair, windy, 80°. I did laundry. Pete worked in truck patch. He & Jo planted beans. Jo here for lunch. We planted more corn. Put Dalia & Gladiolus bulbs out. Planted cucumbers. Set out begonias & tomato plants & peppers. I shortened my wine colored slacks. Quilted in evening.

Tuesday, May 11, 1982. Windy, 87°. We went to town at 8:30. I went to prayer group at Alta [Litwiller]s. Pete did some errands. I baked pecan rolls & cookies. We planted lima beans & 2 rows of corn. I quilted in evening.

Wednesday, May 12, 1982. Partly cloudy, 80s, breezy. We went to town at 8:00. I volunteered. Pete had air conditioner in car fixed. \$550. He volunteered awhile in p.m. Got some groceries for Merle. I baked bars in evening. Quilted awhile.

Thursday, May 13, 1982. Fair, 80s, windy. We went to town at 10:00. I quilted at church awhile. Pete to bank. Went to hospital beauty shop at 1:00. Had permanent. Did some cleaning. Packed suitcases in evening.

Friday, May 14, 1982. Pete and I left at 8:30 for Allens. We drove to the Amana. Had lunch and toured furniture displays & gift shops. Drove back to Iowa City. Got Jeff at 4:30. We got to Allens at 6:50. Good to see them. Deb & Randy came for supper. Randy just got back from Pennsylvania. We drove in rain awhile after we left Iowa City. They are having lots of rain.

Saturday, May 15, 1982. Partly cloudy, showered again in p.m. Shirley to work awhile, also Pam. Allens, Jeff & we to town a while in morning. Helped Shirley with cleaning in p.m. Allen mowed lawn. We all went to Hickory Park for supper.

Sunday, May 16, 1982. Mostly fair, nice day. We all went to church. Home for lunch. We all went to Pam's graduation at 2:00. Nice program. We got things ready for Pam's reception. Allens to several open houses. Had open house here, 7 – 9. Lot of people. Had cake, punch, coffee, fruit cup, cheese balls & crackers. Joe and Phyllis Sponsler here. She & Shirley P[ilgrim] helped awhile in kitchen. Deb & Randy here. Jeff back to Iowa city. Friend with him.

Monday, May 17, 1982. Cloudy, had more showers. Everyone to work. Deb & we to nursery awhile. We took Shirley P[ilgrim]'s things home. Allen took Dick's truck home that Jeff took to Iowa City (had to take mattress, etc. back with him). Friend brought truck back. Shirley, Deb & we met Allen at Ames. Ate at Perkins. Allen to meeting. We shopped awhile. Pam to Neil Diamond concert.

Tuesday, May 18, 1982. Partly cloudy, 70s. Had thunder shower at 8:00 PM. We left Allens at 8:50. Got home at 3:30. Had a good trip. Pete mowed lawn. I did laundry, unpacked. We went to Rons for supper. We had over 1 ¼ inches rain last several days.

Wednesday, May 19, 1982. Partly cloudy. Had shower in evening. We volunteered at hospital. I went to Garfield club at Dorothy Singley's. Mary & Mabel along. Marie had back trouble. We went to dedication of Clarence Ropp Agriculture Building. Went to [ISU] President Walker's home at 5:30 for social hour, then to Agriculture Building for dinner & program & unveiling of plaque. Marie & May Mohr there.

Thursday, May 20, 1982. Fair, 80s, humid. Rained in evening. Pete worked on auxiliary books. We cleaned windows & put screens in. Mary came at 11:30. We quilted. Rons & we to Homer Whites. Got our recliner which he reupholstered. Did a nice job.

Friday, May 21, 1982. Posted cloudy, cooler. Did cleaning. I went to Ann Miller's luncheon for Mrs. Harm. Dorothy Loepp, Alma G[alloway] & Dorothea Fransen there. Pete did some shopping. Jo to Bluffton with Harvella [Stutzman] at 7:30. Ron went in p.m. Took some of Stutzmans. I went to Margaret Rader's in evening. Her father not good. Wanted me to take his Paul's and temp.

Saturday, May 22, 1982. Mostly cloudy, cool, 60s. I quilted some. Went to Denny's at noon. Met EA [Gurtner] & Art [Sieg]s & others. Stopped at Eastland & grocery store. Rons at B[luffton] C[ollege] alumni dinner. He presented alumni award to Carol Hilty. Paul called in evening. Good to talk to them.

Sunday, May 23, 1982. Mostly cloudy, cool, 60s, light drizzle in morning. We went to church. Ate at The Ambassador. Went to Merle's awhile, then to Health Center Open House. Went to church. Had our small group at 5:30. Ron & Jo home from Bluffton at 4:30 a.m.

Monday, May 24, 1982. Cloudy, very, cool. I did laundry and baked coffeecake braid. Pete pulled weeds. Still too wet to cultivate. Jo & Mary here for dinner. Mary & I quilted in PM.

Tuesday, May 25, 1982. Mostly cloudy, 70°. I had prayer group here. Alta [Litwiller], Shirley [Krahn] & Eddy [Stalter]. Jo came awhile. Mary here in p.m., quilted. I quilted awhile, then hoed in truck patch. Pete plowed truck patch. Jo helped hoe awhile. We planted cantaloupe, watermelon & squash. We went to Heritage at Myrna Park. Alma G[alloway] talked about Christian Reeser.

Wednesday, May 26, 1982. Rained early a.m. and again during day. Were under tornado warnings in p.m. Some [tornadoes] sighted at McLean, Lexington & Colfax. Had heavy rain in town about 3 PM. We went to hospital at 8:00, volunteered. Went to Eastland. Mary along. Got shirt & tie for Ed's birthday. Ron to Chicago in p.m. (meeting). We had 1 2/3 inches rain.

Thursday, May 27, 1982. Had thunderstorm at 4:30 a.m., lightning hit Ron's house, burned out dryer & TV. Mary here in morning, helped quilt. Pete mowed lawn in p.m. I quilted. We went to Prime Timers with Lloyd Singley's. Had pictures from China. Had 1 inch rain in morning.

Friday, May 28, 1982. Mostly fair, warmer. Did cleaning. I quilted awhile. Pete trimmed grass around bushes. Jo & we to town at 1:15. Did some errands. Went to church at 3:00. Met Irene Dunn to set up for *Vietmea-Thieu* (sp?) Wedding. We met Ron at hospital at 5:00. Pete brought Ron's car home for Marty. Rons & I went shopping for luggage for Marty. Got home at 7:30.

Saturday, May 29, 1982. Mostly cloudy. Rained in morning and again in p.m. Pete to men's breakfast. We went to town at 10:00. Took Marie and Mabel to cemeteries. Had lunch at Steak 'n Shake. I went to church at 12:30. Got ready for Thieu & Dung wedding. Pete came with Ron. Jo cut wedding cake. We all went to Unitarian church at 5:00 for reception. Had big meal, also had cake, punch & lots of champagne.

Sunday, May 30, 1982. Fair, 80s, rather humid. We went to church. Had carry in dinner for Bob & Mag Smith who are leaving. Going to church in Indianapolis. Had large crowd. Our committee had a big weekend.

Monday, May 31, 1982. Mostly cloudy in morning, had shower in p.m., rained in evening. I did laundry. Got dinner. Mary & Marie here. Mary came in morning, quilted. I quilted some in p.m. Rons busy. He repaired shingles on his house. We went to Marie's at 5:30. Met Jack & Virginia Porst. We went to Eric's for supper.

Tuesday, June 1, 1982. Clear, cool, 70°, nice day. I went to prayer group at Wendy [Jones]. Pete to hospital, volunteered. He worked on auxiliary books. I baked peach dessert for Women's Fellowship. Quilted. Went to women's meeting. Jeanette, Mary Z[her] & Hazel Y[oder] along. Lucy C[atherine], Helen P[atton] & Mary Y[oder] on committee.

Wednesday, June 2, 1982. Clear in morning, 70s, cloudy in evening. Showered. I volunteered at hospital in morning. Pete worked in truck patch. We sowed flower seeds on north side of garden. South side too wet. We transplanted some iris. We planted 2 rows sweet corn. Mary here in p.m.,

quilted. I quilted some in p.m. and evening. We went to CRs for supper. Jack [Porst]s, Marie & the *Rees* (sp?) were there.

Thursday, June 3, 1982. Cloudy in morning, chilly, fair in evening. I finished Andy's quilt in morning. Glad it's done. Jo, Mary & we to see Ed. Had dinner with him. Mary and we gave him shirt & tie. Jo took some fruit. We got home at 2:30. I got things ready for supper. Pete mowed lawn. Rons & Connie Schrag here for supper. Connie finished Pete's family record.

Friday, June 4, 1982. Cloudy, chilly, rained some in morning, fair in evening. We went to auxiliary meeting at 9:00. I had hair done at 12:30. Bill Dunn spoke to auxiliary for quarterly meeting. Jo & we to normal. Met Lynne Romyn. We got wok for Sherry Dunn's graduation from medical school. Pete & I volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Mary & others to church retreat at [Camp] Menno Haven. She went with Zehr girls.

Saturday, June 5, 1982. Fair, nice day, 70s. We picked 9 ½ quarts berries. Put 3 jars in freezer. Made 2 strawberry pies. Gave Jo 4 boxes. Rons, Anton Romyns & we to Springfield at 1:00 for Sherry Dunn's graduation from med school. We all went to Bill [Dunn]'s at 7:30 for reception. Thieu & her husband cooked the meal. Was nice evening. We are happy for Sherry.

Sunday, June 6, 1982. Fine day, 80°, rather windy. We went to church. Marie, Jack & Virginia Porst with us. Rather small crowd as many are at [Camp] Menno Haven. Jacks, Marie & Rons here for dinner. Pete & I worked in garden and truck patch awhile. We went to [Marty's] baccalaureate with Rons. Choir sang.

Monday, June 7, 1982. Cloudy in morning, looked rainy, fair in p.m. I washed. We sowed rest of flower seeds. Jo & we picked 17 quarts [straw]berries. Jo took some. I put 5 jars in freezer. We hoed everything in truck patch. Paul [Miller]s & Jim [Waltner]s worked in their gardens. Jo helping with Bible School this evening. Sewed binding on Andy's quilt.

Tuesday, June 8, 1982. Cloudy, 70s. I went to prayer group at Eddy [Stalter]'s. Pete cutting weeds around evergreen trees. We defrosted deep freezer. I washed some dresses. We ate supper at Grand Café. Went to Flea Market Committee meeting. Ron to Chicago for the day.

Wednesday, June 9, 1982. Had ½ inch rain, fair in evening. We volunteered at hospital. Picked 18 quarts berries. Put 4 quarts in freezer. Kept 5 quarts to use. Jo got the rest. Rons & Marty to Champaign in p.m. to FFA banquet. Marty awarded Foundation Award for swine. We all went to commencement at NCHS for Marty's graduation. Mary with us. We went to Gordons' open house for David. Rosalee got to Ron's at 2:30 a.m. Came on bus.

Thursday, June 10, 1982. Beautiful day, cool in morning. I went with Mabel to HEA. Had brunch. Home at 11:00. Pete to Gift Shop meeting. I got things ready for supper. Jo, Marty & Rosalee to Champaign. Marty got State Farmer award. Pauls got here at 6:00. Andy in Florida

for gymnastic meet. They & Rons here for supper. Jo made hamburgers. Had strawberry shortcake. Marie & Mary came in evening.

Friday, June 11, 1982. Cloudy in p.m. Pauls left at 9:30 for East Lansing, Michigan, Liechty reunion. I washed bedding, our raincoats, rugs, etc. Pete mowed lawn. I made salad dressing for Jo. Made layered salad & got some lettuce for Jo for tomorrow. Rons to IPSI graduation. 3 graduating.

Saturday, June 12, 1982. Partly cloudy, nice day, cool in evening. Pete to men's breakfast. I baked bars. Finished cleaning. We picked 16 – 17 quarts [straw]berries. I kept 4 quarts. We cleaned rest for Jo. Rons roasting a pig for Marty's graduation & awards. Dale Miller & Wally Denzers helped. [I] helped Jo & Rosalee some. Had between 75 – 90 people. Some brought food. Meat very good. We helped clean up afterward.

Sunday, June 13, 1982. Fine day. We went to church & to Woizeski Reunion at Forest Park. Ron & Jo there too. Bob & Roger Woizeski there. Roger elected Pres. for next year. Karl Giermann V. Pres., Roberta [Ropp] Sec. Mary & we to Maple Lawn [Home] at 3:30 to family picnic. Ed about same.

Monday, June 14, 1982. Fair, another nice day. I did laundry. We picked 9 ½ quarts berries. I put quart in freezer & made 3 ½ pints jam. Jo took rest of them. Jo and we picked peas. Each had enough for [a] meal. Pete hoed some in truck patch. We & Rons to church at 6:00 to salad buffet & (roasting) for Rev. George Dick's 75th birthday.

Tuesday, June 15, 1982. Mostly cloudy. Rained late p.m. and evening. We cut covers for dining chairs. I went to Harvella [Stutzman]'s at 10:00. Quilted until noon. Stopped at Mr. White's. Got arm covers for recliner. Pete worked in truck patch. I hoed some. We got Merle at 4:30. We went to Barney's, then to her apartment awhile. Took her lettuce & spinach. Mary went out with Lorene Scheller (sp?). Had nearly 2 inches of rain.

Wednesday, June 16, 1982. Cloudy, cool in morning, fair in p.m. We volunteered at hospital. I went to Garfield club with Dorothy Singley. [It] was at Fern Miller's. Pete & Jo picked 6 quarts berries. I kept 2, put jar in freezer. They picked peas. Got enough for supper. We were at Rons for supper. Ervin & Mary Koop from Fresno & their son Stewart & wife from Decatur were there.

Thursday, June 17, 1982. Clear, nice day, 70s. We recovered some dining room chairs. Went to town at 10:30. Went towards to see about new tires. I went to hospital at 1:00. Gave 4H club from Secor a short tour. Went with Mary to Dr. Trefziger (sp?) about her leg. He thought she should have a Venogram but guess she'll wait a while. Mary home with us at 4:00. She, Rons and we to Eureka to visitation for Oliver Yoder. He passed away yesterday. We ate at Busy Corners. Took Mary home. Got 2 new tires on car.

Friday, June 18, 1982. Cloudy, rained in evening, 70s. Did all of cleaning. I baked coffeecake braid & bars & 2 pie crusts. We worked in garden & truck patch. Planted more sweetcorn. I put 2 containers broccoli in freezer & had [some] for supper. Picked pint [of] berries for supper.

Saturday, June 19, 1982. Cloudy in morning, fair, nice day, 70s. We and Jo to Auxiliary Flea Market at 7:45. Mary along too. Had bake sale. Did well. Didn't keep money separate. Took some \$2400 to bank. Ron & Jon helped Flea Market awhile. We got home 4:30. Jo had picked berries, 5 ½ boxes, & I helped her finish picking peas. I made 2 strawberry pies. Rons & we to church. Group of 4 girls from Bluffton [College] gave program. Very good.

Sunday, June 20, 1982. Cloudy in morning, little shower, fair in p.m., 70s. Windy. We went to church. Had dinner at Rons. I took strawberry pie. I wrote Steve. Allen called in evening. Also talked to Deb. They are getting ready to move to Detroit.

Monday, June 21, 1982. A beautiful day, 70s. I did laundry. Pete worked on auxiliary books. Mary & we to El Paso. Mary looked for dress. We had dinner at Elms and on to Meadows [Home]. Visited Cutlers, Irene Forney, John Miller & others. We stopped at Darlene's at Hudson. Mary got a dress & I got one, deep aqua, for our anniversary. We worked in truck patch.

Tuesday, June 22, 1982. Fine day, 70s. Made salad and piecrust. We picked 4 ½ quarts berries & picked peas. Jo helped some. I got things ready for supper. Pete hoed some. Paul Millers & Harold Pattons here for supper. Had ham loaf, scalloped potatoes & strawberry pie. Marty to 4-H meeting in Champaign.

Wednesday, June 23, 1982. Another fine day. We volunteered at hospital. Went with Mary to get estimate on having her car painted. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I washed pantsuits, blouses, etc. Ron cut dead limbs out of our tree by our house. Paul Miller here, helped. He took some wood home.

Thursday, June 24, 1982. Fine day, near 84°. We cleaned up rest of tree limbs. I made mint tea. We picked 2 quarts berries. Gave Jo one. She & we picked peas. We hoed some. Pete plowed truck patch. I washed off porches. We went to town at 5:30. Got cheese on [Wisconsin cheese] truck. Ate at Bob Evans. Got groceries & went to Prime Timers. Mr. Johnson showed pictures from Holy Land. Good program.

Friday, June 25, 1982. Fair, warmer, 89°. Looked rainy in evening. Did cleaning. I canned 4 quarts pickled beets. Pete mowed lawn. We worked some in Jim W[altner]'s garden in p.m. I put container [of] broccoli in freezer. Marty home from 4-H conference in Champaign. Marie to Chicago to Barbara Bath's.

Saturday, June 26, 1982. Cloudy, had few sprinkles, little more in [some] areas. Pete to men's breakfast. I picked 1 ½ quarts berries. Gave Rons [a] quart. Picked peas. Put quart in freezer. We

went to town at 11:30. Met Edgar, Art [Sieg]s & Marguerite [Burwitz] at Denny's. Went to Eastland awhile. Volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, June 27, 1982. Cloudy, humid. Had rain in some places in evening. We went to church. Mary & we ate at Denny's. Went to Eureka. Took Ed to open house at Cottage Lounges for Owen Kanegy's 88th birthday. Got to see some of [Kropf] relatives. Were home in evening.

Monday, June 28, 1982. Cloudy, 81°. Had rain. Have had over 1 inch since yesterday evening. I did laundry. We went to town at 12:00 to bank. Took some begonias to Pearl for her birthday. Met Marie at train at 1:40. We had lunch at International Pancake House. We went to Ed Millers to open house for Fern's 90th birthday. Took Marie home. We picked beans. Gave Jo some & had [some] for meal.

Tuesday, June 29, 1982. Fair, had showers in p.m. We picked peas. Put 4 pints in freezer. Jo and we left at 10:00 for Springfield. Met Roberta [Ropp] & went to House of Representatives. Went to Gov. Thompson's office just after he signed an inheritance tax bill. Press men interviewing him. We went to Gordon's office just before coming home. Was an interesting day.

Wednesday, June 30, 1982. Beautiful day, cool, 71°. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Picked peas. Put 3 pints in freezer. I made salad. Transplanted some flowers & lettuce. Pete pulled up some of pea vines.

Thursday, July 1, 1982. Fair, warmer. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I made lemon dessert. Got broccoli in. We picked peas for supper. Went to town at 2:00 to bank and Beichs, got candy. I got things ready for supper. Deb & Randy got here at 4:15. They're moving to Michigan (Wixom) Detroit area. Good to see them. Rons, Mary & Marie & friend of Marty's here for supper. Renée (Jo's niece) & her husband at Rons all night.

Friday, July 2, 1982. Cloudy, few sprinkles. Deb & Randy left at 6:15 for Michigan. Allens are going there today. Want to help unload truck. I washed. Did cleaning. Pete hoed some & mowed lawn. I hoed in flower garden. Ironed. Had 1.45 inches rain and thunderstorm.

Saturday, July 3, 1982. Posted cloudy, 80s, very humid. We went to town at noon. Met EA [Gurtner] & Arts [Sieg]s & others at Bob Johnson's. Got groceries. We picked peas. Put 12 pints in freezer. I baked Bundt cake. Picked few raspberries.

Sunday, July 4, 1982. Fair, hot, 90°, humid. We went to church. Rons sang at service. We & they to McDonald's for lunch. I got things ready for supper. Allens got here at 8:00. Glad to see them. Rons & they here for supper. Wally Denzers came. They had watermelon & cake with us. We watched fireworks. Boys had some. The Ropp's, Marie & Mary at May Mohr's.

Monday, July 5, 1982. Fair, hot, 92°, humid, more breeze. We picked peas. Had quite a lot. Rons & Allen helped pod. Gave them to Jo. Paul M[iller]s & Jim W[altner]s also picking peas & beans.

We picked beans in p.m. I canned 6 quarts. We ate breakfast late, had brunch. Allens & Rons here. Allens left at 12:30. Went to see Fern W[ick], then home. I did laundry & ironed. A big day.

Tuesday, July 6, 1982. Fair, near 90°, rather windy. We got Merle at 7:30 a.m. Took her to Dr. for blood sugar test. Wednesday Pancake House for breakfast. We brought Merle here for lunch & back to Dr. I went to annual HEA at Wesley Methodist [Church]. Pete took Merle home. We got home at 3:00. Worked in garden & truck patch. Put 3 containers cauliflower in freezer. Had heavy rains northern part of state.

Wednesday, July 7, 1982. Fair, 80s, not so humid, nice day. We volunteered at hospital in morning. I picked peas in PM. Jo helped some. Gave her 2 pans. I put 4 ½ pints in freezer. Pete plowed some in truck patch. We sowed some lettuce, radishes & endive. Jo & Marty walked beans in morning for Kelly. I saw a Mrs. Barbara King, Reach to Recovery.

Thursday, July 8, 1982. Clear, nice day, 80s. I baked coffeecake braid. Picked 1 pint raspberries. Pete worked on auxiliary books. We picked beans. Canned 7 quarts. Pete painted lawn chairs. I painted picnic table & benches. Jo & Marty walked beans in morning. Ron & Marty to hog show in Springfield. We went to Visitation meeting in evening. Put 3 boxes cauliflower in freezer.

Friday, July 9, 1982. Fair, warmer, 86°. We picked peas. Put 2 pints in freezer. Jo & we had some to eat. Did cleaning. I went to town at 10:00. Helped Ilene Arnold put auxiliary quilt in frame. I met Laura S at Lakeside. Had lunch with her. Irene Lowery ill, couldn't go. Marie to McHenry. I put carton of broccoli in freezer. Pete mowed lawn. Ron & Marty to Springfield again. Jo chored.

Saturday, July 10, 1982. Rained in morning and again in evening. Some sunshine in p.m. Pete to men's breakfast. I picked raspberries. Gave Rons some. We helped Jo picked beans. She canned them. We had lunch with EA and Srt [Sieg]s at Bob Johnson's. We went to Mall & to hospital, volunteered, 4 – 8. Went to visitation for Norman Sutter. Paul called. They are coming next Friday evening.

Sunday, July 11, 1982. Cloudy, cool, fair in p.m. We went to church. Took Mary as she is having her car painted. Went to her apartment for dinner. Came home at 2:00. Made broccoli salad. Went to 4-H baseball tournament awhile (Silverleaf got beat). Went to Bob Stutzman's for supper for Emerson & Ruth Miller. John Gundy's, Paul Millers & we [there]. Had nice visit.

Monday, July 12, 1982. Fair, warmer, 80s, more humid. I did laundry. Picked raspberries. Put quart & pint in freezer. Pete started painting house. Jon helped some. I painted awhile. Ron painted gable part on north side in evening. I went to hospital, 1 – 3. Tour guide training group.

Tuesday, July 13, 1982. Had nearly 1 inch rain early morning, fair, 80s & humid. We got bushel of apples at Birkelbaws. Put 7 jars in freezer. We picked beans in p.m. Canned 7 quarts & gave

Jo some. She helped pick. She and Pete worked on house, painting. I helped awhile. Ron finished north side when he got home.

Wednesday, July 14, 1982. Fair, 80s, humid. Had shower at 4:00 p.m. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Went to Eastland. Got towel set for Kevin Krahn's [wedding]. We picked cucumbers. Made 4 quarts dills. Picked raspberries. Put quart in freezer. Had some to eat. We went to Anton [Romyn]s at 5:30. Had celebration for their final adoption hearing for Momed. Nice evening. Stopped at CR's on way home.

Thursday, July 15, 1982. Fair, humid, but good breeze. Pete worked on auxiliary books. Painted around several windows. I picked beans. Canned 7 quarts. Baked French bread. Painted some. Ron painted in evening. Jo drove for Larry Mohr. Went to St. Charles. Larry judged.

Friday, July 16, 1982. Fair, high 80s, humid. Did cleaning. Pete painted some on windows. I picked raspberries and cucumbers. Made 4 quarts dill pickles. Peeled rest of apples for sauce. Made brownies. Went to town awhile in p.m. Worked awhile in garden. Ron painted in evening. Jo to workshop at Richmond Indiana. Pete mowed lawn. Pauls got here at 9:30. Friend of Andy's with them. Good to see them.

Saturday, July 17, 1982. Fair, hot, 90°. We picked beans. Had [some] for dinner. Gave Mary & Marie some. Got things ready for dinner. Pauls, Ron & Jon, Mary & Marie here. Mary made apple pies for me. Ron painted on west side of house in morning. Marty baling hay. Paul & Marjorie went to Paul's 20th high school class reunion. Children here.

Sunday, July 18, 1982. Cloudy, rained in morning. Pauls left at 9:30 for home. We went to church after they left. Ron with us. We ate at Country Kitchen & went back to church at 1:00 for Congregational meeting. Voted on Mary Lehman Yoder & Evelyn Bertsche to assist Jim Waltner. Jo to Bluffton.

Monday, July 19, 1982. Had rain and electrical storm at 1:00 a.m. Mostly cloudy, humid. Did laundry. We went to Garnet Frank's at 10:00 to auxiliary board evaluation meeting. Were home by 1:00. I made 4 pints bread-and-butter pickles. Picked quart of berries, put 1 pint in freezer. Cut broccoli. Put quart in freezer & kept [some] to use. We took Marie to Grand Café for her birthday. Mary along. Went to Marie's house. Boys took barrow to show.

Tuesday, July 20, 1982. Foggy in morning, humid, 87°. I washed bedding from upstairs. We picked beans. Canned 14 quarts & 3 pints. Pete painted some. Rons took us to Ewing Castle Shakespeare Place [to see] "Henry IV." Nice evening. Got to bed late.

Wednesday, July 21, 1982. Partly cloudy, hot, humid. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Picked cucumbers. Made 4 quarts dill pickles. Picked quart of raspberries. Made raspberry custard pie. Franklin and Marcella Basinger came at 4:30. Good to see them. Had a nice visit. They were on their way home from Kansas.

Thursday, July 22, 1982. Cloudy, cool, rather windy. Had ½ inch rain in p.m. Franklins left at 9:30 home. I baked pecan rolls. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I cleaned out Cedar chest. We helped Jo pick & snap beans in evening. Got quite a few.

Friday, July 23, 1982. Clear, fine day. Pete mowed lawn. Did cleaning. I baked coffeecake braid. Did some laundry. Pete painted in p.m. I helped awhile. Pete painted some after supper & ladder slipped. He fell. Rons helped to get him to house. Took him to hospital at 8:30. Has a fracture just above hip socket (pelvis). Thankful it's in line. Admitted him to [Room] 207. So sorry it happened.

Saturday, July 24, 1982. Fair, 86°. Rons here painting. Jon and Marty helped some. I painted awhile. Got lunch for Rons. I went to hospital at 3:00. Pete doing very well. Doesn't have much pain. Ron got most of house done. Have porch & along south of kitchen [yet to do]. Jo picked beans. We all went to Rays in evening for Marie's birthday. Had cake & ice cream. I helped Jo stem beans when we got home.

Sunday, July 25, 1982. Fair, hot. We went to church. Marty sang with boys quartet. We went to hospital at noon. Rons there awhile. Gordons came too. Mary & I ate at cafeteria. Pete up in chair. Glad he can be up but not yet bearing [weight] on his left leg. I stayed until 6:00. I picked quart of raspberries. Helped Jo pick beans & stemmed them. Ron and boys getting ready for fair. I took crutches to Pete late evening.

Monday, July 26, 1982. Partly cloudy, 90°, humid. Did laundry. Jo & I worked in truck patch. Dug onions and some potatoes. Pulled some weeds. Mary came in morning. We worked with corn. Jo got 12 pints. I had about same. Ron and boys to FFA fair at Pontiac. Marty got Grand Champion on barrow & same on pair of barrows & Reserve Champion on gilt. They took livestock to county fair. I went to see Pete at 5:00. He used crutches today.

Tuesday, July 27, 1982. Fair, hot, humid. Ron to hospital with me at 8:00. Pete about same, using crutches. We went to fair at 9:30. Jo went earlier. Jon won 3 1sts & Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion. Came home little while in evening. Back to fair with Rons. King & Queen contest. Marty selected King & Pam Reimer Queen. Was happy about the selection. Had shower, ½ inch at 5:00. Cooler.

Wednesday, July 28, 1982. Fine day, cool. Ron to fair early. I stopped at hospital. Jo came at 9:00. Went with her to fair, Barrow show. Boys got several 4th, 5th & 6th places. (Judge favored Hampshires.) I went to hospital at 4:30. Got wheelchair at Red Cross. Waited at hospital for Dr. in. Pete had x-ray. It's okay. Glad for it. Dr. came at 10:30. I brought Pete home. Rons helped bring him to house. Glad he's home. Saw a Mrs. Ball, Reach to Recovery.

Thursday, July 29, 1982. Mostly fair, warmer. I picked tomatoes, pulled weeds. Took care of Pete. Kinda slow getting around on crutches. Picked over pint of raspberries. Baked cookies in p.m. Rons to fair. Marty got first, 2nd & 3rd and won the Showmanship Award. Glad for him.

Rons back to fair in evening. Roberta & Diana's children here in p.m. She brought blueberries & books for Pete to read.

Friday, July 30, 1982. Clear, nice day, 82°. Did cleaning. Helped Pete some. Worked outside some, pulling weeds, etc. Picked beans for supper & for Marie and Mary. Jo to Indiana in p.m. for workshop. Ron to work. Marie & Mary came at 5:00. Brought chicken, cake & ice cream. Jo brought us ice cream. I had vegetables. Ron had dessert. He went to fair. Walter Dycks here in evening. Picked our beans. Got \$10 from Pauls & [from] Mary, \$15 from Marie, \$10 from Allens.

Saturday, July 31, 1982. Clear, nice day, 80s. Ron and boys brought livestock home from fair. Ron mowed our lawn & his. I did some trimming. Worked some in garden. I scrubbed & waxed kitchen floor. Shampooed my hair. Pete doing about same. Jim Waltner here awhile. Marty & Jon back to fair. Marty had some responsibility. Allen called in evening. They're okay. Jo home from Indiana.

Sunday, August 1, 1982. Fair, nice day. We went to Anton Romyns for dinner. They stopped on way home from church & helped to get Pete to car. Ramsi & Carol Farrau were there from Chicago. Good to see them. We came home at 3:30. Ron helped get Pete to house. He got along okay. Jo here awhile. Her ankle some better which she hurt several days ago.

Monday, August 2, 1982. Fair, hot, 92°, rather humid. I did laundry. Picked beans for Jo. She was busy. Mary here. She stemmed beans. Jo got corn in p.m. I put 9 packages in freezer. Picked tomatoes in evening. Got 2 buckets full. Helped Jo finish beans. Ron has cold, doesn't feel well. Marty & Jon took load of hogs to Peoria.

Tuesday, August 3, 1982. Fair, hot, 94°. I went to hospital. Got Thrift Shop money & bills at auxiliary office. Jon looked in on Pete. Jon putting up banister on porch. I canned 5 quarts tomato juice. Harold Hoovers here in evening. Went over auxiliary books with Pete. Lynne Jantze came for Mennonite Aid forms. Boys to Springfield in evening. Ron & Jo took hogs at midnight.

Wednesday, August 4, 1982. Fair, hot. Had tornado warnings Eastern McLean County. Had little shower. Cooked chicken. Made zucchini bread. Paul Miller here in morning. He cultivated some in our truck patch. I scraped paint on west door. Jo to town in p.m. She got another wheelchair for Pete.

Thursday, August 5, 1982. Cloudy, had ½ inch rain in p.m., 84°. I painted the back door. Went to town in p.m. to bank. Got permanent. Marie & Mary with Pete. Jo to Newton [Kansas] (flew). I picked 2 buckets tomatoes. Pulled some weeds. Made chocolate ice cream dessert. Glenn Maxwell here in morning. Ron worked at hospital.

Friday, August 6, 1982. Cloudy, humid, had heavy rain (2 ¼ inch) and thunderstorm at 4:30 p.m. I canned 6 quarts tomato juice & cut weeds. Did cleaning. Ron to Springfield. Marty got 2 seconds and 3rd on purebred gilts. Charles Mishler here in p.m. Paul Miller mowed some weeds for us in truck patch. Ron, CRs, we, Marie & Mary to Grand Café for our 50th anniversary. We were guests of Marie & Mary. Got \$50 from each Mary & Marie. CRs [gave us] guest book & candy. Jo flew to Springfield from Kansas.

Saturday, August 7, 1982. Cloudy, humid. Rained again in p.m. I canned 6 quarts tomato juice. Painted front door. Picked some beans & tomatoes for Merle. Pete doing pretty good in wheelchair some. Ron to Springfield. Jo home with him from Springfield. Steve called in evening. He wants so much to be here next weekend. Paul called. Andy did well in Junior Olympics, is to be on TV.

Sunday, August 8, 1982. Cloudy in morning, fair, turned cooler. We went to church. CR helped put Pete in car. Mary & we to Merle's for dinner. Took Merle some vegetables. Went for ride. Rons to [State] Fair early. He got home at 8:00. Jo stayed. Marty did quite well on his Barrows.

Monday, August 9, 1982. Fair, fine day, cool, not so humid. I did laundry. Picked 3 ½ buckets tomatoes. Gave Jim Waltner some, also Edgar. I pulled weeds in sweet potatoes. Ron here, painted on house. Done except 2 windows & spouting. Sure appreciate it & he mowed yard. I went to town. Got check cashed for Ron & got groceries. Edgar here in p.m. [to] see Pete. Jo & Jon home from fair. Evelyn B. called. Orvie can't come, fell off his bike.

Tuesday, August 10, 1982. Cloudy, cool, 60s, some drizzle all day. I canned 9 quarts tomato juice. Terry Stutzman here in morning, brought 2 yellow roses. Ron & Jon took load [of] feed for cattle. They took cattle to [State] Fair. Jo home. Mary & we to see Ed. He's about same. Talked to Orvie & Evelyn. Orvie has fractured rib. Ron at fair all night.

Wednesday, August 11, 1982. Fair, cool, 51° in morning, fine day. We went to town in morning. Took Pete along. He stayed in car. Got some mush melons & sweet corn. I worked in garden in p.m. Made apple crisp & chicken casserole. Pauls got here at 6:00 PM. Good to have them. Jo to fair in morning. She & Ron home in evening.

Thursday, August 12, 1982. Fair, nice day. Paul, children, Pete and I left at 8:30 for Springfield. Marjorie stayed home. Jon showed in open show, got 4th, 5th and 12th & Reserve Grand Champion on best udder. Marty sick. Jo brought them home in morning. Had x-ray & blood count. Has pneumonia. Dr. said he could come home. Feel so sorry for him. Pauls & I helped rake up grass in Ron's yard. Andy mowed yard. Ron stayed in Springfield.

Friday, August 13, 1982. Fair, nice day. Did cleaning. Paul & boys mowed Rons yard and raked it. Allens got here at noon. Marty some better. Jo, Shirley & Pam & I to town at 2:00. I got hair done. Girls shopped. Deb & Randy got here at 5:30. So good to have everyone. I made barbecue

& potato salad. Ron & Jo ate little later. All of them to church to set up. Then had pizza. Jeff to *Porzelius* (sp?) in evening.

Saturday, August 14, 1982. Nice day. Everyone busy. Some dug potatoes. Done washing. Marj helping Jo. Ron mowing weeds. Allen & Randy played golf. Jeff washed our car. Mary here awhile. We all went to church at 6:00 for our reception, 50th anniversary. Children & grandchildren were hosts. Many friends & relatives came. Arthur & Georgia came, surprised us. Had over 200 guests. Beautiful flowers from Mary & Irene Lowery. Had orchid corsage. Had number of gifts, also money. We got to bed late. A beautiful evening. Much to be thankful for.

Sunday, August 15, 1982. Cloudy. We all went to church at 8:30. All our family saying "Beautiful Savior." We appreciated so much. We all went to Elms for dinner. CRs, Gordon, Rays, Mary, Arts, Jim Waltners. Ron read a poem he wrote. Children & grandchildren sang. Allens & Randys left at 3:00 for their homes. Arts & Mary & Rons here for lunch. Pauls here. A wonderful weekend we shall always remember. So grateful to our children. Marty better, went to church.

Monday, August 16, 1982. Fair, little warmer. I washed 7 loads. Marjorie helped. They went to see Ed in PM. They mowed our lawn when they got back. We are still getting cards. Pete complained of being dizzy but felt better in PM. We all went to Mary's for supper. Children went swimming with Carol & [her] children.

Tuesday, August 17, 1982. Fair, 80s, nice day. Pauls went to town at 11:30. Marie took them to Maxwells for dinner. I got things ready for supper. Made blueberry upside down cake for Ron's birthday. Marjorie made Chinese food. Rons here too for supper. Andy with Marty to church ballgame. Cinda Dunn here, brought needle point picture.

Wednesday, August 18, 1982. Fair, nice day, little warmer. Pauls here for lunch. They left for St. Louis at 12:50. They plan to camp few days. We miss them. I washed bedding, towels, etc. Ironed. Chet Roths, Mel Clemens & Alta Litwiller here a short time at 6:30. I raked up some grass in yard.

Thursday, August 19, 1982. Fine day, 80s. Did usual work. Rested awhile. Have some soreness & pain in chest. Jo & I to town in p.m. Went to hospital. Had chest x-ray & got Thrift Shop money. Got groceries. Marty to St. Louis with Farm Bureau & Seed Company group. We took Ron & Jo to Eric's for steaks for Ron's birthday. Pete & I had free dinners. Jon didn't want to go.

Friday, August 20, 1982. Cloudy in morning, light shower, fair in p.m., cooler. Jo picked tomatoes. We got sweet corn ready for freezer. We got 14 pints. Jo took 8 pints, I 6. Pete still little lightheaded at times. We still get cards.

Saturday, August 21, 1982. Clear, nice day. Pete & I to breakfast meeting at hospital. Auxiliary meeting to get men involved. Got home at 10:00. We went to Steve Estes & Jackie Palson's wedding at Wesley Methodist [Church]. Took Alma Galloway along. A large wedding.

Sunday, August 22, 1982. Mostly cloudy, had shower at noon. We went to church. Mary, May Mohr & we to Denny's for dinner. We went to reception at 2:00 for Kevin & Loretta Krahn. Were home in evening. Ron home all day. Not feeling well, stomach upset. Had baptism at church.

Monday, August 23, 1982. Foggy most of morning, fair in p.m., 80°. I did laundry. Worked outside awhile. Picked some beans & tomatoes for Marie. We took them to her on way to Waltners. Rachel talked about her paper on Mennonite Encyclopedia. Interesting. Jo worked at Provident [Book Store] in p.m. & part of night. Putting on computer system. Marie having back problems.

Tuesday, August 24, 1982. Fair in morning. Had thunderstorm early p.m., 3 ¼ inches rain in little over an hour. Tornadoes East of town. Merna church destroyed. Much crop damage, also homes, etc. I picked 2 buckets tomatoes. Mary got some. I baked coffeecake braid. We took Marie to hospital at 4:00. She's having back problems. Admitted her to [Room] 260. Lucy [Catherine], Mary & we to Morys for Lucy [Catherine]'s & my birthdays (little late celebrating). Went to Lucy [Catherine]'s awhile.

Wednesday, August 25, 1982. Clear, fine day, cool. We went to hospital, volunteered in morning. Rons & we to Mary's for dinner. Jon to school in morning. Marie having tests, etc., still uncomfortable. CR & Mabel here awhile in evening to see gifts & cards. Jon started to school.

Thursday, August 26, 1982. Cloudy, showered little in p.m. I made lemon dessert & made apple pie for freezer. We went to town at 2:30 to bank. Got cheese from cheese truck. Got candy at Beichs. Took Marie tuberous begonia. She is better. Got supper. Rons here. Marty getting ready for college, packing.

Friday, August 27, 1982. Cloudy, misted some, cool. Cleared off in evening. Did cleaning. Picked nearly bushel of tomatoes. Gave them to Mabel. I went to town at 3:30. Got nearly ½ bushel peaches (culls). Went to hospital to see Marie. She's better. Volunteered at hospital from 6:00 to 9:00. Medical Staff had tour of new surgery unit. Rons and Marty left at 8:30 for Newton Kansas. Will miss Marty. Jon stayed with Pete in evening & here all night.

Saturday, August 28, 1982. Clear, 40°. I put 2 ½ quarts peaches in freezer, made 5 ½ pints preserves & marmalade. We went to town at 11:30. Got Marie's mail. We volunteered at Info Desk, 12 – 4:00. Did some laundry for Marie. Allen called in evening. They are coming Friday. They'll get Steve at O'Hare Friday evening. Kevin Reeser with Jon.

Sunday, August 29, 1982. Fair, cool, nice day. We went to church. Jon with us. Mary & we to Denny's for dinner. Jon mowed our yard. Mary & we to Eureka to see Ed. He has cold. Stopped at hospital. Took Marie her gowns. She's better. Cy [Colter] took us on drive east of town to see the tornado damage. It's sad. Paul called in evening. They're okay.

Monday, August 30, 1982. Cloudy, had shower early a.m., sun shone little in p.m. I did laundry & baked rolls. We went to town at 1:30. Took Marie home from hospital. Got her some groceries. I picked 2 buckets tomatoes & pulled some weeds. Ron & Jo got home from Newton about 6:00. Glad they're home but we miss Marty.

Tuesday, August 31, 1982. Very foggy in morning, cloudy, had little shower in p.m. I made 6 ½ pints chili sauce in morning. We sorted onions & cleaned them. Pete helped me. I cleaned up [the] garage.

Wednesday, September 1, 1982. Had showers in morning, 87°, humid, partly cloudy in p.m. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Went to Bonanzas at noon. The nurses met at 12:30. 11 of us there. Pete & Earl Mishler ate there too. Took Marie some tomatoes. She is better. Worked outside awhile after supper. Ron & Jo dug some potatoes.

Thursday, September 2, 1982. Fair, windy, cooler, 70s, nice day. I baked French bread. Basil Arbuckle & Dwight Salzman and Earl Mishlers here awhile in morning. Jo here for lunch. I cut grass away from walks. Jon mowed yard after school. I done the trimming after supper. Jo dug some potatoes.

Friday, September 3, 1982. Beautiful day, 70s. We went to auxiliary meeting. Had dinner there. Got groceries & [went] to bank. Did cleaning. Got mush melons & watermelons in. Went to Birkelbaws. Got apples. Made applesauce & sausage-egg casserole. Allens & Jeff met Steve at O'Hare [Airport]. Got here at 10:00. Good to see them.

Saturday, September 4, 1982. Beautiful day, warmer. We had brunch at 10:00. Rons came over later. I made potato salad and baked ham. Gary Guthrie came from Iowa to see Steve. Steve got Cindy Ramseyer. Allens & Jon to town awhile, got groceries. They all, Mary & Marie here for supper. Janette *Propelius* (sp?) & Curt *Rouskey* (sp?) here in evening. Had a good day.

Sunday, September 5, 1982. Another nice day. We all went to church. Mary & we took Allens, boys & Jon to the International Pancake House for dinner. Allen & Shirley left for home at 3:15. Gave them some grapes & tomatoes. Jeff studying. Steve & Gary to Cindy & Judy's. Rons had lunch with us.

Monday, September 6, 1982. Cloudy, showered in morning. Rained in evening. Jeff & Gary left at 8:00 for Iowa. Steve to town for the day. I washed & ironed. Steve & we to Mary's for supper. Marie there too. Rons took hogs to Peoria.

Tuesday, September 7, 1982. Cloudy, foggy in morning. Steve to Cindy's in morning. I washed bedding in guest room & baked cookies. I went to Women's Fellowship in evening. Jeanette couldn't go. Steve at Rons awhile in p.m.

Wednesday, September 8, 1982. Cloudy in morning, fair, nice day. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Steve to hospital with us. I worked in new surgery family room. Surgery opened today. Steve helped Jo load some hogs in PM. I started painting garage. Steve helped too. We, Steve, Cindy & Marie to Grand Café. Marie took Steve & Cindy.

Thursday, September 9, 1982. Partly cloudy, hazy, warmer. Steve to CRs for breakfast. I made 8 glasses grape jelly in morning. Steve & Jo here for lunch. Steve & I painted on garage. Got south side done & most of east side. Got things ready for supper. Made salad. Steve & Cindy here. Had Swiss steak. Invited Rons but he had meeting.

Friday, September 10, 1982. Fair, 80s, rather windy. Did cleaning. Washed 2 loads for Steve. We went to town at 9:00 to bank. Had car greased. Jo & I to June Jantze's garage sale. I got blue blazer. She got sleeping bags. We ate at Brown's Chicken. Had free tickets. I dug glad bulbs & gathered flower seeds & painted some on garage. Steve to town at 1:30. He & Cindy left for Ohio at 3:30. Took our car. Warren Meyers & Louise Mattson here awhile.

Saturday, September 11, 1982. Fair, 87°, rather humid. CRs & we went with Marie to Ropp Reunion at Glen Oak Park at Peoria. 28 there. Gordon Ropp Pres. next year & Jane Bell's husband vice president. Reunion is to be at Peoria again next year. Ron on call so couldn't go to reunion. Were home in evening.

Sunday, September 12, 1982. Foggy in morning, partly cloudy, humid, warm. Mary came after us. Took us to church. Jo left at 5:00 a.m. for St. Louis (workshop). Got home at 7:10. Ron left at 7:30 p.m. for meeting at Burlington Iowa. Marie took us to Ewing Manor to Republican barbecue. Gov. Thompson & Block there, gave talks. Marie brought us home at 3:30. Steve & Cindy got back at 9:00. Allens called in evening.

Monday, September 13, 1982. Cloudy, had shower early. Partly cloudy late p.m., in 80s. We took Steve to town at 1:00. He went on shuttle bus at 8:30 to O'Hare [Airport]. Left there at 1:30 for San Francisco. I washed & ironed. Warren Meyer & Louise Mattson here in morning. Jo here for lunch. She mowed our lawn. I did trimming. I finished painting east side of garage. Ron home at 6:40.

Tuesday, September 14, 1982. Fair, hot, 80s, humid. Had shower 3 PM. I went to prayer group at Lucy C[atherine]'s. I cleaned upstairs. Washed quilts, spreads & rugs. Cleaned closet in west bedroom. A busy day.

Wednesday, September 15, 1982. Foggy in morning. Cleared off in p.m. Cooler in evening. I cleaned closets in our bedroom. We went to Dr. Bratberg at 10:15. Pete can put little weight on

his leg & gradually increase it if it doesn't hurt. We had lunch at Denny's. I went to Garfield club at Maxine Alwes. Went with Marie. Picked last of cantaloupe.

Thursday, September 16, 1982. Clear, cool, 70°, beautiful day. I cleaned our bedroom. Washed bedding & curtains from both bedrooms. Jo here in p.m. Made 8 pies for sale at Gale [Bressner]'s & made one for supper. Ron took hogs to Gale's in p.m. Jo chored. She & Jon here for supper. Jo brought chili and we had pie.

Friday, September 17, 1982. Cloudy, rained in evening, 1 inch. I cleaned west bedroom. We went to hospital at 10:30. Pete wrote some checks for Beauty Shop. I quilted a while. Rons & Jon to Bressners [to] help get ready for sale. Jo & Jon home to chore. Pete & I went to sale with them. Very good sale. Marty took in \$12,000 & didn't sell all of boards. Had good crowd in spite of rainy evening. Had to move food into tent. Got home at midnight.

Saturday, September 18, 1982. Fair, cool. Got up rather late. Shampooed my hair. Fixed pickles. We went to town at 10:40. Met Edgar, Art [Siegs] & others at Bob Johnson's. We went to Eastland. Worked at hospital, 3:30 – 8:30.

Sunday, September 19, 1982. Fair, cool. We went to church. Lucy C[atherine] took us to Bob Evans for dinner. Mary along, also Dave & Dorie Yoder. Daves got to Mary's when we got there after church. Daves & we to Mary's after dinner. We had supper there.

Monday, September 20, 1982. Fair, 60s, chilly. I did laundry & baked peach dessert & baked ham & apples. Dave's and Mary came at 11:30. We went to Busy Corners for lunch & on to Eureka [to] see Ed. He's having trouble with his hernia. Dave, Dorie, Mary, Jo & Jon here for supper. Ron had meeting in Pontiac. Jo brought scalloped potatoes for supper.

Tuesday, September 21, 1982. Fair, 42° in morning, 59°, chilly. I went to prayer group at Alma G[alloway]'s, then to tour group meeting at hospital. Cleaned the bathroom & hallway & Cedar closet. Gathered some tomatoes (cherry ones). Called Allens. Thinking of going to California about 2nd week in October. They are busy.

Wednesday, September 22, 1982. Fine day, 40° in morning, 60s. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Took Pete's wheelchair back. He used his cane. I dug rest of glads & dug last of potatoes. Cleaned cupboards in kitchen, also broom closet.

Thursday, September 23, 1982. Mostly fair, windy, little warmer. Had shower in evening. I cleaned dining & living room. Worked outside awhile in p.m. Pete mowed lawn, first time since his accident. I went to dinner at Nurses Home at 6:00 for the scholarship fund. Had alumni meeting at 7:30.

Friday, September 24, 1982. Partly cloudy, cool. We went to hospital at 10:32 Art fair. Pete was cashier. Took in \$1157. Got 15% of income. We came home at 3:00. I made chili. Went back at

6:00. Had to take check in & get money. We ate at International House. Pete's foot bothers him some some & [is] swollen. Is to keep it elevated when he's sitting.

Saturday, September 25, 1982. Cloudy, chilly, 50s. Ron & I caught some of cats. He & Jon took them to animal shelter. Had problems getting black one. We went to bank at 11:00. Met Edgar & others at Denny's. Did some shopping. Went to hospital. Volunteered, 4:00 to 8:30.

Sunday, September 26, 1982. Cloudy, cool. We went to church. Ron preached. Did well. We were home for lunch. Went to Rons at 3:00. Helped Jo get ready for Ron's group of counselors & students. Ron was called to hospital in p.m. Had large crowd for potluck supper.

Monday, September 27, 1982. Very foggy in morning, fair in p.m. Pearl Bohrer [Wright] passed away at 4:30 a.m. I did laundry. Was sick all day, vomited. Pete to Denny's at noon. Met with Mr. Lay & wife, CRs, Marie, Harold & Helen & Lucy C[atherine] Patton, Earl Mishlers & Hazel Hilton. They had nice visit. Was sorry I couldn't go.

Tuesday, September 28, 1982. Clear, nice day, warmer, 70s, windy. I feel better. Went to prayer group at Wendy [Jones]. Pete & I scraped some of paint on garage. We went to visitation at Kibler Smith Funeral Home for Pearl. Marie, Mabel, Rons, Gordons & we to Denny's after visitation. Talked to Allens.

Wednesday, September 29, 1982. A beautiful day, 80s. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Went to Pearl's funeral at 1:00. Ron had very nice service. He left for meeting in Chicago at 3:00. Jo home with us. Went to CRS. They had Pearl's will. Pete, CR & Marie have life interest in 160 acres, then to be divided in half to CR's boys & our boys. 80 acres goes to Pearl's nieces & nephews. I saw a Mrs. Siebert for Reach to Recovery.

Thursday, September 30, 1982. Another fine day, 80s. I baked coffeecake braid & cleaned kitchen, washed curtains. Pete worked on auxiliary books. We painted on garage in p.m. Pete painted around windows. We & Mary took Merle to Barney's. Rons & Bill Dunns left at noon for Newton [Kansas]. I sent Marty some cookies. Jon here all night.

Friday, October 1, 1982. Fair, quite warm, 80s. We took car to garage at 8:00 [to] have [it] tuned up. Went to auxiliary meeting. I quilted. We took some of Pearl's things to Thrift Shop. I did cleaning in p.m. & painted some on garage. Pete fixed some windows. Got apples at Birkelbaws. Jon to ballgame.

Saturday, October 2, 1982. Fair, quite warm, 80s. I finished cleaning. I went to Illinois WMSC meeting at our church. Over 200 there. I took coffeecake. Our ladies served coffeecake & drinks in morning. Had sack lunch. Katie (unclear) Wiebe [was the] speaker. Jon had to tape her addresses. Pete & I volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Carrie Yoder passed away this morning.

Sunday, October 3, 1982. Cloudy early morning, fair, another fine day. We went to church. Had communion. We went to Gordon's October Festival at Galen Biddle home in N. Merna. Had pig

roast. Marie, CRS, May M[ohr], Lena Maxwell & Kay Boyle went. Had good crowd. Allen called. [We] plan to go to California 20 or 21st. Talked to Paul. Told him about Pearl. They were robbed several weeks ago. TV, microwave, radios & other things.

Monday, October 4, 1982. Partly cloudy, 70s, nice day. I did the laundry. Jo had lunch with us. They got home from Newton Kansas around 2:30 – 3:00 a.m. I painted on garage in PM. Pete painted around garage windows.

Tuesday, October 5, 1982. Partly cloudy, quite warm, 87°. I cleaned the fruit room. Went to prayer group at June [Jantze]'s. I painted on garage. Helped Jo did sweet potatoes. Pete picked a few dried beans. I went to Women's Fellowship with Jeanette.

Wednesday, October 6, 1982. Cloudy, rained in p.m. We volunteered at hospital. Did some shopping at Millers Hardware. I scraped paint on 2 south kitchen windows. Mary & we to see Ed late p.m. We ate supper at Hen House [in] Carlock. I washed some summer dresses and trousers for Pete.

Thursday, October 7, 1982. Clear, fine day, 70°. Cleaned the recreation room. Baked brownies & made apple crisp. Finished painting west side of garage & painted around 2 south windows in kitchen. Pete painted window in garage & mailbox & door on power house.

Friday, October 8, 1982. Cloudy most of day. We put storm windows in. Washed iindows outside. We went to town at 10:30. Took Marie's vases to auxiliary room. She and we ate at Steak 'n Shake. I quilted a while after lunch. Bazaar committee to our church to make plans. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Had rain in evening.

Saturday, October 9, 1982. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m., mild. Pete to men's breakfast. I finished cleaning. Made pie crusts. We met Art S[ieg]s at Duffy's for dinner. Did some shopping. Got hose, PJs for Pete. I cooked squash. Made lettuce layer salad.

Sunday, October 10, 1982. Clear, nice day, cool, rather windy. We went to church. Rons, Mary & Marie here for dinner. Jo brought pork roast. Had pumpkin pie. We went to group meeting at church at 5:00. I took salad. Baumans & Walter Dycks leaders.

Monday, October 11, 1982. Cloudy, chilly, 50s. I did laundry. Pete worked in garage. I cleaned laundry & furnace room. We dug Dahlia bulbs. Pete put some bulbs in basement. Were home in evening.

Tuesday, October 12, 1982. Partly cloudy, 60s. I went to prayer group at Shirley K[rahn]. Went to Eastland. Exchanged Pete's PJs. We sorted & sacked potatoes. Put them in basement. I gathered some flower seeds. Were home in evening.

Wednesday, October 13, 1982. Cloudy, chilly, 38° in morning, 50s. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Went to Beichs. Got candy. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I polished silverware. Were home in evening.

Thursday, October 14, 1982. Clear, rather windy, 61°. I went to HEA with Dorothy Singley & Mabel. Got home at 1:15. We went to town [to] bank & done some errands. Got travelers checks. Got Mary & Merle. Drove to Funks Grove. Leaves hadn't reached their peak. We ate at McLean.

Friday, October 15, 1982. Clear, nice day, cool, windy. Done cleaning. Went to town at 10:00. Had permanent at hospital Beauty Shop. Pete made charts. Got my blouse at June [Jantze]'s that she made for me. I washed summer dresses & put things away. Pete put windows in garage. I had headache & nose bleed in evening.

Saturday, October 16, 1982. Clear, 34° in morning. We went to Illinois Genealogical meeting at North Danvers. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. I made salad & cooked squash. Allen & Willis [Kriof] called in evening.

Sunday, October 17, 1982. Fair, 36° in morning. We went to church. Had carry in dinner, Congregational meeting. I went to hospital at 1:00. Tour guide for ambulance drivers, police officers, etc. Got home after 5:00. Franzie [Loepp] brought Pete home. Got medication at hospital. My blood pressure up. MYF had wiener roast at Rons & hay rack ride.

Monday, October 18, 1982. Fair, windy, 71°. Washed & ironed. Mary & we to see Ed. He seemed more cheerful & got around little better. We done some packing. Were at Rons for supper. Cindy R[amseyer] there too.

Tuesday, October 19, 1982. Cloudy, rained some in morning. We finished packing. Left for Allens at 8:45. Had good trip. Had some showers in p.m. & evening. Chilly in evening. Got to Allens at 3:15. They were at work. We went uptown awhile to Allen's office. Thunderstorm in night & had several inches snow. Cold.

Wednesday, October 20, 1982. Cloudy when we left Allens at 6:35 for Newton Kansas. Cleared off. Nice day, chilly. We got to Newton at 3:15. We stopped at rest stop for lunch. Went to G[eneral] C[onference] offices in Newton. Had tour of building. Met people we knew. Met Marty at 5:00. Good to see him. Had dinner at Old Mill [Restaurant]. Left him at 8:00. Went to Vera Beachy's all night. Alvin at Prairie View [Home]. So sorry for them.

Thursday, October 21, 1982. Clear, nice day, warmer. We left beachy's at 8:20. Had lunch at Liberal, Kansas (McDonald's). Drove 536 miles to Vaughn New Mexico. Stayed at Best Western Motel. Got here around 5:00 New Mexico time. Had supper across street. Saw lots of cattle & waste land.

Friday, October 22, 1982. Fair, nice day. We left Fawn at 6:45. Stopped at White Sands Museum. Was very interesting. Had lunch at Denning New Mexico. Got to Tucson at Bills [neice Evelyn's

husband] at 3:30 Arizona time. Good to see Orvie & Bills. Bill took us for drive, [to] Saguaro Monument, many varieties of cacti. Had dinner at Bills.

Saturday, October 23, 1982. Fair, warm, near 90°. Allen and Pete had car greased. We did some laundry. Bill & James to work. Evelyn, Orvie & we left at 10:45 for Mexico. Had lunch at Nogales. Walked over to Sonora Mexico. We got blanket. I got a poncho. Allens got 3 blankets & a poncho. We stopped at Tucumcari Monument & Spanish Mission. Got back at 6:00.

Sunday, October 24, 1982. Partly cloudy, warmer. Evelyn, Orvie & we to Shalom Mennonite Church. Bill & James to work. We went to Sonora Desert Museum, & to the San Xavier Mission in p.m. We took Bills & Orvies out to eat in evening. Bill showed some pictures.

Monday, October 25, 1982. Mostly cloudy, 90° in desert. Had rain across mountains. Left Bills at 9:15. Went to cactus place, bought some. Left Tucson at 10:00. Drove to Oceanside. Got Western Motel. Called Davey. He came to motel. We went to their home. Had cake & coffee. Got to Oceanside, 6:50.

Tuesday, October 26, 1982. Cloudy, rainy. Dave took us to breakfast. Went to their home. Took pictures. Left there at 8:20. Got to San Clemente at 9:15. Called Emil K. Went to their home for short time. Left there at 10:00. Traffic heavy around LA. Windy. Got out of rain around Bakersfield. Got to Fresno at 3:15. Went to boys club. Steve showed us around club. Went to his apartment after supper. We did our laundry. Steve took us to Ken Quenzer's home. Talked to Ron. Clara Bernau passed away. Merle in hospital.

Wednesday, October 27, 1982. Clear, 43° in morning. Left at 9:24 Yosemite national Park. Went to glacier point. Scenery fantastic. Had snow about ¾ way up. Had to wait awhile as bus was stuck. They sanded road. Was okay when we left. Got back to Kens at 5:00. Stopped at Nut House. We took Kens to TGI Friday's for dinner. Allen called Willis [Kropf].

Thursday, October 28, 1982. Fair, nice day, warmer. Steve took Allens, Pete & I to Millerton Lake. Went sailing on Ken Quenzer's 26 foot boat. Was nice experience. Not much wind in p.m. Got back to Ken's at 4:15. We went to Steve's apartment. Shirley & I did some laundry. We all went to Ervin Weins for delicious meal. Back to Kens all night.

Friday, October 29, 1982. Mostly cloudy, rained some in evening. We left cans at 9:00. Drove to San Jose. Got to Willis at 11:45. Allens and Steve went to Monterey after lunch. Willis took office for drive uptown. Pete & I went for little walk. Donna busy getting dinner. Ron called. Jack Porst very ill. Marie in hospital.

Saturday, October 30, 1982. Left San Jose for San Francisco at 9:30. Drove in rain a while. Had big rain in Fresno. We went to Fisherman's Wharf. Had dinner there. Drove to Chinatown. Traffic terrible. Went to Oakland Bay. Steve took us for ride on Ken Quenzer's 30 foot sailboat.

Left Oakland at 5:40. Got to Fresno at 9:00. Took Steve home. We ate at Denny's. Stayed at Kens. They were at Oakland. Ron called. Jack Porst very ill.

Sunday, October 31, 1982. Cloudy awhile, clear, nice day. We left cans at 8:35. Steve came before we left. Stopped at rest stop at Boron. Got to Barstow at 2:00. Got to Bullhead City Arizona about 5:00. Drove 431 miles. Went back to Laughlin, Nevada. We ate at Riverside Casino. Lots of gambling. Have a Rancho Motel at Bullhead City. Jack Porst passed away.

Monday, November 1, 1982. Clear, nice day, cool. We left Bullhead Arizona at 6:55. Ate breakfast at Kingman. Had lunch at 1:30 in the desert between Holbrook & Gallup New Mexico. Drove to Santa Fe New Mexico, 550 miles. Got motel at Ko Motel. Not so nice. Ate at Denny's. Wrote cards.

Tuesday, November 2, 1982. Had breakfast at pancake house. Left Santa Fe New Mexico at 7:35. Drove in rain and snow until we got to Denver. Bad driving at times over [mountain] pass. Glad to get out of it. Got to Clark Richardsons at 4:30. Drove 452 miles. Had dinner & stayed all night with Joyce & Clark. Talked to Jo.

Wednesday, November 3, 1982. Clear, cold, 21° in morning. Left Windsor at 7:00 Mountain Time. Got to Nevada at 7:15 Central Time. Drove 685 miles. Ate at Lincoln Nebraska at 5:00. Took 34 from Windsor to 76 to 80. A long day, but glad for sunshine. Shirley done some laundry. Had some snow flurries here at home.

Thursday, November 4, 1982. Cloudy, windy, 18° at Allens. Shirley & Allen to work. We left at 8:15. Got home at 3:00. Had good trip. Good to be home after a very nice trip. Got to see a lot. We unpacked & I done some laundry. We drove 6,003 miles on our trip. Ron & Jo left around 10:30 p.m. for dairy show at Louisville [Kentucky].

Friday, November 5, 1982. Cloudy, cold, 23°. We went to auxiliary bazaar at 8:00. Large crowd. Lot of baked things (was at our church). Harold Hoover took money to bank. We went to bank at 3:00. Turned in our travelers checks we had left. Came home at 4:30 as thought we had chores to do but Jo had chored. We went to visitation for Etta Schad. Jo with Mary Mohr [left] at 5:00 for Louisville.

Saturday, November 6, 1982. Clear, warmed up, 58°. Pete chored. I done cleaning. Scrubbed & waxed kitchen floor. We went to town at 11:00. Took films in. Met Edgar [Gurtner] & others at Bob Johnson's. Went to Eastland. Got groceries. Had car washed. Pete doing chores. Were home in evening.

Sunday, November 7, 1982. Fair, warmer, 60°, rather windy. We went to church & to Mary's for dinner. Lucy C[atherine] there too. We did chores. Were home in evening. Wrote to Steve.

Monday, November 8, 1982. Fair in morning, cloudy in p.m., cooler. I done laundry. Pete put windows in barn. We cleaned off flower bed in p.m. & planted our cactus we got in Tucson. I

washed picture window. Stirred up coffeecake to bake in morning. Rons home from Louisville about 11:30 p.m.

Tuesday, November 9, 1982. Mostly cloudy, 50s. I had prayer group. Lucy C[atherine], Alta [Litwiller], Alma [Galloway], Wendy [Jones], June [Jantze] & Shirley [Krahn] here. Mary & we to see Ed in p.m. Pete worked some in basement in morning. Marie, Mary & we to Red Lobster at 5:15. Went to Marie's awhile.

Wednesday, November 10, 1982. Mostly cloudy, near 70°. Showered some in evening. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Stopped at Harold Hoovers. Pete cleaned out the gutters. I raked leaves along the house & around shrubbery. Rained in night.

Thursday, November 11, 1982. Cloudy. Rained in morning & p.m. Very windy in evening. I went to HEA. Mabel along. Stayed, done some crafts in PM. I canned 3 pints pears & made 3 pints marmalade. Pete worked some in garage.

Friday, November 12, 1982. Cloudy, very strong wind from West, temp dropping. We went to auxiliary board meeting at 9:30. Had lunch at Grand Café. Went to hospital. Had flu shots. Done some shopping. Got bushel [of] apples at Birkelbaws. Ron left early for meeting at Indianapolis. Got back in time to go with Jo to Bluffton [College] dinner at Elms.

Saturday, November 13, 1982. Fair, 14° in morning, low 30s during day. I put flower seeds away. Pete fixed hose on washtub. We went to town in p.m. Got groceries. Volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Baked bars.

Sunday, November 14, 1982. Cloudy, windy and colder in p.m. We went to church. People from G[eneral] C[onference] offices spoke. Had carry in dinner. Had slides of work of GC at 1:00. I went to hospital at 1:30. Guide for tour of new addition [for] hospital employees & families. Ron there too. Pete came home with Jo & Jon. Talked to Paul. They're okay, busy.

Monday, November 15, 1982. Fair, 15° in morning, 32° – 35° during day. Washed & ironed. Pete put windows in barn. Jo here for dinner. She picked up corn. We went to town at 4:00. Got Marie, went to Rolands. We got gloves for Christmas. Ate at International House. We went to church. Trio from Newton gave program on Nuclear Freeze.

Tuesday, November 16, 1982. Fair, 40°, nice day. I went to prayer group at Lucy C[atherine]'s. Pete did some shopping. Got Mary at 11:30. Went to College Hills [Mall]. Mary did some shopping. I got her a blouse for Christmas. She got yarn for Afghan for Marty. We went to Bill Lawrence at 3:00. CR, Marie, Ron, Gordon & we were there. Talked about Pearl's estate. Inheritance tax unbelievable.

Wednesday, November 17, 1982. Fair, 50s, nice day. We volunteered at hospital. I went to June [Jantze]'s at 11:30. Earl Dunbar took pictures for a book. Went to Garfield club with Kay Edgecomb. Mary along, also Mabel. Mary home with L[ucy] C[atherine]. Pete mowed lawn,

crushed leaves. We took Merle to Ozark house for belated birthday. Mary along. Got knit shawl for Jo's birthday.

Thursday, November 18, 1982. Cloudy, drizzled at times, 52°. I baked coffeecake braid and cookies. Pete covered roses & put up snow fence in yard. Jo went to Bluffton. Ron went to Chicago in p.m. He flies to Ohio tomorrow. Jo will meet him. Jon home. He was here all night. [I] worked on Amy's quilt.

Friday, November 19, 1982. Cloudy, rainy, 50s. Done cleaning. We went to hospital at 11:00. Helped with mini-bazaar. Did pretty well. Ron flew to Ohio from Chicago. We were home in evening. Worked on Amy's quilt.

Saturday, November 20, 1982. Cloudy, windy, near 70°. Rained in evening. Finished cleaning. We went to town at 10:30. Got groceries. Met Art & Helen [Sieg] at Bob Evans. We went to Eastland & to Farm and Fleet. Pete got rubber boots. Jon here for supper. Pete helping with chores. Jon here all night.

Sunday, November 21, 1982. Fair, nice day, cooler. We went to church. Were greeters. Went to Mary's for dinner. Went to grand opening for new hospital wing. I was tour guide. Ron had part in program. He a&Jo got home from Bluffton at 5:50 a.m. They went to bed after Ron did chores. Nearly 1200 people toured the new hospital facility. A big day.

Monday, November 22, 1982. Fair in morning, cloudy in p.m., rained in evening, cooler. I washed & ironed. Went to Jo's at 11:30. We dressed 8 geese. Got done at 5:00. Scolded & picked them outside. I dressed them in kitchen. We got along real well. Glad it's done. We ate supper with Jo. Ron has meeting. Paul called. Talked about Pearl's will, inheritance taxes, etc.

Tuesday, November 23, 1982. Cloudy, windy, misted. Turned to snow in p.m. No accumulation. Much colder. I went to prayer group at Wendy [Jones]'s. Put up some anniversary hangings. Cooked squash & cranberries. Were going to see Ed in p.m. but started to snow. We went to Thanksgiving Union services with Rons. Was at our church. Nice service.

Wednesday, November 24, 1982. Fair, 12° above. We had breakfast at truck stop on [Route] 51. Volunteered at hospital in morning. Took Mary to Osco [Drugstore] to get more yarn. Got groceries. I baked cake & made chili. Allens & Pam got here at 10:10. Glad to see them.

Thursday, November 25, 1982. Thanksgiving. Fair in morning, cloudy, rained some late evening. Allens & I went to hospital. Took short tour of new facilities. Got Mary. We all went to Rons for the day. I took oysters, sweet potatoes & cranberries. Potato chips & dip & cake for supper. Marie there for supper, also Denzer boys & another friend. Bill Dunns, girls & boyfriends there in evening. We looked at ours & Allens' slides. Steve called in morning. Rachel C[lemens] & Pam to show.

Friday, November 26, 1982. Rather icy in morning, but soon melted. Allens & we met Marie at International House at 9:30. She paid for our meals. We stopped to see [Shirley's sister] Fern Wick at McLean County Nursing Home. Allens left here about 1:00. They planned to stop to see Jeff at Iowa City. I washed bedding & towels.

Saturday, November 27, 1982. Mostly cloudy, rained some in evening, 30s. I ironed sheets, etc. Finished cleaning. Shampooed my hair. Went to town at 11:00. Got Christmas cards at Lang Fuller. We met EA [Gurtner] & Art [Sieg]s & others at Bob Johnson's. We went to Eastland. Got bedroom slippers for Ed. We volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30.

Sunday, November 28, 1982. Cloudy, drizzle, mist. We went to church. Rons & we to Golden West for dinner. Marty & Cindy & friend left at 1:00 for Newton [Kansas]. We addressed Christmas cards. We went with Cy [Colter]s to Home Builders at John Bertsche's. Lotus Troyer had program on the Great Depression.

Monday, November 29, 1982. Cloudy, 40s, light mist at times. I done laundry. We went to Merle's at 11:30. Took her to Gailey's & to ISU. Got tickets for Vienna Boys Choir. Took her to Eastland. Had lunch at Denny's. Went to Mary's at 3:00. Took her to Eastland. She got electric heater.

Tuesday, November 30, 1982. Very foggy in morning, fair in p.m., mild, 62°. I went to prayer group at June [Jantze]'s. Went to Mary's. We made fruitcakes. Got home at 2:40. Made ginger cookies. We went to Heritage meeting at John Bertsche's.

Wednesday, December 1, 1982. Cloudy, mild, 60s. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Went to Gailey's at 12:10. Had eyes tested. Got new lenses & frames. [I] have start of cataracts. Mary & we to College Hills [Mall]. We got electric wok for Jo. We ate at Pancake House. I baked chocolate chip cookies and almond bark cookies.

Thursday, December 2, 1982. Cloudy, started to rain about 4:00 p.m. & rained hard most of evening. Had over 4 inches. Everything full of water, flooding. 2 people drowned. Car went into Sugarcreek at Virginia & University. I baked sugar & Crescent cookies. Made salad & 2 pie crusts. We & CRs with Lloyd Singley's to Prime Timers potluck at 5:00. We got home at 7:20. Water in fruit room & rec room. Swept water until 11:30. Worse than we ever had it. Rons came over at 11:00. Rained in night. Alma Galloway's west wall caved in.

Friday, December 3, 1982. Cloudy, had some showers & drizzle. Have had over 5 inches rain. Did cleaning. Fixed casserole & other dishes for potluck dinner at annual auxiliary meeting. We came home after dinner. Got things ready for supper. Paul Millers, Cindy Ramseyer, Judy Stutzman & Esther Wohlgemuth (trainee) here. Had ham loaf, pumpkin pie. Jo helping at Alma Galloway's all day. Ron there in p.m.

Saturday, December 4, 1982. Cloudy, 40s. Pete to men's breakfast. I finished cleaning. We & Mary left at 10:00 for Wilbur & Ruth Albrecht's 50th wedding anniversary at East Bend Church. Had soup & salad dinner (everyone brought salad). Had punch, coffee & cake in p.m. All very nice. Stopped in Fisher to see Ada Foley [a] short time. I baked (Philly gift?) cakes. Took Alma Galloway coffeecake. Men putting in new wall.

Sunday, December 5, 1982. Sun shone little while. Had rain again in late p.m. and evening. We went to church. Mary & we ate at Perkins. Larry and June Jantze there. We went to June's, helped quilt awhile. Went to Congregational meeting at 4:00. YPU had chili supper at 5:00, dessert auction afterwards. I took Philly cake. Also gave Evelyn [Bertsche] & June [Jantze] one.

Monday, December 6, 1982. Clear, nice day. Good to have sunshine. I washed & ironed. Baked carrot & peanut kisses cookies & loaf of apple raisin bread. Pete put straw on strawberries. Irene Lowery took us, Marie & Mary to Morys for dinner. We drove. Was nice evening.

Tuesday, December 7, 1982. Fair, nice day, 40s. Our prayer group went to Alma Galloway's. Helped clean basement. I stopped at Gailey's. Got new glasses. Took Mary to Osco's to get yarn. I made press cookies & caramels. Went to Women's Fellowship. I took loaf of apple raisin bread. Got coffeecake from Lucy C[atherine]. Jeanette [Colter], Mary [Colter Jantze] & Hazel Y[oder] along.

Wednesday, December 8, 1982. Cloudy, misted & froze away in evening. Few snow flurries. Streets rather slick for awhile. We volunteered at hospital. I made cranberry salad & baked cake for HEA. Made cashew cookies & iced them. We went to ISU in evening, guests of Merle. We took Merle, Esther Cash & Mary. Vienna Boys Choir. They were wonderful. Merle felt dizzy after concert. Ron & Jo helped to get her to car. Took wheelchair. Talked to Allens in morning. Making plans for holidays.

Thursday, December 9, 1982. Fair, 14°, nice day. Went to HEA with Mabel. We were hostess. Had creamed chicken, cranberry salad, white cake with Jell-O poured over. Pete had lunch with Jo. We went to church in evening. Dan & Elaine Zehr, MCC workers in Bolivia & Central America, spoke. I made date nut balls.

Friday, December 10, 1982. Some freezing rain early. Snowed most of day. Melted some. Slush, around 2 inches snow. We took Marie to train at 10:45 for Chicago. We had breakfast at Denny's first. We got our Christmas tree at Casey's. Got groceries. Baked Philly cakes. Wrote rest of Christmas notes.

Saturday, December 11, 1982. Clear, cold, in teens. Finished cleaning. Made salad dressing. We met Edgar & Art [Sieg]s at Denny's for lunch. Went to College Hills Mall. Got Pete slipover sweater (wine). Volunteered at hospital, 4 – 8:30. Ron to Chicago to meeting.

Sunday, December 12, 1982. Clear, cold, zero here in morning. We went to church & to Merle's for dinner. Helped her get her Christmas tree & decorations out. We went to our small group at church. I took lettuce salad. I made penuchi candy in evening.

Monday, December 13, 1982. Clear, 12°, but a cold South wind. Washed & ironed. Fixed box for Steve. Mary, Jo & we to see Ed. Took him house slippers but too small. Mary gave him a shirt. I took him cookies. Wrapped some gifts. We stopped at Roches for cheese on way home.

Tuesday, December 14, 1982. Cloudy, windy, near 40°. I went to prayer group at Shirley K[rahn]'s. Pete to Paul Millers. Pete helped cut up deer. We had lunch with Pauls. Went to Eastland, exchanged Ed's slippers. Got some things for Merle, took them to her, also extension cord. Hooked up her tree. We put up our Christmas tree. Ron home from Wisconsin at 8:30. Allen called.

Wednesday, December 15, 1982. Cloudy, very foggy in morning, colder in evening. We volunteered at hospital in morning. I went with Marie to club at Marie Hastings. I got candle. We fixed some boxes in evening. I put up more decorations. Made cranberry salad.

Thursday, December 16, 1982. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m. Dusted up house, baked ham, got things ready for evening. Art & Elmer Siegs, Edgar [Gurtner], Marie & CRs here. Had eggnog & cheese & crackers. Served ham, sweet potatoes, green beans, scalloped corn. Mary busy, birthday dinner for Freda B[lair].

Friday, December 17, 1982. Cloudy, very windy. I washed table cloths, tea towels, also washed feathers. We went to town at 4:00. Did some errands. Stopped at Mary's. Went to Paul Millers at 6:00 for venison dinner. Bill D[unn]s, Earl K[aufman]s, [Gerlof] Homans & Anton [Romyn]'s there. Rons to Chicago in p.m. to meeting & Christmas party. Marty home from Bethel [College].

Saturday, December 18, 1982. Fair, nice day, in 40s. Mary, Pete & I left at 6:50 for Amana. Met Allen, Shirley & Jeff there. Had dinner at Bill Zuber. Jeff graduated from University of Iowa. Took Ida's sewing [machine?] out for Deb & Randy. We had nice day. Left there at 2:00. Got home at 5:50. Marty & Adam [Denzer] in car accident South of our house. Car from west didn't stop. Demolished both cars but very fortunate, didn't get hurt and we are thankful.

Sunday, December 19, 1982. Cloudy, colder in p.m., windy, 32°. We went to church. Had surprise luncheon. We went to Tom Yoders. [Leo] Deshes, Lorene Reeser & Freda Blair there. Had nice time. We took Merle & Mary to church at 4:00 for dessert & Christmas program. Very nice program. Cindy did a nice job. [Cindy's parents, Bob] Ramseyers came for program. They were at Rons. Marty is very sore all over. Deb called in evening.

Monday, December 20, 1982. Cloudy, 30s. Washed & ironed. We went to hospital at 9:00. Helped with the Christmas Courtesy Card. Took Mary to Eastland & to shop. She got green suit. Rons here for supper. Had waffles & sausage. Marty feeling better.

Tuesday, December 21, 1982. Clear, fine day, 30s. Pete fixed dining room table. I went to prayer group at Alta L[itwillers]. Mary & we to see Ed. He wasn't feeling so well. Didn't sleep last night. Pete burned brush pile. Ron & Jo to Ohio in evening. Drove U-Haul to get furniture for chapel.

Wednesday, December 22, 1982. Cloudy, 40s. We volunteered at hospital in morning. Got groceries. Stopped at Marie's awhile. Mary & we to McLean at 5:00. Met Dorothy Scogin there. Went to her house after we ate. Had nice evening. Rons home from Ohio about 5:30.

Thursday, December 23, 1982. Cloudy, warm, 60°. I baked coffee cakes, made chili. We got Mary & Merle. Went to Bob Johnson's at 5:00. Busy there. Went to Merle's awhile. Took her some fruit. Got dried fruit from Steve.

Friday, December 24, 1982. Cloudy, rained in evening. Heavy rain in evening. Over 1 inch. I had hair done at hospital beauty shop. Made date pudding. We went to services at church at 6:30. Took Mary & Marie. CRs, Rays & Rons there too. We all went to Marie's for lunch. Paul called in evening. They are coming the 30th.

Saturday, December 25, 1982. Clear, warm, 62°. We and Mary at Rons for breakfast. Had gift exchange. Pete got camera. I got sweater & skirt for bed, red creamer & auger & picture frame from Allens. We went to CRs for dinner & supper. I took dessert. Rons there for dinner. Mary, Marie & Rays there. Rest there for supper. Ron had some of his staff in evening. We went awhile in evening. Talked to Allens. Randy there. Colder in evening.

Sunday, December 26, 1982. Cloudy, chilly. We went to church. Got Arby's sandwiches, ate at home. I got things ready for supper. Bill Dunns, Sherry & Steve here. [Had] oyster stew & chili. I wrote to Steve [Ropp].

Monday, December 27, 1982. Cloudy, 50°, rained late p.m. & evening. I washed & ironed. Went to Eastland in p.m. Exchanged my sweater for smaller size. Got pair of pajamas for Ed with Arthurs' money. Home in evening.

Tuesday, December 28, 1982. Cloudy, very strong wind, temp dropped during day. Did usual work. Made up beds upstairs. Got things ready for supper. Harold Pattons & Lucy C[atherine] here. Had chicken & broccoli casserole with rice.

Wednesday, December 29, 1982. Cloudy, 15°, few snow flurries. We volunteered at hospital. Got groceries. Stopped at Marie's. Got our chairs. Cooked dried fruit & cranberries. Were home in evening.

Thursday, December 30, 1982. Fair, 12 – 15° in morning, 31° high. Did cleaning. Got things ready for evening. Pauls got here at 5:50. Good to see them. Rons, Mary & Marie here too. Had goose & all the trimmings. Jo baked one too. Had nice evening. Pete got paper cuts. I got Cologne.

Friday, December 31, 1982. Fair, nice day, warmer. I washed tablecloths, napkins, etc. Ironed. We visited with Pauls. Marie & Mary took Pauls to Grand Café. Rons & we were there too. Went to Marie's after the dinner. Had the desert, which we didn't need.