

The Diary of Anna Kropf Ropp

2001

(By 1998, Ann could no longer find the five-year diaries she had always used, so she switched to one-year diaries for four years and then simply filled several small notebooks, finally making her last entry on April 12, 2004. She lived until June 9, 2005.)

Monday, January 1, 2001. Clear, cold, 18°. I did little laundry. Rons got me at we went to Nursing Home. Had dinner with Pete. Ron got pizza & Jo had fruit. We ate in Pete's room. Allen called Pete while we were there. Their family were all at Allens for Christmas. Paul called too.

Tuesday, January 2, 2001. Clear, still cold. I did some odd jobs in morning. Ron took me to get this new diary. Stopped at Kroger's. I went to have Pro time taken. It was much better than last week. My BP much lower and I'm thankful.

Wednesday, January 3, 2001. Cloudy, chilly Southwind. I quilted at BroMenn. Went to see Pete in PM. He is doing quite well. Cindy stopped after choir practice. The children aren't feeling good. Jeffs sent cocoa mix and an ornament & falling snow. Picture in it.

Thursday, January 4, 2001. Cloudy, 20°. I went to Beauty shop & grocery store. Went to see Pete in afternoon. Wrote birthdays & anniversaries in new calendar. My left hip hurting me.

Friday, January 5, 2001. Fair, 37°. I didn't feel good in morning. Had severe diarrhea. Think the antibiotic caused it. Didn't go see Pete. Called him. I looked over our Christmas cards. Rons here few minutes. My hip still painful.

Saturday, January 6, 2001. Fair, 47°, some thawing. I feel some better. Hip still bothers me. I did some weekly cleaning. Went to see Pete. He seems about same as usual. Had car washed. Allen called. He has had a cold.

Sunday, January 7, 2001. Temp in 30s, cloudy. I went to church. Took Ron & Jo to Chinese restaurant. We went to see Pete. I called Pam. Ashley had asked if we would order magazines for her school, but couldn't help this time. Pauls called. They are okay.

Monday, January 8, 2001. Sunshine in morning, cloudy in p.m. I did some laundry. My leg is better, not so much pain. Jo took me to Dr. Dennis at 4:15. Talked to Pete. Said he was okay.

Tuesday, January 9, 2001. Fair nice day, cool. I went to post office, got 14 stamps as stamps go to \$.34. Went to BroMenn at 1:00 for blood work & Pro time. Went to see Pete. He was in bed. Said he was okay.

Wednesday, January 10, 2001. Clear, 39°. I quilted at BroMenn in morning. Went to see Pete in PM. Marge Weaver here awhile in evening.

Thursday, January 11, 2001. Sunshine in a.m., cloudy p.m., 33°. I put Christmas decorations away. Made rhubarb crisp and macaroni & tuna casserole. Went to Nursing Home. Pete's right ear looks sore. Nurses put some [salve] on it.

Friday, January 12, 2001. Cloudy, foggy most of day, 30°. I did some cleaning. Went to B[eauty] shop at 9:00, then to Dr. Wera's office. Got some medicine, then to pharmacy. Noon when I got home. I washed bathroom rugs. Ironed Christmas tablecloth.

Saturday, January 13, 2001. Cloudy, some fog, 33 – 34°. I went with Rons to Ruby Cutter's funeral. Nice service. Had lunch at Monica's pizza. Rons took lights down that were outside. Put boxes on shelves. Also paid some bills for me. I appreciated all they did.

Sunday, January 14, 2001. Cloudy and foggy, in 30s. I went to church. Ardys Serpette took Alta L[itwiller], Lucy [Catherine] & me to small group at Mike Companys. Had nice time & dinner. Leo & Bess Desch there also. Talked to Pete. He was okay. Jo to their small group at Litwillers. Ron preached at Morton. Called Arthurs. Georgia is in hospital, not doing well. Paul called. Classes start this week. Jo was worship leader.

Monday, January 15, 2001. Cloudy, gloomy, 30s. Jo took me to BroMenn at 8:30. Bloodwork. My Protime too high. Lots of things [I] shouldn't eat. Did some laundry. Went to see Pete. Said he was okay. Allen called in evening. They had some snow last week.

Tuesday, January 16, 2001. Cloudy, 31°. I made pot of vegetable soup. Had chicken & rice for dinner. Went to Nursing Home. Pete had sore bottom again. Also sore on his left ear. Rons got Marge & Don Nester at airport. They had been to New Jersey to see Dans.

Wednesday, January 17, 2001. Cloudy in morning, had some sunshine in p.m., 30s. I quilted in a.m. Went to see Pete. He is about the same. Ron was to see him in morning, also Tim Schrag. I stopped at Dr.'s office on way home. My blood pressure was better, 134/74. Potassium was better also. Marge W[eaver] here in evening. Called Arthur [Yoder]s. Talked to Cathy. Georgia home from hospital. They will have some outside help.

Thursday, January 18, 2001. Fair, nice winter day. I baked cookies. Took some to 300 unit. They didn't last long. Went to grocery [store] & pharmacy and to see Pete. He was about as usual.

Friday, January 19, 2001. Fair in morning, cloudy PM, few flurries, 20s, chilly wind. I went to beauty shop at 9:00. Jo here at 10:30, checked my medicines. Have had several changes. Went to see Pete. I did little cleaning.

Saturday, January 20, 2001. Clear, nice day, 20s. I did some cleaning. Watched the inauguration at DC. Thought President Bush had a good speech. Went to see Pete. He was okay. Allen called. Cold there.

Sunday, January 21, 2001. Fair, nice day, in 20s. I went to church. Stayed for dinner. Had an international day. Went to see Pete. Rons to see Pete. Allen called Pete while we were there. Pauls called. He is interviewing teachers for Clark.

Monday, January 22, 2001. Fair, 30s. I washed 2 loads. Went to see Pete. Didn't stay long. He wanted to lie down. Steves were here for supper. Used some of our coupons from Avanti's that Pauls gave us. Enjoyed having them.

Tuesday, January 23, 2001. Nice day, near 40°. I went with Ron to Country *Banquet* (sp?) to East White Oak church Sr. Citizens meeting. Linda Rader invited Jo & I. Jo went shopping. Ron talked & showed slides about barns. They bought our dinner. Saw some of old friends & neighbors. I went to see Pete. Edith & Rachel [Zehr] to see him.

Wednesday, January 24, 2001. Partly cloudy, cold wind. I quilted in a.m. Went to see Pete. Ron there [a] few minutes. Marge W[eaver] here in evening, brought me some food. She does that about every week. I appreciate it. Vera Willems, neighbor, here in late p.m. She is hemming my new slacks.

Thursday, January 25, 2001. Fair, in 20s. I went to Sr. Citizens meeting at church. Had potluck. Went to see Pete. Didn't have any company today. I did some laundry in morning.

Friday, January 26, 2001. Snowed all morning, some flurries in p.m., 32°. I canceled my hair appointment. Made small coffee cake, baked some apples. Had my pacemaker checked. Rons came in, helped me. They went to pharmacy & grocery [store] for me. Ron had to open up their driveway.

Saturday, January 27, 2001. Fair, 20s. I did usual work. Went to Nursing Home. Pete was as usual. Some of snow melted some although windchill was zero. We had 3 – 4 inches snow yesterday.

Sunday, January 28, 2001. 30s, cloudy, had little freezing rain, then turned to snow. I went to church. Jr. YPU had dinner for everyone. Was very good. I went to see Pete but didn't stay long as it started to snow heavy. Pete had trouble with his catheter last night. Nurses had trouble getting the catheter in. 3 nurses tried. Allen called Pete & called here. Their weather like here. Pauls called, they are okay.

Monday, January 29, 2001. 39° – 40°. A rainy day, 1 ½ – 2 inches rain. I did a little laundry. Put Christmas cards etc. away. Did few other jobs. Didn't go to see Pete. Was disagreeable out. Rons went to see Pete and was going to cut his hair but he was in bed. Didn't feel good. Ron called me at 7:00. He talked to nurse. Pete was feeling a little better & ate [a] little supper.

Tuesday, January 30, 2001. Cloudy, snow flurries all afternoon, 37°. I went to pharmacy, got eye drops. Was going to see Pete, then started to snow. Called Pete. He wasn't feeling good, stomach upset. Ate little dinner, then vomited. He was in bed. Talked to Rons.

Wednesday, January 31, 2001. Cloudy, 30s. I quilted in morning. Went to see Pete. Nurses changed catheter, got along okay. He's on antibiotics. Urine very concentrated. Had some temp. He slept most of time I was there. Was in bed till evening. Ate some supper. Jo talked to him, thought he felt little better. Marge W[eaver] here, brought me several dishes. I appreciate [it].

Thursday, February 1, 2001. Nice day, good to see the sun, 30s. Ron here few minutes. Looked over the mail. Ron cut Pete's hair. Pete feels much better today. I had hair appointment at 11:30.

Went to see Pete at 1:30. Glad he's better. Roelie Homan called. She invited Rons & me to their home for dinner Saturday evening.

Friday, February 2, 2001. Fair, cold, 3° below in morning, 10° high. I did usual work. Rons here short time. They met with Ray in regard to Bohrer estate. Went to see Pete. He felt pretty good.

Saturday, February 3, 2001. Fair, nice day. I baked sugar cookies. Took some to Pete & Rons & Steves. Did usual work. I went with Rons to Gerlof Homans. John & Evelyn Bertsche there also. Was a nice evening.

Sunday, February 4, 2001. Sunshine in morning, 34°, cloudy in p.m., snow flurries about 4 PM. I went to church. Came home for lunch, went to see Pete. Ben & Andy called. They were at Pauls. Andy & Rachel are expecting their first child in September. We hope all goes well. John Bertsche called at 6:00. Said he was going to get Ina S[utter] & wanted to me to go along to their place for Home Builders. Gerlof H[oman] talked about their volunteering in New York. Pauls called in evening. Allen called too. He called Pete in PM but was disconnected.

Monday, February 5, 2001. Partly cloudy to cloudy, 30s. I did some laundry. Got dinner, chicken & potatoes. Went to see Pete. He was in bathroom several times. He lay down [at] 2:00 so I came home early.

Tuesday, February 6, 2001. Partly cloudy, 39°, snow melting. I went to Gailey's at 9:30. Got along okay. I pressure is doing pretty well. My eyes are better since BP is lower. I went to card shop, then home for lunch. Pete was feeling pretty good.

Wednesday, February 7, 2001. Partly cloudy, 37°. I quilted in morning. Came home few minutes, went to see Pete. He was about same. Mannie Oyer here, put some new bulbs in dining room. He told me that Beulah Roth's [daughter] Judy died last night. So sorry to hear it. She was a diabetic.

Thursday, February 8, 2001. Cloudy, 56°. I went with Jeanette to HEA [Homemakers Extension Association] meeting. Not as many as usual. Went to see Pete awhile. Went to store & to see Beulah [Roth]. Cinda is coming tomorrow for Judy's funeral. Took Beulah a coffeecake.

Friday, February 9, 2001. A stormy morning, heavy rain, very windy. Some damage in places. I was ready to did go to Gayle's but decided to wait until tomorrow. I went to Dr. Wera at 11:00, also had protime. Didn't change any meds. Went to pharmacy, got some refills. Made some vegetable soup. Didn't go to see Pete. I talked to him, he was okay. Had little snow in p.m. Kansas City, also other places, had ice.

Saturday, February 10, 2001. Clear and chilly, in 20s. I went to Gayle's, had a permanent in morning. Went to see Pete. He was okay. Made a salad for small group tomorrow. I went with Marie Heiser to Valentines dinner the YPU served. Was good. Allen called. They had ice & snow Thursday & Friday.

Sunday, February 11, 2001. Fair, 13° in morning, rather windy. I went to church. Had our small group at Alta [Litwiller]s. Everyone there except Mike and Steffany. Glad Don & Marge [Nester] could be there. Talked to Arthur [Yoder]. Georgia is little better. They have some home care. Allen & Paul called Pete.

Monday, February 12, 2001. Nice day, 41°. I did some laundry. Had pork & sauerkraut for dinner. Went to see Pete. His bottom is sore again, so they put him to bed after dinner. Ron here short time. Wrote some checks for me. Pauls called this evening. Paul has his air ticket to come March 25. Has a meeting in Chicago. Will come here after meeting. Will look forward to his coming.

Tuesday, February 13, 2001. 42°, some sunshine in morning, cloudy PM, light showers in late p.m. I baked peanut butter cookies. Took some to Pete & Mr. Brock & to employees & Rons. Went to see Pete. Went to pharmacy, got few groceries.

Wednesday, February 14, 2001. Cloudy, Misty and drizzle in PM. I quilted in morning. Went to see Pete. Rons brought ice cream & cupcakes to Pete's room at 3:30 [to] celebrate Valentine's Day. Marge Weaver here in evening. Brought some pictures of her family. Cindy, Katie & Matthew brought card & candy for us. Will take Pete some. Marge brought some soup for us.

Thursday, February 15, 2001. 36°, cloudy. I did some things around the house etc. Went to see Pete. Laid down early. His bottom was hurting him. I came home little earlier. Cindy brought me tomato soup on her way to school. She made soup last night.

Friday, February 16, 2001. Cloudy in till late p.m., sun shone, 33°. Temp falling in PM. I did some cleaning in morning. Made some bread pudding. Saw Pete. He was about [same]. He lay down at 2:00. I went to see Beulah & Cinda [Roth]. Cinda leaves tomorrow again.

Saturday, February 17, 2001. Clear, cold. I went to B[eauty] shop at 9:30. Did some cleaning. Went to see Pete. I made Apple pie. Put some clippings away.

Sunday, February 18, 2001. Fair, chilly. I went to church. Ron was worship leader. Had Jo get KFC. We ate here. Ron went through mail & wrote checks for me. I went to see Pete. He was about as usual. Paul called. It's cold there & [they] have some snow.

Monday, February 19, 2001. Fair, nice day, 38 – 40°, some wind chill. I did some laundry. Sorted through some papers. Went to see Pete. He was having some pain with his bottom so wanted to lie down. Allen called in evening. They are okay, having winter.

Tuesday, February 20, 2001. Mostly cloudy, 36°. I made apple pie, put in freezer. Did it feel good for awhile. Felt better at noon. Went to Nursing Home awhile. Pete is about same. Talked to Helen Patton. Today is her birthday.

Wednesday, February 21, 2001. Fair, cold, 26°. I went to quilt. There an hour, had chest pain. Took nitro but it didn't help. Stopped at Dr. Wera's office. BP had dropped. Nurses talked to Dr., said I couldn't drive home. Jeanette brought me home in my car. Zoe followed us, took Jeanette back to quilt. Appreciated them doing that. I felt better in PM felt kinda (washed out). Rested. Mara [Weaver] here after choir practice. Barrys had a dinner so Mara stayed until Barrys were finished.

Thursday, February 22, 2001. Partly cloudy, 29°. Had one – 2 inches snow last night. I did usual work. Watered plants, sorted some papers. Went to see Pete. He was alright. I rested. Still don't feel too good. MRC having birthday party this evening but didn't go.

Friday, February 23, 2001. Clear in morning, clouds moved in in p.m., 30s. I ran the sweeper. Went to grocery [store], made rhubarb crisp. Ron came at 10:30. Worked on income tax. Had dinner with me, porkchops & rice, vegetables & salad. Ron went to Don Nesters, stayed with Don awhile. I went to Nursing Home. Pete about same. Think his bottom is better.

Saturday, February 24, 2001. A rainy day. Rained most of day. Severe storms in south widespread. I canceled my hair appointment. Called Pete in PM. I was ready to go see him then [it] started to rain heavy. I sorted some papers. Rons to Springfield, Hog sale & show.

Sunday, February 25, 2001. Cloudy in morning, some sun in p.m. I went to church. Came home for lunch. Went to see Pete. He wanted to lie down at 2:00. His bottom still bothers him. Paul & Allen both called Pete while I was there. Pauls having snow, rain, etc. Allens were having the same, some of what we had Friday & yesterday.

Monday, February 26, 2001. Nice sunny day, 46°. I did usual work. Did some laundry. Wrote some checks. Watered flowers. Went to see Pete. Went to pharmacy.

Tuesday, February 27, 2001. Mostly cloudy, had little snow last night, 32°, chilly wind. I baked cookies. Have some for Rons, Marge W[eaver] & Steves. Have been taking Pete some cookies & grapes. Pete's bottom has been bothering him. Was lying down when I got there. Ann Kaufman had a stroke. Sorry to hear it.

Wednesday, February 28, 2001. Nice clear day, in 20s. I quilted in morning, finished the quilt. I went to see Pete in PM. He was feeling better than yesterday. Ron stopped few minutes, checked mail. Gave him some cookies. Marge W[eaver] here during Jr. choir practice. Gave her some cookies. Cindy & children stopped. Gave them cookies also. Talked to Tina K[aufman] Chapman. She thought Ann Kaufman's stroke wasn't too severe. Right side was affected.

Thursday, March 1, 2001. 17° – 37°. Sunshine in morning, cloudy PM, few sprinkles. I had hair appointment at 10:30. Went to Nursing Home & bank. Deposited Ron's check, also Ray's

Friday, March 2, 2001. Mostly cloudy, some sunshine late p.m., 47°. I did some cleaning. Went to grocery store. Baked quick coffeecake. Went to see Pete. He felt some better today. Jo called. She was at Retired Teachers meeting today.

Saturday, March 3, 2001. Foggy in morning, hazy and partly cloudy, 40s. I went with Rons to visitation for Eve *McCann* (sp?). Then we went to Arthur to Beachy {Amish} family who will make 100 pies for MCC sale. Rons took supplies to them. Stopped at some shops. Went on to Toluca. Had dinner at Red Barn. Jo shopped for blouse or jacket for the slacks Allens gave me. We got home at 3:15. Ann Miller called in morning, [said] that Ann Kaufman was seriously ill.

Sunday, March 4, 2001. Cloudy, cold. I went to church. Rons & I were invited to Marge & Don Nesters for delicious dinner. Don isn't feeling very good. Is weak, color not good. Feel sorry for him & family. I went to see Pete. Allens called while I was there. They are coming out Wednesday. They are staying with Steve's children while they go to conference at Bluffton. Rons are going to conference also. Paul called. They are awaiting big snowstorm for their area.

Monday, March 5, 2001. Partly cloudy, colder, windy, 33°. I did some laundry. Made apple pie, put in freezer. Went to Nursing Home. Pete about same. I had backache all day. Little better in evening. Marty at Rons.

Tuesday, March 6, 2001. Fair, 40°, nice day. Rons, Marty and I went to Tom's Restaurant for buffet at 8:30. Went to see Pete awhile. Marty flew to Kansas City Missouri at noon. Rons here. He went to bank for me. Had a note from bank yesterday that I had overdrawn. Glad he could do that. I made 4 pie crusts for [MCC] Relief sale.

Wednesday, March 7, 2001. Fair, nice day. I baked coffee[cake] braid. Went to see Pete. He was doing okay. Allens got here about 4:00 p.m. They are staying with Steve's children while they go to conference at Bluffton. Allen & I went to see Pete at 5:00. He just finished to supper. We went to Steak 'n Shake for supper. Allen to Steves at 7:00.

Thursday, March 8, 2001. Cloudy, chilly, in 40s. I went to grocery [store]. Got things for supper. Allens & Steve's children here. Had chicken casserole, peas, applesauce, relishes & pie & ice cream. They seemed to enjoy it. Steves & Rons went to conference at Bluffton. Allen went to see Pete. I didn't go today.

Friday, March 9, 2001. Fair, nice day, 40°. I did the weekly cleaning in morning. Allen came at 1:00. We went to see Pete. Allen took papers to recycling, put gas in my car. Glad to get it done.

Saturday, March 10, 2001. Partly cloudy. I went to B[eauty] shop at 9:30. Allen & I went to see Pete in PM. Pete was feeling pretty good. Rons & Steves got home from conference at Bluffton.

Sunday, March 11, 2001. Cloudy in morning, sunshine at noon, 40s. Allen & Shirley stopped here at 8:30. They stopped to see Pete. Allen called, they got home at 4:00 PM. Roads were good. I went to church, had lunch at home. Went to see Pete. Marge Nester got the wheelchair

that we had from church. They wanted to take Don out for short ride. Don isn't doing well. Very weak. Feel so sorry for them. Called Arthur Y[oder]. Georgia is about same. Think Arthur is getting little stronger. Paul called, they are okay.

Monday, March 12, 2001. Cloudy, rained most of morning, 55°. I baked magic bars. Did little laundry. Went to see Pete. He is doing pretty good. Talked to Jr. Bartel. Mildred isn't doing very well. Still can't eat, feel sick. [She] has been ill since December. Tim Schrag to see Pete but he was asleep.

Tuesday, March 13, 2001. Cloudy, windy, colder in p.m., 45°. I baked chocolate chip cookies. Took some to Pete and Mr. Block. Also gave Vera & Art [Willems] some and [gave] Rons [some]. Pete & Ron are both starting with colds.

Wednesday, March 14, 2001. Fair, hazy, 54°. I quilted in morning. Went to see Pete in PM. Tim Schrag visited us at Nursing Home. Marge Weaver here during Jr. choir. Don Nester is going down fast. Jo here few minutes. Brought me great fruit that Marty sent from Texas.

Thursday, March 15, 2001. A rainy day, 45°, chilly. I did some chores around here. Made potato salad. Went to Sr. dinner at church, then to see Pete. His cold little better. He was sick last night, vomited, but okay today. Rons cold not much better. He helped set up for MCC sale [which] starts tomorrow. Hope Ron will feel better. Don Nester very ill.

Friday, March 16, 2001. Cloudy, some flurries in a.m. and all afternoon. Chilly. I went to church at 7:45. Helped with making shoofly pies (82). Got along good. Esther [Brown] & Louise [Reeser] had (unclear). We left the church at 12:00. I had hair appointment at 12:30. Went to see Pete. His cold better. Julie wanted me to go with her this evening to MCC sale. Will plan to go tomorrow. Don Nester passed away. He had a harsh battle with cancer. He'll be missed.

Saturday, March 17, 2001. Some sunshine in p.m., 40s. Julie got me at 9:00. Went to MCC sale. Jon gave us tickets for breakfast, pancakes & sausage. Ron & Jo there early. Ron has had a bad cold but kept going. We got home at noon. I took coffeecake & loaf [of] bread from the sale to Marge Nester. Their children are all here. Went to see Pete for short time. Got half crate of strawberries. Put 4 jars in freezer.

Sunday, March 18, 2001. I went to church. Took Rons to Avanti's for lunch. They are both tired from being busy last 2 days. Wednesday MRC meeting at 2:00. Went to see Pete. Took him puzzle book. Allen called Pete. Allen called me. They had more snow this past week. Pauls called. Paul comes next Sunday. They were at Albany this weekend.

Monday, March 19, 2001. Partly cloudy, in 40s. I did some laundry. Watered plants. Mildred Bartel passed away around noon. Jo & I were going to go see her but were too late. I went to see Pete. Took him some scrappel. He enjoyed it.

Tuesday, March 20, 2001. Nice day, 50s. I made lasagna, put in freezer. Jo brought sausage she got for me at MCC sale. I put in freezer. Went to see Pete. Mr. Brock, Pete's roommate, doesn't feel good. Rons got me at 6:00. We went to visitation for Don Nester. A large crowd. Bob & Mary [Kauffman] brought me home at 8:00 o'clock. Jo got sandwiches for family. Saw quite a few people from hospital.

Wednesday, March 21, 2001. Fair, nice day, 50s. I went to Don Nester's funeral. Large funeral. Choirs of men ministers saying. Ron & Jim (unclear) talked about reflections on life of Don. Was very good. Rons went to Ropp Cemetery where Don was buried. Jo helped furnish some food for dinner. Had over 100 for dinner. I went to auxiliary luncheon. Went to see Pete. He's about as usual. Ron & I to visitation for Mildred Bartel. Has been a busy day. Arthur [Yoder] called this evening. Georgia is in hospital. She fell Saturday morning, broke her right hip & shoulder. They operated on her Sunday or Monday. Paul called. He is to arrive here Sunday at 2:15.

Thursday, March 22, 2001. Another nice day, 54°. Jo & I to Mildred Bartel funeral at 9:30. We went to BroMenn to see Ann Kaufman. She is improving some. Can walk with help of cane. We had lunch at Atrium. Jo washed bedding in MRC building. I went to see Pete. He is doing okay.

Friday, March 23, 2001. Fair to partly cloudy. Rons had a call from Cathy this morning. Georgia passed away last night at 9:00 PM. They had surgery on her hip. She has had too much pain with her face & jaw for years so she is now relieved. Jo says she will take me to funeral which is Monday morning. Paul is in Chicago meeting and plans to come here Sunday p.m. so I [we] are waiting to hear from him. Hope he could go with us. Jo & I went to see Pete. He was about same. Had pacemaker checked. Everything okay.

Saturday, March 24, 2001. Nice day but chilly, 34°. I did some cleaning. We're making plans to go to Georgia's funeral tomorrow morning. Jo took our car to have the oil changed. She took me to Nursing Home. Pete had some diarrhea this p.m. He laid down awhile. Jo washed sheets, towels etc. from MRC building. The rooms were used during Don's funeral. Rons talked to Paul. He was in Chicago. He still plans to come here tomorrow PM.

Sunday, March 25, 2001. Clear, cool, nice day. Jo & I left at 7:15 for Kansas City. Got to funeral home at 2:00 PM. Got along okay. Quite large visitation. Got to see some old friends. Had good visit with Bernice Helmuth. She is 95 years old. Arthur gets around with cane and does quite well. Dave was there too. Says he is doing okay. We went to Arthurs for supper. They had lot of food brought in. Jo got a motel at Shoney's. We left Arthurs at 8:00. Paul had trouble getting here. Bus was full & didn't put on extra one. Ron went to Champaign to get him. Paul staying here.

Monday, March 26, 2000. Another nice day, chilly wind. We went to Methodist Church at 10:00. Service at 11:00. Allen & Shirley got there just as we did. Good to see them. Was nice service. Cemetery close to funeral home. We went to Methodist Church for lunch. Allens & we left at

2:00 for home. We got home at 8:30. Thankful for safe trip. Appreciate Jo taking me. We were both tired. Ron left early for eastern Ohio for workshop. Arthur plans to make some changes. Says he can't do the work where he lives. Feel sorry for him. Dave will stay until Saturday. Steve & Cathy take good care of him. Paul spent all afternoon with Pete. They listened to tapes of Don Nester funeral & one of Ron's sermons.

Tuesday, March 27, 2000. 43°, nice day. Paul getting ready to leave. We went to see Pete. Then took Paul to ISU to get bus to Chicago at 11:30. They were on time. Paul gave us his new book just out. (Banished Immortal) nice book. He worked on it for long time. I did some laundry. Rested awhile. Paul called, he got home [at] 8:30.

Wednesday, March 28, 2001. Fair in a.m., cloudy, 48°. I quilted in morning. Went to see Pete. He was okay. Helen P[atton] called Jeanette to tell her Robert Patton had stroke or tumor of brain. Called Helen [Patton] in evening. Doctors think he has brain tumor. Still doing tests. Phyllis & Lucy Catherine are at Indianapolis Hospital. Talked to Helen. Robert has a brain tumor. Doing tests. Has some seizures. Sorry to hear it.

Thursday, March 29, 2001. I baked cookies in morning. Went to Lloyd & Dorothy Singley's home for dinner. Jeanette [Colter] & Ruth Marquis there. Had good dinner. Took them some cookies. Have some for Rons. Took Pete some. Went to see him at 2:00. Helen called. They did more tests. [Robert] has tumor above his ear. Will do surgery tomorrow. Hope all goes well.

Friday, March 30, 2001. Nice day, 59°. I did usual cleaning. Went to store. Got puzzle book for Pete & grapes. Went to see Pete. Arturo (aida) at [Nursing] Home. This was his last day. Sorry to see him quit. Helen Patton called. Robert P[atton] had surgery. Removed quite large tumor from his head. OR took 5 ½ hours. Is doing quite well so far.

Saturday, March 31, 2001. Hazy, cloudy PM, had shower in p.m. I went with Jeanette [Colter] & Marie [Heiser] to quilt show. Arlene gave us tickets for quilt show. Got back at 11:30. Marie wanted to go home. Jeanette & I to Arby's for fish sandwich. Went to see Pete. Arturo visiting him. Ron & I to see Pete short time.

Sunday, April 1, 2001. Fair, nice day, 50s. I went to church. Rons and I had dinner at Michael at old Livingston building downtown. We went to Museum [to] see Mirror of Martyrs [with] Dr. Bob Kreider at 2:00. Got home at 3:30. Went to see Pete short time. I called Arthur. He said it was long dreary day. Dave went home yesterday. Allen called. They are okay. Pauls called. They have had lots of rain.

Monday, April 2, 2001. Fair, another nice day, 62°. I did some laundry. Made some bread pudding. Ron here few minutes, brought check. I went to bank on way to Nursing Home. Pete about as usual. Talked to Lucy C[atherine]. Robert is doing quite well. Had growth removed from his skull. May go home Wednesday.

Tuesday, April 3, 2001. Fair and some haze, 57°. I went to Dr.'s office for Pro time. Jo here about noon. Brought Ray's rent check. I went to bank & to see Pete. He was alright. Went to Women's Meeting in evening.

Wednesday, April 4, 2001. Fair, nice day, 64°. I quilted in morning. We [had] four quilters. Went to Bakers Square for lunch. The lady that we quilted for gave each of us a \$10 certificate. We appreciated it. I went to see Pete. Stirred up sugar cookies. Barry & Marge Weaver here during Jr. choir practice. Marge brought me soup again. I appreciate it.

Thursday, April 5, 2001. Cloudy, had thunderstorm and rain in p.m., 60°. I baked sugar cookies and iced them. Ron here, finished income tax papers. Jo stopped few minutes also. I went to see Pete in PM.

Friday, April 6, 2001. Cloudy, 77°. Had some stormy weather in places. Tornadoes sighted in areas. I went to Gayle's at 8:30. Went to pharmacy. Talked to Pete. We were under severe thunderstorms so thought better to stay home. I took 2 of my violets to Casey's to repot them. I washed windows on porch.

Saturday, April 7, 2001. Windy day, 80°, fair. I did usual work. Went to Nursing Home. I went with Jo to church at 7:30. Shirley [Springer] King from Bethel. Program on Anabaptist martyrs. Shirley played organ. She is a specialist in organ music. There was ensemble. Ron sang with them.

Sunday, April 8, 2001. Nice day, 82°, not as windy as yesterday. I went to church. Stayed for lunch. Had Congregational meeting. Voted to have Steve as our youth minister. I went to see Pete. He was as usual. Allen called. They are having stormy weather. Went to Pam & Micks this p.m. Pauls called. He was in Washington DC to meeting. Just got home this evening.

Monday, April 9, 2001. Partly cloudy, 81°. I took cones off the roses. They look pretty good. They're growing. Raked up leaves from around the plants. Did some laundry. Went to see Pete. He was about as usual. Thunderstorms & tornadoes reported Northeast of us. Mannie Oyer here in p.m. Worked on garage door.

Tuesday, April 10, 2001. Rained in night & morning. Cloudy, hazy in p.m., 68°. Ron had hail in night. I cleaned kitchen, washed cupboards. Went to Nursing Home awhile. Pete alright. Ron stopped for few minutes on his way to Wellness Meeting. [He] paid a bill for me. Did a few odd jobs. Always appreciate his help.

Wednesday, April 11, 2001. Mostly cloudy, had some rain. Storm warnings were out again. I quilted in a.m. Went to see Pete in PM. Marge W[ea]ver here awhile in evening. Brought me some lasagna.

Thursday, April 12, 2001. Very windy, in 50s, some sunshine. I went with Jeanette to HEA meeting. Got home before 12:00. Went to pharmacy & grocery [store]. Went to Nursing Home. Pete okay. I went to communion at church. Jo there too. Ron with Jon to Havana.

Friday, April 13, 2001. Clear, beautiful day, 62°. I did usual work. Watered the plants. Went to B[eauty] shop at 1:30, then to see Pete. The trees are beginning to have buds so they will soon [be] blooming. People are mowing lawns.

Saturday, April 14, 2001. Beautiful day, in 60s. I did some cleaning. Went to store, got apples. Jo called last night, said Jon wanted apple pie tomorrow in place of cake. So I made 2 pies this morning. Fixed Easter baskets for Katie, Matthew & Rachel. Will take tray of cookies to Rons tomorrow.

Sunday, April 15, 2001. Easter. Cloudy, 50° – 62°. I went to church and to Rons. Took Pete out. He enjoyed it. Stayed for supper. Steves were at Rons for dinner, also Julie. She & Jon helped with dinner. Jo's leg bothered her quite a lot. Allen & Paul both called me. They tried to call Pete but got busy signal. Had good church service this morning.

Monday, April 16, 2001. Partly cloudy, 42°, windy in p.m., cold. I did some cleaning. Cleaned the shelves in bookcase. Did some laundry. Went to see Pete. He enjoyed yesterday even though he was tired. I put cones on roses again as they predict freezing temps tonight.

Tuesday, April 17, 2001. Clear, wintry, cold, 50°. I didn't sleep well last night. Had some chills & shaking. Neck hurting. I called Rons at 7:30. They came in before 8:00. Ron called Dr. Dennis office. Got an appointment at 10:45. Have a bladder infection again. Ordered antibiotics but wrong one to take with Coumadin. Didn't get it until 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 18, 2001. Fair, 55°. I quilted several hours. Went to Denny's [for] Garfield club. Went to see Pete. He is about as usual. I took cones off roses again. Fed them & watered them. They look good. Marge & Mara Weaver here few minutes. Brought soup & blueberry cobbler.

Thursday, April 19, 2001. Fair in morning, 68°, cloudy in p.m. I watered flowers. Went to Aldis & pharmacy. Jo here few minutes. Wanted my key to MRC building. She was doing some laundry [that] had been left after Don N[ester's] funeral. Ron stopped. Took the rose cones out to red shed. I appreciate it.

Friday, April 20, 2001. Partly cloudy, 78°. I went to Gayle, hair appointment. Went to BroMenn for Pro time, little high. Went to see Pete. He was doing okay. I did little cleaning. Ron stopped by. Took the rose cones to put them in red shed. He was going to plant peas.

Saturday, April 21, 2001. Mostly cloudy, 70s. Had rain in morning. I worked in our bedroom. Washed dresser scarfs. Rons have pigs sale today. I went to see Pete. He is about same. Made Jell-O salad for our small group at Marge Nesters. Storm warnings out in evening.

Sunday, April 22, 2001. 80°, cloudy, fair in p.m. I went to church. Went to Marge Nester's for small group. Went to just one. Went to Music Festival at church, good crowd. Allen called. They are okay. Paul called. He has 1 more [week of classes]. Jo called. The pig sale went well.

Monday, April 23, 2001. Cloudy & some sunshine, cooler in late p.m. I did laundry. Went to Dr. Wera's office for Pro time. Still little high. Go back in a week. Went to see Pete. Took little nap as didn't sleep well last night.

Tuesday, April 24, 2001. Nice day, 59°. I did usual things in morning. Went with Jeanette at 11:00 to BroMenn Volunteer Luncheon. Went to see Pete at 1:00. Alta L[itwiller] had been there, brought him cookies. Gerlof [Homan] there yesterday. Ron worked some at Ropp Cemetery with snowplow. Tore fence down.

Wednesday, April 25, 2001. Rainy in early a.m. I went with Dorothy Singley to Golden HEA at 9:30. Was home by 12:00. Went to see Pete short time. I felt nausea from the antibiotics. Alice Martin here while Mara was in choir practice. Marge & Barry [Weaver] are [away]. Alice staying with children. We had good visit.

Thursday, April 26, 2001. Fair, nice day, 70s. I didn't feel good today. We had antibiotics don't agree with me. I was nauseated last 2 days, had diarrhea today. Rested most of afternoon. Called Pete to tell him I wasn't coming. MRC birthday party tonight but I'm not going.

Friday, April 27, 2001. Fair, nice day, 80s. I did little cleaning. Rons came at 11:00. Ron took me to Law office to sign for tax real estate. We all went to Niepagens greenhouse. Got flowers for big pots and along drive & put tomato plants on north side of house. Ron & Jo planted them. Sure do appreciate all they do for me. We had lunch at CJ's. I went to bank & had car washed. Went to see Pete. He was concerned. I should have called him to let him know I would be late.

Saturday, April 28, 2001. Cloudy in morning, fair, nice day. I did usual work. Had hair appointment at 9:30. Went to see Pete in PM. Watered plants in evening. Talked to Arthur. He is doing pretty good.

Sunday, April 29, 2001. Fair, nice day, 79° plus. I went to church. I & Alta Litwiller were greeters. Alice Martin & I visited during Sunday School. She leaves Tuesday morning. Rons & I ate at Chinese *banquet* (sp?). Then went to see Pete. Rons went to Museum. Steve Estes was talking about Mirror of Martyrs. Jan Gundy had triple bypass Saturday. Ron and others worked at Ropp Cemetery yesterday. Paul called, they are okay. Allen called. Shirley has cold. Evelyn called. I talked to Earl Kaufman. Ann isn't doing too well.

Monday, April 30, 2001. Fair, 83° – 84°. I did some laundry. Went to Dr. Wera's office for Pro time, little high. Go back in 2 weeks, May 14. Went to see Pete. Jo & Mary Kauffman at church getting ready for mother-daughter [dinner]. I stopped there on way home. I made fruit salad

recipe for tomorrow evening. Ann Kaufman had another stroke, is in hospital. Feel so sorry for them.

Tuesday, May 1, 2001. Fair, 80°, windy. I went to church at 10:00. Helped Jo. Mary Ann & Mary Kauffman on committee for mother-daughter program. Mary Kauffman came in p.m. & Mary Ann working. I set the table service up. Ron & Marty came at noon. Went to Avanti's for lunch. Marty on his way to Morton. I went to see Pete. Went to mother-daughter program at 6:00. I took big salad. Cindy & Rachel there too. Had nice program. Had quite [a] display from other countries.

Wednesday, May 2, 2001. 82°, mostly cloudy, windy. I quilted in morning. Went to see Pete. He was about same. I watered plants.

Thursday, May 3, 2001. I had permanent at Gales at 11:00. She had busy morning. Got some ferns to put in flower pots. Didn't go see Pete. Talked to him. Marie Heiser & I went to Holiday Inn in Normal. Mennonite alumni along with ISU were having a reception for alumni but no one came. We waited awhile & came home.

Friday, May 4, 2001. Mostly cloudy, 80°. I planted my geraniums in porch pots. Watered roses & flowers. I had canceled my reservation for ISU alumni but the phone began ringing insisting that I come to dinner at ISU. It's 70 years since I graduated from Mennonite training. Doesn't seem possible. I received a warm welcome. Jo took me to Bone Center. I was met by Dorothy Witte. I received a corsage & beautiful bouquet for [being] the oldest one there. Also got a framed picture of the old ISU (unclear). Jo got me at 2:00. After picture taking we went to see Pete. I baked cookies in morning. Gave Jo some.

Saturday, May 5, 2001. Hazy, 79°. Had a shower last night. I did the weekly cleaning. Went to Nursing Home. Pete seemed okay. I'm enjoying the beautiful bouquet I got yesterday. Fairly quiet day.

Sunday, May 6, 2001. Cloudy, 65° – 70°. Rained at 4:30. I went to church, had communion. Came home for lunch. Ron came to see the flowers, also looked over the meds. Went to see Pete. Paul M[iller] & Russ Oyer came to visit Pete. He enjoyed having them. Earl K[auffman] in church. They moved Ann K. to Nursing Home on Adelaide. Allen called. They had plenty of rain. Pauls called. They were at Andys for weekend.

Monday, May 7, 2001. Had a shower. Did some laundry. Went to see Pete. Brought 2 shirts home, needed buttons. Ironed 2 shirts for Pete. Went to Paul Millers.

Tuesday, May 8, 2001. Nice day, 72°, windy. I went to BroMenn for blood work. Had breakfast with Pattons, Smuckers & Jeanette. Made 2 apple pies for freezer. Went to see Pete. Rons & I, Earl Kaufman, Russ Oyers at Paul Millers for dinner. Had nice evening.

Wednesday, May 9, 2001. Nice day, 81°. Ron took my car [to man] who painted the scratched places. Jo took me to BroMenn. Quilted. Jeanette brought me home at one. Ron took me to get the car at 3:00. Looks nice. I cleaned some in garage. Watered plants in evening.

Thursday, May 10, 2001. Nice day, 80°. Had a little shower at 3:00 PM. I did some odd jobs in morning. Went to B[eauty] shop at 12:30, then went to see Pete. He was okay. Jeff called this morning saying they would stop to see Pete on their way here tomorrow. Hoped to get there at 4:00 PM.

Friday, May 11, 2001. Partly cloudy. I did some cleaning. Went to grocery store, made some fruit salad. Went to see Pete short time. Jeffs got to Nursing Home around 4:00. Stopped at KFC, broad enough for our supper. I had bake a pie. Good to see them. They left here at 8:00 to go to Steve's where they'll stay all night. The girls are growing.

Saturday, May 12, 2001. Partly cloudy, 60°. I cleaned bathroom. Went to pharmacy. Went to see Pete at 1:00. Met Jeffs there. They were on their way to Champaign for Pat's brother's graduation. Her family were all going to be there. I watered & sprayed the roses. They look good. I bought a dozen red roses for Jo. Jewells had them on special for \$10. Ron stopped for the flowers at 4:00.

Sunday, May 13, 2001. Partly cloudy, 60s. I went to church. Ron preached sermon on law. Was good. Rons took Pete and me to dinner. Ron, Jon and Julie got dinner, very good. Rons took us to Eureka for visitation for Rollie Shrock. Appreciated getting to see the cousins. Ron gave Jo & me orchid for Mother's Day. Jeffs were in Champaign for Pat's brother's graduation. They got home early a.m. Had a nice bouquet from Pauls. A nice Mother's Day. Allens, Pauls & Deb called. Was good to hear from all of them.

Monday, May 14, 2001. Had a good shower in morning. Sun shone in p.m. I did some laundry. Went to Dr.'s office for Pro time. Go again in a week. Had an apple pie candle [?] from Deb & Randy. Went to see Pete. He enjoyed yesterday. Had Anton Romyn's daughters pictures. They both graduated from high school.

Tuesday, May 15, 2001. Quite warm, 88°. I did some odd jobs, etc. Went to Nursing Home. Women of MRC had meeting to plan for bake sale here. Watered flowers.

Wednesday, May 16, 2001. Fair, hot, 90°. I quilted in morning. Went to Garfield [club] meeting at Denny's. Everyone there (12). Last meeting for the summer. Went to see Pete. He got a haircut.

Thursday, May 17, 2001. Mostly cloudy, 87°. I made casserole for Seniors dinner. Went to church at noon. Went to see Pete. The lense came out of his glasses so he wanted me to take them to Gailey's which I did. Came home after that as I was tired. Had rain last night, 3 inches.

Friday, May 18, 2001. Mostly cloudy, 73°. I went to B[eauty] shop. Had pacemaker checked. Everything okay. Went to Nursing Home in p.m. Pete okay. I rested awhile.

Saturday, May 19, 2001. Mostly cloudy in morning, sunshine in p.m., 70s. I baked coffeecake braid. Didn't go very well. I had chest pains when was time to get dough in pan, but got through okay. Pete called. Didn't go to see him. I rested.

Sunday, May 20, 2001. Mostly cloudy, 70°. I went to church. Ron there too. Jo didn't feel good. Her knee & leg giving her trouble. Ron and I went to Chinese buffet, then to see Pete. I went to Rons after that. Got some rhubarb, lettuce & radishes. Rons are painting interior of their home. Allen called. Amber's graduation was this p.m. Paul called. Marjorie had headache.

Monday, May 21, 2001. Rained in morning, some sunshine in p.m., windy & cool, 70°. I did some laundry. Went to Dr.'s office for Pro time. Mara Weaver had invited Jo & I to her school. They had [a] little program at 2:00. I went to see Pete after the program. He was okay. Jo got some paint. Ron is painting inside of house.

Tuesday, May 22, 2001. Partly cloudy, cool, 63°, had several showers. I cleaned some of silverware in morning. Went to see Pete early. Went to Card Shop when I left Pete. The Willems, neighbors, left for Texas this morning. Took Pete some roses. They are loaded with blooms.

Wednesday, May 23, 2001. Mostly cloudy, chilly, 60s. I quilted at BroMenn this morning. Went to see Pete. He had stomach upset last night but okay today. Did some extra jobs. Clifford Roth, neighbor to the east of me, had heart attack last night or 4:00 AM this morning. Is at hospital.

Thursday, May 24, 2001. Partly cloudy, 58°. Did usual work. Baked some brownies. Went to grocery store and to see Pete. Came home at 2:30. Fed and watered the roses. They are beautiful, loaded with buds & blooms. Allen called. They are coming Saturday forenoon. They are staying at Steves. I'm disappointed.

Friday, May 25, 2001. Mostly cloudy, 60s. I did weekly cleaning. Went to B[eauty] S[hop]. Went to see Pete. He was okay. Clifford Roth, next-door neighbor, isn't doing very well. Took Pete some roses. They are beautiful.

Saturday, May 26, 2001. A rainy day. Rained most of day, 50°. I got ready for company. Allen & Shirley got to see Pete at around 3:00. Came here for supper. Rons here too. He finished painting inside their house. I had lasagna & green beans, relishes, apple pie with ice cream. Allens to Steves for the night. Was glad to see them.

Sunday, May 27, 2001. Partly cloudy. A nice day after the rain. Allens came for me at 9:15. We went to church. Brent Foster from Peoria preached. Allens & I went to see Pete during Sunday School. Allens to Steves & were going to leave after lunch, going to East Lawn Cemetery. Rons & I went to Arby's, then got Pete & went to cemeteries, Ropp Cemetery & 2 in Bloomington.

We bought some geraniums. Jo had some peonies. Arthur called. He sounds pretty good. Steve, Cathy & Arthur went to cemeteries today. Pauls called.

Monday, May 28, 2001. Fair. I awoke at 5:00 a.m. with a temperature & shaking. Called Rons at 7:00. He came and took me to ER. Temp 103°. Did some tests. Admitted me to room 359. Didn't sleep much at night. Started IVs with antibiotics. Rons came in evening. Dr. Dennis admitted me.

Tuesday, May 29, 2001. Cloudy. I feel better, temp down. And in chair. Doctors want me to walk. Dr. Wera saw me in morning, also Dr. Dennis. Was up some. Rons came. Steves family there in evening. Tim Schrag there in morning.

Wednesday, May 30, 2001. Partly cloudy. I am feeling some stronger. Walking in halls. Marge W[eaver] came in p.m. and she & Mara came in evening. Ron there. Talked to Jo. She is busy. They are getting new rug in family room. Quilting ladies stopped to see me. They finished auxiliary quilt.

Thursday, May 31, 2001. A rainy day. Drs in to see me. Can go home, am glad. Ron got me, brought Katie home with us. Rons got their new rug laid. Cindy got Katie. We heard there was a bad accident on Raab road. Werner Fransen was hit by car. He had gotten his mail & didn't see the car. He's in critical condition. Ron & Jo to hospital. Kay is in Pennsylvania visiting the girls. She & girls & husbands got here about bedtime. Ron stayed all night with me. I appreciate what they do for me.

Friday, June 1, 2001. Partly cloudy, 50s. Ron helped get my breakfast. He went home to chore. Rons got me at noon, went to bank & to see Pete. He is alright. Stopped at Chinese restaurant, got my lunch. Ron to pharmacy & grocery store for me. They went home. Marge & Mara [Weaver] came in p.m. Marge brought me soup. Ron came at 5:30. Had a client, he was going to hospital. Werner Fransen pronounced dead at 6 p.m. A tragic accident.

Saturday, June 2, 2001. Little sunshine, mostly cloudy, 50s, few showers. I'm still kinda weak. Jo came for me at 2:00. Spent afternoon with them, also had dinner. Ron brought me home at 8:00. Didn't sleep too well. Rained in night.

Sunday, June 3, 2001. Partly cloudy, 60°. I didn't go to church. Still weak. Listened on intercom. Ron worship leader, did a good job. Ron & Jo & I to Steak 'n Shake. Then Jo & I went to see Pete. Ron had some things to do. Pete about as usual. Allen called, still has a cold. Shirley better. Edith Zehr isn't good, cancer has gone to her brain. So sorry to hear it. Pauls called. They're alright.

Monday, June 4, 2001. A dark wet Monday, 63°. I didn't feel well, short of breath. Rested all morning. Jo took me to Dr. Wera's office for Pro time. Went to bank. I talked to Pete. He was okay.

Tuesday, June 5, 2001. Rained most of morning, 72°, little sunshine in p.m. I did some laundry. Ron took me to see Pete at 2:00. He had a client. Got me at 3:15. We went to store, got a new thermometer & puzzle book for Pete. I feel better than yesterday. Not as short of breath. Took an anniversary card & some roses for Clifford Roths. They have their 50th wedding anniversary in a few days. ½ inch rain in night.

Wednesday, June 6, 2001. 72°. Cloudy in early a.m. Partly cloudy. Ron took me to Gailey's at 8:45. Was noon when got home. Dr. says my eyes are okay to drive. Rons & I went to visitation for Werner Fransen. Services tonight. I listened to Memorial service for Werner via intercom.

Thursday, June 7, 2001. Foggy in morning, sunshine, 72°. I did usual work. Made tapioca pudding. Jo took me to B[eauty] shop at 1:00. Thankful for [all] they do for us. Ron helping Jon at Havana. I still feel weak. Wanted to see Pete but (unclear) tired. My temp sub normal.

Friday, June 8, 2001. Nice day, 73°, some clouds in PM. I did little cleaning. Rested. The Willems took me to see Pete & Jo got me at 3:30. I'm still weak. Rons didn't think I should drive. They are very busy getting ready for Old House Tour tomorrow. Edith Zehr is patient at McLean County Nursing Home. Allen called Pete. They are going to Ozarks tomorrow. Tim Schrag, Roelie Homan and Lori Oyer visited Pete and Edith Zehr at Nursing Home. She has cancer.

Saturday, June 9, 2001. Partly cloudy, 82°, nice day. I did usual work, little cleaning. Didn't feel like driving to see Pete. Felt better late p.m. Rons had open house, Old House Tour. Ann Miller stopped here in evening. Church retreat at [Camp] Menno Haven. Paul called. They were going to Maine tomorrow. Ruth Stetler & Joyce Thompson stopped to see Pete Sunday.

Sunday, June 10, 2001. Partly cloudy, 80s. No church. Retreat at Menno haven. Rons & I went to Woizeski family reunion at Elms. 13 there. Roger W[oizeski], Vernon W[oizeski], Bev & 2 daughters. Rays [and] Gordon. Had nice visit. Rons had over 300 people visit Open House. We stopped to see Pete. Paul called Pete. Evelyn B[early] called. Bill broke his ankle last week.

Monday, June 11, 2001. Hot and humid, 91° – 92°. I did some laundry. Stayed inside. Ron called. He thought best if [I] stay in. Long PM. Talked to Pete. He was okay. I read some. Watered flowers in evening. Got a nice bouquet of flowers from Werner Fransen's funeral. Judy & Erma brought them. Appreciate them.

Tuesday, June 12, 2001. Partly cloudy, 89° – 90°. I went to pharmacy & grocery [store]. Got my dinner. Had pork chop. Went to see Pete. He's pretty good. Saw Edith, Hazel & Tom [Yoder]. Tom visited Pete. He has had more company lately. Hope it continues.

Wednesday, June 13, 2001. Fair, good breeze though hot, 91°. I worked around here. Don't feel like doing much. Want to bake cookies want of these days. Went to see Pete. He was feeling pretty good. His roommate hasn't been feeling good.

Thursday, June 14, 2001. Fair, 92°. I did some laundry (guest bed). Jo took me to Dr. Dennis for checkup. Am getting better. Did little shopping. Got underwear for Pete. I watered plants in evening. Severe weather reported. Thankful we didn't get any here. Had little rain in night. My urinalysis okay [for] which I'm thankful.

Friday, June 15, 2001. Fair, 89°, light shower in morning. A nice day. Some color. I went to B[eauty] shop at 8:30. Did little cleaning. Went to see Pete in PM. He's doing alright. Edith Zehr in hospital again, not good. Helen Leischner admitted to Home, [she has] leg problem. Judy Hershberger brought me pint [of] strawberries. Picked them at Warner Fransens. They are good.

Saturday, June 16, 2001. Nice day, 80°. I did some cleaning. Sent Pam & Mick anniversary card. Went to see Pete. Took him some grapes. He was pretty good as usual.

Sunday, June 17, 2001. A nice Father's Day. I went to church. Had a reception [for] LeRoy & Jackie Loepp. They are moving to California. Jo worship leader. Pete & I were at Rons for dinner. Julie there too. I fell after dinner in dining room. Steve here about 6:30. He had been to see Pete. Pauls called Pete & he called me at 9:00. They are okay. Allen called Pete & me. They got home Saturday PM. Jeffs were there and staying all night.

Monday, June 18, 2001. Windy & hot, 92°. Jo took me to podiatrist, Dr. Brock & Dr. *Haddon* (sp?). Had my toenails trimmed. Can't seem to do that anymore. Went to see Pete. I was tired. Water the flowers in evening.

Tuesday, June 19, 2001. Fair, 82°, cooler in evening. I did some laundry & rested. Didn't feel too good. Wanted to baked cookies but didn't have the energy. Went to see Pete. He was okay.

Wednesday, June 20, 2001. Mostly cloudy, 70°, pleasant. I went to hospital. Quilted until noon. Good to be back again. Had pro-time taken, okay. Went to see Pete. He was okay. Had rain in night.

Thursday, June 21, 2001. Rained most of morning, about an inch. I baked cookies. Gave Pete, Rons some. Gave Willems [a] few. Went to see Pete. I went to birthday party at MRC. Showed pictures of the 30s dust storm.

Friday, June 22, 2001. Nice day, 78°. Partly cloudy. I went to B[eauty] shop at 8:30. Stopped at Aldis. Ron brought lot of lettuce & peas. I shall the peas, got 2 pints. Froze some. I went to bank & stopped to see Pete a short time. Ron & Jo also stopped to see him.

Saturday, June 23, 2001. Partly cloudy, 70s, nice day. I did usual work. Visited with Vera Willems, neighbor. She gave me some watermelon. Took some lettuce to Beulah [Roth]. Went to see Pete in PM. Allen Brock (roommate) had 96th birthday so we had birthday cake. Rons left for Ohio & Indiana.

Sunday, June 24, 2001. 89° partly cloudy. I went to church. Took KFC and took Pete outside to eat. He enjoyed it. I came home at 2:30. Did some reading. Sent cards to Jeffs & Hope. Allen called in evening. Paul called. Andys were there for weekend. Ron called. He & Marty got home about six. Jo is coming tomorrow.

Monday, June 25, 2001. A nice day, 82°. I did some laundry. Wrote in circle letter. Went to see Pete. Manny [Oyer] came, put new light in kitchen, nice & bright. Bryan [Oyer] worked on toilet bowl.

Tuesday, June 26, 2001. Another nice day, 83°. I went to Rons at 9:00. Helped Jo pod peas. She sent some home with me (2 pints), also some green beans. Went to Nursing Home in p.m. Took care of peas. Put 2 pints in freezer.

Wednesday, June 27, 2001. Partly cloudy, 82°, more humid. I quilted in morning. Went to see Pete. He's okay. Sprayed the roses & watered flowers in evening. A quiet evening. Read some.

Thursday, June 28, 2001. Clear, 83°, little breeze. I made some deviled eggs for community picnic at Rons. Did some rearranging of my summer clothes. Ron got Pete & I, took us to his place for picnic. Was lovely evening. Good crowd, 115 there & lots of food. Got home at 10:00. Pete enjoyed it.

Friday, June 29, 2001. Fair, 82°, nice day. I had permanent at 8:30 (Gayle). I went with Jeanette to reception for Arlene Mitchell who is retiring. She will be missed. I went to pharmacy. Watered plants in evening.

Saturday, June 30, 2001. Partly cloudy, 80s. I did usual work. Rested, was tired. Went to see Pete in PM. He was about as usual. Allen called. They are going to Pam's tomorrow PM to pick strawberries.

Sunday, July 1, 2001. Partly cloudy. Had shower at noon, cooler. I went to church. Rons & I went to Avanti's. Used coupons that Pauls had given us. We went to see Pete. Rons didn't stay long as they are getting ready to go to Nashville Conference tomorrow. Rons brought me vegetables, lettuce, onions, cabbage, peas & beans. Pauls called. They were having thundershowers.

Monday, July 2, 2001. Fair, 76°, nice day. I did usual work & some laundry. Went to Nursing Home. Pete okay. Stopped to see Edith Zehr. She can't remember anything. Feel sorry for her. Rons left early for Nashville Tennessee. They took Blair to Cincinnati Ohio where they met Blair's folks. A number of people going to the conference. Ron is a delegate. Hopefully everything goes well.

Tuesday, July 3, 2001. Cloudy with several hard showers during day. Very dark in a.m. Sun shone late p.m. I baked cookies in morning. Went to foot Dr. at 2:30. Have to soak my feet twice

a day. On (unclear) every 8 hours. Have an appointment for Monday 2:30. Talked to Pete. He's okay.

Wednesday, July 4, 2001. Nice day, 80s. I washed some sweaters. Soaked my feet twice. Went to Nursing Home. Had dinner with Pete. A quiet 4th. I watched fireworks in parking lot. Several others [there] also.

Thursday, July 5, 2001. A beautiful day, 78°. Soaked my feet again. Think they are some better. I fed & watered the roses. Went to store. Got Pete [a] puzzle book. Went to see him.

Friday, July 6, 2001. Nice day, 78°. I went to B[eauty] shop at 8:30, then to Dr. Wera's office. Pro time okay. Dr. says I'm doing okay. Phyllis & Lucy C[atherine Patton] came at 12:30. We went to Red Lobster for our birthdays. Jeri, Phyllis's husband, joined us too. Enjoyed it. Got home about 3:00. Called Pete. He thought I should wait & come tomorrow. Soaked my feet twice today. Think they are some better. Rons home from Nashville conference.

Saturday, July 7, 2001. Fair, humid, 90s. I did weekly cleaning. Soak my feet again. They are better. Went to see Pete, then to church. Steve *Stinger* (sp?) had surprise for Deb who received her BS in nursing. Happy for her. Allen called. They plan to come next weekend.

Sunday, July 8, 2001. Cloudy, 80s, had few showers. I went to church. Went with Rons to Arby's for lunch. [They] took me to see Pete. They went home for awhile. They got me at 3:00. We went to reception for Alta Litwiller, 90th birthday at Radisson Conference Center. Very nice. Evelyn B[early] called. They are okay. Bill has walking cast. Pauls called. Amy moved to Spencer Massachusetts to tattoo shop.

Monday, July 9, 2001. Fair, hot, 93°. I did little laundry. Didn't sleep much last night so not very peppy today. Jo took me to bank. [Made] deposit from Ray & Ron. We went to Dr. *Burk* (sp?). My feet are better. Don't have to soak anymore. Jo goes to hospital in morning [to] have her knee operated on. Hope all goes well.

Tuesday, July 10, 2001. Fair, hot, 92°. I made coffee cake braid. Went to see Pete. He was alright. Jo was to have knee surgery this morning but they didn't have all the parts they needed so they went home & waited. Talked to Arthur. He is moving to retirement home Thursday. He & Cathy have been sorting & Arthur plans to move Thursday [the] 12th. Jo had her surgery about 5:00 p.m. She got along okay.

Wednesday, July 11, 2001. A nice day, in 80s. I quilted in morning. Went to see Pete. Marge & Mara [Weaver] came to see Pete. Steve to see Pete & came here. They leave tomorrow for Carolina, family reunion. Talked to Ron. Jo doing quite well. Watered plants in evening.

Thursday, July 12, 2001. Fair, 81°, nice day. I took my drivers test. Had lady, and didn't pass. Wants me to take it over, also do the written test. Didn't think I will. Went to Birkelbaws. Got

some apples. Made quart & pint [of] applesauce. Went to see Pete. He was in bed all day. Had some diarrhea. Allen called. They are coming tomorrow evening. Will be glad to see them.

Friday, July 13, 2001. Another nice day, 82°. I went to beauty shop at 8:30. Had my pacemaker checked at 10:30. Everything okay. Glad for it. A photographer & Nancy *Ridnouer* (sp?) from College of Nursing came to take my picture. It was 70 years ago I graduated from Mennonite hospital. I talked to Pete. He was feeling pretty good. I made 2 apple pies. Allens got here at 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, July 14, 2001. Nice day, little warmer. We took baked things to MRC building, baked sale, 2 dozen cookies & 2 coffee cakes. Allens & I went to see Pete. He felt good. Allens, Rons, Julie & I went to *Avanti's* (sp?) at 11:00. Allens went to Shirley's great-niece's wedding at Heyworth in p.m. Allens got home at 9:00. Had a big wedding & reception.

Sunday, July 15, 2001. Partly cloudy, 80s, nice day. We went to church. Came home & changed clothes. Allen got KFC. We went to Nursing Home. Had dinner with Pete outside. We enjoyed it, nice to be out. Allens left there at 1:10. They stopped at Rons short time & on home. I came home at 2:00. Allen called. They got home at 8:00. Paul called. They were at Andys. They go to reunion in Maine next Thursday for a week. They hope to be here July 30. They are driving.

Monday, July 16, 2001. Fair, some clouds, more humid, 88°. I did some laundry in morning. Jo took me to Dr. Dennis at 2:00. I had good supper. Jo brought me some sweet corn, tomatoes, carrots, new potatoes.

Tuesday, July 17, 2001. Hot and humid. Thunderstorm predicted but rain went south of us. I went to Rons at 10:00. Made cabbage slaw for freezer. I was there for lunch. Brought cabbage home with me. I was going to see Pete but Rons thought I should come home on account of heat. I made an apple pie for freezer. Washed the white blanket that I kept on the sofa.

Wednesday, July 18, 2001. Very dark in morning. Had shower in places. Temp 82° late p.m. Sun shone in p.m., humid. I quilted in morning. Went to see Pete in PM. He seems to be doing okay. I peeled rest of apples. Found I had some red ants. Called Manny [Oyer]. I sprayed around baseboard.

Thursday, July 19, 2001. Cloudy, few sprinkles, 82°. I had a good day. Ron went with me to take driving test. Got along fine. Different person this time. I didn't have to take the written test. Am glad that is over. I went to Sr. dinner at church. I put 2 quarts applesauce in freezer & 5 cartons of cabbage. Will give Jo 2 of them.

Friday, July 20, 2001. Partly cloudy, 90°. Went to beauty shop. As I was coming home on Market & Lea Sts., some young man apparently ran a stop sign & hit the left light. Crushed the cover. It's beginning to make me feel maybe I don't want to drive anymore. I went to see Pete.

Rons came in evening. He called insurance man. Tried to call the fellow who hit me, but no answer.

Saturday, July 21, 2001. Mostly cloudy, hot, 88° – 90°, humid. I did usual work. Didn't feel good, had little temp. Didn't go to see Pete. Called him. Rested. Felt better in PM. Vera Willems got my medicine at pharmacy. Ron to Peoria hog show.

Sunday, July 22, 2001. Hazy, 90s, humid. I went to church. Rons & I had lunch at Pizza Hut. Went to see Pete. Larry & Louise Reeser came to see him. Brought him 3 red roses. Arthur Y[oder] called. He got moved. I talked to Allens. Jeffs & Micks were there for dinner.

Monday, July 23, 2001. Hot, 93°. Had thunder shower at 4:00 p.m. I went to grocery store and did little laundry. Had planned to go see Pete. I had left the garage door open a little & when I left for Nursing Home, forgot about the door. I felt terrible. Bryan [Oyer] came & worked on the door. Manny [Oyer] came later on. They got it up but have to open it by hand. Manny is going to see about a new door. Have had trouble with this one staying down.

Tuesday, July 24, 2001. Hazy cloudy, not as hot as yesterday. I baked cookies. Gave Pete & Rons some, also Manny Oyer. He was working in yard. Jo took me to see Pete. He's alright. Ron took my car to Baums. Got an estimate on the damage. Baums will work on car 7th of August.

Wednesday, July 25, 2001. Cloudy, cooler, 83°. I went to hospital. Quilted. Rested some in p.m. Called bus to make arrangements to take me to B[eauty] shop & Nursing Home. Couldn't take me on Thursday. Bus full and Friday will be [a] little late. I had protime taken. Go back in a week.

Thursday, July 26, 2001. Fair, 83°, nice day. I cleaned burner on the stove. Wanted to cleaned oven but couldn't seem to get it to work. Rested & read some. Did few odd jobs. Was going to see Pete but didn't feel like going. Tired. Paul called. They got home at 4 PM. Had good reunion. Pauls plan to be here on Tuesday, July 30th.

Friday, July 27, 2001. Nice day, partly cloudy, 83°. I took bus to beauty shop. Got along okay. Jo brought California peaches, also brought corn, tomatoes. Went to see Pete. He seems to be doing okay. Have red ants again. Manny & Bryan here, sprayed.

Saturday, July 28, 2001. 82°, mostly cloudy. Did usual work. Went to grocery [store]. Rested awhile. Put some tomatoes in freezer. Sprayed roses & watered flowers.

Sunday, July 29, 2001. Fair, hot & humid. I went to church & home for lunch. Went to see Pete. I slipped on floor & nearly fell. Mr. Brock called for help. They looked me over but [I] wasn't hurt. Nurses wouldn't let me drive home, so they called Steve as Rons were at the fair. Steve & Cindy & Rachel stayed awhile. Steve came back at 5:00. Brought some watermelon & made cheese sandwich for supper. I baked a ham. After 7:00 when Steve went home. Appreciate their

help. Pauls are coming tomorrow. Allen called. They were at some friends for weekend. Steve preached this morning at our church.

Monday, July 30, 2001. Fair, hot, humid, 90° plus. I did little laundry. Peeled peaches, put jar in freezer. I rested awhile. When I got up I fell. Cut small place on my eyebrow. Hurt my arm & bent glasses. Pauls got here at 1:50. Had to see them. We met Rons & Steve at Nursing Home. Jo had cake & ice cream for my birthday. Jon surprised me by having a limousine to bring me home. Paul & I to Gailey's to get my glasses straightened.

Tuesday, July 31, 2001. Fair, hot, 93°. Pauls and I went to 4-H Fair. Took wheelchair for me. Had lunch there. Went to see Pete. We had corn & tomatoes & ham for supper. Got a beautiful bouquet from Renée.

Wednesday, August 1, 2001. Fair, hot, 95°, index 108°. I went to Dr. Wera, Pro time taken. Pauls & I went shopping. They got some sandals for my birthday. Went to Cubs, got groceries. I took Pauls to Golden West for the 36th wedding anniversary. We went to see Pete. He was okay. Pauls are getting Chinese dinner at my home tomorrow for Pete's birthday.

Thursday, August 2, 2001. Cloudy, 88° plus, rained in areas. Marjorie busy getting dinner for Rons, Steves, Pete & I. Had birthday cake & Chinese food for Pete's birthday. Rons brought Pete. Was good to have him home. Pauls friend came from Wisconsin, Rich & Crista Ralston. They took Pauls & I to Japanese restaurant in evening. They stayed at MRC Building. A busy day.

Friday, August 3, 2001. Fair, 86°. I took bus to B[eauty] shop. Marjorie got waffles for their guests. They left at 9:30. We did some laundry. Went to see Pete. He was okay. Went to bank & had car washed. Ron & Jo went to Ohio this p.m. Pauls washed off my windows & cleaned blinds. Appreciate their help.

Saturday, August 4, 2001. Fair, 86°. Pauls defrosted my freezer & rearranged things. Big help. Paul & I to see Pete. He is doing alright. Marjorie made beag soup for supper. They have helped me a lot. I felt weak for awhile, felt better in PM. We all did some reading later in p.m.

Sunday, August 5, 2001. Clear, 88°. We went to church. Took KFC out to Nursing Home. Pete & Paul & I ate on patio. Pauls brought me home, packed their car & left here at 1:15 for their home. Sure miss them. Glad they could come. Helped me a lot. Arthur [Yoder] called. His sale will be September 6. Jo called. They got home from Ohio at 4 PM. Allen called they were at Micks today. They go to Randys Wednesday.

Monday, August 6, 2001. Clear, hot, 92 – 93°. Our 69th anniversary. Rather quiet day. I did some laundry & rested. Ron took me to see Pete. Jo brought me home. Tom Larson brought me some peaches. Had several California peaches left so put another jar in freezer. We got basket from

David & Harry from Deb and Randy, fruit, nuts & cheese. Called them to thank them. Paul called. They got home about 6:30. Had good trip.

Tuesday, August 7, 2001. Nice day, hot, 93°. I did usual work. Watered flowers. Went to Rachel Zehr at 1:00. Rons to Nursing Home at 2:00. Had big cake & punch for visitors, staff. Was 2 – 4 [PM]. They seemed to enjoy it. Rons brought me home. Ron took my car to Baums. Have had light fixed from accident.

Wednesday, August 8, 2001. Fair, hazy, hot, 82 – 83°. Jo took me to Dr. Wera's office for Pro time at 11:00. We had lunch at Bob Evans, then to see Dr. Dennis. He was busy. Saw Carolyn Roth. Rons are concerned about my left leg. They ordered some blood work. We went to pharmacy and to grocery store. Ron to State Fair, took barrows. Allens to Deb & Randys. Vera [Willems] here awhile in evening.

Thursday, August 9, 2001. Hazy, hot, 90°. I went with Hazel Yoder to nursing home. Pete was still in bed at 10:30 but they soon got him up. I was there about an hour. I rested some. Made peach cobbler. Steve brought some pizza, he ate with me. I had applesauce & salad & cobbler. My lab reports from yesterday are okay.

Friday, August 10, 2001. Fair, not as hot. Had shower last night. I took bus to go to B[eauty] shop. Jo took me to see Pete. Then she went to Clinton to get my car. Jo brought me home. A gentleman came to set me up to Care line. Have to wear a necklace or button. Costs \$25 per month. Mary wore one.

Saturday, August 11, 2001. Nice day, 79° – 81°. I did usual work. Jo brought me tomatoes. Gave some to my neighbors & put 2 pints in freezer. I have used about all the leftovers from last week when Pauls were here. I didn't go see Pete. My car is out at Rons. I was tired anyway. Had kinda weak spell after lunch.

Sunday, August 12, 2001. Pleasant day. I went to church with Rons. He was worship leader. Jim Turner preached. Had lunch at Pizza Hut. Went to see Pete. Didn't stay very long. He [Ron] needed to get home to get things done before he goes to [State] Fair again. He did all right Saturday, got 2 blue ribbons on Barrows. Evelyn [Bearly] called. They are okay. Bill is walking now. Has cast off his ankle. Paul called. They went to baby shower for Rachel. She got [a] lot of things.

Monday, August 13, 2001. Fair, nice day, cooler. I went with Rachel Zehr to Nursing Home. She went to see Edith. Pete was feeling quite good. Did some laundry in a.m.

Tuesday, August 14, 2001. Another nice day, 80°. Did usual work. Went to pharmacy & got crossword book for Pete. Ron took me to see Pete. He had some counsels. Ron is getting ready to go to State Fair with breeding stock.

Wednesday, August 15, 2001. Mostly cloudy, 77°. I didn't go to quilt, so baked cookies. Made salad dressing. Rested, etc. Talked to Pete. He was okay. Jo called. She is having a surprise party for Ron's birthday Saturday evening. Had shower in night. Had ½ inch plus in places.

Thursday, August 16, 2001. Cloudy, 60s, some sunshine late p.m. I did usual work. Rested some. I went with Hazel Y[oder] to Nursing Home. Edith Zehr is worse again. Pete was about same. Rons got home from [state] fair. Sold all his gilts.

Friday, August 17, 2001. Mostly cloudy, 77°. I took bus to B[eauty] shop. Got back at 9:45. Went to Dr. Wera's office for Pro time. All okay. Did some cleaning and rested. Seems I'm always tired & sleepy. Talked to Pete. He is okay.

Saturday, August 18, 2001. Stormy afternoon. Tornado warnings, heavy rains for awhile, 70s. I did usual work. Didn't go see Pete. (Unclear) were in hall after tornado warnings. I went with Russ Oyers & Paul Millers to Rons surprise birthday party. Jo surprised him. Had large group from church, 50. Louise Crumpler there, also Rays. Adam & Marie Denzer helped. Had lots of food. Had card from Allens. They're having good time.

Sunday, August 19, 2001. Cloudy, chilly in morning, fair at noon, 70s. I went to church. Took Rons to Chinese restaurant for Ron's birthday. I went to see Pete while Rons did some errands. Rons brought me home & Ron wrote some checks for me. Appreciate it. Paul called. They met Allens & Randys in Springfield. Had picnic in Park.

Monday, August 20, 2001. Fair, pleasant day. I did some laundry. Went to store & pharmacy. Didn't go see Pete. Was tired. Didn't feel like driving. Talked to him on phone. I wrote in circle letter. Watered flowers.

Tuesday, August 21, 2001. Mostly cloudy. Had light rain in p.m. Did usual work in morning. Dorothy Witte & Nancy [Ridnour], Dean of Nursing School [came]. They brought some pictures that were taken some time ago. They came at 1:00. Jo took me to Carle Clinic at 3:30. They checked my carotid vein in my neck. Hope it's good report.

Wednesday, August 22, 2001. Fair, hot, 93°. I went with Zehr girls to Nursing Home. Spent an hour with Pete. He is okay. I rested some, stirred up rolls to bake in morning. Had a thunderstorm at 6:00, lot of lightning. Allen called. They got home from Deb's about 6:00 o'clock. Glad they're home.

Thursday, August 23, 2001. Partly cloudy, 80s, more humid. I baked pecan rolls. Steve here awhile. He's working on Ropp reunion. Jo took me to see Pete. She got groceries, etc. We went to bank. I went to MRC birthday party for July & August birthdays. Vera [Willems] & I walked over. Had good attendance.

Friday, August 24, 2001. Cloudy, 80°, humid. I took bus to B[eauty] shop. Had to wait awhile. Did some vacuuming & usual work. Looked for some pictures of Ron & Jo's wedding. They celebrate 45 years. Jon & Julie are having surprise reception for them at church Sunday p.m.

Saturday, August 25, 2001. Partly cloudy, hazy, 82°. They forecast rain here but didn't rain. Have had rainstorms around Chicago. I went to drugstore in morning. Did usual work. Talked to Pete. He was okay. Julie brought some things here for Rons' reception tomorrow. It's their 45th anniversary. Hope everything goes well. Think she & Jon are going all out.

Sunday, August 26, 2001. Fair, nice day. I went to church. Came home for lunch. Julie came for her things for reception. I went with her to church. A couple friends of Jon & Julie helped. Jon went after Rons & Pete in limousine. Had good attendance, 100. 5 Van loads of people from our church went to Markham church. Jo's brother & nephew & several nieces came from Ohio. Jim Waltners came from Goshen. Jon & Julie did a good job. Had some chest pain.

Monday, August 27, 2001. Did some laundry and rested quite a while. Didn't feel very good. Called Pete. He was okay. Enjoyed yesterday. Ron here a short time, paid rent & taxes. I went with them at 5:15 to visitation for Helen Leischner who passed away Friday evening.

Tuesday, August 28, 2001. Nice day, 83°. I went with Jo to Helen Leischner funeral at 10:30. At 1:00 I went with Hazel Yoder to Nursing Home to see Pete. Hazel went to see Edith [Zehr]. She is very ill, is in a coma. Pete is okay.

Wednesday, August 29, 2001. Fair, 84°. I quilted in morning. Have a new quilt, it's large king-size. Went to pharmacy. Rested awhile. Edith Zehr passed away at 12:30. She had quite the siege of it. I watered flowers & roses.

Thursday, August 30, 2001. Hazy, warm, 80s. I made pan of apple crisp for Hazel Yoder. Her sister & family came from Virginia. Edith's funeral is Saturday morning. I went to see Pete awhile. Jo didn't feel good last night.

Friday, August 31, 2001. Fair, nice day, 78 – 80°. I went to B[eauty] shop via bus. Went to Dr. Wera's office. Pro time okay. Called Pete. He was okay. Run sweeper. Went to visitation for Edith Zehr at 5:00.

Saturday, September 1, 2001. Beautiful day, 70s. I went to Edith Zehr's funeral at 10:00. Nice service. Ina Sutter & I stayed for dinner. Talked to Pete. He was alright. Went to see Beulah Roth in evening. She fell several days ago. Cinda is home which was good.

Sunday, September 2, 2001. Lovely day, 70s. Rons & we ate at Chinese restaurant. Went to see Pete. I came home at 3:00. Allen called. He was grilling a turkey. Jeff & family there. Pauls called. His classes started last week. Over 400 [probably 40?] students in one class. 16 in another class.

Monday, September 3, 2001. Another nice day, 80s. I did usual work, laundry, etc. Did some odd jobs in PM. Talked to Pete. Ron called in morning. He plans to go to Art [Yoder]'s sale Thursday. Would like to go but think I better stay home. Beulah Roth has someone to stay with her. Cinda brought her over so [she] could meet her neighbors. Cinda leaves in morning.

Tuesday, September 4, 2001. Nice day, warmer, 85°. Went to store. Got some things for Pete. Went to bank & took my alumni blanket to cleaners. Went to see Pete. He is alright. Ron called. He's going to Arthur's sale in morning.

Wednesday, September 5, 2001. Nice day, 84°. I quilted in morning. Came home at 1:00. Rested. Talked to Pete, he is alright. Beulah Roth called, wanted me to come over. She has a lady staying with her, name, Magdalena, Polish. Very nice person. Hope it works out for Beulah.

Thursday, September 6, 2001. Partly cloudy, 89°. Had a shower in evening. I baked cookies this morning. Gave Jo some. Took some to Pete. Jo got me at 1:00, took me to see Pete. She had errands to do. Appreciated her taking me. Ron got home 10:00 PM.

Friday, September 7, 2001. Partly cloudy, windy, 89°. I went to B[eauty] shop via bus. Did some cleaning. Went to grocery store in PM. Jo came to store. We went to Farm & Fleet, got pair of trousers & shirt for Pete.

Saturday, September 8, 2001. Partly cloudy and hazy. Rons took Pete and I to Ropp Reunion at [Mennonite] Heritage Museum. Steve Estes spoke. 32 present. Jo has been taking pictures in different cemeteries. Had dinner catered. Got home at 4 o'clock. I made dessert for our small group. Reunion at Heritage next year. Had good meeting. Jo has done a lot of work on locating cemeteries.

Sunday, September 9, 2001. Cloudy, had several showers, colder in p.m. I went to church. Ardys Surpette took me to Marge Nester's for our small group. Only 5 there. Leo & Bess [Desch], Ardys & I & Marge. Had good meal. Allen called. They had bad storms the past week. Paul called. Rachael is due for her baby.

Monday, September 10, 2001. A beautiful day, 79°. Did little laundry. Called company about my pacemaker. Took me an hour to get it taken care of. Ron has paid some bills & put new license plate on car. I went to see Pete. Took him pair of trousers & new shirt.

Tuesday, September 11, 2001. A sad day. New York Trade Center has been bombed by terrorists & Pentagon Building. 4 planes. A terrible site. They think many are trapped. Deb called this morning to tell us. Randy was at home. Many days he is in New York. Talked to Paul. The boys & Rachel are alright. We had prayer meeting at church. Many churches in the area had services. Jo called. She helped Jon. Ron to Des Moines hog sale. He's at Allens tonight.

Wednesday, September 12, 2001. Nice day, 83°. I quilted in morning. Went to see Pete. He is okay. I watered flowers & roses. Continue broadcasting of the bombing. Buildings still smoking. Can't get to those trapped. So sad. Ron got home from Des Moines.

Thursday, September 13, 2001. Partly cloudy, 73°. Jo & I went shopping. Went to Gailey's [to] have glasses adjusted. Wednesday. I got brown jacket & some underwear. We had lunch at Bob Evans. Went to pharmacy & grocery [store]. Ron to see Pete. 3 or 5 bodies recovered from the bombing. Lot of money is donated to Red Cross. Andy & Rachel have little girl, Simone Marie. Born 10:20 1 PM.

Friday, September 14, 2001. 67°, fair. I did little cleaning. Went to B[eauty] shop. Went to prayer service at church at noon. Paul called at 6:30 p.m. Andy & Rachel had little girl born last night at 10:21 PM. Simone Marie, 7 #. Everything seems okay. We're thankful.

Saturday, September 15, 2001. Partly cloudy, 70°. I did usual work. Went to see Pete. Seems okay. I made salad for dinner at church. Didn't feel good in p.m., headache & some chest pains.

Sunday, September 16, 2001. Partly cloudy, 70s. Went to church. Had installation for Steve. Nice service. Had lunch at church & had Congregational meeting at 1:00. Had MRC meeting at 3:00 PM. Called Pete. Allen & Paul called him also. Allen called. Pauls also called. They went to Albany to see the baby. They are doing okay.

Monday, September 17, 2001. Cloudy to partly cloudy, 74°. I did some laundry and went to see Pete in PM. Arthur called. He wanted to know if Ron got home okay. Called Transportation. Wanted to get ride to Nursing Home tomorrow, but they were full.

Tuesday, September 18, 2001. Cloudy, had shower at 3:30 and most of evening, 72°. I worked in kitchen most of morning. Cleaned refrigerator, etc. Didn't feel good, had headache most of day. Talked to Pete. He was okay. Had thunderstorm, 9 – 10. Had inch [of] rain or more.

Wednesday, September 19, 2001. Cloudy, light shower in p.m. and evening, 60s. I quilted in a.m. Went to Garfield club at Denny's at 12:00. 10 there. I stopped to see Pete on way home. Pam Quigley called they are getting ready for trip going West, Yellowstone Park, etc.

Thursday, September 20, 2001. Very foggy in morning, fair nice day, 74°. I made deviled eggs [for] lunch at church. Went to pharmacy and grocery store. Went to Seniors lunch. Earl K[aufman] played saxophone. Ron came, paid my bills. Glad he does that for me. Sent in reservations for [College of Nursing] Homecoming. President Bush talked to America.

Friday, September 21, 2001. Nice day, partly cloudy, 73°. I went by bus to beauty shop. Did some cleaning. Went to bank & to see Pete. He seemed pretty good.

Saturday, September 22, 2001. Mostly cloudy, 73°. I did usual work. Made some vegetable soup. Talked to Pete. He was okay. I rested awhile in p.m.

Sunday, September 23, 2001. Mostly cloudy, cooler. I went to church. Rons there too. We went to Chinese restaurant, then to see Pete. I got home at 3:00. Allen called. They are okay. They plan to come Friday. Paul called. Marjorie plans to go to Andys this coming week.

Monday, September 24, 2001. Partly cloudy, 59°, quite cool. May have frost. [At] 9:30 Jo took me to Gailey's to have my eyes checked. Didn't make any changes. I had chest pain about 8:30 a.m. Took 3 Nitro [tablet]s before pain stopped. Did some laundry.

Tuesday, September 25, 2001. Clear, cool, 59° – 60°. I baked cookies in morning & made apple crisp. Apples got from Kay Ann. They picked at Kay Ann's place Saturday. People at church were to take apples. Kay Ann doesn't want anything for them. I went to see Pete. He's about as usual. Julie here awhile on her way to Joh's. She sold all bazaar tickets for me.

Wednesday, September 26, 2001. Beautiful day, 60°. I quilted in morning. Had protime taken. Jo came to town at 2:00. I went home with her. Julie is helping with dinner for Jon's birthday. 2 couples were invited that he doesn't know about. Had good dinner. Ron brought me home before 10:00.

Thursday, September 27, 2001. Another nice day. Jeanette took me to Aldis. Appreciated it very much. Steve was here for lunch. We had chili. Enjoyed having him. I went to see Pete. I was tired so didn't stay long.

Friday, September 28, 2001. Cloudy, chilly. I went by bus to get hair done. Got permanent. Ron came at 11:30. Met with a lady about (Katherine) Path. We'll get some assistance with our medicines. That will help. I went to store & pharmacy. Made some chili. Allen & Shirley got here at 4:40. They stopped to see Pete. We had chili. They had alumni meeting at 6:00, then football game. Allen graduated 58 years ago from NCHS.

Saturday, September 29, 2001. Beautiful day, 68°. Visited with Allens. At 10:30 we met Ron, Jo & Jon at Jumers for brunch. Rons helped pick apples at Fransens from 8:00 – 10:00. Allen & I went to see Pete. His roommate Mr. Brock isn't doing very well. I came home. Allens took Katie to get her birthday present. Allen went to banquet at Holiday Inn at 5:30. Allens enjoyed the evening.

Sunday, September 30, 2001. Another nice day, little warmer. Allens left at 9:00. Stopped to see Pete & stopped at Metamora. I went to church. Ron preached, Jo worship leader. Bergys from Fresno California here. They got to Rons yesterday. I had lunch at home. Went to see Pete. Rested & read. Always quiet after they leave. Allen called. They got home around 5:00. Talked to Arthur [Yoder]. He's doing pretty [good], little lonesome. Paul called. Marjorie got back from Andys Friday.

Monday, October 1, 2001. Beautiful day. Jo took me to see Dr. Seehofer. Have sore place on bridge of my nose. He took biopsy, may be skin cancer. Get report Thursday. Hope it isn't. Washed some. Rested. I'm tired & sleepy. Talked to Pete. He is okay. We're glad of that.

Tuesday, October 2, 2001. Clear, nice day, 80°. Did usual work. Watered plants. Cleaned guest bathroom. Went to see Pete. His roommate died this morning. He wasn't well for some time.

Wednesday, October 3, 2001. Clear, warmer, 80° plus. I quilted in morning. Ron came at noon. Paid some bills & sorted junk mail. Got check from Ray, rent, and one from Ron. Ron took papers to recycle. Marge Weaver here in evening during Jr. choir. Called Evelyn Bearly for her 70th birthday.

Thursday, October 4, 2001. Cloudy, few light showers, 58°. I baked coffeecake braid in morning. Went to see Pete. Didn't get a good report on biopsy of my nose. Dr. Seehofer wants me to go to Springfield to have it done. Jo didn't feel good today. Heart. She [went to] see the doctor. Rained in night.

Friday, October 5, 2001. Cloudy, rainy day, 40s. I had hair done, went on bus. Jo got me at 9:30. We went to visitation for Allen Brock, Pete's roommate. Went to Card Shop & home at 2:00. Went to Dr. Wera. Plans are for me to go to Springfield to have cancer cells removed from my nose. OR is October 22nd. Sent card to Marty for his birthday, also [to] Allen & Christopher.

Saturday, October 6, 2001. Beautiful day although chilly. 33° in morning, Frost. I did usual work. Went to store for stamps & dressings. Went to see Pete. He was in bed, has some diarrhea in morning. He was feeling better.

Sunday, October 7, 2001. Nice day. I went to church. Had communion. Had our small group at Leo Deschs. Marge Nester took Alta L[itwiller] & me. 8 of us there. Had good dinner. Talked to Pete. He felt better today. Ron stopped to see him. Allen called. They are okay. Pauls called. They are busy.

Monday, October 8, 2001. Fair, windy, 60s. I did some laundry. Rested some. Went to see Pete. He was okay. Didn't stay very long. Didn't feel very good.

Tuesday, October 9, 2001. Fair, 70°. Did usual work. Made loaf of cranberry bread for bazaar. Rested in p.m. Was tired. Talked to Pete. Said he was okay.

Wednesday, October 10, 2001. Cloudy, windy. I quilted in morning. Went to see Pete. He was doing alright. Marge Weaver here during Jr. choir. Brought me some Apple cake. Rained some in night.

Thursday, October 11, 2001. Mostly cloudy, 63°. Had some showers in evening. I went with Jeanette to HEA. Got home at 12:00. I went to grocery store and to MRC Building [Birthday] Party at 3:30.

Friday, October 12, 2001. Cloudy, 60s. I went by bus to B[eauty] shop. Jo got me at 1:00. Went to see Pete. He has some cold. Went to Dr. Dennis at 3:30. Urinalysis okay. Am thankful. Ron in Chicago to meeting. He & Jo going to Berne tomorrow. Ron delegate for merger of 2 conferences.

Saturday, October 13, 2001. A dark rainy day, 60s, rained hard in p.m. I did usual work. Went to drugstore. Rested, worked some in closet putting some summer clothes away. Talked to Pete. His cold little better. Rons left early for Berne Indiana. Ohio conference voted against the conferences merger. Where do we go from here?

Sunday, October 14, 2001. Clouds and sunshine, had little shower at 4:00. Ron got home about 10:00 last night. Drove in hard rain. Jo went on to Ohio. I went to church. Ron preached at Danvers. He met me at church. We ate at KFC, then to see Pete. Ron brought me home & checked the mail & wrote some checks. I appreciate it. Allen called, they are okay. Paul called. They are at Andys tonight.

Monday, October 15, 2001. Some sunshine in a.m., clouds and rain in p.m., 51°. I did some laundry. Cleaned some dresser drawers in p.m. Read some.

Tuesday, October 16, 2001. Cloudy in morning, light rain, chilly, 40s. I baked cookies. Gave Rons & Pete some. Ron took me to see Pete at 1:30. Got me at 3:15. Glad I didn't have to drive. Pete still has some cold. Jo got home from Ohio this evening. She & I to Hesston College choir.

Wednesday, October 17, 2001. Clear, heavy Frost. I went to hospital, quilted. Went to Fall luncheon at hospital. Talked to Pete, he was okay. Marge W[eaver] here in evening during Jr. choir. Mara came for short time.

Thursday, October 18, 2001. Sunny but windy, 65°. I watered the plants. Went to pharmacy, got 4 medicines refilled, over \$100. Garfield club met at Denny's at 12:30 but I didn't go. Went to see Pete. He's about same.

Friday, October 19, 2001. I went by bus to B[eauty] shop. A beautiful day, 60°. I did some cleaning. Baked a little coffeecake. Ron here short time. Addressed some cards for me and sorted the mail. Tim Schrag here awhile after Ron left. Talked to Pete. He was alright.

Saturday, October 20, 2001. Fair, nice day, warmer, 70°. Did usual work. Went to store. Went to see Pete. He is okay. Cinda Roth is home so she wanted me to come, so went over for awhile. Rons are busy with Old House & Barn program at Davis Mansion.

Sunday, October 21, 2001. Cloudy to partly cloudy, 69 – 70°. I went to church. Home for lunch, went to see Pete. Cindy got me at 5:00. Went to Paul Watkins, surprise for Katie's birthday. Jo was there also. Nice evening. Had pizza, etc.

Monday, October 22, 2001. Mostly cloudy. Rons and I left at 6:45 for Southern Illinois Drs. Clinic. Got there at 8:00. Dr. *Buzzcolls* (sp?) took squamous cell cancer off my nose. Everything went well. Took some x-rays, got it all. Left clinic at noon. Went to restaurant. Got home at 3:00. I was tired. Rons stayed awhile. It bled short time, put pressure on. Allen & Paul called. I slept well.

Tuesday, October 23, 2001. Had shower early, cloudy, 72°. I got my breakfast. Rested. Not supposed to stoop or lift any heavy objects. Jo came in forenoon. Took heavy dressing off. She brought my dinner. Came back in evening. Brought soup. Thankful for all they do for me.

Wednesday, October 24, 2001. Cloudy, had rain and wind in p.m., 62°, turned colder. I didn't do any work. Didn't sleep good. Jo brought some food again. I didn't feel as good as yesterday. Rons made supper for Oyer family. Their daughter died in Texas. Marge [Weaver] brought pea soup. Mara came after choir.

Thursday, October 25, 2001. Fair, very windy, colder, 46°. I rested. Got my lunch. Jo got me at 1:30. Went out to see Pete. He still has a cough. MRC Building [birthday] party but I didn't go.

Friday, October 26, 2001. Partly cloudy, cold, windy, 30s. Jo took me to hairdresser. She moved to E. Locust St. I did little cleaning. Went with Rons to visitation for Tina Oyer. A sad situation. Feel so sorry for Mannys. Jo had word her Uncle Gerald passed away.

Saturday, October 27, 2001. Clear, nice day, not as windy. I went with Rons to funeral service for Tina Oyer. Very sad. After funeral Ron took Marie Heiser & I to homecoming at Edwards Hall. Good to see some of old friends. My class was honored. 70 years ago in June I graduated. I got thermo cup from College, [and] pencil & pen. Ron got us at 2:45. He visited with Pete. I talked to Arthur [Yoder]. Wished him a happy birthday.

Sunday, October 28, 2001. Sunshine. Went to church. Went with Rons to lunch at Tom's on main Street. Ron left me off to see Pete. Came back & got me. Ron visited Pete yesterday. Jo is taking care of laundry at MRC building. Oyer family used beds. Allen called. They are expecting Randy this evening. Paul called, they are okay.

Monday, October 29, 2001. Nice day, 63°. I did some laundry. Marge Weaver got me at 1:45. Took me to [Dr.] Wera's office for Pro time, then to Dr. Seehofer to get stitches out. Incision looks good. Rons left this morning for Columbus Ohio to attend the funeral of Jo's uncle, Gerald Emerick.

Tuesday, October 30, 2001. 63°, mostly cloudy, light shower in p.m. I baked bars. Marge Weaver took me out to see Pete. He was okay. Marge did some errands. Rons got home from Ohio around 6:00.

Wednesday, October 31, 2001. Partly cloudy, windy, 63°. I went to grocery store. Got lunch. Had chicken & rice dish. Did some cleaning, etc. Didn't feel like going to quilt.

Thursday, November 1, 2001. Cloudy day, windy, 60s. I ran the sweeper & dusted. Ron stopped, brought check. He pulled up the petunias by the porch. He took me to see Pete and Jo brought me home at 2:30. Jo stopped, got my coffee cake & cranberry [cake or bars?] for bazaar tomorrow.

Friday, November 2, 2001. A beautiful day, 68°. I went by bus to B[eauty] shop. Jo came at 11:00. Had pacemaker checked. Everything okay. Julie got me at 12:00. Went to bazaar, had lunch there. Then to Dr. Wera, had protime taken. Went to Famous BU [?]. Julie tried on some clothes. Got home around 4:00. A busy day. Jo helped Jon. Talked to Pete, he is OK.

Saturday, November 3, 2001. Fair, nice day 60s. I did some weekly cleaning. Went to grocery [store]. Didn't feel very good. BP up again. Rested, made Jell-O salad for tomorrow. I felt some better in PM. didn't go see Pete. Didn't feel like driving. Allen called. They are going to Branson [Missouri] tomorrow. Called Pete. Allen talked to him also.

Sunday, November 4, 2001. Another nice day. I went to church. Ron & I went to see Pete between church & Sunday School. Had dinner at church at business meeting. Got home at 2:30. I cut some more roses but I think that is all the buds. Pauls called Marjorie has lost her job. Cutting down on number of employees.

Monday, November 5, 2001. Another beautiful day, 58°. I did some laundry, washed some shirts. Wrote in circle letter. Cleaned my sandals. Busy most of day. Talked to Pete, he was okay. Watered my plants. Vera W[illems] here few minutes late p.m.

Tuesday, November 6, 2001. Nice day, 68°. Did usual work. Ordered some dish cloths. Jo came in at 1:15, took me to see Pete. She went to grocery [store]. Was home at 3:00. Called Carle Clinic about flu shots, seems vaccine is scarce supply

Wednesday, November 7, 2001. Fair, warm, 71°. Had flu shot I quilted in morning. Had flu shot at BroMenn. Rested & read some. Jo washed all my windows outside. She & Ron helped Jon. Marge Weaver here during Jr. choir practice, brought some food.

Thursday, November 8, 2001. Mostly cloudy. Temp dropped some late p.m. I made apple crisp. Worked in bedroom, washed dresser scarfs. Rons stopped in. He paid some bills. I made out order for Bill & Evelyn. Ordered from Wisconsin cheese men. Appreciate Ron helping with paying bills. Brot 2 more rosebuds in house. They have been beautiful. Talked to Pete he was alright.

Friday, November 9, 2001. Very frosty morning. Nice day, 54°. I went by bus to B[eauty] shop. Did some sweeping. Went to grocery [store]. At 1:00 went for Pro-time & on to see Pete. Hadn't been there since Tuesday. Took him grapes & candy. He was about as usual.

Saturday, November 10, 2001. I did Saturday work. Went to grocery store, got rolls for tomorrow's small group. I cleaned out some medicines I had before cataract surgery. Long afternoon. Talked to Pete. He got haircut yesterday.

Sunday, November 11, 2001. Clear, 50s. I went to church. Ron preached at Waldo [Mennonite] church in Flanagan. Jo came to church, but started to feel sick so went home. She felt better later on. I went with Ardys [Serpette] to our small group at Alta Litwillers. Only 8 of us. Talked to Pete. Ron stopped to see him on his way home from Flanagan. Allen called. They got home this p.m. Pauls called. Marj is going to Andys tomorrow.

Monday, November 12, 2001. Nice day, 60°. I did laundry. Listened to tragic news. An airplane crashed in New York with 160 people. Seems we have so many tragic things are happening. Talked to Ron. Jo was feeling better. Paul Miller here, fixed the clock Jon gave us.

Tuesday, November 13, 2001. Another nice day, 68°. I did usual work in a.m. Rons came in at noon. Ron wrote some checks. Jo & I to pharmacy & grocery store. They took me out to see Pete. They did some errands. Got home at 3:00. I got 4 more roses in but that is all.

Wednesday, November 14, 2001. Another warm day, 70°. I quilted at hospital. Got home at 12:30. Made some bread pudding. Marge Weaver & her mother Alice Martin coming this evening. Had a nice visit.

Thursday, November 15, 2001. Cloudy in morning, fair, 50s. I made deviled eggs for lunch. Jo took me to Pro time. Did some cleaning. Went to dinner at Sr. lunch. I went to see Beulah [Roth] awhile in p.m. My hip is bothering me, is painful.

Friday, November 16, 2001. A beautiful day, 60s. Ron took me to B[eauty] shop & Jo got me. Went to see Dr. Lin, Neurology. Will have some blood work done, EED & CAT scan. Finished there at 11:30. Went to Paradise Gardens, then to see Pete. Jo had her hair done. I visited with Pete. Got home 2:50. Also went to pharmacy, got medicines.

Saturday, November 17, 2001. Nice day. I did usual work. Rested. Felt little better but hip hurt more in late p.m. Rested in p.m.

Sunday, November 18, 2001. Cloudy, if you sprinkles, 59 – 60°. I went to church. Had 4 people join church. Steve assisted with the baptism. I took Jo to Chinese restaurant. Ron was busy. Jo took me to see Pete. Ron got me at 2:30 as he went to practice for Community Messiah. Allen called Pete so he got to talk to both of us. Allen plans to come in 2 weeks when Rons go on Caribbean cruise. Paul called. He is coming December 30, leaves January 3. Glad to hear it.

Monday, November 19, 2001. Shower early, cloudy, clear before noon, 50°. I did some laundry. Stirred up peanut butter cookies. Ron came [at] 4:30. Took care of some bills. Gave him some cookies. Talked to Pete in evening.

Tuesday, November 20, 2001. Fair, 27° – 45°. I did usual work. Went to grocery store. Got supplies for Christmas baking. Went to MRC Building at 2:00. Irma Stutzman had made several Apple cakes so she served them. Good time to visit awhile.

Wednesday, November 21, 2001. Fair, nice day, 58°. I baked Yummy cookies. Ron took me to see Pete in PM. He was uncomfortable with his bottom. Steve & Rachel here during Jr. choir. They left after choir practice for Allens. Ron & Jo came for our big sweeper we kept in garage. I made filling for pumpkin pie.

Thursday, November 22, 2001. Fair, 60°, nice day. Thanksgiving day. I baked 2 pumpkin pies. Pete & I to Rons for a big dinner. Had turkey and all the trimmings. Very good. Tim Schrags, Andy & Sara, Gerlof Homans, Jon Reimers. Julie there too. Nice day. We have so much to be thankful for. Pete enjoyed the day. Ron brought us to our homes at 5:00 PM. Arthur Y[oder] called in evening. He took Steve & Cathy out for dinner. Dave doing okay. Paul called too. They had company for dinner.

Friday, November 23, 2001. Cloudy to partly cloudy, 59°. I went to B[eauty] shop. Did some cleaning. Made caramels p.m. Talked to Pete in evening. He was about ready for bed.

Saturday, November 24, 2001. Had rain early a.m., 50s. Rained in forenoon. I did usual work. Went to grocery store at noon. Rested and chopped peanuts for white bark candy. Had tornadoes in south last night.

Sunday, November 25, 2001. Cloudy, breezy, 40s. I went to church. Rons & I had lunch at Arby's. They took me to see Pete. They had errands to do. Got home about 3:00. Rons & I went to see Beulah [Roth]. She is having surgery tomorrow. Having a shunt put in her spine. Hope it's successful. Cinda is home. Allen & Paul called. They are okay.

Monday, November 26, 2001. Cloudy, rained in evening, 57°. I did usual work, laundry, etc. Baked carrot cookies. Went with Rons to visitation for Carl Giermann Jr. Funeral tomorrow. Cinda called. Beulah went through OR quite well.

Tuesday, November 27, 2001. Cloudy, 30°. I made white bark cookies in morning. Made date balls in p.m. after I rested. Talked to Pete. He was in bed. His bottom is hurting. He may have to stay off of it.

Wednesday, November 28, 2001. Cloudy, 40s, rained in evening. Did usual work. Ron came at 10:40, sorted the mail, wrote some checks. He took me to see Pete. Ron came back for me at 12:30. Ron had client at 11:00. I had late lunch. Marge Weaver & Alice Martin here during choir practice. Got me some food again.

Thursday, November 29, 2001. Darken Misty day, 40s. Jo took me to Dr. Wera's office for Pro time, then to BroMenn for blood work. Had lunch at Atrium. Went to Walmart, got Christmas

cards. Got some groceries. Jo took some Christmas decorations for Pete's room. I stirred up sugar cookies.

Friday, November 30, 2001. Cloudy, 43°. I went to B[eauty] shop via bus. I baked sugar cookies & iced them. Vera [Willems], neighbor, here awhile. Talked to Pete. He was in bed until noon. Hope his bottom gets better soon. Ron & Jo left about 5:00 for O'Hare airport. Stay all night, their plane leaves early for San Juan [Puerto Rico]. Hope all goes well.

Saturday, December 1, 2001. I did usual work, little laundry. Rested. Made some fruit salad. Rons left O'Hare for Caribbean cruise. Hope weather will be good. Evelyn B[early] called. They are okay. Allen called. He is coming tomorrow to stay with me several days.

Sunday, December 2, 2001. Fair, 50°. I went to church. Came home for lunch. Talked to Pete, he was about same. I went to Vesper service at church. Marge W[eaver] got me. Allen got to Nursing Home [at] 6:15. He came to church so I came home with him. Good to have him.

Monday, December 3, 2001. Warm, beautiful day. We went to store & pharmacy & to Aldis. Allen trimmed roses & covered them with cones. We had some Kraut & pork chops. Went to see Pete awhile. A busy day. Glad to get some things done.

Tuesday, December 4, 2001. Cloudy, 63°, unusual for December. I did some laundry. Made some barbecued sausage balls for dinner. Allen did some jobs. Took papers to recycle, put bird feeder up that wind blew down. We went to see Pete. He was about same. I stirred up crescents cookies. Allen took Jon, Julie & me to Avanti's at 6:30.

Wednesday, December 5, 2001. Partly cloudy, mild, had shower in evening. Baked Crescent cookies. We went to see Pete in PM. He was same. Still hurts him to sit. Allen got KFC for our supper.

Thursday, December 6, 2001. Fair, cooler, 50°. Allen left here. He took Rachel to school at 8:45. He stopped few minutes to see Pete. He got home at 2:30. Glad he could be here. I miss him. I baked cherry bars.

Friday, December 7, 2001. Fair, cooler. I went to B[eauty] shop, had permanent. Did some cleaning. Went to Paul Millers. They had Ina [Sutter], Martha, Marie Heiser & me. Paul got us. Had nice time.

Saturday, December 8, 2001. Foggy, then cloudy, 40°. I did usual work. Marie Heiser got me at 1:30. Went to Mennonite College of Nursing Christmas open house at Ewing Castle. Got to see some old friends. Hope Rons are on way home.

Sunday, December 9, 2001. Clear, cool, 40°. I went to church. Rons there too. They got home last night at 11:00 p.m. They had a good trip & enjoyed it. Glad they could go. They & I had

lunch at Arby's. Went to see Pete. He's about same. Still hurts him to sit. Ron looked through the mail and paid some bills. Allen & Paul called.

Monday, December 10, 2001. Clear, 48°, nice day. I did some laundry. Went to bank and had car washed. Talked to Pete. He was same. Went to grocery store, got some Stauffers meats on sale. Worked on Christmas cards. Don't know if I can get them done. Wish I hadn't got the cards.

Tuesday, December 11, 2001. Clear, chilly, 37°. I baked 2 pumpkin breads. Gave Rons a loaf. I went to church at 1:30. We tied a bunch of hay for a crib for Christmas Eve. Rons came at 3:15. They put up outside lights. Jo is coming back later on. I am to have EEG at 7:00 in morning. Can't go to bed until midnight, [am to] sleep until 4:00 a.m. I wrote some Christmas cards. Jo is going to help me. Jo stayed all night.

Wednesday, December 12, 2001. Cloudy, rainy day, 40s. Jo took me to BroMenn at 7:00 a.m. Had EEG done and CAT scan. She took me to beauty shop. Shampooed my hair 4:00 a.m. [PM?] We went to pharmacy. We have our Christmas decorations done. Marge W[eaver]& her mother Alice were here, brought some food. I had tea & cookies for them.

Thursday, December 13, 2001. Cloudy, 38°, colder in p.m. Slept good last night. Didn't wake up until 6:00 a.m. I didn't go to HEA. Ron gave his barn program. Don't think my cold is much better. Ron stopped about noon to check on outside lights. He came back at 3:00. Wrote checks for family Christmas gifts. I had to cut down some. We set humidifier. I signed Christmas cards & put stamps on. Evelyn Bearly sent a nice calendar and some Christmas stamps.

Friday, December 14, 2001. Everything covered with snow, 2 – 3 inches. Looked like Christmas. I think of (unclear) slightly better. Called Dr. Wera's office. Nurse thought I should see Dr. Dennis. Jo made appointment for 4:45. Dr. gave prescription antibiotics and [am] to take Robitussin. Went to store. Jo got groceries for herself and me. Ate supper at 7:00.

Saturday, December 15, 2001. Cloudy, 40s. I did usual work. Didn't feel very good but much better in PM. Talked to Pete. He was in bed at 1:00. I made salad for surprise luncheon for tomorrow.

Sunday, December 16, 2001. A wet drizzly day, 40s. I went to church. Ron and I went to see Pete during Sunday School hour. He was quite good. Rons took me to Wayne Litwiller for surprise luncheon. Jo got me at 2:40. I went to First Christian Church to hear the Messiah. Very nice program. Ron & others from our church sang.

Monday, December 17, 2001. Cloudy, 40s, cooler in evening. I did some laundry in morning. Rested. Jo took me to Dr. Lin the neurologist. Got report from the tests. Went to Dr. Wera's, had protime. Allen called. They were at Jeff's girls program.

Tuesday, December 18, 2001. Clear, nice day, 40s. I fixed some plates of cookies to give some neighbors. Rons came before 1:00. Took me to bank, then Ron went to his office. Jo & I went to

see Pete. He was as usual. Took him cookies & candy and some cards to read. Picked up Ron and went to grocery [store] & pharmacy. Appreciate their taking me to all these places.

Wednesday, December 19, 2001. Cloudy awhile, misted, sun shone, 39 – 40°. I did usual work. Baked some bars, rested & read. Rather quiet day. Jo not feeling well, has temp.

Thursday, December 20, 2001. Clear, 39°. Did some sweeping. Ron came at 12:30. Took me to see Pete. He seemed pretty good. I went to MRC Birthday Party. Was nice evening. Sang some carols & played bingo awhile. I went with Willems. Jo still not feeling good.

Friday, December 21, 2001. Fair, chilly. I went by bus to B[eauty] shop. Pete [Ron?] got me at 9:30. Took me to Dr. Wera's office for Pro time. Have to cut down Coumadin, blood too thin. Antibiotics do that. I read some, took a nap. Was tired. Talked to Pete. They were having their Christmas party today.

Saturday, December 22, 2001. A dark rainy day. Rained all morning. I finished weekly cleaning and rested. Talked to Jo. She feels better which I'm glad she does. Talked to Pete. He got some gifts yesterday at the Christmas party. I fixed big tray of cookies for Christmas day. Cinda Roth called. Said she brought Beulah home from hip [rehab]. Steves went to see Pete, took him box of chocolates, then came here & gave me chocolates.

Sunday, December 23, 2001. Cloudy cold Northwest wind. Fair in p.m. I went to church. Rons, Jon & I to Chinese restaurant for dinner. Ron & I to see Pete. Jo feels better, no temp but she thought best to not see Pete. Steves went to Allens after Sunday School today. Allen called. Randys & Steves were there. Randys plan to come a week from today. Paul called. Andys & Ben there.

Monday, December 24, 2001. Partly cloudy, cold, some snow flurries. Ron got me at 7:15 for blood work at BroMenn. Got (unclear) after (unclear). I did some laundry. Rested some. I went with Ron to Christmas eve services at church. Marty went along also. Glad he did.

Tuesday, December 25, 2001. Mostly fair, few flurries. 8° in a.m. Ron got Pete & I, took us to their home for good dinner, pork loin & quail. Marty fixed meat. I took cookies. I got red pant suit from Jon & Julie, slacks & sweater from Rons. Pete got new razor. His was taken at the Home. He got candy, slippers, puzzle books, (unclear), socks, blanket, etc. Got cosmetics from it Marty. I gave Julie \$25. Paul called at Rons. Andys & Ben & Amy there. Gave children & grandchildren my picture.

Wednesday, December 26, 2001. Cloudy to partly cloudy, snow flurries all day, cold, 18° most of day. Ron & Jo took me for Pro time at 11:00. Got medications & some groceries. Didn't feel good. Thought it from antibiotics. Didn't do anything. Slept real good. Went to bed at 8:45. Didn't get up until 8:30 a.m. Dr. Wera's office called.

Thursday, December 27, 2001. Clear until evening, 29° – 32°. Got up late. Slept well but didn't feel well. Still feel nauseated and no appetite and feel *wobbly* (sp?). Hope it goes better tomorrow.

Friday, December 28, 2001. Partly cloudy, 28°, some snow flurries. I still feel weak and no appetite. Went to beauty shop per bus. Had pacemaker checked. Everything okay. February 22, 2002. Jo took me to Dr. Wera at 2:00 and [we] went to pharmacy. Dr. (unclear) thinks new medicine that Dr. Li put me on is causing the nausea etc. But he wants me to try it awhile. I talked to Pete.

Saturday, December 29, 2001. Partly cloudy, colder. Think I feel little better, not quite as nauseated. Did usual work. Put some boxes away to make way for Paul. Talked to Pete. Ron was there to see him. Plan to have pizza tomorrow for lunch when Paul & Randys get here. I rested some. Washed some slacks. Got circle letter.

Sunday, December 30, 2001. Clear, nice day, chilly wind. I went to church. Came home at 11:00. Paul got here at 11:30 and Randys got here about 1:00. Paul got some Pete [pizza?] & [we] had applesauce & cookies. Randys went to see Pete awhile. Randys, Paul & I went to Rons for good supper. Randy started home at 6:30.

Monday, December 31, 2001. Clear, cold, 16°, wind chill 3°. I slept late. Paul woke me at 9:00 a.m. Was tired. Did little laundry. We took KFC to Nursing Home, had dinner with Pete. He enjoyed it. Spent most of afternoon with him. We stopped at Kroger's, got chicken. Put 6 packages in freezer. Glad for Paul's help. Arthur [Yoder] called in evening. Dave is with him. Cathy & Steve in Italy. Paul & I to Rons. Deb called in morning. They got home at 11:30 our time this morning.