



PROBUS Club of Milton



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A SOCIAL CLUB FOR RETIRED PROFESSIONAL AND BUSINESS PERSONS,
FORMER EXECUTIVES AND OTHERS

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**Next Meeting: Wednesday June 3
10:00 am Milton Sports Centre Santa
Maria Blvd**

*******Meeting Cancelled*******

Greeters: Myra Faichnie and Brenda Morrow

Coffee & Tea: Linda and Dan Reid

Speaker: Jan Sherman – Indigenous
Storyteller

Member experiences: Patricia McIntyre



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From our President:



“C” is for “Change”

This month’s message is brought to you by the letter “C” and the number “Infinity”. [OK. I know Infinity is not a number – just work with me here.]

“C” is for COVID-19, but more importantly, “C” is for “Change”. If there is a universal truth that we can all agree on, it is that the pandemic spread of the virus has forced Change upon us like never before. This Change has been faster, has been broader based and has affected more of the world’s population than any previous Change event.

It was only three months ago that we were making plans to travel abroad, play cards with friends, go to a play or sports event, visit grandchildren or attend a Probus meeting. The prudent and unavoidable public health response to the spread of the virus brought on Change virtually overnight.

Wherever you look, Change is visible. There are fewer planes flying over Milton on the way to Pearson International Airport. There is more than ample parking available in the Milton GO Train lot. All sports and entertainment events are cancelled. All schools are closed for the remainder of the school year. For the past two months, all but essential businesses and services have closed their doors. Record numbers of people are working from home using remote technology. You haven’t had a hair cut in 9 weeks and you look like your Grade 11 school photo (just greyer). The list goes on and on and seems Infinite.

There has been no escaping this Change. Two hundred and thirteen countries and territories around the world have reported confirmed cases of COVID-19. The viral spread of disease has apparently reached everywhere except icy Antarctica and, thankfully, Nunavut. Even island nations, including St. Pierre and Miquelon, have not been spared from exposure.

Happily, humans are change experts. *Homo sapiens* are well-positioned to deal with Change. As a species, we have adapted to Change at a rate, and with a facility, unknown to any other living organism. Think of the

Pictures courtesy of David Wentzell



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Change you have seen, and adapted to, in your own lifetime. We have gone from land line rotary dial phones to cellular networks with calls activated by oral requests to Siri or Alexa. The cars we drive are now electric and will soon be capable of autonomous travel. The music we listen to comes from a streaming service and no longer from our personal collection of vinyl records, or even CDs. As adults, we enjoy kale, shitaki mushrooms, quinoa, tofu and a broad range of foods and flavours unknown to us as kids. Each of us has successfully faced the massive Change that comes with retirement. Membership in Probus is an element of our response to that big Change.



Management of the Probus Club of Milton is aware of the impacts of Change on our Club. This Change is affecting the foundations of the organization as a social fellowship. Our Special Interest Groups, monthly meetings and special events have all been highly impacted. Faced with Change, groups have adapted. The Walking Group continues to walk on an individual basis. The steps keep accumulating as up to 25 group members report and share Monday walking progress. I understand the latest tally is an astounding 1,241,782 steps taken since the lockdown. Spinecrackers book club members continue to read, sharing their thoughts and reactions to their book selections through ZOOM meetings. Likewise, members stay connected playing cards on-line. I can say from personal experience, the dealing is lightning fast in the card game apps and you can't renege! Our resourceful Bob Streeter is working on a computer-based version of the Club favourite Jokers game that will help members experiencing Jokers withdrawal symptoms.



Club Management benefited from meeting over ZOOM on May 18th to start charting a course for the Club in the months ahead. At the District level, there are plans for a meeting of club presidents in early June, to explore the use of ZOOM technology in club meetings and activities.

As is customary in the spring, there has been a Change in Club Management. Heartfelt thanks and farewell to Joe Bernardino, Bonnie Chapman, Pat McIntyre, Werner Krebs, Rose Ryan and Bill Scarrow, who have completed their Management term. We welcome new Management members, Alice Carey, Anne Eadie, David Hunt, Shirley Matthews, Diane and Jim Miller and Henry Popp to the Committee. I am confident that our 2020 Management Team is up to the task of tackling the Change.

I will end my comments with “Infinity”, that pesky not-a-number. As I sit in sunlight with the birds singing and the trees blossoming, I realize that in all of the Change, the natural world around us has taken its usual course unaltered. Against the reliable backdrop of nature, we are told to expect a “New Normal” in our futures. I believe that it is the Infinite Hope we all share that will see us through these times of Change.

David Wentzell President

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From the Editor: (Brian Murphy 905-659-2288; brian_e_murphy@hotmail.com)



Face masks for Members

Members of Milton Probus are very resourceful. Some members have been using their skills to make non-medical masks for themselves, their families and friends.

Linda Reid has been on a roll. She has made 180 masks and offered a mask to all Milton Probus members. She also offered masks to people in her neighbourhood. This was a very thoughtful and generous jester. Sixty members took advantage of the curb side pick-up. Thank you, Linda.

Linda thanks those who donated materials, so that she could continue to sew.



David Wentzell picking up his mask from Linda Reid



Our May Speaker Meeting cancelled

Member Experiences at May meeting: Meeting cancelled

Upcoming Speakers



This meeting Jun: CANCELLED Jan Sherman is a much beloved, respected First Nations teller, an Anishinaabe woman, mother, culture keeper, storyteller, drummer, singer, and spiritual guide.

Through Jan's thoughtful, captivating storytelling, we learn to appreciate and honour Indigenous ancestral earth teachings and we learn, not only about those ancients who were once here, but those who are still here. For over 20 years, Jan has given voice as a First Nations culture keeper, sharing stories not only locally, but globally as well.

Jan's Circle will include some integral information about treaties and reconciliation, worldview and relevant stories, and drum songs. This Circle will be interactive so come prepared to raise your voice in gratitude and celebration!

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Upcoming Member Experiences

This meeting June: CANCELLED Pat McIntyre will share her experience working with the Eaton family and the Eaton store.

Our management meeting on May 18th was held via video conference.

From our Secretary: (Walter Eadie 905-691-5100; walter.eadie@cogeco.ca)

After cancelling the March and April meetings, your Management Committee got back together again in May, using Zoom videoconferencing technology for the first time.

This gave President David Wentzell an opportunity to welcome the new Directors for 2020-21 and to thank the departing Directors for their service to the Probus Club of Milton.

In spite of the restrictions imposed by the current pandemic, most of the handovers from old to new Directors have been completed, with a few loose ends to be tied up in May.

As noted elsewhere in the Newsletter, the decision was made to extend the cancellation of all Club activities for the month of June.

Looking ahead, we will book our monthly meeting room as usual for Sept-Nov and continue to track the local and provincial recommendations on coronavirus.

However, we are already planning for a September general meeting and guest speaker presentation using Zoom videoconferencing if that proves to be necessary.

Anyone who needs technical assistance at that time will receive it from a member of the Committee.

In lieu of handing out a printed Membership Directory, we will email everyone a PDF copy of the new directory so that we are all up to date with the details of our 144 members.



From our Membership Director: (Anne Eadie 905-878-7143; eadies@cogeco.ca)

New members are reminded to send their bios as their introduction to the membership. Please submit these to Anne Eadie.

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SHARE THE WEALTH

May meeting cancelled...no winners.



From our Fellowship Directors: (Marlene Murphy 905-659-2288;
marlene_murphy@hotmail.com
Jim Miller 905-876-3105; jimmiller@rogers.com)

Greeting Cards



If you know of a member who is ill, hospitalized or lost a loved one, please advise the Fellowship Director or a member of the management committee.

If you or a fellow Probus member is moving out of the area, please inform us.



Travel Insurance with JOHNSON INSURANCE and COVID-19

Members should refer to the Johnson Insurance website for information regarding travel insurance related to covid-19.

Click the Johnson website link <https://www.johnson.ca/coronavirus> and then click on Travel Insurance Updates.

That should answer people's questions about the status of Medoc Probus travel insurance.



Below is an interpretation of some of the policies but members need to contact Johnson Insurance if they have specific questions.

There will be no refund of premium paid except under strict limitations:

"An annual plan covers multiple trips and can be paid over 12 months. For annual plans, a refund is only available for the Base Plan if the policy was in force for 60 days or less and no claims were made"

Customers with travel planned:

"If your trip was booked before any formal travel advisory was issued by the Government of Canada (March 13th), you may have coverage for Trip Cancellation, subject to the terms and conditions of the Policy."

If your travel provider offers a future credit rather than a refund

Travel insurance policies with trip cancellation and trip interruption coverage are designed to cover costs for cancelled trips that are non-refundable and non-transferrable. Amounts that are reimbursed via refund, voucher or credit are not eligible for a claim.

Members thinking of taking out Probus Travel Insurance

"Johnson has also made the decision to pause the selling of new MEDOC® Travel Insurance & Prestige Travel Insurance and Trip Cancellation/Interruption products, while we continue to evaluate the impact of Coronavirus on our travel insurance coverage."

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TRAVEL (Joe and Zina Yaworski - travel event coordinators 905-878-3959; joe_zina@hotmail.com)

September 2020 Nashville and Memphis

(Terry Cole- Probus trip coordinator 905-875-0171)



POSTPONED

Complete details and download available on your website
www.miltonprobus.ca (Club activities page)



Have you ever walked through the gates of historic Graceland and delved into the private side of Elvis Presley's life? Would you like to visit The Ryman auditorium (home of true country music) or sit down to enjoy "The Grand Ole Opry"?

If so, keep September 13th thru 19th 2020 open.

If you already have the brochure and information sheet, you should contact Nancy Liu (Tour Design).

Update:

Jane and Terry have been in regular contact with the folks at TOUR DESIGN. Here is the latest update.

We had a long discussion with Fran, our coordinator at Tour Design, after a number of the participants questioned going on the trip. Since the majority of members are of the age where we are more susceptible to the effects of the COVID-19 virus, we thought it prudent to postpone this trip. The rescheduled trip will be in May, 2021 at a date to be determined. If anyone is interested in joining us on this new date, please contact us at 905-875-0171 or by e-mail at terryjane@sympatico.ca.

Special Events: (Susan Popp 905-876-3241; susulucky66@icloud.com and Henry Popp 905-876-3241; shpopp1891@icloud.com)

A word from the new Special Events directors.

We would like to thank Pat McIntyre for all the hard work, energy and enthusiasm that she brought into this position at the Probus Club of Milton, without doubt a hard act to follow.

As you know, all social events have been cancelled, and this will continue until the Probus Club of Milton is permitted to resume such activities. At this time, we do not know how long this will continue. When we are in a position to resume events, we will start off with some events that will seem appropriate and simple to arrange to get the ball rolling. While we wait for the situation to change, should anyone have ideas of events that they would like us to arrange, please email one of us with your suggestions, and we will look into whether or not they are feasible for our club.

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Fall – Ford Motor Plant Tour

DATE: TBD Tour 1 at 9:30am (limited to 12)
Tour 2 at 11:00am (limited to 12)

COST: Free

LOCATION: 1400 The Canadian Road, Oakville

The tour will consist of a riding, guided tour of the Ford Assembly plant in Oakville where the current Ford Edge/Lincoln Nautilus is manufactured. The tour will last approx. 1 hour. Will attempt to reschedule later.



Fall – Car Rally

DATE: TBD

COST: TBD

LOCATION: TBD

A car rally is being planned for a future date in the Spring/Summer months....more details to come for this fun event.



Fall – Five Pin Bowling

DATE: TBD

COST: \$10 which includes 3 games and shoes (limited to 24 players)

LOCATION: Streetsville Bowl, 128 Queen Street South, Mississauga

There will be six lanes with teams of four people. Prizes will be awarded for top score, best team, and person with the top score in all three games. The winners will be announced during lunch.

After bowling we will go to a restaurant (TBD) close to the bowling venue. This meal will be a la carte and pay your own.

Please sign up for this event at the April general meeting and indicate if you plan to attend the bowling, bowling and lunch or lunch only.



1 Bits and Bites on Thursday night (Carol Elliott 905-875-3980; celliott7@cogeco.ca)

Bits and Bites was cancelled for May.

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2 Bridge (Shirley Mathews 905-636-8680; mathews@sympatico.ca)

Bridge was cancelled for May.

3 Canasta (Alice Carey 905-336-6309; carealic@sympatico.ca)

Canasta was cancelled for May.

4 Euchre (Darel & Carol Crawford 519-836-1985; dcraw4d@sympatico.ca)

Euchre was cancelled for May.

5 Friday Bid Euchre (Joe & Zina Yaworski 905-878-3959; joe_zina@hotmail.com)

Friday Bid Euchre was cancelled for May.

The Friday Bid Euchre group continues to do well during these pandemic times. Some members are completing their To Do Lists, others are enjoying the quiet, slow pace, some are baking more than usual and eating more than usual, most would like a haircut and hugs.

Keep Safe

6 Wednesday Bid Euchre (Myra Faichnie 905-878-6615; billmyra@sympatico.ca)

Wednesday Bid Euchre was cancelled for May.

7 The Hiking Club (Co-Leader Alice Carey 905-336-6309; carealic@sympatico.ca Leader Marilyn Morita 905-854-5046; george.morita@sympatico.ca)

Despite the restrictions of the pandemic, our Hiking Club continued to get outside and walk.

One piece of encouraging good news is that the Conservation Parks are now open to the public, by reservation only. If interested, go onto Conservation Halton's website and follow the instructions.

We are walking each Monday in separate locations around our own neighbourhoods. We have managed to accumulate 511,464 steps during the month of May bringing our total to 77,368,742 steps.

On May 25th, five of us walked Hilton Falls, with separate hiking timeslot reservations. The Careys and the Jones' crossed paths on the trail and had a nice chat (observing the distancing rules). The Jones' were leaving and the Careys were just getting started. The Careys also managed a quick "hello" to Walter Eadie as he was arriving, and the Careys were leaving. It was very nice to have even a brief contact with friends.

Follow the rules and stay safe everyone.



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8-1 Joker (John Williams 905-875-1077; cj.williams@sympatico.ca)

Wow! Another month without a Championship Joker game and June's Jokerama is cancelled. Sorry!

How soon before we hear that refrain again echoing through our monthly venues? But all is not lost.

The Central Tweedle committee have agreed that results to date will stand and a 2019/2020 Champion is declared.

5th was Nancy Lynn with 68 %

4th was David Hunt with 70 %

3rd was Brian Murphy with 71 %

2nd was Zina Yaworski with 74 %

And our new Champion is (Brlbrlbrl...drum rolls...brlbrlbrl *** !) with 78% is

BILL TURNBULL

Only George could fit him into his Champion's attire!

Signed Officially by John, The Grand Marshall

Jokers was cancelled for May.



8-2 Jester Joker (Peter Sneyd 905-693-1708; psneyd@sympatico.ca)

Jester Jokers was cancelled for May.

8-3 Wee Joker (Brian & Marlene Murphy 905-659-2288; brian_e_murphy@hotmail.com; marlene_murphy@hotmail.com)

Wee Jokers was cancelled for May.

FaceTime/Zoom Jokers (Dan and Linda Reid)

A few couples have played Jokers on FaceTime, WhatsApp and Skype.

FaceTime Jokers works with an iPhone mounted on a stand or tripod above a Joker Board. One couple moves the marbles for each player. One deck of cards, including two jokers, is used at each location.

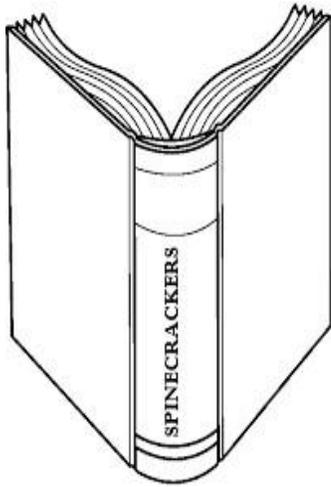
So far, the guys have 29 wins to the girls 30 wins.

Give it a try, it's fun to play Jokers with another couple using FaceTime.

Bob Streeter is working on version 3 of an app to play Jokers in a Zoom video meeting. If anyone is interested in this application, please contact Bob and he can give a demo. He is also willing to help install the app on your computer.

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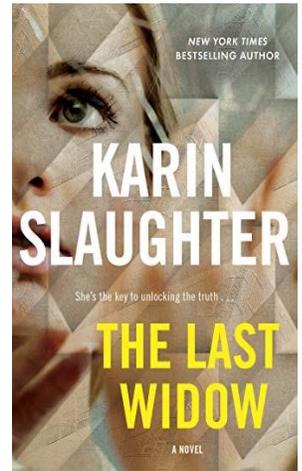
9 Spinecrackers (Nancy Lynn 905-319-0191; dhlynn@sympatico.ca)



Our group discussed Karen Slaughter's latest book, **The Last Widow**, via Zoom. It is a timely thriller involving a domestic white supremacist cult and biological terrorism. Although a very gritty read and not recommended by all the members, many thought it fit the times.

The highlight of the meeting was seeing the faces of our friends and making connections once more.

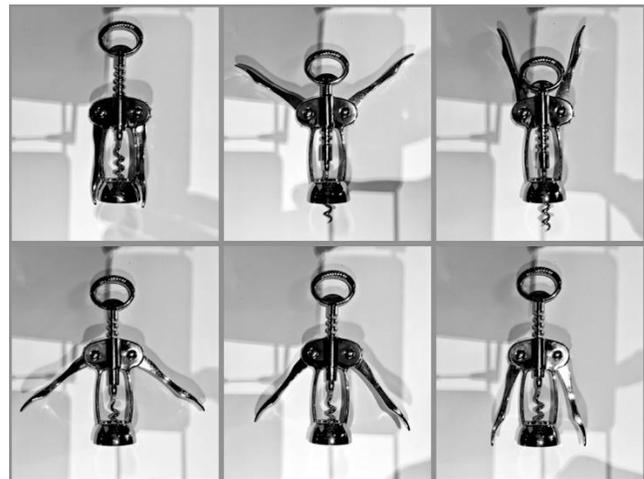
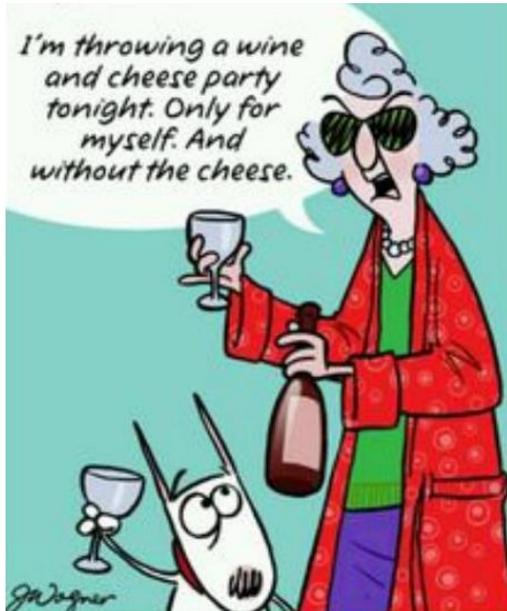
Many thanks to Dan and his expertise and Pat for her choice of reading material. As you can see from the photo, it is very difficult to capture a good photo of the group together!



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10 Grape Expectations Wine Club (Tom & Alice Carey 905-336-6309; carealic@sympatico.ca)

Grape Expectations Wine Club was cancelled for May.



Wine Club members continue to workout

11 Suds Sippers Beer Tasting Club (Walter Eadie 905-691-5100; walter.eadie@cogeco.ca)

Suds Sippers Beer Tasting was cancelled for May.

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Club Activity Schedule

Club	Date/Time	Convenor	Telephone	Email
Board Games – Jokers - <i>Joker</i>	1st Fri. - 1:30 pm	John Williams	905-875-1077	cj.williams@sympatico.ca
Board Games – Jokers - <i>Jester Joker</i>	2nd Tues.- 1:30 pm	Peter Sneyd	905-693-1708	psneyd@sympatico.ca
Board Games – Jokers – <i>Wee Joker</i>	3rd Fri. - 1:30 pm	Brian Murphy	905-659-2288	b_e_murphy@hotmail.com
Book Club - <i>Spinecrackers</i>	2nd Thurs. - 1:30 pm	Nancy Lynn	905-319-0191	dhlynn@sympatico.ca
Cards - Bid Euchre - <i>Friday</i>	2nd Fri. - 1:00 pm	Zina Yaworski	905-878-3959	joe_zina@hotmail.com
Cards - Bid Euchre – <i>Wednesday</i>	4th Wed. - 1:30 pm	Myra Faichnie	905-878-6615	billmyra@sympatico.ca
Cards - Bridge	4th Thurs. - 1:00 pm	Shirley Mathews	905-636-8680	mathews@sympatico.ca
Cards - Canasta	4th Fri. - 1:00 pm	Alice Carey	905-336-6309	carealic@sympatico.ca
Cards - Euchre	3rd Wed. - 7:30 pm	Carol Crawford	519-836-1985	dcraw4d@sympatico.ca
Dining – <i>Bits and Bites</i>	3rd Thurs. - 5:00 pm	Carol Elliott	905-875-3980	celliot7@cogeco.ca
Probus Info Network - PIN	Online only - no meetings	Bill Turnbull	905-878-9573	turnbullwt@yahoo.com
Tastings – Beer – <i>Suds Sippers</i>	3rd Tues. - 7:00 pm	Walter Eadie	905-691-5100	walter.eadie@cogeco.ca
Tastings – Wine - <i>Grape Expectations</i>	4th Tues. - 7:00 pm	Alice Carey	905-336-6309	carealic@sympatico.ca
Travel – Event Coordinator		Zina Yaworski	905-878-3959	joe_zina@hotmail.com
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	Every Mon. - 9:30 am	Marilyn Morita	905-854-5046	george.morita@sympatico.ca



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JUNE CALENDAR

******ALL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES CANCELLED FOR JUNE******

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	CONVENOR
Activities				
General Meeting	June 3	10:00 AM	Milton Sports Centre Cancelled	David Wentzell
Jokerama	June 5	1:30 PM	Marilyn Morita Cancelled	John Williams
Executive Meeting	June 15	2:00 PM	Zoom	David Wentzell
Clubs				
Probus Info Network - PIN				Bill Turnbull
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	June 1	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita
Board Games – Jokers - <i>Joker</i>	June 5	1:30 PM	Jokerama Cancelled	John Williams
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	June 8	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita
Board Games – Jokers – <i>Jester Joker</i>	June 9	1:30 PM	TBD	Peter Sneyd
Book Club - <i>Spinecrackers</i>	June 11	1:30 PM	Alice Carey	Nancy Lynn
Cards - Bid Euchre - <i>Friday</i>	June 12	1:00 PM	Bill Turnbull	Zina Yaworski
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	June 15	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita
Tastings - Beer – <i>Suds Sippers</i>	June 16	7:00 PM	TBD	Walter Eadie
Cards - Euchre	June 17	7:30 PM	Linda and Bob Swift	Carol Crawford
Dining – <i>Bits and Bites</i>	June 18	5:00 PM	TBD	Carol Elliott
Board Games – Jokers – <i>Wee Joker</i>	June 19	1:30 PM	Marlene and Brian Murphy	Brian Murphy
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	June 22	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita
Tastings - Wine – <i>Grape Expectations</i>	June 23	7:00 PM	TBD	Alice Carey
Cards - Bid Euchre - <i>Wednesday</i>	June 24	1:30 PM	Nancy and David Lynn	Myra Faichnie
Cards - Bridge	June 25	1:00 PM	TBD	Shirley Mathews
Cards - Canasta	June 26	1:00 PM	TBD	Alice Carey
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	June 29	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita

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JULY CALENDAR

******ALL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES CANCELLED FOR JULY******

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	CONVENOR
Activities				
General Meeting	July 1	10:00 AM	No Meeting	David Wentzell
Executive Meeting	July 20	2:00 PM	TBD	David Wentzell
Clubs				
Probus Info Network - PIN				Bill Turnbull
Board Games – Jokers - <i>Joker</i>	July 3	1:30 PM	TBD	John Williams
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	July 6	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita
Book Club - <i>Spinecrackers</i>	July 9	1:30 PM	Tom Carey	Nancy Lynn
Cards - Bid Euchre - <i>Friday</i>	July 10	1:00 PM	TBD	Zina Yaworski
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	July 13	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita
Board Games – Jokers – <i>Jester Joker</i>	July 14	1:30 PM	TBD	Peter Sneyd
Cards - Euchre	July 15	7:30 PM	TBD	Carol Crawford
Dining – <i>Bits and Bites</i>	July 16	5:00 PM	TBD	Carol Elliott
Board Games – Jokers – <i>Wee Joker</i>	July 17	1:30 PM	TBD	Brian Murphy
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	July 20	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita
Tastings - Beer – <i>Suds Sippers</i>	July 21	7:00 PM	TBD	Walter Eadie
Cards - Bid Euchre - <i>Wednesday</i>	July 22	1:30 PM	TBD	Myra Faichnie
Cards - Bridge	July 23	1:00 PM	TBD	Shirley Mathews
Cards - Canasta	July 24	1:00 PM	TBD	Alice Carey
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	July 27	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita
Tastings - Wine – <i>Grape Expectations</i>	July 28	7:00 PM	TBD	Alice Carey

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AUGUST CALENDAR

******ALL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES CANCELLED FOR AUGUST******

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	CONVENOR
Activities				
General Meeting	Aug 5	10:00 AM	No Meeting	David Wentzell
Executive Meeting	Aug 17	2:00 PM	TBD	David Wentzell
Clubs				
Probus Info Network - PIN				Bill Turnbull
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	Aug 3	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita
Board Games – Jokers - <i>Joker</i>	Aug 7	1:30 PM	TBD	John Williams
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	Aug 10	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita
Board Games – Jokers – <i>Jester Joker</i>	Aug 11	1:30 PM	TBD	Peter Sneyd
Book Club - <i>Spinecrackers</i>	Aug 13	1:30 PM	TBD	Nancy Lynn
Cards - Bid Euchre - <i>Friday</i>	Aug 14	1:00 PM	TBD	Zina Yaworski
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	Aug 17	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita
Tastings - Beer – <i>Suds Sippers</i>	Aug 18	7:00 PM	TBD	Walter Eadie
Cards - Euchre	Aug 19	7:30 PM	TBD	Carol Crawford
Dining – <i>Bits and Bites</i>	Aug 20	5:00 PM	TBD	Carol Elliott
Board Games – Jokers – <i>Wee Joker</i>	Aug 21	1:30 PM	TBD	Brian Murphy
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	Aug 24	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita
Tastings - Wine – <i>Grape Expectations</i>	Aug 25	7:00 PM	TBD	Alice Carey
Cards - Bid Euchre - <i>Wednesday</i>	Aug 26	1:30 PM	TBD	Myra Faichnie
Cards - Bridge	Aug 27	1:00 PM	TBD	Shirley Mathews
Cards - Canasta	Aug 28	1:00 PM	TBD	Alice Carey
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	Aug 31	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita

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JOKE AND WISE WORDS OF THE MONTH

(Send your submission for possible inclusion in a future newsletter)

Quickie in the Bushes

There are two statues in a park; one of a nude man and one of a nude woman. They had been facing each other across a pathway for a hundred years, when one day an angel comes down from the sky and, with a single gesture, brings the two to life.

The angel tells them, “As a reward for being so patient through a hundred blazing summers and dismal winters, you have been given life for thirty minutes to do what you've wished to do the most.”

He looks at her, she looks at him, and they go running behind the shrubbery.

The angel waits patiently as the bushes rustle and giggling ensues.

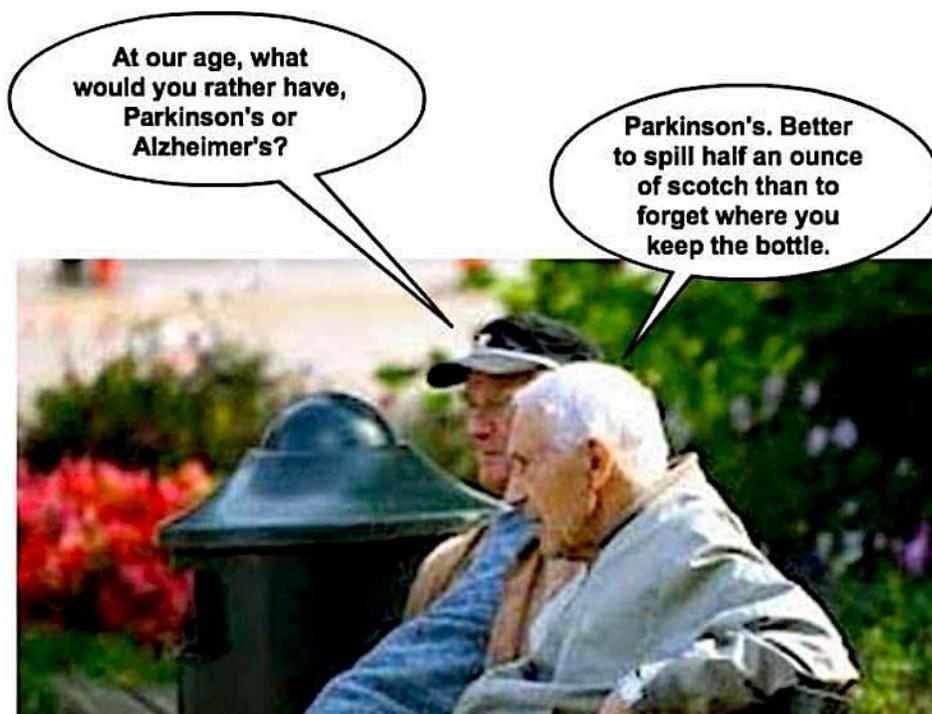
After fifteen minutes, the two return, out of breath and laughing.

The angel tells them, “Um, you have fifteen minutes left, would you care to do it again?”

He asks her “Shall we?”

She eagerly replies, “Oh, yes, let's! But let's change positions.”

“This time, I'll hold the pigeon down and you sh** on its head.”



Courtesy of Bill Scarrow

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Imagine

It's a mess out there now. Hard to discern between what's a real threat and what is just simple panic and hysteria. For a small amount of perspective at this moment, imagine you were born in 1900.

On your 14th birthday, World War I starts, and ends on your 18th birthday. 22 million people perish in that war. Later in the year, a Spanish Flu epidemic hits the planet and runs until your 20th birthday. 50 million people die from it in those two years. Yes, 50 million.

On your 29th birthday, the Great Depression begins. Unemployment hits 25%, the World GDP drops 27%. That runs until you are 33. The country nearly collapses along with the world economy.

When you turn 39, World War II starts. You aren't even over the hill yet. And don't try to catch your breath. On your 41st birthday, the United States is fully pulled into WWII. Between your 39th and 45th birthday, 75 million people perish in the war.

At 50, the Korean War starts. 5 million perish.

At 55 the Vietnam War begins and doesn't end for 20 years. 4 million people perish in that conflict.

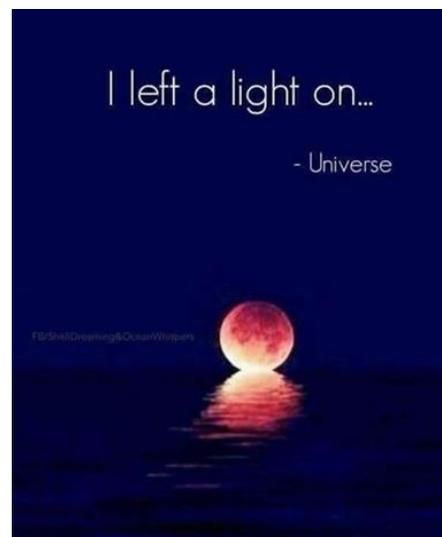
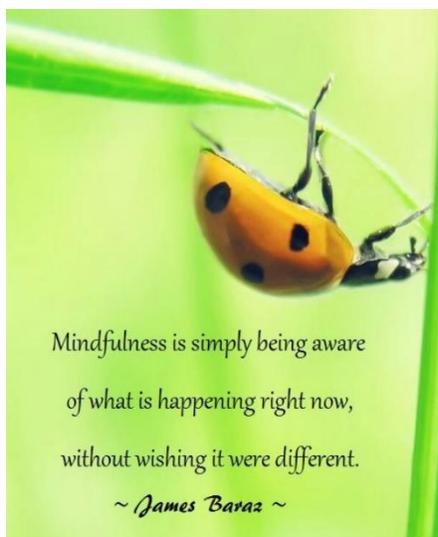
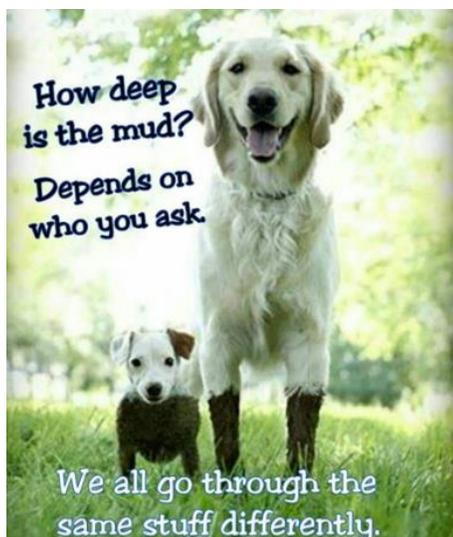
On your 62nd birthday, you have the Cuban Missile Crisis, a tipping point in the Cold War. Life on our planet, as we know it, should have ended. Great leaders prevented that from happening.

When you turn 75, the Vietnam War finally ends.

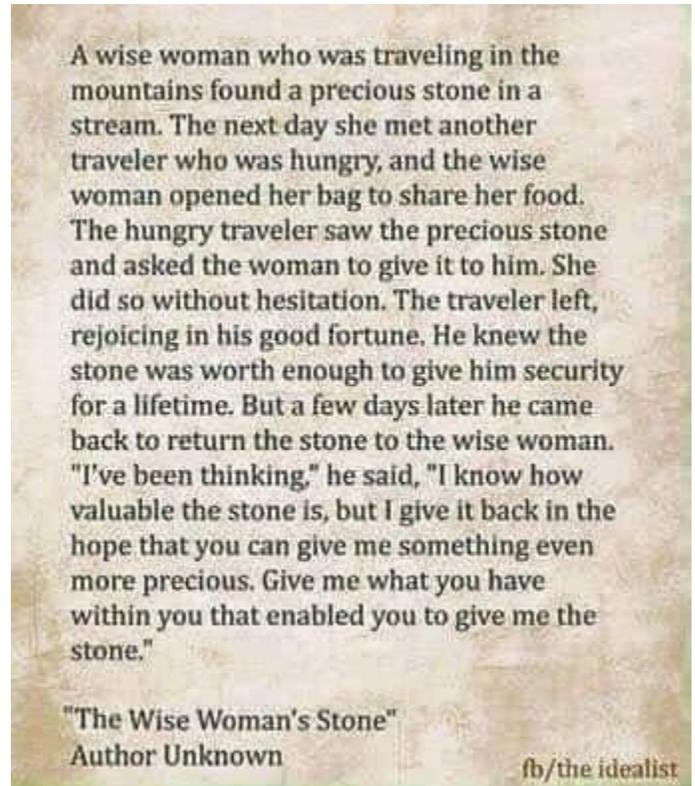
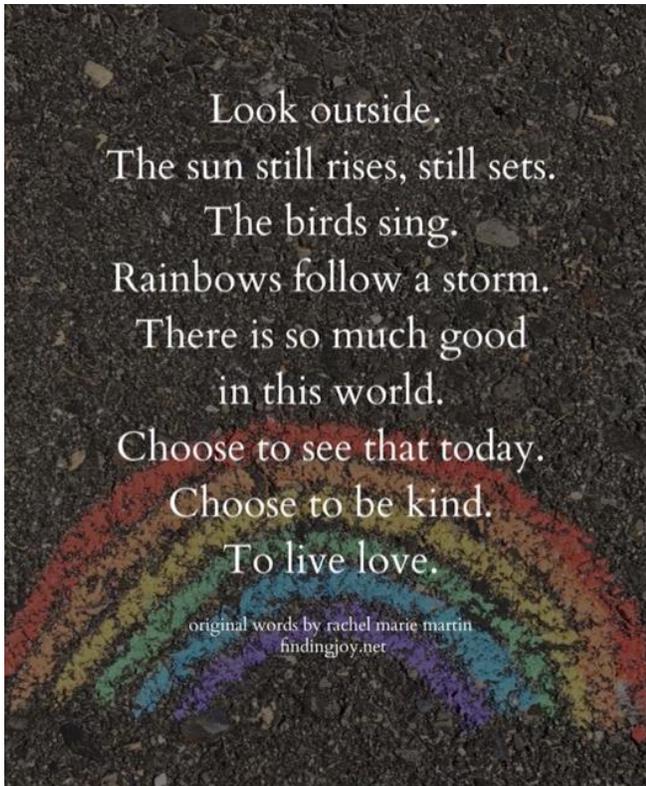
Think of everyone on the planet born in 1900. How do you survive all of that?

When you were a kid in 1985 and didn't think your 85-year-old grandparent understood how hard school was. And how mean that kid in your class was. Yet they survived through everything listed above.

Perspective is an amazing art. Refined as time goes on, and enlightening like you wouldn't believe. Let's try and keep things in perspective. Let's be smart, help each other out, and we will get through all of this.



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**Just in case people
don't understand,
places are reopening
for the economy not
because it's safe.**

Remember when we
were little and had
underwear with
days of the
week on them?

**Yeh, those
would be
helpful right
now.**

