

Acknowledging Acts of Kindness Club Newsletter

August 2020

I hope you all are safe and healthy. This shorter than normal newsletter will take us through the summer. We may not be able to meet but I think it's important to stay in touch.

Status of our meetings

We were very excited when told that we could start our meetings in July. Well, that was very short-lived. That position was reversed, and now we are not sure when we will be able to meet. This is all very frustrating. I think The Villages is doing a very good job handling the pandemic and, as the ultimate optimist, I believe that sooner or later we will back to normal and we will gain back the momentum we once had in accomplishing our mission. My best guess is that this may not be till October or November depending on the state of the pandemic.

Our new website designer, Jacki Rose, shared a quote with me that express my optimistic feelings very well:

A Setback is Setup for a Comeback

Our board met a few days ago and we discussed the possibility of trying a Zoom meeting again. This seems to be the only option available to us at this point. I

might note that those of you who are snow birds in faraway places can also attend these meetings. It is quite easy to use Zoom:

- It's free to sign up at <u>zoom.com</u>
- It's easy to learn (go to the following <u>link</u> for a quick and easy lesson)
- You can use it to meet with family and friends
- You can attend with just your Smartphone or use your computer to include video

Our member, Tweet Coleman, has lots of experience and has agreed to provide advice to anyone if needed. Just contact her at tweetcoleman@gmail.com.

We will have our **Zoom meeting** on Thursday, August 13th at our normal meeting time, 12:30. There is no live meeting so it's a great way to get some dialogue going and see each other again, even if it's not face to face. You will get a message from the host with the time and a link to click on. **Please let me know if you are interested in attending with a 'yes' or "no' to my email at aaokclub@gmail.com. This will help us to plan the meeting. You will receive specific instructions prior to the meeting.**

New Members

We have 3 new members even without the ability to meet and that's a great sign. Please welcome Cindy Dillon (PoloPidge), Rosalie Bird (Creekside Landing), and Martha Marcel (Mallory Square). We look forward to meeting you at our next meeting.

Our Website

Here's some exciting news about our website. We are about to introduce a new, exciting website. We are currently working on its design and contents and it will likely be live within a week. Jacki Rose has been our website designer and Tweet Coleman will be our **Website Advisor**, and joins our Board of Directors.

Just a reminder that we do have our own Facebook page and you will find this at:

https://www.facebook.com/AcknowledgingActsOfKindness

Check it out and give it a big like! You will find a lot of interesting examples of kindness there.

I will leave you with a wonderful piece called **"Shoulder Taps"** by Bill Hart. This is just an amazing message on kindness!

https://youtu.be/4OAAJwnMNRQ

Stay safe and hope to see you all (y'all) soon. Lindsay Collier

Perhaps you will forget tomorrow the kind words you say today, but the recipient will remember them for a lifetime. – Thomas S Monson