

VOLUME V-6, JUNE 2020

From the Editor:

As of this writing, all states are "open" in various phases. Airline traffic is picking up slowly as more people purchase tickets to fly somewhere. More people are going back to work. Some states have allowed hair salons and barbers to reopen their shops so many have gotten their long-awaited hair cuts or hair treatments.

I saw on the news where COVID19 is on the rise, mostly in the states where people are running amok without social distancing and without wearing masks. If you don't need to go out, stay home. It is the safest place until a vaccine is ready. Go shopping early in the morning – as early as you can. This will help avoid crowds. Stores in my area are getting in paper products and wipes but they still fly off the shelf. Sam's Club seems to be best at being stocked.

Has anyone tried Zoom to hold a chapter event? One person gets the Zoom account, sets up the meeting date and time, then sends the info along with a link for the meeting to chapter ladies. Chapter ladies must add the Zoom app to their I-Phone or Smart Phone or Kindle or equivalent to participate in the meeting. You could set a theme for ladies to dress up; host a tea where everyone has their own tea, savories and treats; have a sing-a-long. Be creative. Send in a report of how it went.

Lots of events are still be canceled so be sure to contact hostesses of events that you might be planning to attend. Until next month, stay away from crowds, stay safe, stay well.

Judy Litke
 moonrockB@aol.com

**MONTHLY 1st Wednesday Lunch
 in Maryland**

All Red Hatters: These monthly events, normally held at the Nautilus Diner in Crofton, MD, have been canceled until further notice.

For additional information:

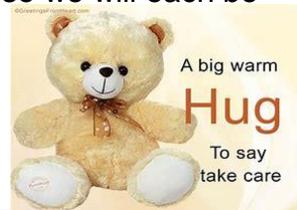
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Articles Wanted:

A big Thank You goes to each of you who sent me articles, recipes, photos, jokes and more.

Nobody met either of the challenges posed to you in the May 2020 issue.

I challenge you this month to send in something for the July newsletter. Tell us how you are coping with sheltering in place. Send photos of puzzles you assembled; send some riddles or clean jokes, recipes; send photos of you wearing your favorite mask; tell what games you are enjoying during the stay-at-home time. My daughter bought The Golden Girls game today. It requires 4 players so we will each be playing 2 people.



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 Articles: **Jun 26, 2020**

Upcoming Red Hat Events

* For Supporting Members Only

NOTE: Send an e-mail to moonrockB@aol.com if you need a copy of any announcements on this page.

I do not know whether these events are still being held. With some states still on quarantine, some events might have been canceled. Contact the hostess to determine whether the event is still a "go".

~~Jun 12-13, 2020:~~ North Carolina State Queens Council Event, Red Hatters on the Run (a circus event), in Durham, NC **CANCELED; will be rescheduled in 2021**

~~Jun 13, 2020:~~ Under the Sea, hosted by the Sparkling Ruby Reds and the Crazy Red Hatters of Greenville, SC, in Greenville, SC

~~Jun 20, 2020:~~ Annual Hoot Day & Flea Market, in Orlando, FL **CANCELED**

~~Jul 6-9, 2020:~~ "Celebrate! Vision 2020", at the Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island, MI (held every two years) * **Rescheduled for Jun 6-9, 2021**

~~Jul 18, 2020:~~ 16th Annual Spring Fling, hosted by Joy Lucas & The Dazzling Diamonds, Raleigh, MS

~~Aug 9, 2020:~~ "Pretty in Paris" luncheon hosted by The Belles of Scarlett, in Charlotte, NC (rescheduled from Apr 18)

~~Aug 10-14, 2020:~~ Red Hatters/Powerful Woman in Red presents Bus trip to Tunica-Casino Capital of the South and Memphis-Home of the Blues, departs Park Forest, IL

~~Aug 13-16, 2020:~~ RHS 2020 International Convention, Flamingo Fling, Palm Desert, CA * **rescheduled for May 6-9, 2021**

~~Aug 28-30, 2020:~~ Virginia FUNvention 2020, theme will be "Back to the Future", hosted by the Mad Hatters of Stafford *

~~Sep 10-13, 2020:~~ 2020 Florida Sunshine State Extravaganza, hosted by Christine Towers, FQM, in Kissimmee, FL *

~~Sep 11-13, 2020:~~ Darlin's of the Wild West, hosted by The Elegant Dames, Portland, OR *

~~Sep 11-13, 2020:~~ Winnipeg FUNvention, hosted by the Red Hat Divalicious chapter, in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

~~Sep 18-20, 2020:~~ Lil Bit Country Lil Bit Rock B Roll, hosted by Julie's Jewels, Erlanger, KY

~~Sep 18-20, 2020:~~ Visions of Christmas Funvention 2020, hosted by the Frontier Floozies, in Cheyenne, WY

~~Sep 22, 2020:~~ 22nd Birthday of the Red Hat Society, Celebrating in Victorian Style, hosted by the So. Central Kansas Queens' Council, Wichita, KS * **rescheduled from Apr 22, 2020**

~~Sep 25-27, 2020:~~ Chicagoland Red Hat Queens 2020 FunVention, Burr Ridge, IL *

~~Sep 25-27, 2020:~~ South Dakota Red Hat State Convention, hosted by the Chatty Hatters of Estelline, in Brookings, SD **CANCELED; will be rescheduled in 2021**

~~Oct 2-4, 2020:~~ Red Hat Run-A-Way, Theme: Denim & Diamonds, hosted by The Elegant Society Sisters, in Allentown, PA * **CANCELED**

~~Oct 7, 2020:~~ Riverside County Citrus Chow Down, hosted by The Floozies with Panache, in Riverside, CA

Upcoming Red Hat Events (Continued)

Oct 9-11, 2020: Paint the Town Red, At 6 – “The Fairy Tale Dream Theme”, hosted by The Regally Honored Sisters with Hattitude, in Laughlin, NV

Oct 9-11, 2020: 2020 Iowa Convention, hosted by The Red Hot Flashes, in Burlington, IA

Oct 15-18, 2020: Wisconsin Pajama Gathering, in Wisconsin Dells/Baraboo, WI (RHers may invite female family members or female friends to join them)

~~**Oct 16-18, 2020:** 2020 North Carolina State Red Hat FunVention, hosted by the NC Region 6 Red Hatters of Fayetteville, NC, in Fayetteville, NC ***CANCELED**~~

Oct 29-Nov 9, 2020: 11-night “Trick or Treat” cruise from Baltimore, MD with stops in Labadee, San Juan, St. Kitts, St. Thomas, and Antigua, hosted by the Star Sisters. Contact Queen Joann at joann@purpleology.com for details

Oct 30-Nov 1, 2020: Halloween on the Beach, hosted by The Fabulous Floozies, in Myrtle Beach, SC

Nov 6-8, 2020: 2020 St. Louis FunVention, hosted by Sisters of Service, in University City, MO (updated info available upon request to moonrockB@aol.com)

Dec 5, 2020: Ugly Sweater Christmas Luncheon, hosted by the Rocket City Queen Council, in Tanner, AL

May 6-9, 2021: RHS 2020 International Convention, Flamingo Fling, Palm Desert, CA *
rescheduled from Aug 13-16, 2020

May 13-16, 2021: Florida FUNvention, in West Palm Beach, FL

May 20-23, 2021: Wisconsin Hatvention, hosted by multi-chapters in Wisconsin – details now available

Jun 6-8, 2021: “Celebrate! Vision 2021”, at the Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island, MI (held every two years) * **Rescheduled from Jul 2020**

Red Hatters Invited **Events Open to Anyone**

Contact the person responsible for the event if you signed up to attend to check if the event is still a “go”.

Jun 27 & Jun 28, 2020: Cody Ray Slaughter in concert with music by The Spin-Outs, in Middle River, MD (Contact Darlene for tix at 443-922-7829 or Donna at 443-922-5096; 7 PM on Jun 27 and 3 PM on Jun 28)

Aug 3-7, 2020: Bus Trip from Catonsville, MD to the Ark Encounter an Creation Museum, Williamstown, KY

Hi Ladies,

It is with heavy heart but health issues at the center of concern, that The Region 6 NC Red Hat Divas cancel the 2020 NC State Red Hat Convention scheduled for October 16 - 18, 2020. We have everyone's health concern at heart. There is a general consensus, Embassy Suite, NC Governor, NC Health Dept. and our families that we should not be together in a large group, even by October. So bowing to "those in the know", the decision to cancel has been the result. May we all live and be ready to enjoy, new adventures in 2021.

In Faith,
Tonie Neal



In Memoriam



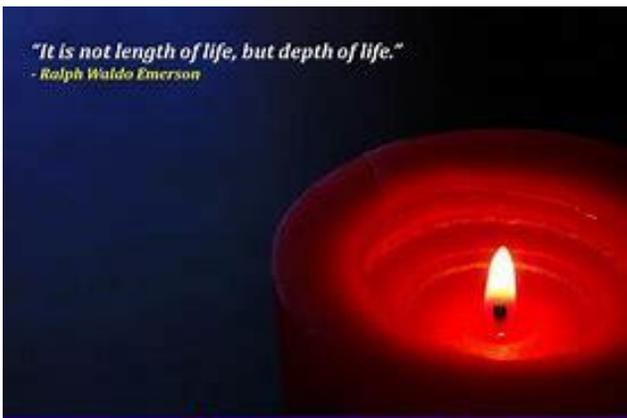
Odessa M. Shannon

Red Hat Society member in the Capitol Dames Chapter, Washington, DC, passed away on May 17, 2020. Born on Jul 4, 1928 to

Gladys and Raymond McKenzie, Shannon led an extraordinary life of accomplishments, advocacy and commitment to public service. Shannon was the first African American to take office in Montgomery County, MD when she was elected to the Montgomery County Board of Education in 1982. She later became the first woman to serve as Special Assistant to the Montgomery County Executive. She received numerous awards throughout her career for her many accomplishments and advocacy, including the Lifetime Achievement award for volunteerism from President Obama. She was a beloved member of the RHS and will be missed by her Queen, Lillie Fitzgerald, and her RH sisters of the Capital Dames.

To see a 2:19 minute video on Shannon, go to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8vHKwVymBsY>

To read the lengthy obituary that details her jobs, service and accomplishments go to <https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/silver-spring-md/odessa-shannon-9187103>



Friends Forever

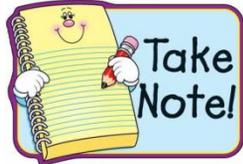
"Sometimes we have a friend and we sense that our souls are very closely connected. We know that the connection is above time and space. We know that wherever we are in our lives we will always remain friends. Even if we do not see each other for years we are able to pick up right where we left off. This is what people mean when they say 'friends forever.'"

Humor and Friends

The best kind of friends are the ones with whom you share good times. A friend who can make you laugh is worth a handful who can't. So often we walk around with the weight of the world on our shoulders. Our bodies become tense and this is a cause for most illnesses. Having humor in your life is not just a matter of a good time, it's also a matter of living longer. Often when you have a friendship that has lasted a long time you continue to share memories of humorous interactions that you shared. This may be the glue that holds the friendship together.

Source:

<https://www.familyfriendpoems.com/poems/friend/>



11 Things You Should Stop

Recycling:

1. Plastic Bags: You'd be surprised how many people add soft plastic bags to their recycling bin, or even bag their recyclables in plastic before adding them to their cart. The problem with soft plastic bags is that they can clog machines and slow down operations while workers remove the bags by hand. Bring your own reusable tote with you when you're out shopping to eliminate the need for a plastic bag. You can also recycle soft plastic at many grocery stores. On the Internet, GO "Plastic Film Recycling" to find a handy directory by zip code to find a drop-off location near you.

2. Pizza Boxes: If it's got food stains or grease on it, it doesn't belong in recycling. Lucky for us pizza lovers, cardboard boxes can be composted as can other food-soiled paper, so long as they're not lined with plastic. A good example is take-out boxes—check the bottom of the box to see if it is labeled as compostable. Boxes with a shiny interior are most often lined with plastic and cannot be recycled or composted, unless your local municipality accepts them. Napkins and paper towels should always go in the compost.

3. Gift Wrap: Shiny, metallic wrapping paper and decorative ribbons do not belong in recycling. Glittery cards are also non-recyclable and can contaminate an entire bin of paper. When wrapping a gift, opt for an unlaminated paper like newspaper, paper bags or butcher paper. A good way to test if your gift paper is recyclable is to crumple it into a ball—if it stays bunched up, it's most likely recyclable. If not, re-use it or throw it away.

4. Small metal bits: While bits of metal like soda can tabs and aluminum candy wrappers are *technically* recyclable, their small size makes them hard to detect and they often jam recycling machinery. To avoid this issue, keep soda tabs attached to the can or drop them

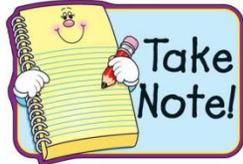
inside the can when you're done. Save bits of aluminum foil until it forms a large ball or place them inside an aluminum can and crimp the top shut before you place the entire can into recycling.

5. Receipts: While the thermal cash register receipts you receive from a grocery store or boutique are made from paper, they also contain Bisphenol A, aka BPA, the nasty cancer causing chemical. When you recycle receipts, the BPA that they contain gets processed with other paper pulp and contaminates the recycled paper products that are being produced. It's best to ask for no receipt when you're shopping, or throw it away and wash your hands.

6. Food Residue: Cleaning out food and beverage containers before you recycle them is just as important as placing them in the right bin. Food residue and liquids left in take out containers, peanut butter jars and even wine bottles can contaminate an entire truckload of recyclables. Containers don't have to be perfectly clean, but they should be rinsed and washed with soap if they're greasy.

7. Broken Crockery: We're all prone to breaking things. Unfortunately, broken plates, ceramics, porcelain, mirrors, light bulbs, cups, wine glasses and Pyrex have different melting points and chemical compositions compared to recyclable glass and belong in the trash. Donate plates, cups and glasses in good working condition, and reuse broken crockery for another purpose at home or a craft project, or just put it in the regular trash.

8. Diapers: Yuck, and no! Hopefully, it's no surprise that dirty diapers and sanitary products have no place in the recycling bin. Whether they are clean or dirty, they go in the trash. There are some compostable diapers, but most municipalities do not accept them in municipal compost bins. Look into a compostable diaper service that drops off



11 Things You Should Stop Recycling: (continued from page 5)

clean diapers and picks up dirty diapers to compost at a dedicated facility, or switch to reusable cloth diapers and reusable pads or a menstrual cup.

9. Shredded Paper: Shredded documents and small bits of paper are too small to be valuable to recyclers and fall through the cracks or can even clog equipment. The good news is shredded paper can be composted! If composting isn't an option, you can collect shreds in a paper bag, staple it closed and place it into recycling.

10. Coffee Cups: Most to-go coffee cups are lined with a plastic film that makes them liquid proof, and difficult to recycle. The plastic lid might be recyclable, but it will depend on what type of plastic is accepted your local municipality. The paper heat sleeve that goes around the cup to protect your hand is really the only part of a to-go coffee cup that is likely recyclable or compostable. Better yet, say no to disposable cups and bring your own reusable coffee cup with you when you're on the go.

11. Paperboard Boxes: Freezer food boxes and ice cream cartons contain a plastic polymer to prevent freezer burn. Unfortunately, this plastic coating prevents the box or carton from breaking down in the recycling process. Gable-topped milk and juice cartons are also made from a paper/plastic hybrid to prevent leaks and shelf stable cartons (sold in a rectangular box) contain additional plastic and aluminum layers, making them even more difficult to recycle. While some municipalities accept cartons for recycling, many do not, so it is best to check.

TSA Announced Five Changes to Airport Security to Combat COVID18:

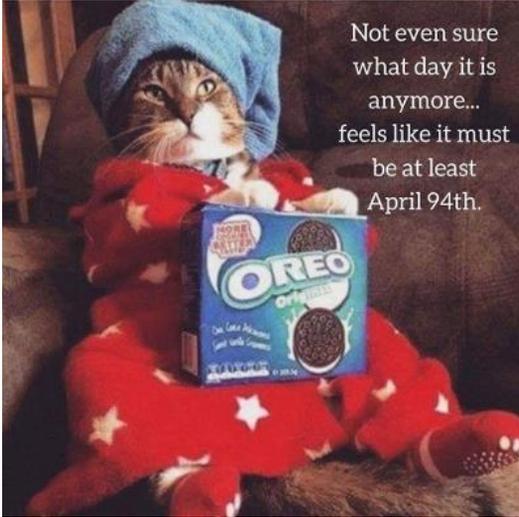
- Passengers will keep possession of their boarding passes, rather than handing them to a screener. Passengers will be asked to place the passes on the barcode scanner themselves, and to hold them up for screeners to read.
- People traveling with food should place it into a plastic bag, and should put it in a separate bin before it goes through the X-ray machine. According to the TSA, food items "often trigger an alarm during the screening process; separating the food from the carry-on bag lessens the likelihood that a TSA officer will need to open the carry-on bag and remove the food items for a closer inspection."
- While passengers can continue to take up to 12 oz. of hand sanitizer through checkpoints, other liquids are still restricted to 3.4 oz. If a bag is found to contain a prohibited item, passengers may be sent outside of security with their bag to dispose of the item, instead of opening their bag and having it inspected by a screener. This is to reduce contact between screeners and bags' contents.
- The TSA will ask passengers to practice social distance while in line for security, and will start marking appropriate spacing on the floor, as well as staggering checkpoints where possible.
- Passengers are encouraged to wear facial coverings while in the airport and at security, though may need to briefly pull it down to be identified at the screening checkpoint. US airlines are requiring passengers to wear masks while on board.

TSA Five Changes to Airport Security
(continued)

The TSA also said that passengers who have not flown during the pandemic may notice a few changes before their next flight, including:

- Reduced security lane usage due to the reduction in passenger volume.
- All TSA officers at checkpoints wearing masks and gloves.
- TSA officers optionally wearing eye protection and clear plastic face shields at some locations.
- TSA officers will continue the practice of changing gloves after each pat-down.
- Plastic shielding installed at many travel document checking podiums, divest, bag search and drop off locations.
- TSA officers practicing social distancing.
- Routine cleaning and disinfecting of frequently touched surfaces in the screening checkpoint area.

Excerpt from **Business Insider**,
May 21, 1020



Not even sure what day it is anymore... feels like it must be at least April 94th.

-- submitted by QM Leila Nagamine, Na Huapala chapter, O'ahu --

COVID-19 Induced Observations:

- I'm as bored as an Amish electrician.
- Ontario has banned groups larger than 5. If you're a family of 6, you're about to find out who's the least favorite!
- The longer this goes on, the harder it will be to return to a society where pants and bras are required!
- Happy hour is starting earlier and earlier. If this keeps up, I'll be pouring wine in my cereal!
- Today's weather? Room temperature.
- 30 Days Hath September, April, June and November. All the rest have 31 ... except March, which had 8000.
- Smoking pot and skipping school had me in trouble constantly. Now weed is legal and the schools are closed ... damn kids are livin' the dream!
- This is stupid. I just tried to make my own hand sanitizer and it came out as a rum & coke!
- After a few days of not going out, I saw someone I knew walking by on the sidewalk outside. I immediately ran to the window and started yelling to them. Now I understand dogs.
- Day 8 of social isolation and it's looking like Vegas in my house: We're losing money by the minute. Cocktails are acceptable at any hour. Nobody knows what time it is.

-- submitted by Elna Swofford, Queen Travelsalot, Duchesses of Bedford, Oakton, VA --



CHEF RUBY

Super Pound Cake

*-- submitted by Barbara Peterson, Sweet Elite Tarts,
Stewartstown, PA --*

PREPARATION:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees
Grease and flour a tube pan

INGREDIENTS:

5 eggs
3 sticks butter
3 cups sugar
3 cups flour
3 tsp. vanilla extract or any combination of other extracts you like
(e.g., lemon, almond, black walnut, etc.)
1 cup lukewarm milk

DIRECTIONS:

1. Cream butter and sugar. Add eggs one at a time, beating after each.
2. Mix extracts with lukewarm milk and add alternately with flour.
3. Pour into tube pan and bake for 1 hr and 20 min or until toothpick comes out clean.
4. Cool and empty onto cake plate. Enjoy!

TIPS:

This is a great basic recipe. You can save half of the batter and put a few Tbps. of cocoa and marble that batter through the plain.

I also add 2 to 3 cups black walnuts to the batter before pouring in the pan. You can soak cheesecloth with the liquor of your choice and wrap the cake in it and then aluminum foil for a week or so. I keep mine wrapped until I'm ready to cut and then continue to leave the cheesecloth on to keep moist.

I've made the cake with a cup of coconut added to the batter.

Be creative and add whatever you like.



CHEF RUBY

Crock Pot Apple Pie

-- submitted by Queen Mum Rose Ortel,
Frolicking Friends of Falston, Fawn
Grove, PA --

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 cans apple pie filling
- 1/2 tsp. vanilla
- 1 tsp. sugar
- 1/2 tsp. cinnamon
- 1 box of yellow cake mix
- 1 stick butter
- pinch of sugar & cinnamon

DIRECTIONS:

1. In bottom of crock pot, mix all ingredients except cake mix and butter.
2. Next put cake mix on top of apple pie mixture. DO NOT mix
3. Top with pats of butter.
4. Sprinkle a pinch of sugar & cinnamon on top.
5. Cook on high for 1 hour, and then low for 3 hours.

TIP:

When ready to serve, top with ice cream and enjoy.



CHEF RUBY

Two-Ingredient Peach Pie Cups

-- submitted by Queen Mum Rose Ortel,
Frolicking Friends of Falston, Fawn
Grove, PA --

PREPARATION:

Preheat oven to 375 degrees

Spray 12 regular size muffin cup pan with cooking spray.

INGREDIENTS:

1 can Pillsbury refrigerated cinnamon rolls with cream cheese icing
1 & 1/3 cups peach pie filling from 21 oz. can, coarsely chopped

DIRECTIONS:

1. Separate dough into 12 rolls, let stand 10 minutes; set icing aside. Place rolls cinnamon side up into muffin cups. Press in bottoms and up sides of cups.
2. Spoon 2 generous tablespoonfuls of pie filling into each dough lined cup.
3. Bake 14 to 18 minutes or until golden brown.
4. Cool 5 minutes.
5. Using a thin metal spatula, run around edges of roll to loosen and remove to serving tray.
6. Transfer icing to small reusable plastic bag, cut small corner off one end Drizzle over rolls.

TIP: You can also use apple pie filling. Yummy, yummy!

Quarantine Happenings & Activities



Barbara Peterson, Sweet Elite Tarts, Stewartstown, PA has been reading books in quarantine. Here are two she has read:

Shopping:

I have been very fortunate when going to either of my grocery stores. I have never had to wait more than 8 to 10 minutes to enter the store. I find if I go between 11 AM and 1 PM, the crowds are less. I am also able to get most of the items I want. If I go on the weekend or go late in the day, many of the items I want are out of stock.

Just thought I'd mention that I live in the Adelphi, Silver Spring and Beltsville areas in Maryland. It is about 15 miles Northeast of The White House.

Please stay safe.

Red Hat love and friendship
Barbara Bryce
Red and Pink Roses R We,
Adelphi. MD

Keep Strawberries from Getting Mildew:



Mix 1/4 cup of vinegar
1 & 1/2 cup of water

Soak strawberries for 5 minutes, rinse, dry and put in container with a paper towel on the bottom. I let my strawberries drain for about 10 minutes on a paper towel before drying them. Believe me, they have no vinegar taste.

-- submitted by Rose Ortel,
Frolicking Friends of Falston, Fawn
Grove, PA --

The Last Bathing Beauty, by Amy Sue Nathan

Betty is a beautiful teenager working at her grandparents' resort in the Catskills in the 1950's. The story follows her through that last summer before college and into her later life with her two best friends. Thoroughly enjoyable story of lasting relationships between women.

Beach House Reunion, by Mary Alice Monroe

A woman returns to the beach house she grew up in and reunites with childhood friends and her niece. A great story about the bonding of women.

Editor's Note: Mary Alice Monroe has written more than a few books in the Beach House series.

I think getting outside just for a walk makes me feel better. I accidentally read my last book before ordering more so now I am waiting for the books I ordered to come. I hate it when I don't have a book to read. I hate to admit that I have watched more TV then usual. Of course part of that is I'm home more now. I do like getting emails from friends particularly from those I'm not seeing now. I have one cousin who has sent me jokes almost every day that I can send on to others.

Kate Eustice, Red Hat Dancers,
Lanham, MD

Quarantine Happenings & Activities



High School Senior Prank:

Some local high school seniors under quarantine (house arrest to them?) thought of a way to bring humor into people's lives. They posted a sign on their high school.

It reads

FOR SALE

Vacant since March

- 100 + Rooms
 - Full Size Gym
 - Turf Field
 - Plenty of Parking
 - Good Security System
- CALL 410-BHS-2020

-- submitted by Beverly Goines, B&B Queens Council, Lanham, MD --

Land Girls:

Yours truly has spent countless days staying inside since Mar 12. My rheumatologist put the fear of God in me due to my compromised immune system. I imagine like most of you the initial days were spent sticking to routine tasks, then gearing up to do things left undone, like craft projects, reading, mask making, cleaning the basement and sorting photos. I even caught up on correspondence and reached out to friends I had been meaning to call forever. After about 5 weeks, boredom set in. DH and I had rehashed our past 60 years; it was still raining, windy and cold! What's a girl to do? Something I rarely do, I turned to my Firestick to see what was on TV. Eventually I stumbled onto a Netflix series called **Land Girls** and would like to share a bit of what this is about with you. Perhaps it will spur you on to taking a look.

Land Girls is a 3-season series produced by BBC in 2009 and released to commemorate the 70th Anniversary of WWII. You will find the agrarian scenery beautiful, the costumes are very authentic, hand knit sweaters, hats and scarves abound. There are even a few

musical interludes from big bands. I have not watched the entire series but, so far, it has it all: mystery, villains/villainesses, heroes/heroines, lust, drama, racial and class disparity, compassion and jealousy.

My curiosity overcame me and since I had plenty of time, I did a bit of research about **Land Girls** – fact or fiction. They remind me of our **Rosies**. Certainly enough this series is based on The Women's Land Army (WLA), formed in Great Britain during WWI to help farmers and market gardeners by replacing the agricultural workers, who had gone into the armed forces, with women. The goal was to ensure that home front agricultural food production was maintained. It was disbanded and then reformed during WWII in 1939 and again disbanded in 1949. The ladies who joined were commonly called Land Girls. Their major purpose was to assist on farms to help grow enough crops to feed the troops. Previously the majority of food had been imported from countries as far away as Australia. Great Britain had never produced enough agricultural products to meet their needs. From what I read, Great Britain never

Quarantine Happenings & Activities

Land Girls: (Continued)

made it a priority to invest in ways to improve farming or animal raising. Land Girls worked in the fields, as dairy maids, vermin catchers, forestry camps, and assorted other tasks. At the apex there were 80,000 members strong. It was a volunteer program at first but later conscription of girls over 16 was used to bolster the ranks.

During WWII Great Britain did show they had learned from their mistakes during WWI and provided their citizens with a complex and equitable rationing program. You do see some aspects of this in the series as well as how the black market played a role.

I read of criticism of this series concerning historical authenticity; however, it was presented as entertainment and not a documentary. Those of you who are real history buffs will certainly be able to find some

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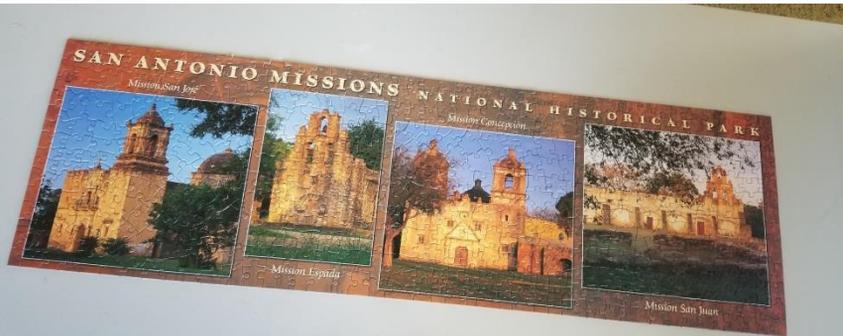
lapses. The series uses an interesting time sequence in that each episode jumps ahead 3 months. I enjoyed this feature as it seemed to make the series move at a quick pace. The first episode follows the lives of four women who are working on the farm of a large estate. If you have access to Netflix, you might want to give it a look.



Queen Beverly Goines
B&B Queens Council
Lanham, MD



These puzzles were completed by Kween Kathy, Valley Isle Vixens, who is soooo lucky to be living in Hawaii and even luckier to have that great Red Hat kitty puzzle!





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Phone: 866-212-9983



These are made of 3 layers of cloth and are comfortable to wear. Each has a pocket on the inside so you can place a piece of coffee filter inside for added protection.



Desiree Collection comes in Tank Top, Basic T-Shirt, Classic Cardigan, Denim Jacket, Hooded Jacket, Apron, Short Sleeve Scoop, 3/4 Scoop, and V-Neck



Available in basic tee, tank, V-Neck and 3/4 sleeve; also available are an apron and a denim jacket; some available in red, purple, pink and lavender



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Brand New!

**Sabrina
Basic Shirt
Collection**

Sabrina Collection comes in Tank Top, 3/4 Scoop Classic, Basic T-Shirt, Denim Jacket, Hooded Jacket, Apron, Sweatshirt, 3/4 V-Neck and Short-Sleeve V-Neck

All items, except the apron, are also available in red.



Brand New!

**Red Hat
Puppy Card Set**



Brand New!

**Red Hat
Floral Card Set**



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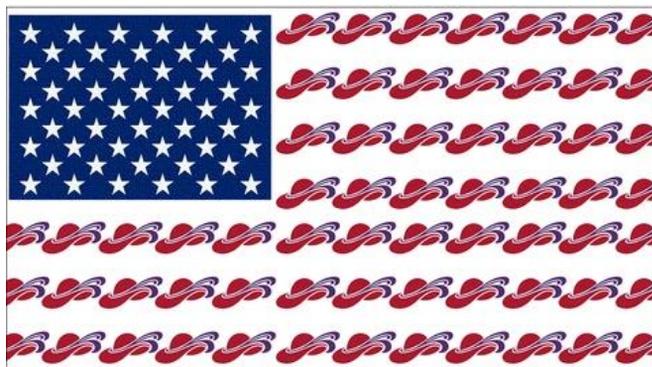
**Floral 2021-22
Pocket Planner**



Happy Birthday Items are available at The Red Hat Society Store

<https://redhatsocietystore.com/>

Phone: 866-544-2114



Two year Pocket Planner 2020-2021

Proudly made in the USA on recycled paper, Size: 6.5" x 3.75"

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Just for Fun

Quiz for Seniors:

1. The role of Jean Valjean in the 2012 film "Les Miserables" was played by what actor?
2. In which game were Boris Spassky and Bobby Fisher champions?
3. Born Oct 25, 1881, what nationality was artist Pablo Picasso?
4. On what does a blacksmith forge hot metals?
5. Lima is the capital of which country?
6. Bright's disease affects which organs of the body?
7. Born in Philadelphia on Apr 7, 1915 as Eleanora Fagan, this jazz singer became known as "Lady Day". What is her better known name?
8. From which city does the Olympic flame begin its journey?
9. Which musical features the song "The Rain in Spain"?
10. In which African country is Timbuktu?
11. What name is shared by a breed of duck and a shade of dark greenish blue?
12. Into which ocean does the Amazon River empty?
13. Which author wrote the 1862 novel "Les Miserables"?
14. According to Greek mythology what was the last thing that remained in Pandora's Box?
15. Rosaviakosmos is the Russian counterpart of which U.S. organization?

Aging with A Smile

- When you are dissatisfied and would like to go back to youth, think of Algebra.

- One of many things no one tells you about aging is that it is such a nice change from being young.

- Ah, being young is beautiful, but being old is (sometimes) comfortable.

- I am not aging, I am ripening to perfection.



Tongue Twister:

Say the following 3 times as fast as you can:

Shep Schwab shopped at Scott's Schnapps shop;

One shot of Scott's Schnapps stopped Schwab's watch.

**Growing old is hard work...
The mind says "yes" but, the body says "what the hell are you thinking"**

Submitted by Elna Swofford --

Answers to Quiz for Seniors:
1. Hugh Jackman; 2. Checkers; 3. Spanish; 4. Anvil; 5. Peru; 6. Kidneys; 7. Billie Holiday; 8. Athens Greece, which is the site of the first modern Olympic games in 1896; 9. My Fair Lady; 10. Mali; 11. Teal; 12. Atlantic Ocean; 13. Victor Hugo; 14. Hope; 15. NASA



Flag Day Word Search

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STARS

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PARADE
FLAG
WHITE
RED

Happy Flag Day
June 14



Nothing Better to Do So You Might As Well Read These!

-- submitted by Kate Eustice, Red Hat Dancers, Lanham, MD --

COVID19 Blues:

Turns out my top 3 hobbies are: eating at restaurants, going to nonessential businesses, touching my face.

Going to ask my Mom if that offer to slap me into next year is still on the table.

So can we expect car insurance to go down since nobody can go anywhere? Just wondering Jake from State Farm.

People keep asking "is Coronavirus really that serious?" Listen up! Casinos and churches are closed. When heaven and hell agree on the same thing, it's probably pretty serious!

Now that teachers finally have a chance to use the restroom, there's no toilet paper.

Well Groovy Guys and Groovy Gals of the '70s...our grand kids just knocked our Blizzard of '78 stories out of the ballpark!

Shout out to all the parents who never taught their kids respect and now they're stuck at home with the little *\$%^\$#!

Cops these days will be like...come out with your hands washed!

Day 31 of quarantine...ate all the snacks and food...clothes no longer fit... but I'm still wearing gloves and mask for my protection.

Homeschooling Update: My child just said I hope I don't have the same teacher next year!

And just like that...having a mask, rubber gloves, duct tape, plastic sheeting and rope in your trunk is OK.

Ask not what staying home on the couch can do for you, but what staying home on the couch can do for your country.

Police confront nudist sunbathers over not wearing face masks amid Coronavirus outbreak.

Ladies...time to start dating the older dudes. They can get you into the grocery store early.

I don't like the fact that my chances of survival seem to be linked to the common sense of others.

I can't believe I can walk into a store to buy weed, but I have to meet my hairdresser in a dark alley with unmarked bills to get a haircut!

Have to say that the Class of 2020 outdid themselves with Senior Skip Day this year!

Everyone is posting memes and talking about coming out of this quarantine with a new skill or side hustle. I'm just sitting here wondering how I never noticed there's a turd in Saturday.

Not to brag, but I haven't been late for anything for the past 21 days!

Sitting at the bar in the kitchen at night. Tried to pick up my wife. She gave me a fake phone number. WTF...

It's been a blessing being home with the wife for three weeks now. We've caught up on everything I've done wrong for fifteen years.

Have you noticed that since beauty salons are closed, selfies are down 68%?

Breaking News: Wearing a mask inside your home is now highly recommended. Not so much to prevent Coronavirus, but to stop eating.

Nothing Better to Do So You Might As Well Read These Too!

-- submitted by Kate Eustice --

Day 9 quarantine... 😂😂😂😂



The drop in petrol price during the lockdown is like a bald man winning a hairbrush

Oldtimers

I have the most loving wife. Last night I woke up while she was holding a pillow tightly over my face to protect me from COVID19.

AFTER LISTENING TO, LINDA, HIS HUMAN, FOR 12 DAYS WHILE IN QUARANTINE AS SHE COMPLAINED FOR HOURS ON END



SPARKY REALIZED HE WAS NOT CUT OUT TO BE AN EMOTIONAL SUPPORT DOG

QUARANTINE DAY 20:
TODAY, I MELTED AN ICE CUBE WITH MY MIND JUST BY STARING AT IT. IT TOOK A LOT LONGER THAN I THOUGHT IT WOULD.

All those grandparents who are missing their grand kids right now. Once this is over you can have them for a month. Sincerely, a tired mom.

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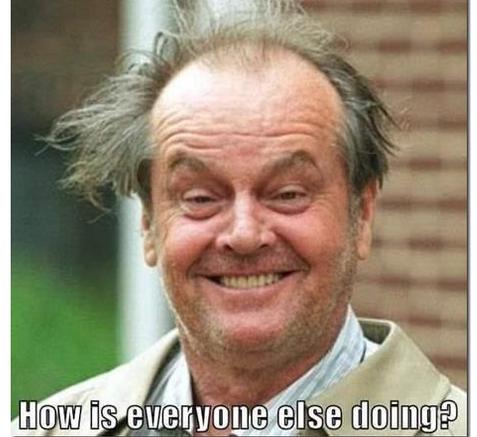
-- submitted by Kate Eustice --

Hormel made their first batch of SPAM in 1937. The company has just announced that due to hoarding by consumers, they are going to make a second batch.

glad i didn't waste my money buying a planner for 2020



I'm holding up just fine



How is everyone else doing?

We're time traveling to the year 2020!



5 minutes later:

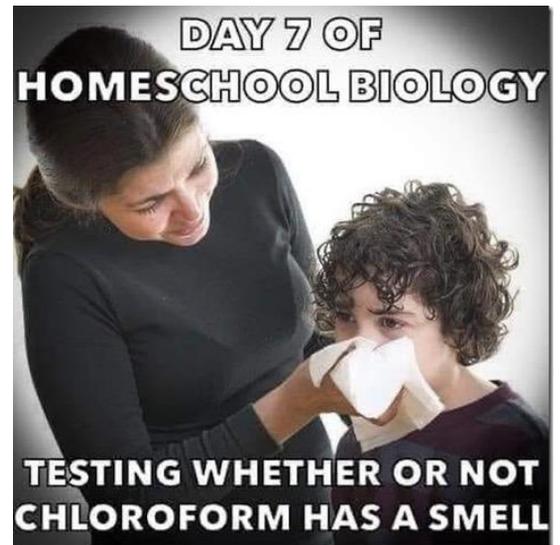


Nope, nope, nope. Bad idea.

Remember when we were little and had underwear with the days of the week on them? Yah. Those would be helpful right now.

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-- submitted by Kate Eustice --



Three weeks of home schooling my 7, 9 and 12 year olds went surprisingly well! They have all graduated High School and are now ready to move out and get jobs when quarantine is over!

**It's like being 16 again
Gas is cheap and I'm
Grounded.**

Returned from the grocery store with the hubby. Took masks off. It turned out it was the wrong hubby! Be attentive!

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Pee on the electric fence
they said...
It will be fun they said...



**FINE, YOU CAN SLEEP
HERE, BUT ONLY FOR
TONIGHT!**



**IT CAN TAKE DAYS, WEEKS,
EVEN YEARS TO DECIDE YOU
LOVE SOMEONE**



REMINDER:

**9pm is the
time to remove
your day pajamas
and put your
night pajamas on.**

**Yesterday I wore
something from
five years ago and
it actually fit!
So proud of myself.
It was a scarf.
But still. Let's be
positive here!**



Judy's Breast Cancer Journal

Part 4 –



Hallelujah! I had cancer removed on May 14. Preparation the week before surgery was getting a radioactive clip placed in the breast next to the clip that was placed during the Feb biopsy. And then there was a repeat of all the pre-op testing and visit to the primary care doc that I had done in Mar.

The pathology report came a week later. I got a phone call that indicated that there was cancer found in the lymph nodes and my radiation treatment would be altered from the original plan.

When I visited the surgeon for my 2-week post-op checkup, she said “nobody told me I had cancer in the lymph nodes.” She said the pathology revealed that I have “an aggressive Stage 1” cancer, not the Stage 0 that was found in the Feb biopsy. She explained that it is not uncommon that a radiologist might not take a wide enough sample of tissues during the biopsy and Stage 0 is reported. And then she said that she and I have to make a decision.

Stage 1 cancer means the cancer is no longer contained in the original spot. Most often, when Stage 1 or higher cancer is located near the underarm (as mine was) it spreads to the lymph nodes, which are located in the underarm area. She said she could do a biopsy of the sentinel lymph node or I could just have radiation added to the treatment area. The sentinel lymph node is the first node that pops forward during surgery. I asked, if I have the surgical biopsy, would she remove the cancerous cells. She said no; radiation would kill the cancer.

I have an appointment with the Radiation Oncologist on Jun 3 to discuss radiation. I have lots of questions. Being 70, I need to consider the side effects that might cause me more health issues so I will ask the questions I have and get more informed.

I still need to take an estrogen blocker. The first one I took was Letrozole. Of the 11 side effects listed, I had 10 of them. The most severe one was having diarrhea for eight straight days. When I got word that surgery was scheduled and I had to have the second clip place a week before surgery, I stopped taking Letrozole. Otherwise, I would not have been able to even get to the radiology center, let alone be able to sit on a rolling chair for 45 minutes while the clip was placed. I see the Oncologist Hematologist on Jun 1 to get a different prescription. He wants me to have a DXA scan, which is set for Jun 4. I pray that the side effects of the new med will not be so harsh. I have to take it every day for the next 5 years.

I send hugs and thank you's to all who prayed for me and/or sent me cards, flowers and/or gifts. I fear what is ahead of me in treatment. Each person is different. Please continue praying for me and all others who have any kind of cancer. And don't forget to get a yearly mammogram.

MaryLou Jones, from Michigan, sent me the image below. It reminds me of all my Red Hat sisters and other friends so I wanted to share it with you.

Hugs – Judy Litke

