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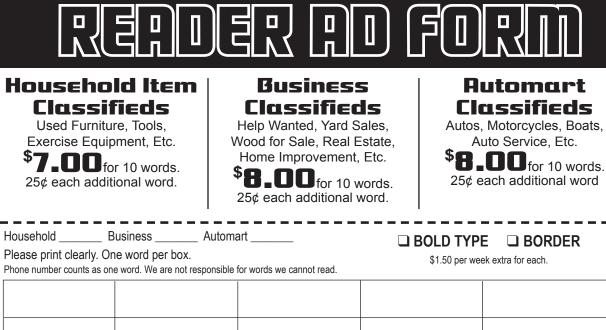
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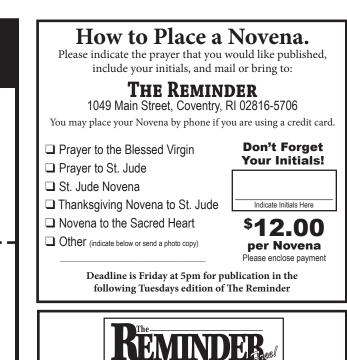


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Hope Library, 374 North Road, Hope is offering the following Programs: Preschool Story Time for children ages 3-5 on January 22 & 29 at 10:30AM & January 18 & 25 at 2PM. Book Babies for ages birth-24 months and their caregivers. January 19 & 26 at 10:30AM. Time for Two's for children age 2 & a caregiver on January 19 & 26 at 11:15AM. Registration begins January 18. To register for programs or for more information, call 821-7910.

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ONGOING PROGRAMS AT GREENE PUBLIC LIBRARY

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DEAR FRAYED: After years and years of studying this conun-drum, I can honestly say most cats won't respond to pleas, begging or even treats. Well, sometimes they'll respond to treats. But they'll go right back to doing what they enjoy most: destroying all that you love. I'm being (slightly) sarcastic, of course. Having a cat means making a few compromises in your life, particularly in the interior-decorating department. It means being more careful about setting expensive glassware on the countertop. It means a Christmas tree whose bottom third remains undecorated, or adorned with unbreakable pet-safe ornaments. It means patiently retying your shoelaces after your cat has pounced on them. It means buying a new sweater every fall, or keeping your favorite ones in a drawer to wear on special occasions only. The tradeoff, however, is that you have a companion for many happy years. A cat kneading his or her claws on your sweater while curled up in your lap is an expression of content-ment, an acknowledgment that you're family. You don't have to give up all the breakable things that you love in order to live with your cat, you just need to make a few concessions to keep both your cat and your glassware safe.

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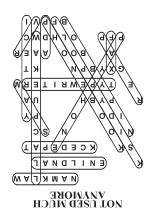
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HOPE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING

The Hope Historical Society will hold their next Meeting on January 13 at 2PM at the Howland Barn on Ryefield Road in Hope. The program will feature Leavers Lace manufacturing, Mr. York Roberts, General Manager & 4th generation Lace Worker. All are welcome.

JANUARY CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS AT HOPE LIBRARY

Hope Library, 374 North Road, Hope is offering the following Programs: LEGO Time (children ages 4 & up) on January 6 & 20 from 10-11AM. Drop-in Crafts on January 10 from 3:30-4:30PM. Movie Time! on January 20 from 12:30-2:30PM. Marble Mouse Racer Craft! on January 24 from 3:30-4:30PM. Registration required for all Programs, except Drop-In Crafts & LEGO Time, by calling 821-7910.



'Kilroy Was Here'

Remember hearing "Kilroy was here"? Kilroy is a famous "doodle" seen during World War II. No one is sure exactly where it began, but in about 1939, the comic man looking over a fence while poking his nose and hands over it with the words "Kilroy was here" started to appear. The doodles were found in strange places where soldiers were stationed. The character may have been inspired by an earlier bit of graffiti used by Aus-tralians during World War I with the words "Foo was here." He reappeared in the next war from 1941 to 1945. Kilroy graffiti was found in barracks, inside submarines, and, it is claimed, on the beaches at Normandy when the troops landed for the famous battle.



It took only a little over \$160 to buy this "Kilroy was here" bank. The 5-inch-high plaster bank was painted red. The bottom had the words "To open, cut hole in bottom." It is a very



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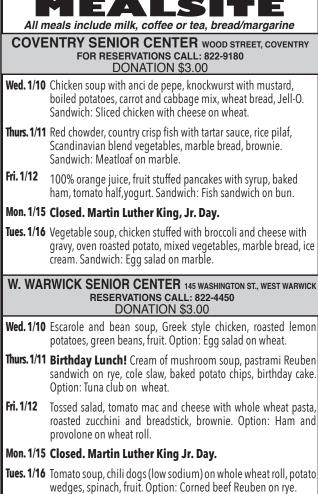
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USED CLOTHING DROP-OFF SHEDS AT LOCAL GRANGES

There are two local Granges in the area that have Used Clothing Drop-Off Sheds. They are Exeter Grange, 469 Ten Rod Road (Route 102), Exeter & Slocum Grange, 96 Slocum Road, North Kingstown. Each Drop-Off Shed is sponsored by their own respective Grange. Accepted items include clothing, shoes, sneakers, belts, purses, blankets, sheets, pillowcases, drapes and stuffed toys. If possible, please put donations in tied or closed bags.



THANK YOU to the following who assisted with the 2017 Coventry & West Greenwich Tis the Season program and Tis the Season Adopt a Family program

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"Kilroy was here," with or without the doodle, still is part of American slang and has appeared in TV shows, movies and even songs in this century. The face over the fence has been made into inexpensive three-dimensional, carnival chalkware figures and even banks. A red plaster bank was one of several Kilroy pop-art items featured in a Hakes auction in 2016. It sold for \$168.37, probably to someone who remembers seeing a Kilroy message years ago.

Q.I have several old one-cent prepaid postcards that are unused. The "stamp" on the postcard is green and pictures Thomas Jefferson. Do these postcards have any value?

A. The postcards still can be used if you add enough stamps to equal the current postcard rate, which is 34 cents. However, they are worth more than face value to a collector. One-cent postcards were made from 1916 to 1952, except for two years during World War I when the rate was raised to two cents and for the years 1925 to 1928. The one-cent postcard was made on different cardstocks. Some are more valuable than others, and there are other differences that

rare souvenir of the Second World War

affect prices, which range from about 25 cents to several thousand dollars. Most sell for under \$1. Some of the rarest and most valu-

able postcards were printed on gray, rough-surfaced stock during a paper shortage in 1916. They were sold to printers for commercial use and weren't available at the post office. Rough-surfaced postcards sold recent-ly for over \$1,700 to \$2,400. The die vas recut because the stamp didn't make a good impression on the rough surface. Postcards stamped with Die II have sold for \$18,500. A stamp dealer might be able to tell you what your postcards are worth.

TIP: Antique-cut diamonds (old mine-cut) are being made today. They are very similar to old diamonds, but if used as replacements in old jewelry, the new ones will be brighter.

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Field trips and Ocean State Aquatics. Field trips and Bubbleology. December 26-28, 8:30am-4pm

Free Community Events

Valentine's Family Bingo 2/9 Trivia Night 3/8 3/24 Easter Egg Hunt

Valentine's Day Craft (\$8) grades 1-5 Saturday, Feb.10, 10am-12pm

Pancake Breakfast with the Easter Bunny (\$5) all ages

February Vacation Camp (\$70) grades K-4

Tuesday, Feb. 20 - Friday, Feb. 23 8:30am-4pm

February Vacation Camp (\$70) grades 5-8

Field trips and maple sugaring. Tuesday, Feb. 20 - Friday, Feb. 23 8:30am-4pm

Friday Fun Nights (\$34) arades 6-8

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Adult Co-Ed Volleyball (\$23) Mondays 6:30-9pm

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Saturday, March 24, 8:30-9:45am

Tumble and Twirl (\$14) ages 2-5

Parent and child playgroup. Tuesdays 9:30-10:30am

Kids Club (\$34) grades K-5 Arts & crafts and games.

Fridays 6-8:30pm





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Coventry Teen Center (free) grades 6-12

Mon-Thurs 2:30-6:30pm, Fri 2:30-8:30pm

Introduction to Pasta Making <u>(\$20) ages 16+</u>

Wednesday, Feb. 21, 6:30-8:30pm

Guided Meditation (\$5) ages 16+ Monday, Jan. 8, 6:30-7:30pm

PPAC Show (\$45) all ages

Beautiful - The Carole King Musical Thursday, March 1, 6pm



Look for more details in the program guide. Watch The Reminder for Public Service Announcements detailing programs. For more information, guides are available at the Recreation Office, Library, Community Resource Center, and Town Hall or check out our Web site: www.coventryri.org • 822-9107

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January 9, 2018

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Sunday	March 4, 2018	10-12 year olds	10:00am-Noon
Sunday	March 11, 2018	10-12 year olds	8:00am-10:00am
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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You might be hurt by a colleague's harsh criticism. But don't let it shake your confidence in what you're trying to do. A more positive aspect starts to appear

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You're torn between your sensible self and the part of you that enjoys acquiring lovely things. Best advice: Wait for an end-of-month sale, and then buy

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your artistic side has practical applications this week, such as redecorating your home or redesigning your personal stationery. Whatever you do, someone special will like it. CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You

could be drawn into a problem 'twixt friends or family members. Best bet: Ask the questions that go to the heart of the matter, then get them all together for a group hug. LEO (July 23 to August 22) As

much as you love being the center of attention, your big Lion's heart impels you to share the spotlight with a col-league who helped you with that wellpraised project. VIRGO (August 23 to September

22) Your eagerness to act on a challenge is wisely tempered early in the week by a lack of necessary information. Things begin to clear up during the weekend.

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-Jack London

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A relationship you'd hoped would keep going seems to be going nowhere. Close it out and move on to a brighter romantic aspect just beginning to manifest itself.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Things don't go completely as planned this week. But enjoy the surprises, even if you have to adjust your schedule. Some of them could be quite delightful.

SAGITTARIUS (November to December 21) Making choices is usually easy for straight-shooting Archers. But a new development could deflect your aim. Try to put off decisions until you know more.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) While part of you might prefer taking a more familiar path, let your more daring and — admit it super-curious self see what the unexplored has to offer.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Those nasty types have slith-ered back under the rocks and present no more problems. Now's the time to move ahead on that promising new relationship.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A new offer could clear up that lingering money problem. Also, a more confident attitude on your part might well help get that personal situation back on track.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a way of turning chaos into order. You're also generous with your help for those who seek it.

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The Golden Circle(R)
Taron Egerton
2. Despicable Me 3(PG)
animated
3. Home Again(PG-13)
Reese Witherspoon
4. American Ássassin(R)
Dylan O'Brien
5. Detroit (R)
John Boyega
6. The Hitman's Bodyguard(R)
Ryan Reynolds
7. Wind River(R)
Kelsey Asbille
8. Logan Lucky (PG-13)
Channing Tatum
9. Atomic Blonde(R)
Charlize Theron
10. Home Alone(1990)
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with the gift. Through the years, she has seen how both the giver and receiver feel special when they capture the moment together.

When it comes time to say "thanks, she has no worries making sure the right card is with the right gift. "I have the evidence in my camera," she says. "I print out the photos and we mount them to simple cards with envelopes. As my daughters grow older, they can express a more detailed 'thanks,'" she adds

Here are more saying "thank you' ideas:

-If your child received a holiday gift from someone who wasn't present, take a photo of your child enjoying building with the new blocks, dressing a new doll or shooting a puck with the new hockey stick. Print it, and mount it on a card with a personally written thank you. -Email or text a short video of your child saying "thanks" and using the gift.

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to the youngest generation the habit of expressing appreciation to others. Hopefully they'll grow into the "saying thanks" habit without our prodding.

According to Amy Jaworsky, editor for the Hearst Corporation and mom of two school-age girls, 13 and 8: "Acknowledging someone's generosity is a reminder to ourselves of all we have to be grateful for. The more we realize how lucky we are, the more apt we are to want to deserve it by being better people." Good words for all, not just for kids.

Teaching her daughters to express thanks to others start-

ed on a practical level when her oldest, Presley, turned 4. "I was standing in the background at gift-opening time at her birthday party when the eager guests circled the birthday girl. It felt like a feeding frenzy," she says. "They closed in, and it moved fast. With all the excitement, Presley tore through the wrappings, so it was hard to get a complete list of who gave what."

That's when Amy came up with an idea the following year to ask gift-giv-ers to stand with her daughter while she opened their present, so she could snap a photo of them as they posed



-Encourage your children to draw a picture of the gift. If they aren't writing yet, let them dictate as you write their "thanks."

Donna Erickson's award-winning series "Donna's Day" is airing on public television nationwide. To find more of her creative family recipes and activities, visit www.donasday.com and link to the NEW Donna's Day Facebook fan page. Her latest book is "Donna Erickson's Fabulous Funstuff for Families."

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St. Xavier Academy Class of 1968 will hold their 50th Reunion Luncheon on October 21 at Quidnessett Country Club, North Kingstown, preceded by 11AM Mass remembering their deceased alumnae at St. Timothy Church in Warwick. We welcome all alumnae to honor the 50th class & all classes ending in 8 & 3. Reservations will be posted in the Association's Annual Alumnae Newsletter, available at stxavieralumnae.org or call 232-9006 for more information.

NEW ENGLAND STEEL GUITAR ASSOCIATION STEEL JAM

The New England Steel Guitar Association will hold a Steel Jam on January 14 from 12:30-4:30PM at American Legion Post #15, 1016 Post Road, East Greenwich. "Al Carter & Company" will perform. Kitchen is open.

FREE ESL CLASSES OFFERED AT THE WEST WARWICK PUBLIC LIBRARY

The West Warwick Public Library, 1043 Main Street, West Warwick, is offering free ESL Classes for individuals who want to improve their English skills. Adults work in groups with a teacher or volunteer tutor on reading, writing, speaking and listening skills. The next Session runs January 8-May 8. Beginning/Intermediate ESL Classes meet at the Library Mondays & Tuesdays from 4:30-6PM or 7-8:30PM; Conversation Class for advanced ESL students meets Tuesdays from 7-8:30PM; Conversation Class for beginning/ intermediate ESL students meets Fridays from 9:30-11AM; Civics Practice Group (related to the English needed for citizenship) meets on Thursdays from 10:30-11:30AM & also an adult ESL Book Group meets on select Thursdays from 9:30-10:30AM. A children's Literacy Teacher provides activities for children 4 years and older while their parents attend the Monday/Tuesday Classes. New students are welcome up to the midpoint in the session if space is available. Please call the Literacy Office at 828-3750, Ext. 15 for more information.

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Sports

1. Who was the last Boston Red Sox pitcher before Rick Porcello (22 wins) in 2016 to win 20 or more games in a season?

2. Name the last player before Houston's Jose Altuve (2014-17) to have at least four consecutive 200-hit seasons

3. Indianapolis' Adam Vinatieri set an NFL record in 2016 for most consecutive made field goals (44). Who had held the mark? 4. Who was the first U.S. male play-

er to win two Olympic basketball gold medals?

5. Since the NHL adopted its current playoff format in 1994, how many times has a No. 1 seed been swept in the first round?

6. When was the last World Cup before 2018 for which both the Italian and the U.S. men's soccer teams failed to qualify?

7. Who was the last French cyclist to win the Tour de France? Answers

1. Josh Beckett won 20 games in

2007.2. Seattle's Ichiro Suzuki, 2001-10. 3. Mike Vanderjagt, with 42 in a row

(2002-04).4. Bob Kurland, in 1948 and 1952. 5. Once — the Chicago Black-hawks, in 2017.

6. It was in 1958.

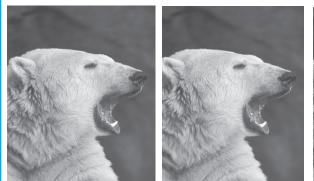
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1. Star Wars: Episode VIII - The (PG-13)

Jungle
Dwayne Johnson, Karen Gillian
3. Pitch Perfect 3 (PG-13)
Anna Kendrick, Rebel Wilson
4. The Greatest Showman(PG)
Hugh Jackman, Michelle Williams
5. Ferdinand(PG)
animated
6. Downsizing(R)
Matt Damon, Christopher Waltz
7. Coco(PG)
animated
8. The Darkest Hour (PG-13)
Gary Oldman, Lily James
0 Eather Figures (P)

10. The Shape of Water Sally Hawkins, Octavia Spencer .(R)





Prepare For Safe Winter Driving-**Top Questions Answered By The Tire Specialists**

(NAPS)-While it's always a good time to make sure your vehicle is in good shape, it's particularly important when bad weather and the busy travel season occur.

Vehicle maintenance and preparedness are key for keeping you protected but it can be challenging to know where to start. To help, here are the answers to the most common winter driving questions that people ask.

Q:What's the most important thing to keep in mind when it comes to winter driving?

A:Make sure that you allow extra time and slow down. Whether you're cornering, stopping, accelerating or driving on a straightaway, reducing speed is the key to safe winter driving. Tires have a big effect on what the car can do. Tires are your car's only point of contact with the road, and they influence how much control you have while driving. Before you're on the road, make sure you have properly inflated tires and adequate tread depth to help your tires do their job-grip the road and stop safely.

Q:How can drivers prepare for winter road trips?

A: Plan ahead and winterize your vehicle. Take your car in for routine maintenance, including checking your tires. Before you get on the road, check the department of transportation's website for road conditions. Listen to the radio for announcements about accidents, road closures and travel advisories. Also, let someone know your route in case an accident occurs, and you get stuck in an area with no cell service.

Q:What type of tires should I get for my vehicle, snow tires or all-weather tires? What's the difference?

A: The decision between studded and winter tires comes down to personal needs based on your commute and driving habits. Winter traction tires are specifically designed to provide the extra grip, braking and handling you'll need to confidently drive on slush



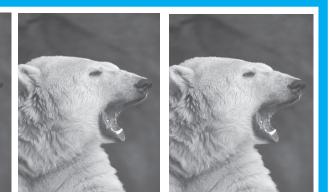
Proper maintenance is important before you hit the road in rough weather.

and packed snow. Studded tires offer additional traction in more treacherous winter driving conditions, such as ice. Chains can be important, too-and are sometimes required-for traction when you're traveling in the mountains or on icv roads. It is always recommended that you talk to a tire expert to help you make the best decision based on your need.

Q:What should I have in my car in case of an accident?

A: A winter accident could leave you stuck on the side of the road in cold, wet weather. Packing your car with a few essentials will help keep you safe and ready for any unexpected detours. Store snacks, water bottles, an ice scraper, flares, chains, a flashlight, blankets and a roadside safety kit in your trunk. And always carry a cell phone. Many Les Schwab stores also offer emergency roadside assistance-if your vehicle breaks down, especially due to tire- or wheel-related issues, they'll do everything they can to help get you back on the road.

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Daisy Ridley, John Boyega 2. Jumanji: Welcome to the

9. Father Figures Owen Wilson, Ed Helms

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going to be, I'll walk away." Answers

film "Forrest Gump" in 1994. 2. Boo was the dog ("Me and You

as a black and white sheepdog on the

left one recording label, headed by a family member, and went to another making them Outsiders.

single by the Beatles, in 1965.

and Robin Zander, in 1988. The song was used in the soundtrack for Mel Gibson's crime thriller film Teaui

you so much pain. If this is how it's

1. The Doors, in 1971, as a single

and a Dog Named Boo"), depicted

4. "Day Tripper," on a double A side

"Surrender to Me," by Ann Wilson



1. Which band released "Love Her

3. Why did the Starfires change their

4. What was on the flip side of "We

5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "I don't want our love to cause

and on their "L.A. Woman" album a month later. The song was used in the

3. Rumor says it was because they

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• On Jan. 18, 1778, English explorer Captain James Cook becomes the first European to discover the Hawaiian Islands when he sails past the island of Oahu. Two days later, he landed at Waimea on the island of Kauai and named the island chain the Sandwich Islands, in honor of the earl of Sandwich.

• On Jan. 21, 1855, John Moses Browning, sometimes called the "father of modern firearms," is born in Ogden, Utah. When he was 24 years old, Browning received his first patent, for a rifle that Winchester manufactured as its Single Shot Model 1885. The rifle is still made today.

• On Jan. 16, 1919, the 18th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, prohibiting the sale of alcohol, is ratified and becomes the law. It failed to prevent the distribution of alcoholic beverages, however, and led to the rise of orga nized crime in America

• On Jan. 15, 1936, Edsel Ford, the son of auto industry pioneer Henry Ford, forms a philanthropic organization called the Ford Foundation with a donation of \$25,000. The foundation was established in part as a legal way for the Ford family to avoid inheritance taxes

• On Jan. 17, 1953, a prototype Chevrolet Corvette sports car makes its debut at General Motors' Motorama auto show. The Corvette was named for a fast type of naval warship.

• On Jan. 19, 1977, President Gerald Ford pardons Iva Toguri, one of the "Tokyo Rose" Japanese women who broadcast Axis propaganda over the radio to Allied troops during World War II. Toguri was a U.S. citizen who was trapped in Japan when war broke out.

• On Jan. 20, 1987, British negotiator Terry Waite is captured by Shiite Muslims in Beirut while attempting to win freedom for Western hostages. He was not released for more than four years.

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Time marches on. And don't we all know that. My grandmother always told me that, and she was right. I have a group of friends that date back to high school, and some from grammar school. We get together each year around Christmas time, if possible. Some of us still live in RI, and some have moved south. Our topic of conversation was always about what we have done in the past year, and who has kids and grandchildren. We talk of our travels, and how far we've been since last year. Always a fun time, and we get to catch up on everything. Well, this year I realized how time had marched on. We had the occasion to get together on Christmas night. They all arrived at my house ready for a glass of wine. By the end of the night we all knew who has high blood pressure, who has had knee replacement surgery. Who's hip feels fantastic since replacement. Who's children are parents and teachers, etc., and who has a parent in a nursing home. We compared pills and scars and had a great time. I think we finally became our mothers and fathers. Time has marched on, and here we sit, in the place we thought we'd never get to! But, we all agreed we are all happy with where we are, and what we have become. Time marched on, and so did we.

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