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# One Fine Day! - Oh What a Feeling!

Tuesday, May 11, 2021

Last week I posted a status - Bank, Post Office, Groceries, Volunteer Work, Walking and Canoeing through Nature. Thinking back, I want to expand on that and why exactly it was so great.

The bank, post office, groceries - errands that everyone has to do. However, for 14 months in my hermitage I hadn't done any of those IN PERSON – just all online with delivery.

Very grateful for those who worked to make it possible for me to have that option. Now especially grateful for vaccination and the precautions businesses are still taking to avoid another of those dreaded surges in Covid cases. Now I was able to do them myself. Grateful for the functional fitness that allows me to do those things.

Volunteer Work – We drove the 25 miles to town and while I worked on my weekly tasks at our ministry office, Joe went to swim at the Y. We haven't been there in 14 months even after they opened up in September. We kept our membership. They do good work for the community and needed the money.

I finished my work before Joe finished swimming and went for a walk. With the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains in the distance, I cut through the hospital parking lot.



Very grateful for those working throughout this year under extremely difficult circumstances. A short prayer for whomever it was that was arriving at the ER by ambulance and helicopter



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Met up with Joe and back to the lake for lunch and a canoe cruise on the lake.

First I put out some carrot scrapings for our new "tenant" He or she lives under our porch.



We checked out nature's nursery – the geese with their new brood of goslings.

We counted 8 of them in the grass, but didn't want to get too close and annoy the watchful parents.

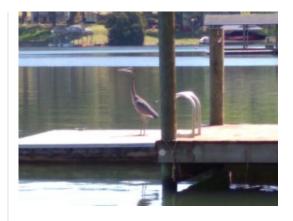


The young blue herons getting out on their own.

They look big until an adult flies by them. Very big birds!



Look at how this one compares with the ladder railing on the dock. Good fishing there.



We got home and noticed that our tenant had eaten all the carrot scrapings except one piece. Perhaps he was comfortably full. Like a Spark goal to emulate?

Once again, the title of my blog reflects songs in my head

Oh What a Feeling (1983)

www.youtube.com/ watch?v=ILWSp0m9G2U

One Fine Day (1963 – the year Joe and I met)

www.youtube.com/ watch?v=KvyOqKhKWQ4

I wish you all many fine days.

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## **DEE797**

Great pictures. Loved seeing the animals. Glad you are able to get out and about.  $10\ \mbox{days}$  ago





# BEESHELL8

love animals! The bunny is adorable! 19 days ago



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# DONNA\_CPS2

Good job! We had a heron here too! I'm 25 miles south of Chicago!  $\widehat{\P}$  19 days ago



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# WHILLSW

Enjoyed your blog very much.....slowly, we're getting back to our old lives.....



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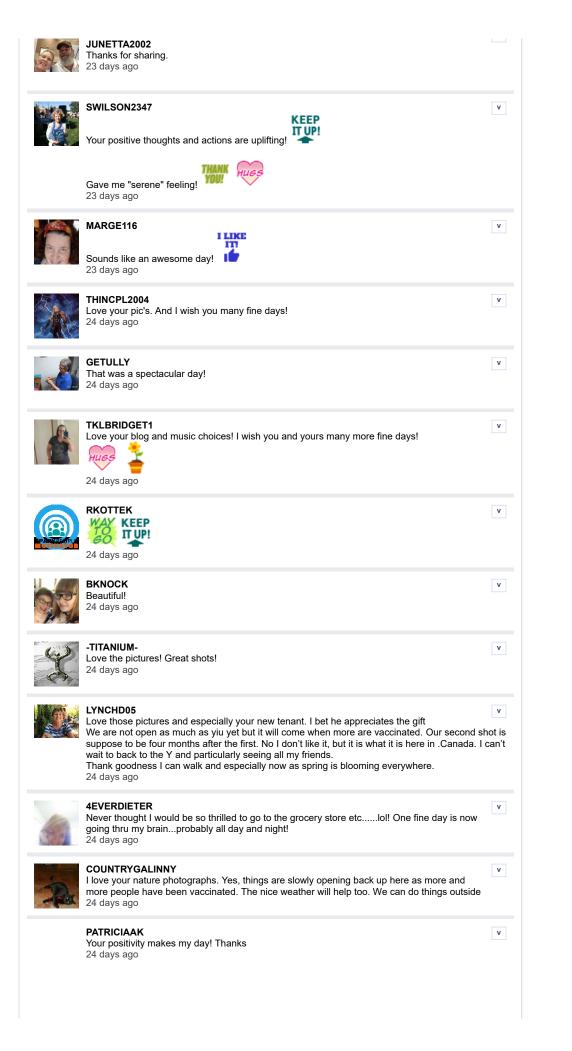
# LINDA!

Great blog! I loved the photos. 23 days ago



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#### LSIG14

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What an awesome blog! 2 years ago I took so much for granted and now it's exciting to be able to walk into the bank. You have put into words and pictures all the joy and gratitude that I feel at beginning to be able to live again - and, of course, Spring blooms and sunshine have added an extra layer of joy. Special prayers of thanks for all those who kept the world running while we were locked down!

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# RACHNACH

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#### KITTYHAWK1949

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I look forward to going back to pool to walk in the water.





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SUSIEMT

I so enjoyed your blog! What a wonderful day it must have been! 24 days ago



#### THOMS1

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It is a great day especially when the lobby of the bank opens up. Seems like almost normal. Our church and chapel opened up but of course with masks and social distancing which means every other pew. So, it's coming along. I am headed out to chapel and to get my second coved



vaccine. Weather outside is beautiful and what a wonderful day to be alive. 24 days ago



# WEDDWT

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Thanks for letting us tag along with you as you went thru your peaceful day with the freedom to move about as you wished. Not to be taken for granted. Much gratitude.

Like you, we kept up our gym membership at a reduced fee so that the business could stay afloat during lockdown. Now members are slowly coming back; it brings a smile. Everyone still wearing masks, hand sanitizing and keeping a respectful distance while there. Great to walk on the indoor track during Spring pollen allergy season.

I think your nature photos brought my heart rate down a couple points :) Could almost breathe the fresh air.



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#### INCH\_BY\_INCH











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#### **MARYJEANSL**

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Good songs - I remember Flashdance fondly. I kind of think I saw it on campus when I was in grad school. Glad you are able to be out and about again. :-)
24 days ago



#### NANANANA

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Wonderful day. Driving through the country, I've seen a couple of Herons. More commonly, I see orioles, hawks, buzzards & vultures.

Years ago, while waiting for my husband to finish physical therapy, I'd walk around the hospital grounds and adjoining neighborhoods. 24 days ago



# **AZMOMXTWO**

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what a fantastic day to get so much done and still have time for fun way to go  $24\ \mathrm{days}$  ago







CHERYLHURT What a beautiful day! 25 days ago





#### MARTHA324

What a wonderful day! You could have been singing "Oh what a beautiful morning!" all day.

It is hard to believe that one year ago none of these things were safe to do & if we went out and did even one two of them we were taking our life in our hands.

Fingers crossed the people keep getting vaccinated and things continue to improve and life returns to more normalcy.



25 days ago



#### **UPTOIT59**

I know this was probably not the theme of your blog but one thing about reading other people's thoughts is that it takes your mind where it goes... I was struck by the freedom of the vaccine. It makes me really wonder about the people who are choosing to take their chances rather than embrace the freedom and lightness I have felt since I received both vaccines.

25 days ago



#### RHOOK20047

Yes, I believe that the last 14 months has given us a new appreciation for so many things we took for granted. Our bank has only allowed drive through business. I have some business I need to take care of there. The lake and all the wildlife serve the proof the mightiness of our Lord with all the species he put on this earth to share the world with. Sounds like you had a great day. Hopefully, we continue returning to a normal in our lives.

25 days ago



## WATERMELLEN

What a lovely blog -- and love the detail of the one carrot scraping left!! I saw a beautiful blue heron yesterday too when we were "up west" and walking Henry in a pretty waterside park!! The heron flew in with his characteristic loud AWK AWK sounds and then settle down for some serious fishing: ignoring Henry who was watching him intently!! But silently -- those birding dog genes are deep bred!

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PLCHAPPELL Nice tribure 25 days ago



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ETHELMERZ

One Fine Day, a blessing indeed

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#### LIS193

Grateful to be able to go beyond our little town now restrictions have been relaxed.



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# PATRICIAANN46

Isn't it wonderful to come home to nature? Whenever I have to spend the day in Madison or Milwaukee, I can feel my blood pressure going down as I near home. We, too, have a bunny under our porch and two cats that we feed daily. With each passing day the wild cats let us get a little closer. I am hoping that eventually they will let me brush their long hair, give them a dry bath, and apply some flea and tick repellent. We also have raccoons. Nola left a Slo-Poke candy on a stick on the back porch and as I was getting ready for bed, I glanced out at the back porch because the security light went on, and one of the raccoons was holding the stick and biting into the sticky, stretchy candy and pulling as hard as it could. Fun to watch. With all that has gone on in the past year, I look for as many smile-experiences as possible and Nature never fails to produce them. 25 days ago



### **ALIHIKES**

Thanks for sharing your blog. Like you I am thrilled to gradually and carefully do normal errands. And how wonderful to see nature all around you. 25 days ago

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### SHAKERATTLEROLL



Thank you for the wonderful blog with the beautiful pictures. Glad that your tenet left on a full stomach.

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## TERMITEMOM

I love your tenant! And what a beautiful area you live in! 25 days ago



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#### JAMER123



Lovely pictures and wonderful thoughts that you share. That is some deep thinking you have done and gave me pause to think as well. I hope you have a wonderful week ahead. You had have a great start!!





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## **RAZZOOZLE**



It sounds like an awesome day. Enjoy life! 25 days ago



# SAMMILESSACH



Oh...Beautiful photos!!!!!!!

Today on my end was great!!!!!closer to employment!!!

Like you, I have been grateful for those that remained working,amazon,Walgreen's,grocery stores, my college ...remotely.

There have been gym s opening back up...I continue to use the garage we cleaned up last

summer for me. I have never needed a "workoutbuddy" I do workout and that is my time,my stress reliever.

After very important phones web calls, went to the bank & paint store...getting ready to paint the office!!!!!  $\odot$ 

Our office has been neglected for years, esp. After the desktop died, just storage of papers.

I have been cleaning it out since February. It's time to get new paint& stuff $\widehat{\oplus}$ ....more details on that later $\widehat{\oplus}$ .

Yes.....I love One fine day!!!!! I wasn't even "thought of" when it was released..but it is awesome!!!!!

Oh what I feeling..I was a wee lass!!!!@,

Thank you for your uplifting blog!!!!!!!@ 25 days ago



## **DARLENEK04**

From a Different perspective......love the mountains....we have the Appalachians here in Alabama......



One fine Day by the Chiffons



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#### BUTTONPOPPER

This is lovely! I had not realized you're so close to nature. Really loved the animal photos. Those adult herons must be stunning!



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## DOVESEYES

What a wonderful area you live in and great they have you too :)

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# WHYNOTTRY45



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