

Monday Morning Memo – 08.17.2020

Dear *Wider Horizons* Members and Friends,

We have a packed *Memo* for you this morning!

Wider Horizons Activities and Events:

1. Join us as usual on Thursday morning for *Zooming Around the Village with Sue Lerner and Debbie Ward*. The Zoom is at 9:30 am and an invitation will go out the day before with the Zoom address.
2. Kelly Marcum has been a member since early this year, but since the pandemic isolation set in a month or two after she joined, many of you have not had the pleasure of meeting her. Here are some fun facts about Kelly (mostly quoted from her interview done by Carolyn Allen):

Kelly is a retired (5 years ago) business software developer and is now a big help in developing the new WH website. She previously worked for Boeing, Microsoft, and Alaska Air. She is divorced with two "amazing daughters," one a doctor in Denver, the other a local cider brewer. She has 4 grandchildren and helps with the care of two Seattle granddaughters. She was born in Denver and grew up in Billings, where her father still lives. The most interesting thing she has done was traveling by bike through Europe for 3 months when she was twenty and she is planning (and training) to walk the Camino de Santiago in a year. She loves walking and sketching, lives on Capitol Hill, and is a member of the Urban Sketchers group. Let me know if you need her contact information so you can introduce yourself.

3. For those of you who missed last week's Zoom training by our treasured tech volunteer Noel Hanzel, here is a link to the slide deck! Here's the deck: <https://tinyurl.com/yyxc68h4>
4. Anne Focke's brother, Frank, never got a proper obit and Anne is a writer....Check out this lovely piece by her: [Franko – "One of the good guys"](#)
5. Yesterday's heat wave inspired this haiku from Kathleen O'Connor:

A sunburn

waiting to happen

redhead boy on the beach

6. Also from Kathleen: *I have all my mother's stamps from an extensive, but not organized, stamp collection from around the world on their many trips--as well as letters from friends who knew my mother collected stamps (she sort of just saved them). I don't want to toss them, but I am not going to keep them and have no one to inherit them. Does anyone in the Village know anything about stamps and/or a reputable place/person to take them so they can assess their value?*

Member-Recommended Material

7. From member Alline Thurlow: *I've been reading a daily blog of Heather Cox Richardson called "Letters from an American" and have appreciated the historical depth she offers on any given current political or economic topic in the current news. But in this interview by Vicki Robin, she responds to the question of "What Could Possibly Go Right" with an historical overview of the landscape and time we're currently living in. It carries a message of grounded hope. <https://www.resilience.org/stories/2020-07-09/what-could-possibly-go-right-episode-8-heather-cox-richardson/>*
8. Wendy Carlton shared the attached new information about the property tax exemption (the income threshold was raised and you may qualify).

I have more but I'll save it for next time!

Have a good week,

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