



I really thought spring was here to stay until I woke up to a skiff of snow on Monday!! Oh well life has its ups and downs. But trees are starting to show signs of life. People are sneezing some things are still normal.

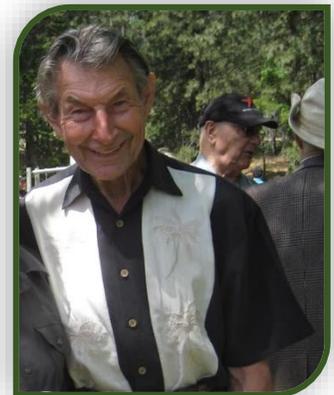
I am sure many have now had their vaccination shot but it seems that more restrictions may be in place still for some time.

April is busy. It is the Easter season for many and as a choir and orchestra we have lots of singing to do to produce our virtual choir

pieces.

Condolences: Our condolences go to Julie Roberts on the passing of her husband Les. Les was such an important part of the Penticton Tune-Agers and will be so missed.

Dues: If you still owe for either the fall 2020 or spring 2021 session please remember they can now be paid by e-transfer or cheque but no credit card. If you have decided not to participate in our virtual practices and would like to make a donation that would be much appreciated as this is our only source of income at the moment.



Orchestra Update: Their practices still go on and attempts to socialize via Zoom continue.

Choir Update: We are still managing to meet every Tuesday thanks to the hard work of Nick and Katie. We have now received our tapes for singing. Our final choir practice is scheduled for May 4 I am not sure when the orchestra practices will finish.

Virtual choir pieces. If you have not received any emails about this please contact Nick or Sarah. Thanks Nick, for extending the time the pieces have to be recorded to April 10 for Bridge Over Troubled Water. We will also be recording The Things of This World and that is tentatively due April 24.

Thank-you's: This month I want to thank Pixie Marriott who faithfully handles our "wardrobe department". She has our scarves and even skirts in her collection. Did you know that thanks to Nora we are now the proud owners of gold scarves for our 50th Anniversary?



Chit Chat: Dogs and dog names have been a heavy topic of discussion at choir practices.

Both Chris and Katie have new puppies.



I wanted to include this next story as it is something we would definitely share together if we were in person. Just a word of caution to us all now that marijuana is legalized.

I want to include part of Katie's experience (with her permission) with her new little puppy Trixie Dixie Shumaker. They were out walking and Katie picked her up and I quote "I can't say 100% that she ingested marijuana as I did not actually see her eat it, but I know that I smelled it on her breath, fairly strong. She is always eating everything and anything she can find outside. She was unresponsive for several hours. It was so scary. The vet in Kelowna gave her a saline injection sub Q to hydrate her as dehydration was a big concern because she is so young. She slept 8 hours, then 6 hours after a P. Break. In the morning she was back to her old self again." Thank goodness this had a happy ending!

If you have any thoughts or comments or chit chat you would like to share please just let me know.

Sarah