Ring out, wild bells
by Lord Alfred Tennyson

Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,
The flying cloud, the frosty light:
The year is dying in the night;
Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.

Ring out the old, ring in the new, Ring,
happy bells, across the snow:
The year is going, let him go;
Ring out the false, ring in the true.

Ring out the grief that saps the mind
For those that here we see no more;
Ring in redress to all mankind.

Ring out a slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party strife;
Ring in the nobler modes of life,
With sweeter manners, purer laws.

Ring out the want, the care, the sin,
The faithless coldness of the times;
Ring out, ring out my mournful rhymes
But ring the fuller minstrel in.

Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease;
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

From the Board

We have been told by the snow removal crew that when the ice melt is applied before they have cleared the two inches or more of snow, the ice melt creates a ball of ice and is hard on the snow blowers. Please refrain from applying until the snow remover crew has done their job. Thank you.

OPERA AT THE VILLAS  On Wednesday, January 16th from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Clubhouse Theater.

Opera “Der Rosenkavalier” or “The Knight of the Rose” by Richard Strauss. Presented with English subtitles by the Bavarian State Orchestra and Chorus conducted by Carlos Kleiber.

Der Rosenkavalier is a comic opera in three acts.

The opera has four main characters: the aristocratic Marschallin (played by Gwyneth Jones), her very young lover Count Octavian Rofrano (played by Brigitte Fassbaender), her coarse cousin Baron Ochs (played by Manfred Jungwirth), and Ochs’ prospective fiancée Sophie von Faninal (played by Lucia Popp), daughter of a rich bourgeois.

At the Marschallin’s suggestion, Ochs has Octavian act as his Rosenkavalier or Knight of the Rose, and present the ceremonial silver rose to Sophie. But when Octavian meets Sophie, they fall in love on sight. By a comic intrigue, they get rid of Ochs with the help of the Marschallin, who then yields Octavian to the younger woman.

But while a comic opera, Der Rosenkavalier also operates at a deeper level. Conscious of the difference in age between herself and Octavian, the Marschallin muses in bittersweet fashion over the passing of time, growing old, and men’s inconstancy.

Also starring Benno Kusche as Count von Faninal, Anneliese Waas as Marianne, David Thaw as Valzacchi, Gudrun Wewezow as Annina, and Albrecht Peter as the Police Commissioner.
Be sure to check the Bulletin Board in the Clubhouse for information about upcoming trips.

MEDICALLY INCORRECT

The patient has no previous history of suicides.
Patient has left white blood cells at another hospital
Patient has chest pain if she lies on her left side for over a year.
On the second day the knee was better and on the third day it disappeared.
The patient is tearful and crying constantly. She also appears to be depressed.
The patient has been depressed since she began seeing me in 1993.
Discharge status: Alive but without permission.
Healthy appearing decrepit 69 year old male, mentally alert but forgetful.
Patient had waffles for breakfast and anorexia for lunch

INTERESTING ITEMS

The night of January 20th is “Saint Agnes’s Eve”, which is regarded as a time when a young woman dreams of her future husband.
If you are right handed, you will tend to chew your food on the right side of your mouth.
If you are left handed, you will tend to chew your food on the left side of your mouth.
To make half a kilo of honey, bees must collect nectar from over 2 million individual flowers.
Tourists visiting Iceland should know that tipping at a restaurant is considered an insult!
Albert Einstein was offered the presidency of Israel in 1952, but he declined.
Astronauts can’t belch — there is no gravity to separate liquid from gas in their stomachs.

Nedra was born and grew up in Burley, Idaho. Her daughter Debbie was born in American Fork, Utah and grew up in Hemet, California.

Nedra attended BYU and graduated in Elementary Education. She was an Elementary teacher and taught mostly second grade. Debbie graduated from Ricks college in Idaho and works at BYU in the payroll department and her services are really appreciated.

Both Nedra and Debra love good shows and their favorites are Friendly Persuasion and Sound of Mu-sic. Debbie likes Pollyanna too!

Nedra married Joyce Taylor Gooch and had seven children, two girls and five boys. She has eleven grandchildren, two ste-grandchildren (six girls and seven boys).

Debbie is single and is a beloved aunt, sister, and daughter and has been a great help and support for her mother.

Nedra has a rich background in music. She is both a gifted pianist and talented singer. She has a long history of serving as a musician, and a gifted teacher. She is the last of eight children and lost two brothers in World War II. She is a descendant of Newell Knight. She was a homecoming queen, a music princess, and received the golden apple and other teaching awards. She is an example of pa-tience, sacrifice and endurance. She has a strong testimony of Jesus Christ and the gospel. She is a member of the LDS Church.
She is also a strong citizen and very patriotic.

They both love to travel and their favorite places are Hawaii, Idaho, Pennsylvania, and Alaska. Debbie also loves Prince Edward Island.
LINE DANCING is at the Clubhouse at ten o'clock on Thursdays.

DOMINOS:
Tuesdays at 2 PM in the Clubhouse.

LUNCH BUNCH:
We will be going to Joe Bandito’s on January 14th. Please Meet at the clubhouse at 11:30.

The Fitness Center
Since the Fitness Center opened there has been an unwritten rule that if you came in and someone else was watching a TV program or station, you didn’t change the station. That seems to have worked well even though we don’t all like the same type of programs.

However, music is another thing. Music taste can vary widely. If you are the only one in the room feel free to play your music out loud at a reasonable level. But if someone else comes in, please be courteous and put on your ear phones. That way you can enjoy your music and they can enjoy their quite or their music with their ear phones. This will make a much happier experience for everyone.

BUTCHER SHOP
A lady goes into the butcher shop and as she is walking around the store, she spies a beef tongue in the butcher’s counter. The lady asks, “What in the world is that?”

“Beef tongue,” replies the butcher!

The lady gives a little involuntary shudder, “No way would I put anything in my mouth that came out of an animal’s mouth!”

The butcher nods while peering into the woman’s shop—“I see you’re buying a dozen eggs!”

Rhonda’s Corner:
Riddle:
Why is it that when you are looking for something you always find it in the last place you look?
A. Because you always stop looking when you find it.

What is it that lives in winter, dies in summer, and grows with its roots upward?
A. An icicle.

What coat is put on only when it is wet?
A. A coat of paint.

The computer swallowed Grandma,

Yes, honestly it’s true!
She pressed ‘Control’ and ‘enter’
And disappeared from view.
It devoured her completely,
The thought just makes me squirm.

She must have caught a virus
Or been eaten by a worm.
I’ve searched through the recycle bin
And files of every kind.
I’ve even used the Internet.
But nothing did I find.

In desperation, I asked Mr. Google
My searches to refine.
The reply from him was negative.
Not a thing was found ‘online.’

So, if inside your ‘Inbox.’
My Grandma you should see,
Please “Copy, Scan” and “Paste” her
And send her back to me.

HAVE A
VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR!
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