

President's Message

May has arrived and we can all celebrate the wonderful spring weather we have experienced so far. Around our house the plants are popping, and we are looking forward to even warmer weather. I thought I might share a few facts about this month. Who would have known????

The name May is the modern-day English adaption of the Latin word Maius, which has origins going back to the time of the ancient Greeks. They named the month of May (or Maius) after the Greek goddess of growth.

There is the Cornish superstition that buying a new broom in May is unlucky. Oh, and apparently, you shouldn't wash any blankets either!

Every year, in May, there is a meteor shower called the Eta Aquariids. Discovered in 1870, this meteor shower passes by Earth between April 19 and May 28. It's easiest to view it from the equatorial regions of the world, passing by just before dawn.

May also has some pretty wacky days! Hawaii celebrates Lei Day on the first of May, which also happens to be May Day. Utah celebrates Golden Spike Day on May 10th, after the First Transcontinental Railroad was completed. May 29th is celebrated as Put a Pillow on Your Fridge Day!

George Filliter

What is in the Works

- **May 19 (change in plans) – History Picnic with Bob:**
We will gather at 0900 hours at the historic St. Peter's Anglican Church at #2375 Woodstock Road. There are several fascinating historic tales to be told here. Rev. Ross Hebb, will be present to give a hand. From here, we will head north to Prince William for more local history. A beautiful spot overlooking the St. John River Valley has been selected for the usual bag lunch, produced by our talented Francis Perry. After lunch, more local history, then we will finish at the Black Wheary Cemetery and the story of "murder most melancholy".
Please bring a lawn chair and a face mask. **RSVP by May 15.**

- **May 28, 7:30pm – online AGM and Lobster Cold plate:**
Via Zoom at the following:
<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/89840363406?pwd=aCtMVUNSUXFQeUJieXMzU1V5YW82Zzo9>
Meeting ID: 898 4036 3406
Passcode: 137958
Take-away meal done the same as before. Details to follow. **RSVP by 22 for the meal.**

Message from the Club Manager

As you may have noticed, April's weather has been so kind to us! Thank you, Mother Nature, keep up the good work!

As May begins and the pandemic continues to drag on (although we are getting there) we are beginning to think of things to do in the beautiful days ahead.

Although gathering in large crowds still makes things challenging, I am going to do my best to get some fun things planned with minimum risk.

We had a few fun things in April, such as the Easter Brunch at the Hilton's Restaurant – The Pickle Jar and more recently a wonderful meal at STMR 36 at the Delta. See photos below.

For May, we have several things happening. Due to COVID showing its ugly head again, Bob has decided the location at King's Landing requires everyone to be in very close contact, so that will be postponed until such time we can go in safely. However, keep the date because he has planned something else for that same day. See "What is in the Works for details."

We also have our AGM coming up in May and I'm working on a few other things TBA shortly.

Be well!

Francis Perry

April Fun



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