

learnings, our experience, our skills, our practices, our prayers, our strength in and reliance on God- our *faith*, our knowing that the Universe can, will and must take care of whatever it is we need it to take care of, and whatever we *allow* it to take care of in our lives.

We need to put the rocks behind the wheels until we have the strength and energy to go on.

By Kathie Nash

The Library

Dear Friends,

It is with great pleasure that we open the Book Table once more for your perusal. As mentioned previously our September/October book will be Wayne Dyer's "**There is a Spiritual Solution to Every Problem**".

There will also be a selection of brand new books for your interest.

Love and blessings,
Thelma

Movie Night

Thursday, September 16th at 7:30pm

"The Rabbit-Proof Fence"

This is the story of two Australian aboriginal girls who walked 1500 miles to escape from an internment camp. Their incredible courage and endurance shows the underlying strength of the human spirit.

The Positive Living Centre of Victoria

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Kim's Korner

Albert Einstein said, "There is only one way to live life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as if everything is a miracle." In this month of September, I invite you to write down the extraordinary miracles you have had in your life up to this day. This exercise will create an energy that will draw new miracles to each one of us. ENJOY.

In Love,
Kim

President's Remarks

A big thank you to all who attended the Special General Meeting on Sunday, August 29th. There was excellent attendance, although because some were not able to be present, this is a brief synopsis of the meeting:

In my introduction I thanked all the board members who had spent a large amount of time and energy getting us to the *Planning Initiatives* for the Centre. The most significant being the introduction of our newly ordained Ministers, Jennifer and Joanna. As Kim had stated that she wished to retire in the New Year,

we had been planning to ensure a continuity of Ministerial presence, which we have achieved by having Rev. Jennifer Tennant take on the role of Associate Minister for the remainder of the year. When Rev. Kim retires Rev. Jennifer will replace her.

Kim had earlier stated that she would be taking a month's sabbatical to attend an ashram in India in January 2011; however, at the meeting she announced that this was temporarily on hold.

Anne Millar spoke of the revisions to the Bylaws which have now been approved by the Government of BC. Our full title is now ***The Positive Living Centre of Victoria Society***.

Rev. Jennifer spoke of the Education Ministry which she and Kim have been working on. This program will be used as an outreach tool to involve other communities in Victoria as well as for those in the PLC.

The Unexpected Income Program of which Thelma Dann spoke would involve those members of the Community who would be prepared to prayerfully commit 10% of any unexpected income that they received to the Centre. Further details of this program will be forthcoming.

Jim Scott spoke to our financial position mentioning that we were in a sound financial position with extensive reserve funds. Pat Alfke stated that our position was sound although we currently have a small operating deficit.

Tony Dann, President of the Board

PUT THE ROCKS BEHIND THE WHEELS

My father used to tell this story. As a small child, growing up in the very beginning of the 1900's, he and his seven brothers and sisters were required to do their share of the endless work along with their parents, on their Fraser Valley farm.

On market days, heavy wagon loads of farm produce—grain, vegetables, fruit, eggs, animals and poultry, would be pulled by a team of horses along muddy and rutted trails through the bushes to the nearest town, seventeen miles away. There were many steep and often slippery hills and the horses frequently had a struggle to keep the heavy wooden wagon from sliding backward down the track.

Beginning when they were about four and five years old, my father, Billy, and his brother, Frankie, were taken along by their father and older brothers to help. Their job was to follow along behind the wagon, picking up rocks and on the steep hills, when horses and drivers were struggling, to put the rocks behind the big iron wheels to prevent the backward slide and to give the horses a brief rest.

Sometimes our lives feel like this; we must surmount a steep hill, unexpectedly muddy or slippery. We feel that our wagon is sliding backward down the hill through the mud, that all we have struggled for and gained is being lost. Then we need to stop a moment and rest from the uphill pull. We need to look at our precious load of produce and remind ourselves of what we know. We have these pockets full of rocks. They are our insights,