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Home

Martin Duckworth

Date 02/02/21 Heure/Time 10:30

Lieu/Place My house

Sujet/Subject My kitchen

Description

I just had my breakfast of cold cereal and raisins and blue-berries. Will now go upstairs to work on my computer. Just received a phone call saying I will need surgery on my forehead, where there is some skin cancer.



Date 03/02/21 Heure/Time 11:30

Lieu/Place My house

Sujet/Subject My office

Description

This is where I spend most of my day these days working on my computer making a book of photographs taken by my wife Audrey, who died in December of 2019.



Date 04/02/21 Heure/Time 15:30

Lieu/Place My house

Sujet/Subject My living room

Description

I watch the ^{classic} music channels while I eat lunch and supper, then CBC news and CPM before going to bed at 11 pm.



Date 05/02/21 Heure/Time 13:30

Lieu/Place my house

Sujet/Subject my bedroom

Description

I spend ~~at least a third~~ ^{almost half} of my life
in this room, sleeping and playing the
piano, napping in the afternoon,
re-arranging book shelves.



Date 08/02/21 Heure/Time 10:30

Lieu/Place my house

Sujet/Subject walking

Description

walked from home 3 blocks to my
pharmacie, where I renewed my
prescription for blood thinner pills



Date 09/02/21 Heure/Time 15:00

Lieu/Place my house

Sujet/Subject dining room

Description

This is my art gallery. Where I hang artwork by my grand-children, whose place is mostly taken now by my cat ATI (Inuit for "let's go!"). She follows me around, and sleeps with me at night.



Date 10/02/21 Heure/Time 16:00

Lieu/Place my house

Sujet/Subject basement

Description

This is where I do my laundry, play ping pong with family and friends, and play toy trains with my 8-year-old grandson. Or used to, before the pandemic. Now I arrange all my film equipment in boxes, ready to store them in cineclub's archives.



Date 11/02/21 Heure/Time 19:00

Lieu/Place my house

Sujet/Subject back yard

Description

Here is where I spend a lot of time in the summer gardening, with the help of a neighbour called Catherine Bourgeois. You can see the pathway through the snow to make by the man delivering oil for my ~~furnace~~ furnace.



Date 18/02/21 Heure/Time 10:30

Lieu/Place my house

Sujet/Subject my computer

Description

I have not seen many films over this past year, partly because I couldn't open Netflix on my computer. My friend Benjamin finally fixed it yesterday, so I was able to look at "My Octopus Friend" which my sister in Boston had been urging me to view.



Date 19/02/21 Heure/Time 20:30

Lieu/Place my son's home in Outremont

Sujet/Subject my son's family

Description

I took 2 photos: one of my 2 year-old grandson Laurus, and one of the whole family, including the 3-month-old twins Matthias and Camille. I visit them every second evening for an hour and a half. They live a 10 minute jog from my house. I make myself some supper when I get home at 8 pm.



Date 20/02/21 Heure/Time 16:30

Lieu/Place Mount Royal

Sujet/Subject walk

Description

I think I have been sleeping too much, so my doctor ~~so~~ recommended a one-hour walk on the mountain to bring energy ~~back~~ ^{back} in my body. I walked an hour on the mountain today, so I'm worn out. We'll see now if I sleep less.



Date 21/02/21 Heure/Time 19:30

Lieu/Place my house

Sujet/Subject Christmas decoration

Description

I have left some Christmas characters on the front porch in order to amuse my 2-year-old grandson, who sees them every day when his daddy comes to pick him up at the day-care next door. I ~~wore~~ wore my new N95 mask when shopping for food today. Very uncomfortable on the chin.



Date 24/02/21 Heure/Time 20:00

Lieu/Place PA food store

Sujet/Subject shopping

Description

Here is where I ~~do~~ shop for food supplements in the middle of the winter. Jeremiah Hayes brings me my main supply on Saturdays, when he comes to talk about "Dear Andrew," the film he is making. The PA store sells ~~healthy~~ healthy organic food.



Date 25/02/21 Heure/Time 15:00

Lieu/Place home

Sujet/Subject cooking

Description

I am cooking myself the main meal of the day - an Italian omelette called Fontina Frittata, which I learned during a cooking course for husbands of Alzheimer patients, several years ago. I also cook soups made of potatoes, beets, carrots and cauliflower. Both the omelette and the soup last for several meals.



Date 26/02/21 Heure/Time 20:16

Lieu/Place Pharmacie

Sujet/Subject My medication

Description

I go to this pharmacy, 3 blocks away, to renew prescribed drugs, every 2 weeks or so - 2 pills for my heart, 2 for my bladder, and 2 bottles of drops for my eyes. I walk to this pharmacie on my way to visit son Nicholas and his family; then they often ~~give~~ serve me a supper.



Date 28/02/21 Heure/Time 14:10

Lieu/Place my office

Sujet/Subject working

Description

Seremich is helping me prepare a collection of Audrey's photos, down loading them from a scanner onto my computer, where I can polish them up and print them into a book, for my children & grand-children.



Date 01/03/21 Heure/Time 12:00

Lieu/Place CLSC Parc Extension

Sujet/Subject Vaccination

Description

I had my COVID vaccination at 12:30 this morning. Had to wait for an hour, but the guards and nurses were very polite and helpful. I hardly felt a thing when the needle went into my shoulder, and I have felt normal enough to go for my usual one-hour walk.



Date 02/03/21 Heure/Time 16:30

Lieu/Place my home, my basement

Sujet/Subject playing with grand-son

Description

Grandson Dylan, 9 years old, helped build a railway track on the ping-pong table, and then we played ping-pong on it. His mother, my daughter Danielle, took the picture. It was the first time I've seen him for weeks. So it was a very happy occasion.



Date 03/03/21 Heure/Time 16:00

Lieu/Place home

Sujet/Subject zoom call with cousins

Description

I have zoom calls with my twin daughters ~~in~~ in Toronto every Saturday morning, and a zoom call with my cousins in Toronto and Ottawa every third Wednesday after noon. We have a lot of fun, but do some serious talk about health and American politics. I am the eldest of the bunch, and talk the ~~least~~ least.



Date 07/09/21 Heure/Time 20:00

Lieu/Place neighbour across the street

Sujet/Subject Joan Erving

Description

She is an old friend who worked in the film industry once, with whom I go for walks on the mountain, and who invites me over for dinner some times. We have a lot of mutual interests, including US politics. Her handicapped husband lives in ~~Vermont~~ Vermont.



Date 09/03/21 Heure/Time 16:00

Lieu/Place ^{vue} Hôtel de Ville, Montreal

Sujet/Subject ^{chez} fellow photographer
Pierre Leterre

Description

He invited us to lunch at his place,
so that we could discuss the making
of books of photography - his and
Andrea's. He also gave us an apple
pie to take home.



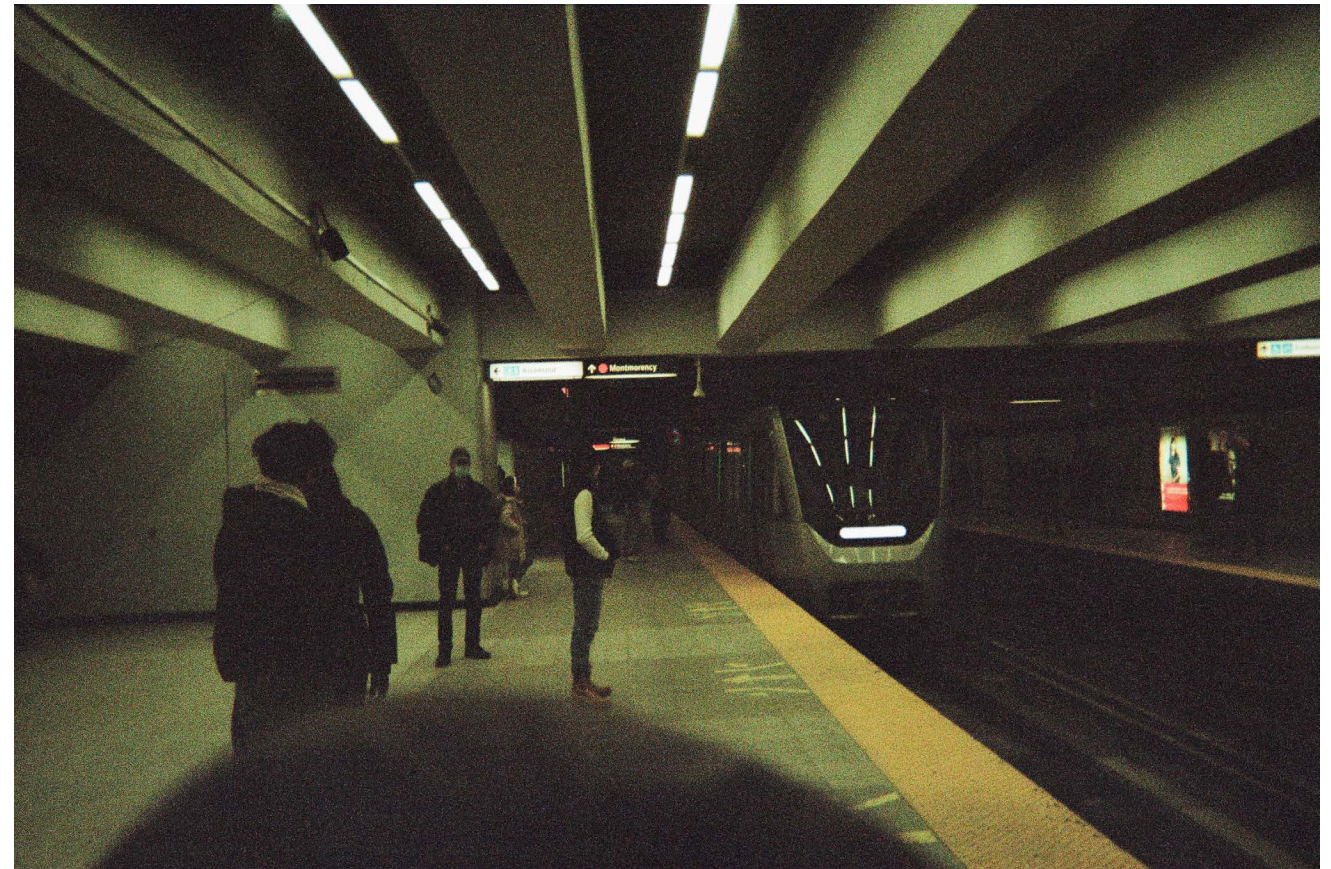
Date 10 / 3 / 21, Heure/Time 14:00

Lieu/Place Société de l'assurance automobile

Sujet/Subject Renewing my driver's licence

Description

I took a subway to the Berri - UQAM station, to renew my driver's licence, which I will need when I go to pick up my daughter's requiem in Val David on Saturday. He is coming home for a family gathering to celebrate my 88th birthday.



Date 11/03/21 Heure/Time 17:50

Lieu/Place my home

Sujet/Subject sore ankle

Description

My doctor son came to examine my the
ten ligament in my left ankle. He
first picked up his son Louis in the
day-care next door. Louis loves playing
with my cat ATI. My ankle may take
another 2 weeks to get better.



Date 4/2/03 / 21 Heure/Time 15:00

Lieu/Place my front porch

Sujet/Subject my birthday

Description

1 of my children & 2 of my grand-children celebrating my 88th birthday on a cold spring day. Couldn't invite them in because of the pandemic. Photo taken by my daughter Danielle, who cooked a delicious carrot ~~cake~~ cake with 8 candles on it.



Date 16/03/21 Heure/Time 14:00

Lieu/Place my bathroom

Sujet/Subject my surgery

Description

The bandage on my forehead is where I had a cancerous growth removed this morning, at Hôpital Araisonno - Roumont. It will leave a scar on my forehead, which the surgeon told me I could claim as a mark of my career as a football player in high school!



Date 8/03/21 Heure/Time 14:00

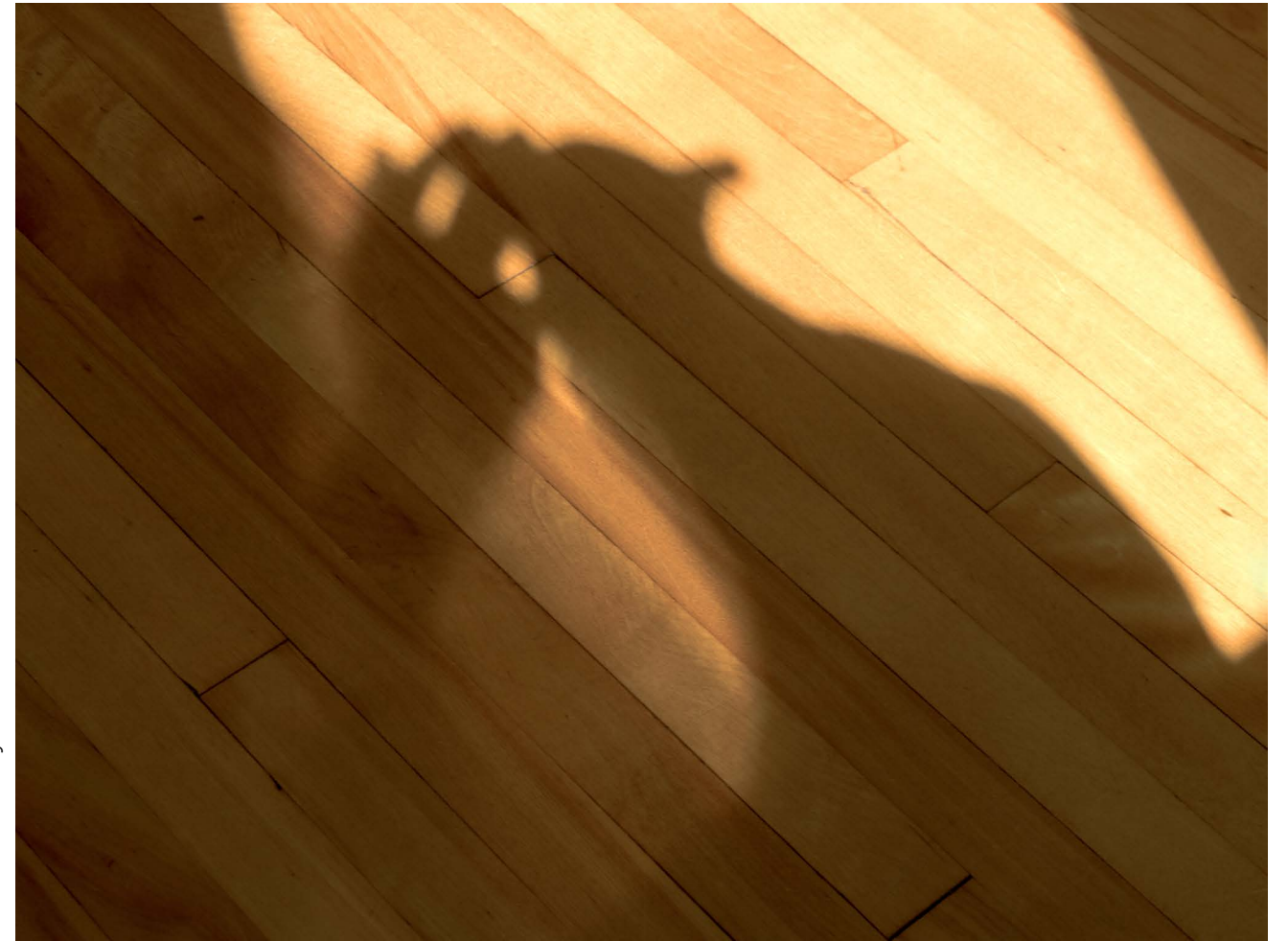
Lieu/Place my home

Sujet/Subject cat ATI

Description

Ati has become my closest friend. She is with me day and night, except for a few hours out doors, where she likes to chase squirrels and birds. Her Inuit name Atti means "Allons-y" or "Let's Go!" She spends a lot of time ~~running~~ dashing around the house. She is not snuggling up with me, or wrestling me.

Photo: Risa Hatayama



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Martin Duckworth 87

I am a retired
documentary filmmaker,
father of six women and
one man, grand-father of
seven boys and seven girls

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