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GLORIOUS SPRINGTIME!

Dear Friends~

Oh, what a glorious February Sunday afternoon! The sun is shining, the temperature is rising, I dare not think of tomorrow's forecast, and ah, yes, SPRING will arrive on March 20th!

You are hardy folks, surviving this snowy, cold winter. We have been having, what I call, a real or true winter. All things go in cycles and I feel we are doing just that! As you know, I'm a farm girl, and growing up as one, you learn that Mother Nature has her ways.

My dear friends enjoy the light; enjoy the snow: enjoy the flowers as they burst forth *and* your cup of tea. Thank God for all blessings no matter the size and no matter the form.

Happy March and Spring! Mary

~tea~

RE-RUN~

If you haven't had a chance to read or missed the March 2007 issue of *Mary's Medley*, may I suggest that you return to that newsletter. I feel it's worth reviewing. The particular article I'm referring to is: *In the News...and Setting the Record Straight.*

Enjoy a cuppa while reading.

MARCH~

Women's History Month

March 14, Mothering Sunday (UK) March 17, St. Patrick's Day March 20, First Day of Spring March 28, Palm Sunday

Born this month:

Marcia E. DeGroft, 1971 Sandra O'Connor, 1930 Patricia Nixon, 1912 Albert Einstein, 1879 Robert Frost, 1874 Elizabeth Barrett Browning, 1800

~tea~

OUR ANNIVERSARY~

This year, 2010, each of us should gratefully celebrate the endurance of the brave and strong women that so tirelessly worked on our behalf. We should honor them as frequently as our minds will let us remember the valiant women, the

Women Suffragettes.

This year we celebrate the 90th Anniversary of the ratification of the Nineteenth Amendment of the US Constitution...

the right to vote for women.

~tea~

Remembering 31 Women~ A Woman for each day this month

These 31 women may not be your first choices but they may be women you will find interesting. Take a few moments and look-up the persons that may not be familiar to you. No doubt that you will be amazed by their strength and accomplishments.

I suggest you make two lists. First, make your own list of 31 influential women. Secondly, make a list of women who have touched your life and gave you strength to persevere and choose the path you walk today.

31 Influential Women...

Amelia Earhart Anna, Duchess of Braganza Anne Morrow Lindbergh Barbara Jordan Beverly Sills

Clara Barton Dorothea Dix Elizabeth Cady Stanton Emily Dickinson Emily Post

Erma Bombeck
Eunice Kennedy Shriver
Geraldine Ferraro
Harriet Tubman
Helen Reddy

Julia Child Lena Horne Lillian Vernon Lucy Hobbs Taylor Margaret Thatcher

Marie Curie Marlo Thomas Martha Washington Mary McLeod Bethune Mary, Mother of Jesus Christ

Phyllis Schlafly Rachel Carson Sojourner Truth Susan B. Anthony Susan Hayhurst You, the reader of this list

They have touched me...

Jacqueline M. Miller: my mother, kind, tender hearted, hard working Diane: my best friend, loyal, steady Helen Tunison: never take no as the answer, dispute if you must Jennifer Anne: a strong and generous daughter, talented, sincere Marcia E. DeGroft: a brave daughter, peacemaker, and conservationist Joyce Nickey McDonald: quiet and insightful, found the significance Dorothy Gish: educator, bold, missionary, promoter Dixie Miller: courageous advocate for non-traditional college students Katherine Graf: think, look ahead, and be more than imagined

The *31 Women* is merely my 2010 list. I make a new list every March. There are thousands of women, some known to me personally and some known to me only by reading about their contributions.

There are some women known only to me in my imagination. I find comfort in knowing that courageous women exist even though I have no information about their locations or their names or their gifts to my world.

Think of the brave women who have chosen to serve in our Armed Forces. Where would we be without the female visionaries, scientists, inventors, social reformists, educators, photographers, journalists, artists, mathematicians, architects, engineers, and every mother, daughter, sister, aunt, and grandmother?

March is a great month to celebrate women. March we have, march we will. March springs forth with <u>life</u> as every woman does for our homes, communities, countries, and our world. **GOD BLESS EACH OF YOU!**

~tea~