

*These will not be in order of date; too few have dates. As I wrote at the top of last month I am including names this year, for those who have left messages it helps them find theirs (I hope). I am also not correcting the spelling though I **am** trying to catch my typos. I am for the first time not typing out simple thanks to me cards, as I wrote last month too.*

- Always nice to stop by, drink some tea, enjoy the serene view and ponder about life, people and nature.
Whenever I feel sad or anxious this stop helps me catch my breath. Thank you. Adriana Giordano. I come here often w/my husband Ed and Bo, our big brown dog.
- Chinese characters(see scans of drawings and things like this in the TOC) followed by "Thank you from China!"
- Indie, I miss you so much and I will always love and remember you as the best dog ever. XXX, nina
- Bailey & Sidney & friends lost this year- I miss you sweet, sweet souls. Thank you for time with us. Great adventures ahead, I know you'll face them w/ the same wonder you did here.
- Dear Hla, I'm so sorry I haven't visited in 20 years and rarely call. I got you out of your refugee hell in Thailand and found you a wife and life in Fiji, but I have no more tricks up my sleeve- Alan
- Grandpa George, Chickadee, I hear you in the sparrows these days, more on my mind of late.

Nearly 2 years since you passed & it feels so recent. And like so much has changed in me. Would you be proud of me, I wondr. Will keep you in my heart,for many whiles
Anne, I feel I never truly knew you, but like I get glimpses of your spirit in my dear Maddie. Eager to continue connecting those small & teaching ways with love. Alex

- Hello tea table, you are like a big hug and remind me of the "nice" in the world. T.Y.
- To those loved & lost either through inertia or movement of powerful forces-
To Bob- best friend lost to a drunk driver
To David, Alex – one to the desert, another to the jungle of his mind
To Shawn, Mark, Alex- all premature
To Chris who never wed another after Bob died
To Mom the died who left w/grace
and to MaryJo- my first college love who never woke up
Too many; too young so many gifts, I miss you – David
- A garden is a friend you can always visit. Thank you.
- 7/25/2017- "I am humble/ I am grateful/I am one with everything" -K. Dawson.- Thank you tenders of & for this space/ For this moment beneath & beside Mountains, lakes...& trees/ I am grateful for this & so much more. So much love, So many Blessings.
- Love the tea table. I was on a bike ride and ran out of liquids. Thanks for spreading joy and kindness. Sara & Ellie
- It is Friday evening drive after a week of Union Labor. Relaxed to play some

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Backgammon and tea Thank you. Michael & Mike

- Stress and difficult work are best cleaned from the consciousness with beauty and exercise. That sounds like reference to sex. But it's not.- Manuel
- We are 2/5ths – cleaner, aerated, intentional, and less clothed. But still we look forward to the other three to return, from beyond then mountain. To laugh and drink tea and such – J
- Thanks for the tea good to have a nice break with a glass of tea and look at towards lake WA- T.O.
- 7-29-17 Been wanting to stop for a while so pleasant & generous. Much love, Jess
- To my sweet friend Fiona
I hope you will find ways to honor your mother in the joy and spontaneity with which you live your life, and that you can bake bread and jump into alpine lakes with Lynn's spirit alongside you, love always (heart drawing)
- I'm about to leave Seattle after living here for two years, I'm off to college in New York, experiencing what I have in this beautiful city has made me grow a lot, the people in this city have helped me do just that. Once my friends and I figured out about this gem we couldn't stop coming. I want to thank you for all the amazing memories. Love Idabelle (heart drawing)
- I had left Seattle on a note of “get me out of here, I can't hack it right now & this place isn't serving me.” Today, I spent the day with a dear friend, & he reminded me of the magic of Seattle. We woke up & went to a bookstore, played instruments & sang to each other in his backyard, and went swimming at Seward Park & soaked up the sun. Then he brought me here, which has just added sparkles to what will be my memory of this day. Thank you for reminding me how special Seattle is, & how magical, creative & compassionate humans can be. You have reawakened a feeling of wonder & ease. That you. May you feel the love of the strangers who you do not see.
- We came to watch the moon rise. No moon. Where is the full moon? The mint tea was gorgeous. Sunday 9:40Pm will, mo, dugan P.S. We saw it! Orange!
- Thank you so much! I've biked past this spot many times, and have always been curious. It makes me happy that you and others are helping share this wonderful spot.- Ryan
- Happy days! This tea table is one of the greatest ideas I've ever seen.
My grandpa was diagnosed with end-stage heart disease yesterday, I almost got kicked out of my housing, and my patients have been really struggling lately- it has been a challenging few days. But there is warmth and beauty everywhere and this is perfect example of that (smiley face)
- We loved the delicious tea and gorgeous views. Thank you for the peaceful spot to sit and reflect! (drawing of a hot cup of tea) Delia & Mal
- Sometimes you gotta stick your whole hand in the peanut butter jar
- The earth is my body, my head is in the stars

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- Morgan- I wish I could be on the beach w/your! Soon! Tell Bayrus(sp?) I say hello. With Love Polich(sp? Again could be Folich)
- Sailing on Lake Washington bikeride through the park. Sunset on Mt Rainier, thirsty ten-year old, Paradise! Thank you for the tea!
- This was such a treasure to stumble upon (heart) was on a long bikeride...out of water and needed a break, so I actually sat in the grass 20ft. From this table for a while. Then I saw the "free tea" sign & discover this..amazing. Thank you!- Carina (heart) from Atlanta, Ga.
- Dear Tea table, I'm from the Seattle Area, but have been living in Oakland & Philly for the past 6 years. I miss home so much. Thanks for the tea, view, and the welcome back! (smiley face) Molly
- Today was an awesome day. I got to catch up w/some old school friends. And no I am ending it with one of the guys I've missed so much & now we are catching u & loving life.
- After a stressful day your tea always makes things better. Thank you! From all who drink your lovely tea and this lovely place.
- Dear mommy. I wish we lived closer so we could see each other every day. I hope soeday we can!
I love you so much and I miss you every day. XO-Veronica
- Meagan, I'm starting to understand now what it means to have lost you – now that my sister is my best friend. I miss you, and I miss you for Michell.
Michelle, I hope you are doing okay. When I think of losing my sister – what that would be like – I have no words.
Maddy, I miss you, but you're nearby, in Olympia. See you soon Sis. You are my world. (heart)
- Katie and I had the best first date here! To a fertile future! (signature but I can't read it)
- To my cousin- May she find joy and adventure in the fjords of Norway (heart) XOXO
- I have developed a bad habbit of not bringing the bottle. Thanks for spoiling me. (bicycle drawing) Varm(?)
- Dear Rebecca, Thinking about you today hoping surgery goes well and that news is good. Love you (Pyn or Lyn or close to that)
- 7/3/17 Dear Poppy, Momma, Daddy & Cass went for a beautiful evening bike ride to Seward Park. Wish you were here! Love you XX
- we were (bicycle) ing from Seward park and this tea kept us hydrated and happy. What a beautiful idea. Hi all, our names are Mai & Josh- we love yur tea- (heart) Mai & Josh
- Thank you for offering this. It is a welome pit stop for our last training ride before STP. We are fortunate to live in Seattle and be surrounded by beauty – both scenery & people like yourself- much love & peace. Chelsea & Adam
- I originally thought the "free tea" was extremely creepy. But after taking the time to taste the Black & Jasmine tea and the mid/herb tea, I changed my opinion. Keep this tradition going!

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- [7/5/17 HAIKU!] rolling, rolling home
my bike winds right past this tea
it was worth the stop
- 7-14-17 I just finished the first milestone in my project at work and I could really use a Shannon smile that says "I'm proud of you." - Manuel
- Hey Mom & Dad. I miss you both dearly. Only two more weeks before you come to me Y Veronia's her home in Seattle for our wedding! Love always -Bubba
- Dear Becca, Longing for the perfect balance of work & laziness and creativity & criticism that only you know how to live Why do we live so far away! (heart) Always. R
- Greetings, First and foremost, thanks for the tea! This is an interesting concept. The view is absolutely phenomenal. I will return with gifts and awesomeness.- Proxy (or Droxy)
- Lindsay, This mountain is less distant than you are from me. The sight of it distills my sense of who sees me. Perhaps you will see me soon!
- Dear Free tea table people ~ I have enjoyed your refreshment stop many times. Next Saturday 7/22 we are doing a forest restoration work party in the Mt. Baker park natural area. Please come & thank you for the tea (an email address I'm not willing to post)
- This is the most lonely I've felt in my entire life (I'm 27 yr old) However. I'm also learning for the first time what really makes me happy and how it's up to me to make that happen. For my grandmas who have passed away – Please give me strength and please send someone special my way because I really want to experience being in a committed relationship (heart) LEB
- Sweet leaf on my tongue/ this space brings out the emptiness of love/ friends floating out past memories dreaming they are safe and renewed. I cry with joy and grandiose wishes of life written in the leaves.
- I miss you Indie/ You were noble, a particular soul & a great friend.
- I don't know what to write.
- To:?! Hi, my name is Emily. My grandma Libby lives near here so we dropped by to sit here. This is honestly a very pretty and nice clam place. I enjoy it! I like walking around here with Whisky (my G-mas dog) Thank you for setting this place up. From: Emily (smiley face)
- I don't wish to be a rose that grows and wilts with the seasons/ I wish to be the land on which a rose grows.
- Life is handing me lemon after lemon lately. But then I am reminded of how beautiful tomorrow is, full of new hope and change. This place helps me heal. Thank you. 7-22-17
- July 22, 2017/ I just broke up with my boyfriend because he lied to me about abusing drugs. The tea helped. Thank you, H (heart)
- This is really lovely. Annie, Heather, Caroline, Griffin celebrating the memory of Bailey

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Meola & Sydney Schemander(?) today. Thank you!

- To my beautiful Fiona, I love you and hope you find peace. You carry w/you all be beauty, compassion and strength of your incredible momma. I may not always feel like it but your power is limitless. (heart) Heaths
- We will fix this He does not represent the majority #resist!
- Thanks for the tea!! (Sorry to hear of theft) The world is kinda ODD...take care. Thanks again...(smiley face)

After the theft of the tea jars in June this month I had pulled the chairs out of the way of the Park department mowing – 30 minutes later when they were done I came out and someone had taken 3 of the chairs. Since then I purchased 4 more chairs, put out two [holding the other two in case this happens again] and a neighbor found two very rustic chairs [wooden aged] but 2 days after they were put out someone ripped the armrest out of one of those chairs.....I had written about these incidents as “Odd” for a sign on the table that is what this card is referencing.

- Dear Diary. Today as I felt more lost than I ever have a new path was presented to me. Taking it led me to a table, one of “free tea”. I smiled and reminisced of the times I did good for other, and how the love I once gave to others was not lost to time and regret. I hope to regain the will to give, as it will bring back my will to live. Who are you, strange tea crafter? - Ezekiel (phone number) Though I live in regret, I hope to begin again.
- (drawing of the view) I wanted to cut a circle from the sky and keep it, & this is what it would have looked like. I love how this city is always so blue lately – when you look out it's the water & the sky & the mountains- blue, blue, blue! Sometimes a sad kind of blue & sometimes a happy one. All of the blues are good
- This is the real deal: truly a random act of kindness and a senseless act of beauty – Lucy (cat drawing)
- Dear Denali, Wow! It's so exciting to get to call you DENALI – your true name! Congrats on gaining your real name back a few years ago. So appropriate b/c McKinley never even actually visited you! Maybe someday I'll be called by my real name. Love, Rainier (Tahoma!)
- Good to know pure things still exist in this world. Thank you!
- Thank you for your generosity! A lovely respite on a beautiful bike ride.- Bonnie/ It's the little things in life.- Kevin
- (drawing of a cat) My name is fuzzles. My name is nutters. My name is a point of contention between two little sisters until the father steps in and in the spirit of compromise dooms me forever to be known as ; (turn over) fuzznuts – Lucy
- Dear Grandma nand, to your bits and pieces of fabric and thread, to the newspaper Suduks (*I have no idea sorry*) all over the bed, with green grass and lightning bugs, I always love you (drawing of circles - *the bugs?*) (heart) your grand daughter Lucy
- Para it- Tengo impresa/ una sonrisa en papel japon/ mirame que haces crecer/ la yerba do los prados/

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Mujer/ Mara de musica/ Claro de rio/ fiesta de fruta/ Dejeme que bese tu voz/ Que cente en todas las ramas de la manana (drawing of flowers on a vine)

- Dear Meg, Your strength and energy are infinite; your megawatt smile welcomes all. You will find your way thru this terrible time of struggle and pain with your son. May his light return, may he be healed and restored. I love you dear sister! -Sally
- Happy birthday to me, I like to drink tea!
- I'm sorry, I'm sorry for the choices that I don't make, the words I don't speak. I'm sorry for this error and all the others which in aggregate define who I am in stark contrast to who you are, to who we want to be together. I am sorry I have children. I am sorry to everyone so that they can then turn around, forgive & accept me. I am sorry, because it is who I am
- I hope someday soon we will again find closeness, one that is genuine and built upon our new and honest pretense.
- I don't know what I'm doing with my life. The rate at which friends leave is greater than new friends are made. More leave tomorrow. I wish them the best, of course, but do I try to make more friends or throw myself more into my work?
- Such a complicated, lovely part of your life is gone and I'm inexpressably sorry. I love you so much- Caroline
- Muver, I dreamed of you this morning for the first time in a long while. We were angry with each other but you were of very sound mind! You would delight in this table or tea and notes and beautiful mountain view. I send you love and blessings. Bella
(one the reverse side in a very different hand script) One time, my boyfriend got angry with me...we had tea against your broken chair. Now our sex life is quite good.