

## TRAVEL PLANS FOR 2018

*I have been in many places, but I've never been in Cahoots.  
Apparently, you can't go alone.  
You have to be in Cahoots with someone.*

*I've also never been in Cognito.  
I hear no one recognizes you there.*

*I have, however, been in Sane.  
They don't have an airport; you have to be driven there.  
I have made several trips there, thanks to my children  
friends, family and work.  
I would like to go to Conclusions, but you have to jump,  
and I'm not too much on physical activity anymore.*

*I have also been in Doubt. That is a sad place to go,  
and I try not to visit there too often.*

*I've been in Flexible, but only when it was very important to stand  
firm.*

*Sometimes I'm in Capable, and I go there more often as I'm get-  
ting older.*

*One of my favorite places to be is in Suspense!  
It really gets the adrenalin flowing and pumps up the old heart!*

*At my age I need all the stimuli I can get!*

*I may have been in Continent, but I don't remember what country  
I was in.  
It's an age thing.  
They tell me it is very wet and damp there.*

**Submitted by**

**Bill Beason**



**Get to Know Our Volunteers**

Introducing **Sandra Thornton**, a member of the SUGA Board and the Legal Committee, interviewed by Margaret Pudvin at the Northlake Thai restaurant over a glass of wine.

I asked my friend, Sandra, why did you choose to teach?

She said that while she was in graduate school at Georgetown in Washington, D.C. she received a National Defense Education Act fellowship for a PhD in Soviet and East European studies. The NDEA



was a result of the Sputnik launch that prompted a greater concern and interest in that area. The fellowship carried the expectation that recipients would teach at the college level. When she went on the job market, Georgia Tech was looking for someone in that field because of a recently enacted Georgia law requiring the teaching of communism in public schools. After taking the job, she found that Georgia also required teachers to take a loyalty oath swearing not to teach communism or any other un-American ideas. Needing a job, she “rose above principle” and declared she would not teach what she was hired to teach. Years later she was part of a suit to abolish the loyalty oath. The suit did not succeed, but it did limit the oath’s application. In addition to being one of only a few women faculty members, she was also younger than some of her students. The first class she ever taught was Elementary Russian, with thirty-five undergraduates and eight faculty members. She remained at Georgia Tech for thirty-five years teaching a variety of political science courses to budding engineers and scientists.

And on that note, we had another glass of wine.

By Margaret Pudvin

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## On the Go with SUGA and George Brown: Discover Nova Scotia



*Jill and George Brown and Larry Pinson at Alexander Graham Bell Museum*

More than forty people, mostly SUGA members, flew to Halifax, Nova Scotia September 5, 2017 for an adventure arranged by George and Jill Brown through GBT Travel. The trip was designed to introduce the group to the Canadian province of Nova Scotia, rich in history and natural beauty and unique in its geography and culture. During the first two days, the group visited the Titanic exhibit at the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic in central Halifax, and they also ventured out to the historic seaport Lunenburg, picturesque Mahone Bay, and the iconic lighthouse at Peggy's Cove. On Thursday, September 7, the group transferred by private motor coach to Cape Breton Island, stopping to visit the historic town of Pictou, the arrival point of Scottish immigrants to "New Scotland" in 1773 aboard the small ship *Hector*.

Once arrived at Cape Breton, the group checked in to a hotel in Baddeck, a beautiful town on the shore of Bras D'Or Lake, and the site of the Alexander Graham Bell Museum. Over the next two days, they explored the historic fortress of Louisbourg, a careful restoration of an early French settlement, and the French Acadian town of Cheticamp. The next day was spent motoring the entire circumference of the Cabot Trail, Nova Scotia's most breathtaking scenic road.

Returning to Halifax on Sunday, their adventures were expanded because Air Canada had curtailed all flights to Atlanta due to Hurricane Irma. One of the two extra days was spent in further explorations of Halifax, and the second allowed the group to travel to the southern part of the province and visit the Bay of Fundy and the Annapolis Valley.



*Cape Breton*



*Jessica*



*George & Guide*



*Peggy's Cove Light*



*Lunenburg*

## **Art's Corner: Paraprosookians**

By Art Slavin

From the first time I heard about paraprosookians, I liked them. Paraprosookians are figures of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected and is frequently humorous. (Winston Churchill loved them).

1. Where there's a will, I want to be in it.
2. The last thing I want to do is hurt you ... but it's still on my list.
3. Since light travels faster than sound, some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
4. If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.
5. We never really grow up -- we only learn how to act in public.
6. War does not determine who is right, only who is left.
7. Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
8. To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.
9. I didn't say it was your fault, I said I was blaming you.
10. In filling out an application, where it says, "In case of emergency, notify..." I answered " a doctor."
11. Women will never be equal to men until they can walk down the street with a bald head and a beer gut,  
and still think they are sexy.
12. You do not need a parachute to skydive. You only need a parachute to skydive twice.
13. I used to be indecisive, but now I'm not so sure.
14. To be sure of hitting the target, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.
15. Going to church doesn't make you a Christian, any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.
16. You are never too old to learn something stupid.
17. I'm supposed to respect my elders, but it's getting harder and harder for me to find one now.

