

MY EXPERIENCES WITH THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC OF 2020

When the Utah Governor, Gary Herbert, requested that citizens over the age of 60 stay at home, I took notice. Since I am way north of 60, I remained at home from March 17 to May 1. I sent my grocery list via email to my nephew who forwarded it to Walmart, picked up the items and delivered them to my home. This period of 45 days was what “house arrest” must be like, only without the ankle bracelet. I have not had any symptoms and did not know anyone who did or was sick. During this time I did not allow anyone in my house. Since May 1, I have done my own shopping and had a few appointments while wearing a mask. I did observe workers counting visitors to the stores at the entrance and someone subtracting when you went out the exit. I thought: what a dull job!

Members of my family had cancellations of high school graduations and college graduations. One was laid off of work. During the 45 day period Hill Air Force Base jets from Ogden, Utah flew over my house to honor essential workers and those who were staying in. I did receive a \$1,200.00 stimulus check from the US Government. Out of it I made a donation The Salvation Army.

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