Ken Jefferson  
[ken.jefferson@sympatico.ca](mailto:ken.jefferson@sympatico.ca)

*Ottawa Outlook, nee North Hero News and World Review …. ……. Mostly stuff no one else would print.*

February 13th, 2014 `````` (2014, Letter # 3)

Mid-Winter Special.

Cold winter huh? Boy, the temperatures we’ve been experiencing do not seem reflective of ‘Global Warming’. We have a few ‘Irons in the Fire’ this season, but they’re not having any effect on the temperatures.

Our abstinence self-torture passed mid-point February 9th. All going along well and we are considering a hiatus come Valentine’s Day. Ah yes, … two old sweethearts will share a quiet wine sojourn come the 14th, and while we are at it, Happy Valentine’s day to you all.

The Ottawa Public Library is sponsoring a Short Story writing contest for writers over 50. Your “*Outlook*” crew, Writer/Editor, is honing up a couple for submission. Judging will pick the best and the top 8 will receive a prize. Golly, … could result in a downer. With our ‘Big heads’, hard to imagine that eight local old-timers wrote better stories than we did. Ah well, tis not whether you win or lose, but that you played the Game.

Ken’s college is making selected college courses available free, on-line to alumni. Are we signing up? Of course we are! Of courses available, we are leaning toward *“Early New England Poetry”. (*Wonder if there were any weirdo’s writing limericks way back then.)

Therapy sessions going well. Upon return from same, kind of miss the old self-congratulatory martini celebration, but just 36 days more. Heartily recommend similar sessions of some sort for all.

Painting is a non-sport so far this winter. All is set up to go, but the painter never sits down and gets at it. Bad, bad, bad. If we don’t get a couple paintings done this winter, will not be a happy camper.

Well ,… that’s all till March folks, stay warm.

Till next month,

From Ottawa, Lucille & Ken.