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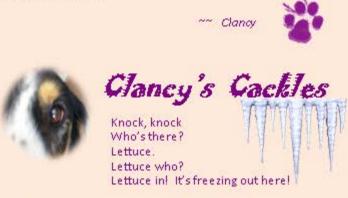
Drumroll, please, for our Word of the Year: AWARENESS. This is the time of year the nights are long which makes the night sky seem so bleak, so dark. It's a good reflection on my 2020 Word of the Year. Think of the stars. First you notice one star. Then two stars (and perhaps a satellite!), and then... and then all the Milky Way is exploding



before your eyes that didn't see it before. It reminds me of Martin Luther King Jr.'s quote: Only in the darkness can you see the stars. What's out there? What are we missing without an awareness of our surroundings - physically and spiritually?

With permission, I'm sharing a friend's quote: "Be Aware of what the word Aware holds. Break down the word. Awe and Are. ARE we in AWE of life, of humanity, and all the beauty and presence that abounds and surrounds us?" Some choose to live their lives in a state of darkness, being unaware of, and being in denial of anything outside the proverbial blinders of their own world, let alone their own heart. Some go through the day not recognizing the beauty of the little things in life. What joy can be found in leftover crumbs from a dog treat from friends! Some cannot comprehend the situations others are in and, therefore, have uninformed perspectives. How wonderful when someone says, "I've never noticed that before," or "I hadn't thought about that." Light bulb moments! It's the spark before embarking on any endeavor. Be a sleuth and sniff around for anything right in front of your eyes not noticed before and open up whole new worlds.

In this New Year will you join me in living in that state of Awareness with all your physical senses of sight, sound, taste, smell, touch, as well as your spiritual senses of presence, heart, blessings, grace and love? Looking up at the night sky, imagine the stars being every human on this earth. Let the twinkles and light shine back to you with an open heart full of awe and awareness. Go swim in the galaxy of Awareness.



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