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Union Square Green Market

April 2015

Three Questions

Here is a sampling of the responses members made to the following questions.

What do you no longer want to do?

- Some members are not interested in physical sex but interested in relationships; flirting is still fun;
- Maintain toxic relationships;
- Do not want to go to the gym anymore, but realize it is necessary to continue in order to maintain strength and stamina.

What can you no longer do that you would still like to do?

- Two members miss playing tennis;
- Can no longer walk for miles;
- Have a sharp memory.

What is of central importance now, and can it make a difference?

- Understanding that change is still possible For example, physical therapy, exercise, and setting new goals;
- Healthy transition—not opting for late nights;
- Volunteering;
- Travel;
- Relationships with family;
- Music;
- Rent stabilized apartment to stay in NYC;
- Setting my own pace to make life more relaxing.



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Have the qualities you looked for in a friend changed over the years?

- Our needs change over the years. Friends, when we were young, were all things to us. As we grow older, we have more “situational” friends- to go to dinner, the theater, and so on. When young, friends were in every part of our lives.
- The spontaneity of calling up someone the last minute to see them or dropping over someone’s home has long gone. Everyone is scheduled.
- The lack of contact with neighbors in NY was seen as an issue for older people.
- The need to be pro-active in meeting friends was important.
- One member suggested throwing a brunch for the neighbors on your floor as a way of getting to know them.
- Everyone expressed the view that the social aspects of TTN were a big draw in their joining.