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## Eerie Events

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I've experienced MANY hard-to-explain coincidences throughout my life. Not every one of them was "eerie," I'm pleased to say. For example, one that involves our neighborhood and that occurred in 1986, a few months after we moved to Bowfin, was perfectly pleasant. Eve and I were vacationing in Hawaii during the summer, the very first trip there for each of us. As we wandered around Honolulu one early evening, we were surprised to see a familiar face: Arkady Frakt, our brand new nextdoor neighbor on Bowfin!

But there have been some eerie, worrisome coincidences. One occurred on July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013, in Innsbruck, Austria, halfway through a tour of Western Europe. Eve and I turned off our TV, left our room, and joined the others to enjoy a lovely dinner. After we had leaned in for a group photo, I mentioned the new book "Lean In" by Sheryl Sandberg. Shortly afterward, I spoke with another couple about an article I'd seen discussing how climate changes' heating effects may adversely affect airplane landings. Upon returning to our room, we turned on the TV, which immediately brought up CNN's coverage of a plane crash on a runway at SFO (the Korean airlines flight), waviness from heat rising from the runway very much in evidence. We were somewhat in shock, ever the more because we'd be returning home on that very same runway almost exactly a week later. Then, as we continued to listen to the events unfold, this news broke regarding the passengers on board!

Technology

**Sheryl Sandberg was supposed to be on crashed South Korea flight**

Sandberg had decided to switch to another airline in order to use reward miles, she said in a post on her Facebook page." *continued on page 3*

## Aaron's Question Column



**A Newton next to an iPhone**



**A Newton MessagePad**

**Question:** The Apple Corporation has been remarkably successful since its introduction of the iPhone. Before that, though, they had a personal digital assistant called the "Newton" that I believe didn't do so well. Can you tell us what happened with it? -Jerry

**Aaron's Answer (A'sA):** The Apple Newton was a series of personal digital assistants created by Apple. Essentially, it was a smart digital notepad and the first to implement text *continued on page 4*