



2020 Barile Holiday Greetings and Update



- From Joe and Patricia, with David, Aimée & John Miles, Lois (10) and Tommy (5)
- (If viewed with internet access, click the underlined portions for more information.)

We celebrated our 50th anniversary, not on the Mississippi cruise we had planned, but at home by ourselves with takeout pizza under candlelight. Quite romantic and stress free. Our favorite day trips were to Mussel Rock Beach in Pacifica. Routines include daily email gratitudes, phone calls with David and Aimée, and FaceTime visits or lessons with Lois and Tommy.



Joe cut back on his golf and tennis because of glaucomic vision loss in one eye. He misses the golf/tennis guys because of that and Covid concerns, but putts daily in our backyard. Patricia's belongs to several online groups, walks daily with her friend Judy, is a creative cook, gardens, helps Joe with various house projects, and heads the neighborhood communications network. Both are learning or re-learning Spanish through DuoLingo, selectively watching news and carefully vetted TV series and shows, trying to watch and read the best of the best.

Meanwhile our grandchildren are now both in a Waldorf school, 30 minutes from their home in Murphys. This after spending many months confined to home learning, of which we were a part. My favorite project was the poem Lois wrote, memorized, and recited for a science project (click [underlined here to view](#)). Tommy is loving kindergarten, learning his lessons in the sandbox of life.

Aimée has had several Audiobook contracts, and a u d i t i o n s for commercials, as well as personal performing art projects she is working on. John, in a addition to running a [new business](#), built the landing for a tree house. The whole family works on the land, garden, and chickens.

Meanwhile, 563 miles SE of us, our son David, near Ensenada, Mexico (Baja) has taken to making even larger paintings and computer assisted carvings [as shown on his website](#). He also has done extensive work on his house in Baja.



Aimée, John and family this summer in Cape Cod, visiting his Mom, sister and her family. David, with one of his 4x4 paintings in progress.

Below, us toasting each other (and you?) at one of our delicious meals. And Tommy and Lois at home in the trees they love to climb.



Peace, [Be not afraid](#).



From our door to yours we wish you the very best in the years to come. May we be all wiser for having experienced 2020!