

Merry
Christmas!

iFeliz
Navidad!



Happy
Holidays!

Fröhliche
Weihnachten!

Myers Family Christmas Letter 2020

Христос Раждается!

Oh my! What a year 2020 has been!
GO BILLS!

January took us to a favorite place of ours, South Beach, FL. Tom worked his magic and booked us into the Cavalier South Beach, a classic Art Deco Hotel. We were there the week of the Women's Suffrage Centennial Parade. Erika and Soph were able to fly down and we overlapped several days. We enjoyed their company and beach time too. It was like the college days, when they were roommates only we were in Florida. South Beach has always been a pleasant interlude.



January in South Beach

We enjoyed meeting people from many different places. People who live there have mostly come from somewhere else, ending up there. A former RIT student of Mary's, Lindsey Johnson, is now a lawyer in the Miami Dade DA's office and we had a nice meal with her.

In February we celebrated Mardi Gras (Fasching) with the German Community. Craig Knight, a former student of Mary's, was chosen as the 2020 Mardi Gras Prince.



Prince Craig, Nominated by Mary

March stormed in. We started out looking forward to St Patrick's Day but COVID-19 imploded life as we know it, cancelling most things. The changes of 2020 kicked in and we adjusted to life in a pandemic world.

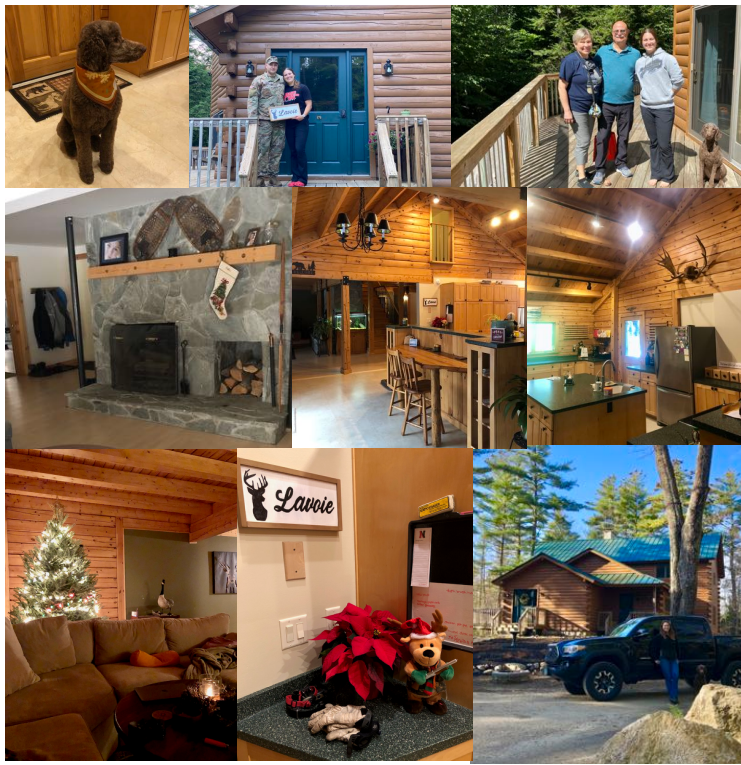
For Erika it meant Exeter Hospital was thrown into the uncertainty of COVID 19. For Nick it meant imminent deployment of his National Guard Unit with the uncertainty of when and where.



The young couple chose to get married at Exeter Town Hall and we joined via FaceTime.



March 18th Erika and Nick got Married!



33 Caswell Rd, Strafford, NH

In May, Erika and Nick found the “Mansion of Their Dreams”. A beautiful 4800 square foot log home on 5 acres in Strafford, NH.

NYS had kept its infection numbers low during the summer. This allowed us to travel to NH several times and help the young couple move in. It is a beautiful corner of the USA!

Christine is doing well and still thriving at Beatrice Place. In June she celebrated her 96th birthday and it took place COVID style. We rented a Lugia’s Ice Cream truck allowing for a masked and socially distanced ice cream fest with her Beatrice Place neighbors. In addition to her five languages, she has added “Zoom” and all that it means, to her active vocabulary.



Lugia’s at Beatrice Place

At election time Christine voted for her 60th time. She took her “I Voted” sticker to Susan B Anthony’s grave.



Susan B’s House

Placing Vote sticker at Susan B’s Grave

We continue to be her support network; calling daily, delivering groceries, setting up Zooms and helping with whatever else she may need.



Grocery Delivery!

Life at the Metropolitan in “Our Nest” on the 20th floor continues as a marvelous glamping adventure. We live day by day, enjoying the views and staying healthy and safe.



It’s all about the views!

We keep busy with the various organizations we support, using zoom instead of in person meetings. Tom is active in the 490 Farmers, Roc Growth and ROC Archive which just got their non-profit certification. It has been rewarding setting up all the infrastructure required to run a successful non-profit.



RocGrowth.com



Safeguarding Our Memories.

ROCArchive.org



Pre COVID Tom helped organize a TEDxRochester Salon with RocGrowth

As COVID surges we are masking up, staying distant, washing hands and minimizing trips. We are grateful that Erika was able to visit as often as she could. We appreciate her wisdom and look forward to when we can be together again understanding that now is not that time.

Here are some of our other wanderings and places we liked this year.



Seth Green Trail, Lower Falls in Rochester, NY



Niagara Falls!



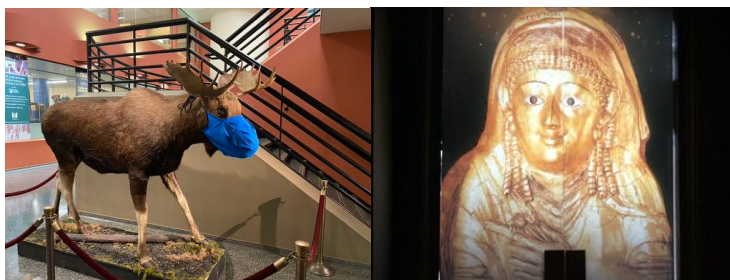
Seneca Falls celebrates the 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment



Maplewood Rose Garden, Rochester, NY Frank Lloyd Wright's Fontana Boathouse



Mount Hope Cemetery St Luke & St Simon Cyrene Rochester's Seneca Park Zoo

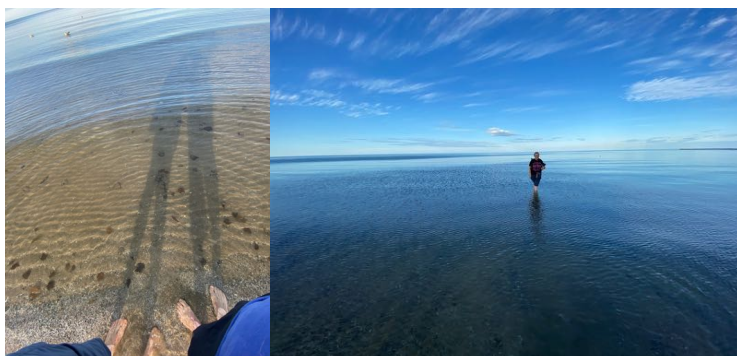


Buffalo Museum of Science - Golden - Mummies



Ford Farm, Chili NY

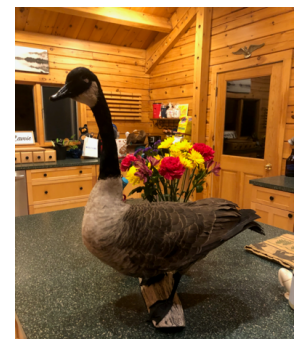
Letchworth State Park, NY



Nov 10th feet in the water at Charlotte Beach, Rochester NY



Looking forward to next year being better



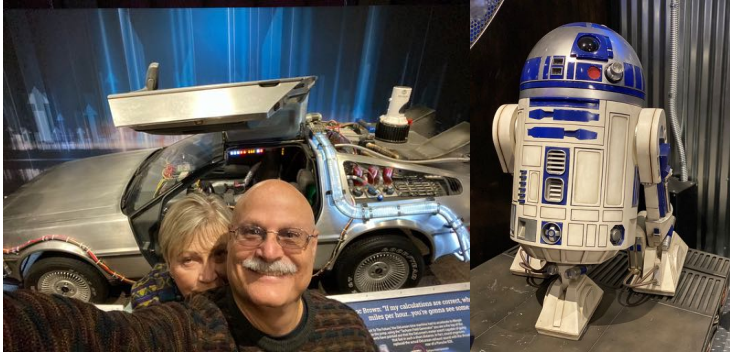
Fred, Erika's First Goose!



Life size Barbie did a bit of visiting as well



Fun with Ru Dog and Mary's Mother's Day Shirts



Pre COVID we saw Back To the Future's DeLorean and Star War's R2D2 at RMSC



Our 20th Floor Nest

We are remembering the celebrations of last year and looking forward to next year's celebrations.

Here's To 2021 - Happiness!
Health! Shenanigans!



Easter at Christine's

Outside on Election Night

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Florence Mazzie
2011



Ralph Mazzie
2000



Peter Dziuba
2007



Sandie Mazzie
2005



LaVerne Myers
2014



Carol Myers
2011

We lovingly remember those close in heart and spirit