RING-A-DING-DING! HO! HO! HO! MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR!

2018 was another good one! We started the year with the <u>Easyriders Show in Sacramento</u>. Then... AND THEN... we attended the <u>Mecum Vintage and Antique Motorcycle Auction</u> at the South Point Casino in Las Vegas, and, we also visited the Bonham's Motorcycle Auction at the Rio Casino, visited the Gold & Silver Pawn Shop, saw Elvis, and took the whole dam tour at Hoover Dam! Click on any photo to go to that photo's web page; link to printable copy of this letter: <u>print me</u>.



February is <u>Almond Festival</u> time in Capay Valley; great grandchild <u>Willow's 2nd birthday</u> in March; continued motorcycle riding in March and April and... May, we did our <u>spring road trip to Oregon</u> and, and... <u>Lucy</u>, a Shit Zoo puppy joined us, and, <u>Izzy</u> was diagnosed with cancer. Izzy mothered Lucy for 2 weeks before she had to be put down, <u>Penny</u> wants to be the center of attention and for the most part ignores Lucy. The rest of summer Lucy was attending Petsmart training.



We attended <u>Road Trip Bar & Grill's 10th Anniversary</u> gala celebration at Cache Creek Casino in July. We spent 4 days at Pinecrest Lake again in August, and, the <u>fall roadtrip via the Oregon Coast Highway to Oregon</u> in August included looking at houses for sale on the coast (that's not the one, and this is not the one either).







September, Sharon participated in the <u>Red Hats' road trip to Apple Hill</u> (Rusl [chauffer] tagged along), and then... AND THEN... Sharon's birthday this year came during a <u>4 week horsepiddle</u> incarceration to have a 7 hour surgery to correct an intestinal blockage – lost 45 inches of small intestines and had a long recovery lasting past Thanksgiving, but, she's all better now.



We have continued going to the <u>West Sacramento Recreation Center</u> to work out 4 days a week, and Rusl is continuing in <u>karate school</u> and successfully tested for the brown belt in the Tae Kwon Do method, a "soft style" Korean karate method somewhat similar to the "hard style" Kwon Bup Korean karate method he studied back in the 70's. <u>Lucy</u> completed beginner, intermediate & advanced training and will be 1 year old in March 2019 - she is like a Tasmanian devil whirlwind (but what a cute face); well educated <u>Penny</u> at 6 years old in December is still just a BIG PUPPY and is regularly called on to assist in testing other dogs and training new canine instructors at <u>Perswarr</u>, check her out on one of Penny's testing and training web pages here: <u>http://www.sharonholder.com/eventpics/happytimes/penny/thumbnails.php</u>



And now... December, Christmas, and 2018 are just days away. Next year will interesting as we complete packing and preparing the West Sacramento house for sale in January and moving to a home on the Oregon coast!



WHEW! What a year. Photos of all these events and more are available on our websites, some on <u>www.russellrazholder.com</u> and some on <u>www.sharonholder.com</u>; click on "New Photos" for 2018 or "ALL PHOTOS" for 1945 to now on Rusl's website, click on "To see a few photos... click here" on Sharon's website.

We wish all y'all a Very Merry Christmas and a Very Happy New Year!

Sharon, SRaz, Lucy & Penny

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