

Jacobs Family News

2001 Edition

Holidays in Centerville

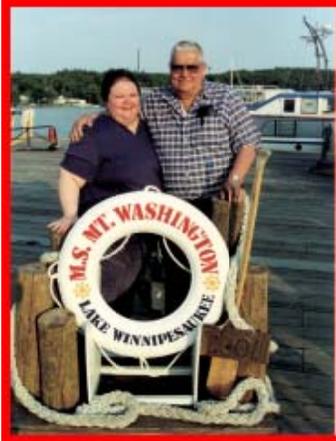
Even though the weather has been unseasonably warm this fall, the calendar tells us it is time for our annual visit with you, our family and friends. Our home is ready for Christmas. My shopping is done but needs to be wrapped. Our holidays started with a wonderful Thanksgiving day of family and food at the home of Laura's parents, Connie & Gil Sylvester, in Weymouth.



Soldiers stand by our front door, watching over grazing reindeer.

Our Year in Review

We should have known something was amiss when Grandpa Dan nodded off in his chair during Christmas eve festivities. Several days later we were both fighting a virus that lasted for weeks. Finally by March 1st, my hearing had returned and we were on the mend, eagerly anticipating the arrival of spring!



Picking up a computer in NH the end of June, we decided to take a few days R&R. Started our trip with a stay at cousin Marge & Stan Fudala's home on Bow Lake, where we were fed like royalty. Tina enjoyed the motor boat ride with Dad and "Uncle Stan"; relaxing on the dock and swimming. We headed north to the lakes region, spending the week at the Naswa Resort on Paugus Bay, Lake Winnepesaukee. Lounged on the beach served by friendly staff; feasted at the sundae buffet; played the arcade (Dan hit the jackpot); & took the lobster buffet dinner cruise. His brother Don Hatch & his wife Lorraine came up from Manchester to spend the day with us on Sunday.



Dan & Tina partake of lobsters aboard ship.

Oct 24th Dan flew to his Naval air squadron's reunion in Pensacola, FL (bought his tickets Sept 10th!). Thoroughly enjoyed himself seeing some of the guys he served with and ambling through the Naval Air museum two days. An avid Internet user, he e-mails and chats regularly particularly in Navy & stamp collecting arenas. He and 2 vets from MA wanted to meet, so in March we had 5pm reservations for dinner in Middleboro along with Pat & Netty Doyle and Dave & Carol Sawicki. Small world - Dan had known Carol's dad years ago! All 6 of us hit it off famously. We had to push the boys out the door at midnight! Pat & Netty have visited with us since.

Family Update

Congratulations to Aunt Helen Johnson, in Texas, who celebrated her 90th birthday, December 28th, 2000!!!

Adele, 20, is a sophomore at Lasell College, in Newton. Enjoyed dinner and a visit with her this summer. She is a strong & determined young lady of whom we are proud.

Tina, 23, continues to attend a special needs adult program M-F, 9-3; work Sat & Sun mornings at Papa Gino's Pizza; Fri night's recreation program. Once a week visits with a lovely woman for life skills and fun.

Adam, 31, shares a home in Lake Worth, FL with Sandra, his mother. Hoped to see him for a holiday visit but doesn't want to miss work in this recession.

Danny, 37, & Debbie are still on Cape with their 3 children - Kelly, 15; Krystal, 9; and Josh, 12. He has moved his auto repair shop to Dennis.

Kelvin, 41, is in our prayers as he continues to serve in the Navy. We believe he is stationed in Hawaii.

Wayne, 42, & Laura's girls are busy - were Pop Warner league cheerleaders. Kit, 10, plays drums. Vicki, 9, got a guitar w/lessons for her birthday. Smart Dad finished the basement as a family room, when not working at MA Maritime Academy.

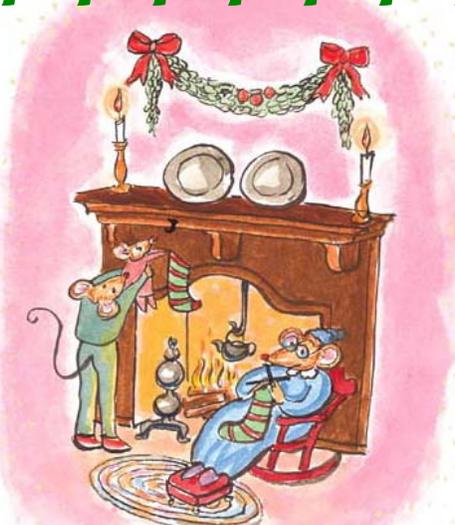
Dan & I have plenty to keep us busy. Seems there are never enough hours in the day. Does time move faster or do we move slower? We tackle projects as our energy and health permit.



*May the Christmas season
fill our homes with love,
our hearts with hope,
and the world with peace.*

Debbie & Dan

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*May a dancing fire in the hearth,
window candles aglow,
A star on the tree,
twinkling lights in the snow,
Remind us of the hope
born with the Babe long ago.*