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How members spent the holidays



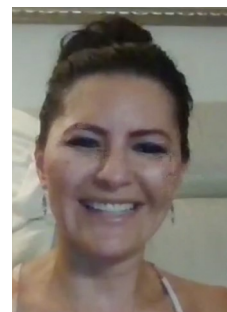
DEBBIE: Feeling great, no chemo. Spent 14 days in quarantine until Christmas after her home healthcare work contracted COVID. Debbie tested negative.



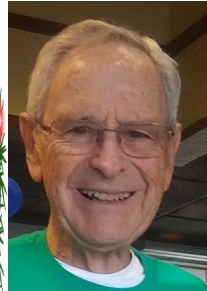
OLLIE: His daughter drove from Phoenix to pick up he and Edna, then drove back to Phoenix for Christmas and then returned them to Mission Viejo in a whirlwind trip.



KATHY: The holidays meant busy travel agency work since so many people were jetting around the world. She also is taking Harry to dialysis regularly.



MARTHA: She flew to Peru Christmas Day to visit her Mom, brother and many family members. There are lots of great deals on travel these days. She was off to Hawaii this week and has a reservation for a trip to Costa Rica in February. She is testing regularly for COVID with good results.



KEITH: He spent the last three weeks mostly at home except for an outing to see Rod's Christmas display and an occasional bike ride. He overdosed on football.



GREG: Christmas Day was just two people hanging out at home, one day like all the rest. He is finding great joy following the success of UCLA in basketball.



ROD: He had his kids over to exchange gifts on Christmas and then went to Lake Arrowhead for a nice stay where he got re-acquainted with the book The Art of Shoveling in the Snow.



PETE: Daughter Nicole and family spent Christmas Eve for a gift exchange. The grandkids each selected an ornament from the tree to take home at Judi's suggestion. The sad news was the passing of Pete's brother in Florida on Christmas Day due to COVID-19.

More holiday happenings



SHARON: Celebrated the New Year with pizza and champagne in the company of dog Molly. Found a great tech who fixed her computer remotely.



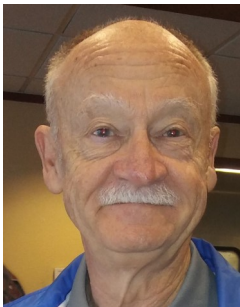
LARRY: His wife had surgery Dec. 28 to swap batteries which aid her with Parkinson's. He has also been hitting the pickleball courts with his daughter.



JEFF: Spent Christmas Day with his kids and grandkids while enjoying lots of food. Spent a part of New Year's in Zoom chats to welcome 2021.



PAT: She and Hugh had visits with their kids but mostly stayed at home spending the time watching television and a lot of movies.



BILL: Prepared a great prime rib from West Coast Meats for the family and spent the rest of the holiday basking in the glow of another Alabama victory.



STEPH: She and Russ spent some of their time ferreting out why they were paying two Netflix bills. Turns out someone was using their card.

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe



Every day look at a beautiful picture, read a beautiful poem, listen to some beautiful music, and if possible, say some reasonable thing.

Just last week...

MEMBERS PRESENT: Debbie, Martha, Keith, Greg, Kathy, Jeff, Pat, Rod, Larry, Ollie, Pete, Bill, Ollie, Stephanie and Warren.

SONG: "My Country Tis of Thee," performed by the 23-member Army Soldiers Chorus.

PLEDGE: Warren

DEPARTMENT OF RANDOM OBSERVATIONS:

OLLIE was notified by the VA Hospital in Long Beach that his first round of COVID-19 vaccine was available later in the week.

JEFF did a drive-thru at the Amazon warehouse hoping to meet someone in authority to invite them to speak at a future club meeting. He had to leave a business card in hopes of future contact.

DEBBIE placed a bet on her beloved Cleveland Browns through a relative in Ohio and pocketed a tidy \$87 (or was it \$88?) although she claimed to know nothing about betting.

ROD managed to take down his extensive outdoor Christmas display.

WARREN got a t-shirt depicting a cat sitting on a computer keyboard with the words: "Don't Worry. I'm from Tech Support."

OLLIE'S United pilot son flew cargo to Australia and spent his layover locked by hotel management in his room without a key. They are serious about COVID-19 restrictions in Sydney.

It's a Board Meeting this Tuesday in place of a regular meeting. Same time (8 a.m.), the same channel (Zoom).



Mayor Trish Kelley

Mayor will speak at January 19 meeting

Trish Kelley will discuss what's ahead for the City of Mission Viejo and her goals as mayor when she speaks at the Kiwanis Club meeting in two weeks.

She was elected mayor by her peers on the City Council in December. She first joined the panel in 2002 and served until 2014, retiring due to term limits. After a two-year hiatus, she was elected to the Council in 2016 and again last November.

She has been a Mission Viejo resident since 1977 coming to the area when her husband was a pilot at Marine Corps Air Station, El Toro.

She will be inviting questions from members.