

Christmas Greetings



We can hardly believe that 2017 is drawing to a close – it has simply flown by. First of all, we wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas and we hope that 2018 will be a good year for all of us.

Workwise, things have really slowed down. I am still doing some entertainment bookings, and Martin is still doing web work for an agency in Houston, but we are filling our days doing other things.



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In March, Martin attended a twelve week law enforcement academy with the Bastrop Police and Sheriffs Departments. He decided to continue as a citizen patrol volunteer for both agencies. They do a lot of civic events for the community including fund raising for scholarships, junior

police academies, child and senior ID programs and much more. He enjoys getting to ride out with the officers and actually patrolling in the citizens patrol cars.



Anthony, Sharon, Julius and Rowan are doing well in Seattle. The boys are active in so many areas – karate, piano lessons, ballet, soccer and school projects that they are always on the go. I was able to visit for a few days in September and Ken travelled up from Eugene, Oregon, which was very nice to all be together.

At the end of July, Martin gave me a lovely surprise for my birthday by flying Ken to Austin. I was completely unaware that he was doing this and we went out to the airport to supposedly meet someone else, when Ken tapped me on the shoulder. I was speechless for several minutes.



We lost my 24 year old Arabian gelding back in April, so I only have Taffie now. Actually, I haven't been able to ride for over six months due to a pinched nerve in my groin area, which was very painful whilst riding. I'm now undergoing (platelet rich plasma) treatments. Hopefully I will get back in the saddle soon.



Bracken, our German Shepherd is now almost eleven years old. She continues to be a joy. She is so smart and has managed to train Martin and I quite well. She barks when it is time to get up, have lunch, have an ice cream break in the afternoon and at dinner. Of course, we comply with her wishes. We took Bracken with us on a trip to the Big Bend area



for Thanksgiving. She is always ready to "Go".

After five years of trying to get funding for a permanent facility for our Museum of Magnetic Sound Recording project, we've decided to dissolve the non-profit. The collection of recording devices will be reduced in our collection and the museum's web site will be maintained. We truly believe we gave it our best shot. Primarily folks were more interested in supporting famous artist memorabilia and not so much recording technology.



Again, we wish all of you a Merry Christmas and a safe and fun New Year.
Love, Martin and Chris

