

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

2021 begins with us still living in "camping mode" with minimalistic things in the house that we brought from California and, the arrival of our 40 foot long sea container on New Years Day!... in the rain! November and December had been rain free for the most part but not so now as we began unloading the sea container on sunny days. Rocks, yes, boxes and boxes of rocks of course we temporarily emptied on to the driveway. Yard tools, camping gear, bench press machine plus weights, camping equipment, vacuums, some furniture and more went into the detached one car garage. Bar-B-Que grill, chase lounges and patio furniture went onto the deck and the reloading bench and flip-top totes of garage "stuff" stayed in the sea container.



[Azealia Gardens car show 29MAY21 / Penny & LucyHarbor beach 06JUN21 / Harris Beach sunset]

The attached over sized 2 car garage came with cabinets with a sink, washer, dryer and a workbench on the back wall and built in cabinets on 2 sides, the near side cabinets got riding gear and dog stuff, the far side got all the Christmas decorations. We put the 6' tall tool chest on the back wall, freezer on the near side, refer on the far side and still had plenty of room for the Geo, the Solara and two of the Harleys. Furniture was brought into the house; boxes of household "stuff" packed in and around furniture were just stacked in the house, AND STILL the sea container is only about 80% emptied. After 3 days in a row of sun we were ready to take a break while it rained and deal with what all we moved/stacked into the house... we prayed for rain often.



[Carpenterville Highway, 20JUL21/ ditto / deer in yard, 22JUL21 / turkeys in yard, 13AUG21]

It was a slow process getting into the house what we could fit; what would not fit is still being stored in the sea container or the detached garage.

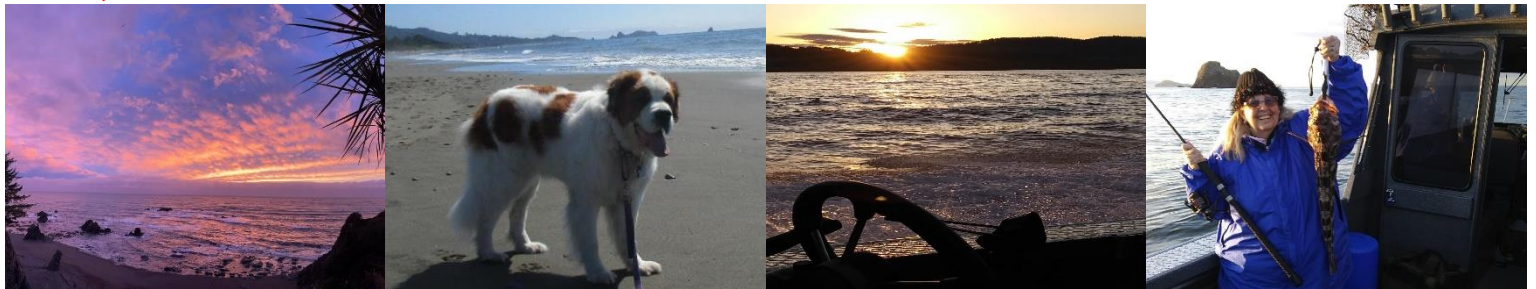
We have some new pets that visit almost daily: Ralf, a deer, who also occasionally brings a girlfriend or two, and then there are the dozen or more wild turkeys that visit. Penny loves talking to them - loudly.

Spring and summer we enjoyed visits from family and friends who had good times ocean fishing, riding mountain roads overlooking the ocean, Rogue River jet boat ride, golf in the mountains, and of course the beach and sunsets.



[Penny & kids in front yard 02AUG / Sharon & Rusl, Jerry's Jet Boat 13AUG/ Harris Beach 21JUL]

By the end of May we were all settled in to a routine; weekday mornings at the gym: Monday & Wednesday we lead 1 hour stretch class then push iron for an upper body workout, Tuesday & Thursday I am available to teach karate then push iron for a lower body workout, and, Friday it is karate then push iron for an upper body workout. Weekend mornings we have coffee (sometimes mimosas) in the hot tub. Afternoons you may find us with the dogs on the beach: 2 minutes to harbor beach, 5 minutes to Harris beach, 10 minutes to Lone Ranch beach.



[sunset 15NOV / Penny at Crissy Field Beach 26AUG / Ocean fishing for cod at sunrise 08APR]

THANKS GIVING DAY... and PLENTY to be thankful for today. Dinner was chopped liver & heart with turkey juice from the turkey pan over kibble for the puppies; for us: Gray Goose vodka-cran for Babydoll, rusty nail (Scotch & Drambuie) for Rusl, Italian sparkling white wine, turkey, stuffing, brown gravy, home made cranberry sauce, green bean casserole, cooked yams for Babydoll, candied yams for Rusl, dinner rolls... great dinner... and pumpkin pie with whipped cream!

Brookings is a small town (population about 6,000) and everything is 2 to 5 minutes from the house (we buy 1/2 a tank of gas every 3 weeks). Beautiful sunsets in the evening and although view of beach from here is just a peak we can hear the breakers, harbor buoy and seals at the house. Everyone here is really friendly, and by the grace of God here we are!

This year ends in a
very merry Christmas here!

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

Sharon, , Penny & Lucy

KNUCKLEHEADS FOREVER!



