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## Merry Christmas and a belated Happy Hanukkah

We hope you are enjoying the holiday season and in good health. We enjoyed an almost normal wonderful Thanksgiving dinner together including Pat (Dianna's mom), Shane, (Katelynn's boyfriend), and Garrett #2 (Natalie's boyfriend). Garrett #1 (front row) is now at UCSD and Austin (back row and now tallest in family) is at Palomar College.



Our big news is that Juliette and Jake announced their engagement in July. We are already planning and looking forward to their wedding on Sept. 17th, 2022.

In April, Juliette and Jake moved into their new 4 bedroom townhouse in Vista! At almost the same time Graham moved into a new 4 bedroom home in Escondido that he co-purchased with long time friend, Kian, Graham now works from home and is able to spend more time with Belle and girlfriend Claire, Belle's mom. We are delighted that Juliette and Graham were able to find homes only about 30 mins away and close to Antony & Dianna and Colin & Rene in San Marcos.



We spent more time close to home, but Michael & Jana enjoyed a great day trip to Catalina Island.

Jana, Juliette, Jake, Graham & Belle enjoyed a trip to Lake Tahoe just before the terrible fires there. Michael isn't a fan of water sports so he stayed home and took care of our cat Leo and our two new kittens Butter and Jelly (photo). Their sibling Peanut, renamed Biggie, moved in with Graham who recently added another kitten, Romeo, to his home!



Sadly, our loving dog, Sasha, passed away in March after 14 years. Jake & Juliette added Sadie, a rescue dog from Mexico, to their home, along with Leo's brother, Sir Pounce.

Jamee continues to do well in La Jolla with excellent help from Ideal Care and frequent visits from Jana.

Michael kept busy rewriting our special needs apps in Apple's SwiftUI and adding a new maze game. The apps are available in the App Store. You can find them by searching for "Computerade Products".

After a year of delays we're excited, that our new ocean view deck is complete except for the glass railing and should be ready by Christmas.

We will also redo our hillside vegetable garden and it's retaining walls. We are very lucky to have a lovely home.

With love and very best wishes for 2022

**Jana, Michael, Juliette and Graham Birch**