

THE CLARK CHRONICLE

Your Source of Saturnalia Salutations

2021 was a year

In 2020 we did a lot of videoconferencing.

In 2021, *same*.

In 2020 we made so many meals at home. So so many.

In 2021, *same*.

In 2020 we took a lot of online classes.

In 2021, *same*.

In 2020 we worked from home all the time.

In 2021, *same*.

In 2020 we took many online music lessons.

In 2021, *same*.

In 2020 we kept forgetting to unmute ourselves.

In 2021, *same*.



Greetings from San José

Three of us are still living in the Bay Area! Others are scattered across this country! But wherever *we* are, and wherever *you* are, we hope you are having a great holiday season and hope you have a terrific 2022.

Penn State University's State College Airport: Where Itineraries Die

The Clark men have a cumulative record, so far, of 1-4 on five attempts to catch a connecting flight out of SCE.

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The winning society is the last one *without* a Covid variant in its name.



Sara and Gatsby are in the Seattle area!

Caleb is off at university!

Big Moments

Gritting It Out In 2021

2021 continued 2020's pattern of being ... not great. We've lost people we love, and the day-to-day sacrifices aren't easy.

But as Mr. Rogers famously said: during scary times, "look for the helpers." Social media makes it easier to traffic in outrage than in celebration, but for those of us willing to look for heroes there are plenty of them, right in front of our eyes.

- Medical professionals across the board.
- Scientists researching mitigation techniques and vaccines. (Helping to protect *billions* of people and saving *millions* of lives. What an astonishing triumph we're witnessing!)
- Teachers sweating the details, figuring out how to teach remotely.
- Parents dealing with homebound families.
- Companies adapting the best they can.
- Grocery and delivery employees.
- Kids gritting it out. (These kids, my God! Those of us in the Boomer, Generation X, and older Millennial generations can look at Generation Z to learn a little something about *resilience*. This generation? They got this.)

Io Saturnalia!



Caleb graduated from Prospect High School in June...



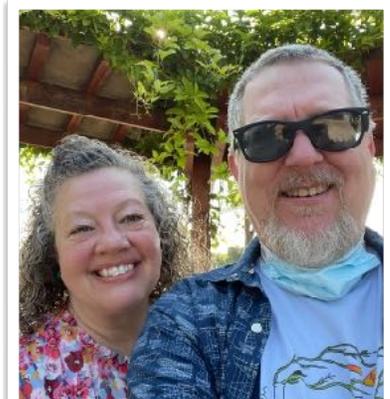
... and is majoring in Architecture at Penn State!



Amy is staying musical, learning drums this year to add to her expertise at piano and harp!



Westie keeps us entertained with antics and aromas.



Gobsmacked onlookers were speechless as Lisa and Bob celebrated their thirtieth anniversary!