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2000 New Years Party

The Y2K New Year's Party was fantastic. It was a little anticlimactic with no disasters befalling us. The lights even stayed on.



Our New Years Partying was grand event. The party was a prelude to the rest of the year.



Sharon looked great in her 2000 glasses.



Cyndee and Mary were also looking beautiful on this special New Years Eve.

Mary's 50 Birthday



For Mary's 50th birthday she got her wish a RED CONVERTIBLE. To treat Mary to a year she will never forget we booked a trip to the Baja with Backroads.

Bike Riding in the Baja !

Mary and I went to Mexico Baja for a Backroads bike trip. We had several days of riding and we went kayaking and snorkeling in the bayside of the Baja. The country, people, and food were terrific. The road conditions were horrible. My butt has never been so sore. Glenn did wonder why Barbara and I love the rides?



The consolation prize other than a sore butt, was meeting new friends (l to r) Gwen, Nick, Tom and Laura (Glenn and Mary)

Summer time in the Bahamas

On May 12, Rick Howard and I did a 4 day trip to Cat Cay. This was a shake down cruise to begin the summer. Mary was in SLC visiting family. On this trip Rick discover the Bahamas from a new perspective 100 foot down.

On May 25, 2000, Mary and I headed for a 2 week trip to the Bahamas. We stopped and played at Cat Cay, Chub Cay, Morgan's Buff (Andros), and Spanish Wells.

At our first stop, we rendezvous with Drew and Linda aboard their new boat the "Downunder". They brought Kristen and Mike along as crew. We had a fantastic time diving and fishing with the crew of the "Downunder".



Drew took this picture of all us after a 70 foot dive. You'll notice the water is so clear you can see some bottom definition 50 feet under the boat. Also, Mike was so excited he was fishing with his swim fins on.

On May 28, 2000, the "Downunder" joined Mary and I at Morgan's Bluff. The diving and fishing in the Jolter Cays just north of Morgan's Bluff was fantastic. From there we went back to Chub Cay and then to Spanish Wells. We stayed in Spanish Wells for 5 days. We made it back home on June 6, 2000.

On June 8, Mary and I flew to VA for Nephew David's wedding. It was a beautiful wedding.



Mary and I spent sometime in the Morgan's Buff anchorage at the north end of Andros. We launched the inflatable and ran around the Jolter Cays. Lobster, conch and fish were very plentiful...

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On June 19, it was back to the Bahamas to rendezvous with the Bottom Line's crew Rick, Pat, Pete and Cyndee for a 6 day trip. We had a blast. Sharing the wonders and beauty of the Bahamas with friends.

For Ryan's graduation present we took him and his girlfriend Heather to Cat Cay and Bimini the week of July 14, aboard "Sundance". We had a great time scuba diving, snorkeling and fishing around the area. We searched for the Bimini Dolphin but could not find them. Ryan and Heather did some shopping and sightseeing around Bimini. It didn't take long...



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Nephew Ryan enjoyed the reef's just NW of Bimini. Here he is at 70 foot on a sandy bottom surrounded by large coral heads. We snorkeled the ancient "Road to Atlantis" just off Bimini. Some scientist say it is man made.

It was not easy but we managed to get in a lot of tennis this year. In November we were in the finals of the Ocean Reef Club (flight 3) Mixed Double Tournament



Wow! What a summer, we were busy !!



Lobster Season

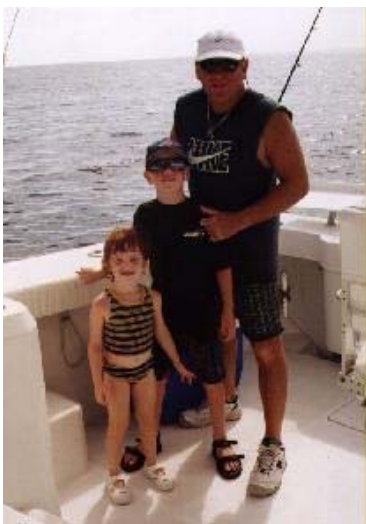
On July 26, opening day of the Lobster Mini Season, Nikki & crew came to visit us. Nephew Jake was here so he got to join in the festivities with Nikki's daughters Jordan and Caitlin. We didn't catch very many lobsters this year, but we had a very good time.



Mary and Nikki aboard Sundance..

On August 6, our daughter Ilsa and her kids Steve and Brooke came for a week of fun in the sun. We had a good time with plenty of fishing, diving and relaxation..

On August 18, Rick Howard and I made our last trip to the Bahamas for the summer. The trip was highlighted by several spectacular SCUBA dives. The most impressive dive was to depth of 100 feet right to the edge of a vertical wall where the bottom dropped off straight down into the abyss.



Grandpa Glenn with Steven (9) and Brooke (3)



Merry Christmas and a Happy Year Glenn and Mary

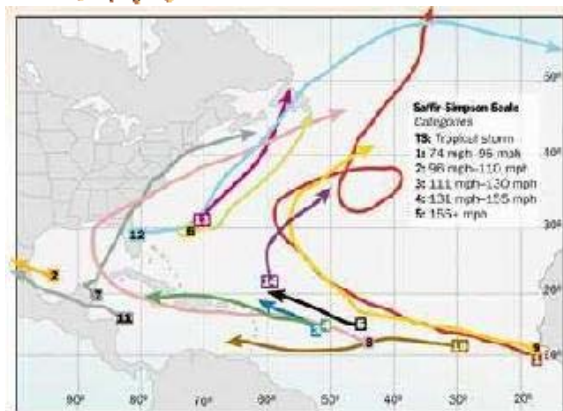


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Hurricanes--2000--Quiet



The 2000 Hurricane season was pretty quiet. We went into hurricane prep mode only once for "Debbie" (4) then it just died south of Cuba.



The 2000 Hurricane Season produced more storms than average, but no storm was a hurricane when it struck the U. S. coast.

California Trip--USCG Seaman Derek

The second week in October, Mary and I flew to San Francisco to meet Barbara and USCG Seaman Derek "Llyod" Wallin, who is assigned to USCG Station Bodega Bay. Barbara and Mary started this trip to ride bikes and never got a day Biking on the road. We were busy tasting the champagne and wine at Sonoma Valley vineyards, shopping and touring the USDG station with Derek. Oh... let's not forget the 60 mile trip to the Jelly Belly Factory!!!! The one day Mary and Barbara wanted to bike it was 50 degrees, raining and blowing 20 to 30 knots. We did all agree that we liked the warm water and weather of Florida Keys much better.



Mom Barbara enjoying the Sonoma Valley Champagne



USCG Seaman Derek "Llyod" Wallin

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