

# Dear Friends & Family, Happy Holidays and New Year!

**Peace to you!** We have so much to be thankful for! Near, far, on Facebook or not, it's always hard to stay in touch with everyone. Know that we care about you!

THANK YOU for taking the time to keep us updated on yourself & family. Here's the 2017 Yurick Report:

**Amanda** (23) spent the year working full-time at the Fairview University of MN Hospital as a nursing technician on an intermediate care unit. She continues to work at the U of MN Equine Center taking care of the horses, most importantly continuing to train Bella to ride. She and her boyfriend Kevin traveled to Arizona in April and enjoyed margaritas and hiking. She appreciated her gap year, which included lots of traveling for school interviews and fun vacations. She has officially accepted a seat in the Class of 2020 Physician Assistant Program at Northwestern University. Amanda and Kevin will move to downtown Chicago for classes to begin in early June 2018. She looks forward to continuing her medical education in the Windy City.

**Shannon** (21) is continuing to pursue her double major in Graphic Design and Journalism at the University of Minnesota Twin Cities. This summer she secured a paid internship at broadhead, an advertising agency in Minneapolis, and has continued her position there as an art director intern during the school year. This summer also came with a new look for Shannon as she donated ten inches of her hair. For spring break, she and Amanda went backpacking in Death Valley, CA, where temperatures were over 100F. They enjoyed it so much that they're planning another sister spring break trip for 2018. Shannon continues to enjoy playing tennis, downhill skiing and since turning 21 in March, now also enjoys exploring the breweries and bars around the Twin Cities.

**Max** (16 human years) is definitely slowing down. He has lost some weight and had most of his teeth removed, but continues to be a vibrant and cuddling lap dog when he's awake!  
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The final Greg Yurick organized group ski trip to Giants Ridge!



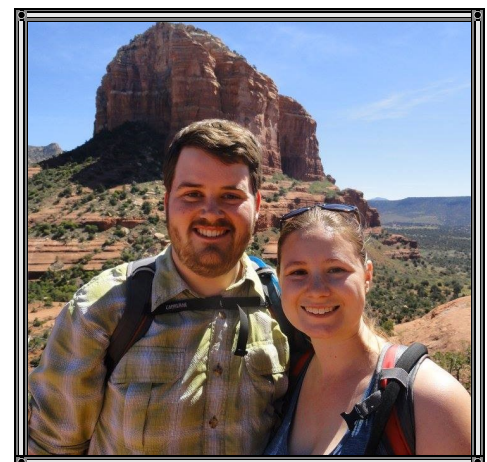
Celebrating Karen's birthday in NE Minneapolis



Hiking and finding moose with Uncle Dave!



Sisters hiking in Death Valley with a panoramic of salt flats.



Amanda & Kevin hiking in Phoenix's April sunshine!

**Karen** celebrated her 5<sup>th</sup> year at Allina Health and volunteering at the J.A. Wedum Residential Hospice facility. Her travels included trips to AZ, FL, and IL. Arizona warmth and sunshine in January and May delivered some fun poolside, plus hiking with college friends, and this month, a celebration of Greg's birthday. We rent out our 2 BR Peoria AZ casita for the season (minimum 3 months at a time) if you're interested. Someday it'll be ours to enjoy for 6+ months per year in retirement. Someday!! April brought a week of touring Sanibel Island, FL and the Everglades with friends. THANK YOU to our hosts, Kathee and Dan Douville for a great trip! Karen went to Chicago in May for a Benefits Conference, and again in September when Amanda interviewed at Northwestern. Karen's year was hampered a bit with an official diagnosis of arthritis in her knee. She is working with a trainer to help with the pain and limited mobility, and to get stronger. Getting old is for the birds!



Kayaking around on Sanibel Island FL with friends!

**Greg** has had another busy year with both work and play. I returned to doing all of my physical activities, except sadly, I'm staying retired from hockey. I was able to take two ski trips to Colorado and organized the 13<sup>th</sup> and final Yurick Ski Group trip to Giants Ridge. I golf and bike occasionally, but try to play tennis and walleyball weekly all year long. My brother Dave hosted my kids and I for some incredible hiking in Colorado. In October, with all my siblings except Loretta, we visited Rick in upstate NY and Toronto. It's always great just being together.! Age is creeping in on us all, so let's all try to keep moving, and staying in touch!



Barb, Rick, Loretta, Ed & Greg Yurick-5 of 6 siblings!

**THANK YOU to all who have trusted me this year!** The real estate market in the Twin Cities was solid with ample sales, and rising prices good for sellers! It's gotten tougher to find great deals for buyers, but call me and I'll try to find you the best deal! I love being a Realtor. I have *never* felt the pressure to have to make a sale due to your continued loyalty. THANK YOU so much. I look forward to serving your needs for another decade or so!



Enjoying a meal at Edinburg Golf Course with family!

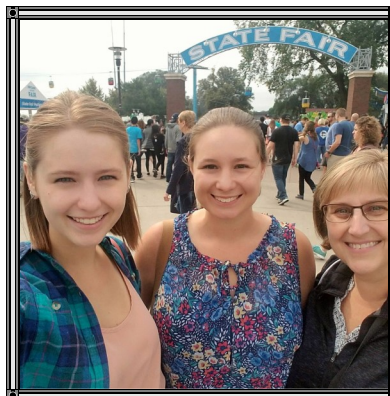
Best wishes for health and happiness, peace and prosperity!  
We're hoping to be a part of your great 2018!!

Sincerely,

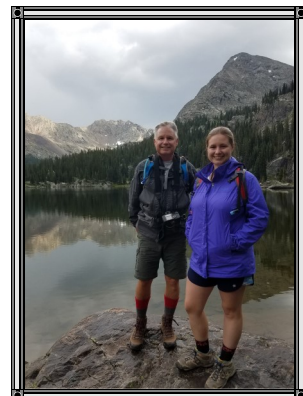
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PPS. We like the new Subaru commercial where they sing: "put a little love in your heart". We are more optimistic, and think it should have been: "put a little EXTRA love in your heart"!! Enjoy and spread happiness!



MN State Fair mother-daughter traditions!



Peaceful hike near Vail CO