



Merry Christmas 2015 and A Happy New Year 2016 to Friends and Family Around the world

It's hard to believe another year has passed and we are all a year older than we were the same time last year. It was a very busy year with our regular activities, travel and house renovations.

Roberta continued supply teaching up to the end of March and decided that her life was too busy to continue beyond. She continues with curling and Tai Chi by winter and golf by summer. Jim made his presentation to his local genealogy club on Adoption in Mid January and spent the first three months preparing for Model United Nations Assembly in Winnipeg where Kenora took 4 teams. He continues with bridge, Tai Chi and swimming each two days a week.

In May we took the trip of our lifetime to Paris, Northern France and Belgium. We enjoyed a week in Paris hosted by Marc and Yuk Kit "Marguerite" Wiederkehr where we enjoyed the sites, French cuisine, cultures and many nights of fascinating dialogue. They made our stay most memorable. For another two and a half weeks we toured Northern France concentrating on D-Day sites, World War 1 and additional days in Aromanche, Saint Malo, Mont Saint Michel and Ypres. We visited graveyards, museums and battle fields and took several photos for relatives in Kenora.

We were back in Kenora for two weeks before heading off to Nova Scotia for the wedding of nephew Nicolas Yorke. While there, we had lunch with former law partner Dave Curtis, who still continues in the practice of law after 50 years.

From July to October 19th I spent campaigning for Bob Nault on an election with a campaign based on making improvements on inclusion and equality. Roberta joined the campaign. Supposedly, we started in third position and after a lot of hard campaigning won the riding by about 500 votes. It is exciting time for Liberals.

We finished the year off with our whole family in Ontario starting with a trip to Hamilton to visit Roberta's family and we were joined by Julia and family from Australia and Jillie and family from Kenora. We enjoyed Southern Ontario hospitality visiting Roberta's extended family. We returned to Kenora in time for the winter's first snow and first lifetime snow for Ausie grandchildren. From our family below, a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

