

Happy Jingle, Jingle, Jingle from the Janowskis !!!!

Another year gone by! Has it really been five years since we took that cruise together and got blind drunk on the beach, and the next morning the kids took the trolley into town with Dave's credit cards?! We all know how hard it is to raise gifted kids, right? We miss each and every one of you, even though we haven't made any effort to contact you in the previous twelve months! But it wouldn't be Christmas without you guys on our Christmas card list!

This year has been a roller coaster in the working world. But **Dave** continues to be the solid guy you knew in college! He cleverly managed to hold onto his job at the bank through the whole shutdown. His mandated anger management training is almost complete! But best of all, the accounts manager from New York agreed not to press charges. And the firm offered Dave the exciting opportunity in the New Year to look for a home near the bank's Cairo, Illinois, office!

As you know, **Judy** loves her holiday traditions! And she put that accounting degree to good use in pricing out wholesale butter deliveries to the house, to supply her weekly cookie baking sessions. Always conscious of recycling, she's also been collecting cat hair all year to spin into door wreaths and table doilies, which she sells on her very own Etsy store! Lol--If you're looking for last minute gifts, you can order until December 19th! Ha ha!

Shiraz has blossomed into a lovely young woman, and so smart about the legal system! We anticipate a great career in the law for her after she gets her GED. She even bought her own car this year to drive herself to work. She'll have no trouble getting school loans now, after winning her emancipation suit and becoming a legal adult at age 16. Shiraz promises that if Mom and Dad stay in therapy, we might be able to meet as a family for a brief lunch in a restaurant sometime in 2022. It's amazing to see how our little ones grow up to be so strong and capable!

Slade started high school in a big way! He takes advanced chemistry, and plays the drums in the band. We could not be more proud! If he continues this way all year, his uncle's car dealership promises to drop all the arson charges. To reward his good behavior and his insatiable mind, Santa is going to bring Slade an advanced home chemistry set! (*Shhh... it's a surprise!!*) We predict that you'll be hearing big news about Slade in the future!

Your friendship has meant so much to us through all these years of seeing you only on paper! That's when you know people really care, when they take the extra time to handwrite your name at the top of a pre-printed letter. And that's just how we feel about you guys, now and all through the year!

God bless us, everyone!

Love You Guys!

Dave, Judy, Shiraz, and Slade Janowski

