

Merry Holidays and Happy Christmas my dear, dear friend!

As Dale and I were sitting down to write this, we caught a glimpse of a house mouse running by.... I guess we'll call the exterminator to come in on Dec. 24 so that no creature is stirring this year!!!! LOL Anyway, so we decided to sit down and reflect on all the joys in our life in preparation for our holiday season. We decided to share some of those with you, because you happen to be someone that has brought us great joy!

- 1) We are grateful for our son Zach. He came out this year and we got to meet his boyfriend for the first time!!! He seems like a nice young man. He better treat my Zachy right or I will go Mama Bear and hunt down another man for him on Tinder or Grindr or whatever those apps are. Plenty of Fish!! Do people still use that?! Anyway, I don't think I'll have to. He seems to be a lovely fellow and Zach is very happy. I snuck a quick picture, and I've enclosed it for you.
- 2) Our daughter Skylin is a MODEL!!!! She's really making it big time too! She's such a big dreamer and it's so exciting! Greenbrier has asked her to be a stock model for the frames!!! You know, the supplier for the Dollar Tree! That means any time I am going in to buy some affordable stocking stuffers, I will get to see my lovely daughter's face. It will be so hard not to buy all the frames that have her face in it! ROFFFLLL (one of her stock photos is also enclosed)
- 3) Our darling Zeus and his little brother Sir Fluffington. Zeus is a good old boy, but his arthritis is bothering him and he seemed down. We talked to the vet and they said that great danes do really well with new dogs. So we got him a little rescue mutt of some kind. I don't know what's going on with him, but he's a cute and has a fluffy-looking face (hence his name HAHHAH!!!!!!). They seem to get along wonderfully. Zeus seems annoyed sometimes, but also much happier. So are we, on both counts!!!!1!11 (enclosing a picture of those boys too)
- 4) Each other. Dale and I have been happily cohabitating for 21 years. We're thinking about making this thing official. I told him if he like it, he better put a ring on it, hhahhhahaha!! We are so, so happy. Regardless of whether or not we sign the papers, we will be having a celebration of our relationship next summer (CLEAR YOUR CALENDARS!!!) and will let you know when that happens. We would love to see you there because you have always supported us when some didn't support our lifestyle of "shacking up". No picture. You know me and Dale. Same as always!!!! And we don't look annnnnny older than we did the last time you saw us!!!!
- 5) You (no pic, but really look in the mirror for a minute and appreciate yourself the way we appreciate you). I mentioned this briefly, but you specifically have enriched our lives. I strongly sense that our lives would not have gone the way it has if it hadn't been for you. You were there when I got sick and had to go through the chemo. More importantly you were there for Dale. He was having a really hard time. He needed you and you were there. It was so special to me the way you have supported us.

Mostly, we know that things haven't all been easy for you lately either. You've had some incredible successes (we celebrated those with you, even from afar!), but you've had some difficulties and setbacks. Just to remind you of the things friends need to hear from friends sometimes... You've got this. You are NOT alone. You are loved. You will get through this. I sincerely hope you are enjoying your holiday season. If you ever feel down or alone, know that Dale and I are here, always rooting for you. You are such a wonderful person and we are so grateful for YOU.

Merry Christmas! Sending all the love,