

The 2021

Cheng family Newsletter

**Happy holidays
from our family to yours!**

High Lights

Ta-Pei and Leslie have finally moved to Portland Oregon for good

Alex is a full-time dad of son Elliot (3), a preschooler in San Francisco

Jeff & Tara, with Maylin (8) & Jace (6), are now living in Kalispell Montana



Chris & Bri have moved to a house 1.5 miles from our condo; they are expecting their first child in May



2021 has been a memorable year for our family. After more than 40 years in St Louis, we finally decided to move to Portland to be close to the families of our three sons on (or near) the West Coast. We feel much more secure now -- Covid pandemic has taught us that these days one cannot assume that at any instance there is an airplane that one can hop on to fly the distance.

The June family reunion in Montana

The planned family reunion in Whitefish MT was almost derailed as there was no rental car available at the local airport. Fortunately, it is within a day's driving distance, so we took it as a road trip. The gathering of all three son's families was an immense success. The setting of the rental was beautiful – right on the bank of Whitefish River, close to the municipal beach on the Whitefish Lake. Everyone had an enjoyable time.



Jace & Maylin as Jr Rangers at Glacier NP



First day of school for Elliot

The September visit to SFO and Big Sur

We finally got to see Alex's new apartment, located close to the Presidio, right on the same street as Elliot's school. On the same trip we celebrated our 40th anniversary at the romantic Deetjen's Inn at Big Sur. On our way back we had a nice visit with Leslie's brother ChungYi & wife Esther, who are now retired and living part time in Mendocino.

The family gathering for Thanksgiving & Ta-Pei's 80th birthday

All three sons' families, as well as my brother-in-law Victor and Bri's mom Michelle and sister Lauren, gathered for the first Thanksgiving feast hosted Chris and Bri in their new home. The next day we regrouped in our favorite Portland restaurant to celebrate Ta-Pei's 80th birthday.

Best wishes for a happy New Year

from

Ta-Pei and Leslie