# **2015 & 2016 CARBAUGH NEWS**

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Yep, we are running a bit behind on the annual newsletter—OK a full year late for 2015 but on time for 2016! Just proves that 2015 was a busy time for Sam & Lisa Carbaugh. We love to share a brief summary of our lives with family and friends as we enjoy reading about your news too.



Sam spent both years working at Wright-Patterson AFB as a Program Manager for a small combat aircraft program. In 2015 until February 2016 he was an employee of MCR Technologies. The support contract changed and Sam became an independent consultant for AECOM. He travels regularly to meetings in Colorado and Georgia a few times a year. In late 2015 he also had business trips to Virginia and Spain. In fact, he went back to Spain on New Years eve and worked through January 10th. Then he went back to Spain in March for two more weeks. Those trips were the main reason the 2015 newsletter never made it to print. The Wright-Patterson AFB project is very interesting and the team is a joy to work with.



Sam's non-work activities included the car restoration described on the last page. In 2015 he also completed his Instrument Pilot's Rating using his GI Bill benefit. After his new rating, in August 2015 Sam flew Lisa to London in a Piper Archer to celebrate their 35th Wedding Anniversary. The international flight was just 2 hours of flying over Lake Erie to London, Ontario Canada. It was our first ever visit to Canada and we enjoyed it very much. We saw Hamlet at the Shakespeare festival in Stratford and had a relaxing time checking out various villages and shops.

Lisa continues to serve in a leadership position at Universal 1 Credit Union. She's been taking piano lessons and started knitting to keep her mind off work. Lisa also volunteers at church and the local library.

## Sam, Kristin & Oliver

We were able to travel to Michigan to help celebrate our Grandson's first & second birthdays. In 2015, Sam worked with Samuel Joe to set up an outdoor swing and playset for "O" man to enjoy

with his cousins and friends. Oliver is super smart and 100% adorable. Sam & Kristin are wonderful parents who enjoy letting the Grandparents







### **Aaron & Michelle**



Both still live and work in Grand Rapids Michigan. Aaron's company, Dematic, often has him on the road supporting clients all over North America Michelle is also working retail and enjoys creating amazing knitting projects. Their home improvements continue with a special craft room being the latest project. They love hosting dinner parties and had the family Thanksgiving this year. They now have two dogs and

a cat to keep their spare time to a minimum.

## **Brailey News**

In 2015, we were very excited to join Lisa's brothers Dean and Fred and sister Kris to celebrate her Mom's 90th birthday. Her Mom had just recovered from medical issues so it was a double celebration. We enjoyed a great evening at the Winter Inn in Greenville Michigan. Betty Brailey is now 91 years young.



#### Home

In 2015, we finally joined the rest of the country and re-financed our home. Hard to believe we've lived here for over 12 years. No home improvements were made in 2015 or 2016, but we've got some plans for 2017.



## **Other News**

Sam accompanied Lisa to a Credit Union Conference in Seattle in June 2016. We saw the sites like touring the

Boeing factory and going up the Space Needle. While Lisa was at the conference, Sam got some time flying a small seaplane on Lake Washington. He even got to fly over Bill Gate's home!



### **Animals**

The Ohio Carbaugh family pet count changed. We lost our cat Peanut in 2015. She was one of the Missourithree kitties we adopted when we helped relocate Sam's parents. Early 2016, we adopted a long haired calico

named Kali. Also in 2016, another cat, Raven, (aka "Black Kitty") passed away after 15 years. Our pups, Boofur and Abbey continue to enjoy the spoiled life of being a Carbaugh pet.

#### Toyota Publica

After a 2 year process the restoration of a 1965 Toyota Publica convertible was completed late in 2015. This car is rare in the US and is very special to the Carbaugh family. Sam's Dad purchased it in 1968



when they lived in Japan. In Tokyo, Sam helped his Dad change the front fenders, hood and front to a 1969 version since it was a modern style. It was shipped to the US in 1970 and was used regularly until 1984. Sam even drove it while in High School when he dated Lisa in

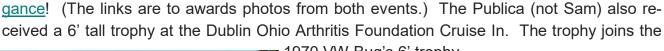
the 70s. Now it is in show-room condition and running once again. The restoration wasn't done in time to take it to shows in 2015 but it has been proudly shown in at least five events in 2016. The Pub even has it's own enclosed trailer which Sam used to take the car to Mis-



souri to show his Mom on Thanks-giving 2015.

The first car show in May 2016 was Toyotafest in Long Beach Cali-

fornia. Sam hauled the Pub 2,300 miles and met up with his big brother Barry near the Queen Mary. The Pub won 3 medals; Oldest Toyota, Outstanding Craftsmanship, & Restoration Recognition. Here's a link to a video of the Publica at Toyotafest. The Publica also won best in class at both the Cincinnati Ault Park Concours d'Elegance and the Dayton Conours d'Elegance



1970 VW Bug's 6' trophy.

In October 2016, Sam took the truck and trailer to Long Island through New York City to rescue a 1968 Toyota Sports 800 as another restoration project.

The Sports has the same engine and drive train as the Publica. The rescue is one of 300 built with left hand steering. It will be sometime before it is back on the road again too.





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