

Carbaugh 2018 Newsletter

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It's Official—Michigan is our new home

As reported in our last newsletter, we began settling into our new home in Comstock Park, Michigan. It is a suburb of Grand Rapids. Our Beavercreek Ohio home went on the market in the fall of 2017. In March 2018 our beloved little home on Dayton Xenia Road found a new family to care for it. We

are so pleased that a young couple loves it as much as we did.

Sam found an apartment and in April he moved the little furniture from the Dayton-Xenia home just before closing on the home sale. He has continued to consult at Wright-Patterson AFB but was able to come up to Michigan once a month or so. In March 2019, after the apartment lease ends, he will resign his position and move up to Michigan. Yeah!

Lisa has kept very busy taking care of family and Michigan properties. She helped move her mother to another assisted living facility in Cedar Springs (a year

can't go by without moving someone in this family). She gets to care for Oliver a few days a week too. Lisa is also a regular chauffer for her Mom and Aaron's doctor appointments. Her project management skills were also applied to various significant repair projects at the family cottage on Bass Lake. The newsletter's banner is a typical sunset view from the dock at the cottage.

It is this view we are looking forward to enjoying more of in 2019 as all the family moves and changes of the last 2 years finally settle.

So lets get onto the rest of the 2018 News!



Dayton Events

Besides the big event of closing on the sale of the Beavercreek home, Lisa and Sam helped celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the building for the Engineers Club of Dayton. We also toured the Packard Museum in Dayton Ohio.



We also saw the new display of the famous WWII B-17, Memphis Belle at the Museum of the United States Air Force.



One week in Southwest England

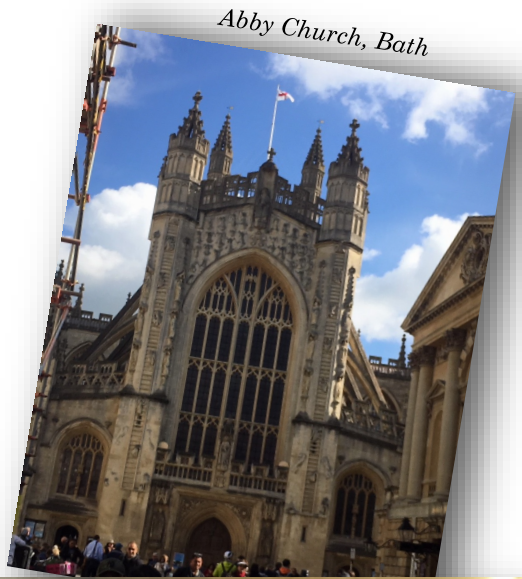
We spent the entire last week of September on a relaxing self planned tour of England. We set up the trip when Sam had a business trip planned for the middle of the month. The business trip was canceled so it was just us!

After renting a car at Heathrow we drove west of London to [Cardynham House](#), Painswick, Gloucestershire in the beautiful Cotswolds. From there we spent the first part of the week visiting delightful places like Bath, Bristol and even a little part of Wales. It was raining the day we arrived but the rest

of the week was cool and clear—even the natives were amazed how nice the weather was, so we let their American cousins take the credit. We started the week taking a steam train of the [Glouces-](#)

[tershire Warwickshire Railway](#) from Cheltenham Racecourse to Broadway. In Bristol we thoroughly enjoyed visiting the historic [SS Great Britain](#).

The town of Bath was too big and bustling with tourists for us but we found [Cirencester](#), another Roman settlement to be much more our speed. We walked through the remains of a Roman amphitheatre and enjoyed the Corinium Museum be-



Abby Church, Bath



Skenfrith Castle, Wales



Cardynham House, Painswick



Corinium Hotel, Cirencester

fore a delicious pub lunch.

The second half of the week was spent at [Littlecote House](#), Hungerford Berkshire. We last visited Littlecote in 1987 (30 years ago!) with the boys while on vacation from Saudi Arabia. Our very good friends, the Shackelfords were our gracious hosts back then. Now the wonderful manor house is an adults only pensioner's resort. We hiked the local hills, took our selfie at the remains of the Roman villa on the estate, and enjoyed a few evening performances. The estate was also celebrating its place in WWII history because it was where Easy Company of the 506th Regiment, 101st Airborne Division was stationed before D-Day. Easy Company was made famous by the Band of Brothers TV mini-series.



Shubbery @ Littlecote Manor



Roman Villa Mosaic @ Littlecote Estate



High Tea in Broadway

Kids News

Sam & Kristin are well. Our grandson Oliver is now four and half years old. He is of course the smartest and most well mannered young man.

Aaron injured his shoulder at work in the Spring. Since then he has been on worker's comp and seeing doctors to repair his shoulder. He is scheduled for surgery in late January in Ann Arbor. Michelle will be with him and we hope he has a quick recovery.



Boofur and Abby are still our furry kids. They have adjusted to their new home in Michigan.

Other Travels

Other visits this year included going to Fayetteville North Carolina for Easter with Sam's mother. Lisa came down to San Antonio Texas to spend a long weekend with Sam after he had another business meeting. It had been over 20 years since we were last in San Antonio so it was all very strange. We enjoyed seeing our friends from our very first assignment to Edwards AFB and our host for our 1987 UK visit, the Shackelfords who had retired in the Hill Country. We also spent an afternoon with Lisa's childhood friend Bernadette in Austin. The picture is our selfie at a Winery in the Hill Country between San Antonio and Austin. Wineries in Texas! We don't remember those when we lived there from 1988 to 1992.



Yet Another Toy

Sam would sometimes rent an aircraft and fly up to Michigan for a visit. While checking out the nearest little airport to our Comstock Park home, Sparta, we noticed a flyer for a 1973 Piper Warrior II. Timing worked out that we were able to buy it just as we sold our Beaver Creek home. Our luck held out and Sam was able to find a hangar to rent in Dayton. This summer, Sam finished supervising modernizing the avionics. It now has a digital glass cockpit with an autopi-



lot and is well connected to the National airspace system. We look forward to winging our way around in N40810.