



Happy Holidays 2008 and New Year 2009!

May the spirit of Christmas abide with you and bring you happiness and peace.....

Where does the time go! 2008 just started. 2009 is just around the corner and 2008 almost gone! It seems like the New Year always sneaks up on us. And now 2008 makes way for 2009!

Give Thanks for our 2008 blessings which include turning 60, BSN from ICN WSU Summa Cum Laude, travel, Rowdy our German Shorthair (GSH) Pup, Front row seats at Neil Diamond Concert (AWESOME!), Cocoa our 12 year old German Shorthair, Active extension returns to Jim's left hand after months of PT, family and grandchildren, 40th Wedding Anniversary and much more.

Give Thanks for our 2008 safe travels to Washington DC to celebrate the holidays with Judy Fromherz, Snowboarding in January, Oregon Coast in March, May and June, Aqua Center in Hermiston and Pendleton in July and August to celebrate family, Barnyard Scramble in Wasco OR in August, Baker City OR in September (to pick up Rowdy

our GSH pup), Las Vegas and Yuma in October, Elk hunting in Western Washington in November, Leavenworth WA in December.

Give Thanks for those lives that have graced our life and have gone to their rest . . . Kathy Cappetta, Alice Fromherz, Florence Gross, Felice Fromherz and our employee of 20 years Dale Moore who passed this December 5, 2008. It is from these folks and those that have gone before them that have truly graced our lives.

Give Thanks to ALL OF YOU that continue to Grace our Life.

Give Thanks for sharing photos of our 2008 celebrations . . . our camera does most of the work for us . . .

As 2008 comes to a close we've had record snow falls for Spokane and have 36-48" on the ground in lots of places. We've had problems keeping up with the snow and the TOWN was closed for 2-3 days last week because the equipment couldn't keep up.... As we get ready to celebrate our 40th, I often look back at some very wonderful times.... We wish all of you and yours the very best for Christmas and New Years and may 2009 be even better yet....

Jim & Connie Gale



Base of Washington Memorial



Leavenworth, Washington



Tayla Gale



Mac Abbas



Jim & Connie WSU Graduation



Amaya Gale



Kennedy Abbas



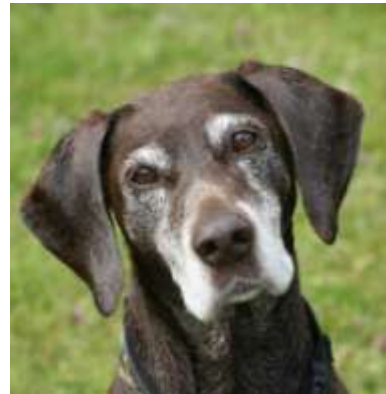
Rowdy



Cocoa and Rowdy



Mac Abbas, Tayla Gale, Amaya Gale, Kennedy Abbas



Cocoa

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!