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*classical realism, from hounds to humans & more!*

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*Greetings!*

*Happy Holidays & Happy 2022!*

*Please join Brian and me for our oh so exciting adventures! ;-))*



Nov. 23, 2021: Doreen, the lady who commissioned “*Dreaming of Tomatoes, Too*” MS sends this wonderful picture of “*DOT, Too*” MS in a new bed.

*Surprise  
Facebook  
posts...*

Nov. 27, 2021: My Finnish collector posts this photo of her new sterling silver “Dreaming of Tomatoes” Smooth, 1:6 scale.

Thank you, Anu!

*We will miss  
seeing the hot  
pink bug...*

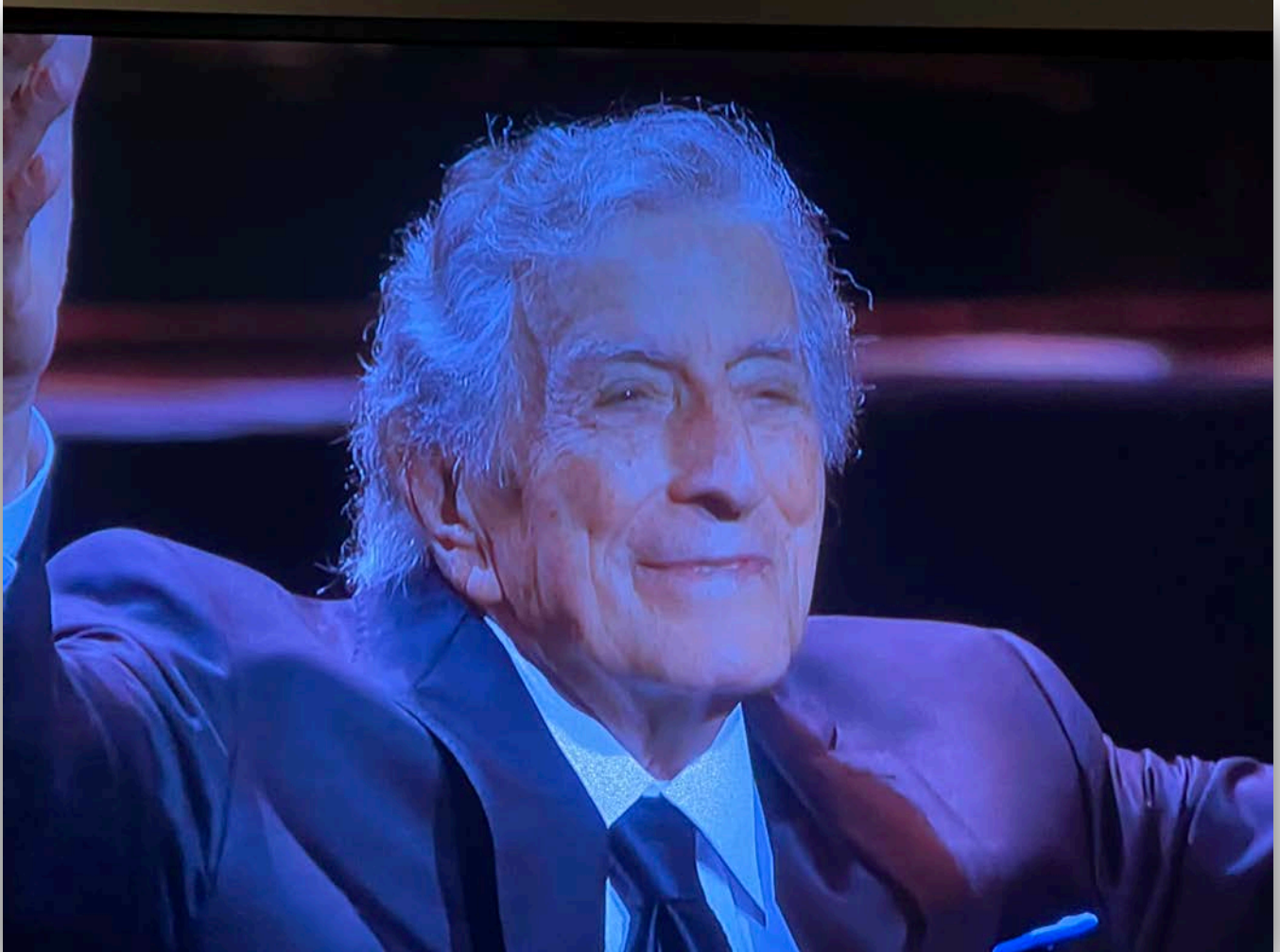
Nov. 28, 2021: I learn from Facebook that a notable person from San Miguel has

died. “Rest in Peace Mr. Colin. We enjoyed life every time he passed through the streets of our beloved little town. (San Miguel de Allende)” posts Fridha Gitana, a San Miguel de Allende resident. Colin decorated his hot pink bug for every holiday. His fun creations will certainly be missed.

Dawn Gaskill posts: “The Holidays in San Miguel will never be the same... he brought joy and smiles to all the people of San Miguel... and made our inner child laugh no matter our age... he will be missed by all. Each season he specially decorated his hot pink bug. Godspeed Colin.” The bottom photo outside of El Pegaso, our favorite restaurant in San Miguel, is mine.







Nov. 28, 2021: Tony Bennett, age 95, is fabulous in his CBS Special with Lady Gaga. He remembered all of the words to the many songs he sang perfectly.

Nov. 29, 2021: Yay! "*Merry Sunshine*" Quarter-Life, 3/20, is sold. Sadly, Dog & Horse Fine Art, is closing. We've been together many years and I wish the owner, Jaynie Spector, the best.





Dec. 2, 2021: While using his table saw to make speaker stands Brian's saw kicks back a chunk of wood into his chest, but that is not the main event: he cuts his thumb and, since I am not home, he glues it with Super Glue! He will not see a doctor. His temperature is 95.

Dec. 3, 2021: Wow! "Miss Me" MS, graces the cover of the Oct. 29, 2021 Hays Post, Hays, Kansas, where it is displayed with 4 more of my works in The Sternberg Museum at Fort Hays University. I learn of this recognition from the curator of the Animal Groups show, Dr. David J. Wagner.

Dec. 4, 2021: Senator and presidential candidate Bob Dole dies at age 98. He served our country for 79 years and is honored by everyone.

Dec. 5, 2021: Brian's temperature is up to 98.3. He is on the mend! Yay!

*Thank you...*

Dec. 7, 2021: Dr. Randy Eltringham holds a special place in my heart. She bred Beau, AKA Bo Duke, Ch. TurningPt What was I Thinking? Beau was an absolute sweetheart.

You may recall Lap of Love came April 30, 2021, to help Beau cross the Rainbow Bridge.

## 'Animal Groups' art exhibit opens at Sternberg Museum

*Posted Oct 29, 2021 5:15 AM*



*"Miss Me" by Joy Beckner Courtesy image*

*Submitted*

The exhibition "Animal Groups" will be displayed from now through Jan. 15 at the Sternberg Museum.



*Beau ... 3.7.2006 :: 4.30.2021*



Thank you, Randy for ordering "*Cozy*" and "*Deli's Open*" for your January birthday gifts early. Thank you, son Pete, for paying for them! I ship them today.



*Attention, DCA Members!*

Thank you, Eline, for ordering “*Deli’s Open*” *Smooth*, for delivery at the Dachshund Club of America (DCA) National Specialty, in May, 2022! You save shipping costs and sales tax!

*Thank You!*

Dec. 9, 2021: My EKG is perfect! Thank you, Dr. Andrew Krainik for working with my primary care Dr. Varsha Rathod to get me off all heart meds after your 2015 ablation! You two are the BEST!!!





Dec. 10, 2021, 8am: Two men and a huge soil sucking truck arrive to clear soil for a plumber to replace our water meter, probably Monday.

I'm glad that someone warned me to dig plants around the meter shown in the lower left of this photo. My, how my Surprise lilies have multiplied! My new project: find homes for around 25 lilies elsewhere in my garden.

### *A Sad Day*

Dec. 11, 2021: Bob Fay, a St. Joseph, MO friend whom we met years ago in San Miguel, tells us his 90 year old wife Susan died last Sunday. She passed quickly, the way we want to go. Bob makes me smile; he is always positive.



Dec. 13, 2021: A plumber installs the new meter and much protection!

Dec. 16, 2021: I gather all necessary information for a new “Real ID” drivers license. Luckily, it takes only 15 minutes at the Chesterfield License Office.

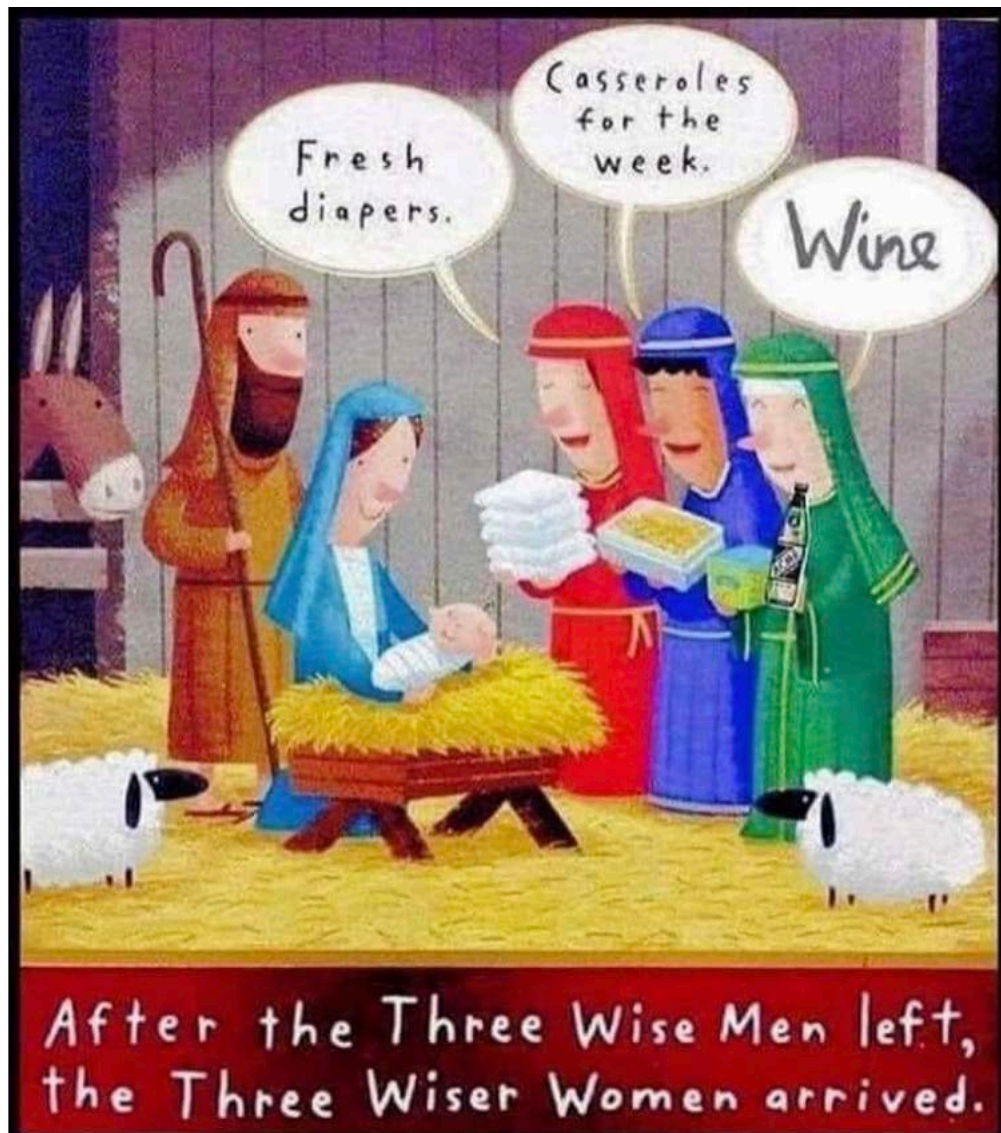
*Happy 77!*

Dec. 17, 2021: Thank you, Shirley, Margo and Sonya for your beautiful birthday cards, and everyone else for your kind emails! My 77th birthday today is the laziest birthday I think I have ever had. It is delightful! Kim, a Grand Junction friend, calls; then my Kindergarten girlfriend Shirley calls, then George, my first husband, calls. It was great to talk with each of them. Brian takes me for my birthday dinner to Mia Sorella’s where I have their delicious Ensalada Mixta and my favorite dish: Fruta de Mare.



*I love Brian & his Happy Birthday tulips!*

My high school buddy Bill, sends this image. ;-))



Dec. 19, 2021: David Weigand, Sculptureworks, Inc., who has represented my work for at least 15 years, tells me he is slowly recovering from his June heart attack. He is in his late 70s and managed to pick up "*Life's a Ball!*" SS from the Heber Springs Public Library, Heber Springs, AK and will return it soon. He will no longer show in libraries. I sincerely wish him well.

Dec. 20, 2021: Sheree Lambert, of the very best shipper, Shippers Supply, in Loveland, CO, shares the sad news that Bobby Page passed away from a heart attack December 18. Long ago Bobby was my metal chaser. He was younger than I and always a sweetheart.

Dec. 22, 2021: What else has been going on? Life. I have been exercising as usual, and, working with my web guru to completely update my website. It is a huge project; he started last spring when I was busy making sculpture!

*Brian can almost always button all of his buttons!  
His speaker stands are attractive and nearly finished.*

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*Please see, touch and be touched by my works in these shows...*

Thru Jan. 8, 2022: **88th Annual International Exhibition of Fine Art in Miniature**, The Miniature Painters, Sculptors & Gravers Society of Washington, D.C., the Mansion at Strathmore, Rockville Pike, North Bethesda, MD.

Thru Jan. 15, 2022: **ANIMAL GROUPS**, an invitational exhibition curated by Dr. David J. Wagner at the Sterner Museum of Natural History at Fort Hays State University, Hays, KS.

Thru August 1, 2022: **Allied Artists of America**, 107th Annual Exhibition.

**Online**: See the award winners works here: <https://cdn.flipsnack.com/widget/v2/widget.html?hash=1pioas8hp8&bgcolor=EEEEEE&t=1540204623&play=1>

Thru June 2023: **Performance in Sculpture**, David A. Straz Center for the Performing Arts, Tampa, FL.

*Into Perpetuity -*

2020: **National Sculpture Society**: Fellows Invitational Exhibition. Online: [www.nationalsculpture.org](http://www.nationalsculpture.org)

2021: **The 15th ARC Salon Finalists**, images and awards are posted on their site here: <https://www.artrenewal.org/Salon/Finalists>

*Thank you for being in my life.  
Please stay strong, healthy and...  
Happy Holidays!*

*Happy 2022!*

*Joy*

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*"A Good Life" SS*

*she's available for adoption. ;-))*

*Enjoy*

*Please watch for my new website coming soon.*

*Strength for the Journey...*

