



# Merry Christmas

*Merry Christmas! We are excited to be celebrating Christmas at our house this year as last year Summer came down with COVID just before our guests arrived. Instead, we spent the holiday in the pool since it was the warmest Christmas we can recall.*

*2022 started with a bang for business but as interest rates have risen, it has dampened enthusiasm and we are starting to see prices reflect that. There are solutions for this and deals to be had, so we are even more appreciative of you, our cheerleaders, as we look for buyers and sellers to work with next year. With the addition of more than 20,000 Realtors in the Houston area in less than 3 years, we hope more consumers will turn to Realtors with experience in a more traditional market.*

*On a brighter note, the rodeo was back this year and David is now serving as Vice Chairman of the Parade Committee. Summer still takes riding lessons now on a friend's amazingly talented horse. Willie is a loved spoiled pet and is living a great life in our subdivision's barn. Bella is also doing great, and it seems Kodi was jealous of her surgery last year and has since had surgery on his knee too, plus a couple trips to the ER thrown in – most expensive pets ever!*

*By far the highlight of this year was celebrating 20 years of marriage with a trip of a lifetime to Switzerland and Italy. Although Summer came down with shingles and food poisoning (we can't make this stuff up) she was feeling better just in time for Tuscany where we met our friends at their Villa, it was AMAZING! Other post COVID travel included a horse show at Texas Rose, the BVIs, Vegas, the hill country with the nephews, Port Aransas, and Atlanta for our cousin Emma's wedding. Planes, trains, boats, trailers, oh my! We plan on being more static next year.*

*This season we are looking forward to serving a holiday breakfast at the VA, brunch with Santa, Christmas recitals, and other traditions that are back this year. Here's to a beautiful season full of celebration for you and a joyful New Year – Cheers!*

*Summer and David*