

Dear Friends,

1990 was certainly the year of "changes" for all of us, Giordano, Yoko and Deanne.

In August, after having the house on the market for almost 8 months, Yoko and Deanne parted from their old home of 12 years in Mountain View.

Deanne started her new school in September, Castilleja, the only all-girl school left in Northern California. She's been highly challenged, taking exotic subject like Latin, being exposed to kids of "haves" who talk about shopping at Neiman-Marcus or spending their summer in Europe. So far, she enjoys the intimate atmosphere of small school very much and is well fit in.

It was a real challenge for Giordano and Yoko to find a nice place in central Palo Alto within our budge, where Deanne can ride her bike to the school. After 2000 houses and an aggressive agent, we found a place where we can call "home" at last, and moved in December 1st.

It's a modest sized house with 3 bedrooms and 2 baths, hardwood floors throughout, patio covering the entire backyard, and it's got the charm. Maybe it's not the perfect house, but after 3 skylights and a spa in the backyard, we think it's a pretty cozy place where we can sit and enjoy some Juliet Greco in the evening.

Added to the excitement of selling and buying the houses, one garage sale and 2 months of moving, was the change of job for Giordano and Yoko just about at the same time! Both of us said "goodbye" to Xerox PARC in the fall and joined to new companies, two separate ones. Giordano's busy practicing bowing to his Japanese boss, and Yoko's trying to educated three newly arrived Japanese men how women are treated in this country.

As soon as the burst water pipe from this unusual freezing weather is fixed, dust from the skylights construction is finally settled (some friends know what we really mean), and our space war (Giordano has too much stuff and refuses to give up) is finally over, you'll meet three happy faces waiting to greet to you. (We're finding out being a homeowner sure can be stressful).

We apologize for being so late in relaying our news and greetings, but we hope you'd understand why.

We hope you all had a wonderful holiday and wish you all the best for the new year.

Please do stop by to say hi when you are in the area, and don't forget to bring your own towel.

Love from us,

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