

Annual Update

by Patches

Happy Holidays everyone! As the 20th century comes to a close, we would like to review the year's highlights to keep family and friends updated.

As everyone well knows Lorna and Michael have added to our family a child named Rosita Kimberly. Born March 18, with a big smile and beautiful eyes.



From what I see and here, Rosita is growing fast. She has grown to 67.3 cm (26.5 inches) and weighs 6.8 Kg (15 lbs.). She loves to walk - not crawl.

I see they didn't go for our suggested name of "Pretty Girl," but what plucks my tail feathers is the fact that this new family member... I mean she cannot "rub-rub-rub" our crown, give us showers nor can she whistle. Only a random "Da-da" or "Ma-ma" and she constantly puts things in her mouth. Hey, is she gonna eat us birds or what?



Bird's Eye View

Inside Scoop

by Ibon

Oh tis the season to be happy. For the first time, since I was brought here, we have a big Christmas tree for us to fly to. I'm so excited! Sure hope Santa brings us toys and our favorite seeds again this year.



Anyway... Michael has a new job. He is working full time in Operations at Iowa State's Computation Center. He basically watches over all the main computers that the University uses. He is continuing his school and he has only a few classes left. I sure wish he would hurry up so we could get a bigger home.

We also hear Michael got his Amateur Radio License this summer. Now he talks with other hams' through an orbital satellite on his hand held radio. Pretty amazing huh?

Lorna is doing well. She still remains home caring for Rosita and occasionally spends some time with us birds - "rub-rub-rub." She looks forward to going home, maybe, sometime this year - we will see.

Well, that's the year from our bird's eye view. We do hope that everyone is doing fine. We all wish you and your family a safe and happy holiday. Please do keep in touch!

Merry Christmas!

*Michael, Lorna, Rosita
Ibon and Patches*