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Like No Other

This week, a very favorite uncle, Louis Elmer Warren Gray. not just to me but to many family members, passed away at the age of 92. This drawing I did of him a few years ago is one of my most favorite images. He was very fortunate to have found Nola who became his wife and best friend and whom appreciated all that he did, what a genius he was, how kind and thoughtful he was to her and everyone else. Nola tells me *she is the one who was fortunate to find him*!

Those of you who knew Louis know he had a remarkable sense of ESP and would show up anytime anywhere to be there for those in need so don't be surprised if he contacts any of you from beyond!

Movie Night in the Park

On October 1st, after a three-year break due to COVID, Chris' movie night returned to his parklike backyard. Chris ran a short of The Three Stooges(*in 3D*) before running "The Three Amigos," his feature movie. Yes, 3D glasses were handed out to everyone in the audience.

The weather was perfect—ninety degree weather in the afternoon which nicely cooled down at sunset. Hot dogs were served before the movie & popcorn during the movie. And movie candy was in plentiful supply. Check out the old-time popcorn machine!

Inktober-An ink drawing a day

Flickr (a photo storage website I belong to) sent out an email on October 8th (yes, a little late) to invite anyone interested in doing an ink drawing a day for the month of October. This event is dubbed <u>Inktober</u>. I jumped on board and started the day I was notified to commit to drawing every day until the end of October. I challenged myself further by doing each drawing without using guidelines or a grid so as to hone my ability to draw what things really look like no matter how they turn out. Here are some of the ink drawings I have posted on Flickr & FB.





It's a Dog's World After All

What would I do with myself if I didn't have my dogs to entertain me. Or is it the other way around. What would they do if they didn't have me to entertain them.

Brooklyn and I have been diligently working on a dog dancing routine and will soon be video taping and sharing it with everyone. Then it will be Morgan's turn to learn a dance routine. Both her and Brooklyn have been getting

lots of extra time on the agility obstacles in our backyard. And they both are still enjoying doing scent work outside and in the house. Morgan will hopefully be starting agility classes in Martinez at the beginning of November.

And if that is not enough dog for you, I recently rose to the challenge of drawing in color and just finished a commissioned drawing of a friend's German Shorthaired Pointer (shown below). Next on tap is a drawing I will be doing of a very cute Cavalier!

