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Thanksgiving to Christmas

Photos at right show our family transitioning from one to the other. The original (top) photo was taken on the deck of the Pines' new home in Lake Oswego on Thanksgiving Day.

Robert, Chris, Brooklyn, and I all spent five days with Kathy, Tim, Rylan, Aubrey, Sierra, and Axel.

There were walks in the park, in the neighborhood and walks in an off leash area wherein Brooklyn became a wild and crazy girl having acres and acres to run like the GSP she is.

Family **photos** were taken.

I helped with a fun project for Sierra: A five foot long turtle for her bedroom wall. After I tiled it to full size and penciled it on the backside, I traced the art onto her wall.



Kathy and Sierra then painted a base coat of white. The coloring was left for the two of them to do after we headed home.

A jigsaw puzzle was worked (a tradition we now have when we all get together). Lots of games were played.

Chris, Robert, and Tim remounted the big screen TV in the family room. Good thing Chris brought tools as they came in very handy.

And of course there was lots of cooking, Robert and Kathy made pies, the girls made sweets., Tim cooked two turkeys. Thanksgiving dinner included Dave, Stacey, Ashley, and Arya as well as Tim's cousin, Megan, with her husband, Josh, and their wo children, Liam and Elouise.



Puppy Love continued

We now know which puppy will be coming home with us. Turns out Squaw (as pictured in the last edition of Sue's News and Views) is the one who will be our new family member.

On Friday, December 20th, Robert and I visited all the puppies for a second time taking along Arlene McCabe, my conformation mentor. Arlene is a breeder of and has shown Brittany's for 40 years so really knows her stuff and what to look for in puppies. She has been coaching me since this litter of puppies was first conceived.

With Arlene's expert input plus learning the breeder decided on her first pick female already and us in the position for second pick female, we went with Squaw, a very pretty girl who will show well!

In anticipation of her arrival, we bought an X-pen so she can be in the living room with us. We also bought her new toys, a snowman & a teddy bear. Staying with tradition, we will name her after a Wisconsin city, town, or village. We have yet to decide which one. She is coming home next weekend so we need to decide soon!

