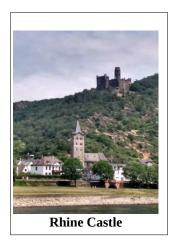
Season's Greetings from Santa Fe

In many ways, 2023 continued to be a thankfully dull year, mostly because of the Covid pandemic, which has now largely abated. Here at Brookdale Senior Living we are now no longer required to wear masks, although there were some thirty-odd cases earlier. We just received the latest booster vaccine, which probably accounts for the mildness of those cases.

We will be staying here in Santa Fe over the holidays, but it will be broken up by a Viking Ocean Cruise on the Caribbean. It was originally supposed to start down in Manaus, Brazil, but that part was canceled because the Amazon River no longer has enough water for the cruise ship.

This was preceded by a Viking River Cruise up the Rhine to Switzerland at the end of June:

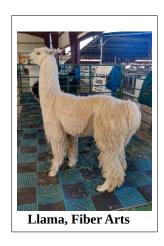






Meanwhile, in Santa Fe:







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