

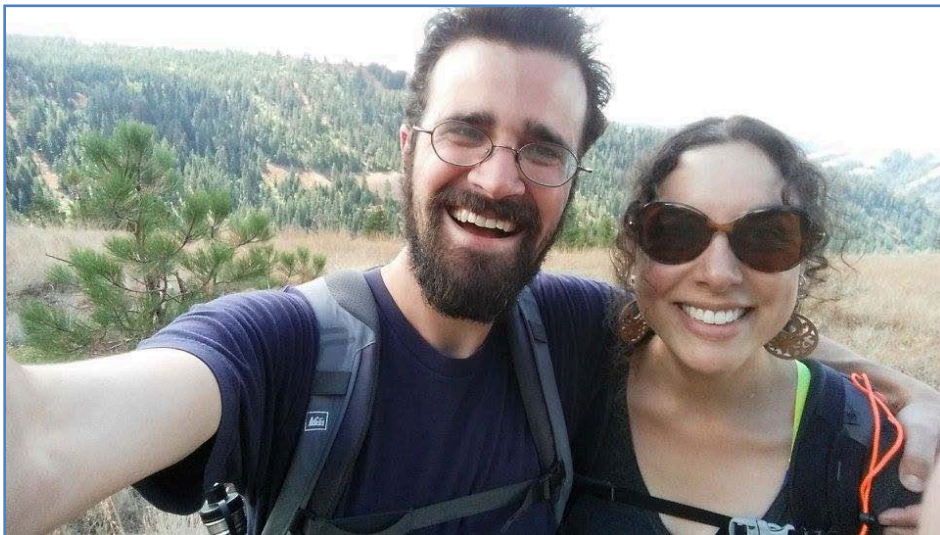
Happy New Year from the Rosner family!



There were definitely some peaks and valleys in 2016, but one notable event eclipsed all others: Ari and Gabrielle were married in July at a beautiful mountain overlook called Sacred Rock at the Opal Creek Wilderness, east of Salem, OR. After sharing so many happy times together during the last five years while they've been a couple, we're delighted to formally welcome Gabbi and her family as truly part of the family!

Prior to tying the knot, Ari and Gabbi achieved a major milestone in May when they settled into their own cozy three-bedroom home in the Madison South neighborhood in Northeast Portland. Both have continued in their ongoing occupations, but will squeeze in a few homeowner projects in their spare time this year... ah, garden beds!

One of only two trips Jeff and Ronda took last year was to visit family in Portland in September. We hung out at the new Rosner/Haber homestead and explored the surrounding neighborhood, including the walking trails at nearby 14-acre Dharma Rain Zen Center and the views from the top of Rocky Butte Park.

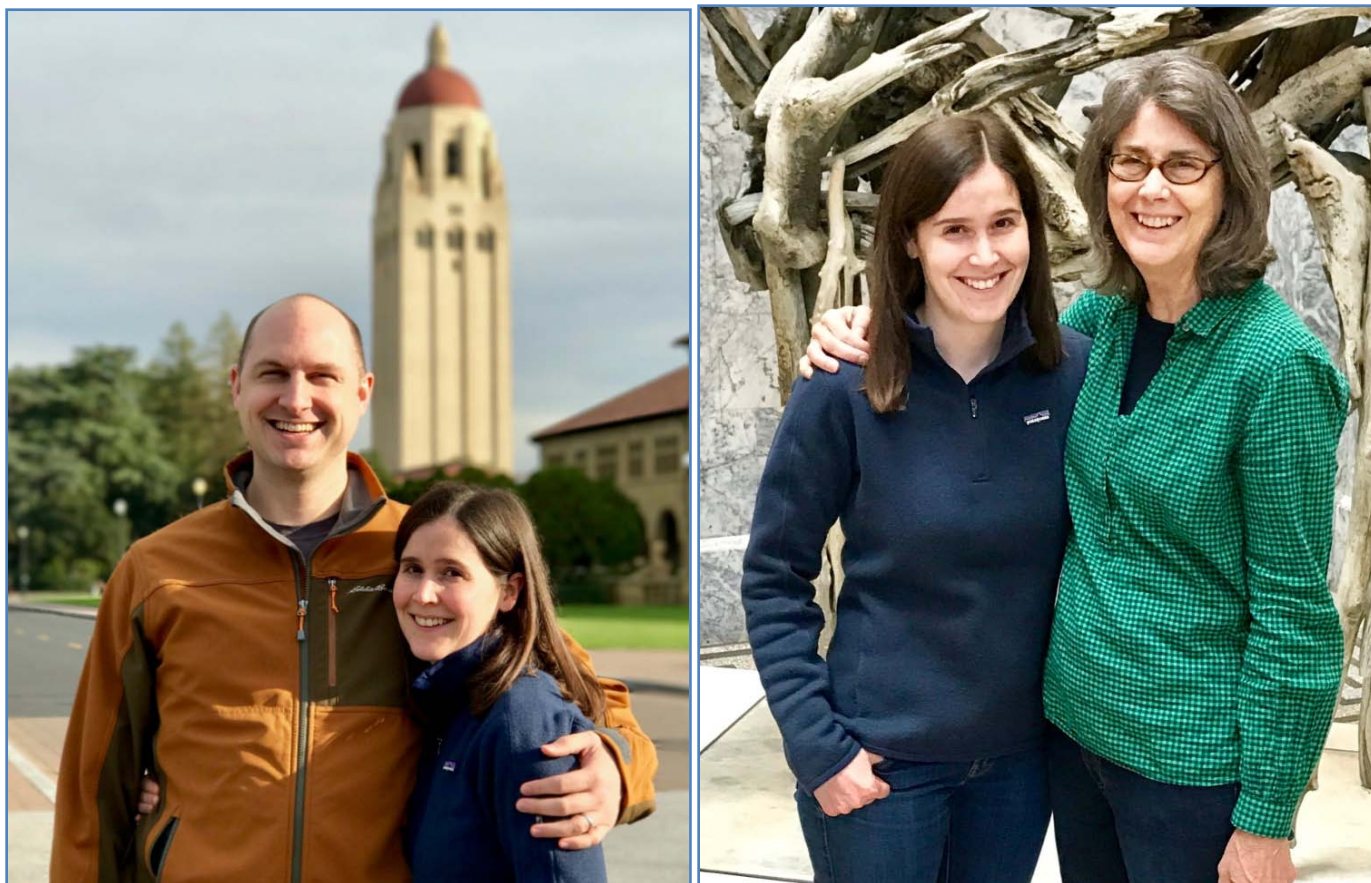


Following a multi-year tradition at this point, Gabbi and Ari escaped the Portland snow and stayed with us in Palo Alto in late December and through New Year's.

*Honeymoon hike at the North Fork Umatilla Wilderness last summer*

Across the US on the other coast, Sonia and Kyle celebrated their second year of marriage in August (yes, it's really been two years). Having earned his Systems Biology doctorate in Nov '15, Kyle celebrated amidst all the pomp and circumstance by walking at Harvard's graduation ceremony last May...many congrats! In April he joined the Imaging Platform team of the Broad Institute in Cambridge, located about a mile from their condo. Our compliments also go to Sonia, who was promoted to Consultant at her firm

last year. During 2016 Kyle and Sonia refined their IKEA-assembly skills and home decorating styles, resulting in a comfortable living space that beautifully reflects their tastes.



*Thanksgiving weekend sights: Hoover Tower and Cantor Arts Center on Stanford campus*

Ronda has been retired for three years and Jeff for two. You may remember she had set three goals (develop creativity, socialize with friends, stay fit), but it was impossible to meet the fitness objective upon breaking her ankle from a fall on the back porch steps in June. Kudos to Jeff, an absolutely terrific caregiver last summer, a role he certainly hadn't expected would be needed. After surgery and physical therapy, Ronda was pleased to hike a moderately steep 4-mile trail in late December with Gabbi and Ari at Hidden Villa in Los Altos Hills. Pain-free running and longer hikes are the goals, plus re-starting suspended creative writing projects. One upside: it was a record reading year for Ronda → fifty books!

We spent our September wedding anniversary weekend (33 years!) with friend Terry at her place in Carmel -- first major outing for the gimp, and thankfully, no shortage of champagne. Work on the kitchen improvement project resumed in October until we took a deliberate holiday break before Kyle and Sonia's visit for Thanksgiving. New cupboards adorn the back wall of the kitchen with more to come.

Ronda's 2016 media favorites: Film/TV – "Star Trek Beyond", "Eye in the Sky", the documentary "Where to Invade Next", Netflix series "Black Mirror"; Books – "Heroes of the Frontier" by Dave Eggers, "Barbarian Days: A Surfing Life" by William Finnegan, "The Hidden Life of Trees" by Peter Wohlleben, "Slade House" by David Mitchell, "Let the Great World Spin" by Colum McCann, the fantasy "Tearling" trilogy by Erika Johansen; Songs – "Dark Necessities" and "Go Robot" by the Red Hot Chili Peppers, "Dreams" by Beck.

Enjoy health, peace, and creativity during the coming year.      Much love,      Ronda and Jeff