

REMAINS OF THE BIRTHDAY
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Taken at Big Rapids, MI

My 69th birthday today, with all my kids and their significant others around, and grandkids. There was a trip to the carnival, but mostly a big dinner together where we make you own pasta. The pictures say it better than I can, so here goes.



Here are some blueberry yoghurt pies my wonderful wife baked to help steer me away from ice cream and too much sugar. Thanks! Delicious.



Vegetables grilled on the outdoor grill were a treat, put together by my daughter Anne.



My daughter Anne, a professional chef, made the best pesto I've ever eaten.



Here are the ingredients for "Make Your Own Pasta," which was terrific. There are all kinds of great ingredients to put on linguini and Udon noodles.



The boys played video games, while Molly watched and was probably not allowed to touch the mouse.



Lucas on the left, my grandson Max, on the right, with my granddaughter Molly peeked from behind.



Music? Of course, with Micah Ling on cello and my son Michael Andrew on my old Martin Guitar, which is as old as I am, born in 1941.



You can be sure we were never out of touch. My son Michael Andrew checking his email.



My daughter May, usually on tour singing, made it to the gathering and we had a wonderful time.



Micah gives Michael Andrew a bit of a massage.



Games before dinner.



Granddaughter Molly and her mom, my daughter lotis.



My wife Margaret lights the candles for dinner.



For my birthday. Everyone knows I love orchids.



Here we are, in midstream.



The song was sung, and one candle had to represent what otherwise would be a blaze of light.



Daughter May tries out my new tiny binoculars.



Of course a bunch of them went to Good Will, as usual. I stayed at home, as usual. Photo my Michael Andrew.



At the local county fair, Max and Molly had fun. Photo by Michael Andrew.



Here is my grandson Max coming down the big slide. Photo by Michael Andrew.



Here is my youngest, 6'2" Michael Andrew on the big ride. Photo by Micah Ling.



The day winds down as Molly and Mom catch some rest.

