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“It was a very good year.” Frank Sinatra was not all wrong.

We came back from medical and financial disaster. Money talks and science is a moving target, but you cannot deny the numbers in 401(k)s, savings and investments and in many industries. Lumber went through the roof as every deck in America was rebuilt and non-existent interest rates made home building go bonkers, even with high-cost lumber!

The drug companies doing vaccines are off the charts in cash.

Sig Sauer has lines out the door as guns were big under the Christmas tree everywhere but on the blue coasts.

Gas is dirt cheap. Do you know how many people are driving to Florida right now?

Colleges have been exposed as overpriced children’s resorts.

Remote learning caused parents to look at what had passed as early childhood development, and they discovered remote teaching only works for 10% of students of all ages.

Families semi-estranged are now living together. Remote business has blossomed as Zoom, which demonstrated it couldn’t handle a class of 23, became a godsend to business meetings of three, and international meetings blossomed as dreaded airline miles faded



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into memory. The myth of big-city living gave way to green acres mobility. The locals are now sought-after lifestyle coaches. A pump and a septic system are now status symbols.

Christmas began the night after Halloween. Churches are now taking reservations. We discovered that dictatorships really are not good at government. Who knew that Kristi Lynn Noem of South Dakota would become an overnight hands-off government sensation?

Poor John Sununu, one of the most popular New Hampshire governors ever, would have impeachment demonstrations on the State House steps as micromanaging management reared its ugly head.

It has been a very good year. We learned that keeping elderly people home can save their lives. The rebirth of family life has made Clark Griswold come to life. It has been a very good year. Other stuff happened. “That’s life.”

Sinatra lives. Google Griswold and Sinatra.

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