



Grateful
FOR
YOU
THIS
HOLIDAY
season

Happy Holidays everyone! I am very proud to be associated with you all. These have been incredibly difficult times for many of us, our friends, and families. I have been so impressed with the concern, care, patience, and thoughtfulness of everyone. In the "RD", it has been a pleasure meeting in our fleeting virtual get-togethers.

Have a great holiday!

Jim Barry

Gratitude for: A great job and great co-workers at an awesome institution. Health. Family. Shelter. Warmth. Sufficient food. Hopes: Pandemic end. Peace. People accepting and respecting each other.
Duane Thompson

I am grateful for health, my family, MBARI, the ocean and the woods. Happy holidays and happy New Year! May 2021 be a better year for the world!
Adriana Sisfontes

What a fortune being part of such an amazing organization! Thanks fellow MBARIans!
-Carlos Rueda

Hope You All have great holidays And I am most greatfull for family friends an awesome place to work the people i work with are all super incredible I had a bad surfing accident broke my leg it is healing well glad i had hundreds of hours sick leave thanks to MBARI and our wonderful Foundation

John

Hung in there, just a few month and we will be back to normal. I am grateful to MBARI for its support of its employees in this challenging time. I am also grateful to all people around me, virtually or in actual contact, and this includes you. And I am grateful to be living in this beautiful place, on the shores of Monterey Bay. Happy Holidays everybody!

Roberto G

I hope we are able to be together safely in the New Year. It will be nice to see actual people instead of just Zoom images of everyone.

Dave Clague

I am so grateful to be part of this collaborative community, doing science that I love, with wonderful co-workers, supported by board and foundation members who understand the risks and rewards of our work. We are so lucky to be able to look toward 2021 with our jobs intact, excited for the work we're able to do here.

Crissy

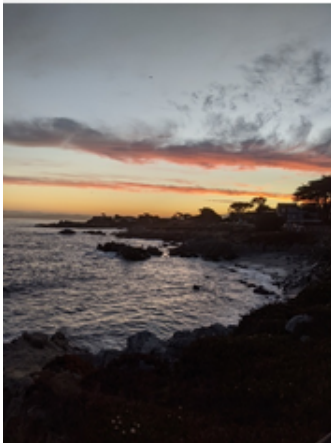
I am grateful to all my coworkers who donated their sick leave to me for my maternity leave. I haven't been at MBARI long but already feel very welcomed by everyone's generosity. Thank you for your kindness and for helping to ease my transition to parenthood.

Emily

Happy New Year y'all! Here's to fresh beginnings and the start of a (hopefully) very different year from last! I'm grateful that over the course of the year we were all able to pull together and accomplish as much we did! Y'all are awesome!!!!

JKW

This has been a watershed year for MBARI! We successfully passed the external review, have a new ship on the way, and are about to break ground on new buildings --- all of that was over a decade in the making. Thank you all for your hard work and vision! Take care and stay well.
chris



HAPPY HOLIDAYS/HAPPY NEW YEAR
TO ALL
MANY THANKS TO MBARI FOR
KEEPING US WORKING IN 2020 AND
MAY 2021 BRING US BACK TO THE
MBARI HALLS, COOKIE BREAKS,
BBQS, DIRECTOR DIALOGS,
SEMINARS, AND SO MUCH MORE!
CONTINUE TO STAY WELL AND SAFE
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*I am beyond grateful to this place that we all make so amazing, and for all the support shown over the year at all levels. I have never worked someplace so unified behind its mission.
Eric J Martin*

*I am so very grateful for MBARI's support and flexibility during this difficult time. I always feel lucky to work here but especially so when so many people are struggling. I'm grateful for my dear family and friends, forest hikes and walks on the beach. I'm grateful to live in such a special part of the world with easy access to the beauty of nature. Most of all I'm grateful my family is healthy and happy. Oh! and I'm grateful 2020 is now over!
Happy New Year!
Eve Lundsten*

Thanks, MBARI, for keeping us employed, and going above and beyond for our families providing stability where possible, and above all, prioritizing our safety. I am thankful for the flexibility and understanding from all my coworkers and supervisors in this challenging time. After all, we are on the same boats. :-) I am so grateful to live in a place where despite necessary closures and restrictions, we can get outside to recreate. Looking forward to seeing many more of you in person again soon!

Joost

Very much looking forward to distancing ourselves from a year that tested all of us in so many different ways. So truly grateful to a wonderful group of people that, even though virtually, I get to see every day. Here's to a great 2021, things are going to get better!

Kevin Gomes

I am so extremely thankful for MBARI and the ability to continue to work during these crazy times. There are so many challenges on a daily basis, and I am very grateful to all the supervisors who work on solutions to keep everything going as well as possible under the circumstances. I am really looking forward to the day we can all be back to work onsite and actually be able to stop by and chat with each other. Until then, I hope everyone stays healthy and positive as we head onto the new year!

Mandy

Happy Holidays and Happy New Year to all! Thanks to everyone who kept the lights on, kept the data flowing, kept the paychecks coming, kept the research going, and kept MBARI's spirit alive during a train-wreck of a year. I am very grateful for everyone's contribution, as well as the Packard Foundation's support, shielding us from much of the adversity felt by many this past year. Have a healthy and happy 2021! Cheers,
Todd R.

Covid has been beyond horrible but it has also highlighted so many things we have to be thankful for like working at MBARI and having everyone that was sent home back in March cover our back while us who mostly have to be on site carry on when we are allowed and its safe. We are thankful to have a management team that has done its best to keep us all as safe as possible. We are thankful for the foundation and its generosity and ongoing commitment. We are close to the other side of this!

DJ Osborne and family

As far as I know, MBARI is the best job in the world. I'm grateful for the opportunity to work with this unique team building gizmos that actually do help us understand and protect our planet.

Gene Massion

I'm thankful to work at a place where people are thoughtful and considerate towards each other and to those around us. Here's to a happier, healthier 2021...eventually!

Rob Sherlock

Even though I am happy to say Goodbye 2020, MBARI has been a silver lining during this crazy past year! I am profoundly grateful for the generosity of staff contributing their hard earned sick leave so that I could take care of my medical needs. I am deeply grateful to staff that had my back! Management has been incredibly supportive to us with the special leave and taking care that our facility is safe. Lucky am I to work at MBARI. Thank you! Healthy 2021 wish for all of you ~

Charlene



I am so grateful to work at MBARI, BUT i am especially grateful for our DMO and facilities staff (our essential workers- even when there isnt an pandemic!). We were lucky enough to go on the Carson last month, not only did we get to DO science (YAY!!!) it felt safe. I really appreciate all the efforts everyone is making to enable our work. We are SO SO SO lucky. Our science wouldnt happen without our crew and pilots. THANK YOU!!!!

Shannon

Grateful for the
magnificence of Nature
and the power of
friendship.

John

What a year! We made it through together. I've never worked somewhere that felt so much like a family. Thank you MBARI for supporting us through these fraught times.

William W.

Happy New Year! I'm so grateful to work at MBARI, and no small part of that is for still being employed and healthy! I'm thankful for having such beautiful places to shelter-in-place and safely get outside, and for email and Zoom so I don't feel so isolated. I'm looking forward to being together again sometime soon!

~~Jenny P

Happy New Year All!

I'm so grateful to be working at MBARI... not just for the continued support throughout the year, but because of the quality of people here, and the work that we do. I hope that we'll all be back at work together soon.

I, for one, am very much looking forward to socially distancing myself from 2020. (Is there a 2020 vaccine so we can't get it again??)

Cheers!

Paul C.

Happy New Year to all my fellow MBARians!

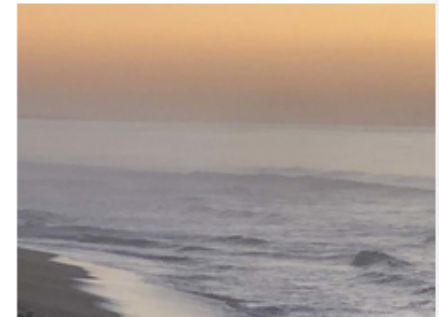
I feel particularly fortunate to work at an institute that has prioritized our health and safety throughout this pandemic. Thanks to the management team for all their efforts on our behalf - it's been an extremely difficult time to hold and exercise such responsibilities.

David Caress



I am grateful for MBARI and my MBARI co-workers. I can't imagine working for anyone else during the COVID-19 crisis. I'm thankful for all of the support and flexibility MBARI and the Packard Foundation has given us. In 2021, I look forward to seeing three dimensional co-workers. I miss you all. I wish everyone a safe and healthy shelter-in-place till we meet again.

Chris P



I am grateful to work in such a caring and supportive place, and for the natural beauty we are surrounded by. Wishing everyone all the best for 2021!!! 🍀💖🐳🌲🎆
Mariah



Sending appreciation one card at at time.