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[Bill Boughton]

It's about time you came out of hiding. It was so good to hear from you it brought tears to my eyes.

I'm doing fine. All last week, I was in southern Utah hiking and camping in the remote canyon areas - near a slickrock range called the "Waterpocket Fold". The attached photo shows the 10 campers in our group just after we scaled a bluff on our hike out. I'm in the blue T-shirt in the back and my 50 year old sister Laura is in the white T-shirt and shorts at the front. I went on another trip with the same outfitters (ecohike.com) last October. There is an account of that trip with photos on my website (steveharryssite.com). I plan to add an account of last week's trip eventually.

I looked through most of your photos. Beautiful. And Saint Luis Obispo county looks like a great place.

Carol (wife #4) and I have been married 17 years. Our home is on the Grand River in Lansing. It is a great waterfowl watching spot in the winter, because the water doesn't freeze. We are only about 30 yards from the river and our main living area is on the second floor, so we have a great view. This winter we saw buffleheads, American merganser, hooded merganser, canvasback, ringneck duck, coot, redhead, pied-billed grebe and goldeneye.

I retired about 2 years ago, starting to get restless. We will do some more traveling, but Carol has health problems and can't do anything strenuous. Maybe I could get her to go on a driving tour of California.

Keep in touch!

Steve