

Of the Father's love begotten...

MERRY CHRISTMAS 1999, AND BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY NEW YEAR, A.D. 2000!

The irresistible advance of time brought my fortieth birthday in January 1999. My Godfather **Tony Chamberlain** came from Chicago to celebrate, as did friends from Virginia and several from the Boston area. The highlight of the festivities was the birthday toast, written and delivered in Latin rhymed verse by good friend **Bill Tarnowski**.

1999 also marked five years in my position as the NORTHERN TEXTILE ASSOCIATION and AMERICAN FLOCK ASSOCIATION. This year, at our Annual Meeting, in Charleston, SC, I had the opportunity to not only meet, but spend time alone speaking with, one of the most generous supporters of Republican and conservative causes, ROGER MILLIKEN.

My girlfriend Mary DiZazzo and I did our small part in July to celebrate one of the most important events of the century, if not the millennium. For our THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARY MOON LANDING PARTY, complete with my own invention of a space-age blue curacao punch, I located copies of the three Boston newspapers from July 1969--*The Globe*, the *Record American*, and the *Herald Traveler*--with the moon landing on page one above the fold (and Ted Kennedy at Chappaquidick below the fold.)

Ronald Reagan was right, freedom is prevailing over slavery all around the world, and we paused on November 9 to reflect on the tenth anniversary of the second greatest event to happen in my lifetime--the fall of the Berlin wall. For three-quarters of this century, from 1914 to 1989, freedom warred against all forms of totalitarianism, and won!

Earlier, over the April **Patriots' Day** weekend, Mary and I booked a sleeper on the overnight train to Washington, DC to visit our national Capitol and the shrines of freedom.

CAMBRIDGE REPUBLICAN politics kept me busy in 1999, as I was a candidate for CITY COUNCIL. Out of 24 candidates I came in twelfth,

which, while not in the top nine who won, was described by one long-time Cambridge Republican Party activist, **May Waugh**, as the best showing by a Republican in Cambridge since 1967. Over 250 people contributed to my effort, and it is difficult to single out only a few for special recognition. **Alan Cousin**, who as Campaign Chairman, worked the equivalent of a full-time job--howbeit unpaid--is due much of the credit for my strong showing.

I found many Cantabrigians agreed with my message of limited government under law, with the greatest measure of personal freedom that is consistent with good order. I have found an outlet for my views, writing opinion columns for local newspapers. I am a regular contributor to *Editorial Humor*, a bi-weekly newspaper of political cartoons and commentary, as well as occasionally in other Boston-area newspapers.

You'll find some of my old columns archived on my Cambridge Republican Party web site: <http://members.aol.com/cambgop>.

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Following Christmas in Boston, Mary and I depart for **Rome, Italy** on Boxing Day. We'll be in the Eternal City for New Years Day, returning January 11, 2000. We look forward to getting in touch with all of you after our return.

Wishing you all happy holidays,

I remain

Your servant,

David Trumbull

“Poi cominciò da tutte parti un grido
tal che ‘l maestro inverso me si feo,
dicendo: ‘Non dubbiar, mentr’ io ti guido.’
“Gloria in excelsis’ tutti ‘Deo’
dicean, per quel ch’ io da’ vicin compresi,
onde intender lo grido si poteo.
No’ istavamo immobili e sospesi
come i pastor che prima udir quel canto,
fin che ‘l tremar cessò ed el compìesi.”

--Dante, Purgatorio, Canto XX