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It's been more than a year since I finally graduated from school, but on finding a picture of Roy and myself in graduation costume, I couldn't resist the urge to use it for this year's card.

1996 proved to be a good year for me. I spent much time recovering from the stress of grad. school and adjusting to life in the "real" world. The adjustment process went well; I was able to find my feet in the corporate world and make a significant contribution to two versions of MineSet, a package for data mining (statistical analysis to find patterns in large amounts of data) and data visualization.

Roy had a more uneven year: we discovered that the stress of his injuries from last year spurred the development of ringbone, arthritis in one of the joints above the hoof. He is rideable some of the time, and there's a good chance of recovery in the long term. Overall, he's happy and is still enjoying the mild California climate.

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## Happy Holidays



From Eben & Roy!