

Dear Family and Friends,

This has been a fairly uneventful year for Anne and Barry. Barry continues to work at Pelikan Technologies. The Board replaced the CEO, bringing uncertainty to the company. This change cut the trips to England to only three in the last 12 months.

Anne continues to volunteer at Santa Maria Urban Ministry, in the ABC Playtime Program for 3 and 4 year olds. She is also active in her Guild at church. She is still the coordinator of the church Book Group.

In August, we went to Bear River again for our annual, primitive camping trip with friends.
<http://bdbriggs.dyndns.org/BearRiver/BearRiver2008/album/index.html>

Barry went to Peoria twice this year, once in February to attend his Uncle Bob's memorial service, and in October for his 45th high school reunion. Of course the trips included visiting his sister (with Mom) in Wisconsin. He also had visits with his grandmother who will be 102 this December.



For Anne's birthday in June, we went to visit Ted in Austin, Texas. We enjoyed seeing his house for the first time.

One of the highlights of our summer was reconditioning our pool with a fiberglass lining.



Anne enjoys seeing her Mother several times a week. She is five miles from us. Part of our weekly routine is to go out to lunch every Sunday after church. The three of us enjoy attending 6 musical theater productions each year at the Sunday Matinees.

Jon lost his job in Atlanta this summer and has yet to find a new position. With our current economy, it is difficult to find employment. If anyone, in the Atlanta area, needs a desk side computer support person or computer repair technician, we can recommend one.



Our Thanksgiving gathering included Carol (Anne's mother), Jon, Charley and Carol Sayles (Anne's sister and her husband), Anne, Jack, Nicole, Ed Sayles (Anne's nephew), and Laura Sayles.

The day after Thanksgiving Anne's cousin Carol and Husband, Gerry stopped. We had a wonderful early 90th birthday party for Anne's Mom, Carol.

We are planning to have a small Christmas here in California with Ted joining us from Texas.

We wish you and your family a very happy holiday season and a wonderful new year.

Anne + Barry

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