

As I sit here trying to compose a Christmas letter to family and friends I am watching my 7 month old granddaughter, Allyson, turn a piece of writing paper into an exciting toy. In case you don't already know Bob and I are grandparents and loving it! Although Allyson favors her grandpa (he just has to look at her and he gets a big smile) I think she likes me a little too.



Allyson was born on April 23rd to her parents Kristina and Dave and has changed their lives even more than she has ours. Kristina has opted to be a stay-at-home mom for a while and really enjoys her new role. Her daddy, Dave, still has to work every day at Delta but he is very involved with her and she looks forward to playtime with him in the evening. Thanks to Dave's job Allyson has already been on several airplane trips and she flies like a pro.

Josh is still very busy with his 7 Subways with more in the pipeline. Still no wedding bells. He is very into fitness and now runs and roller blades in his spare time. My niece Amy has joined her brother Alvin (who very ably manages Josh's Woodstock store) in Atlanta and attends college here. I know she is grateful for all Josh's help with her relocation.



Megan and Brian now own and operate 2 Subways. Megan is still working for the county Parks and Recreation dept as the public relations person. They are settling into their new home with their dog Casey. Meg plays on a tennis team and is still a dedicated runner. Brian has revived his old skateboarding skills and has lots of fun with that.



Now comes the hard part. What in the world are Bob and Elaine doing? Bob finished his work obligation in Feb. and has settled into semi-retirement. We went to Hawaii on a cruise to celebrate. Bob is looking to start a small business (nothing yet) and he is very involved with the growth of the Subways. He finds time to hit golf balls and take his sailboat out for a spin. The stock market plays a big role in his life now (he's doing ok).



I filled in a few times at the nursery school but my main baby is Allyson these days. I also play bridge, am in a book club, do some volunteer work at my church, work out at the Y, shop and go out to lunch a lot. I'm busy.



We go back and forth between Florida and Atlanta frequently. Bob's mom is still in the nursing home where her health continues to deteriorate. We got to see a lot of family this year. Everyone came down in April for Kristina's baby shower and Bob treated to a Braves vs. Mets game that the Mets won. How could they lose with all that cheering! We went to Goshen in June for Ashley's high school graduation party. She is now attending St Rose College in Albany on scholarship. We are proud of her. We saw Aunt Jane and Julie and our Middletown cousins on that visit and enjoyed a big celebration at JoEllen's for the 4th of July. Our Atlanta family is growing and we totaled 13 on Thanksgiving this year!

I'll end by wishing you all a wonderful and blessed holiday.

Elaine and Bob

I wrote this letter but Bob added the photos (using his digital camera). Visit our family web site at www.reisner.info and our emails are Bob@Reisner.info and Elaine@Reisner.info.

