Christmas Letter 2013

It's easy to get into the Christmas spirit this year, I'm writing this newsletter from our Christmas Market cruise on the Rhine river in Germany!

We started the year with a cruise in the Mediterranean (Italy, Greece and Turkey). Bob likes to travel and can't believe he got me to go on 2 foreign trips this year (plus a week in Scottsdale).

But not all fun news. In February, I had colon surgery (cancer) but have recovered nicely with no chemo or radiation. I have now been on the gluten free diet for over a year as a result of Celiac disease being diagnosed late last year. The diet is tough, so many temptations.

Still splitting our time between Amelia Island and Braselton, GA. A bit more time in Amelia Island since my sister Janie (& husband Paul) have moved permanently to the island. Yea! Janie is also spending a lot of time in Atlanta since she has 3 of her children in Atlanta (plus one of Paul's) along with 2 grand kids (Abel born to Ashley & Chris this year) and another coming in April via Paul's daughter Katie. Joining Ashley in Atlanta this year is Janie's daughter Molly (& husband Sam) and her son Scott.

All our children and grand children (still 6) continue to do well.

Josh's Subway count is now 28 and wife Liz continues to do photography and work as a prosecutor for several local cities. Their daughter Elle continues to flourish with usual kid stuff plus getting really good at golf. They travel a lot, mostly Hawaii and California.

Kris & Dave still settled in down the road from us with no planned transfers on the horizon. They went to Italy for Dave's 40th birthday while we watched Ally and Andrew at the shore. Andrew is outstanding at ice hockey and Ally does well in soccer and running (3rd place in age group in Amelia on July 4). We went to Asheville NC to see Ally in a soccer tournament.

Meg & Brian's big change this year was the move of their kids to the Buford School system where Meg is a teacher! Home is still down the street from us. Brian has 6 Subways with another under construction. Megan doing better now on her gluten free diet (Celiac disease) but we still had a scare with her gall bladder having to be removed. Brian coaches Dean's basketball and Dean is a very strong tennis player. Keira may be in kindergarten but is well on her way to being a cheerleader (lots of training). Grady just turned three and I get to babysit him a lot...he is a happy kid and great fun.

My niece Amy got married this Summer in Hilton Head, this was a great extended family vacation. Amy just graduated Kennesaw as a teacher and, unfortunately for us, moved to Cleveland (husband's home). Her brother Alvin, continues to work for Josh in Atlanta (Allison and both boys all well). My brothers other daughter Emily is now a traveling nurse finishing up work in Seattle and moving to California.

I'm plenty busy. Exercise at the spa, bridge, Monday night Chinese Mahjong and kids in Atlanta. Amelia Island has Janie, exercise at the Y, group biking, and lots of Bridge. I continue to pay Josh's Subway bills from everywhere. Bob turned 65 this year and continues to help with the Subways, full time investing and he's still on the condo board in Marco Island.

We wish you all a wonderful holiday and a great 2014.

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