

January 2005

Happy New Year!!! As with all years 2004 saw its ups and downs. Sadly we lost Susan's father, Jack Sawtelle, on November 9th. We



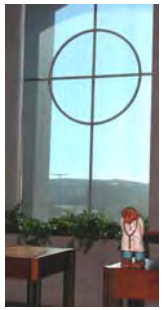
Jack & Nadine Sawtelle

will grieve for we will never be able to spend together but we know he was just thankful everyone who Bird and



Jon and Aaron Sawtelle

the loss of a wonderful man and the times ready and we left nothing unsaid. I am for the years we did have with him. To knew him there were two symbols, his T-monkeys. At his funeral Jon and son, Aaron, drove the T-Bird and parked it in front of the church. At the service a "doctor" monkey stood watch. It was a lovely tribute to a wonderful man who was dedicated his life to medicine in Santa Barbara.



We decided to sell our home and downsize anticipation of retirement. It was a hard decision as we loved the home, the the first part of the year was taken up in listing the house and trips; one of them was to St. Augustine in February to see Mike and Washington DC on a visit to St. Augustine.



in Mike with Nancy & Mike Leaveck

beautiful yard and our neighbors. It seems getting ready to sell. We did take a few day Nancy Leaveck who were down from



In June Susan went to Santa Barbara for a visit with her parents and to spend a weekend with two of her friends, Jennifer Tobia and Rae Pulver. They spent an absolutely wonderful weekend in Cambria where they went wine tasting, sight seeing, shopping and just catching up.

Rae Pulver, Jennifer Tobia & Susan

Hillary, Diana, Susan, Elizabeth and Nadine



Susan with Elizabeth, Craig and Emma.

We had a mini birthday party at Zuma Beach to celebrate several birthdays: Trish's and Diana's on June 13th, Elizabeth's on June 14th, and Susan's mom, Nadine's on June 16th and Hillary's on July 26th. It was great to see Sherry, Trish and all the grandkids, even if it was for such a short time!

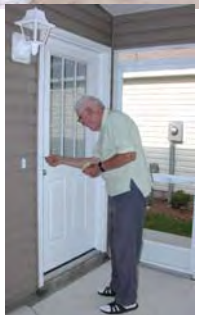
Calylla

Mike's step-dad, Claude moved back to The Villages and less than a mile from us. We are really enjoying having him back. Here he is unlocking his new house for the first time.



Claude

now lives



August and September brought hurricanes to Florida. Although we felt three of the four, we sustained no damage. These pictures were taken from the lanai at the back of our house.



Even though Daddy's death dampened the end of the year it ended on a very positive note. It seems as one life ends another begins. My niece, Jill Ramirez, gave birth to a son, I zayah on December 17th. Also, on Christmas day my nephew, Justin Ramirez, down on his knees, proposed to his girlfriend, Melissa, she accepted and they will marry this coming June. He is a fireman in El Paso, TX and I understand he and the crew drove the fire truck up to the house with lights flashing and sirens blaring to the surprise of Melissa.



Sadly Seeni is no longer with us. Moloko, though has become the "king of the roost" and now rules the house!

Wishing you all the best during 2005.

With Love,

Mike and Susan



Seeni



Moloko

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