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Dear friends and family,

Happy holidays! We hope you are doing well! We've spent our year adjusting from having one mobile offspring to two. Colleen is now three and a half and Anna is now one and a half. Their energy is amazing and just when you've figured them out, they change on you.

Donna's niece Eileen graduated from high school in May so all of Donna's brothers, aunts, uncles, and cousins got together to celebrate in Philadelphia. The highlight of the trip for Colleen was the giant bouncy house that was in the backyard for two days. (She did stop jumping to eat and sleep.) We took a side trip to Hershey Park to ride lots of roller coasters and eat loads of chocolate.



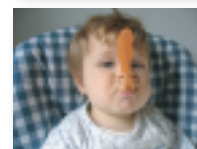
In August we traveled to Minnesota to see Matt's family. His parents returned from living in Uganda for two years and it was great to welcome them back. The girls enjoyed picking up apples, chasing frogs, and drinking homemade apple juice. Anna discovered the joys of running around the kitchen island and learned how to make funny faces with Uncle Walt. Colleen liked swinging on the deck and making up songs with Grandma Ruth. Both girls loved going down to Aunt Bonnie's basement office and saying hi to everyone. Uncle Walt gave us a tour of a Minneapolis fire station and the firefighters' training grounds. Colleen and Anna also had a great time climbing up on the tractors and chasing the kitties while we said our farewells to the Scherer farm.



Over labor day we camped at Yosemite National Park. The girls had a blast! Our campsite was right next to the Merced river so they spent most of their time collecting rocks and splashing in the river. We introduced Anna to s'mores and the girls enjoyed chasing squirrels and watching the deer.



Colleen has learned so much this year and seems so grown up at times. This year she started preschool two days a week and really enjoys it. She also loves her gymnastics and Spanish classes. She continues to sleep with seven kitties every night and likes to ride the tricycle around the block.



Anna has reached many milestones this year—learning to walk, talk, and attempt to do everything her big sister is doing. She is really into shoes, looking at the moon, and playing with water. She's very good at nodding her head vigorously when she likes something. She continues to stumble her way through the world and accepts her daily falls with grace.



Donna went back to work part time in September and has been enjoying the flow of work and having adult conversations that don't (necessarily) involve children. She works as a contractor for PalmSource and is learning a lot about mobile devices. Matt surprised her on her birthday with an overnight trip to San Francisco to see cirque de soleil and in April she had a wonderful time visiting with friends in Seattle while Matt watched with the girls.



Matt continues to work at Yahoo! where he's trying to help a half billion people recognize and connect with each other. He continues to design board games and come up with interesting projects for the girls. They have white board time together almost every day and he is gradually brainwashing them with a deep appreciation for game mechanics.



We hope you and your family have a wonderful holiday, and the best in 2007.

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