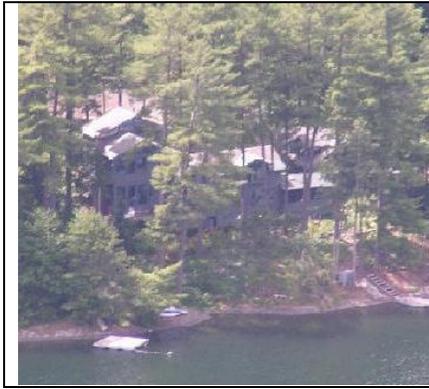


HOLIDAY GREETINGS 2008



Family We have a wonderful family, who were a terrific support during our cardiac events. Karen's oldest is Ryan, a sophomore at the University of Denver and Sara and Caitlin are in High School. David's Owen and Kyle are also in High School. Eric's Alexei is home schooled. Amy, who received a Masters Degree from CCSC earlier this year has Aleksey in Middle School. Karla's Zach and Erin are both in Elementary School.



Don's Cousins Doris has moved from Virginia to the Lexington C C in Ft Myers, the same complex in which her twin sister Dulcy has a home. We see both of them once a month when we are in Florida. Here they are at the performance of the Capitol Steps. They are now 80.

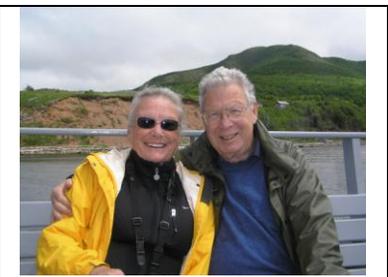


Egypt In early March we flew to Cairo with Steve and Sandy Earl, Jack and Bev Grald, Anne Holland and David Westring for two weeks. We spent 5 days at the Marriott and toured the Cairo area and Alexandria. We then flew to Luxor and boarded a small ship and spent 7 days on the Nile before flying from Aswan back to Cairo for our last night.

East Coast We drove back to Vermont from Naples in May so we could visit Longwood Gardens and other beautiful places in the Wilmington Delaware area.



Nova Scotia In June we flew to Halifax and spent a week touring the scenic Cabot Trail on Cape Breton Island. We also enjoyed Bird Watching and Whale Watching cruises.



Gray After our cat Gray died in October 2006, we have been catless. Upon our return from Nova Scotia in early July, we adopted a two year old male from the Addison County Humane Society. He is a great replacement and resides at Amy's when we travel.

Heart Attacks In August, Mary was swimming across our lake, as she usually does with the "turtles", and felt fatigued on the return and was helped to shore. She was not aware she had a heart attack and did not get to Dartmouth Hitchcock until late afternoon where she had 2 stents inserted. The delay in getting her to Dartmouth probably caused her to be there 27 days. Don then had a small heart attack in Naples in late October and had 3 stents inserted. He is now one up. We are the first couple taking cardiac rehab together at Rutland Hospital.

We continue to spend at least three months (January, April, and November) at our condo in Florida, the summers at Beebe Pond, and traveling. Mary swims across the lake with the turtles and is busy as president of the Lake Beebe Property Owners' Association, while Don goes to bridge tournaments.

We wish you all a wonderful holiday season and look forward to seeing friends and family who come to Vermont to enjoy the wonders of the season and the winter ahead.

Don and Mary Sondergeld

