



Tom and Ruth continue to do well in Random Lake, WI. They came up north a little more often than previously, and went on vacation to St. John's, and are planning a trip to the Bahamas in January. Violet is now three. She is into everything, and discovered a love for Spiderman. Link is in Eighth Grade, where he is enjoying playing baseball, football, and now basketball. Link will be Confirmed in the coming year. The family loves their new puppy, "Tango", which is a Coton de Tulear. Very cute.



Mark and Marcie continue to enjoy life in Monroe, WI. They took on a big remodeling project in their home. Mark is now the Head Hospitalist, which has been a challenging transition for Marcie and the kids. Luke will be two at the end of the month, and excitedly keeps up with his big sister and brother. Emma will be 5 years old in February. She is shining in K-4. She does ballet, swimming and gymnastics. Jack is in First Grade and likes basketball, football and karate. In addition to making it up north, they also took a family trip to Pompano Beach, and Disney.



In Rockford, IL, John took on a new Position as the Manager of the ICU. He turned 40 in August. Julie and John worked on landscaping, and getting a bedroom painted, furnished and ready for Olivia to have her own room. They were able to spend more time than usual up north this summer. Ava is in Second Grade, and with a lot of hard work, the studies are starting to click. Olivia is in Fifth Grade, and involved with the school choir, gymnastics, and cheerleading. Jake is in Sixth Grade. He continues to do



amazingly well in Little League Baseball, and is on the school basketball team. His video-game creations of virtual worlds are amazing.



Barb and Dave, in addition to getting up North a little more than usual, kept busy with church, visiting the kids and keeping the house and yard in order. In April, Barb went on a trip to Utah with her friend Sue. Barb and Dave enjoyed a Dave Matthew's Concert in June, and a fantastic trip to Portugal in late November. Because of the nice people, great food, amazing sites, and perfect weather, perhaps this was the best place we have traveled to yet. The highlight of the year was gathering with many of you, at the Kremer (Barb's side of the family) Family Reunion held in Iowa in June.



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