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HAPPY NEW YEAR !

Last January we headed for Florida and the AMS convention. This year we're off to Los Angeles...but before we get going again we want to get this greeting off to you...Late it may be...but sent with love and the hope that you are glad to find something in the mail box that isn't a bill...or your income tax form

The boat still is at the dock, and under sail as much and as often as we can manage. This last year she has felt slightly neglected and with good cause...We hope to see the sails set more often in this new year. We had the Dickerson winter rendezvous on land in February in Philadelphia, came in second in class in the race in June, celebrated the 10th anniversary of St. Michaels weekend...were in Oxford and other points on the Eastern shore...but not often enough.

Travel...that's what we did most of...Europe in spring, summer and fall, staying a month or more each time. Dave worked at WMO while I set up housekeeping. Last time we were fortunate in getting an apartment in Ferney-Voltaire (France) that we hope we can get again.....Our travels included England, France, Switzerland, Scotland and Germany.

Martha and Kelley moved from Annapolis to Frederick in March. Kelley started Kindergarten in Frederick in September, Martha is busy with her day care center job. We miss them, but see them on occasional weekends and holidays. Molly got a tremendous job promotion and works in Crystal City. Peggy moved home from California in July. She is doing very well in Annapolis free-lancing as a legal secretary. She and I joined Dave in Geneva the end of July. We went to Paris and Ladenburg (Germany) together while Dave was off on business trips. Peggy's first introduction to Switzerland was the trip to Murren the day we arrived! We went from Switzerland to England and home from there.

With two trips to Nantwich (England) and a tour of Scotland with Nora and Mac, it was fun to have them here and with us for sailing in October. Their first grandchild, Allison, was christened in November with both families in full attendance...a grand celebration...

Dave and I celebrated our 10th wedding anniversary in France. We had a lovely, quiet dinner with Gordon Cartwright who was our best man, if you remember!

Dave's work continues to provide us with these wonderful opportunities for adventure. In addition to the trips above, he was in England in January, Boulder in February...bought this great computer-word-processor (talk about adventure!) in March, and went to RCA in New Jersey in March, July and August (yes, he had to fly back from Geneva for the last one)...plus the three other trips to Europe.

We arrived home from Geneva December 20th to find that Peggy had cut, put up and decorated the Christmas tree....a wonderful welcome! We celebrated on December 29th with the family all together. All of the Christmas cards were here waiting, so we had a great time catching up on news from you!

And again we wish you a happy 1985.

Pep and Dave