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A FAMILY ON THE MOVE

Another year, another address. Yep, we've moved, and for some of us (the ones named Jim) this is an annual occurrence. We're hoping to end this tradition, though, as we have just ordered our new address labels.

The dust is just about settling now from our move to El Dorado Hills, and we've unpacked the last (well, second-to-last) box. You can see that box in the picture below.



If you spilled eggnog on the envelope this card came in, here's our new address:

Jim and Jennifer Meyer
3125 Kensington Drive
El Dorado Hills, CA 95762
(916) 933-4172
e-mail: jim@grounder.com and
jentaps@grounder.com
web: <http://www.airy-persiflage.com>

Jen Loses Job

In a dramatic reversal of fortune, Jennifer lost the job she had so proudly found just a year before. Or, more accurately, the job lost her—and everyone else—as Live Networking transitioned into Dead Networking. Jennifer was not available for comment, as she was busy being featured in the next story.



Jen Finds Yet Another Job

Not to worry, though; Jen landed a position with Intel as a... as a... wait... an IT Solution Publisher, who squeezes in some technical writing while those solutions bake.

Bridget Leaves School

Family and friends alike were stunned when Bridget, at the tender age of ten, announced that she was leaving school.

Then we remembered that she was merely transferring from her old school—St. John's Notre Dame School—to Lake Forest Elementary School, conveniently located across the street from our house.



Here's Bridget all packed and ready to go.

Jen Takes a Week Off

Not content to slave away day after day at her (relatively) new job, Jennifer decided to regale us all with tales of a pain in her right lower quadrant. As luck would have it, her convincing portrayal of a Woman with Appendicitis won her a trip to the operating room and a week off from work. A fine time was had by all, and she got out of all of her normal heavy lifting chores for a good month.

Holidays!

JIM DOES NOTHING OF NOTE

Not to be outdone by the rest of the family, Jim did absolutely nothing newsworthy. "I couldn't think of anything new," he said, "so I figured I'd stick to the tried-and-true."

The Bright Lights of Brooklyn

We finally made it out to New York in July. It was Jen and Bridget's first visit to the Big Apple, and everybody had a great time. There were haircuts in Chinatown, plays on Broadway, and even rock-and-roll in Tillstock.

Here we are on Liberty Island, with the island of Manhattan—the way it used to be—behind us. We're glad we got the chance to go when we did, and are even more thankful for everything—and everyone—we still have.



We look forward to a great year. Bridget loves her new school, Jen loves the new house, and Jim was last heard yelling "I have to go fix the..." as his voice trailed off into the garage.

The spare bedroom is all set up, the coffee's made, and the cats are on their best behavior. So if you're in the area, drop by! And from all of us to all of you, have a joyous holiday and a happy New Year!

