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As we enjoy getting back to the new normal, we took a June vacation to Pawleys Island to spend time with friends and family. We were accompanied by Megan, Tyler, Lucas, Kelly, and Austin. Austin made a dinner for Kelly and picked up flowers for a romantic dinner. We threw the food and flowers into Austin's car. Austin whisked Kelly to a romantic spot and proposed to Kelly. She accepted and we will now have a new man in the family. After vacation Austin drove to Orlando to start his new job at Disney.

Andy, Vicki, and Kelly returned home to finalize selling Kelly's house. Vicki and Kelly drove to Orlando with her new car along with her cat and Austin's German Shepherd. The car broke down on a more isolated stretch of 95 S. A wonderful state trooper came to their rescue. They waited 2 days for an alternator and finally made the trek to Orlando.

Megan started back to teaching towards the end of August. Tyler remains working at home. Lucan really likes to go to school (they call it that instead of daycare).

Vicki has been dragging Andy around for our geocaching hobby. We took road trips to Ohio and New York to find hidden caches that were placed in the year 2000. If you visit our web site <u>WWW.RERKO.COM</u> and click on "Geocaching Stats" you can see what we have been up to.

Andy continues with his household projects. We have been working on house projects which include a whole house generator, solar paneling and landscaping for the front yard. Vicki was happy with a kitchen dinette set and patio furniture. Andy had a small portable generator which ran on propane at the old house for power outages. He planned to have an automatic whole house one connected to the natural gas line installed. With all of the power outages going on in the country, it might be a good











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We had our annual Halloween Party, the second one in our new house.





We celebrated Thanksgiving giving at Megan's in-laws, Amy and Dennis Farren. Vicki got off easy this year by making homemade pies and cranberry sauce.

We recently celebrated Lucas's birthday with a Thomas the train theme. The family attended the party along with Lucas's school mates. Andy made a rocking dinosaur for Lucas

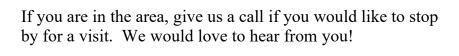






Our second Christmas, since moving to new house will not be here. We, along with Megan, Tyler, and Lucas will be together with Kelly and Austin in Florida for the week of Christmas.

Just a little tidbit. We have had a Christmas Cactus for many years. It has been amazing that it always bloomed around Christmas. The year before last it did not bloom at all. Last year it bloomed a week before Thanksgiving. It is the second year in the new house and it is back on schedule. There are several new blooms getting ready to open for Christmas this year!





We wish everyone a safe and healthy new year and hope we can keep on the path back to normal

Merry Christmas!

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