

Merry Christmas

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Marty's Random Thoughts

It is Christmas time again. It is time to reflect of the past year and to thank people.

This has been a good year. I am finishing my 19-year at Knaack where I work. It had a good for us in the IT department. We finely got our new computer room that requested so many years ago. We were working so tight in the old computer room that I figured a lot of the problems were because of the shortage of electricity and an air-conditioner that just could not keep up it started to warm up outside. The weather helped us with that. A couple months ago we started moving in to the new computer room. We also got a work/storage area where we put all of our stuff. We have been real busy so we have a long way to go to get it all together. We are working on it is going slow.

Enough for work. I started to de-clutter you who know me know that I almost never get rid of any thing. I use to say, "You never know. I might need that is 20 years. I have lived here since May of 1988, fifteen years. That means some of the stuff I have sitting around the house had been in the same spot since I moved in. Well, that is changing. I got ones of those big garbage tots a couple months ago and I have been slowly getting rid of stuff. I found stuff that I do not remember when I got it. And other things I don't why I didn't toss it years ago. Oh, yes I do remember. I might want to use that thing in the next 20 years. I am slowing getting rid of the clutter. I either donate it or trash it. So if you looking for some thing let me know. I might have it. And if I do have some thing you might want, I might just give it to you. One thing I noticed is that I have had about 8 full tots and 2 porches for donate stuff and I am still having trouble getting around the clutter. I am just plugging away. Maybe in 20 years it will be de cluttered.

I bought an old motorhome last year. I have fixed many things it since July 2003. I may have put too much money into it. It is a 22-foot, 1971 Winnebago Indian. It has been fun working on to get it safe and have the engine run a little better. I have had to get parts form all over the country. And I have not had time to go much of any where with it. I have been on a couple 50-mile trips checking it out but that is about it. I only have a few minor things to take care of now. So maybe next years I will be able to try traveling a little.

Mike, my brother, got married this year while he was in Germany this year. Welcome to the family Petra. Mike and Perta have been wondering all over the world for the last year and half. Petra and Mike and not knows as Snow Birds. North in the summer to cool down and South in the winter to warm up.

My sister mover to Marie and AL moved to Penn. from Ohio. Marie's oldest just moved into a new house. With 4 kids her and Axle were of moving room. I'm not sure about Erik and John. Haven't heard about them lately. Brother Cork and Diane still live here in town. And 2 of their kids still live in town. Chillie lives in Wisconsin; Betsy is planning to merry next year. Jeremy still lives a block down the street from me. If you are in town at night drive by his Christmas lights. My other two sisters are still living in Kansans. Aunt Annie is doing well and sill lives in Greenwood in the house with her son Jim and his wife Cathy.

On the back of this letter is a picture near where Mike & Petra are spending some the cold weather time.

Well I decided to keep this one page so Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Marty

PS: It is time to check your Smoke Detector Battery.

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