



# BORK HOUSE UPDATE



## OUR LOMA LINDA HOME

Convenient to all important necessities of life and health, close to our immediate family and the church, many friends nearby, a comfortable home, enjoyable Southern California weather (most of the time), a lovely view of snow on the surrounding

mountains (sometimes), a short drive to the ocean, the desert and mountains (45 – 60 minutes), and with two cats, four orange trees, fig and guava in the back yard -- we live the good life! The only thing missing is

**YOU—OUR FRIENDS THROUGH THE YEARS.** We miss you!

Come visit! We promise clean sheets, a bowl of soup and a warm welcome.

WE OPENED THE 2013 FILE OF FAMILY ACTIVITIES TODAY AND FOUND IT FAT AND OVERFLOWING WITH GOOD MEMORIES. IT'S BEEN A GOOD YEAR! THIS IS WHAT WE ARE THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON OF 2013:

### PAUL, the husband, the father, the Opa

Paul is finishing his 89th year of life. You are invited to drop in during his 90th birthday Open House January 12, 2014. He's well physically with no serious diseases or handicaps, weighs 140 pounds, down 20 pounds from career days, with a healthy appetite that always includes lots of fruit and nuts. His daily schedule includes short walks — very erect and dignified-looking with his cane -- watering the plants, helping around the house, short naps and faithfully studying the Sabbath School lesson. Three times a week we attend an exercise class at the Loma Linda University gym. He loves being with family especially his sons, their wives and his grandchildren. Advising grandson Max on his China decision was very rewarding for him, and Katie he simply adores. His roots were watered this year by a visit from his Brazilian niece Ruth — always a joy for him -- and by niece Ivone and her husband Aldo who now live nearby.

### NORMA, the wife, the mother, the Oma

This was her 83rd year of life. She's well and everything works more or less the way it's supposed to. She takes no Rx meds and except for an occasional headache and growing forgetfulness is doing fine. The exercise classes help keep her limber (well, somewhat). Her interests haven't changed much through the years; the stock market (waiting for GE and T and VZ, etc., to make us rich), politics (way too few Democrats in Loma Linda), our family and flowers. Working with plants for an hour most mornings brightens her day -- and supplies vitamin D. She is a member of three local boards that deal with problems she cares about; women's equality, children, and Ireland. Early in September she spent a few days with brother Jim and his family in Grosse Ile, Michigan, but our travel now is mostly limited to Oceanside, where we once lived and still enjoy, and Pasadena to visit Terry's family.



## PAUL KEVIN, THE LOVING SON, THE HUSBAND

Paul had a big year in 2013. He was celebrated with a banquet and fat check for 35 years as an employee of Loma Linda Medical Center. He is so well known there that we are often referred to and introduced as "Paul's parents" rather than by our own names. It was also the year of his and Susan's 25th wedding anniversary. Currently he serves as Head Deacon in the church he and Susan have attended for more than 25 years. In the family he is known as the "foodie" who can be depended on to devise the menus for parties and to tell you which restaurants you might enjoy in the area. Because Susan is needed at the church Friday evenings he often spends that time with us playing his collection of sacred music CDs. Paul is always ready to help when we need him.

## SUSAN, THE DAUGHTER-IN-LAW, THE WIFE

Susan, still petite (around 100 pounds!) and always tastefully dressed, is fully engrossed with family and church activities. The church she and Paul attend, the Mission Street SDA Church, has a very active social and spiritual schedule and Susan plays an important role in much of it. She currently serves as Sabbath School Secretary, head of audio, and as a part-time paid Assistant to the pastor. Susan is noted for never forgetting a birthday and for the beautiful and message-appropriate cards she chooses for the gifts she gives family and friends. We're always happy she is part of our family.

## TERRY, THE SON, THE HUSBAND, THE FATHER

Terry enjoys being a judge, ("The show doesn't start 'til I arrive"), We urge him to look upward toward the Supreme Court, but, he tells us, he likes the daily variety and drama of criminal cases. His courtroom has become a tourist destination for visiting friends and relatives who take the train to L.A., walk a few blocks to the Court House -- no driving, no parking, no hassle -- just watch the court action for awhile then lunch with the judge! Terry is always very good to us; ready to help whenever and wherever we need him. We keep an active "Terry-to-do list" for his visits. Hard to believe he is 58 years old!



## JANE, THE DAUGHTER-IN-LAW, THE WIFE, THE MOTHER

In addition to Paul Kevin, we're also known at Loma Linda Medical Center as being inlaws to Dr. Jane Bork, Infectious Disease Specialist, Coordinator of clinics, teacher of medical students, and several other titles. We're very proud of her many-layered contribution to children's welfare and her profession -- and we also enjoy her often-shared cooking and baking! In the family she is famous for home-made jam, palmito pie, pumpkin bread, and many other goodies. Terry did well when he found Jane.





## KATHERINE JANE, THE GRANDDAUGHTER EXTRAORDINAIRE

Kate turned 21 this year; more beautiful and as sweet as ever. She's a senior in Pepperdine University majoring in Art History. This interest was born during her sophomore year in Florence Italy and was nurtured as she interned and worked part-time at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art. Kate shares an apartment near her university with a girl friend and is in a relationship with a fine young man she has known and worked with for several years. We're watching that relationship with interest . . .



## PAUL FRANCIS MAXWELL, THE BRILLIANT GRANDSON

This was a big year for Max. We applauded as he acted major roles in high school productions, cheered his business acumen as he became a sought-after DJ for parties and school events, and we beamed with pride when he graduated. The big question then was which college he would choose. Offered an impressive four-year scholarship he

chose New York University's new four-year American university in Shanghai China! A great opportunity for him – but it's a long way away! We'll see him soon for Christmas to catch up. Stay tuned; this young man will continue to make us all proud.



## THE USUAL SUSPECTS

This picture, taken at a getting-to-be-annual family picnic in the park includes those Terry early dubbed "The Usual Suspects" -- a title that is code for those invited to local family group celebrations. They include: niece Crystal Hardy and her two children Jaden and Lianna, Sharon & Marlin Dolinsky, Aldo & Ivone Carvalho, Jane & Terry, Barry, Synnove, Gary and Anne Golden, Paul & Susan, niece Sandy and Mark Umek, John & Carol Ruffcorn, George and Joan Summers,

and us. Visiting that day were Brazilian nieces Ruth Costellani and Adriane Rosa.