

# Sisco Christmas Letter

from Mike, Dorine, & Eddie

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27<sup>th</sup> Edition



## Merry Christmas Everyone,

We hope you had a good year. Ours started out with a BANG when Eddie fell out of bed and broke his elbow. It was a bad break, but surgery went well. Unfortunately, what should have been 2-days in the hospital turned into 2 months of hospital and skilled nursing/rehab stay.

Eddie got a bad case of *stevens johnson syndrome* from antibiotics they gave him. He was tough but it was a difficult and painful ordeal for him. Required a long recovery time because he wasn't able to use his left arm to transition to/from chairs and bed.

The remainder of our year has been fairly normal after Eddie's two months of home rehab he needed once we finally came home. Bailey and 'Lil Bit were so happy to get back to "our normal" like we all were.

## Eddie's View

Hola, ¿cómo estás?  
My favorite way of saying, "Hello, how are you?". You probably didn't know I had 3 years of Spanish when I was younger.



Breaking my arm was a bummer but the positive side was that I made some great new friends, plus I met some pretty girls in the hospital and at NHC. They apparently liked visiting my room.



Eddie keeps on smiling

## Dorine's Corner

I spent the start of the year with Eddie in the hospital or at NHC, a skilled nursing facility we used for his recovery. He had amazing nurses and techs in the hospital and at NHC. We are very grateful for them and their level of care.

As always, Eddie schmoosed the nurses and techs and made some great friends.

In June, I attended my nephew, Philip's, wedding in Jacksonville, FL. Alex is a great girl and Philip's daughters (Ella & Lily) love her very much.



Had my normal birthday bashes with my best girl friends who live here in Columbia. They are like sisters to me we are so close, , and this year we did not try to burn down a hotel.



Last year's XMAS Theme "Santa Props"



Evan, Katie, Kathy & Dax with Dorine & Eddie

## Mike's World

Hello Gang,  
It has been a good year, not unlike some we have had in the past, , full of challenge, a few rewards, and continual efforts to help others in the IT Manager world.



No travel this year, first time I can remember this since my career started in 1977. Dorine is about ready to kick me out of the house, I think.

We lost 3 men this year who had impact on my life. Will miss them all:

CD Aydelott – an uncle who loved golf as much as I do and who I would caddy for as a youngster. Shot his age many times, the rarest feat in golf.

Ed Hunt II – a retired Marine. Dorine and I got to know Mr. & Mrs. Hunt while stationed in Hawaii. We named Eddie after their son.

Bryan Hathcock – My first IBM manager and one of the best I've worked for, a great role model.

On a positive note, we got to see my 1<sup>st</sup> cousin, Sandy Vicnair when she flew in for Uncle CD's funeral. I had not seen her since 1969 when I stopped in Houston for a visit while hitchhiking to California during my Marine Corps days.



Sandy (1<sup>st</sup> Cousin)  
& Uncle Bobby

One of the special things I have an opportunity to do is to go have lunch with my Uncle Bobby most weekends. We usually go to the Junkyard Dog in Hohenwald and sometimes even venture out to a new spot. One of my favorite times is a 6:00am breakfast at Cracker Barrel after he spends the night with us.

## BONUS AREA

I had mixed feelings about doing a Newsletter this year; not sure our XMAS card recipients really care about the stuff we put in it. Let us know what you think so we can decide about next year.



Uncle Bob gives us tips



Mark gets a shot



Bailey  
& 'Lil Bit



Evan & Katie chill out



The Marbets, The Siscos, The Popes  
Dinner at River Terrace