

Merry Christmas 2002 ...



Beth, Charlotte & Jeff

Captiva on the way back.



Start of Wreckers' Race, Key West



Yearling osprey in Captiva

In May we took Amtrak to visit Beth, Jeff and "The Bump" in Connecticut. In July we helped Millie celebrate her 90th. We repeated the trip in November to inspect the new arrival: *most satisfactory!* Congrats, Mom & Dad!

Katie and Matt hosted and cooked Thanksgiving Dinner



Katie & Matt checking on the Turkey



Chris at Xmas 2001

this year. Wonderful! We



Tim, Roger & Carolyn at Thanksgiving

The year 2002 was highlighted by the arrival of our first grandchild, Charlotte James Sekera, on October 29, 2002, to Beth and Jeff. She arrived at 7:58 AM and weighed 5 pounds 14 ounces. As we write this, some 6 weeks later, she's almost doubled her weight!

We were able to go to Key West in January and stopped in



The Killaly Chasm—beavers caused washout on the road to our camp in Desbarats



Charlotte & Grandma Marcia napping

were able to make five trips to Desbarats this year between June and October. We love the place but we should be getting Frequent Driver Miles from Jeep! Think we should just stay longer?

After years of surviving our ancient cloth-covered Den chairs (you know,



Grandpa Ted at work

they worked...), we finally bought some new leather ones. Now, Tazzie the cat

doesn't like them—not soft & fuzzy.

Marcia is still active in real estate with Koenig & Strey GMAC. We're both still on the Board of the [Lake Forest Preservation Foundation](#). Ted also joined the City's Elawa Farm Commission and, later, the [Elawa Farm Foundation](#) established to raise funds for the restoration and adaptive reuse of this 1920's gentleman's farm.

Please visit our web page at www.Desbarats.com to see more photos.

E-mail us at M&T@Desbarats.com!

Y2K Plus Two is almost through!

We wish you and your loved ones a Merry Christmas!

May the New Year bring you happiness in every aspect of your life!

Love,

Marcia

Ted



... And a Happy and Peaceful New Year 2003!