

Dear Mary and Jonnie,

12/21/84

Thanks for your card and the invitation.

How I wish we could get up there. Or almost anywhere!

I've not been able to drive out of Frederick since 1977. I'm not to let the left leg be dependent for more than 20 minutes at a time, so I can't safely drive more than 20 minutes at a time. And if I forget or overlook the injunctions, simple things can just knock me out. Like an hour ago I stood on the porch and tied up accumulated newspapers for recycling. I'm not supposed to stand still at all and I've not been right since. It has happened before and in time it wears off and I'm back to current par.

Every six weeks the surgeon in Washington checks the leg. I have a ride and the entire back seat, so I can keep the leg up. But that little trip just knocks me out for the rest of the day. (All medical reports are good, by the way. This reminds me, if you have a medical-news editor, might be interested in a drug only recently OKed for the U.S., Trental, by Hoechst-Roussel (approx.) Appears to be a benefit for those with some kinds of ^{air}impaired circulation.)

Lil is fine, albeit with the biggest hematoma on her right forearm. She was tripped against the doorjamb in my cardiologist's office and boy did a lump big as an egg rise up fast! Going down, no permanent damage, and she's been discharged by the orthopaedist. Right now she is busy baking for the holidays. She sends her best to you all.

I'm about to tangle prose with the Reaganuts on the DC federal appeals court, who have again rewritten FOIA through me and by ^{ption}corruption. No lawyer could hope to survive what I'm drafted and will file. The majority is of activists, of fairly extreme views, and whether of either extreme justice and the system of justice cannot survive such activism. Fine for pols, not for judges.

Hope you have the best of possible holidays and coming year,

Dear friends,
you should take
some time off and come
see Niagara Falls. We
have plenty of room.
Hope all is well for you.
We are doing fine.
as ever,

Fannie

and a
very happy
New
Year!

Fannie and Mary