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## The year starts with the Holidays

At the beginning of the year, we find Bonnie and her oldest cousin Roberta under Grandma's grand piano. What they are talking about, only



they seem to know. To find Warren, we travel down into the basement where we find the mad scientists working with bases, acids, and polyacrylamide!

## Warren

Warren finished up his year in kindergarten and this fall started first grade! His class (along with most of the rest of the school) put on a show titled GPS (God's Plan of Salvation.) The new school year finds



Warren in first grade enjoying math and gym. Recess is really his favorite "class" though he didn't say that when he was asked.



Warren is still into Legos. He saved and saved for a special Technic kit. Arthur found the kit he wanted on-line for a good price so Warren ended up not having to save quite as much. The age rating for this kit is 9 and up. Warren had it built in a little over an hour.



## Outside fun

It looks like Warren wanted to swing so badly that he shoveled some space under the swing. Barbara, Bonnie and Warren spent some time building a nice snowman.



This summer was full of both work and fun. Strong winds did some cleaning up at Barbara's mom's house. We find Arthur out surveying the damage and planning his chainsaw attack.

When the weather gets hot, Bonnie and Warren love to play in the water. We do water



balloons, sprinkler, wading pool, water rocket, the beach, and anything else to get wet and cool down. Bonnie likes to make sure that all of the flowers have plenty to



drink.

Warren joined the children's baseball team through church. He got a glove and learned how to catch, throw, and bat. Many of his church pals were part of the four teams. Warren was on the "BLUE" team. And what would baseball be without hotdogs? Warren enjoyed



the last game party with a yummy hotdog.



The whole family went to the Nowthen Threshing show this year. We were joined by Arthur's friend Eric and his son Fionn (who is about Warren's age.)



Warren and Arthur took turns driving the ox plow this year. Both did very well and were told they should come to the Kelly farm for jobs.



Arthur found out that MASA launches rockets once a month from a sod farm a mere 2000 feet behind their house! Bonnie, Warren, and Arthur went to watch the launches one time. It

turns out they have a program for children where they are given a rocket and one engine so they can fly it. Bonnie and Warren were so good that they were each given a second engine. Warren named his orange Alpha rocket "USA." Bonnie named her pink and purple Alpha "Pinkie Fruity Flavor."



The apple harvest was good this year. We enjoyed all sorts of apple goodies that Barbara made: apple sauce, apple pie. We even eat them raw! Bonnie helped with the pies by rolling out the crust.



## Brother and Sister



Warren and Bonnie seem to enjoy doing stuff together. You may not always think so due to the seemingly constant arguing. They both enjoy reading books,



building with block of all sizes, pretending, and just plain running around. Bonnie invented



a game called "The Running Game." Do you think you can guess the rules?

## Bonnie

Bonnie really gets into playing with blocks.

Seriously; into the blocks. She also enjoys helping Barbara out with all sorts of things: making pies, bread, cutting



coupons. She did not want to help with the taxes, however.



When she isn't helping, she is dressing up and singing. Pink seems to be her favorite color. She loves to play with her baby dolls, teddy bears, and other stuffed friends.



## Mama and Papa

Barbara took some time this spring to have her hip fixed. The surgery went well to repair the torn labrum and she was in and out of the hospital in less than 24 hours. Her recovery was a long process involving physical therapy, exercises, several weeks with crutches, hip brace, leg and hip massages, etc....

Arthur has been doing contract work since May for a company in the real-estate business. They seem to like him as they extended his contract for another 6 months.

Barbara got a new computer to replace the 8 year old laptop. She is learning Windows 7 and the Microsoft Office 2010.

Arthur is trying to go paperless as much as he can and got an iPad to help do that. Warren is still pestering him to get Angry Birds on it.

**Happy holidays to all!**

*Arthur, Barbara,  
Warren, & Bonnie*