



Christmas 2018

Duelm Family Newsletter

Merry Christmas!

We hope this festive season finds you healthy, happy, and looking forward to the year ahead. We also hope you enjoy our family tradition of pictures and stories from the past twelve months.

The Nest is Empty!

Brock graduated with his Bachelor of Science in Construction Management from Sam Houston State University. He moved to Baltimore, Maryland to join partner Gina Wadas, who is a Communications Specialist for the Institute for NanoBioTechnology at Johns Hopkins University. Brock joined S. J. Martenet, a 169-year-old surveying firm that has played a part in Baltimore's development since before the Civil War. We are very proud of his accomplishments!



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Pilgrimage

Through a combination of business travel, weddings, and graduations this past year, we were blessed to see all our siblings, nieces, nephews, Brian's parents, and even high school and college best friends. It's been a wonderful twelve months of spending quality time and reconnecting with so many special people we love.

Gig 'em Girl On Board!

Exciting news! Katie and Tony are expecting their first child, a girl, this February. But, don't think pink. Think Maroon! She's our STEM girl (for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) and all roads lead to AggieLand. Tony moved into a new role as Senior at public accounting firm MaloneBailey of Houston, and Katie continues in her role as Managing Editor at Texas A&M University Press.



Excited to be first-time grandparents!

Contact Us At...

We're still at 227 South Crimson Clover Circle in The Woodlands, Texas 77381. Our email address is jbduelm@gmail.com, and home phone number is 281-292-0791. Julie's cell phone number is 713-306-2145. Brian's cell number is 713-417-2852.

Feel the Heat

We stopped off at the Big Island on the way to our niece's wedding in Maui. Seeing a volcano was on our bucket list, and we got more than we expected. Our "no doors" helicopter ride over the lava flow was exciting. But later, after downloading the pictures, Brian noticed something quite unsettling. Yes, that rear-view mirror shows Julie hanging half way out of the chopper to get the perfect shot.



Objects in the mirror are closer than they appear!

Your Evil Future

Julie reprised her role as the fortune teller for our annual community fall festival. As we arrived to set up, a woman with son in tow hurriedly approached and exclaimed "Your prediction for my boy came true!" Our reaction was stunned silence because Julie had no clue what bullshit she had spewed for this young child last year. The woman continued "He's a sports star! Aren't you Billy?" Whew! So glad we removed the "evil" cards from the Tarot deck.



Madame Julie the Fortune Teller



No, that is not a sunset. Just our evening view in Hawaii.

Hell Freezes Over

Our motto has always been that if the landscaping can't tolerate a lack of water, 100° summers, and occasional hurricanes, then the plants have no place on our property. However, we didn't plan for 18 degrees and snow in Houston this past winter. We rewrote our rules for landscaping and requested an estimate to pour concrete over the yard.



The Rest of the Story

Brian continues to work for McKesson, facilitating leadership and team development programs for The US Oncology Network. Julie hung up her stop sign and retired as a crosstitute (crossing guard) for the local school district. While she no longer practices safe intersections, she is now volunteering at a senior care facility. They have no clue what they've signed up for!



**Have a Merry
Christmas!**