Chapter 21

Cypress 24 2006 to 2008







We were now part owners of Cyprus 24. We are 1/7 owner so we have occupancy every seven weeks. Here are our first seven grandchildren.







2006

We had been going down to the beach at Pajaro Dunes each summer over the past few years and had fallen in love with the mile-long sandy beach and this earth.

We had rented many different houses, but the thing we really liked best about Cyprus 24 was a very large main room that you see in the photograph above. There were two bedrooms on the main floor with more sleeping spaces one floor down. There was also a pool table and a fireplace on lower level. That level opened up to a hot tub. Cypress 24 turned out to be a perfect vacation place for us. The large main room provided space for some great Christmas celebrations.







The kids were growing up, eating at their own table and ignoring all the adults and having fun.



10 years ownership, seven times a year, made Cyprus 24 a very familiar vacation spot. It was close enough so that the San Francisco, Los Altos, and Danville families could easily make the trip.

Any house on the ocean requires a fair bit of maintenance



and this one was no exception. Each family paid \$800 a month for maintenance and cleaning.









Five years later we needed to do more work and dues were increased to \$1400 per month. The great features of the house made the expense well worth it.

But on to the beach pictures. We were younger then, Georgia was just starting her life and I was 74 and we were flying kites.



It was our first Christmas at the beach house. Sheila and the kids did a wonderful nativity performance. We bought an artificial Christmas tree that we still have.

There was not a lot of beach this week but it was a wonderful week at Cypress 24.

2007





While the beach was delightful, the hot tub was also a major attraction for the kids. They called this "kid soup." Kerry in a Star Wars costume.



Everyone smiling and waiting for the camera timer.





Maxwell gave us a big smile of congratulations. Jimi was in his favorite reading position.



Cypress 24 that a great round dining table. Here we have all the kids plus a couple of guests smirking at the photographer.



Some of us engaged in somewhat less strenuous activity. We got the grandkids in matching costumes to get a record of June 2007.





We had a full crowd down that June including a few guests. The weather was absolutely beautiful and week.



congratulated each other on the decision to buy part of Cyprus 24.

This turned out to be the big week of that year as the weather was great and

everyone was down there.

It becomes more and more difficult to get everyone together.

Logan showing great form at tennis and Monica organizing some kind of indoor golf activity.



It was a great time for flying a great kite. Peter is basically a professional kite builder.







These pictures show the kids enjoying the beach house.

Next year, in June 2008, we had our first full summer of weeks of Cypress 24. The weather was great.

2008





We had some good surf and major enjoyment by all. All of the kids were getting better at riding their boogie boards. This always seemed like a private beach because it was so many miles long. There was however, a public section with a lifeguard station.





But I should also include one of our action photos from 2007. We call it the flying Georgia. It looks like Kerri was supposed to be the catcher. All parties seem to have survived.



I do want to prove that we did not spend all of our time inside and occasionally could be lured out for beach time.



There was major activity on the beach,

but I see some beach house goers are less active than others.









I found one more picture from late 2008 while we were back in San Francisco and all the kids were willing to pose. I figured I would add it here for another reference point on the rate that they are growing Here is a picture to remind us of the entry to the years at Cypress 24.



The next great time at Cypress 24 was our 50th wedding anniversary in September 2009. The next chapter will be about that great party.