

DOUGLAS FAMILY

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Nov. 11, 1987

Dear Allie,

Stephen telephoned a few evenings ago with the welcome news that you had had a good summer at your island, and were feeling reasonably well.

I also am feeling reasonably well, though I have to be careful not to overdo. Harriet is now in a chronic care hospital, and often very confused.

If she knew I was writing, she would send her love, with mine.

I expect to be in Kingston for a few

hours on Nov. 25th., and shall try to
look in on you for a moment or so.

Much love, and, as the young
people say, "Take care".

Yours ever,
Eugene



Ministerio de Cultura
Managua/Nicaragua

Aug 29/87

Dear Aunt Allie, Paul, Marianne, Alec & Jan,
2 days ago we were in this area of Nicaragua
where most of the cotton is green. Nica is a
very volcanic country with rich growing conditions
and superb scenery. However it is an impoverished
country but not a despairing one. Against
great odds it is trying to not only survive
aggression from the U.S. but trying to build
a society that people are humans and in which
there is hope of work and happiness. The
scenes of country & urban areas are just so
impressional, Aunt Allie, they remind me
of our trip to India. However, Nica. seems
to have a spirit that was lacking in India.
Hope for one all well. See you soon
Love
Lore Harmon + Val

NICA '87
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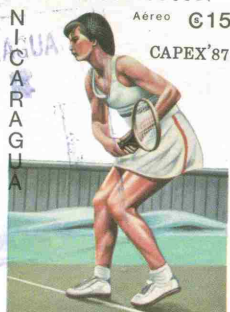


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5th December 1987

My dear Allie

We are poor correspondents but do think you none the less and we wonder how you are. By now I suppose the lake is frozen and you will probably have snow on the ground. Here the last ten days have been dry and cold, but no snow as yet and not much frost.

It seems that we may only have Sarah spending Christmas with us this year, since John and his family are staying at their home in Devon and Pascal is stopping at Greeng. It will be very different from last year when we were all together, with David also. How-
ever we have made so many good friends since we retired here that we don't expect

Needless to say Lou looking forward
to hearing from Sarah how she has been get-
ting on with the considerable job of putting
every thing to rights after all the chaos of the past
2 years; better still I hope to get an acre
it for myself in the spring. The major change
is that she has now reverted to using the
was originally Olga's bedroom ~~interchangeably~~
as her own bedroom. This has meant trans-
ferring the kitchen to one of the small alcoves
off the "parlour" and turning that into the
principle living and dining room. The advantage
is that it is so much lighter and more
easily heated, especially as she has put a
Rayburn stove into it. However she has kept
the centre room with the great hearth just as
it always was - warm and hospitable.

But that's enough of my ^{writing} ~~misad~~
we hope you will have a very happy
with our love Christmas
Ingram & Novick

had a meeting of the Cumbria Trust for
Native Conservation, and finally a dinner party.
I also had to prepare a sermon for Sunday.
So we went on exactly twiddling our fingers!
In fact - I also spent a whole day climbing
with friends in the Lake District.

I mentioned the Cumbria Trust. It
is something in which I have been very glad to
get involved since we came here. There is quite
an active local group of conservation minded
people, including 3 professional botanists
(one quite ^{an} eminent mycologist) a forester
and several fellow ornithologists like myself.
They made me chairman and I am doing
my utmost to get the local farmers inter-
ested and sympathetic because it is they
who have the most influence on our dale
landscape from day to day, and there is no
doubt that even here, modern farming
methods are having a serious effect.

Of course both Tomica and Emma miss some of the advantages of living in a city now we are in the depths of the dale, especially the convenience of being able to go shopping within a few yards of the house. Here we are constantly having to get in the car whether it is to go shopping, to see friends or to pick up Emma from a party or school rehearsal. On the other hand it is sheer delight just to be in this lovely spot, surrounded by the fells, with the farnes and fields and the river to walk beside. I love every moment of it.

Actually we are far from being stay at homes. There seems to be something to take us out almost every night! Last week was just typical. Mon. had 2 choir evenings and a keep fit class, while I had a class on archeology, a meeting of the governors of the Grammar School; and we both

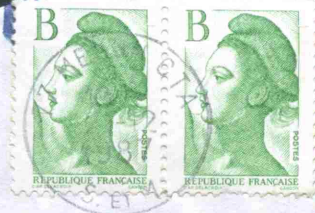
to be on an own for much the time, Meanwhile
Monica's parents are coming up from here later
this week to go to one of the performances of
Emma's school's production of "The Sound of
Music". Emma herself has the lead part but
is having great difficulty in getting rid of a
virus throat infection which seriously affects
her singing: too bad, we just hope she can
manage to do performances.

I wonder if you will be staying
in Kingston for Christmas this year or if
you will go to Pat's & Mary's? I always
think of that wretchedness, and for me never
to be forgotten, Christmas at 20 Kent when
you all welcomed me as so warmly.
What a great time we had; such feasting
and fun. I remember walking through
deep snow to get to the Cathedral on Christi-
mas morning and then skiing on what I
think were the golf links.

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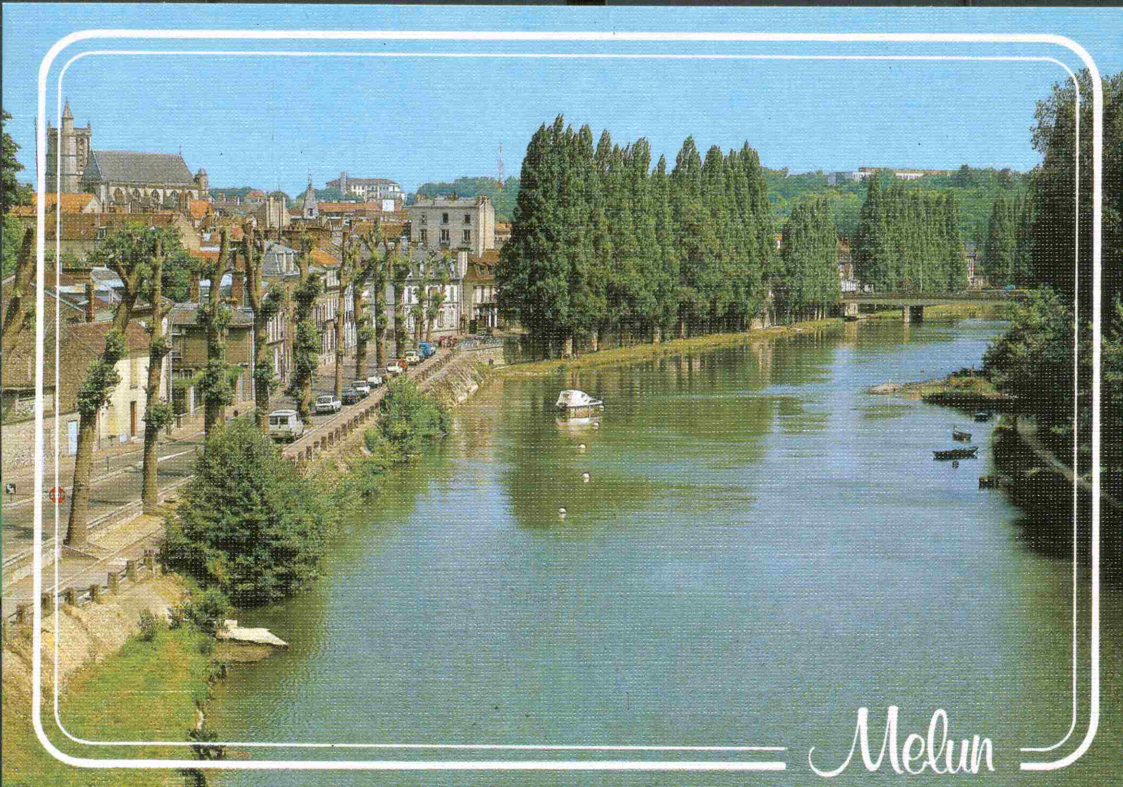
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Melun

21.12.87

REGARD SUR MELUN (Seine-et-Marne) France
Bords de Seine
The banks of the Seine
Ufer von Seine

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Bien cher Alice -
Joyeux Noël !

Bonne et heureuse Année !

Avec mes vœux les plus chaleureux et mes courants
pour la réalisation de ce que tu peux désirer de
meilleur ! Vous nous manquez bien tous les quatre -
Heureusement que nous avons eu la joie de te voir
cette année -

Je t'ai envoyé ainsi qu'à Paul par la banque de
quoi te procurer un petit souvenir de ma part.
Car je ne savais pas ce qui pourrait t'être utile -

Ecris moi si t'en as bien reçu

Je t'embrasse de tout coeur avec

Bonne nuit Alice et ceux qui t'entourent.
Mami

very late!

Carrownacreevy

Beltra,

Co. Mayo.

16.12.87

Dear Aunt Ali,

Christmas has crept up again and as always I'm not prepared for it. In general the last year has been great.

The thatching of the roof took place in April and it looks splendid (I must get a set of photos together to send over).

The outside walls had to be replastered as well but now that they are whitewashed Creevy is her old self once again.

I'm thrilled to be living back in the cottage. A friend gave me a woodburning range which gives out tremendous heat. I am using what was Gogo's bedroom as my main living area as it is big and light.

Since June I have been part of a group working on a Street and Community Theatre project. We were involved in the Sligo Arts Festival an annual event bring music, theatre and art to the town. Our group designed costumes and enacted a childrens short story of the Three Little Pigs, in the street. Now we are preparing for a childrens pantomime piece for January. I'm enjoying it thoroughly especially being part of a group. I've also learnt a few new skills such as still walking and juggling. I don't feel I have enormous potential to become a star! But it is great fun for the meantime.

I plan a trip to Greece in the Spring where a cousin is teaching in Athens. When I return I hope to start a small production in leather articles such as belts and purses large and small. As with so many things here there is always a problem of getting

equipment and materials. I must certainly do some research as far as leather is concerned as it is difficult to choose hides without seeing them.

Tomorrow I am taking the boat back to England to spend Christmas with Nonica and Dad. It will be good to experience those old home comforts - electric blanket, hot bath, T.V.!! I hope it gets very cold then I might even get some skating in.

Hope you have a wonderful Christmas wherever it is.

With much love from

Jack
xxx.

Dec. 18/87-

Dear Dr. Douglas,

I often wonder how you are - I no longer
am able to go to Kingston - since my
friends no longer have children at
Queen's - They have gone on to Post
Graduate work - I also wonder how
Professor Lomer is - whether he is still
able to pursue his intellectual interests -
I see Willy (Dowler) Kellam often - She &
her daughter came to see me last week.
I also see Jackie (Côté) Neathy often -
Her daughter, Nicole, is doing PhD
work at University of Montreal -
I also see my Cousin, Betty (Stewart) Gross
every week -

This is a busy time of year - I really

do not like Christmas and all the
Commercial hub-hub- 2

Last summer, I spent six weeks in
Western Canada - three of them with
friends who work with the Assiniboine
Indians on the Morley Reserve. They
took me to Vancouver by car and we
returned by way of the new road through
the Nicola Valley - very beautiful -

Next summer I'm going to a meeting in
Minneapolis. I intend to talk about the
Apache and the Navaho.

I hope you are well Dr. Douglas and that
you have the company of your nieces and
nephews at Queen's -

With all good wishes for 1988.

Sincerely,

Kathal Stewart



Dear Aunt Allie,

Winter Solstice 87.

12 Wellington Sq.
South Brent,
DEVON TQ10 9AG.

We are here again, another year gone by. Quite long nights and grey days, It has been a gentle december here, seeming to have gone quickly and already we are at the threshold of 1988.

Lisa, Orion and I are strong and happy together, we've traversed many bumps, and now this last year was really a time for consolidating and building our lifestyle together. I have got going with TARA BOOKCRAFTS. I repair a great number of books in leather and such. Also special fine bindings which I create and design using coloured goat skin ~ This is my direction in the craft and I am receiving good acknowledgment and quite some orders.

Orion is 6 now and has beginning to take a hold of the wonderful world around him. We have a good school for him which he really enjoys. Stay warm and Peaceful, with love from John, Lisa + Orion on the edge of Dartmoor.

* Isn't the whale magnificent *

Barn Owl
by Robert Gillmor

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Alvie

Christmas Greetings
and best wishes for
the New Year

With love from

Alvie & Joan.

Deane & Alice. He had a busy start to the year when I
was finishing up the Presidency of an International Association.
But then I retired from all business & board work in
May, & this means no enforced drinking.

We had Margaret over with her Compton husband
& son in April. Then Polly & Barbara & their 3
children in July & then Ray with her 2 boys
& John & Jamie their 3 children in August.

Sarah Cleary looks much more cheerful. She
has a job in Philly & that suits her well.
Creery has a good wife. He has just up
with sheep. Very best love & wishing you
a very happy Christmas

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Très Belles Heures of Jean de Berry.
France, between 1384 and 1402.
The flight into Egypt
p. 106
Miniature by Jacquemart de Hesdin

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Birds are a national heritage and need our protection

*This card is sold in aid of wildlife conservation by
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Allie,

I'm so sorry to hear you
have been having pneumonia
& hope it's over & you are better.

*Christmas Greetings
and best wishes for
the New Year.*

I am just back fr. New
Zealand & am late with
Christmas things. We went
out at night to see the
penguins coming into their
breeding areas & had a
wonderful stary night. It
was strange to see Orion
up-side-down!

Best love

Mary L.



To Aunt Ali,

Wishing you a very Happy Christmas
and all the best for the New Year 1988

With all my love from,

Sarah
xxx.

'The Annunciation'

by Fayek Nicolas

2.20m x 1.60m

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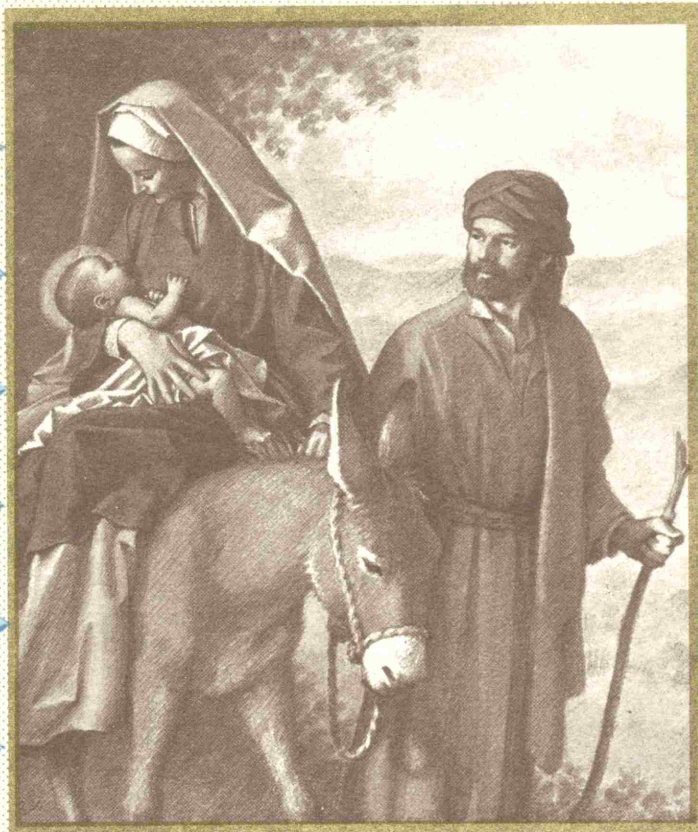


May your birthday
be the special kind
that's filled
with joy and cheer,
And may it leave fond memories
that last throughout the year.

Happy Birthday

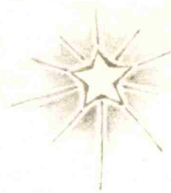
Best Wishes

Jeanne.



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*May this holy time
be one of great happiness
for you*

Dr. Douglas.

Love.

Viola (Kallo)

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Hyge Strauss



Dear Dr. Douglas,

On behalf of the Royal
Astronomical Society of Canada -
Kingston Centre, our members
wish you the Happiest of
Birthdays. All our best
Wishes for the Season's Holidays.

Sincerely,
Sue Knight Sorensen
Secretary, Kingston Centre



I hope you are keeping well.
We are in great form -
celebrated our Golden
Wedding in October in
honor with a dinner
party for 36 with all
the family & their friends
and ours around -
approx 30 to 80, all
going strong.

With love and Best
Season's Greetings

from


Betty & Maurice
Stirling

ESPECIALLY FOR YOU ON
YOUR BIRTHDAY



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Have a wonderful day
and a year
full of happiness



WARMEST BIRTHDAY WISHES

*on your 93rd. birthday!
from Edith Thornton
on behalf of the congregation
of Sydenham St. United Church*



Eric Kincaid

Joyeux Noël !

Heureuse Année !

Avec mes vœux les plus chaleureux,
et mes souhaits pour la réalisation de
ce que tu peux désirer de meilleur
et je t'en brasse de tout coeur

Mami

Ne sachant pas bien ce qui
pourrait t'être utile - je t'envoie
chez ta mère - ainsi qu'à Paul un
peu d'argent pour que vous
choissiez vous mêmes -



CHRISTMAS WISHES

Do hope that you are
keeping well. We are
surviving and hope we
shall be able to wish
you all the best for
years to come.

Audrey, Pat and
family all seem to be
doing very well. Will be
writing to them soon.

Love,
Les & May

Dear Allie,

With best wishes for Christmas
and the coming New Year.

from Mary & Les (Mills - Audrey's
parents)

Season's Greetings



**plus
mark**
CANADA

To Mr. Douglas



And best wishes
for the coming year!

Sincerely

Lois Mae Lead.

We are in the midst of our
first winter storm. It is
really a winter wonderland
at present. However, rain
will soon wash it away.

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To Allie

萬 Season's Greetings

賀 Meilleurs Voeux

新 Felices Fiestas

禧 Tozgpaburoo

Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year! I
hope you enjoy the visit
from the family
Pat Henry

Caspari®

From an original by Karen Fjord Kjersgaard



We are so happy that
through our daughter we
are still in touch and
that our families inter-
mingle.
Mf.

Once again

Season's Greetings and Best Wishes

for a Happy New Year

with affection as always.

MARCELLE AND MILTON RAISBECK



To

Dr. Douglas.

This brings a world of happy thoughts
And warmest wishes, too,
Because this birthday greeting
Is especially meant for you--
May all the nicest things be yours
Now that your birthday's here,
And everything you wish come true
Each day throughout the year!

Happy Birthday
Best wishes on
your birthday.

Donna



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To

Dr. Douglas

with love

Shirley + Joe Brooks

Christmas '57

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Happy Birthday
dear Allie,

Indie & Jannette