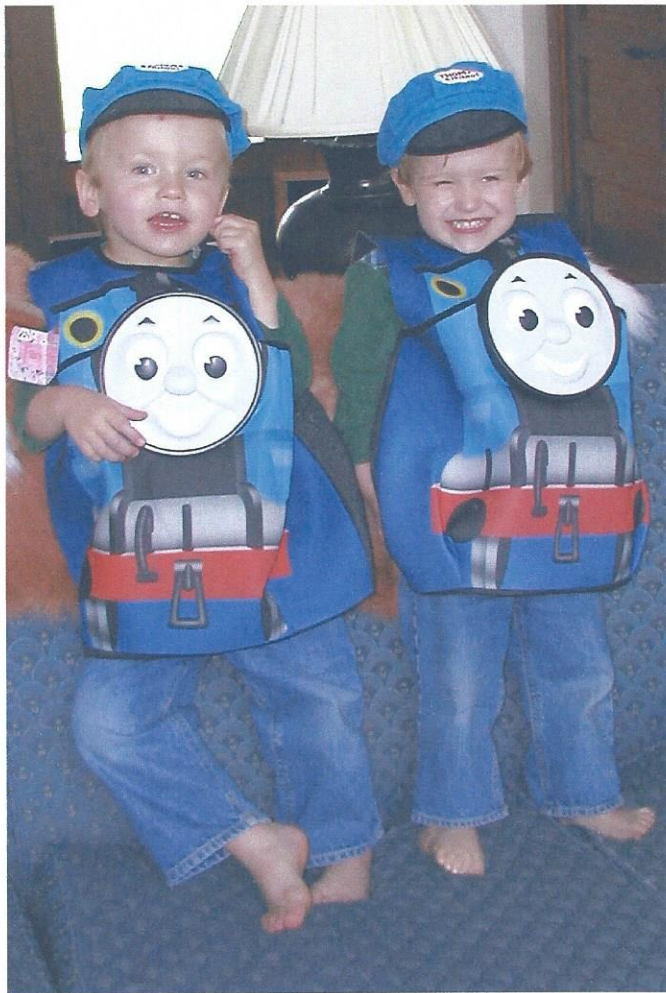
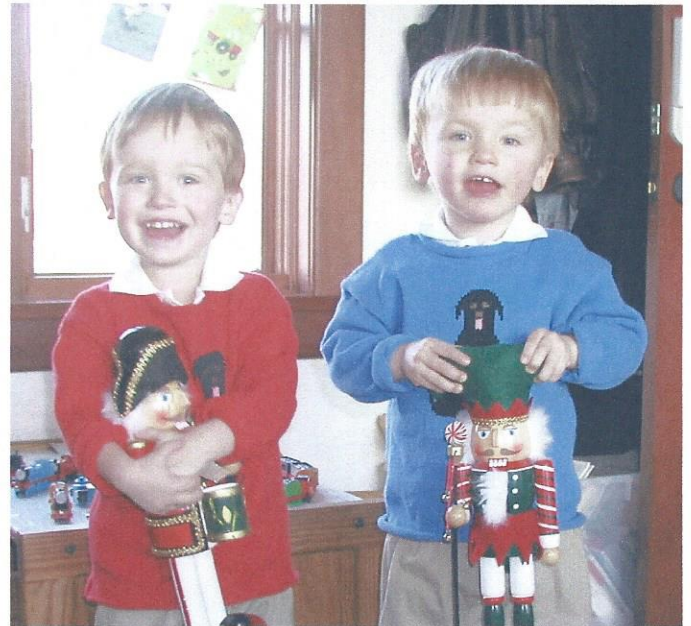


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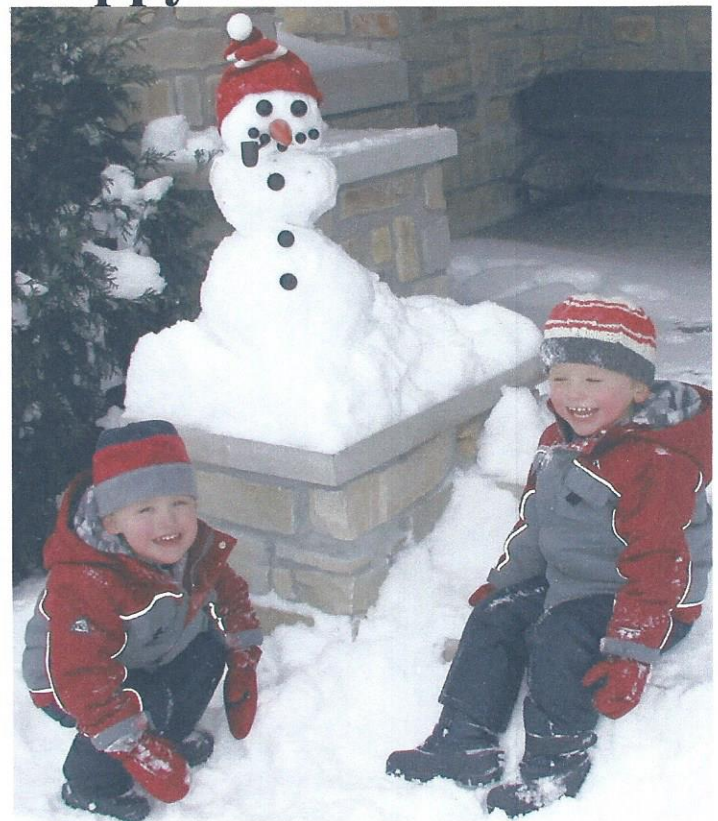
Tom and I hopefully built new brood frames, top covers, bottom boards and telescoping covers in the anticipation of the arrival of three lovely packages of bees from a Georgian apiary. Despite the fact that all three packages arrived in good condition and seemed to take off well with all the appropriate care and treatments, by the end of June, only two of the three hives were doing well and by harvest time, all of the bees were gone!!! I suspect there is a spaceship full of aliens orbiting earth with all of our bees hostage, for nothing else can explain their disappearance!



Fortunately we were more successful raising our two boys—who are sweeter than honey and far cuddlier than a bunch of grumpy bees.



**Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year!**



Love from Aubrey, Beau, Lyse and Tom