

THE RAMKEYS







MAY ALL YOUR DREAMS COME TRUE IN 2017

Lets get our wish for 2017 out of the way

We wish that the world would be a more peaceful place in 2017 and that there will be lesser walls being built everywhere.

Indian economy definitely needs a fillip and hope the budget will provide it. At last, Indian stock markets hopefully will live up to its expectation. US stock markets have run up as if Trumponomics will be great...we surely hope the largest economy does well.

We wish Tom Brady leads the Patriots to their 5th super bowl this year and Indian cricket team will continue with their winning ways.

Ramkey is hoping to further his work in Wealth Management and Coaching while Lakshmi is hoping to bake more often. Kids just want to have fun!!!

Last and never the least, we wish that we get healthier and hope that you will continue to visit us. and remain in touch.



BOYS OUT GOLFING



GIRLS TRIP TO GOA



RALLY OF A LIFETIME

2016 - the road rollers....

We travel because we need to, because distance and differences are the secret tonic to bonding and learning.

JANUARY was a BONDING month. We drove to Poovar with friends and then off we went to Bengaluru to visit family.

Not every trip has to be with family....FEBRUARY was SOLO time. Lakshmi went on an all girls trip to Goa, while Ramkey took off on golf trips to Bengaluru and then to the annual golfing boys trip to Bangkok.

MARCH we were off to Bangkok and Phuket with the family. We had a great time enjoying Thai hospitality.

Short holiday in **APRIL** took us to Coorg with friends. Raskiapriya Fine Arts, where Ramkey is a Managing Trustee hosted a concert by Abhishek Raghuram.

RAMKEY ADDED 2 MORE COUNTRIES TOTALLING NOW TO 65!! 35 TO GO...

MAY the kids had SUMMER vacation. We drove to Kolkata in 2015...so this year we decided to go West....all the way to Mumbai. along the coast. 3442 Kms, staying in 15 different venues, visiting beaches, mountains, rocks, large cities and remote villages, theme parks and golf courses, sites that are about 500 years old to ones that were built just 5 years ago......all in 25 days!! Our longest trip.....YET!!

JUNE was the month for UPSETS. While Cavs' winning NBA champions after being down I-3 was a surprise, the bigger shock was when UK voted 52-48 to leave the EU....come on what were they thinking??

After so much travel and shocks, don't you think we needed to CHILL...thats exactly what we did in **JULY**.

SOME PICS



RASIKAPRIYA 2 YEARS OLD



LAKSHMI & HER RIDE



FRIENDS FOR LIFE



COLLEGE FRIENDS..



2016 - rolling...

AUGUST was the OLYMPICS month with everyone of us watching the Indian women rock the Rio games. We homehosted 2 young lads from Denmark. Lakshmi's brother and his family with his cute little daughter visited Chennai.

LAKSHMI KEPT GOLU FOR NAVARATRI FOR THE FIRST TIME...KIDS HAD FUN!!

SEPTEMBER was VARIETY month. Teachers day, Ganpati Puja, Ramkey's cousins wedding and Rotary kept us all very busy. Lakshmi got her new car!!

OCTOBER was FRIENDSHIP month. We had international 41ers meet in Bengaluru first. Ramkey followed this with a visit to Laos, where he bonded with his college friends.

NOVEMBER had SURPRISES galore.
Our turn to host Round Table guests from Netherlands....Aniketh was thrilled to meet people from the country where he was born!! And Trump trumped all pundits by becoming the next USA President. Indian PM announced demonetization that became a raging debate in India....brought lots of liquidity and queues to the banks!

DECEMBER was the culmination of the CRAZY travel year. Ramkey went on a road trip of 3300Kms from Bangkok through Myanmar and into Manipur, Nagaland and Assam over 15 days. This was not just about the road that was covered but also about new friendships made and experiences that will remain forever! After landing in Chennai, left for a 10 day trip to Rajasthan with family and friends....yeah....I know!! Another fantastic trip made better with the people who accompanied us and the tastes and sounds of Rajasthan.

2016 saw a lot of terrorist attacks in many cities that we have visited...we are praying that we have a more peaceful world!!



ANIKETH

ANIKETH IS 10...TIME DOES FLY!!

THIS CHARMER, SENSITIVE BABY OF OURS HAS ENTERED DOUBLE DIGITS. HE CONTINUES TO ENJOY CRICKET AND SWIMMING...AND LOVES TO IRRITATE HIS SIBLINGS THE MOST!!



ESHAAN

ALWAYS TRYING TO KEEP UP WITH HIS OLDER BROTHER, THIS 7 YEAR OLD IS LEARNING KEYBOARD AND TENNIS. HE LOVES TO TRY NEW FOODS AND CONTINUES TO ENJOY HIS SUPERHEROES.



THRAYEE

NON STOP TALKER THRAYEE TURNED 4 THIS PAST YEAR. SHE LOVES GOING TO PLAY SCHOOL WHERE SHE IS HER TEACHER'S PET. HOWEVER AT HOME SHE IS A COMPLETE ROWDY.

PHOTOS FROM THIS YEAR











FUN WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY.....HOPING FOR LOTS MORE IN 2017....



5 UNKNOWNS 2017

- I. Is there a way to transfer our excess weight to the kids??
- Will Lakshmi get more serious about her baking? Open a Bakery perhaps!!
- 3. Will Ramkey increase his country count and reduce his golf handicap?
- 4. How many more times will the tooth fairy visit the kids?
- 5. Will the weather be kind to Chennai in December?