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START THE YEAR WITH A KISS

Actually the travel year started with a cruise. The Golden Princess left out of Houston TX, and sailed the Gulf, and then on to Roatan, Honduras and Belize City, Belize. From there we sailed to Cozumel, MX then back to Houston.

I traveled with my two sisters and my brother-in-law. We had a fun time and ate a lot. For instance I ordered snails (escargot) for every night's dinner, yum!

It was decided that if the kids enjoyed swimming with the dolphins in Cozumel so much, that we could do likewise!



So off we went, two 80 year olds and one 77 or so old people. We were led to the dolphin area and introduced to them. Everybody had bulky life jackets on and we stood on a steel grating which killed my bare feet! I had not been in the water for more than ten years. It was quite a struggle for this fat and bumpy old man to remember how to swim while encased in a lifejacket.

Everyone in our group of ten got to paddle out on a boogie board and have the dolphin push on our feet and accelerate us to the speed of sound! Next we swam out and the dolphin came to us upside down and we grabbed on to each fin and was pulled along.

Next was our close encounter with it, nuzzling us and having it give us a kiss!

We all swam out and lined up and it swam by splashing each of us with a fin.

We then changed pools and got to interact with manatees. Quite an experience overall.

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