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Victoria and I separated this past summer after 14 years of marriage. Sorrow, pain, and anger have been plentiful. Also growth, discovery, and hope.

She has completed her Master's of Social Work and works full time at a residence for the mentally ill. She's living in a duplex near Ben's school.

Ben is a bright and sunny 9 year old who loves skateboarding, swimming, dancing, bike stunts, football, and chess. He spends half his time with Victoria, half with me. He wishes we were all together, but his joyful, impish spirit is intact.

I've left Twin Cities Free-Net and returned to consulting. I'm also working with kids every chance I get: helping out in Ben's classroom once a week, and teaching 3rd-5th graders at my Quaker meeting. And I'm reawakening my theatrical instincts, performing magic, Monty Python skits, and other absurdities for select (mostly captive) audiences.

The future is a great unknown, even more so than usual. For once I'm not worrying too much about it. I'm just letting go and

Falling Up

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