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What has captured the attention of 3 teenage grandchildren?

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They're fascinated by my new "Roomba" – the little robot vacuum cleaner. They named it "Dustin" – Clever, no? It's even intelligent enough not to fall down the stairs. It senses the drop off and backs away.

It was a gift from my son (the mechanical, electrical and computer engineer) and something we never would have bought for ourselves. However, now that I have an injured arm (frozen shoulder), it certainly is useful.

So far it's not saving us time. Every time we turn it on, DH & I follow it around to see how it navigates and even take pictures of it.

Here it even maneuvered between the rungs of the old rocking chair

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I realize that I've just eliminated one traditional calories burning activity. That's OK. I'll just go for an extra walk. It's more fun anyway.

Happy New Year everyone!

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LOL too funny ;) Walking is better than cleaning for sure

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Great gift! Enjoy the extra walks!
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KANSASROSE67
Very cool! It's nothing I've ever thought of wanting but your blog might change my mind.
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SLENDERELLA61
That's great! Enjoy the Roomba. Isn't it great to be able to entertain and impress the grandkids??
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DOVESEYES
What a thoughtful gift and fun too.
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CASTIRONLADY
We have had them several years and love it. Even after you sweep, it will still pick up lots more. Kind of magic.No wonder the teens were enthralled.
God bless your new year with good health, laughter and love.
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CD14270285
Oh, I've often wondered if those really work--nice to know! Sorry to hear about your shoulder--hope you can rehab it quickly.
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STAY39

Oh I am so jealous! That has been on my wish list for a few years! Enjoy it!
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interesting.... does it really work?
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CD12146214

Hey I got a new dyson pet vacuum from my Mom....big dogs, big fur in the shedding season. Enjoy your toy and hope your shoulder feels better soon.
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TRAVELGRRL

Funny! Sorry about the shoulder though, and hope you are back up to speed soon. Happy New Year!
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GINIEMIE

Let me know how you feel about it in a month. I still use my rainbow vacuum, I used to barricade "Rosie" (my rumba) named after the Jetson's maid- so she'd finish the area I assigned her.
My SIL had two big St Bernard and sold hers, quickly.

Happy New year, hope you heal quickly.



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TEXASFILLY

Hahahaha~ how fun! Thanks for sharing! Happy New Year, dear heart~ *hugs* BB~
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DR1939

Let us know how you like this. I'm considering buying one. I think it would be grand for the kitchen and dining room areas.
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CELIAMINER

I've seen roombas but haven't considered buying one for the house. It would probably scare the bejeebers out of the cat, maybe even more than the great, evil, sucking monster we use now.

Sorry to hear about the frozen shoulder. I had that once, and it is no fun! Now, every time I feel a twinge in a shoulder, I want to back off what I'm doing, because I remember the pain from before. Hope yours works itself out soon.

Happy 2014!
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PHOENIX1949

How fun. I've wondered how those work. Good luck with the frozen shoulder. I spent 6 months with mine and non-working conventional medical treatments, then lucked upon a massage therapist that had it working within 45 minutes.
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This looks very cool!



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MARYJEANSL

What a super neat toy! And it does hardwood floors as well as carpets? OK, I want one! Happy new year!!
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WATERMELLEN

Very cool! Seems to be a bit like one of those automatic pool cleaners . . .

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My frozen shoulder issues from the past (both of them, at various times) were ultimately best resolved with a range of motion program in the whirlpool with the jet right on the shoulder -- then a gradual strength training program including rotator cuff stuff. All best with that.

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LINDA

Happy New Year!!

Congrats on your new electronic gadget! Vacuuming is my least favorite chore, would be nice to get rid of that one!

Wishing you all the best health, happiness and prosperity!

Enjoy!

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ONEKIDSMOM

I am so jealous! And I can so see myself doing exactly the same thing (following it around and taking its picture)! But as I said about hiring my lawn done (a classic calorie-burner)... it was the best thing I ever did for my fitness. Because I prefer other forms of exercise and would



procrastinate the "chores" variety... but knowing the chore would be done... I'd go run.

Happy New Year!

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MISCHAKEO

That was a thoughtful gift. It is amusing that your grandkids are fascinated by it.

I hope your shoulder is getting better with therapy. Have a Happy New Year!

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CD13099273

LOL Nice - good you - I 'd rather walk than vacuum - enjoy !

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