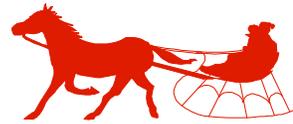


Christmas – 1996



Greetings from New Mexico. We hope you are having a happy holiday season, and that the past year has been a good one for you!

This has been a pretty typical year for us. We returned to Kauai for our spring vacation of snorkeling and beaching. Trina's mom once again joined us for the trip. We've spent many weekends at our cabin in the Jemez mountains. We also took several trips to Colorado to visit the grandparents there. And of course, both Trina's parents, Bernie and Georgia, and Bruce's father, Lloyd, made several trips to visit here.

Bruce continued teaching one class at the University of New Mexico, and has been working on developing some software. If you have access to the Internet and want to see what he's been up to, you can check his web page:

<http://www.cs.unm.edu/~wampler>. His web page also has

information about Wampler family genealogy provided by an 8th cousin who found Bruce via the Internet. Bruce's e-mail address is: wampler@cs.unm.edu.

Trina hit the big four-oh (40) this year. She decided it was time to get a "high class" trained dressage horse. She found her dream horse in Lexington, KY (now *that* is horse country) in August. She has been working (playing?) hard at learning to ride the upper level movements. Of course, the kids keep her plenty busy the rest of the time.



Van is now 7 and in the 2nd grade. His favorite subjects at school are art and music. He enjoyed playing AYSO soccer again this fall.

Risa is 4, and attends preschool five mornings a week. She really loves going to school, and does not like to miss a day. When we pick her up, she tells us everything she did that day.

Both Van and Risa are getting to be experts with the computer. They like Putt Putt and Freddie Fish the best. It is amazing to see how at home they are with the computer. Van and Risa are really best buddies, and like playing with each other a lot.



The big news is that we are moving to Glenwood Springs, Colorado, next summer. We think living in a small town near their grandparents will be a much better environment for the kids than the busy, congested city that Albuquerque has become. We bought 12 acres just outside Glenwood, and plan to start building a house as soon as the snow melts. Our new address will be **521 Springridge Drive, Glenwood Springs, CO 81601** starting next summer sometime. Glenwood is a very fun place to visit, with all kinds of outdoor activities in the summer, great skiing in the winter (Aspen and Vail are both very close), and a wonderful hot springs pool. Our new house will have a big guest room, which we hope you will take advantage of!

Best wishes for the New Year!



Bruce, Trina, Van, and Risa

