



## *Happy Holidays from the Heisel Family*



If you don't know yet, this year has been full of changes for our family. On July 10, 2004, my father James Lonney Heisel passed away. This happened two days after Paul had published his book, *First Frontier*. Additionally, you may or may not know that the Heisel family is headed for Melbourne, Australia – that's right – Paul's company, FM Global, has transferred him there in the same Account Management role for a couple of years. We will be departing in the next couple of months. We will let everyone know what our new address is as soon as we do.

### **Paul (39)**

Paul finally finished his book and self-published it. He had a nice article in the local paper written about him and his book, so the grass roots marketing efforts have begun. For those interested, [First Frontier](#) is available at online retailers and at his publisher [www.lulu.com/content/60042](http://www.lulu.com/content/60042). Real work continues to be interesting and challenging for Paul at FM Global, and he will miss some of the accounts he's been working on the past few years. He is looking forward to his new accounts down under and all the experiences that will come from them.

### **Deb (21)**

Deb is still on the run from the law. We had a scare in Melbourne when she started arguing with a convenience store worker because he had rounded up the total for our purchase – which is what they do in Australia, round your total to the nearest 5 cents. I don't know how she manages five kids and everything else she does. Deb is still working towards her doctorate and will continue to do that overseas. I'll just take longer for her to get to her test – days.

### **Rachel (12-1/2)**

Rachel is in 7<sup>th</sup> grade at a school of 1,200 students, so talk about changes! Her favorite discovery is that her dad has put 4,400 songs from the family CD collection on a computer and she can listen to endless music. She is a babysitter when she has time and is beginning to follow in her mother's footsteps – yes, she likes to shop. She's still the big sister and making sure the boys keep in line, and dotes on Libby when she can. Rachel is growing up. Teenager in 2005 – yikes!

### **Robbie (11)**

Rob is in fifth grade now and he still loves the Simpsons. He has a cute manner of imitating the Hulk Melonballer (we call it something else – drop us a line for details) from the episode where Skinner gets married. Rob is doing better in school and he manages to bring home good marks, so we're very proud of him. Dinosaurs are still king, of course, so anything dinosaurish is cool. He won two gold medals at the Washington Special Olympics qualifying meets and promptly did the Crash Bandicoot dance in front of thousands of onlookers, this all while receiving his medal. What a ham!

### **James (9)**

James is in third grade. Video games are a favorite of his, and he does very well in school, especially in math. I'm thinking he's well on his way to being an engineer. He enjoyed when we visited Disney this year – he loves rollercoasters. We rode the rollercoaster at California Adventure so many times. It started raining while we were going 60 MPH, so we got soaked! His favorite sports are basketball, baseball, golf, and soccer. We saw a glimmer of brilliance at soccer this year, so we're seeing that James is starting to understand sports strategy.

### **Joseph (6-1/2)**

Joe is in first grade and is becoming a superstar reader! He still is the most stubborn kid I have ever seen. Joe likes basketball, baseball, soccer, golf, and football. He got second in a golf tournament for 6 year olds, which is amazing! For someone so young, he has a lot of natural talent to help develop him into a good athlete. We think baseball is his favorite, but I'm sure that changes with the seasons. He enjoyed Disney, as did all the kids, and wants to go to Disneyworld next time. Reminder – don't take him to Splash Mountain or the Haunted Mansion.

### **Libby (21 months)**

She a walking talking cutie! Her favorite saying is, "What's that?" She skips and jumps and plays. I think she enjoys playing with her toys and playing with her siblings. She has a blankey, which she carries around just as Joseph did. The potty training is due to begin soon. Libby likes being outdoors and playing on her swing. She went out with the kids when we had snow recently and really had fun getting cold and wet. Libby seems overly obsessed with putting her shoes on and off – yep, that's what I'm thinking – she's going to have a shoe collection like you wouldn't believe!



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# MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM THE HEISEL FAMILY

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We love you Grandpa Bob

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Merry Christmas

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