



# Happy Holidays from the Heisel Family



Last year we were moving from Australia and did not get out our 2008 Christmas letter in time. We're now in Frisco, Texas. Enjoy the updates and jot down our new address 4904 Oakhurst LN, Frisco, TX 75034, home phone is 214 705-1151. Biggest family event this year was a trip to Disney World, Universal Studios, and NASA. We had a blast!

## **Paul (44)**

The past year has been interesting for Paul. A new office at FM Global, new teams to coach in baseball. Highlights for him were building the media room in our new house with an HD projector and the works! His next book is An Emperor's Fury, which the first draft is nearly complete. Then it's on to finishing the Catstaff series. Mobile 214-763-1380.

## **Deb (21 or so)**

Deb keeps busy with bible study and being First VP of the PTA at Libby's elementary school, Allen. She's also a leader of committees for our church. Highlights this year have been visits from her family to Texas, enjoying the JFK museum, helping with the ice cream social at school, and learning how to text although she is a bit behind Rachel when it comes to speed. Did you know PIR in a text means "Parents In Room"? Mobile 214-803-0672.

## **Rachel (17-1/2)**

Rachel will graduate this year on time from Frisco High, and it's a great testament to her hard work. She's had to take multiple levels of classes and extra study sessions so she could meet all of the requirements to graduate in June. She's grown up and learning to drive (we didn't want her to learn in Australia on the wrong side of the road), playing piano as well at a higher level. After high school she wants to study business with a minor in Japanese, planning to combine those two skills for the future. The past year she's gone to two or three anime conventions where the costumes can be wild. Deb went with her to one, saw Jesus at the convention, and promptly went to church. Mobile 214-763-1384.

## **Robbie (16)**

Rob attends school at Frisco High as a sophomore, and he too is on time to graduate, though through a modified curriculum. He will be able to graduate with his diploma, and if he wants to stay in school from additional education, the Frisco ISD offers some options for disabled kids. He's grown into a big dude, as tall if not taller than Dad. His passion is games, both computer and XBOX 360, which he's found way to excel at the games he likes. Highlights for him were going to job sites and learning about the working world. We were driving on the President George Bush Turnpike, and Robbie commented that it should now be called the President Barack Obama Turnpike. Texans would LOVE that change.

## **James (14)**

James is just about to high school, finishing up 8<sup>th</sup> grade in the spring of 2010. Highlights for him were playing football this fall for his school on defense as an end, though he didn't get to play as much as he would have liked. Of all of us, he spends the most time talking on the phone with his friends – for some reason watching movies on their computer and talking on the phone is a cool trend. He'll be a freshman in high school next year, and has suddenly got on a fitness kick and has started lifting weights (he's a tall skinny kid) and eating healthy. We think space aliens abducted the real James and left a clone in his place. He's a computer whiz, loves music and gadgets. Mobile 214-763-1383.

## **Joseph (11-1/2)**

Joe got his taste of 'American' football this fall, playing for the FFL Cowboys. He played several positions during the year, highlight was a crushing sideline tackle on a punt and an interception in the end zone. He's looking forward to 7<sup>th</sup> Grade football next year. He played baseball and had 5 home runs during the season, and is now moving up to the next level of baseball to play for the Frisco Spartans (coached in part by Dad). Basketball is in full swing as well, and next year he'll tryout for the 7<sup>th</sup> grade team. He spends most of his time outside with his friends in the hood, but is a lover of XBOX 360. Joe Snipe Joe is his gamertag. Mobile 214-620-7498.

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

First grader and will talk your ear off. There's no off button. She had successful eye surgery (so far) to correct her lazy eye. She's learning tennis and gymnastics. Favorite things are iCarly, Barbi, and nearly anything Disney. She is a girly girl and plays with her friends and doesn't take any crap from her brothers. She was a darling fairy this Halloween, and decided one morning to paint her toenails. We will have our hands full. No phone for her, but in a few years I'm sure...



Season's Greetings

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year  
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We love you Grandpa Bob

We love you Grandpa Jim

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Merry Christmas

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