Happy Holidays from the Heisel Family 2013

Rachel is now a senior at Southern Methodist University and will be graduating next December. Robbie is in the Frisco ISD Step Beyond program and works part time, James will graduate from Frisco High in 2014, Joe is a sophomore Frisco High and playing baseball, and Libby is in 5th Grade at Allen and about ready to head on to middle school.

Paul (loves baseball, writing, and NHL14 – cell phone 214-763-1380)

Paul is shopping around his book, *An Emperor's Fury*, to publishers. With luck next year's letter will detail who is publishing it! Regular work is going well. He spent a lot of time and vacation this year going to baseball games. Highlights for him include visiting Colorado and watching baseball. He's glad to have his brother Jeff close by so they can chill out and talk baseball and football.

Deb (having fun studying for pharmacy license and loves to read – cell phone 214-803-0672)

Deb passed her pharmacy license test and landed a job with a local hospital working the night shift. She actually joined Facebook, so visit her there or give her a call when you have time. A few days before the writing of this she fell and broke her hand, so she'll be out of commission for 4-6 weeks. She participates in bible studies and women's groups when she has time, and when she has a non-broken hand.

Rachel (21-1/2 – loves Japan – cell phone 214-763-1384)

Rachel is doing well at SMU and this year she was able to go to Japan for 2 weeks with a group from Dallas. She stayed with a host family and spent time in Kyoto and Tokyo. This was right up her alley as she is studying international business/relations with an emphasis on Asia and the fact that she speaks Japanese. She works at an IHOP near her apartment, however, this summer she may have the opportunity for an internship that relates to her major. She volunteers at the Dallas Japan-American Society. She went to Florida, Wisconsin, and Colorado (and Japan!) this summer. That's a lot of travel in a couple of months.

Robbie (20 - end of the world did not happen (liars!), likes his XBOX games and critiquing movies)

Through the Step Beyond program Rob has been able to work at the YMCA, IKEA, and administration office for Frisco ISD. Two days a week he gets to work at Baylor medical, where he gets paid \$10 per hour – righteous bucks. Not bad. We're looking toward his future and trying to find work for him where he can contribute. He really would like to be a game designer or producer, and though a competitive industry, we may be able to do a project him using available software so he can be creative.

James (18 - works out, driving (soon), and looking forward to college - cell phone 214-763-1383)

There is no definitive choice of schools for James right now, but he is looking forward to graduating from high school. His interests are varied, latest being construction management. He's really good with computers and knows more than he would lead you to believe. He's really filled out physically and has broad shoulders, and for a brief time had a part time job. He spends time working out with his friends to stay in shape. We wish the best for him as he graduates and moves on to the next chapter of his life.

Joseph (15-1/2 – baseball fanatic, learning to drive, Call of Duty marksman – cell phone 214-620-7498)

Baseball is a major focus of his life, which has kept him busy continuously for the last two years. We finally took a break -1 month off - to recharge the batteries, heal the injuries, and refocus the mind. He plays for the Dallas Patriots organization and plays baseball with Frisco High. He had a good summer season, and the highlight for him was a complete game three-hitter LOSS of 1-2. The other team threw a combined one hitter and won on a squeeze bunt in the bottom of the 7th. He does enjoy Call of Duty and I'm sure he's looking forward to the new XBOX One if there are any left in the USA for purchase.

Libby (10-1/2 – makes bracelets, sings in the choir, cell phone 214-449-9097)

They grow up so fast. Now she has a phone. She is always looking for crafts to make, and loves to rubber band loom that we bought her to make bracelets. She has her own iPad after last XMAS and is looking forward to going to middle school at Hunt next fall. She spends a lot of her time playing with friends and buzzes around in the kitchen with Dad cooking at times. She still loves to spend time in the pool. Libby is a busy body and chatterbox, we are amazed when they tell us at school she is quiet!

Brodie (8-1/2 – been lost several times in neighborhood, returned home when he was thirsty)

This dog manages to get out and chase the rabbits that live in our neighborhood. He runs and runs, then gets tired and thirsty and comes home. Or a neighbor will bring him home if we put out an alert on Facebook or the neighborhood website. What did people do years ago, before technology, when their dog ran off?













