

Merry Christmas

What a busy year filled with anticipated change. It will be difficult to encapsulate this year to one page, but here goes

Eric is probably the most stable of this family. He still practices in Louisburg, with some personnel changes. They added a part time PA. Eric continues to ride the bicycle whenever possible. He and Alan rode the Memorial Day Cottonwood 200 and BAK. Eric also rode many other bicycle rides through October. Eric, Margie and Alan went to Mexico with Grace United Methodist again this year. It was a good trip filled with memories. Eric and his brother Charlie were busy again in the wood shop. They built a new door for the barn, which is being used as the canvas for a barn logo designed and painted by the Chase County High art class. The logo is part of the Kansas Barn Alliance project to celebrate the Kansas Sesquicentennial.



Margie is still working at KU Hospital as a respiratory therapist. Her exciting project this year was getting the Shaft House on the National Historic Register. The first state tax credit project is to repaint the stone. A grant application has been submitted for major work on fixing moisture and structural issues with the house. We will know in February if we got any of that grant. Margie and a variety of helpers including Lara, Todd, Daniel, Gabi, Alan, Jeanne and Eric made just about weekly trips down to the farm to mow, prune, harvest apricots, and tidy up the property. We had a couple barn painting workdays with help from Jeanne, Kathy, Mary, Randy, Lara, NurAlima, Larry, Marilyn, Eric, Alan and Marilyn Lake. Come join us on Kansas Day, January 29, 2011 at 11:30 am for the Sesquicentennial Kansas Day Logo dedication.



Alan had lots of free time to visit his friends and family as he was permanently laid off his Las Vegas job in January. He has literally traveled across the country to move, camp, sight see, and visit. He is again rooming with his buddy Chris, Chris' wife Marie and their two dogs in Orlando. He attained Structural Engineer certification in January, so he can apply at the next level. He is applying where ever he sees openings, but he is focusing on Orlando, Boston, and Chicago.

Daniel also made major life changes. He is engaged to Gabi Pool, with a small intimate wedding planned November 11, 2011 at the farm. They moved to Tacoma, Washington in August, Daniel is working as a teller at Key Bank. Gabi is a sales associate and web master for Exalted Games. They and their two cats are adjusting to life on the west coast. Daniel and Gabi are having fun exploring the great northwest.



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