

Seasons Greetings!

December 2000

We hope this letter finds you and your family in good health and happiness.

As for us, this year has been a time of tremendous change. Suzi officially quit her job in early January, choosing to stay home with our newborn (October 5, 1999), Chance. Over the year we have watched him change from an infant to a little toddler. Every day brings new challenges and excitement as he discovers the world around him. We are proud and grateful that we have this wonderful child in our lives.

This year we traveled to New Orleans for Mardi Gras. Yes, Chance went also so, no, it wasn't quite the same as previous years. As an added bonus, we learned of the birth of Travis's nephew, Vale (Justin and Katie's son), while we were in New Orleans. Suzi and Chance watched the parade arrive at the Superdome through the window of their Hyatt hotel room.

We traveled to Breckenridge, Colorado in late March with Travis's folks to go skiing. Since the grandparents were happy to ski half days, Suzi got to ski in the afternoon while Chance spent time with his grandparents.

Travis switched jobs to begin working at NowDocs, an online document printing and delivery company in June. Later that month, Suzi completed a significant goal by participating and finishing her first Triathlon, the Danskin, consisting of a 750 meter (½ mile) swim followed by a 20km (12 mile) bike and 5km (3 mile) run.

In July, we went on a cruise to Alaska with our good friends, the Lasaters. We enjoyed the cooler temperatures. Chance enjoyed smiling and flirting with the passengers and crew.

October marked Chance's first birthday. Hard to believe how fast time flies. In late October we went to South Dakota for a family reunion and a little pheasant hunting. It was great to see all the relatives and the new babies.

We spent Thanksgiving at home, but plan to travel for Christmas. We will be going to Argentina with Suzi's mom and brother to visit relatives in Buenos Aires. While the trip will be long, the warm weather will be a welcome change.

As usual, we have plenty of pictures available to you online at <http://www.jedi.net/travis>. You can also e-mail us at travis@jedi.net, suzi@jedi.net, and chance@jedi.net.

We look forward to 2001 and the arrival of our second child due in May. We hope that you have a happy and safe holiday season and we wish you well in 2001.

The Hildebrands ~ Travis Suzi & Chance