

December 19, 1991

The Myers' family wishes all our friends the merriest of holidays! We have had a wonderful year watching and helping Erika grow and mature.

We started the year taking Erika on her first trip, a visit to Newburg, New York when she was 1 week old. Christmas day 1990, we packed our littlest member of the family and drove for 8 hours for a surprise visit to her Godmother and Godfather, Sandie and Vin. The trip went fine and everyone was happy to see us.

Continuing on to February, Tom had to go to a computer conference in Phoenix, Arizona, so Mary and Erika came along for the week. We flew in Phoenix, rented a car, and spent the weekend at the Grand Canyon. It is a magnificent sight, and hard to believe it is so big! The weather was cool, but the sun was out and there were not a lot of people. On the drive back to Phoenix we went to Montezuma's Castle, an old cliff dwelling place which was very beautiful and special. During the week while Tom was at the computer conference, Mary and Erika visited the sites of Phoenix. There is a wonderful Indian museum, the Cossinti bell factory and Taliesin West, the winter Fellowship location of Frank Lloyd Wright. The following Sunday Erika was baptized.

In August we went on vacation to Virginia Beach. On the way down we stopped in and saw Thomas's in Alexandria, Virginia then continued to the beach. The weather was great! Mary would get up and walk the beach in the morning with the porpoise as company, and we did lots of walking with Erika. One day we visited the Edgar Cayce Institute which keeps the reading of this famous psychic. We were tested for ESP and took a tour of the Institute.

Tom's company is going well. This year he incorporated as Interactive Television Associates, Incorporated (ITA). The name is from the interactive video tape and videodisc work which was a mainstay in the early days of the company. Kodak released their Digital Camera System which comes with a program written by Tom's company. The program is both a graphic display and telecommunications program and is designed to be used by photographers around the world. ITA also finished the Crossover program for Kodak service reps in Clinical Products. This program is designed to assist in the installation and verification of Kodak's blood analyzers. The two Kodak people who worked with ITA on the project were given a Kodak achievement award for their efforts. The program has shortened the installation by 30% saving on average 6 hours per site.

Mary has moved on to President of the New York State Association of Foreign Language Teachers. She has been busy organizing and going to meetings. She will be traveling in NYS representing and addressing foreign language teachers and issues. In May 1991 she completed studies in educational administration and graduated from SUNY Brockport. March of '92 she will be traveling to Dresden, formally in East Germany for 10 days at the invitation of the German government to gather materials to

be used in the German classroom in the USA. September 1991 she went back to teaching fulltime. It is an adjustment and only with Tom's support and help can everything get done.

Erika has continued to grace us with her pleasant disposition and all the new things she is learning. At about 9 months she started walking and now is running around the house. She loves to climb! Up the stairs, onto chairs, down the stairs, up the stepladder! She has adjusted her schedule to fit Dad's, getting up about 8:30. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Tom gets her up, feeds her and takes her to a wonderful baby-sitter around the corner. Mary picks her up at around 4pm. Thursday and Friday, Baba (Mary's Mom) comes in and sits for her at our house. During the summer, Grandma (Tom's Mom) came in for a day each week and sits for her. Erika usually ends her day around 9:00pm. She is part of a baby group of 4 little ones her age and it is wonderful to see them all changing and growing. She has changed our lives, but we love it!

Once again have a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year.

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