

Bryan Weight Family Letter/March 10, 1995

Dear Family,

We were really sorry to hear about your accident Tracy and hope and pray you will recover quickly. You and Mary have both had scary experiences this year!

We loved the pictures Sherlene sent from Laura's mission to Ecuador!! The kids love the sheet with the different animals on it. We laughed at the pose with the "street girls" and enjoyed seeing photos of some of the people you taught. We also liked reading the article that Sherlene wrote that was printed in the "This People" magazine. It was a neat story!!--Keep writing Sherlene!!

Emily Neil's letter was great!! We love getting letters from the younger members of the family. You young folks have a lot more spunk than us old fogies and it's wonderful to hear from you! We want to hear more about Greg's band! Sarah and a friend want to start a band and they just met a girl who lives a couple of blocks away who plays the drums. We'll see what happens.

Hannah put in her violet contacts yesterday. They make her eyes look light blue. She's pretty with any color of eyes!! She and Sarah just received notice from EFY that they were accepted for the Tacoma, Washington section. It will be held at the University of Puget Sound and they are both excited about it.

Hyrum turned 12 last week and was ordained to the Aaronic Priesthood on Sunday. When he went to his interview with the Bishop he came out with a paper in his hand--he took notes while the Bishop talked with him about the priesthood. Directly after his ordination he was given some fast offering envelopes and was able to give his first service by going out with his Dad to collect fast offerings. He has his first scout camp out tonight. It was strange having all the three older children go to YW/YM last night. Willis is the only one left in Primary.

I've been busy this last week collecting forms and money for Girl's camp. Our camp requires each girl to pick a buddy and there were some hard feelings among the girls (and the mothers who chose to get involved) about who was going to be able to be a buddy with whom. There were some girls who almost didn't go to camp and some mothers who threatened not to let their daughters go to camp because of buddy problems. Anyway, I think that it is all worked out now but the pettiness surprised me.

We've had some high winds and torrential rains. Yesterday we had power outages. Fortunately they happened towards the end of the day so the children were only in a dark school for about 1/2 an hour. Willis was in the gym when the power went out and he said it was totally dark because there are no windows in the gym. Bryan couldn't do his reports until the power was restored. Sarah had some friends over and they made Rice Crispy treats on top of the wood burning stove. Kids can be so resourceful!!

We were really sad to hear about Pres. Hunter's death. He was a kind, peaceable man. When I told Willis about his death he walked away for minute and then came back crying. I held him in my arms and we had a good cry together. I was moved that my young 9 year old son had such tender feelings for Pres. Hunter even though he was our prophet for such a short time.

Bryan's cousin Marilyn, who lives in Hood River, has some exciting events coming up. Her daughter Tamara is getting married on April 30th and her son Mark leaves on a mission to Knoxville, Tennessee on May 3rd. Mark is getting endowed in the Portland temple tomorrow and Bryan and I are excited to be able to go. It is so nice to be able to celebrate with family!! We wish more of you lived closer!

Love,

Bryan, Charlotte, Sarah, Hannah, Hyrum and Willis

**\*\*\*P.S. April Hallmanac will be mailed April 7th. Please write and mail your letters around the 3rd. That will probably be General Conference time. Thanks!!**