

Bryan Weight Family Letter--October 1996

Dear Family,

Bryan just came home from a scout overnighther. They hiked up Eagle Creek which is in the Columbia River Gorge and he said it was one incredible sight after another. He wants to take the whole family back to see it.

Sarah sent a voice recording in last spring and was notified this past week that she was selected to be in Northwest Choir. It is a choral group of high school singers from 5 states. One other girl from her high school made it, too, so she was excited that she would know someone else in the choir. They will practice and perform in Bellevue, Washington one weekend in February.

I made a "Hippie" Homecoming dress for Hannah. It was made from a bright yellow and pink flowered fabric. Lakeridge High School is celebrating their 25th anniversary so many of the kids wore funny stuff (like we used to wear)! The 8th grade band joined the high school band for the half time entertainment at the football game. Hyrum played his sax dressed in a big, pointed collar shirt and I made bell bottom pants for him. It was a fun weekend for the kids.

Hannah and Hyrum are almost to the end of the cross country season. We've been fortunate to have pretty decent weather for most of the meets.

Willis is having a lot of fun with Trigger (our new dog). Trigger has almost completely devoured the arms off an old couch I have out on the patio. We were going to give this couch away but instead it has been donated to our teething puppy. It's a good thing we are keeping him outside!

I just talked to Dad, Barry and Virginia and Nancy. They gave me the scoop on the fun week they have had at BYU. BYU feted Daddy at receptions, dinners, the parade and football game. Dad said it has been interesting but tiring. He was in the parade yesterday. It started at the Harmon building and went up 9th East and all the way down to 8th North and then over to the Brick Oven Restaurant. Barry said the Spectacular was spectacular and that the flame thrower was the best! Mickey Mouse flew in from Disneyland!

Nancy said that the Ellsworth Center had a dirt floor. She figures that they had just raked up the cow dung because you could still smell the you know what. They brought out huge pigs that were all roasted. The only thing missing was the apples. It was kind of gross and Doug, Carli, and her boy friend wouldn't eat. Nancy said she was starving and ate it all up.

Dad and Mom sat in the President's loge at the game. They were fed fancy food while they watched BYU beat UNLV 63 to 28.



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Dad had to wear a tuxedo to some of the event and Virginia said he looked very handsome! Liz said the weather was really hot. It was 85 degrees and everyone was looking around for sunscreen.

Barry read the book that was written about Marty. He said there are 40 pages describing how he saved his division of HP and restored it to prosperity. Way to go Marty!! It's so nice to have so many smart people in this family.

Barry and Virginia stayed a night at the Inn at Temple Square. They said it is really nice and would recommend it to anyone who is looking for a place to stay in Salt Lake. They attended the Tabernacle Choir broadcast in the morning and met people from all over the country.

I talked to Tracy and he is busy on his project and he feels like it is coming along well.

Phone conversation with Karen:

We went to the Homecoming parade and it was really fun! They only blocked off half of the road. They threw candy and gave away balloons. There were floats with the athletic clubs, folk and etc.

Emily has been invited to attend school at UVSC with a full scholarship offer--(tuition, books and food offer). She has to give them a decision by Dec 1. When she went out there to talk to them they gave her the royal treatment. They introduced her to the President and the different athletic coaches. The design department spent a lot of time with her too.

Michael is in the mission home now. He and another Elder are in charge of the computer operations. They have twice the number of missionaries in their mission because they have a lot of missionaries that are waiting for their visas. Michael and his companion handle the data base of all these missionaries going in and out of the mission. Michael when he first went out was trained by his companion and then he trained 13 or 14 in succession. Most of these were missionaries waiting for visas.

Barbara is in 8th grade in the new Centennial middle school down behind Rock Canyon school. She walks to and from school.

David is in construction down at Novatek. He's remodeling two buildings and now he is building a section to connect them. He hopes to have them done soon because his presses will be delivered soon. It is really difficult to get construction trade workers to do work in this valley. They are really busy. We still have only half our roof on our house. We can't get the guy to come back and finish it off!