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Bryan Weight Family Letter/June 1996

Dear Family,

Summer is here and the kids are on the go. The boys are in swim lessons and the girls are at camp. Sarah is a Junior Counselor this year. She and another girl are supervising 18 girls! Hannah is a 4th year and she went on the back packing trip the weekend before regular camp. They camped up quite high and had fun sliding down snow patches.

Hannah took the honors English test and was accepted into next year's class. She tried last year and wasn't accepted so she is really excited about getting in. She was just made president of her Mia Maid class.

Sarah made A Capella choir and "Company" (a school singing group of 10 guys and 10 girls) "Company" meets all school year long like a regular class. She will have 2 choir classes next year so she decided to drop the Portland Symphonic Girl Choir. It's been a great experience for her but she feels like she would have too many choral groups going at once.

Sarah has been half-jokingly asking us to arrange a campus visit to BYU Hawaii. One day I heard about some \$200 round trip ticket prices so I immediately got on the phone to United and bought tickets for the whole family. It was kind of a crazy, out of character thing for me to do—but Bryan gave his OK and we went for it! We leave on July 5th and will stay through the 12th.

Bryan and boys have been fishing a couple of times. They went up to the Lewis River in Washington on a "free fishing" day and saw some huge steel heads swimming in the clear water—but they only caught a small trout. Bryan is going with the scouts on a two day back packing trip in the gorge tomorrow. Hyrum is getting his pack ready now.

We are excited about our new little niece Keslee!! Congratulations to Doug and Nancy!! Congratulations to Zina and Laura on their upcoming marriages!

Love,

Charlotte & family

News from Nancy:

Keslee just came back from her two week check up and she has grown 2 1/2 inches more and weighs about 1 pound more. Chelsea competed against 32 girls for Freshman Cheerleading squad. 50% of their score was based on a teacher comment survey. A lot of girls that were great at cheerleading and gymnastics didn't make it because of poor reports from their teachers. They just got their new uniforms.

Doug is off his crutches but has a bad limp. We should call him Capt. Hook. He has purchased a skiploader. He is going to landscape for people. He has had it 1 1/2 weeks and has worked almost every day. He is still working half day on his regular job. He

has called to say he wants to go back full time but they haven't returned his calls. He can't do heavy equipment so he'll just be in the office and won't have the overtime we are used to. He will do the landscaping on the side to help out.

Carli is a little mother. She carries the baby around whenever she is home. We took the baby to the mall and Chelsea and Carli fought over who pushed the stroller. Chelsea said to Carli, "You just want everybody to think this is your baby".

I'm not teaching pre-school this summer. It's nice to be home and just be a mom. I'm babysitting 2 little girls. They are kind of like family.

News from Betsy:

Tracy came home from Boston. The contract through David came through. He's finishing up in Boston and may still continue with a contract they have but do the work here in Provo if they will let him.

Zina's getting married July 19th in the Salt Lake Temple. She picked her invitations today—we'll have an addressing party on Saturday. She's getting married at 3 pm and everybody is invited. The lunch is at 11:30 before the ceremony. The reception is at the Springville Art museum.

Mary is having a great time London. She's been on the theater semester abroad and she is having a wonderful time! She's leaving Friday for France and then she'll be there until the 3rd of July. She'll arrive home late July the 3rd. She'll graduate in English in August.

Tracy is preparing to go to Australia and New Zealand with the University Singers. They will attend a prestigious choral festival and only 1 chorus from each country was invited. They are really a superb group of singers! He graduated as the outstanding math student in the department. He won first place for his research in the math division at the annual seminar for math and engineering student. He will start a masters program in Math in the Fall.

Robert is working the for Sears Customer service department, waiting for school to start at UVSC. He is on the student council for publicity—making videos and writing scripts. He had to audition for this part—like applying for a job. There were a lot of people competing. All the girls from his group of friends are leaving on missions now.

Susanna is doing really well now. She's going to have a little girl. She is very cute because I saw the Ultrasound—it was long ultrasound because she had her chin on her chest and they were looking for veins in her chest. She has long legs like Susanna. Patrick finish in December in Conservation Biology. He is in summer term and has a heavy course load. He works part time as an environmental assistant Disposing of toxic wastes on campus—including cadavers and etc.

Alex is working at Arby's getting ready for his mission. He was ordained an Elder on the 16th. He's in the play at the Shell—"Robert and Elizabeth" (Barrett Browning)

Lilly is in the same play and she is enjoying summer. She works part time in the cleaning business.

The kids got to lay sod for the Mt. Timpanogos Temple last week. We are gearing up for the open house the first training meeting was last night. The open house is in August and our ward will help out August 15th.

Andy and Spencer spend hours on the computer. Spencer goes to the library where they have free access to the Internet. They are enjoying summer. Anthony just got his braces on today.

News from Barbara Hall:

I'm working for my Mom and Dad. I clean the house for my mom and at my Dad's place I assemble diamonds and weigh the diamond powder.

Emily is in California at a big volleyball tournament and she'll be back on Friday or Saturday.

Mark is coming from Denver on July 4 for a visit. They just barely started school for him. He is studying something to do with Real Estate.

Steven is working for Renegade sports. They sell jet skis and etc. Kelly is working for a bank as a teller.

News from Rose Ellen Wood:

I broke both my arms. I was swinging on the swing at a neighbors house and I fell and I landed on my arms. They took x-rays and they thought only one was broken but the orthopedic specialist looked at the x-rays and said both of them were broken. I just got the casts off- I had them on for three weeks.

Nathan got back from college. He has his papers in and we will probably get his call this week.

Warren went to Utah State to an engineering course. He like it. And he got a perfect score in math on the SAT!! And he got the Thespian of the year award for his drama class.

Jonathan babysits for the people down the street.

Sarah is at girl's camp. Mom is with her.

Christian is going to Cub Scout camp soon and Roland is going into Kindergarten in September.

Dad's radio station is doing better.

News from Mom and Dad:

Dad has had a rough time lately. He has a cough that is really bad. They thought it was caused by his high blood pressure medication so they changed that. It helped for awhile but now he has a cough and sore throat back.

I've been gardening. It is in better shape now than before you kids were ready. Where the tree fell I put some white petunias by the new tree and so I paid somebody to dig other areas up and I planted marigolds. I divided all my orchids—I found out the pots weren't draining and they were getting water logged. I have them up on bricks now and they are draining better.

We were going to have Laura's wedding here but she's going to have it at the Bungalow. She just got back from Texas and she says they are a wonderful family. He has two more years of college and then he plans to go to medical school.

Dad is doing a vegetable garden--there is not a weed in it.