

Jan 1987 Hallmanack

Dear Family:

I'm somewhat late getting this Hallmanack out, but here goes. I love writing this on the computer--mistakes are so easy to get rid of. My uneven touch, however, is even more evident on the sensitive computer keys than it was on the typewriter.

We had a wonderful Christmas and are enjoying all the goodies which you generous children gave us. Except for Virginia and Barry's present, which I enjoyed (fortunately) for a month before I lost it, as I brought it home (as well as Sherlene's gifts) from the East when we were there for Thanksgiving. It was a very clever knitted scarf which I found could be worn either as a neck scarf or over the ears to keep the head and ears warm.

The Sat. before last I had put my wallet in my bigger purse (which I seldom do) and went out grocery shopping. When I got out of the car to go into the store, my scarf was laying on the seat, and as I did not want anyone to steal it, I put it in the big purse as well and went into the store. When I came out with the groceries, I must have put the purse into the shopping cart and then neglected to take the purse out when I took out the groceries. As soon as I got home I missed my purse and went right back to the store, but did not find the purse, even though I asked all the cart boys I could see if they had seen it. Drat! It didn't show up at Albertson's lost and found the next Monday (I called on Sunday, too, as Albertson's stay open on Sundays) so I cancelled my visa, went out and got a new driver's license, closed my bank account and set up a new one. Yes I lost about \$30 dollars but I would gladly have given the finder that to have avoided the hassle of getting new IDs.

I appreciate the "Thank You's" received from you grandchildren, too, along with the pictures.

The only thing wrong with the whole season was that we missed not having the Woods and Sherlene (although it was great having Laura and Daniel here) and the Weights with us

Barry was in Provo last week and we got to talk with him on the phone, but did not get to see him. Virginia relates that there is good progress on the house and they will probably be moving in Feb or soon thereafter? Is that right, Ginger?

I've had a real nostalgia binge. The ward wanted some pictures taken when Dad was Bishop for the ward conference which is next Sunday, so in looking through the boxes for some pictures, I saw all these pictures of those cute little (and getting bigger) Hall kids. Enjoy your children--they do grow so fast. That got me started on putting the new pictures I received from Tracy and Betsy and getting the rest of the blank apples on Ginger's family tree filled in. I now have it finished except I will have to con someone (probably Nancy) into printing the names and birthdates on the leaves. You know, I forgot that those leaves had to have the birthdates on, and some of them tuck in behind others. I wonder how that is going to work? I have decided that I will save the top part of the tree for Great-grandchildren, although I anticipate that it should be a few years before they put in appearance.

Dad gave me the genealogy program for this IIe and so now I have got to learn it, and I haven't even learned to use ~~this~~^{this} computer yet, and Dad (the pig) has taken control of not only our other Mac, but has bought another one besides, which he also has tied up with his music program, *which forces me to learn that e - just as well!*

Dad is taking (auditing) a music (post world war II) class at the Y and he spends as much time with that class as I had to spend when I was taking a class at the Y.

Write and let us know what is going on at your house. Charlotte and Bryan, go to the head of the class! Their Hallmanck was the only one I received this month. Yes, I know--you were all busy--you really were. I had a hard time finding the time myself this month.

I love all of you and appreciate the concern and love shown to us. We think you're all great.

Love, Mom

The computer works fine, but I'm going to fire my proof reader.