

Joe- The music "How Great Thou Art" from our daughters Mary's wedding keeps going through my mind. I had such a fun time at the wedding: meeting so many relatives and friends; dancing (Joey and his male friends invited me to a dance); and mainly seeing Mary and Todd so much in Love. In July we visited the Hawaiian island of Molakai for a week with our Christian group. I just loved snorkeling in the warm water. We visited the leper colony (only 82 lepers live there now and the youngest is over 50). We hiked out of the colony up a 3,000 foot cliff in the pouring, warm rain. I'm very active with Sacred Heart Community Service (Our mission is helping the poorest of San Jose) and was elected vice president this year. The needs are very great and we are out of space in the building that we moved into just over 2 years ago. We had over 900 volunteers helping this past holiday season and have over 600 regular volunteers. I'm teaching Confirmation again and this year we individually interviewed the parents and students. It was a very positive process and I'm looking forward to an exciting year (I like kids). Our apricot orchard has been dying rapidly the last few years because of old age, drought and neglect. This winter I'm getting 200 to 300 trees bulldozed and will have lots of firewood for all. I've been planting oaks, redwoods, sequoias and fruit trees as the orchard goes. Amy and Joey want me to plant more apricots for the future. Luckily at Hewlett-Packard I moved from the Information Systems department to Finance before a big consolidation and down sizing. I'm having the most fun I've had in years at work. Mostly I'm a consultant working with Finance, Facilities and Information Systems improving our business processes.

Judy- Mary and Todd's wedding was the highlight of the year for me. What a thrill to see them so happy. It was the best wedding I've ever been to and since I go to weddings for a living that says a lot. It was so exciting to stand at the church door and greet my parents, brothers, sister and their spouses, our nieces and nephews, in laws, cousins and all our friends. Business is still good. My clients are mostly very family oriented people who realize the importance of good pictures. Our yearly camping trip to Mammoth was better than ever. We went with our cousins Bud and Elaine Travers and their kids plus my sister Suzy and husband Tom, all of our girls and their boyfriends Todd, Mike and Dave, and a few more young friends.

Becky (26) -Happy New Year friends and family. With all the excitement of Mary and Todd's wedding the Tembrock family is running a little behind on our Christmas letter this year. So I will wish you all a Happy New Year instead of a Merry Christmas. This past year I have been living in San Diego studying for my Master's Degree. I have just started researching and writing my thesis. When I started the semester most of my peers had spent the summer researching for their thesis and knew exactly what perspective they would be writing on. I had no idea. So I spent the first part of the semester examining different subjects. I took a very exciting class on Chicano History which sparked my interest. After much searching and going through boxes from the basement of the library I began writing my thesis on a desegregation case in the 1960s and 1970s in San Diego. I am learning about how the constitution and the Supreme Court deals with race. The desegregation case I am studying is still being discussed today, and the issue of whether or not integration is beneficial is a heated topic in San Diego.

I hope to finish my thesis in July and move to Oregon and find a teaching job. I have been involved in a long distance relationship for a year and a half and have decided that San Diego to Roseburg, Oregon is just too far. Dave and I have kept the phone company and airlines in business. I have spent most of my vacations in Oregon this past year and have enjoyed camping, fishing, and exploring the Oregon coast and the Columbia River Gorge. I am leaving tomorrow morning at 6 am to drive up to Oregon. My family is coming up next week and we are renting a cabin on Diamond Lake. It should be fun. I think I have spent enough time on this computer tonight, I just realized that I have written more this year than ever. Probably because when I am placed in front of a computer I have this urge to write a lot. I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas.

Mary and Todd (25) - We've had a fun filled and exciting year. A large part of this past year was spent planning for our wedding in November. We really felt blessed to have so many friends and family share in our special celebration. Our honeymoon was spent on the island of Maui. We rented a condo right on the beach in Kapalua and had a breathtaking view of the ocean. We loved snorkeling and even tried scuba diving where we were able to swim with the sea turtles. It was difficult to return home and face the realities of life such as cooking! For 11 days straight in Maui we enjoyed eating out and Todd tried every dessert on the island! After the holiday break Todd returns back to Acuson where he works as a buyer and a planner for the manufacturing department. His largest and most recent project includes implementing a new manufacturing process with Acuson's largest subcontractor. Mary is planning to complete her Masters degree in counseling in June and hopes to be hired in the fall of 1993 as an elementary school drop-out prevention counselor or teacher. She is currently employed as a substitute teacher and also as Joe and Judy's personal custodial engineer (maid). She fills up the rest of her week by interning as a counselor at an inner city elementary school in San Jose. We are now living in Mountain View which is only 15 minutes away from the Tembrock's. If any of you are ever in the area, we would love to have you stop by and visit us in our "little" apartment.

Amy (23) - This is now my final senior year at Cal Poly and I'll be graduating in June with a B.S. in Industrial Technology. After completing my Co-op work experience at Varian this past Spring I enjoyed my first Summer in San Luis Obispo while taking classes and working. I also spent many an hour on the old Greyhound bus visiting my friend Mike. Although we both go to Cal Poly, we've managed to spend half of this past year at least 200 miles apart. We've enjoyed many backpacking, camping, and snow trips in the Sierra's with other friends from Newman and school. God has definitely blessed me with wonderful friends and family. May you also feel His blessings throughout this next year.

Joey (18) - Well, I made it through my first semester at Sonoma State University. This past year has been my busiest year ever. I did fairly well my senior year academically along with doing extremely well in soccer. I was chosen early on in the season by my teammates to be co-captain of our team. We ended up 11-0 in our league and placed first in our section which is composed of over 60 high-schools. I was awarded most inspirational player, 1st team all-league and 3rd team all county. I graduated from high-school last June. Then, I went on a mission's /choir tour to Tijuana, Mexico with my church. I came to a great realization how blessed I am living where I am and all the material things I have. When I came back from Mexico, a bunch of friends and I went on our annual trip to Mammoth Pools in the Sierra Nevada's. Then, I worked at Supercamp for a month at Stanford as a camp counselor. It was a great experience since I had to go out of my comfort zone on a daily basis. Two days after I came home from camp I got my wisdom teeth pulled. It took me three days to recover from that and on the fourth day I had to go up to school. The reason I had to go up so early was that I was trying out for the Sonoma State Soccer team. Which was ranked 2nd in the Nation last year in division II. I made the team as a red shirt which means that I practice one year with the team but don't play, then hopefully play the next year. I was quite surprised to make the team considering I didn't practice soccer all summer and was still recovering from my wisdom teeth. I ended up not playing for the team because I didn't feel comfortable with the players because all they wanted to do is get drunk and party. It wasn't worth it to me to be around those type of people for 5 years

So far I haven't regretted my decision to drop from the team. With all my extra free time I play Intramural soccer at least twice a week and I am very much involved in a Christian group called InterVarsity. Next semester I am planning on getting some type of a part time job. I wish all of you a blessed Christmas and a prosperous New Year.