

# *Merry Christmas and Happy 2004 Wishes from the Wolbert Family!*



Season's Greetings. Hope all is well with you and your family.

Everyone, Emily, Lisa, Sarah, Miki, and Bob, enjoyed another happy, healthy year. We've lived in our new house for over a year now, but are still spending most of our time maintaining and reconfiguring it.

Emily is five years old and attends Kindergarten. She spends lots of time helping around the house, preparing vegetables for dinner, and doing some of the cooking. In her spare time, she is quickly becoming a good reader. Her favorite school game is "Chase the Boys". Ahem...



*Emily snuffs five candles*

ters as well as my homework. This summer I went to Japan. We had fun swimming and going to carnivals. Later, I went to Arizona by myself to visit my grandparents, uncle, aunt, and cousins; we had fun together. I wish you a very Merry Christmas!

Lisa (9): I'm a fourth grader now, learning more and more as I go along. The days go by so quickly now. I've got to deal with my sisters



*Lisa sees the Grand Canyon with the Grand Ma and the Grand Pa*

Sarah: Once again the year has flown by. My 6<sup>TH</sup> grade class put on a play called "*Stone Soup*" I don't recommend it (with us performing it anyway). I went to Hiroshima to see the ruined dome and the thousands of paper cranes. While there I turned 12. After returning home, I started my new school, Mission Hill Middle School, where I met some old and new friends. Unfortunately, I have to be at the bus stop at 6:30 every morning—good thing the bus stop is our driveway! A few weeks back, I encountered a mountain lion near our house, but it retreated. Funny how you can encapsulate a whole year of your life in a paragraph!



*Sarah shows off at a local beach*

Miki (22?): I have rejoined the working world and work in a doctor's office as a nurse. I'm taking English and health care classes. Our next project is to finish off the basement to give the girls an indoor playroom. Our new front gate, installed this summer, cut down on trespassers, but wild animals still visit us. We're expecting snow anytime—and the girls are counting on it—so I hope our big stockpile of firewood will keep us warm all winter.

Bob (older than dirt), an independent consultant for the semiconductor industry, had perhaps too much time to build and maintain things at the house during the past year.

*Merry Christmas and Best Wishes for a Happy and Prosperous 2004*

*Bob, Miki, Sarah, Lisa, & Emily*

*The Wolberts: Bob, Miki, Sarah, Lisa, and Emily*