

# The Helfinstine Junior Journal

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Dear Friends & Family –

For us, 2007 has brought many changes and events that have made the year an interesting one to say the least. Here's a breakdown of what we've done this past year, and what's happening for us in the future.

January began with unusually warm weather in the 70's and 80's...oh yeah. We began the year in Florida (explains the weather). We were there celebrating David's grandparent's (mom's side) 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the family. It was a fun time and, as was stated before, very nice weather. In July we also made it to Weslake Resort near Fergus Falls with Sarah's family for two weekends.



David continued his educational 'experience' at Argosy University and is finishing up his degree in Medical Laboratory Technology. He was able to be the first President of VOICE (Vital Organization in Clinical Education), a new organization for MLT students. He is finishing up interning at Children's Hospitals and Clinics in Minneapolis. He is finishing top of his class (3.95 GPA – sure beats the first round through college). David was offered a position to stay at Minneapolis Children's, and has accepted the offer to start January 21<sup>st</sup>.

Sarah has also continued her educational 'experience'. While not as 'experienced' as David, Sarah will be receiving her Master's in Education from the University of Wisconsin, River Falls in the new year. She has been student teaching since the beginning of the school year at Friendly Hills Middle School in Mendota Heights (just south of St. Paul). She was able to teach at several different schools throughout the metro in the spring, which gave her a good overview of what she would like to do and teach. She hopes to get a long-term sub position there when the teacher she is teaching with goes on maternity leave at the end of the school year.



Besides the job situation mentioned above, Sarah still works for American Eagle, but is probably going to end her career there when truly gainful employment is guaranteed.

David worked for Gap for most of the year and recently obtained a position at Hallmark for the remainder of the holiday season. Sarah is excited about the discount, as well as David's mom.

Sarah has been busy at church with confirmation. Both David and Sarah were in the Christmas choir again this year. We were able to sing such rousing numbers as 'The Star Carol' and 'Jesus was born in Beth-a-la-hem'. Because of where Christmas is this year, and Sarah's Grandma becoming a centenarian (that means she's 100), we will be unable to sing in the last week of Christmas choir and on Christmas Eve.

This year has also brought many weddings. Sarah's cousin Kris was married in April, her friend Leah was married in June, Michelle was married in July (you should see their cute puppy's picture on Facebook). David's cousin Tim was married in August, and in October, Kristen (David's Sister) was married to Chad Boysen. The wedding was a lot of fun, and the whole family was there for it.



So there you have it. If we've forgot about anything, it must not be too terribly important. Unless it was supposed to be important and we did truly forget, we apologize (but it must not have been too memorable). Thank you for your continued prayers and support throughout this past year. Without you, we could not have made it through what has turned out to be a difficult year physically and financially.

Love,

*David & Sarah Helfinstine*

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Merry Christmas  
from  
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2007



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