

M--May the joy that is Christmas fill your hearts this Holiday Season--1980.

E--Excitedly, we anticipate Christmas with Craig "Home for the Holidays", with our family together on Christmas Eve (when the mystery of each package will be unraveled), and with a day in the country at Phyllis and Lee's for a Thompson Christmas.

R--"Ring Christmas Bells" and messages from you the postman will bring.

R--"Renovating a Victorian Home" is a book Diane and Kevin can write after removing layers of paint and wallpaper; sanding; replacing the kitchen and the roof, etc. Their holiday joy will be a long and tedious project completed. Diane's job title continues to be "Credit Manager" at Diamond International.

Y--Yard = greenery, but when a tree doesn't grow, a sculpture you plant. We now enjoy Kevin's steel sculpture which was in Central Park for "Boulder's Summer Art Fest". He also had one in Vail. Painting and sculpting = Kevin's profession. Our house is also an art gallery for Kevin.

C--Chairman of the Business Department = Alan after the Principal did some arm twisting. He finds coming back to this responsibility "really not too bad". He attended summer workshops and night classes and now he can teach to retirement two years hence.

H--Home in Boulder for the summer was a special joy with time to do home repairs, rejuvenate the yard, redecorate, relax, and help the "renovators". Alan is now an expert at Z-bricking.

R--Rejoicing--Craig will be graduating from Arizona State University in May. (Dad will be happy too.) Accounting and finance = his field. Soon, he will be shopping the job market. A Mexican restaurant = his place of employment now.

I--Invitations Kevin did design for Grandma's 75th birthday party, May 25. We helped Shirley and Harry host the occasion at their ranch. As it was Kurt's confirmation also, the gathering of family and friends made it a memorable day.

S--Scott--His last change of address card is Boulder. His ambition is to publish a book. He is certainly familiar with the "writer's cramps". With his expertise at the piano, playing for dance classes helps keep him off the soup line. He will perform a program of Grieg's music for a Sons of Norway meeting.

T--Traveling through the rural countryside to Missouri to attend Alan's high school alumni dinner was our June adventure. In August we steered the car north to Wyoming for a visit with the Allen's.

M--Musical sounds are in the air as Barb teaches young fingers to produce beautiful music. They are preparing Christmas music for performances in recitals and other programs. . .a special treat for us and their parents.

A--Allen and Robb families are planning a "Holiday Celebration" for New Years. The cousins anticipate a "holly, jolly time" as they ski, visit and break bread together.

S--Seasons come and seasons go and for you we hope each one was a special time.