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Jones Family Letter

Proud parents was our theme this past year. So many events! A nice way to communicate them is through pictures. The photos are not in order by time—pretty much everything happened in the summer.



Beth is still teaching special education in a junior high. For part of her summer she went to Guatemala to start learning Spanish with a tutor (pictured above). Climbing a volcano was a big highlight of her trip. Eventually she plans to live and work overseas.



In June Rachel graduated from high school. She was on the swim team and the water polo team.



In August Rachel left for the University of Illinois (Urbana), where she is studying early childhood education. She lives in the same dorm Brent lived in his freshman year in long-ago 1969. The campus brings back great memories. Go Fighting Illini!



Yes, those are swords, folks! Brent walked Becky down the aisle to marry Dane Collette. (The same aisle in our church where Marie walked to Brent in 1978.) The newlyweds are both Air Force Academy graduates who met through the Officers Christian Fellowship. Dane is an instructor pilot and Becky is a logistics officer at Laughlin Air Force Base in Del Rio, Texas. They bought a home and will be stationed there for about two years.

Becky was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in a special midnight ceremony (lower right photo). Vice President Cheney spoke at graduation and handed Becky her diploma. The flying team of F-16s known as the Thunderbirds flew past as the grads tossed their hats into the air. Great big smile (below) is in final big parade march by seniors.

