

THE WINNS



1999

After everyone left from the wacky and wild Christmas of '98, then things kind of quieted down in January. February was a little more noticeable with Garry's 51st birthday party and Genessa getting braces.

In late March, Glenda took off for Oregon. Garry followed in early April. We got "bogged" down in Cranberry Country, but enjoyed the coast, Bandon, and the famous shipwrecked oil tanker, The New Carissa". During all this excitement, Genessa was in Utah for her Spring Break. Visiting Crystal Lisonbee.

In May, Grant announced he was engaged to Andrea Jarrell and they were married on June 5th by Bishop Albrectson in the Marmalade Court's garden-like back yard. Thank goodness for decorations saved from Garrett's and Grayson's receptions. It wasn't too difficult to throw together a fairly lovely ceremony and reception on short notice. We invited just a few family and friends. Grant and Andrea spent their honeymoon at the Mission Inn in downtown 'Old Riverside'. They enjoyed an elegant dinner in lovely surroundings.



A wonderful, relaxing respite at the coast. We even got to see the infamous ship.

First
Picture
Together
March
1999



Wedding Day



No Ring Yet



Opening... Gifts



An Andrea Family

1999

Off for honeymoon at Mission Inn

Honeymoon Tradition



Grant
+
Andrea
June 5, 1999

Garry Grant Glenda

9045 Marmalade
Riverside
CA


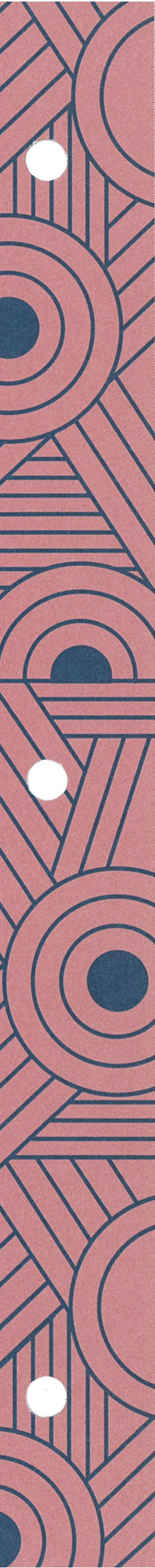


Winn's

Cohen's

in-laws





July kicked in as Genessa went to Girl's Camp and our 2nd granddaughter, Kayleigh Maridee, was born on the 16th. So....August saw us, including Genessa, flying off to Minnesota, where we got to witness her blessing. We enjoyed Kayleigh, and of course, Regan, but also the Mall of America in Minneapolis: the largest mall in the world. We saw lots of beautiful farmland, and visited an Amish settlement. Garrett took us on a tour of IBM where he worked. We attended church at their branch (which they have aptly nicknamed 'the twig'). That made us really appreciate the strength in numbers, the church enjoys out west. Garry and Genessa flew home, while Glenda stayed another week, to get practiced up on grand mothering again.

The month of August greeted Gentry and Corinne to California and a trip to our one-of-a kind beaches, here in California. We had the usual castle building event...an especially lovely one, thanks to Gentry and Corinne.

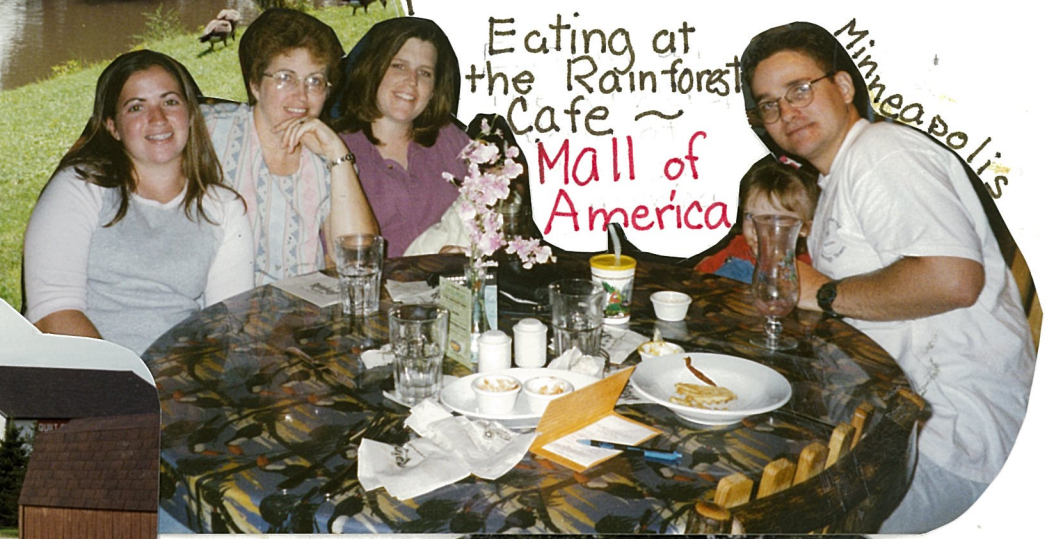
September went down in infamy as Glenda won the ward Chili cook-off contest, and came home with a ribbon adorned ladle as her prize. During this time, Grant and Andrea started showing up pretty regularly



Mantorville Park
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MINNESOTA

AUG. 1999
land of lakes



Eating at the Rainforest Cafe ~
Mall of America
Minneapolis

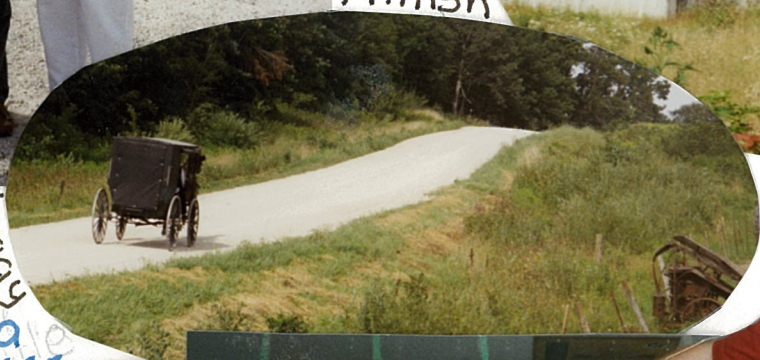


Shopping

A Tour of
Harmony MN.
Amish



the school



buggy

Regan teaches a goat to smile...



Olmstead County Fair



Garrett takes us on a tour of IBM - where he works



Blessing Day for Kaleigh Adelia.....

Grandpa Winn

Daddy Garrett with Kayleigh

Grandpa Sperry

Rochester, Minnesota



sweet baby

Kayleigh
was born
on
July 16th



Sunday



Aug. 1, 1999

Regan's a big
sister now!



AT HOME

August 1999



REGAN & KAYLEIGH



Palm
Springs

USE

for
troops

August
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Gentry

Corinne




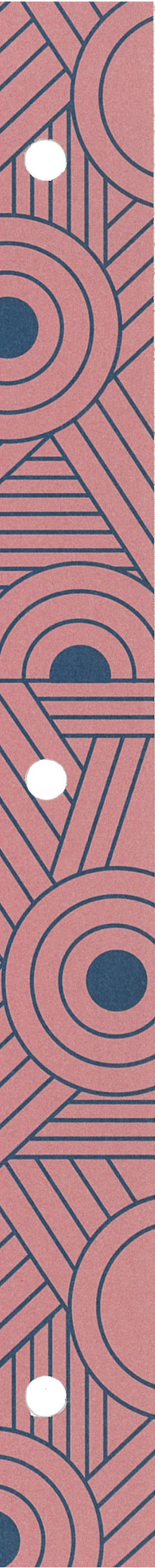
Huntington
Beach



Grant

Andrea Corinne

Gentry



to church which then led to Andrea's first Missionary discussion in November.

In November and December, Garry insisted on decorating the house for Christmas even though the terrific trio were going off to spend Christmas in Oregon. Mom flew, I think, and Dad and Genessa drove up later. It was cold, of course, but a warm fire and family was always enjoyable. We helped set up the tree and lights. We tried to help out a bit, as Grandpa was still recovering from his heart-bypass surgery, and Grandma from her hysterectomy. I guess we didn't help enough, though, because they got "sick" of us, which caused an earlier than expected departure. Actually, Grandpa came down with pneumonia and Glenda tried to copy him. We had planned on staying with the Broughs and enjoying New Years Eve, but we cut our visit short when Glenda's moans and groans grew too loud. We celebrated the coming of the new millennium by.....sleeping.





Ho... Ho... Ho



Christmas 1999



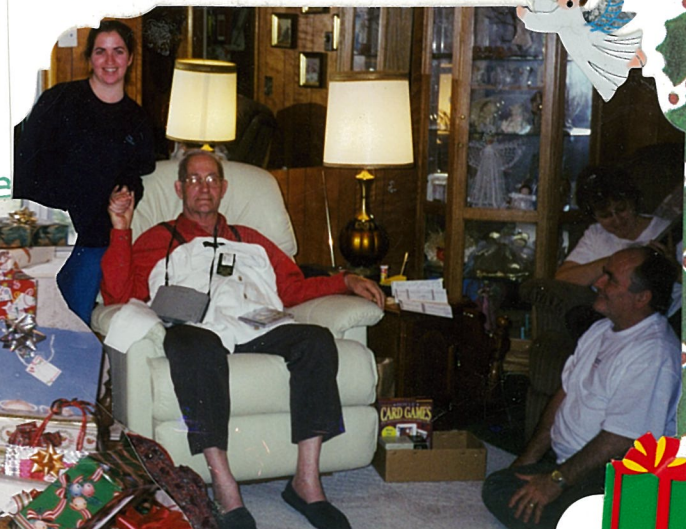
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WINNS AND MORE

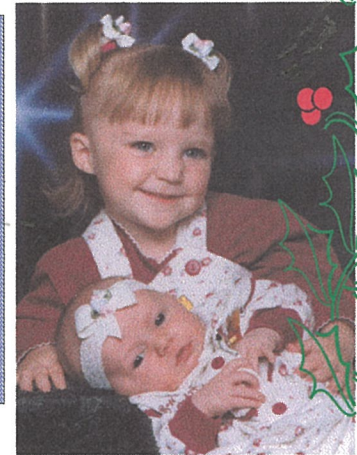
DEAR FRIENDS AND FAMILY,

We hope this season finds you and yours happy and well. We are grateful for another year of bounteous blessings: love of family, of God & especially a new granddaughter and daughter-in-law. For details of 1999, read on.....

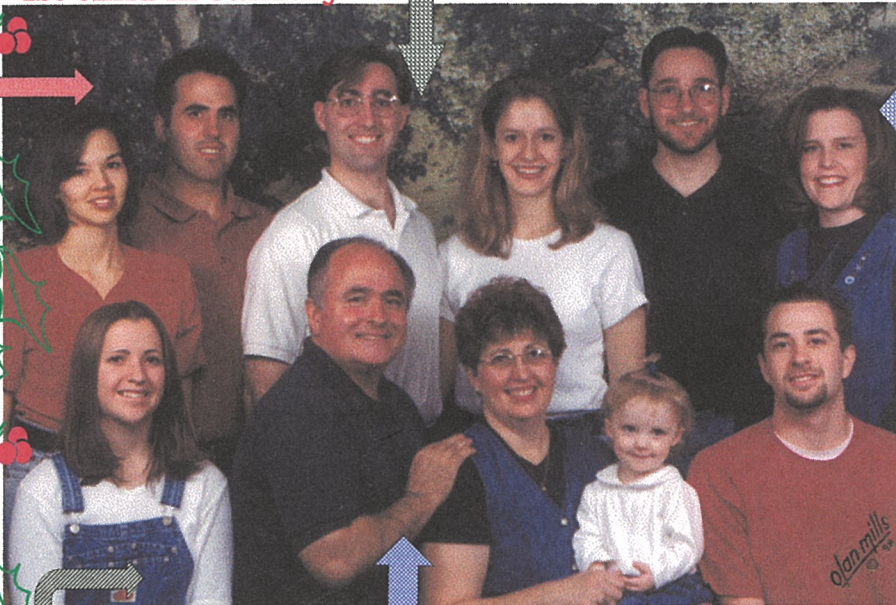
Grayson & Becky are back in Provo after working this summer in Florida. He is finishing his B.A. in poly.sci. & looking for law schools to apply to. She is working at Sears. They're expecting their 1st child in January.

Gentry & Corinne are living in College Station, Texas where Corinne is continuing on her Veterinary Science degree, & Gentry is substitute teaching. They recently announced they're also expecting in mid 2000.

Garrett & Heidi welcomed a new little girl into their family in July. Now Regan is a big sister to Kayleigh. They still live in Minnesota, [which is way too far away.] Garrett works for IBM, & serves as a counselor in their branch presidency. Heidi just started working part time at a bank.

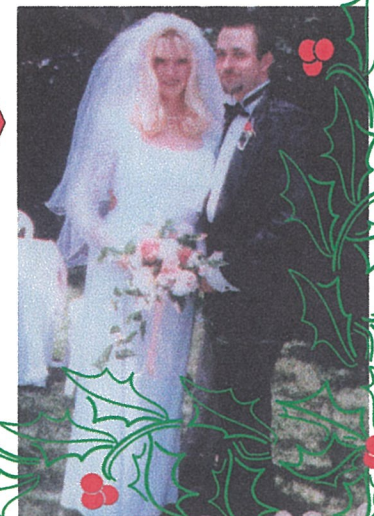


Grant got married! (see below). Andrea has been a wonderful addition to our family. Grant is working construction, learning lots of good skills. We love having them living nearby --- especially since they will be having their 1st child in late January [Garry & Glenda need someone to spoil!]



Genessa is a Junior, & still as sweet & kind as always. She is in Chamber Singers, takes piano, and teaches piano, & babysits alot. She has her drivers permit... so watch out!

Garry & Glenda are doing the same ol' things--working at their schools. We keep busy in church--Garry is the H.P Group Leader, and Glenda is in the Stake Young Women's. They are enjoying their 2nd year in their new house, and paved roads. Glenda is especially fond of the spa... all year 'round!



THE WINNYS

Garrett & Heidi

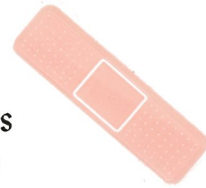


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January:

Being the active girl that she is, Regan falls off her bed and hits her nose pretty hard on the bed frame. She is taken to the emergency room in Rochester (about a 40-minute drive on a good day) because we think she has a broken nose. Everything turns out to be fine--she just has a black and blue nose for awhile.



For her 2nd birthday, Regan invites friends over to her house for some Mac and cheese, hotdogs, a piñata, and a movie. Everyone has fun.



February:

A hard month on the Minnesota Winn's, as their income can't keep up with their bills. But, they continue to pay tithing diligently. One day, they came home from church to find 2 huge bags of groceries on their doorstep. They don't have to go without food now and are able to pay their bills for the month.

March, April:

Shortly after Easter, the Winns (mostly Garrett) break down and get a nice outdoor dog from a local farm. They name her Jezebel, or Jezzy for short.

She is a very active, cute little puppy. But Regan is a little afraid of the dog since its so hyper. In other words, Regan gets some of her own medicine.



Because Garrett just isn't making enough money, he starts looking around for a job. He would like to become a real IBM employee since he likes his job.

An offer comes in from St. Louis, Missouri, to work at Sprint, doing some interesting stuff, for lots of money. However, Heidi and Garrett just don't have a good feeling about it, especially after going to the Temple and praying about it.

Thankfully, IBM counters the Missouri offer, and plans to hire Garrett as a regular employee. The Winns are staying in Minnesota! Hurray!



May:

Garrett starts as an IBM-er. They send him to Chicago for a week of

training and orientation. He thinks it would have been nice to have this a year ago when he started at IBM as a contractor. In any case, the pay raise definitely helps.

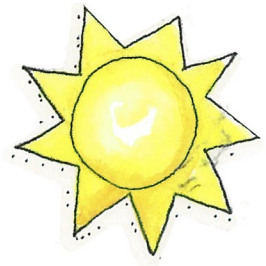


June, July:



Heidi's mom, Judy, comes out for a two week visit, to help with the soon-to-be-born baby. However, either Heidi or the baby is stubborn and doesn't come until 2 days before Judy has to go back to Utah. Well, at least she was able to help a little.

Right before the visit, their house central A/C breaks, during the hottest week of the year, and the repairmen can't come until the next week. They all think they will die. They sleep in the Family Room, where Garrett installs a small, but powerful, window air cooler. That little cooler is the only thing that saves them from certain baking.



This time, Heidi goes into labor all by herself, with the water breaking before midnight on the 15th. Garrett's glad they weren't in bed when it happened. They rush to the hospital, but Garrett doesn't like to speed, so Heidi constantly reminds him that the one time he could probably legally do it, he doesn't. Garrett contends that he felt like it would be dangerous to speed.



In any event, after a mere 4 hours of labor (unfortunately, it was so fast, and the midwife so unintelligent, that she had to do it without the wanted epidural shot).



Kayleigh Maridee Winn is born around 4am on the 16th. She weighs in at 8lbs, 7ozs, and 20 and 1/2 inches long. The Winns defy tradition again and can't decide on a name until after the baby is born. They choose Maridee after Garry's sister. They were going to use May after Grandma Johnston, but Kayleigh May Winn didn't sound very positive. After all, she Will win! In deference to grandma, they do use the nickname, "Kayleigh May" often.



August:

California Winns come for a visit and for the baby blessing. They get to do some sightseeing, as Heidi refuses to rest. They get to go to Harmony, and see the Amish settlement there, as well as other Minnesota historical sites, like the Laura Ingles Wilder highway, Wasioja's historic school, Mantorville's main street, and Minneapolis'

Mall of America.

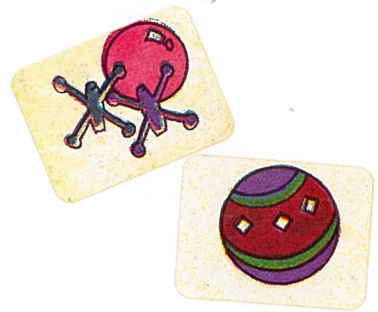


September:

The Stake Presidency decides to split the Rochester Ward, and create a Branch in Dodge Center, which is much closer to West Concord. Garrett is called as 1st counselor in the Branch Presidency, and Heidi is called to work with the Young Women and as a Youth Sunday School teacher. It's kind of fun and exciting, but lots of work since everyone gets 4-5 callings.

In the midst of this change, Garrett has to work 70 hour weeks for the entire month, in order to make his October 1 deadline at work for their next software product. Now Garrett is wishing that he could get paid overtime.

Regan goes back to her "preschool" (it's more like a play group). She gets to play, do crafts, and make lots of friends. She really likes her "favorite" teacher, Diana.



October:

Heidi starts a new part-time job at a local bank as a teller. She works late afternoons for just 4 or so hours a day. A friend is able to watch the kids for an hour until Garrett can pick them up on his way home. So, the kids get to play with a friend, Garrett doesn't have to pay lots in babysitting, and Heidi gets away from the kids and out of the house and into adult conversations: everyone is happy. Plus, the extra money helps them pay down some bills and get out of debt quicker.

November, December:

Garrett sends Heidi and the girls to Utah without him and spends his free time redoing the family room and hallway to make them look brighter and nicer.



The Winns spend Christmas in Utah, but Mom Winn curses them for not coming to California, and they all get horribly sick for most of the trip. They decide they better visit California the next year.

The Millennium Bug bites nobody (at least not hard), just as Garrett suspected all along.



THE WINNYS

Gentry & Corinne



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CORINNE AND GENTRY

We came back from Christmas in Utah and spent New Years with Corinne's sister's family at Lake Arrowhead.

We received a calling to be primary teachers for the 8-9 year-olds. Corinne was made Achievement Day leader. Gentry was called to be Young Men's Secretary and Assistant Scout Master working with the 11-year-old-scouts. Then in March Corinne was switched to 10-12 year-olds and Gentry was switched to 6-7 year-olds.

Corinne started the second semester of her first year of vet school. Corinne had to take care of Rosalina, the ostrich, for one week for one of her classes. She also got to play with deer at the exotic and wildlife center of A&M.

For Spring break, in March, Corinne's parents came to Texas. We went to San Antonio where we saw the River Walk and the Alamo. We also spent a day in Nuevo Laredo and Mexico.

For our first Easter together (married) we hid eggs. Fun!



As part of Corinne's ZEW Club from school we got free admission to a wild animal park and a special behind the scene tour of the park. They had a lot of interesting animals, like cheetahs and zebras.

Also, we went to the Fort Worth Zoo in May with friends and had a good time.

Corinne went to Girls Camp in June as the Kitchen Director (cook). She enjoyed it and got to know some nice people.

In July, we went to Utah to visit Corinne's family. Corinne's parents, sister and her husband, and us drove back to Texas. On the way we stopped at Four Corners, Mexico,



Four Corners



A Mexican Taxi cab

El Paso, Carlsbad Caverns, and San Antonio.
Then we went to the George Bush
Museum in College Station.



Remember the Alamo

In August, we took a trip to California to visit Gentry's family.
One of the things we did was go to the beach.

Our sandcastle →



We celebrated our first anniversary by going to our friends' wedding at the Oakland temple—it was a good reminder of our experience.

Corinne started her second year of vet school. Three more to go!

We spent Christmas in Utah and took a road trip to Lake Arrowhead, California to have a pre-New Year celebration then went back to Utah. We ended the year by announcing that there would be a new arrival in our family soon.

Genessa

(Winn!?!)



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Genessa

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May 7-9 1999:

Our Chamber Singers and Show Choir got to travel to San Francisco to compete in the Heritage Festival. We got a Superior rating and 1st place!



October 1999:

Amanda Holm, Aimee Biffle, and me singing a trio "As Long as I Have Music" at our Fall choir concert.



July 5-9 1999:

I was a Level 4 at our Girl's Camp in Big Bear.

We liked to take silly pictures during our free time.