

## MERRY CHRISTMAS 2004 FROM THE BULARZIK FAMILY

Hello again to all of our friends. It's that time of year again to fill you in on all of our doings for this year. Once again the time has really flown. We can't believe that we are another year older. I really do enjoy hearing from all of our friends that send us cards and letters. Even though we do not always see each other, we do think of all of you and the times that we have had with all of you in the past.

I am still working as a Technology Specialist for assistive technology needs for special education for the school district. I am really enjoying the job and am very busy with that and also teaching the teachers about various special education needs. I have also gone back to school to get my Masters in School Administration. (Yes, I have lost my mind)

Joe is still very busy teaching chemistry, this year for freshman and advanced PChem. The freshmen are a challenge since they aren't quite into the swing of things and think that their work will just miraculously get done. But at least he has a glimmer of hope with his advanced students and the students that do research for him. He was able to take a couple of them to a conference so they could present their research. It was a great experience for them. (I'm sure some of you can remember back to when you first had to present a paper – it was scary and fun at the same time).

Nick is a junior now and is still at George Washington University in DC. He had a great summer job working for our Congressman, Peter Visclosky. He helped with his campaign as a manager for volunteers. He really liked it, but had to go back to school. He is still with ROTC. He doesn't know where he will be stationed this summer. We probably won't know until June. He did get involved with a dance group at school for ballroom dancing. He is doing this competitively against other college groups and is doing well. He placed 6 in the college regional for American Tango and for American Waltz. Never thought we would have a dancer in the house. Joe and I step all over each other's feet!

Kirstin is also a junior at the high school. She is working a part time job at the local dry cleaners (we get clean pressed clothes at half price). She is saving up her money to go to Germany this summer with an Indiana University Honors program. She has passed the test and only has to go through the interview process to be accepted. She should be accepted. In the program they go to classes at a university in Germany and stay with a family there. It is an immersion program so they can only speak German. She can email to us – but it has to be in German. (Thank goodness Joe still knows some German!) Other than that she is busy with theatre (stage manager), scorekeeper for Wrestling and still in Marching Band (but the season is over now and concert band is beginning).

Thank you for being our friends. May God bless each and every one of you!

*Joseph Tony Nick Kirstin*

