

Merry Christmas 2010

Ashlyn (20) is in her second year at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh. She spent the summer in Boone working in Heather's research lab. In the fall she moved into an apartment with some friends and is enjoying dorm-free college life. She also decided to add on a second major (History), I guess to keep the un-science parts of her brain active during her science-intense study at CMU.



Kehvon (23) just finished up the classroom ("didactic") phase of medical school (University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia) and will begin rotations through various clinical specialties/settings. She and her boyfriend, Mike welcomed two new members to their family: their cats, Sam and Dean.



Heather has taken a sabbatical from her faculty position to complete a one-year fellowship at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN. Beginning in July, she has been seeing patients, taking



courses, rotating through various neurology subspecialties, and conducting research. She will return to Boone and her "real" job in July 2011, but in the meantime is enjoying the outdoor activities offered by southern Minnesota (biking and cross-country skiing, in particular) and being a little closer to relatives in the Midwest.



Norm has been holding down the fort in Boone, but had his own big adventure in March, when he took a 10-day trip to South Africa. Along with several other ASU faculty members, he met with faculty from the University of the Free State to exchange ideas about service learning. He got to visit a wildlife rescue center where he got to pet the big cats!

The family did a fair amount of traveling this year. Kehvon took advantage of her final spring break to visit college friends in Colorado. We rented a house on the outer banks the last week in May. Kehvon and Mike drove down for Memorial Day weekend and Heather's sister Catherine and her boyfriend Moon came for a few days – a great family vacation. Ashlyn and Norman met up with his parents and his brother's family in Philadelphia this summer; while they were there, Norm, Ashlyn, Kehvon, and Mike took in a Sting concert. When Norm moved Ashlyn into her apartment in August, they drove up to Pennsylvania a day early to visit Frank Lloyd Wright's Falling Water house. In September, Ashlyn and Heather went with Kehvon and Mike to the US Open tennis tournament in NYC. Ashlyn and her friends drove from Pittsburgh to Chicago over fall break. The entire family was home for both Thanksgiving and Christmas. Busy schedules and long miles are making it harder and harder for us all to be together, so we cherish every moment.



We wish you a blessed 2011!