

The Refior News Bulletin

Paul, Pam, Nikki & Laura

May 1, 1987

Greetings from Warsaw, Indiana on a gorgeous spring day. We continue to have unbelievable weather here. The leaves are now "popping" and the entire countryside is turning green and colorful.

Our children's musical at Pleasant View Bible Church "Kid's Praise! 5" was a huge success. I believe that the children learned many valuable lessons in the process in preparing for and presenting this musical. This coming Saturday we will present the musical at a nursing home, with other nursing homes in the area invited to bring their residents. This will be the final production. Pam was outstanding as "Blooper," the mischievous dog. Laura did a wonderful job in her speaking and singing parts, as did the other children who were a part of the cast and choir.

One of the exciting events during this past month was the adoption of a little baby girl by a missionary couple. It was a thrill to be the attorney in placing the baby with this missionary couple and obtaining the formal adoption decree.

Nikki continues to receive volumes of mail from colleges and universities across the nation. I am not exactly sure how Nikki got on all of those mailing lists, but she obviously is on somebody's computer. Perhaps it was the fact that she did so well on her college examination. Nonetheless, it seems that the schools that are in consideration are Cedarville College, in Ohio and Purdue University in West Layefette, Indiana.

Brian Weiss has now completed his law education at Indiana University - Bloomington College of Law. He will be arriving this month to commence work. Also he will be getting married on May 23, 1987. He will sit for the Indiana Bar Exam in July.

One of the more difficult events occurred during this past month. It was about 17 years ago that I stopped on my way home from work at the Kokomo, Indiana dog pound and looked for a little puppy to take home. As I looked around that room there was a little black and white puppy, small enough to fit in my hand, which was whining at me and wagging its tail and entire hind quarters as it followed me around the room with its eyes. I guess I could say that Dandy picked me out rather than visa

versa. For three dollars I purchased that little puppy. I tucked Dandy safely inside my letter jacket and drove home on my motorcycle. I greeted Pam with that little puppy and Dandy has been a part of our family ever since. When Nikki was born Dandy was already a part of the family. Due to constant and excruciating pain, cancer, inability to eat, and other problems, it was painfully decided that we must have Dandy put to sleep as an act of mercy. It was a fearful and difficult decision. Dandy is now gone and we will certainly miss her... a very real part of our family.

Improvements at the law office continue, including the installation of central air conditioning. With all of the time invested in the children's musical, I have work stacked up since I have not been able to work evenings and weekends to the same degree as usual. We are hoping to be able to take a family vacation this summer. We want to travel to Washington, D.C. and to Norfolk, Virginia. Hopefully we will be able to do that.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Nikki", written in dark ink on a light background.