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Greetings

The 1998 year was a year of changes for some of us. I changed school districts after many years of service in Lodi Unified. I was becoming progressively more upset with district policies and switched to Lincoln District which is smaller and the school district of my childhood. My father spent many years there as an administrator and I feel I have returned home. I decided it was very important to enjoy my last years of teaching before retirement. I am back teaching math and this time also science at Pacific school where my classroom includes 6th, 7th and 8th graders. I am much happier and am pleased I made the move.

Aaron has gone from being a second language teacher to having his own 4th/5th grade classroom in Sebastopol. He is having a typical first year experience with a combination class and difficult children. It has been very interesting for me to watch his entrance into teaching and I am seeing my profession through fresh eyes. Aaron also returned to acting and performed for the Santa Rosa players in their production of "Biloxi Blues."

Brad is in his senior year at University of California at Santa Cruz. He continues to be much too busy with work, school, productions, and projects. He just finished playing the lead in "Three Penny Opera" for Cabrillo Junior College and is working on his senior project which is the production of the musical "Assassins". He is applying to drama graduate schools for next year and will audition in February.

John continues to truckdrive, jog 12-16 miles a week, and get on his Harley whenever he gets the chance. He is also becoming a "techie nerd". We have on-line banking, an upgraded computer by John removing the old 230 MB internal hard drive and putting in a 3.2 G. He then took the old 230 megger and made it into an external hard drive with a chassis that someone had thrown away for garbage. Not only was it a cool experiment that worked, but it is turning out to be quite a useful tool to have around any computer setup. He spends a lot more time talking with my brother Brian, the ultimate "techie nerd".

Hope all is well with you. May 1999 be healthful and happy.