

Greetings from the Shreves
Christmas 2007

Aaron, Rita, John, Donna, Brad, Matt



Aaron continues intense studies for his Master's degree and should finish this Spring. Rita has graduated with a MBA in May of 2007. Rita returned to Russia for three weeks where she visited with family and classmates she hadn't seen for 12 years. Rita's mother flew to California with her and visited here for a while. Rita also received scuba certification and visited several beaches to practice.

I have had a rough year. My mother died in June and I was diagnosed with uterine cancer in November. Hopefully surgery will take place before Christmas. I now teach teachers and use those pay checks to supplement my travel fund. I have many travel ideas lined up. My high light trips this year were to New York and Connecticut where I visited with people I hadn't seen for over 35 years.

Brad graduated with a M.F.A. from the National Theatre Conservatory in Denver. He presented his showcase to agents and directors in New York City and I got to be there. Brad has an agent and has been going to auditions. In the meantime, he is a bartender at Restaurant 202 in the Chelsey district in Manhattan. He and Matt have a wonderful apartment in Manhattan and Matt has a great job as Performance Improvement Specialist at NY-Presbyterian University Hospital at Columbia and Cornell.

John tried Mt. Lassen this summer. He and Aaron climbed to the top and got cheated of a view by the many fires in the area. John's motorcycle is now a museum piece but he keeps it in good shape and rides it frequently. John and I celebrated our 40th wedding anniversary by going to Las Vegas and seeing three Cirque du Soliel performances. Who would figure John would enjoy Las Vegas when he doesn't drink, smoke, or gamble? The six of us went to Oregon Shakespeare Theatre again to see fabulous plays. It has been a family tradition for 17 years.

Sincerely,
The Shreve Family