

# The Riel Family Newsletter

Catch the News July, 2005 RFNL 173

## Birdy and Michelle drive from SD to U of Mass – they also meet Francie in New York for some shopping and sightseeing

As we have previously reported, Michelle is entering U. of Mass as a graduate student. She will be majoring in microbiology, working for her MS and PhD degrees.



Since she wanted to have her car, and also had stuff to move, she decided to drive across the country, and mom volunteered to go with her. They took off in late June, going east on I-8, then through Denver, then just south of Chicago, across

northern Ohio, and on to Worchester, Mass. All went well, and they arrived safely at Michelle's newly rented apartment. After getting settled in her new

home they took off by train for the big city, where they met Francie, who was in town for a trade show. They took in the usual sights, and did some power shopping. The pictures tell the story.



GOOD LUCK, Michelle, in your graduate studies. Be sure and keep in touch, and let us know how you are doing.

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## Francie does trade show in New York

As we mentioned on page one, Francie visited New York City recently, to give demonstrations of ISO products. She reports that the show was a great success. The attached write up gives some more details plus some pictures of Francie in action.



"From the moment I walked in, I felt like I was part of a family again. ISO and everyone at Lépine New York welcomed me with open arms."  
—Christene O'Keffe

"DESPERATE HOUSEWIVES" found themselves desperate no more for a good hair cut and texture service when 25 women were treated to complimentary makeovers at Lépine New York salon. More than 100 women lined up as early as 5:30 a.m. for a chance to be chosen for the ISO and Lépine New York makeovers. Regardless of hair type, all of the selected makeover candidates walked out at the end of the day with beautiful waves in their hair, thanks to ISO's one-step Neo Texture self-neutralizing process and ISO Hair Care products, which support hair of all texture types.

### PREPPED, WAVED AND STYLED

The makeovers began with ISO's Pure Cleanse triple-chelating shampoo to remove impurities and buildup. Then, following the texture service by ISO Guest Artist Francie Sorem, ISO's Bouncy Crème and Bouncy Spray helped accentuate the curls and create the soft texture waves that are currently rocking today's hair trends.

## Listy competes in Rock and Roll Marathon

Once again early June was time for the annual R&R race in San Diego. As usual, a large field of runners turned out to tour Balboa Park, Highway 163, Friars Road, Mission Bay and finally, back to MCRD. This year Grandpa saw Listy go by at Friars Road, near our condo. She delayed her pace long enough for a picture, as shown below. We congratulate her for finishing this tough race.



## Francie thumb surgery update

In the June RFNL we reported on the operation Francie had to correct a problem she had with her left thumb. We are



happy to report that it has healed up nicely, and is much improved. As you can see from the photo, the scar is almost gone.

## Ed, Kevin, and Tim enjoy Big Sur camping trip.

We have the following report on a recent camping trip enjoyed by the Ed and sons recently. As you can see, they had a great time hiking around. See next page for pics.

I am happy to report a very enjoyable camping trip last month in the Padre Mountains just east of Big Sur. Kevin put it together for Nathan and myself. Unlike the Yosemite trip, the trail did not get lost. It was at times, due to last winters rains, overgrown with, over the head, vegetation and froth with wild river crossings. But such adversary gives you that intimate sensuous closeness to nature that camping is all about. Most of all I will remember the fogymorning mountain hike along a dizzyslop that was close to 1:1, with open fields of closely blooming wildflowers. Also I like this cool picture of Kev and Nate clowning about the severity of the adventure we had just completed.

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Hi Dad  
Well it's summer time and we are off on another the family vacation. However, since both Katy and Brian had to work it's JUST KARLA AND ME!!!! Oh sure, we miss them, but finally, we get to play while the kids have to work.

Anyways the first few days we spent in Sequoia National Park, hiking 8 miles on Saturday and another 10 miles on Sunday. Here are some pictures of our tour of the Park.

Thanks, Ed, for the story and pictures. We are sure it was a great vacation!

## *Grand opening at Final Cut*

Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup> was the date to officially open Francie's new salon, and a big crowd assembled to enjoy snacks and drinks. Everyone had a great time and wished Francie great success in this new venture.



Some new mailing addresses

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## Jessica celebrates graduation with party at home

Although Jessica actually finished college in December, the final ceremony took place only recently. Jeff and Carol threw a part in her honor and we all enjoyed snacks, drinks, and food. Jessica now is in the ranks of the employed, having landed a job with the Corky McMillan Real Estate firm. She likes her work, except for bringing coffee to the more senior members of the firm. She is looking forward to the day when a junior hire will serve coffee to her. It was a fun evening, and we congratulate Jessica for beginning her new career.



## Hartmans celebrate 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday at almost finished home

Continuing a tradition of many years, and in spite of some unfinished remodeling, Bruce and Birdy invited some family and friends over to celebrate. We all enjoyed the chance to meet and talk to family and friends, and to enjoy the output of the new outdoor grill. The hamburgers and hot dogs were great, as was all of the other food. We thank Bruce and Birdy for including us in this special celebration,.



We visited Francie's home recently to check out the latest on the remodeling project. Francie and Lyle are hard at it, and much progress has been made. There was one major set-back, when it was discovered that the new grill was too wide. Also, the rotating spit handle was positioned directly over a gas burner, which wouldn't work very well. Consequently, the entire assembly will be replaced. Other than that, things are going well.



**Some late news flashes – Curtis Hartman** – We met Birdy for lunch a few weeks ago, and were greatly surprised to see not only Curtis but also his new bride, Susan. They were married recently in a private civil ceremony. They plan the official wedding before Curtis ships out on his first assignment. When he finishes at Fort Huachuca (late August) he is going to South Korea, for about a year. After that, he hopes to be reassigned to the language school in Monterey, where he will be learning Chinese. We will have some pictures of the surprise lunch in the next RFNL. **Margaret/Bud** – In northern Italy, Margaret working, Bud on vacation **Grandpa sick on Father's Day** – There were no celebrations, due to illness. See the August RFNL for some delayed celebrations.