"Sound the trumpet! Sing Carols! Prepare a Feast! Lay the table and set a place for a guest. It is no small thing to welcome the Christ!" (Koenig)

This has been a year of challenge and opportunity. Carl is in the process of realizing a dream. Doron Associates, Inc., came into being on June 26 and officially began business in September. It is a Rep. business in electronic communications, dealing mainly with educational systems (deiver education simulators, language labs, student response and TV systems). A portion of our basement has been turned into the Home Office for Doron, and a branch office in Clifton, New Jersey with two full-time employees. With Carl's talent, integrity, and enthusiasm plus the cooperation of his fellow workers and family, we can't help but be excited and optimistic concerning the future of our company!

Leigh is living with a lovely family in Weston, Massachusetts. She helps with the preparation of and cleaning up after meals, and is a companion to their eleven year old daughter and transports her to and from ballet lessons three times a week. They allow Leigh the use of a car for school, and she is able to earn her room and board and book and spending money. All of this was Leigh's own thoughful idea. She is a busy sophomore at Wellesley, taking numerous psychology courses, among others. Leigh spent the summer giving excellent historical tours at the Old Manse (home of Nathaniel Hawthorne, Ralph Waldo Emerson, and Samuel Ripley) next to the famous bridge here in Concord. The job proved to be fascinating, even though the pay wasn't. Right now, she's waiting for Michael to arrive home from Duke for the holidays, and we're anxious to have a chance to visit with both of them.

Karen replaced her glasses with contact lenses last spring, about the same time as she got her driver's license. She spent the summer working at General Radio in Concord. Sam, her fiance, graduated with Honor from Northeastern University last June, and left for Fort Dix, New Jersey for Basic Training in the fall. He contracted Spinal Meningitis and has been in the hospital or on convalescent leave ever since. We are praying for a good recovery for him. Karen is on the Work/Study program at school, spending her afternoons working as Secretary to the Fresident of Doron Associates-a happy arrangement for all concerned. She has a beautiful wedding gown, and plans are underway for a June ceremony--so "Ya'll come!"

Our tenth grader is also a blessing to his family. Ron held down a job this summer repairing Audio-Visual equipment at the High School, and is doing the same on a part-time basis this school year. He's building his fifth boat (selling each previous one to allow himself funds for the next) and hopes to launch it in the spring. He's been his Dad's #1 carpenter and electrician, doing a man-sized job in helping to build and finish rooms and offices in the basement. On the lighter side, he enjoys doing impersonations, playing hockey and has his skiis all waxed and ready to go!

First grade is the most exciting part of Donnie's young life. The teacher changed his seat three times in the first week, but seems to have him under control now, surrounded by three girls and with a wall behind him! He is

enthusiastic about every phase of school, except buying his lunch. He tried to join both "Girl Chasing" teams, but it seems you're only allowed to be on one at a time. He reads well and takes those exclamation points and question marks more seriously than anyone we've ever known! Bobby Orr of the Boston Bruins is his hero and he wants "just hockey stuff" for Christmas. Don sings almost constantly; he has learned to cope with dogs and to ride a twowheeler; and plans to try out his skiis this winter.

Guess we should mention our latest addition . . . a little freckled-faced female, who will celebrate her first birthday this month! "Freckles Spot" was Carl's birthday gift last spring--and this little English Springer Spaniel is frisky, friendly, and bright and has worked her way into the hearts of this family.

Dottie's days have been filled with answering the company telephone, cosuperintending the Church School, training the pup, and helping to plan and carry out a really great celebration for her parents' Golden Wedding Anniversary. However, she spends the most time just loving Carl and their children and attempting to give them the support they need to accomplish the important things in their lives.

We are all grateful for the joy of your friendship. It means so much when friends and relations keep in touch--and we love you for it.

"May you stand in starlit silence, and hear the Angels sing." (Mosley)

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