

Nutcracker Chronicles



Christmas 2008

Straka Family

Goofing during Christmas Photo Op



Happy holidays from our family to yours!

Things are great out here in the burbs... still living happily ever after!

Natalie is 11 and in the 6th Grade. She just went to her first dance. She said, "It was awesome!" She continues to be a social butterfly and still a ray of sunshine. Unfortunately, sometimes you have to pull down the shade.

Nic is 12, in the 7th grade and also went to his first (and last) Middle School dance. He decided it wasn't his thing. Not enough AC/DC to suit his fancy I guess. He took up electric guitar this year with Mike. They both are getting quite good! You can check Nic out on <http://www.youtube.com/>

user/GuitaristGamer31.

Mot is 29 and continues to vagabond around the globe painting. Some of his work: devilsorangels.com

Lina is 32, living in Emeryville, working and taking classes.

Mike is working at Oracle. Not too much travel!

I may have decided what I'm going to do when I grow up! nerdintheurb.com It's very low key right now. I still need time to go to lunch with girlfriends, get pedicures and continue my volunteer work at the middle school.

2008 events...

Mike's mom and dad celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Here's the whole clan (kids and grandkids except Mot and Lina).

I turned 50 as did all the kids I went to elementary school with. We had a little reunion in August.

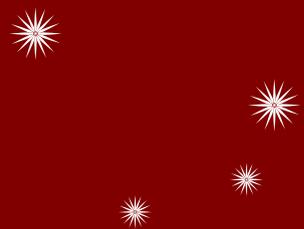
We put our old, ancient doggie down in March. Sniff, sniff.



We traded in our boat for a pool. It's definitely gotten better use! Which reminds me...we have a lovely 2002 Denali, lo miles, perfect condition! Call if interested! (Hint, hint, Shockley's.)

There's always something going on around here, Beer Friday, Wine Saturday, etc. Catch up by visiting one of the websites (above). MERRY CHRISTMAS!!

Cinderella (AKA Rosy)



Special events in our family's life:

50th Wedding Anniversary
50th Birthday
Camping
Soccer
Reunions
Family
Friends
Nephew, Lexi, married and now expecting!
Found old friends on facebook.com

Life is good!

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Now we laid her down to sleep...

