

# THE MARLER CHRISTMAS NEWSLETTER

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## Fabulous feedback from premier newsletter readers

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Merry Christmas! We are back! We received such wonderful feedback from last years premier issue that we decided to stick with it. We plan to play catch up with you on our eventful year.

Our hopes are that you have had a great 1992 and have an equally, if not better, 1993! Happy Holidays!!!



## Marler's Bid Farewell To Jobs, College, Hope To Relocate To Fort Rucker, Alabama

By Kristy Marler  
- Staff Reporter

1992 was a year of major changes for us. Most were unexpected and yet many were for the best. In late February I gave up teaching Kindergarten to try something new and refreshing. I took on the world of Commercial Photography with a family that I am very close too. After a few months, I decided to take a chance and seek employment in my field of Psychology &/or Sociology. Let's just say, Oklahoma is not the mecca for job hunt-



ing. Therefore I decided to take a receptionist position at Computers/Associates. Believe it or not, this is by far the best pay & benefits I have ever received. When you are a spouse of a student those things are more important.

In May, we adopted a playmate for Dakota. Cheyenne is a 1 year old female Basenji/Pitbull. She is the most gentle dog I have ever come across. She is a great companion for Dakota and a perfect addition to our family. Later that month Jeff marched in the OU Graduation

ceremony. The keynote speaker was Ross Perot. Although Jeff had a few more classes to take finish up his degree, he was advised to attend the '92 ceremony, as chances were, we would be gone with the military before the next ceremony held in May of '93. It was a special occasion as he too is the first in his family to graduate from college.

During Summer School, we drove to Levelland, Texas to visit



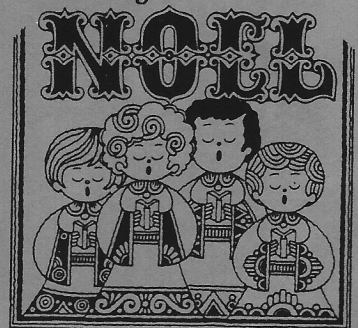
"If I see one bee, I'm losing the lei."

Jeff's best man-Bill Winn and his family. We had a wonderful time. After that semester, Jeff had 1 more math class to take. He spoke to his ROTC unit and they informed him that due to the military drawdowns, he would lose his pilot allocation but would still get his commission. After great contemplation Jeff de-

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Dakota & Cheyenne smiling for the camera





## Marlers hoping to relocate

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cided to withdraw his commission in hopes to fly for another service. He has decided to return to the U.S. Army to fly helicopters in the Warrant Officer Program. He has completed all the testing and finished his packet for the Selection Board which meets in early December. We should know by Christmas if he has been accepted and when he will be leaving for Ft. Rucker, Alabama. With his degree, nearly perfect scores on all the tests, and his flying experience, we feel positive that we will receive an allocation.

At the end of August, Jeff began his final semester. He also worked 3 part time jobs, which are bartending at a local restaurant, desk top publishing at OU in the Journalism Dept., as well as, works as a security guard at the OU gym in the weight room. As you can imagine, we see very little of each other. I have been keeping myself busy with my love for arts & crafts and photography.

In October we had our annual Halloween/Birthday party for Jeff

(it's his favorite holiday). We rented costumes, I was Marie Antoinette and Jeff was a Roman Soldier. Our guest had some really great costumes and everyone had a terrific time.

We spent Thanksgiving in Enid, Oklahoma with the Marler family. It was a day of over stuffing ourselves and serious guilt. In late November Jeff bought an International Scout to get around. He hunted all over the metro area to find one. It's so nice not having to share one car anymore.

Jeff will officially graduate with a degree in Mathematics on December 18th. He will then join the ranks of recent grads looking for full time work. We hope the military has him employed soon after. We will spend our last Christmas with Jeff's family hopefully with lots of snow.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year !!!



**Annual Halloween Party**  
Boy was it breezy.

## Family Matters . . .

### Lappin's

Mom & Dad just returned from an anniversary vacation on Kauai when Hurricane Iniki hit. My family and their house suffered no damage. With the military/government draw-downs, Dad is watching his job come to a close. He & Mom are moving to Virginia or Maryland for his new position in mid-July. Kerri graduated last May from UH and is now teaching a 1st/2nd grade combined class. She recently became engaged to Jonathan Hinkle and are planning a late June wedding. In early July they are moving to Oregon.

### Marler's

Mom & Riley are happily living in Enid. We celebrated a surprise 50th birthday party for Lucille in September. Kelly, Natalie, & Nicholas reside in Clinton, and their business, Kentucky Fried Chicken, is a success. Randy is presently working at Atwood's- a hardware supply outlet in Clinton.

