



Merry Christmas to all our Friends and Family!

We hope that 2009 will be good to us all (in spite of these troubled times). I can hardly believe it has been twelve months since we sent our last Christmas Letter, this year has passed so quickly.

We are still very lucky to be able to work together out of our home and enjoy the freedom that this brings. I am about to begin my 18th year doing the entertainment bookings with DPM. We have provided convention entertainment for many association groups as well as some spectacular private parties. We're expected things to slow somewhat next year as the economy squeeze hits Central Texas, we just hope it won't be too drastic.

Martin's production work has been extremely busy this year – our best ever. We are in the 12th year of our work with the TCDS at UT and continue with long-term clients including: Houston's Family to Family Network; the Texas Education Agency; Independent Bankers Asso. of Texas + others. In addition to video shoots around the State, we design and host 13 web sites. Martin still keeps up the vintage recording museum and maintains our computers and network.

Anthony, Sharon and Julius (who turned two on Halloween) are all doing well. They are still trying to adjust to Ohio (especially the cold Winter weather), but have some great friends and neighbors. Anthony continues to work long and intense hours as the Creative Director for the retail design firm Fitch. He has also been invited to present at several "green" conferences around the country, which he very much enjoys. Sharon is doing some consultation work and she has really become involved in the Worthington community projects. It's a lovely little town, in the Spring, Summer and Fall – Winters – I'm not so sure.

Julius is a delight. Martin and I were lucky enough to be able to visit Ohio in August to celebrate my birthday and we were also able to spend time with Martin's Aunt Sally, Uncle Don and cousin Jan in Cincinnati, OH. Then I went up for Julius' birthday in October. Even in August Julius could count to ten in both English and Spanish and recite most of the alphabet in order. He hears something once and he's got it – just amazing how smart the children are nowadays.

