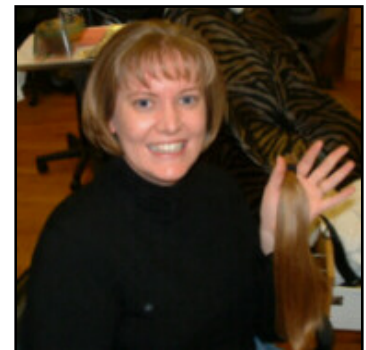
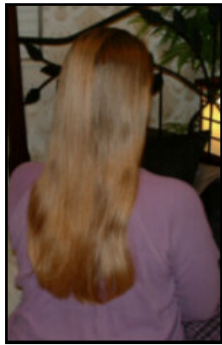


Merry Christmas

Just a quick note to fill you all in on what the Hoyt's have been doing this year. The end of 2004 finds all of us healthy and happy. Jason is in his second year at Sunrise Engineering. Monica is working for Central Utah Water Conservancy District. Ashlee is in the fourth grade. Taylor is in the first grade.

Physical changes were the first order of business in the New Year. In January, Monica cut her hair. She chopped off over 14 inches of hair and donated it to "Locks for Love" a nonprofit organization which makes wigs for children who have lost their hair due to illness. For the first few weeks afterwards, Jason did not recognize her in a crowd. But he is slowly getting use to her short hair.



For Valentine's Day, we traveled to the Hardware Ranch in Logan, UT to visit the elk refuge.



We rode on a horse drawn sleigh and saw all of the elk. Afterwards, we went to Monica's Aunt Jennifer and Uncle David's house for Valentine Day's cookie decorating. Even though it was cold, we all had a great time!



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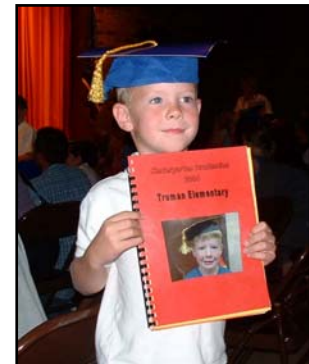
In February we also were into trying new food – Green Eggs and Ham! Monica's coworker raises emu's and gave us an egg to eat. It was huge! We wanted to save the pretty green egg shell so we poked a hole in the ends of the egg and blew out the contents.



In April, Jason's brother Brighton married April in Orlando Florida. We were able to go out and visit family for a week. This was the first time that Monica was able to meet Jason's brother's and sisters.



This spring Taylor graduated from Kindergarten at Truman Elementary. He is currently attending Westvale Elementary with his sister.



Ashlee had her first piano recital. She played "Ode to Joy" wonderfully!



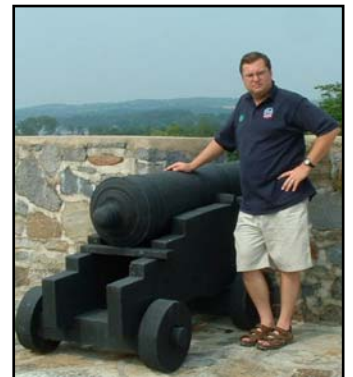
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This summer marked Taylor's first year in youth soccer. He had a great time



first year in youth soccer. He was #11 on the Blue chasing the ball ALL OVER the field!

This year also brought some losses. In July, Jason's Grandma Hoyt passed away. So the 4th of July was spent in Vermont and New York. Once again, we spent a week to visit Jason's old stomping grounds.



Here in Utah, Pioneer Day is a state holiday to celebrate the July 24, 1847 when the Mormon pioneers first arrived in Utah. We went to the Children's Parade and then were able to go see the floats that were on display before the big 24th of July Parade.



Merry Christmas

Shiver me timbers! We have a pirate 7th birthday in September for Taylor. Just like pirates, we ate Spaghetti and Cannonballs (meatballs) with our fingers. By the end of the meal we were as dirty as pirates!



Don't Worry Be Happy! The Birthday Fairy found Ashlee also in November! No problem for Ashlee's 10th Birthday.

This year has also found us working hard on the house. Everyone got their bedrooms redone during the year. The master bedroom was the hardest because of the horrible pink floral wallpaper which had to come down. But with work from the whole family, we stripped wallpaper and painted. Ashlee has a new teen-ager fashion room. And Taylor has a Killer Tree Frog room. All in all, we worked very hard in the house this year.



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We have also been working on our website (www.hoytlink.com) this year. Earlier this year, Monica's Aunts and Cousins decided to put together a Family Cookbook. We took that and converted into webpages so that everyone can enjoy them. Thanks for the hard work that every put into the cookbook. It is a great idea. If you want to added any recipes let us know and we will add them to the webpages.

Which leads us up to December. We hope you have enjoyed our 2004 Hoyt Family Year in Review. Our family wishes you and your family love, joy and safety in the coming year. Know that all of our friends and family are in our thoughts and prayers.

*Merry
Christmas
and
Happy
New
Year*



*From:
Jason,
Monica,
Ashlee
and
Taylor
Hoyt*

