



Looking back at Y2K2, we are a little amazed that so many big things happened in such a short amount of time. With so much transition and instability in 2001, we are definitely thankful to have this year be our "settling" year.

Sweet Home a la Long Beach

Julie and George were sitting in a tree, K-I-S-S-I-N-G. First came love; then came marriage, then came a b--but wait. There are things that happen in between that chant!

After eight frustrating months and countless rejected bids, Julie and George closed escrow on their first home together in March.

It had everything they were looking for in a house: mirrored tiles on the wall, popcorn ceilings, gaudy wallpaper, and aging pink and brown carpet. With all these cosmetic features, Julie finally had a chance to work her interior decorating magic. Those endless hours of watching Trading Spaces finally paid off!

Julie and George can now invite you to come by and visit if you are in the area: 4251 Keever Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90807-3016.



The Keever house, shortly before being taken over by Julie and George in March

Seasonal Fun

To relax in between workdays, Julie and George spent time doing both new and old activities. In the spring, they sprang out of planes and tried skydiving. In the fall, they tailgated and watched the Bruins fall for the third football season. At least the feeling of dropping was fun in one of those two activities...

Doggie Treat

After making adjustments to the inside of the home, it was soon time for Julie and George to find someone to take care of the backyard lawn. In August, they welcomed Bruin to the family. The 7-week-old golden retriever had his growing pains but eventually warmed up to his new residence. Still a puppy, Bruin is as energetic as ever, jumping and licking anyone and anything in his path. He has traveled all over the state and has befriended the Tollefson's dog Rocky in Sacramento.

Dog Profile



Name: **"Curious" Bruin**
DOB: **June 18, 2002**
Birthplace: **Lakewood, CA**
Last Recorded Weight: **42 lbs.**
Favorite Chew Toy: **Rawhide**
Favorite Hobbies: **Attention Hunting, Licking, Playing Fetch, Ice Chomping, Laying on People's Feet**

One More Transition

Seeing how Julie's move from her original school helped her stress levels, George decided it was his turn. The move from Washington Learning Center to Cubberley K-8 School was a tough decision. George enjoyed the kids and the family feel of his workplace for 5 years. The technology lab he helped create was no longer his classroom, and his new classroom had older and more outdated equipment. However, George adjusted as soon as he realized he could make his 8th grade students sing camp songs in class.

Start Spreading the News

After years of short distance vacationing and a little incentive of free plane tickets, Julie and George chose to visit New York City. They were able to enjoy the best of both worlds: sightseeing in the daytime and spending time at local hangouts with help from their friend Oasis. A reunion with other UCLA UniCamp friends made the trip even more enjoyable. Next vacation stop: Europe. Stay tuned.

Family Business

Mark Tollefson is training for his first marathon. He occasionally jogs 10 miles to his girlfriend's house, which should prepare him for the 26 miles he will run in Italy that will end in the Coliseum.

Jennifer and Janet Tsai, like Mark, are now upperclassmen at their universities. Jenn is still uplifting others with her role in one of UC Davis's worship bands, and Janet is keeping SDSU students entertained with her fundraising and sorority activities.

John and Chris Tollefson, while still making improvements to their Tahoe home and their dance moves are always finding time to watch and root for the Sacramento Kings.

Donald Tsai had a scary moment with a heart attack earlier this year. He has cut his workload in half in order to recover and relax. Grandmother **Chen-Yuan Cheng** had a surprise birthday party six months before the actual date. By the time you read this, she will have officially turned eighty. **Grace Tsai** is enjoying being the youngest of Barstow's Empty Nest Bunch.

Reflections

This year has been such a blessing for us, with the addition of our Long Beach house and Bruin. We hope you have also had your share of blessings and wish you a terrific 2003.