



Miller Family Newsletter

2008 Highlights

- May 21st - 28th - Grandma and Grandpa Miller travel from NC to meet their newest Grandchild.
- June 20th - 22nd - Jordan's 1st camping trip, during 4th Annual LCF camping trip to Calumet.
- August 15th - 17th - Road trip to Millville, NJ for Aunt Rosie and Dan's 25th Anniversary surprise party.
- August 29th - September 1st - Family Camping trip to Cooperstown, NY to see the Baseball Hall of Fame and Howe Caverns.
- September 11th - 15th - Trip to Hershey, PA with Nana and Grandpa Rizzuto to visit the Largest RV show in North America.
- November 22nd - 28th - Thanksgiving vacation with Grandma and Grandpa Miller in Myrtle Beach.

Individual Highlights

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Christmas 2008

David, Barbara, Kiersten and Jordan
Labor Day Weekend at the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, NY

Happy holidays from our family to yours!

2008 has been an exciting year for us. We have discovered that a small camper and two small children are best not kept together for extended lengths of time, that a toddler can disrupt an entire household and that our children are accomplished passengers for long car trips.

2008 has also been marked with some very big events for us. Kiersten began full day kindergarten, Barbara and David survived eight years of marriage, and Jordan celebrated her first birthday.

We have added a new outdoor adventure to our travels and are seeking to upgrade the camper.

In 2009 we are looking forward to David's Sabbatical from work. How and when we will spend the eight weeks has yet to be determined. We have yet to make any definitive plans.

Visit our web site at <http://www.millersonline.net/> for more pictures and sporadic updates.

Mom and Pop Shop

This year we have been able to partake in some new activities. On Mother's Day, we went into Boston to participate in the annual "Make Way for Ducklings" Parade, with Kiersten and Jordan taking in the sites of the walk.

During the months of May and June, we participated in the Massachusetts DCR's "Great Parks Pursuit". Over the course of 6 weeks, we visited several parks throughout MA including Borderland, Maudsley, Wendell, Scusset Beach and Breakheart Reservation. At Scusset Daddy and Kiersten camped out overnight in a tent!

Also new this year is Letterboxing. For

Father's Day, Barbara and the kids gave David a logbook and stamp, which has started an ongoing adventure. Now, everywhere we go, we share our new activity with family and friends. To date, we have collected 40 stamps from 7 States (including NH, MA, NY, NJ, NC, SC & CA) in just under 6 months! For more information, check out:

- <http://www.letterboxing.org/>
- <http://www.atlasquest.com/>

We are listed under the trail name "Millersonline".

Kiersten's Corner



*Kiersten Elizabeth Miller
2008 Easter photo*

Kiersten has become quite the big sister. She has delighted in teaching Jordan all kinds of things.

Kiersten celebrated her 5th Birthday at the Lutheran Church of Framingham along with more than 30 of her closest friends. They enjoyed making homemade kites and flew them around the Churchyard.

Over the summer Kiersten attended day camp for two weeks at the Hopkinton YMCA. For the second year in a row Kiersten rode the school bus to and from camp.

Kiersten has enjoyed several trips this year. Barbara and the girls visited

the Bronx Zoo in the spring. Nana and Grandpa took Kiersten on the Chocolate World Tour at Hershey, and Kiersten is very proud of the chocolate kisses she made on the tour. While visiting some local National Parks Kiersten earned two Junior Ranger Badges. To date she has earned six badges.

In September, Kiersten returned to Happy Hollow School for Kindergarten. She is learning to read (especially "Hop on Pop" and "In a People House") and count by 5's, as well as add and subtract.

Kiersten is looking forward to another summer of camping and more travels in the year to come.

Jordan's Jaunts

Jordan has grown quite a bit this past year. She has gone from an all milk diet to eating anything and everything. We are still missing a couple of mancala beads and the cats are tired of sharing their food.

In the past few months Jordan has gone from crawling to walking. She is currently working on running and at the rate she is going, it won't be long.

Every day seems to add new words to Jordan's vocabulary. She loves mimicking new sounds and

telling "stories". Wow is a favorite word right now.

Jordan has completed her first session of "mommy and me" swim lessons. She enjoys swimming under water. We have signed up for another session of swim and will be adding a toddler explorer class in January.

Much of Jordan's time is spent in imaginative play. Jordan enjoys visiting zoos and joining in on her sister's games.



*Jordan Ann Miller
1st Birthday Photo.*

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Happy Holidays
Kiersten and Jordan
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