

2010

The Buchorn Family NEWS FROM THE BIG CITY

As we sit here and reflect on the closing of 2010 and all the blessings God has bestowed upon us, we wanted to share a bit with our treasured family and friends.

2010 has been a year full of adventure and changes.

The year began with a job change for Bryan, which resulted in a location change this summer, taking us across the country from sunny Florida to even sunnier Las Vegas, NV where we finally took the plunge and bought our first house.

Bryan and I celebrated 11 years of marriage, while Jacey turned 9 and started 3rd grade.

In November, we had a health scare with me, when some unexplained bruising showing up and grew. We saw a specialist at City of Hope National Medical Center in Los Angeles and all appears well. There is still no explanation for the bruising, but it has now went away. Hey, at least we got an Air Force paid trip to Disneyland out of the deal even if we didn't get any solid answers.

2010 has been a wonderful year and we can't wait to see what 2011 has in store for us!

*Blessings for the New Year and Always,
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Home Sweet Home

On September 27, 2010, we officially became first time homebuyers and are absolutely thrilled to finally have something that is "ours". Jacey is just thrilled to have a "stairs" house and not have to share a bathroom with Daddy anymore (although she also says she doesn't like her new room, she LOVES it). The boxes are *almost* all unpacked and the projects have already been started.

We bought up in the far northwest corner of Las Vegas, in a master community called Providence. It gets Bryan about as close as possible to work, making his commute only about 35 minutes one way (Creech AFB is in Indian Springs, not Vegas but there are no facilities for families up there) yet, we are only 20-25 minutes away from all the action on the strip. The neighborhood is wonderful, with sidewalks/bike paths everywhere and lots of activities constantly on the calendar. Jacey's new school as well as the proposed new middle school are only a mile from our front door, which means we have the option to walk or bike to school on pretty days. It is a perfect fit for us and we look forward to several happy years here!

*house pictures are on my Facebook page as well as the website

Eyes in the Sky



Change. While this has been a year full of changes for all of us, Bryan has probably experienced the most life-altering changes. In fall of 2009, he took a huge leap in his career and applied to cross train (change jobs). He was quickly approved and on a plane to San Antonio to start his training. He bounced back and forth between home, Lackland AFB, Randolph AFB and Holloman AFB from November 2009 until July 2010. These months away, took him from being a jet engine propulsion craftsman (jet mechanic) to an RPA (remotely piloted aircraft/UAV)

sensor operator and he couldn't be happier. In July, after arriving at Creech AFB for his new assignment, he was assigned to the historic 15th Reconnaissance Squadron, the "Pigeons" working on the MQ-1 Predators.

He is happy to finally be in a role truly making a difference in the war, flying daily missions supporting the guys on the ground. The schedule has taken some getting used to, as he no longer gets holidays and weekends off, but we are adjusting. It's not everyday that you can go to war but still come home and kiss your wife each day and for that we are thankful.



Just. Lacey.

Back in July, I resigned my position at NicevilleUMC in preparation for the move and once again joined the ranks of SAHM (stay at home mom). It has been a less than graceful adjustment, so in October I stepped up to be the Key Spouse for Bryan's squadron (liaison between the command and the families) and am enjoying being "needed" again. My leukemia is staying stable and shows no signs of rapid progression at this point, so it is life as normal (plus, a few naps). Now that the house is mostly finished, I have contemplated opening up my photography business again, but we shall see. Life with no "strict" deadlines can be a nice change of pace for a bit.

Only 1 Away From Double Digits

3rd grade, 59 pounds, 4' 5" tall and 9 years old...where has my sweet baby girl gone? This year has been a whirlwind of changes for Jacey; from Daddy being gone the first half, to a move across the country, new school, new activities and new friends. Par for the course though, she has taken it all in stride and adjusted like the trooper she is. Her grades are still stellar and both her homeroom and GATE (gifted & talented) teachers have nothing but great things to say about her. Back in Florida, Jacey participated in baton twirling and loved it, but we have been unable to find it here in Vegas, so she is doing drama instead. Personally, I think that is the perfect extracurricular activity for our little drama queen. That in addition to AWANA at church, keep her quite busy.

