

The Refior News Bulletin

Paul, Pam, Nikki & Laura

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Dear Friends,

Greetings again from Warsaw, Indiana. October was another busy month. October is "birthday month" for the Refiors. Nikki turned 17 on October 7th. Pam's birthday was the 18th, and Laura turned 12 on the 25th. Furthermore, Pam's spiritual birthday was October 31st.

Nikki's senior pictures came out great. On the last page of this letter are copies of some of the proofs. Isn't she a beauty! Nikki was very active this month with the marching band competition. Warsaw continued to succeed and advance in the state competition. At the last level before the selection of the final ten for the state final play-offs, Warsaw fell only three points short of being among that select group. The band performed well and it was quite a thrilling season. [Because Warsaw's football team stunk so bad it was wonderful that we had a high-powered band to watch and cheer for at the games!]

The last Warsaw Christian School soccer game for Laura to be a cheerleader at was also in October. She will also be a cheerleader for the boy's basketball team which starts competition soon. Furthermore, Laura will be a member of the girl's basketball team. Laura's class took a field trip to Ft. Wayne to visit the planetarium. Pam was one of the chaperones.

Nikki's swim team continues to have a good season. The conference meet will be held soon at the beautiful new Warsaw High School swimming pool. The last dual meet is this week. The coach has been using Nikki in several additional events recently, so Nikki is certainly getting a workout and the opportunity to compete in many different events. Both of the girls are enjoying school a lot this year. We are still in the process of looking at colleges for Nikki. However, it appears likely that Nikki will attend Cedarville College in Cedarville, Ohio.

At the present time I am in Hawkeye heaven. As I have shared in the past, one of my hobbies is to be an Iowa Hawkeye fan in the midst of an area in northern Indiana populated with avid Indiana University and Purdue fans. It has been a surprise to the nation that Indiana University has done so well in football this year. Some time ago we arranged a trip to Iowa to watch the Iowa-Indiana game. Little did we know that it would be a major game with respect to the Big Ten standings. The week before the game I proudly hung my Iowa Hawkeye's

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flag at the front of my office. Pam, Nikki, Pam's mother and I traveled to Iowa for the big game and we were not disappointed...the Hawks won a thrilling game 29-21 which allowed me to return to Warsaw with "bragging rights."

One of the highlights and a great pleasure was to visit with Kurt and Julie Swaim and their kids. They live in Bloomfield. Kurt started college with Pam and me and continued on through law school at the University of Iowa. Kurt and Julie love the Lord and the Swaim's are dear friends. They have a precious family of three kids with another on the way.

Last week Nikki had the opportunity to be "mayor for the day." The top government students were selected to spend a day with various local officials. She found the experience to be enjoyable and enlightening. She will be spending another half-day with the mayor this coming week. During the day with the mayor she was given the opportunity to go to the law enforcement shooting range with one of the policemen. Nikki brought home the human-shaped target and I was amazed at what a dead-eye she is with a pistol (this is the first time she had ever shot a gun).

Things continue to be exciting at Pleasant View Bible Church. We had our annual costume party the last Thursday of October. The theme was "wheels" and we asked the leaders and kids to dress up as something with wheels on it or wheels in it. The parents and kids were very creative and we had a fine time. A part of the program included a gospel message. Steps toward a building addition at church continue. We are looking forward to having additional Sunday School classrooms and a large gym/multipurpose room. Pastor French continues to preach through the Gospel of John. I think that his messages continue to be even more powerful than ever.

We hope this letter finds you healthy and happy and that you are walking closely with the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Sincerely,


Paul D. Refior

