

Christmas, 1996

Dear Friend,

Merry Christmas and a big HO-HO-HO from the Poe clan. My, has it only been a year since last Christmas? How the time flies!

It certainly has been a busy year in the Poe household.

Billy--I mean Bill--will be graduating from high school this June. He is such a little man now. He's applying to Harvard, Cornell, and The University of Michigan. I think we all know what Andy is hoping for but Bill will have to make up his own mind.

Suzi is also growing up a little too quickly. She was invited to her very first dance last month. So Suzi and I spent all day at the mall to get her a dress. And she looked ADORABLE! Of course, her brothers teased her endlessly, but we girls are the only ones with any fashion sense in the family.

And that just leaves the twins. Charlie and the Squirrel were both Little League All-Stars this year. Charlie led the league in home runs, and the Squirrel led the league in strikeouts, which Andy says is a good thing despite how it sounds. I can't believe how different the twins are. The Squirrel doesn't like girls yet, but Charlie says that some are OK some of the time. Oh, why can't they stay this age forever?

And how could I forget about Mittens? Mittens just had a litter of pups, and Andy and I have been running ourselves ragged keeping up with these adorable little creatures. The kids were heartbroken when we told them we could only keep two of them and the rest would have to be given away. But they're good kids and they understand.

And that's all the news from here. Have a Merry Christmas and do write.

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