

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year



Dear Friends,

One year has passed since we moved into our new home at the Bodensee (Lake Constance), and it is Christmas again. There hasn't been much correspondence between most of us but here is some news from our part. In spring we got a new family member, Lea our "Bernese mountain dog - German shepherd - Collie - Mixture".



We spent most of the year finishing our home renovation, and we are still not done yet. Martin and Simon adjusted to the German schools and Tabea continued her Biotechnology studies at the University of Heidelberg after defeating the German school bureaucracy. Daniela has finished her final exams and is very happy to be a teacher in a little elementary school near Cologne. Christine is working hard recultivating our garden and I spent a lot of time in Chicago in the second half of the year.

During the summertime we had a lot of visitors and enjoyed the time with them at our "home lake". But we also had time to discover the treasures in the German Alps. With Martin and Simon we visited the Castles of King Ludwig (Neu Schwanstein etc.), we climbed the Zugspitze, Germany's highest mountain, we visited Garmisch Partenkirchen, Füssen and the Mozart City Salzburg in Austria. On the way home we visited Christine's uncle Fritz in Bernau at Lake Chiemsee and we spent a few days in Munich most of the time in the German Museum for Technology.



When Daniela visited us in summer we received the joyous news, that Basti and she plan to get married next summer. We are all very excited and in the meanwhile preparations for this highlight event are in full action. In the spring Martin will have his confirmation and so we will have even more visitors at our house next year, which is always a lot of fun.

As you can see another exciting year has passed at Mundingers and there is no reason that 2005 will become boring.

We wish all of you Merry Christmas, joyous holidays, and a peaceful and happy New Year.

The Mundingers