

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year



Well, it has been a very exciting and busy year. March started out with Shane and I taking a vacation to Costa Rica for sun and fun. It was great to get out of the Colorado cold and snow.

Then came May and Tyson Pharo joined our family.



It was a beautiful wedding and Sky did a great job putting it all together. We had the wedding in the old barn at what they call "Old Town" in Burlington, CO. Sky and Tyson own a ranch in Cheyenne Wells, CO which is a two hour trip from Rocky Ford. Tyson is a partner in Pharo Cattle Company with his parents Kit & Deanna Pharo. Sky and Tyson are also building a new house just a mile down the road from Kit & Deanna. The Pharo's have never been the same since Sky came into their lives. LOL! She loves them and they love her very much. Sky and Tyson are also going to bless us all with our 1st grand baby. "Braylee Mae Pharo" should join us some time in January. All of the grandparents are over the top with happiness about this new baby.

Shane and I spent a lot of the summer riding and taking trips on the motorcycle with our friends. One trip we rode down to Cimarron, NM spent the night at the "Saint James Hotel", where all the old sheriffs and outlaws used to stay. The next day we rode to Red River, NM, which is a really neat mountain town and spent the night. Shane and I got to do some dancing Saturday night at a true western dance hall. The next day we rode in the mountains with lots of rain and cold. When riding the bike we try to get out of the hot Arkansas valley and go to the mountains but you never know



what the weather will bring.

Shane loves his job at Oliver as the Chief Engineer. He travels all over setting up the new machines he has designed for



Oliver. Here is a picture when he got to go to Japan.



Here Shane and I are on an Oliver trip to Chicago. This year I got to learn how to shop in the big city while Shane was at work. The stores were beautiful but a bit overwhelming to a small town girl. I discovered Macy's, which was my favorite. We ate every night at some wonderful restaurants in Chicago, always trying new and different dishes. In November we celebrated Shane's 40th birthday with many friends and family.



Tyrel, our son, is growing into a wonderful man. He still lives in Fort Collins and loves the city life. He worked in Topeka, KS this summer replacing gas meters. He found out what real heat and humidity really is. He missed his Rocky Mountains. During the school year he works with a photo company that takes school pictures. He really loves the work but it is very seasonal. His brothers Brian and Adam have offered him a job with them remodeling houses and selling them. They do very well with this, and when the houses are finished they are very nice.

When the weather allows it, I train and ride barrel racing horses. Also giving riding lessons to children and adults of all ages here in Rocky Ford at the Tanner Time Training Center. During the year I competed in many barrel races with my horses. This year my wonderful horse Pistol won me two saddles, and I finished 3rd in my Colorado Barrel Racing Association against some very stiff competition. My horses are my therapy and my love and every now and again I even get Shane to ride with me.



This year I was also honored with receiving the Sally Anderson memorial award for my Southern Colorado Barrel Racing Association. This is awarded each year to one member who helps to make SCBRA a better association and shows good sportsmanship.

To all our friends and family we wish for you a very blessed holiday season in however you chose to celebrate it.

We love hearing from you and pray that we will get to spend time with you in the coming new year.

Shane and Lanette Pritchard