

The Wigglesworth

Christmas 2008

Once again, the past year brought new challenges and adventures. Last Christmas, we were renting in St. Boniface, Winnipeg; Kevin was not working but was taking four courses through St. Arseny Institute; AmandaEve was working at Hull's Bookstore and teaching dancing; AE had just submitted her thesis; AE's dad was in a temporary remission again.

Well, things have certainly changed! In February, Kevin started working at Genuwine Cellars. He designs wine cellars and loves it! He has been taking two courses per semester in addition to working full-time. This keeps him too busy and he plans to decrease to one course in January, at least for now.

Dad continued to struggle with cancer and Hep. C. At the beginning of June, he was given two to six weeks to live and on June 16th he left this world with AE there holding his hand. We were blessed to be there during those last moments. As a result, the summer was busy with estate details. Things have settled a bit in this area but are not quite done yet.

AE received her Master of Applied Linguistics degree officially in May, but the paperwork didn't arrive until July. It is now framed and proudly displayed in our home office.

Throughout all of this, we were house hunting! We started looking in May, took a break after Dad died, and resumed again in July in time to snatch up our current residence. Buying a house was a new experience for both of us and a bit of a whirlwind but we are very happy with our new home! We got possession on August 1, and had the rest of the month to move over bit-by-bit. We have a guestroom (which has already hosted a guest!) so if you are in the area, make sure to check with "Chez Wigglesworth" for availability!

September found AE teaching two courses at Providence College (*English Composition* and *Intro to College*) and continuing at Hull's. Providence College is a Bible College in Otterburne, MB (approximately one hour away). By the end of September, we were settled enough to have a house blessing and start entertaining!

In October, we celebrated our fourth wedding anniversary by attending the musical *Forever Plaid*. In November, we were blessed to celebrate Kevin's godson's wedding in Calgary, and AE's mom's 50th birthday in Winnipeg at the Great Big Sea concert.

After all the excitement this year had to offer, we are looking forward to having things settle down a bit before welcoming any new adventures!

Merry Christmas! Kevin and AmandaEve Wigglesworth