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Cari & Zac in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area at Beth Lake, MN.

Boundary Waters Canoe Area 2002

Labor Day weekend, Zac and Cari once again journeyed to the Boundary Waters Canoe Area (BWCA) with friends to take in a couple days of canoeing, fishing and just enjoying the great outdoors. This was Zac & Cari's second trip to the BWCA together. The couple met up with friends Eric & Katie Dukart and Eric's friends, Glen and Leon. The group canoed Sawbill Lake and Alton Lake and then set up camp on Beth Lake, MN. For most of the group, this was the first time to experience the process of portaging in the BWCA. On one of the shorter portages on the way out, Cari portaged a canoe! Yep, that's right; she carried 70 pounds of aluminum canoe on her shoulders! There was added excitement to the trip this year as a black bear visited their camp during the last night of their stay. The bear was attempting to get at the food bag, but thanks to the wonderful job that Zac and Eric did on hanging the food bag in the tree, the bear failed at getting their food before the group scared the bear away.



Home Sweet Home

Zac and Cari have greatly enjoyed their home over the past year. The couple has spent some weekends throughout the year on projects in and around the house such as painting rooms inside, refinishing the deck, putting shelves up, furnishing the living room, and just making the home their own. Their door is always open to visitors, just give them a ring!



Fun Tidbits on Zac & Cari

- *Yep, it's true. The Baja is gone. Zac and Cari sold the truck this summer.*
- *Cari continues to volunteer as the Recruitment Advisor for the Alpha Gamma Delta Chapter at the University of Minnesota.*
- *Zac & Cari celebrated their 3-year wedding anniversary on May 1, 2002*

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Oh! The Places We Go

Zac and Cari got to travel some over the past year. In June, Zac went with some of his college buddies on a golf trip to Cragun's Resort on Gull Lake, near Brainerd, MN. The couple was able to take a whole week off over the July 4th holiday and spent the week at



Pickerel Lake, MN with Cari's family.

Their time at the lakes was extra special this year in that all of Cari's Dad's side of the family was there on the 4th – all 20 of them. Zac spent a long weekend near Two Harbors, MN with his buddies from Fergus Falls. Cari traveled with friends,

Nikki Kenyon & Jill Nelson to visit Tracy Abel in Needles, CA. During their visit, the gals went to Las Vegas, toured Hoover Dam, went to Lake Havasu City to see the London Bridge, and went to a small mining town, Oatman, AZ, along the Historic Route 66. Throughout the year, Zac and Cari traveled to Fargo, Lisbon, Fergus Falls, Duluth, and a few cities in the metro area for several friends weddings.

Work Some, Play Some

Beyond work and the necessities of life (sleeping, eating, & exercising), Zac and Cari find time to enjoy some of their favorite activities and hobbies. Zac likes to spend his free time reading and playing computer games, especially Diablo and Neverwinter Nights online with friends. Cari enjoys spending her free time reading, scrap booking and playing computer games as well, but at a different speed – Backgammon, Mahjong, and Pinochle (or almost any card game). When the weather allows it, Zac and Cari liked to go hiking in nearby parks, mountain biking in the spring and summer, and snowshoeing and downhill skiing in the winter (provided that there is snow – of course!) And last but not least, Zac and Cari enjoy spending time with family and friends when they get a chance.



Happy Holidays!

Zac and Cari would like to wish you a very joyful holiday season and a happy New Year!

No Longer Great Plains



After being acquired over 1 1/2 years ago by Microsoft, Great Plains has officially become the Microsoft Business Solutions division.

Cari still continues to work on Microsoft Business Solutions Market Research Team. Cari got to travel to Kissimmee, Florida in March for a company customer conference. Cari also traveled with part of the Market Research team to Redmond, WA to meet with fellow Microsoft employees and see a little bit of the campus. She just celebrated her 5-year anniversary with the company in October. Cari enjoys all the challenges her job entails, she is learning new things every day, and loves working from home!

Turn On the Fun... Best Buy



In January, Zac completed the Accenture project he was working on in the Philippines and has been in the country ever since. Cari is very happy to have him home, especially during the holiday season. After three years with Accenture, Zac made the decision to leave the company in August to go to work for Best Buy. September 3rd was Zac's first day with Best Buy in Eden Prairie, MN. He is a technical consultant working on the Retek software that controls all of Best Buy's inventory. Zac will be moving to Best Buy's new headquarters located in Richfield, MN sometime in March.



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