## 2004 CHRISTMAS LETTER FROM THE ZAESKE FAMILY

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Looking forward to next year, so I can finally work in the yard.

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looking forward to retirement. Now we just have to pick a date I guess. That's a big step to take. It will be great not having him to get up every day at 4 AM to get ready to go to work. But no pay checks will be coming in either. I didn't think it would be that hard to retire. It was easy for me. The doctor said no I will not allow you to go back to work. I do not want Fred to get it that way. Fred finally picked a retirement date. His last day at work will be July 29th, 2005.

Dennis is still in college. Not doing to good this year. He is having trouble in Calculus number 5 or 6. It's over my head. He does have a part time job picking up the mail at one post office and drops it off at other post officies in the surrounded area. Not much going on with him. I backed into his Red Firebird, last Saturday. Didn't hurt the pickup truck,



but sure messed up that fender. Don't know how much that is going to cost us. The latest picture of Dennis. That is him behind Fred. Looking at his Firebird.



Here is a picture of Damon and his family. This was not an easy picture to get. Everyone at the same time. Damon is still working at Wal-Mart.

going on with him. Goes to work, comes home, fix supper, go to bed, just to do the same thing the next day. Wal-Mart does send Damon to other towns to do trouble shooting. Last week he was in Dallas for 2 weeks. One time they sent him to Georgia, Florida, California, Washington DC., and etc. He does get around. Depending on how far the trip is, rather he flies or drive.

Stella had to take a disability retirement. She was having to much trouble with her health. Her legs, knees, back, neck, stomach, and etc. Hopefully she will start getting better now that she can rest more and not worry about getting up and going to work.

Chris is 15 now, in January he will turn 16, Don't know where the time has gone. One day he was 5, driving a toy Jeep around the yard, now he is driving the real thing around. He is in the 10th grade in school. Drives a moped everywhere.

Andrew is 12, will turn 13 December 26. He is in the 7th grade. He loves to ride his bike and play computer and video games.

Bradley is 10 will be 11 December 10. He is in the 5th grade. He is doing great in school. He is our only A and B student. He also loves his bike and play computer and video games.

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