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Message from Jane B. Short

Happy belated Mother's Day! I hope you had a nice time celebrating with your children and/or mother.

How was your Easter? Did you do anything special to celebrate?

Our drive from Montana to Tennessee was fabulous! We had some great powder skiing along the way. It's really fun to experience skiing in so many different places, and we enjoyed seeing a part of the country where we'd never been before.

On April 30 I completed my sixth Country Music Half Marathon. The course had been changed and it was hillier. Considering that and the fact that I did not feel well during the race, I was pretty happy with my time of 2 hours and 15 minutes, which was my second fastest time. I definitely feel like I slowed down after I turned 50!

I am planning our next get-together for Saturday, July 9 at 9:00 a.m. at the Cracker Barrel in Missoula. It's at exit 101, I-90 and Reserve St., 2929 Expo Parkway, Missoula, MT 59808. Spouses are invited, too! Please let me know if you plan to be there, so I will know how big a table to ask for. This is the day before the Missoula Half Marathon, so that's why I will be in town. I hope you can join me! I will be wearing my bright pink Alpha Chi Omega jersey, so I'll be hard to miss.

Attention to those of you who would like to participate in our Alpha Chindness project. I have chosen two "Make Her Year" recipients from different walks of life who need and would appreciate our attention:

Anne Freeman Ball. Anne had a baby, Maxwell Thomas Ball, on November 9. Anne works on Thursdays and Fridays at the Animal Clinic of Billings as a veterinarian. For the baby, she could use: gift certificates from Target or Amazon.com; baby clothes, pajamas, and swim trunks size 12 month; a Sleepsack by Halo size medium; California Kids sunscreen; or an offer of babysitting.

Phyllis Seeley Burroughs. Her husband, Tom, has kept in touch with me. Phyllis has Progressive Supranuclear Palsy (PSP), a type of Parkinson's. Tom wrote to let me know that on May 2, Phyllis moved into a nursing home. Phyllis would enjoy a visit from you, a card or letter, a poem, an email, flowers, or correspondence. She and Tom ask for your prayers in these trying times.

For those of you participating in Alpha Chindness, please do something nice for each of these Alpha Chi's to help "Make Their Year", and then let me know what you did.

You all are fantastic and I am just so proud of all of you. Keep up the great work! Keep those cards and letters coming!

Member News

- **Karin Mikkelsen Utzinger's** creations are included in a show traveling through Montana: "Living Treasures" of the Montana Association of Weavers and Spinners (MAWS). Karin is from Bozeman. Congratulations, Karin!
- **Allison "Allie" Tregger Hofman** of Great Falls writes: "It's great to have the opportunity to connect with other Alpha Chi Omegas. I was very involved in my collegiate chapter at Quinnipiac University as well as an alumnae chapter in New Haven, CT (Lambda Nu Lambda). I am a recent resident of Montana. I married my husband Griff on November 5, 2010. He is currently a 1st Lieutenant stationed at Malmstrom Air Force Base here in Great Falls. He will be a Captain this May. Being from Connecticut, where most of my sisters from Iota Phi still are, I have felt disconnected from the things that meant the world to me during my collegiate years. I look forward to meeting everyone and connecting with the ladies of the Nu Sigma Nu chapter!" Welcome, Allie!
- **Leslee Purdy Haylett** of Helena writes: "Latest news – I'm still busy as Bethel Guardian for Job's Daughters new bethel in Helena. My daughter Lauren is Honored Queen, so I'm always doing something with Jobies. Happy to get together with Helena AXO's periodically. It's fun!!"
- **Susan McCarl Hills** of Billings writes: "Our milestones for the year have been my husband Gordon's retirement and a family gathering in Florida to celebrate a daughter's 40th birthday. We had a wonderful week in Naples, FL with children and grandchildren. Gordon is enjoying retirement and has started volunteering at Billings Hospital and the Vocational Technical School. I am still working as an instructional assistant in Special Education but think I'm about ready to retire, AGAIN!"
- **Kristin Hagwell Stayner** of Missoula writes: "The year, like every year since college, has flown by. I continue to enjoy staying home with my three daughters Grace (11), Katie (9) and Brooke (6). We feel fortunate to live in Montana... it is such a beautiful place filled with amazing people! We do enjoy traveling, and our highlight this year was a trip to Greece in June."
- **Megan Clancy Loveridge** of Billings writes: "Moved to MT in 2004 from Portland, OR. Married Charlie who came with 3 kids & we have 1 together. Kids Sam (19), Emma (15), Steven (13) & Gracie (2-1/2) & 3 dogs make a busy house! I work full time managing my husband's company's largest account in the Property Maintenance business. We love to travel and spend a lot of our 'extra' time involved in our kids' sports. I sure enjoyed bringing the U of O (Oregon) spirit to MT this year for the BCS National Championship (football) game."
- **Rosemarie Jager Iverson** of Ledger writes: "My husband and I have farmed at this location for 56 years. Robert, my husband, died in 2010 and our son is continuing the farm. We have 4 children. One is in Kalispell as a N. P., 2 in the Conrad area, and one on the farm. It has been a great life!"
- **Stephanie Stephens Hockman** of Hamilton writes: "I currently am Global Head of Prime Brokerage on-boarding for BNP Paribas, a French bank. I am fortunate to work from a home office in MT 2 weeks a month and travel the other time. I love my job but am also very happy to be married to an amazing man and have 2 small children: Matthew (4) and Madeline (3). I have lived all over the U. S. (NY, Dallas, Chicago, San Francisco), but I think Montana is the most beautiful and exactly where I want to raise my kids. I enjoy being involved in my community, the kids' school (member of the school board), and a local mom's group. My hobbies (aside from my family activities) are reading, exercise, running, and basketball."

Recipe: Hollandaise Sauce (Fanny Farmer)

From **Pat Warfield**, Bozeman, MT

½ cup butter (one stick)

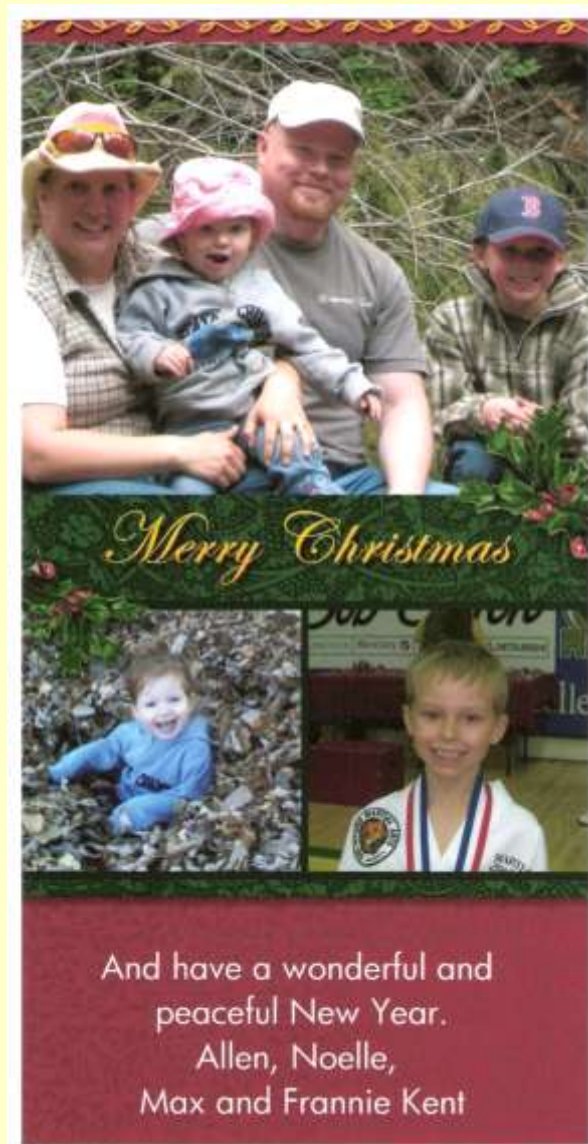
2 egg yolks

1 tablespoon lemon juice

¼ tsp. salt (optional)

Few grains Cayenne pepper

Divide butter into three pieces. Place one piece in double boiler with egg yolks and lemon juice. Cook over boiling water, stirring constantly with wire whisk until butter melts. Add second piece of butter, and, as mixture thickens, the third piece. Remove from fire before third piece completely melts. Season. If mixture curdles, stir in two tablespoons heavy cream or boiling water, drop by drop.



Birthdays!

Kristin Piatkowski May 15

Events

Mother's Day May 8

Memorial Day May 30

Father's Day June 19

First Day of Summer June 21

Independence Day July 4

AX Gathering in Missoula July 9

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