# The Westonian

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It's back to school for the Weston Family! Abe is back in the saddle, at Cal State East Bay, for a certificate in Applied Statistics; Janine is slowly working toward an online master's degree in Library and Information Science from San Jose State University; and Natalie is making great progress as a homeschool Kindergartener!

Summertime brought many

adventures: weekly fieldtrips, family camping trips, a Southern California expedition, and our nine-year wedding anniversary!

This fall we've had the pleasure of celebrating birthdays and spending time with local family on nature outings, day trips, and car rides. We're looking forward to seeing more of our extended family for Thanksgiving on the Central Coast and Christmas in the greater Bay Area.

Sincerely, The Weston Family

## Top Photo Summer 2007



Camping at Lake Chabot with Max, Natalie, Sharman, Tanner, Mollie, Janine, Laurie, Abe, Brian, Dana, Wendi, Madeline, Tim, Elena, & Lana.

## Weston Family Members

Madeline runs, eats, hugs, talks, and climbs. We regularly find her on top of the kitchen table and countertops. Her vocabulary grows daily and includes: me, mama, mommy, dada, daddy, woof, Max, juice, let go, no, look, cheese, cracker, cookie, yeah, Rosie, doggie, pretty, yes, shoes, and various consonants.

Max helps sweep the new floors, clean his room, and put away the laundry with daddy. Taking Natalie's lead, he has taught himself to read and enjoys looking at picture books, magazines, and toy catalogs. We don't know who is more excited, Max or his parents, but Max is now potty trained and takes pride in putting on clean underwear each day!

**Natalie** successfully raised and released a half-dozen Painted Lady Butterflies! She enjoys studying insects, drawing, writing, gymnastics, and dancing. Natalie made us all proud in the Primary Program this year with her line, "I am happy because my family loves me."

Abe thought he was going to go to Israel with his company in September, but the trip got cancelled. Instead, he came up with an amazing idea that will revolutionize the entire Internet security industry. Such a brilliant guy!

Janine enjoys participating in a woman's monthly book club, walking with friends, doing pet portraits for Furry Friends Rescue, helping her Aunt Renee with a new website, and serving the Webelos in her cub scout group.

#### News

We finally put in laminate flooring to replace our stained and well-loved carpeting. It looks and feels great! Rosie, the dog, is still adjusting to the fact that she can't go zooming around the house anymore without slipping and sliding—now she has no brakes!

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