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### Jennifer Giles - Mighty 2007 Graduate!

by *Charity Winters*



For Jennifer Giles, the best thing about being a senior is finally being able to take a lighter load – only 4 classes! Not only that, she was able to be part of the SBE girls volleyball team taking 4th place in the state championship this year. And now with basketball underway, Jennifer is having a great senior year and looking forward to what's to come after school.

All in all, Jennifer is glad to say that she grew up in Seldovia. She appreciated the small town atmosphere, "I liked growing up with the same people – you never felt uncomfortable because there was never anyone you didn't know!" She will especially miss all of her lifelong friends here, but she is excited about attending UAF with several Seldovian friends in the fall. Now

Highlighting her high school career has always been sports. Jennifer is a recognized athlete in our little school and she now plays the starting post position on this year's girls' basketball team. She also finished off a great senior year of volleyball. She will miss the sports but plans on participating in nothing more extreme than intramurals in college. This year Jennifer has also dedicated some of her time to helping out at Power Hour, an after school program. She also played a major role in this holiday's Christmas production of a Christmas Carol.

Jennifer has been thankful for her parent's encouragement throughout high school. She mentions her dad, Doug, as one who always pushed her on. "He really wants me to be a

she has plans to major in accounting and is looking forward to getting out of dodge and experiencing life elsewhere. And the one thing that has her a little nervous: money as almost any college student will say. There's always that debt to pay off!

dental hygienist, but it's not going to happen." Mom Cathy will probably be trying to talk her into some fishing trips this summer, but Jennifer intends to be sure to relax and earn some money for school. She is definitely excited about what waits for her in Fairbanks! Best of luck, Jen!



Family Photo when Jennifer was a baby



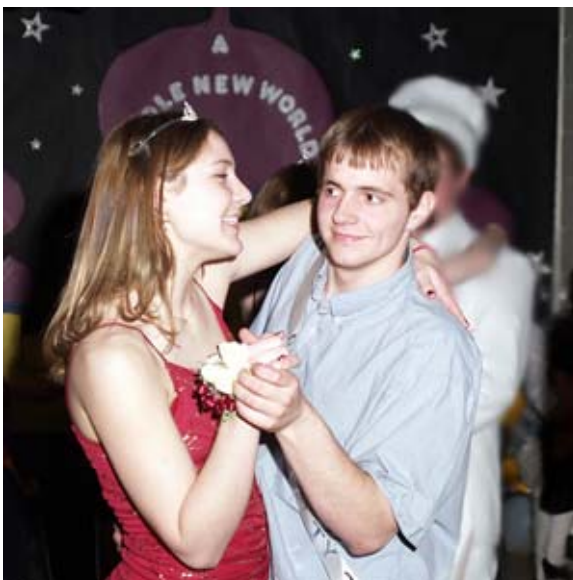
Current Family Photo



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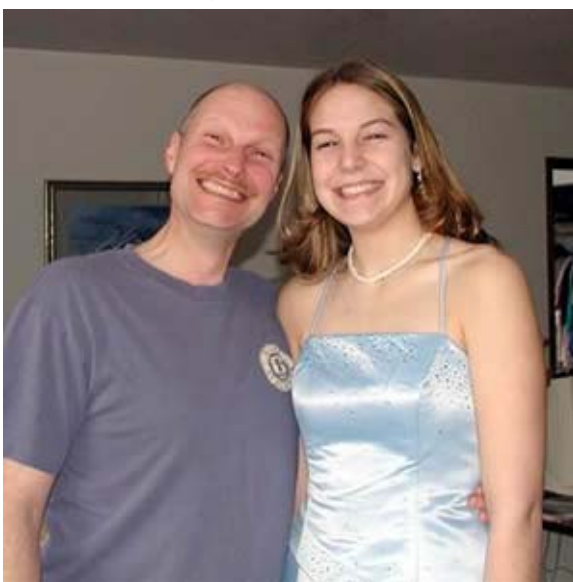
Lobster in Seldovia?



Dance of the Royal Court - Prom 2006



Jennifer with brothers, Justin and Spencer



Dad and Jennifer



Jennifer and Cheyenne performing a duet

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