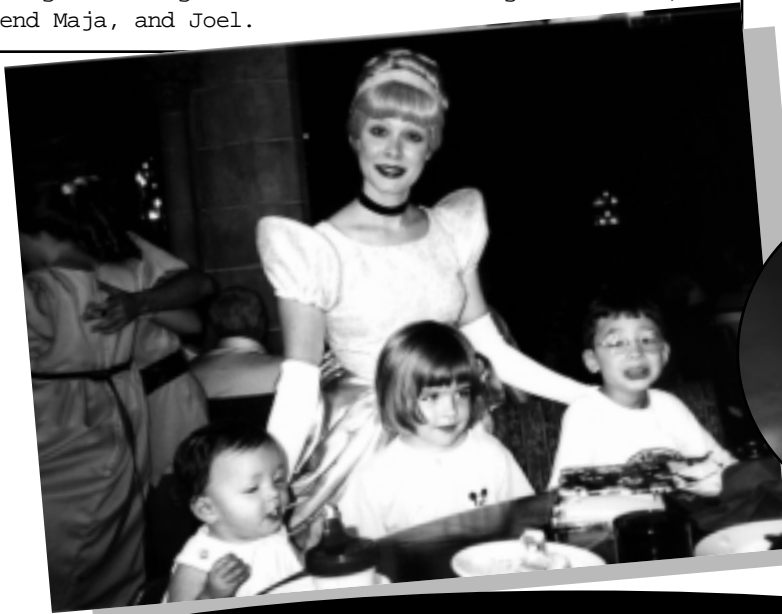


Partying with the celebs! A dazzling Cinderella waltzes in to greet her guests. From left to right: Phoebe, friend Maja, and Joel.



Phoebe -
Now one
year-old!



three theme parks and just as fun. Joel spent the longest time digging up a woolly mammoth in Dinoland, U.S.A. while Kathleen chased Phoebe around souvenir shops sitting discarded "babies" back on their shelves. (Phoebe came home with a Mickey Mouse "baby" but didn't receive the big Winnie the Pooh she really wanted until her first birthday a month later. Rumor has it her mommy didn't want to carry a big ol' stuffed bear on the plane with everything else).

Downtown Disney was crowded and loud but we braved the chaos to eat in the Rainforest Cafe Volcano. And, after lunch it was only a short walk to the Lego Imagination Center! If you're a four year-old, there is simply nothing cooler.

(Additional trips to Legoland afford Kathleen and Phoebe more naps!)

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We landed at Sea-Tac airport on another cold wet day, but we were smiling still. Joel recounted every Favorite Thing from the past week and Phoebe clutched her Mickey Mouse tightly. There were luggage, a car seat, and a baby to carry, and each was getting more soaked by the minute. But we didn't care -- we'd been to Disney World!

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With the excuse of an ASA (American Society of Anesthesiologists) convention, the Seattle Elizagas (Andrew, Kathleen, Joel and Phoebe) ran away to the autumn sun of Walt Disney World -- and enjoyed every minute of it! Here are some highlights:

Joel and Andrew had some great times in the Sea Serpent pool at Port Orleans Resort. They spent hours at a time sliding out the serpent's mouth and getting soaked by the crocodile band members surrounding the pool area. The added bonus for Phoebe and Kathleen: uninterrupted naptimes!

Splash Mountain is still high on Joel's Top Ten List, but Big Thunder Mountain Railroad usurped the Number One spot of Magic Kingdom attractions. Of course, getting stuck on the tracks when the Railroad computer crashes tends to make you remember it very clearly...

Phoebe's Very Favorite Thing about the Magic Kingdom, hands down, was It's a Small World. She rode this one five times, bopping to the music, pointing at the dolls and animals, and smiling like the sun.

Spaceship Earth in Epcot was a huge hit: Phoebe liked the long, colorful fiber-optic lights near the very end, and we think Joel just loved the idea of being inside the huge ball.

We were lucky to be at the World for the premiere week of *Fantasmic!* at MGM Studios. Mickey Mouse battles The Bad Guys of his imagination -- lots of smoke and fire. What can we say? We loved it! Even Phoebe enjoyed the show; there was a great soundtrack!

Animal Kingdom was completely different from the other



Joel unearths the distal femur in the Dinoland Boneyard, Animal Kingdom