

Just for Fun About Me!

(Shannon Peterson)

Q: Where did you graduate & what is your degree?

A: Bachelor's degree: English education from Moorhead State University; MA from University of Hawai'i, with an emphasis on Second Language Acquisition.

Q: How did you come to speak Spanish?

A: Uhhhhhh.....I'm still working on it.

Q: Where have you taught before?

A: Germany, Japan, Hawaii, and Lakeville High School.

Q: Tell us about your family.

A: One super-husband, of 22 years, and 3 daughters, ages 7, 9, and 11, all attending LILA.

Q: What's your favorite sport?

A: Snow skiing and running.

Q: Who has inspired you the most in your life?

A: My parents—they work hard, play hard, and dream big.

Q: What's your favorite food?

A: fresh-baked bread with melting butter, sushi, ice cream, dark chocolate, COFFEE

Q: Do you collect anything?

A: Christmas ornaments from everywhere I travel.

Q: What did you (plan to) do this summer?

A: I worked at work, worked on (constructing) our house, spent a week in China visiting elementary schools, and spent many hours on the dock watching the girls pretend to be the Phelps sisters.

Q: What has been your favorite travel experience?

A: It's too hard to narrow it down to one....rafting the Grand Canyon, skiing in the alps, spending the weekend in Berlin when the wall came down, biking through the Netherlands, flying over an active volcano in Hawai'i, or scuba diving (anywhere) have been some of my favorites! My all-time favorite travel experience, though, is always the one that's in the works. For me, anticipating the trip can be as fun as taking it!

Q: What are your personal/professional goals for the next five years?

A: I am returning to grad school to get my principal licensure.

Q: Any other interesting tidbits you want to share with the LILA community and the

world?

A: A (possibly over-used) quote from Margaret Mead: Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.