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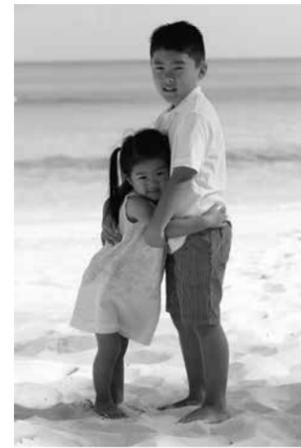
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# meet The Smith Family

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Wona, Josh, Young (7 Years Old) and Hannah (4 Years Old in August). We live at the corner of Garfield Drive and Ruggles Street. We moved to Westborough in the Fall of 2015 after living in Grafton for several years (prior to that, we ironically lived at another property on Ruggles Street). We met many of our neighbors during Halloween, at which time we realized how great the neighbors are and that there are many similarly-aged children living near us. It's nice to have such an eclectic mix of wonderful restaurants in town. We also enjoy having easy access to retail stores, personal services and other amenities. The schools are highly ranked, and the students are ethnically diverse. We love the bucolic lakes and walking trails, including Chauncy Lake and Charm Bracelet Trails.

Josh is a Partner at Bowditch and Dewey, a full-service law firm (i.e., litigation, corporate, estate planning, etc.). Josh's practice focuses on commercial real estate and land use law, with clients

consisting of corporations, developers, public utility companies and colleges and universities. As for me, after having worked in the medical device/biotech industry for over 15 years, I recently switched over to a Marketing Communications Manager role at Waters Corporation, a laboratory analytical instrument and software company based in Milford.

Josh graduated from Babson College (undergrad) and Syracuse University (law school – notably when the men's basketball won the NCAA championship). I graduated from Wellesley College. We never ran into each other during our years in the same college town, despite Josh working as a Domino's delivery guy and me ordering a lot of pizza and wings over the years.

We are both of Korean descent. Josh was born in South Korea, and grew up in Framingham. I grew up in New York and New Jersey, but also spent a good part of my childhood in Saudi Arabia.

Josh, Young and soon-to-be Hannah, are skiers, while I am a snowboarder. My family jokes that I am the black sheep of the family and that snowboarders are reckless (but I say they are just jealous of my coolness). Josh is an assistant coach for Young's baseball team, and enjoys playing tennis and golf. I enjoy working out (I'm a new fan of barre classes), and I dabble in photography. We love to travel to warm weather places and have been to a number of Caribbean

islands such as St. Thomas, St John, St. Lucia, Turks & Caicos, Puerto Rico, Bermuda and the Dominican. We recently came back from Legoland in California.

Young plays piano, soccer, baseball and tennis. He loves swimming and skiing. Hannah is an expert flower girl (two weddings and counting), and will be starting dance classes, swimming and soccer. Both kids are known to take over the dance floor at weddings. Hannah's signature dance move is *the Robot*.

You can often find us at the high school field running the track or throwing/kicking the ball around. The kids enjoy the playground at Rogers Field after a fun game of baseball and jumping around at Sky Zone.

We love all types of cuisine. Some of our favorite Westborough restaurants include Sapporo, Paradise Biryani Pointe and Ted's. Favorites outside of Westborough include Cancun's, Pho Dakao, Bon Chon (Korean fried chicken in Allston), food trucks in LA, Shake Shack, Bowen's Wharf (Newport), Gaslight (South End), Gotham (Manhattan), Sole Proprietor, Elephant Walk (Brookline), Oleana (Cambridge) and too many others to name. A typical dinner at our house consists of Korean cuisine, but we also enjoy having other dishes like pasta and meats on the grill in the Summer.

If you saw our X-Mas card this year, you would have noticed that Josh has brainwashed the kids into believing Tom Brady

can do no wrong. In terms of individual athletes, Josh likes Manny Pacquiao, MMA fighters, Cung Le and Benson Henderson, Andy Murray and Adam Scott. Except for Manny, I have NO idea who these guys are.

As a family, we love to watch *Shark Tank* (we have links to the show including one of my former co-workers appearing with the MonkeyMat), cooking shows (despite insider trading, the kids actually love Martha Stewart) and fake-reality shows (Josh's co-worker was on *House Hunters*). My guilty pleasures include *The Bachelor/Bachelorette* and Korean dramas, and Josh's include talking-head political shows. As for movies, we both like blockbuster action as well as a good tear jerker. Josh likes *30 for 30* documentaries. Young's favorite movie is *The Lego Movie* and Hannah's is...you guessed it, *Frozen*.

We enjoy all genres of music, from pop (seeing Maroon 5 in September!), K-Pop (aka Korean pop), 80's, rock bands like Guns N' Roses, Nirvana and Stone Temple Pilots, and jazz. Prince RIP. Josh grew up playing violin, and is a classical music nerd. Young enjoys seeing piano concertos at Mechanics Hall in Worcester with daddy.

A relaxing evening for us may include going to a nice restaurant and seeing a live show or a movie, sitting by the fire with a glass of wine or looking at old photos and videos with the kids. We

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enjoy creating Shutterfly photobooks. Once in a while, we'll get massages (the best are the cheap massages in NYC Chinatown!).

Family Traditions: Caribbean vacations, trips to Newport where we got married, X-Mas traditions, hosting Thanksgiving, exploring NYC during X-Mas breaks. We also follow a few Korean traditions, such as celebrating Lunar New Year's day with tteokguk (or rice cake soup) and dressing the kids in traditional clothing to do sebae (new year's bow) to elders to receive money. We also eat miyeok guk (seaweed soup) on birthdays, which symbolizes respect to our mothers.

We are active in our church, the Korean Presbyterian Church of Greater Boston, located in Hopkinton where the Boston Marathon starts. I am a Sunday school teacher, and both Josh and I organize fellowship events for the adult English ministry. Josh has done business in Westborough, and is looking to get more involved with the community. He has been a director and/or incorporator for a number of nonprofit boards, such as Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce, Music Worcester, Worcester Art Museum and Babson Real Estate Career Affinity Network. I've also started volunteering with Young at Project Just Because, which is a wonderful organization close by that is dedicated to assisting local families in need with basic resources.



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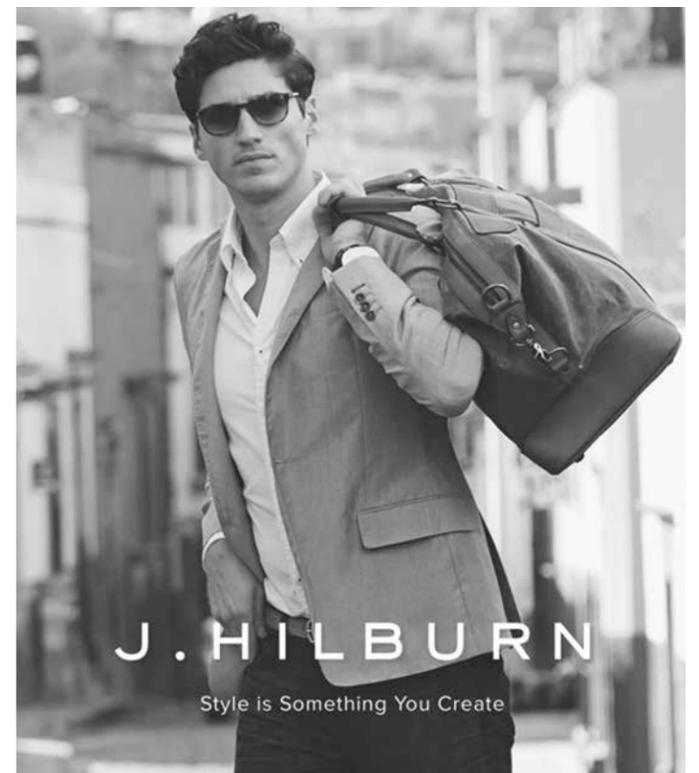
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