

There and back again – back to Blue Earth, that is

After living in many states, the Goshorns have settled in Blue Earth

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Though they met in Blue Earth, high school sweethearts Aron and Megan Goshorn have called countless pockets of the United States home over the years.

Last November, however, Megan and Aron returned to Jolly Green Giant country with their five young Sprouts.

The Goshorns visited with *The Faribault County Register* on Tuesday, Feb. 1, to discuss their plans to put down roots and cultivate their large family.

What are your names?
“Aron and Megan Goshorn,” Megan answers.

Megan and Aron also introduce Eli and Isaac, who are stationed at a computer desk at the end of the room, and Micah and Naomi, who have scampered upstairs to play.

Caleb, who remains in the living room to join in the interview, introduces himself.

What are your ages?
“I’m 40,” Aron shares, with Megan adding she is 35.

Their oldest son, Eli, is 12, Caleb is nine, Isaac is seven, Micah is five, and Naomi is four.

“I have a birthday coming up in April,” Caleb shares. “How many months away is that?”

Where are you from?
Though Megan and Aron met in Blue Earth, they have traveled the United States extensively since then.

“I’m military,” Aron explains. “I just retired. I was an aviation mechanic.”

Aron’s vocation led the Goshorn family to Washington, Texas, Virginia and



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The Goshorn family relocated to Blue Earth last November. Above, their large family poses for a portrait along with one of their pet cats. In front are Eli, left, and Caleb, right. On the couch, left to right, are Micah, Megan, Isaac, Naomi, and Aron. Below, the Goshorns show off their silly side – and their second cat.



Kansas over the years.

“My favorite states were Virginia and Kansas, they were both really good,” Caleb says.

“He had lots of friends there (in Kansas),” Megan

adds. Junction City, Kansas, was the family’s most recent home.

“It’s right next to Fort Riley,” Aron says.

Can you describe that place in three words?
Megan and Aron pause to recollect their memories of Kansas.

“Hilly,” Megan starts. “We lived in the Flint

Hills,” Aron explains. “Caring,” Eli chimes in, clarifying, “The people around it.”

Megan selects “prairie” as their final descriptive word.

“It was very common to have controlled grass fires there,” she recalls.

Why did you leave?
“I retired from the military,” Aron answers. “And we wanted to move closer to family,” Caleb adds.

How did you find Blue Earth?
“Well, we met in Blue Earth,” Aron says.

“Most of my family lives here, and your (Aron’s) extended family lives here,” Megan adds.

Aron was a 2001 graduate of Blue Earth Area High School, while Megan graduated in 2005.

“We went there, and our class pictures are still on the wall,” Aron says.

“The kids thought that was so cool,” Megan laughs.

Can you describe Blue Earth in three words?
“Rural,” Eli offers from the computer. “Small.”

“We’re used to larger cities,” Aron explains.

“Interconnected,” Megan adds. “Everyone knows each other. When we were in the military, it was not like that at all.”

Who did you bring with you?
“Just our kids,” Megan says.

“Kids, cats, and stuff,” Aron amends. “And a boat.”

What do you like to do in Blue Earth?
“Bike around town,” Eli answers.

“I rode my bike to school yesterday,” Caleb offers.

“We like going to the sledding hill,” Megan says.

“It would be fun to bike down the sledding hill,” Caleb considers.

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