

NAME: James M. A. Riggs

FAMILY: My girlfriend Alaina Strehlow, Mom, Dad, older, and younger sister live back east, my older brother lives and works in Hong Kong.

EMPLOYMENT: Full time student at the U of M, part time UM concessions manager.

A BIT OF LIFE HISTORY: I grew up in the Adirondack Mountains of NY, attended boarding school in New Hampshire, and came out to Montana to attend the U. I am a very well-educated Scuba Diver holding a PADI divemaster certification as well as an NSS-CDS basic Cave certification. Sadly Montana really doesn't have any diving opportunities so I'm taking a break. I picked up four wheeling in high school getting around the woods I grew up in.

4X4 VEHICLES YOU OWN: 2008 Toyota FJ Cruiser Trail Teams edition.

MODIFICATIONS DONE TO YOUR PRESENT RIDE: Full BudBuilt Skid Plates, more skid plates, BudBuilt rocker guards, Icon extended travel 3" lift, Metal Tech Front bumper, and Gadgets galore.

FAVORITE VEHICLE OF ALL TIME: 2008 Porsche GT3 RS

IF MONEY WAS NOT AN OBJECT, WHAT WOULD YOU DRIVE OFF ROAD? An old Toyota pickup or maybe an FJ40 converted into a buggy.

SAME QUESTION BUT ON ROAD? The Porsche GT3 (maybe someday....)

FAVORITE TRAIL OR TRAILS: J Trail at Rausch Creek off-road park in PA.

TRAIL OR AREA THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO RUN SOME TIME REALISTICALLY: The Rubicon, maybe some of the trails in Tellico.

SAME QUESTION BUT UN-REALISTIC:

I would love to do some wheeling in Europe or Asia but I don't know any trails over there.

FAVORITE TYPE OF FOUR WHEELING?

I like four wheeling when things don't break but my limits were pushed.

WHAT OTHER THINGS DO YOU LIKE TO DO: I ski a lot, take photos, Scuba Dive, and I have recently taken up fly-fishing.

FUTURE GOALS IN LIFE?

To enjoy myself and not let work and school overstress me like it too often does.

IF YOU COULD BE ANYTHING IN LIFE, WHAT JOB WOULD YOU HAVE?

I would like to work on 4x4's.