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Hello again, and Merry Christmas! It's been a pretty long year for all of us!

After 3-years of hard work, Becky graduated nursing school with honors and passed her state board exam on the first try! Our new Registered Nurse is now working in a Medical/Surgical unit at Ben Taub Hospital. Ben Taub is the busiest hospital in Southeast Texas, and boasts one of the finest critical care units in the country! Since it's a county hospital, Becky's floor gets all kinds of patients, including prisoners who are kept chained to their beds with armed guards at their sides! It's a tough job, but packed with good experience.

Paul had to walk the unemployment line the entire Summer. The radio station he worked for got sold in January. The new owner fired 40 people right off the bat, but Paul managed to hang on until the end of May when he and a couple of other employees were cut loose.

It's obvious God was looking out for us, because Becky's job started just a couple of days after Paul got laid off. So while Paul spent the summer with the kids, Becky was hard at work.

Finally in September, Paul was offered a computer programming job. However, 3-days before he was to start, he was offered a job as Assignments Manager at the new TV station in town. Financially, the choice was easy, so Paul's now working for what's being billed as one of the first all-news broadcast TV stations in the country! His main job is to find stories for the reporters to cover, but he also occasionally goes out with the camera and does some reporting, too!

Angela's in 7th grade this year, and in spite of a very strict Math teacher, is still getting straight A's! She's also in honors band playing the clarinet, and just recently

made the 7th grade girls 'B' basketball team. Last January she hatched 5 chickens from eggs we got at Texas A & M University's Poultry Research Center. 3 of the chicks turned out to be roosters, so we had to take them to a farm. But two of the chickens are hens, and they still live in the back yard. They're pretty good layers, too. We haven't had to buy eggs since August! Since the eggs came from Texas A & M, Angela named one of the hens Aggie!

Danny's busy in 4th grade and will be in the school choir during the second semester. He's also getting great grades, although he still prefers playing with friends to studying. Danny's also active in the church choir. He fills his spare time by making all sorts of art projects. He also enjoys riding his bike. For 3 days during the Summer, Danny and Paul rode the entire length of the bike trail along Braes Bayou. The entire trail is about 15-miles long, and we did it in three segments. But since we had to ride down a segment then back up, we actually rode 30-miles! Danny and Paul also went on a cub scout camp where the temperature hit 29 degrees at night!



Luckily, our health has been good and in spite of staying busy, we still manage to be a close family! Becky and Paul celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary on October 28th, and are still very much in love!

Have a wonderful holiday season, and may God bless you in 1994!

PS: The parade



pictures were taken at the Foley's Houston Thanksgiving Day Parade. We've attended the parade every year since moving to Houston; 8 years in a row! (Although Becky had to work this year, and Angela stayed home to make pumpkin pies)

