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baby, Brian.

We've managed to stay put for another year! The highlight of 1988 was our vacation to Ohio. We visited with family and friends we hadn't seen in two years. We arrived just in time to see Becky's brother's new



place ribbons. He's also been to the zoo, and we plan to tour a ranch with him to make up for the special trips taken with Angela.

Becky finally got out of the restaurant business. She quit Whataburger and spent summer at home with the kids, and teaching bible school. Now she's set up a child care business, and is watching a small group of



children, including two babies.

Paul got a promotion in March, and is now morning news editor. The only drawback is the hours...2am to 10am! His station has the number one rated morning show in Houston, and it's the third most listened to radio morning show in the nation, behind stations in Chicago and San Francisco.

We've also been doing quite a bit of weekend camping. Mostly at Yogi Bear's Jellystone Park, located near Houston. Yogi himself comes out of the woods a couple of times a day, and there are Yogi cartoons at night. Danny saw a person inside the Yogi suit, and was terrified, since Paul told him Yogi'd eaten someone.

After this long, hot summer, most of you now know what a normal Texas summer is like. Our weather here always features highs in the mid to upper 90's from late May through Early October.

We're looking forward to "winter" (highs in the 50's to 70's) and a post-christmas week in Santa Fe New Mexico to find snow.

Last, but certainly not least, Becky and Paul celebrated their tenth anniversary with a whole night away from the kids. Becky put on her wedding dress, and had almost no trouble fitting into it!

Have a merry Christmas, and a happy 1989. We're looking forward to hearing from you.



While Becky caught up with her family, Paul took Angela to Detroit to see a Tigers' game, look at the house Paul was born in, then camp in Amherstburg, Ontario. Angela waited patiently while Paul worked on a computer at WJR radio, then it was off to the Toledo zoo to see the Pandas.

Angela finished first grade with perfect attendance, and made the annual all "A" honor roll. She spent summer competing on the swim team, and started piano lessons this fall. In September, Paul took his computer software, and Angela, to a broadcasters convention in Washington DC. It was a hectic weekend excursion! We took one of the quickest tours of Washington you possibly could. We saw and went inside almost

nearly everything, nothing! We did, however, manage to go up in the Washington Monument and visit Mount Vernon. The highlight of Angela's year, though, came when she lost her first tooth!

Also in September, Paul and Becky spent two days getting ready for "killer" hurricane Gilbert, boarding up windows, putting

pictures in plastic bags and so on. Luckily for us, the storm went on land way to the south, and didn't affect Houston at all.

Danny kept busy taking tumbling lessons. He competed in a meet and won several first

