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Here we go again, another year in review.

1993 started on a sad note when Becky's father passed away. We drove up to Ohio for a week just before New Year's day. It was tough on everyone, but it was nice to see all of our family members again.

During the trip, Angela and Danny had their first chance in years to play in snow!

We hadn't been home long when Danny came down with the chicken pox and missed a week at school!

Then, believe it or not, on February 1, it snowed in Houston! Nothing stuck on the ground, but roofs were dusted, and schools let kids out of class to run in the snowflakes!

Angela's been keeping busy with school (8th grade), honors band, basketball, softball, girl scouts, and an occasional weekend math contest or career seminar.



She spent a week this past summer at Texas Tech University in Lubbock for band camp. She had a great time, and is bugging us to let her go again!

Her girl scout troop took a canoe trip in the Texas hill country. It rained all weekend, but the girls had lots of fun. The leaders, however.....



Danny's been very busy also. He's in 5th grade this year, and a member of the school safety patrol, and school choir. He's taking karate lessons and just earned his orange belt. He's also still a cub scout, takes gymnastics classes, and is part of the church choir. His Sunday school class regularly takes part in church and community service projects, and Danny pitches right in.

Becky left her job at the county hospital, and now works "float pool" at West Houston Medical



Center. On most days, it's much calmer than at the county hospital, but on other days it's just as busy and very exhausting. She's been working 12-hour shifts for 2 or 3 days a week.

She's still a girl scout leader, although she had to work the weekend of the wet canoe trip, so she missed it! Paul's still working at the TV station. His main duty is still finding stories for reporters to work on, but he also is performing many other duties that keeps the job challenging.

He's leading a small den of Webelo Cub scouts -- all of which should qualify to become Boy Scouts early in 1995!

We were finally able to take a "real" vacation this summer for the first time in quite a while.



We loaded up our new mini-van, hooked up the trailer and headed to Colorado.

We spent a week in the Durango area. We rode a steam train to Silverton -- along a scenic, treacherous route. We also went fishing, and drove to Ouray, where we toured a silver mine, and Becky and the kids went horseback riding. On the way home, we stopped at Carlsbad Caverns in New Mexico.

Becky's mother came to visit twice. Once in Spring, and again at Thanksgiving.

Becky's brother, Tony and his son, Jeremiah, came along on the second trip. They're pictured here on the floor of the Astrodome.



Once again, we have a lot to be thankful for, and we hope that your family has a wonderful Christmas, and a great new year!