

## *Christmas 1993*

*It has been another good year for the Taylor family. We are happy to say that everyone is happy and healthy.*

*Jared is now 4 and is in nursery school 4 hours every day. In addition, he takes a gymnastics class on Thursdays and swimming lessons on Fridays. He loves school and has made many friends. He is beginning to play quietly and is heavily into arts and crafts these days, but still has enough energy to tire us out by 7pm. He is a very curious, creative and clever little boy!*

*David is nearly 1 1/2 years old. He started walking just after his 1st birthday and has been running ever since. He is such a happy toddler who is learning, exploring, and finding new ways to get into trouble every day. He is a joy.*

*We are so fortunate to have a wonderful Norwegian girl named Kamilla living with us for 10 months. She arrived in October, in time for Debbie's birthday, and oh what a gift she has been. Kamilla was put in touch with us through a mutual friend in Norway. She is great with David and Jared and has become part of the family. We dread the thought of her ever leaving.*

*This is Debbie's year of creative discovery! She started sculpting and has turned out 3 respectable pieces, and continues to work on two others. She is taking a correspondence course in writing for children and is hoping to publish two stories already completed. She is also cashing in on some barter time she spent doing newsletters for a voice teacher, and is taking lessons. Just don't ask for a performance, she's shy. Just as the year comes to a*



close, she was "drafted" to co-chair the Young Family Leadership Council at the JCC (where Jared attends school). Their mission is to develop programming that will entice families to continue their membership after their kids finish nursery school. As if that isn't enough, she may work through tax season and perhaps keep a few clients year round. Debbie is taking advantage of the extra hands Kamilla lends us and will undoubtedly curtail her activities when she leaves us.

My job has finally gotten off the ground. I have been with Hughes-JVC Technology for 2 years now and as of last summer (1 yr. late) we have a product to deliver. Our new projector makes a wonderful picture. It is truly a new and exciting technology and I feel very fortunate to be a part of this venture. The only difficult part is being away from the family 3-5 days a week. Not only does Debbie need my help, but the kids are growing up fast and I would like to be around to watch them grow.

Last summer we made our first trip up to Tunk Lake, Maine where my parents built a beautiful log cabin in '92. The cabin is beautiful, and lacks nothing in the way of comforts. Back to the basics (with all the amenities). We are looking forward to spending time there again next summer.

That about wraps it up for '93. We hope your family had a great year, and Happy New Year to you!