



The Hampton Towne Crier

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KINDERGARTEN'S INSIGHT ON LOVE

Recently I had the pleasure of talking with the Kindergarten class at Hampton. I asked them what they thought Valentine's day was. And If they did anything special on that day. Here are some of the responses.

"A Holiday, give friends a valentine. Let Grandma and Grandpa open a present." Stacy Koch

"Comes after Christmas. Get something special from your Mom or Grandparents. Play house for Valentine's Day" Lydia Aceviz

"Give Valentines to friends, after Valentine's Day go home and play with toys." Blake Arrington.

"Day when we get special thins. Mom makes special food for dinner. Make a special card and draw with pencils". Erin Barber

"When you have hearts. Cousins and Grandma and Grandpa come over for Valentine's Day." Tanner Brasel

"Put hearts and flowers on window. Eat Pizza and go upstairs and play". Breana Brown

"It's in February when you give hearts away to other people." Samantha Brown

"Give a card to somebody you really like. Eat Valentine Candy Chocolate, out of a little can



Mrs. Robinson's Kindergarten class. Kindergarten Students at Hampton Elementary help the Towne Crier with the meaning of Valentine's Day.

somebody gave you." April Brumback

"No, send out post cards to Aunt Sarah and Grandma" DJ Covemaker

"Love Caring" Randyll DeCrane

"Don't Know" Kelsey DeWalsche

"Love Day, Sometimes we go out to eat." Stefan Escontrias

"You eat turkey, open letter mom writes me." Nicole Hamby

"Mom makes heart cookies for me and other people" Cory Hanson

"Easter, celebrate eat chicken and pumpkin pie. Pumpkin pie is my favorite pie in the world." JR Harms

"About Love and family giving to each other. Give treats and presents to each other. Let friends spend the night." Aimee Hubbard

"Loving and Caring about other people. Eat turkey." Deborah Kraft

"A time when sometimes families get together. Sometimes you make things for your family." Stephanie Kraft

"Go to store buy Power Ranger cards. Give cards to people and stay home and play with toys." Timmy McCannon

"After Christmas, get presents, heart candy. Go to sleep, Wash dishes." Ben McKay

"Don't know." Kelli Mann

"People come to visit eat supper Pizza and everything. They give you presents. Play games" Jacob Meier

"Got a kitty for Valentines Day last year named her Precious, but she isn't precious anymore. She was cute when she was a baby." Kyleigh Newton

When you give people stuff give hearts. Go around and give hearts to people." TJ Patz

"Something about caring about people and stuff. We cook a big chicken, we decorate stuff around the house. Make stuff like Indians Necklaces and Dream catchers." Shannon Pridemore

"When you give Valentine Cards away to Darla, and April and Randi" Christina Schaffer

"Make a Valentine hand and color with markers. Give my mom and make a different one at Grandma's its a big circle." Alyssa Seams

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January is behind us and we are getting closer to Spring. Believe me I can hardly wait. I do not like the cold weather. Don't get me wrong I can tolerate it but if I do not have to get out I would just as soon not.

Did you enjoy the 16.4 inches of snow we received? Well I surely did not. Dean Sparrow the maintenance man in town has asked to remind people that they must remove their vehicles from the roads when there is a 2 inch snow fall. You are to have your vehicle off the road during the time in which the snow plow is out. If you have any questions, contact the village hall.

Spring is a time of things waking up and new life beginning. This is the best time of the year. I look with great anticipation this year.

The paper has suffered a few obstacles, I have put in many hours calling and visiting print shops to see if they could print the paper. Our printer in Atkinson went out of the newspaper print business and so this left us with no printer.

I have found one and I am hoping everything will work out fine. There are a few drawbacks, they are more expensive. We do not get the same benefits from them as we did from our other printer. We will be paying per picture. So the pictures in the paper that are put in for birthdays, anniversaries will have to be charged for. I apologize



Girl Scout Cookie Time February 3rd These young ladies are anxious to start to sell. Amy Weber, Sarah Samolitis, Jaynee Covemaker, Crystal Carmack, Lori Larrison, Lisa Patton, Nicole Norin, Amy Henrichs

for this but we can't afford to continue to give this service without a charge. The charge is minimal, \$5.00 per picture. I hope this does not discourage people from sending cute pictures, especially those that show our friends at a younger age.

Postage has gone up and we will be unable to send the paper out of town for free. If you are thinking of sending a family member who lives out of state the paper, we are asking that a \$10.00 fee be paid to help cover the cost of postage and printing. I am sorry to have to pass this news off to you, but when I went to mail the January issue and I received the bill for the mailing and the start up fees I almost threw up my hands and quit, but there were a couple of wonderful people at the post office at the

time and expressed how much they enjoyed the paper that it made me realize that what I'm doing isn't all in vain. Thank you for your compliments they really helped when all else seemed to be sliding away.

GIRL SCOUT COOKIE SALES TO BEGIN

FEBRUARY 3, 1995.

"Girl Scouts introduce New Low Fat Cookie"

February 3rd marks the date for the annual Mississippi Valley Girl Scout Council cookie sale, with orders taken through February 19th. New this year the low fat iced oatmeal 'n raisin cookie, The Snap, has only 1.5 grams of fat per seven cookies.

The "Incredible Voyage" is this year's cookie theme and Girl Scouts have set goals to raise money to fund their upcoming

activities.

Cookies are \$2.50 per box. In 1994 693,200 boxes of cookies were sold throughout the 15 county jurisdiction of the Mississippi Valley Girl Scout Council. The number one selling cookie, the Thin Mint, sold over 173,088 boxes.

Girl Scouts will be knocking on doors, telemarketing and holding creative sale booths selling Girl Scout Cookies. Team work, planning, organizing, sales skills, leadership, and responsibility are a few of the many skills Girl Scouts will learn through this upcoming cookie sale.

All cookie proceeds stay within the community to benefit local Girl Scouts, girls and adults.

If you would like to order cookies and you don't have a Girl Scout come to your door. After Feb. 3rd, call Melinda Reamy 496-9635 or Gina Henrichs - 755-3830.

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"Its for people to love other people. You give cards, thank them for cards that they give you." Andre Widolff

"Its a special day. get little heart candy." Kacee Eikenberry

"Its a day of loving people. Its a day of giving Valentines. You go out side and pick flowers, somebody might have a birthday on Valentine's Day." Alexandra Benzon.

It was great visiting with these students they are full of their own ideas. I Thank Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. Hanseemann for allowing me to come. Thank You Kindergarten for your help.

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VILLAGE NEWS

January 9, 1995

Village Zoning Board approved to change the zoning from residential to commercial at James Weissman's property on first ave.

Rock Island County-Wide consolidated communication system was presented to the board by James Healy of Silvis, a short video was presented to explain why it is in the counties best interest to move ahead to do this. Here is the information that was passed on to everyone.

Throughout Rock Island County, over 17 radio systems are maintained to support the public safety and public service operations of the local, county and state agencies. These systems vary from single site VHF low-band systems, simplex VHF high-band systems and multiple site, voted UHF systems.

A significant problem with these systems is that very few of them are linked together, which makes communications between agencies very difficult. In addition, some of these systems suffer from downtime, interference from other systems and general obsolescence.

Technically advanced County-wide radio system would not have these limitations. Additionally, County-wide consolidated emergency dispatch can operate such an advanced radio system at less cost than providing the same features and functions through multiple radio systems.

The public benefits from more effective emergency services. Public safety organizations benefit by improving access to resources. Local government benefits by



Pizza Sales for the 8th Grade Class fundraisers began on January 20 and are running through February 3rd. If you are interested in a Pizza contact an 8th grade student.

Chad Gooch helps Maria Nino and Nikki Coakley make pizza

having a diverse communication system to draw from, and by eliminating the financial burden of emergency dispatch expenses. Taxpayers benefit by funding a single consolidated dispatch facility instead of continuing to fund multiple operations.

Funding for this will come in the form of either a surcharge to phone tax, property tax, or sales tax. The cost of the operation could be 5+ million dollars.

There are pros to this when there is a disaster all areas in the county will be able to respond to each other with out having to go through different dispatchers and getting things all messed up on communication.

Cons are the cost factor and the way this will be paid for will effect everyone. There are many towns across the nation that are going to this trunked system. And it clearly is working.

Bonding for the street, water and sewer project on 6th St. and 1st Ave is underway and should

be happening soon.

Jim Quinn came to the board with the development of his new hardware store "Quinn Servistar Hardware Store" The business will employ 7 people and Mickey his daughter will be the manager.

Ruhl and Ruhl have almost a concrete project underway with all the signing of papers for the properties. All that is in the works now is the bonding, and the Tif agreement. Which seems to be going well.

Rick Gillespie was at the meeting on behalf of the School Board. Rick expressed his concerns as to the money lost to school district if the TIF goes through. Both the mayor and several trustees agreed that the village will share the TIF with the school and other municipalities that would not otherwise benefit from the TIF.

Village Board Meeting January 23, 1995

Plumbing inspector has retired and the village is looking for a

new one.

The TIF Agreement has been signed and approved.

Special meeting called for Thursday, Jan. 26, 1995 to discuss bonds and proposed agreement with Ruhl and Ruhl.

Fire Department is asking for the cities ok to burn down two homes on the Lester Stone property. These homes will be used for training.

SCHOOL BOARD NEWS

January 10, 1995

The school board agreed to hire Carla DeCrane as an Aide 3 hours in 2nd grade and 1 1/2 hours for fifth.

Motion was made to withdraw from the Silvis Psychological Co-op as of January 31, 1995.

The board approved a motion made to engage Superintendent Search a firm that will go out and search for a replacement. The cost of this is \$2,500.

Mrs. Christine Sederstrom has submitted her resignation with the school effective 1-16-95.

The Americans with Disabilities Act - Guarantees disabled people the "full and equal employment of the goods, services, privileges, advantages or accommodations. This means they must be accessible to individuals with disabilities.

So the board approve a architect to be hired to design a ramp for the junior high side of the building to bring the ramp up to code.

A Thank You was sent to the School Board for the Christmas dinner from the staff.

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HAMPTON FIRE AND RESCUE

Via: Chief Craig Haigh

Joint Training Curbs Crime

Recently, members of Hampton Fire and Rescue and the Hampton Police Department attended courses on fire/arson investigation. Fire and police officers from across the State of Illinois converged on the village of Hampton to learn from experts in investigation.

The University of Illinois Fire Service Institute sponsored the program hosted by the fire department at our training facility located at Hampton Elementary School. A vacant house and numerous cars were used for fire sets and explosives demonstrations. Students were trained in fire behavior, building construction, electrical fire cause determination, accidental and incendiary cause and origin determination, sketching, interviewing and interrogation, insurance information, motivation of fire setters, explosive and incendiary devices, intelligence systems, fatal fires, crime laboratory usage, photography and arson for profit.

Unfortunately, fire setting has become big business. rarely are fires set by the mentally-deranged "firebug" or pyromaniac, but normally for profit. Intentionally set fires lead to over \$2 billion in insurance claims each year and approximately \$15 billion in

losses to the public due to lost tax revenue, lost jobs and higher insurance premiums.

The investigation of the crime of arson for profit requires expertise beyond cause and origin, since the investigator will spend most of his/her time delving into financial, real estate and insurance records. A team approach involving fire and police investigators is required to deal with the problem of arson for profit. Cooperation between Hampton Fire and Police personnel will undoubtedly provide better protection to our customers—the village residents.

Thanks to the following people for their assistance in making this training possible: Hampton Elementary School, McKay Family Trust, Arnold's Foreign Car Parts, Moline Consumers Company, Porter's Village Rx, Camera Corner, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Treasury-Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Winnebago County Office, Lt. Sue Welch (Retire), Urbana Police Department, Robert C. Hamilton, Mid-State Organized Crime Information Center, Bri-Mar International Laboratories, Downers Grove, IL., Arthur R. Towner, Edward Folliard, Oak Lawn Fire Department, G. Terry Smith, University of Illinois Fire Service Institute.

Winter Poses Special Fire Hazards: Prepare Now for a Fire-Safe Season.

Winter's Chill is beginning to hit Illinois bringing with it use of fireplaces, wood stoves and portable heaters. These units pose special fire hazards and signal the need for safety measures to reduce the risk of fire.

Heating equipment is a leading cause of fire in the United States. Last year in Illinois, heating devices were linked more than 1,300 residential structure fires, 5 deaths, 117 injuries and more than 10 million dollars in property damage according to the National Fire Incident Reporting System.

"Many of the home heating related fires could be prevented with care and caution," said State Fire Marshall Thomas L. Armstead. "Proper handling, understanding and operation of heating equipment are essential to preventing related fires and subsequent deaths and injuries."

The Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshal advocates increased fire safety during the winter months. The agency says all heating units should carry the label of a recognized testing laboratory. Users should follow the manufacturers' installation, operation and maintenance instructions on all home heating devices.

OSFM recommends that all heating units be checked and cleaned professionally each season. All heating equipment should also meet local fire codes.

The National Fire Protection Association recommends that space heaters be placed at least 36 inches away from anything combustible and should never be left unattended. NFPA fire safety standards prohibit the use of portable LP (propane) gas heaters with self-contained fuel supplies in homes.

Both organizations encourage burning only proper fuels in

heating devices. Green wood, trash or paper should not be burned in wood stoves or fire places. NFPA recommends that only clear Grade A K-1 kerosene should be used in kerosene heaters. It cautions against the use of yellow kerosene, gasoline or camp stove fuel in such units.

The risk of electrical fires is also greater during the winter. OSFM says all Illinois citizens should check wires and fuses frequently. Portable heater users should be sure that wiring in their homes is sufficient to support such a unit. OSFM cautions against overloading electrical outlets and suggests using extension cords sparingly to reduce the risk of an electrical fire.

In addition to observing specific winter considerations, OSFM encourages Illinois citizens to observe general fire safety rules. Illinois law requires smoke detectors in all homes. OSFM says detectors should be tested and cleaned regularly and that smoke detector batteries should be replaced once a year. OSFM also encourages everyone to plan and practice fire escape plans.

"Following winter safety tips and general fire safety rules can help prevent needless and senseless fire," said Armstead.

FIREFIGHTER/MEDIC

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HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

Via: Rocky Nelson

The Hampton Historical Society will hold its first meeting of 1995 in the basement of Hampton United Methodist Church, February 15, 1995 at 7:30 PM. The program features Ms. Marlene Gantt, who writes the "Images of the Past" column in the Dispatch, appearing on the editorial page each Saturday. From her large fund of information we can be sure of having an interesting and informative presentation. Also, lots of important information about the Societies activities. Non-members as well as members are welcome.

IN SEARCH OF ABE LINCOLN

February is the month of the presidents, with birthdays of Lincoln and Washington. A common question asked of those of us involved in the history of our town is "Did Abraham Lincoln ever come to Hampton?" The answer is "Not as far as we know, but he came close". I'll explain why we answer in this way.

There is no hard evidence that Lincoln visited Moline or Rock Island, though there are some tenuous legends about it. It is likely he may have been here when he was representing the railroad in the Effie Afton case. If you don't remember, this was

the lawsuit that occurred shortly after the first bridge across the Mississippi was constructed from Arsenal Island to Davenport. With in a matter of weeks, the steamer Effie Afton collided with the bridge and both steamer and bridge burned "the middle section was made of wood). There upon the steam boat company sued the railroad on the grounds that building a bridge over a navigable river constituted a hazard to navigation. The railroad hired the Springfield lawyer Abraham Lincoln to defend them. He was not famous then and people paid little attention. Also, when he was a "Captain of militia during the Black Hawk War he was around these parts but exactly where is unknown. However, we have tangible, verifiable, record of Abe Lincoln's presence around here.

If you go over the hill from Hampton, and keep going on what becomes the Barstow road after crossing Illinois 5, you will soon see on your left a magnificent, huge (17 rooms), old house going to rack and ruin. This is the Weatherhead mansion,

sometimes called Whitehall. In 1839 Ira Weatherhead journeyed to this area from Vermont (a young man seeking his fortune, as they said in those days). He like the looks of the fertile lands near the Rock River and purchased 1000 acres from the government for \$1.00/acre. It

included the present sites of Barstow and Osborn though neither place existed then. After erecting Whitehall he sent to Vermont for his childhood sweetheart, Mary Gallup. He trekked on foot to Chicago to meet her, and they returned to Whitehall by stage. They married in 1841 but Mary died shortly afterward.

We will now establish the Hampton connection in this narrative. Hampton's founder Henry McNeal, after he settled in our town brought his family down from Galena. this included his younger sister Jane. Subsequently, she married John Wells and they settled in on the opposite side of the bluff that overlooks Hampton. Their house still exists. If you go over the hill towards Silvis and turn right on the road at the bottom you will go by the handsome old structure. John and Jane had one child, a girl. John Wells died soon after. According to all accounts Jane McNeal Wells was a remarkable woman. In this Victorian Age, women were expected to be weak creatures

who needed to be shielded from the rigors of life. Women commonly carried smelling salts in case their sensitivities were offended to the point of fainting (swooning was a more popular term). Jane appears to have been a hardier type. Better educated than most women of the time

(their intellect was not considered of an order to absorb book learning) she seems to be inclined more towards confrontation than fainting. One suspects that she did not carry smelling salts. it seems that the young widow decided to ride her horse out to Weatherhead's place to be shod. (he had a small blacksmith shop among his enterprises)). Now, it would seem likely that there were blacksmiths much closer, but in any case she made the trip. For a young lady to ride a horse all by herself to get shod at a single mans shop must have bordered on scandalous behavior in some circles. The ambitious young widower, Ira Weatherhead liked the attractive, athletic, accomplished, and assertive young widow in spite of her social incorrectness (or maybe because of it) and ultimately married her.

Now, Abe Lincoln enters the story. He had occasion to stop at Whitehall several times when pursuing legal business. The huge house was a favorite stopping place for travelers. The Weatherhead family had in their possession several of Abe Lincoln's calling cards as well as a letter or two from the future president. Unfortunately the artifacts were on display in Hampton at Charlie Sykes ill fated museum and disappeared with so many other priceless items.

So this is why when somebody asks if Abe Lincoln ever came to Hampton we say "Not that we know of, but he came close". We'll leave it to the reader to fill in the gaps of the bare narrative about the romance between Jane and Ira with their imagination. After all, February is also the month of Valentine's Day.

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5 6:00-8:00pm Adult Volleyball	6	7 Cultural Arts Hampton 7:00pm Fire Dept.	8 PTA Hot Lunch	9	10	11
12 Lincoln's Birthday 6:00-8:00pm Adult Volleyball	13 6:30pm PTA	14 Valentine's Day 7:00pm Fire Dept.	15 Methodist Church Hot Lunch	16 Fire and Rescue Aux.	17 8th Grade Valentine Dance	18 1:00-3:00pm Pizza Delivery School
19 6:00-8:00pm Adult Volleyball	20 President's Day	21 7:00pm Fire Dept. 7:00pm Spelling Bee	22 PTA Hot Lunch  Washington's Birthday	23	24	25
26 6:00-8:00pm Adult Volleyball	27	28 7:00pm Fire Dept.	CARNATIONS ON SALE AT HAMPTON GRADE SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS. EACH IS \$1.00 AND WILL BE DELIVERED ON VALENTINE'S DAY SPONSORED BY THE 8TH GRADE			



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By: Lisa Reamy

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Hampton School News February 1995

via: Paula Goering/Secretary

Happy New Year! Since it's been a couple of months since we had a true article I will back track to the year gone by.

It is great to be back to school. Many thanks to all the students, parents, staff, P.T.A. & Methodist Ladies organizations who sent cards and well wishes during my convalesces following my surgery in November. You all helped brighten my days. Thanks too for the warm welcome and cooperation given my substitute, Jon Collins. She did a terrific job and enjoyed working with the students, parents and staff.

The New Year is upon us and with it a great deal of activity at the school.

The New Year brought a change to our district. Christine Sederstrom, Art Instructor for 16 1/2 years and Gifted Program coordinator and teacher accepted a full time position at Moline

School District. Mrs. Sederstrom has multitude of talents and has been more than a classroom teacher, donating many hours of volunteer time to the students of our district. Over the years she volunteered to coordinate so many events and activities such as: Christmas Programs, Annual School Play, Speech Contest, Fine Arts Department Fundraisers, Field trips to Festival of Trees and art Gallery, School Newspaper, Ballet Performances, Veterans Day displays, Madrigal Dinners,



Mrs. Hull's Fifth Grade Class is putting together a Newspaper for the school. It is intitled Jr. Hawk Talk. Next month they will help put a page together in the Towne Crier

Dinners at her home for Chorus Members just to name a few. Chris has enriched the lives and developed the talents of so many children over the years. We all wish her success in future endeavors and hope she will not forget all who hold her near and dear. All the best - Mrs. Sed!

Though we regret the leaving of Mrs. Sederstrom, we

WELCOME Stephanie Johnson who joins us as our new Art Instructor. Stephanie brings many talents of her own and is a warm and capable addition to our Hampton School Family.

In January, fifth grade students began a 17 week D.A.R.E. Program. Officer Tim Ott, Hampton D.A.R.E. officer is the instructor. These students are continuing their commitment to "Just Say No To Drug Abuse" in this extensive program which culminates in a D.A.R.E. graduation ceremony in May.

Parent - Teacher Conferences will be held on Wednesday, February 1st from 4:00 to 7:00 PM and Thursday, February 2nd from 12:15 to 3:15 PM Teachers of grades K - 5 will schedule specific conference times. Junior High teachers (grades 6 - 8) will be at their desks and available for conferences on a first come first served basis. Please limit conference times to 15 minutes.

Classroom Connection is a great way for Parents and Students to stay in touch with the school, and it is only a phone call away. Call 757-7500 to contact the following mailbox numbers: Calendar Line Mailbox #4387, Emergency Info Line Mailbox # 4388, Voice Mail Attendance Line Mailbox # 4386

There will be NO SCHOOL on Friday, February 3rd - Teacher Institute.

Early Dismissal Days - Wed., February 15 2:15 PM, Friday, Feb. 24 11:30 am

The U.T.H.S. Fine Arts Caravan will perform for students in Grades K - 8 on Tuesday, February 7th at

10:00am Hampton P.T.A. will sponsor a Folk Arts day during the afternoon for students in K - 8.

Mr. Jerome Samolitis, U.T.H.S. Counselor, will meet with the 8th grade on Thursday, February 9th from 2:00 - 3:07 PM to distribute high school registration materials. Mr. Samolitis will meet with 8th grade parents at 7:00 PM in the Hampton School gym for a question and answer session. Mr. Samolitis will pick up the registration materials on Thursday, February 16th at 2:15 PM.

The Hampton Board of Education will meet at 7:00 PM on February 14th in the school library.

The Spelling Bee will be held on Thursday, February 21st at 7:00 PM in the school gym.

Third Quarter bus fees were due on January 18th. Fees are as follows: 1 Student \$31.25, 2 students 43.75 3 or more students 50.00.

March reminders: Kindergarten Roundup will be held on Friday, March 3rd, 1995 at 1:00 PM in

the school library. Students attending Kindergarten must be 5 years of age on or before September 1, 1995. Parents will need to present a CERTIFIED COPY of their child's Birth Certificate at the Roundup. A physical examination and all immunizations must be current before entering Kindergarten. Physical forms will be available at the Roundup.

Casimir Pulaski Day, Monday, March 6, 1995 - NO SCHOOL.

March 14 - 17, 1995 Illinois Goal Assessment Testing for Grades 3, 4, 6, 7, & 8.

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PTA NEWS

Via: Melinda Reamy

PTA will be sponsoring a Folk/Art Day on Tuesday, February 7th. This is an event that will involve all grades in some way, throughout the school day.

The next PTA meeting will be held in the Music Room on Monday, February 13th, at 6:30 PM. Free baby-sitting will be provided.

The Room Mothers will be having Valentine's Day parties in the K-5th Grade Rooms on Tuesday, February 14th. Room Mothers should check with their child's teacher to find out what time the teacher wants them to begin the party.

This year the Spelling Bee will be held on Tuesday, February 21st at 7:00 PM. The Dispatch is trying something new this year. We are going to have our Spelling Bee combined with Aldrin School. It will be held in our Hampton Gym. the winner from this combined Bee will go to Augustana for the Dispatch/Argus Spelling Bee for a chance to win a trip to

participate in the National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C.

Students will be selling Spirit Cards February 24th - March 7th. The cards will be \$10.00 and will be payable upon delivery. Permission slips to sell the Spirit Cards will go home on Feb. 22nd and must be returned by Feb. 24th.

There will be a choice of four Spirit Cards to purchase. A) Godfathers Pizza, Subway, Taco Bell, and Iowa only

Baskin/Robbins; B) Dominos Pizza, Subway, Taco Johns, and Iowa only Chef's Hat; C) Godfathers Pizza, Subway, Taco Bell, and Porkies; D) Taco Johns, Dunkin donut, hasty Tasty, and Runza; These are the choices we have been given at this time. There may be changes made by the time our students sell the cards. The Company is trying to get the Baskin/Robins to be for Illinois & Iowa.

PTA is sponsoring Visiting Artists - Duo Pianist on Monday, Feb. 27th at 8:45 AM

PTA Hot Lunches
Feb. 8th (Group 1)
Chili Dog or Hot Dog, Chips, Choc. Chip Bar (Thank you 7th Grade Parents for Dessert)
Feb. 22nd (Group 2)
Chicken Nuggets or Hot Dog, Chips, Rice Crispie Treat (Thank You 6th grade parents for the dessert.)

* Remember: If school is cancelled on a Hot Lunch Day due to the weather, Hot Lunch will be served the next day school is in session.

8TH GRADE CLASS NEWS

Via: Jessica Jacques

For February the 8th grade is currently working on fund raisers.

We are having our pizza sales now, if anyone is interested please contact an 8th grade student. We will make the pizzas fresh. You can pick them up from school on Saturday, February 18, 1995. Please support the class by buying a pizza.

We will be having a Valentine's



Happy Birthday to Brenda Wheeler Pfau on February 6th, Gotcha, Love Mom and Bruce



Happy 10th Birthday Feb. 12th Amy Henrichs
Love: Gramcracker

Day Dance on February 17th from 7:00 - 9:00 PM for grades 6 - 8. Admission is \$2.00 per person.

The class will be selling carnations the week before Valentine's Day to anyone is the school. These carnations will be delivered to the rooms of the

student or teacher they were purchased for. Contact any student council member for your order. The carnations are \$1.00 each.

The money raised by the class will go towards the trip to Chicago.

The class voted on their motto, color and flower they are as follows.

Motto: The greater the obstacle the more glory in over coming it.
Color: Burgundy and Black
Flower: Rose.

THANK YOU

"Snow Angels"

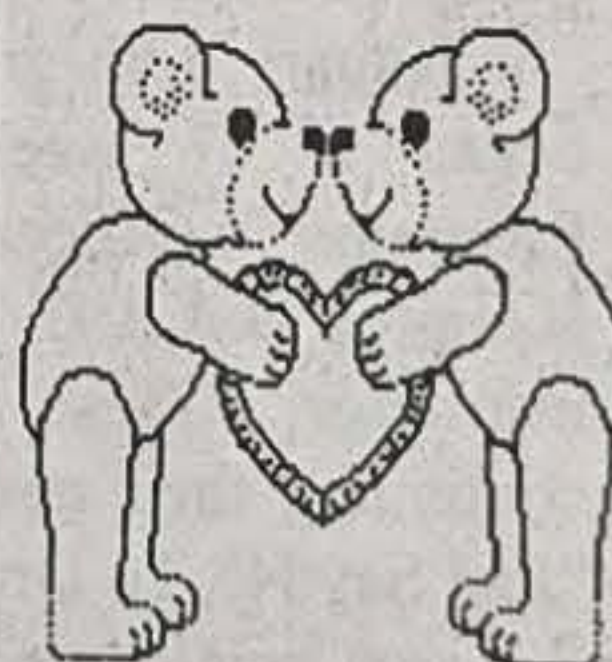
Thanks to the "Snow Angels", who cleared away the snow on the sidewalks at Hampton United Methodist Church. It is greatly appreciated. Hampton U.M.C. Council.

8th Grade Fundraiser Pizza Sales

The 8th grade class will begin selling pizza on January 20-February 3rd.

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BIRTHS

Kieffer, Arnie and Ann Gattman Mississippi, boy January 13th. Allen Lance weighed 9 lbs. 10 oz. 23 inches long. He is welcomed home by brothers P.J. and Alex. Grandparents are Lori and Art Kieffer.

Schussler, David and Dawn, Chattanooga, Tennessee, girl December 29, 1994. Sydney Nicole 7lbs. 1 oz. 19 1/2 long. Grandparents Jay and Judy Van Paemel, Port Byron, Richard and Bonnie Schussler, Chattanooga, and Herbert and Alverda Anderson, Silvis.

BIRTHDAYS

Happy 32nd Birthday to Curt Loewen on February 11th, Love Heather, Camron, Kristen, and Catherine.

Happy Birthday to Linda Kay Mosely on March 1st, because you only get a year older every 4 years. Linda's actual birthday is February 29th.

Happy 15th Birthday to Jeremy Hull on February 14th, One more year and Cupid will have wheels.

The Bill Weiss Clan has a lot to celebrate in February, with Bill on Feb. 13th, Danny on Feb. 19th, Dan's sons Casey on Feb. 25th and Cody on Feb. 28th. Have a great month of cake and ice cream.

Happy 17th Birthday to Robert Clark on February 14th, Love Mom, Dad, and Chris.

Happy Birthday to Eliza Haertjens on February 12th.

Happy Birthday to Trudy Coder on February 23rd, Love Sue and Allen

Happy 38th Birthday to Jean Ward on February 6th, Love Nancy and Sarah

Happy Birthday to Kay Elsey

on February 28th.

Happy 22nd Birthday to Tiffany Reas on February 16th, Love Mom and Dad

Happy Birthday to Harry Kipp who will be 82 on Ground Hogs day, Feb. 2nd Many more Harry! Love your sisters and brothers.

ANNIVERSARIES

Happy Anniversary to Tad and Sheri Coder on February 27th, Love Katee, Jack and Merry

Happy Anniversary to Gary and Darlene Martin, Love the kids.

DEATHS

Donald Keopple

Services for Donald R. Keopple, 62, were held on Tuesday, January 10, 1995 at National Cemetery, Arsenal Island.

He was born November 23, 1932, in Kansas City, MO., the son of Theodore and Velma Keopple. He married Dorothy Johnston Myers September 23, 1961, in East Moline.

He owned and operated Ace Electric, East Moline.

He was a member of Consistory and Co-ordinate Bodies, Moline, where he served as worshipful master in 1975, and he served on the Hampton zoning and water board.

He was a Korean War Army veteran.

Survivors include his widow; sons and daughters-in-law, Donald II and Brenda Keopple, Hampton, David and Charlotte "Kay" Myers, Biloxi, Miss., Michael and Bonnie Myers and Ted and Pam Keopple, all of Geneseo, and Bill and Brenda Myers, Cedar Rapids; 12 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and his mother.

Richard Taylor

Services for Richard A. Taylor, 56 of Silvis were January 9, 1995 at National Cemetery,

Arsenal Island.

He was born November 27, 1938, in Moline the son of Clarence and Esther Witt Taylor. He married Judy Smet Scarff May 1, 1993 in East Moline.

He was employed as a truck driver for Three I Truck Co., Bettendorf, and worked for the former International Harvester East Moline Plant and E&D Trucking, East Moline.

Survivors include the widow; sons Ted Taylor, Indianapolis, Todd Taylor, Pheonix, and Troy Taylor, Moline; a stepdaughter, Florence Minch, Hampton; a stepson, John Minch, Iowa City; nine grandchildren; sisters Joan Shafer, East Moline, Dorothy Shew, East Moline, Donna Mooney, Lancaster, Ca., and Melanie Horton, Rock Island; and brothers Robert Taylor, Durrand, IL., Jack Taylor, Rapids City, and Melvin Taylor, Moline.

Anna Smolenski

Services for Anna M. Smolenski, 84 of East Moline were held on Wed. January 18, 1995.

The former Anna Hamala was born June 2, 1910, in Chicago, the daughter of Johan and Mary Hamala. She married Stanley Smolenski Oct. 17, 1938.

Mrs. Smolenski was active in the Democratic Party.

She enjoyed gardening.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Daniel and Linda Smolenski, Port Byron; a granddaughter, Lisa Popeller, East Moline; grandsons, Andrew Smolenski, Port Byron, and Patrick Daniels, Hampton; and several brothers and sisters in Poland. Her daughter, Theresa Daniels died in 1977.

Leonard Busch

Services for Leonard Busch, 81 were held Tuesday, January 17, 1995.

Mr. Busch was born March 18, 1913, in Belle Plaine, Iowa. he married Sylvia Koos in September

1951, in Davenport.

He was employed 28 years as a welder for the Rock Island Railroad, retiring in 1969.

he was a member of St. Anne's Catholic Church, East Moline, Fraternal Order of eagles Lodge, Moline and the East End Club, Moline.

Survivors include a daughter and son -in-law, Marjorie and Gerald Nibbelin, Hampton; sons, Michael Busch, Long Grove, and Larry Busch, Davenport; and four grandchildren.

Bernadine Fleishman

Bernadine Fleishman, 79, Kewanee, formerly of Hampton, East Moline and Rapids City, died Thursday, Jan. 19, 1995. Services were January 23, 1995.

Miss Fleishman was born Dec. 15, 1915, in Hampton. She was active in the garden club at Kewanee Care. She enjoyed music and animals.

Survivors include cousins, Alan Pinkerton, Green Rock, and Elizabeth Richmond, East Moline.

WEDDING NEWS

Nelson - Halston

Martha A. Nelson will be married to Michael Halston March 4, 1995 at the Seville in Streamwood, Illinois. Martha is a native of Hampton and daughter of Jane and Rocky Nelson. She attended Hampton Grade School, graduated from UT, Black Hawk College, and Illinois State University. She is currently working toward her MBA at Loyola University. She is a marketing rep. for Sony, recording division, Rolling Meadows.

Mike is a native Chicagian, and is the son of Jean and Robert Halston of Chicago; Mike graduated from High school in Chicago and for several years ran Big City Entertainment, a booking agency. Recently he has started his own tourism business. (If you are planning a trip call 312-282-4333.) He'll take care of you.

JAM'N WITH JANE

By: Jane Nelson

Already one month is over for 1995. Soon Valentine's Day will be here. I promised a sweet treat for Valentine's Day. I have several rather special cakes I make, but there is one that is probably the best chocolate cake I've ever made. It is also a great cake to take somewhere because it travels so well. In fact, it went all the way to Chicago last year for my soon to be son-in-law's birthday. It is called "Decadent Fudge Cake". It originated with Southern Living's "Five Star Recipe Collection", 1990, Oxmoor House, Inc.

1 cup butter or margarine, softened, 1 1/2 cups sugar, 4 eggs, 1/2 teaspoon baking soda, 1 cup buttermilk, 2 1/2 cups all purpose flour, 1 1/2 cups semi sweet chocolate mini morsels, divided, 2 (4oz) bars sweet baking chocolate, melted and cooled, 1/3 cup chocolate syrup, 2 teaspoons vanilla extract, 4 oz. white chocolate, chopped, 2 tablespoons plus teaspoons shortening, divided, Chocolate and White chocolate leaves (optional).

Cream butter in a large mixing bowl; gradually add sugar, beating well at medium speed of an electric mixer. Add eggs, one at a time, beating after each addition.

Dissolve soda in buttermilk, stirring well. Add to creamed

mixture alternately with flour, beginning and ending with flour. Add 1 cup mini morsels, melted chocolate, chocolate syrup, and vanilla, stirring just until blended (Do not over beat).

Spoon batter into a heavily greased and floured 10 inch Bundt pan. Bake at 300 degrees for 1 hour and 25 minutes or until cake springs back when touched. Invert cake immediately onto a serving plate, and let cool completely.

Combine 4 oz. chopped white chocolate and 2 tablespoons shortening in top of double boiler; bring water to a boil. Reduce heat to low; cook until mixture is melted and smooth. Remove from heat. Drizzle melted white chocolate mixture over cooled cake. Melt remaining 1/2 cup mini morsels and 2 teaspoons shortening in a small sauce pan over low heat, stirring until smooth. Remove from heat, and let cool; drizzle over white chocolate. If desired, garnish with chocolate and white chocolate leaves.

Another great cake my Mom, Mary Ellen McNeal, made often when I was a kid. It is called "Cold Water Chocolate Cake" 2 eggs, 2 cups sugar 1/2 cup butter, 4 squares Baker's Chocolate, 2 cups cold water, 3 cups flour, 2 teaspoons baking powder, 1 teaspoon soda, 1 teaspoon vanilla, Cream butter,

and sugar. Add beaten eggs. Add melted chocolate. Sift dry ingredients together and add alternately with water and vanilla. Put in three nine inch prepared round pans. Frost when cool. Bake 350 degrees for 25 minutes.

Mom usually frosted this with boiled icing or fudge frosting. these aren't her recipes but some I've acquired over the years and are similar to hers.

Fudge Frosting

1 1/2 cups sugar, 6 tablespoons Oleo, 1/3 cup milk, 1/2 cup chips, Bring to a boil. Boil 1 minute; add chips, beat until thick. Frost cake.

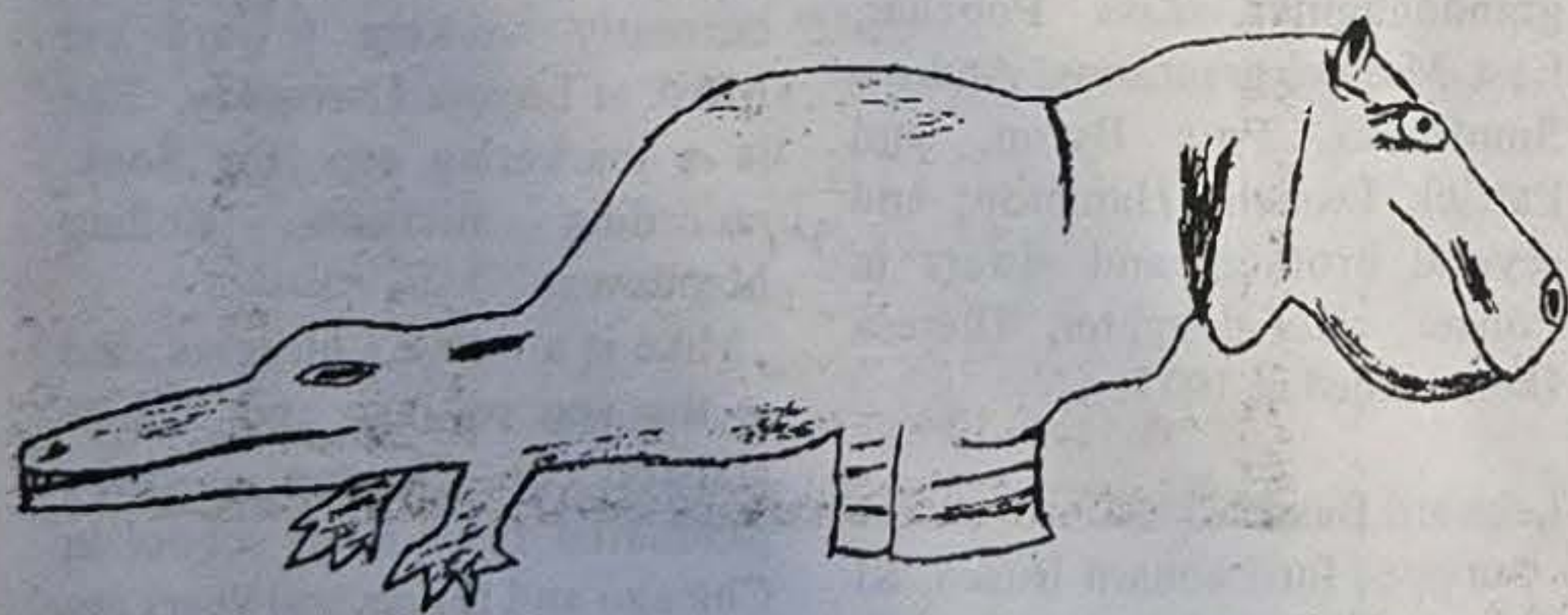
7 minute Icing

2 egg whites, 1 1/2 cup sugar, 1/3 cup cold water 1 teaspoon vanilla, 1 1/2 tablespoon white corn syrup, 1/4 teaspoon cream of tartar, dash of salt, Place all ingredients except vanilla in a double boiler. boil, beating constantly with an electric mixer for 7 minutes. Add vanilla.

If you prefer white cake here is a recipe that was one form my Aunt Margaret Cook Martin Goettsh. It is amazing I have this

because Aunt Margaret rarely gave out her recipes. It had no time or temperature and few mixing directions. 1 1/2 cups sugar 1/2 cup butter, 3 cups cake flour, 1 cup water, 2 teaspoons baking powder, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 4 egg whites, Cream butter and sugar. Beat dry ingredients alternately with water. Fold in beaten egg whites and vanilla. Estimated temperature and time: 350 - 375 degrees for 20 - 25 minutes.

if you are short of time you can always use a package mix. Then make the frosting recipe and everyone will think you have slaved all day. Have a sweet and loving Valentine's Day. I have a chocolate sugar free cake in the freezer. I will dream of your cake while I eat my rather dry sugar free creation. March should bring a report of the big wedding sewing project.



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Ralph L. Johnson, celebrates his 85th birthday on March 6, 1995. His family will host a open house for him on March 5, 1995 at Hampton Methodist Church from 2:00 to 5:00 PM.

Ralph was born March 6, 1910 in Hampton, IL. (two houses down from his current residence) He is the son of Lottie and Martin Johnson. Born 6th out of 12 children. Married Opal Terman in 1934.

There are 7 children, Larry Johnson, Donald Johnson, Carol Williams, Richard Johnson (deceased), Barbara Wheeler, Dale Johnson, and Phyllis Trommer. 18 grandchildren and 21 great grandchildren.

Ralph is the oldest male Hampton native. He had several nicknames that many of you may remember "Shortie", "Oly",

"Ralphie", "Stud".

Jobs Ralph has held are Tool Maker for 12 years at Buddy L and American Machines, John Deere Harvester, Hampton Township Sexton - 23 years, Hampton Water Superintendent 4 years, Currently employed at McKay's Plating Company. He has worked there 22 years.

Ralph is a member of the Hampton United Methodist Church. His hobbies are Wood working, and gardening.

It is asked that gifts be omitted, but if anyone has a old picture to share or if there is a special memory that you would like to share, please write it down so that it can be put in Ralph's scrap book for all to share.

TRAVELING

Marc Nelson, son of Rocky and Jane Nelson, Hampton who went to Scotland in August for the Edinburgh theater Festival, is in England now. with the same play "Killer Joe". It was such a hit at the festival, the entire company has been contracted to play a month in London, opening at the Bush Theater and later on moving to the Royal Court. it is planned to take the play to Belgium in March for a run in Brussels.



Panther Players Present "Damn Yankees" Lisa Hansemann, Kim Akers, Lisa Larrison, Derek Duffy, Angie Verdick, Clint Jahn, Amanda Shoger, David Verdick, Mike Braddy, Lisa Reamy not pictured. Play begins Feb. 1, Feb. 2 7:00PM and Feb. 4 2:00 PM

PANTHER PLAYERS PRESENT: "DAMN YANKEES"

The Panther Players of United Township High School will present the Baseball Musical Damn Yankees on Wednesday, February 1st and Thursday February 2nd at 7:00PM and on Saturday, February 4 at 2:00PM in the auditorium at 1275 42nd Ave East Moline. Tickets are adults \$5.00, \$3.00 for children and senior citizens. Tickets can be purchased at the door or ordered from cast members.

The Players and the audience is getting a special treat on Saturday, February 4th. Dean Stone of the original Washington Senators will be at the play and signing

autographies. He will also have baseball cards for sale and he will sign them. So if anyone is interested please come to the show, get his autograph and enjoy the show.

The proceeds from the cards will go back to Panther Players.

Hampton is well represented in the show the following people are either cast, crew or orchestra: Kim Akers, Lisa Hansemann, Derek Duffy, Clint Jahn, Lisa Larrison, Mike Braddy, Angie Verdick, Lisa Reamy, Amanda Shoger, and David Verdick.

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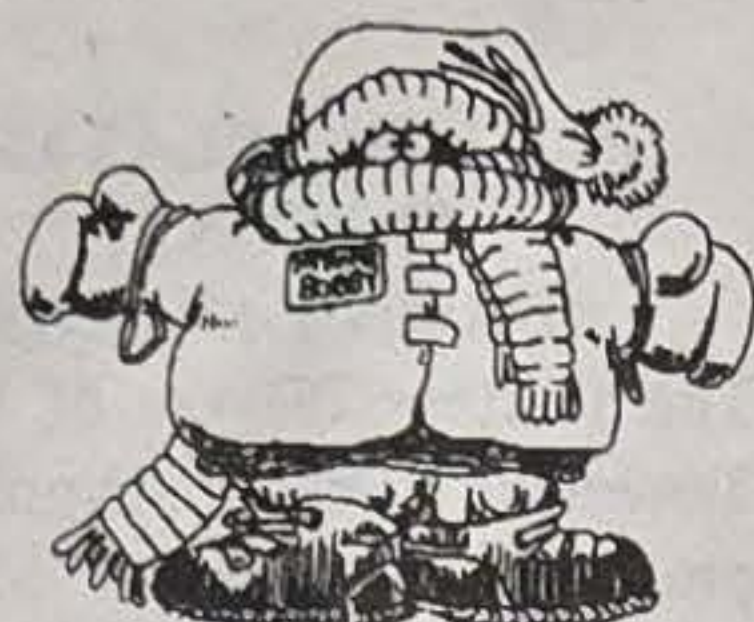
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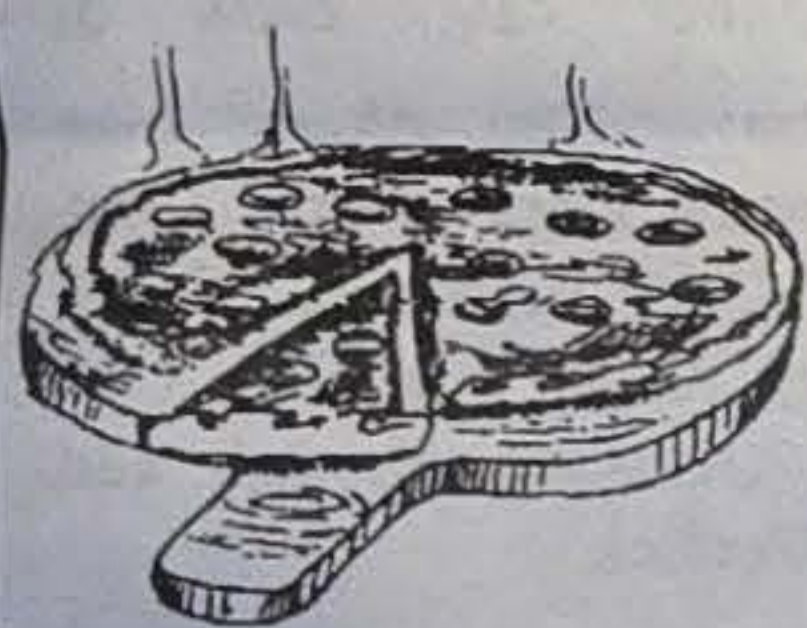
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