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PTA Celebrates Golden Anniversary

By Randy Baldrige

In a well-attended program, the Hampton PTA celebrated its 50th anniversary on Nov. 15, 1999. An effort was made to locate as many previous presidents and officers as possible. Mark Bressler, present music teacher, served as moderator of the program. Decade by decade accomplishments were listed, which demonstrated the scope of activities and the times. For instance, in the 1950's (Hampton PTA became official on Sept. 9, 1949) the PTA brought TV sets to the school so the children could watch the Eisenhower inauguration. The first "hot lunch" was served in the 50's and the old school bell was mounted where it stands today. Several fashion shows, sponsored by the PTA with clothes made by members and modeled by their children, were fundraisers.



In the 60's, meeting attendance was tallied by counting one point for each member and five points for each dad. (Makes sense to me!) PTA voted to support a kindergarten. The first kindergarten was held in Quinn Hall, below Quinn

Pharmacy. The PTA donated \$700 for new kitchen cabinets. A "hootenanny" was held to raise money. The first book fair was held and \$250 was donated to the library. In 1963, PTA members had a float in Hampton's Quarsquicentennial Celebration (125 years). The first PTA scholarship of \$100 was awarded in 1965.

There was an explosion of activities in the 70's. Millie Mason presented a resolution to the state PTA Convention requesting that the PTA lobby the State of Illinois for a network of bike paths. This, of course, is becoming a reality. In 1971, the first male president of Hampton PTA was Louis Sonnevile. In 1972, Millie Mason and Pat Scherschel implemented monthly

presentations in grades K-5 on the great paintings of the Masters. Picture Ladies and picture man (Phil Beckman) faithfully carried out this program for several years. The culminating activity was the 5th grade field trip to the Quad-Cities Art Gallery in Davenport. The first Santa's Workshop was organized by JoEllen Bacorn. Pre-School PTA was formed in 1975. The monthly meetings averaged 15 mothers and their children in attendance. Volunteers Ann Beckman, Jo Ann Columbia, and Sandy Sunken worked hard on activities for the children and meaningful programs with guest speakers from the community, included in the list of programs were a pediatrician and a child psychologist. This program was successful for several years.

Who could forget the PTA Carnivals with a Spook House! The numerous volunteers secured profits from the carnival for many extras for the classrooms like SRA reading kits, science cupboards, draperies for the stage, and an improved speaker system for the gym. Children remember the prizes that were obtained by the hard work of JoEllen Bacorn and Mickey Kindhart.

In the 1980's the Hampton Elementary Grade School became 100 years old. The PTA buried a

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Pictured above are Harriet Gillespie (on left), representing PTA presidents from the 1950's, with Sherri Wells, this year's president. Others serving as president in the 50's beginning with the '49-'50 school year include: Olive Weissman, Marie Mohr, Peg Huber, Mrs. Arthur Sandberg, Mrs. Ralph Bushnell, Mrs. Koeil Marsh, Florence McKay, Laverne VanDyke, and Mrs. Elmer Jahn. Several of these leaders are deceased and others have moved from the area. Thank you to all who served. (Photo by Randy Baldrige)

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Hampton Hair Company announces the addition of three new employees. Pictured above with owner Jennifer Jared (at right) are, from left to right, Tom Fox-massage therapist, Valerie Tingley-manicurist and hairstylist, and Cara Hoener hairstylist. The staff offers many ways to pamper its customers. (Photo by Michaela VanDieren)

Hampton Hair Company Expands Operation

By Michaela VanDieren

Jennifer Jared, owner of Hampton Hair Co., has recently added the services of a massage therapist, manicurist, and another hair stylist. The new staff of four works many hours each week for the convenience of the customers with both appointments and walk-ins served.

Cara Hoener, hairstylist with twenty years of experience, has worked at such shops as Command Performance, Regis, and Hair Designers. She and her husband, Mark, have two children, Brian age 14, and Sarah age 10. Cara has been working with Jennifer since last October.

Tom Fox of Hampton, a trained massage therapist, received his education from Black

Hawk College and Hollowood Training in various massage therapy techniques. He has been working a year in this new profession. Presently, he works part-time in Hampton with the future goal of working full-time in this profession (when he retires from his other work.) Tom and his family, originally from Galesburg, have lived in Hampton for three years. He and his wife, Dorie, have one son, Dan, a student at Moody Bible Institute in Chicago.

Jennifer Jared and **Valerie Tingley** have known each other since the age of six. Valerie works third shift in critical care at Trinity. She's at Hampton Hair on a part-time basis as manicurist,

pedicurist and stylist. A graduate of LaJamas Cosmetology, Valerie, is very knowledgeable in trendy styles as well as traditional ones. She and her husband Richard are the proud parents of two sons, Trey age 7, and Michael age 3. Valerie cheerfully said, "I'm eager to meet new people." She has been working at Hampton Hair for the past three weeks.

Hampton Hair continues to offer weekly and monthly specials. Each Wednesday men over age 13 can get a haircut for just \$5.00. The February specials, featuring reduced prices for permanents and manicures, as well as, one-half hour trial massage, are announced in the ad in this Crier.

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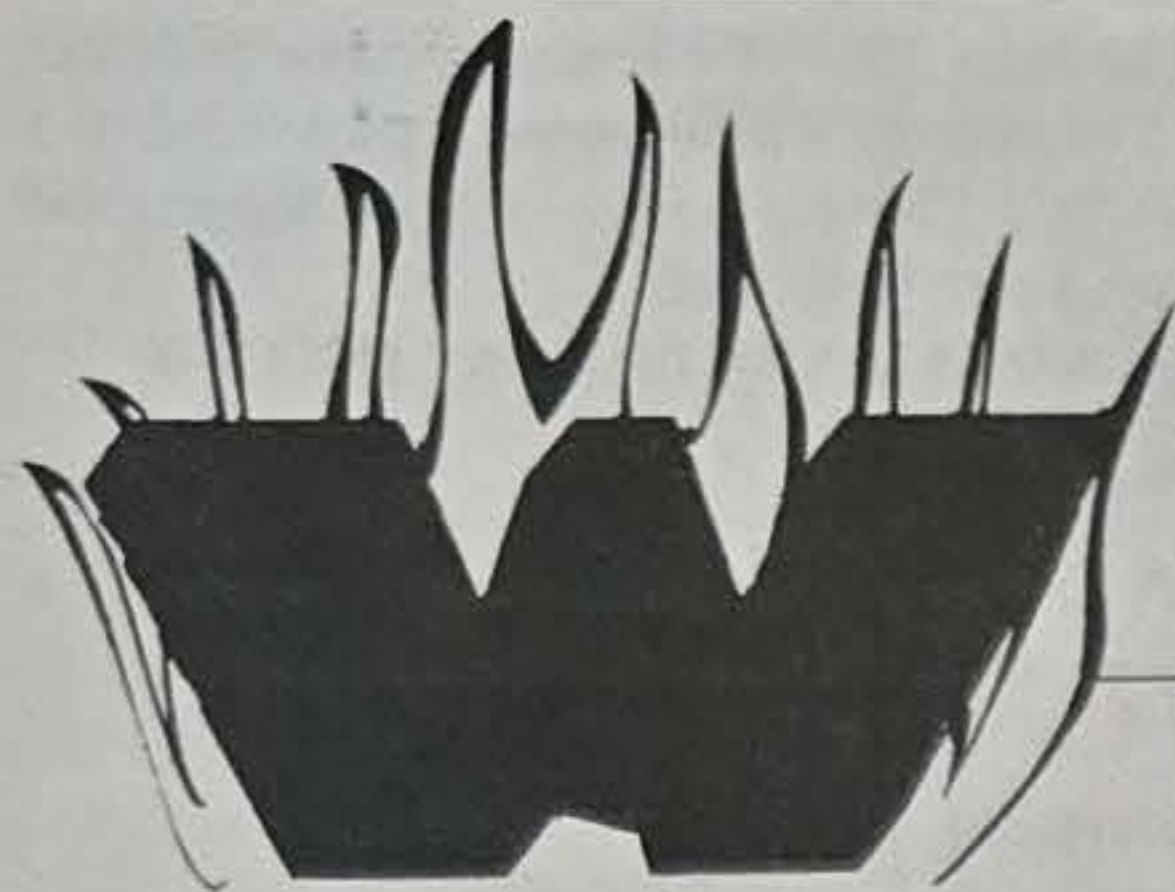
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Jammin' With Jane

By Jane Nelson

Last year I started off the year with the best chocolate cake recipe I've ever used. I imagine I made about 25 of them last year. I even bought disposable pans so I wouldn't lose any of my 9 x 12s. If you didn't save that recipe give me a call because it is a great cake to take.

Here is a new recipe I just tried at a potluck at Ceramics class in Coal Valley. It is delicious and can also be made sugar free or in other flavors. It is called:

CREAM BANANA PUFF CAKE

1 c flour
 1/2 stick margarine
 1 c boiling water
 4 eggs
 4 small boxes banana pudding instant
 1 qt milk 2%
 1 large cream cheese
 1 container Cool Whip-Medium

Take cream cheese out to soften. Melt margarine in 1 c boiling water. Add flour all at once and take off heat when it gathers into a ball in the pan. Wait 4 minutes and beat in eggs one at a time. Put in a 9 x 12 dish and bake 30-35 min at 400 degrees. Cool on a rack. Beat cream cheese adding the pudding mix and milk. Spread this on the cooled crust and then spread with the cool whip. You can also put some bananas in the pudding if you are going to eat it all that day. It gives an added banana flavor. You can also drizzle a little chocolate syrup on the top. (This recipe was given to me by Cindy Gibson who is in the Monday Nite ceramics class at Suzy Q's Ceramics in Coal Valley.)

This year I made several of the Christmas gifts I gave to my family. I feel these ceramic gifts are unique since they are original and can't be found in the stores. Also they give me a lot of relaxation and fun. This year I made Christmas decorations (bird houses and stars). I always make tags for everyone's presents with their names on them. This year they were cream colored stars with pink hearts on the points and a lace pattern and name in no fire gold. I also made cake plates and a couple apple baskets and plates. If anyone is interested in doing this sort of thing, Bobbie Beals and I go on Monday nights (usually). Occasionally on Wednesday night. Sue also has classes on Tuesday. Classes are from 7 to 10 PM and cost \$4.25 per class. You purchase the green ware and pay for firing. Sue provides most of the paint. The phone number is 309-799-7134.

Our family always eats a lot of soup during the winter months. I always have a group of girls who graduated from high school with me

in 1950. We call ourselves The Nifty 50s. We generally have chili and some other soups. This year I'm making a new recipe I discovered in a cookbook I bought for \$1. It's "New Recipes from Moosewood Restaurant". I'm altering it just a bit. Here it is:

HUNGARIAN VEGETABLE SOUP

3 T canola oil
 2 c chopped onions
 2 pressed garlic cloves
 1 T Hungarian sweet paprika
 1/4 t dried pizza seasoning
 2 small carrots, cut into 1/2 inch rounds
 2 c thinly sliced cabbage
 1 c cut green beans
 2 green peppers, chopped
 1 small zucchini cut in half lengthwise and sliced in half moons
 2c (8 oz) sliced mushrooms
 2 large tomatoes chopped
 salt to taste
 5 c vegetable stock or water
 2 c tomato juice
 1/2 c dry red wine
 2 T Tamari soy sauce
 1 T dried dill (in sour cream or yogurt)

In a large soup pot sauté the onions and garlic in the oil until the onions are translucent. Add the paprika, pizza seasoning, carrots and cabbage and cook on medium heat for 5 minutes. Add the remaining vegetables and salt, reduce heat, cover and cook another 5 minutes. Finally add the liquid and simmer until all the vegetables are tender, about 25 minutes. Serve with a dollop of dilled sour cream or yogurt, and with crusty black bread. We make pumpernickel for this. I bet you don't know what makes it the darkest bread. Would you believe it is cocoa? Our bread machine recipe calls for 2 T.

My Avon lady for the last 40 years has been Evelyn Gray. Besides selling Avon she has given me some unique recipes. This frosting recipe is a good one. It is really from her sister, Emma Peterson. They both grew up in Hampton.

CAKE FROSTING

1 c brown sugar
 1 scant cup flour
 1/3 c butter
 1 t vanilla
 Enough hot water to make frosting spread easily on a hot cake. I think this would be good on a caramel or butter pecan cake.

Have a happy Valentine's Day. I'll meet you in the Spring for some veggie dishes and salads.

Obituary

George Guinn

George W. Guinn Sr., 55, Hampton, died Jan. 9, 2000 at University of Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha.

Services were held at Christ United Methodist Church, East Moline, with Rev. David Bultemeier officiating with burial in Riverside Cemetery, Moline. Trimble Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements. Memorials may be made to Christ United Methodist Church.

Mr. Guinn was born on Feb. 17, 1944, in Moline, the son of Willard and Mildred Jones-Guinn. He married Margo Ohlsen on June 28, 1963, in Moline. George was operations manager for McLaughlin Body Company in the Quad-Cities for over 36 years. He was a member of Christ United Methodist Church and Pinnacle Country Club. He was a charter member of the McLaughlin Body Co. Golf League.

George is survived by his wife, Margo; son and daughter-in-law, George and Maria Guinn Jr. of Bowie, MD; daughter and son-in-law, Rebecca and Chris Rangel of East Moline; grandchildren Mitchel, Niklas, Steven, Amanda and Maggie; brothers and sister in law, Ed and Kathy DeJaynes, and Jim Guinn all of East Moline; sister and brother-in-law, Judy and Leslie Russo of Bethany Beach, DE; father-in-law and mother-in-law Harold and Elaine Ohlsen of Hampton, and brother-in-law Herb Claeys of East Moline. George was preceded in death by his parents, and a sister, Sharon Claeys.

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Village Clerk McBride Retires

From the Village Board Minutes Dec. 15, 1999

Mayor Newberg read a letter from Suzanne McBride resigning as Clerk and Collector effective December 31, 1999. Mayor Newberg stated that Sue has been a faithful employee for 26 years. Motion by Trustee Johnson, second by Trustee Garrison to accept Suzanne McBride's resignation as Clerk and Collector effective December 31, 1999. Motion carried by voice vote. Mayor Newberg appointed Mike Toalson as Clerk for 30 days effective January 1, 2000. Motion by Trustee Garrison, second by Trustee Carmack to accept the appointment of Mike Toalson as Clerk for 30 days effective January 1, 2000. Motion carried by voice vote.

In other business:

General Fund bills in the amount of \$26,018.56 were presented for payment approval. Motion passed unanimously.

Motor Fuel Tax Fund bills in the amount of \$1,048.19 were presented for payment approval. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Works Fund bills in the amount of \$10,299.97 were presented for payment approval. Motion passed unanimously.

TIF Fund bills in the amount of \$1,251.76 were presented for payment approval. Motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance #649 An Ordinance of the Village of Hampton, Rock Island County, Illinois Levying Taxes for all Corporate Purposes for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 1999 and ending April 30, 2000 was presented. The Tax Levy is a 4.95% increase from last year. Three readings were waived and ordinance passed unanimously.

Ordinance # 650 Abating Property Taxes for General Obligation Bonds Series 1995A Illinois Abating the Tax Heretofore Levied for the Year 1999 to pay the Debt Service on \$205,000 General Obligation Water and Sewerage Improvement Bonds. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Ordinance #651 An Ordinance of the Village of Hampton, Rock Island County, Illinois, Series 1995B, Abating the Tax Heretofore Levied for the Year 1999 to pay the Debt Service on \$325,000 General Obligation Street Improvement Bonds. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Ordinance #652 An Ordinance of the Village of Hampton, Rock Island County, Illinois Amending Article I of Title Five of the Hampton Village Code by Adding Paragraph 5.1 .1A to the Beginning of Title Five and by Replacing Paragraph 5.1.33 Thereof. (The three readings were waived and no explanation of the paragraphs were mentioned in the minutes.)

Mr. Richard Nino, owner of the storage buildings on State Avenue was present. The Board would like to see the area cleaned up and Mr. Nino reported what had been cleaned up so far. The construction/office trailer was discussed. IDOT is using the trailer as a field office for the Route 2 project. Mayor Newberg allowed Mr. Nino to rent the space for the trailer while the Campbell's Island bridge project was being done. Mr. Nino will find out how much longer IDOT will need the trailer and come back next meeting. The Board will consider granting permission at the January 10, 2000 meeting.

Motion by Trustee Johnson, second by Trustee J. McKay to cancel the Regular Board Meeting on December 27, 1999. Motion carried by voice vote.

Mayor Newberg would like the Ordinance Committee to draft an ordinance controlling trees planted in Village easements.

Attorney Lee reported on procedures for consent agendas. The Board must first vote to accept the agenda as presented. The vote to accept the consent agenda must be unanimous. The Board can then vote to approve the consent agenda, which will accept and approve all items on the agenda.

Attorney Lee presented the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Silvis for **Building Inspector Services. The agreement contains an increase from \$25 per hour to \$40 per hour.** Motion by Trustee Johnson, second by Trustee J. McKay to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with The City of Silvis for Building Inspector Services. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Attorney Lee presented a document from John McChurch, owner/developer of the marina that states **the Village will allow Mr. McChurch to use the Redevelopment Agreement as collateral for a loan.** Mayor Newberg needs to sign the document. Motion by Trustee Carmack, second by Trustee Garrison to allow Mayor Newberg to sign the document. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion by Trustee Johnson, second by Trustee Carmack to notify Economic Development Corporation by letter that their services are no longer needed and that we are now using Kathy Orr. Motion

carried by voice vote.

Motion by Trustee Johnson, second by Trustee Garrison directing Attorney Lee to draft an ordinance changing **Regular Board meetings to the first and third Monday of the month, effective February 7, 2000.** Motion carried by voice vote.

There will be a meeting with the auditor January 3, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. to review the annual audit for fiscal year May, 1998 - April, 1999.

Trustee Garrison reported that Assistant Chief Keith Ward and Sara Ward have resigned from the Fire Department.

Trustee McKay asked **what the next step is for the Heritage Center.** Toalson stated that to stay on our time schedule, we need to have the **Architect start the construction design drawings and bid documents.** After discussion, the Board decided to delay the project until February.

Trustee Carmack stated the Streets Committee will meet **January 6, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the Barrington Drive Drainage Project.**

Trustee Carmack reported the walk through inspection of **Orchard Park II** has been completed and a list of items that need to be fixed has been compiled. Motion by Trustee Carmack, second by Trustee Garrison to set a **deadline of April 15, 2000** for the developer to complete the items on the list. Motion carried by voice vote. Toalson will send a letter to Tom Dalton notifying him of the deadline.

A written investment policy for the Village needs to be approved by January 1, 2000. Motion by Trustee Garrison, second by Trustee Johnson to approve the Village Investment policy. Motion carried by voice vote.

Toalson read a letter from the COPS Office that states the Village must provide documentation explaining why we cannot retain all or a portion of the COPS funded positions. Toalson and Chief Hufford will prepare a response.

The Village will need a Collector effective January 1, 2000. Mayor Newberg appointed Mike Toalson as Collector effective January 1, 2000. Motion by Trustee S. McKay, second by Trustee Johnson to approve the appointment of Mike Toalson as Collector effective January 1, 2000. Motion carried by voice vote.

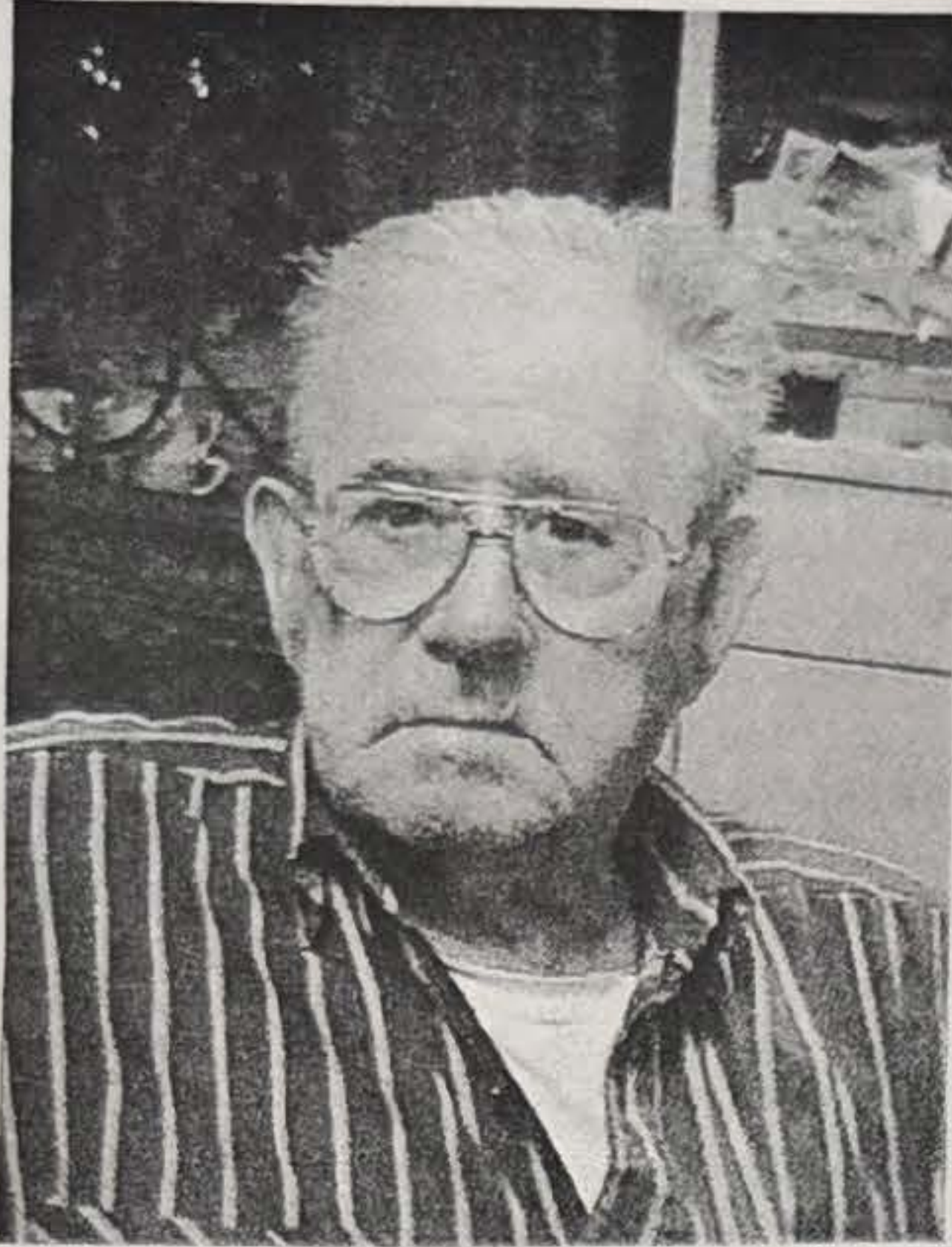
Mayor Newberg stated that the **upcoming Census is important** to the Village as population is used to base our share of State and Federal fund distributions. We need to support and promote the Complete Count initiative of the Census Bureau.

Ordinance #653 An Ordinance of the Village of Hampton, Rock Island County Illinois, Authorizing a Retirement Bonus for the Village Collector was presented for adoption and approval. The amount of the bonus is \$6,000.00. The three readings were waived and the ordinance passed.

Special Village Board Meeting Dec. 1, 1999

Meeting called to order by Village President Scott Newberg. Trustees present: S. McKay, J. Garrison, G. Johnson, J. McKay, and S. Carmack. Trustee Norm absent. Also present was Dr. Ron Paquette, Hampton School Superintendent, David Wright, Hampton School Board President, and Randy Goddard, representing United Township High School.

The purpose of the special meeting was to discuss recent changes in the TIF statutes and to consider hiring Attorney Kathleen Field Orr as our TIF Attorney and consultant. Ms. Orr had previously received copies of our TIF Ordinances and agreements and has reviewed them. She advised the Board that TIF I has never had a review board hearing and has never been amended due to its age. We will need to hold a joint review board, probably in January of 2001. She also advised that agreements making school districts "whole" are illegal. There is a formula in the TIF Act that is used for residential TIFs where students are generated for the district and create a financial burden on the school. Ms. Orr also advised that our agreement with Economic Development is probably illegal since their fee is based upon a percentage of the increment. If the Board chooses to use Ms. Orr services as TIF Attorney and Consultant, she will only charge a per hour fee, currently \$150.00 per hour. There will not be any contract or binding agreement required. Motion by Trustee Johnson, second by S. McKay to hire Kathleen Field Orr as the Village's TIF Attorney and Consultant replacing Economic Development Corporation. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Meeting Adjourned



George B. Johnston to Celebrate 80th Birthday on February 23rd

George B. Johnston was born in 1920 in the same home that he resides in today on Second Avenue across from the old Post Office. He and his wife Mary have five children: Shirley Bideaux of Hampton, Carol Weimer of East Moline, Marvin Johnston of East Moline, Peggy Babcock of Moline, and Nancy Bobb of Hampton. He has fourteen grandchildren, twenty-one great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild. He retired from the East Moline International Harvester Works. He served on the village board and he has fished on the Mississippi River his whole life. His family will help him celebrate his birthday on Feb. 20th, 2000 at a family gathering. Happy Birthday, George!

Happenings This Month

Village Board Meetings have moved to 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month
School Board Meetings remain on the 2nd Monday of each month

Feb. 7 Village Bd Meeting 7:00 p.m.,
Village hall

Feb. 14 Happy Valentine's Day
School Bd Meeting 7:00 p.m.
School Library

Feb. 16 Hampton Historical Society
7:30 p.m., School Library- All
invited to "Civil War & Home
Front" Students always welcomed

Feb. 21 Village Bd Meeting 7:00 p.m.
Village hall

HYC meets the first Tuesday of the
at the village Hall from Sept. through
May. More volunteers are always
welcomed.



Birthdays and Anniversaries

- Jan. 5 Happy Birthday to **Charles Williams**, Love, Mom
Jan. 18 Happy Birthday to **Ann McKay**, Love, Mom
Feb. 3 Happy 38th Anniversary **Dick and Shirley Bideaux**,
Love, your children
Feb. 6 Happy Birthday, **Brenda Pfau**
Happy Birthday to **Sandy Carmack** from Shirley Bideaux
Feb. 7 Happy 7th Birthday **Hannah Coder**, Flagstaff, AZ, Love, your
Grandparents Bev and Jack Coder
Happy Birthday to **Denny Hagerman** from Dick and Shirley
Bideaux
Feb. 14 Happy Birthday to **Betty Eggerichs**
Happy Birthday to **Shannon Williams**, Love, Grandma
Feb. 22 Happy Anniversary **Charles and Margaret Williams**, Love,
Mom
Feb. 23 Happy Birthday to **Trudy Coder** (Are you really the oldest
Hampton Resident? Way to go!)
Feb. 25 Happy Birthday to **Kaitlin Bideaux**, Love, Grandma and
Grandpa Bideaux
Feb. 26 Happy 2nd Birthday **Christopher Kosminsky**, Love, your
Grandparents Bev and Jack Coder
Feb. 28 Happy Birthday to **Carol Weimer**, Love, your sisters
Happy 58th Anniversary to **George and Mary Johnston**, Love,
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Happy Birthday **Jennifer Nelson**, Peru, IL, Love, your husband

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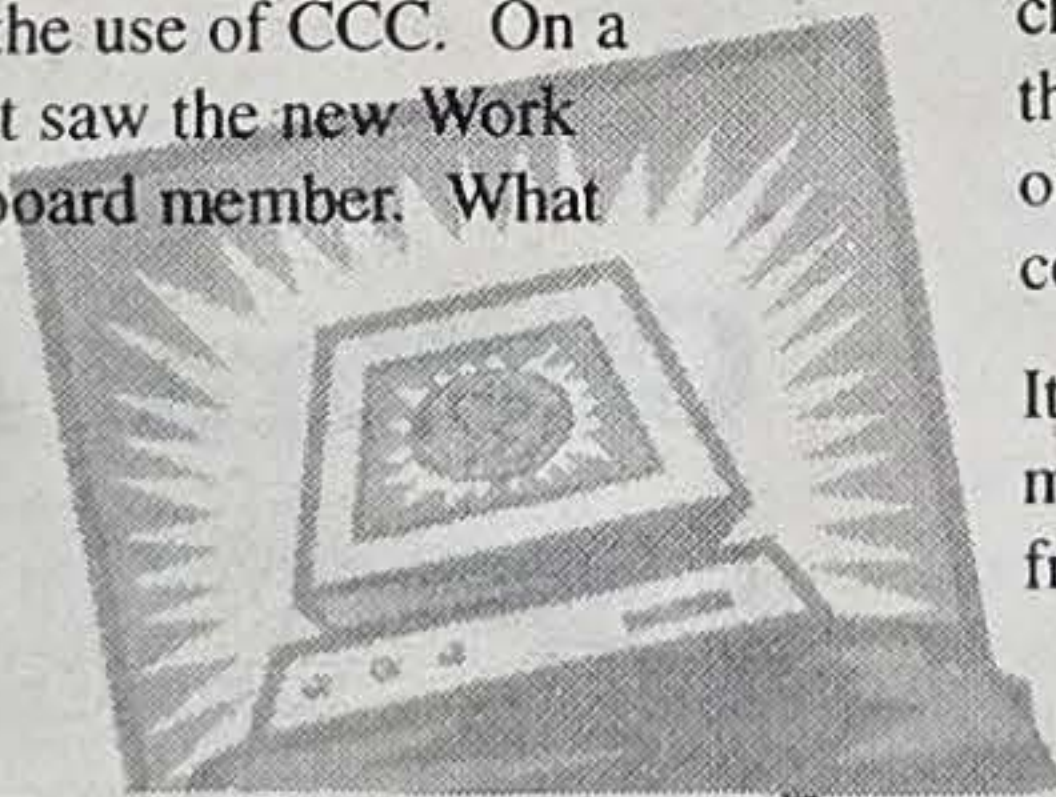
By Dr. Ron Paquette, Superintendent

We are starting the 3rd Millennium. If you are reading this, it means that the Y2K bug did not affect our program. Actually, we had no computer problems or related problems. Here are some examples of what Hampton School is doing to integrate and use Educational technology.

We installed a new server and related electronics to increase capacity, speed, and efficiency in the use of our network of computers. We added new desktops to the library, art room, and speech room, and new laptops to 2/3 grades, 4th grade, Music, and P.E., as well as 30 new Work Pads (mini-laptops) to replace the computer lab in the library. The Work Pads have MS Word, Excel, and PowerPoint, and will be used in Language Arts with grades 6, 7, and 8. The 4th and 5th grades will use them to learn keyboarding skills.

In grades K through 3, we have moved the older computer lab machines to the classrooms and will deliver computer lab activities in the classroom freeing the library for use to sign out books, do research, and read books. We have installed CCC software in Reading and Math on the server that will be delivered in the library. A schedule will be set up to use CCC with 6th grade Math and Reading, and K through 5 grades will use their library/computer lab time to access this program.

Teachers in grades Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th, and 6th grade Math, have visited Washington School in Moline to see CCC in action. All teachers that will use CCC will receive two days of staff development training, and will have support and back up from Mr. Martin and Mrs. Walker who will be trained to trouble shoot and do clerical tasks associated with the use of CCC. On a side note, the Board President, when he first saw the new Work Pads, said that we should get one for each board member. What do you think?



Hampton Technology Where Are We Going?

To emphasize the importance of computers in our school, I would like to bring a historical perspective. At one time, the entire body of human knowledge existed solely in handwritten words. Labor intensive, books cost more than the average person earned in a year, as a scribe might spend a day on a single page. So, information, held in such an expensive vessels, not available to the masses.

With the invention of the printing press and scribed books. A readily available Bible fueled the "Reformation," but books on everything from engineering to animal husbandry fueled the "Modern Age." As new methods were discovered to deal with any problem they were quickly disseminated through the printed word.

Universities were built around the printed word, and scholars were expected to contribute to the general body of information and write books! It is estimated that over seven million books were printed in the first ten years after printing was invented - possibly more than were available in the previous thousand years. Every field of endeavor benefited.

We are on the threshold of an age that makes the Gutenberg era insignificant in comparison. Within three to five years, everything ever written in the English language will dwell in the memories of a network of computers...every book, newspaper, pamphlet, letter, etc., as well as nearly every song, and millions of pictures and maps. All this information will be accessible to a child sitting at his desk in Hampton Elementary School.

Without dramatic flair, it is safe to say if knowledge is power, then this is the ultimate power source. If the face of Europe changed quickly because a few hundred titles became available to the general population, imagine what will happen when millions of titles are available, to say nothing of the ability to instantly communicate with others working on similar problems.

It is vital beyond debate that from their earliest years our children must be comfortable, confident, and competent pioneers in the frontiers of the Information Age.

Sixth Grade Explores Ancient Egypt

It was the next best thing to being there, and they experienced it simply by attending their Art, Social Studies, and Language Arts classes every day. Students learned so many wonderful things about Egypt in this 6-week unit. For their culminating activity, they took a field trip to the Putnam Museum where students made many connections with what they had learned throughout this unit.

To show what they learned, students presented oral reports, complete with visual aids and pictures, to their grandparents on Grandparents Day, 1999. It was definitely a highlight for many of the visitors. As a bonus, the students were fortunate enough to have a presenter come in who had actually visited Egypt.

Ashley Kroeger's father, Jerry, presented the students with a speech and photographs. He also brought some of his souvenirs to show the students. The students really enjoyed his visit, and were very impressed with the items he brought to show them. He included a beautiful hieroglyphics of his family's last name.

It was indeed a great learning experience for the students. If there is anything you want to know about Egypt, I'll bet you could ask any sixth grader, and they would be happy to tell you what they know!

MUSIC NEWS

The Hampton Music Department has had a very busy and productive 1st semester. Our Band and Choral programs continue to grow. Enrollment for each program has increased since last year, and the future looks even more promising. Mr. Bressler would like to thank each parent and student for their hard work and dedication to our musical activities here at Hampton Elementary School. The students are listed below.

Chorus Members: Elizabeth Cook, Olivia Husman, Cara Neary, Stephanie Carmichael, Michael Begeske, Kristy Nino, Travis Martin, Laura Schippers, Tiffany Maher, Meagan Hill, Heather Baldrige, Ashley Tallman, Nicole Begeske, and Jamie Kiger.

Band Members: Elizabeth Cook, Olivia Husman, Amanda Chaffee, Nancy Jane Carr, Stephanie Carmichael, Kristy Nino, Alex Hanson, Aaron Nutt, Amy Wright, Kristi Henrichs, Ashley Arnold, Sean Joyce, Megan Thomann, Kyle Cameron, Peter Carr, Ethan Paquette, David Nino, Kambra Carmack, Dawn Reader, and Ryan Cameron.

Beginning Band: Alexandra Benzon, Christina Schaffer, Randi DeCrane, Autumn Jay, Kelsey DeWalsche, Stacy Carmichael, David Reeves, Cory Hanson, Donald Covemaker, Ben McKay, and Erica Sue Smith.

The Junior High Band and Choir performed at two programs this fall. We performed at the PTA 50th anniversary program and at the Winter program. Our students prepared over 10 pieces each for the two programs to the enjoyment of everyone who attended.

Our winter program "The Townhall Christmas Tree" incorporated all aspects of our Hampton Fine Arts program. The program this year was in a play format that mirrored today's busy society during the holidays. All of our students participated in the program and it featured members of the chorus as actors as well as vocalists. The students who played roles in the production are: Aaron Nutt, Nancy Carr, Meagan Hill, Ashley Tallman, Nicole Begeske, Heather Baldrige, Travis Martin, Robert Martin, Kelsey DeWalsche, David Reeves, Kambra Carmack, Kyle Cameron, Kristi Henrichs, Peter Carr, Stacy Carmichael, Alexandra Benzon, Jerome Harms, Jamie Kiger, and Elizabeth Cook.

We also have a new music program at Hampton School. Through the last three years, Mr. Bressler has been working to start a band program at Carbon Cliff/Barstow school district in the hopes of combining the schools to participate in the Illinois Grade School Music Organizational Contest. This contest allows the band to perform before an audience of parents and three judges from around the state. The judges give the band a ranking on a scale of one to three in interest of helping the students in their performance. This year the three-year quest has been achieved. The Metro-East Junior High Band began rehearsals eight weeks ago, and we have almost thirty students from both schools. Ms. Christine Castro and Mr. Bressler are the co-directors. We would like to thank both school districts for their dedication in approving the formation of this new junior high band.

In closing, the students of Hampton Elementary School invite you to attend future programs at Hampton School. Without your support music in our schools would be lost.



"A Town Hall Christmas Tree" Christmas program put everyone in the holiday spirit! Performing a skit in front are (from left) Megan Hill, Heather Baldrige, and Peter Carr while the 4th and 5th graders (in the background) prepare to sing "Balloons For Christmas."

Making a Living in Second Grade

Friday, January 21, was Work Day in second grade. We have been learning about basic principles of work and economics for Unit 2 in Social Studies. Vocabulary words included producer, service worker, consumer, goods, needs, wants, income, and taxes. These are pretty advanced concepts for second graders to master!

To make it easier, we held a Work Day. Each student was responsible to choose a job, either a producer or a service worker. They could decide whether they were going to volunteer or earn an income for their work. (Needless to say, everyone wanted to earn an income!) After earning \$6.00 in Hampton Hawk currency, they spent money to meet their needs for food, clothing, and shelter. As painful as it was, they also put money aside for savings and to the government for taxes. Luckily, some of their income was left over to spend in any way they chose!

Talented Artist Visits Hampton School

Visual artist, Lori Roderick, spent four weeks at Hampton School as part of an Illinois Arts Council Artist In Residence grant. Elementary students created a variety of art works, and junior high students interpreted the themes of river and community with creative writing and visual art. Local author, David R. Collins, also visited with junior high students as part of this grant, and he and Lori were special guests at the Community Celebration program in December.

Cultural Arts Day!

Cultural Arts Day will take place on February 17 this year. We have some new and exciting things planned, such as an actor's workshop, and some favorite artists returning, too. Planning is underway, and a lot of helpers will be needed! This special annual event is sponsored by our PTA.

Get In the Act!

Dramatic Art is alive and well at Hampton School! The entire school attended a performance of Pinocchio at Circa 21 in November, and a group of junior high students were invited to attend a dress rehearsal of A Black Nativity at Black Hawk College. Junior high students have been doing improvisations in art class, and planning is underway for a spring play! If you are interested in helping with the spring play, please Contact Mrs. Brandt at Hampton School. Again, many helpers will be needed!

Third Grade Filled with Excitement

What a fantastic year 1999 was for our third grade class! The students approach their education with such dedication and vigor....learning comes naturally for these guys. Of course, success would not come as easily for these students if it was not for the dedication and enthusiasm of their families.

Third grade is exciting for students because they rise to new levels in each subject. When I asked the students what has "excited" them this year their responses were:

"I like reading difficult and interesting chapter books. I am reading The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde right now." Nick Armstrong.
If anyone is interested in hearing about The Magic Tree House series, Austin Hubbard has read them all!

Becca, Andy, Brittani, Elise, Nikki, and Michael are really excited about multiplication. Tyler says he likes multiplication because it's faster than adding.

Some students cringe when the subject "penmanship" is brought up. Not Richie and Cody Sims, they love it. As does most of the class. Many of the students write in cursive a lot and others are practicing all the time. Each style is unique and wonderful.

Finally, another big winner is the Human Body unit we have been enjoying with Miss Barak's 2/3 class. Courtney says she enjoys having Jessica M. as her partner. Daniel, Josh, Jennifer and Curtis agree that the teachers are fun. All the students are engaged in this unit and excited at what each day will bring.

As a teacher, I've enjoyed the many different topics we have covered. We started our year out with bugs, communities and fractured tales. In October we learned about matter, maps, different cultures and planned a historic Thanksgiving feast. We are settling into the new year learning about the Titanic, Pompeii, the Human Body, fractions, writing essays and gearing up for the ISAT in February. The students are working hard and learning A LOT!

Third grade is popping. Never a dull moment with us! Even though we have many different things we enjoy—we all agree: Learning at Hampton School is #1!



Mr. Rick Newlon takes 2nd & 3rd Grade to the Hampton post office to learn more about the postal system and his career. Nov. 99

Get the Giggles in First Grade

In reading, we are doing a "Get the Giggles" theme. We are enjoying funny stories, poems, and jokes that make us laugh. Last week, we read "The Lady With the Alligator Purse."

In science, we are learning about habitats, bird characteristics, and Bald Eagles. On January 7th, we visited the QCCA Expo Center in Rock Island for the Bald Eagle Days presentation.

Since January is National Hobby Month, we are having fun sharing our personal hobbies!

Fifth Grade Goes to Jail

By: Chrissy Schaffer & Alex Benzon

Our fifth grade D.A.R.E. class went on a field trip to the Rock Island County Jail.

First we went to a presentation about the squad that searches the houses. We had a chance to look at their equipment. They have several cans of mace on their uniforms. They also have shields, guns, rams (to break open the doors) gas masks, goggles, and helmets. Also, the jail now has a security squad. They break up fights between inmates in cells or dayrooms.

Dayrooms are the rooms which the inmates spend most of their day, and are locked up for breakfast, and dinner. Inmates are occupied with cards, games, magazines, newspapers, store ads and television. They are responsible for cleaning the cells and dayrooms everyday (cleaning supplies are provided.) The jail capacity for the women inmates is 20. Last year the jail had about 45 women inmates. Most of them had to sleep on the dayroom floors. They even have a library! They have a typewriter, legal books, and many other books to read. The library is the only room that does not have an intercom, or an automatic lock on the door.

To unlock the doors and elevators the people that work at the jail have to slide a security card through a slot. It has to go in the exact right direction otherwise an alarm will set off. The control room has many different screens, and an officer sitting at the desk.

We had a lot of fun at the jail. We hope that we will never have to go there again.

No Boys Allowed in Kindergarten?

Hampton Kindergarten had a very unusual beginning this year. We started the year with 19 girls and NO boys. Two weeks later, one boy joined our group and a short time later another came. We have a new Teacher aide in Kindergarten and her name is Mrs. Ramos.

We have been extremely busy learning our letters, sounds and number skills that are so vital to prepare us for First Grade (we are now halfway through Kindergarten).

We have had a very busy year so far - we have visited Wainwright's Apple Orchard, Dennhardt's Pumpkin Patch, the Bettendorf Family Museum and McDonald's. We are very grateful to our parents who drove and chaperoned on these trips.

We made our famous "Stone Soup" for our Friendship Feast to celebrate Thanksgiving and friendship. In December, we studied "Christmas Around the World" to learn map skills and how our Christmas customs originated in many other countries around the world. Presently, we are studying about Penguins. We have already learned there are at least 17 different kinds and the smallest one is the "Fairy Penguin" at 15 inches and the largest one is the "Emperor Penguin" who is 3 feet tall. We also learned that baby Penguins go to "Kindergarten".

Third Grade Wishes for the Millennium

My wish for the Millennium is:

That all the people can live in peace.

Tyler Eikenberry

That more people can be healthy.

Austin Hubbard

That people won't steal.

Elise Beck

Look for more millennium wishes next issue!

Filled With Brain Power In Second & Third Grade

It's January already... the year is flying by... it must be that we are having fun, my oh my!

Yes, we are sure enjoying ourselves in Second and Third Grade this year. There are 13 wonderful students in my class, and one Green iguana named Spiko. Our motto is "Use your brain everyday!"

Currently, we are learning about our bodies. Myself (Miss Frizzle, I am called in Science class) along with Mrs. Frazzle (a.k.a. Mrs. Paxton) are teaching the students as a team. Students have created life size outlines of their bodies and are beginning to fill in the organs, bones, and systems as we learn about them. They're spectacular! Come visit our giant people in the hallway!

Students have done a great job reading at home every night. Our goal is 400 min. or more a month. We participate in the Pizza Hut Book-It program so in March students meeting the goals will have a pizza party!

Students also work hard on breaks and have earned free ice-skating passes for the Quad City Sports Center!

This class likes to learn anytime!

Parents and grandparents in Second and Third Grade have been a great help this year too! They read with students, help them study Spelling, file papers and much more. They are much appreciated!

I am looking forward to a great 2000 in Second and Third Grade. Keep reading and learning students! (and parents)

How Would You Like a \$100 Savings Bond?

The 5th, 6th, and 8th grades have a chance at a \$100 savings bond through our Hampton PTA Spelling Bee! The names will be turned in by January 31st. The District Spelling Bee will be February 15th at Aldrin Junior High at 7:00 P.M. The Regional Spelling Bee will be held on Tuesday, March 28, 2000 at 6:30 P.M. Spellers should arrive by 6:00 P.M. at Centennial Hall, Augustana College.

All participants will receive a \$3.00 gift certificate to Whitey's.

Who Will Be Our Young Author, 2000?

Have those creative ideas all ready for your teachers by the end of January! Make it really tough for the judges to pick the best story. At Hampton Elementary School, the students are creating characters, settings, and plots. Who knows....maybe we will have another famous author like J.K. Rowling, who made Harry Potter come alive!



8th Grade had a great time visiting the QCCA Expo Center for Bald Eagle Days.

A Decade Full of Ideas in Fourth Grade

Wow! What an eventful school year so far! Fourth Grade has been very busy, and we are looking forward to learning a lot more in 2000! 1999 simply flew by, and we are excited about the new millennium. Currently, in addition to learning our regular content areas, we are working on Young Author stories and are gearing up for ISAT in February.

One of the things we have been recently discussing is what to call the new decade. The period of 1960 - 1969 is referred to as The 60's, and the period of 1990 - 1999 is referred to as The 90's, but what are we going to call the decade of the new millennium? This was the question I posed to the fourth grade class. The students learned the decade 1900 - 1909 was initially referred to as aughts-aughts, or aughts, however, this phrase did not "stick" for whatever reason. (My students did not care for the phrase either!)

After our discussion, fourth graders got into groups and brainstormed ideas about what to call the new decade. I encouraged them to come up with something catchy and easy to spell. Boy, did they come up with some interesting words and phrases! One group came up with over 100 words and phrases!

I couldn't possibly list all the "contenders" the fourth graders came up with, but will tell you a few of them. We had a few silly choices: Bubba Bananas, Press-Chow, Alaboo, and Bubba 2000; a few takeoffs from some students' names: Zory, Zittney, and Zilezabeth; and a few philosophical choices: The Dream Decade, The Laughter Years, and The Presidential Years. One group thought it should be called The Regis Philbin Decade. Needless to say, my very imaginative and creative students really had fun with this assignment!

We listed about 100 of the best picks onto large sheets of poster board, and voted via secret ballot for our class favorite. It was very exciting tallying the votes - the students really got into it! Finally, the winner of the new decade term became clear.....Rocky 2000!!!! Of course, there were both cheers of approval and disappointed groans, just like in a regular election. Some students were very upset and vocal in their disappointment, and I had to explain that they will vote on many things in their lifetime and the outcome may not always go the way of their personal vote.

It was a great learning and educational experience for the students. Now, if you hear a fourth grader saying "Rocky 2000" you'll know exactly what s/he is talking about! Happy Millennium, and have a happy, healthy new decade!!!



2nd & 3rd Grade visit John Deere Commons after a study of John Deere and his invention. Dec. 99

New Steak Restaurant Opens In Port Byron

By Michaela VanDieren

Imagine a thick juicy steak, exactly the way you like it! Just drive north from Hampton to Port Byron to the new steakhouse restaurant, Papa's Sandbox, (in the former Lighthouse) 708 S. Main. The peaceful scenic setting along the shore of the Mississippi provides a relaxing atmosphere to enjoy your dinner.

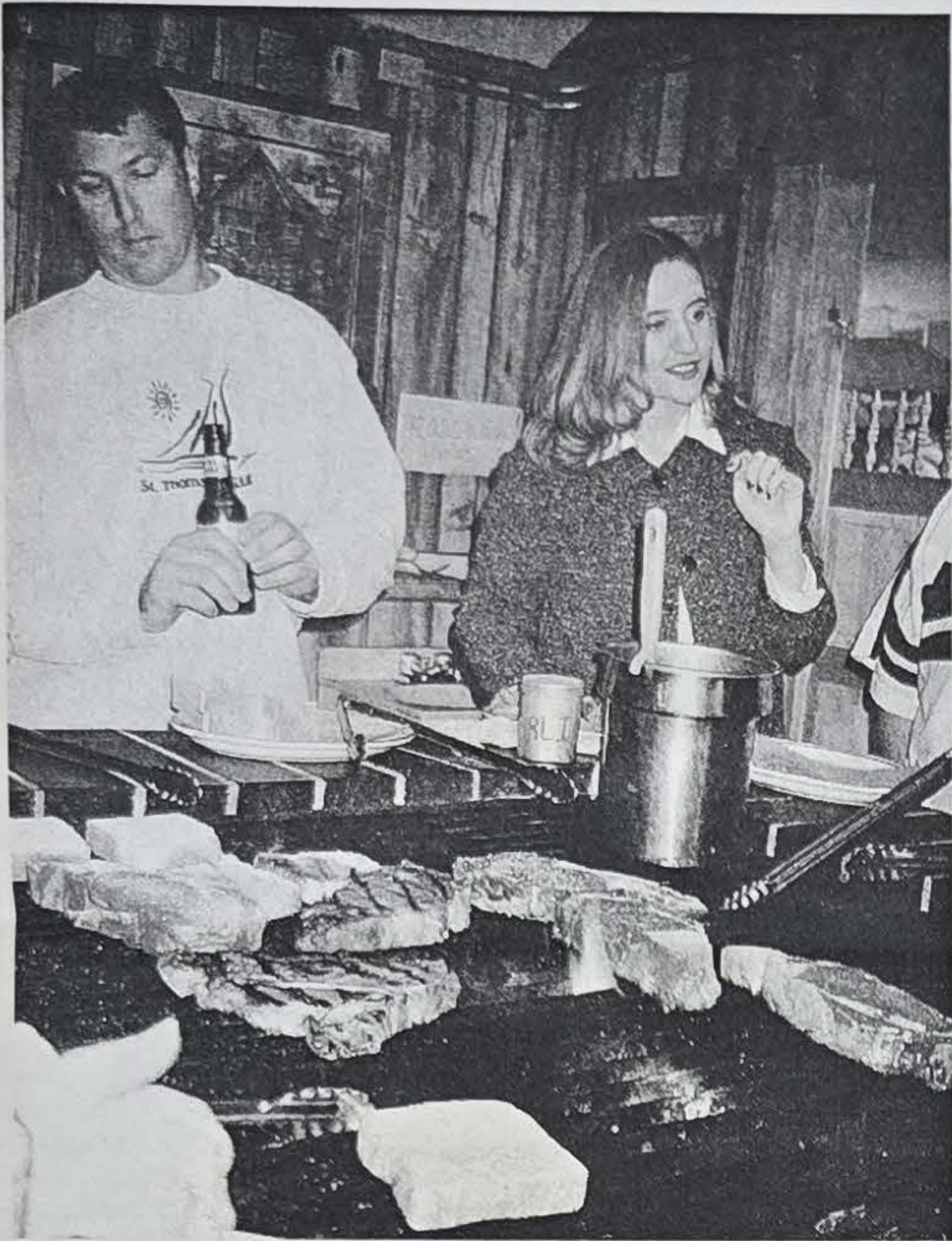
Patrons have the opportunity to grill the extra-large, extra thick steaks over hickory charcoals. The restaurant furnishes a variety of seasonings for the meat- Cajun, seasoned salt, garlic, salt, pepper and steak seasoning. Each dinner includes steak, salad bar, potato-vegetable bar, and Texas toast. The price is simple- \$14.95 for "you're the chef" or chef-prepared is \$2.00 more. The manager, Debbie Aldfinger, realized many of the steaks are so large that some of the guests can't eat one by themselves. The Split-a-Steak Special for \$9.95 each features sharing one steak and each person visits the salad bar, potato bar and of course, steak toast.

Steak sizes vary by the cut, for example, 22 oz. T-Bones, 18 oz. Rib-eyes, 20 oz. Kabobs, 14 oz. Pork Chops and even fish like salmon is on the menu. The children's menu, for those 12 and under, provides choices of a 5 oz Rib-eye for \$4.95 or 8 oz. Hamburger for \$2.95; and for children five and under, there's the option of paying \$1.50 for the child to share a meal from parent's plate including salad, baked potato and Texas toast.

While visiting with family and friends you may savor delicious appetizers, (reasonably priced) such as, onion rings, breaded mushrooms, mozzarella sticks, mini-tacos, chicken wings, and egg rolls.

Please refer to the ad in this issue of the Crier for a complete list of steaks and entrees available. (John and I enjoyed a tender rib-eye on the split a steak special. It was plenty to eat.)

The friendly staff awaits your next visit. The restaurant is handicapped accessible by parking at the side of the building near the street going down the hill and using the side door.



In the above picture, a portion of the large hickory charcoal grill is visible with several juicy steaks being watched by patrons at the new steakhouse in Port Byron. The steak house is owned by Gordon VanGundy and managed by Debbie Aldfinger. (Photo by Micheala VanDieren.

Papa's Sandbox Steak Restaurant

708 S. Main St.
Port Byron, IL 61275
309-523-2876

Salad Bar

Grill Your
Own Steaks!

Favorite Beverages

Texas Toast

Simple Prices

You're the Chef..... \$14.95

Chef Prepared add..... \$2.00

Child Meal for five and under
from parents plate..... \$1.50

(includes salad bar, baked potato, Texas toast)

All Dinners include...

A build your own salad bar,
Hot baked potato and
Texas toast.

T-Bone..... 22-23 oz

Filet Mignon.....9-10 oz

Beef Kabob.....20-21 oz

Ribeye.....16-17 oz

Kansas City Strip.18-19 oz

Teriyaki Ribeye....18-19 oz

Teriyaki Beef Kabob...20 oz

Catch of the Day ...10-12 oz

Port Byron Porker..14 oz
(Pork Chop)

Ham Steak.....16 oz

Split a Steak ...9.95 each

Child's menu (12 and under)
Ribeye.....5 oz. \$4.95
Hamburger.....8 oz \$2.95





Aunt Mana's Delivers

By Michaela VanDieren

Port Byron welcomes delivery service from Aunt Mana's Ice Cream and Subs, located at 215 N. High St. in Port Byron. Aunt Mana's owners, Marlana and Chris Owens, along with their children Mallary-15, Jonathan-11, and Christopher-9 opened Aunt Mana's with dine-in or carry-out. Then they felt that Port Byron needed a place where people can get food without even leaving their homes. They now offer delivery service, as well as having expanded their menu.

Aunt Mana's was started last May and has been successful ever since. The name Aunt Mana originated from Chris and Marlana's little neice and nephew who call her Aunt Mana.

Aunt Mana's began with many months of remodeling to give the shop that old ice cream parlor look, complete with stripes and parlor chairs. In true, small town community spirit, one can also find framed postcards of Port Byron's early years hanging on the wall. There is even a picture of little boys having a tug-of-war that the Owens' say is in honor of Port Byron's Tug Fest.

Also in honor of the Tug, is a sandwich named the Tug Feast,

which includes your choice of three meats and two cheeses. Aunt Mana's offers a variety of sandwiches, both hot and cold, Aunt Mana's pizzas (Large 16", Medium 12" and personal 7") & oven bakes, as well as soups and salads, in addition to, their ice cream menu. They offer both soft and over 12 different flavors of hard serve ice cream to satisfy everyone's tastes. The Owens' wish to serve the community only the best products, so they are willing to pay a little extra to obtain good quality food.

Currently, Aunt Mana's hours are Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 9p.m., Friday 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m. to 10p.m. and Sunday 11a.m. to 9p.m.

Aunt Mana's delivery service reaches residents in PortByron, Rapids City, Hampton, Cordova, Hillsdale and Falcon Farms. To dine in, carry out, or order for delivery, phone 523-2239. You may cut-out our ad in this issue of the Crier to post our phone number in a convenient location at home. (Jim and I have eaten delicious sandwiches for lunch at Aunt Mana's and we have stopped several times for our favorite hard dip ice cream cones.)

Aunt Mana's WE



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Hampton School Board Report November 8, 1999

By Jim Gillespie

An organizational meeting was held preceding the regular board meeting to recognize departing board members, induct new members, and elect officers. Departing board members Donna Schaffer and Roger Braddy were applauded for their past service. Monte Norm, Cliff Peny and Janet Newlon were sworn as new board members. The board elected Dave Wright for President, Fred Husman for Vice President and Joe Jordan for Board Secretary.

School Principal, Ron Paquette provided an overview of school programs and activities. Mr. Paquette noted that this year marks the 125th Anniversary of the school. The PTA will mark its 50th Anniversary with a celebration on Monday, November 15, in the school gymnasium.

It was noted that the 1999 school census numbers 196 students; the lowest head count in decades and a significant drop from the 401 student count in 1981. An attempt to boost the school population is currently underway with incentives offered to couples with children who will relocate to our school district.

The school received a check for \$798.93 as its share of the initial payments made in settlement of the Asbestos Litigation; a nationwide 154 billion dollar legal suit that is finally settled after more than 7 years in litigation. Future payments in the form of significant purchase credits are also forthcoming.

Other announcement by Mr. Paquette included an account of school nurse program effectiveness, the election of eighth grade officers, academic awards programs including the "Straight A" Awards, the "Principal's Award" and the "Teachers' Achievement Awards" which recognize student work ethic (effort) and achievement. The twelve student recipients of this award are also awarded a free video courtesy of Porters Drug Store.

Committee chairpersons were appointed by board president, D. Wright. They are: Building & Grounds (M. Norm), Finance (F. Husman), Policy (R. Baldnge), Personnel (C. Perry), Negotiations (J. Jordan), Planning (J. Newlon), and Public Relations (R. Baldridge). Barb Grant and Nancy Barker were appointed as Employee Coordinators for Fine Arts and Communications, respectively.

Mr. Paquette reported the Energy Project (air circulation & control) contract with Johnson Controls Inc. is now on track for completion by the December 23.

An invitation from the Mayor and Board of Trustees to attend the November 13 press conference to announce plans for the Hampton Heritage Center was discussed with several board members planning to attend. Ensuing discussion raised various questions about TIF funding and the school's potential use of the Center. It was agreed further research is required before a facility-use plan involving the Center can be consideration by the school board.

Mr. Paquette outlined the school fiscal budget needs and the income anticipated from various funding sources. It was noted that the school will now receive less State Aid due to lower school enrollment and that a shortfall of \$20,000 needs to be covered by increasing revenues from other funding sources. A requested 8% tax levy on Total Assessed Valuation was proposed to secure the additional funds required. It was explained that, due to recent growth in our area, a higher percentage levied on Total Assessed Value would not necessarily result in an increase in the tax amount paid by the individual property owner. A mathematical example showed individual property taxes may actually be less, assuming the individual's property value assessment, county equalization and other factors remained unchanged.

The board accepted the proposal to request an 8% levy on Total Assessed Valuation. A public hearing on this issue will be held by the board in the school library at 6:00 PM on Monday, December 13, preceding the next regular school board meeting.

Village Snow Ordinance Reminder

No parking on any public way between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on any day when there has been snow accumulation of 2 or more inches, until the maintenance crews have cleared the public way and the snow has stopped for that day. If village snow removal equipment is being used, it is evidence of two inches of snowfall.

Residents should be careful when cleaning their driveways and sidewalks, so as not to deposit snow on the public way.

Violators of snow ordinance will be ticketed by Hampton Police Department.

Public Works Water Committee Nov. 23, 1999 Committee Concerned with Outstanding Water Bills

Present: Newberg, J. McKay, Garrison, Norm, S. McKay, Johnson

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Trustee Johnson. At the request of the committee Administrative Assistant Mike Toalson reported on outstanding water bills. Mr. Toalson reported to the committee the total outstanding water bills were of a considerable amount. After some discussion by the committee it was requested that Mr. Toalson generate shut off notices for all overdue accounts for all quarters. Prior to sending out shut off notices stubs will be compared to the notices to catch any accounts where payment has been received. It was also noted that any resident with a past due water bill after 60 days may have a lien placed on their property by the Village. It was the feeling of the committee that in all instances where the water bill is over 60 days delinquent that such a lien be placed on the residents property.

In further business the committee discussed residents who have never received a water bill. Mr. Toalson reported that this would eventually be taken care of itself as Dean reads the meters. Those not on the water billing program will not show up on his reader and those will be reported and corrected.

A change in procedure for collecting and recording payment of water bills was discussed. The committee will discuss and review such new procedures as were discussed at a later date in the near future.

Special Village Board Meeting Jan. 3, 2000

Meeting called to order by Village President Scott Newberg. Trustees present: J. Garrison, J. Non G. Johnson, J. McKay, S. Carmack. Trustee S. McKay was absent. The purpose of the Special Meeting was to authorize Mayor Newberg and Trustee J. McKay to sign Village checks. Eventually, Village checks will require two (2) signatures. This procedure came from Moorehead and Peterson's recommendations after completing the audit. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

Special Village Board Meeting Jan. 4, 2000

Meeting called to order by Village President Scott Newberg. Trustees present: S. McKay, J. Garrison, J. Norm, G. Johnson, J. McKay, S. Carmack.

The purpose of the Special Meeting was to review the Annual Audit performed by Moorehead and Peterson. Mr. Greg Castel was present to answer any questions from the Board. Mr. Castel had several recommendations concerning procedures. The Board took the recommendations under consideration for future implementation. Meeting adjourned.

Happy New Year to All from Hampton PTA

By Donna Schaffer

The PTA would like to thank everyone that helped with the 50th Anniversary Celebration, Family READ Night, and Santa's Workshop. We greatly appreciated your help.

The poster contest winners for Santa's Workshop received a \$10 gift certificate to South Park Mall. The winners are Kelly Champion, 5-8 grade category; Shelly Norin, 3-5 grade category, and Alex Meeske, K-2 grade category. Class winners receiving certificate of recognition are Alex Benzon, Nikki DeCrane, Caitlin Lattner, and Jordan Sprague. Thank you to all those who entered the contest.

Future events include: Spelling Bee, Carnival, and Book Fair.

-From PTA (cover story)

time capsule. A tutoring program was begun in 1982. In 1985, The Visiting Artist Program was initiated which has evolved into the Cultural Arts Day. In 1984 PTA sponsored Jr. Theater trip and began sponsoring the Spelling Bee. A binding machine was purchased in 1989 and also blinds for some of the classrooms.

Pizza sales were the big fundraisers in the early 90's. Eagle and Hy-Vee cash register receipts were saved for free

software. In 1996, the Family Reading Night was established. Many fundraisers were held to finance the present playground equipment with more volunteers building it. The Internet became available to the students. With it comes the possibility that future fundraisers might be carried out over the Internet!

In our limited space, we cannot do honor to all the achievements, much less all the people who donated thousands of hours in helping our school. Thank you, PTA.

Decades of Presidents Reunite at Anniversary:



In the photo above, three Presidents of the PTA from the 1960's were present at the 50th anniversary. They are, from left to right, Marion Chaney, Jane Kruse, and Lois Kropp. Others who served in the 60's are: Bessie Kipp, Mrs. Vincent Amato, Mrs. Ralph Dude, and Barbara Bennett.



In the photo above, two Presidents of the PTA from the 1970's were present at the 50th anniversary. They are, from left to right, Ann Beckman and Sharon DeBo. Other presidents from the 70's are: Barbara Bennett, Louis Sonnevile, Kaye Newton, Delores Parker, and Sharon Witney.



In the photo above, three Presidents of the PTA from the 1980's were present at the 50th anniversary. They are, from left to right, Millie Mason, Darlene Bornhoeft, and Lee Hanseman. Other presidents from the 1980's are: Sharon Witney, Mickey Kindhart, and Margaret Engeman.



In the photo above, five Presidents of the PTA from the 1990's were present at the 50th anniversary. They are, from left to right, Joleen Cameron, Cheryl Reader, Mary Verdick, Donna Schaffer, and Sherri Wells. Only one president, Paula Grabin, from the 90's was unable to attend.



Throughout the years, Hampton PTA has honored many members for their dedication and hard work for the welfare of our children. The following have won Life Membership Awards or have been recognized in the PTA book of recognition. Some of these are in the above photo. From left to right, they are: Millie Mason, Mary Jane Duke, Lee Hanseman, Marsha Katzenburger, Ann Beckman, and Sharon DeBo. Absent from the picture are: Sharon Witney, Margaret Engeman, Mickey Kindhart, Chris Sederstrom, Joellen Bacorn, Sharon Brooks, Gerry Walker, Pat Johnson, and this year's life-time member, Cheryl Reader.

Photos by Randy Baldridge

Jubilee "Holy Doors" Open on Christmas

As we get use to the idea that we are in a new millennium, we can also say that we are in a Jubilee year. At Saint Mary here in town, and at St. John in Rapids City, each church prepared for the millennium by making their front church doors "Holy Doors" leading to the Jubilee year. The Jubilee Year, a time of joy, celebrates the 2000 years since the birth of Jesus Christ. As Christians, these church families, believe Jesus when he said that "I am the door of Life, I entreat all to enter."

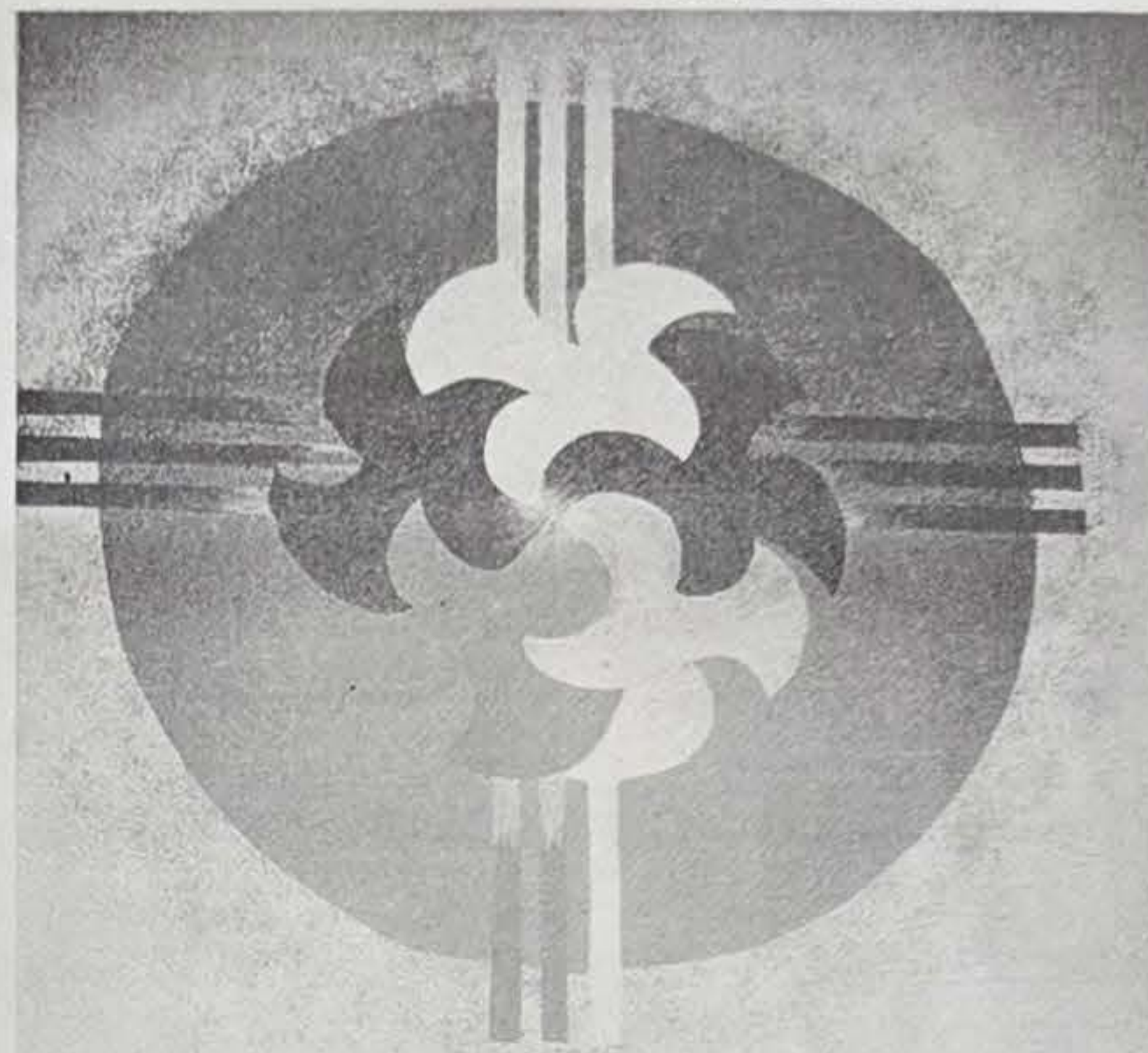
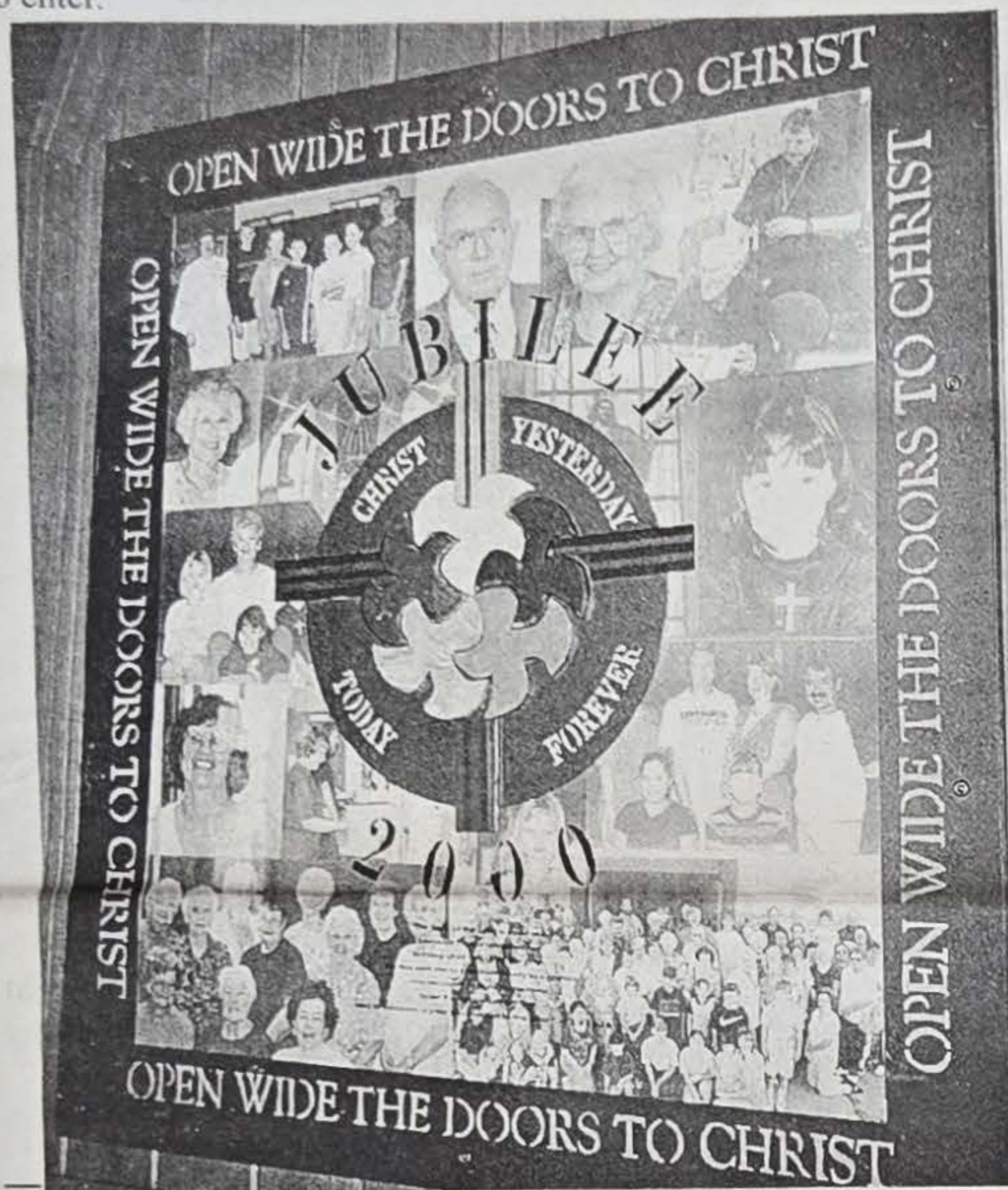
Inside each church at the front door, there was a painting of the Vatican's Jubilee symbol of five intertwining doves, representing the Holy Spirit with rays going out to the world. Outside the front doors was a collage of pictures of various church members and scenes to help depict the life of the local church. Imposed over these pictures is the Jubilee symbol of intertwining doves.

The front doors of each church were not used during

Advent, the four weeks leading to Christmas. Just as the Holy Father opened the Holy Doors of St. Peter's and several churches in Rome, the Holy Doors of St. Mary and St. John were opened on Christmas to prepare for the millenium, "Opening Wide the doors to Christ." The doors were open with prayer and all were encouraged to walk through the doors throughout the year as a reminder to all that the doors of the church serve as a gateway to God's grace.

The canvas paintings now hang in the sanctuary by the altar, while the collage paintings are located where the congregations can readily see them and be reminded of the purpose of the Jubilee Year. The Jubilee symbols serve as a reminder to the members and to all that as we go through the doors of our church we celebrate significant moments of faith in our lives.

The Jubilee year is a time to forgive debts, set prisoners free; to announce a year of favor from the Lord.



Picture at right: The collage of photos represents the life of St. Mary Church with many parishioners in a variety of activities. In the center of the collage is the Jubilee symbol with the words, "Christ Yesterday Today and Forever."

The photo above of a large six foot painting of the Jubilee symbol of intertwined doves was used to close the "Holy Doors" on the inside of the church during Advent. The doors were opened on Christmas to prepare for the new Millenium. The painting now hangs inside the church.

Heat Rises in Black Store Building

By Rocky Nelson

Normally, the Historical Society is pretty dormant this time of year because Black's Store has not been heated in the past and artifacts were put away and the building lies silent and unvisited. Not so this winter! If you have traveled 1st Ave you might have noticed automobiles parked in front and tracks leading to the door. Perhaps a whisp of smoke curling from the chimney was seen. The cause of all this has been the activity of our Restoration Expert, Ron Nelson of Galesburg who has labored mightily, along with his helpers to further complete the restoration of this 150 year old structure.

Last winter Ron came up with a stove for us of the type used in 1849. This winter we have used it. If you were to drop in on these cold winter days you would find a cozy level of temperature. The placement of the stove in the middle of the room (exactly where the original was placed in October 1849) makes for an evenly distributed heat in the south room. The rest of the building was not heated 150 years ago and is not heated now.

What is going on in there? Actually, the place will be as close to what it was like in its beginning as it is possible to make it. Where the untrained eye sees nothing but a big empty room the professional restorer sees shelves, counters, and furnishings from a time before our grandparents were alive. By penetrating the many layers of paint to the first, Ron and his crew found the chalk lines the mid-19th century workers snapped when building shelves. So our restoration will not only look like it did in 1849, it will be in the exact locations. It is possible (if you know what to look for) to see where the counters stood and the traffic patterns worn in the floor by countless customers. Ron has found bits of the old counters around the building and knows they were painted gray. For those of us uninitiated into the world of 1849, these things seem miraculous. For people like Ron Nelson it is all in a

day's work.

What we refer to as the South room was the only one in the building used for retail selling. The elevator, whose restoration we received an award from the Illinois State Historical Society, again goes to the basement as it did when it was part of the pork shipping business. Also, stairs have been built down to the basement, again in the same place as they were in the beginning. In doing the stairs Ron found the stenciled names of Francis Black and a man named Ruby on a rafter above the stairs. Why? Your guess is as good as anybody's. In this game every discovery raises more questions.

Before winter set in, Ron had pretty much finished the three rooms on the second floor. Actually, it seems to be two living rooms and a space in between where there was a stove. What were these rooms used for? We aren't positive but it seems likely the rooms housed Black's clerks. In the 1850s store clerks worked long, long hours and it would be advantageous to have lived where you worked. They must have been built early on if this is the case because under the old plaster the walls are clean. This is a good example of how Restorers gain insight into the past.

February 16 is the date of the next Historical Society meeting. It will be held in the Hampton School Library, 7:30 PM. The program will feature Ms Kay Krewer of Orion and could be titled "The Civil War-The Home Front." Ms. Krewer will talk about civilian life while the war raged on the various fronts, illustrating her talk with various artifact that show aspects life and how it was impacted by the conflict. Ms. Krewer works at the Rock Island Arsenal in the legal department. She and her husband are active Civil War reenactors. Everybody is welcome, member or not. Stop by and become fascinated with this era of history as so many of us are.

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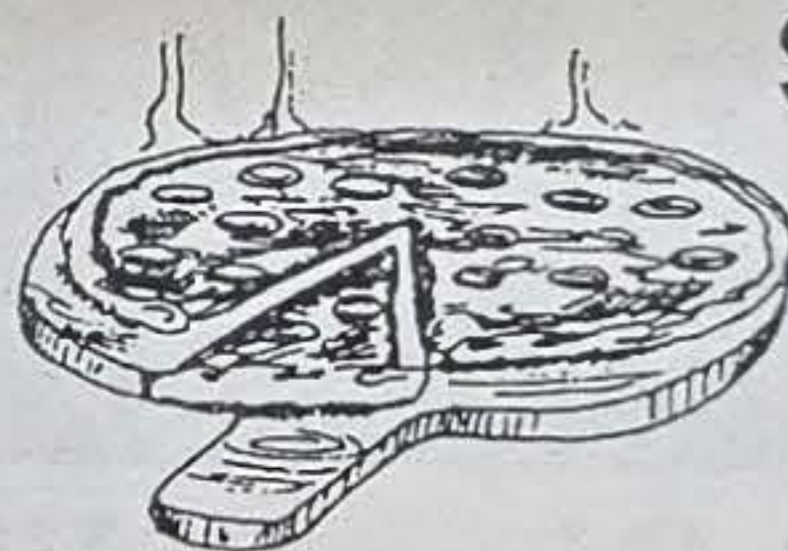
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