



Hampton Towne Crier

May 2002



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Ashley Arnold
Benjamin Boore
Amanda Cabor
Ryan Cameron



Kambra Carmack
Stephanie
Carmichael
Peter Carr
Elizabeth Cook
Kayla David



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Alex Hanson
Cayte Honold
Olivia Husman
D.J. Koepple



Ashley Kroeger
Tiffany Maher
Travis Martin
Cara Neary
David Nino



Kristina Nino
Ethan Paquette
Megan Reisenbigler
Luisa Saenz
Laura Schippers



Congratulations to
the Hampton Elementary 8th grade class
on their
graduation,
which will be
May 31, 2002 at 7 pm.

Megan Thomann

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For the Yearbook, the 8th graders were asked what they plan to do when they grow up. Here are there answers. (Save this Mom. See if it happens!)
When I grow up I plan to

Upcoming Events at Hampton Elementary

May 15	Talent Show	6:30
May 18	8th Grade Dinner Dance	
May 20	Spring Concert	7:00
May 29	Field Day	
May 30	Awards Day	
	K thru 5	9:00
	6 thru 8	10:00
	Kindergarten Graduation	Noon
May 31	8th Grade Graduation	7:00

become a pro basketball player--Ashley Arnold
become a pro basketball player--Ben Boore
become a veterinarian--Amanda Cabor
become a stand-up comedian--Ryan Cameron
become a construction worker
or a person who watches or teaches kids
Kambra Carmack
become a teacher
or a dolphin trainer--Steph Carmichael
become a pro football player--Peter Carr
become a Broadway star--Elizabeth Cook
become a super model--Kayla David
become an architect after
4 years in the Navy--Kevin DeWalsche
become a business owner, physicist for NASA
or mathmetician--Alex J. Hanson
become an interior designer
or a photographer--Cayte Honold
undecided (leaving options open!) Olivia Husman
become an engineer and design
things for cats--D.J. Koepple
become an athletic director
or a teacher--Ashley Kroeger
become a kindergarten teacher
or interior design--Tiffany Maher
become a pro basketball player--Travis Martin
become an interior designer--Cara Neary
become an airplane pilot--David Nino
become a hair stylist--Kristy Nino
work with animals, primarily ocean animals, and
study the way they live--Ethan Paquette
become a computer scientist--Megan Reisenbigler
go to college and become a surgeon--Luisa Saenz

no idea, but hopefully I'll figure it out when by the time I am in college. Laura Schippers
become some kind of biologist (wild life or marine) or a chef
Megan Thomann

Song: "Time of Your Life" Colors: Blue and Silver
Flower: White Rose



Motto: "Success is not found in what you have achieved, but rather in who you have become."

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Historical Society Announces Upcoming Events

Wednesday May 15 7:30 P.M. meeting The program will feature the new Putnam IMAX Theater in Davenport.

Memorial Day May 27 at 10 A.M. Everyone is invited to attend the traditional Hampton Memorial Day Service. It begins by the Soldiers Monument by the Village Hall. The Boy Scouts

and Girl Scouts will conduct a flag ceremony, then all present will throw fresh flowers in the river to commemorate those from Hampton who were lost at sea during the wars. The program then moves to the front of the Black and Brettun Store, where a roll call is read of all those from Hampton who have given their lives in service of their country. Afterwards the Boy Scouts will take flags up to decorate the graves with flags.



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Afghanistan, this might be the perfect year to begin your tradition of attending this annual event.



Father's Day is June 16th, which means it is also Ride the River Day. The northern route of the Ride goes past the Black and Brettun Store. The Historical Society will have water, coffee and pastry available for riders who want to rest there, beginning at 8 A.M.

Watch for announcements of events in June and July in next month's Towne Crier

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Next time you are washing your hands and complain because the water temperature isn't just how you like it, think about how things used to be. Here are some facts about the 1500's:

Most people got married in June because they took their yearly bath in May and still smelled pretty good by June. However, they were starting to smell, so brides carried a bouquet of flowers to hide the body odor.

Baths consisted of a big tub filled with hot water. The man of the house had the privilege of the nice clean water, then all the other sons and men, then the women and finally the children - last of all the babies. By then the water was so dirty you could actually lose someone in it. Hence the saying, "Don't throw the baby out with the bath water"

Houses had thatched roofs-thick straw, piled high, with no wood underneath. It was the only place for animals to get warm, so all the dogs, cats and other small animals (mice rats, and bugs) lived in the roof. When it rained it became slippery, and sometimes the animals would slip and fall off the roof, hence the saying, "It's raining cats and dogs"

There was nothing to stop things from falling into the house. This posed a real problem in the bedroom where bugs and other droppings could really mess up your nice clean bed. Hence, a bed with big posts and a sheet hung over the top afforded some protection. That's how canopy beds came into existence.

The floor was dirt. Only the wealthy had something other than dirt, hence the saying "dirt poor" The wealthy had slate floors that would get slippery in the winter when wet, so they spread thresh, (the straw left over after threshing grain) on the floor to help keep their footing. As the winter wore on, they kept adding more and more thresh until when you opened the door it would all start slipping outside. To prevent this, a piece of wood was placed in the entrance way-hence, a "thresh hold."

They cooked in the kitchen with a big kettle that always hung over the fire. Every day they lit the fire and added things to the pot. They ate mostly vegetables and did not get much meat. They would eat the stew for dinner, leaving leftovers in the pot to get cold overnight and then start over the next day. Sometimes the stew had food in it that had been there for quite awhile, -- hence the rhyme, "peas porridge hot, peas porridge cold, peas porridge in the pot nine days old"

Sometimes they could obtain pork, which made them feel quite special. When visitors came over, they would hang up their bacon to show off. It was a sign of wealth that a man "could bring home the bacon." They would cut off a little to share with guests and would all sit around and "chew the fat."

Those with money had plates made of pewter. Food with a high acid content caused some of the lead to leach on to the food, causing lead poisoning and death. This happened most often with tomatoes, so for the next 400 years or so, tomatoes were considered poisonous.

Most people did not have pewter plates, but had trenchers. (a piece of wood with the middle scooped out like a bowl). Often trenchers were made from stale bread which was so old and hard that they could use them for quite some time. Trenchers were never washed and a lot of times worms and mold got into the wood and old bread. After eating off wormy, moldy trenchers, one would get "trench mouth."

Bread was divided according to status. Workers got the burnt bottom of the loaf, the family got the middle, and guests got the top, the "upper crust."

Lead cups were used to drink ale or whiskey. The combination would sometimes knock them out for a couple of days. Someone walking along the road would take them for dead and prepare them for burial. They were laid out on the kitchen table for a couple of days and the family would gather around and eat and drink and wait and see if they would wake up * hence, the custom of holding a "wake."

England is old and small and they started out running out of places to bury people. So they would dig up coffins and would take the bones to a "bone-house" and reuse the grave. When reopening these coffins, one out of 25 coffins were found to have scratch marks on the inside and they realized they had been burying people alive. So they thought they would tie a string on the wrist of the corpse, lead it through the coffin and up through the ground and tie it to a bell. Someone would have to sit out in the graveyard all night (the "graveyard shift") to listen for the bell, thus, someone could be "saved by the bell" or was considered a "dead ringer" And that's the truth.

Who said that History is boring!

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Reminder: June Bug Jog 2002 is Coming!

The June Bug Jog for 2002 will happen Saturday June 1 in Hampton Park beginning at 7 P.M. The 5K run and competitive walk for adults will be preceded by the Kids' Race for ages 1-10 at 6 P.M.



New this year is a ride in a hot air balloon provided by Ascension Ballooning, Ltd. operated by Stan and Beth Pasley. The sample ride, which allows you to go straight up and then down, should entice you to purchase a ticket for \$3 or two tickets for \$5, giving you a chance to win a full hour flight for one. (a \$225 value)

Spread the word! Everyone is welcome to come out for a tether ride in the balloon, buy a chance for the full flight drawing, cheer on the

runners and walkers, and just have a great time!

As in the past, the proceeds from this event will fund Rock River Strider operating expenses. More importantly, it will support two shelters in the Quad Cities area: Christian Family Services, Rock Island and Family Resources Inc., Davenport.

Last year, Rock River Striders was able to donate \$225 to each shelter from the June Bug Jog proceeds. So come on down and have a good time, while helping others.

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Principal Resigns

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RING O' THE RIVER

By Rocky Nelson, Hampton Historical Society

Jammin' with Jane and I are members of the River Action Committee. This is a group dedicated to the preservation and development of the Mississippi. It is they who sponsor the Father's Day event called Ride the River. Doubtless you've seen the throngs of bicyclers on the bike paths that day. We got involved because Brettun & Black Store/Museum is on the route and since that made us automatically involved, we decided to join and make it official. It turned out to be a very enjoyable experience, being associated with a dedicated, energetic, and fun group of people.

In my opinion, the development of the bike/walking path which now stretches from the west end of Rock Island to beyond Cordova, has been one of the most positive things that has happened in recent times. I remember when they started talking about bringing the path through Hampton. Many people were apprehensive, fearing we would be engulfed by Hoodlums from the "Cities", with thieving, vandalism, and even worse. Living just *half a block from the path*, walking it frequently, and meeting people at Black's Store, I am ready to state: "People who ride the bike path are nice folks."

Getting back to "Ride the River", one of the committee members is Chuck Oestreich an avid bike enthusiast. Perhaps you've seen his column in the QC Times, about biking of course. His April 15 column dealt with his vision of the future. He was elated that the ground extending the Iowa path through Bettendorf was secured and he visualized that in the not to distant future, there would be a "Ring O' the

River" which would enable Quad-Citians to make a complete circuit on both sides of the river. Of course, to do this requires a bridge that can accomodate pedestrian and bicycles. This is in the works and I agree with Chuck that if this is not done, we will have passed up a great opportunity. With the current emphasis on the poor physical shape of Americans, we could help that problem. Also, we should consider how many people whose jobs are across the river. They might leave their cars in the garage, in nice

weather, and go to work via bicycle. It could significantly help the traffic problem, not to mention the ability to view both banks of the river on a Sunday afternoon ride.

I urge readers to keep this in mind when or if we have a chance for input. A number of readers, I'm sure are bikers. Notably that eminent Hamptonian, Louis Sonnevile who gives new meaning to the term Biking Enthusiast!

Actually, I'm not a biker myself. I had a bike as a little kid and on my 11th birthday I was going to get a fine new bicycle. I had it picked out. A Firestone with the balloon tires (the thing to have at that time). We went to town on April 10, my birthday, to get the bike only to find out the government had "frozen" the sale of bicycles. I forgot to tell you it was 1942 and we were in World War II. So I didn't get the bike. What a deprived childhood I had!

In spite of this, I'm going to take Chuck's dream a step farther; to the day we'll be able to go from New Orleans to St Paul, up one side and down the other, biking or hiking. That would really be a "Ring O' the River".



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Jammin' With Jane

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Well today in April, it feels like June is busting out all over. The sun is shining and many of the flowers are blooming including the bluebells in my backyard that come up wild every year. The things I plant very rarely survive more than one season. I love flowers but always joke I have a white thumb not a green one. I really love roses and I don't know how many I have planted over the last forty years. At the present time I have a very straggly one on the south side of the house that Don and Elane Catton gave me for a gift when I retired. I have fertilized it and sprayed it for insects. It doesn't bloom but it hasn't died yet either. Enough about flowers, the other day at Blackhawk Unit of Retired Teachers, Kathleen Kelly gave me a start of Amish Friendship Bread. I think it is about 10 years since I have had a start. The last time I had it I got so tired of it I finally baked it all and sold it at one of the many bake sales I contribute to. If you would like a start call me in a week I will have several starts. I gave the last two to Bobbie Beals and Sherie Ayers so they will have starters too. Following you will find the directions for :

AMISH FRIENDSHIP BREAD

DO NOT use metal spoon to mix-use only wood or plastic spoons.
DO NOT refrigerate.

DO let the air out of the bag when it collects.

WHAT TO DO

DAY 1 nothing-you received the bag today.

DAY 2 Mush

DAY 3 Mush

DAY 4 Mush

DAY 5 Mush

DAY 6 Add 1 cup flour, 1 cup sugar, and 1 cup milk. Then mush.

DAY 7 Mush

DAY 8 Mush

DAY 9 Mush

DAY 10 Put it in a big bowl and add 1 cup flour, 1 cup sugar, and 1 cup milk.

Mix (with a wooden or plastic spoon) Pour (3) 1 cup starters into large ziplock bags. Give to friends and keep on for your self to start all over again.

With the remaining starter, add 1/2 cup milk, 1 cup oil, 1 cup sugar, 2 cups flour, 3 eggs and 1 large or 2 small boxes of vanilla or lemon instant pudding mix. (Do not make the pudding, just mix into batter). Add 2 teaspoons cinnamon, 1/2 teaspoon salt. Mix and pour into 2 large bread loaf pans that have been greased and sprinkled with cinnamon and sugar. Sprinkle cinnamon and sugar on top before baking. Bake at 350 degrees for 50 to 60 minutes. Do Not Overcook. Cool for 10 minutes. Eat and Enjoy. Note you can substitute Applesauce instead of oil. You can use 1/2 cup of each. I plan to experiment a little using Splenda and Eggbeaters. I will let you know how this turns out.

I was going through some of my accumulation of recipes and found two that I have not tried but have sampled. They are from an article in the Mid West Living magazine February 1997 called Big City Breakfast Recipes. The two I have selected are from Ann Sather's in Chicago.

ANN SATHER'S SWEDISH PANCAKES

Thin and sweet, these pancakes lure diners from the Chicago area to Ann Sather's restaurants. Serve the traditional way, with lingonberry jam and sour cream. They're good with syrup, too and fresh strawberries.

1 2/3 cups all-purpose
1 cup sugar
1/4 cup non-fat dry milk powder
dash of salt
4 slightly beaten eggs
2 cups water



1. In a large mixing bowl, stir flour, sugar, milk powder and salt together. In another mixing bowl, combine eggs and water. Add to dry ingredients. Beat with a wire whisk or rotary beater till thoroughly combined and smooth.

2. Heat a lightly greased 10-inch nonstick skillet with flared sides

over medium heat until a drop of water sizzles.

3. For each pancake, pour about 1/4 cup batter into the pan. Tilt pan till batter coats the bottom of pan. Cook over medium heat till the tops appear dry and bottoms are brown (1 to 1 1/2 minutes) Flip pancakes to brown other sides (20 to 30 seconds) Roll up pancakes or fold into quarters. Serve immediately with lingonberry or other jam and sour cream. Makes 16 large pancakes.



STICKY APPLE CINNAMON ROLLS

6 1/4 to 6 3/4 cups all-purpose flour

2 packages active dry yeast

2 cups milk

1/4 cup sugar

1/4 cup butter or margarine

1 1/2 teaspoons salt

1 egg

1/2 cup packed brown sugar

1/2 cup granulated sugar

1/4 cup flour

1 Tablespoon cinnamon

1/2 cup butter or margarine

2 cups finely chopped peeled apple

1 cup chopped pecans

Caramel Syrup (recipe follows)

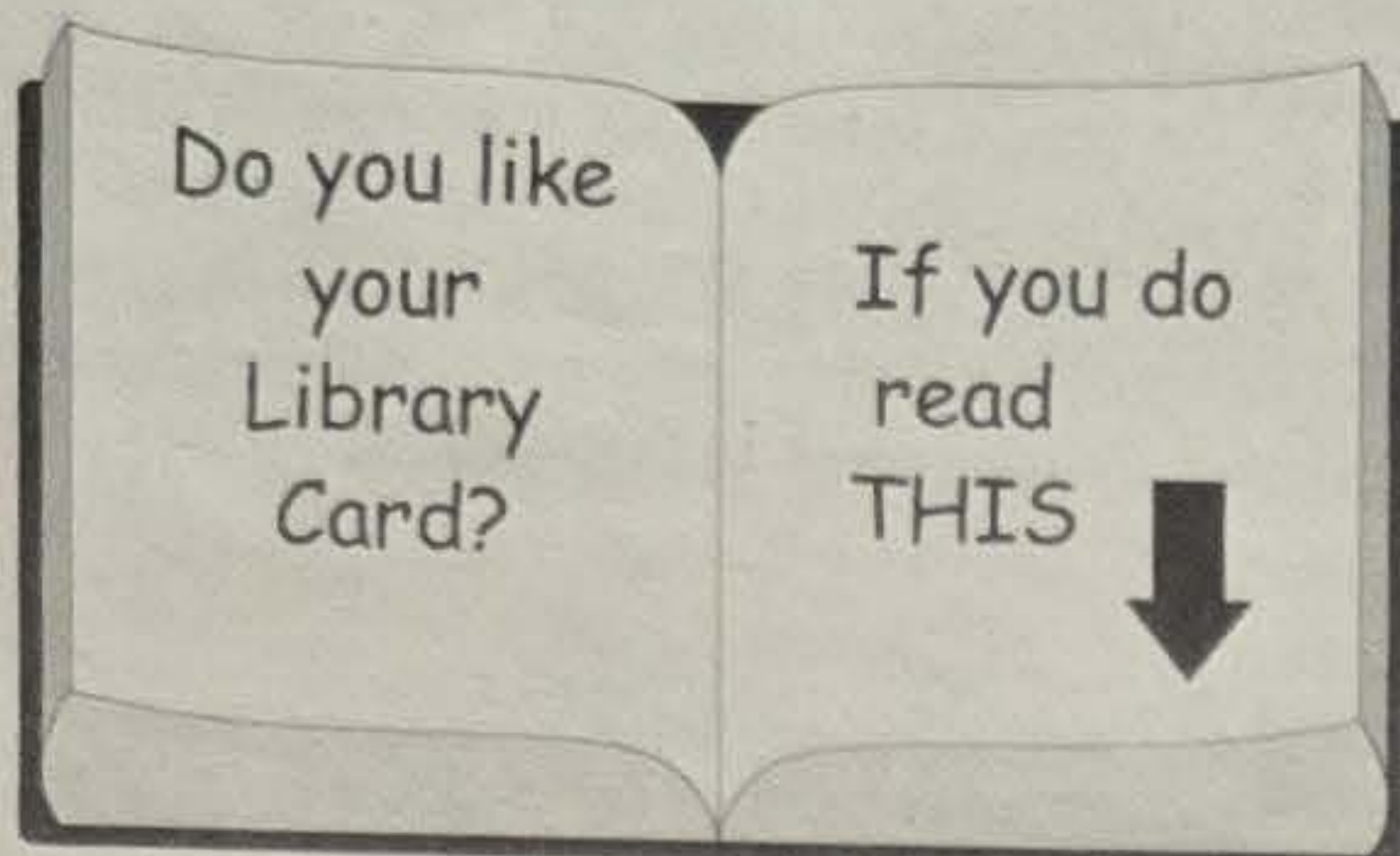
1. In a large mixing bowl, combine 2 1/2 cups of flour and yeast. Set aside
2. In a medium saucepan, heat and stir milk, 1/4 cup sugar, 1/4 cup butter, and salt just till warm (120 degrees to 130 degrees) and butter almost melts. Add milk mixture to flour mixture. Then, add the egg. Beat with an electric mixer 30 seconds, scraping sides of bowl. Beat on high speed for 3 minutes. Using a wooden spoon, stir in as much of the remaining flour as you can.
3. Turn the dough out onto a lightly floured surface. Knead in enough of remaining flour to make a moderately soft dough that's smooth and elastic (3 to 5 minutes total) Shape the dough into a ball. Place dough in lightly greased bowl, turning once to grease the surface of the dough. Cover; let rise in a warm place till doubled (45 to 60 minutes)
4. For filling: In a small mixing bowl, combine the 1/2 cup brown sugar, the 1/2 cup sugar, the 1/4 cup butter or margarine till mixture resembles coarse crumbs.
5. Punch dough down. Turn dough out onto a lightly floured surface. Cover and let rest for 10 minutes. Grease a 13x9x2 baking pan and set aside.
6. Roll the dough into a 24x16 inch rectangle. Sprinkle with filling apple and nuts. Roll up from long side, jellyroll style. Pinch to seal edge.
7. Prepare Caramel Syrup. Pour into baking pan, cut dough, crosswise, into 12 rolls and lace, cut side down, into about 45 minutes or till nearly doubled.
8. Bake, uncovered, in a 350 degree oven for 40 minutes or until lightly browned and rolls sound hollow when lightly tapped (place baking sheet under baking pan to catch any drips). Invert onto serving plate while warm. Makes 12 rolls.

CARAMEL SYRUP

In a saucepan, melt 1/2 cup butter or margarine. Stir in 1 cup packed brown sugar and 1/4 cup corn syrup. Cook and stir till sugar melts. Remove from heat.

I had one more recipe for a breakfast casserole but I will wait for June and then maybe add some new picnic ideas.

ATTENTION !!



This is a message to the families in Hampton, especially the ones who enjoy using the East Moline Public Library. In order to have library privileges, we need a Library Board. The Board meets for about one hour, six times a year. Without our Board each family would have to pay \$50 to \$65 a year to use the library. We really need some interested residents to come and join us. Our next meeting is June 17th 7pm at City Hall in the basement.

If you have any questions please call Terri Summers at 496-9135 or Dawn Porter at 755-8021.

Can you picture yourself here?



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**HAMPTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT # 29
Regular School Board Meeting for March 11, 2002**

The Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m. **Visitors:** Sharon DeBo, Paula Goering, Dolores Sierra, George Sierra, Patti Husman, Nate Husman, Rita Hanson, Paul Crabbe, Glynn Johnson Janet Norin, Sean McKay, Patti Lattner, Megan Thoman, Tracy Paxton and Bob Gipson.

Minutes from Regular and Executive sessions from February 11, and February 25 were approved with minor changes. President Baldrige welcomed the visitors and asked if anyone wanted to address the board. Patti Husman read a letter she wrote stating she had concerns regarding the way a behavioral situation was handled in the eighth grade when there was a substitute in the class. She expressed concern for her daughter. Dolores Sierra also expressed concern with the same issue as expressed by Mrs. Husman. Mr. Baldrige said the board would take this matter under advisement. Patti Lattner expressed concerns regarding the issue of cheating in the eighth grade and the steps that have been taken. She wanted to know what action the board was going to take regarding this issue. President Baldrige assured the visitors that the board would look into all their concerns.

What's Happening in School?

Three students from Hampton attended the Contig contest sponsored by the Regional Office of Education. Nick Armstrong from fifth grade took first place over all. Charlie Jordan from fourth grade came in second and Derrick Thiem from grade six came in seventh place. The PTA sponsored Spelling Bee was very good this year. The second place went to Deb Kraft.

Committee Reports:

Building & Grounds: Al Kipp stated he received some of the summer work forms back from the teachers. He noted that having more carpets at the door seems to be working very well and cutting down on the amount of dirt that is brought into the school.

Policy: Mr. Perry asked if the policy for posting the budget on the web and the policy regarding executive sessions are in the school Policy Manual. It was noted that both these policies are in manual.

Unfinished Business

United Township High School and the Feeder Schools are all requesting to make the change from having Lincoln's day off to having Presidents' Day off. The Superintendent was authorized to apply for the waiver. The board authorized the hiring of a Special Education Aide, needed for three hours a day. Dr. Paquette has received several phone calls from Leon Lagerstad from the Dispatch regarding the Village Board wanting to pay some money to the school for the children who do live in the TIF districts. It has been noted that Silvis and Geneseo had the same TIF agreements with their Schools and they have honored their agreements. It is hoped the School and Village can soon come to an agreement on this matter.

New Business

Dr. Paquette discussed the new proposed calendar. School would begin on August 19th, for the teachers and August 20th for the students and end May 30th, 2003. United Township High School would begin on August 12th, and end on May 23rd, 2003. It was approved to have each class do a special activity to honor Veteran's Day on November 8th. The school will be closed on November 11th in honor of Veteran's Day. The State Budget has reduced funding on many programs and has completely cut the funding on some programs. Dr. Paquette discussed the worst case scenarios stating, that if all these cuts are made we will have to make a lot of changes with programs and staffing.

The board went into executive session at 8:10 p.m. to discuss personnel issues. The meeting was reopened at 10:15 p.m.

The board agreed to employ Teresa Hayne as part-time Special Education Aide at a rate of \$9.25 per hour for three hours per day until the end of the current school year, when this position will end. Dr. Paquette recommended re-employment of tenure teachers L. Elaine Ryerson, Diane

Stock, Robert Gipson, Gary Martin, Jyll Moore, and Ann Cook, re-employment of part-time teachers Mike Blomme .7 FTE Music & Band for Hampton and .3 FTE Music & Band for Carbon Cliff. Carbon Cliff will share the cost, Sue Egger .5 FTE Art Teacher and Melinda Jacobs .5 FTE Speech Teacher. Dr. Paquette also recommended re-employment and tenure for Mary Boster, and re-employment for non-tenured teachers Michele Williams, Nancy Bartscher and Jennifer Hartman.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Minutes of a Special Board Meeting for March 18th, 2002

The Special Meeting was called to order on Monday, March 18th at 6:34 p.m.

President Baldrige welcomed all the visitors. He stated this was a special meeting, which would be held mostly in executive session. He asked if anyone wanted to address the board stating that each person would be limited to five minutes. Jyll Moore spoke on behalf of Tracy Paxton, asking the board to consider giving tenure to Mrs. Paxton. Mrs. Moore gave a recommendation and an overview of Mrs. Paxton's professional talents and she spoke of working with her on many school committees such as Gifted, LPCD and School Improvement. Dolores Sierra gave a letter to the board from herself and one from her daughter recommending Mrs. Paxton for tenure. Steve Kraft gave the board a petition signed by the 7th and some 8th grade students in support of Mrs. Paxton. Mr. Kraft also gave a recommendation regarding Mrs. Paxton. Dorothy Hubbard also shared with the board her recommendation for Mrs. Paxton. Tracy Paxton then spoke to the board and told them she would be available for any questions. Mrs. Jamie Boore spoke to the board and gave a recommendation for Superintendent Paquette, saying he has really done a great deal for the school in his seven years here as Superintendent. President Baldrige thanked everyone for coming and for their comments and he said the board would take all the comments and recommendations into consideration.

The board went into executive session at 6:49 p.m.. The board returned to open session at 10:50 p.m.

Agenda Items:

1. Re: Student Issue: President Baldrige will write a letter to the parent giving the Board's position and an explanation of this position
2. Re: Staff Re-Employment and Staff RIF Notices: Dr. Paquette recommended that the following staff be re-employed for the 2002-2003 school year: Lee Hanseman - Office Secretary, Debbie Clark - Part-time Custodian, Debbie Clark - Lunchroom Aide Donna Morford - Lunchroom Coordinator, Jeri Dilulio - School Nurse, Judy Schippers - Bookkeeper, Nancy Mohr - Playground/Clerical Aide, Tere Huber-Burrill Athletic Director, Kevin Duncalf - Treasurer and Lee Hanseman - Board Recording Secretary.

Dr. Paquette recommended due to economic conditions, that letters of Reduction In Force, (RIF) be given to Gerry Walker - Library Aide, Teresa Hayne - Media/Technology Aide, Teresa Hayne - Special Education Aide, Ann Beckman - Reading Improvement, and Mary Dowsett - Reading Improvement. The board accepted the Superintendent's recommendation to re-employ the staff as listed, with salary to be set at a later date, and to send letters of Reduction In Force (RIF) to those employees listed.

Re: Reduction in Force of Teaching Staff: Due to economic conditions, Dr. Paquette Recommended that the Board President and Secretary sign the Resolution authorizing Notice of Dismissal to Non-Tenured Teachers for the 2002-2003 school year and this letter will be sent certified mail, return receipt request to Mr. Craig Pulford.

4. Re: Teacher Tenure: Superintendent Paquette recommended that the President and Secretary of the School Board sign the Resolution Authorizing Notice of Dismissal to Final-Year Probationary Teacher Tracy Paxton. A letter is to be sent certified mail, return receipt request to Mrs. Paxton.
5. Re: Superintendent Contract: This contract will be sent back to negotiations for re-working and Negotiations

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

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The American Cancer Society will hold its annual Relay for Life on Friday, August 9 through Saturday, August 10. Members of your team will walk or run in relay fashion overnight to raise money for education, research, advocacy and patient services programs of the American Cancer Society. You could camp out and stay for the whole night! Your team can decorate and identify your team campsite in any way you want, using signage and of course, your imagination.

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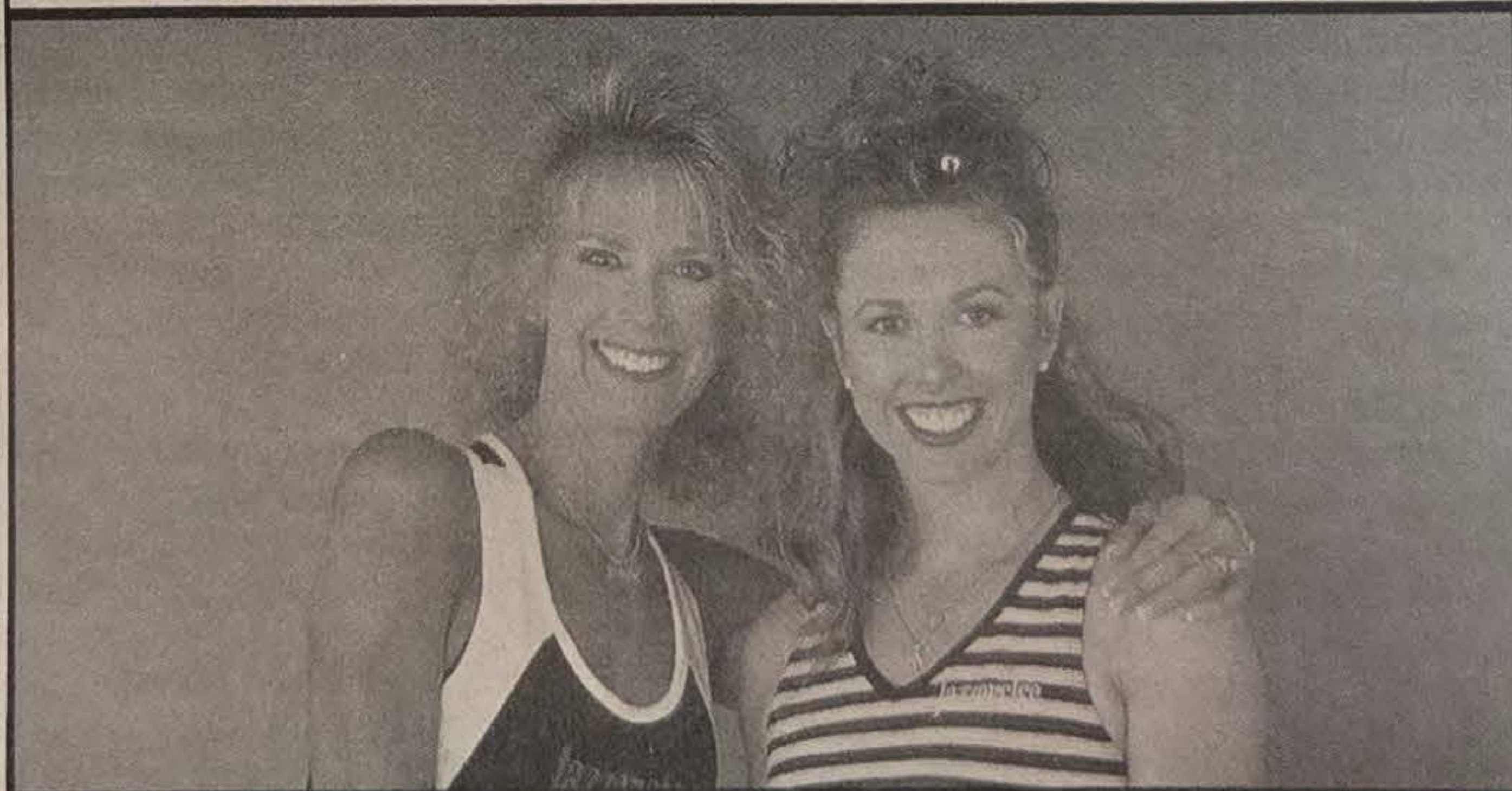
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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING APRIL 1, 2002

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m. by Village President Scott Newberg. The request for side yard variance for Mr. Roland Bartscher, 912 First Avenue was discussed at length. Ms. Jennifer Bennett, Ament, Inc. submitted a written opinion that there would be no significant increase in flow velocities during high water or significant rise in flood waters due to the proposed addition by Mr. Bartscher. Ms. Paula Grabin, 914 First Avenue was present and expressed her opposition to the project and insisted that the addition would cause additional damage to her home during flooding. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING APRIL 1, 2002

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. Mayor Newberg asked to consider the request for variance for side yard requirement by Mr. Roland Bartscher first. Mr. Bartscher was asked if he will require large amounts of sandbags during the next flood. He said would not. The board then voted to approve the variance request for a seven foot (7') side yard for the construction of an attached garage to Mr. Roland Bartscher, 912 First Avenue providing that the construction was in accordance with the floodplain ordinance.

The Omnibus Agenda was presented for acceptance and approval. The board voted to do so, with the changes to these bills. to add one from Medtronic Physio Control for \$1,052.00 to the Fire Department bills, and to remove the bill from AT&T for \$39.80 from Administration it is in dispute. The board also approved:

Change Order #1 adding \$14,330.00 for additional foundation work to the Heritage Center construction contract was presented for approval. Change Order #2 deducting \$108,711.00 from the Heritage Center construction contract was presented for approval.

Mr. Thom Gleich, Mr. Tim Downing, Downing Architects and Mr. John Lower, Lower Construction presented the logistics of moving the ginkgo tree sculpture to the Heritage Center and the basic design needs for the stand the sculpture will sit on. After lengthy discussion, Mr. Downing stated he will fax a preliminary design out this week. Mr. Eric Longlett, McClure Engineering, Mr. Gary Schreiner and Mr. Don Banks were present with site plans, building plans and a Final Plat of the Villas of Safe Harbor Marina. After reviewing and discussing the plans the Final Plat were approved so they could proceed.

Committee Reports.

Public Safety: The board voted to hire part time police officer Christopher George as full time, effective April 1, 2002. Chief of Police Larry Hufford reported on storm damage to the radio repeater antenna on top of the water tower. The mount broke off in high winds and Caldwell Tanks repaired the mount. The Board directed Chief Hufford to contact Ament, Inc. to see about Caldwell Tanks paying the bill to Gem Electronics for moving the repeater. Chief Hufford also reported about radio interference problems with the in car camera. The company shipped a replacement part, but Gem Electronics had to install the part. Chief Hufford will contact the camera company to see about them paying the bill to Gem.

Finance: Motion by Trustee Norin, second by trustee Johnson to move the Regular Meeting scheduled for April 15, 2002 to April 16, 2002 so that members of the Board can attend the School Board meeting on April 15, 2002. Trustee Norin also reported that she has reviewed the bank statements for all Village accounts and the funds balance. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING APRIL 16

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m. by Village President Scott Newberg. Trustee Sean McKay asked Clerk Toalson to draft a letter to each member of the School Board explaining why the school did not receive their TIF disbursement last year.

The Village may have to comply with the U.S.E.P.A. storm water management rules by 2003. The Village Engineer is checking on this. The storage property on South State Avenue is becoming congested with junk again.

DPW Sparrow reported that the IH Tractor lease is up this year and the Board will need to budget \$3,000.00 for a replacement. He asked the Board to budget for a floor jack and a new pressure washer. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING APRIL 16, 2002

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Village President Scott Newberg. The board approved the Omnibus Agenda which included: Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of April 1, Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 1, Minutes of the Public Safety Meeting of April 9, Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting of April 11, and Authorization for Payment of Bills. Pay Request #3 from Lower Construction for the Heritage Center in the amount of \$21,346.06 was approved.

Committee Reports:

Streets and Alleys: The '97 Ford Truck needs brake repairs. The board authorized repairs to the '97 Ford Truck at a cost not to exceed \$375.00.

Public Works: Mayor Newberg reported he received word from US Representative Lane Evans' office that he requested additional funding of \$200,000.00 for the Heritage Center. We should know if the funding is approved in October 2002.

Chief of Police Larry Hufford reported that the basement at the restaurant property is standing open again and is presenting a safety problem. Attorney Lee will contact the property owner's attorney to get the situation resolved. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING - BUDGET APRIL 29, 2002

The public hearing was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Village President Scott Newberg. The purpose of the public hearing was to hear public comment on the proposed budget for FY 2003, May 1, 2002 through April 30, 2003. Changes to the budget may include that the Fire Department Budget may change after a decision is made about daytime staffing and that employee health insurance has increased 26% and that there is a 30% increase in the budget. Employee health insurance costs will be less than last year due to personnel changes. There being no other comments, the public hearing was closed. to close the public hearing. The public hearing was closed at 6:13 p.m.

SPECIAL MEETING APRIL 29, 2002

The special meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Village President Scott Newberg. Final bills for FY 2002 were approved. The Annual Budget for FY 2003, May 1, 2002 through April 30, 2003 was approved.

On advice from the Board of Trustees, Mayor Newberg appointed Captain Jamie Hudson as Interim Fire/Rescue Chief until June 22, 2002 replacing Trustee Garrison as Interim Chief.

The ginkgo sculpture was scheduled to be moved on Thursday, May 3, 2002 but the Board decided to cancel and reschedule for next week due to forecasted rain. Clerk Toalson reported that the payroll program subscription is due and would like to use the Village credit card to pay the subscription. He reported that the Carlos, MN Fire Department called about the Rescue Squad. Clerk Toalson reported that an investigator from the Village's insurance carrier will be here Wednesday to investigate the accident involving the Firefighter from Rock Island who fell through a stairway in a house in Orchard Park.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

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