



# Hampton Towne Crier

June 2002



## Memorial Day 2002

by Dolores Sierra

Slightly overcast, warm, humid leaning-into-summer kind of weather greeted Hamptonites who gathered near the Hampton Soldier's Monument on Monday May 27 at 10 a.m. to honor deceased veterans of Hampton. The ceremony was opened by Merlin Nelson, Sr. who welcomed everyone and introduced the Color Guard from Girl Scout Troup 2177. The young women presented the colors and lead the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Reverend Howard Ross then presented a tribute to all veterans and offered a solemn prayer. The Girl Scouts then distributed flowers to everyone. This year most were iris, and wild flowers. These were to be used for the tribute at the river.



Everyone solemnly processed from the monument to McNeal's Landing, where Toni Ross read from Isaiah about making swords into plowshares, expressing hope for peace in the world. The flowers were then tossed into the river as a tribute to local servicemen lost at sea and to those buried in foreign lands. The sight of the flowers lying on the beach and in the river was a touching one, reminding everyone of both the beauty and the sadness of the day. All four verses of "America the Beautiful" were sung by all in attendance.

Perhaps the echoes of September 11th gave the song extra poignancy, but it was special to hear all the verses sung by voices young and old.

Back on the boardwalk, the most solemn part of the ceremony took place. Glenn Denhardt read Lincoln's Gettysburg address. Hearing the words spoken on that most solemn day of commemoration rang down through the years, still having meaning today, despite Lincoln's words "the world will little note, nor long remember what we say here today..."

Merlin Nelson, Sr. read a roll-call of those veterans from Hampton buried in the cemetery. The earliest names were from the War of 1812. One of the striking things was the number of family names repeated from war to war...giving a sense of continuity, roots and service to the proceedings. As Mr. Nelson read the names, Jack B. Coder played a steady drum roll which added a military feel. Alan Knapper then played a moving rendition of *Taps*, sustaining the notes, as if to sustain the memories.

On Sunday, before the ceremony, Sydney Jordan, Eliese Beck, Nikki Beals, Jessica Larrison and Charlie Jordan took flags to decorate the graves of the veterans whose names were read in the roll call.

One of the joys of small town living, is the traditions carried on from year to year. This memorial service is special and in many ways unique, full of emotion and a strong sense of patriotism. If you haven't attended the service in previous years, you are encouraged to attend next year. It gives extra meaning to the holiday.



Sydney Jordan, Eliese Beck, Nikki Beals (color guard) Glenn Denhardt reading, Jack Coder drumming. *Photos by George Sierra*

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## How Flag Day was Established and Why

The Fourth of July was traditionally celebrated as America's birthday, but the idea of an annual day specifically celebrating the Flag is believed to have first originated in 1885. BJ Cigrand, a schoolteacher, arranged for the pupils in the Fredonia, Wisconsin Public School, District 6, to observe June 14 (the 108th anniversary of the official adoption of The Stars and Stripes) as 'Flag Birthday'. In numerous magazines and newspaper articles and public addresses over the following years, Cigrand continued to enthusiastically advocate the observance of June 14 as 'Flag Birthday', or 'Flag Day'.

On June 14, 1889, George Balch, a kindergarten teacher in New York City, planned appropriate ceremonies for the children of

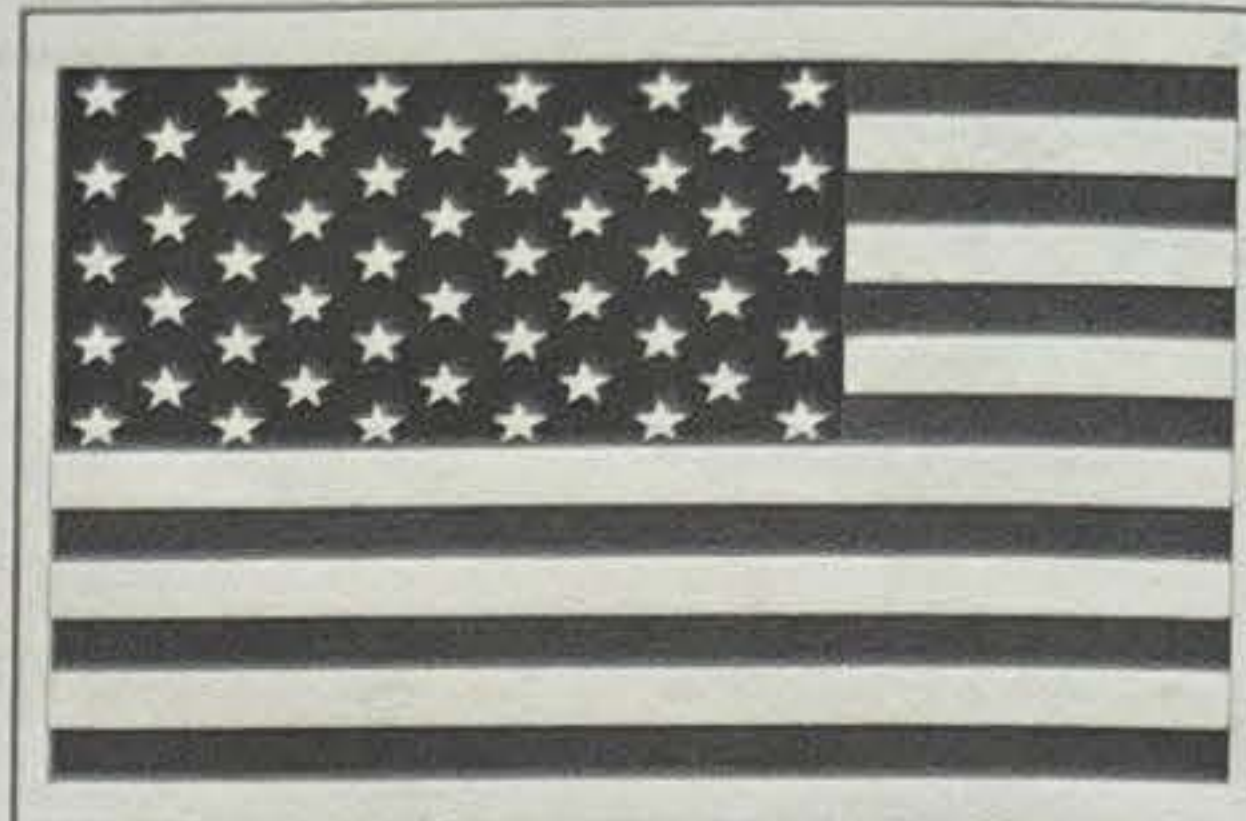


Congratulations to the following Hampton residents on completing degrees and certificates from Black Hawk College.

Administrative Assisting Brenda Carmichael  
(who is a member of both Phi Theta Kappa, International Honor Society, and Alpha Beta Gamma, National Business Honor Society.)

|                           |                                    |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Nursing Associate Degree  | Laura E. Sierra<br>Carol F. Sierra |
| Medical Transcriptionist  | Gina S. Henrichs                   |
| Assoc. of Arts (transfer) | Jamie L. Boore                     |

his school, and his idea of observing Flag Day was later adopted by the State Board of Education of New York. On June 14, 1891, the Betsy Ross House in Philadelphia held a Flag Day celebration, and on June 14 of the following year, the New York Society of the Sons of the Revolution, celebrated Flag Day. Following the suggestion of Colonel J Granville Leach (at the time historian of the Pennsylvania Society of the Sons of the Revolution), the Pennsylvania Society of Colonial Dames of America on April 25, 1893 adopted a resolution requesting the mayor of Philadelphia and all others in authority and all private citizens to display the Flag on June 14th. Leach went on to recommend that there-  
after the day be known as 'Flag Day', and on that day, school children be assembled for appropriate exercises, with each child being given a small Flag.



Two weeks later on May 8th, the Board of Managers of the Pennsylvania Society of Sons of the Revolution unanimously endorsed the action of the Pennsylvania Society of Colonial Dames. As a result of the resolution, Dr. Edward Brooks, then Superintendent of Public Schools of Philadelphia, directed that Flag Day exercises be held on June 14, 1893 in Independence Square. School children were assembled, each carrying a small Flag, and patriotic songs were sung and addresses delivered.

In 1894, the governor of New York directed that on June 14 the Flag be displayed on all public buildings. With BJ Cigrand and Leroy Van Horn as the moving spirits, the Illinois organization, known as the American Flag Day Association, was organized for the purpose of promoting the holding of Flag Day exercises. On June 14th, 1894, under the auspices of this association, the first general public school children's celebration of Flag Day in Chicago was held in Douglas, Garfield, Humboldt, Lincoln, and Washington Parks, with more than 300,000 children participating.

Adults, too, participated in patriotic programs. Franklin K. Lane, Secretary of the Interior, delivered a 1914 Flag Day address in which he repeated words he said the flag had spoken to him that morning: "I am what you make me; nothing more. I swing before your eyes as a bright gleam of color, a symbol of yourself."

Inspired by these three decades of state and local celebrations, Flag Day - the anniversary of the Flag Resolution of 1777 - was officially established by the Proclamation of President Woodrow Wilson on May 30th, 1916. While Flag Day was celebrated in various communities for years after Wilson's proclamation, it was not until August 3rd, 1949, that President Truman signed an Act of Congress designating June 14th of each year as National Flag Day.

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## June 22 and 23 have been designated Family Heritage Days.

Hampton Historical Society will celebrate this with special displays, and encouraging people with an interest in genealogy and family history to attend. We are especially targeting those people who have been considering starting a study of their "roots" but have been putting it off because

they are not sure how to start. We will have experienced genealogists on hand, who have delved into their ancestry both in the US and in Europe. Lots of material, useful in this kind of research will be on display as well as real examples of what can be done.

We often refer to this as genealogy but actually genealogy is just the beginning. Genealogy deals with names, dates, etc. Those are the raw materials for putting together a history of your family. Useful and interesting in its own right, but it can be important to a person's health. Increasingly, medicine is examining people's ancestry to spot possible predispositions to many kinds of ailments. To say genealogy can save your life is a bit melodramatic but it's possible. The main reason to do it is because it's fun. So if you've been kicking around thoughts of starting it, now is the perfect time.

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BACK AND FORTH ACROSS THE RIVER BY Rocky Nelson

The picture accompanying this column is of another item from Brettun & Black's records. In this case it is an account with L Wells. This would be Lucius Wells who lived where Roland and Nancy Bartscher now live at 912 1st Ave. Among many other things, Lucius Wells ran a ferry across the river, and this slip of paper shows the use Francis Black made of it, in a period of time from October 1850, to January 1851. The writing is pretty legible and we can make out his transactions, revealing some interesting things as well as creating a minor mystery.

The first two items deal with ferrying wheat across the river in September. This would have been shortly after harvest time and Brettun & Black dealt in grain. It would have been sacked wheat. There was no provision for handling large quantities of loose grain in the 1850's. Black used the upstairs of his store for grain storage.

The third item is the one that opens up a mystery. "Oct 9th ferrying horse & Erastus over and back 80 (cents)". The wording seems strange. Why would he write "horse & Erastus" instead of "Mr. Erastus & horse"? Furthermore, Erastus was a name commonly given to slaves. Was this, in fact, a horse accompanied by a slave sent across the river and back? If so, why would Brettun & Black pay for this trip? Brettun was a vehement abolitionist and his son-in-law, Francis was not as vehement but still anti-slavery. Why would a slave have been in Hampton in 1850? Much less taking a trip across and back on the river, paid for by Brettun & Black? It seems unlikely that these questions will ever be answered. This opens up the chance for some literary minded individual to write a fiction story about all this. Keep in mind that there was a high probability that Brettun was an Underground Railroad Conductor, and it seems there is background here for a good story. I'll be waiting to see which of you readers does this first. Please hurry. I'm holding my breath!

Looking at the next item: "Oct 14 ferrying 99 sacks of onions" reminds us that the rich bottom land Hampton is built on was perfect for growing onions, and in fact this was done until fairly recent times. Actually, Pleasant Valley was more famous for their onion fields (though they're down to just one,

now-a-days), so it would seem like taking coal to Newcastle, sending more onions over there.

The last two items deal with pork, which was a large operation at Brettun & Black. The December 30 shipment seems to have been barreled pork judging from the wording. Jan 20 was probably 8-butchered hogs, not squealing porkers. Black never butchered on site but instead purchased butchered hogs from farmers.

Notice that Black received \$ 1.25 discount on his bill. Also, that the proceeds were divided up, half going to L Wells, to G R Wells (a brother), and to S Poston (a son-in-law). We

assume they were members of Wells & Co in 1850.

There is another interesting thing about Wells' Ferry. If you go across the river to where the Ferry would have landed on the Iowa side, you will find a Wells Ferry Road that runs over the bluff into the country, a vestige from 150 years ago.

Ferries were the only way to cross the river in 1850. It was several years before a bridge was built, the famous bridge that the steamer Effie Afton hit and prompted a law suit that Abraham Lincoln took part in, defending the railroad from the steamboat

1850

Brettun & Black in acc with L Wells & Co

|                                                             |                 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Sept 4 <sup>th</sup> 1850 to ferrying wheat                 | \$ 8 50 x       |
| " 11 wheat for Mr. Stafford 180 bus                         | 2 50 x          |
| Oct 9 <sup>th</sup> to ferrying horse & Erastus over & back | 80              |
| " 14 to ferrying 99 sacks of onions                         | 2 00            |
| Nov 18 horse & gig both ways                                | 1 00            |
| Dec 3 <sup>rd</sup> to ferrying Mearns pork                 | 2 00            |
| Jan 23/51 to ferrying 8 hogs & hauling                      | \$ 1 25 x       |
|                                                             | <u>\$ 13 05</u> |
|                                                             | <u>1 25</u>     |
|                                                             | <u>\$ 11 80</u> |

1/2 to L Wells

1/4 to G R Wells

1/4 to S Poston

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interests that sued, claiming that it was wrong to build a bridge over a navigable river.

Ferries are still with us, of course. The Staten Island Ferry in New York is famous and there are dozens of ferries in many places across the country. A few years ago there was a movement to install an automobile ferry at New Boston since people in that area had to travel a considerable distance to cross the river. I have not heard about the progress of the proposal. In any case we can say that one of the first ferries across the Mississippi River was Well's Ferry in Hampton.

This was not the only ferry in Hampton, the house where Harriette Gillespie lives, 318, 1st Ave, was the residence of one of the members of the Silvis family, which gave the name to the town over the bluff from us. "Ship" Silvis, as he was called, farmed Campbell's Island (no one living there at that time), and had a ferry large enough for a team and farm equipment, to cross the slough. This wasn't intended to carry passengers, however. So Hampton has a long history of being a ferryboat port.

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# Moving the Ginkgo Tree

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Step 1: Preparing to separate tree and base.



Step 2: the saw...look toward the back

Step 3: Lifting the tree from the base!



Thom Gleich is doing the sculptures. He is best known in this area for 'Majestic Hope', the sand crane located in Vander Veer Park in Davenport. Thom also carved all of the life-sized figures depicting Georges Seurat's famous painting, 'Sunday Afternoon on the Island of Le Grande Jatte' on Credit Island. Thom roughs out the figures using different sized and shaped chain saws. He refines the pieces using various mechanical routers and cutters. He achieves the fine detail by using mallet and a wide array of wood chisels. Thom has about 600 hours in the ginkgo project thus far.

The tree was moved 6 May 2002. Many highly skilled specialists helped with the move. There were at least three steel riggers, members of Iron Workers Union Local 111, who lashed the nylon webbing to safely lift the 18,000 pound carving. Jim Pholmann of Davenport was one of these men.

- Jim Hayne, President of General Constructors Inc., coordinated the move. He developed the route and acquired the special, short-bed, low-boy trailer and truck. Jim lives right here in Hampton.



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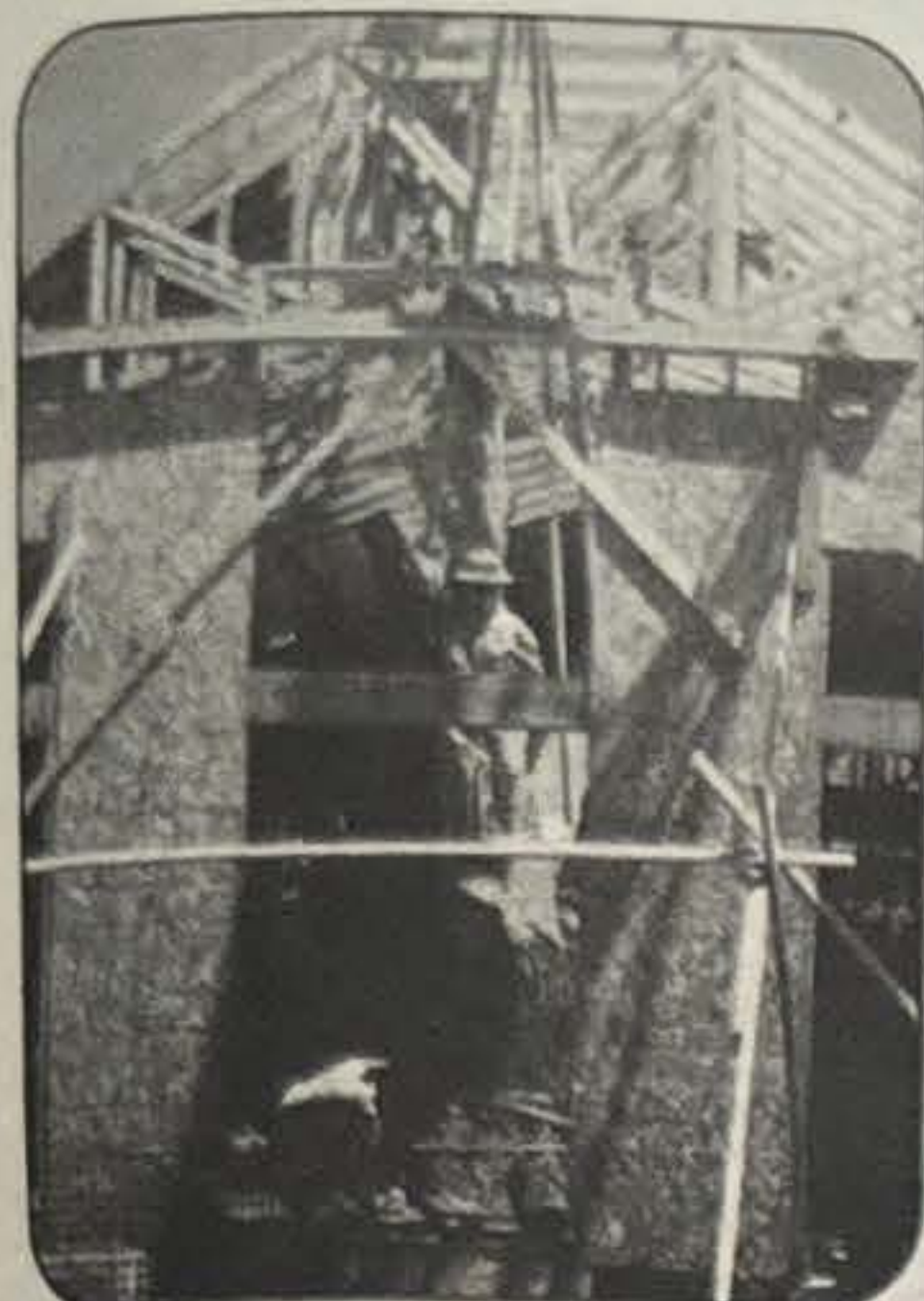


# to the Heritage Center

Rocky Nelson



Step 4: Transporting the sculpture



Step 7: Home at last!

- Brian Jay, regional manager of Davey Tree in Bettendorf, helped with the cutting using the 7 foot chainsaw as well as cleared low-hanging branches along the route. He donated his time for the cause.

- Keith Majors, chief forester for Davenport,

took vacation to help with the other end of the saw. He counted 126 growth rings.

- Thom Gleich, North Scott vocational teacher and carver/sculptor, took a day off to help on the saw and oriented the ginkgo sculpture inside the building.

- Dan Langston was the remarkable crane operator from Hampton Crane Company located in Bettendorf. He made maneuvering the huge sculpture look easy with the 30 ton crane.



Steps 5 and 6: Lifting the tree from the truck with a crane, to put it into the Center through the roof.

## FATHERS' DAY by Web-Holidays.com

The creation of a national day for Dads began back in the 1900s when a grateful daughter wanted to express her deep appreciation for her own father. A gentleman by the name of William Smart, a civil war veteran, was widowed when his wife died in childbirth. Mr. Smart raised his six children on a rural farm in eastern Washington State. When Sonora Louise Smart Dodd, one of Mr. Smart's children, was grown she wanted to show her appreciation for her father. He had shown her a great love and strength in raising her and her siblings as a single parent. So, in 1909, she proposed a day to honor her father in June (the month of her father's birth).

The very first Fathers' Day followed on June 19, 1910 in Spokane, Washington. In 1924, President Calvin Coolidge showed support of this becoming a national holiday. However, it wasn't until 1966 when President Lyndon Johnson officially proclaimed Fathers' Day a national holiday to be celebrated on the 3rd Sunday of June.

Harry C. Meek, president of the Lions Club in Chicago, was also a component in establishing Fathers' Day. He gave several speeches around the United States expressing the need for a day to honor our fathers. In 1920 the Lions Clubs of America presented him with a gold watch, with the inscription "Originator of Fathers' Day".

### Traditions

If your father is living, wear a red rose.

If your father has passed away, wear a white rose.

The very creative tie as a gift.

A cookout usually prepared by Dad himself.

Tell your Dad how much you love him--and why.

Give him a great big hug.



## FATHER'S HALL OF FAME(?!)

The sentiment to honor one's parent is as old as the bible. It is not always easy to put our feelings and thoughts about a parent who means or meant so much to us into words. So how can a person, in a lasting way, express one's love and respect for a parent?

A father of five children, Attorney William Irwin, felt it was time this country had a place where all fathers could be honored, celebrated, and remembered. Irwin's intention from the start, in May 1992, was to make sure every father in America had an opportunity to be inducted into a shrine that honors fathers and fatherhood.

The Father's Hall of Fame began, like many great things begin, in a one room schoolhouse. Mr. Irwin housed the charter membership roles for the Father's Hall of Fame in a one room schoolhouse leased from Mrs. Margaret E. Kennedy of Coolspring Township in Mercer, Pennsylvania. The 110 year old building was closed as a center for learning in 1940 but reopened as the geographical center for the Father's Hall of Fame in 1992.

Visitors touring this museum open from mid-May through mid-October, could punch in an inductee's name and review all the information on each father. A person could review a father's birth date, occupation, military history, honors, education, ancestry, and other information. The schoolhouse is still standing but the Charter Membership Rolls are now on the Father's Hall of Fame on the Internet for everyone to see. The advancement of technology and increasing numbers of users of the internet has made it possible to bring the Father's Hall of Fame to your home via the Worldwide Web and our new virtual museum!

Visit the website at: [www.fathershalloffame.com](http://www.fathershalloffame.com)



# Jammin' with Jane

by Jane Nelson

June at last! I have been thinking about June ever since April. I wrote May's column for June. Well it is finally here. On the 10th it is our 46th wedding anniversary, I can hardly believe it. Our garage is done and I think looks pretty good. We certainly got rid of a lot of old stuff. One thing I kept was an old trunk my Dad had put in there about 35 years ago. It came out of the old barn behind Jane Huber's house. Merle Giesler lived there at that time and my Mother got her hair done by Lois, his wife. Merle was going to burn the trunk and some chairs. My Mother got the chairs and I got the trunk in my old garage. On closer examination the name Hanewalker was stenciled on the trunk. It belonged to the man who built all the Queen Anne houses in Hampton. Mine was built in 1898 from May to Oct. We found notes behind the wainscoting in the kitchen and a door step upstairs that we have removed over the years. K and D did the honors of restoring the old trunk and it is a thing of beauty. It is made of little pieces of wood fitted together. The top is made of black walnut and maple. The rest is made of 7 different kinds of wood. Kenyon Pfau took off all the hardware and cleaned it. Inside it has drawers that slide back and forth with a long section in the back for saws. It was a carpenter's trunk. I may bring it up to Black's Store during Heritage Days so you can all get a look at it.

Just a few notes on Amish Friendship Bread. If anyone needs the starter let me know. I think you can start your own with a cup of milk, a cup of flour and a cup of sugar. Let it set a few days mashing it often. Then start with the directions. I found it worked real well using SPLENDA and then diabetics can eat it. I also found you can just take out one cup and use the rest doubling the recipe. Of course you then get 3 large loaves instead of two. Or you can make one loaf and a bundt cake. I have used chopped dates and walnuts, dried cranberries, dried cherries and blueberries. All were very tasty. I served it at the May meeting of the Hampton Historical Society. All thought it was great. It also freezes well.

Now for a couple recipes. My daughter Martha sent me two.  
**Italian Layered Pie** (January 2000 issue of Shape magazine)  
Prep Time: 45 minutes Cook Time: 60 minutes Serves 12

Nonstick cooking spray  
1 10 oz refrigerated pizza dough  
3 T seasoned bread crumbs (I used crushed seasoned bread cubes)  
2/3 c fat free chicken broth, heated  
1/3 c chopped sun-dried tomatoes  
8 egg whites, slightly beaten  
1 c shredded Parmesan cheese  
1 c fat-free Ricotta cheese  
2 T all-purpose flour  
1 large onion, chipped  
2 16-oz packages frozen chopped spinach, thawed and squeezed dry  
2 red bell peppers, chopped (one would be enough)  
2 3-oz links turkey sausage  
7 5-oz slices reduced fat provolone (I got a 1/2 lb sliced)  
1/4 c chopped parsley  
2 T pine nuts  
6 2-oz slices paper-thin honey ham  
1 c shredded part-skim mozzarella

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Coat a 10-inch spring-form pan with cooking spray. Press dough into it and up sides. Add bread crumbs; set aside. Put broth and tomatoes in a bowl. Cover, set aside. I did this and then forgot to put them in, so you could skip this and it tastes just fine. In a large bowl, combine next 4 ingredients. Coat a large nonstick skillet with cooking spray. Sauté onion 5 minutes. Add spinach; cook 1 more minute. Cool slightly. Add to cheese mixture. Spoon over dough.

In same skillet, sauté bell pepper. Layer over spinach. Remove sausage casing. In same skillet, cook sausage. Layer atop peppers. Next, layer provolone cheese, parsley, pine nuts tomatoes (discard broth), ham and mozzarella. Tent loosely with foil. Bake 50 minutes. Remove foil; Bake 10 more minutes. Let stand 10 minutes. Serve. Per serving Calories= 267, Fat= 9.4g, Cholesterol= 31 mg, 32% of calories from fat, 36% from carbohydrates, 32% from protein

The other recipe she sent is for green beans

## Roasted Green Beans

Roasting brings out the flavors of green beans and onions.  
Serves 4-6

2T olive oil  
1 lb green beans, fresh, ends removed  
1 T Balsamic vinegar  
Salt and pepper to taste  
one medium green onion diced

Pre-heat the oven to 400 degrees. Toss together the oil, beans and onion. Place in a single layer in a large casserole dish. Bake for 20 to 30 minutes (or until ingredients are tender). Toss with the vinegar and season. Serve Warm.

We had a pot luck at Ceramics class a couple of weeks ago. One of the girls from Dixon IA, Jennifer Dahms brought this great dip recipe. It goes very well with tortilla chips.

## Baked Cheese Salsa Dip

2 8oz pkg cream cheese  
1 stick butter or margarine  
Cream together  
Add 1 c salsa  
2 drained cans Mexicorn.  
Bake 350 degrees 40 minutes

On my Birthday in April, Rock and I went out for lunch. We went to Frieda's Tea Room at 17th Ave and 6th St East Moline. It is right across the street from St Anne's School. They have breakfast also. I had a chicken salad sandwich that was great. They are open Mon through Fri. 7:30 am to 2:30 pm and are also open the same hours on Sat. You can also reserve the Tearoom for your own special occasions on weekends or evenings min 20-25 max 30-35. They will personalize for the occasion and your budget. Call 309-751-9570. They also have an assortment of sugar free desserts. All are made fresh in their kitchen by Frieda. Whole cakes and tortes are also available but require 24 to 48 hr advance notice. They also have dinners once a month by reservation. If you have a free morning or luncheon time please try it out. It was delightful.

Next month we will try to get to the breakfast casserole. Please keep giving me new ideas and recipes. They are all greatly appreciated.

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The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, April 15

The board approved the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting and Executive Board Minutes of March 11th, 2002, and the Regular and Executive Board Minutes of March 18th, 2002.

Two letters were presented to the board. The first letter was from Jennifer O'Hare-Marker, resigning from the Board as of April 1st, 2002, having moved from the district. The Board will post this board opening. The second was from Dr. Paquette resigning as Superintendent/ Principal from Hampton School as of June 30th, 2002.

Next, Ms. Rae Benzon asked to address the Board regarding Mrs. Paxton's evaluations. She had verbal permission from Mrs. Paxton to discuss her evaluations, however President Baldrige stated that he would need a letter. Ms. Benzon and Mr. Steve Kraft both explained why they felt that Ms. Benzon should be permitted to discuss the evaluations in public, rather than in executive session as the board wanted to do. It was noted that Mrs. Paxton would be coming to the Board Meeting to give verbal permission. This discussion was tabled until later.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Building & Grounds:** Al Kipp reported he still had not received a summer work list from the custodian therefore he does not know the amount of money needed to complete the summer projects. Mr. Boore looked into putting sod on the playground. The committee will review this.

**Planning:** Due to Dr. Paquette's resignation there needs to be discussion about the best way to find a new Superintendent.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The board accepted the resignation of Teresa Hayne as Library Aide and Special Education Aide, and approved the employment of Barb Rauh as full day substitute Special Education Aide. According to Dr. Paquette, due to two new I.E.P.'s and a letter from Miss Williams, the Special Education teacher, this position needs to become a full day position until the end of the school year.

Approval was given to employment of Bradley A. Harkder as full time Maintenance - Custodian. Harker begins at a salary of \$24,000.00 with with benefits starting July 1, 2002, and will begin on May 1, 2002 at a rate of \$9.00 per hour for 6 hours per days for the next 42 days to learn the procedures.

Dr. Paquette stated that the Junior High Schedule is set and the position for Language Arts and Reading is filled, therefore there is an opening for a 4th grade teacher and Dr. Paquette recommended the recall of RIF Teacher Craig Pulford to fill that position. The board approved this.

Up-Date on TIF: Dr. Paquette noted that if the school received the \$23,000.00 from the Village, the Reading Improvement Teachers and the Library Aid could be rehired. Randy Baldrige stated he was doing extensive research on districts that similar TIF contracts and he is finding favorable situations which he will share with the Village Board at a later time.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

The board approved the NAEIR contract for 2002-2003. The school pays \$475.00 for this and receives many more benefits as the merchandise received is used by the teachers, given to the students, and used for supplies throughout the school year. They also approved BHASED purchase of Carbon Cliff buildings: BHASED purchased these building earlier in the year but the written resolution was absent. The board decided to uphold their vote from the original time of pur-

chase.

The board approved purchase of services from Bethany Education and Prevention. This is a program for 6th graders that we have used in the past with great success.

Dr. Paquette stated that he and an Advisory Committee worked together and decided to reinstate the Reading Improvement program, with the Board helping to pay the difference of 20 percent. The Advisory Committee also felt they needed to keep the Library Aide and the Library System. However the board would need to come up with approximately \$8,000.00 for this program. The board approved applying for the Federal and State Grants using the proposals from the Superintendent and his committee.

The board returned to the communication session, giving visitors their five minutes to speak. Ms. Benzon again said she wanted to speak about Mrs. Paxton's evaluation in open session. Mrs. Paxton was present and gave consent to have this done. Mr. Jordan stated that he felt this still should be discussed in executive session. The board was polled. It was agreed that President Baldrige would speak with the school attorney and Mrs. Benzon would return at the next board meeting and have written approval from Mrs. Paxton to discuss her evaluations.

Fred Husman will head up the personnel committee with Al Kipp's help and they will begin gathering information for a Superintendent search. The Board will advertise for the vacancy on the School Board and they will follow the procedure as in the past to fill this position.

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

#### Minutes of the Special Board Meeting for Monday, April 22, 2002

President Randy Baldrige called the Special Board Meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. on Monday, April 22nd, 2002.

Visitors: Honorable Joe Vermeire and Dave Wright

The board went into Executive Session at 6:36 p.m., to discuss personnel issues, and to have Mr. Wright attend the executive session. The meeting returned to open session at 9:10 p.m. There was no action taken on the fact-finding meeting for the Superintendent Search, but this meeting will continue on Monday, April 29th at 6:30 p.m. It was decided to extend the date to April 29th for candidates interested in the school board opening. The letters will be reviewed on that date and the candidates will be contacted for interviews. The meeting was adjourned 9:12 p.m.

#### Minutes of the Special Board Meeting for Monday April 29

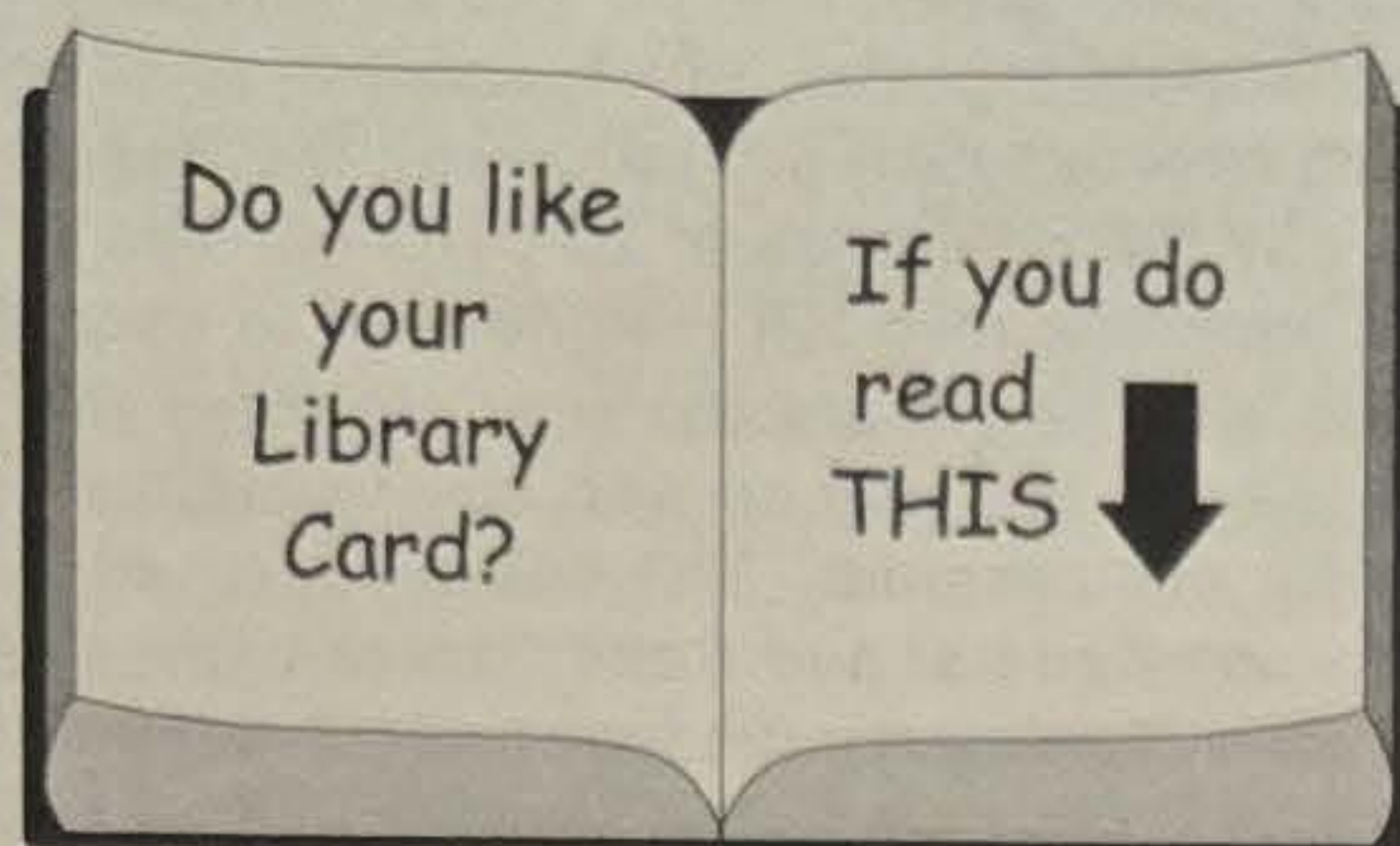
The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m., and went, almost immediately into executive session to address a student issue, among other things. Upon returning to open session, the Superintendent was directed to take designated action on referral #4 as per policy and to verify communication as described in referral # 5, then take prescribed action as per board policy.

There will be another Special Board Meeting Monday, May 6 at 6:30 p.m. The candidates for the board seat will be invited to attend. At this time, they will be interviewed and a new board member will be appointed. A discussion on the Superintendent Search will be conducted in executive session at that meeting. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

**ALL MINUTES ARE EDITED FOR SPACE CONSIDERATIONS.**



## 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.

## Local Jazzercise Receives F.I.T. Masters

Jazzercise, the largest dance-fitness program in the world, recently honored local instructor, Sherri Kotula, with the Masters F.I.T. (Further Instructor Training) certificate. The F.I.T. program was created by Jazzercise as a means for instructors to track their continuing fitness education on a regular basis. Jazzercise both encourages and requires instructors to be committed to staying current on fitness, health, nutrition, injury awareness, as well as business skills. Instructors may earn F.I.T. credits by reading books, magazines, journals, newsletters, articles; attending seminars, workshops or conventions; organizing or presenting lectures; and writing educational articles, newsletters, outlines pertaining to these topics.

Jazzercise instructors are required to earn 300 F.I.T. credits as well as to complete the self-exam annually in order to maintain their Jazzercise certification. Masters F.I.T. certificates are awarded only to those franchisees who earn in excess of 600 credits.

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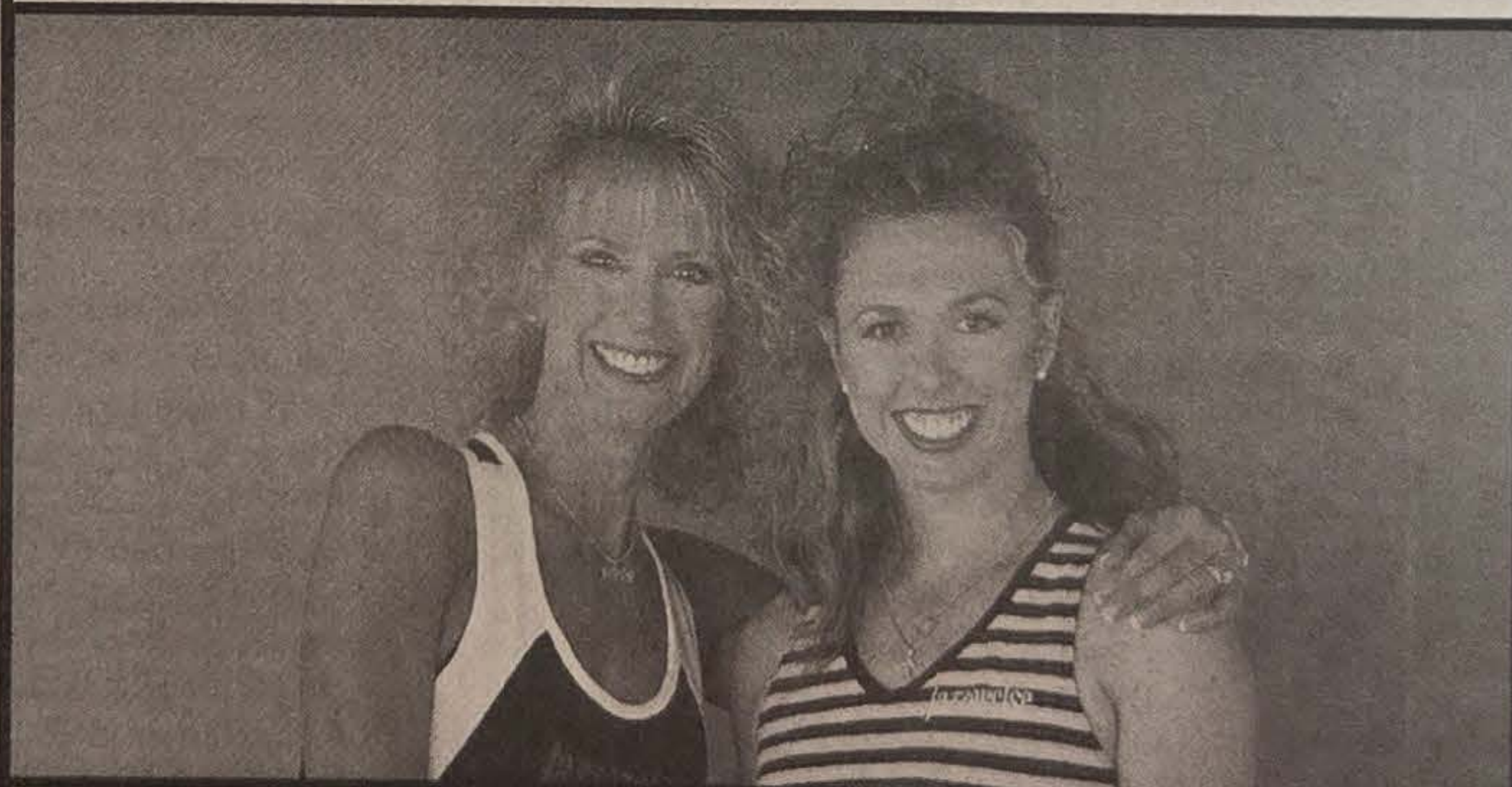
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### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MAY 6, 2002 VILLAGE OF HAMPTON

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. Trustee Garrison stated that it was his intention that CPT Jamie Hudson and LT Mark Larson would receive the Auto Allowance for the Fire Chief this quarter due to their extra duties while Chief Irby is on leave of absence. He would also like approval for Doors Inc. to replace the doors at the Police Department. Also, the radio in the rescue squad was hard wired in and it went with the rescue squad when it was sold.

Mayor Newberg reported that the ginkgo sculpture was moved to the Heritage Center today and that it looks nice in the building. He also met with Meg Flenker, Flenker Land Architects about landscape changes now that there will not be a deck on the Heritage Center. She also is going to figure areas for brick memorials and garden memorial areas around the building.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

### REGULAR MEETING MAY 6, 2002

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Approval was given to: Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of April 16; Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 16; Minutes of the Committee Meeting of April 22; Minutes of the Special Meeting of April 22; Minutes of the Public Safety Meeting of April 25; Minutes of the Budget Public Hearing of April 29; Minutes of the Special Meeting of April 29; Minutes of the Special Meeting of April 30. Also given: Approval and Authorization for Payment of Bills, A Resolution Concerning State Income Tax and Photoprocessing Tax Shared With Municipalities, and Approval of the Treasurer's Report for the Month Ending March 2002.

Mr. Chris Larrison, 330 - 2nd Avenue was present to address the Board, expressing his concerns with the possible rezoning of property at 2nd Avenue and 6th Street for condominiums. He is concerned that they will become rental housing. The Board explained that there will be a zoning hearing and that he would be contacted.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS.

**Public Safety:** The board approved payment for an auto and phone allowance to CPT Jamie Hudson, and LT Mark Larson in the amount of \$72.50 each. The board also agreed to authorize Doors, Inc. to replace the outside personnel doors at the Police Department at a cost not to exceed \$4,968.00.

**Public Works:** Trustee Johnson reported he is still waiting on word as to what the Village will have to do for compliance with the Stormwater Management Laws.

Chief of Police Hufford reported that SGT Saathoff is resigning as full time police officer effective May 22, 2002. He has accepted a position at the airport, but will still work for us part time.

Attorney Lee reported that he has had conversations with Mr. Ademi's Attorney about the old restaurant property. The case is still proceeding through the courts. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MAY 20

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by President pro tem Jeanne McKay. President Scott Newberg was absent.

Trustee Sean McKay asked if agenda item #3, discussion of employee health insurance rates could be first as he needed to leave. Trustee Sean McKay presented a table of current, renewal and alternate rates from John Deere Health. The committee discussed the options and will consider alternate #3 which will increase rates 12% at the next regular meeting on June 3, 2002.

Ms. Evelyn Watkins, Rock River Striders, was present to ask permission of the Board to conduct tethered hot air balloon rides at the June Bug Jog to be held in the Mississippi River Park on June 1, 2002. Mr. Stan Pasley, Ascension Ballooning,

Ltd. was present to answer any questions. Mr. Pasley will be required to carry liability insurance with a minimum amount of one million dollars and names the Village as additional insured.

The insurance claim for the accident that involved Mr. Jonathan Briggs on April 9, 2002 has been denied by the Village's insurance carrier because our coverage does not apply to this situation. Trustee Garrison will contact Mr. Briggs and explain to him he will have to turn in a claim to his health insurance.

Two bids have been received for heating work at the Police Department for the remodeling project. The low bid was from Kone Plumbing and heating for \$1,730.00. This needs to get started so Chief Hufford can finish the electrical work and sheet rock. The meeting was adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

### REGULAR MEETING MAY 20, 2002

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by President pro tem Jeanne McKay.

Approval was given for: Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting May 6; Minutes of the Regular Meeting May 6; Minutes of the Heritage Meeting May 9; Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting May 13, and Authorization for Payment of Bills. Pay Request #4 from Lower Construction for the construction of the Heritage Center in the amount of \$71,205.24 was approved.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS.

**Public Safety:** Trustee Garrison noted that there is not a line item in the Fire Department budget for the payment to Fire Tec for commission fees for the sale of the Rescue Squad. The budget will have to be amended. Attorney Lee will advise as to the procedure. Heating work needs to be done at the Police Department for the remodeling project. The board voted to authorize Kone Plumbing and Heating to do the work at a cost not to exceed \$1,750.00. SGT. Timothy Saathoff has resigned his full time position with the Police Department to accept a position at the Quad City Airport. Upon the recommendation of Chief Hufford the board voted to promote Officer Sam Colburn to full time effective June 1, 2002.

**Finance:** The Village accounts balance as of April 30, 2002. It was discussed to refund Rock River Striders part of their rental fee for the use of the Mississippi River Park as a donation to the June Bug Jog. Approval was given to refund Rock River Striders \$50.00 of their \$100.00 rental fee.

**Public Works:** Water meters need to be purchased for new housing starts, so the board voted to authorize DPW Sparrow to purchase 5 water meters from Midwest meter at a cost not to exceed \$950.00. Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

### JUST FOR FUN!

All too rarely, airline flight crews make an effort to make the "in-flight" safety lecture" and their other announcements a bit more entertaining. Here are some real examples that have been heard or reported:

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On landing the stewardess said, "Please be sure to take all your belongings. If you're going to leave anything, please make sure it's something we'd like to have."

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There may be 50 ways to leave your lover, but there are only 4 ways out of this airplane."

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"Thank you for flying Delta Business Express. We hope you enjoyed giving us the business as much as we enjoyed taking you for a ride."

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As the plane landed and was coming to a stop at Washington National, a lone voice came over the loud-speaker: "Whoa, big fella. WHOA!"