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SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF HAWLEY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Board Meeting—October 19, 2017—Grove -- 5:00 pm
(*final Board meeting of the year*)
- Apple Fest—November 5, 2017—Poudriers' -- 4:00-7:00 pm
- Illumination Party December 10, 2017 Meetinghouse
4:00 pm
- Board Meeting—3/15/18—Grove -- 5:00 pm
- Mud Party--March--Shrimptons' (date TBA)
- Beautify Our Town Roads -- April 15 - May 15, 2018
- Board Meeting—April 19, 2018—Grove -- 5:00 pm
- Board Meeting—May 17, 2018—Grove -- 5:00 pm
- Board Meeting--June 21, 2018--Grove -- 5:00 pm
- Board Meeting--July 19, 2018—Grove--5:00 pm
- Hawley Day / Annual Sons and Daughters Meeting—
Sunday, August 12, 2018—Meetinghouse—10:00 am
3:00 pm
- Harvest Supper—September, 2018 (exact date TBA)—Stump
Sprouts—4:30 -8:00 pm
- Board Meeting--September 20, 2018—Grove--5:00 pm

Be sure to mark your calendars now so that you won't miss any of these events.

No S&D board meetings in November, December, January, or February.

EVENTS OF THE PAST SEASON

Giant Tag Sale: June 17 - 18, 2017: Unexpected Benefits

No matter how successful any year's Sons & Daughters of Hawley's tag sale may be, there's ALWAYS stuff left over. After recent tag sales, we've put the word out on Craigslist to folks who might find this residue of use -- like churches that help the needy, or groups who supply immigrants with basics like dishes, glasses, blankets, etc., or even those who want to stock their own tag sales. This year, however, after our Craigslist post, our phone sat silent. Undaunted, husband Lark wrote a piece for the *Recorder*. Among others who called, arrived and toted away their selections, was a woman who said she couldn't take much, but would we let her take some things? We supplied directions, which she said she'd pass on to the person who'd drive her up here.

Lark met them at the Grove and watched in sympathetic curiosity as the driver -- also a woman -- transferred our caller from car to wheelchair. Lark then ferried her up the ramp and into the Grove, where her eyes widened as she scanned the remaining contents inside. "I had no idea there was this much!" she exclaimed.

Then, with all the exuberance of a child on her own in a sweets shop, she traversed the aisles between tables, with Lark negotiating the route. "Oh, I could use one of these!" she



squealed several times. Or “Oh, having this would be such fun, but, (sigh) I really don’t have room....” Then, “Look at that shade of blue! Wouldn’t that look gorgeous on my windowsill with the sun shining through it? I think I’ll take it!” And “Yes, I’ll take one of those too!” Periodically, her caregiver would spot something and ask if it was appropriate as a gift for this or that friend. Pending the decision, into the box of treasures it would go. Clearly, this lady was thrilled with her “finds.” And thus it went on.

Snippets of conversation revealed to Lark that she’d had MS for a long time and didn’t get out of her apartment that much. It simply required more energy than she generally could muster, but that day’s magnificent weather, coupled with the *Recorder* article, armed her with the motivation she needed for this outing.... Well, that and the unbeatable *free* prices. Who could not love a free shopping spree! Lark felt happy that she’d found the energy to make the trip to Hawley this day and elated that she’d found such pleasure with this novel shopping experience.



When she was finally finished with her explorations, she turned to Lark to thank him, producing a donation for the Sons and Daughters that far exceeded the value of the items she’d

taken! Obviously, both she and the Sons and Daughters benefitted from this exchange, but I think the warm glow Lark felt at her joy may have been the biggest benefit of all.

By Beth Thwing, Tag Sale Chairperson

Doane Cemetery (The Work Continues)

In the last issue of *The Edge*, Melanie Poudrier recounted the experiences of fifteen Hawleyites, working on Earth Day (April 22nd) to beautify the Doane Cemetery on Forget Road. Toward the end of her article, Melanie mentioned that Jerry McCarthy (Hawley's Roving Master of Cemeteries) would be working throughout the summer to straighten a number of old headstones.

And so he did. Over the past two months, Jerry has worked tirelessly to straighten numerous headstones that bear the names of Hawley founders, early settlers, and their family members. And, in addition, he has served as a consultant to the Hawley Historical Commission, measuring out and marking lots to be sold for future burials, helping to rationalize the records of the town cemeteries, and to update the official Procedures and Rules and Regulations documents.

Thank you so very much, Jerry, for your generosity and expertise!



The 117th Annual Hawley Day Celebration

Hawley Day 2017 was Sunday, August 13th. It began at 10 a.m with registration and the traditional Koffee Klatch outside the Meetinghouse. Folks gathered and chatted for about an hour, greeting family members and old friends and enjoying delicious nibbles and coffee. Historical books and memorabilia, mugs and t-shirts were displayed at the sales table.

The Annual Memorial Service in the Meetinghouse started at 11:00 a.m. , led by Sons & Daughters President Lark Thwing. After opening remarks, we sang a hymn and honored the following thirteen Hawleyites and those with connections to Hawley who had departed in the past year. Will Cosby placed a carnation in a vase to commemorate each. Some depart every year, but we new members join every year, as well ... thus is the circle of life.

Hawley Obituaries 2016 - 2017

Marion F. (Doyle) Bolduc, 95
Nancy Thomas Argeris, 70
Rarie (Rosamond) Taylor Dye, 92
Kathryn S. Flagg (nee, Scott), 101
Flora E. (Walden) Rice, 93
Walter L. "Walt" Rice, 69
George Lawrence McMullin, 86
Thomas G. Sisum, 52
Evelyn May Doody, 95
Alonzo R. Spooner, Jr., 80
Joanne M. Clark, 77
Richard G. Bertini, M.D., 89
Robert L. Sessions, 63

The Memorial service closed with the singing of "America the Beautiful."

The Annual Meeting of the Sons and Daughters of Hawley was called to order at 11:15 a.m. by President Lark Thwing. The business portion of the meeting commenced with Serra Root giving the Treasurer's Report and voicing an especially big thank you to Beth Thwing for the very successful tag sale that she organized. Pamela Shrimpton reviewed the year's activities, meetings, and special projects including the Gentlemen's Pie & Tart Contest, Election Bake Sale, Mud Party, Tag Sale, Sing, Harvest Supper, and the ongoing Archiving Project at the Grove. She thanked all the officers and trustees, as well as Tinky Weisblat, for a year filled with fun and successful events. Lark Thwing explained a change being proposed in the bylaw that governs the slate of Sons and Daughters officers. The amended bylaw is below.

ARTICLE IV – S&D BYLAWS

OFFICERS

Section 1. Officers of the society shall consist of a President, a First Vice President, a Second Vice President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer to be elected each year at the Annual Meeting. Each of the Vice Presidents shall run at least 2 meetings each year, including setting the agendas.

Section 2. In addition to the five officers there shall be no less than four and no more than ten Trustees, to be elected at the annual meeting to serve for three years. One third of the Trustees shall be elected each year to maintain continuity on the Board of Trustees. Any Trustee may be elected to succeed him or herself in office. The Board of Trustees shall consist of the officers together with the elected Trustees.

Section 3. The President shall appoint a nominating committee of at least three members, to prepare a slate of Officers and Trustees to be presented to each Annual Meeting.

The bylaw change was moved, seconded and approved unanimously with no further discussion.

This was followed by the election of officers and trustees. The slate of officers was presented by Lark, who thanked the present members of the Board and welcomed the newest, Sarah Ohmann. The current slate of officers and trustees is:

Lark Thwing—President
John Sears—First Vice President
Will Cosby—Second Vice President
Serra Root--Treasurer
Pamela Shrimpton--Secretary
Juanita Clark, Hawley-'20
Sarah Ohmann, Hawley-'20
Alice Parker, Hawley-'18
Suzy Groden, Hawley-'18
Beth Thwing, Hawley-'19
Robert Root, Hawley-'19

With the business portion of the meeting concluded, Serra Root presented Alice Parker, this year's honoree, with an award for her years of unwavering service to the town and to the Sons & Daughters of Hawley. Lark spoke movingly of their long relationship, dating back to his childhood, and the entire gathering expressed their sincere thanks



to Alice for all she has given and will continue to give to Hawley.

Alice then asked for the traditional naming of the Oldest Man present: It was Richard Ohmann (86); and the Oldest Woman: Alice Parker, 91; the Youngest: Nicole Felts (24); and the Person who had Traveled the Farthest: Elizabeth Sears, who has come to Hawley from Alaska. The winners were presented with attractive gift baskets.

Melanie Poudrier and Serra Root were singled out for special thanks for all the garden work they have done at the Meetinghouse, the Grove, and the Old Town Common. Bob Root and Brendan were thanked for their hard work in making the grounds look superb.

We sang the Hawley Song with Alice Parker on the piano, and the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

The luncheon was held at the Grove. Folks brought sandwiches, and the Sons & Daughters Board members provided a lavish buffet of salads, drinks, and desserts. Musical entertainment was provided by Pat and Tex LaMountain. We give a huge thanks to all the people who helped with the preparation, serving, and cleanup of the food, and also to those who contributed in other ways.



After lunch, Leo Roy, the Commissioner of the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), members of his staff, State Senator Adam Hinds, and State Representative Paul Mark, joined us to celebrate the upcoming repair of Middle and Hunt Roads in the Dubuque Memorial State Forest. A large banner strung between two of the maples at the Grove thanked Commissioner Roy for reuniting East and West Hawley. After Hunt Road is repaired, it will be possible to drive once again from one side of town to the other without traveling the long way around through Plainfield or Charlemont. Construction will begin this fall. John Sears, Selectboard Chair Hussain Hamdan, Commissioner Roy, Senator Hinds, and Representative Mark each spoke at the ceremony. Commissioner Roy then cut a ribbon to symbolically mark the beginning of the project.

The Harvest Dinner and Thoreau Celebration

About a third of the way through the chapter named “Tuesday” in *A Week on the Concord and Merrimack Rivers*, Thoreau is writing to pass the time while he and his brother wait for a lock to fill so they can proceed in their boat trip up the Merrimack River. He is musing on the issue of civility and manners, and decides to illustrate his views with a story from a walking trip he had taken some time before.



He begins,

Early one summer morning I had left the shores of the Connecticut, and for the livelong day travelled up the bank of a river, which came in from the west; now looking down on the stream, foaming and rippling through the forest a mile off, from the hills over which the road led, and now sitting on its rocky brink and dipping my feet in its rapids, or bathing adventurously in mid-channel. The hills grew more and more frequent, and gradually swelled into mountains as I advanced, hemming in the course of the river, so that at last I could not see where it came from, and was at liberty to imagine the most wonderful meanderings and descents. At noon I slept on the grass in the shade of a maple, where the river had found a broader channel than usual, and was spread out shallow, with frequent sand-bars exposed.

To Michael Hoberman of Buckland, a professor of American literature at Fitchburg State University, this passage suggests the spot where, today, picnic tables are located on the banks of the Deerfield River in east Charlemont. For this reason, he selected that spot to deliver an engaging and informative talk about Thoreau to a group of about thirty people on Sunday afternoon, September 10th. It was easy to picture Henry David Thoreau, curled peacefully under the old maple that shades one of the picnic tables, lulled to sleep on a hot summer day by the sound of the river as it passed around and over the pebbles and sand bars which are still there, not unlike those he noted as he trekked through Charlemont that day.

A few hours later, at Stump Sprouts, another, somewhat larger group (including some who had been at the river earlier in the day) came together to enjoy the Annual Sons and Daughters Harvest Dinner. The meal, generously provided by Lloyd and Suzanne Crawford and made with food almost entirely grown in and around Hawley, was sumptuous and delicious.



The Menu featured:

Cantaloupe from the gardens of Rol Hesselbart & Lynne
Perry in Heath

Stump Sprouts sweet & sour pickles

Baked stuffed cabbage featuring Side Hill Farm beef, Stump
Sprouts garden veggies & valley cabbage

A veggie version of the cabbage dish featuring Side Hill Farm
School House Cheddar Cheese

Warm oat bread and butter made from Side Hill Farm cream
and whey

Purple and golden Stump Sprouts beets prepared with Stump
Sprouts pickle juice and Chickley Alp maple syrup

Stump Sprouts garden green beans seared in home grown
garlic & Side Hill butter

Roasted squash from Atherton Farm

Stump Sprouts garden salad

For dessert, a peach custard with wild-gathered
blackberries, Side Hill cream, Apex peaches, Chickley
Alp maple syrup, eggs from Colrain, and blackberries
gathered by Suzanne Crawford.

Iced wild mint tea and hard cider donated by Headwater Cider

After dinner, the group joined Michael Hoberman for another conversation about Thoreau. We read favorite passages, asked questions, offered observations, and Andrea Bernard, librarian of the Tyler Memorial Public Library, and Janice Sorensen read portions of a moving anti-slavery speech delivered by Thoreau.

The Sons and Daughters of Hawley are extremely grateful to Lloyd and Suzanne Crawford for providing and preparing this meal and for making the facilities at Stump Sprouts available for the event, as they do every year; to Dr. Hoberman, for sharing his knowledge of and enthusiasm for Thoreau's writings; and to the Tyler Memorial Library for co-sponsoring the participation of Dr. Hoberman.



COMMUNITY AND TOWN BUSINESS

Postmaster Tammy Hicks Retires

In the summer of 1986, Tammy Hicks, a young Charlemont pre-school teacher and mother of two, had a chance to fill in at her local post office, where a part-time position had unexpectedly opened up. She found the work engaging and satisfying and so, when invited a year later to apply for a career position with the USPS, she did. What convinced her early on that working for the Postal Service would give her satisfaction and was the kind of work for which she was well-suited was that, as she puts it, "it's all about people."

And, happily for those who have had the benefit of Tammy Hicks's postmaster-ship, the authorities in the USPS were quick to recognize her natural leadership qualities. Tammy assumed her first career position in 1987, in 1991 she was made Postmaster in Rowe, and ten years later she returned to the Charlemont-Hawley Post Office as Postmaster. And, thanks to her natural warmth and good humor, her attentiveness to detail, and her willingness to put herself out for patrons, over the past sixteen years, those who have done business in the Charlemont-Hawley Post Office have found it a thoroughly pleasant experience.

When asked what changes she has seen since starting with the Postal Service, Tammy laughs and exclaims, "Everything!" She started before computers were introduced, so every facet of postal work -- weighing parcels and envelopes, looking up postage, sorting, record-keeping, was done by hand. "Now," she says, "everything is just put into the computer. And there are so many new services: 'Priority Mail,' 'Express Mail,' 'Overnight Service,' tracking, 'forever' stamps." Before everything was done electronically, the pace of work was measured and comfortable. These days, it is unrelentingly fast. Everything is instantaneous. "Everybody wants everything *now*, and we're all going 100 miles an hour,"

Tammy observes. Learning how to use the automated techniques that were introduced over the past thirty years has been challenging, but she mastered each new aspect of the work, usually quickly and thoroughly enough to be the person assigned to teach her colleagues.



But, while she has adapted to the updates in equipment, technology, and pace, Tammy admits that something valuable has been lost. In particular, she has seen her direct contact with people shrinking steadily, as have opportunities to do things that make customers happy, which she sees as her greatest strength and the most important part of her job. She loved the

years spent on Main Street, observing life in the towns, knowing who lived where, learning who was moving in or out, watching children grow up from being unable to see over the counter to having children of their own, being the person everyone in Charlemont and Hawley felt they could go to for local information. Automation, she says, has led to the workers not being as connected to the patrons as they were. Even training sessions, which used to be done with groups meeting at central sites, now are carried on through computers, and the trainers and trainees are never actually in one another's presence. She spends more and more time on her computer, less and less at the counter, and this creates a feeling of "separation." This feeling, she admits, made her decision to retire somewhat easier.

The clerks have told her that she should write a book about all the strange things she has seen mailed to or from the post office, including a setting hen with her eggs, live geese and ducks, crickets, , and encased but busy bees. They had to mail a dead bat (to a lab for rabies testing) once, and have mailed objects that needed ATF clearance. Every day had its surprises and required her and the clerks to be adaptable and ready to cope with new challenges. One day, someone will walk in carrying a tractor tire he wants to mail, or they receive duffle bags coming back from Iraq, covered in very fine sand that gets everywhere. They send care packages out to kids in the armed forces, as well. "You just never know: every day, there's something different in here, you never know what someone's going to want to mail. Everything!"

If there is anything about her job that Tammy Hicks will *not* miss, it is "the worrying about everything: to make sure that the mail gets out, the carriers get out, that everybody gets what they're supposed to get ... the 'being the mom' thing, keeping everything together ... which is also part of what I've loved." She explains that this drive to take care of things has been a motivating force throughout her life, even in its non-work portions. It's what got her to be an organizer of the town fair, to be the "Captain's Mom" in the Little League. "There is always that group of people that people turn to and say 'Can you do it?' I was one of them. But, I'm ready to just step backward now ... a little bit ... and take a breath."

Tammy Hicks's last day as Postmaster of the Charlemont/Hawley Post Office was September 29th. In retirement, what will she be doing? She's not sure, though she knows that she'll be busy, helping her husband and sons with their logging and farming businesses, spending time with her four grandchildren, figuring out what she wants to do next. Perhaps she'll write that book!

The 29th was marked by an all-day Open House at the Post Office. Tammy had donuts and cookies and a cake in the afternoon, and that day she was on the *other side* of the

counter, out in the lobby, hugging everybody and being hugged in return.



The position of Postmaster in Charlemont-Hawley was posted a few weeks before the end of September. Whoever is lucky enough to get that position will inherit a beautifully organized operation and a group of patrons from the two towns it serves who will cherish their memories of the many, many times they got help mailing something or solving some problem, or were just able to spend a little time enjoying a conversation with the Honorable Tammy Hicks, Postmaster.

BYGONE YEARS OF HAWLEY



An Oral History of Hawley

Recent issues of The Edge have included excerpts from interviews with Darwin Clark, Sr. (DC) and his wife Dorothy (Dor), conducted on February 10, 1987 by Richard Mathews (RM). This was part of the Sons and Daughters of Hawley's Oral History Project, in which a group of elders told about growing up in Hawley in the early 20th century. In this issue, we publish one more excerpt, this one featuring Dorothy Clark's recollections.

RM: Oh. What did your parents do?

Dor: My parents? [*sharp intake of breath*] Well, my father, he worked for the railroad and he also worked for the WPA, and my mother, she -- she always stayed home, she never worked out. She just -- the only time she worked is when they had that WPA sewing project. Over by Florette's -- you know? In that --

RM: Tell me a little bit about that.

Dor: WPA?

RM: No, no -- the sewing project.

Dor: The sewing project? Well, Dar's mother was the "Boss" [*she laughs*] and about a half a dozen or so -- I think there was about 6 ladies or so -- that'd get together and they'd make home-made clothes ... for the "poor people" But, *we* were poor and as I told Florette one day, there was nothing worse than wearing a pair of undies with 'lastics [*laughs*] and scratching and everything! [*laughs*] You know. They made your clothes, and they'd make them out of whatever material they could get. And sometimes they were made out of grain bags, you know, they had those different floral, colored grain bags?

RM: Uh-huh.

Dor: And they'd make dresses and I'm telling you, I hated those clothes something wicked! But, that's what I had to wear. There was nothing else back then.

RM: They were itchy and scratchy?

Dor: Oh, they were itchy and scratchy all right! [*Darwin and she laugh*] Beause the material was so rough!

RM: Grain bags.

Dor: Yes. They had floral-colored -- you know -- grain comes in floral material.

RM: Did they make outer clothes out of that?

Dor: Oh, yes! They made *everything*! They made your undies and your slips and your dresses and we even ma-- when we first built this house, my mother-in-law, she made me curtains and things like that, for the house, and some people made bedspreads -- they got enough bags alike --

RM: Yes, and this was in -- would have been in the '30s?

Dor: Uh-huh. So, it wasn't good living [*laughs a little ruefully*]

RM: No, no. Did your family have anything to do with the CCC Project? In the forest?

Dor: No. The only boy that I knew that was at that camp was over here by the temple. It was a family by the name of Leneue. And they also had State children. And one boy

that I knew went over there. And then, after he left there, I think he -- he never came back to the Leneues. I think he went back to Boston, or somewhere down there. But he was the only boy that I knew [*here, Dorothy's voice gets low and soft, as she remembers*]. And he went to the Bozrah School up here, with me.

RM: Right. I was going to ask you where you went to school. You went to high school in -- ? in -- ?

Dor: I went to *grammar* school 8 years up here at Bozrah School and then I went to Charlemont High School.

RM: What was the Bozrah School like?

Dor: Oh, I thought that was a nice school [*laughs*].

RM: Why?

Dor: Well, we had -- you probably don't know -- Dean Carter's wife, but she was the best school teacher! And I had her for 6 years.

RM: Yes.

Dor: I remember my first teacher was a Miss Sawyer. And she lived down here at the Ogden place. She boarded down there. And then we had second grade, we had Miss Hobbs. And they got a petition up to get her out of school because she was --. She hit me on the hands because I didn't know a simple word. And that's the only time I was beaten in school. But, it really hurt, you know.

RM: Should have had Darwin's teacher!

Dor: I know [*laughter*]! Well, Dean Carter made her a pretty good -- a long thing like that, made out of -- what would you call it, Dar? -- a carriage belt, or whatever they -- ?

DC: Oh, no ... a belt that runs a saw.

Dor: "Belting" -- yes.

RM: Oh, a saw belt?

Dor & DC [*together*]: Yes.

Dor: And then they had wood on there, on it, and the belt on the outside and they had a handle, so that's what the boys got used on up here, but all I got was just a ruler -- but that was too much because she -- they Of course, this

is when May Carter was there. But the lady before that, she didn't last but only a year. And ... I guess you'd call me a bright student ... because I got all A's [*laughs*] mostly I remember one time we had a substitute teacher and I got a couple of C's and that didn't go over too big [*laughs*]!

RM: It sounds like you liked the teacher.

Dor: No -- no -- I was also -- I was telling him not too long ago, his youngest brothers were very hateful -- because I got all A's they called me "teacher's pet." And that bothered me to no end! [*laughs*]

RM: [*Turning to Darwin*] What kind of grades did *you* get?

DC: I ... really don't remember. [*general laughter and hand clapping*]

RM: OK.

DC: I got the ruler more times than she did, but [*more laughter*] I remember THAT.

RM: OK.

Dor: No, it was very interesting, you know. I thought ... I really liked school, I thought it was very ... interesting ... but --

DC: Not to interrupt, but -- I never stayed back a year, I went along, as far as I went ... didn't miss any --

Dor: In other words, he's not as dumb as he acts! [*laughs*] He's always telling -- he's always telling these outlandish stories to his kids -- that he never went to --

DC: To the *grandchildren*! "How far'd you go in school, Grandpa?" I said, "I graduated from the 3rd grade ... [*general laughter*] ... and I was only 18 at the time!

BIRTHS

Editor's note: We are not aware of any births in the Hawley community since the last issue of The Edge. If we have missed anyone, we apologize for the oversight and hope that you will please let us know.

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OBITUARY

Ellen Parker Cosby

Ellen Parker Cosby was a generous and vibrant person, always thinking of others. Born in Newport R.I. on May 12, 1959, her mother, Mary Stuart Parker Cosby survives her; her father, John Canada Cosby, died in 2013. She is also survived by her brothers, J.Stuart [Cathy] and Will [Lisa], and sister Laura [Tom], along with many nephews and nieces.



The family moved several times as she grew up. She graduated from high school in Massachusetts, attended school in England for 18 months, returning to graduate, in 1981, from Mount Holyoke College in Massachusetts, with an Honors Degree in History.

Nothing could displace her love of the family's 'Singing Brook Farm' in Western Massachusetts that was a strong tie to her grandmother and

everything that her grandmother accomplished and treasured. If 'Gam' treasured something – Ellen treasured it just as much. Ellen devoted a great deal of her time and energy to making the Farm work and continue – just as her grandmother did.

History was one of her loves. During one of her college summers she took part in an archeological 'dig' in Israel, followed by work in 'digs' in New York City and Old Salem, North Carolina. She completed a master's degree in history at the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, during which she met the love of her life, Charlie.

In 1988 she relocated to Greensboro to be with Charlie Church. She worked part-time in the Gerontology Department at the University of North Carolina in Greensboro for 7 years during which time she also completed a teaching Certificate in Secondary Education. But Ellen found teaching 'confining', and instead turned to another love of her life - work with seniors, introducing storytelling and horticulture to seniors with memory issues. She led Garden Clubs in several Greensboro Assisted Living Centers, even convincing the kitchen staff to use the produce from the gardens! She served as a Hospice volunteer and an initial member of Greensboro's Board of Creative Aging.

Ellen was a very caring and generous person - always thinking of other persons, caring for other persons, and putting aside her own desires to provide for other persons.

Family and friends miss Ellen tremendously, but know that she would want us to move forward in the same spirit of care and generosity.

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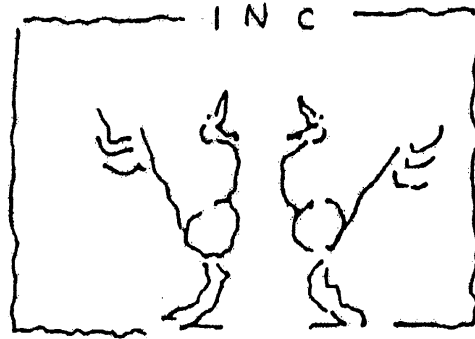
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