

Power eighth grader Allison Streit (right) asks her grandfather, Arnold Golm of Farmington, about life when he was growing

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Questions can evoke memories:

Q: What Jobs did you do as a child? A: I babysat a lot and made 25 cents a day, which usually was spent on haircuts. I also had a paper route when the papers sold for three cents and made \$4 a week, which was a great deal of money, back then.

By Brandon Cagnon special writer

An interview with my grandfa-ther, Paul Pintar:

Q: Would you describe to me your alldhood, please? A: I was born in 1933, in October.

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This was the year the Great Depression started. I was born in Acmeek,
Mich, better known as Copper Country, in the Upper Peninsula. My father, grandfather and uncle all
worked in copper mines. The summers were short, but beauliful. We
would trout fish in the streams.
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The winters started in October. The average snowfall was 300 inches a year. The snow would drift so high against the house and garage, my father had to build a tunnel to get the car out. He would dig playhouses in the side of the tunnel for us kids to play in. We would ski, sied, tobegand more. I enjoyed the ski jump, but only on little homemade fills.

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Just before leaving Acmeek to De-troit, I was given the opportunity to join a ski club, but we moved to Highland Park before I could join. Back in Acmeek, winter was rough because I had to walk two miles,

get covered with soot. I learned early, "Never eat yellow snow?"

In the springtime, I enjoyed going in the woods with my family to pick berries. We had to watch for black bears. My mom would make jelly and iam.

because I had to walk two mites, which seemed like five, to school.

When I was a boy, the locomotives were driven by coal, steam locomotives. I used to stand beside the tracks when the trains went by and

Interviewing is an art

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Take your question sheet and pen with you. Introduce yourself with direct eye contact; offer your hand and smile as you do so. The interview may then proceed. A good starting point is to briefly review the purpose of the interview. I interviewed my mother, Margaret Najjar, who was born in Pennsylvania, but has been a long-time resident of Farmington along with my father, Victor. I asked her to recall a favorite memory of berhigh school days at Carfield High in Johnstown, Pa.

This is what she said:

"I was in the 10th grade and my home economics teacher was Miss Weisberg. I enjoyed her class and I learned a lot from her. She was very patient and kind. Our class consisted of 20 girls.

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"One day, Miss Welsberg told us to prepare a fruit saled and she would gap the best ones. She had all the fruit on one table and the plates beide it. The second she saled we could start, the girls rushed to the table and began piling on all the fruit their plates could hold. It took my time and made a plate of very attractive fruits, just a little of each kind. Miss Welsberg looked over all the plates and chose mine frist prize. I was pleased and delighted. We did eat our fruit saled."

This recollection, as vivid as could be, made my mother's eyes dance. The year? 1831.

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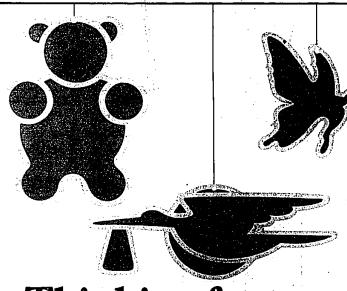
but deep trenches.
Q: Thank you, Grandpa.
A: You are welcome, Brandon



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