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JAYCEES HONOR LUEDECKE & TOMPKINS

On Tuesday, February 20th, the Bloomingdale Jaycees held their fourth annual "Citizen of the Year" awards dinner at Indian Lakes Country Club. Guest speakers for the evening were Norm Hoffman, President of the Illinois Jaycees and the Honorable Viola Morrisroe, Mayor of Bloomingdale.

The highlight of the evening was the presentation of the Citizen of the Year award and the Robert J. Homola Memorial Award. This year's Citizen of the Year, Sandra "Sundee" Luedecke, was honored for her many activities. Sundee was co-founder and chairman of the Board of Bloomingdale Township Child Care Services, Inc., Area Co-chairman for Channel 11 go-getters, Advisor to the Bloomingdale Festival Queen Contest, Telephone volunteer chairman for the Library Bond Issue, Area Coordinator for the School District 13 bond issue, and Fashion Show Chairman for the Bloomingdale Women's Club.

The two runners up were Bob Babyar and Pat Sodomka. Bob is a member of the Bloomingdale Lions Club, the Moose, a 20-year Mason, a charter member and past elder of Christ the Redeemer Lutheran Church, and member of the Bloomingdale Athletic Assoc. Bob is founder and chairman of the Lions Marathon Run as well as membership chairman and deaf activities chairman.

Pat Sodomka is Civic Chairman for the Bloomingdale Women's Club, Administrator of the Friendly Corner Learning Center for Children, Chairman of Bloomingdale's Helping Hand Program, Assistant Editor of the Village Almanac, a Meals on Wheels worker, Sunday school teacher, and Outreach worker.

The Robert J. Homola Memorial Award was presented to former District 13 School Superintendent Harold Tompkins. Mr. Tompkins passed away recently at the age of 48. Accepting the award was his wife Pat. Harold was District 13 Super-



Sundee Luedecke accepts Citizen of the Year Award.

intendent for six years and a member of St. Pauls United Church of Christ. He also was a charter member of the Capital Improvement Commission; worked to improve the Library; and was active in the Blood Drive. This month he would have received his 2-gallon donor pin.

Jaycee President Rick Wegel and Outstanding Citizens Chairman, Don Gehrich are proposing a new award for 1979. They have asked the Jaycee general membership to approve the "HAROLD TOMPKINS - OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR AWARD". This award will be presented to the outstanding educator in the Village of Bloomingdale at subsequent awards dinners.

The Jaycees present these awards each year to honor special people who give their own time and efforts to make Bloomingdale a better place for all it's citizens; but more than that, they hope to encourage others to become more active in the affairs of their community.

MAYOR TO RESIGN

by Paul Greening

On February 5th Mayor Viola Morrisroe announced that she and her family will be moving to Canada sometime this summer, because of her husbands job transfer.

At the time of her announcement the Mayor requested the Board to call a special election for Mayor to be held simultaneously with the regular election of trustees on April 17th. She stated that she would be willing to resign prior to her move so that the Village could elect her replacement.

The Mayor also requested that if she resigned prior to April 17th, the Board would appoint an acting mayor to serve until the election, thus assuring continuity of authority in the Village's chief executive position.

After several weeks of discussion and requests for opinions from the Village attorney, the time passed beyond which a special election could be called concurrently with the general election on April 17th.

At this point in time the following facts are evident:

1. The Mayor will not resign until some time after the regular election.
2. Upon the Mayor's resignation the Board of Trustees will elect an acting Mayor. The person so elected could then serve out the balance of the term of office until April 1981 unless the Board votes to call a special election to fill the office for the same period of time.
3. If the Mayor does not resign until June, a special election could not be held until the end of September since a special election under these circumstances would require at least 90 days.

To date neither party has announced whether or not they would seek a special election should they obtain a majority on the Board.

VILLAGE HALL HAPPENINGS

by Paul Greening

"PROJECT CONSERVE" TAKE TIME TO SAVE

by Paul Greening

How much are your home energy sources costing you? How can you cut these costs? How can you conserve energy?

To provide residents assistance in answering these questions, the Illinois Institute of Natural Resources has prepared a survey as part of their "Project Conserve." (Survey stapled to center of ALMANAC)

If you complete the survey and return it to the Institute, within three weeks they will send you a computer processed assessment prepared especially for your home. The Printout will recommend conservation measures, their cost and the time required to get back the initial cost in savings.

A typical home analyzed in the Village showed that electricity costs rose 63% from 1975 to 1978; natural gas costs rose 64% for the same period. The total dollar increase was \$426.91.

So take the time to complete the survey and mail it to the Institute. Your investment in time plus the 15-cent stamp could return sizable dividends.

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SNOW COSTS MONEY

It may "rain pennies from heaven," but when it snows it is expensive! For the 1978-79 season total cost for snow removal and salt amounted to \$64,373.04 (through March 8); this compares to \$32,977.30 for last year and \$13,585.19 for the previous year.

Federal Disaster aid may be approximately \$21,700. Even so the net cost would still exceed \$42,600.

The significance of these costs is that this year we will have spent approximately 7½ times the amount spent on plowing two years ago without any increase in the territory being plowed.

Not included in these dollar amounts is the cost of equipment repairs, gas and oil and equipment deterioration not to mention the frazzled nerves and fatigue endured by the Department of Public Works and the Village Staff.

CHANGE MINIMUM AGE FOR LIQUOR PURCHASE

The Board passed a resolution on February 12 recommending to the State Legislature that the minimum age for purchasing package liquor be changed back to age 21. Chief McMahon stated at the Committee Meeting that the primary problem is packaged liquor purchases. Also, there has been increased vandalism because there is no one to monitor these individuals when they drink outside. He stated that if nineteen and twenty year olds are drinking at a bar and are monitored by a reliable bartender, few problems arise.

Village Administrator Bob Reeves pointed out that the Village has had seven contacts with liquor violations; five have dealt with package liquor and two with pouring (not necessarily with juveniles).

(Because Bloomington does not have Home Rule, the Village has no authority to change the law; however, at press time changes to the law were being discussed in the State Legislature. Editor)

"911 PROGRAM"

The Board of Trustees designated Police Chief McMahon as the Village's liaison for the "911" Implementation Study which was approved by the DuPage County Mayors and Managers Conference. (See Chief's Corner)

COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Three members of the Economic Development Commission were reappointed to three-year terms expiring on February 1, 1982. They are Messrs. John Best, Dominic Casalina and Al Radcliffe.

The Board also agreed to accept the resignation of Mr. Raymond J. Friscia as a member of the Youth Commission.

Mr. James Gebis was appointed to a term on the Zoning Board of Appeals which will expire on May 1, 1980.

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INDIAN LAKES SEWER PROJECT INITIATED

by Dawn Nemeec

On March 5 the Board of Local Improvements unanimously agreed to hold a public hearing on March 24th at 1 PM to consider the installation of sanitary sewers for "East" Indian Lakes. The date was set after George Wight, Consulting Engineer to the Village, had reviewed the schedule and expenses with the Board.

The area involved is bounded by Schick Road, Bloomingdale Road, Army Trail Road and Cardinal Drive.

The project was first studied by Mr. Wight last summer after the Mayor had surveyed the residents of all of Indian Lakes and determined from the results of the survey that the west half of Indian Lakes, opposed by a large majority, the installation of sanitary sewers.

At the meeting on March 5, Mr. Wight estimated total cost for the project at slightly over \$1.9 million dollars. This amount would be shared by the 320 property owners with some of the expense paid for by the Village because of public benefit. Additionally property owners would have to pay tap-on fees plus the cost of running the sewer line from the house outlet to the street.

Construction will involve the open trenching and placing of approximately 43,000 feet of sewer pipe. Restoration of the streets and driveways will be completed after the installation of the eight miles of sewer lines.

At the meeting Mr. Wight stated that the costs were based on bids being received in early December of 1979. He also stated that any stepping up of the process which includes public hearings, notice and appeal of assessments, and letting of bids would obviously save the taxpayers money because of the continued inflation rate.

If everything goes according to the schedule Mr. Wight proposed to the Board of Local Improvements, construction could begin in December of 1979.

Affected residents were notified by the hearing by registered mail.

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BWC PREPARES FOR THE BIG SHOW

by Pat Sodomka

The Bloomingdale women's Club will hold its 5th Annual Charity Luncheon and Fashion Show on March 31, 1979 at Indian Lakes Country Club. All proceeds for this event will be donated to the Ray Graham Association for the Handicapped.

The Association is dedicated to the well-being of the physically and mentally handicapped individual from infant to adult. Ray Graham provides a variety of services such as prevocational and educational programs for the learning disabled, sheltered workshops, alternative living situations for severely retarded children and adults, and an independent adult group home in Glen Ellyn. The Ray Graham Association serves all of DuPage and Northwestern Cook counties.

Fashions for the show will be presented by Katy's Boutique of Glen Ellyn with furs by Bear & Karkazis Furs of LaGrange.

Over 200 raffle prizes will be offered. These include a trip for two to Las Vegas, donated by Austin Federal Savings; a pearl- and blue fox cape, purchased with donations from Realty World, Thomas Carole Associates, Bloomingdale State Bank and Advent Construction Company; and a one-week complete vacation for



Carole Sigalos and Carol Winkler look over some of the fashions to be presented at the BWC's Annual Charity Luncheon and Fashion Show.

two to Golden Horse Ranch in Wisconsin.

Anyone interested in obtaining tickets of information should contact Gail Wickstrom, 529-9768 or 529-8562.

"THREE GENERATIONS OF PRIDE"

by Pat Sodomka

"An egg route started it all," stated Jack Warnimont wistfully, as he talked of the fifty years his family has been in business in the community. In 1929 his parents sold feed in the Roselle area; in 1946, the Warnimonts opened their hatchery and farm store on Lake Street.

But 1961 saw an end to the hatchery; the wheels of the feed grinders came to a halt soon after as the farmers began to leave the Bloomingdale area.

"We needed an alternative; so, in 1961 we joined the Tru-Value people and began our hardware business."

Business has never been the sole interest of Jack Warnimont. Ten years on the volunteer fire department, a boy scout leader, a member of the Board of Directors of the Bloomingdale State Bank and the Marklund Home have kept him involved in the community he has seen grow over the last fifty years.

When asked about this growth, in terms

of new businesses and homes, Jack quickly responded, "You need to adjust to it. I have mixed emotions when I look back and remember how Bloomingdale used to be. I have so many good memories. But progress and growth are inevitable. And in terms of the tax revenues brought in by new businesses, it's good for Bloomingdale."

One of Mr. Warnimont's greatest rewards came recently when his son "Jeff" chose to come into the business with him. "I'm proud of the fact that we now have three generations involved in the store — mother, son and grandson. And I've been blessed with good, friendly employees who have stayed with me a long time."

The Warnimonts are looking forward to the years ahead in Bloomingdale, with the possibility of relocating the store in another area of town.

But after three generations, they appreciate a business setting where they can continue to grow with pride.

CHIEF'S CORNER

by Patrick J. McMahon, Chief of Police

"Help, my husband has just had a heart attack. Can you send me an ambulance immediately!" In instances such as this or any other emergency, swift response by the appropriate agency is essential. Often it is the difference between life and death.

The total time required in response to an emergency situation is the sum of the following time periods:

1. The time the citizen perceives an emergency to the time he or she reaches the correct public safety agency;
2. The time the correct agency receives the call to the time that agency can dispatch an emergency vehicle to the scene; and
3. The time it takes for the vehicle to arrive at the scene.

Obviously the first factor is most critical since it triggers the subsequent steps.

And yet, according to surveys conducted by SRI, a California research firm retained by the DuPage County Mayors and Managers to analyze this problem, less than 50% of the citizens knew the telephone numbers of their own public service agencies such as the Police or Fire Department. Furthermore, more than 20% did not even know who the correct agency was to contact.

Average call delays for citizens experiencing emergencies and not knowing the correct number ranged from 1 to 3.5 minutes. Fully 20 percent of those surveyed had an average delay of 3.5 minutes.

These large delays (often longer than the average measured Bloomingdale Police emergency response time of 2.5 minutes) in citizen access to public safety agencies are caused by citizen confusion about agency identification and the lack of easily located emergency numbers.

And when people are out of town or traveling, very few would know the appropriate agency to contact, much less the emergency telephone numbers of these agencies.

Many cities have already incorporated a solution to this problem, commonly referred to as "Nine One One," a number that any one can call in the event of an emergency.

FANTASTIC RESPONSE TO BLOOD DRIVE

by Karen Umlauf

Some gave "... a damn (and) ... a pint"; some gave time and some even gave a gallon! Altogether, it was more than enough as Bloomingdale residents donated a total of 513 pints of blood in three drives held since last fall. This surpassed by 61 pints the number required to insure that adequate blood will be available for all Village residents. Our "premium" is now paid through October, 1979.

"The response was fantastic" on all levels according to Donor Recruitment Chairman Natalie Merkel. Speaking on behalf of the Association, Merkel thanked all those who donated, called, worked, walked and contributed to the "exhilarating success" of the Blood Assurance Program.

Special recognition was accorded five donors who have given a gallon of blood or more. Those awarded "Gallon Donor" pins on March 10th are: Robert Anderson of 239 Tamarack Drive; William Brannan, 217 Oakwood; Michael Grant, 272 Langton Lane; Reuben Kuznitsky, 256 Cunningham; and Beverly Scharlau, 132 W. Lake Street.

Anyone needing blood replaced or information about the program may call the Village Hall or Association President Sandi Scesniak at 894-4653.

Recognizing the immense public benefit of this program, the Illinois Legislature passed Public Act 79-1092 which requires that the 911 System be operational throughout the State of Illinois by December 31, 1985.

Why should it take so long, you may ask. Several problems arise. For example the Bloomingdale Fire Protection District is responsible for part of Glendale Heights. Using a central point of dispersal, how do you keep all of the boundaries in mind?

The answer to this and other problems with the system will be the topic of my next article. I can assure you that as the Village's designated liaison to the 911 program in DuPage County, I will do everything to initiate its quickest implementation.

In the meanwhile, know your emergency services numbers. In any emergency within the Village, call the Police Department emergency number 529-3341.

ATTENTION SENIOR CITIZENS

by Dawn Nemeč

Many helpful programs are not available specifically for senior citizens, according to Doris Karpel, Bloomingdale Township Supervisor. Questions concerning any of the programs listed below can be answered by either Doris Karpel or Shirley Williams at the Township Office, 529-7715. Office hours are 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday. The mailing address is 123 N. Rosedale Road, Bloomingdale, IL. 60108.

CHORE/HOUSEKEEPING GRANT

Bloomingdale Township has received a grant through the Illinois Department on Aging to provide free help to township senior citizens with some of their household chores. Such tasks might include house cleaning, snow shovelling, gardening, laundry, etc. To obtain these services, the senior citizen must obtain an application from the Township Office.

Ms. Karpel has also stated that the Township will hire qualified unemployed youths between 13 and 17 and living within the Township to perform these tasks at a rate of \$3.00 per hour. Senior citizens with special skills and willing to help in this program are also encouraged to apply.

MINI-BUS SERVICE

Township citizens who are 60 years of age or over or are handicapped may obtain a pass to use either of the two mini-buses provided through the Ray Graham Association for the Handicapped. After receiving a pass, the user need only call the Township Office to make arrangements. They request one-week's notice when a doctor's appointment must be kept.

V.I.P. CARDS

Retired persons aged 60 and over are invited to become members of the V.I.P.'s, a non-profit organization whose purpose is to provide social activities either free of charge or at low cost to members as well as offer discounts on purchases from businesses participating in the program. The V.I.P. card is recognized nationwide.

BLOOMINGDALE TOWNSHIP SENIOR COUNCIL

The Council was established in January of 1979 to coordinate the activities and services among the various senior citizen organizations in the Township. Council officers are Bruno Witkowski, Chairman; Anthony Caeti, Vice Chairman; Violet Brost, Secretary; and Irene Henriksen, Treasurer.

THE CHOICE IS YOURS

As a public service to the residents of the Village, we asked each of the candidates to submit a picture and article not to exceed 250 words. We also asked them to include in their articles answers to the following questions:

1. What are your reasons for running?
2. What goals for the Village have you established?
3. How would you implement these goals (including necessary financing)?

We have printed the responses (unedited except for typo's, etc.) in alphabetical order



LORENZO J. (LARRY) BERTETTO
Citizens Action Party

LORENZO J. (LARRY) BERTETTO, age 39, lives at 295 Bayview Court with his wife, Karen. He is a Credit Division Manager for Sears Roebuck & Co., #2 Fox Valley Center, Aurora, Illinois. He has been with Sears for 12 years. Since moving to Bloomingdale in 1973, he has been active with the Westlake Townhome Owners Association and has helped to make it one of the most financially solvent associations in the state. Larry has served on the Board of Directors of the Association since 1974; was Vice President from 1977 - 1978; and is currently President of the Association which consists of 501 townhomes. He has served as a Financial Counselor for the Family Service Association Budget Counseling-Debt Management Program of Du Page County, in Glen Ellyn.

In 1975, Larry organized the Westlake Tennis League and is still Director of the League. He also is a Certified Scuba Diver which he enjoys as time allows.

I am a candidate for Village Trustee because I feel my experience can help Bloomingdale.

My years of Credit Management with Sears Roebuck & Co. enables me to look at net results. The five years of service on the Westlake Board, holding the office of Vice President and currently President, has given me further management experience.

My goal as Village Trustee is to run the Village as efficiently and effectively as the Townhome Association, which gives efficient services while remaining one of the

few financially sound associations in the Western suburbs. I would review present systems and procedures and investigate new ones in order to accomplish my goals for the Village now, while looking to the future.

My wife, Karen, and I have enjoyed our six years in Bloomingdale. I would like to be part of Bloomingdale's future and help it grow with pride.

PHILIP CAMPAGNA: Phil and Donna and their two children, Mary Ellen and Phil, Jr., have resided at 166 Braintree Drive for 1½ years. They are proud of their new community and strongly desire to become actively involved as a family in civic affairs. Phil has worked for eleven years with the United Parcel Service and is now holding the title of Division Manager. He cannot boast longevity in any civic organizations or club functions because his personal time of late was used in settling his family in their new home and in Bloomingdale. His capabilities are unlimited because of his strong management background and his desire to be a worthwhile, conscientious trustee to his new community, is by far his strongest asset. Phil has committed himself and his time to this endeavor.

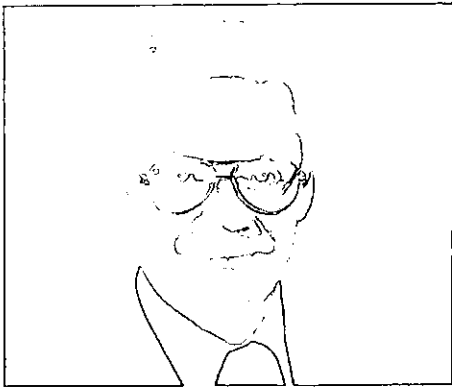
I strongly feel that I want to be elected to the Village Board because I have management experience in a profit making corporation that could help the Village.

I feel the most important problem in the Village is service or lack of it. This past year has brought us torrential rainfalls, torrid heat waves and record cold and snow. Through it all, Village services have been poor in many respects. I would propose an intensive study be made of the Public Works Department and of the Police Department specifically regarding the high employee turnover rate. The Village in no way could function properly if complete turnovers occur year after year.

The most important issue is the two party system and the checks and balances that go with it. It is very important that I and my running mates get elected to office to insure the balance of power. It is financially and politically unhealthy for the Village if one group has total control of its destiny.



PHILIP CAMPAGNA
Citizens Action Party



DAVID B. FOCKLER
Bloomington Civic Party

DAVID B. FOCKLER: 302 Bridgewater. My wife, Lois and I, and our two daughters, have lived in the Westlake area of Bloomington for over five years. I am one of two vice-presidents with the firm Roth Young & Associates, an executive search firm in Chicago's loop. My management responsibility includes; finance, sales and administration of a large staff. I have a degree from the University of Wisconsin in Business and Economics and a Masters degree in Business from the University of Chicago's renowned executive program.

My concern and activities with the Village have included being a member of the Capital Improvements Commission since its inception and President of the Greenway Home-owners Association in Westlake.

I feel my formal education, over ten years of business management and knowledge of village finances, will help me to represent the people of the village in their best interests.

Some specific goals, that I would like established for the Village include:

- Planned and balanced expansion of commercial industrial and residential sections of the Village for the betterment of the community.
- Strong financial management of the Village revenues and expenditures during the next four critical years.
- To hold Village taxes in check until the tax base can be broadened through expansion making tax reductions possible.

I feel that many of these goals can be achieved by more cooperation and open discussion of the issues at Village Board meetings; by utilizing the Capital Improvements Commission for more cost/benefit analysis and impact analysis of projects; and by strengthening the Plan Commission and Village Board authority and review procedure for proposed expansion.

FRANK JOHNSON: Frank, Arlene and their 5 children have lived in Bloomington since 1964. He is a 4-year veteran of the Air Force having served 2 years overseas during the Korean War. Frank was very active in the Bloomington Lion's Club for 7 years. He coached girls baseball for the Park District for 4 summers. Frank is now the Senior Vice Commander of the Bloomington V.F.W. Post 5813.

Frank gained valuable experience in the Mayors Citizen Advisory Council, the Library Committee and was a member of the Bloomington Zoning Board. He has spent the past 8 years as a Village Trustee having been elected in 1971 and again in 1975. Frank has been a lithographer for Photogress, Inc. in Broadview for the past 23 years. In 1973 Frank and Arlene became grandparents for the first time and now have 4 lovely grandchildren.

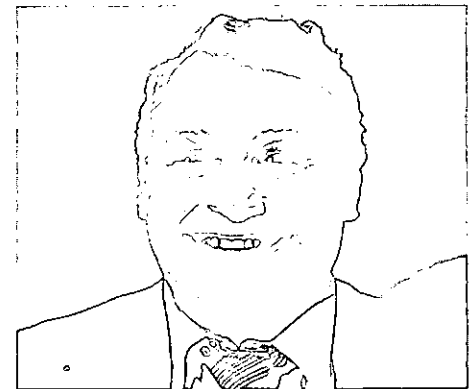
I feel that my eight years of serving on the Village Board, with never missing a meeting, can help the Village at a time of our most crucial growth period.

In the last eight years, I have built a memory of experiences that need not ever be re-discussed at Board Meetings, thus wasting time and money. All I have to do with this experience is to have the matter referred to the past, proper Village records.

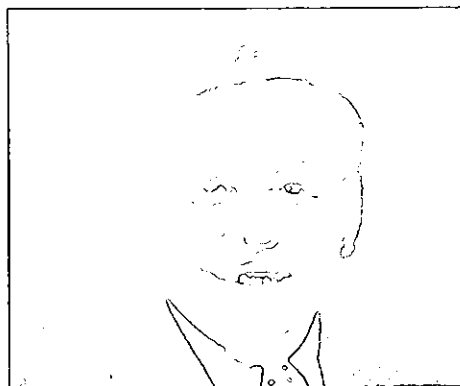
The most important goal I feel that we need in the Village is efficient executive and line management performance, thereby continually saving tax dollars to at least equal to the ever growing inflation rate.

I know my goals can be reached by constantly monitoring budgeted and non-budgeted expenditures. This can be done by investigating actual department needs, by questioning and implementing systematic supply buying for all Village Departments.

I have proven with my eight years of service to Bloomington on the Village Board, that I am a willing worker who has given the time and energy to make Bloomington a great place to live.



FRANK JOHNSON
Citizens Action Party



JOHN LAUDONT
Independent

Hi, I'm **JOHN LAUDONT** your independent candidate for Village Trustee. I reside at 147 Raven Lane with my wife LaVerne. We have 4 children and have lived in Bloomington for 6 years.

During this time, I have been actively involved with the church, in fund raising activities and with the youth of the Village as Cubmaster in the Scouting Program. I have also held the position of Commissioner of the Bloomington Baseball Association and am currently Vice President of this association.

I want to represent you, the Bloomington resident, who is interested in improving the quality of life in Bloomington. How?

TAXES - Our taxes are now at a breaking point. We don't need to increase taxes. What we need is more efficient administration in our spending programs through prudent management.

NEW REVENUE - With the inception of Urban development and the new shopping centers, we can use this added revenue to help stabilize our present tax base.

I bring with me 20 years of knowledge and experience in the business field. As your independent candidate, I will serve with an open mind, to weigh the issues being presented and to vote accordingly, so as to benefit the Village and the people of Bloomington.

HARRY G. LEHR: 168 Jackson Lane. My decision to run for Trustee was based on the fact that the Village of Bloomingdale is entering a period that will demand knowledgeable fiscal management. This in turn means that the village requires an increased level of professionalism on the part of the Board of Trustees. I believe my qualifications meet that requirement.

I have a B.A. degree from Northwestern University and have done post graduate work at Northwestern's School of Management. I have been employed in various economic and planning positions with United Airlines since joining them in 1966 and am currently the Director of Strategic Planning. Since my family and I moved here in 1973, we have enjoyed and appreciated the sense of community that sets Bloomingdale apart from the usual "suburb." We have recently reinforced our commitment to Bloomingdale by purchasing a home in the Old Town Estates section.

Up until now, we have been somewhat frustrated by the lack of shopping facilities and the resulting inconvenience. Now, thanks to the leadership of Mayors Morrisroe and Homola, Bloomingdale will soon enjoy a rapid commercial expansion.

While that expansion will solve many problems, and increase revenues, it will also significantly increase our exposure to overspending. As a member of the Capital Improvements Commission, I have helped develop a five-year forecast of revenues and expenses that already indicates excess spending. This must not be allowed to happen. The Mayor and Board must establish a set of objectives and priorities that fall within projected revenues.

The Village must plan and provide necessary services. But most of all, the Village must provide only as much government as its citizens want. I would like to ask the voters to give me the change to help.



HARRY G. LEHR
Bloomingdale Civic Party



WILLIAM E. ROBINSON
Bloomingdale Civic Party

WILLIAM E. ROBINSON: 174 Circle Avenue. My wife Pat, four children and I have been Bloomingdale residents since May of 1971 and were one of the first families to move into the Highlands section.

Over these eight years, my wife and I have been active in many civic and youth organizations including; the Bloomingdale Athletic Club, Capital Improvements Commission, Little League, School District 13, Homeowners Association and Bloomingdale Hockey. In the Bloomingdale Athletic Club for five years, I served as Manager, General Manger, Secretary and President for two years during which the Bloomingdale Hockey Program was started.

Appointed a member of the Capital Improvements Commission at its inception, I am also Chairman of the Expenditures Sub-Committee.

My educational background includes; a Bachelor's Degree from Loyola University, an MBA from the Univeristy of Chicago, and CPA from the State of Illinois. As Corporate Director of Management Information Systems for Oak Industries, Inc., Crystal Lake, I am responsible for all major data processing and systems decisions for over thirty divisions within Oak. I have over twenty years experience in systems, data processing, consulting, finance and business management.

A few of my personal goals for the Village are; to provide sound financial planning to support the needs of the various neighborhoods and organizations including; the School Boards, Park Board, Library Board and the Fire Protection District for the betterment of our Village.

Commercial and residential land development growth plans in the coming years will require a more sophisticated level of planning and decision making to resolve the complex challenges of the future. My reasons for running as Trustee are that I feel my business, education, and past record of accomplishments in Bloomingdale organizations qualifies me to serve and contribute during this period of unusual growth.

POLLING PLACES FOR APRIL 17, 1979 ELECTION

Precinct No. 1

Indian Lakes
Lakewoods
Old Town
Longridge
Linnea Gardens

Polling Place:

Central School
112 Day Street
Bloomingdale

Precinct No. 2

Westlake
Churchill
Campanelli
Fairfield

Polling Place:

Westlake Junior
High School
149 Fairfield Way
Bloomingdale

Precinct No. 3

North Suncrest
South Suncrest
Medinah on
the Lake
Evergreen Terrace

Polling Place:

DuJardin School
166 Euclid Avenue
Bloomingdale

Precinct No. 4

Westlake Highlands
Westlake Sunnyside
Westlake Westwind
Bloomingdale
P.U.D. Unit No. 1
Deer Glen

Polling Place:

Kindercare Day
Care Learning
Center
286 Glen Ellyn Rd.
Bloomingdale

Precinct No. 5

Lakeshore &
Colony Green
Townhomes
Bloomingdale
Pavilion Home

Polling Place:

Westlake Townhome
Clubhouse
299 Edgewater Dr.
Bloomingdale

Precinct No. 6

Regency
Terrace Apts.
Westlake Unit No. 1
Westlake College
Campus

Polling Place:

Winnebago School
195 Greenway Dr.
Bloomingdale

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SCHOOL BOARD RACES

by Renee Spencer

With the current school year turning into the home stretch, local school board elections are also caught up in the race.

In District 13, which covers DuJardin and Central elementaries plus Westfield Junior High School, there are three positions open for the April 14th election. One is for a two-year term and the other two are for three-year terms. At press time the only person to file is incumbent Marvin Roehke of 256 Tee Lane who is seeking a three-year term.

PARK DISTRICT ELECTION

Two candidates have filed for the one Commissioner's seat to be filled at the April 3 election. Ralph W. Johnston has served approximately six years as one of the five commissioners. Larry W. Roberts, a resident of Seasons Four in Roselle, is also running for the position.

Two polling places will be open from 6 AM to 6 PM for registered voters: the Park District office on Circle Avenue in Bloomingdale and the clubhouse at Seasons Four in Roselle. The last day to obtain an absentee ballot by mail is March 29; the last day to obtain an absentee ballot in person is April 2.

Elections for District 13 will be held on April 14 at Central School, 112 Day Street, from 12 Noon to 7 PM.

District 15, covering Black Hawk and Winnebago elementaries plus Marquardt Middle School and Marquardt Special Education Center, has four candidates who have filed for three three-year terms and one one-year term.

Candidates for the three-year terms are Barbara Newton of 1418 Terry Road (Glendale Heights), Earle Holmes of 822 King Point Drive (Addison), and Raymond Beier of 450 Norton St. (Glendale Heights). Filing for the one-year term is Margaret Shiner of 316 Bridgewater (Bloomingdale).

Elections for District 15 will be held from 10 AM to 7 PM on April 3 at Winnebago and Hall Schools.

The Board Election for Lake Park High School will be on April 14. At press time we had no further information on this race.

**REMEMBER TO VOTE
APRIL 17, 1979
VILLAGE ELECTION**

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Bloomingdale Alliance Church — 893-3066
Pastor: David Riemenschneider
Marquardt Special Education Center
Glendale Heights

Bloomingdale Baptist Church — 980-6161
Pastor: Philip Yntema
245 Bloomingdale Road
Bloomingdale

Christ The Redeemer Lutheran — 529-8290
241 Army Trail Road
Bloomingdale

Indian Lakes Comm. Church — 893-2920
Pastor: Ray E. Stauffer
Black Hawk School
Glendale Heights

St. Isidore Catholic Church — 668-3462
Pastor: Arthur J. Maher
25W260 Army Trail Road, R.R. 1
Cloverdale, Bartlett

St. Matthew's Catholic Church — 469-6300
Pastor: George J. Hurley
1555 Glen Ellyn Road
Glendale Heights

St. Paul United Church of Christ
Pastor: James P. Beecken
First and Washington Sts.
Bloomingdale

**SPECIMEN OF BALLOT TO BE VOTED
AT THE ELECTION TO BE HELD
TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 1979
VILLAGE OF BLOOMINGDALE
DuPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

Carol M. Koeller
Village Clerk

SPECIMEN BALLOT

BLOOMINGDALE CIVIC PARTY

FOR VILLAGE TRUSTEE:
Four Year Term
(Vote for Three)

DAVID B. FOCKLER

HARRY G. LEHR

WILLIAM E. ROBINSON

CITIZENS ACTION PARTY

FOR VILLAGE TRUSTEE:
Four Year Term
(Vote for Three)

FRANK J. JOHNSON

PHILIP CAMPAGNA

LORENZO J. (LARRY) BERTETTO

INDEPENDENT

FOR VILLAGE TRUSTEE:
Four Year Term
(Vote for Three)

JOHN W. LAUDONT

PACK IT RIGHT!!

by Renee Spencer

Have you ever sent a special gift to a friend or loved one and received a call several days later thanking you, but apologetically asking you what the present was before it was smashed into a million pieces?

According to Jim Sutter, Bloomingdale Postmaster, much of the problem originates with the sender rather than with the Postal handling. Seldom do problems arise when the package is properly packed.

The first step in successful packaging is to use a strong fiberboard carton. Many carton manufacturers display a burst test number. This number indicates the relative strength; the higher the number, the stronger the carton.

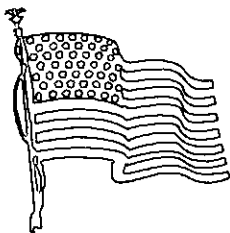
Another important step is to pack the article so it will not move around in the box. Although the old standby is rolled up newspaper, Jim suggests using popcorn-unbuttered of course. The popcorn is lighter and retains its stability better.

In securing the package, use pressure sensitive reinforced tape. Masking tape is discouraged since it tends to peel and has little strength. Nor should you use wrapping paper and string. Many a person has used wrapping paper only to find that the address has blurred on the paper or has torn off in shipping. The Post Office doesn't enjoy having twine fouling up their conveyor systems.

For addressing the package, the Post Office prefers mailing labels with the address covered with transparent tape. Also be sure to enclose a return address inside the package in case it is broken or damaged.

Lastly, before taking the package to the Post Office, make sure that all other addresses have been scratched out.

Bloomington residents who have questions about packaging or any other questions about postal service should feel free to call Jim Sutter at 529-5252.



AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM HELPS PARENTS

by Pat Sodomka

Parents who need after school care for their children will find help offered through the Bloomingdale Township Child Care Services program.

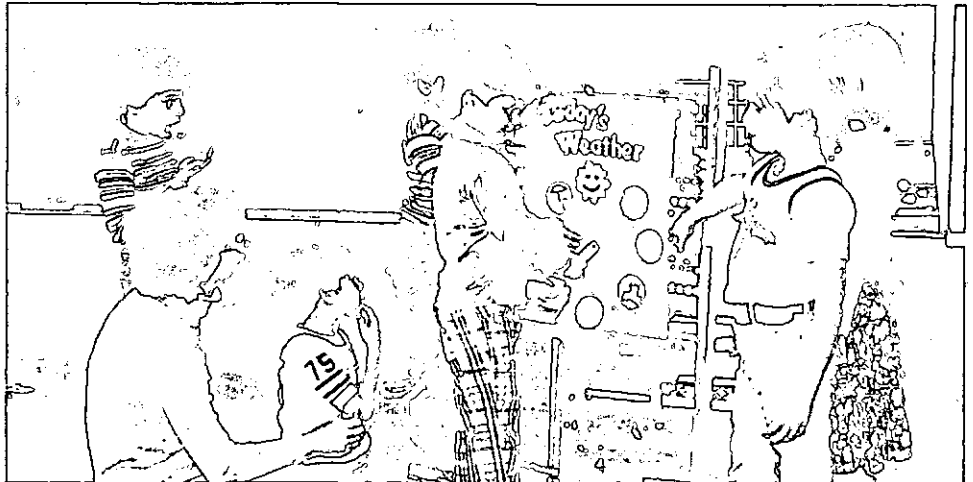
Incorporated in March of 1978, the BTCCS opened its first after school child care program, the Children's Center, at Winnebago School, 195 Greenway Drive, in September of 1978. The program is designed primarily for families of low and moderate income in Bloomingdale Township, but child care is available to everyone. A sliding fee scale based on income is used to determine cost to the parents.

Karen McFedries, the site director, has planned a program consisting of a nutritious snack, active exercise and passive activities, as well as time to do homework. Mrs. McFedries' qualifications include a degree in child and family studies, work with Catholic Charities in its foster care program, and work with abused and neglected children.


The Child's Center qualifies for federal matching funding; In other words the government will match funds contributed by community businesses and organizations that support the work of the Children's Center.

To date, Austin Federal Savings and Loan Association, Bloomingdale State Bank, Bloomingdale Women's Club, and Blue Ribbon Realty have provided such support. A major source of funding has been seed money from the DuPage Child Care Association.

Persons interested in learning more about the Children's Center can contact Karen McFedries through Winnebago School after 2:30 P.M. at 893-1880.



At the Children's Center, Barbara Rimkus, head teacher (bottom left) helps the children with a weather forecast.



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PARK DISTRICT UPDATE

by Dawn Nemeč

SPRING/SUMMER REGISTRATION

Registration for the spring session of the Park District will begin on Saturday, April 7 at the Recreation Building from 9 AM until 12 Noon.

The Spring Session classes will begin the week of April 16, are six weeks in duration, and are held at the Recreation Building unless otherwise stated.

Registration for the Summer Session will begin on Saturday, June 2 from 9AM until 12 Noon at the Recreation Building. Classes will begin the week of June 18, are eight weeks in duration and are held at the Recreation Building unless stated otherwise. Further information can be obtained by contacting the Park District office.

MINI-WORKSHOPS OFFERED

Four mini-workshops will be offered through the Park District this Spring at the Recreation Building. The first mini-workshop will be a Youth Disco class for youth in Grades 5-8 to be held Wednesday, April 4 from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. The fee is \$2.00.

On April 23 and 25 a Furniture Finishing and Repair Class will be offered from 6:30 to 9:30 PM. Cost for the mini-workshop is \$7.00.

A Children's Ceramics Workshop to be held Saturday, May 5 from 9:30 to 11:30 AM will feature the creation of a ceramic Mother's Day gift. The \$4.00 workshop is for children ages six and up.

The last mini-workshop will be an Introductory Guide to Antique Buying. The workshop will be held from 6:30 to 9:00 PM on May 7 and 9 at the Recreation Building. The fee for the workshop is \$10.00.

BIKE DERBY AND BIG WHEEL RACE

Boys and girls between the ages of six and thirteen are welcome to take part in a Bike Derby on Saturday, May 12 beginning at 1:00 PM in the Recreation Building Parking Lot. Both a safety inspection and races will be featured.

FOR INFORMATION ON
THESE PROGRAMS
CALL THE PARK DISTRICT
BETWEEN
9 am and 5 pm
at 529-3650

More Thanks to the Department of Public Works

The following letters were sent to the Department of Public Works thanking them for their efforts in plowing the streets during the past winter.

January 11, 1979

Dear Bob,

My congratulations and sincere gratitude to you and your department for your efforts in clearing Bloomingdale streets of the aftermath of the "Blizzard of '79".

After traveling the streets of Addison, Glen Ellyn, Lombard and the City of Chicago, I feel extremely fortunate to live in Bloomingdale. On Wednesday afternoon, after a 2 hour ride from Melrose Park (6.5 miles), I drove Bloomingdale streets and wondered if it had ever snowed.

Although the Village does not plow my street, we had no difficulty in getting on to Glen Ellyn Rd. which was drive-able even on Saturday evening at the height of the storm.

Again, I thank you and ask you to keep up the good work. It is appreciated.

Sincerely,
Sebastian J. Puccio
248 Applewood Lane

February 20, 1979

To the Street Dept. of Bloomingdale,

Too many times we take things for granted. I for one do and I expect my streets to be plowed, I'm a taxpayer. Well I found out after a drive into Chicago several weeks after the snowfall how well off we are.

I think you men did a wonderful job and I want to thank you for the sleepless nights working in the bitter cold and not being with your families, so we could get out to our jobs and go about our business.

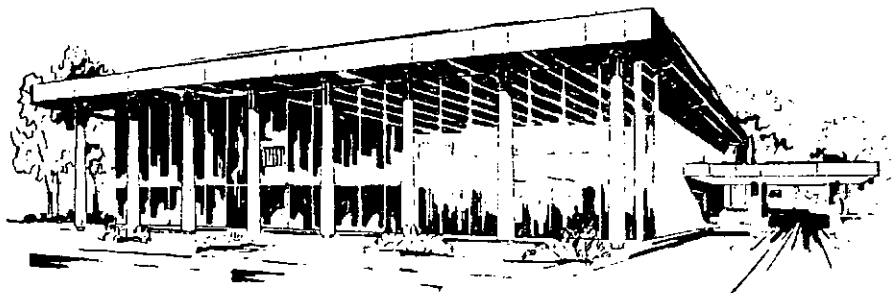
Thank you for a job well done!

Sincerely,
Mrs. John Allanson
247 E. Schick Road
Bloomingdale, Ill.

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JAMES D. GRANT
President
and
Chairman of the Board



“WHAT

DO YOU

THINK?”

Opinion Responses

MOVE TO COLONY COURT! !

Snow! I'm tired of it and more tired of being pacified by the President, Board, Public Works and Police Department about its removal. Now the Post Office wants me to clean the street of 6' wide and 3' high snow in front of my mailbox. It was 32 hours after the first storm before we were plowed. For the blizzard we were shocked when plowed after 2" and early, but then another 18" came and 42 hours passed before we were done again. It was 10 days before equipment and men (not of the Village) cleaned the street as it should be. We had two snowfalls this week and the circle has not been plowed yet from appearances. Complaints of being last are not unfounded—move to Colony Court — the street with the beautiful (pain in the neck) hill in the center and you'll know why!

P.S. Enjoy the Almanac very much — it's the only local publication.

Judith Schilf
242 Colony Court

(In the January issue of the ALMANAC, we described plowing priorities. Other residents expressed their views on page 10 about plowing in the Village. Editor)

WHY STICKERS????

Why do we have to have a Village sticker on each car and have to pay for them? Being a newcomer, and having lived in several states and various towns, we've never had anything like this before. You'd think with the high taxes everyone has to pay, one wouldn't have to pay for a sticker, just to have the privilege of owning a car in Bloomingdale.

Name withheld upon request

The fee received for Village Stickers is used for repair, upkeep and snow plowing of Village streets. I know that the town-home streets are currently private but you do use public streets to get in and out of your area. The property tax the Village receives does not generate enough money to cover all street expenses.

Mayor Viola M. Morrisroe.

CHURCH SERVICES IN THE VILLAGE????

Because of the continued growth of our community, it would be helpful if you would include the name of the churches of Bloomingdale. This would be an additional service this publication could offer citizens. I'm sure families moving in

would appreciate this information. The Almanac is an excellent source of local news. Keep up the good work.

Rev. Ray E. Stauffer
265 W. Army Trail Road

(Ironically enough we had considered inserting the names of the churches in the next issue. Your suggestion reinforces our thinking on this matter. Editor)

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OPINION FEATURE

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

Please tell us if you have any suggestions or questions for your Village. What you think is important to us. Write your thoughts below, then detach and mail to "What Do You Think," Village of Bloomingdale, 201 S. Bloomingdale Rd., Bloomingdale, IL. 60108.

My thoughts are as follows: _____

Name _____ Address _____

Print my name: Yes ___ No ___

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VILLAGE BOARD & COMMISSION MEETINGS

*The public is encouraged to attend all
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REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE VILLAGE BOARD

2nd and 4th Monday of every Month
8:00 P.M. — Village Hall

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

1st and 3rd Monday of every Month
8:00 P.M. — Village Hall

PLAN COMMISSION

1st and 3rd Tuesday of every Month
8:00 P.M. — Village Hall

BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

3rd Tuesday of every Month
8:00 P.M. — Village Hall

POLICE PENSION BOARD

Bi-monthly beginning in January
3rd Monday, 8:00 P.M.—Village Hall

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

2nd Friday of every Month, 8:00 A.M.
Office of the Chairman of the Comm.

YOUTH COMMISSION

2nd & 4th Thursday of every Month
7:30 P.M. — Village Hall

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION

2nd & 4th Thursday of every Month
8:00 P.M. — Village Hall

OLD TOWN COMMISSION

3rd Wednesday of every Month
8:00 P.M. — Village Hall