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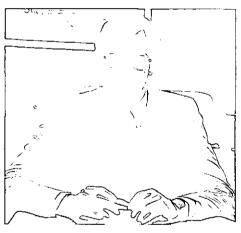
February, 1983

# "Working Smarter - Not Harder" (Mayor Tenuto's Annual Report)

In the preparation of this report, reviewing the objectives set for 1982 and evaluating overall performance and progress, I would venture this conclusion – Bloomingdale remains a preferred community; a good place to live, raise a family, and to do business. And this is a favored status not to be taken for granted.

Bloomingdale residents and businesses alike have experienced their fair share of the impact resulting from an uneasy economic climate, and the Village was no exception in striving to provide quality service on a depressed revenue basis. But considerable progress was made as a direct benefit of sound financial planning and a high degree of staff productivity. Worker smarter, not harder, was the stategy for 1982 projects including the following:

1. The 1982 Road Reconstruction Program was completed as planned. The program included the following streets: Royce Dr., Thrasher Ct., Eagle Ln., Greenway Dr., Harvard Ln., Dover Ct., Colony Ct., Brentwood Ct., Lakeview Ln., South Maple Ave., Euclid Ave., and a section of Byron Ave. By doing the design and inspection with our own engineering staff, it is estimated that \$15,000 was saved. An additional \$15,000 of direct



expense was saved by doing some of the repairs with our Street Department personnel and equipment. The net cost of the 1982 road program was \$160,000.

Our Engineering Department has already prepared a study that prioritizes the road repair to be done in 1983.

- 2. A \$375,000 road widening and signalization of Schick and Bloomingdale Roads was completed in 1982. The Village's share of this project was only \$57,000 because of our funding agreements with DuPage County, Bloomingdale Township, Carson's Indian Lakes, DEM Enterprises, and Urban Investment.
- 3. The State Department of Transportation administered a grant program for safety-related traffic improvements through the Federal Highway Safety Act. Through the fine efforts of our Engineering Department, this grant program provided for the installation of long-life pavement markings throughout the Village.

Most of the project, valued at \$7,200 was involved with stop bars at intersections with stop signs. We also included centerline striping along Glen Ellyn Rd., Edgewater Dr., and Schick Rd. Edge lines and turn-lane improvements were also installed along Glen Ellyn Rd. near Lake St. and at Army Trail Rd.

4. Five new street lights along Schick Road between Circle Avenue and Glen Ellyn Road. This is one of a few residential sections of our Village which do not have the same intersection lighting as newer developed areas. This will be the first of several such annual programs to improve the pedestrian and traffic safety in these sections of the Village.

## The Mayor Reports

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5. The implementation of an intensive landscaping program that will immensely enhance the aesthetic qualities of the Village. First, we completed a massive landscaping program at the Wastewater Treatment Plant and Public Works Garage that should go a long way in improving those eyesores along Glen Ellyn Road.

Next, the Parkway Tree Planting Program was initiated in 1982. By way of the Village Almanac, residents were asked if they wanted 2½" caliper trees planted in their parkway at half price. Thirty nine homeowners participated with a total of 68 trees requested and planted throughout the Village. The results of a follow-up survey was very favorable with all responses suggesting that the program be continued. The cost to the Village was \$2,637 for this program. I have already asked the Village Board of Trustees to include a continuation of this program in their 1983/84 budget.

- 6. The Villages of Bloomingdale and Roselle continue to work in cooperation with DuPage County to provide for the widening of Bloomingdale/Roselle Road between Lake Street and Irving Park Road. The project is now being designed and construction is expected to start later this year with completion in 1984. The total project is estimated to cost \$3,475,000 with DuPage County paying all but \$325,000 for design and legal services which will be shared by two villages.
- 7. Several other programs were completed in the Public Works area, such as: repairing 53 storm inlets and catch basins, repairing 33 fire hydrants, and processing over 700 service requests from residents.
- 8. The adoption of a new Sign Ordinance. This new code will serve to protect the present image of our Village by controlling the number, height, size, and location of signs in all zoning districts.
- 9. Despite the slow economy, we are experiencing major development in the Old Town Area. Four new buildings and nine renovations are at various stages of progress. Because of this and future development the Village is investigating ways to acquire a municipal parking lot as defined in the Old Town Plan, in addition to street and drainage improvements for the area.

Old Town currently has 26 operating businesses with several more slated for completion in 1983.

- 10. 1982 also saw the completion of the North Old Town Sanitary Sewer and Watermain Improvement. This project was funded with a grant by the DuPage County Community Development Commission in the amount of \$370,000.00 to install sanitary sewer and watermains along Bloomingdale Road from Lake Street to Meacham Grove. This project, completed at no cost to the residents of the Village of Bloomingdale, will provide for the commercial development of the North Old Town area.
- 11. The owners of Springbrook Shopping Center has announced the proposed construction of a 40,000± square foot Ace Hardware stoe; to be located at the Western end of the current Springbrook building, extending to Ridge Avenue. This Ace Hardware will be a home improvement center, with outside sales of some material and greatly increase the shopping availability in Bloomingdale as well as providing additional sales tax receipts.
- 12. The Village also completed in 1982 a complete overhaul of our Personnel Manual. The professional firm of Paul A. Reaume was employed to prepare their recommendations after performing an in-depth study of pay practices and employee benefits in the surrounding area. After careful analysis and review, the Board of Trustees authorized the implementation of the amended final documents. The Personnel Manual also covers such aspects as employee merit review, performance evaluations, hiring and discipline practices, and job classifications.
- 13. In the Police Department, we expanded the Community Service Officer Program to include a second C.S.O. This program provides a trained officer, who does not have the power to arrest, to handle the more routine tasks that previously took many hours of a sworn officer's time. The program, since its inception in 1981, has proved to be very successful. Chief Patrick J. McMahon will be instituting a new series of Crime Prevention Seminars throughout the community this year. Please look for seminar dates and locations in future issues of the Village Almanac.

14. 1982 also saw the positive expansion of our boundaries. The first annexation occurred on the South side of Army Trail Road, on both sides of "New" Gary Avenue. This annexation of approximately 5 acres owned by Emro Development (Marathon Oil) will be developed in approximate one (1) acre parcels. The first parcel to be developed is the South East corner of Gary and Army Trail Road for a Speedway gasoline station (company owned by Marathon Oil). The adjacent parcel may be developed with a restaurant, as Pizza Hut, Inc. has expressed great interest.

In addition the Village entered into negotiations with members of the Italian-American Sports Hall of Fame on the pre-annexation, zoning, and development of an approximate 20 acre parcel of property located at the South West Corner of South Medinah Road and Lake Street. The propsed project will include several athletic fields, an activities building, and an administration and Hall of Fame Building,; constructed in phases over the next several years. This project will eventually extend our boundaries to Medinah Road and provide a most welcome alternative to the highly intense development occurring on Lake Street in the unincorporated areas. Recreational & institutional type open-space sites are always a welcome addition to community growth.

There is every indication that the Lake Street corridor is about to experience its most rapid growth stage with developments most likely seeking pre-annexation agreements to our Village. Through these pre-annexation aggreements, we will exercise a measure of quality and growth control that will equate 'better' as well as bigger for Bloomingdale. The same procedures and criteria will be applied to ourother boundaries as well with a great deal of focus on Army Trail Road. We shall continue to work closely in cooperation with the County and our neighbor villages to insure that the development of any given one will compliment rather than negate the well-being of the other.

- 15. The 1981 tax rate, payable in 1982, was \$.4467 rate for the Village and a \$.3427 rate for the Library. The Village Board abated \$138,462 for a positive effect on your property tax bills. As an example, on a home with an assessed valuation of \$20,000 there was a savings of about \$24.00 of the Village's portion of the property tax.
- 16. Another major issue that came before Bloomingdale and all other municipalities in DuPage County was consideration of constructing a pipeline to bring Lake Michigan water to our County by 1987. The project cost is estimated at \$310 million. However, with bond repayment schedule spread over 28 years with interest, the final cost will be approximately \$960 million. It has been estimated that Bloomingdale's share (based on water allocation) will be about 30 million over 28 years.

Because of the financial impact of this program on the community, I've directed the Finance Committee and Village staff to do an indepth analysis on how this program can be funded without impairing other Village services. Once the the committee has selected the most equitable funding method, we will then conduct a series of informational hearings regarding the Lake Michigan Water Program.

The planning for 1983's sesquicentennial celebration began with the Founders' Festival committee holding a Dinner/Auction fundraiser at Stratford Square to fund several scheduled events. The exact dates and locations of the 1983 events will be posted throughout future issues of the Village Almanac.

There are a number of people I want to publically acknowledge. I'd like to give special recognition to the Board of Trustees and the Village Clerk for the excellent job they did in accomplishing our 1982 goals. I also extend sincere appreciation to our hard working Village staff for rendering a high level of service to the people of our Village. Last, but certainly not least, a special thank you to the many community volunteers who make up the various commissions within the Village.

Our most valuable asset is still the continuing flow of effort from the various civic, school, park and church groups. Their accomplishments were numerous during this past year. The people involved have provided the foundation of caring and responsibility that makes Bloomingdale the very special Village it is.

Again, on behalf of the local Village government, I welcome the interest, concern, and pride of those residing in the Village. The input is appreciated and reflected in the character and quality of life in our Village.

Samuel J. Tenuto VILLAGE PRESIDENT

> Marie F. Tayfel VILLAGE CLERK

Robert F. Reeves
VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

**TRUSTEES** 

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Plan Commission
Architectural Review
Old Town Commission
Cable TV Committee

Mary Lou Vanda Zoning, Building & Street Maintenance Library Board Suburban O'Hare Commission

#### THE DEADLINE FOR THE APRIL ISSUE IS MARCH 25

#### NOTICE

A concentration of barium in the drinking water of the Village of Bloomingdale presently exceeds the 1.0 mg/1 allowable concentration set by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. The Village, on April 29, 1982, received from the Illinois Pollution Control Board, a Variance from the barium standards which is valid until January 1, 1984. The average content of barium in water produced by Well No. 8, is 2.8 mg/1. There is no evidence that this concentration presents a threat to the health of water consumers.

## The Village of Bloomingdale

and

The Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce

cordially invite you to the

Founders' Festival Dinner Dance

on Friday evening March 11, 1983 at the Indian Lakes Resort

Cocktails (cash bar) 7:00
Dinner 8:00
Presentations 9:00
Dancing & Cash Bar 9:30

Tickets are \$20 per person and are available now at the Village Hall or through retail members of the Chamber of Commerce.

(Black tie optional)

#### LANDMARK PLANNED

As a lasting reminder of Bloomingdale's 150th birthday, plans are in the works for the erection of a landmark. The preliminary concept and the use of the land has been approved by the Village Board.

Initial plans include a gazebo to be located within a small municipal park. This will be located at the old library site at the corner of Bloomingdale Road and Fairfield Way. According to Barney Pelant, who is the Chairman of the 12 member Landmark Committee, the intention is to create a gazebo which is as authentic as possible for our founding period.

The committee is relying solely on donations for the construction, whether they be in material, labor or finance. Any individual or organization wishing to make some kind of contribution should contact Bob Reeves, Village Administrator, at the Village Hall.

An artist's rendering of the proposed landmark will be unveiled at the March 11th Founders' Festival Dinner/Dance.

The public is encouraged to attend all Board & Commission meetings.

#### REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE VILLAGE BOARD

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

#### **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

1st and 4th Monday of every Month 7:30 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 Thursday of Every Month 7:00 P.M. — Village Hall

#### POLICE PENSION BOARD

Quarterly beginning in January 2nd Monday.

7:00 P.M. - Village Hall

#### **FINANCE COMMISSION**

1st and 3rd Wednesday of every Month

7:30 P.M. — Village Hall

#### **OLD TOWN COMMISSION**

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

#### LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2nd Wednesday of every month 7:30 P.M. — Village Hall

### FOUNDERS'

### DINNER AND DANCING

On Friday, March 11, 1983 Bloomingdale will officially become 150 years old. In honor of this historic day a gala evening of dinner and dancing is planned at Indian Lakes Resort sponsored by the Village and the Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce.

Cocktails begin at 7:00 PM with dinner following at 8:00. The main entree is roast sirloin of beef bordelaise. Although the dancing officially begins at 9:30, there will be music during dinner.

In addition to some special presentations, a highlight of the evening will be the unveiling of an artist's rendering of the Sesquicentennial Landmark to be erected this year.

Tickets for the festivities are \$20 per person and are available now at the Village Hall and through local merchants who are members of the Chamber of Commerce. Tickets must be purchased by Monday, March 7th.

Plan to attend. This is a once-in-alifetime occasion.

### CALLING ALL TALENT

As part of the Sesquicentennial Celebration, the Bloomingdale Talent Showcase will be held on May 20, 1983 at 8:00 PM at Lake Park High School - West auditorium.

Auditions for this talent show will be open to residents of the Village of Bloomingdale. Cash prizes will be awarded in adult and youth categories.

Audition applications will be available on March 1, 1983 at the Village Hall and at the Bloomingdale Library.



## KID'S DAY

Bloomingdale students may take part in the Founders' Day Festival by entering the art contest or by "running" for a position on Student Government Day, March 11.

The art contest, for students from K through eighth grade, will be judged March 11, with winning entries on display at Stratford Square through the weekend. Schools have been sent details, and should contact Renee Cherrie, Contest Director, if they plan to enter student art work. Categories are: painting and drawing, print-making, sculpture, ceramics, and miscellaneous items such as felt banners or collages, with prizes being awarded in each category for various grade levels. Further information may be obtained by calling Mrs. Cherrie at 529-2223.

Students in grades four through eight will have a chance to take office for a day as fire chief, building inspector. detective sergeant, school principal, director of parks and recreation, librarian, or any of 53 positions, according to Michael Zivic, Contest Director. Students will circulate petitions, and write essays. Finalists will be interviewed. Winners will tour Village Hall, Fire Department, Police Department, Water Sewage Plant, Park District and the Library, have lunch with their counterparts, and, after a brief program, take office for the afternoon.

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## NOTICE

"...forthwith, each and every male citizen of voting age residing within the corporate limits of the Village of Bloomingdale, is hereby requested and encouraged to allow his facial hair to go without shaving, cutting, severing or removing in any manner, until such is considered to be a full and complete hairy or bristly appendage of tuft, commonly known and referred to herewith as a 'Beard'."

There you have it, folks. In the interest of having all "male citizenry of the Village of Bloomingdale continue the tradition of past centennials" the Village Board has passed the above resolution. From now until our Sesquicentennial celebration is over, any male resident of voting age found to be without said facial hair will be ticketed and subject to a fine of \$1.98.

The monies collected will be added to the Sesquicentennial Landmark Fund. The resolution also states a violator, known as a "contemptuous sesquicentennial celebrant", may only be assessed this fine once. Two trial dates, March 5, 1983 and September 10, 1983 have been set aside for arrants pleading their case.

The resolution is a light-hearted attempt to draw all into the spirit of celebration - even the ladies - who are warned not to "...pout, fuss... nag, harass, shame, threaten or coerce any male to remove said beard."

It appears no one is exempt from prosecution, or is that persecution? Reports have it Police Commander Gary Schira was caught recently with not even a fire o'clock shadow and was ticketed.

So gentlemen, put away those electric shavers, razors and shaving cream cans until further notice. Or else save up \$1.98 and leave your home at your own risk.

## SENIOR CENTER "THANK YOU"

Thanks to the cooperation of the Village and Library Boards in the sale of the former library building to Bloomingdale Township, our new Senior Center officially opened on February 4, 1983.

We are planning with great anticipation to expand our services to our senior citizens now that we have a Senior Center from which to serve them.

Our Grand Opening ceremonies began at 10:00 AM with a ribbon cutting. Many government officials from the local, state and national levels were present, including Congressman Henry Hyde. Refreshments were served and we had many senior citizens in attendance to join in the celebration.

Again, on behalf of the Bloomingdale Township Town Board, the Senior Services Department, our senior citizens, and myself, "thank you."

Sincerely yours, William S. Kassal Township Supervisor

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Directors of the Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce have elected the following board members to serve as its officers during 1983.

President...... James Luberda, Crickets, Inc. Pest Control Vice President...... Rae Novak, Westlake Graphics Secretary..... Edward Levato, Attorney Treasurer..... Dale Doepke, Bloomingdale State Bank

The Board invites all prospective members to its first "business card" luncheon to get acquainted with the newly elected officers and your chamber, as well as with one another. The luncheon, scheduled for 11:30 AM on Thursday, February 17th at the Brass Elephant Restaurant in Stratford Square Mall, will feature a choice of four entrees, served with a glass of wine or beer for \$6.00 with advance reservations or \$7.00 at the door. For reservations call 893-9342.

For those unable to attend this first bi-monthly luncheon meeting, a "cocktail hour" meeting is scheduled for 5:30 PM on Thursday, March 24th at Indian Lakes Resort. For further information contact Jim Luberda at 894-2400.

Information regarding the low-cost "custom-tailored" group health insurance program which affords group rates to businesses with as few as one employee will be available at these meetings, or by contacting the following member insurance agencies representing this nationwide Chamber of Commerce Associated Program:

The Norm Sturm Agency, 160-A S. Bloomingdale Rd. - 351-0297 Kenneth R. Murphy & Associates, 181 S. Bloomingdale Rd. - 893-0990

Tickets for the Founders' Festival Dinner/Dance are available through your Chamber of Commerce member businesses. For additional information contact Paul Paoletti at 351-0505.

### **ACQUISITIONS**

Business is booming at the Library, with a growing collection of resources for entrepreneurs, sales reps, job seekers, and investors. The Human Resources Management Series offers ideas and advice in such areas as wages, HMO's, recruiting, and policy statements. Dun's Business Rankings ranks leading U.S. companies by annual sales volume and number of employees. Other recent acquisitions are Value Line Investment Survey, The Billion Dollar Directory, Standard & Poor's stock and bond reports, and Crain's Chicago Business. Come in and use your library, or call 529-3120 with your information needs. We are here to assist you.



## American Heritage Savings

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BLOOMINGDALE 261 W. Lake St. 894-5400



ADDISON 625 Army Trail Blvd. 543-5800 ADDISON II 68 W. Lake St. Green Meadow Shopping Center 628-1212 CAROL STREAM 850 W. Army Trail Rd. R30-4700 SCHAUMBURG 15 W. Weathersfield Way 893-4340 WOOD DALE 370 Georgetown Square Georgetown Shopping Center 594-4540

### Letter To The Editor

December 28, 1982

Dear Editor,

Please print the letter that follows. Maybe, it will remind pet owners of the hazards facing pets that are allowed to run free. Perhaps, it will also remind people that when driving a car, the driver is responsible for his actions while behind the wheel.

This letter is addressed to the person driving the car that hit a small white dog, and fled the scene without even stopping to give assistance. The dog was hit on Greenway Road, between Hempstead and Northwestern Road, on Monday, December 27th, at about 4:30 p.m.

I was driving the car following you. I saw you hit the small white dog and not even hesitate or attempt to stop. I stopped, picked the dog up and rushed it to Bloomingdale Animal Hospital.

Tuesday morning, the dog died as a result of extensive internal injuries.

I do not understand the reasoning behind anyone leaving the scene of an accident, especially when injury to a person or animal is concerned. Leaving an injured animal in the middle of a road to die is cruel.

I hope your actions would not be the same if you would hit a small child or an adult.

I would also like to remind pet owners not to allow their pets to run free. If you love your pet, keep it in a fenced back yard or on a leash.

Thank you, Patricia Wheaton R.Rh., F.A.S.C.P. Bloomingdale



## DISTRICT 13 NEWS

by Brandt G. Crocker, Superintendent

The slowdown in our economy is catching up with our school district. For the first time in several years, we are projecting a deficit. State aid to school districts has steadily declined; interest income is down, and group insurance rates are up. Two years ago, we received \$771,067.15 in state aid; this year the figure has dropped to \$598,727.16.

We are not in a panic situation but we must begin to think about possible changes. We have been able to offer the children of our district quality education at a cost per pupil that is among the lowest in DuPage County. With an average cost of \$2407 per pupil in DuPage elementary districts, our district ranks 24th of the 32 districts at \$2207. The State average cost per pupil is \$2375 in elementary school districts.

While quality is difficult to measure, we feel that being able to keep class sizes relatively small and being able to provide teachers with the help of teacher aides give our students a superior educational opportunity.

We have been able to operate our schools with an education fund tax rate which has not changed since 1968. We may not be able to do so much longer. Unless the State assumes more of its responsibility, it is likely we will have a cash flow problem in May of 1984.

What solutions are there? Your Board of Education is spending a considerable amount of time considering solutions. I expect to be reporting regularly to you on those deliberations.

## NOW SHOWING

The Bloomingdale Assembly of God will now be showing films on Friday evenings beginning at 7:00 PM. Admission is \$1.00. The church is located at 194 West Lake Street.

Feb. 18 — First Fruits

Feb. 25 — Hudson Taylor

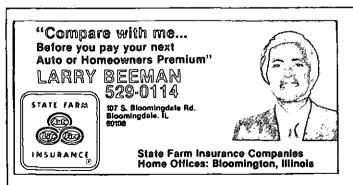
March 11 — All the King's Horses

March 18 — Time to Run & Somebody Special (animated)

March 25 — For Pete's Sake April 1 — In Remembrance

April 8 — Touch of the Master's Hand

Everyone Is Invited — All Ages Welcome — Nursery Available Call 893-9682 for more information.



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#### **BLOOMINGDALE LIONS LAS VEGAS NIGHT**

WHEN: Saturday, March 26, 1983 - Doors Open 7 PM

WHERE: Glendale Country Club

Glen Ellyn Road & Lake Street

Bloomingdale, Illinois

**COST:** \$5.00

You get \$2,000 in Playing Chips

Free Nibbles

Plus Entry to Door Prizes...

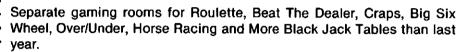
...Grand Prize \$500

...1st Prize \$100

...2nd Prize \$ 50

...3rd Prize \$ 25

... Many other fines gifts



**SPECIAL CASH DRAWINGS:** The Winning Players of each Horse Race, along with last year's High Roller Horse Race for ten lucky winners as part of our evening raffle.

Mark Your Calendar - For An Evening of Fun

the lions club proceeds go to the deaf and the blind

Tickets may be purchased in advance from any Lions Club Member or at the Door on March 26th.

#### THE BEST IN BEGINNINGS AND ENDS

Recently the Bloomingdale Welcome Wagon Club members donated their favorite appetizer and dessert recipes for publication of a cookbook. The cookbook contains hundreds of recipes and is available from the club for \$3.50. Profits from the sale will go to charitable organizations in Bloomingdale.

Members of the Welcome Wagon will enjoy an evening of Bingo and a silent plant auction at their general meeting on March 1st at the Park District office. Upcoming club activities will be discussed followed by refreshments and socializing.

If you are new (or not so new) to Bloomingdale and would like to meet and share interests with other women in your area, please contact Carol at 529-3409.



Mark your calendar now so that you don't miss the Third Annual Knights of Columbus Spaghetti Dinner. It will be held on Saturday night, March 26 at Resurrection Parish Hall, corner of Route 59 and Army Trail Road, beginning at 6:00 p.m. The menu will include "at's-a-nice" original spaghetti with Italian sausage, salad and dessert. The price for this outstanding, mouthwatering dinner is \$3.75 per adult and \$1.75 per child (under 12 years).

The last two years have been total sellouts so you may want to come early. If you wish, you can order tickets now by calling Mike DeAngelis at 289-5264.

#### BLOOMINGDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY CHILDREN'S CORNER

There is exciting art work by the students of Westfield Junior High to be seen at the library. Displayed in the young people's show case are "yummy" ceramic foods. The walls in the children's department proudly hold 25 wonderful creations by your friends.

Come and see, find books about drawing and your favorite crafts, and talk to us about displaying your work too!

### SOCCER

It is once again time to give thought to registering your children for soccer. The G.B. Soccer Club is comprised of skilled coaches and interested parents from the Glendale Heights and Bloomingdale communities. They are dedicated to the promotion of team play and good sportsmanship among the youth (boys and girls - first through eighth grade) of our communities, through the sport of soccer.

For further information call Lou Muzi, 893-1276 or Jim Mori, 893-4057.

COME JOIN
THE SOCCER REVOLUTION!

#### NEW LIBRARY DIRECTOR

At the December 8, 1982 regular meeting of the Bloomingdale Public Library Board of Directors, Jerome Gordon was appointed to fill the position vacated by resigning director Mary Sauvageau. Mr. Gordon is a resident of Bloomingdale and currently is Assistant Superintendent of Schools for District 13. He will serve as a director on the seven member Board until the April 12, 1983 library election.



Pictured are Rev. Anatolij Sytnyk, pastor of St. Andrew Ukrainian Orthodox Church, Victor Partykevich, Church board member and some young men and women from the church's teen group. All were present at the Village Board meeting for the Proclamation designating January 22, 1983 to be Ukrainlan Independence Day. St. Andrew's is located on land soon to be annexed to Bloomingdale.

#### THE BLOOMINGDALE WOMEN'S CLUB

cordially invites you to attend their
Ninth Annual Charity Luncheon - Fashion Show

## 'You've Come A Cong Way Baby''

presented by

Baskins and Mon Cher Boutique

on Saturday, the sixteenth of April, Nineteen hundred and eighty-three

at

#### Indian Lakes Resort Hotel

250 West Schick Road, Bloomingdale, Illinois Cocktails at Eleven A.M. - Luncheon at Noon Donation: \$15.00 per person proceeds to be donated to JUVENILE DIABETES FOUNDATION

For reservations call your BWC Hostess Reservations accepted through April 1, 1983 Peggy - 893-6570 • Sundee - 894-1788

## SIDEWALK SUPERINTENDENT

by Jim Krautstrunk, Director of Building & Zoning

Listed below are the latest updates on commercial business from the Building & Zoning Department.

#### **OPENED RECENTLY**

Mix N' Munch — 156 East Lake Street (Springbrook Shopping Center) Candies, Nuts, Dried Fruits

**Stuff & Such** — 109 S. Third (Cody's Hotel South - Old Town Area)

Gift Shop

**Tom's Wood Shop** — 109 S. Third (Cody's Hotel South - Old Town Area)

Custom Wood Furniture

Olde Towne Holiday & Gifts — 126 W. Lake - 2nd Floor (Old Town Area) Gift Shop

**The Mercantile** — 126 W. Lake - Lower Level (Old Town Area) Gift Shop, Silk & Dried Flowers

**Allen Kracower & Associates** — 104 S. Bloomingdale Road (Old Town Area) *Municipal Planner* 

Old Town Professional Plaza — 125 S. Bloomingdale Road (Old Town Area) (12 Office Suites)

**Sandpiper Books Inc.** — 185 B East Lake Street (Circle Center) *Paperback Sales & Trading* 

Flagg Service Station — 190 East Lake (Self Service Gas Station)

#### **OPENING SOON**

#### Pizza by the Slice

(Fast Food Restaurant) 156 A East Lake St. (Springbrook Center)

#### **Pronto Photo Prints**

(1 hr. developing) 706 Stratford Square (Stratford Mall)

#### **OPENING SOON**

#### **Articles & Old Lace**

(Old Town Area) 126 W. Lake (1st Floor Front) Liadro, Rockwell, China Dolls, Pewter & Crystal

#### Slice of Life Pizza

(Carry-Out) New Owners 272 Glen Ellyn Road

### **Library Programs**

Feb. 16 — 7:30 p.m.
"Sherlock Holmes;
the continuing phenomena."
James Cunningham

Mar. 16 — 7:30 p.m.

Resume writing workshop with Barb Carchen of

Illinois Benedictine

April 5 — 7:00 p.m.
"When Chicago was Hollywood."
Film

April 12 — 7:00 p.m. "Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde" Film



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#### 529-5490

HOURS:

Mon., Tues., Thurs. 9-Frl. 9-9 Sat. 9-6 - Sun. 12-6 Closed Wed.

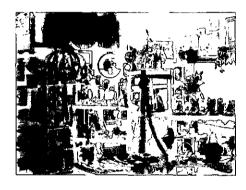
### NEW BUSINESSES IN BLOOMINGDALE

During the past couple of months four more shops have opened in Old Town. We find these new openings just as unusual as the others we have described to you in the past. This isn't by accident, each shop owner strives to be different in the assortment of merchandise he presents.

#### **MERCANTILE**

Located in half of a recently remodeled 150 year old house at 126 Lake Street, the Mercantile reflects the artistic talents of each of its three owners.

Ms. Chris Keenan paints in oils; Ms. Marlene Wendt, Chris' mother, creates silk and dried flower arrangements; and, Ms. Doreen Airdo works with stained glass. Building on each of their particular talents in selecting items from 20-25 crafters, the shop reflects a broad selection of unique merchandise.



Chris and Marlene met Doreen at an art fair and quickly became friends. For sometime they had talked about opening a shop but did not know where. Through advertising they heard about Old Town, and when they saw this house, they knew they had found the perfect location for their first business.

Their specialty is detailed landscape oil paintings, floral arrangements of any size and description, and various types and colors of "all glass" stained glass panels and accent pieces. But there are several other areas worthwhile mentioning: a personalized area for bridal gifts; pictures of animated athletes personalized with your child's name and number or pictures of children you can have printed using your children's names; for Valentine's Day a special area has been set up to personalize stained glass hearts, heart pillows and many other items.

Chris commented that she has seen a lot of interest in her collection of Vintage Heads. These ceramic faces are accessorized in antique jewelry, lace, feature plums, and silk flowers. Also, mechanical art, where old watch parts are used to create pictures of autos, landscapes, people, etc.

Although the shop has been open only since November 23, they feel that the customers have given them a great reception. In fact, many people have commented on being able to find "the perfect" piece they were looking for. If you need an extra special present to give someone or yourself, you may find it at the Mercantile and at a price less than you thought.

#### OLDE TOWNE HOLIDAY AND GIFT SHOPPE

Nestled one floor above the Mercantile we found one of the most unusual shops in all of Bloomingdale. Olde Towne Holiday and Gift Shoppe offers merchandise that is made especially for each of the year's holidays. In fact Ms. Bernadine Gebbia, a co-owner, says that they celebrate and offer Christmas all twelve months of the year.

While we were there Ms. Gebbia was busily setting up displays of Valentine's Day gifts in a room to the rear of the shop. This room will be used for most of the holiday displays, leaving the two large front rooms for the display of special Christmas ornaments, garlands and wreaths.

The owners, Ms. Bernadine Gebbia and Ms. Sue Catanzaro, have been



friends for over 20 years and work together as teachers in Elk Grove Village School District #59. Ms. Gebbia teaches kindergarten at Devonshire School, while Ms. Catanzaro teaches 2nd grade at Clermont School. They formulated their concept for opening a special gift shop in Bloomingdale after visiting Old Town during a recent shopping trip. During the week while these ladies are at school, the shop is managed by Ms. Debbie Busch.

Another specialty of the shop is a large selection of birthday decorations and balloons. In addition to the decorations, a wide assortment of gifts are available: musical greeting cards; "plant" cards; music boxes; musical stuffed toys; and many, many other items. With so many holidays there is a constant supply of new and different gifts arriving all the time.

Drop by Olde Towne Holiday and Gift Shoppe just once and our guess is that you will be taught exciting reasons and ways to celebrate every holiday of the year.

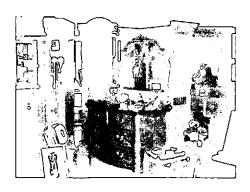
#### TOM'S WOODSHOP

In mid-December Old Town gained its first quality wood furniture specialty shop. This is when Mr. Tom Shafer, the owner, realized he saw a need in Bloomingdale for a high quality wood craftsman. His showroom is located in the Cody's Hotel Building at 109 South Third #4.

Tom's specialty is building custom furniture and cabinets from hardwoods like oak, cherry, and mahogany. He is willing to come to your house and custom design any job you like. Another of his specialties is being able to build your plan at a price that is affordable to you.

As we walked through his showroom and looked at the curio, the armiore, the chests and the other examples of his work, we could see his high standards of quality. Compare the finish, the smoothness of each door as they open and close, and even the selection of the antique hardware used on each piece.

We mentioned Tom's ability to design and build, a perfect example being a piece he has built to complete a customer's antique bedroom suite. He feels that few people, if anybody, will be able to tell the difference between the old and the new.



The showroom also displays several pieces of fine antique furniture. Tom goes about the selection of these antiques with the same critical eye he uses in selecting the woods that go into his furniture pieces.

Apparently, we are not the only people that are impressed with Tom's work for he says that his current orders will take him six months to complete. But he said that he is willing to work with everybody if they are able to wait a couple months for delivery. From what we have seen, we really believe Tom's Woodshop pledge, "Give me an idea and I will build it."

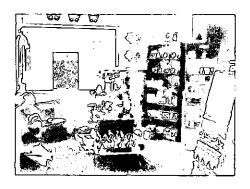
#### STUFF N' SUCH

Also located in Cody Hotel is Stuff n' Such. The first speciality stationery, card, and gift shop to open in Old Town. Ms. Jean Shanley, the owner, worked as a buyer for a company and enjoyed purchasing gifts and accessories. So when she saw how well the Old Town area has been developing, Jean knew Bloomingdale would be an excellent home for her new business.

Her card assortment is more unusual than the traditional. Her gift wrap is sold by the piece so that you can have the widest choices in wrapping each of your presents. You can also dress up all your cards and gifts with the use of over 40 different styles of pressure sensitive stickers. Jean says that Unicorn cards and stationery has been very popular.

If you would like to have your own stationery in all colors of the rainbow, Jean can help you. You can purchase stationery by the piece or by the pound weighed on Jean's own scale.

The shop also has a wide selection of gifts and a beautiful collection of brass and copper jewelry. Jean does not use gifts made by crafters, but rather purchases her merchandise from handpicked quality manufacturers.



Jean said she had not finalized her plans for the grand opening yet, for she hopes to coordinate with the other Cody Hotel tenants. But she did give us a hint by saying she will give away a large stuffed bear, stained glass butterflies and several other beautiful gifts. Details will be published in local newspapers as plans are completed.

The next time you run low on stationery or want to send a greeting card that is truly unusual, be sure to stop by Stuff N' Such, 109 South Third Street. Jean is always willing to be of service and is looking forward to meeting you.

## A Busy Old House

The restored structure at 127 W. Lake Street was built around the turn of the century as a residence. The house is now owned by Frank Gerard Sciackitano, and although no one lives there anymore there certainly is a flurry of activity inside.

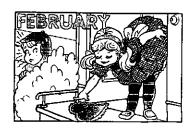
Frank Sciackitano opened the Frank Gerard Hair Studio here in 1977. This is probably the business we most often associate with the site. But did you know there are four other very different services also available within the building? Shortly after Frank opened the Hair Studio, Smooth Encounters - which specializes in painless hair removal - became a tenant upstairs. Following that, James Luberda located his office there. Crickets, Inc. of DuPage is a full service pest control company.

Recently Old Town Shippers, run by Sciackitano, began providing a United Parcel Service and Federal Express facility. The shipping office is open from 9 to 6 daily and 9 to 4 on Saturdays. This is a real convenience for those of us who used to travel into Addison for UPS.

Even more recently State Representative Doris Karpiel moved her District office to 127 W. Lake. Here constituents may call with any questions or problems concerning state government or agencies. If Mrs. Karpiel isn't in her aid Inez will almost certainly be able to help. The District office is open Monday through Thursday from 9 to 4 and the number is 894-2008.

The phone numbers for the other occupants mentioned are:

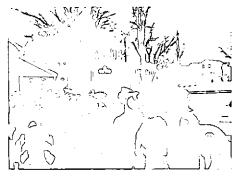
Frank Gerard Hair Studio - 980-8511 Smooth Encounters - 893-8328 Crickets, Inc. - 894-2400 Old Town Shippers - 980-8511





The Bloomingdale Historical Society wishes the residents of Bloomingdale a glorious celebration of the anniversary of our Village's founding 150 years ago. For information on our beginnings and history, visit the library.

Central School students accompany Paula Luberda, Founders' Day Activities Chairman, on a walking tour of Old Towne. The tour was preceded by a slide program by T.J. Perkins, Westfield history teacher, on the history of Bloomingdale.



Students will also travel to the cemetery to do tombstone rubbins of old family names, visit the DuPage Mistorical Museum, and visit a renovated house.

Renes Cherrie, Central art teacher, has arranged these lessons on "Bloomingdale: Past, Present, and Future" so that students entering the art contest will be more knowledgebte about the Village history.

## FOUNDERS' FESTIVAL, 1983

## Schedule of Events

Kids Day · March 11

Students assume Village & School positions
Historical Presentation by Central School students
Plaques awarded to five oldest Bloomingdale residents

Founders' Festival Dinner/Dance - March 11 co-sponsored by Festival Committee and Chamber of Commerce

Lion's Las Vegas Night (Founders' Festival Edition) - Warch 26 at Glendale Country Club

APRIL

Bloomingdale Woman's Club Fashion Show - April 16 Nostalgic Theme - "You've Come a Long Way, Baby"

Volleyball Tournament - run by Park District - Date TBA

Details Will Appear in Later Issues on These.

MAY

Talent Show at Lake Park West - May 20

Gymnastics Heet - run by Park District - date TBA

JUNE

Lion's Half-a-Thon - June 11 (Founders' Festival Edition)
Nostalgia Dance at Glendale Heights Country Club - June 24
Senior Arts and Crafts Show - time and place TBA

JULY

Country Fair - July 4

co-sponsored by Founders' Festival Committee
and Bloomingdale Park District

Softball Tournamen - time and place TBA

AUGUST

Heritage Night - first weekend in August
Founders' Festival Golf Outing August 27 at Indian Lakes
followed by a Texas Barbeque

SEPTEMBER

Parade and Septemberiest - weekend of September 10

OCTOBER

2nd Dinner/Auction and final event of festival.





Blooming dale "Sesquicentennial" Sweatshirts, T-Shirts, Jerseys

In celebration of our 150th birthday these quality items are available with the official sesquicentennial logo. Order forms and style/size/price information available at the Village Hall.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

#### **USED BOOK SALE**

Sponsored by Friends of the Library. February 12 th - 10 to 4 on the lower level of the library. Purchase singly or by the bag. GREAT prices.

#### SHOPPING BENEFIT DAYS — For The Library

During March at Jewel. Pick up forms at library.

#### OPEN HOUSE — Bloomingdale Garden Club

February 16 at 237 Crest Court at 7:30 P.M. Demonstration of floral arrangement techniques by Steven Esquival of The Flower Cart in Chicago.

#### QUILT EXHIBIT — at the Park District Museum.

Quilts ranging from late 1800's through early 20th century. February 19 to March 19. Tuesdays & Thursdays 3-6, Saturdays 10-2.

#### SOCCER CLINIC

During March for girls who are interested in playing soccer, but have never played on a team before. Call Park District at 529-3650 for details.

### BWC DONATION

Thanks to the Bloomingdale Women's Club the Bloomingdale Public Library has been able to purchase a number of needed audio-visual items. Their recent gift of \$1,285 was used to buy an overhead projector, a reversible chalkboard, an 8mm projector, and an easel. An information center stand, located in the adult services area of the library, and canvas tote bags for records were also purchased.



Come and Grow With Us...

We're One Year Old! Ash Wednesday Feb. 16th

Bishop Primo of Chicago Visits March 6th

**Palm Sunday** 

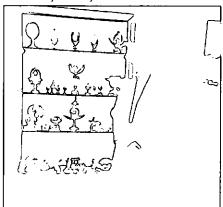
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### GILDED EGGS

The library observed January, National Hobby Month, with a display provided by Bloomingdale resident Donna Dwyer. Ms. Dwyer creates "Faberge" decorations from the eggs of geese, ducks, ostriches, swans, turkeys, pheasants, emus, guineas and araucanas. They are hinged, jewelled and gilded, and contain miniature figures such as children, birds, cherubs and clocks.



Ms. Dwyer has taught and exhibited her craft in Chicago libraries and museums, at Marshall Field's, and at workshops from Pennsylvania to California.

Residents with items they feel are worthy of display are asked to contact Adult Services Librarian Cheryl Bennett at 529-3120.

### an Open Letter Of Thanks

Dear Friends and Neighbors,
The family of Debbie Plinske
Schwartz would like to express their
gratitude to each of you for all that
you have done for Debbie and for us.
Your kindness, sympathy and
thoughtfulness will always be remembered.

Though she is not beside us, she is in our hearts and minds each minute of the day; she is part of us. Although she spent the previous year at Northern Illinois University, last August Debbie enrolled at Harper College so she could be home with her family. She worked for her stepdad at his office and went to Harper in the afternoon. Much of her studying time was spent at the new Bloomingdale Library.

We have established the Debra Plinske Schwartz Memorial Fund at West Suburban Bank at Stratford Square. Because of your generosity we will be able to do something special for the library in memory of our beloved daughter.

Debbie also had a great love for all animals. She spent the last Sunday of her life at the Brookfield Zoo. We intend to adopt an animal in Debbie's name and take care of it all the days of its life.

Debbie's memory lives on in each of us who had the privilege to know her. She is our angel. In our hearts she is not gone, but rather waiting for us to join her in eternal happiness.

Thank you for caring, Gail and Bob Schwartz

In celebration of the Village's Sesquicentennial, the Country Fair committee will be sponsoring a quilt contest in conjunction with this summer's 4th of July festivities. Entry forms for the quilt contest will be available at the Museum during the duration of the quilt exhibit.

Feb. 19 to Warch 19

## WHAT'S NEW IN OLD TOWN?

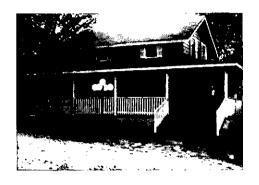
The Old Town area was originally developed with single family homes and small shops during the late 1800's and early 1900's. For the past seven years, Old Town has undergone rennovation in accordance with a general plan prepared during 1975. The original plan is now seven years old and the Village is in the process of developing a consolidated and updated plan to reflect current conditions. The Old Town area has undergone significant change and has become a vital area in terms of economic growth and development. Pictured are some of the recent and upcoming projects in Old Town.



128 W. Lake St.
The Merchantile, Holiday Shoppe
and Articles of Old Lace



Cody's Hotel - Tom's Woodshop and Stuff 'N Such



124 W. Lake Street The Front Porch & Potpourri



Cody's Hotel North



**Bloomingdale Professional Plaza** 



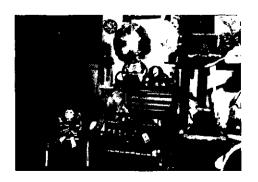
Potpourri 124 W. Lake Street



Robert Meyers, D.D.S. 135 First Street



104 S. Bloomingdale Rd. Allen L. Kracower & Associates, Inc.



The Front Porch 124 W. Lake Street

## "WHAT DO YOU THINK?"

Why doesn't the Village enforce the rule about trash not being put out front until the evening before pickup. We live in Indian Lakes where trash is picked up on Mondays and people pile trash out front all weekend. This is even worse during summer when by Sunday afternoon our neighborhood looks unbelievably trashy!

Name withheld by request.

There is a Village Ordinance prohibiting placing trash out for pickup prior to the night before collection. The hour 6:00 PM is specified as the earliest time that garbage may be placed out. The Village does enforce the rule, regularly issuing warnings and citations to the violators. We request that you inform us of violations when you observe them, so we might initiate the appropriate enforcement action.

> Patrick J. McMahon Chief of Police

Who is for TOTAL Nuclear Disarmament? I, for one, am. My name is Kevin Elmore and I am 16 years old. Don't think, however, that due to my age I don't worry about our country

Print my name: Yes\_\_\_\_

\_\_ No\_

and Russia going wild and bombing ourselves out of existence. Quite frankly, I am scared, and with the MX push it could be sooner than before. I would like to know who would like to go in with me to write a carefully planned letter to President Reagan and Andropov on our views against nuclear arms and the build-up of them. I feel you owe it to yourselves and your kids (my friends) to help stop this shadow of fear which is blackening our lives.

Kevin Elmore 262 Sterling Lane

Anyone who wishes to join Kevin in expressing his views for disarmament can leave their name and phone number at the Village Hall directed to the ALMANAC. We will see Kevin gets it.

Editor

How nice of you to have a mention of the Glenbard North High School Band and their picture. Many of us have children attending the school and you rarely mention it. How about more coverage?

> Fred Bolling 254 Laurel Lane

Glenbard North was contacted several months ago regarding press releases. We print news from them as often as possible, especially when it is about any of our student residents.

Editor

Why can't we get a posted speed limit sign on Euclid Avenue between Circle and Lake Street? Since the street has been opened all the way to Lake it has become a speedway. Many people don't even stop at the intersections where stop signs are located.

Name withheld by request.

Dan Wennerholm, Director of Public Works and Engineering, informs us there were signs for northbound traffic which had been removed from the posts. These have now been replaced. The Bloomingdale Police Department also recommended two additional speed limit signs be erected between Circle and Tee Lane for both north and southbound traffic on Euclid.

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## OPINION FEATURE

My thoughts are as follows:	
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