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# THE MAYOR'S DIRECT LINE

# Village Government Urges You To Vote For Lake Michigan Water Funding



On November 5, 1985, a Referendum will appear on your ballot to provide funding to bring Lake Michigan Water to DuPage County. The Village Board and I strongly urge you to vote for the Referendum. Over the last few years, I am sure that you have read in your local newspapers and heard from your local officials through columns like this about our desperate need for a quality water source for the future. The time has come to take the first giant step toward funding this project which is needed to assure that our industries, businesses and residents receive an adequate supply of potable water for today and the future.

As further background to the Referendum, I have provided a list of typically asked questions about the need for Lake Michigan Water in the Village. Questions requiring more detail can be answered by the Village Staff or the DuPage Water Commission direct. The Village Staff can be reached daily at 893-7000. The Water Hot-Line for the DuPage Water Commission is H2O-DATA (420-3282).

### WATER SUPPLY IN DU PAGE COUNTY

# Do We have a water supply problem?

Yes, Our supply of ground water, our only present source, is being depleted more rapidly than it can be replenished by natural means.

The more than 660,000 residents of DuPage County, together with business and industry, currently use over 80 million gallons per day compared to the 50 million gallons that can be pumped without depleting the natural supply. This means that 60% more water is being used than is being replaced by natural means.

### Do we have a water quality problem?

Yes. Existing ground water supply exceeds acceptable standards for iron and hardness. This results in excessive costs to the user in damage to appliances and plumbing and in treatment costs. Some of the ground water used by municipalities in the county has excessive levels of other potentially harmful chemical elements such as radium and barium.

### What is the solution to our water problems?

After a study of all alternatives, water supply planners and engineers, including the Illinois Division of Water Resources and the Illinois State Water Survey, tell us that Lake Michigan water is the answer.

## How does Lake Michigan water compare in quality to DuPage ground water?

Treated Lake Michigan water is of much higher quality than the water we are currently using. It has practically zero iron content and is 4 to 5 times softer than DuPage water. It meets all existing and proposed water quality standards.

### How will we get Lake Michigan water?

The DuPage Water Commission has entered into a 40 year contract with the city of Chicago to purchase Lake Michigan water. It will construct a pipeline system to bring Lake water to the communities of the county. Most municipalities have received an allocation of Lake Michigan water by the State of Illinois based on present usage and future requirements.

### How much will it cost to bring Lake Michigan water to DuPage County?

Engineers estimate the cost of the system will be \$350 million dollars.

# How will we pay for it?

The DuPage Water Commission, made up of representatives of the county and municipalities are considering a combination of financing methods, including general obligation bonds, revenue bonds and a 1/4 of 1% sales tax.

### What must be done to authorize the Commission to obtain funds for the project?

A county-wide referendum must be conducted. This referendum is tentatively scheduled for November 5, 1985.

# THE PRESS SPEAKS OUT ON LAKE MICHIGAN WATER

Printed below are exerpts from your local newspapers concerning the very important issue of the need for Lake Michigan Water in the Village of Bloomingdale and DuPage County.

"The something in this case is the loss of time and the delay in the final completion of the project to bring Lake Water to DuPage and the increased costs to County taxpayers and water consumers caused by the delays. Let's get on with it and quit wasting time — and money".

# Jeff Clarkson, Lerner-VOICE Newspapers, June 5, 1985

"Tenuto and Bloomingdale Village Officials spearheaded a drive that eventually led to the original Commission's approving a Resolution in support of the sales tax as the least expensive and most equitable means to raise money for the projejct".

## Lerner-VOICE Newspapers, October 24, 1984

"Groundwater systems simply don't cut it for water quality or quantity in an urban area such as DuPage. They are falling short of meeting today's needs and the situation is guaranteed to grow worse. Demand already exceeds the aquifer's ability to recharge itself, State engineers say. Today this imbalance takes the form of sprinkling bans and cloudy, bubbly tap water. Tomorrow it will take the form of families moving away and industries not even considering locating in DuPage County.

"Lake water is of superior quality and the technology exists today to get every DuPage County community more than the amount of water it needs. It is simply a better deal".

### Press Publications, September 12, 1985

"Nearly half of the DuPage County residents contacted in a recent telephone survey said they would vote for the multimillion-dollar Lake Michigan pipeline, with the heaviest support coming from the County's four largest towns".

## John Schmeltzer, Chicago Tribune, September 10, 1985

"The radium discovery gives even more urgency to the campaign to pipe Lake Water to DuPage County suburbs, many of

which are served by deep wells".

### Chicago Tribune, March 30, 1985

"Local water supplies are already running short in some parts of DuPage, and it is hard to see how the County can continue to sustain its economic growth without adequate water".

### Chicago Tribune, February 11, 1985

"But what is the value of the indirect benefit of Lake Water to DuPage residents who will not receive it?

"A half-cent sales tax would raise about \$25 million a year, enough to cover about half the cost of the pipeline project. The other half would be covered by increased water rates of Lake Water user, or about 450,000 of DuPage's 650,000 residents.

"That means that the 200,000 indirect beneficiarles under the latest financing proposal would be expected to pay about \$53 million, or 15 percent of the cost of the project. That seems to be a reasonable burden".

## Chicago Tribune, April 20, 1984

"Though higher rates are more likely, they are worth it. A Lake Michigan system is an investment in the County's future that people will be able to enjoy the benefits of today. Unfortunately in this case, the obvious is not widely understood".

### Press Publications, September 12, 1985

"For example, a sales tax, which Commissioners favor, would require action from Springfield. But legislative leaders have expressed an unwillingness to accept the political heat for a sales tax, and will require a referendum, according to Peter Ernst, Commission Attorney.

"It would be the first time in State history that a sales tax would be put to referendum, he said".

Steve Trossman, Daily Journal, March 15, 1985

# LAKE MICHIGAN WATER QUESTIONS CONTINUED

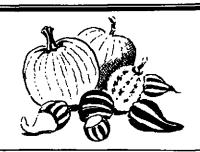
How will Lake Michigan water affect current water rates?

Cost of water purchased from the City of Chicago and the cost of the distribution system to deliver the water would cost each municipality approximately \$2.50 per 1000 gallons. Passage of the referendum would reduce this cost by up to 50%. (By law, Chicago cannot charge DuPage county more than its lowest rate for similar users).

Added to this cost would be local municipal water costs. The average DuPage household uses 8,000 gallons of water per month and pays \$1.25 per 1000 gallons, plus from \$1 to \$2 per 100 gallons for softening. The change in these costs for the average user would vary depending upon whether the user decides to eliminate or reduce softening treatment. For those users who wish to retain the same degree of softness they now enjoy with water softeners, their salt costs could be reduced by as much as 75% and their regenerations by 66%.

How soon can we expect to have Lake Michigan water?

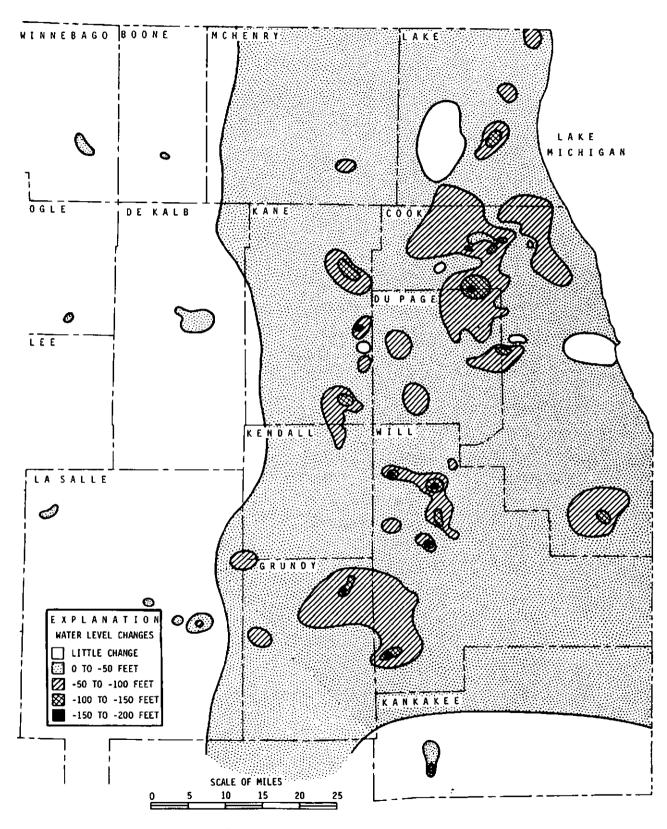
The project is underway now and it is estimated that Lake Michigan water will start being delivered to DuPage County by 1990.



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DROP IN LEVELS OF WATER WELLS (GRAPHS TO FURTHER ILLUSTRATE THE NEED FOR A POTABLE WATER SUPPLY ON PAGES 4 & 5)

# VILLAGE BOARD & COMMISSION MEETINGS

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**

2nd & 4th Mondays 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**

3rd Wednesday of every Month 7:30 P.M. — Library

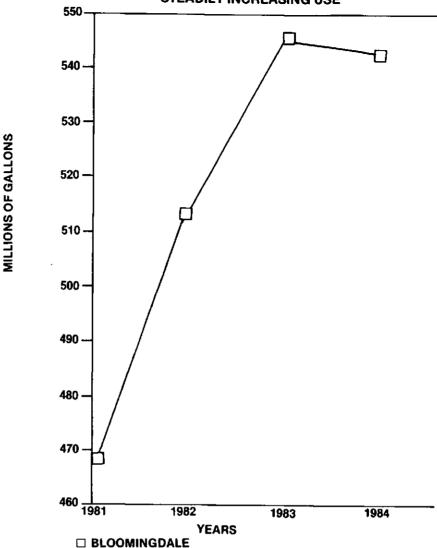
### **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

Board of Directors Meeting 1st Thursday of every month 8:00 A.M. — Indian Lakes -Tamarack Room

# SIDEWALK PROGRAM

The 1985 Sidewalk Improvement Program to be implemented this fall, will include construction of sidewalk from Edgewater to Greenway on Bloomingdale Road. A bid for \$29,725.00 was accepted from Keeneyville Construction of Roselle. The original bid amount has been reduced by \$4720. as walk removal and restoration of property will be completed by our own crews. The County will share in this project by approximately \$3900.

# WATER PUMPAGE: 1981 to 1984 STEADILY INCREASING USE



1983 was an exceptionally hot and dry summer. This accounts for the slight drop in water pumpage from 1983 to 1984. The 1985 pumpage will be higher than 1984 due to an increase in population and new businesses.



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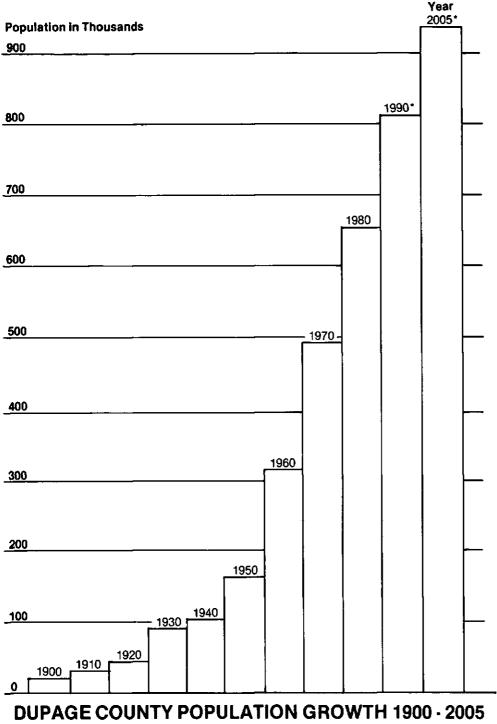
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\*Projected Source: 1980 Census

The Bloomingdale Emergency Services and Disaster Agency is currently seeking to compile listings of individuals having/owning 4-wheel drive vehicles and snowmobiles for volunteer use in emergency/snow conditions. Interested parties wishing to participate should submit name, address and phone to: Bloomingdale ESDA

c/o Bloomingdale Police Department 201 S. Bloomingdale Road

NOTICE **Due to the Christmas Mail Rush** THE DEADLINE FOR THE **DECEMBER ISSUE IS NOVEMBER 20** 

# **BLOOMINGDALE ROSELLE ROAD**

The Bloomingdale/Roselle Road construction, a \$4 million project undertaken by DuPage County and the Villages of Bloomingdale and Roselle, has suffered some delays. The biggest of these was a problem with the utility companies getting their lines relocated due to the tremendous amount of road work undertaken in the area this sea-SOF

The contractor, R. W. Dunteman Company, also had to lay two miles of underground pipeline for Lake Michigan water which took longer than anticipated.

The DuPage County Highway Department is responsible for the construction and its funding. Sources there say the road will be open by December 1. The deadline is realistic if the weather cooperates. However, if extremely cold weather sets in before December 1, the crews will have trouble finishing in time.

> Samuel J. Tenuto VILLAGE PRESIDENT

Marie E. Tayfel VILLAGE CLERK

Robert F. Reeves VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

### **TRUSTEES**

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Finance & Budget, Finance Commission, Park District **DuPage Water Commission** 

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Board of Fire & Police Commissioners **RTA Services** 

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Plan Commission, Architectural Review. Comprehensive Planning Committee Cable TV

Sebastian J. "Buzz" Puccio Zoning, Building & Street Maintenance Library Board

# 1985/86 TREE PLANTING PROGRAM

The Village Board has again allocated funds for this very successful program which was started in 1982. The program provides trees including planting at a 50/50 cost sharing with the Village. The trees will be planted very early next Spring. Also, this year we will be allowing trees to be planted in the front yards.

This Winter, after all interested residents have signed up, we will take competitive bids and will then have the exact prices. We then will contact each participant with the appropriate cost and request payment.

The following are the guidelines of the program:

- Since the budget is limited, the program will be on a first come, first served basis.
   Requests should be submitted by November 15, 1985. No money is needed at this
   time. Bills will be sent in early 1986.
- 2. Trees will be 21/2 " caliper, unless stated otherwise.
- The Village reserves the right to disapprove requests based on conflicts, safety, or improper spacing.
- 4. Each parcel will be limited to two (2) trees. Corner lots will be allowed (4) trees.
- 5. Participants will be given the opportunity to mark the location of the planting desired, but the Village retains the right to change if necessary.
- 6. We anticipate the cost of the trees to be between \$120.00 and \$180.00 each, with the Village paying half of that amount.
- 7. Trees will be guaranteed for one year. Participants are responsible for all watering which will be described in instructions furnished by the landscape contractor.

TREE PLANTING PROGRAM REQUEST FORM		
Name:	Date:	
Address:		
Phone:		
PROPERTY ADDRESS:		
INDICATE NUMBER OF EACH TYPE DESIRE	ED:	
PARKWAY		
Oak, Northern Red (Quercus Rubra 'Borealis') Grows Mod. fast to 75' Linden, Redmond (Tilia Euchlora 'Redmond') Grows Mod. fast to 50'	Ginkgo (Ginkgo Biloba-Male) Grows Mod. fast to 100'	
FRONT YARD TREES ONLY		
Pear, Bedford (Pyrus Calleryana 'Bradford') White Spring Flowers, No Fruit Kentucky Coffeetree (Gymnocladus Dioica) Grows Mod. fast to 90'	Oak, Northern Red (Quercus Rubra 'Borealis') Grows Mod. fast to 75'  Ginkgo (Ginkgo Biloba-Male) Grows Mod. fast to 100'	
Redbud, Eastern (Cercis Canadensis) Purplish-Pink Spring Flowers Choose Multi-Stern One: Single Trunk	Linden, Redmond (Tilia Euchlora 'Redmond') Grows Mod. fast to 50'	

Deliver or send to Department of Community Services, Village Hall, 201 South Bloomingdale Road, Bloomingdale, Illinois 60108.

# CHAMBER'S CHRISTMAS SHOWCASE

The Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce is gearing up for its third annual Christmas Showcase. More than 45 local merchants will be showcasing their Christmas wares from 6:30 to 9:30 P.M. on Tuesday, November 26 at Indian Lakes Resort in the banquet rooms.

Open to the public free of charge, visitors will be afforded a chance to purchase holiday items at special prices, receive discount coupons and sample different foods. Door prizes donated by participating merchants, including a weekend package from Indian Lakes Resort, will be awarded every half-hour.

There will be a sweets table and coffee and Santa will be on hand to give candy to the children. A cash bar will also be available. Come join the fun and see what is new in gift-giving ideas for this holiday season.



Ten-year resident Janice Amstadt was the first person to check out a book from Pat, circulation clerk on Sept. 3 when the public library went to computer check-out.



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# ADDITION TO STAFF

Welcome Michael D. Marchi, civil engineer, to the Village staff. He was hired in August as Dan Wennerholm, our public engineer, took on more responsibility as the Director of Community Services.



Marchi graduated cum laude with a bachelor of science in civil engineering in 1980 from Bradley University. It was here he met his wife Laurel, to whom he has been married three years. They have a 22-month old daughter, Katie.

Mike has lived in Peoria for the last eight years. His previous work experience includes working as a project manager with a consulting firm in Peoria. The majority of last year was spent performing a sewer system evaluation survey for the city of Huntsville, Texas. The project included extensive work with microcomputers as well as frequent trips to Texas for weeks at a time.

Needless to say, the Marchi family is glad that's over. They are now looking forward to moving into their newly purchased home in the Longridge subdivision.

In their leisure time Mike and Laurel enjoy outdoor activities, including gardening, which is another pleasure the new house will afford. Mike also enjoys photography and furniture refinishing. He says with a little more experience he'll be ready to tackle a real antique.

Among Mike's current projects in the Village are Glen Ellyn Road ditch improvements and the Schick Road widening project. One of the projects he will be tackling in the near future is the expansion of the wastewater treatment plant. He will also be giving the Plan Commission a hand by reviewing the engineering drawings for proposed developments.

Says Mike, "I look forward to addressing the challenges which the engineer's position offers... I've enjoyed working with the several dedicated individuals I have met." We think we'll enjoy working with Mike too. Welcome aboard.

# POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFERS FREE VIDEO TAPING OF CHILDREN

The Bloomingdale Police Department in conjunction with their Child Identification Program is offering residents the opportunity of having their children video-taped, as well as fingerprinted. This video tape, which will be retained by the parents with their child's Personal Identification Packet, will provide a visual and an audio record of their child. Those residents interested in availing themselves of this service. which is offered free, should contact Detective Paul Deibel by letter (c/o Bloomingdale Police Department, 201 South Bloomingdale Road, Bloomingdale, Illinois 60108) or by phone (312/ 529-9868) specifying their name, address, and phone. After receipt of these requests, the Bloomingdale Police Department will designate a time and date when this fingerprinting and videotaping will take place. Residents will be required to provide their own VHS videotape for their child.



# THANK YOU

A big thanks from the Bloomingdale Township Committee on Youth. Because of resident response the Foster Care Recruitment Program has several families interested in becoming much needed foster care families.

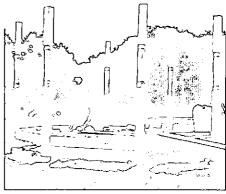
# GOOD FOR LIFE

A blood donor is good for people who go through windshields and red lights. For someone with leukemia. For barefoot kids who aren't careful. For hemophiliacs and daredevils. For people undergoing dialysis while waiting for a kidney transplant.

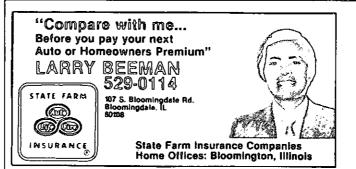
Bloomingdale Blood Association president Cris Dujmovic wants to tell Bloomingdale residents how terrific they are. We really responded to the dire need for blood last year.

The need for blood, however, always exists. The next blood drive is set for 4 to 8 P.M. on Tuesday, October 22 at DuJardin School, 166 S. Euclid. To make an appointment or to volunteer help call Cris at 351-2392.

A blood donor is good for people badly burned. For new mothers who need transfusions and new babies who need a complete change of blood supply. For people having open heart surgery. For cancer patients. A blood donor is good for life.



This picture of the gazebo was taken on Sept. 24. By now the structure should be nearly finished with electrical work and landscaping scheduled for completion this fall, weather permitting.





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# **FALL HYDRANT FLUSHING**

It's that time of year again. Starting October 22nd through November 2nd, the Water Division will be flushing hydrants throughout the Village. The flushing will occur between the hours of 10 P.M. and 2 A.M. Residents with water softeners are encouraged to check the cycle time of their softeners so that the unit does not regenerate during this period.

One question that is always asked is — Why does the Village flush hydrants? Hydrant flushing is routine maintenance for a water system. It accomplishes the following:

- Improves water quality Flushing removes the minerals such as iron and magnesium that have collected in the watermains.
- 2. Improves water flow By removing these minerals, the inside diameter of the watermain is increased and therefore, allows a better flow of water.
- 3. Hydrant maintenance A fire hydrant is a mechanical device. Operation of a hydrant lubricates internal mechanisms and gaskets.
- 4. Hydrant inspection Any deficiencies are noted and repaired as necessary to insure that each hydrant will perform when needed for an emergency.

The schedule for hydrant flushing by area will be as follows:

Westlake Subdivision	Oct. 21, 22, and 23
Fairfield Subdivision	Oct. 23
North and South Suncrest	Oct. 24
Medinah Country Estates	Oct. 24
East Army Trail, Brookdale Estates and Westlake (Harvard)	Oct. 25
Deer Glen	Oct. 28
Willowbridge Village	Oct. 28
Westlake Sunnyside	Oct. 28
Old Town and Bloomingdale Rd.	Oct. 29
Old Town Estates	Oct. 30
Longridge (Levitt)	Oct. 30
Indian Lakes	Oct. 31 and Nov. 1st
Stratford Place	Nov. 1

"No Solicitors Invited"
Stickers are available to residents at no charge from the Village Hall.

# FULL CALENDAR FOR VILLAGERS

The Villagers of Bloomingdale, a social and civic club for women of the community, have planned a wide range of activities for their 1985-86 year.

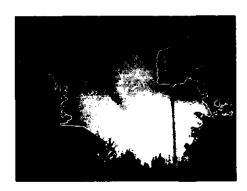
For couples, the year starts out with a challenging road rally; if eating is your pleasure, international dining and the annual Christmas progressive dinner are for you. Couples' game nights are also held bi-monthly.

Children's activities include an October trip to the circus, as well as Halloween and Christmas parties.

Members have many choices from bimonthly salad luncheons to ladies' days away to great places, as well as bowling, crafts, bridge, couponing, areobics and more.

For more information, call Sue, 894-8610 or Carol, 980-1504.

# PRIEBE'S "BELIEVE IT OR NOT"



This funnel cloud was sighted by Ron Priebe on a stormy Sunday, August 25 near his backyard. The daring resident captured the sight on film for posterity and non-believing neighbors.

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# DISTRICT 13 NEWS

by Dr. Jerome E. Gordon, Superintendent

A visit to any of our school buildings will show many improvements made over the summer months under the Illinois life safety program. Some new doors, additional walls, exit signs and automatic door closers have been added as a result of the survey of our buildings in 1984. Each school district must survey its buildings every ten years in order to bring them up to the current standards. The purpose of life safety work in school buildings is to provide easy access, fire walls, fire alarms and emergency exits for the safety of our students in case of emergency.

You may also see some new faces in new places in our buildings. I would like to introduce two of them to you. Leslie Fischer, who has served on our district Gifted Program Committee and who has had a considerable amount of training in working with the gifted student, will be coordinating our gifted program. This half-time position will be funded in part by state funds made available through the new education act passed by the legislature this summer.

Jane Vogel, who is new to our district, will add to our resources for students who need help with reading. She will work directly with children in small groups at Central and DuJardin Schools. Money for this half-time position will come from federal funds.

You may also see some new teaching materials. Each year we pilot new text-books in at least one area. This year we will be trying science series from Addison-Wesley and D.C. Heath Companies for all grades.

After reviewing our social studies materials last year, we have adopted a new series of teaching materials from the Scott Foresman Company for grades K through 5.

You will also be seeing more use of computers in our buildings this year. A committee of teachers, working with Assistant Superintendent Larry Erickson, came up with an exciting new curriculum for students to learn more about computers, and to use them in every classroom, so that they will be ready for high school and the ever-expanding use of computers in every phase of life.

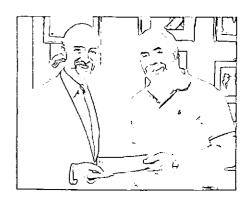


We invite you to take a walk through our buildings, and hope you are as proud of them as we are. This year we had 1232 students in attendance the first day of school, as compared to 1240 at the end of last year. The number does not represent a large change, and thus our staffing and organizational patterns remain about the same.

And last, our Board of Education president, Karen Gerovac, along with John Erickson, president of Bloomingdale Council of Teachers, announced the signing of our contract with our teachers. Says Mrs. Gerovac, "We are very pleased that the past spirit of cooperation between the teachers and the school board was evident in the negotiating process. We are both pleased to have reached a mutually acceptable agreement."

# ROOTS A WINNER

Good news from the DuPage County Historical Society - DuPage Roots, its recent book covering some 26 DuPage communities, recently received the Award of Superior Achievement in its category from the Congress of Illinois Historical Societies and Museums. The chapter on Bloomingdale was written by Thomas J. and Patti Lee Perkins.



Rubin Kuznitsky, chairman of the Bob Belden Cancer Fund (right) proudly presents Patrick DeMoon, former chairman of the Bloomingdale Unit of the ACS with a check for \$5000.00.

# Wow, have we got a bank for you.

### **ADDISON**

Army Trail Plaza, 625 Army Trail Road 543-5800

Green Meadows Shopping Center, 68 West Lake Street 628-1212

## BLOOMINGDALE

261 East Lake 894-5400

### **BROADVIEW**

2223 Roosevelt Road 681-2250

### CAROL STREAM

850 West Army Trail Road 830-4700

### **SCHAUMBURG**

Farmgate Shopping Center, 590 South Roselle Road 893-4340

### WOOD DALE

Georgetown Square Shopping Center, 370 Georgetown Square 595-4540



# **NEW BUSINESSES**

# STAR CREST ACCOUNTING AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS

This four-month old business is owned and operated by Bloomingdale residents Tom and Debbie Billeter at 238 Winston Lane.

Tom and Debbie met while attending Eastern Illinois University where they both received their bachelor of science degrees in accounting. Tom went on to receive his master's degree at DePaul University and became a CPA.

During the past nine years Tom has gained experience while working for Trailmobile, Continental Can and McDonald's. Debbie worked at Continental Bank as an E.D.P. auditor. With this wide range of experience they decided to work for themselves.

Their business offers a custom accounting package designed for the needs of any type of small business. When the accounting needs reach a point where a computer becomes more economical for the company, Tom and Debbie can develop a computer program which will present information in a format that will be the most meaningful for that company.

For additional information or a cost quote, contact the Billeters' Star Crest Accounting and Information Systems at 980-9472.

### SIGN CONCEPTS

Sign Concepts is the sign painting business of Alan and Lynda Bolek at 244 Harvard Lane in Bloomingdale.

Alan's experience began as a grammar school hobby where drawing and lettering captured his imagination. After finishing high school he decided to extend his hobby into a career.

Over the past 12 years Alan has applied his hand not only to lettering and basic art signs, but also to detailed work such as using an air brush to draw custom graphics on vans. Most recently, his work was seen on television when the Channel Two program "Two on Two" visited one of Schaumburg's newest night spots - Confetti's. Alan made two of the ceiling support columns there look like cans of Wilson tennis balls.

Closer to home his work appears in the form of handpainted billboards which direct visitors and shoppers about Old Town. Alan has also painted many of the individual shops' signs.

If you need signing or window lettering done for your business or organization, you may want to give Alan and Lynda Bolek's Sign Concepts a call at 893-7415.

# GOING... GOING... GONE

"Sold to the highest bidder!" These will be the words heard over and over at the Villagers' annual craft and bake auction to be held Thursday, Nov. 7 beginning at 7 P.M. sharp at the Bloomingdale Park District, 172 S. Circle.



Many of the auction items have a Christmas flavor

Auction items will include crafts, ornaments and baked goods all made and donated by club members. Admission is free and refreshments will be served. Proceeds from the event are donated to charity.

# **APPLEWOOD 5TH BAZAAR**

Applewood Manor Convalescent Center will be sponsoring its 5th annual Christmas Bazaar on Sunday, October 13 from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M.

Various handmade items and crafts made by the Applewood residents will be on sale including ceramics, needlework, quilted footstools, afghans and crocheted placemats.

Activity director June Hoffman has also made arrangements for 25 independent craft dealers to participate in the event. Santa Claus will schedule an early appearance on the 13th and refreshments will be available.

Proceeds from the bazaar will be used for the activity department's programs. Applewood Manor is at 275 Army Trail Road.



# WHAT'S HAPPENING

- Oct. 11 Lions Club Candy Day
- Oct. 13 Applewood Manor Christmas Bazaar 10 · 5
- Oct. 19 Knights of Columbus St. Isidore Blood Drive in old church basement.
  - 8 A.M. · noon. Call Larry, 668-6850 for appt.
- Oct. 22 Bloomingdale Blood Association Blood Drive, DuJardin School. 4 8 P.M. Call 351-2392.
- Oct. 25 & 26 Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive to benefit mentally handicapped children.
- Oct. 26 Halloween Party Bloomingdale Public Library 2 P.M.
- Nov. 1 BWC Holiday Auction 7:30 P.M. at Indian Lakes Mohawk Room. Admission \$2.50
- Nov. 6 North DuPage Eves Homemakers "Help Yourself to Good Health" 7:30 P.M. at St. Paul's Church. Call 529-8107 for more info.
- Nov. 7 Villagers Craft & Bake Auction 7 P.M. at Park District.
- Nov. 23 Marklund Home Auxiliary Craft Show 9 4 at Westfield Junior High.
- Nov. 26 Chamber of Commerce Christmas Showcase 6:30 9:30 P.M. Indian

**Lakes Resort** 

# BWC HOLIDAY AUCTION

Do you need an unusual Christmas gift? Or perhaps a special decoration that will become a family heirloom? You can find that special item at the Blooming-dale Women's Club Holiday Auction on Friday, November 1 beginning at 7:30 P.M. in the Mohawk Room of Indian Lakes Resort.

Beautiful handcrafted items, donated by club members, will be auctioned by professional auctioneer Norm Andrews. Admission is \$2.50. Homebaked refreshments will be served. All profits will be donated to charity. Mark your calendars and bring a friend.

# MARKLUND AUXILIARY ARTS AND CRAFTS

The Marklund Home Auxiliary is hosting its third annual arts and crafts show on Saturday, November 23 from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M. in the Westfield Junior High School, 149 Fairfield Way.

The craft show will have a variety of items from woodcrafts and ceramics to toys, hoop art and Christmas items of all types. Crafts donated by the crafters will be among the door prizes.

There are still openings for crafters. For information call 894-7185 or 653-7683. As always, the proceeds from this event will benefit the youngsters at Marklund Children's Home.



Three-year old Amy Zimmerman was quite taken with Grimace at the library's summer reading game party.

# Bloomingdale Church

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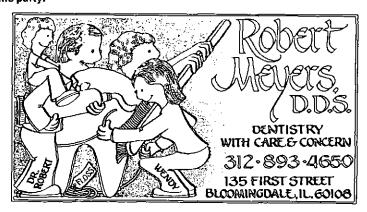
# CHILDREN'S CORNER CHILDREN'S CO



It's time to start thinking about Halloween! The library will hold its annual costume party on Saturday, October 26 at 2 P.M. Plan to attend and see a wonderful puppet show......"The Algonquin Cinderelia."

Story Hours for pre-school children ages three through six will be held on Wednesdays and Fridays in October and November. Please call the library for information at 529-3120.

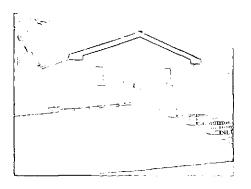
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# NEW CHURCH SANCTUARY DEDICATED

The Bloomingdale Church, 260 Glen Ellyn Road, hosted the dedication of its brand new worship and education facility on September 22, 1985. At the commencement of the day's festivities Mayor Samuel Tenuto issued an official proclamation affirming that September 22, 1985 was to be Bloomingdale Church Day in all of Bloomingdale. Charles Muir, the architect, Paul Daniels, the Building Committee Chairman, and Dale Waterman of the Waterman Construction Company all participated in the dedication. Guest speaker, Pastor Bill Calvin of the Christ Church of Long Grove, gave an inspirational sermon on the dedication of the parishioners.

Other activities of Bloomingdale Church Day included a concert in the afternoon by Bloomingdale's own professional tenor, Tim Ostrander and a Celebration Supper with skits and slides of the church's seven and a half year history. Pastor John Fogal, District Superintendent of the Christian and Missionary Alliance gave a closing challenge for the future of the church.



The parish just wrapped up construction on the spacious new place on the heels of its 7th anniversary as a local congregation. The total cost of the project was just over \$300,000, plus \$26,000 to relocate the little brick home that was in the way of the new building. The congregation did many of the finishing touches on the structure. Pastor David Riemenschneider comments. church family is a wonderful bunch of people. They've so willingly given a tremendous amount of effort to this task over the past 12 months." The congregation's emphasis is to be a communityoriented church that affirms the practical application of the Bible to everyday

# NOTABLE NEIGHBOR Biff Behr - Antique Auto Collector

This issue's notable neighbor is a nineyear resident who has an accounting firm in town. His hobby may not be incredibly unusual, but it makes a good story.

When Biff Behr was a teen someone gave him an old beat-up 1940 Chevy that didn't run. He didn't know much about cars but he tinkered with it until, "by trial and error," he got it running.

Then he found a paintbrush and painted it "with housepaint, no less." He admits the car never really did have brakes, "I couldn't figure that part out." But, nevertheless, he drove it until someone offered him \$300 for it.

From that point on, he was hooked. He started picking up '30s and '40s Chevys and putting them back together. As he'd sell one, he'd buy another. Finally he decided to go after pre-1925 Chevys because they were rare and would be a challenge. "It was at this point I stopped doing it for fun and started doing it for show.

"It was really like an natural progression," he explains, "I loved putting together models as a kid and the older cars always seemed like toys to me."

He entered his first antique auto show in 1967. Behr didn't win anything, but he began learning what judges looked for in the entries. In 1972 he won his first award in a show with a 1923 Chevy. He took third place. More second and third place awards followed.

Then in 1976, '77 and '78 he won first place nationals with three different cars. That brought him a lot of recognition in the antique auto circles, he says, not only because of the three consecutive awards, but also because it was three different cars.

"Most collectors," he explains, "have one car they keep working on for show, trying to improve on what they have. I restored three different cars, a different one each year and took a national award each time."

At the time he won the third award, Biff had 15 to 17 Chevys in his collection. He decided to make another progression - upwards - to the classic line of Auburns and Cords. He sold five of his Chevys to buy an Auburn for the sake of learning about them. Later he sold another ten to buy a Cord.

By the way, all of the early award-winning Chevys have ended up in exhibits. Perhaps the most prestigious of these is the "World of Motion" exhibit presented by General Motors in the Epcot Center, Disney World. Two Chevys restored by Behr and a Buick he put minor touches to, reside in the well-known center.

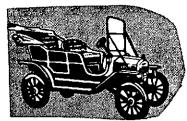
Over the last few years Biff has built his credibility as a classic antique auto collector. He is a member of the Auburn/Cord/Duesenburg Club and the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America. He currently has 13 cars, 10 of which are all together. Three of these are show cars, an Auburn Phaeton, Auburn Chevrolet and a Cord Phaeton, all 1936 vintage.

He has won a couple second and third place national awards with them. Last July, however, Behr took his first firstplace national award for best Auburn. He attends only three shows a year now.

More recently he showed the Auburn Phaeton at the antique auto show at Stratford Square and took third place "People's Choice" from visitor voting. Although not a nationally recognized show, he says it's still fun to have his restoration work on display and appreciated.



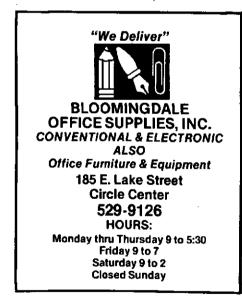
The Auburn Phaeton - 3rd place "People's Choice".



What impresses fellow collectors is not just the awards, but the fact that Biff does his own restoration. He does send out some parts, such as chrome and upholstery, but he puts all the pieces together himself. "It's still like putting together a model car," he smiles.

Keeping a car in show condition is no easy task. Getting the Auburn prepared for its first-place award took 60 hours of cleaning and polishing inside and out. And this is a car that is trucked in and out of the shows, never left or driven outside!

For transportation Behr drives an '85 Camaro during the winter and a bright red '71 Chevelle convertible during the summer. He can't seem to get away from those Chevys. Nor can he help improving on what he buys. You see, his Chevelle wasn't a convertible until Biff made some "minor" changes on it. And as for the color, well you can bet this time he didn't use housepaint.



# **PARENT EDUCATION SERIES**

Bloomingdale Township Committee on Youth and the Bloomingdale Public Library are offering a Parent Education Series. The series schedule will be:

Monday, October 28, 1985 - Coping As A Single Parent Monday, November 4, 1985 - Working Within A Stepfamily Tuesday, November 19, 1985 - Communication Skills For Families

All Parent Education Programs are free and will be held at the Bloomingdale Public Library from 7:30 - 9:00 P.M. For more information or registration call Kathy Dombrowski at 893-6685 or Cheryl O'Donnell at 529-3120. Those interested may register for individual programs or the entire series.

# ABOUT TOWN

Congratulations are in order for Bloom-Ingdale Public Library administrative librarian GAY NASS and her husband DAVE on the birth of AMY ELIZABETH on September 3, 1985. Mother, daughter (and Dad) are doing fine. Says Gay, "She's just a perfect and beautiful little baby, but I have a new appreciation for mothers now. Dave and I are also trying to adjust to our new night life." Gay is currently on a six-month maternity leave.

The VOICE newspaper has a feature called "Citizen of the Month." This past summer two ladies well known to many residents were given this honor. Each was singled out because their levels of volunteerism almost go beyond the realm of possibility.

Resident CRIS DUJMOVIC is serving her second term as president of the Bloomingdale Women's Club, one of the most active organizations in town. She was also one of the residents responsible for keeping the Bloomingdale Blood Association from folding last year and now serves as its president.

Concerned with the activities of her youngsters, Cris also serves as the president of the Park District's Barracuda Swim Club's parent's association. Additionally, she still finds time to work with Westfield's S.T.P. and Central's P.T.O.

SANDI MCKENNA is a resident of the section of Roselle dubbed Blooming-rose as it's served by our Park and School Districts.

Sandi volunteers at Westfield, Central and Lake Park schools. She is serving her third term as P.T.O. vice president at Central. Other involvements at Central include the annual spook house, room mother duties and organizing various parties and projects.

At Westfield she's done more organizing. This year it's the eighth grade T-shirt project. Her other volunteer commitments have included helping School District 13, Marklund Children's Home and the Seasons Four Homeowners Association. She also helps out the Bloomingdale Baseball Association along with her husband Larry, who is currently the vice president of that organization.

At the Septemberfest celebration 20year old GINA CHACON was named Miss Bloomingdale 1985. The two-year Bioomingdale resident is currently attending College of DuPage and hopes to go on to Wheaton College, majoring in psychology.

Her hobbies include dancing and singing. She loves ballet and continues to take lessons. Chacon is very talented musically and has been offered opportunities to join traveling singing groups. For now she intends to finish college, perhaps taking part in some musical productions to keep up with her craft.

LISA HANSON, Lake Park senior and National Honor Society member, was named first runner-up. Second runnerup was SANDI POTEMPA, 1982 graduate of Glenbard North who is currently working for Design by Fracaro in town.

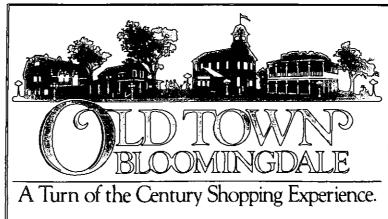
CHERIE LODL, Lake Park senior and coeditor of the yearbook, was named third runner-up. Fourth runner-up was CATHIE COX. a Lake Park junior who last year played on the varsity tennis team.



Garden Club members Norma Lamprech, Ethel Williamson, Dolores Howe (president) and Terri Wilkozek (not pictured) won first place for their entry Exotica — "I hope we all find our Shangri La" in the Itasca Garden Club flower show "Let's Go To The Movies."

The Septemberfest activities were videotaped and are currently being edited. The tape will be broadcast on Channel 8 beginning mid-October. Watch your Cable Guide under local origin or check with the Channel 20 program guide.





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# Septemberfest 1985

Once again it's time to thank everyone involved in making this year's fest as much a success as the weather would allow. The early heat and humidity were later outdone by a torrential downpour that sent everyone scurrying for cover or home. Considering the conditions we all had a fine time and most of the booth operators made money, although not as much as last year.

I'd like to start out with the Septemberfest Commission and thank them for an outstanding job this year. The commission consists of: Bill Kouchoukos, Bob Iden, Buzz Puccio, Dennis Szafran, Jane Batte, Dawn Myers, Diane Howanski, Tim Goergen, Bill Parry, Jeff Warnimont, and Len Conradi as an alternate. Special kudos to Dawn and Diane assisted by Enid Edelmann for running the Septemberfest Festival Queen Contest.

Thank you also to: all the young ladies who entered the Queen Contest and to all the businesses in town that donated prizes that were distributed amont the five runners up: The Village of Bloomingdale Police Department; elected officials and employees for all their assistance and co-operation; Sign Concepts of Bloomingdale for donating the 10 foot welcome banner; Tri-land Properties, Springbrook Shopping Center, for donating the services of two young men with power vacuums to clean up the area at the end of the day and Boy Scout Troop #457 for emptying the trash containers throughout the day; the shop owners and property owners in the Old Town area for their cooperation and helpfulness before and during Septemberfest.

We started out with a big bang this year with the Lake Park Marching Band going down Third and stopping in front of the stage on Franklin to give a exciting performance. Later in the afternoon we were treated to the Westfield Jr. High Jazz Band performance just prior to the rain hitting. Thank you to both groups and their directors.

Let's remember to support the local businesses that participated through their donations for the Queen Contest at Septemberfest. They are:

Lustig Jewelers - gold charms for each runner up, crown and gold bracelet for queen

Marshall Fields - makeup and hair makeovers

West Suburban Bank - five Poloraid cameras

Talman Home Federal - 2 \$50.00 savings bonds

Platt Hill Nursery - flowers for the queen's court

Hairs the Place - 5 \$20.00 haircuts

Biff Behr - concert tickets to Tina Turner concert

Camelot Records - 9 promo albums

Guy Cardarelli - 8 x 10" portrait of queen

Ups & Downs - 5 shaker sweaters

The Cove - 3 paperweights & 2 fan shaped dishes

Rosati's Pizza - free pizza for queen entries get-together

Parklane Hosiery - 6 \$5.00 gift certificates

Weibolts - \$20.00 gift certificate

Houlihans - Sunday brunch certificate for 2

Kirmse's Limited Editions - \$20.00 gift certificate

Mike Olivara - Airbrush Custom T-shirt

Bloomin T's - Ferrari outfit and 4 T-shirts

Another Era - 5 drawer liners

Wicker & Country - violet potpourri & basket

Unique Bath Boutique - wall hat

O'Video Inc. - retape 5 copies of queen ceremony

Mary Kay Cosmetics - color analysis and makeovers

Lavender Lills - haircut

Bentley's - necklace & earrings

Amlings Flower Shop - sashes for queen's court

Hair Performers - \$20.00 haircut w/curling iron

Septemberfest Commission - \$300.00 in gift certificates and gold charm for queen

Women's Club and Lions' Club - gold charm from each for queen's barcelet

Thanks to all who helped and all who attended. See you next year.

Sincerely, Viola M. Morrisroe, Chairman Septemberfest Commission



Despite the heat, the crowds moved in early.



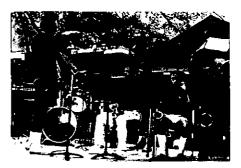
Queen & her court — Cathy Cox (4th), Cherie Lodi (3rd), Queen Gina Chacon, Lisa Hanson (1st), Sandi Potempa (2nd).



Lake Park Marching Band was stupendous!



Brian Imburgia may have had the best seat in the house.



In defiance of the threatening sky, Westfield Jazz Band played on.

# Septemberfest



Pizza by the slice - thrice! Morgan, Amber and Crystal Pelland dig in.



Trustee Bill Horvath, Chief Gary Schira and Trustee Bill Behr, all judges for the Queen Contest, happily anticipate the coronation ceremony.



Julie and Jason Brandt couldn't find much to complain about.



Residents Larry and Amy Behrends won Best of Show in the crafts division at the BWC Festival of Arts.

# **FESTIVAL OF ARTS**



Resident Mike Rush took first place in multimedia with his drawings.



Resident Carol Mudloff (with her daughter) won first place in the miscellaneous category with her handwoven baskets.

# OPINION FEATURE

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