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Farewell To A Dear Friend

"We're not just losing a children's librarian, but a friend," says library volunteer Mary Wedel, summing up the feeling of those who have known or worked with Pat Chanley. The head of the children's department at the Bloomingdale Public Library will retire in May after 12 years at her post.

"Her warmth, friendliness and willingness to go that extra mile for the library" have distinguished her and made her one of our library's valuable assets in the eyes of Gay Nass, former administrative librarian.

Indeed, many of Pat's friends and coworkers still recall the days they all spent on the floor sorting through the 5000 donated books which constituted the nucleus of the library in its earliest stages. They speak admiringly of her love for and devotion to Bloomingdale's children.

Since the library's birth in 1974, Pat has been responsible for the growth and development of the children's department virtually single-handedly. "She has brought a very special talent and spirit to her job and no matter what, she has always been enthusiastic," according to Gloriann Rota, former library board member.

Pat has the special ability to "open her heart and hands." She has always made a point of getting to know each child who has come into the library. Her ready smile and occasional funny hat, animal nose or costume has helped put the children at ease in the library she felt was theirs to use and enjoy.

"The close contact with the children is what I've enjoyed most about being a librarian," says Pat. Story hour afforded her one way of establishing that close contact. She has had numerous innova-

tive visitors at story hour from an assortment of animals, including a pig escorted by a staff member dressed as a farm girl to a yo-yo demonstrator to the tooth fairy.



Pat has also shared her love of fun and make-believe by wearing her collection of hats. She has played the part of a fireman, a farmer and a clown with her orange yarn wig. Occasionally she'll don a nose from her animal nose collection and has sported a witch's costume at Halloween. Pat is forever striving to draw her young friends closer to the library.

The closeness she has generated is evidenced by the fact that many youngsters return to visit her. According to Cathy Bartscht, longtime volunteer and friend of Pat's, those young people are now college students working toward degrees and doctorates. Pat has also met babies of the children she once helped in her department.

Becky Goodman, Glenbard North High School student states affectionately, "What impresses me the most is that she always has time for people and has never made one person feel less important than another."

Pat insisted that the new library have a children's bathroom with custom-sized fixtures so they would feel comfortable and special. She also felt it was important to have a rocking chair for mothers and children to share while looking at books.

Pat also recognizes the importance of cooperation between the schools and the library. She visits the schools each May to talk about the library and the summer reading program. She has worked with the schools on an assignment alert form for teachers to inform library staff of upcoming assignments which will require resource materials for large number of students.

She used her own resources one time to personally help one young man complete his assignment. She allowed him to visit her home to interview her ferret. The student returned to tell her about his good grade.

The ferret is only one of the animals at the Chanley house. Pat and her husband Russ also share their home with four cats and a German Shepherd. When the family first moved here in 1971 Pat spent a few years working with an animal shelter previously located on Glen Ellyn Road.

Pat is also committed to the community. She composed the Sesquicentennial song for the Village, took a sign language course paid for by the Lions Club, opened the library at 5 a.m. on voting days, brought a recording of Civil War era music to a Civil War encampment's wedding in Old Town and has provided much of the artwork for the library's newsletter and the poster signs in the library.

In her private life, Pat and Russ raised three daughters, Amanda, Melissa and Rebecca. They are also the proud grand-parents of Timothy, Andrew, Sarah and Matthew.

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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

1st, 2nd and 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 1st Wednesday 7:00 PM - Village Hall

E.S.D.A.

1st Tuesday of every month 7:00 P.M. — Village Hall

OLD TOWN COMMISSION

4th Tuesday 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

COMMISSION CHANGES

Steve Delzell and Lee Crecelius were recently reappointed to the Old Town Commission. Crecelius accepted a three-year term and Delzell's term as chairman of the commission was extended for another year.

Robert D. Denney was appointed to the Police Pension Board to fill the unexpired term of Ray Marotte. Denney is the president and founding partner of Instek Corporation (tax and financial planning) and Independent Advisors, Inc. (registered investment advisor). His financial expertise will be invaluable to the pension board.

CABLE NEWS FROM NORDCAT

by
Cheryl L. Pasalic
NORDCAT Cable Coordinator

PUBLIC ACCESS vs LOCAL ORIGINATION

A question asked very frequently is, "What is the difference between Public Access and Local Origination programming?" The answer is Public Access is programming produced, shot, and edited by individuals or groups from each community. Any resident or group who wishes to produce programming can take the free training classes and begin.

Local Origination programming is programming that MetroVision produces Itself. These are usually programs of a general interest to the NORDCAT communities. This can also be large community events that MetroVision covers, such as parades and such. If you know of a large event that your community would like to see, let the programming staff at MetroVision know about it.

GRANTS

NORDCAT is interested in helping more groups and individuals get involved in local programming on MetroVision. To do this, NORDCAT has created a grants program to help fund this programming. All libraries, park districts, seniors groups, etc. are urged to apply for these funds. For more information, call NORDCAT Cable Coordinator at 980-5153.

FENCES and GARDENS

With warmer weather approaching, spring fix-up is on the minds of many. Please remember if you are planning to dig around your yard for fences or gardens, to call J.U.L.I.E. at 1-800-892-0123 before you dig. J.U.L.I.E. will tocate buried utility and cable wires. Remember that if you did not call J.U.L.I.E. and cable lines are cut, you will be responsible for the damage.

THE DEADLINE FOR THE JUNE ISSUE IS MAY20

SUMMER POSITIONS

The Village of Bloomingdale is seeking qualified individuals to fill several summer temporary positions in the Public Works Department. The positions work 40 hours per week doing miscellaneous maintenance. Applicants must have a valid Illinois Driver's License.

Applications may be obtained at the Village Hall, 201 S. Bloomingdale Road from 8:30 - 4:30 Monday through Friday and from 8 - noon on Saturdays.

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APRIL 7 **ELECTION**

On April 7, Village residents will go to the polls to vote for Village Board trustees, Park District commissioners and Library Board directors.

On the Village Board, three trustee seats are open. Running as an independent is incumbent Biff Behr. Running on the Bloomingdale Village Citizen's Party is incumbent Walter Cropper and newcomers Paul B. Sanders and Leslie Zimmerman.

There are four Bloomingdale Park District commissioner seats open and seven hopefuls in the race. There are four candidates seeking the two available six-year terms, including incumbents Richard Pingel and Joe Chiaro and newcomers John Gall and James Luberda. The three candidates for the two two-year terms are incumbent Don Carollo and newcomers Tom Kelly and Carolyn Sue Pape.

There are four openings on the Bloomingdale Library Board. The three candidates running for the three four-year terms are incumbent Barbara Sondalle and newcomers Jackson Anderson and Eva DeMarco. The fourth opening is a two-year unexpired term created by the resignation of Beverly Novy. Library board president Dale Budde is the candidate for that position.

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Pat and her husband will be leaving family, friends and Bloomingdale in July to take up residence on their tenacre farm near Dodgeville, Wisconsin. They intend to spend their retirement quietly in the rolling hills west of Madison riding horses and pursuing other interests.

Pat may even help our library and others grow by transferring to paper the children's books she has been creating in her mind, while Russ does the handyman - puttering and golfing. It is time together they have looked forward to and both deserve.

"A big chunk of Bloomingdale Library's history has been affected" by your special spirit Pat. We will miss you dearly and thank you for being our friend.

WANT AD POLICE OFFICER VILLAGE OF BLOOMINGDALE

Application packages can be picked up at the Bloomingdale Police Department, 201 South Bloomingdale Road, Bloomingdale, Illinois starting Monday, March 23, 1987. Completed applications and forms (in a sealed envelope) must be received by the Bloomingdale Fire and Police Commission at the above address by noon Wednesday April 29th. Applications will not be mailed to applicants.

Applicant must be a citizen of the United States; be 21 to 35 years of age at time of application; have a High School diploma or its equivalent; must be in good health and physical condition; must possess a valid Illinois driver's license, and be of good moral character.

Applicants must successfully pass written, physical agility, psychological, polygraph, medical, and oral tests, as well as a background investigation. Applicant also must met the criteria established by Illinois Statutes and the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners.

Attendance at an Orientation meeting on Saturday, May 2, 1987, is mandatory.

BENEFITS

- Annual starting salary, FY 1986/87 budget: \$20,800
- Uniforms and equipment FREE
- 5 days vacation after 6 months; 10 days after 1 year
- 11 paid holidays
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- Tuition Reimbursement

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(Courtesy of Bloomingdale Press)

Senior Trustee Bob Iden and Mayor Sam Tenuto symbolically "burn the mortgage" as the last payment has been made on the Village Hall in March.

CONDOLENCES

Condolences are extended to the family of Laura Fessler who passed away earlier this year at the age of 86. Mrs. Fessler was born here and was always willing to share her memories of an earlier Bloomingdale. She is survived by her husband Gus, four children, 18 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.

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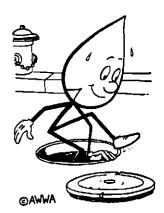
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DISTRICT 13 NEWS

School District #13 will again sponsor summer school, with classes running from June 22 through July 17. Karen Gerovac, Board of Education president, said that the Board felt that summer classes should be offered because of the success of last year's classes. The district expects to offer a variety of classes.

Parents will be receiving registration information late in April with details of class offerings. A walk-in registration will be held in May, according to John Markgraf, DuJardin School Assistant Principal, who will serve as Summer School Principal.

Plans are also underway for the annual Bloomingdale Career Day. May 1 is the big day this year when students tour village facilities, lunch with their counterparts, then take over position throughout the Village for the afternoon.

Joanne Medwick, Assistant Principal at

Westfield School, will coordinate the program, with the cooperation of Assistant Village Administrator Denise Pultorak.

Students in grades 4 through 8 living in Bloomingdale or attending School District #13 may vie for the 75 positions. Each school is assigned several positions and may set up guidelines for filling the positions, which include Village president, council members, Police and Fire Department positions, Park District and library positions. There are also fifteen Chamber of Commerce business positions.

School District 13 students are asked to complete a creative writing project in which they describe their reasons for applying for the job. Students must also have parent permission and a teacher recommendation.

Winners of the positions will be announced about April 21.

HYDRANT FLUSHING

It's that time of year again. Starting April 27 thru May 8, 1987, the Water Division will be flushing hydrants throughout the Village. The flushing will occur between the hours of 10 P.M. until 2 A.M. in the morning. Residents with water softners are encouraged to check the cycle time of their softners 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:

- 1, Improves water quality: Flushing removes minerals such as iron and magnesium that have collected in the water mains.
- 2. Improves water flow: By removing minerals, the inside diameter of a water main 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:

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Monday, April 27	North and South Suncrest, Medinah Country Estates
Tuesday, April 28	Westlake Highlands, Westwind, Deer Glen, Willowbridge
Wednesday, April 29	Westlake Edgewater, Greenway, Lakeshore Townhomes
Thursday, April 30 Wes	stlake Quads, Colony Green Townhomes, and Sunnyside
Friday, May 1	Wilshire, Harvard, Brookdale Estates
Monday, May 4	Fairfield, Springbrook
Tuesday, May 5	Lake St., Schick Rd., Old Town & N. Bloomingdale Road.
Wednesday, May 6	Old Town Estates, Longridge Indian Lakes (Raven)
Thursday, May 7	Indian Lakes
. Friday, May 8	Stratford Place, Stratford Village

FROIO SCHOLARSHIP

Applications for a memorial scholarship awarded annually to one or two Lake Park High School students are currently available at the school.

The Donna Beth Froio Scholarship was established by Dominic and Barbara Froio in memory of their daughter Donna Beth. The scholarship is awarded to Lake Park graduates who intend to attend College of DuPage.

Other criteria include being a Bloomingdale resident who plans on pursuing a career in political science, municipal government administration or government affairs. Students should check with their guidance counselor.



Gene Grant of Grant & Power Landscaping, Inc. accepts a silver award in commercial landscape construction from John Hendrickson, president of Illinois Landscape Contractors Association for Founders Park. (I to r) Hendrickson, Grant, Mayor Tenuto, Gary Zwirlein, awards judge.



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The following guidelines will be used to determine eligibility:

- A minimum 2.5 grade point average on a 4 point scale.
- Applicant must have participated in the BBA as a player, assistant coach or umpire for a period of at least four (4) years.
- Applicant will demonstrate outside activities, i.e. school, church, athletics or other civic activities beyond academics.
- Each applicant will submit a written letter of 500 words or less telling about him/herself, his/her goals, etc., and further state a financial need.
- Two letters of recommendation from people outside applicant's family.
- All applications must be received by May 1 of the year of student's graduation.

For further information contact Michael Genitoni at 980-6719.

BAG-O'-BOOKS SALE

Used books, magazines, records and cassettes in good condition are needed by the Friends of the Bloomingdale Public Library for their upcoming "Bag-O'-Books" sale to be held Saturday, April 25, at the library.

Donations may be left at the Bloomingdale Public Library, 101 Fairfield Way, Bloomingdale, any time before April 18.



Leslie Fischer's fifth grade class at Central School recently hosted a bingo party for residents of Bloomingdale Pavilion Nursing Home. The youngsters made the oversized bingo cards.

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ACS ANNUAL DRIVE

KARPIEL NAMED EXECUTIVE SPOKESMAN

The American Cancer Society kicks off its annual Cancer Crusade April 5 throughout the nation. The intention is to hold a door-to-door campaign, but volunteers here in Bloomingdale are urgently needed.

The dual objective of this crusade is to combine lifesaving educational material, along with raising funds, enabling the ACS to continue its fight to prevent cancer and reduce its effects.

This year's crusade focuses on breast cancer and mammography. The best weapon against breast cancer is early detection and that can be accomplished by every woman having a mammogram. A mammogram is a lowdose x-ray that helps your doctor detect breast cancer before there is a lump. The results of a recently completed five-year study on mammography detected nearly 90 percent of the 3,557 cancers uncovered among 280,000 women between the ages of 35 and 74.

Along with the message on breast cancer, blockworkers will distribute a list of mamography facilities (hospitals, clinics, etc.) throughout Illinois, where women can get an American Cancer Society approved low-dose x-ray, at a reduced rate at most facilities throughout the month of April.

Bloomingdale chairperson of the crusade is Vi Morrisroe. She needs more area captains (who recruit blockworkers) and blockworkers (who distribute information and seek donations door-todoor in his/her neighborhood). If you would like to help call 469-3011 and tell Lucille Wagner, crusader coordinator, how you would like to help.

If a volunteer does not call on you, you may still donate to the American Cancer Society by sending a check made out to the American Cancer Society Bloomingdale Unit c/o Bloomingdale State Bank, First & Lake, Bloomingdale, IL 60108.

State Sen. Doris Karpiel has been named the Republican Spokesman for the Senate Executive Committee. She has also been appointed to the Senate Energy Committee and reappointed to the Appropriations I Committee.

"After serving on the Senate Executive Committee for two years, I look forward to taking this next step as its Republican Spokesman," Karpiel said, "I served in the same role on the House Executive Committee and my experience will serve me well as we review a variety of important issues.

"I am pleased with my other committee assignments as well because they reflect my interests and give me the opportunity to influence the direction of issues important to the 25th District." she said. "Committee members see all bills introduced on a specific subject and play an important part in moving the legislation along or defeating it before it is voted on by the full Senate.

"A new challenge this year will come from the Senate Energy Committee, which reviews utilities and environmental legislation," Karpiel added. "There's plenty of work to be done in both areas."

BREAKFAST WITH THE BUNNY

On Saturday, April 19 from 8:30 - 10:00 a.m., children will be able to have a special breakfast with the Easter Bunny in the Indian Lakes Resort's Thunderbird Center, For \$2.95 per child under 12 and \$5.95 per adult, children will be able to visit with the bunny and participate in an Easter Egg Hunt beginning at 10 a.m.

Children under five are invited to attend the breakfast for free and all kids are asked to bring their own Easter baskets for the egg hunt. Tickets for the Bunny Breakfast must be paid for and picked up at the resort by April 15. For more information and reservations call 529-

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on Army Trail Road.



Work continues on the Episcopal Church of the Incarnation located on Army Trail Road. Completion is scheduled for August this year. The five year old congregation now meets at Central School.



PARK DISTRICT HAPPENINGS

SUMMER DAY CAMP - 1st -6th grades, Registration now being taken, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. EXTENDED CARE available.

T-BALL - RAG BALL - 5-6 years, Registration starts April 27.

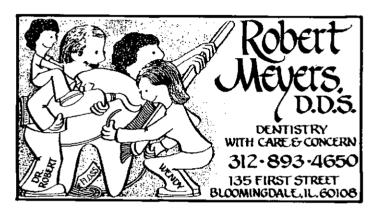
FISHING TOURNAMENT - April 18, 9-12 noon, 6-15 years. Register by April 16th. Fee is \$2.00

BIG WHEEL RACE - May 16 - 10 a.m. Register by May 15th - 3-6 years, FREE. POOL PASS SALES - Begin May 1st.

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NEW BUSINESSES

Bracing Systems Expands Rentals

Bracing Systems, Inc. at 4N350 Old Gary Avenue, has been renting equipment and tools to industrial and construction companies for years. Due to requests for various types of tools and equipment by do-it-yourself homeowners, Bracing Systems' management decided to create a new division, Century Rental, to satisfy the homeowner's needs.

To house the expanded assortment, a 25 by 50 foot addition was built. Equipment housed in the new showroom includes lawn tools from shovels to roto tillers and yard party needs from tables and chairs to large tents.

Century Rental can probably supply whatever you might need, but don't want to purchase. For details call Century Rental at 665-2732.

Unique Bath Boutique Relocates

Unique Bath Boutique, formerly of Cody's Hotel, Old Town, relocated last October to the House of Six Shops, 140 W. Lake Street, Old Town. Found on the main floor, the shop offers a complete line of bath accessories.

Complete means everything, including pedestal sinks, faucets, wallpaper, custom vertical blinds, wall decor, bath carpet accessories and, of course, decorator towels and custom shower curtains.

If your bath is in need of new accessories or complete redecoration, the Unique Bath Boutique may have just what you're looking for. Come by or call 894-3531.

Silk Plant Imports

Ever gone into a flower shop with so many plants you felt as if you were in a jungle? Silk Plant Imports at 358-115 W. Army Trail Road in Bloomingdale Fashion Center not only has that many plants, but it also has the decor of a real jungle.

From the moment you enter the shop you're in the jungle - a ceiling to floor waterfall covered in foilage plants, a simulated earthen floor and plant overgrowth hanging from the ceiling. In the background are sounds of tropical birds. Quite a sensation.

As the decor draws you deeper into the shop, you'll find yourself unable to

resist the temptation to stop and touch the flowers and plants. They look so natural, but they're made of silk.

This new business is the unique marketing concept created by owners Mike Straumietis and Mike Weingrad. It began as a wholesale silk plant company. Buying in large quantities allows the owners to sell their plants and florals at very reasonable prices. Silk Plant Imports will also custom arrange any size or type of plant you desire.

To celebrate the opening of two new stores in Aurora and Arlington Heights during April and June, grand opening specials will be offered at all locations. If you need a plant for home, office, or as a gift, the jungle at Silk Imports is ripe for the picking. For more information call 980-7800.

The Country Decorator

The Country Decorator is both the name and definition of what is found in the newly opened business of Jim and Sally Farmer and Nancy Young. Also in Bloomingdale Fashion Center, the shop specializes in country furnishings, wall-paper and decorating accessories.

Jim and Sally bring seven years of experience with them into their business, he with background as an antique dealer and she with experience as an interior decorator.

Whether you are starting with an empty room or working around furniture you already own, you will find friendly, willing assistance to help you coordinate a country setting just right for you and your family.

Nadine's Stitchables

For Nadine Wise, her new business is like a dream come true. While living in Florida she used to enjoy talking to three women who ran a sewing craft shop and wondered what it would be like to have her own shop. Now she knows as Nadine's Stitchables is nestled on the second floor of the House of Six Shops, 140 W. Lake Street, Old Town.

When Nadine and her husband first moved here she spent her spare time sewing and taking her creations to area craft fairs. Last September she decided to open a store and share the enjoyment of working with one's hands to create pretty things with other people.

In addition to offering a wide assortment of decorator crochet and knitting yarns, cross stitch supplies, instruction manuals and books of patterns, Nadine also offers crocheting and knitting classes. Whether you are a beginner, an intermediate or an adept stitcher, Nadine can teach you a new stitch or two.

For your stitching needs or information about classes, come by or call 893-1191.

Platt Hill Nursery Expands

If you have not driven by Platt Hill Nursery, 222 W. Lake Street, recently, you are in for a big surprise. Where the small, old wooden garden supply building once stood, now stands a new 5000 square foot brick lawn and garden center.

To better service the needs of the community, Platt Hill Nursery felt it needed a new building from which to sell live



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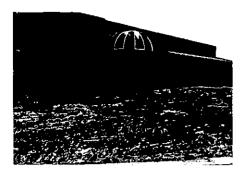
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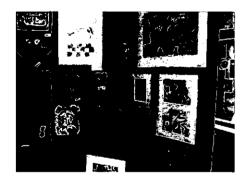
Platt Hill Nursery - the new expanded edition

plants and an expanded assortment of yard and garden supplies.

The owners also wanted to enlarge the display area from which to sell nursery stock and flowers. The new construction has beautifully achieved both goals.

As an introduction to their expanded services and merchandise, a grand opening is scheduled for Wednesday, April 22 and will include a ribbon cutting ceremony at 9 a.m. A week-long sale will follow including hourly giveaways and concluding with a drawing in which three lucky customers will win valuable prizes.

For details and answers to your garden and lawn care questions, contact Platt Hill Nursery at 529-9394.



Odie, by Tony Surma, was part of the annual Student Art Show at the Park District Museum last month.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

SPRING is al-MOST HERE. Time for kiteflying, time for trying new things, and



time to explore a good book! We have wonderful books and happy Springtime activities awaiting for you at the library.

- In April and May there will be STORY HOURS for pre-schoolers on Wednesdays at 1:30 and Friday mornings at 10:30. Sign up NOW and join us for lots of fun time.
- On Saturday, April 18 at 1 o'clock we will have a WELCOME SPRING party.
 Come and see a film and visit with our special quest MO the CLOWN.
- LOOK at your library in April and May.
 On the walls of the children's department art work from DuJardin School students will be featured in April, and the students from St. Isidore's will exhibit their work in May. April's showcase will highlight the Campfire Girls, and in May a collection of unicorns owned by Cassie Luedecke will be displayed.
- A Red Cross approved BABY-SITTING COURSE will be offered in April and May. Interested people ages 11 - 14 may sign up now.
- May is Music Month! On May 13 at 7 p.m. a CELEBRATION OF MUSIC will be presented. The program will include an exhibition and playing of antique musical instruments.

See you at the Library!

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VILLAGERS SWING INTO SPRING

The Villagers of Bloomingdate are in full swing with plans for upcoming spring and summer activities. The annual couples' barbeque and the outing to Naperville Beach are two popular activities. The next ladies' salad luncheon will be May 12.

Also thinking ahead to warmer weather, the ladies golf league is in the forming stages. The organizational meeting is May 12. Ladies will play nine holes on a short course weekly.

A new interest group recently formed is fast becoming a favorite. The Seniors' Social is held monthly and will continue throughout the summer. Both adults and children are invited to visit with residents of a local nursing home. A craft may be done and refreshments served. With many children not knowing older neighbors or grandparents, this is truly bridging the generation gap and is very special to all involved.

The Villagers have many other interest groups, including movie group, bridge, bunco and pinochle, all of which meet monthly through the summer. If interested, call Cathy at 980-8493.

SHARE SOME LIFE

Blood is life. Share it on Tuesday, May 5 when the Bloomingdale Women's Club holds a blood drive at Westfield School from 4 · 8 p.m. This blood drive will be a benefit for Zachary Zanzig an area hemopheliac child. If you can help by donating either blood or your time, contact Rosemary Bucaro at 893-6028.



A reminder that the library has a number of free tax forms available. In addition, the library has masters of all the tax forms and publications that can be photocopied for 10 cents.



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The Easter Bunny will be roaming the streets of Old Town from noon to 4 p.m. on April 4, 5, 11, 12 and 18 in anticipation of the upcoming Easter holiday. All children visiting with the Easter bunny will receive bunny ears.



CPS Hotel Management Services, Inc. announced the addition of Julien Pei as the resident manager of Indian Lakes Resort. Pei was most recently the assistant general manager of the Hotel Pere Marquette, Peoria, Illinois and previously held management positions for Holiday Inns.

PARK DISTRICT MUSEUM



DuPage Textile Arts Guild "Fiberworks '87"

The DuPage Textile Arts Guild was founded in 1972 as an area group promoting an interest in and study of, fiber or textile arts. Its 60 plus members are juried into the guild on the basis of their previous work and as a result, currently contains many professional members who exhibit and teach across the country.

"Fiberworks '87" is a bienniel exhibit of the members original artwork and the Museum is very pleased to be hosting the DuPage Textile Arts Guild show beginning April 18th and running through May 16th.

Hanging pieces, clothing and accessories, baskets and other exciting pieces will be on hand for your viewing pleasure at the Park District Museum, 108 South Bloomingdale Road. Admission is free and open hours are Tuesday 3-6, Wednesday 10-12, Thursday 3-6, Saturday 10-3, and Sunday 12-5 (closed Easter Sunday). Please call the Park Office at 529-3650 for further information.

Coming up:
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Dental anxiety affects approximately 98% of the population, causing many to avoid visits to the dentist. This lack of routine dental check-ups has resulted in a dramatic increase in periodontal disease. Statistics state three out of four individuals suffer from some type of periodontal disease. In addition, avoidance of regular visits increases breakdown of previous dental treatment.

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For more information regarding hospital dental care, please contact Dr. Tom Miller, D.D.S., member American Dental Association, American Association of Dental Schools, Omicron Kapa Upsilon, either through his office at 980-4988 or through Central DuPage Hospital's Physician Referral Service at 260-2685.



Palm Sunday, April 12 marks the ninth anniversary of Bloomingdale Church, 260 Glen Ellyn Road. A special celebration program is scheduled for 6 p.m. that evening at the church.



Pete Rimbos is flanked by Sharon Spane and spouse Roberta Rimbos in the BWC Fashion Show to benefit Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association, Inc.

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FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK DISTRICT 15

by Lawrence J. Golden, Superintendent of Schools

Throughout the country, at least 70% of those residents living within the geographical boundaries of any given school district do not have children attending the public schools of that area. These residents have either selected a private or parochial school system, or have children not of school age, or have children who have graduated high school or possibly even college. Also, a growing number of single people purchase homes rather than renting apartments. It is an economic reality that individuals have a greater tax benefit in owning a home rather than renting an apartment. In addition, the median age of the population is nearer to forty as individuals are now living into their 70's and 80's.

However, throughout the past five years we have seen a resurgence in the number of births; and it is expected that the student age population will increase into the 1990's. Consequently, the presence of an effective school system will have significant meaning to everyone

who resides within that respective school district. With a quality school system, property values will maintain their value with surrounding towns and villages rather than declining due to a community reputation for inadequate schools. With the foundation of a sound educational program, properties - townhomes, condominiums, or single family residences - will continue to be sold rather than not selling due to perspective buyers refusing to move into communities where educational opportunities are less than those in surrounding communities.

Within the past five years, the Villages of Glendale Heights and Bloomingdale have brought new business and industry into village boundaries, thereby increasing the tax base of the communities and also increasing subsequent employment opportunities for their citizens. With this influx of new industry, present businesses will expand their facilities rather than considering a move to another location. A part of the decision to locate new industry and

business has been attributed to the quality of the school system, both elementary and high school, which would be available to those employers and their personnel.

With the establishment of a school/ business partnership, the quality of education will continue to improve. Students of these communities will receive an education that will develop skills needed to become productive employees and contribute to the economical growth of this area. With the increase in tax base predicated on an educated work force, the taxes generated from these properties will remain within the community and add to not only the educational but economic and social benefits of the communities our school system services. Consequently, as a resident of our district - whether you have a child in the public school or in the parochial school, grown children or no children, young/single or elderly, an effective school system can only be of benefit to you.

OPINION FEATURE

Please tell us if you have any suggestions or questions for your Village. What you think is important to us. Write your thoughts

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