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FY 87/88 ANNUAL REPORT MAYOR SAM TENUTO

This report covers our fiscal year accomplishments from May 1, 1987 to April 30, 1988. The Village of Bloomingdale enjoyed remarkable success as we saw the results of many years of diligent planning come to fruition. FY 87/88 was a year that, in retrospect, will be seen in years to come as a major step in broadening our tax base in a significant way.

ANNEXATION

The property known as the *Chaveriat parcel*, consisting of 207 ± acres located west of Gary Avenue across from Stratford Square between Schick and Army Trail Roads, was annexed and zoned as a Planned Development Business Park, with the Gary/Schick corner parcel of 50 ± acres allocated to commercial. The initial phase of the business park, known as the Covington Corporate Center, will commence construction this summer.

The *Glendale Country Club*, a 167 ± acre parcel, was purchased by Hamilton Partners (nee Trammell Crow) and was annexed and also zoned as a Planned Development Business Park and will be developed starting in the period commencing about 1991.

These two parcels, of a combined 374 ± acres, will provide jobs and tax benefits to all underlying taxing districts without creating any tax liabilities.



COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Bloomingdale Court: Located west of Schmale on the south side of Army Trail Road on approximately 60 acres, this center is expected to contain approximately 500,000 square foot of retail. To date, Phar-Mor, a 44,000 square foot drugstore; Highland, a 25,000 square foot discount appliance store; Franks, a 15,000 square foot craft and garden supply store; and Builder's Square, a 80,000 square foot hardware store have opened along with several other stores such as Rose Records, Trak Auto, J.C. Penney Catalog Center, Windows & Walls, and Cabinet Wholesalers.

Soon to break ground is Service Merchandise according to Mel Simon & Associates, the developers.

Restaurants approved in Bloomingdale Court along Army Trail Road include Olive Garden at 8,500 square feet, Kentucky Fried Chicken at 3,500 square feet, and Hardee's will be in shortly.

The remainder of the Center's tenants have not been announced.

White Hen Center: Located at the southwest corner of Bloomingdale Road and Schick Road, the convenience center will contain a White Hen Pantry Store and other tenants totalling 14,400 square feet of retail and office uses. With the completion of this phase, the present retail facilities in Old Towne Square Shopping Center will be accessible from Schick Road.

Schick and Springfield: This convenience center is expected to serve the general residential area nearby and is composed of 15,000 square feet. No tenants are presently proposed.

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Ridge Avenue: This convenience center, immediately south of Econ-O-Mart, consists of 11,400 square feet, including 2,400 square feet of office space, and the remainder is retail.

Old Town District: The Bloomingdale Old Town area has found 1987 to be a year of considerable change and proposed future development. End to end, renovation and new development signal a new beginning that will make the dream of a historic Old Town a reality.

The southwestern section of what is now the major shopping area has been undergoing a major face lift. With the goal of providing a "leisurely stroll around and shop" center, buildings have been renovated; authentic historic pieces have been erected, and new restaurants and unique shops are moving in.

The eastern end of Old Town will become a vital part of Bloomingdale's office and retail base in this building season. Currently, two projects on Ridge Avenue are under construction: a 2-story, 4,885 square foot building for retail and office uses and a 2-story, 2,862 square foot office building for Spartan Electric. On First Street, an existing house is currently being renovated for an office.

The focal point of Bloomingdale is Lake Street and Bloomingdale Road. One major development has received approval by the Old Town Commission and the Plan Commission and will be coming before the Village Board for their consideration sometime in June, and another major development being proposed is in the process of approval by the Old Town Commission and the Plan Commission. The northeast corner of this vital intersection promises an office/retail center resembling a turn-of-the-century railroad downtown streetscape. Shoppers will enjoy the quaint atmosphere of paved walkways, trees, and small shops. The northwest corner of Lake Street and Bloomingdale Road may be the site for two restaurants and a townhome development, both in the spirit of a turn-of-the-century appearance.

Aside from the major developments reported, the Old Town Commission is keeping active with proposals for development and change throughout the area. Their objective is to provide the residents of Bloomingdale with a town center that reflects our past, that can be enjoyed and cherished all year long.

HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

Bloomingdale has seen a tremendous surge of fine housing development this past year. We believe all of the following developments will enhance the community and are in keeping with the character and quality of life we have strived to maintain in Bloomingdale.

- **Founder's Pointe:** This 97-lot single-family custom home development, located on the west side of Bloomingdale Road, was approved in two phases. Phases I and II are currently under construction.
- **Medinah Lakes:** This townhome project consists of 177 new units which will complete the development in the area previously known as Willowbridge Village located on Glen Ellyn Road.
- **Heritage at Stratford:** This 188-lot single-family home development, located at Schick Road and Springfield Drive on 80 acres, is currently under construction.
- **Bloomfield Hills:** This 191-lot single-family home development, located on the east side of Springfield Drive on 58 acres, is currently under construction.
- **Chateau Lorraine:** This townhome development of 164 units was started in 1987. The project is located on Schick Road, north of Indian Lakes Resorts, on approximately 28 acres.
- **West Pointe Estates:** This 99-lot single-family development on Schick Road also began in 1987. As of this date, no homes have been constructed; but the streets and utilities are well underway.
- **Old Town Estates West (Phase 2):** This 28-lot single-family subdivision was started in 1987 although zoning and preliminary approval had been granted in 1978. The project is located on approximately 9 acres.
- **Bloomfield Club:** This mixed residential area is a "sister" project to Bloomfield Hills, by the same developer. Located on 109 acres, the developer received final approval for 75 luxury single-family homes, 100 cluster single-family homes, and 156 townhomes. Preliminary approval was also granted for 106 luxury townhomes.
- **Glengarry Club Apartments:** This project, on 15 acres, was originally a part of the Bloomfield Club project. It contains 250 apartment units in 2- and 3-story buildings. Final approval was granted in 1987.
- **Stratford Place Apartments:** Adjacent to Glengarry Club is a 342-unit apartment project. Like Glengarry, final approval was obtained in 1987, but construction has not yet started.
- **One Bloomingdale Place:** This 168-unit apartment building is located on Royal Lane in the Country Club Estates development. Construction was started in 1987 on this 8-story building, and completion is scheduled for 1988.
- **Lexington Courts Nursing Home:** This project was granted preliminary approval and zoning in 1987. Currently, the project is under construction and will be a 99-bed facility located north of the Village Hall at 165 South Bloomingdale Road. This will be a very attractive 1-story building, set back considerably from Bloomingdale Road. Occupancy is anticipated during mid-1989.

As a summary of the year 1987, we issued 768 building permits for a total construction value of over \$51,000,000. This included permits for 480 new residential units.

POPULATION PROJECTION UPDATE

The potential ultimate population of Bloomingdale is estimated to be 28,044. This figure is the sum of the existing population of 13,432 and the population of 14,612 which would be added at ultimate development. An estimated 4,470 residential units could be constructed on more than 499 gross developable acres of land within the anticipated ultimate boundaries of the Village. This ultimate population figure for Bloomingdale contrasts with the DuPage County Development Department's estimate of a population of 34,800 by the year 2005.

The decrease in our population forecast is mostly attributable to the down zoning of the 1973 Stratford Planned Unit Development (PUD) Master Plan, calling for 6,500 housing units on 400 + acres. Through our planning endeavors to maintain the character of our community and its quality of life, the number of units was brought down to 2,300 residential units.

This new plan will provide more open space and less congested groups of neighborhoods in the area than had originally been planned. Rather than all multi-family housing, a significant number of single-family residences are to be constructed.

NEW POST OFFICE

The new United States Post Office, located on Schick Road just west of Bloomingdale Road, is expected to open before July of 1988. Working in conjunction with the Post Office officials, we are able to select an architectural stylized building that is complementary to the Old Town area and sensitive to the fine housing to the west of the new facility.

PLANNING PROJECTS

As our Village continues to develop and expand, so must our planning strategies.

- *Business Park Ordinance No. 87-29:* The Village adopted a Business Park Ordinance that is a model for development. The ordinance was created using the best portions of many other ordinances, as well as provisions drafted specifically to provide for the high development standards for which Bloomingdale is known. The setbacks, landscaping, height restrictions, berming, and screening standards of this ordinance will provide the guidelines for campus-like settings in an office/warehouse/business park environs. The standards are expected to achieve development that does not impact on adjacent properties, but complements it.
- *Comprehensive Plan:* 1987/88 saw a substantial effort toward a total revision in our Comprehensive Plan. The Plan Commission will commence Public Hearings starting on June 21, 1988. The Comprehensive Plan will set the pace and tone of our Village for years to come, allowing Bloomingdale to continue to be outfront of planning issues. Please make an effort to be part of the Public Hearings process.

In 1988, we will continue to update the following ordinances:

- Subdivision Control Ordinance
- Off-Street Parking and Loading Ordinance
- Planned Unit Development Ordinance
- Old Town Plan

POLICE PROGRAMS

The Police Department initiated some new programs and expanded some existing ones:

- The Village joined the DuPage County I-SEARCH Unit, through available Grant monies, with 6 other jurisdictions, to concentrate on generating a multi-jurisdictional, immediate response to a report of a lost or missing child, in addition to conducting educational and training programs for children and their parents regarding the dangers encountered by runaways.
- The Village, after extensive research by the Police Department, passed an amendment to the Village's Liquor Control Ordinance, which restricts free or discounted drinks. This "Happy Hour" Ban is one of many countermeasures recommended by the Illinois DUI Task Force to combat the serious DUI problem. The Bloomingdale Police Department increased their DUI enforcement efforts in 1987 making 186 arrests versus 153 in 1986.
- The Bloomingdale Police Department has continued their mandatory Liquor Awareness Training to Bloomingdale liquor licensees and their employees, providing this free training to approximately 500 employees of these establishments in 1987. The Bloomingdale Police Department is licensed by the Illinois Department of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse to conduct this program.
- The Bloomingdale Police Department conducted the 1st Annual Law Enforcement Day at Stratford Square in May 1987, which had 20 different law enforcement agencies exhibiting various Police equipment, squads, and crime prevention displays. These efforts help get the Crime Prevention message out to residents, as well as provide valuable insight into each of these law enforcement agencies.
- Through the efforts of the Bloomingdale Police Department, the Neighborhood Watch Program, which is an effective tool in combating crime, has been expanded into other geographical areas of town. A Neighborhood Watch Newsletter has been developed and is distributed to all participants. The number of Block Captains has increased to over 35 and is continuing to grow.
- The ESDA unit has been restructured to provide a more coordinated effort with other Village departments in time of emergency by the appointment of Sergeant Len Conradi as Coordinator. By his insight working as a full-time member of the Police Department staff, he has developed a training program for ESDA volunteers, consisting of such areas as first aid, CPR, and traffic direction. Also, recruitment efforts have resulted in an increase in the number of ESDA members. Currently, the ESDA members are updating our disaster plan.

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- The Bloomingdale Police Department did a Space Needs Analysis in planning for the much needed new Police facility contemplated for construction in Fall 1988. A projection of our ultimate Police manpower needs were made to ensure that the new facility will adequately handle our service demands in the year 2000.
- To keep pace with the development anticipated in 1987/88, the anticipated increase in calls for Police service, as well as the increase of areas of patrol coverage due to new annexations, the authorized strength of the Police Department has been increased to 34 sworn officers. The Board of Fire and Police Commissioners has commended the testing process, and it is anticipated that 3 new officers will be hired in September 1988 and 3 more in January 1989.

COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAMS

- *Transportation Improvements:* Two highway improvements are expected to provide significant enhancements in vehicular movements in our area.

The first is the new tollway under construction, variously called I-431 and Route 53. This highway is expected to be completely finished sometime in 1992 and will connect Army Trail Road and I-90 with I-55, paralleling old Route 53.

This route is expected to relieve some of the burden on the Glen Ellyn Road/Army Trail Road area traffic, as it will allow vehicles to enter and exit the I-90/I-94 system further south of Army Trail closer to their destinations or origin.

The other improvement is the Lake Street reconstruction which is in two parts. Part one involves the section between Route 53 and Medinah Road, including the interchange at I-90. IDOT received design approval in December 1986 and expects to let contracts in the second half of 1988. This work is expected to take until mid-1990 to complete.

Part two involves Lake Street from Medinah Road west through Bloomingdale Road to Bartels Road. Design is underway and IDOT anticipates design approval in the Spring of 1989 and an expected contract letting in late 1990.

We have worked hard for many years to have the State accelerate their schedule to the present status. The Lake Street improvements will include double left-turn lanes on westbound Lake Street to southbound Glen Ellyn and a 9-lane improvement on westbound Lake Street at Bloomingdale Road which includes 2 left-turn lanes southbound and a dedicated right-turn lane northbound. The roadway of Lake Street itself will be 3 lanes in each direction. The improvements on Lake Street and Bloomingdale Road should diminish the back-ups in evening rush hours and alleviate by-pass traffic.

- *Bloomingdale/Edgewater Intersection:* Over the past few years, the Village has considered the installation of traffic signals at the intersection of Bloomingdale Road and Edgewater Drive. We applied for Federal Aid to accomplish this, with a joint program also involving the DuPage County Highway Department. That project would also include the widening of Bloomingdale Road to provide a left-turn lane at Raven Lane and at Edgewater Drive.

Recent developments, including the Founder's Point 97-lot subdivision which lines up opposite Fairfield Way and the planned expansion to the Village Hall, will be considered during the preliminary design and report phase later this year. This process, which will include traffic studies and public meetings at the Village Hall, will result in a recommendation to install a signal at either Edgewater Drive or at Fairfield Way.

The total project cost is anticipated to be \$286,000. Under the current funding plan, the County would fund \$100,000 toward the signals; the Village would fund \$93,000; and, the Federal funds would furnish the remaining \$93,000.

- *Solid Waste Disposal/Landfill Recycling:* The issues of landfills, solid waste collection and disposal, incineration, and recycling received greater publicity in 1987 than ever before. Bloomingdale has undertaken a study of recycling, in an effort to break the cycle of constantly escalating costs of solid waste disposal. Our costs per home to dispose of trash are rapidly becoming a major item in household budgets, and every avenue is being explored in order to keep garbage disposal costs from being cost prohibitive. This is a long term effort, and no easy solutions appear available at this time.

We were instrumental in forming a coalition of the Municipalities of Roselle, Carol Stream, Hanover Park, Glendale Heights, and Bloomingdale and succeeded in our efforts to have the County remove from consideration two sites they were considering for new landfill operations. The sites in question were located on West Lake Street near Gary Avenue and on Schmale Road near Fullerton. One of the largest landfill projects around is operated by the County on West Schick Road since 1975, and we believe that our area is already impacted without adding other sites.

Surcharges by the State and DuPage County on *each* cubic yard of landfill debris, called "tipping fees", have sharply increased the cost of garbage collection and disposal. Our new five-year scavenger contract with Glen Ellyn Disposal reflects those increased costs in the bills you receive. Although scavenger services talked of reasonable rates, our Public Bid process revealed that all responsible bidders were fearful of the escalating landfill costs now and in the future. It is only a matter of time before our area is faced with the same situation encountered in Eastern States, exemplified by the recent New York garbage barge that travelled thousands of miles looking for a disposal site.

- *Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements:* In 1985, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) notified the Village that our wastewater treatment process had to be improved by July 1, 1988 in order to meet the requirements of the Clean Water Act. The Village sought Grant funds and discussed the justification for this project. Unfortunately, there was no relief available from the Standards nor were Grant funds available.

In order to avoid substantial fines for non-compliance, the Village began the design work in 1986, with construction starting in 1987. The cost for this project is approximately \$5,500,000, and it will be completed within the budgeted amount and on schedule despite the substantial flooding which occurred in August 1987.

This project will not increase the capacity of the treatment plant but will improve the quality of the effluent, which is discharged to the East Branch of the DuPage River. We have been continuing to seek Grant funds for this work even during the construction period, but to no avail.

- **Lake Michigan Water Update:** During 1987, the DuPage Water Commission began construction on the pipelines serving DuPage County. This \$350,000,000 project should be completed in 1991 or 1992, serving most of the County. The Village will be experiencing some of this construction later in 1988 and in 1989. Thus far, this project has been favored with good construction prices, with reasonable expectation that the project will be completed on time and within the budget.

Over the past two years, the Village has been setting aside funds to begin our payments to the Water Commission. These funds are being collected from a portion of the property taxes, as well as from the water rates. Our payments will begin in January of 1989 to support the debt service on the Commission's bonds.

- **1987 Street Program:** A total of \$350,000 was budgeted and expended on road repairs and improvements during 1987. Of this total, \$268,000 went for our annual resurfacing program in areas such as Westlake, Fairfield, Longridge, and Indian Lakes. The remaining dollars were spent on the construction of the traffic diverter at Schick Road and Ridge Avenue.
- **Tree Planting:** In 1987, we planted 78 trees as part of our Parkway Tree Program. This was the fifth year of the program, during which we planted 511 trees. Also, in the Fall of 1987, 73 trees were planted along Bloomingdale Road between Fairfield Way and Greenway Drive as part of the Village's beautification program.

NEW PUBLIC WORKS GARAGE AND NEW POLICE FACILITY

The Village has embarked on a program to provide adequate space needs for Public Works and Police to our ultimate needs - *with no tax increase.*

The entire total program costs, *including* the remodelling of the Village Hall space to be vacated by the Police, are currently estimated at about \$7,200,000. We expect to sell General Obligation debt instruments in the approximate amount of \$4,800,000, to be repaid from increased non-property tax revenues over the next 16-20 years. The remaining costs will be funded from present reserves and forecasted surpluses in the next two years.

The program is expected to be complete by the end of 1990. The square footage of the Police facility is 35,500, costing approximately \$3,100,000; and the Public Works facility is to be 40,000 square feet at about \$3,550,000. The estimated cost to remodel the vacated space in the Village Hall is about \$400,000.

TAX ABATEMENTS

The Village again abated taxes, in the best interests of all taxpayers, in the amount of \$722,178. On a home assessed at \$30,000, this tax abatement saved you about \$148 on your property tax bill.

CLOSING STATEMENT

Throughout FY 1987/88, Bloomingdale set an example of the benefits to be derived by leaving neither Village growth nor improvements to chance. Policy and planning set direction, but the credit for gains made is in large part due to the continual efforts of those responsible for day-to-day operations. Our Village Staff can be proud of their work done this past fiscal year. My sincere thanks to our Village Clerk and Board of Trustees. A special thank you to the Plan Commission, Old Town Commission, Board of Fire and Police Commissioners, Police Pension Board, Emergency Services Disaster Agency, Septemberfest Committee, and Public Relations Committee members for the endless hours and commitment contributed on their part.

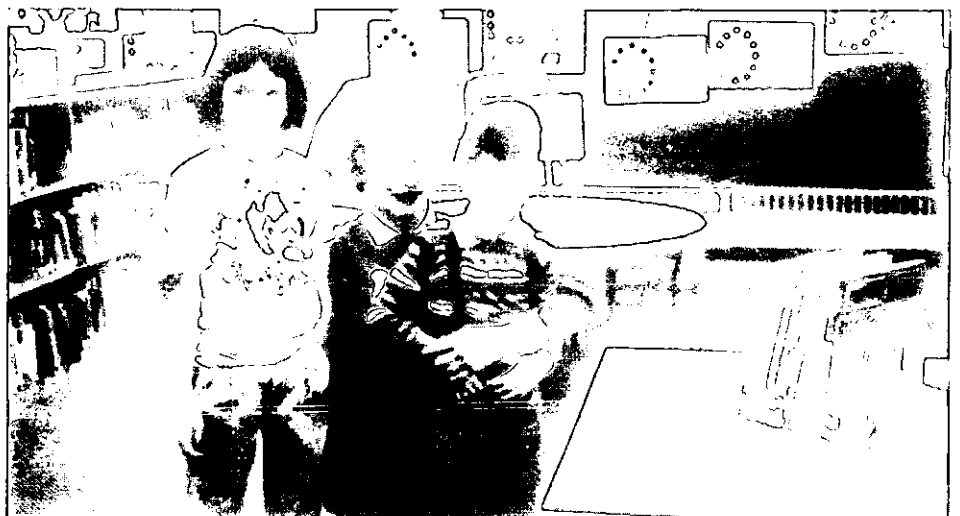
Last, but most important, Bloomingdale is excelling as a quality community because of the many caring residents involved within the civic, school, park and church groups. They render a vital support system, determine local character, and provide the motivation necessary for a high quality of life in Bloomingdale.

Again, on behalf of the local Village government, I welcome the interest and concern of those residing in the Village. Your input is always appreciated.

RECREATION BUILDING NAMED

The Board of Commissioners of the Bloomingdale Park District Board has officially named the recreation center at 172 S. Circle Avenue. The original recreation building was built in 1976, along with the pool. In 1981, the gymnasium was added to the building along with completion of the basement area.

The building has been called the recreation building all these years. Earlier this year the Board of Commissioners officially named the building the Ralph W. Johnston Recreation Center in honor of the long service Johnston gave to the Village and the Park District.



Pat Chanley, former children's librarian, recently visited the library to see the books purchased in her name for the children's department.

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
7:30 P.M. — Village Hall

OLD TOWN COMMISSION

4th Tuesday of every month
8:00 P.M. — Village Hall

LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2nd 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

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PARK DISTRICT MUSEUM

"Oriental Silk Paintings"

"East Meets West," an exhibit of hand-painted silks by American-born, Chinese-trained artist Andy Kay is currently on display at the Bloomingdale Park District Museum at Old Town at 108 South Bloomingdale Road thru July 7th.

The exhibit contains nearly 35 costumes, fans, kites and scrolls all done on silk and vibrantly hand-painted and colored. The artist who lives in Hawaii, was trained in China. He studied with masters of calligraphy, landscape painting and painting on silk. The result is a stunning array of items depicting floral motifs, landscapes and abstract designs.

"East Meets West" will be on display at the Park District Museum thru July 7th. There is no admission charge for the show which is open on Wednesday 10-2, Thursday 2-6, Friday 2-6:30 and Saturday 10-3. For further information please call the Park Office at 529-3650.

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SEPTEMBERFEST PLANS

The 16th annual Septemberfest celebration is scheduled to be held Sunday, September 11 from 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. in Old Town Bloomingdale (rain date Sept. 18).

Applications for booth space are now available. Spaces are 6 x 10 ft. for \$20.00 before August 1. Exhibitors must provide their own tables and chairs.

After exhibitors have made \$200 in profit, a donation of 10 percent of remaining profit is to be given to the Septemberfest Committee by November 11. This is to enable the commission to have start-up money for the 1989 Septemberfest. Applications may be picked up at the Village Hall.

Also at this year's Septemberfest will be a Talent Show featuring some of the homegrown talent yet undiscovered. Anyone in the surrounding area that is interested in participating in the talent show may send a description of their act, along with their name, address and phone number to: Joanne Horvath, 143 Hingham Lane, Bloomingdale, or call 980-3873.

Please note, this must be non-professional acts and must be performed on the stage area. Prizes will be awarded. Try-outs will be sometime in August. Applicants will be notified.

For more information on booth space, contact Vi Morrisroe, chairperson at 980-7723 or leave a message at the Village Hall, 893-7000.

The traditional Queen Contest will also be a part of this year's festivities. Young ladies who are residents of Bloomingdale, between the ages of 15 and 21 are eligible to enter. Applicants will be judged on beauty, poise and a written essay. More information and an official entry form will appear in the August ALMANAC.

ARTISTS AND CRAFTERS WANTED!

The Bloomingdale Women's Club is holding their 16th Annual Festival of Arts, Sunday, September 11, 1988. All interested artists and crafters should request entry forms from Kathy Lovely or Debbie Bodner, Booth Co-Chairmen, Bloomingdale Women's Club, P.O. Box 271, Bloomingdale, IL 60108. Deadline for entries is August 15, 1988.

WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU HAVE SEWER BACK UPS

This is a problem that fortunately does not affect us very often, but when it does, it deserves prompt attention.

To assist the Village crews, it is best to have a good description of the situation when calling.

1. Is the sewage backing up through floor drains or fixtures even though no water in the home is in use at that time?
2. Does the problem only appear when you use water and subside later on?
3. Is the sluggish or stopped drain limited to only one area or one drain in the home?

Village crews will be dispatched to investigate the complaint by notifying us at 893-7000 (regular hours) or 529-9868 (nights, weekends, and holidays).

Our first task will be to check our main public sewer serving your property. If this is operating (flowing) without difficulty, the problem has then been isolated to the service line or inside the home. The person who registered the complaint is then notified, and would then need to call his/her own plumber to rod the line from the house to the public sewer. This is the homeowner's responsibility.

If the blockage is in the Village main, we will arrange to have it cleaned as soon as possible. At present, we have to call a contractor and service is typically obtained in approximately (4) four hours.

Residents are advised to use care when selecting and hiring any contractors. We suggest checking references, guarantees, availability, and prices with at least three (3) contractors prior to proceeding.

If you have any further questions on these problems, call 529-5865.

LOCAL STAR

Eleven-year old Bloomingdale resident Andrea Koteski won the recent talent search conducted by Metrovision for youngsters to appear on "Kidsworld," a nationally broadcast show. More details in the next issue.

CHIEF INSTALLED AS PRESIDENT

Bloomingdale Police Chief Gary J. Schira was recently installed as the president of the DuPage County Chiefs of Police Association at a gala dinner held at Medinah Country Club on June 10, 1988.

The organization is made up of all DuPage County police chiefs and key command personnel, as well as some county and state law enforcement officials. Master of Ceremonies was State's Attorney James E. Ryan.

Schira has held other offices in the organization, most recently, first vice president during the 1987-88 year. "It's an honor to be elected by one's peers to this office. I look forward to serving in the capacity of president and continuing our association's efforts in being the progressive voice of law enforcement in DuPage County," he said.



Substance Abuse was the topic of one of Bloomingdale Police Department's displays at Law Enforcement Day held recently.

OLD TOWN A NEW LOOK TO OUR PAST

Springtime in Bloomingdale brings beautiful flowers, lush foliage and a flurry of activity, especially in Old Town. The new look now taking place is in the form of painting the buildings in the colors which are reminiscent of the mid-1800's.

A new wood fence which is being built along Lake Street is a replica of the fence which encircles the Abraham Lincoln home in Springfield. In addition, a statue of Lincoln will be erected during June to mark where he spoke during a visit to Bloomingdale while campaigning for the Senate.

In recognition of individuals who served our community well during the 1800's, various buildings have been renamed in their honor. Examples are Hiram Cody Boarding House; Erasmus O. Hill, Village Surveyor; Sherman P. Sedgewick, Postmaster; Oscar C. Woodworth, cheese manufacturer; and Francis N. Neltner, haberdasher.

Old Town, it seems, is no longer just a pretty place to shop. It's now also becoming a memorial to the history of our community.

Doctor Frank D. Letizia, longtime Almanac Advertiser, recently moved his dental practice to Willow Lake Centre, 303 E. Army Trail Road. His phone remains 529-0303.

CENTURY

RENTAL CENTER

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GARY AVENUE
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ARMY TRAIL RD.

BLOOMINGDALE RD

4th Annual Great American 4th of July Festival

Circle Park on Fairfield Way in Bloomingdale, IL

2 DAYS OF FREE ENTERTAINMENT

HOURS OF OPERATION
Sat. Noon To 11 P.M. Sun. Noon
Fireworks at Dusk

SAT., JULY 2

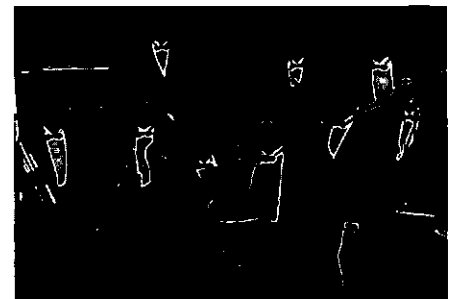
1-3 PM Bozo, Cookie & Wizzo of WGN TV
3-4 PM Tony Spavone
4-5 PM Rick Saucedo with Johnny Star
& The Meteors
6-7 PM Chuck Salvo
8-9:30 PM Spectrum

SUN., JULY 3

1-3 PM Lip-Sync Contest
3:30-5 PM Bob Perna Band
5:30-7 PM Chuck Salvo
7:30-9 PM The New Odyssey



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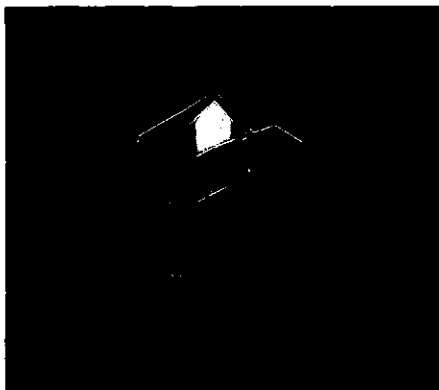
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You have probably been watching for months. Along Army Trail Road, on the north side, near Schmale Road. The Episcopal Church of the Incarnation is about to move. Their new worship and meeting facility is completed and ready for occupancy in June. Father Alvin Johnson states, "We have worked a long time to realize this goal of a Church building that provides a place for people to spend time in quietness and prayer, as well as a place for people of the community to gather. Our ministry to the community will expand and grow through this structure, as will our outreach. I hope everyone will stop in and visit." Sunday services begin this month and are held at 8:30 and 10:00 a.m. Previously, the congregation held services at Central School. For more information please call 351-3249.

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PREPARING FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

by Mike Hovde
President of the Board of Education
Bloomington Elementary School District 13

The time has come for Bloomington Elementary School District 13 to take a long hard look at the future. This year's kindergarten class will graduate from high school in the year 2000. What kind of future will those young people face as adults?

The school district is beginning a period of rapid change. Bloomfield Hills, Bloomfield Club, Founders Pointe North and South, Giannini Builders, and Pulte developments will mean an additional 1000 homes to the school district. A year ago the Board of Education received three different reports regarding how the district will look in the future. Each projected enrollment to climb to between 1600 and 1800 students, while we have capacity to house only 1300.

One of four buildings, Central School, is 50 years old and will have to be replaced. (We are renting administrative office space. If we could own our own space it would be less expensive.) The schools also have need of additional space for new programs; computer instruction, special education, pre-school and all day kindergarten, science laboratories in the elementary schools, activity and audio-visual rooms. There is also a need for more regular classroom space immediately.

We will be renting two temporary classrooms at Central School next year, due to increased enrollment. The state will only allow us to use these for a maximum of five years, so we must start making decisions soon.

Education cannot be what it was. Every student must be literate to survive in the 21st Century. The age of information has eluded many in our society. We do not want it to elude our children.

In the past if an adult had a fifth grade reading ability and could handle basic arithmetic, he/she could find a very good job in manufacturing or other similar types of work. (These jobs have now moved overseas. A successful adult today must be able to handle high school level reading material and have an understanding of algebra and computers.) What will be required of tomorrow's adult?

Bloomington Elementary School District 13 is starting to plan for that future now. We are developing the structure for a community task force to look at what is needed to prepare our students for the 21st Century. Early next fall a call will be going out for volunteers to spend several months looking at the future of the school district. If you are interested in this project, watch for an announcement in September.

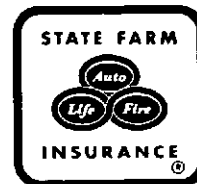
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CHICAGO'S RESORTS' REPORT

Indian Lakes Resort has been completely renovated! And to describe to you all the wonderful changes in detail, we decided to use this full page in the Almanac. Read on! Our facelift is news indeed!

Restaurants and Lounges.

On the Pond features fine dining for lunch and dinner. Overlooking the natural beauty of our shimmering pond, and decorated with soft lights, muted colors and a Southwestern warmth, the restaurant is exciting yet soothing. The diverse menu highlights American cuisine -- from Cajun spicing to Mesquite Grilling and other specialties. These highly-acclaimed entrees are complemented by a wide selection of domestic and imported wines. Visit the adjacent lounge for pre- or post-dinner cocktails.

Waves, the new nightclub located just below On the Pond, has become a favorite area spot! Local residents have already discovered our fun-loving sophisticated bar with original exotic drinks, Pacific ambiance, and bright neon streams. They've also discovered the great sound of "Dynasty" -- a group of local talents headed for the big time. Due to popular demand, Dynasty will perform live every Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening!

The Frontier Bar & Grill is a fun and unusual place to dine. For starters, select and grill your own steak (or chicken or fish) just the way you like it over our giant flaming grill. Then relax and enjoy your meal (which also includes a trip to the salad bar and a mini-loaf of French Bread) in a comfortable, Home-on-the-Range atmosphere.

The Atrium Cafe now offers a wide selection of sandwiches, beverages, and snacks. Enjoy your munchies in the tropical expanse of our 6-story atrium. Also located in the atrium is the famous and newly-renovated Cave Bar where you may sip cocktails under a cascading waterfall.

Meanwhile at Nordic Hills. . .

Nordic Hills Resort, in Itasca, has also been newly-renovated. You'll see the evidence everywhere -- from the garden level Vulcan's Forge Bar & Grill to the penthouse Presidential Suite. The distinctive Scandinavian Restaurant has a new look and menu and the adjacent Skoal Lounge is likewise redecorated. "Down under" at Sydney's, enjoy high energy fun -- dancing, cocktails, video and more with an Australian flair.

SUMMER EVENTS

■ **June 20 18th Annual Brian Piccolo Golf Outing**, Indian Lakes Resort. This renowned charity affair golf outing has been sold out. But the good news is that there's still room at the post-golf cocktail party and awards banquet. Here's your chance to mingle with NFL players and coaches -- for a good cause! Call the Piccolo Cancer Research Fund at 663-4176.

■ **July 4 Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce Festival**, Circle Park. Fireworks, entertainment, great food, and community spirit!

■ **August 8 Paul Paoletti Charity Golf Tournament**, Indian Lakes Resort. Proceeds go to Mr. Paoletti's deaf-since-birth grandson and the National Italian American Hall of Fame. For information, call Mr. Paoletti 351-0505.

OFTEN-ASKED QUESTIONS:

Public or Private?

Both Indian Lakes and Nordic Hills are resort hotels, open to the public. Often, because of their locations and appearances, residents assume these two properties are private country clubs. On the contrary, we invite all nearby residents to visit our restaurants and lounges, play our golf courses, and join our very reasonably priced health club. We welcome the residents of Bloomingdale.

Who Owns The Resorts?

Residents are also curious about who owns the two resorts. They are owned by VMS Realty and managed by CPS Hotel Management Services, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Carson Pirie Scott & Co. Managing Director for both resorts is James France; Marketing Director is Richard Maze. The General Manager of Nordic Hills is Steve Kostechka and the Resident Manager of Indian Lakes is Julian Pei.

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Best of all, the annual rates are within reason. Single, couple, corporate, and family memberships are available.

- Indian Lakes Resort 529-0200
- Nordic Hills Resort 773-2750

A VISIT TO SONSHINE FARM AT V.B.S.

The Bloomingdale Church, 260 Glen Ellyn Road will be transformed into Sonshine Farm complete with barnyard, farmer's market, a musical jamboree, live scarecrows, and some simple "farmer's lessons" on growing patience, joy, and kindness. The occasion is this year's Vacation Bible School program running June 21 - 24th from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. daily.

The Music Machine will be back again too with some delightfully new tunes. The children are encouraged to come dressed like farmers. For more information, call the church office at 894-0090. Initial registration is Tuesday, June 21st, 9:00 to 9:30 a.m. The church is located at 260 Glen Ellyn Road, between Army Trail Road and Lake St. in Bloomingdale.



VILLAGERS' SUMMER SLATE

The Villagers of Bloomingdale recently installed their new officers for the 1988-89 club year at the May 5 general meeting. They are: Jeannie Van Sky, president; Karen Szymanski, program vice president; Gladys Kroon and Kathy Flynn, membership vice presidents; Pat Frank, secretary; Debbie Dorynek, treasurer; Cathy Gall, publicity/historian.

The Villagers is a women's club with a two-fold purpose: to acquaint fellow residents of Bloomingdale and neighboring communities with each other through monthly meetings and various social functions, and; to be of service to the community through special fundraisers. During this past club year the Villagers donated \$400 to Pet Rescue, \$200 to the Bloomingdale Township Food Pantry, \$200 to the Bloomingdale Park District for flood relief, as well as several small-

er donations to other Bloomingdale organizations.

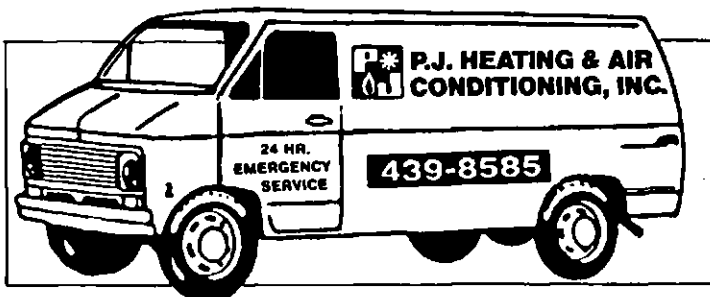
Couple's activities for the summer include a barbecue, Maywood Park Horse Racing outing and a Fox River Paddleboat ride. Lynfred Winery and an arts and crafts fair in Dundee are on the agenda for ladies only. Children's activities will include roller skating and a trip to Naperville Beach.

Many of the interest groups will continue to meet during the summer, including children's play groups. The babysitting co-op will also be an invaluable source of relief for moms who need a break from the kiddies during the long summer ahead.

For more information on the Villagers and its many activities call Kathy Flynn at 351-9549 or Gladys Kroon at 351-9002.

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OFF THE SHELF

BLOOMINGDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

VOLUME IX, NUMBER III



This is the second in a series of articles in which the library is featuring a different department in each issue of OFF THE SHELF.

In this issue the Children's Services Department is being featured. Phyllis Peter heads this department. Barb Walters assists at the information desk and in many other areas of the department. Featured here are a few of the varied services and programs provided by the Children's Services Department.

CHECK OUT THE CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT



The Children's Department has more to offer than just books! (Although we are very proud of our large collection of fine children's books, for infants up to teens.) We have a collection of over 100 puzzles which are available for one-week loan. We have an extensive collection of book/cassette kits, and have recently purchased a few hundred more. The kits are ideal for children who still need help reading, or for busy parents who can't read as many stories as their child would like to hear!

We also have a picture and map file to help with school reports, as well as a pamphlet file. These materials are available for a one-week loan.

The Parenting Corner is a special resource for parents, or anyone who works with children. There are books on difficult topics such as death or divorce, as well as books to help parents explain about sex. There are guides on early childhood education and how to find a good preschool.

Videos for children are with all the videos in the Adult Department. There are educational videos as well as popular movies. Videos are \$1.00 for a 3-day loan to patrons 18 and older. The Children's Department also subscribes to about 20 children's magazines. Back issues are available for check out. We have cassettes and records for one-week loan.

We have District 15 (K-6), and District 13 (K-8) textbooks on reference for students to use in the library. Our reference collection to help students is extensive, and if we don't have the answer or a book, we can direct loan materials for Bloomingdale patrons from other DuPage Library System libraries!

PEN PALS

Pen pals are available at the library for kids 10 years or older. The first two pen pals are free, any pen pal requested after that is 95¢. The library sends the pen pal applications to the International Youth Service in Finland. The children can choose a pen pal from 106 countries. The children are matched up for similar interests and age. Most of the pen pals know English, but if a letter is received in a foreign language, a translation service is available through the library. Just stop by the library to fill out a pen pal application!



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Preschool story hour gives youngsters an introduction to literature plus an opportunity for socializing.

STORY HOURS FOR 3 TO 5 YEAR OLDS

The story hours include music, fingerplays, puppets, filmstrips, and a craft as well as stories. Parents are welcome to stay during the story hours, or they can enjoy coffee in the kitchenette next door or even go upstairs to read, depending on what their child needs. The story hours are a first step toward independence for many children, and also foster a love of reading that will reward them for a lifetime.

During the summer Bedtime stories are offered for children 4 and younger. They are on Thursday evenings from 7:00 - 7:30. Primary story time is also offered for the summer for 6-8 year olds. A craft is incorporated into this story time.

Stop by the library to register your child.

SPECIAL HOLIDAY EVENTS

As adults, we measure the calendar year by days and months, but children measure the year by what the next holiday is! The Children's Department celebrates the major holidays with special parties.

Santa and the Easter Bunny visit on their respective holidays, and children can have their picture taken with them. Valentine's Day, Easter, Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas are times for movies, treats and games at the Bloomingdale Public Library.

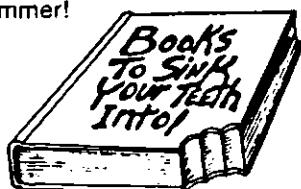
SUMMER READING PROGRAM

The Children's Department is ready for the voracious reading appetites of the Bloomingdale children! The theme of the Summer Reading Program is "Devour a Book", so come to the library and gobble up books all summer long!

Children ages 3 - 5 may be in the "Read to Me" program. The children receive a prize for every eight books the parent reads to them. Kindergarteners (ages 5-6) and older, may be in the "Devour a Book" program. A prize is received for every eight books read and reported on (reports are a short oral report — just a sentence or two is adequate.)

For every book read, the readers will get a paper ice cream scoop to add to our ice cream mountain. The library has a serious problem this summer though. We have an ice cream monster who wants to eat our ice cream mountain! We won't let him, so he's going to play tricks on the library. Every week he will create a different mystery at the library, and any child who solves the puzzle will get a prize. Children may see the monster now and then at the library throughout the summer! Keep watch!!

All children who read the minimum eight books will be invited to the Summer Reading Finale on August 10 from 2:00 - 3:00. Bob Hoffman's Kingdom of Animals will be the entertainment. Come learn about (and see!) a bird, a skunk, a monkey, a dog, a bunny and a boa! The party is to say congratulations for reading eight books over the summer!



SPECIAL PROGRAMS

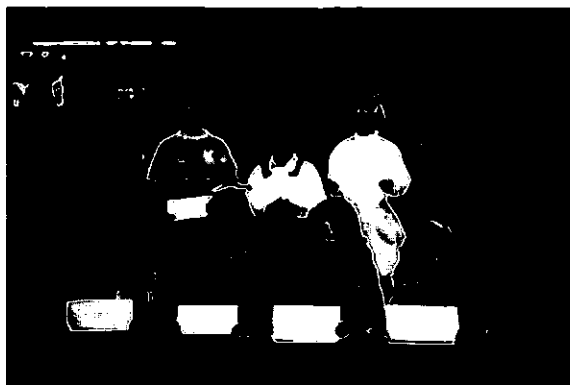
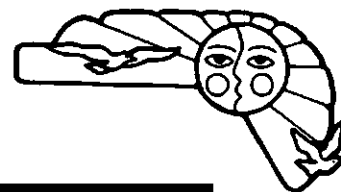
BABYSITTING COURSE

Twice a year, Barb Walters, the Assistant Children's Librarian, who is also a certified Red Cross Instructor, teaches the Red Cross Babysitting Course. The course is for girls or boys 11 years old or older, and it meets for 8 class sessions. The cost is \$2.00. Students are taught the responsibilities of a babysitter, basic child growth and development, selection of appropriate toys and games, supervision of children, home safety and accident prevention, basic first aid, personal safety of babysitter, feeding of children and handling and diapering of infants. Students must correctly demonstrate all skills, and must pass the Red Cross Babysitting Exam to become certified.

The course is currently in session, and will be offered again in the fall.



Erik Bieszczad gets a helping hand from instructor Barb Walters as he learns the proper way to feed an infant. Walters is also certified by the Red Cross to teach First Aid for Little People.



The winners of the "Why I Love My Library" contest: (l to r, seated) Sean Morris, Angela Raso, Sandy Taormina, Katie Elmen. (Back) Billy Ahmann, Alleen Remot, Lindsay Elmen.



Lindsay Kaleta, Nikki Kaleta, Meghan McBean and Meghan Kaleta play with several of the library's puzzles.

GOING AWAY THIS SUMMER?

Vacation loans are available for adults — if you want longer than the three-week loan period, let us know.

For kids, travel kits are available. Stop by the Children's Department to pick up an interest form for your child, and return it a week before you leave. We will put together a kit that will match your child's interests, and will include games to play in the car or on the plane, and special treats to keep. The books will be due two days after your return date.



CHESS CLUB

The Bloomingdale Public Library is once again sponsoring a summer chess club for area young people (8 thru 28 years of age). If you know how or would like to learn to play chess, this program is for you.

The club will meet every Wednesday morning from 10:00 A.M. till 12 noon at the library. In August there will be an interlibrary chess tournament and the Bloomingdale Library will be hosting this event. Please call the library for more information or to register for the club.



Linda Jarecki, staff member, checks out books to Bloomingdale patron Carol Busse. The Bloomingdale Library experienced another fiscal year of increased usage. The library's material circulation jumped up to a record-breaking 120,823. This represents an increase of 8,519 over the total circulation last fiscal year - 112,303.

PBS CLASSICS NOW AVAILABLE IF DONORS FOUND

Bloomingdale Public Library has a special, one time opportunity to bring Bill Moyers, Robert MacNeil, David Attenborough and Alistair Cooke to the library.

This unprecedented undertaking, the Library Video Classics Project, is a distribution effort designed to place 20 timeless PBS series like Bill Moyers' *A WALK THROUGH THE TWENTIETH CENTURY*, Robert MacNeil's *THE STORY OF ENGLISH*, David Attenborough's *LIFE ON EARTH* and Alistair Cooke's *AMERICA* into public libraries across the nation.

This is a fabulous opportunity to get cassettes of some of the most outstanding and educational programs ever offered to our library patrons. The cost to us for more than 200 hours of programs is \$6,000. The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, which arranged for the discount and the marketing effort, is also providing gift stickers to acknowledge any individuals, groups, foundations or corporations who might wish to contribute to the cost of acquiring these series. The price for one series ranges from \$210 for the seven part *Planet Earth* to \$390 for *The Ascent of Man*.

Anyone wishing more information can call the library at 529-3120.



Reference librarian Adrae Singleton from Blackhawk School gets a few tips about the computer from Cheryl Bennett.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE ACQUISITIONS

Recent acquisitions to the Foreign Language Collection in the Children's Department include *SPRINGBOARD TO SPANISH*, *SPRINGBOARD TO FRENCH*, *JOY OF TALKING ITALIAN*, *LANGUAGE/30 BRIEF COURSE: POLISH*, and *THE LIVING LANGUAGE VIDEO SERIES*.

The purchase of these materials was made with the income generated by the "Donna Beth Froio Memorial Fund." This fund was established in 1982 by Dominic and Barbara Froio in memory of their daughter.



AUTOGRAPH AUCTION

Plans are well underway for the second Friends of the Bloomingdale Public Library Autograph Auction scheduled November 7 - 12, 1988 at the library.

Don Johnson, Meryl Streep, Lee Trevino, Tom Clancy and Dr. Seuss are just a few of the famous personalities whose autographs the Friends have already collected. Autographs of other famous authors, entertainers, athletes and personalities have been arriving daily. The autographs will be on display in the library beginning October 1. Silent bids starting at \$1.50 per autograph will be accepted at the library the week of November 7 - 12. Autograph winners will be announced at 3:00 p.m. on November 12. A used book sale will also be held on November 12 from 9:30 - 3:00 p.m. in conjunction with the Autograph Auction.



CITIZEN SURVEY

In June, the Bloomingdale Public Library will be conducting a Citizen Survey. A number of Bloomingdale residents will be randomly selected to receive Citizen Survey forms. If you receive a form, please complete and anonymously return to the Bloomingdale Public Library in the self-addressed stamped envelope enclosed.

The library needs to complete the survey as a part of the 1989 Per Capita Grant Application Process. The State Library is requiring that all libraries submit a copy of their Citizen Survey questionnaire, which must contain core questions approved by the State Library. The Bloomingdale Library receives approximately \$13,500 in State Per Capita Grant Monies each year. The monies are used primarily to purchase books and materials for the library.



Cheryl Brice became administrative librarian on Career Day.

CHILDREN'S BOOK FESTIVAL MAY 14-15



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SUMMER CALENDAR

NOTE:

Registration Required For All Programs
Except Wednesday Movies

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| June 9 to August 2 | 10:00 - 11:00 AM
or
2:00 - 3:00 PM | Story Times Every Tuesday
For 3 to 5 year olds |
| June 9 to August 4 | 10:00 - 11:00 AM | Story Time Every Thursday
For 3 to 5 year olds. |
| June 20 | | "Devour a Book" Summer Reading Program Begins! |
| June 20 to August 1 | 10:00 - 11:30 AM
or
12:00 - 1:30 PM
or
2:00 - 3:30 PM | Craft Classes Every Monday
For 6 to 9 year olds |
| June 20 to August 1 | 6:30 to 8:30 PM | Advanced Craft Classes every Monday evening for 10 to 12 year olds. |
| June 23 to August 4 | 7:00 to 7:30 PM | Bedtime Stories every Thursday evening for ages 4 and under. |
| June 22 to August 3 | 7:00 to 8:00 PM | Story Time every Wednesday evening for 6 to 8 year olds. |
| June 22 to August 3 | 10:00 AM - Noon | Chess Club meets every Wednesday morning. |
| June 22 | 2:00 PM | Movie, "Sleeping Beauty." |
| June 23 | 2:00 - 2:30 PM | Puppet Show for 2 to 8 year olds. |
| June 29 | 2:00 PM | Movie, "Mary Poppins." |
| June 30 | 7:00 - 8:00 PM | Folk Singing and Dancing, Presented by Ann Porcella. |
| July 6 | 2:00 PM | Movie, "Pete's Dragon." |
| July 7 and July 8 | 2:00 - 2:45 PM | "First Aid for Little People" For 1st, 2nd and 3rd graders, to teach basic emergency skills. Taught by Red Cross Instructor, Barb Walters |
| July 13 | 2:00 PM | Movie, "The Parent Trap." |
| July 13 | 7:30 PM | Library Board Meeting. |
| July 16 | 1:00 - 2:00 PM | "Sharks!" A program presented by Susan Borg of the Shedd Aquarium, for children ages 7 and up. |
| July 20 | 2:00 PM | Movie, "20,000 Leagues Under the Sea." |
| July 21 | 2:00 - 3:00 PM | Hobby Day! Bring in your collection to swap, or just admire other collections. For kids only! |
| July 27 | 2:00 PM | Movie, "Swiss Family Robinson." |
| July 28 | 7:00 - 8:00 PM | Ghost Stories in the Gazebo! |
| August 3 | 2:00 PM | Movie, "Alice in Wonderland." |
| August 4 | 2:00 - 3:00 PM | Dinosaur Day! Journey back in time with stories about dinosaurs and dinosaur cookies! Packets to take home too. |
| August 6 | | Summer Reading Program, "Devour a Book" ends. All books must be reported by this day. |
| August 10 | 7:00 PM | Library Board Meeting. |
| August 10 | 2:00 - 3:00 PM | Summer Reading Finale! A party for children who have read and reported their 8 books. Bob Hoffman will bring his kingdom of animals - birds, a skunk, a monkey, and a boa! |

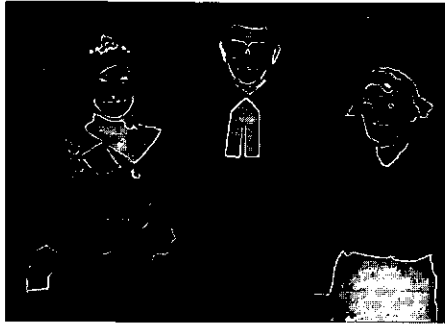
Call the library, or stop by, to register for all programs.

ST. PAUL OBSERVES 110th ANNIVERSARY

Members and friends of St. Paul United Church of Christ located in the heart of Old Town at First and Washington Streets recently celebrated 110 years of service to the Bloomingdale area with a series of special services and events.

The celebration began on March 27 with the Dedication of a new \$600,000 addition that provides the growing congregation with much needed space for the future. As a part of this project, the Crib Room, Nursery and Primary Department were enlarged and new class rooms were constructed for all the older children. The provision of a "Great Room" and an enlarged narthex provides the congregation with space for fellowship. Three new offices were also included. The inclusion of skylights and landscaped atriums brings the outdoors in and gives the new facility a bright and airy look. Best of all according to the Pastor, Rev. James P. Beecken, is the possibility that because of the generosity and loyal support of the congregation, the new addition will be paid for by the end of the year.

A concert by Barb and Toby Waldowski of Dr. Robert Schuler's "Hour of Power" television program and a dramatization entitled the "Autobiography of a Church Pew" featuring one of the church's original oak pews were presented on April 17 and 24.



The celebration came to a climax on the weekend of April 30 and May 1 when approximately 40% of the more than 300 people who attended the Anniversary Banquet and Sunday services came attired in clothing typical of the 1880's.



St. Paul Church was organized by a group of German settlers on May 19, 1878. Within a month \$800.00 cash had been raised and a frame building had been purchased from the Bloomingdale Congregational Church which was in the process of disbanding. A new brick sanctuary, still in use, was erected in 1914 at a cost of \$9,400 and a \$65,000 educational building was added in 1959.

Through the past 110 years the congregation has continued to grow and expand its outreach to the point where there are now more than 500 members. The congregation enjoys the music of three fine choirs. The Sunday School is staffed with dedicated teachers. A Youth Director, Chris Pityer, was added to the staff last fall to give guidance to the church's active Junior High and High School groups. Concern for others is reflected in the more than \$60,000 a year that the congregation gives to missions and the needy.

A main line denominational church with a Bible based ministry, St. Paul looks forward to serving the people of Bloomingdale and the surrounding communities for many years to come.



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by Lawrence J. Golden, Superintendent, District 15

"Marquardt Captures State Championship"

Marquardt Middle School competed at the State Finalist Future Problem Solving Bowl held at Illinois State University on May 13 and 14. The school was represented by three teams.

Marquardt's teams competed against 23 top regional teams from all over the state of Illinois. In the intermediate division, grades seven, eight and nine, Marquardt's team had a record-breaking performance.

Not only did the team capture the State Championship, but also placed second and third in the written competition. This has never before been achieved by a school in the Illinois Future Solving competition. The state champions, Team 3 from Marquardt, will now go on to represent Illinois in the International Conference to be held June 12 - 15 in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

"EVENING WITH SHERRILL MILNES"

The Bloomingdale Historical Society and the DuPage Heritage Gallery invite you to an "Evening With Sherrill Milnes" on July 22. The DuPage Heritage Gallery extended an opportunity to DuPage organizations to nominate a national leader with roots in DuPage County as a candidate for induction into the Heritage Gallery.

Dolores P. Howe, Bloomingdale Historical Society president, submitted the name of Sherrill Milnes for inclusion in the Heritage Gallery competition. A former resident of Downers Grove, Milnes has become an international opera star and is considered America's leading baritone.

The Bloomingdale Historical Society proudly announces Milnes was chosen this year as the only inductee. The evening will begin at 7 p.m., with dinner at 7:45. Tickers are \$50 per person. Proceeds go to further the work of the DuPage Heritage Gallery. For more information call Rosemary Ziska at 665-2570. The DuPage County Center Atrium is located at 421 N. County Farm Road in Wheaton.

The team is made up of four seventh graders, Jeff Milton, Val Pinzker, Mike Buck and Tom Warick. They will attend the International Conference with some 700 Problem Solvers from all over the United States and Canada. The participants are divided into three divisions: junior, grades 4, 5 and 6; intermediate, grades 7, 8 and 9; and seniors, grades 10, 11 and 12.

Marquardt's eighth grade team which was runner-up for the State Championship, coming in only three points behind the seventh grade team, also won the First Place medal in the oral competition.

This team is made up of Holly Harris, Tim Yuen, Cara Tasher, Laura Kohl and Eric Swanson. Two team members, Harris and Swanson, also placed third and ninth respectively, in the individual competition where they competed against 115 seventh, eighth and ninth graders.

Marquardt's other eighth grade team were also State Finalist Medal winners, placing third statewide. Its members are Eric Bass, Jonathan Bass, Julie Spear and Sandra Bell.

Coach for the problem solving teams at Marquardt is science teacher Nancy Benson. The program is coordinated by Jane Seidel, School District 15's teacher of the gifted.

"Having a State Champion team is a source of great pride for our school and District 15 as a whole," said James Sayers, Marquardt Middle School principal. "Having our other two teams come in as runners-up and third place as well, is almost unbelievable. We are extremely proud of our students."

TOM'S WOODSHOP HAS A NEW LOOK

A few years back the Almanac introduced residents to Tom Shafer and his quality wood furniture specialty shop in Old Town. Tom recently moved his shop to Old Town's Railroad Station, 106 S. Third Street and has taken on a whole new look.

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CAREER DAY 1988

The 1988 Career Day was another tremendous success thanks to the organizational efforts of Joanna Medwick, assistant principal of Westfield Junior High. Students from 11 area schools took over positions in School District 13, the Village and related services, the Police Department, Fire Department, Post Office, Park District and Library. Members of the business community also participated: Advanced Systems Applications, Edward Levato, Attorney, First National Bank of DuPage, Mark Davis, D.D.S., Household Bank, Indian Lakes Resort, Budde's Print Shop, Comprehensive Dentistry, Talman Home Federal, Press Publications, Daily Herald, Paul Paoletti's Clothing Store, For Eyes Optical Company, A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc. and Marklund Children's Home.



Assistant Fire Chief Bill Wolfe explains the fundamentals of fire extinguishers to (l to r) Kevin Talbott, Sumit Advani, Steve Orejudos, Jennifer LoMonaco, Lisa Payne and Bill Grall, Fire Chief, assistant chief, lieutenant and three trustees.



Postmistress Lisa Vozella tries her hand at sorting letters as overseen by Jim Sutter.



Village Planner Edmundo Pureza from Central School and his adult counterpart Jack Weber from Planning Resources, are amused by the Village Board.



Michael Holst, police department dispatcher, has a wonderful time answering calls under the direction of Julie Schaffer.



Mayor Julie Sederquist makes notes on board discussion as Sam Tenuto watches.



Central School Principal Kiran Advani chooses some new equipment for next year's first grade classrooms as John Markgraf looks on.



Park District Museum coordinator Kristy Nilles gets right down to work as she takes down the student art exhibit.



Assistant Village Administrator Angela Raso watches the camera while Village Administrator Marc Crecellius watches the meeting in progress.



Village Clerk Greg Crotty takes minutes assisted by Marie Tayfel.

The Village of Bloomingdale also wishes to thank the following businesses who also contributed to Student Career Day:

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Please tell us if you have any suggestions or questions for your Village. What you think is important to us. Write your thoughts below, then detach and mail to "What Do You Think," Village of Bloomingdale, 201 S. Bloomingdale Rd., Bloomingdale, IL 60108. No unsigned submissions will be considered. The ALMANAC reserves the right to reprint all or part of the submission depending upon length. We do, however, try to retain the gist of the query.

My thoughts are as follows: _____

Name _____ Address _____

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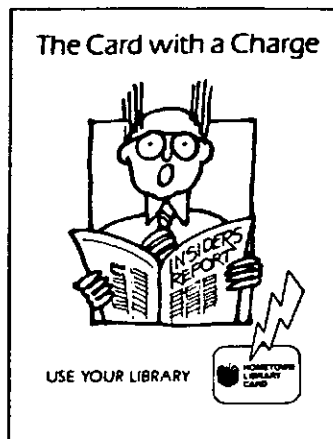
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