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Bloomingdale Old Town

There's a lot of new stuff going on in Old Town Bloomingdale these days. For starters, a large portion of the historic turn of the century shopping district recently came under new ownership. Shopkeepers and other tenants are optimistic this change of hands will fuse innovative ideas with the historic past generating a rebirth of the area.

One of the believers in the future of Old Town is Bloomingdale resident Edward Levato. As general partners of the Bloomingdale Old Town Partners, Ltd., he and his law partner, Keith Kotche, report there are some very definite plans for the rejuvenation, plans that promise to have a positive impact on the entire Village.

"It will be a gentle transition," said Levato. "Our first priority is to bring the vacancies down and then we plan to restore Old Town to what it was meant to be - a business district of unique shops very much like Long Grove."

Levato says owners plan to give the business district a make-over. He hopes to attract substantial tenants, including the Chamber of Commerce, to lend stability to the project. Levato & Kotche believe in the project - so much so that they plan to relocate their offices to The Mansion in the heart of the center.

Another sure sign of the rebirth is the re-emergence of a new Old Town Merchants Association. The group elected new officers at its first meeting in January and is excited about the plans they are formulating.

Also in the planning stages is a municipal green-grass open area, on the southeast corner of Franklin and Third.

Spurred on by the Old Town Commission, the Village recently purchased one half of the land for the three-quarter acre parklike area. Conceptual plans for the open space include a granite fountain, brick paver walks and wooden park benches. Construction would be done over several years.

With the spring thaw in sight, shopkeepers anticipate shoppers will find more to enjoy as they stroll through the historical backdrop. The April issue of the Almanac will feature what exactly you can find in Old Town.

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

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 am - 4:30 pm Monday through Friday and from 8 am - noon on Saturdays and will be accepted through Friday, April 30. For information call 529-5865.

Computer Thank You

The Board and Staff of the Bloomingdale Public Library extend a special thank you to the Village of Bloomingdale for the generous donation of a Macintosh II Si computer with an ImageWriter II printer for public use. The



Acting Mayor Bob Iden and Trustee Gloria Reyes, Village Board Liaison to the Library, try the new Macintosh II Si computer recently purchased for the Library by the Village of Bloomingdale.

Library now has three computers, two IBM-compatibles and a Macintosh, available for public use.

In 1989, the Bloomingdale Library set a goal that the residents of the Village of Bloomingdale have ready access to microcomputers with software for use in their pursuit of job-related and personal interests, and for use in meeting educational objectives during their formal courses of study. To accomplish this goal, the Library set an objective to start a small microcomputer center for Bloomingdale residents.

The Village of Bloomingdale has done much to help the Library accomplish this goal by purchasing one new computer per year for patron use since the inception of this project in 1989. Their support of this project has enabled the Library to provide a special service for our patrons that is very popular and heavily used. For more information about the patron microcomputer center, please call the Library at 529-3120.

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Pace, the suburban bus service, is updating its phone equipment to improve customer service by providing a direct number for its current and potential riders.

The existing phone system has been overburdened with calls, most to Pace's Passenger Services Office for travel information. With a new phone system that will be in service, Monday, January 25, 1993, the current Pace phone number, 708-364-7223 will be used exclusively as a direct line for customer inquiries.

As a result of the new system, other Pace departments will have new phone numbers that include a voice mail feature. The general administration number will be 708-364-8130. New phone numbers for other key areas include 708-228-3570 for the Pace V.I.P. Van-pool Program, 708-228-3572 for Human Resources/Personnel and 708-228-3573 for Purchasing.

All phone number changes go into effect on Monday, January 25, 1993. Individuals, communities and organizations dealing directly with particular Pace staff members will be advised of their new phone numbers.


Local Artists Display Sculptures / Paintings

The Bloomingdale Park District Museum is pleased to be featuring the work of artists Paula Luberda and Sheila Ganch in an exhibition which opens February 27th and runs through March 26th. "Paired Visions" explores emotional and psychological themes through sculptures and paintings using a variety of materials and techniques.

Bloomingdale resident Paula Luberda works on a large scale in cement and plaster while the complementary art of Sheila Ganch's sculptures in bronze is done on a much smaller scale. Both

artists have exhibited frequently in the Chicago-land area at galleries and colleges featuring contemporary artwork.

"Paired Visions" opens February 27th with a public reception and runs through March 26th. Admission is free and open hours are Wednesday through Friday 1:30 to 5:30 pm, Saturday 11 am to 4 pm and Sunday 12 to 4 pm. The Bloomingdale Park District Museum is located at 108 South Bloomingdale Road. For further information, call the park office 529-3650.



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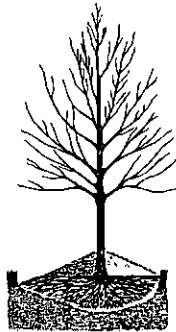
Block Captains also enroll neighbors as Neighborhood Watch members, attend bi-monthly meetings, deliver bi-monthly newsletters and once a year update their membership roster. It costs only an hour or two a month to help keep your neighborhood safe from crime.

If you are interested in learning more about the Neighborhood Watch Program, contact the Bloomingdale Police Department, Detective Scott Stick, at 529-9868. You are invited to attend our next meeting March 26th in the Bloomingdale Village Hall council room to see first-hand how your involvement can make a difference.

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TREES, TURF, AND MULCH

Most trees used in urban and other landscaped areas originated in forests with rich, fertile soils and surface layers covered with decomposed leaves and other organic matter. Competition did come not from grass, but from other woody plants and scattered herbaceous plants. Yet in a managed land-



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scape, these same tree species are grown in compacted, disturbed soils with aggressive turfgrass competition over the entire root zone.

With the competition of grass and the absence of a litter or humus layer on the soil surface in the root zone of a

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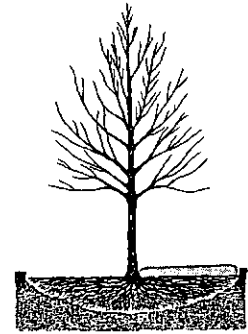
At these classes, Alan M. Misile of Westchester Financial will teach you about the various types of investments such as municipal bonds, tax-deferred annuities and money market funds. He will also address Social Security, Medicare, when to retire and ways to provide for the costs of potential long-term health care.



tree, development of its absorbing or fine roots is restricted. Trees with a poorly developed fine root system will be smaller and less vigorous. As a result, they will be more sensitive to environmental stresses such as drought and nutrient deficiencies. These effects may occur on any-sized tree but are most evident on young trees. Supplemental watering and fertilization may help overcome some of the reduced tree growth but not all of it. In fact, the summer irrigation required to maintain turf may be detrimental to trees.

Mowing and weed management in turf can also lead to tree problems. Mechanical bark damage, especially on the trunks of young trees, from lawn mowers and string "weed eaters" can be very extensive. Similarly, many herbicides or weed killers that are used in turf can kill or cause severe damage to trees whose roots are within the treated area.

Mulching an area with two to four inches of organic matter such as com-



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posted wood chips, bark, or peat moss creates a soil surface condition much like the tree would have in its native forest habitat. To be most effective mulch should extend as far as possible from the base of the tree, at least two feet for young trees and when possible two to three times the branch spread.

Currently, there is a practice of stacking soil or mulch up on the trunk of the tree. This should not be done as it will lead to canker and decay. Also, plastic should not be used because it interferes with the exchange of gases between soil and air.

Numerous studies have shown that trees and their roots grow considerably better in large mulched areas, because the mulch improves the aeration in the upper portion of the soil, improves soil water retention, and moderates the soil temperatures. Further, as the mulch decomposes, nutrients become available to the tree.

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All Are Invited To Open Writer's Forum



It's not necessary to be dead and buried to achieve the status of accomplished author — at least not here in Bloomingtondale.

Wednesday, February 17th will be the formal "coming out" for a number of authors from Bloomingtondale and surrounding areas. Between 7 and 9 pm, in the lower level of the Bloomingtondale Public Library, writers will give oral presentations of their work at the Writer's Open Forum. Selections will include both works-in-progress and published materials. All are invited to come and meet both aspiring and published authors who live and work right here in Bloomingtondale and surrounding suburbs — there is no admission. Refreshments will be served. Authors will be available to visit afterwards.

The forum will allow writers to give up to a 10-minute presentation of their poems, short stories, essays, and other written works. It will, they hope, serve as a catalyst bringing talented people together and exposing the public to the wealth of creative effort that is taking place within the community.

This is a networking group of professional and aspiring authors that meets the second Saturday of each month between 9:30 am and noon in the lower level of the Bloomingtondale Public Library. The group and the forum are sponsored by the Bloomingtondale Public Library and the Friends of the Public Library. For reservations and for further information, please call Adeline Dobbins, 529-5810; Mary Ditore, 924-7680; or Joan-Marie Moss, 980-8539.

Lions In The News

In January, the Bloomingtondale Lions welcomed their 68th member, Ed Kopidlansky of Glen Ellyn, who was sponsored by President Jim Krause.

The New Year's Eve Casino Night Chairman reported that the event was very successful and that another Casino Night is planned for March 5 at Indian Lakes.

The club authorized Sight Chairman Ralph Laich to purchase a \$2,500 Closed Circuit Television Device (CCTV) that will enable a local sight-impaired senior citizen to magnify her reading material. Ralph also reported that the club has collected more than 1,000 pairs of used eyeglasses since July 1, 1992.

The club donated \$2,500 each to the American Diabetes Association and

the Juvenile Diabetes Association toward their research in containing and curing diabetes, one of the leading causes of blindness.

The club recently purchased and presented a Superprint Telecommunication Device for the Deaf (TDD) to the Bloomingtondale Public Library. This device will enable deaf and hearing impaired individuals to communicate with the library if they also have a similar device in their homes. The library will also consider letting hearing impaired individuals use the device to communicate with other TDD's or other hearing persons. The number for the TDD at the Bloomingtondale Library is (708) 529-4729.



Ralph Laich, Sight Chairman of the Bloomingtondale Lions Club, instructs Library Director Mary Rodne and Lions Club President Jim Krause in the use of the TDD.

DISTRICT 13 UPDATE

By: Dr. Janice A. Cernock

District 13 staff are busy throughout the year working on committees to improve programs offered in the schools.

The Math Committee is preparing its proposal for a new text for the 1993-94 school year. The Technology Committee, too, is preparing a proposal for Phase II of the District's 3-Year Technology Plan. The Testing and Social Studies Committees are evaluating current programs and looking at modifications needed to comply with new state regulations for IGAP Testing.

The Literacy Committee, the first committee that has enlisted parent involvement, is reviewing the results of a staff survey regarding reading, writing, and language arts instruction.

The Science Committee is scheduling a second round of inservice for teachers on the new science program. Meetings will take place for elementary teachers with their individual grade levels.


Gifted education continues to be a major emphasis in District #13. Our Gifted Committee is currently studying ways to better serve those students.




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St. Paul's Plans Family Programs for Lent

St. Paul's Evangelical United Church of Christ has scheduled a series of family programs for Lent.

The first on Ash Wednesday, February 24 at 7:30 pm, will be officiated by Eric and Rosalinde AuCoin. The husband and wife team are highly talented artists and ministers.

Eric is executive director of WCFC-TV and hosts "Among Friends" which can be seen on Chanel 38 Monday through Friday at 11 am and at 9 pm.. He has worked in radio broadcasting since 1960 working first at CBN where he was director of radio broadcasting and later with the PTL-TV network. His wife, Rosalinde has been responsible for more than 40 christian musical albums and leads women's retreats and conferences.

Subsequent lenten family programs to be held at 7:30 pm each Wednesday include: "His Silent Partners", a mime show on March 3; Zaire African Slide Show of March 10; a Skit and Puppet show by Act Co. on March 17; "Jesus Film" Part I on March 24; "Jesus Film" Part II on March 31 and Dramatic Readings by Act Co. on April 9.

Prevention Showcase

InTouch, The DuPage Prevention Partnership, The DuPage Consortium and Breaking Free in coordination with more than ten agencies from DuPage and Kane counties will participate in "Tools for Tomorrow", Prevention Showcase '93. The program, scheduled to be held at the Lisle/Naperville Hilton on March 4th, will highlight exemplary prevention programs.

The Showcase will highlight law enforcement, child abuse, self-motivation, employee programs, gang issues and many other topics.

"The Showcase is a great way to discover prevention programs offered to parents, business, schools and communities," said Tim Cramer, Prevention Showcase Chairman. "The Showcase will include a mix of education, entertainment and exhibits featuring prevention programs from the counties as well as surrounding states."

The featured keynote will be Peter Alsop, Ph.D., an educational psychologist and nationally known singer/songwriter, lecturer and humorist from southern California. He uses humor and music to promote healthy communication between adults and children.


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LAKE WATER UPDATE

LAKE WATER SUPPLY MAIN LEAK

On January 22, 1993 a leak developed in the 90" transmission main that delivers lake water from Chicago to the DuPage Water Commission's Facility in Elmhurst.

All communities were unable to purchase and distribute water from the Commission for three days. The emergency required all communities to start up their well water supplies.

The Village was prepared to do so and shortly after being notified that the lake water was being shut off, the Village Service's Utility Division started the well supply. The first step was to waste water to assure that the water was clear and then to collect water quality samples for analysis at the lab. The samples were determined to be satisfactory and then the wells were brought on line.

Residents may have noticed slight differences in the well water compared to lake water during the period between Friday, January 22 at 9 pm and Monday January 25 at 9 am. Follow up sampling was completed to assure water quality was maintained throughout that period. As of January 25th we've been reconnected to the lake water supply and the wells have once again gone to standby status. At no time during this event was the Village water system in jeopardy. The water was and remains safe for all consumers.

CHANGES IN LAKE WATER TEMPERATURE

Some residents may have noticed that the temperature of the lake water we now receive is colder than the well water we provided prior to our connection to lake water. In fact, the water from Lake Michigan runs about 20 degrees colder in the winter than well water.

Because of this hot water tanks will work longer to heat the water to the temperature setting on your water heater. You may also wish to insulate water pipes that are in colder locations in your home to protect them from freezing. These would be areas like the garage, basements and other unheated areas, and precautions should be taken to allow warm air to reach these areas if possible.

LEAD AND COPPER SAMPLING UPDATE

The Village has received the results from the samples collected for lead and copper during the initial phase of the Lead and Copper Sampling Program.

The results indicate that the Village is in compliance during the initial phase of sampling. The second set of samples will be collected in March 1993 and will be taken from the same sites as the initial phase. These sites have been selected based on specific sampling criteria established by the Environmental Protection Agency. Once

again the Village would like to thank those homeowners who participated in this program and looks forward to working with them again in March.

St. Isidore Teens Plan Trip To Guatamala

Thirteen teens, led by Mike Murphy, St. Isidore's Youth Minister, and sponsored by the Diocese of Joliet and the Christian Foundation for Children and the Aging, hope to travel to Guatamala in June.

"This will be a learning experience for our youth," said Murphy, "They will see first-hand that Guatamala is an independent culture with much to offer us. The trip is intended to be a cross exchange between us, recognizing that neither country is superior to the other."

The teens range from 14 to 17 years of age, most have had two years of language but they will be accompanied by adults who are versed in the language, among them, Father Richard Walsh, Director of Religious Education for the Diocese of Joliet, and Fernando Torres, Youth Minister Consultant of Religious Education for the Diocese.

The teens are expected to attend a number of meetings in preparation for the trip. They are being carefully instructed through slide shows, literature and lectures by Father Walsh, who has made this same trip before, concerning health issues, appropriate attire and behavior. Personal profiles will also be taken of each participant prior to departure.

After the trip the teens be given the opportunity to share their experiences with the community.

Those who hope to take this trip are actively seeking sponsors. Ninety percent of all donations they raise will be given directly to the village people. The remaining ten percent will finance the costs of the trip.

This is one of many activities offered to the St. Isidore teen group, roughly 150 strong. The group meets weekly to enjoy a wide variety of educational, social and ministerial activities. For further information, contact Michael Murphy, 529-2588.

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As we grow, so has the number of volunteers called upon for various assignments. In 1992 we added the Americans with Disabilities Act (A.D.A.) Committee, to ensure the Village brings itself into compliance with the new legislation and to make sure we are attempting to meet the special needs of individual Bloomingdale disabled residents.

The end of 1992 saw the formation of a Traffic Concerns Committee. This new committee was formed as an outgrowth of the various traffic concerns and issues voiced in several neighborhoods. They will be examining individual traffic problems in order to make recommendations to the Village Board.

In January the Business Development and Cultural Development Committee was formed, again a reflection of the times. As our retail base matures and with an eye toward encouraging a well-rounded community, this committee will explore some new concepts, beginning with a "Buy in Bloomingdale" campaign.

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LIBRARY CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

13 Writer's Group 9:30 AM-Noon
 13 Valentine's Party 2:00-3:00 PM
 18 Friends of the Library Meeting 7:30-8:30 PM
 24 "Say it With Flowers" — Marie's
 Floral Center 7:30-8:30 PM

MARCH

3* "The Alamo" — Bill Parry 7:30-9:00 PM
 10 Library Board Meeting 7:30 PM
 13 Writer's Group 9:30 AM-Noon
 13* "Women's Self Defense" Part I —
 Dr. Cathy Cummins 1:00-4:00 PM
 17 "The Job of Searching For a Job" —
 SMAHRT, INC. 7:30-9:00 PM
 20* "Women's Self Defense" Part II —
 Dr. Cathy Cummins 1:00-4:00 PM

27
 &28 A Weekend Designed for Children
 at Stratford Square

APRIL

7* "The Titanic" — Bill Parry 7:30-9:00 PM
 14 Library Board Meeting 7:30 PM
 17 Friends of the Library
 Bag O' Books Sale 9:30 AM-3:30 PM
 18-24 NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

* Registration Required

WANTED



Donations of used books, magazines, records and cassettes for upcoming April 17th Bag-O'-Books Sale. May be left at the Library any time before April 17. Pick-up can be arranged for full bag or box donations. Call 529-3120.

Open House 1992



Story Hour youngsters provided entertainment.



Little Miss Bloomingdale Cyndi Foster cuts the ribbon to the Youth Department's new arts and crafts room.



Dominic Froio cuts the ribbon to the Donna Beth Froio Foreign Language and Cultural Collection.



Tree lighting ceremony drew a crowd of families.

STRATFORD SQUARE MALL LIBRARY PROMOTION

"Spot the Answer at Your Library"

The Bloomingdale Public Library and approximately 11 other area libraries will be participating in the sixth annual library promotion, in cooperation with JMB Retail Properties Company at Stratford Square Mall on Saturday, March 27 from 10 am- 6 pm, and on Sunday, March 28 from 11 am-5 pm. The libraries' promotion will include displays, storytelling, puppetry, music, learning games, live story-book characters, and more.



The main feature of the promotion will be storytelling. Experienced storytellers

from area libraries will be storytelling hourly on Saturday and Sunday. Library displays will be highlighting service to children. The libraries' segment will be a part of Stratford's promotion "Weekends Designed for Children," which will include children's crafts, the Easter Bunny, the Choo-Choo Express Train, and other children's activities.

The Bloomingdale Public Library will feature Dalmatians in a display with the theme "Spot the Answer at Your Library." We invite you to stop by and visit the library's display. Staff members will be accepting registrations for library cards, sharing information about the variety of services the library provides, and distributing bookmarks.

For more information, please call the library at 529-3120.



NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

When was the last time you visited the Bloomingdale Public Library? Have you seen the new Youth Services Department or the MacIntosh Computer? Do you have a library card? If you answer no to any of these questions, National Library Week would be the perfect time for you to stop in the library and "Spot the Answer." April 18 through the 24 is the week designated for recognizing libraries. The Bloomingdale Library will have displays, trivia questions (answers will be provided if you do not "Spot the Answer"), bookmarks, and many other activities during this week. As you have probably spotted, the theme for the week is "Spot the Answer at Your Library." The library staff hopes to "Spot" many of its patrons both old and new. For more information on how to obtain a library card or to check to see if your current card is still valid, please call the Circulation Department at 529-3120.

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Upcoming Adult Programs

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JOB SEARCH / RESUME WRITING

Looking for a new job but not sure how to proceed? Patricia Bach from SMAHRT, INC. will be at the Bloomingdale Public Library on Wednesday, March 17, from 7:30-9:00 p.m. to give a lecture on "The Job of Searching for a Job." Job search psychology, market research, employment networking, as well as general tips are just some of the topics that will be discussed. On Wednesday, April 21, from 7:30-9:00 p.m., Ms. Bach will return to the library to give a lecture on "Resume Writing and Job Search Letter Writing." She will give hints on how to put the resume together, pitfalls to avoid, and many other pointers to help you write a winning resume and cover letter.

THE ALAMO

Bill Parry of Capt'n Bill Productions will take you back to "The Alamo" through the use of costume, accent, and research on Wednesday, March 3, from 7:30-9:00 p.m. at the Bloomingdale Public Library. Mr. Parry has presented a number of historical one man plays at the library.

SAY IT WITH FLOWERS

Get rid of the winter blahs and brighten up that dreary February weather by learning to design your own flower arrangements. A floral artist from Marie's Floral Center in Addison will be at Bloomingdale Public Library on Wednesday,

February 24, from 7:30-8:30 pm, to offer suggestions on what can be done with readily available flowers and common elements of floral design. All of the arrangements made during the presentation will be donated as door prizes to those who attend.

WOMEN'S SELF-DEFENSE

On Saturday, March 13, and Saturday, March 20, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Dr. Cathy Cummins of Briar Rose Women's Self-Defense School will present an intensive self-protection class for women. This two-session class is being repeated at the library by popular demand. The course will cover the physical and emotional techniques and mental awareness essential for self-defense. Women of all ages are welcome to attend, however, those under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult. A personal attack comes without warning; to learn how to avoid a potential attack and how to deal with one should it be unavoidable, register now for this free class by contacting the library at 529-3120.

The Friends Corner

by Kandice Krettler

Imagine a group of hard working, dedicated people involved in planning community events, fundraisers, and just having fun. That's what you would find if you attended a Friends of the Library meeting. The Friends of the Library help with annual events and raise money for the library. The Friends meet once a month at the library for about an hour. Annual dues are only \$5.00.

Maybe you've attended some of the terrific events the Friends have sponsored — the Halloween Parties, Book Sales, the annual Ice Cream Social or some of the other events. This year a new event is being planned. Keep an eye open for more information!

For more information on joining the Friends of the Library call 529-3120.

SPRING /ARBOR DAY PARTY

The Bloomingdale Public Library's SPRING PARTY will be held on Saturday, April 24, 1993 at 2 pm. The GAIA THEATER will present a musical entitled USE IT AGAIN. The program features information on recycling using comedy and audience participation. This program is recommended for children ages five and older.

After the performance, children of all ages are invited to help celebrate ARBOR DAY by planting a tree in the Bloomingdale Public Library's Heritage Grove. The second annual tree planting will begin at 3 pm. A reception with refreshments for all will follow the tree planting.


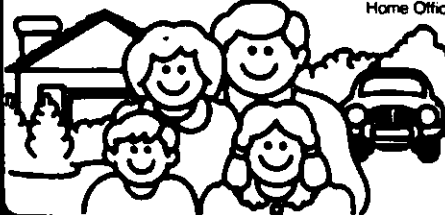
The SPRING PARTY and the ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION are co-sponsored by the Village of Bloomingdale and the Bloomingdale Public Library. Registration begins on March 1, 1993. You may register in person or by telephone at 529-3120. Library cards are required.

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Lake Park News

THESPIANS

Lake Park's Evening of One Acts at 7:30 pm, February 18 will spotlight a number of talented Bloomingdale students.

Three of the plays offered that evening will have Bloomingdale students as directors. They include: Anne Federici, "Death and Texas"; Natasha Gianvecchio, "The Arrangement" and Adam Quigley, "Werewolf?".

Local performers that evening will include: Missy Bornhoff, Eric Olson, Daren Carollo, Jon Beard, Mike Krage, Jason Catlow, Laura Budde, Laura Schierhorn and Sarah Albrecht.

Tickets for the evening at Lake Park West Campus will be sold at the door at a cost of \$2 for adults and \$1 for students.



When the curtain rose on Lake Park High School's version of Shakespeare's *Hamlet*, the audience they knew that they would enjoy the classic story of a Danish prince's psychological struggle with duty and revenge. They did not know that Hamlet would assume the guise of a cool young man of the '90s.

The production that surprised and delighted the audience was the result of outstanding leadership by drama instructor Mike Dice and a great deal of preparation by the cast.

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ATHLETES

Brent Murdock, a senior at Lake Park High School, earned recognition as Athlete of the Week for his performances in the 16 team Wheeling Christmas Basketball Tournament.

The six-foot-seven-inch, 185-pound center from Bloomingdale averaged 11.25 points per game finishing the tournament with 45 points, seven shots, thirteen steals and fifteen rebounds.

The entire team played particularly well and finished with a 62-57 win over Deerfield, placing in the championship round and a fourth place win.

"This is the best Lake Park finish at the Wheeling tournament in many years," said boys' basketball head coach Gary Burke. He further commended Brent for his "presence on the boards, ball handling and team leadership on the floor."

Dr. Kathleen Pyatak-Hugar has just announced the opening of her new podiatry office at 129 Fairfield Way, Suite 110, Bloomingdale.

After serving Elmwood Park since 1985, Bloomingdale resident, Dr. Pyatak-Hugar realized there was a need for a podiatrist here in her own community.

With her experience in practice as well as a former Associate Professor at Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine in Chicago, Dr. Pyatak-Hugar is skilled in treatment of foot and ankle maladies.

Office hours are by appointment after 9 am, Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. Evening hours are available on weekdays. For information or to set up an appointment, call Bloomingdale Foot and Ankle Associates at 894-3000.

WOMEN'S CLUB

Spring Fashion Show

Get your tickets now for the Bloomingdale Women's Club 19th Fashion Show and Luncheon that will be held at 11 am on April 17, 1993 at the Indian Lakes Resort.

The proceeds of this year's fashion show will be donated to the American Cancer Society in memory of several past members and dedicated to breast cancer research.

This annual affair is one you won't want to miss. See all the top fashions this year from Gaunttest, Ziegler and Ziegler, The Gap, York Furriers, and Kids 'R Us.

Tickets are \$27. To make your reservation call Debbie at 894-8309.

Meetings

The February meeting of the Bloomingdale Women's Club featured two representatives of the Bloomingdale Township. Kathy Thayer, Committee on Youth, gave a talk on gangs, prevention and crisis intervention. Carissa Fralin gave an overview of the scope of services that Bloomingdale Township offers.

In March, come join the caring members for a fun evening of Bunco.

The Bloomingdale Women's Club offers an outstanding roster of programs and community service projects. The club meets on the second Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm in the lower level of the Bloomingdale Public Library. If you would like more information on the Bloomingdale Women's

Timothy J. Klein, has opened a law office at the newly-completed One Tiffany Point Building (corner of Bloomingdale Road and Schick) in suite 202. Klein brings his 11-year law practice to our community from Chicago.

Klein represents individuals and small businesses, in matters such as residential and commercial real estate, corporations and civil litigation.

For further information, or to make an appointment, call Timothy J. Klein, Attorney at Law, at 893-5200.

VILLAGERS CLUB

The Villagers Club of Bloomingdale is swinging into '93 with a full and diverse program of fellowship and activity. The year began with a program presented by members on the Japanese ceremonial tea and origami art. February offered a fashion seminar by the noted department store, Nordstroms. The year continues with a March program on discount shopping followed by the annual fashion show in April.

The March meeting will feature Ann Butler who will give a presentation on "The Art of Discount Shopping". Beginning with her first commandment "Thou shalt not pay retail", she will offer her list of the top ten local and the top ten out-of-state discount houses. She will have her most recent book on discount shopping available for those who wish to purchase it.

The monthly meetings discontinue after the May installation of new officers and dinner. However, the many interested group activities continue. There is something for everyone from bridge, golf, baby sitting co-op, luncheon group, bunco, book exchange — just to mention a few. This is a good way to pursue interests and meet new friends.

Anyone wanting more information about the Villagers Club call membership vice-presidents Marie Noller at 307-1616 or Fern Zimmer at 351-4782. Monthly meetings are held the first Thursday of each month at the Bloomingdale Public Library at 7:30 pm.



J.D. Melchert, seven-year-old student at DuJardin is a very special young man with his heart set on getting a dog — not just any dog, but one that will be a specially-trained companion to help him learn to walk.

The dog will be specifically chosen for J.D. and trained, much like a seeing eye dog. It will be J.D.'s constant companion, capable of performing a myriad of tasks that will enable J.D. to become more mobile.

J.D. has cerebral palsy and now walks with a walker and two canes. Eventually he hopes to become more self-reliant with the help of the dog.

It will cost a small fortune — \$6,700 — to find the right dog and train it but with the help of The Nighthawk Indian Dancers, an explorer group out of Hanover Park who held a Candlelight Bowl on January 30th, and many others who have made contributions, J.D.'s dream may come true this year.

Those who were unable to attend that event and would like to contribute, can contact Joann Canella, 741-1986.

The Melchert family has lived in Bloomingdale for two and a half years.

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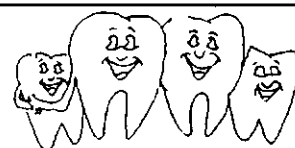
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PAMELA A. SHARAR-STOPPEL has been appointed to President of NBD Bank, Bloomingdale. Ms. Sharar-Stoppel joined NBD in 1990 as Vice President of Commercial Loans in Wheaton. Prior to that she was a First Vice President of the Australia and New Zealand Banking Group, Ltd.



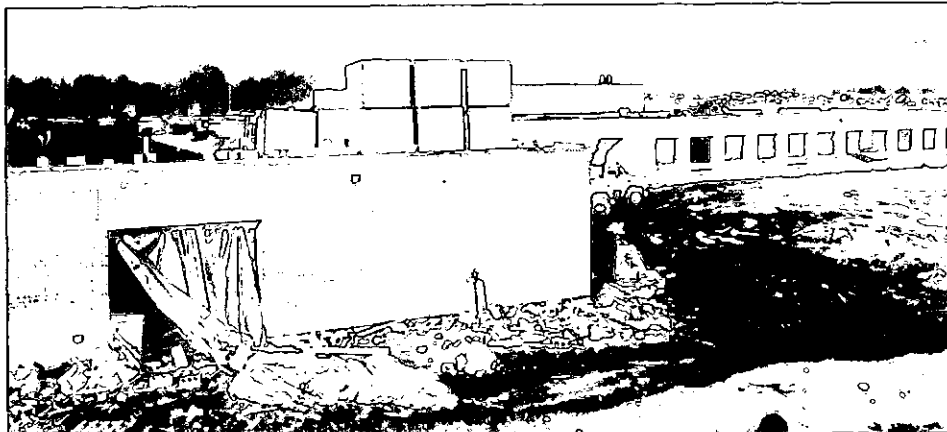
Ms. Sharar-Stoppel holds a Master's of Management from Northwestern University and a Bachelor's of Business from Western Illinois University. She is the immediate past Secretary of the Greater Wheaton Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and a member of the DuPage Area Association. Ms. Sharar-Stoppel and her husband have two children and live in Wheaton.

PAT PEARCE, is stepping down from her position as President and CEO of Marklund Home

The decision wasn't easy. She has given 18 years to the children at Marklund Home, developing and organizing many special programs and activities during that time.

But there is other work that she must attend to now. Her first priority is to complete her doctoral dissertation on the training of nurse aides and reducing their test anxiety. Her deadline at Northern Illinois University is August 1993.

While she found her work at Marklund "invigorating" and "incredibly thrilling," she may then look for opportunities to work with nurse aides or with Aids victims.



Erickson Elementary is well underway and plans for opening in September 1993 are on schedule.

Scholarships Available for Local Students

The Westfield STP, the DuJardin PTO and the Central PTO will each be offering a \$250 scholarship to graduates from each of the respective District 13 schools.

Applications will be available in each school's counseling office on February 24th. Applicants will have slightly different criteria to meet depending on the school they apply with. And each scholarship will be administered by a separate selection committee

Deadline for completion of applications this year is April 5.

The Bloomingdale Women's Club is pleased to announce the availability of application forms for its 1993 scholarships. There are two \$500 scholarships available to high school seniors residing in the Village of Bloomingdale. There is also a \$200 scholarship available for a woman residing in Bloomingdale who is continuing her education or updating her skills.

Applications are available at the Village Hall and the Bloomingdale Public Library and in the guidance offices of the local high schools. An application can also be requested through: Bloomingdale Women's Club, PO Box 271, Bloomingdale, IL 60108. All applications are due back to the club by April 9, 1993.

Funds for these scholarships are obtained from one of the Bloomingdale Women's Club's major fundraisers - the Festival of Arts held in conjunction with Septemberfest.

For more information call Pam Hager at 529-4232.

Once again, the Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce is offering scholarships to graduating seniors. Applicants must be Bloomingdale residents. They must have demonstrated leadership abilities and maintained at least a C average in high school and have financial need. See your High School guidance counselor or call the Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce, 980-9082, for an application.

St. Isidore's Announces 1993 Auction Plans

Already St. Isidore's Church is planning its Parish Auction which will be held May 8 at Indian Lakes. This year's theme will be "When you wish upon a star, St. Isidore's is where you are." Grand Raffle will be a 3-4 day family cruise on the Big Red Boat and four days at Disney World Epcot Center. The entire parish is being called on to participate in the event which will be open to the public. Admission to the event has been set at \$25 per couple.

For further information call Brenda and Brian Byrne at 665-2875.

Winnebago Students To Compete At Regional Level

Students in the gifted program at Winnebago Elementary School are honing their creative/critical thinking skills in preparation for the Illinois Future Problems Solving Regional Competition that will take place at Hinsdale Central High School on March 13th.

Students who will participate in the competition include: Jesse Minneman, Saeho Yi, Tim Fischer, Jacqueline Wojcek, Anthony Florentine and Trent Perkins from Bloomingdale and Brandon Pouch, and David Dixon from Glendale Heights. Alternates include Sue Chung, Gretchen Minneman, Brad Crosson and Paul Roth, all from Bloomingdale.

This year's competition will require to 4-6 grade students to research future problems related to the earth's oceans. If they are as successful as previous Winnebago students, they can expect to compete at the State level which will be held at Illinois State at Normal the end of May making this the third year that Winnebago is represented.

