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19th Annual Septemberfest

The 19th Annual Septemberfest will begin at 11:00 a.m. in Old Town, Bloomingdale on Sunday, September 8, 1991 and will close at 6:00 p.m. The scheduled rain date is September 15, 1991.

Septemberfest officially begins with the flag ceremony at noon. Dignitaries present will then be introduced and the results of the Queen and King Contest will be announced. The contest is open to all young men and women between the ages of 16 and 21 who are residents of Bloomingdale.

The Queen and King will receive a scholarship to continue his/her education after high school graduation. Other prizes are also given to the Queen, the King, and their court. All money for the scholarship fund and prizes is donated by Bloomingdale merchants and organizations. Part of the booth fee from Septemberfest participants is contributed to the scholarship fund.



All entries for the contest must be received by August 28, 1991. For more information about the contest and the entry form, please see page 6.

The Septemberfest celebration will be highlighted by a variety of entertainment, starting at 11:00 a.m. with disc jockey Mike Littieri of M & R Music. A new feature this year, from 1:00-2:00 p.m. will be the Chezaday Magic Show, a show which combines the art of illusion with the driving sounds of rock 'n roll.

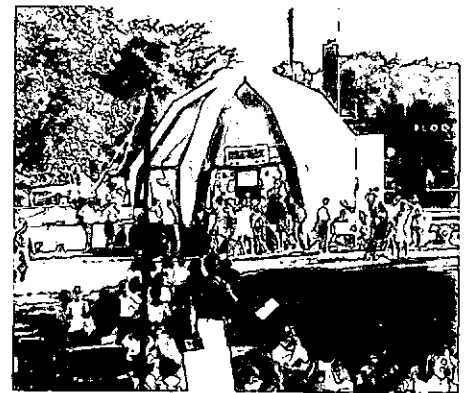
Western and Blue Grass music will fill the air when the Freeway Rangers, another new addition to Septemberfest, perform from 2:00-3:30 p.m. A Talent Show will be held from 3:30-4:00 p.m. followed by Izzy's Rockers, a group featuring 50's and 60's music.

At least one female, first place medalist barbershop quartet will be roaming through the crowds between 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. The Beamers, the gymnastics team from Bloomingdale, will give a demonstration between 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. by the Park District Museum.

This year's Septemberfest will also feature an antique car display. Anyone wishing to display an antique car (without pay) can contact Village Hall at 893-7000 for more information.

According to Vi Morrisroe, Septemberfest chairperson, there will be plenty of food and drinks available. Such old favorites as corn on the cob, beef sandwiches, hamburgers, hot dogs, taffy apples, Italian ice, beer and wine will be available. Food will be available at both Septemberfest and the Festival of Arts.

Applications for booths for Septemberfest are still \$25.00 and will be accepted until all available spaces have been filled. No refunds will be made on reserved spaces after August 15. For further information about booth reservations, contact Village Hall at 893-7000 or Vi Morrisroe at 980-7723.



The Episcopal Church of the Incarnation will have the Moon Walk back after its absence last year. Many community organizations will be sponsoring booths with either games and activities or food or other items for sale. In addition, The Festival of Arts, sponsored by the Bloomingdale Women's Club will be held.

The Festival of Arts will be located in the parking lot of the First Chicago Bank at First and Lake Streets. The Festival features such items as jewelry, pottery, needlepoint, soft sculpture, and wood items from nearly 100 vendors. All items are for sale.

The Bloomingdale Women's Club will also have a children's activity area in the bank parking lot. In addition to games, the club plans to have visors available for the children to paint.

Booths at the Festival of Arts are \$30 and proceeds will be donated to the BWC Scholarship Fund and to the Senior Citizen Project of DuPage County. For further information, contact Pam at 529-4232 or Barb at 894-8280.

Parking for Septemberfest and the Festival will be available at Central School, the post office, Old Town Shopping Center and many of the nearby side streets. Plans for shuttle bus service were still being pursued in late July. That service will be announced in local newspapers before Septemberfest.

Water Conservation and Control

The summer season is right around the corner. Soon it will be time to take your garden hoses and sprinkler attachments out of storage to quench the thirst of your lawn. A new Ordinance is effective this year that restricts the times and ways water is used for lawn sprinkling. These restrictions have been mandated by the State and Federal Authorities controlling the Lake Michigan water allocations. The rule not only applies to current water utilities supplied by lake water, but to those who will be supplied by lake water in the future. Water conservation is important to each person in our community and by actively participating in conserving water, you protect a valuable natural resource and save money.

Highlights of Ordinance No. 90-30, Water Conservation and Control are as follows:

- A. Single Family residential addresses with odd numbers may use the public water supply for outside watering through automatic sprinkling devices only on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday between the hours of 5 a.m. and 9 a.m. or 5 p.m. and 9 p.m.
- B. Single Family residential addresses with even numbers may use the public water supply for outside watering through automatic sprinkling devices only on Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday between the hours of 5 a.m. and 9 a.m. or 5 p.m. and 9 p.m.
- C. Units of Government, Commercial, Industrial, Manufacturing, Office Buildings, and Multi-family Residential Buildings may use the public water supply for outside watering through automatic sprinkling devices only on Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday between the hours of 5 a.m. and 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. and 9 p.m.
- D. Permits for newly sodded or seeded lawns will be available from the Director of Village Services office upon application of such permit. Permits would allow for outside watering by means of automatic sprinklers for a period of thirty (30) consecutive days between the hours of 5 a.m. and 9 a.m. or 5 p.m. and 9 p.m.
- E. The use of hand-held watering devices is permitted without restriction for any purpose except when the device is left on unattended, or no device is used to control the flow of water. If a hand-held watering device is left on unattended, it is considered to be an automatic sprinkling device and subject to the restrictions previously mentioned.

The times that automatic sprinkling is permitted have been established not only as a conservation method, but also are optimum times for effective lawn sprinkling with minimum loss due to evaporation or runoff.

The Water Conservation and Control Ordinance No. 90-30 is effective from May through September, annually. Copies of the Ordinance are available at the Village Hall.

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VILLAGE BOARD & COMMISSION MEETINGS

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

**REGULAR MEETINGS
OF THE VILLAGE BOARD**
2nd and 4th Monday of every month
7:30 P.M. — Village Hall

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
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 P.M. — 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 -
On The Pond Restaurant

**THE DEADLINE
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SEPTEMBER 20**

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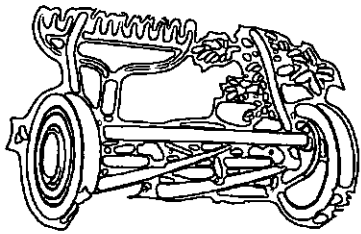
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PACE SURVEYS

All residents of Bloomingdale
should have received a Pace survey
form in the mail by now.

If you have not yet done so, please
fill out the survey and return it in the
postage paid.

If you have not received a survey,
you can pick one up at the Village
Hall at 201 S. Bloomingdale or call
893-7000 and we'll mail one to you.



Summer Clean-Up

Summer and early Fall are seasons for yard beautification. Along with yard-care projects comes the problem of what to do with grass clippings, leaves and brush -- particularly now that we have become more aware of environmental protection issues.

Although yard wastes can no longer be included with normal trash pick up, we do have several other options:

- **PROCESSING FOR PICK-UP**
Yard wastes may be placed in special kraft paper bags, available at most retail stores, or special recycling cans, up to 30 gallon capacity. Both kraft bags and recycling cans must have yard waste stickers which display the Village logo. Stickers are available from the Village Hall, local retail stores, and B.F.I.

- **MULCHING** Yard wastes, particularly grass clipping, make excellent mulch, allowing vital nutrients to be returned to the soil. The procedure, which involves leaving grass clippings and finely ground yard wastes to naturally deteriorate right on top of the ground, works best when the lawn is clipped frequently. Fine mulches are more quickly and efficiently absorbed into the ground.

- **COMPOSTING** Although composting produces an excellent fertilizer and returns essential nutrients to your ground, it does require more attention. The compost pile requires regular turning of the soil to enable efficient decomposition.

For further information concerning yard waste disposal methods or recycling cans and stickers, contact the Village Hall.

CLOWNS AGAINST DRUGS NEEDS VOLUNTEERS



Do you have one morning or afternoon a month to volunteer your time? Would you like to help children lead a drug-free life?

Bloomington Township Committee on Youth needs volunteers for the Clowns Against Drugs Program. This unique education/prevention program uses volunteers to teach K-4th grade students basic information about alcohol and drugs, how to deal with peer pressure, and alternatives to drug use.

In the presentation two clowns work with groups no larger than 35 - usually one classroom at a time. Sitting in a circle on the floor, the children interact with the clowns and each other throughout this learning experience.

Volunteers receive training for the educational program as well as training in clown costume and makeup. The current volunteers enjoy their job. The children regard

them with a great deal of pleasure and are open to sharing their thoughts and feelings with them. Clowns are neither adults nor children and they are generally received with a great deal of warmth by the boys and girls.

The Clowns against Drugs program was first initiated in the schools in March 1987 and since that time more than 3,300 students have participated in the program. The overall demand for the program has increased dramatically. The need for volunteers is urgent to fulfill this demand.

Clowns Against Drugs was honored as one of DuPage County's 1989 Volunteer Programs of the Year and received a certificate of honorable mention in the 1990 Governor's Hometown Award recognizing volunteer programs. If you would like to be part of this unique and rewarding program, please contact Dana Dillon at 893-6685.

HELP US SAVE U \$

The Village maintains a remittance processing service at a local bank for processing your water and sewer bill payments. This service allows for more accurate, efficient and expedient posting of your payments to your accounts. It also reduces the Village's cost...thus, your costs.

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Village of Bloomingdale
PO Box 4717
North Suburban, IL 60197-4717

Self-addressed envelopes are available at the Village Hall for your convenience. You may pick up a year's supply during regular business hours, 8:30am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Many Thanks

A special thank you to Richard Proctor and Gene Thompson of Indian Lakes Resort for their Indian Lakes area drainage improvement.

Richard and Gene added detention to the lake-detention basin at Schick and Cardinal and a for-cemain to discharge up to 1500 gallons a minute from the low area to the rear of the lots on the west side of Cardinal Drive at Thrasher Street.

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DON PRELL, newly appointed to the position of branch manager at Household Bank's Bloomingdale facility, has demonstrated uncommon dedication and commitment to "premier customer service" as a pro-active, progressive, hands-on leader.

He attributes his success to hard work, an ethic that he learned while studying at Milwaukee's Marquette University. With paperwork out of the way early in the day, he spends the greater part of his time working with his "team" to serve the needs of the customers.

"Household Bank is positioning itself as a financial supermarket - with an entirely new image," said Prell. "We're here to meet any banking needs our customers might have. As a subsidiary of Household International, we bring the finest products to our customers - insurance, credit card, house retail services, first mortgages, commercial, business banking services, and much more. We want our customers to expect premier service because that's what we offer. And, we invite our customers to check with us any time they have financial needs that aren't being met."

Specialists are readily accessible to meet with customers at Bloomingdale's central facility at 261 Lake. Household Bank is also currently selecting a site for a new business unit nearby that will significantly upgrade its present facilities.

The expansion will bring a new dimension to banking for Bloomingdale residents. It incorporates a new "Retrofit Image Look" that ensures more personalization and privacy in handling banking transactions. Staggered teller lines, private office spaces for account managers and an upbeat environment are only a few of the innovations that promise to change our perceptions of banking.

While providing "premier service" at work, Prell incorporates his work ethic as well as his commitment to growth and success in other areas, too. He is committed to community participation particularly through membership in the Chamber of Commerce and continuing support of the Marklund Children's Home.

Neighborhood Watch In Action

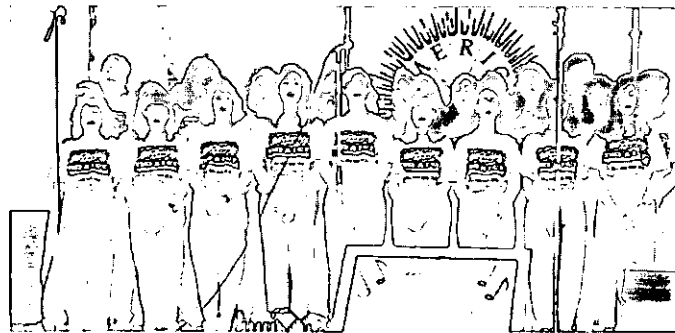
Neighborhood Watch Block Captains Assist Police In Search

On May 21, 1991, the Bloomingdale Police Department received a call from the Bloomingdale Pavilion Convalescent and Nursing Center informing them that one of their residents was missing. In the ensuing search, the Police Department included its network of Neighborhood Watch Block Captains as part of their response team. The Block Captains were contacted by the police dispatcher, briefed on the situation and given a very detailed description of the missing person. They were asked to pass the information on to the residents in their area requesting that the Police Department be contacted immediately if the woman was found. Several Block Captains responded further by searching for the missing woman themselves.

Fortunately, the story had a happy ending. The resident, who suffers from Alzheimer's disease, was found on the grounds of the Bloomingdale Pavilion. She had been lost for 36 hours.

The Neighborhood Watch Program provides a valuable link between the community and law enforcement. Neighborhood Watch means an organized neighborhood where people are concerned about the welfare of others. A Block Captain provides each neighborhood with an informed representative who can provide accurate information to their neighbors in case of emergency.

If you do not have a Neighborhood Watch window sticker displaying the logo, a Neighborhood Watch sign on your street, or do not receive the bi-monthly newsletter, you may not be represented! Become a part of the Neighborhood Watch Program and give a little back to your community. For more information, please contact Detective Scott Stick at 529-9868.



On May 10 and 11, the Teen Choir from St. Paul UCC in Bloomingdale, participated in "America Sings," a nation-wide youth music festival dedicated to raising funds for the thousands of homeless children in America. The event, which was held on the grounds of Oakton Community College attracted more than 120 schools and church choirs from the 10-state Midwest Region. The Teen Choir performed a half-hour concert of contemporary Christian music and participated in the 5,000-member mass concert held that evening. The group is currently raising funds for the next year's trip to Washington D.C. to again participate in "America Sings".



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BLOOMINGDALE WOMEN'S CLUB CELEBRATES 20 YEARS COMMUNITY SERVICE

Any time a club celebrates its 20th Anniversary, it deserves recognition. But when the Bloomingdale Women's Club marks its 20th Anniversary this year, it gives cause for the entire community to celebrate.

Right from the beginning, the charter members of this organization decided that this group would be different. Women's Clubs at that time often were simply social groups designed to keep unemployed women busy. But that just wouldn't do for this organization.

Bloomingdale's Trinity Bianco, one of those charter members, put it succinctly when she insisted, "If we're going to sip mint juleps, golf in the afternoon and wear straw hats, it's not for me." And, although the Bloomingdale Women's Club certainly offers many opportunities to socialize, it has taken its role as a civic leader seriously, too.

The organization, formed in 1971, began with a vengeance, addressing immediate needs within the community. Right from the very beginning the women dedicated their efforts to providing trees for Sunnyside Park. They organized the Friends of the Library and the Blood Association. They arranged for gravel to be donated so a truck trailer could be stationed periodically at the site of the present Public Works Facility for collection of old newspapers. Monies earned were donated back to civic projects.



The first BWC Fashion Show "BWC Silhouettes in Fashion" at Indian Lakes Country Club — May 1974.

But it wasn't all work and no play, either. The majority of the charter members, new residents in the Sunnyside and Highlands subdivisions, organized a variety of group activities designed to acquaint newcomers with the village and each other. They set up a Reading Club, a Theater Group, Volleyball, Ladies Bridge, Exercise Group, Couple's Bridge, Couples Pinochle, and the Out to Lunch Bunch.

In the first year the Women's Club membership grew to 87 and by 1973 reached 173. In 1974 the group adopted the motto "Because We Care". It proved to be a highly appropriate statement, for over the



Bicentennial Miss Bloomingdale Maureen Regan, draws for prizes at BWC/Lions Las Vegas Night at the Grand Opening of Indian Lakes Convention Center — August 1976.

years the Bloomingdale Women's Club has contributed significantly to the enrichment of its community. The Library, the Community Room at the new Village Hall and Bloomingdale's Paramedic Unit came into existence because these dedicated women saw a need and found a way to fill it.

The Bloomingdale Women's Club is probably best known for its spring fashion shows. The first was held in February 1974. These annual fundraisers have been a focal point in the Bloomingdale calendar of events over the years.

These and other fundraiser projects throughout the years have enabled the Bloomingdale Women's Club to give more than \$209,500 to dozens of causes - not to mention the countless hours of personal involvement that couldn't begin to be tallied.



Country Fair at Marquardt School grounds, predecessor to the Festival of Arts — June 1972.

Bloomingdale Women's Club members are typically dynamic, caring women. Trinity Bianco later became president and earned an outstanding service award. Several others have earned recognition by the Bloomingdale Jaycees for outstanding contributions to the community. Some include Sundee Luedecke, 1978 Bloomingdale Citizen of the Year; Pat Sodomka, 1980 Bloomingdale Citizen of the Year; and Sharon Spane, 1981 Outstanding Citizen.

Today, many of the original charter members have moved away, but 63 active members carry on the Bloomingdale Women's Club tradition with graciousness and enthusiasm. They work hard and they play hard, too. They welcome new members who seek a vehicle for involvement beyond mint juleps and afternoon golf.

We congratulate and thank the Bloomingdale Women's Club for its dedication and look forward to many more years of continued growth and community involvement.

BLOOMINGDALE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

General Membership Meetings
4th Thursday of every month

Board of Directors Meetings
1st Thursday of every month

113 Fairfield Way, Suite 301
980-9082

BLOOMINGDALE KING AND QUEEN CONTEST

The annual Bloomingdale Queen contest held in conjunction with Septemberfest, scheduled for September 8, 1991, has been expanded to include a King this year. Any young person between the ages of 16 and 21 who is a resident of incorporated Bloomingdale is eligible to enter this year's contest. Deadline for entries is August 28, 1991.

Applicants will be judged on appearance, poise, personality, civic involvement and communication skills. Applicants must submit a handwritten essay of 300-400 words detailing what they feel they could contribute as a representative of Bloomingdale's youth. Registration forms are available from the Almanac, the Village Hall or the Library.

Scholarships which were awarded in the past have exceeded \$500. Last year's queen received \$1,000 and the first runner-up received \$500. The contest has been expanded to include the young men in the community and there is a strong commitment to continue to offer sizable scholarship awards to those young adults chosen to represent Bloomingdale's youth.

Candidates will be given information about the procedures to be followed for the contest at a pizza

ENTRY FORM

I am a resident of incorporated Bloomingdale between the ages of 16 and 21 and would like to enter the Bloomingdale King & Queen Contest.

Name _____
 Address _____
 Phone _____ School _____ Age _____

I have attached a personally handwritten letter of 300-400 words, in which I have given an introduction of myself and what I feel I could contribute to Bloomingdale as Mr./Miss Bloomingdale.

**APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN
 August 28, 1991**

Mail Applications to:

Bloomingdale King & Queen Contest
 Village Hall -- Bloomingdale Road.
 Bloomingdale, IL 60108

Judging to be September 7; coronation is at Septemberfest September 8, 1991.

ALL REQUIREMENTS MUST BE MET.

party on September 6. Judging by various community members will be September 7, with the decision announced at Septemberfest between noon and 1 pm.

Anyone wishing to contribute to the scholarship fund, to contribute gifts of merchandise to the courts or with questions regarding the contest, please contact Patt Korbecki at 893-7219.

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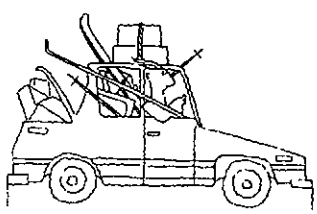
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BLOOMINGDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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The Youth Services Department would like to thank the following merchants for their very generous donations to the **THIS IS READING COUNTRY 1991 Summer Reading Program.**

- B. Dalton Bookstore, *Stratford Square*
- Bloomingdale Court Theaters, *Army Trail Road*
- Bloomingdale Pharmacy, *Bloomingdale Road*
- Burger King, *Stratford Square*
- Cineplex-Odeon Corp
- Coles the Book People, *Stratford Square*
- Dominick's Foods, *Lake Street*
- Early Learning Centre, *Stratford Square*
- Freshens Yogurt, *Stratford Square*
- Irving's Restaurant, *Bloomingdale Road*
- Kentucky Fried Chicken, *Army Trail Road*
- The Learning Post, *Bloomingdale Road*
- McDonald's, *Army Trail Road*
- McDonald's, *Stratford Square*
- Mix 'N Munch, *Lake Street*
- Pizza Hut, *Army Trail Road*
- The Prime Table, *Lake Street*
- Sporty's Red Hots, *Army Trail Road*
- Stratford Square Mall Theatres
- Wag's Restaurant, *Lake Street*
- Wicker 'N Country, *Old Town*

The continued support and contribution from these merchants help to make our Summer Reading Program a success each year. We encourage you to patronize these businesses.

The Adult Services Department of the Bloomingdale Public Library would like to thank the generous sponsors who provided gift certificates for our **THIS IS READING COUNTRY Adult Summer Reading Program.**

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|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Baker's Square | Indian Lakes Resort |
| Bocce Ristorante | Jake's Pizza |
| Carlos Sweeney's | Japan 77 Steak House |
| Cobblestone Inn | Ki's Restaurant |
| Cole's | Marshall Field's |
| Deli Moretti | The Olive Garden Italian Restaurant |
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Their contributions to our second Adult Summer Reading Program helped to make it a big success!

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Citibank recently celebrated the grand opening of its newest branch in Bloomingdale at the southwest corner of Martin Lane and Army Trail Road (the east entrance to Bloomingdale Court). As part of the celebration, Citibank donated \$1,000 to the Bloomingdale Public Library toward the purchase of children's educational materials. Shown with the check are (from left) San Tenuto, Mayor of Bloomingdale; Mary Ahart, Citibank Branch Manager; Bernadette Tasher, Bloomingdale Library Board President; Ron Hirsch, Citibank Executive Vice President; and several young readers from the library.

Adopt-A-Magazine

The Bloomingdale Public Library would like to thank Wilshire Towers, 201 Regency Drive in Bloomingdale, for their generous donation to our **Adopt-A-Magazine** program. Wilshire Towers made a donation for subscriptions to: *Redbook*, *Chicago*, *Cosmopolitan*, *Gentlemen's Quarterly*, and *Ladies' Home Journal* magazines.

SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS

On behalf of the Library Board and staff, I would like to extend a special thank you to all the businesses that have recently donated generously to the Bloomingdale Public Library. The support the Library receives from the Bloomingdale business community is stupendous and is greatly appreciated. The generous contributions from these businesses help to make the Library's programs very successful and extra-special for our patrons. We encourage you to patronize the businesses mentioned on this page.

Mary Rodne, *Library Director*

BLOOMINGDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Annual Report 1990-1991

Statement of Purpose

The Bloomingdale Public Library actively provides current, high-demand popular materials and useful, timely information in a variety of formats for persons of all ages in pursuit of their recreational and personal needs. The Library places special emphasis on stimulating young children's interest in reading and learning, and assists students of all ages in formal education courses.

Commitment to Service

The Library Board of Trustees and staff are committed at all times to providing excellence in library services. The trustees and staff actively work together to make the Library an open, friendly and warm place for patrons to visit.

Highlights of the Year

On April 30, 1991, Bloomingdale Public Library's fiscal year ended and the statistics revealed that 1990/1991 was Bloomingdale Library's best year ever! Our year was so successful because of the wonderful patronage of our community and the outstanding support of Bloomingdale's business community and non-profit organizations, such as the Lions Club, the Bloomingdale Women's Club, and the Friends of the Library. In addition, the fine support the Library received from the Village of Bloomingdale helped to make the Library's year very successful.

Below are highlights of FY 1990/1991.

Our Patrons —

- checked out 155,235 items over the past year — a 9% increase over last year's 142,515 items.
- asked a record-breaking number of reference questions, approximately 18,564 during the year.
- visited the library 144,872 times. This averages out to approximately 8.7 visits for each resident in Bloomingdale.
- registered for many library cards. Now 9,182 residents (55%) of Bloomingdale have registered library cards.

Our Staff —

- added 5,791 new items (books, cassettes, videos, CD's, etc.) to our collection, which increased our total collection of materials to 50,424.
- presented programs to 11,985 patrons: 9,848 children, 2,137 adults.

The Library —

- provided rooms for community group meetings 263 times and for library programs 363 times, for a total of 626. That's an average of 12 activities each week.
- expanded and added the following services for residents:
 Outreach services to nursing homes; increased adult programming by 35%; started an adult summer reading program; added incoming FAX service for patrons; started an annual report collection of the top one hundred publicly held companies; and expanded children's programming by adding an additional story hour and a day care center.

Overall, Fiscal Year 1990/1991 was a very busy and progressive year for the Bloomingdale Public Library. The Library Board and staff extend a hearty "THANK YOU" to everyone for making it so successful.

Financial Summary

Fiscal Year 1990/1991

Revenues		Expenditures	
Property Tax	\$ 685,524	Salaries and Benefits	\$ 383,610
Interest Income	33,757	Books, Periodicals and Audio-Visual	68,063
Fines and Fees	13,912	Supplies and Equipment	15,885
Copy Machine Income	6,898	Programs and Publicity	5,444
Meeting Room Fees	2,140	Printing and Postage	9,645
Video Fees	6,984	Building and Equipment Maintenance	115,505
Grants	15,996	Telephone and Utilities	6,540
Reciprocal Borrowing Reimbursement	2,030	Bond and Interest Payment	172,585
Adopt-A-Magazine	824	Liability Insurance	13,168
Donations	3,492	Annual Audit	2,700
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 771,557 *	Other	13,090
		TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 806,235 *

The above figures are taken from the Illinois State Library Annual Report, and taken before the year end audit.

*Expenditures exceed revenues due to the use of building maintenance reserve funds for roof repair.

Highlights of Sunshine Serenades

The Bloomingdale Public Library would like to thank the Village of Bloomingdale for co-sponsoring the first six-week noon concert series at Founder's Park Gazebo. The fine cooperation of the Village helped to make a very successful and enjoyable concert series for those who attended.

A special thank you also goes to our weekly ice cream and pop site vendors: Fitz's Dairy Queen of Bloomingdale and the Friends of the Library. Below are pictures which highlight the series.



Area residents brought blankets and picnic lunches enjoying fine weather and a variety of concerts.



Children and the Dairy Queen Blizzard joined the Blooze Brothers during their concert on June 26.



The children enjoyed gathering around the gazebo and eating ice cream during the concerts.



Mary Furlong of the group American Sampler invited the children to join in a dance activity during the July 19 concert.

FIRST AID FOR LITTLE PEOPLE



The American Red Cross "First Aid for Little People" course will be held on Tuesday, September 24 and Wednesday, September 25, from 4:00–5:00 p.m. both days. Children *need to attend both sessions* to receive a Red Cross Certificate of Attendance.

The class will teach children in grades 1, 2, and 3 how to handle an emergency situation. Those enrolled will also make a first aid kit (parents need to provide the necessary supplies at home).

Register in person at the Youth Services Department Reference Desk or by calling 529-3120 beginning September 3. Limit of 20. (Please have your library card with you when registering in person or by phone). There will be a \$3.00 fee charged for the class.

HOME ALONE

This American Red Cross course will cover simple rules and procedures for responsible self-care. It is designed for children from Kindergarten through grade 6, and students will be urged to work on the activity book at home with their parents.

Classes will be held from 4:00–5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 8 and Wednesday, October 9. Children *need to attend both sessions*. Limit of 20. Home Alone and First Aid for Little People will be taught by Coleen Quinlan, Certified Red Cross Instructor, and the same rules for registering will apply as listed under "First Aid for Little People." There will be a \$3.00 fee charged for the class.

READERS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the following Readers of the Week:

Sonia Wang, age 7, from Winnebago School. Her favorite book is *The Moon Lake* by Ivan Gantshev and her favorite author is Frank Asch.

Susan Freund, age 10, from DuJardin School. Her favorite books are from the Sweet Valley Twins series. Her favorite author is Jamie Suzanne.

Jennifer Walsh, age 9, from Winnebago School. Her favorite books are from the American Girls series. Her favorite author is Valerie Tripp.

Maylynn Gavino, age 10, from DuJardin School. Her favorite books are from the Sweet Valley Kids series. Her favorite author is Molly Mia Stewart.

Ian Perkins, age 5, from Winnebago School. His favorite books are magic books. His favorite author is Jacques Cousteau.

Each time readers turn in a group of books for credit toward the Summer Reading Program they are allowed to put their name in for a chance to be Reader of the Week. Readers of the Week receive a **THIS IS READING COUNTRY** pin and a Bloomingdale Public Library T-shirt. Readers of the Week are then interviewed and their interview, along with their picture is on display for the week in the Youth Services Department.



FRIEND'S CORNER



The Friends of the Library will be going South of the Border at the 19th Annual Septemberfest to be held on Sunday, September 8, 1991 in Old Town. They will be serving up their favorite Cheesy Nachos, with or without the jalapenos (but sorry NO Mexican Beer). The Friends of the Library booth will reflect the vibrant spirit of Mexico, with music, beautifully decorated piñatas, colorful streamers, Mexican hats, and the works!

As a fundraiser, the Friends will be raffling off *three* big piñatas — one every *two* hours!

I invite you to stop by our booth and visit with the Friends. They will be appropriately dressed for the occasion and ready to talk to you on how you, too, can have lots of fun while supporting a great cause. (No se habla español)

Buy your chance to win a piñata, enjoy a dish of those cheesy nachos and have some fun at the Septemberfest.

Gloria Reyes, *Friends of the Library*

FEATURED PATRONS



FEATURE PATRON (Adult)

Name: Karen Berndt
How long have you lived in Bloomingtondale? 15 years.
How often do you visit the library? Weekly.
What genre do you prefer? Popular fiction and biographies.
Do you have a favorite author? If yes, what is his/her name?
Yes. Susan Sussman who wrote *The Dieter*.
Of all the books you have read which one is your favorite?
In the Name of the Father by A. J. Quinnell, and *Replay* by Ken Grimwood.
What is the last book you have read lately that you would recommend? There are two. *Double Wedding* by William Katz, and *The Firm* by John Grisham.
What do you like best about the library?
Everyone's smiling faces! The above and beyond help that is always given.



FEATURE PATRON (Children)

Name: Michael Randall
What grade are you in at school? Kindergarten in the fall.
How often do you visit the library? 2 to 3 times a week.
What type of books do you like best? "I Can Read" books.
Do you have a favorite author? If yes, what is his/her name?
Marjorie Weinman Sharmat.
Of all the books you have read, which one is your favorite?
Nate the Great books.
What is the last book you have read lately that you would recommend? *Our Brat Cat* by Dick Punnett.
What do you like best about the library? Reading books.

Homemade Pasta Demonstration

Homemade pasta may be easier to make than you think! Vel Ball, from Cooking Craft in St. Charles, will present a pasta-making class at the Bloomingdale Public Library, 101 Fairfield Way in Bloomingdale, on Wednesday, October 16, at 7:30 p.m., to demonstrate just how simple pasta making can be when using a hand crank pasta machine. Ball will demonstrate pasta-making techniques, including using vegetable puree to make different colored pastas.

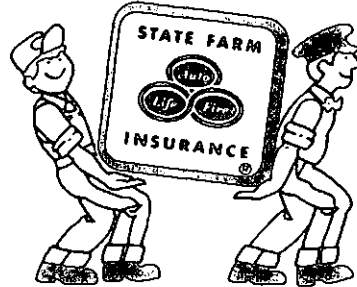
For more information or to register for this free program call or visit the Adult Services Department at 529-3120.

Where Have All the Books Gone?

If you have visited the Youth Services Department this summer you may have noticed our shelves are rather bare! That's because everyone is busy reading, but our *books* have been busy too. They have been travelling! Each summer the Youth Services Department offers Travel Kits for children with Bloomingdale library cards to take on their vacation. A Travel Kit includes library books and cassettes, as well as a postcard, puzzles, crayons, and fun things to do while travelling in the car or on a plane, etc. This summer, our books have travelled to Jamaica, Florida, Pennsylvania, Colorado, and many other exciting places.

To find out where our books have travelled, stop by the Youth Services Department and take a look at the map of the United States. We have identified travel spots with a red dot. We have also put up postcards we have received from children on their vacations.

Travel Kits are available to Bloomingdale patrons, and applications must be received by August 10, with a pick-up date no later than August 17, 1991. Applications are available at the Youth Services reference desk.

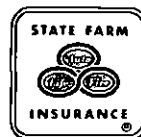


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Library Sponsors New Library Group

The Bloomingdale Library, 101 Fairfield Way, Bloomingdale, has offered use of its facilities to local writers for monthly meetings on the second Saturday of each month at 9:30 a.m., beginning September 14. The first meeting will enable area writers to get acquainted, share information and assess their specific needs for networking and camaraderie.

The group is envisioned as an opportunity to get together with other writers on an informal basis. It will afford opportunities for both practicing and aspiring writers to develop mutually supportive relationships, gain insight into the local market, share resources and find assistance from peers in the profession.

No dues will be assessed. No membership requirements will be set. And, the direction of the meetings will be established by those in attendance. Come and get acquainted. For further information and to ensure adequate facilities, please call Mary Rodne at 529-3120, or Joan Marie Moss at 980-8539.

Public Relations — Your Competitive Edge

Whether you've been appointed publicity chairman for your organization or you're trying to build your business, the tips you'll learn in the Bloomingdale Public Library's Public Relations mini-course will make the job of promoting your message easier and more enjoyable.

The free course, "Public Relations — Your Competitive Edge," is scheduled for Monday, September 23 at 7:30 p.m. at the Bloomingdale Public Library, 101 Fairfield Way in Bloomingdale. The instructor, Joan Marie Moss, is a writer for the *Daily Herald* and the *Village Almanac*. You'll learn key PR principles and how to strategically incorporate them to position yourself and grow in your market. You'll learn how to write an effective press release and other materials using standard formats and formulas, to ensure the best possible exposure and get results.

For further information and reservations, please call 529-3120.

LIBRARY CALENDAR

AUGUST

- 10 Summer Reading Program Finale
Ice Cream Social 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
- 14 Library Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- 17 Interlibrary Chess Tournament 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
- 20 Friends of the Library Meeting 7:00 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

- 2 Labor Day LIBRARY CLOSED
- 3 Registration for Fall Programs begins
- 11 Library Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- 14 Writers Group Meeting 9:30 a.m.—Noon
- 18 "Bonsai Program" — Dan Kosta, President,
Morton Arboretum Bonsai Society 7:30 p.m.
- 21 Saturday Workshop — 6–10 year olds 2:00–3:00 p.m.
- 23 Toddler Time begins:
18–24 months 9:45–10:15 a.m.
25–36 months 10:30–11:00 a.m.
"Public Relations —
Your Competitive Edge" 7:30 p.m.
- 24 Preschool Story Hour begins
3–5 year olds 10:00–11:00 a.m.
- 25 Preschool Story Hour begins
3–5 year olds 1:30–2:30 p.m.
- 26 Preschool Story Hour begins
3–5 year olds 10:00–11:00 a.m.

OCTOBER

- 9 Library Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- 12 Writers Group Meeting 9:30–Noon
- 16 "Homemade Pasta Demonstration" —
Vel Ball from Cooking Craft 7:30 p.m.
- 19 Saturday Workshop — 6–10 year olds 2:00–3:00 p.m.
- 26 Halloween Party

YOUTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT Fall Programs

The Youth Services Department will begin registration for fall programs on Tuesday, September 3, 1991. Fall programming begins the week of September 23, 1991. We will take registration in person or by phone at 529-3120. Please have your Bloomingdale Public Library card handy when registering. Bloomingdale Public Library patrons will be given priority in all programming; others will be placed on a waiting list and notified if space is available.

Toddler Time

Toddler Time will be held on our new day — Monday. Toddler Time is for children 18–36 months, accompanied by an adult. Nursery rhymes, fingerplays, stories and music will be featured. Please wear comfortable clothes so you can participate with your child.

- Monday 9:45–10:15 a.m. 18–24 mos. (Sept. 23–Dec. 9)
- Monday 10:30–11:00 a.m. 25–36 mos. (Sept. 23–Dec. 9)

Enrollment is limited to 15 children per session.

Preschool Story Hour

Join us for a fun-filled hour of stories, musical activities, filmstrips, songs, fingerplays, puppets and crafts. Preschool Story Hour is for 3–5 year olds. Five year olds enrolled in Kindergarten are welcome!

There are 4 sessions to choose from:

- Tuesday 10:00–11:00 a.m. (Sept. 24–Dec. 10)
- Tuesday 1:30–2:30 p.m. (Sept. 24–Dec. 10)
- Wednesday 1:30–2:30 p.m. (Sept. 25–Dec. 11)
- Thursday 10:00–11:00 a.m. (Sept. 26–Dec. 12)

Enrollment is limited to 25 children per session.

Saturday Workshops

Saturday workshops are for 6–10 year olds. They are held once a month and feature a story program with a related craft.

- Saturday, Sept. 21 2:00–3:00 p.m.
- Saturday, Oct. 19 2:00–3:00 p.m.
- Saturday, Nov. 9 2:00–3:00 p.m.
- Saturday, Dec. 14 2:00–3:00 p.m.

Enrollment is limited to 25 children per session.

Bonsai

Bonsai is the art of dwarfing and shaping trees and shrubs in shallow pots by pruning, controlled fertilization, and other techniques.

Dan Kosta, President of the Morton Arboretum Bonsai Society, will present a bonsai slide presentation program at the Bloomingdale Public Library, 101 Fairfield Way in Bloomingdale, on Wednesday, September 18 at 7:30 p.m. His program will include the origins and history of the art, information on styling your own bonsai trees, discussion of the proper care of bonsai, display and discussion of bonsai tools and containers, plus a display of actual bonsai trees.

Mr. Kosta has a Bachelor's Degree in horticulture and is in charge of all operations of the bonsai section at Sid's Greenhouses in Palos Hills, Illinois. He has worked with bonsai for the last 15 years and has studied under several recognized masters. He also teaches bonsai at Moraine Valley Community College in Palos Hills.

For more information or to register for this free program call the library at 529-3120, or register in person at the Adult Services Department information desk.

PUBLIC NOTICE

RADIUM IN WATER EXCEEDS LIMIT

This notice is for informational purposes. This is not a notice of immediate hazard to water consumers. Should a hazard exist, immediate notification will be made by the Village of Bloomingdale.

The Village of Bloomingdale Public Water Supply wishes to advise its customers that the USEPA maximum contaminant level (MCL) - the maximum amount currently allowed in drinking water for radium has been exceeded in samples collected in calendar year 1990.

Radium is an element which is naturally present in the deep ground water aquifer used as a source of water supply by the Village of Bloomingdale and other Northeastern Illinois communities. Radium in ground water occurs in two forms called isotopes - radium 226 and radium 228. Both isotopes are measured and combined to obtain a level of radium by IEPA.

The MCL for radium as designated by the Illinois Pollution Control Board is 5 pico curies per liter of water. Quarterly samples taken over the 1990 calendar year and analyzed by IEPA indicate the average level for the Village source, is 13.3 pico curies per liter.

Studies used to develop the current MCL indicate a portion of the radium which is ingested remains in the bone. The radiation released from the radium, because of its high energy, causes damage to the surrounding tissue.

The current MCL of 5 pico curies per liter for radium is based on a daily consumption of approximately 2 liters of water over a 70-year life time. The studies indicate that this consumption rate may result in the development of bone cancer in a very small portion of the population: 1 person in every 10,000 persons.

At the levels detected the short term risk is minimal and no special precautions need to be taken by the consumer at this time.

The USEPA is currently reviewing the MCL for radium isotopes 226 and 228. In light of more recent studies regarding the probability of developing adverse health effects. It is proposed that the revised MCL for each radium isotope will be 20 pico curies per liter. At the proposed maximum contaminant levels the Village supply would be in compliance.

The Village of Bloomingdale is committed to providing safe drinking water to its customers. The Village has restricted the amount of water produced by the deep well source causing the supply to exceed the MCL. The Village plans on using the well to prevent water supply shortages and other high volume demands. Quarterly monitoring of samples for radium levels will continue as required by IEPA.

In 1992 the Village expects to be providing Lake Michigan water from the DuPage Water Commission and will no longer use well water as the primary source of supply. Lake Michigan Water receives full treatment prior to its distribution and complies with all current USEPA standards including radium. If you have any questions please contact Robert C. Maguire, Utility Supervisor at (708) 893-3448 or (708) 529-5865.

VILLAGE CLUB

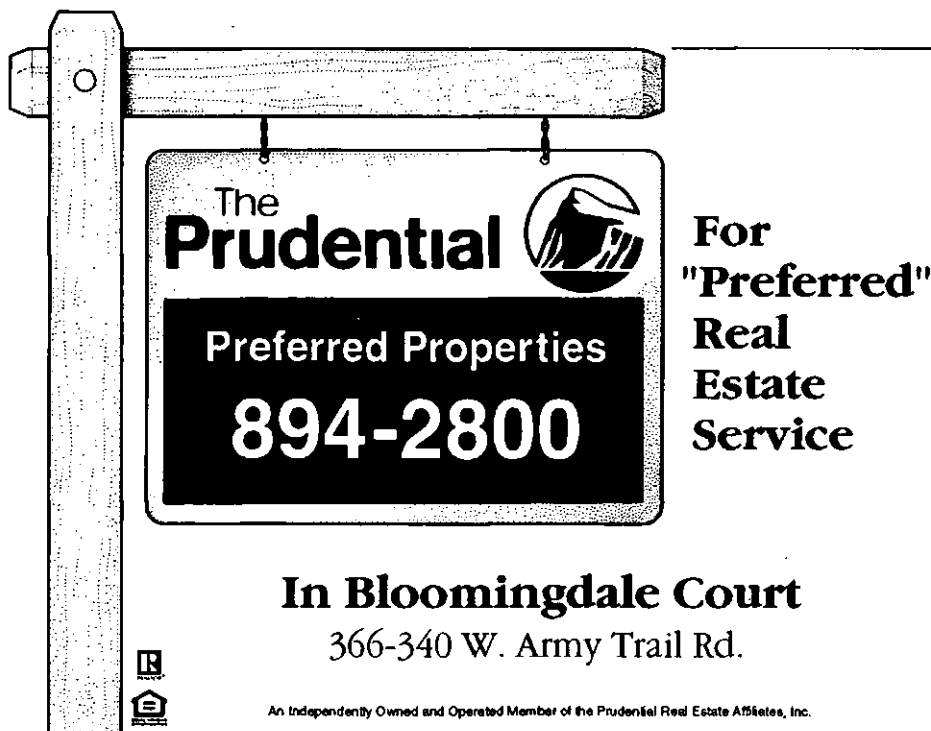
The Village Club of Bloomingdale will hold its first meeting of the 1991-92 year at 7:30pm on September 5 at the Johnston Recreation Center, 172 S. Circle. The guest speaker will be Dr. E. Mauerlea Babb from the Chryallis Center for Individual and Family Development in Wheaton. Dr. Babb will speak on strengthening relationships.

All residents are invited to attend and explore the many diverse opportunities and interests offered by the club. For more information, contact Membership Vice President Rita Samuelson at 351-5709 or Sharyn Rymarz at 980-8350.

WOMENS CLUB

The Bloomingdale Women's Club invites women to an hour of refreshments, appetizers and conversation at 7:30 pm, August 29, in the lower level of the Bloomingdale Library. This is an opportunity to get acquainted with the Bloomingdale Women's Club, create new friendships, and have a fantastic outing.

The first meeting for the year will be September 4 at the Bloomingdale Library. Join us for an exciting Fall-Winter Fashion Show brought to us by Susie's at Stratford Square. Sign-up time is 7:30 pm with the meeting at 8 pm. Parking is available in the lot and on Fairfield Avenue. For information, call Diana at 529-2680 or Loretta at 351-1995.




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WINNEBAGO SCHOOL

As the first day of school quickly approaches, it looks very promising that Winnebago will be open on time and ready for the returning students. Exciting changes have been made to the school building over the summer. Teachers will have their own separate classrooms, students will each have a locker of their own, each room will have windows and screens, and there are no more steps in the class areas.

The project was begun on June 6th, the day the students left for summer vacation, and has continued without delay throughout the summer. The project itself is the total renovation of the interior of Winnebago Elementary School. The only section of the building not scheduled for work is the roof. Concrete floors were leveled; where three levels once existed, one now is in place. Classrooms were created by erecting walls where walls have never existed. New electrical, plumbing and heating materials were installed. Windows were installed in the classroom areas. All student washroom areas were remodeled. Numerous other aspects of the project have been completed.

Our goal throughout the project was not to disrupt the educational program for the children. With the project running on schedule we anticipate meeting this goal prior to the first day of school.


PAINTING THEIR WAY TO A HIGH ADVENTURE



Boy Scout Troop 408 High Adventure Group is earning money to help pay for their 1992 High Adventure Trip to Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico by painting the Abraham Lincoln fence in Bloomingdale Old Town.

The boys will take part in car washes, wreath sales and other fundraisers throughout the year to help earn the cost of the trip. A scout must be at least 14 years old and have graduated from eighth grade to take part in the high adventure trip. Boy Scout Troop 408 is from Trinity Lutheran Church in Roselle.

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Bloomingtondale Family Fest

THANK YOU



Family Fest 1991 was held on June 28, 29 & 30, and overall, the event was a tremendous success. The Fest was well attended and those who attended enjoyed fine weather and a variety of good entertainment and food.

The whole event ran smoothly and this was due to the fine planning, cooperation, and hard work of a number of individuals who deserve special thank yous. They include:

The Family Fest Commission members:

Joe Draghi, Volunteers
 Donna Dwyer, Food Vendors
 Vicki Hettlinger, Teen Entertainment, Children's Games
 Bill Parry, Opening Ceremonies, Children's Games
 Gloria Reyes, Publicity
 Harriet Ford, Sponsorships

Dennis Szafran, Public Works Liaison
 Gene Woehrle, Public Works Liaison
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 Pat Maxwell, Commission Secretary

Extra-special thank yous are in order for Gene Woehrle, Public Works Department, and his crew for the wonderful job they did on the site grounds before, during and after the Fest; and to Tim Goergen, Police Department, and his officers for the fine job done with security before and during the Fest. The hard work and exceptional cooperation of these individuals contributed much to the success of the Fest.

Thank you also to the Village of Bloomingtondale and the Bloomingtondale Park District for the spectacular fireworks display. The staff of the Village Hall and the Library, Linda Goergen, for designing the festival logo; Frank Cudio, for painting the festival signs, and Tony Pontarelli and Verne Barnes for their fine cooperation.

Special thank yous also are in order for all of the volunteers who manned the pop concession, the ride ticket booths, the Fest office trailer, and the children's games during the Fest. These include:

Christine Barnhart
 Jane Batte
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 Gerry Beigel
 Debbie Bergman
 Ann Blyth
 Steve Blyth
 Gary Braun
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 Craig Westfall
 Myra Westfall

In closing, I hope everyone who attended the Family Fest had a great time and we look forward to seeing everyone there again in 1992.

Mary E. Rodne, *Family Fest Chair*

Bloomingtondale Family Fest, *continued*



Gulf Vets and their families at Welcome Home celebration.



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This is the eighth year in a row that the **WESTFIELD MATH TEAM** defeated its challengers at the Lake Park Math Contest. The final tally showed that Westfield students placed first, second and third in the individual tests. Ammie Osawa won first place, Mike Park took second place and Taryn Hettlinger placed third. In the team problems the Westfield team placed first as well. Other students, including representatives from 6th, 7th and 8th grade, who participated in the team competition were: Tom Douglas, Kelly Slowinski, Heather Kerr, Chris Ramoley, Harjinder Singh, Goro Osawa, Katie Mitsui and Elizabeth Gebis.

In other Westfield news, **Principal CHARLES SWANGREN** was nominated by a former student, who is currently attending the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy, and was selected to receive the 1991 IMSA Award of Excellence.

The award recognizes outstanding educators throughout the state who have challenged and inspired IMSA students in the past.

Superintendent Jerome E. Gordon in congratulating Swangren, said, "It is unusual for a principal to have that kind of impact on a student. We know that the community supports our efforts day to day, but it is not often that we see that support from students after they have graduated."

LARRY M. SLAVICEK, senior engineering inspector of the Village of Bloomingdale, has successfully completed the Illinois Arborist Association Certification program. Director of Village Services, Michael D. Marchi, P.E. commended Slavicek for achieving status within the upper percentile of the group of 290 examinees participating in the program.

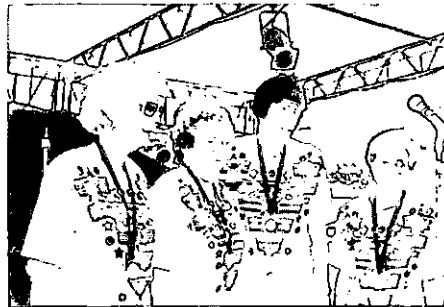
Slavicek will continue to serve the community in his capacity as administrator of the Annual Tree Program utilizing the knowledge acquired through this certification process.

SERVICE NEWS

Navy Airman **JOSEPH BOCCUZZI**, son of Steven and Emily Boccozzi returned from serving in Desert Storm with an official commendation for his professional achievement and superior performance. He served aboard a carrier while in the Middle East. While there he was directly involved in combat - dealing with mines, chemical warfare, anything that was Navy or Air related as well as ground level reconnaissance.

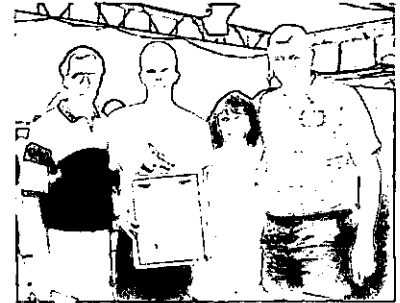
While he attributes his appreciation of teamwork to that experience, he is looking forward, now, to his next assignment in San Diego, testing for OCS, officer training school, and making the service his career.

(Both young men expressed deep appreciation in the name of all the troops who served for the support of friends and family back home during the conflict. To these young men and all the gallant young people who served in Desert Storm: Thank you, and best wishes in all your future endeavors.)



Rodne with her fellow quartet members.

MARY RODNE, our Library Director, recently returned from Louisville, Kentucky, where she and the Village Vocal Chords, shared the stage with championship barbershoppers from around the world. The group was spotlighted as the showcase entertainment for the 53rd Annual Convention and Contests of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America. This was the first time an all-women's barbershop chorus has ever been invited to perform for the annual event. The Village Vocal Chords won a standing ovation for its performance.



Donald Petges and his parents with Mayor Tenuto at the Family Fest celebration.

DONALD E. PETGES, son of Donald and Kay Petges, has assumed new responsibilities in Germany following a brief R and R with his family. While serving with the Army in Desert Storm, Petges' duties included driving refueling trucks for the M1s.

Petges had lots of time to think, during his tour in the Middle East. David feels that the service offers substantial opportunity to "think...put things in perspective...mature and learn discipline.

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Other service people who have returned from the Middle East recently include:

Richard Blair
Noel Kohl
Duane Kroll
Howard Marshall
Todd Schiro
Alan B. Spolar

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Please let us know of other residents returning from the Gulf so we might publicly extend our thanks to them as well. Also, contact Mary Ellen Johnson at the Village Hall to arrange pickup of gifts of appreciation that are being held for each.

NOTABLE NEIGHBOR

Sometimes the path we plan to take with our lives is not the one we follow. This is the story of David Sharp.

David had aspirations of becoming a veterinarian upon graduation from Glenbard High School. However, an accident on a dreary October night in 1989 changed those plans. Sharp was approaching an auto accident on a sleet-covered road. Although he was slowing down, the car following him was not able to reduce speed and it crashed into the young man's car spinning it out of control.

When David awoke he found himself in the hospital suffering from a broken back and paralysis of the legs. In the ensuing months as he underwent therapy and was confined to a wheelchair, he had some eye-opening experiences. From problems crossing streets to difficulties encountering steps at building entrances, David learned how difficult it can be to be physically handicapped.

It was then he decided he would work with the handicapped, as well as working to help handicapped citizens gain greater mobility and access to buildings. He wasn't looking for special treatment for the handicapped, but rather that they be given the rights equal to that of non-handicapped persons.

A year and a half ago while still in his wheelchair, Sharp began working at Marklund Home as a therapy coordinator. He was finally able to regain the use of his legs through a back operation. Mobile again, he did not forget about the thousands of people whose plight needed to be heard.

Two events took place this spring to provide David an opportunity to raise awareness of the public. July 26 was the first anniversary of State legislation entitled the "Americans with Disabilities Act." This law has laid the foundation for assisting disabled citizens in gaining access to public buildings and facilities.



Pictured left to right are Tod Patton, David Sharp holding Jimmy, Joe Rorke, Marklund President Pat Pearce and Mayor Sam Tenuto.

Secondly, new State legislation has been passed pertaining to housing the mentally handicapped which has an effect on the number of residents Marklund Children's Home could house. For Marklund to continue assistance to the current number of residents, a new building will have to be constructed. The cost of a new structure is \$8.5 million.

Sharp decided to ride a wheelchair from one end of the state to the other, taking what needed to be done to the people throughout the State. Centel and Gary-Wheaton Corp., both working with Marklund's Capital Campaign Fund Raiser, offered to act as David's statewide public relations committee.

Originally, David planned to travel by himself with a backpack and his wheelchair. Joe Rorke, his best friend, and Tod Patton, a former Marklund employee, offered to help. They would share driving a travel van. When not driving Joe would run alongside David, Tom would skate next to him.

On June 1 the three began their trek of 476 miles. They began in Future City, a small town just north of Cairo. They traveled through 63 towns, met with many newspaper reporters enroute, and were cheered by hundreds of people.

David says as he rolled through Peoria and Pekin, people were standing along the streets cheering, cars passing blew their horns and gave him the thumbs-up signal. In addition to receiving contributions along the way, David was also given a key to the city of Pekin.

In Mason City, the hotel manager gave the three young men his best rooms. The local restaurant owner gave them their meals as his way of supporting their efforts for the handicapped. This kind of support encouraged him along the way. David says thinking of the kids at Marklund also helped him find the strength to go on when he was feeling the strain of the trip.

Over thirty-eight days, the three traveled the length of Illinois and raised more than \$42,000 for Marklund Home. They arrived here July 8. "David realizes what he has accomplished is not the end of the story. He has spoken before the General Assembly. He and Jimmy, one of Marklund's residents, met with Governor Edgar. Currently, he is serving on the Mayor's Council on Disability for the City of Chicago and Cook County. He is looking forward to forming an advisory council on private and public buildings wherein he could serve as a consultant so the needs of the handicapped are considered in the design of buildings.

Sometimes what we do with our lives doesn't follow that planned path. For the kids at Marklund and hundreds of people throughout the state, the change in course for David Sharp has brought them new hope.

YWCA CHILD CARE

YWCA - Glendale Heights has begun Fall Registration for Full Day Preschool and Before/After School Age Programming. Reduced rates available for families who qualify. For more information contact YWCA at 858-4863.

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

Alisa Anne-Marie Kohl and Jason Fangusaro were this year's recipients of the Bloomingdale Women's Club's two \$500 scholarships. Both recipients are Bloomingdale residents and 1991 graduates of Glenbard North High School and Lake Park High School respectively.

Kohl plans to attend the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana this Fall. She intends to major in early childhood education. Fangusaro plans to attend Loyola University in the Fall and to major in pre-med.

The Bloomingdale Women's Club also awarded its one-year, \$200 women's scholarship to Carole Sigalos, another Bloomingdale resident. Sigalos is pursuing her master's degree at National Louis University and is presently an English teacher at Glenbard East High School and Schaumburg High School.

The Women's Club presents the scholarships on a yearly basis with a portion of the funds coming from the annual Bloomingdale Women's Club Festival of Arts held in conjunction with Septemberfest.

Natalie Pollos and Kohl were the recipients of the Chamber of Commerce's two \$500 scholarships this year. This is the second year the scholarships have been awarded by the chamber.

Pollos is a 1991 graduate of Lake Park High School in Roselle. She plans to pursue a degree in elementary education with a minor in math at Northern Illinois University. She would like to teach in grades K-8 upon completion of her education.



MUSEUM EXHIBITS "ART AND THE ANIMAL"

The Park District Museum has been chosen as one of only five sites on a national tour to exhibit 50 paintings, watercolors, and prints as well as 17 sculptures depicting the animal in art.

The exhibit, "Art and the Animal" is the outgrowth of an annual competition and exhibition organized by the Society of Animal Artists, the oldest and most prestigious association of animal and wildlife painters and sculpturers in the world. Although the competition has promoted this competition for the past 30 years, this is the first time that the show has been exhibited to the public outside the confines of the society.

The Park District Museum, located at 108 S. Bloomingdale Road, will maintain special open hours from August 3 through August 31. The hours for viewing this exhibit will be Wednesday through Friday 12 noon to 4:30pm and Saturday and Sunday 11am to 4 pm. A full-color poster and a catalog will be available for purchase at those times.

THANK YOU

Our thanks to Bloomingdale resident Bill Parry for his loan of historical items from World War I and the sinking of the Lusitania, to the Museum's display last May. It was a wonderful exhibit - thanks, Bill!

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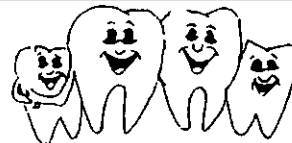
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