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PARKS TO BE DEEDED TO COUNTY

At the General Membership meeting of the Bloomingdale Homeowners Association on March 18, 1986, a vote was taken regarding the future of Bloomingdale's current parks, East and West. Of the current 1,550 homes in Bloomingdale, 67 residents chose to attend this very important meeting. After preliminary discussion and an answer and question period, BHA President Ted Keiser called for a vote. The vote was overwhelmingly for the county to assume responsibility and deed to our parks. (The actual vote was: 44 for the county takeover; 12 for Special Taxing District control; and 3 neutral votes. This equals 59 which was the number present at the time of the vote.)

From this vote, a letter has been sent to Criterion Corporation, the Special Taxing District President, and the Parks Department stating the outcome of the park vote and showing that the community preference is for the county to assume the maintenance of these two parks.

It was understood and accepted by all present that we as residents expect to have a voice in the writing of the deed restrictions that will accompany the warranty deed from Criterion Corp. to the Hillsborough County Parks Department.

With this in mind, the BHA Board of Directors, the STD Board of Directors, the Park Committee, and Susan Meitz of Criterion, met on Tuesday, March 25 to discuss preliminary deed restrictions. The following is a draft of the deed restrictions as drawn up at that meeting:

1. No lights except security lights.
2. No chain link fencing except around ponds and tennis courts.
3. No organized league activities.
4. No permanent park security without prior permission from the Bloomingdale Homeowners Association and any residence for security personnel must conform to existing

deed restrictions.

5. A buffer zone will be established to isolate residential lots from park property with no activities allowed in the buffer zone.
6. Conservation areas as currently existing within park property are to be preserved and maintained.
7. Any new construction plans must be approved by the Bloomingdale Homeowners Association, Inc.

On Tuesday, April 15, at 7:30 p.m. at the Bloomingdale Community Church (1310 Bloomingdale Avenue) there will be a meeting of all interested residents who have any changes or additions to the deed restrictions as printed here.

The rest is now up to the county Parks Department and Criterion. They are currently having meetings to clarify issues such as deed restrictions, pond maintenance, takeover dates and the like.

The Parks Department has already investigated the two parks out here and has negotiated a \$25,000 fee with Criterion that Criterion will pay. This is to help with maintenance through the year.

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EDITORIAL...

As you can see, we've gone green. This is the color you can expect to see at least through the end of this year. It seems there was this guy who had a deal on green paper....

Though it may not yet be in place by this writing, the GAZETTE has acquired an answering machine. Between advertising calls, news tips, and all the other business of the GAZETTE we found that this was a necessary step. It's not that I don't want to talk to anyone -- in fact the opposite is true, I encourage calls -- it's just that the answering machine will give me the flexibility I need to be able to time my calling so I can give you more of my attention (instead of fixing baby bottles and

trying to talk at the same time). So go ahead and leave messages on the machine, and then I will route them to the correct people.

The GAZETTE is again faced with growing pains, this time within our own staff. Our advertising department has gotten so large that Maureen can't handle it herself--so we are looking for two new faces. Maureen, who has been co-editing with me along with doing the advertising end, will now be handing over the advertising to two people. This will leave her free to assist me with the editing and layout functions. If you are interested in growing with the GAZETTE, give me a call at 681-2051.

NEWCOMERS PAGE

In an effort to help our new neighbors make their transition to Bloomingdale a little easier, The Bloomingdale Gazette would like to provide you with facts and information about your new home.

Originally, Bloomingdale was farm and pasture land. During the mid 1950's some of this area was reforested, which is why the pine trees line up in straight rows. In the '60's - '70's Criterion Corporation acquired the land over a five year period with an eye to future development. There was a ranch where the Suarez model is now and beyond was a very large farm. After the land acquisition, it took another 5-6 years for it to become a PUD (Planned Urban Development) which was redesigned 3-4 times.

In the fall of 1978, Bay Homes (the building arm of Criterion) built five furnished models and 10 spec homes in the East. They sold all 10 in the first week. Later, Bay Homes was bought by Pulte. Suarez was the second builder and from there came the builders you see now. Once the builders have finished here in Bloomingdale our subdivision will have 6,853 dwelling units.

The first families moved into the East in May and June of 1979. One of these first families was Fred and Joyce Uphoff. Fred was instrumental in founding the Bloomingdale Homeowners Association, Inc., and the Bloomingdale Gazette.

As the subdivision grew, the GAZETTE grew; until finally, in March 1986, it was published for the first time on newsprint in tabloid form.

The Bloomingdale Homeowner's Association, Inc., (or BHA as it is known) was founded to give a unified voice to the residents of Bloomingdale.

The BHA Board of Directors meets one time per month in the home of one of the directors. The time, date, and place are always announced in advance in this paper. Interested observers are invited to attend.

The BHA holds its General Membership meetings for all residents of Bloomingdale five times per year: September, November, January, March, and May. The time, date, and meeting place are announced in advance in this newspaper.

This unified voice has accomplished many things over the past seven years such as: the stop light at Bell Shoals and Bloomingdale Avenue; the street lighting districts; the Bloomingdale Gazette; the Mobile Watch; and the Fire and Disaster Fund as just a few examples. But most notably the BHA put the Special Taxing District into place.

The Special Taxing District (STD as it's called) was established January 1, 1986, for the purpose of maintaining the common grounds of Bloomingdale. (Currently the grounds are being maintained by the developer - Criterion Corporation until monies are collected starting in November of 1986.) This year on your tax statement you will receive in October-November, you will see a notation for \$80 for this STD. (If you closed on your home after January 1, 1986, this won't appear on your tax bill until November 1987.) The STD, though founded by the BHA, is a separate entity and is run by a different board of directors. (See page 2 for a list of names.) They collect money through our taxes from all the residents and apply it to the maintenance. On the other hand, the BHA is funded totally by volunteer dues (\$5) paid one time per year in November.

We strongly encourage you to become a member of the BHA. Your donation of \$5 per year to this non-profit organization will ensure the continuance of a homeowner's association placed there for your benefit plus the continuance of this newspaper. So won't you take one moment now and fill out the application below.... \$LD



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IMPORTANT MEETINGS

SPECIAL DEED RESTRICTIONS MEETING:

On Tuesday, April 15, 1986, at the Bloomingdale Community Church (1310 Bloomingdale Avenue) beginning at 7:30 p.m., there will be a meeting of all interested residents to draw up and finalize the deed restrictions for Parks East and West. This meeting is being called by the Bloomingdale Homeowners Association.

BHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING:

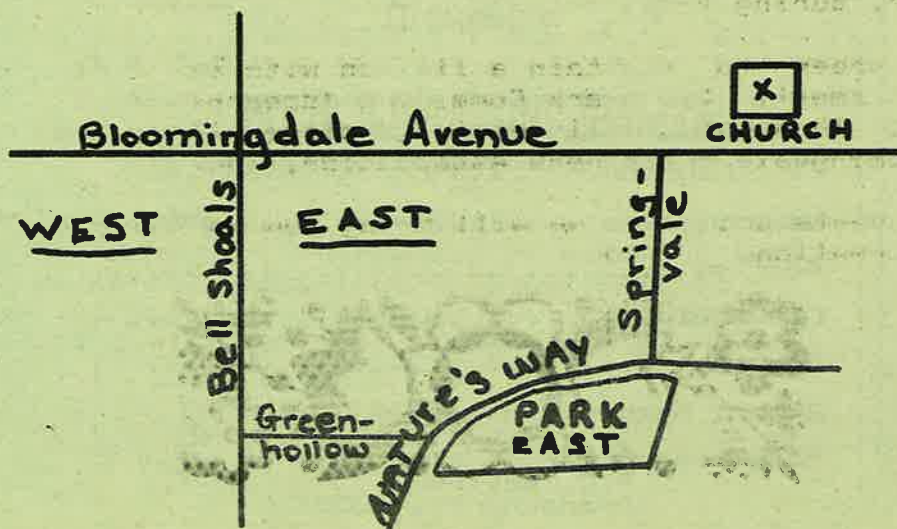
The next meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bloomingdale Homeowners Association is scheduled for Monday, April 14, 1986. The meeting will begin promptly at 7:30 p.m. It will take place at the home of Ms. Daryce Moore at 1429 Peachfield Drive. Interested observers are invited to attend.

SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT PUBLIC MEETING:

The next public meeting of the newly formed Special Taxing District will be held by the Board of Trustees on Tuesday, May 13, 1986, at the Bloomingdale Community Church, 1310 Bloomingdale Avenue. The meeting will be called to order by the board President, Fred G. Uphoff, Jr., at 8 p.m. All residents of Bloomingdale are encouraged to attend.

The following is a listing of the expected public meeting dates through the end of 1986 for the Special Taxing District:

- May 13
- June 10
- July 8
- August 12
- September 9
- October 14
- November 11
- December 9



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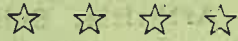
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"1. Presently the County Land Department is reviewing the impact fee credits that will be given in conjunction with the deeding of the parks. These credits will be given to those builders at Bloomingdale and Criterion for NIPIC in direct proportion to the amount of fees already paid and also for fees payable in the future.

"2. After all calculations and homework are completed, the Land Department submits the package to the County Administrator for approval and preparation of the deeds.

"3. Upon approval, the County Administration will request that the acceptance of the deeds be placed on the Board of County Commissioner's Agenda for the next public Board meeting. At the time of the meeting the public is invited to voice pro and con arguments for the Board to consider. If approved by the Board, we will then receive the deeds for execution by the owners.

"This entire process is expected to take three to five weeks after the Land Department has resolved the impact credit issue.

"I will be happy to meet with representatives from the various Bloomingdale Associations to work on deed restriction requests to be presented to the County."

On March 24 the Bloomingdale Homeowners Association, Inc., received this letter from Susan L. Meitz, Executive Vice President for Criterion Corporation:

"I have informed George Simmons of the County Park and Recreation Department that the Bloomingdale Homeowners have voted in favor of the County accepting deeds to both parks. He was very pleased to have the support of the Homeowners on this matter. He has reported to me the procedure that is required to be followed for formal acceptance by the county.

In the future we can expect to see well-maintained parks, security if needed, and a community center in Park West with supervised activities for children. The building is not expected to be erected until the next fiscal year, during 1987.

In order to maintain a liaison with the Parks Department, the Park Committee (spearheaded by Russ Thompson) will remain in place within the Bloomingdale Homeowners Association, Inc.

As events progress, we will bring you up-to-date information. -SLD



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The BLOOMINGDALE GAZETTE is looking for a volunteer architect to assist the Bloomingdale Community Church in their expansion project. We are seeking a volunteer because the church has been extremely generous to the Bloomingdale area. Rev. Ankney has always allowed the BHA, the STD, and any of our groups FREE use of the church at almost any time we have needed it. Now we are seeking a way to partially pay them back for their generosity.

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So please, consider it. If you are an architect, the Bloomingdale Community Church and the Bloomingdale Homeowner's Association would certainly appreciate your invaluable assistance.

Call Reverend Charles Ankney at his home at 684-5318. -SLD

BHA BUDGET FOR 1986 APPROVED

On March 18, at the General Membership meeting, the 1986 operating budget for the Bloomingdale Homeowners Association, Inc., was approved by a quorum of the general membership. The budget for the 1986 year (which is subject to Board change if necessary) is as follows:



Expenses:

Gazette	\$ 4920
Meeting Fees	300
Balloon Rally	300
Supplies	360
Spring Fling	400
Halloween Contest	400
Hayride	50
Insurance	125
P. O. Box Fee	29
Checking Fees	72
Refreshments	120
Equipment Repair	100
Filing Fee	20
Presidential Activities	50
Membership	150

Mobile Watch	100
New Equipment	200
Disaster Fund	300
Christmas Decorations	200
Garage Sale	25
Operating Expense	69

TOTAL \$ 8290

Income:

Gazette	\$ 5400
Dues	1500
Balloon Rally	1000
Interest	40
Garage Sale	350

TOTAL \$ 8290

-GB

WALL PAINTING IN EAST

As we have all noticed the walls need painting badly. In the East on the south wall between Briarlake Drive and Nature's Way the wall is being painted as a test wall. Gene Morgan, a professional painter, was the lowest of four bids as submitted to Criterion Corporation. Based on the outcome of this "test wall," and if budgeting can be arranged, Criterion will then be painting some of the walls, but not all.

He says that for the one wall the cost is \$1,000.

Mr. Morgan has dug a trench six inches down along the wall base so that paint can be applied below the soil surface. He says this will stop moisture from getting under the paint. The paint he's using is Sears Weatherbeater, the color is Navajo White. First he pressure washed the wall to get off old paint and mildew, then he used a Sears latex primer, and finally the Weatherbeater paint. Mr. Morgan says that he feels this is the best paint on the market and it also has a 10-year guarantee. He stated that the mildew problem we have had in the past is due to the moisture collecting on the top of the walls. Then when it rains, the mildew drips over the sides. This problem has been corrected on the new walls--the walls are slightly tilted at the top for water runoff.

At the time of this printing, we were unable to contact Criterion for their input. -SLD

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Q. HOW OFTEN AND AT WHAT TIME OF DAY SHOULD I WATER MY LAWN? -HR

A. It is very difficult to say just how often your lawn should be watered. Therefore, it is best to water on an as needed basis. Generally, you should apply 3/4 inch of water two to three times a week in the summer and once every ten to fourteen days in the winter. Watch for signs of stress and water accordingly. Some of these signs are bluish-gray color rather than a clear, healthy green; grass blades will fold in half; or soil samples from the root zone feel dry. It is best to water early in the morning to avoid moisture on the grass for extended periods of time. Excessive moisture can encourage disease.

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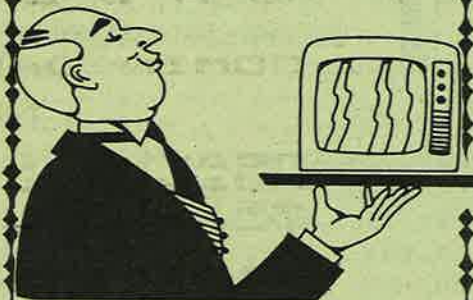
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To finance this project, we are selling three acres of our present eight acre holdings. This will leave us five acres which will be adequate for future development. The three acres we are selling has a 200 foot frontage on Bloomingdale Avenue. Just as soon as the property is sold, we intend to begin building the new addition.

While awaiting the sale of the land, we would like to proceed with preliminary work; such as getting the blue-prints prepared and getting the survey work done.

In the future (hopefully within one or two years) we will build a new 60' x 80' Sanctuary to the front of the existing structure. This facility will contain a 20' x 60' foyer. It will also have a platform with a baptistry to the back and above the platform. This new Sanctuary will seat about 350 people.

I would also like to invite anyone who has recently moved into the Bloomingdale area, and anyone who does not now attend a church regularly, to attend our Sunday School and/or Worship Services.

Our schedule of services are as follows:

Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship10:30 a.m.
Sunday Night Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Bible Study....7:30 p.m.

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April				What's Going On?			May	
S	M	T	W	T	F	S		
13	B.H.A. Board Meeting 7:30	Park Deed Restriction Meeting 7:30	16	17	18	19		
20	Treasurer's Island Sand Castles 367-4529	22	Gallagher at Lakeland 879-7635	24	Passover	25	Sammy Davis Jr. in concert 855-4308	26
27	Daylight Savings Time * 12 A.M.	28	29	30	MAY 1	2	Center Place Patron Party 685-8888	3

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OOPS!

Only the "OOPS" wasn't ours -- it belongs to the Brandon Area Directory which we just received last month. It seems they printed the wrong phone number for Pace Warehouse out on SR 60 and when you dial the printed number, you get a very exasperated 94-year-old gentleman. He says he has even gotten calls at three in the morning. He doesn't want to change his number -- after all it's been his for 30 years. (!)

I'm shure glad we don't make errors like that.

(By the way -- the right number for Pace is 626-4097.) -SLD

ENTRANCE MAINTENANCE

BY CHERYL LEDFORD
GAZETTE STAFF REPORTER

If you have entered Bloomington by way of John Moore lately, you've noticed the improvement in the appearance of that entrance into our lovely subdivision. I spoke recently with Susan Meitz of Criterion and she asked me to assure Bloomington homeowners that they need not direct their guests in

specific directions. The property manager for Criterion has inspected all of the entrances and maintenance is expected. Dead bushes and scrubby trees will be removed and trimmed respectively. The entrance off John Moore has recently undergone a little repair, but Susan added that the lights earlier found at

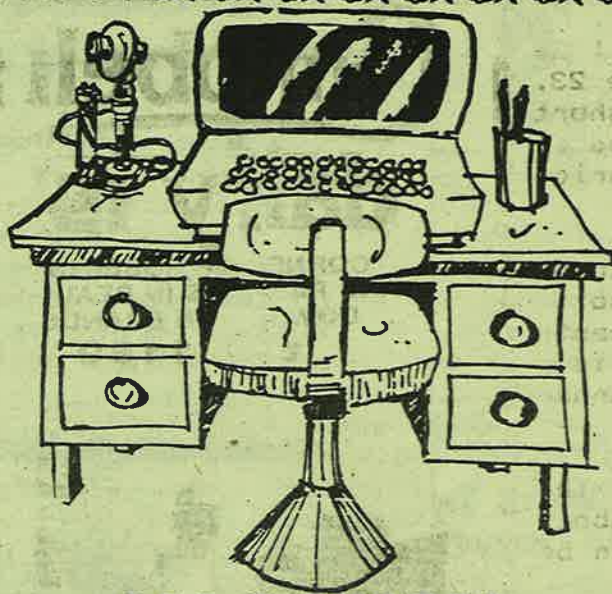
that entrance will be removed. It appears

lights at this entrance.



vandals have defeated us on maintaining

Ms. Meitz also reported that most vandalism occurs at entrances and along the wall near school bus stops. Parents should counsel their children that such activity (kicking out lights, destroying the walls, etc.) is not only dangerous but detracts from the overall appearance of our neighborhood.



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THE BLOOMINGDALE GAZETTE

GAZETTE DELIVERY DATES

WATCH FOR THE GAZETTE TO APPEAR ON YOUR DOOR ON THE FOLLOWING WEEKENDS:

May 10/11
June 22/23 (July & August issues
August 2/3 are combined)
September 13/14
October 11/12
November 8/9
December 13/14
January 10/11

If you do not get your GAZETTE please call 681-2051 and let us know.

NEW MEETING DATES APPROVED FOR THE BHA

On March 18 at the General Membership Meeting of the Bloomingdale Homeowners Association, Inc., a motion was made, seconded, and passed that the general membership meetings be changed to five times per year with themes.

Effective immediately, the meeting months are now May, September, November, January, and March. Besides conducting routine business, the idea is to have each month be its own theme, such as:

....September would be newcomers month. For that meeting all new residents to Bloomingdale would be invited to perhaps a potluck dinner. There could be speakers such as the county commissioners, school principals, etc. to acquaint new people with the area.

....November would be election month. The new Board of Directors for the following year are elected during that month's meeting.

....January would be installation of officers month. Perhaps a formal dinner/banquet could be held for all the residents of Bloomingdale.

....March would be budget month. The new Board would present their new budget for approval for the year.

....May would be summer sign-off.

These are the suggestions that were approved at the General Membership meeting on March 18. (Of course, should there be a need for a special general membership meeting, it would be announced well in advance.) The Board of Directors will be formalizing these ideas during subsequent Board meetings. Look for more details in the GAZETTE. - SLD



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BY SHERRY HARDIN
GAZETTE STAFF REPORTER

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The Brandon campus is currently on Kings Avenue just north of Bloomingdale Avenue. A new campus will be built in north Brandon so now is an excellent time for Bloomingdale residents to take advantage of the convenience of education. HCC is a fully accredited educational institution and your credits earned here will transfer to other universities.

Another term will run from June 25 through August 12. The registration will be held June 9-18. Registration for both terms can be done at the Brandon campus and any questions can be answered by calling 689-8313.

HCC also offers a number of Community Services Programs. The fees and times for the classes vary so if you are interested call to find out what is being offered.

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Bloomingfield Dr. as if it was "Indianapolis 500" the speed limit posted is 30 mph. Hopefully signs will be erected in the East with the Sheriff Dept. enforcing those limits.

-MP

STREET LIGHTS UPDATED

New street lights have been placed in many of the new parts of East lately, but a good many of them do not work. According to Bob McCullough at TECO's Installation Department it is due to one of two reasons: 1) they aren't hooked up yet, or 2) they have a bad starter. You can tell if they aren't hooked up yet if there is a wire wrapped around the pole towards the bottom. TECO will be getting to those within the next couple of weeks. If there is no wire, that means the light is suppose to be going on at night and should be reported so the starter can be changed. To report these light outages call TECO's customer inquiry department at 228-4111. Give them the pole numbers (on the poles at about six feet high) and approximate address. My experience with them has been very good--TECO usually is out within 1-2 days to fix the light.

On Peachfield in new Pulte, though, they have a different reason for no lights, according to Alice Gatton, a resident in that area. She was informed by a TECO repair crew that Pulte hasn't placed the proper apparatus for TECO to hook the street lights up to. The situation has been reported to Pulte and Criterion.-SLD

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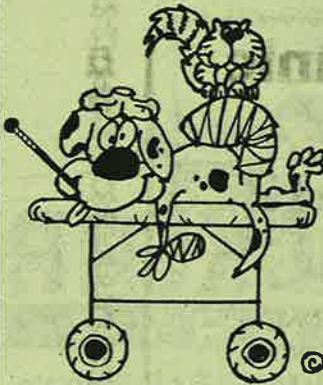
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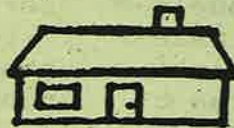
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BY CHERYL LEDFORD
GAZETTE STAFF REPORTER

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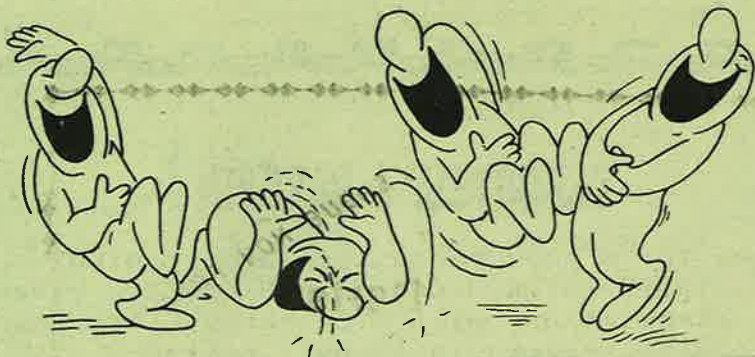
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As you may have noticed if you live in East, two of the street signs have been missing for over a year. According to Gail Green, a resident in East, the County Transportation Department will be replacing those signs during the month of April. The two signs are at the corner of Eastridge and Nature's Way and at the corner of Briar Lake and Nature's Way. It was Mrs. Green who was responsible for seeing that these signs were replaced. Thank you Gail! - SLD



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GOLF NEWS

BY JACKIE JAQUISH
BLOOMINGDALE
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It's springtime and golf is in the air! Our ladies clinics have proven successful with a turnout of over 35 gals! Our next session will start Tuesday, May 6.

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-SLD

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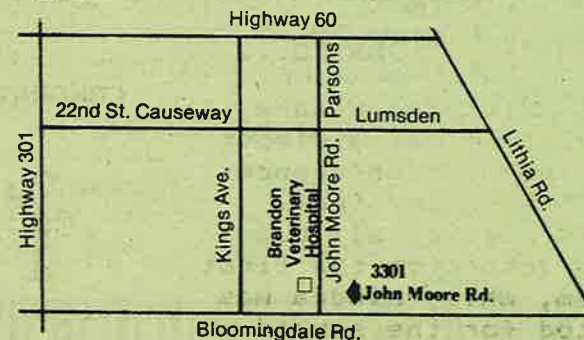
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voted for the second
team.

CONGRATULATIONS TO...

Ron Thompson who was
recently promoted to
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CONGRATULATIONS TO...

Bonnie and Mike
Giattino whose son,
David, was born during
the month of February.

Jim and Rose Kraus who
recently had a son
named Michael James.



CONGRATULATIONS TO...



Mary Ellen Lloyd who
recently placed second
in the Cowbell Beef
Cookoff.

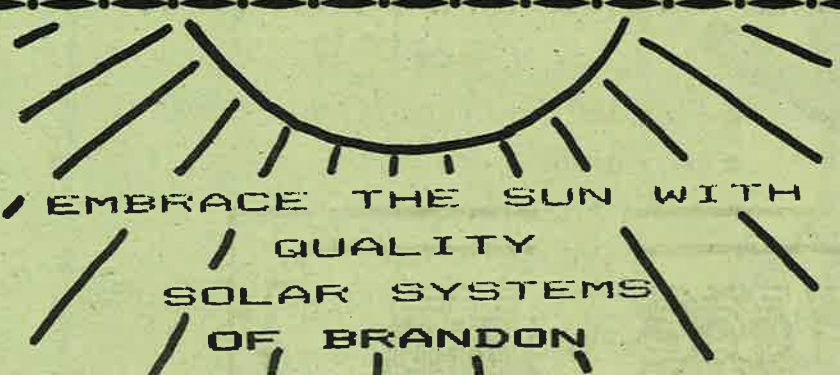
HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

Kimberly Ledford who
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Sue Thompson who won't
tell us how old she is
but who celebrated her
birthday on April 10.

Linda Ramos who was 4
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STD FINAL ACCOUNTING

BY SUSAN L. DELUCA
STD CHAIRMAN

As most of you are aware, during the 1985 calendar year the Special Taxing District was created which went into effect on January 1, 1986. To enable us to establish this tax district, many of you donated money to the STD Committee for costs incurred in creating the STD. The current Board of Directors of the Special Taxing District, headed by President Fred Uphoff, has now opened their own checking account along with having the proper bonding of the officers of the STD that will be handling our tax funds. It has been decided that the funds remaining from the STD initiation will be given to the STD Board for start-up costs. These costs include things such as a post-office box, stationary, office supplies, etc.

The following is an accounting of the funds that were taken in, those that were spent, and the monies left over to go to the STD Board:

CONTINUED FROM BELOW

Donations received from Bloomingdale residents	\$ 1,731.43
Lawyer costs (Richard Wheeler of Trinkle, Redman, & Alley)	-354.61
Transportation of document costs to Tallahassee	-246.12
Misc costs (stationary, flyers, GAZETTE costs, mailings, etc.)	-335.21

BALANCE	\$ 815.49

This balance of \$815.49, which is being held in the savings account of the Bloomingdale Homeowners Association, Inc., has been sent to STD Board President Fred Uphoff, Jr. to be placed in the public checking account of the Special Taxing District for Bloomingdale.

At the next Board of Director's meeting of the BHA, it will be decided if the STD Committee will remain a standing committee to monitor the actions of the Special Taxing District and act as liaison with the two boards.

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THE FAMILY AUTO MOTO

BY PATRICIA JEANSONNE, M.D.
COMMUNITY PEDIATRICS

Mrs. Morgan and Jeremy were in a festive mood. The day had dawned bright and sunny, fulfilling every promise of spring. It was a perfect day for a picnic at the playground not far from home. They phoned Megan, and she and her mother agreed to meet Jeremy at the park. Mrs. Morgan tried to think of every detail -- peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, sip-ups, napkins, and raisins for a snack should keep everyone well fed and happy. Jeremy picked out two good plastic trucks and two shovels to share. Excitedly, they both climbed into the Morgans' big station wagon. Jeremy perched close to his mother in the front, standing so he could see all the landmarks that led up to the playground entrance. It wasn't far. Mrs. Morgan approached the light at John Moore and Bloomingdale and accelerated as she saw it turn green. Suddenly - crazy driver! - an oncoming delivery truck tested her mettle and began a

left turn directly in front of her! Thank God for these good brakes, she thought, as she jammed the pedal and missed the truck by inches. But a yowl broke into her congratulations. Jeremy! Loose in the front seat, he had flown like so much loose baggage as she handled the emergency stop. Now she saw the blood -- from the ugly cut on Jeremy's eyebrow and from the bulging lip where he'd hit the dashboard. Oh no, she thought, he's hurt, and we'll have to go to the hospital! It looks like stitches for sure.

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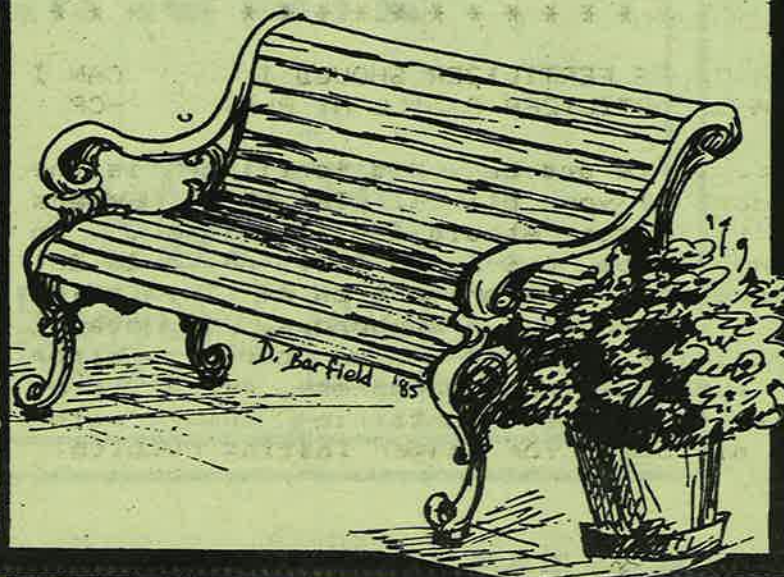
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BY ROSALIND CREAGER
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Starting with this issue the GAZETTE will be bringing you a question and answer column about gardening, plants, landscaping, or yards. To have your questions answered by Rosalind, an expert in this field, call 681-2051 and leave your question on the answering machine. Or you may mail your questions to Rosalind c/o of this newspaper.

Q. WHAT KIND OF FERTILIZER SHOULD I USE? CAN I USE THE SAME FERTILIZER ON ALL MY PLANTS? -CP

A. A complete and balanced fertilizer is the best for most of your plants. The three numbers on the fertilizer should be the same. An example would be 6-6-6, 8-8-8, or 20-20-20; which represents the proportion of three major elements - nitrogen, phosphorous, and potash. The fertilizer should also contain minor elements such as iron, manganese, sulfur, etc. Select a fertilizer containing some 'water insoluble nitrogen' for longer lasting results.

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FACT - motor vehicle accidents far outnumber any illness as a cause of death and permanent injury in children and teenagers.

FACT - seat belts (for children over 40 pounds) and car seats reduce the awful toll to almost nil WHEN they are used.

FACT - most serious accidents occur less than five (5) miles from home.

Why in the world would someone not use a child restraint for small children and a seat belt for him (her) self?

Is it lack of having the habit established?
Is it "laziness"?
Is it fear the child will protest?
Is it a blissful belief that it couldn't happen to me?

Is it really worth risking our most precious possessions' lives, limbs, and minds for any of the above reasons - or any of your own reasons?

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WHO, WHAT, AND WHERE
BY KERI BRISSETTE
GAZETTE TEEN REPORTER

Just about every one of Bloomingdale's residents has to have driven either north or south on John Moore and noticed a little white building off of Vonderburg Road near the hospital. Many people know of this little white building, yet don't know what it is or what goes on behind its doors. Actually, for a small building, it contains a large variety of happenings with a huge background of history behind it all.

Back during the mid to late 60's, many clubs formed a coalition under what was called then, and still is, the President's Round Table. But, they had nowhere to meet.

In the 70's, the Brandon Commercial Center donated the property (3.2 acres) for what is now Center Place. In 1979, Albertson's bought the center for a funeral home, which eventually became today's present building where all the clubs under the Round Table can now meet.

"Center Place" has not always been its name since the funeral home left. It began as the "Brandon Cultural Center," which held many art festivals and enrichment classes for the benefit of the public. But there was something that kept the public away from involving themselves in the center. According to Center Place's President, Pat Odiorne, "the word 'cultural' was intimidating and scared people away. The public thought we were just an art center." Mrs. Odiorne stresses that this is not the case, even though art is still very important -- "the community just wasn't ready for something like that before." It is actually a center for clubs to meet, classes to be taught, and social events to be held among many other things. So Center Place became the name and has stuck ever since.

The center is now a non-profit organization which relies on project income, grants, gifts, and membership dues for financial support. This support makes possible:

....Education for children and adults in visual and performing arts.

....Exhibitions, art demonstrations, lectures, and other activities.

....Workshops in all areas of the arts.

....Literature to promote programs.

....Special events.

....Programs related to enhancing our quality of life.

The decisions concerning Center Place are made by 15 board members who, in Mrs. Odiorne's view, are very civic-minded people. "Most are contributing to more than one club and are all very dedicated," she said. The board's purpose is to serve the community and its needs. Surveys are sent out randomly to find the interests and desires of Brandon's rapidly growing area. Mrs. Odiorne attributes the center's success to their ability to listen to the people's wants and needs. "We've had a good year and are open to any suggestions," she stated.

Due to the growth of Brandon and the lack of room, Hillsborough Community College will soon be bringing non-credited mini-courses (such as computers, public speaking, and other enrichment courses) over to Center Place. The cost will be between \$7 to \$14 for about six weeks.

The Home Extension Service will also join in in transferring some classes to Center Place.

For more information, call Center Place Monday through Friday 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at 685-8888.

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In order for the Center to continue operating and providing community enrichment programming, we need your support by renewing your Patron membership or taking out a Patron membership. Thank you again for your continued support.

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