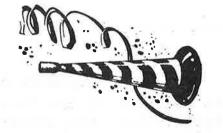


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KIDS KORNER

Hey, Kids!!! SANTA is coming to Bloomingdale !!!!!!!!!!!

He's made a list & checked it twice. He knows who's been naughty & nice.

He's bringing lots of toys for all the little girls & boys.

SO..... SANTA is coming to your street.

SUNDAY - DECEMBER 19th mid-afternoon





Sponsored by your Bloomingdale Homeowner's Association.

Co-Chairpersons,
Brenda J. Manning
Wendy Neuhoff

NOTICE TO ALL HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

As required in the Constitution of the Bloomingdale Homeowner's Association, any change to the Constitution & By-Laws must be submitted at a regular membership meeting. All members shall be notified of the proposed changes & such a motion shall be open at the next regular meeting of the Association. A two-thirds majority of those present shall be necessary to effect such alterations or amendments.

The change to the By-Laws and amendment to the Constitution involve the clarification of the role of the Vice President in the organization of the association.

Be it proposed that Article VI, Section 2, of the Constitution be amended to read: The Vice President shall act as Chairman of the Board and conduct all Board Meetings.

Be it proposed that Section 1 of the By-Laws be changed to read:
...The Board of Directors should meet at least once a month. The Vice
President shall preside over all meetings of the Board, and in his
absence, the President.

These proposals will be placed before the General Membership at the December meeting for consideration and if accepted, will be voted upon at the January meeting.

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With much appreciation, Brenda J. Manning Wendy Neuhoff

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People who can sing, hum, tap their toe, or even can't carry a tune in a bucket, but love <u>FUN</u>.

Meet us for a night of caroling on Dec. 19th at 7:00 PM. We will gather in two groups, so come to either the Bloomingdale East Sales Office or the Estates Sales Office.

Coffee, hot chocolate, teas & doughnuts will be served following the singing at 4041 Eastridge Dr. Thanks to Mr. & Mrs. Jim Miller for donation of the garage.



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Merry Christmas residents. Criterion is making the Bloomingdale Golf and Country Club a reality. By December of 1983 you'll have a great opportunity to improve your golf game on Criterion's new course. We're committing in excess of two million dollars to make the Bloomingdale course one of the finest in the area. And to preserve the natural beauty of the Bloomingdale property, the greens will be carefully places amongst the eaks and pines to create a setting that befits the entire development. At this time next year you'll be sipping cool drinks from the rustic clubhouse, grabbing a bite in the grille room, or browsing in the pro shop at the brand new Bloomingdale Country Club. In just a short time your community is going to turn from good to great before your very eyes. It's a dream come true!

Reminder: Pick up your registration forms for the first "I Ran To Bloomingdale" race at Coach's Corner, Robby's Sport Shops, or the Athlete's Foot.

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SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORT

The petition drive to survey all residents of Bloomingdale was accomplished during the latter part of November. Of the 431 occupied homes as of 11/30/82, 500 signatures representing 314 residences (73%) were obtained on the petition in favor of creating the S.T.D.

These petitions and our proposed legislative bill have been presented to the County Delegation for submission at the next session of the State Legislature. Watch the newsletter and/or attend future meetings of the Association for an update on the progress of our bill.

Copies of the piece of the legislation will be available at all future Association meetings for anyone's review.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Whens

December 21, 1982

7:30 pm - coffee

8:00 pm - general meeting

Where:

Pulte Sales Office Bloomingdale East





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930 - 5pm

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Dear Homeowners,

I don't know about you, but I think that now is the time to reevaluate the necessity for creation of a Special Taxing District for Bloomingdale. First, what is the real need for an STD? Proponents tell me that we do not have a guarantee that the developer -- Criterion -- will continue to maintain the exterior walls and landscaping; therefore, we -- the homeowners -- should contribute to this maintenance. How can we be expected to believe this? Criterion has a major investment in developing this area. They have committed to further enhancement of Bloomingdale by announcing a championship golf course by 1983, and someone is telling us that there is no guarantee that Criterion will continue to maintain the outward appearances of our development. Criterion's major interest in being here is to sell property and to make money. An area with walls in disrepair and with unsightly landscaping will not turn a buck as fast as a well maintained area.

If you ask the question about timing for an STD you will find that, for most cases, the STD is not really thought about until after a development is at least 80% complete, when the developer has less of an investment. So why do we need to create an STD when Bloomingdale isn't even 20% complete? We are told that the STD Board of Directors will have the "power" to levy a tax between \$0 and \$84.00. If Criterion maintains the grounds, then we already have a \$0 tax assessment. Why create an STD so a group of people can do nothing?

I really believe, and hope you do too, that we do not need to give the right to create taxation until that taxation is absolutely and positively necessary. We have enough taxation. Let's fully evaluate the need and realistically plan for a time in the future when Bloomingdale development is 60 to 70% complete (perhaps 6 - 7 years at the current rate) and then move forward on an STD.

In the past several months we have seen Criterion's committment to Bloomingdale's outward appearance. The walls are in good shape, the landscaping is attractive, and even the commercial zones near Bloomingdale Road have been dressed up. Criterion has also initiated a policy to survey the development for deed restriction violations. These are positive committments which Criterion believes will help maintain the beauty and integrity of our development and will help sell more property. If we proceed with an STD now, the major benefactor will be Criterion, and then the homeowners.

Please reevaluate the need for an STD. If you feel as I do that an STD is unnecessary at this time, please voice your opinion at the next Bloomingdale Homeowners Association General meeting on December 21, 1982. Unless a substantial vote in opposition to an STD is presented to the BHA Board of Directors, we might have to share the burden of one more unnecessary tax. Let's urge the BHA to postpone an STD until our development is much closer to completion and in need of stewardship for property maintenance.

Sincerely,

Oliver C. Boody IV

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8:00 PM

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Jan. 8th & 15th & 22nd 10 am - 4 pm

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