

# The Bloomingdale Gazette

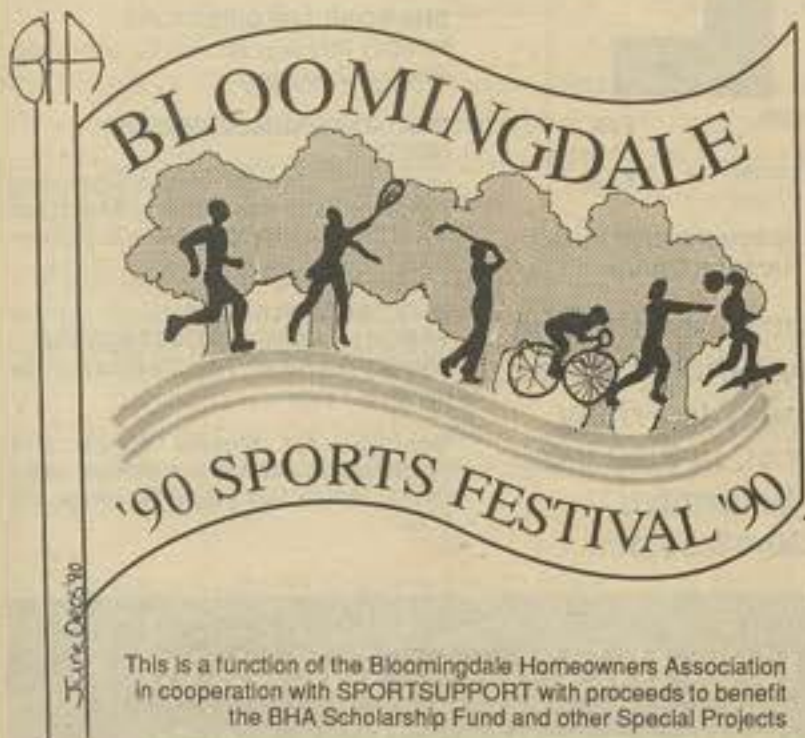
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### July 27-29

#### SPECIAL FEATURES

- ★ T-Shirts
- ★ Food, Drinks & Fun
- ★ Entertainment
- ★ Awards
- ★ Souvenir Mug

ALSO--

#### Door Prizes/Awards

- Tradewinds Resort: Weekend for Two
- 4 Dunlap Tires
- \$15,000 Automobile
- \$10,000 Cash
- Two 10 Speed Bikes
- Skateboards & Accessories
- Mini-Golf Passes
- A Set of Golf Clubs
- Dinners for Two

Plus MUCH MORE!

#### SKATEBOARDING

##### 2 Mile Cross-Country

Where: Bloomingdale Park East  
Entry Fee: \$12 per person (without coupon)  
Date/Time: Saturday, July 28 at 10 a.m.  
Registration: 9:30 a.m.  
Special Note: Under 17 years, parents participate free with children  
\* Entry drawing for boards and accessories

#### BIKING

##### 2 Mile Bike Ride

Promoting bike safety in our community

Where: Bloomingdale Park East  
Entry Fee: \$12 per person (without coupon)  
Date/Time: Saturday, July 28 at 10 a.m.  
Registration: 9:30 a.m.  
Special Note: Under 17 years, parents ride free with children  
\* Entry drawing for 10 speed bike

#### \$10,000 Hole-In-One Bloomingdale Square

##### Qualifying Rounds

\$1 Per Ball • \$5 for 6 • \$10 for 12

Friday	July 27	(5 p.m. to 9 p.m.)
Saturday	July 28	(9 a.m. to 9 p.m.)
Sunday	July 29	(1 p.m. to 5 p.m.)

FINALS: Sunday • 6 p.m.

#### VOLLEYBALL

##### Serious & Fun Volleyball - - All Ages

Where: Bloomingdale Park West  
Entry Fee: \$15 per person (without coupon)  
Date/Time: Sunday, July 29, Noon to 6 p.m.  
Division I: 4-man Competition (Limited to first 10 teams)  
Division II: 4-person Co-Ed--Fun (Limited to first 10 teams)

#### GOLF

##### 4-Man Scramble (flighted)

Where: Apollo Beach Golf & Sea Club  
Entry Fee: \$40 per person  
Date/Time: Saturday, July 28 at 8 a.m.  
Registration: 7:30 a.m.  
Special: \$15,000 Car from Brandon Chrysler/Plymouth for a Hole in One  
Golfballs for every player • Free refreshments & buffet

#### RUNNING

##### 5K Run and 1 Mile Fun Walk

Where: Bloomingdale Park East  
Entry Fee: \$12 per person (without coupon)  
Date/Time: Saturday, July 28 at 8 a.m.  
Registration: 7 a.m.  
Awards for different age groups: Male and Female  
Top Male & Female \$50 gift certificates

#### TENNIS

##### Men's Singles & Doubles

##### Women's Singles & Doubles

Where: Bloomingdale Park West  
Entry Fee: \$15 (without coupon)  
Date/Time: Saturday, July 28:  
8 am-1 pm and 5-8 pm  
Sunday, July 29: 4-8 pm  
Limited playing spots

To register by mail, send your check or money order on or before July 27 to:

SPORTSUPPORT • 4105 Denage Court • Brandon, FL 33511

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Golf Tournament \$40 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Mile Bicycle Race \$12    | <input type="checkbox"/> Volleyball Tournament \$15 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5k Run/Walk \$12     | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Mile Skateboard Race \$12 | <input type="checkbox"/> Tennis Tournament \$15     |

T-Shirt Size: S  M  L  XL  Youth \_\_\_ or Adult \_\_\_ size?

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature (Parent signature if under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

#### Tennis Tournament

Player \_\_\_\_\_

Singles  Advanced

Doubles  Beginner

#### Volleyball Tournament

Player \_\_\_\_\_

Player \_\_\_\_\_

Team Name \_\_\_\_\_

Competitive

Non-Competitive

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#### Meanwhile, inside you'll find...

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- 12/13..... A special Childcare Directory
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Supplement... Take a look at where the Gazette is going and watch for more next month!

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### Community Telephone Directory

**BLOOMINGDALE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.**  
827 E. Bloomingdale Ave.  
Brandon, FL 33511 • 681-2051

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**BLOOMINGDALE OAKS SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT**  
P. O. Box 3132  
Brandon, FL 33509-3132

President  
Linda Hagan...681-6223

**BLOOMINGDALE NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH ASSOCIATION**  
827 E. Bloomingdale Ave.  
Brandon, FL 33511 • 681-2051

**DISTRICT II**  
Position available  
Coordinator  
T. J. Pinta, Deputy, HC Sheriff's Department  
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**BLOOMINGDALE MOBILE WATCH**  
827 E. Bloomingdale Ave.  
Brandon, FL 33511

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Location of the  
Bloomingdale Community Office  
827 E. Bloomingdale Ave.  
Bloomingdale Square



Office space donated by the  
Paragon Group

The Bloomingdale Community Office is open:  
Monday to Friday  
9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
Saturdays  
9:30-12:30 p.m.

### IMPORTANT COMMUNITY MEETINGS

All meetings take place at the Bloomingdale Community Office (See map on left). These are public meetings and all Bloomingdale Residents are invited.

**SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT MEETINGS**  
Monthly Meeting: Second Monday of the month at 8 p.m.

**BHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
Monthly Meeting: Second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

**BHA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**  
Occur five times per year in September, November (elections), January, March, and May. The next meeting will be in September.

**BLOOMINGDALE OAKS SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT MEETING**  
Monthly Meeting: First Thursday of the month at 7 p.m.

Meetings for Mobile Watch and Neighborhood Watch are on a per need basis. Watch this listing for dates and time.

Use this form for all of  
your community needs.

### Bloomingdale's "Everything you ever needed" Form

Mail or bring to: Bloomingdale Community Offices  
827 E. Bloomingdale Avenue  
Brandon, FL 33511

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime phone \_\_\_\_\_

**I/We would like:**

- To become a Participating Member in the Bloomingdale Homeowners Association: Dues \$10/year; Nov. 1 to Oct. 31.
- To make a donation to:  
\_\_\_\_\_ BHA Legal Fund  
\_\_\_\_\_ BHA Scholarship Fund  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- To join \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Watch \_\_\_\_\_ Neighborhood Watch.
- To be placed on waiting lists or volunteer lists for:  
\_\_\_\_\_ BHA Board of Directors  
\_\_\_\_\_ STD Board of Trustees  
\_\_\_\_\_ Committees as needed
- To report a code violation such as unmowed lots, junk cars, safety hazards, etc. (Your name remains confidential, but MUST be on this form at the top.) Call the office if the problem is not cleared up within 2 weeks of sending in this notice.

Location & nature of suspected violation--  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

To be contacted regarding advertising in *The Bloomingdale Gazette*.

To make a comment about:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# Dear Bloomingdale Residents:

The Bloomingdale Neighborhood Watch Program is in a serious state of crisis. (This is not to be confused with the Mobile Watch Program.) It is in spite of many hours spent by the Board Directors in an attempt to rectify this situation.

The Board of Directors of the Bloomingdale Homeowners Association, Inc., is faced with dismantling the Neighborhood Watch Program in Bloomingdale for the following reasons:

Although several have thought they could, or would, assume the helm of this program, none were followed through to completion.

Area coordinators can't be located. In some areas coordinators have been found, but these are few and far between.

Unless an overall coordinator is found and the Neighborhood Watch Program put back on its feet quickly, the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Department has threatened to pull its official sanctioning of our area. To receive the sanctioning back, it would take a 70% participation level of Bloomingdale to bring it back.

The BHA Board has found that there are an abundance of volunteers to assume Block Captain positions and other volunteer areas, but not a leader to run it all. Several individuals have tried but have not had the time it takes to pull it off. Before the Block Captains can be put into effective use, an overall coordinator must be found and subsequent area coordinators.

Based on information put forth from those who have been involved, the overall Neighborhood Watch Coordinator would have to do the following:

Have the time to follow through; possibly a full-time job or someone home during the day.

Be willing to make phone calls, do canvassing, and have the skills to recruit volunteers to get the program going.

3. Once the program is active, serve as an effective administrator.

This is not an easy job position to fill and it's all volunteer work.

Some areas of Bloomingdale already have a quasi Neighborhood Watch set up and in effect. On Applegate Circle in Bloomingdale Estates (West) they actually caught a burglar using the telephone chain which is the integral part of Neighborhood Watch.

But in another instance, we failed because we didn't have a Neighborhood Watch in place for all of Bloomingdale. Teenagers were being beaten by a gang along Nature's Way at 4 p.m. on a Sunday. After the first instance, the Sheriff's Department asked us to warn the residents to pull their children inside. We couldn't and two more teenage boys were needlessly beaten.

This is how Neighborhood Watch works:

All of Bloomingdale is divided into area sections. Windsor Woods, Erin Arbor, Estates, Oaks, etc., are examples of areas. An area coordinator (under the overall coordinator) is in charge of each section. Inside of each section, it is broken down further with Block Captains being in charge. These Block Captains (and Assistant Block Captains) go to every house in their assigned area (about 10-15 homes) and get the name, address, and phone number at each. This is then placed on a sheet of paper that creates a telephone chain. Each person on the chain is connected to 2-3 others.

If there is an emergency, the Sheriff's Department will call the Bloomingdale Coordinator and ask that the telephone chain spread the information. The Coordinator then calls the Area Coordinator who notifies the Block Captains (maybe 3-4 calls). The Block Captains then call their assigned telephone chain residents who then call their assigned people and so on. Within 10 minutes, 100's of residents can be notified. This

notification doesn't have to be limited to just one area. By calling every area, every resident in Bloomingdale can be notified in as little as 20 minutes!

This telephone chain process can carry enormous potential. Mailbox bashers can be caught before they leave the area. Missing children can be located quickly and safely. Every outside light in Bloomingdale can be turned on at once to help the Sheriff's Department catch a perpetrator in the act. The list of possibilities is endless—and it is all under the sanctioning of the Sheriff's Department.

And the greatest potential of all is the Neighborhood Watch Program's active deterrent against crime!

But... None of this can happen without a committed overall Coordinator.

The choice is up to you, do we continue with the Neighborhood Watch Program, provided a Coordinator can be found...? Or, do we dismantle the program and lose our sanctioning?

Sincerely,  
**Board of Directors  
Bloomingdale Homeowners  
Association, Inc.  
Martin Andersen, President**

**The decision is yours.  
The BHA Board needs  
your input before making  
a decision this profound.  
Please take a moment and  
make your choice below:**

Mail this form to:  
The Bloomingdale Community Offices  
827 E. Bloomingdale Ave.  
Brandon, FL 33511

I will volunteer my time to keep the Bloomingdale Neighborhood Watch Program going in the following areas:

I agree to become the Overall Bloomingdale Coordinator  
I realize that this is not an easy job and will involve time and effort.  
I feel I am up to the challenge and will follow through.

I agree to become an Area Coordinator for the following section:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Mail this form to:  
The Bloomingdale Community Offices  
827 E. Bloomingdale Ave.  
Brandon, FL 33511

I feel all efforts to get the Neighborhood Watch going should be stopped for the following reasons (check all that apply):

- I have no interest in the Neighborhood Watch Program.
- I don't feel it is worth the effort.
- We don't need a Neighborhood Watch Program.
- The Mobile Watch is sufficient.
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

# Area Churches

**Apostles Lutheran**  
200 N. Kingsway,  
Brandon  
689-2571  
Mary & Tim Canniff-  
Kuhn  
Sunday Schedule:  
Worship 8:30 am & 11 am

**Bell Shoals Baptist Church**  
2102 Bell Shoals,  
Brandon  
689-4229  
Pastor: Dr. Bob Reccord  
Sunday Schedule:  
Worship 10:55 & 6:30  
p.m.  
Bible Study: 9:30

**Bloomingdale Community Brethren Church**  
1310 E Bloomingdale  
Ave, Valrico  
681-2790  
Pastor: David L. Stone  
Sunday Schedule:  
Worship 10:30 & 6 p.m.  
Sunday School 9:30

**Brandon Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)**  
910 S Bryan Road,  
Brandon  
689-4021  
Pastor: Rev. Larry L.  
Chambers  
Sunday Schedule:  
Worship 10:45 a.m.

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
**Christ Community Church**  
1310 John Moore Road,  
Brandon  
685-6786  
Pastor: Clifford Bassett  
Sunday Schedule:  
Worship 11:00 & 6 p.m.  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

**First Christian Church of Brandon**  
207 New Hope Road,  
Brandon  
689-1457  
Minister: Larry Delks  
Assoc. Minister: David  
Waits  
Sunday Schedule:  
Worship 10:45 a.m. &  
6:00 p.m.  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

**First Pentecostal Church**  
2207 Lithia-Pinecrest Rd,  
Brandon  
685-4827  
Pastor: F. E. Goldsberry  
Sunday Worship 10 a.m.  
& 6 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study  
7:30 p.m.

**Holy Innocent's Episcopal Church**  
Valrico Road at Front  
Street, Valrico  
689-3130

Pastor: Stephen L.  
Rudacille  
Sun. Worship 8/10:30  
a.m.  
Christian Ed Class 9 a.m.  
Nursery available all  
morning  
Wednesday Eve 7:15 p.m.

**Presbyterian Church of Bloomingdale**  
3212 Lithia, Valrico  
North of Bloomingdale-  
Ave  
654-3699  
Pastor: Reid B. Isenhart  
Sunday Schedule:  
Worship: 10:30 a.m.  
Church School: 9:15 a.m.

**Resurrection Community Church**  
3225 Bell Shoals Road.,  
Brandon  
685-6377  
Pastor: Wayne Radd  
Sunday Schedule:  
Worship: 10:30 a.m. & 7  
p.m.  
Childrens Church &  
Nursery: 10:30 a.m.

**St. Andrews United Methodist Church**  
3315 Bryan Rd. at  
Bloomingdale, Brandon  
689-6849 or Preschool  
689-1207  
Pastor: Robert A. Hahn  
Sunday Schedule:  
Worship 8:30 & 11; 6:30  
p.m.

Sunday School 9:40;  
Youth 5:15;  
**St. Mark United Church**  
United Church of Christ  
2914 Lithia-Pinecrest  
Road, Valrico  
685-0998  
Pastor: Garry A. Scheuer,  
Jr.  
Sunday Schedule:  
Worship 10:45  
Church School 10:45

**St. Stephen's Catholic Church**  
5049 Bell Shoals Road,  
Valrico  
689-4900  
Mass Schedule:  
Saturday Vigil 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m.,  
11 a.m.  
Weekdays Mon.-Fri. 8  
a.m.

**South Brandon Baptist Church**  
4929 Bell Shoals Road  
681-1045  
Pastor: Al Browder  
Sunday Schedule:  
Bible Study 9:45 a.m.  
Worship 11 a.m. and 7  
p.m.

**South Brandon Community Church**  
Office: 406 E.  
Bloomingdale Ave,  
Brandon

653-2317  
Pastor: Ed Ross, 653-  
2417  
Youth Pastor: Jeff Dunn  
Sunday Schedule:  
Worship 10 a.m. at  
Bloomingdale High  
School  
A brand new non-  
denominational church  
which had it's first service  
on December 17, 1989.  
Youth, Singles, Home  
Bible Studies, Softball,  
Volleyball, Fellowship  
Groups Offered

**Tampa Bay Christian Center**  
3920 S. Kings Avenue,  
Brandon  
689-9497  
Pastor: Dr. David K.  
Blomgren  
Sunday Schedule:  
Worship 10:30 & 6 p.m.  
Mid-week Service:  
Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

**Bell Shoals Church of Christ**  
2908 Bell Shoals Road,  
Brandon

**Immanuel Lutheran Church & School**  
2913 John Moore Road,  
Brandon

**Westminster Presbyterian Church**  
402 East Lumsden Road,

# Synagogue Listing

**Chabad of Brandon Jewish Center**  
889 E Bloomingdale Ave.  
Bloomingdale Square,  
Brandon  
689-7770  
Rabbi Levi Shentov  
Service Schedule:  
Friday - 7 p.m.  
Saturday - 10 a.m.  
Sun. Hebrew School-10  
am  
Tuesday Adult Classes - 7  
p.m. & 8 p.m.

**Jewish Community Center of Brandon** will be holding reform services in the social hall of the Apostles Lutheran Church, 200 N. Kingway. The services will be held on the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month at 7:15 p.m. For more information call 681-9680 or 645-3759.




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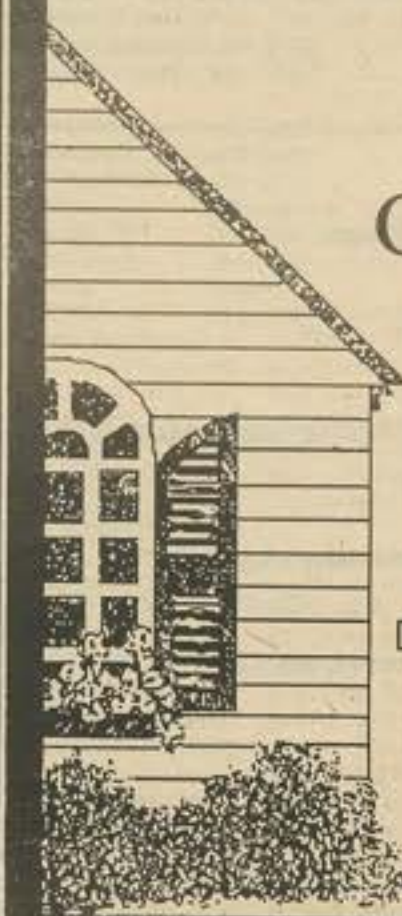
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## President's Point of View

by Martin Andersen  
President  
Bloomingdale Home-owners Association

The news has been filled with the controversy over the recent ruling of the Supreme Court allowing the burning of the Flag as a form of free speech. I am sure that we all have our own opinions on the issue and I ask that you indulge me by allowing me to present my views on the subject.

There are places in this country where you can be arrested for spitting in a public place. You cannot burn leaves without the law coming down on you; at the very least you need a permit. There are many laws on the books as well as those that need to be there for the good of law and order. I know of no other country where you could burn the country's flag without being arrested. Freedom of Speech? Come off it! The dictionary defines speech as — The faculty or act of expressing or describing thoughts, feelings, or perceptions by the articulation of words. I see flag burning is disrespect for a symbol of his great country.

What symbol will be next? The bald eagle? Oh, I forgot, there is a law that protects the eagle. Maybe we can burn the Bill of Rights, the very document that the court says allows the burning of the Flag. Do we need to amend the Constitution or pass some law that makes burning a symbol of our nation a crime? That subject is another debate. However, I did hear of one municipality that passed a ordinance that said it was illegal to burn the Flag and a crime to assault anyone burning the Flag. The maximum punishment for the assault is one dollar. Interesting concept.

Is the lack of respect for the flag due to a lack of patriotism and education? Is this what is causing the present chaos? Maybe people are just taking this country for granted. Rally around the flag! Many years ago that rally meant to gather in strength to support your country. Are we losing sight of what this country stands for? What our symbols

stand for? I'll let you judge. The following is just one of the things I observed at the 4th of July Parade. As the Color Guard passed, a man stood up and removed his hat. A young couple observed this and one asked, "Why is he standing and removing his hat? Are you supposed to do that?" The man that stood was just one of a few that seemed to understand proper respect to the Flag. There were not many that knew the proper flag etiquette or showed the proper respect. Need another example? Next time you see a ball game on TV, see how many people fail to stand and/or remove their hats during the flag ceremony and the playing of the National Anthem. Let's get it over with and play ball.

I don't classify myself as a super patriot. I served my country as many others have. Some have said I've more than paid my dues. Many have paid the supreme sacrifice. On two occasions I had the sad duty of presenting the folded Flag to the family of a fallen comrade. The flag draped casket, the firing of rifles as a final salute, the playing of Taps, will stay in my memories. Nothing will erase the look on the faces of the family as I presented the folded Flag. How could anyone stand by and let the Flag be desecrated? We all should be proud to be Americans and respect our national symbols and what they stand for. We may not be perfect, but I wouldn't want to live anywhere else. Let's not tear this Nation down, let's build on its solid foundation and keep America great.

I think that it is time that the Bloomingdale community show our Colors. Let's fly the Flag on holidays. Let's start planning now, as a united community, to participate in the 4th of July Parade in 1991.

What is the BHA all about? Well, we are here for the community. One of the things your dues goes to is to help your neighbors in need of help? There was a fire in Bloomingdale West recently where a home was completely destroyed. The BHA, on behalf of the community, was able to present the family with a small check to meet immediate expenses. It is your support and dues that make such community activities possible.

President Mike Kelly, and I have all requested the STD include paid security patrols in the budget.

And now the coup de gras... BHA President Martin Andersen at the request of the BHA Board and on behalf of 9,000+ Bloomingdale Residents wrote a letter to the STD requesting paid security for Bloomingdale in their budget beginning October 1990.

I personally called STD President Errol Whitfield and told him this letter was coming and to make sure it was on the budget workshop agenda. He was notified almost one week prior to the meeting that this was being

## Letters...

Dear Susan:

I was surprised when I opened up the June 1990 issue of *The Bloomingdale Gazette* and could not find your regular column, "My Turn." When I called the *Gazette* office they informed me you had been sick and had not had the time to complete the article for publication. Sure hope you're feeling better as I really enjoy reading your column.

The tragic fire last May at 3817 Cloverhill in Bloomingdale West certainly made us all aware of the ever present fire dangers during the current drought. The house nearly burned to the ground that Saturday night with the family away for the weekend. Sounds a lot like a fire in Bloomingdale East not too long ago. Why hasn't the *Gazette* had any articles on the fire? Matter of fact, I don't recall seeing any news articles in the *Tampa Tribune* either.

As I sit writing this letter I can't help but think of the many frustrated people waiting in line outside of the county tag offices on the last day to avoid the new state fee increases for auto tags. The fee increases are supposed to raise \$1.5 billion this budget year to fix our state roads (70%) with the remainder for improved law enforcement (30%). No one doubts Florida's need for better roads, especially for the residents here in Bloomingdale who have all too often witnessed Commissioner Jim Selvey's broken

promises to widen Bloomingdale Avenue. The problem with the new auto tag tax was notification. Just about all people contacted stated they had not heard of the new taxes until yesterday (June 28). Today is the last day to avoid the nearly \$500 fee for new residents to simply register their car in Florida. With nearly one-third of Bloomingdale's population working at MacDill AFB, we must have had many frustrated citizens in line at the local tag office. Seems a simple 4 to 5 cent increase in gas tax would have been a lot easier to implement and would have charged the users of our roads directly for the road repairs. I would like to know how our elected representatives voted on this particular bill, especially Tampa's former mayor, Governor "one term" Martinez. Since this is an election year, I will let my elected representatives know exactly how I feel when I visit the voting booth.

Thanks in advance, Susan, for your reply. Keep up the excellent work on the *Gazette*.

Sincerely,  
Charles R. Vanderford

*Note: I, too, would be interested in seeing how our elected officials vote on all levels. Watch for that information in a future issue.*

*As to the fire story, it happened as we were going to press last month. You will find it in this issue.*

*And "My Turn" is back and I am much better, thank you.*  
-SLD

To: Bob Boonesbury  
Bloomingdale Gazette

From: Elton Dumont

Subject: Our conversation last month

Dear Bob:

Thank you so much for your gracious reference to our conversation in the June issue of the *Gazette*. As a result of our chat I have had dozens of people call me and demand that I review the Upfront Steakhouse, the Green Olive, and of course the dining room at our local Chez' Wal Mart. I hope you were impressed with the preparation, service and ambience that the Wal Mart offered. On our next visit

we plan to try to Lobster Bisque or the Butterflied Filet Mignon.

In the meantime, if I can be of any further service to you, or you would like to join our next transcendental dining meditation, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Your gastronomical associate,

Elton Dumont

### The BHA continues its involvement in code enforcement

by Alexa Hrvatin  
Gazette Staff Reporter

To the Editor:

On May 14, 1990, a letter from the Bloomingdale Oaks Special Tax District was put on my mailbox. As I read through it, I noticed it made mention of the time and money spent in upgrading the sprinkler system but they didn't say who was responsible for doing the upgrading. I felt this was worth mentioning.

In my travels in and out of our development, I came to know the two men who worked on the sprinkler system. Their names are Ed Kirschenman and Fred Englehardt, both Bloomingdale Oaks residents and S.T.D. board members.

As a resident myself, I expressed an interest in what they were working on and naturally stopped to talk to them. I learned that they had

volunteered their time to fix the existing system themselves to save money for all (of) us and to hopefully lower our yearly assessment for the following year. At least 12 weekends were given up by these men to accomplish this job. I know because I was out there talking to them every weekend.

My reason for writing this letter is because I think they deserve recognition and thanks for a job well done. It's real nice to know that there are two such devoted men who took time out from their family and friends to help better our development. It looks great out front now with the new landscaping and we can all rest assured that our plants are being properly watered.

Fondly,  
An appreciative neighbor  
J.M. Rubbing

## We have a new desk!!

The Bloomingdale Gazette would like to thank Brigette Andersen for donating a desk which is now being used in our office.

## Why the Gazette doesn't print anything about political candidates.

by Susan L. DeLuca, General Manager

Yes, we do accept paid political advertisements, but no press releases—just news.

At each election time of year, *The Bloomingdale Gazette* is besieged by literally hundreds of pieces of mail regarding political candidates. A lot of this information is written by professional advertising agencies and some is even very impressive. As the candidates stump around Bloomingdale, they send us photos of themselves plus Bloomingdale Residents or give us a "hot news flash" that a particular candidate is available for handshaking in our area.

I am all for the political process. I for one think it is important, viable, and an honorable profession. But it can't go in our newspaper.

Think of it this way... The Bloomingdale Homeowners Association not only owns this newspaper, but they have to work extensively with our elected political leaders. If we print anything about a candidate and he/she loses, we could find ourselves with the opponent as a winning elected official with a long memory. We would lose our effectiveness for the community.

So to all you Bloomingdale Residents, candidates, and agencies who want us to print something about your favorite candidate, I must say "we're sorry" and hope you appreciate our position.

Bloomingdale Homeowners Association board member Tom Brophy has been nominated by the BHA board to serve on the County Code Enforcement Board.

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Enforcement officers, the BHA has been helping to enforce these codes for several years.

Anyone wishing to report a code violation, should use the form on page 2 or call the Bloomingdale Community Office at 681-2051.

## My Turn

by Susan L. DeLuca  
Gazette General Manager

Well the STD did it again! To help me, they take five steps forward and six backward.

For a starter...Let's give one cheer for "NO SECURITY FOR BLOOMINGDALE" courtesy of our STD!

The STD ordinance specifically says that they can hire security for our area. I know...I helped write the ordinance.

Errol Wagner, Past BHA

requested as an agenda item.

Did you read the 1990-1991 STD budget? Alas, but no security do we see there! They said they didn't receive enough advance notice to put it on the agenda! Give me a break!

What's it going to take to get the point across to these volunteers? And just who do they think they are representing? Obviously not this community!

But instead what we do see is the STD taking in extra monies they aren't using—they have a surplus. Don't get me wrong, Bloomingdale is well maintained

as you can see, but there can definitely be improvements.

Speaking of improvements. I hear the STD won't be putting in any trees along medians or near roads. It seems that they are concerned that if they plant the trees there the leaves will fall on the road. If the leaves fall on the road, they may get wet. If they get wet and a car travels over them, slides and maybe has an accident, the STD board is concerned they may get sued for the accident.

Believe it or not, the above scenario is real and imaginary characters are not used.

Martin Andersen called a professional at Hillsborough County to ask if this was for real, or what. The lady in authority whom he spoke with had a difficult time controlling her giggles. Need I say more?

People say to me that I seem to be down on the STD. That's not so. I helped create that thing because I felt it would be good for the community—I still feel that way. I like everyone on that Board. But they are so caught up in legalese and protecting their backsides that they aren't listening to the Residents and getting the job done. I'm glad they've taken the step of hiring legal help, but they

can't breathe on that board unless the attorney grants his consent first. If it wasn't for Property Manager Bobby Cole, we wouldn't have Bloomingdale look as good as it does today.

Anybody have a solution? We could take a lesson from the Bloomingdale Oaks STD...they certainly seem to have their act together.

\*\*\*\*\*  
There is an advertising supplement inside your *Gazette* this month about our anticipated circulation growth. In the August issue I will be writing a letter addressed to everyone regarding the reasons the *Gazette* has taken this expansion step.

# Bloomington Drive shows an average speed of 46.56 mph!

by Art Bleau  
Gazette Staff Reporter

Efforts to stop speeders who use Bloomington Drive as a shortcut around heavier traffic has brought a homeowner there nothing but frustration, despite a county-suggested solution.

Byron Newcomb, who lives on Bloomington Drive, decided to do something about the heavy traffic and speeders who daily use the street between John Moore Road and Canoga Park Drive. Because of Newcomb's efforts, county officials conducted a study of traffic there in May. The traffic counter caught the attention of many Bloom-

ingtondale residents as they passed by.

The results of the study, according to Valarie Trawick, an engineering technician in the Roads and Street Department indicated 4,288 vehicles used the street on May 22 and another 5,646 used it the following day.

Of greater concern to Newcomb was the result of a speed survey, which showed cars travelling at an average speed of 39.44 miles per hour between 2 p.m. and 3:15 p.m. on one May day and an average of 46.56 mph on another day. The speed limit on the street is 30 mph.

Newcomb had requested that the county institute a traffic diversion on the street or install speed bumps to slow traffic.

Ms. Trawick said the Residential Traffic Control Committee rejected the diverter idea because Bloomington Drive is a public street. She said the committee also rejected the speed bump suggestion because the road is 28 feet wide, surpassing the department's 20-foot maximum for speed bumps.

**Residents continue to be concerned about the "raceway" in West.**

Ms. Trawick said the committee did support the option of installing a traffic circle at the intersection of Bloomington and Paddlewheel Drives. She said Newcomb was sent a petition package and has 90 days to return the documents with signatures from 75 percent of the homeowners in the involved area.

"It's worthless. It's not going to solve anything," Newcomb said of the proposed solution. On circulation of the petitions, he

added, "I think it's ridiculous. I don't have the kind of time required to do that."

Another problem Newcomb said he would face is asking many of the speeders to sign petitions to stop their illegal activity, since many live in the area.

Although he won't have the time to circulate the petitions, Newcomb said he intends to contact the department again about doing something else—possibly holding a public hearing on the problem.

Newcomb said sheriff's deputies have stopped speeders periodically but it doesn't slow the drivers

down. He also noted that even the Roads and Streets Department said the problem is a "Category 3 situation" involving "major excessive speed."

"I feel they (the department) just push you to such a point of frustration that you'll just quit," Newcomb said of the petition problem. "They're putting the burden on me to do something," he said. "There is no way that people should have to live with this kind of speed outside their homes and have the county do nothing about it," Newcomb concluded.

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P205/75R15		\$56.25
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P185/75R14	\$44.55	P225/75R15	\$57.50
P195/75R14	\$45.90	P235/75R15	\$60.80
P205/75R14	\$49.29		

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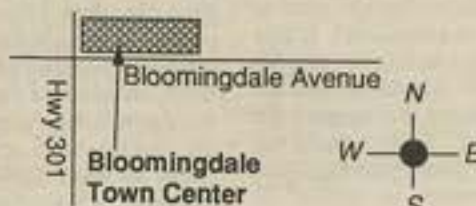
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# Bloomingdale's Watchers

## Mobile Watch Report

by LaWayne Wyatt  
Core Committee Member

This month marks the 10th anniversary of the Mobile Watch. To celebrate this momentous occasion, we entered a car in the Brandon 4th of July parade. Our thanks to Steven Allen for providing and driving his van in the parade. Thanks also to his sons who helped decorate the van.

The Mobile Watch originally started in July 1980 following a series of burglaries in the new Bloomingdale subdivision. At that time Bloomingdale only had 103 homes. The first meeting was held in Fred Uphoff's garage and was attended by about 50 residents. During the meeting the basic rules and procedures were developed under the guidance of then Sergeant Bennie Holder, Tampa Police Department, who was also a Bloomingdale resident. The Bloomingdale Security Patrol began operations under the auspices of the BHA with approximately 50 members, one hand held CB radio and one base station. In March 1983 the name was changed to Bloomingdale Mobile Watch Patrol and in November 1983

it became the Bloomingdale Mobile Watch. In November 1983 members of the Mobile Watch also assisted in starting the Neighborhood Watch program for Bloomingdale. In 1984 the Mobile Watch withdrew from the BHA and operated as an independent organization until April 1990 when it rejoined with the BHA.

Initially, one patrol was scheduled on Friday, Saturday and Sunday and covered 1-1/2 miles of streets on Eastridge Drive, Briarlake Drive, Highgrove Court, Orangepointe Drive, Greenrock Place, Greenstone Place and the west part of Casaba Loop. In late 1980 Bessemer Circle and part of Applegate Circle in the Estates was opened so the patrol drove through the "wilderness" to also cover these streets.

During the early days, the Mobile Watch worked very closely with the builders, the developer, and the Bloomingdale Volunteer Fire Department. On several occasions Watch members worked with the builders on stake-outs when building materials were being stolen. Members also assisted the Volunteer Fire Department in fighting several brush fires along Bell Shoals Road and the Natures Way areas. Members even became involved in animal control when housewives called to complain about cows and horses look-

ing in their kitchen windows.

Over the years we have worked very closely with the Sheriff's Department. Information provided by members has led to the arrest and conviction of several burglary rings and solved several other crimes in the community. Members also provided traffic control assistance to the Sheriff's Department for accidents in the area.

Scheduling fifty people to conduct one patrol, three nights a week was done manually with 3x5 cards in 1980. As membership grew and patrols were expanded this process became unwieldy. As a result, a computerized program was developed and copyrighted by Skip Mowry in 1984. This program is still in use today.

Funding and equipment support has come from many sources during the past ten years. Builders, the developer, the BHA, the Gazette and residents have all provided monetary support or donated equipment to keep the Watch running. Currently, the Mobile Watch is funded by its own fund raisers and the Columbia Bank through the BHA.

As Bloomingdale has grown so has the Mobile Watch. Today we have approximately 200 members with eight base station operators. These members,

all volunteers, allow us to schedule two to three patrols, seven nights a week. The area covered by these patrols is approximately three miles long — John Moore Road to Lithia-Pinecrest Road — and 1-1/2 miles wide and includes 50-60 miles of streets. The Mobile Watch also provides traffic control assistance to the BHA for many of its functions.

The Mobile Watch also continues to work very closely with District II of the Sheriff's Department. We currently provide District II and the Bloomingdale High School Resource Officer a weekly update of our log. This update provides them with indicators of activity in the Bloomingdale community and may provide leads to solve crimes in our area. The Sheriff's Department has also officially recognized the Mobile Watch and will use it as a model for other communities who wish to start similar organizations.

In the future, as Bloomingdale grows so will the Mobile Watch. Unfortunately, society today is a very mobile one. Therefore, we continually need new members to replace those who move. Of the original members only four are still active - Fred & Joyce Uphoff and Hal & Pam Labkon. We also need to add more patrols as more and more homes are built. Why not call today and volunteer one evening a month. As long as the need exists we plan to be on the streets to keep our community safe.

Thanks to the following who recently volunteered: Ray Chenoweth, River Crossings; Bob & Peg Havenstein, East; Lewis Hill, Windsor Woods; Larry Santori, River Crossings; Rob Tomes, River Crossings; Terry Ward, River Crossing.

## County budget cuts could affect Neighborhood Watch

by Alexa Hrvatin  
Gazette Staff Reporter

Martin Andersen attended a meeting of the Hillsborough County Neighborhood Watch group, which was called in order to discuss the proposed budget cuts for the Sheriff's Department.

There was discussion of a letter from the Sheriff to the Board of County Commissioners, in which he outlined fifteen areas or pro-

grams that would suffer if the budget is cut as proposed. Some of the key areas included enforcement, neighborhood watch programs, school crossing guards and school resource officers. Because of the concern of the Bloomingdale Homeowners Association, the homeowners group will draft a letter to Larry Brown objecting to those budget cuts which will have an impact on crime and safety in our community.

## "The Spot" claims another life

by Alexa Hrvatin, Gazette Staff Reporter

Last month on Wednesday, June 13, the area known as The Spot was the scene of yet another teenager's death. This time it involved a swimming outing at the Alafia River, known to the teens as The Lost. The victim, 15 year old Jamie Riley, fell out of the back of a pick-up as it was returning along the bumpy trail leading back to Culbreath Road.

Zone deputies know that the area needs to be closely watched and is one of the problem areas targeted by the district.

## Auto accident on Bell Shoals

by Alexa Hrvatin  
Gazette Staff Reporter

Bloomingdale traffic was interrupted on the evening of June 13, when several cars collided near the intersection of Bell Shoals and Rosemeade. Deputy Mike Bryant investigated the accident, in which there were no serious injuries.

Bryant stated in his report that a northbound car stopped to make a left turn onto Rosemeade. The car behind hit it, and pushed it into the southbound lane, where it was struck again. One individual was held for observation at the hospital, but no one was seriously injured. The cars that were involved sustained a considerable amount of damage, however.

## Bloomingdale bank robbed

by Alexa Hrvatin  
Gazette Staff Reporter

Southeast Bank on Bell Shoals was robbed Monday, June 25, in broad daylight. The robbery occurred quickly at 10:25 a.m. as a deputy sat nearby in his cruiser, oblivious to the action in the bank.

The investigating officer, Kendall Glenn, supplied the following description of the suspect, who claimed to have a gun: white male 5'8" to 5'11", between 160-180 pounds, age late 20's or 30's. He was wearing khaki pants, a dark (blue) colored pullover shirt and stocking mask. He drive a gray Camaro with a racing stripe, which may have been blue. Please call the Sheriff's department if you have any other information.

## Tennis courts to close

The Tennis and volleyball courts in Bloomingdale West will be closed on July 28 and 29, as they have been reserved for the Bloomingdale Sportsfest, per per-

mission from the HC Parks Dept. The Tennis courts in East however, will remain open during this event. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

## Do you know what this photo is?



It's an invitation to disaster and theft. According to the Sheriff's Department, an open garage door, even in the late evening, is an invitation for someone to steal your bikes, lawnmowers, tools, and other items. This has been known to happen frequently even as families are sitting at their dining room table eating dinner!

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## Bloomingdale Special District Treasurer's Report

June 1, 1990 Through June 30, 1990

### Opening Balances:

Checking	\$ 3,423.20
MMA	25,172.86
CD #5790	100,000.00
CD #4920	30,000.00
CD #4580	7,500.00
CD #1700	2,500.00

Total Opening Balance \$173,596.06

### Revenues:

Tax Collections	\$ 256.67
Interest MMA	159.11
Interest CD #11110	632.88
Interest CD #1700	50.96
Interest CD #4920	178.77
	\$1,278.39

Total Revenues \$ 1,278.39

Total Opening Balance  
plus revenues

\$174,874.45

### Expenses:

Description	Ck #	Amount
Errol Whitfield	669	\$ 21.34
Ron Delavan	670	4.00
Bloomingdale Gazette	671	18.55
Joe Liguori	672	3.82
Pat & Mike's Nursery	673	130.00
Dunedin Sod	674	72.00
Tampa Tribune	675	16.17
Hills, Cty. PUD	676	206.00
Bloomingdale Growers	677	665.75
Rainbow Food Mkt	678	225.00
Terrace Electric	679	79.50
Bloomingdale Growers	680	261.50
Hills, Cty. PUD	681	44.58
TECO	682	84.29

\$1,832.50

Opening Balance  
Less Expenses

\$174,874.45  
1,832.50

Total Balance

\$173,041.95

### Closing Balances:

Checking	\$ 6,590.70
MMA	26,451.25
CD #1610 (Note 1)	75,000.00
CD #1700	7,500.00
CD #1630 (Note 2)	5,000.00
CD #1560 (Note 3)	12,500.00
CD #1620 (Note 4)	40,000.00
	\$173,041.95

Total Closing Balance

\$173,041.95

### Footnotes:

Note 1 CD #1610 is the balance of our jumbo last month. \$10K was added to the wall replacement fund, \$5K was added to the irrigation project and \$5K was added to the wall maintenance fund. Read the additional footnotes.

Note 2 This \$5K CD matures on October 29th, as does CD #1700. At that time, they will be combined into one CD for \$12,500 and dedicated to maintaining up to 1000 linear feet of our fence.

## STD Monthly Report

Where does all the money go?

by Alexa Hrvatin, Gazette Staff Reporter

A major topic of discussion at both the June and July meetings of the Special Taxing District board has been the question of hiring security for Bloomingdale.

Bloomingdale Homeowners Association President, Martin Andersen, brought up the issue when he attended the June meeting and addressed the board with his concerns. He cited past surveys that indicated a high level of interest by the public. Andersen also detailed the proposed budget cuts in the Sheriff's budget, which could translate into decreased services for Bloomingdale.

Errol Whitfield, STD president, indicated that the security issue had been studied by the board before, and that the cost of providing such coverage for the area was a major concern. The treasurer of the STD, Joe Liguori, pointed out the fact that the budget for the com-

ing fiscal year had allowed no monies for the purpose of security, since there had been no requests made at the public budget meeting.

While no decision was made, the board has instructed attorney Cliff Curry to investigate the issue from a legal standpoint. The board will then research the options available. Joe Liguori was appointed as a representative to work in conjunction with the homeowner's association in resolving the security question.

Errol Whitfield also questioned the apparent excess money that the board has available, with no dedication of its expenditure. He feels that there may be reason to lower the \$80 assessment figure if such money is not put to use. Liguori agreed with the president's observation, with a discussion following in which wall maintenance could be

accelerated with the money, or deposit the amount for investment purposes.

Administrator Bobby Cole submitted a status report which included the completion of landscaping at Elton and Elba at a cost of \$961. Oleander bushes were planted along a wall at the intersection of Springvale and Nature's Way, at a cost of \$158.25. Cole also reported that the wall at Canoga has been painted, with the cost at \$2,008.38.

Weed killer was sprayed at the John Moore entrance, with sod to be put down the week of July 16. He will also lay new sod at Greenhollow.

Graffiti was painted on the walls at Canoga and at Greenhollow. Both were repainted, according to the report. Other reports of vandalism from the June meeting were: Six plants stolen from Lornewood entranceway (\$12), Letter "F" broken off of Fairway Manor sign (\$40), and, one entranceway light (lense and bulb) broken at Garnet on May 30. One light destroyed at Garnet on June 6.

## STD Budget Correction

Based on information provided by the Special Taxing District regarding the 1990-1991 Budget, changes have been made to the details of the document which differ from that printed in the June 1990 issue of *The Bloomingdale Gazette*. Those wishing updated information regarding the STD budget should contact the STD Board. Totals and most essential details from the June issue, remain unchanged.

Note 3 CD #4580 for \$7500 matured on May 31st. This amount plus \$5K was added for a total of \$12,500 and a new CD was created. #1560 that is dedicated to our irrigation project. This CD matures on December 6, 1990.

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## Bloomingdale Box Score Mid-Year Edition

by Chuck Frenz  
Gazette Columnist

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January 1 through June 30

1989 — 52  
1990 — 58

houses currently listed for  
sale — 162

*While these figures are believed to be accurate, they are not guaranteed by Prudential Florida Realty, The Tampa Board of REALTORS, or The Bloomingdale Gazette, and do not necessarily include listings not published at the request of the seller, listing of brokers who are not members of the Board or its MLS, unlisted properties, new construction, rental properties, etc. The information contained herein is for streets commonly considered to be "Bloomingdale."*

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## What is happening to the value of your home?

by Guest Writers Bill MacKinnon and Brigitte Andersen, Realtors  
Bloomingdale Residents

The purpose of this article is two fold. First, to provide some guidance to the Bloomingdale homeowner who is concerned about property values declining. And, secondly, to present a different point of view to the gloom and doom news that you may have been hearing and reading about. Things in the real estate business may not be as bad as you may have been led to believe.

Your property has many values; one to the tax assessor, another to your lender and insurance company and yet another value to you, the owner. It also has different values to prospective buyers, depending on their needs, desires and financial resources. In the final analysis, the market dictates value, based on current conditions, namely, the number of available buyers and the number of homes on the market. Buyers engage in comparison shopping. It is highly unlikely that a buyer will pay more for your property than would have to be paid for a similar property with like amenities and features. All other considerations aside, houses that do not meet the current competition in price and terms simply do not sell. In fact, they may even help sell the competition.

Today's market is a soft market, a buyer's market. Some sellers are forced to make a quick sale, selling their property at a loss. Being pressured into selling below market value creates the false impression that values are decreasing. Sellers who have time on their side are fortunate. They are

not accepting low offers and are still achieving an appreciation in the value of their home, but not at the rate experienced prior to 1987. Prior to 1987 homes were appreciating from 3 percent (%) to 5% per year. The appreciation rate now is probably more like 2%. Since the current appreciation rate is low, you may not build up sufficient equity in two to four years to cover the costs of selling your home, especially if you did not have to pay the closing costs. People that are buying now without having to pay the closing costs, and then are selling with closing costs, may not realize the gain they had anticipated. However, on the bright side, things look like they might get better. The June 1990 issue of Changing Times magazine stated that the National Association of Realtors predicted that the Tampa area is expected to show a strong home appreciation in the early 1990's.

Still not convinced things are getting better? Pick up a copy of the April 9, 1990 issue of U.S. News & World Report for more good news. U.S. News listed the top 25 housing markets in the country. The Tampa area was listed as number 16 where home prices are appreciating the fastest. The rankings were based on the percentage change between the median price for an existing home during the first quarter of 1989 and the estimated median price for the same home during the first quarter of this year.

Here are some of the latest statistics on properties in the Brandon area:

\* 352 properties sold between January 1st and May 23, 1990. Of these, 107 were sold during April.

\* There are 1531 current listings in the Multiple Listing Service (MLS) as of May 23. Inventory has been fairly constant.

\* Brandon accounts for 27% of all MLS sales in Hillsborough County. This does not include those made by builders or For Sale By Owner (FSBO).

\* Peak season for selling homes in Brandon is from May 1st through September 30th. Approximately 75% of total sales in 1989 were in this time frame. The remaining 25% are sold during the rest of the year.

If you want to sell your home, now is the time to put it on the market. You need to test the market, so test it now.

You should be aware how important the first impression is to the value of your house. Did you know that within 15 seconds a buyer has already developed an attitude toward your property? Be aware of the curb appeal of your house. This is what the buyer sees from the street. Establishing the right first impression is critical to achieving a successful sale. Curb appeal covers everything from the street to your front door. The buyer will be looking at your lawn, the paint, roof, gutters/downspouts, the general appearance of the neighborhood and homes nearby, etc. You can take care of your own home, however, your non-caring

neighbor may present a problem. None of us should fall into the non-caring category. Regardless of whether we are selling now or later, what we do or don't do to maintain our property will impact on its value. It can be the domino theory which will affect the value of your property and that of the whole community. Remember, these are things the buyers see even before they get in the front door.

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### Check zoning & the empty lot next door BEFORE you buy--after is too late!

by Alexa Hrvatin  
Gazette Staff Reporter

Many homeowners in Bloomingdale express disappointment when they see a home of lesser value than their own being built within the same development — sometimes next door. When the sign posted by a builder touts homes "from \$120,000" there is potential for a very wide range of values, perhaps even over \$200,000. A resident whose home may have a market value of \$200,000 could find a home valued at \$130,000 on the lot next door. If the house complies with deed restrictions and meets the required square footage, there is little recourse available. When there is an empty lot next door, the buyer must be prepared for the possibility of such a scenario.



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## Criterion Update

by Alexa Hrvatin  
Gazette Staff Reporter

Residents at two Bloomingdale East areas under development by Criterion Corporation, are slowly working towards a new understanding.

Homeowners in Bloomingdale Ridge, The Greens, Fox Run, and Erin Arbor were surprised last March when they received an assessment and budget from Criterion. The pro-rated assessment varied from \$75 - \$90 and would go toward maintenance of landscaping, wall painting, mowing, and pond upkeep. The Bloomingdale Special Taxing District does the same type of maintenance throughout Bloomingdale, but according to Criterion "we (Criterion) have higher standards." So far the tax base of these areas is not high enough for the STD to take control.

The STD assesses homeowners \$80 a year, with the hope that the assessment

may be lowered once the Bloomingdale area is "caught up." The STD contends that the developer, Criterion, turns over areas that have suffered months of neglect once the developer begins to complete an area and is phasing out. The STD is then forced to spend time and money to bring the common areas up to par.

At a June 11 STD meeting Erin Arbor representatives, Danny Rhodes and Dale Wozniak, and a Criterion representative, Greg Appleyard, proposed a consolidation of services between the STD and Criterion. The proposal is still under consideration with a decision to be forthcoming as STD Vice President Peter Aluotto studies the options available.

Erin Arbor now has a homeowner representative allowed to sit on the Criterion board. Although the representative has no official voting powers, there will at least be input from the residents to the board.

## Parks Renaming

by Art Bleau  
Gazette Staff Reporter

Reports that parks in Bloomingdale East and West may soon be renamed are apparently premature.

Questioned about those reports recently, Ed Radice, county parks and recreation director, told the *Gazette*, "I don't know anything about it."

Radice said his department would be the one to process any such request for a name change but none has been received.

The director added that the usual process would be for a citizen's group or organization to ask that the parks be named after some outstanding individual. "There's been no movement to do that," he said.

Radice also pointed out that the Parks Board and the Board of County Commissioners would also have to approve a request before it could take effect.

## A roofing company driver arrested for illegal dumping

by Alexa Hrvatin  
Gazette Staff Reporter

A husband and wife Mobile Watch team noticed a suspicious car as they were on duty the night of June 8. Dave and Dale Wozniak checked The Spot and as they drove back up Culbreath, noticed a car parked in an area of trees at

Erindale and Culbreath. They decided to continue on their rounds, and return to check the car again later in the evening.

Upon returning an hour later they found the car, as well as a pick-up truck, and several sheriff's cars. An undercover officer had been on surveillance for the first time that night, and had witnessed the illegal dumping of roofing materials. The dumping of such hazardous materials is considered a felony, and the driver of the truck was charged.

Criterion, the developer of the area involved, is offering a \$100 reward leading to the arrest and conviction of others who might use the land for illegal dumping purposes, according to Criterion manager Greg Appleyard. Criterion often finds trash and lawn clippings dumped on its property, and according to Appleyard, will offer the \$100 reward for the entire Bloomingdale East area. Criterion Development Corporation has been working with the newly created Environmental Enforcement Division.

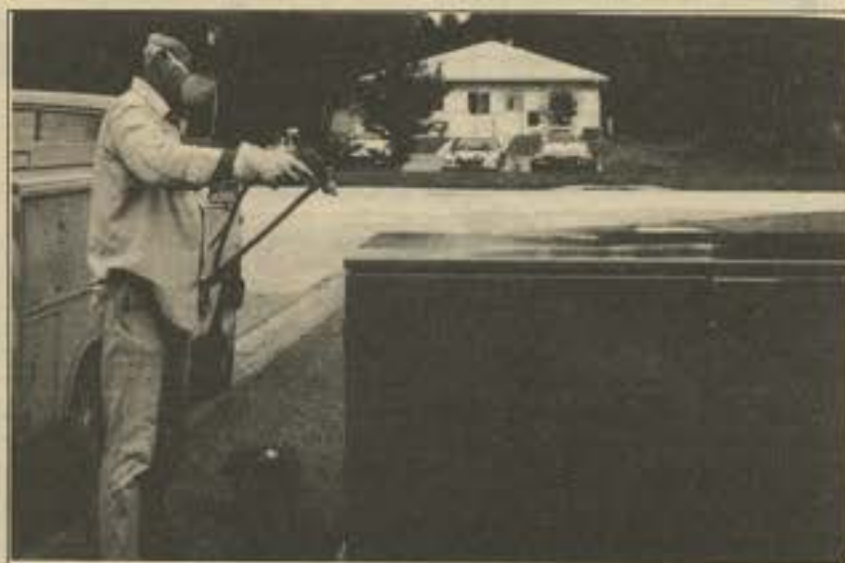


Photo by Susan L. Deluca/Bloomingdale Gazette

Problems with Graffiti are about average in Bloomingdale, says Ray Stuges, as he spruces up this TECO box on Rosemead in West. Using a silicone-based enamel, Ray's job for TECO is to keep the boxes a high-gloss green. This paint job took him less than 10 minutes to complete.



Photo by Susan L. Deluca/Bloomingdale Gazette

The River Crossing residents in Bloomingdale South are very angry. So angry in fact that they are even thinking of getting petitions together and presenting them to the developer Gulfland Homes to get their point across.

At dispute is \$150 paid on a yearly basis to the developer for maintenance of common areas. This amount is on top of the STD's tax of \$80. According to Gulfland Homes, they are using this \$150 to maintain entranceways, common areas and a future park area. As the photograph indicates, the residents don't consider this entrance (and the others like it) maintained. The River Crossing residents want to know where their \$150 is going.

In previous *Gazette* articles about this area, the developer is quoted as saying they don't want the Bloomingdale STD to maintain their area as they feel they can do a better job.

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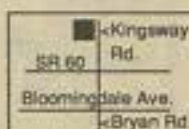
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## Early School Readiness

by C. Lita Vargo-Moncler, M.S.  
Therapist, Family Stress Clinic in Brandon

When the *Gazette* contacted me to write an article concerning child readiness for early schooling, I was once again reminded by the numerous changes our society has made in the past 20 years and the psychobabble which has often accompanied these changes. It would appear that early school "readiness" has comfortably joined the ranks of bonding, relating, and quality time as a focus for the 1990's. However, what does this label mean in practical terms for the child and his/her parents?

It seems that a child can be taught almost anything if it is done in an appropriate way. This means that the teacher will tailor information to the child's emotional, developmental, and intellectual needs — not the other way around. Hence, it is important for the parents to interview the directors of early school programs and to determine the degree of flexibility and individualized attention provided for each child by that particular site. As parents, are your ideas of education and discipline compatible with those of the site? Ask numerous questions and, if possible, observe how the staff interacts with the children. Is this a place where you would be comfortable leaving your child?

Research shows that some

factors which indicate a child's readiness for successful adjustment to early schooling include: a sense of trust, confidence and security; an independence level which enables the child to begin to do things for him/herself; a desire to explore and to have experiences outside the home; the ability to comfortably separate from his/her parents or primary caretaker; adequate verbal skills to communicate with children and adults; a beginning ability to relate to other children, to share and to be part of a group; and the ability to stay focused for a brief amount of time and to work toward a goal. Generally, these factors are present around the age of 3.

This writer is strongly opposed to "enrichment/learning experiences" which place such high demands on the child such that he/she becomes frustrated, angered or anxious as a result of being pushed into activities which are really designed to please adults. If your child is not enjoying the process of discovery and learning about the world for him/herself at the early school-age level, then learning is most likely to become a chore and this is not the message that will be conducive to further learning and the building of a confident, happy, and healthy personality.

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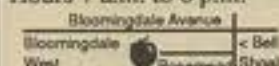


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## Fire claims a home in West

by Alexa Hrvatin  
Gazette Staff Reporter

Residents on Cloverhill were horrified witnesses of a fire in the early morning hours on May 27. The house at 3817 Cloverhill was engulfed in flames, which one Bloomingdale resident estimated to reach one hundred feet into the night sky.

Firemen responded shortly after midnight and the fire was quickly contained. The McDougal family was not home at the time. The fire was placed under investigation immediately, and the state fire marshal's office is currently trying to determine whether arson was a factor.

Mr. Martinez, a state investigator, related that there is a \$1,000 reward just for information about the cause of the fire, and the reward is not contingent upon a conviction in the case. Martinez may be reached at 272-3985.

In response to the tragedy, the residents of the home were aided by the BHA fire and disaster fund. The following is the correspondence relating to this assistance:

Dear Mrs. MacDougall: Mr. Andersen,

On behalf of the Bloomingdale community, I wish to extend our sincerest sympathy for the recent loss of your home. We are all thankful that no one was at home or injured when the fire occurred.

The Bloomingdale Homeowners Association (BHA) has a small Fire and Disaster Fund for emergencies such as yours. The fund is designed to provide some cash to help with expenses until insurance claims could be processed.

The enclosed check for \$150 is presented to you by the BHA on behalf of the community. We hope that this will help with any initial expenses you may have.

Sincerely,

Martin Andersen  
President

I want to thank you and the Bloomingdale community for the check of \$150. This has been a very traumatic experience for me. I am now facing reality. When it first happened, I guess I did not want to believe it. All the memories I had for 30 years, pictures and things I could never replace are gone, including our little 6 pound dog which we had for 7 years.

But I thank God nobody was in the house at the time and we were all safe. I still worry about little ones around the structure. I've done everything I know to try and make it safe, but I'm afraid I can't do more to secure the debris.

I am sorry I took so long to get this to you all, but I'm sure you will understand it is not easy to cope with.

Thank you all and God bless,

Audrey MacDougall

## Did you forget to pick up your child's photo?

Quality Solar at Bloomingdale Square took a lot of beautiful photos of the kids

at Halloween, but only a few parents have picked them up. They aren't charging for them, and are concerned that the parents may not know they are giving away the photos. So take a moment to look before they're gone.

## How the IRS collects its money when you don't pay

by John Pitcher, CPA  
Guest Columnist and  
Former IRS Agent

The Collection Division probably "collects" the worst press on behalf of the Internal Revenue Service. Why? This is the Division that padlocks businesses, auctions off equipment, sells residences, etc.. Their function is to collect the delinquent taxes that have been voluntarily disclosed to the I.R.S., but not paid, as well as current taxes in certain situations.

The first attempts at collecting taxes generally comes from computer-printed letters automatically sent out by the I.R.S. Service Center. As an example, you file a tax return that shows additional taxes due of \$516, but you do not include a check for the \$516. The return is processed and the computer

generates a tax due notice for the \$516, plus applicable penalties and interest. If the total amount is not remitted to the I.R.S. within the time prescribed on the tax notice, additional penalties and interest accrue and another series of letters will be forthcoming. After these letters, the delinquent account may be forwarded to the Collection Division and a Revenue Officer is assigned to the case. That person's function is to collect the tax or otherwise secure the interest of the Internal Revenue Service via the filing of tax liens, levies on bank accounts, etc.

This is not the time to discuss whether or not the tax is due and owing. If the delinquency is the opportunity to disagree with the proposal is at the Examination Division level. When the case is in the hands of the

Collection division, it is usually fruitless to argue the merits of whether or not the tax is in fact owed.

The recently passed "Taxpayer's Bill of Rights" offers some relief to taxpayers in the area of the Collection Division. However the fact remains, settlement of the delinquent taxes should be reached quickly. The penalties and interest that continue to accrue can turn a

molehill into a mountain.

What situations are most commonly referred to the Collection Division? Payroll taxes are probably the number one answer on the hit parade. Employers who have employees have a responsibility to withhold social security tax (F.I.C.A.) and income taxes from their employees. After withholding these

IRS, see page 15

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**IRS, from pg 14**  
taxes, the employer has to match the amount of F.I.C.A. tax, and then the combined amount has to be paid to the Internal Revenue Service via different methods, depending on the amount of total taxes for the entire payroll. It should also be noted that the law sets guidelines for who is an employee as opposed to an independent contractor or

"contract labor." This is not something that can be mutually agreed to by the employer and the contract laborer.  
If Collection gets involved in unpaid payroll taxes, the law provides for an "arm extender," which gives the I.R.S. an unbelievable reach. This provision is called a "100% penalty." Generally speaking, if the

I.R.S. believes that an individual is responsible for withholding the taxes and did not, or did not pay over the withheld taxes, the I.R.S. can proceed against that individual for a portion of the taxes that should have been paid to the I.R.S.. This is true, even if the individual is not the President of the corporation, the Chairman of the Board, an officer, a director, etc. In other

words, the bookkeeper employee who has the duty for withholding and paying over the taxes, may find himself or herself faced with collection activity as a result of the failure to pay the payroll taxes. How's that for a "knockout punch?"

A typical question arises when individuals are faced with collection problems, and that is what kind of deal can be made? The I.R.S. is not in the "lending busi-

ness." They want the money, plain and simple. If you can borrow the money, that's what they want you to do. If they feel you can borrow the money but for whatever reason you elect not to, they have a remedy. It's called seizure! Yes, they can seize the property, auction it off on the courthouse steps, and receive whatever money they get as a result of that "forced sale" for application to your unpaid taxes, accruing penalties, and accruing interest. There are

certain remedies that are available via litigating the tax situation, also a provision called "offers and compromises," where basically you try to play "let's make a deal." Even personal residences are available to the I.R.S.

Disclosures to the Collection Division should be honest and truthful. False statements may compound the problem from one of "how do I pay the taxes," to "how do I stay out of jail?"

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## Tennis for the mid-summer boredoms

by Alexa Hrvatin  
Gazette Staff Reporter

River Hills County Club, located within the new Arvida community of River Hills, is just a short drive from Bloomingdale on Lithia-Pinecrest Road. The tennis professional at the club, Scott Smith, is offering area residents a special opportunity to join the tennis club.

For the remainder of July the initiation fee has been reduced from \$500 to \$100, with monthly dues remaining the same at \$66 per month. A tennis membership includes use of the competition-size swim-

ming pool, the clubhouse restaurant, and fitness facilities.

Smith is conducting a summer tennis camp for children and teens, with a diverse range of activities integrated into the program. In addition to tennis instruction, he employs the use of video analysis, audio and visual tapes, and mental toughness training. Also, for those over the age of twelve, fitness machine use will be taught to enhance tennis and overall physical conditioning. Ball machines and court time will be offered on an unlimited basis outside of camp hours. All participants will receive

a t-shirt and a written evaluation at the end of the camp.

the "mr. pec wee tennis" program will be taught to the younger crowd, for children ages four through eight. The program features smaller courts and soft foam balls to ensure a fun experience for the youngsters.

The camps run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The session from July 30 to August 17 is \$330, or \$130 per week. There is a discount for members. For additional information call Scott Smith at River Hills 653-3776.

## Thank you Mr. Postmaster!



Sue Harbridge, owner of Mail Boxes, Etc. in Bloomingdale Square, presents a plaque to Robert O'Neill, Postmaster of Brandon, in appreciation for all the help he and his staff have given her. Mail Boxes Etc. will be celebrating their first anniversary this July. The Brandon post office has been particularly helpful in offering advice and training to the Mail Boxes Etc. staff.

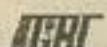
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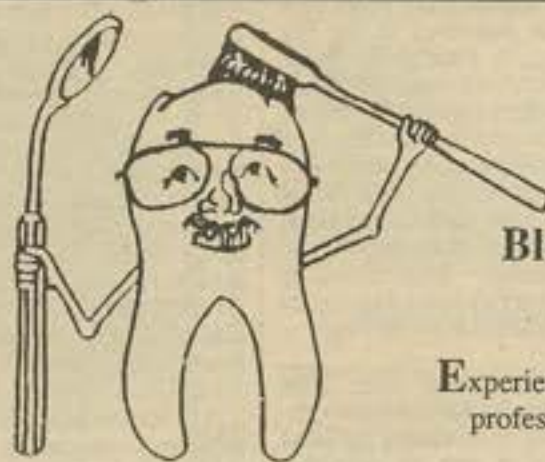


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# RESTAURANT REVIEW

BY ELTON DUMONT

**Lely's House of Pasta**  
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There is a lot to be said for consistency and stability. I thought it would be nice to drop in to this fine restaurant that has been here longer than I have and I am in my fifth year. That says a lot for staying power.

Upon entering we were seated very quickly and even given a choice of smoking or non-smoking. This is a nice touch for a small family restaurant. Our server took our beverage order quickly and returned quickly with our iced teas. She also brought a deliciously warm Italian loaf of bread with butter, and our drinks inside of five minutes. This turned out to be indicative of how good our service would be for the entire meal.

This is a straight-forward, no holds barred, authentic Italian restaurant. What they lack in ambience, they make up for in just great food. The first clue to this straight-forward approach was no appetizers on the menu. When our server came to take our order, we were prepared to give her our main selection immediately, since that seemed to be the starting point on the menu. Although they specialize in pasta dishes, they also offer such items as veal, chicken, or eggplant parmigiana. These coupled with about a half dozen off menu specials makes the entire offering vary widely with fine possible selection.

On the pasta side, they offer spaghetti, linguini, or fettuccine served with as many as eight individual combinations. These include butter, sausage, clams, olive oil and garlic, or meatballs, to name a few. The cavatelli also has the same number of potential choices. A little quick figuring and you can see quickly that these four types of pastas can be ordered in a total of 32 combinations. Now we're talking. The manicotti has 4 possibilities and the cheese raviolis can be served in five different ways. And I strongly urge you to pay attention to your server as he or she goes over the specials. We were told about 6 or 7 and the ones I remember include shrimp and scallops diablo, beef and pepperoni layered diablo, chicken supreme, and pepperoni lasagna.

I chose the shrimp/scallops diablo after our server promised me that it would be hot and spicy. My guest ordered cavatelli prepared in a special way. No fuss at all from our waitress; she said it would be prepared just as my guest asked for it. In the meantime we could head for the salad bar.

I must be frank and tell you that the salad bar really jolted me. I didn't think this straight-forward approach would spill over to the salad bar, but it did. All the ingredients were very, very fresh,

but it was also very Spartan. A lettuce bowl followed by deep dishes of tomato, cucumber, green pepper, onion, green pimento olives, and those little green Greek peppers. That was it except for the dressings. Even the table itself had nothing surrounding it to give it that all important eye appeal. I was just as impressed by what I thought was lacking; such simple things as black olives, shredded cheese and even croutons were missing. I really thought that we were in for a time of it. My guest had the creamy Italian dressing which was excellent, while I had the House which also was very good but a tad overdone with vinegar.

As we were eating our salads, we did stop and notice the decor. Although it really is one big room, the way it is laid out, with a raised floor on one side and railings, it does give the impression of a multi room restaurant. This is a big plus if you are out with the family, including the kids.

Our meal was served quickly and the whole attitude quickly changed. Both meals were better than good and better than wonderful. I picked linguini as the bed for my shrimp/scallop diablo and it was cooked to perfection. The sauce was just as spicy as my server promised. The hot pepper and black pepper were mixed exactly as I would want it. And the cavatelli came just as it was ordered. It isn't easy to get special orders done right and this is certainly something to recommend the House of Pasta for. And an added bonus was that in addition to very high quality, the servings were very ample. It was a stretch to finish it, but we did. We also ordered garlic bread which came just ahead of the meal as one would like. This was very good, but a little different. It had a dry cheese topping when served so it tasted like garlic and cheese toast. We highly recommend it.

We agonized over dessert; but in the end threw caution to the wind and ordered some. Looking back it was a very wise decision. My guest had a tortoni which is a cup of Italian ice cream with whipped cream, shredded nuts on top and a cherry. It was as good, better than the best ones in the Big Apple. I had the Spumoni, which is a fancy name for 3 different types of ice cream. The trick here is to stay with tradition; and tradition dictates, vanilla black cherry — chocolate — and pistachio. Well this trick was no illusion. That is exactly what I got and it was so good I wanted to go for two.

Even though there were some bumps along the highway most notably the salad bar, it was an enjoyable experience and we certainly would return. And incidentally, if your server turns out to be a nice young woman named Joey, you are getting an added feature. She was very knowledgeable and in-

formative and helped us immensely with our selections.

Meal, tax and gratuity were \$25 for two, but you can get by for less.

Until we eat again.....  
Elton Dumont

Rating (5 stars Maximum)

Food \*\*\*1/2  
Service \*\*\*\*\*  
Ambience \*\*\*\*\*  
Overall \*\*\*1/2

## What's in the news that's old?

### ...Antiques that is

by Nancy Heston  
Bloomingdale Resident  
Guest Columnist

What constitutes an antique? For tariff purposes the United States Customs considers only those items at least 100 years old to be antique. However, colloquially the accepted age has long stood at fifty years. This presents an interesting conundrum to those of us who are watching with disbelief as the year of our high school graduation recedes into the collective memory along with the defeat of the Spanish Armada and the signing of the Magna Carta. I remarked to a friend recently that "antiques are getting younger and younger." He laughed in agreement for the truth is, of course, that the longer we are here the more recent we perceive fifty years ago to be.

Does this mean that the mass-produced, motel quality, veneered furniture of the 1930's is not antique? Well, yes, in the same sense that a Big Mac and Chateaubriand are both red meat. As with everything degrees of quality, desirability, marketability, and rarity are all critical determinants of an item's worth. It must be remembered that age alone does not create value; there is a mountain of old junk out there!

The general term "antiques" can be subdivided into three "families." The first and foremost of these would be antiquities. The Senator who displays a broken piece of pre-Columbian pottery spotlighted on his credenza exemplifies this genre. It is an area that involves large sums of money, curators, archaeologists, and the concept of artifacts held in trust for all mankind. The vast majority of us see these things in museums.

If we assign the adjective sublime to antiquities we can safely categorize the family of collectibles as the ridiculous. These are items that usually have little value in and of themselves but offer the potential of future increased worth. Baseball cards are the pre-eminent

## Library News

**Brandon Branch Library**  
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**Children's Programs:**  
Story Time, Mondays at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. for ages 3 and older. A 30-minute program of stories, songs, filmstrips and other activities.

Captain Book's Adventures, Tuesdays at 3 p.m. for ages 6 and older. (Program lasts approximately 1 hour; seating is limited.)

Bookaneers, Thursdays at 2 p.m., for children in grades 1 through 3. Bring your favorite book and a drink for an hour program of sharing.

## Hurricane Guide Updated

The beginning of hurricane season was initiated in Hillsborough County June 6-7 with the distribution of 409,330 copies of "HURRICANE! Our Evacuation Survival Guide."

The hurricane guide contains a County map marked with evacuation routes, evacuation levels and zones, and shelter sites. Lessons learned last year from Hurricane Hugo also have been incorporated into

the format.

Emergency phone numbers and recovery information are included in the guide, and recipients are urged to read — and save — the publication.

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## June was dance recital month in Bloomingdale

Students from Dance With "Miss Lezlee" presented their "1990 Dance Productions" on Saturday, June 23 at Bloomingdale Senior High School. The following students participated in the recital:

**"Living Dolls"**  
Tiffany Sands, Megan Had-dock, Stephanie Haisted, Julie Mizell, Jackie O'Mahony.

**"My Colorful Tutu"**  
Cristina Schindler, Kasey Co-ryn, Micah McGill, Rachael Cornwell, Libby Baldwin, Alexandra Achille, Jensen

Tanneberger, Deanne Benke, Mikki Mathews, Megan Friedberg.

**"Playmate"**  
Megan Matassini, Rebecca Riemer, Nicki Pizzo, Georgia Russell, Karyn Santi, Kaitlin Hendrix.

**"April Showers"**  
Allison Perkins, Anna Hunter, Deanna Lorenz, Heather Scharf, Kathleen Massolio, Tana Gomez, Christina Bongiorno, Renee Little, Maggie Gregg, Kaelyn Welsh, Ashley O'Connell, Brooke Burdette, Kristen Wiest, Jessica Hudock, Kelly DeLuca,

Roxanne Gilmore.

**"Irish"**  
Ashleigh Tavrell, Lindsey Gladfelter, Jill Duemig, Laura Warren, Trina Melchert, Allison Floor, Vanessa Isiguen, Jessica Pfeilsticker, Lauren Tracy, Mandy Lincks.

**"Tot Sock Hop"**  
Claire Dugas, Janelle Sawicki, Jennifer Hensley, Alana Melchert, Katybeth Wolfe, Keri Schultz, Hillary Knapp, Holly Mizell, Danyle Adams, Nikki Mathews, Stephanie Parker, Shannon Finch, Emily Mills.

**"Singing In The Rain"**  
Ashley Tanneberger & Melissa Anthony.

**"Only In My Dreams"**  
Kelly Coddling, Erin Smith, Lauren Pont, Jessica Roberts, Alexis Aude, Alaina Willman, Samantha DeRee, Charlene McCartney, Lauren Delafield, Marina Peterson, Laura Ebel, Kristal Dennis, Lindsay Cannon, Rachel Modahl, Dianna Zink, Lynnte Aude.

**"Ivory Rag"**  
Mandy Lincks, Lauren Tracy, Lesley Shaw, Lindsey Carswell, Erica Snyder, Laura Warren, Jill Duemig.

**"Allegretto Brillante"**  
Kera Taylor, Erin Cox, Jennifer Head, Christy Frey, Mary Martin, Erin Long, Ashley Tanneberger.

**"Bat Dance"**  
Tricia Peterson, Vicki Wolf, Martha Willman, Erin Andrews, Heather Teasley, Ken-

dra Andrews.

**"Dance Little Sisters"**  
Katie Fowke, Julie Combee, Chole Long, Lauren Tracy, Danielle Humphrey, Stephanie Rogers, Laura Warren, Jill Duemig, Jennifer Field, Shannon Finch, Laura Patterson.

**"Ease On Down The Road"**  
Maureen Allen Vanessa Isiguen, Amy Wyatt, Mary Allen, Allison Dillin, Nikki Green, Erica Murphy, Mary Martin.

**"Let It Loose"**  
Kera Taylor, Tracy Carswell, Cara Kubin, Erin Whitford, Jennifer Patterson, Melissa Blair, Robin Grimes, Mollie Steenis, Erin Long.

**"Jump Start"**  
Stacy Tatman, Allison Waldron, Bonnie Olds, Erica Snyder, Jennie Barber, Katie Mizerany, Angie Mann, Lori Thibert.

Right--Amy Keen who not only danced but also worked backstage, puts the finishing touches on one young dancer's outfit.

Below--The "Primary Prep Preschool Dancers" were one of the largest dance troupes to participate. Seen here, school owner & Bloomingdale Resident Christine Terrell jokes with the girls before they go on stage to perform "April Showers."

**"The Charleston"**  
Mary Martin, Nikki Green, Sarah McClamma.

**"#9"**  
Jackie Kubin, Betsy Nicholson, Kendra Andrews, Erin Andrews.

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## Bloomingtondale Business

by Melissa Nickerson  
Advertising Department

The Yearbook staff for Bloomingdale High School is now soliciting ads for the 1990-91 yearbook. They would appreciate having the businesses in the Bloomingdale/Brandon area help support and finance this coming year's book. The prices for advertising are as follows: Double page \$300; Single page \$200; 1/2 page \$125; 1/4 page \$85; and 1/8 page \$55. If you are interested and would like more information, please call Elinna Hayes at 654-4524 or Mary Bingham at 654-6245.

In Control Diet Center is a new business opening at 807 E. Bloomingdale Avenue. At this diet center, they stress an individualized program, with free nutritional counseling. They offer weight loss programs, cellulite heat therapy, European body wrap, facial toning, and a new machine which can tone eight different areas of your body in one session. This is accomplished through electrical muscle stimulation using tiny impulses which cause your muscles to contract and relax. If you are interested in knowing more about this machine or any of their weight loss programs call 654-THIN.

One produce stand located conveniently to Bloomingdale is changing its name. BNJ Nursery is now going to be called Bob's Farm Market. This market offers quality produce at affordable prices. The exact address is 604 E. Bloomingdale Avenue. Stop in, ask for Bob, and get some

## You see an accident and want to help--but you hesitate. Read this and think again.

by Art Bleau  
Gazette Staff Reporter

If you've ever hesitated about stopping to render assistance at the scene of a car accident or other emergency because you were afraid of getting sued, you can stop worrying.

Florida, like many states, has enacted a law designed to protect "Good Samaritans" from being sued when they aid a person injured in an emergency.

The law—Florida statute 768.13—is officially named the "Good Samaritan Act" and protects not only the average person but also health professionals and veterinarians who act in emergency situations.

The only condition under which a person could be sued for providing assistance, according to the law, is when the victim or vic-

fresh produce. If you have any questions regarding what produce is in season, call Bob at 654-6266.

Omega Academy of Real Estate is now offering classes at Valrico State Bank Suite 202 (Hwy 60 at Valrico Road). They offer classes for a salesman license, broker license, post license education for salesmen, and post license education for brokers. If you are interested, call Mike Psarakis for the dates and times at 681-9266.

There's a new Goodyear store opening at a five minutes from Bloomingdale at 10312 Bloomingdale Avenue. They not only "do tires" but also offer a complete Goodyear certified auto service center. If you are interested in prices or want more information, call them at their newest location and ask for Shawn at 620-4550.

Clean and Clear Pool Supplies and Service and Quality Solar Systems are celebrating their one year anniversary at 819 E. Bloomingdale Avenue. These businesses are family owned and operated and take pride in serving the families of the Bloomingdale/Brandon community. Clean and Clear has operated for one year, whereas Quality Solar Systems has serviced the Brandon area for over five years. Stop in, wish them a happy anniversary at this location, and meet Kevin, Gene, and Carol who will take care of all your pool needs. In addition to selling pool and spa chemicals and supplies, they do service and repair work on pool pumps and filters. They can also solar heat your pool. If you would like more information call 653-3022.

tims object to being helped by other than medical professionals.

The law states, "Any person, including those licensed to practice medicine, who gratuitously and in good faith render emergency care or treatment at the scene of an emergency...without objection of the injured victim or victims thereof, shall not be held liable for any civil damages as a result of such care or treatment, or as a result of any act or failure to act in providing or arranging further medical treatment where the person acts as any reasonably prudent man would have acted under the same or similar circumstances."

So the next time you are one of the first persons at the scene of an emergency, you can stop and assist the victims without fear of getting sued.

## How to "Fight the Bite"

Hillsborough County's Department of Mosquito and Aquatic Weed Control urges residents to help control mosquitoes by ridding their lawns and homes of stagnant water and destroying mosquito breeding places.

"Drought conditions during May and early June, coupled with recent rainfall, have produced ideal conditions for breeding the pests," said Dan Gorman, director of Mosquito and Aquatic Weed Control.

Gorman said a major problem in controlling the insect is that most people do not

concern themselves with the problem until they are bitten. Neither do most people understand the danger that mosquitoes present to humans.

Serious illness — even death — may be inflicted by a mosquito. Encephalitis (sleeping sickness), yellow fever, dengue, and malaria are diseases carried by mosquitoes.

Mosquitoes need water to pass their early life stages. Some mosquitoes lay eggs on standing water, where they hatch in a day or two. Other mosquitoes lay eggs in old tires, tin cans, and

other water-holding receptacles where they may remain unhatched for weeks or months until they are covered with water.

"A great deal of the problem could be solved if each person would be willing to help fight the bite," Gorman said. He recommends the following:

—Empty, remove, cover or turn upside down any receptacle that holds water — particularly old buckets and tin cans;

—Change water and scrub vases holding flowers or cuttings twice each week or grow cuttings in sand;

—Discard old tires or store

them indoors;

—Screen rain barrels and openings to water tanks or cisterns;

—Repair leaky plumbing and outside faucets;

—Clean clogged roof gutters and drain flat roofs;

—Stock ornamental ponds with mosquito eating fish;

—Fill holes in trees with sand or mortar, or drain or spray them as required.

For further information, Hillsborough County residents may call the Mosquito and Aquatic Weed Control Department at 272-6757.

## Prevention of Plant Diseases & Use of Pesticides

by Astrid Davies  
Bloomingdale Resident  
Gazette Columnist

Summer is here and our usual battle with various diseases has begun. Here are some tips to help you prevent disease.

- Make sure soil is well drained
- Remove old plant debris
- Till soil before planting
- Adjust soil PH to suit your plants
- Choose disease resistant plant varieties
- Buy healthy looking specimens, don't install sickly plants in the landscape
- Keep growing areas weeded
- Use cypress mulch to conserve moisture, reduce weeds and control spore movement

- Water thoroughly
- Prune weak branches and diseased or dead wood from shrubs and trees

Homeowners are more efficient than insects in spreading disease. Don't handle plants when leaves are damp. After handling a diseased plant, wash hands, tools and cleanly dispose of the debris. Plants may succumb despite all precautions, especially if weather

favors the disease. Almost always, plants infected with a virus must be discarded. No chemical treatment exists. A few pesticides work against bacterial diseases, and there are a good number of fungicides.

**Use of Pesticides:**  
Read the label when selecting a pesticide, or consult your local nursery. Make sure the crop it will be used on is listed. Improper application would be harmful. Keep children, pets and other adults away from mixing and spraying. Make applications thorough, wet all portions of a plant. A sticker spreader can help in the task.

Pesticides can be used in a responsible manner. Use the following guidelines: Read the label, chose the safest pesticide for the prob-

lem, consider wildlife when making a selection, apply only on calm days, mix pesticides in a well ventilated area, make careful measurements, don't store

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# BHA MEMBERS-- Sign up now for the Flea Market. Beat the rush and get your choice of booth space

Dear BHA Participating (Paid) Member:

As a participating member of the Bloomingdale Homeowners Association, Inc., you are cordially invited to attend the September 22, BHA Flea Market and Family Picnic.

As a member, you are eligible to choose your booths first before they are opened to the public throughout Hillsborough County on August 18.

Types and rates are as follows:

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- Commercial Booth** \$75 \$50  
This includes craft sales, business products, an entire organization, food sales, or anything that is not used merchandise for a garage-sale
- Garage Sale Booth** \$35 \$25

Included in the price of the booth is 1 six-foot table + 2 chairs.

Over \$1,300 worth of advertising is planned for this event, so the turnout of buyers should be spectacular especially since it is also being coupled with the annual picnic this year!

BHA members watch for a FREE coupon worth either 4 hamburgers or 4 hot dogs plus 4 sodas at the picnic portion of the event. Additional food items will be available for purchase. This coupon is only good for BHA Members and their families and is non-transferable.

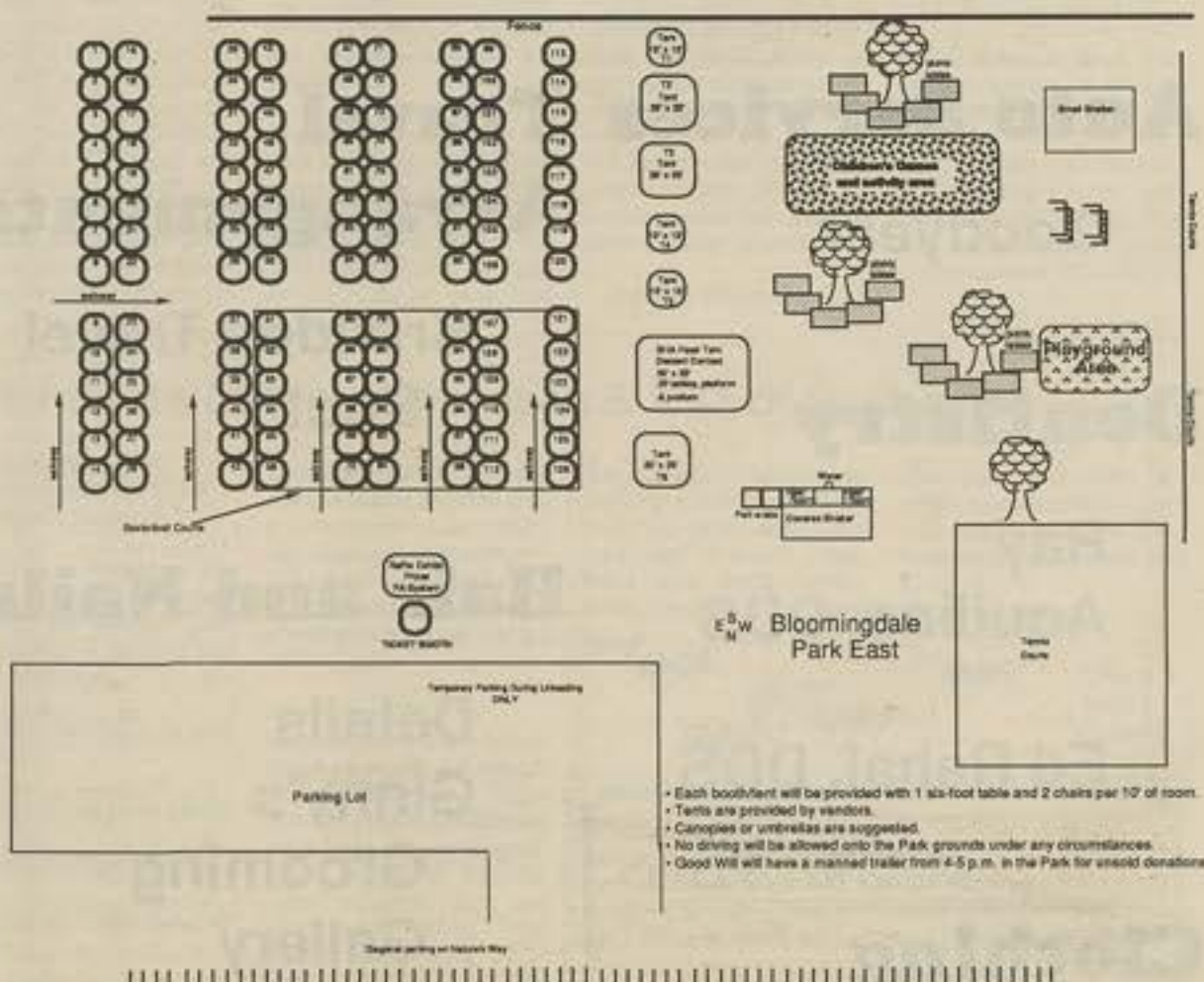
Your day will start at 10 a.m. when the Flea Market opens to customers. All desserts for the always spectacular dessert contest are due by 11 a.m. Judging will begin at 11:30 with winners announced at 12 noon. Prizes for this event are truly a cook's dream! Children's games with prizes for their efforts are from 12 to 1 with professionals from the Parks Department leading the way. Then bring your coupon so the whole family can eat for FREE at the BHA food tent from 12 noon to 3 p.m. Other food items, such as BBQ chicken will also be available at a reasonable price. And on top of all of this, you can purchase raffle tickets for our one-time per hour prize giveaway. The grand prize goes at 4 p.m. and is only open to booth vendors.

So don't miss out! Send in your booth reservation now while you still have your choice and prepare for the time of your life on Saturday, September 22!

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**Section A.**

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**Section B.**

Using the map provided on this page, choose the booth #'s you would like in order of preference:

1 \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_ 3 \_\_\_\_\_ Anywhere \_\_\_\_\_ or Tent space \_\_\_\_\_ Tent space \_\_\_\_\_

Type of booth (all booths are 10' x 10' in size, you may purchase more than one booth):

BHA participating member prices: # \_\_\_\_\_ Commercial spaces at \$50 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# \_\_\_\_\_ Garage Sale spaces at \$25 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Description of what you plan to sell: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be bringing very large items to sell such as large pieces of furniture? \_\_\_\_\_

**Section C.**

I would like to donate the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ Prize(s) for: the giant raffle; and/or for children's games; and/or for the dessert contest.

\_\_\_\_\_ My time as a volunteer.

**Section D.**

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to be contacted with prices for advertising space in the program/map that is going to be printed for this function of which over 6,000 copies are going to be printed and distributed in the area plus at the event. This advertising space is available to both garage sale & commercial vendors plus any others who wish to support the BHA.

**Section E.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, we will be attending the picnic:  
\_\_\_\_\_ # Adults (18+) \_\_\_\_\_ # Children

\_\_\_\_\_ No, we will not be attending the picnic.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, we will be bringing an entry for the dessert contest.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, we will have children participating in the children's games.

Ages of each child \_\_\_\_\_

**Return this form no later than August 10 to advance reserve your booth space. As of August 18, registration will be open to the public. You are welcome to reserve your space at anytime, if now is not convenient.**

## 7th Graders take SAT for TIP

by Alexa Hrvatin  
Gazette Staff Reporter

Duke University in Durham, North Carolina, recently sponsored their tenth annual Talent Identification Program, known also as TIP.

Many seventh grade students at Booker T. Washing-

ton were willing to give up the better part of a Saturday to take the Scholastic Aptitude Test — the same one that is taken by high school students. TIP uses the test results to help provide the students with information about their abilities and about educational options that may be beneficial to them.

While the SAT was designed for high school juniors and seniors, the test is helpful in discriminating the abilities of seventh graders who already score at or above the 97th percentile on achievement or aptitude tests. In order to score high on the test, "a student must have learned a great deal outside of school, perhaps at home, through independent study, or by special instruction. But the learning has been all on their own," according to TIP.

The Talent Search participants "represent the ablest three percent of seventh graders from 16 states. Of the 110 students eligible to take the test, 49 did so. Of that number six students at Booker T. Washington received state recognition of their scores. They were:

Benjamin Boehm, Ryan Hrvatin, Michael McKinley, John Reich, Sarah Willson, and Lindsay Fatta. Benjamin Boehm and John Reich also received the grand level recognition for their scores.

## Bloomingdale Engineers a Victory

Six Bloomingdale High School science students took first place regional honors and second place in the state during the Junior Engineering Technical Society's (JETS) annual competition.

Bloomingdale team members were: Brad Mahlum, Danny Grossman, Anne Zimmerman, Chris Wilburn, John Forinash and Theodora Eggleston. Team sponsor is Marian Marley, chemistry teacher at Bloomingdale.

Individual standouts include Brad Mahlum, who placed first in chemistry and third in mathematics; Danny Grossman placed first in mathematics; Anne Zimmerman placed first in English; and John Forinash placed third in chemistry.

Danny Grossman and Anne Zimmerman were selected to compete as part of Florida's team in the national competition. That team finished 15th in the nation.

## Bombers Runnerup in District 13



From back left: Coach Lee Montgomery, Laura Coyle, Layne Walters, Katie Kearney, Erica Strutz, Manager Eric Strutz. From front left: Kendra Strutz, Heidi Buhalog, Melissa McDonnell, Alissa Montgomery, Dawn Buytas, Shannon Schwend. Missing: Stefanie DiGregorio, Christina Morales, Erin Bowles.

by Eric Strutz  
Bloomingdale Resident

The Bloomingdale Bombers, girls Little League fast pitch softball majors champions, finished second recently in the District 13 tournament.

The Bombers featured explosive hitting during the tournament. Layne Walters led the team with a .565 batting average for the tournament with two home runs. Erica Strutz, the leading hitter in the regular season, batted .550, Heather Wright hit .476, Laura Coyle hit .473, Kendra Strutz hit .462, Stefanie DiGregorio hit .455 with a home run and Kate Kearney added two home runs.

The Bombers won five games during the double elimination tournament, defeating Temple Terrace Twice, 23-3 and 31-8, North Brandon 34-9 and Land of Lakes 20-6. The Bombers rebounded from a heartbreaking 13-12 loss to East Pointe, to defeat East Pointe in the semi finals 18-1. Pitcher Erica Strutz struck out 14 East Pointe hitters during that game, which was halted after five innings.

Playing again Saturday morning after Friday night's semifinal win, the seventh game in nine days, the Bombers fell to tourney champion East Bay.

The Bombers were not ex-

pected to perform so well as number two pitcher and starting catcher, Alissa Montgomery missed the tournament due to illness, leaving the Bombers short on pitching. However, Erica Strutz won all three of her opportunities, striking out 30 batters in fourteen innings, Layne Walters added two wins including the quarter final over Land of Lakes and Stefanie DiGregorio did an excellent job at catching. Heather Wright played very well at short stop.

The Bloomingdale major girls (ages 11-12) began Allstar play on July 6 at East Pointe, while Bloomingdale plays host to the Little League Girls (ages 9-10) The allstar tournament began July 14.

## 6th Graders make their mark

by Alexa Hrvatin  
Gazette Staff Reporter

Progress Village School earned international recognition this school year for its participation in the worldwide Math Olympiad. Ten sixth-grade students at Progress Village were members of the team that placed in the top ten percent of the 2,841 teams that competed.

The students worked on timed tests at five different times during the year. A variety of mathematics problems were given to the

students, with the top ten students scores used to determine the team score. Those students were: Brian Dolecki, Robert Gainer, Josh Sebastian, Matt Brown, Christopher Milan, Cory Hrvatin, Bobby Buggy, Lori Kinsel, Matt Umbarger, and Richard Boettger. Brian Dolecki and Christopher Milan ranked in first place.

The team earned an Outstanding Achievement plaque for the school. This is the sixth year that Progress Village has ranked in the Math Olympiad compe-

tion. In addition, for the second straight year, Progress Village won first place regional honors in the Continental Mathematics League, Inc. competition. The region includes thirteen southeastern states. Members of this winning team included: Christopher Milan, Phillip Mott, Kris Fillon, Leonard Jacobsen, Brian Dolecki, Richard Boettger, Jeremy Ozog, Matt Umbarger, Lori Kinsel, Dara Dehart, Robert Gainer, and Gayle Freeman.

### Community Service Announcement

If you are not yet a registered voter in Hillsborough County, you may now register at major area shopping malls until October 6.

Registration sites are open on Fridays from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. and on Saturdays from noon until 9 p.m. Shopping centers included in the registration effort, and the location of the registration booths, are:

Eastlake Square — lower level near the information booth and escalator;  
Tampa Bay Center — lower level near Florida Federal and Sears;  
University Square — Ruby Tuesday concourse, Fowler Avenue entrance; and  
West Shore Plaza — Food Court, near Walgreen's Westshore Boulevard entrance.

Persons who are registered by 5 p.m. August 6 will be eligible to vote in elections held after that date. October 2 and the General Election is November

For further information call the Supervisor of Elections at 272-5850.

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**SPECIAL MEMORIES BY SHERYL** When you need something for that special occasion (Wedding, Birthday, Anniversary, etc.) and don't know what to get, bring me your announcement and I will show you what I can do to make it special. 651-0200(r)

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## Health & Beauty

**PERSONAL COLOR CONSULTANT:** Individual color analysis, wardrobe coordination, fabric swatch portfolio, skin care and cosmetics. Bldg. Resident. Call Katie 685-1098. (r)

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## Help Wanted

**SALESPERSON WANTED** to sell printing and Rent-A-Kid delivery services in the Brandon/Valrico area. Commission with flexible working hours (approximately 27 per week). Must have reliable transportation. Familiarity with graphic arts and printing is a plus. Call Susan DeLuca at 681-2051 at The Bloomingdale Gazette, Inc.

**THE BLOOMINGDALE GAZETTE** is looking for an individual to handle the advertising department. This individual should possess a good attitude, team spirit, professionalism and a desire to better the community. Art design or graphics experience would be helpful, no advertising experience necessary. This is an ideal position to make some extra money while the children are in school. Job entails approximately 15-20 hours per week and pays on a commission basis. Call the *Bloomingdale Gazette* Monday-Friday 9:30-2:30 at 681-2051.

**REPORTERS WANTED:** for *The Bloomingdale Gazette*. No experience necessary, but must have a strong interest in the community with the ability to write well and meet a monthly deadline. Monetary compensation will be considered based upon experience. Call 681-2051.

**DELIVERY PERSONS WANTED** for *The Bloomingdale Gazette* for the substitute list. All ages are welcome to apply. Call Karen Ellis, Distribution Manager, at 684-4723 and leave a message.

**COORDINATOR, NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH:** Contact Martin Andersen President BHA to volunteer. 684-5904 or 681-2051.

**DIPSTICK'S OIL CHANGE:** Girl to run cash register, vacuum and light courtesy work on cars. Days. Call 684-8705 or 681-8473.(r)

**TELEMARKETER,** Experience preferred. Full or Part time to work from home. Appointment setting only, no sales involved. Call 681-1822 and leave message. Salary negotiable

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## Lost and Found

**FOUND SMALL BOYS BICYCLE** in the vicinity of Belle Grande. Call 684-4501 to claim.

**LOST DOG:** Looking for 1-1/2 year old Brown and White Bassethound. Missing as of Friday night June 15th. Dog has tags. Please call 681-6248.

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**BLOOMINGDALE PAINTING & PRESSURE WASHING:** Interior & exterior painting. Free estimates. Experienced and reliable. Bldgl. Resident Tod Howard 654-5646. (r)

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- Krystal Bacorn, 14 653-0974
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To add your name to the babysitting or yard work list, call 681-2051 and leave your name and DAYTIME phone number. Someone from the Gazette staff will call an adult and verify the placement of the name, age, and phone number.

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- Reporters
- Salesperson for printing & delivery services
- Advertising Director
- Delivery persons' substitute list

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