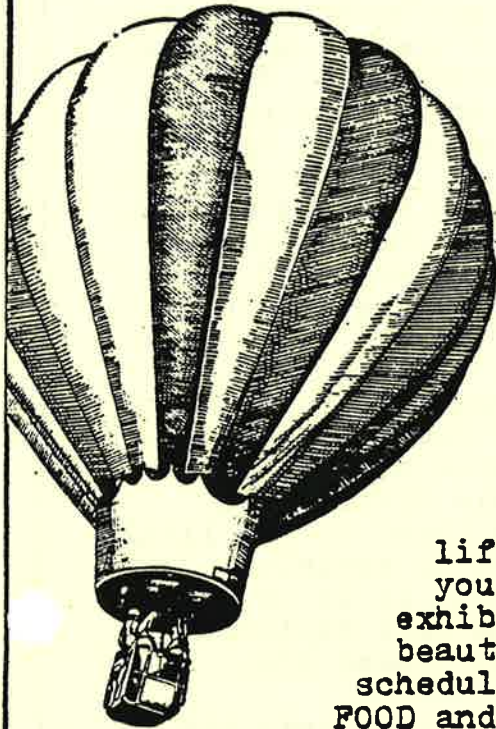


THE BLOOMINGDALE GAZETTE

A PUBLICATION OF THE BLOOMINGDALE HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION

Up, up and away!



The Third Annual Brandon Balloon Festival has expanded again and there will be more of everything. The two day event will be filled with clowns, dancers, singers, demonstrations, exhibits...and, of course, hot air balloons--40 of them...and they are a glorious sight at lift off! When you aren't watching the balloons you can ride on the midway, peruse through craft exhibits, visit the petting zoo, participate in a beauty contest or run your feet off in one of three scheduled races. And if that isn't enough...there is FOOD and lots of it! And "food" reminds me of "thirst" and for the BHA "Coke is it" again this year. The

BHA will be running two Coke concessions as a fund raiser. If you can put in some time at one of our booths please call Maryon Marsh (685-1843). It is a fun way to help your community--and it is a special day for the whole Brandon area.

A word of advice for newcomers: arrive EARLY if you want to see the balloon lift off from some place other than your car...this is a popular event and the traffic is heavy.

And runners, you can still participate in either the 1 mile or the 5 mile runs on Monday the 5th by registering early on race day. At 9:30 there will be a toddler run and short races for younger children. It is truly a family day.



PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Hi, Friends and Neighbors! And welcome to all of you who have recently moved in. I have several important points to make, all of which pertain to OUR community.

The attendance at our last several general membership meetings has been deplorable. With approximately 190 member families, I am hard pressed to understand why we don't have the minimum necessary for a quorum (25 people) in attendance. Without a quorum, we cannot even conduct an official meeting--not to mention our inability to inform and receive feedback from YOU if you don't come to the meetings.

There has recently been an alarming increase in theft, vandalism, and general lack of community security here in Bloomingdale. The reason for this increase is the lack of security patrols within our community. Why are there only 40 volunteers for the security patrols in a community with more than 1200 adults?

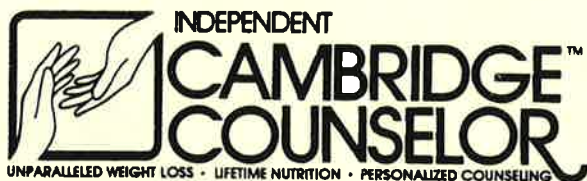
I know I've been in South America working for the past 4½ months, but I truly don't understand what has happened to the once famous Bloomingdale "community spirit". We've got more to be proud of now and more to work for now than ever before. NOW is when we should be demonstrating our strongest unity.

The Bloomingdale "Master Community Association" papers have been revised to a point where they will soon be submitted by Criterion for VA/FHA approval. There will be a special joint Bloomingdale Homeowners Assoc. and Bloomingdale Homeowners-at-Large meeting on Tuesday, September 13th at 7:30pm at the Bloomingdale Civic Assoc. building at Lithia-Pinecrest and Bloomingdale roads (next to the little league fields). The purpose of this meeting will be to explain these papers and what they mean to you as homeowners. It is in your best interests to attend this meeting. This meeting will replace the regularly scheduled BHA meeting in September, so please plan to attend.

A point of interest to those of you with kids playing near the culvert that empties into the lake across Bell Shoals from the entrance to Bloomingdale East: A Very Large (6-8 ft.) alligator has been seen in or near that culvert several times recently, and quite a few baby ducks have disappeared. An alligator can outrun a dog (or a person) on land. Please talk to your kids--losing baby ducks is one thing, let's not lose any kids.

The Brandon Balloon Festival is rapidly approaching and this is our major fund-raiser for the year. We need volunteers to help. Please join us. See you there.

Bob Knott
President, BHA



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EDITORIAL

As I go around the development on Gazette duties, I talk with a lot of people and we discuss (among other things) this community and the purpose of the BHA. One statement has surfaced frequently and since I feel it is vital, I'd like to discuss it: "The BHA is just for the 'East'." ('east' being the homes of Bloomingdale East and 'west' is all the rest). Now its true that the BHA's founders were from this side...but then the whole development started here too. What is surprising is that there are so many more families on the 'west'side...but 11 of the 12 present Board members are from the 'east'. No, it is not just a simple matter of 'east' voting-in 'east'...when two places were open on the Board in July, who volunteered to help? three more people from 'east'...none from 'west'.

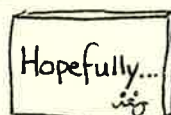
Only YOU can give the BHA a wider base, a new sense of direction. There are six Board positions to be voted upon this November and I would love to see new faces--and preferably from sections where voices (& participation) have been minimal. And I would really like to see someone who has never held the position of BHA president to hold that position. I'd like to see new faces, hear new input, sense new energies--a whole new group of residents becoming interested in their neighborhood and sharing the responsibilities for it. (And it is equally important that the present Board make every effort to make every BHA meeting as efficient, productive and interesting as possible--people only come out when we make it worth their while!).

Even if you can't hold a Board position you could give us a friend's name to contact...or you could attend a BHA meeting and voice your opinions; you could join BHA and help provide a financial base for its community-wide activities; for that matter, you could volunteer to deliver the Gazette or you could just improve your community by welcoming a new neighbor, coaching a youth sports team or joining neighborhood watch patrols.

An organization can only be as effective and energetic as the people who are in it---if you feel it could be doing more--or use more direction--or be handling problems differently...then provide input!!! The development has grown and changed but BHA has not grown with it...because it can't...without YOU. Think about it.



Do you have something to say of community interest? Write a letter to the editor!



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1 June 1983-26 August 1983

Checking Account

623.34	Beginning Balance	
2593.82	Deposit:	\$1,200 from Savings
<u>\$3217.16</u>		1,000 from Special Account
		393.82 Ads and dues

Expenses:	165.75	Florist
	1352.00	Lawyer, partial
	388.51	Gazette payment
	<u>97.20</u>	Misc.
	\$2003.46	

★ Balance: \$1105.38

Savings Account

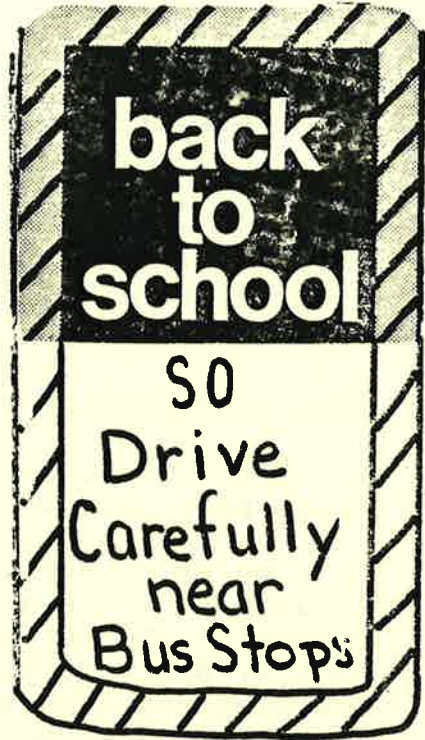
\$1288.88	Beginning Balance
108.32	Deposit: Interest & Dues
<u>1200.00</u>	Withdrawal to Checking Acct.
★ \$ 197.20	Ending Balance

Special Activities Account

\$3747.38	Beginning Balance
1230.00	Expenses: Balloon Fest (space rental and petty cash) and deposit to checking acct.

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DEAR BLOOMINGDALE NEIGHBOR:

1. This letter contains information on the Bloomingdale Neighborhood Watch Program. We hope you'll keep it for future reference.
2. The Bloomingdale Neighborhood Watch promotes community safety and security. It is a voluntary organization whose members reside in this community (Bloomingdale East and West, Bloomingdale Estates, Bell Shoals, South Oaks). There are no dues or membership fees. Members are property owners and heads of families who want to keep Bloomingdale a good place to live and raise a family. We are not a law enforcement agency, but work closely with the county sheriff and private security agencies.
3. Having told you what our organization is, we also want to make clear what it's not. It is not a "vigilante" group. Members are not authorized to carry weapons of any kind, and have no law enforcement responsibility or authority. Our eyes, ears, and common sense are the only "weapons" we use. It is not affiliated with the Bloomingdale Home Owners Association (BHA), although most Neighborhood Watch members also belong to BHA.
4. Neighborhood Watch patrols consist of two people (we have many husband-wife teams). We patrol in CB-radio equipped cars, clearly marked (magnetic signs) as "Neighborhood Watch." Patrols maintain radio contact with base stations, who can request emergency assistance (e.g., Sheriff, Fire Department, Ambulance, etc) if necessary.
5. Members can expect to patrol (3-4 hours) once every four to six weeks, based on current organization strength. Our scheduler contacts members to make patrol assignments compatible with personal desires where possible. We try to put patrols out as often as possible, especially on weekends, holidays, and other days when school is out, or when experience indicates a patrol is needed.
6. Patrol results have been gratifying. We have established a good working relationship with local law enforcement and emergency service agencies, and their response time has improved. The effectiveness of Neighborhood Watch is directly related to its visibility in the community. We are striving to improve such visibility through more frequent patrols and signs at community entrances.
7. We encourage your participation in the program. As the name implies, Neighborhood Watch is no more, nor less than a group of neighbors concerned with the activities in their community. If you would like to join us, contact Joe Beaty, (689-1099).

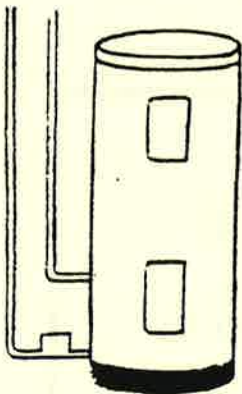
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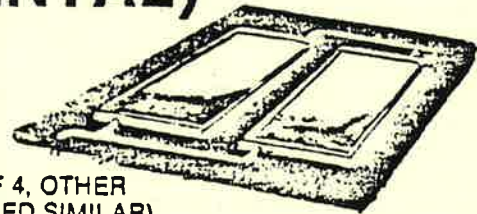
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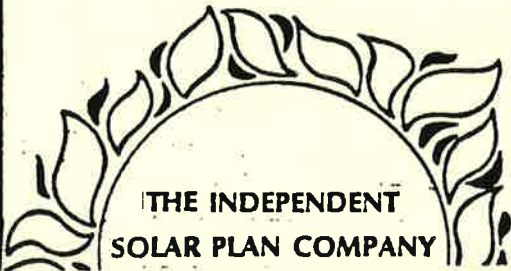


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■ **Annuals**—Fertilize your annuals this month, applying 1/3 cup of 6-6-6 per 25 square feet of planted area. Also keep the plants well watered during dry weather. To encourage continued flowering on warm-weather annuals, remove blossoms as soon as they fade.

■ **Flowers**—Continue to spray roses with Funginex to control powdery mildew, blackspot, and rust. Keep faded blossoms removed from marigolds, zinnias, geraniums, and other summer annuals to lengthen their period of bloom. Fertilize annuals with 1/2 pound of 6-6-6 per 30 square feet of planted area.

To control aphids or spider mites, apply insecticidal soap, Di-Syston, or Dyatox-R.

■ **Lacebugs**—If you notice yellowing foliage on azaleas, firethorn (pyracantha), lantana, or hibiscus, check the plants for lacebugs. A sure sign of their presence is black dots of excrement on the underside of leaves. Adult lacebugs are 1/16 to 1/8 inch long. You'll need a magnifying glass to see their netlike transparent wings. To control these insects, spray infested plants with Orthene, malathion, Dyatox-R, or Sevin according to label directions.

■ **Spider mites**—Dry weather makes these pests thrive, so they can be a severe problem at this time of year. Ornamentals, fruit, vegetables, and foliage plants are all subject to attack. At the first sign of yellowing foliage, check the underside of leaves. The mites are tiny and difficult to see, but their presence is often indicated by a light webbing. To control mites, apply Kelthane, malathion, or Diazinon according to label directions.

■ **Azaleas and camellias**—Keep azaleas and camellias well watered during hot, dry weather. These plants are particularly susceptible to drought because of their shallow roots. To make sure that the water reaches the entire root area, use a small stationary sprinkler or soaker hose under the plants. Adjust the water flow to avoid runoff.

■ **Palms**—In poor or in alkaline soils, palms often need magnesium. Lack of this element causes the lower leaves of the plants to turn yellow. Eventually, the newer growth also turns yellow. Correct the deficiency by applying magnesium sulfate or Epsom salts. Use 1 pound on small trees and 5 pounds for large, mature specimens. Work the material into the ground around the plants, or dissolve it in water and evenly pour it around them.

■ **Lawns**—Chinch bugs and sod webworms thrive in hot weather, so be on the lookout for them this month. Sod webworms are small (1/2 to 3/4 inch long) wormlike caterpillars that spin silken tunnels at the base of the grass. They feed at night, chewing on various lawn grasses until blades are stripped. Areas where they feed look yellow or brown from a distance. Chinch bugs prefer St. Augustine grass, damaging it by sucking sap near the base of the blades. Suspect an infestation when you see yellow or dead patches in your lawn. These pests are hard to find because of their size. Young bugs are less than 1/8 inch long and have a red-and-black body. Even the full-size insects aren't much larger. They have a black body with black-and-white wings. To check for chinch bugs, remove both ends from a metal coffee can, and press it into one of the yellow patches. Fill with water. Any chinch bugs present will float to the surface. To control sod webworms and chinch bugs, apply Aspon. Be sure to read the label.

■ **Lawns**—Grass needs a fall feeding to stay healthy in winter. Apply a high-quality lawn fertilizer, such as 16-4-8 or 12-4-8, at the rate of 1 pound of nitrogen per 1,000 square feet (6 pounds 16-4-8 or 8 pounds 12-4-8 will supply 1 pound of nitrogen). Use a drop-type spreader to ensure even distribution.

■ **Marigolds**—South Florida gardeners can't always count on the African marigolds for fall blossoms. Many that normally grow to 2 feet or more in the spring will begin flowering when only 4 to 5 inches tall during the shorter days of fall. Often, only a few flowers are produced and the plants become spindly. However, two members of this group will perform successfully: Royal Hybrid and the Lady Hybrids.

■ **Mums**—Garden mums are showiest when planted in masses. A single color is also best, but make sure the one you choose doesn't clash with your house. Water the plants regularly during dry weather.

■ **Amaryllis**—To bring indoor amaryllis into bloom again, and in time for Thanksgiving or Christmas, get started now. Place the plant in a dark, dry location and stop watering. Let remain that way for at least a month; the foliage will die back as the bulb goes dormant. Then bring the potted bulb back into bright, indirect light and resume regular watering.

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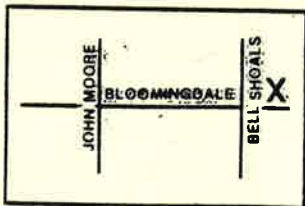
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I'd like to thank the many people who have volunteered to distribute Gazettes--you have saved my sanity...not to mention contributed to the community. Special thanks to Sue Mulzer for her moral support & for watching my sons so I could finish my last deliveries in July. We still need people--especially in Suarez and now in rapidly growing Ryland. If you live on Bessamer, Harlong Ct., Redondo, Greenmark Lane & Highgrove Ct. we need deliverers. Two super streets are Eastridge & Caliente--each had at least 3 volunteers! Area Distribution heads are:

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Other heads will be announced in October. If you can deliver on your street, call your rep or call me at 685-9215. If you call and we already have someone we'll hold your name in reserve. I thank all of you--over 30 people are involved. **IMPORTANT CHANGE:** Printing costs continue to rise & to combat that we are trying a new print & paper size next month

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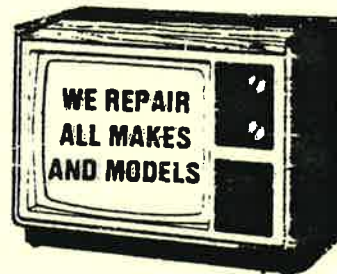
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Looking forward to seeing you!!!!

kids cook

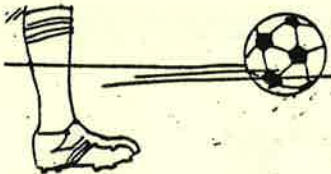
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Parents can register their children on Sept. 3rd and 10th at the Brandon Civic Center on Sadie St., Brandon. The League is for boys and girls ages 4-15. You'll need 2 school size photos and birth certificate to register--cost is \$30 for the first player in each family, \$25 for 2nd. For info call Gene Bulso 685-4610.

South Brandon registration

Baseball registration for the South Brandon Winter Instructional League will be held at the South Brandon Little League Field on Saturdays Aug. 27 and Sept. 3 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The league is open to all children ages 5 through 15. Proof of age is required. Registration fee is \$15 per family. For more information call Ed Newberg at 685-7226.

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BLOOMINGDALE WINTER LEAGUE

Boys and girls ages 6-18 can be registered on 3 Sept. from 10-3 at the Bloomingdale civic Center at Bloomingdale and Lithia-Pinecrest Roads. It starts 17 Sept. and lasts 10 wks. There will be practice one day a week at the field and all games will be on Saturday. Cost is \$15 a family. Additional coaches & managers are needed before the season begins. For info call Lou Gerena 681-8243. (Call Lou if you are interested in a Metro League for women 16 and over.)

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 ing out in all directions from the
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 compass; husband, children, friends,
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 posed, sensitive...to each call that
 comes. How difficult for us, then,
 to achieve a balance in the midst of
 these contradictory tensions, and yet
 how necessary for the proper func-
 tioning of our lives...I begin to
 understand why the saints were rarely
 married women. I am convinced it has
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 supposed, with chastity or children.
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4 Brandon Balloon Festival Begins 12-10PM	5 Labor Day Balloon Fest 6am-5pm Foot Races 7:45am	6	7 Rosh Hashanah	8	9	10
11 Grandparents Day! Phone or Write	12 Craft Club 8pm	13 BHA Meeting 7:30pm Bloomingdale Civic Center	14	15	16	17 Yom Kippur
18	19	20	21	22	23 Fall Begins	24
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Cut out this page and save until next month

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NOMINATIONS FOR THE BOARD

Nominations for the BHA Board of Directors are now open for 6 positions. Each term is for 2 years. The elections will be held at the November '83 General Membership meeting. Contact Maryon Marsh at 685-1843.

BHA BOARD MEMBERS

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Don Luke	689-8090
Brenda Manning	681-2424
Don Burke	685-2889
Dave Jacques	681-6785
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