

THE BLOOMINGDALE GAZETTE

A PUBLICATION OF THE BLOOMINGDALE HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION

BHA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

WHEN: Tuesday, September 24, 1985

TIME: 7:30 p.m. for coffee and talk
8:00 p.m. for the meeting to begin

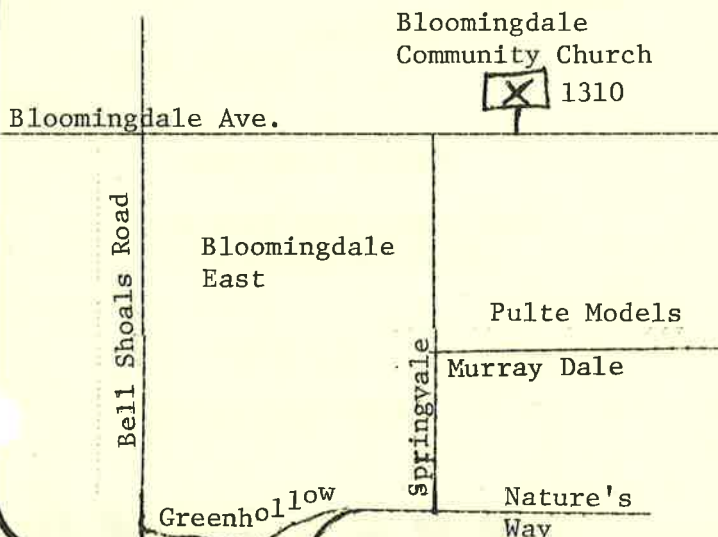
WHERE: Bloomingdale Community Church
1310 Bloomingdale Avenue (See Map)

WHO: All residents of Bloomingdale

Now that the kids are back to school and our lives are coming into order again, we invite ALL Bloomingdale residents to the General Membership Meeting of the BHA.

There will be a lot of things covered during this meeting including a Balloon Chase update, MHA/STD information, and discussion of nominations for the '85-86 year. There will also be a motion made to "drop" the membership dues for the BHA, thereby allowing all Bloomingdale residents to be automatic members. We will also address the issue of Fund Raising for the BHA, plus many other subjects.

It promises to be an interesting meeting, so why not come out and join us.



STD UPDATE By Glenda Hewitt

1. As requested, I have received a copy of the Bloomingdale maintenance budget and operating costs for our area from Criterion (Copy available at the meeting.) The letter which accompanied the budget indicated that the MHA would be put into effect within the next couple of weeks. (During the month of August.) Based on my previous discussions with Susan Meitz (Spokesperson for Criterion) the MHA had been on the so-called "back burner." I placed a call to Susan Meitz requesting clarification at which time she explained that the "proper people" at Criterion had, without her previous knowledge, approved the MHA papers and had sent them to their attorneys for final review and implementation. As a result of this letter and phone call, it was decided to call an emergency Board of Directors meeting of the BHA. Our Directors decided to send a certified letter requesting a copy of the final papers to review before Criterion implements them. As of this issue, we have not yet received a copy of these papers despite almost daily phone calls. Criterion has explained to us that the papers are still in the hands of their lawyers and have not yet been released. They have promised that they will get a copy of them to us as soon as their lawyers are finished.

2. Susan DeLuca contacted Jim Selvey's office requesting his assistance with proper procedures in forming our own STD. She was referred to his assistant, Niki, who explained that since the STD's have always been passed at the State level new procedures were being drafted at the local level. Susan has requested a copy of these papers, which as of this issue have not been recieved. They

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By Dave Cvetan

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The Neighborhood Watch Program is also suffering--it's obvious from the rash of daytime burglaries taking place (i.e. bikes and lawnmowers are stolen in broad daylight and even cars are being vandalized). Where are the eyes of our community? Surely, somebody had to see something suspicious. This, in itself, reinforces my emphasis on our Mobile Watch program--our cars patrolling the streets can act as a deterrent or maybe identify those responsible.

For those of you who are currently members of the Mobile Watch, I ask that you dedicate yourself, work and personal necessity permitting, to being available for watch duty when you're scheduled. It's very disheartening for us base station operators to commit ourselves four times a month and have no-shows 50% of the time. When this happens, we are providing a disservice to the community because we don't provide consistent daily coverage--absolutely necessary if we are trying to deter crime! The next time you're tired after a hard day's work, do what I do--remember what we are trying to accomplish and dig deep for some extra energy.

For those of you who recently moved to our community--WELCOME! I invite you to become a member of our Mobile Watch--it will only require a few hours of your time each month. If you have called and volunteered and not received a call back, please call again.

Anyone interested in joining our team or contributing a few dollars can call me evenings at 684-2442. Let's stick together for the good of our community!

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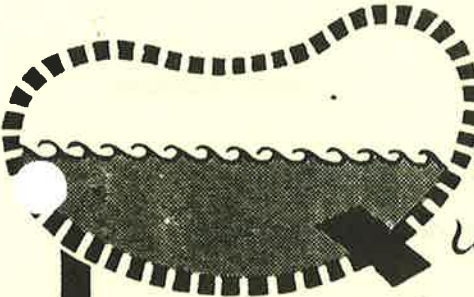
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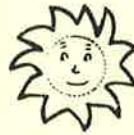
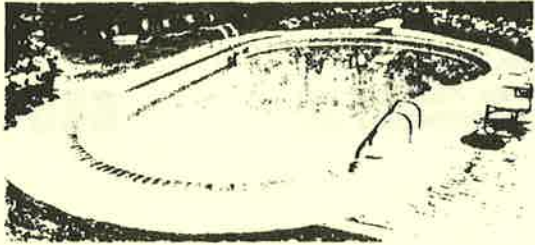
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STD UPDATE continued from front page

are still at the office of George Butler, County Attorney. He must approve them and then they go to the Commission for approval. We should be receiving an STD packet some-time during the month of September. (By the way, for those of you who have worked with STD's in the past, we have been told by Liz Eddy that all those procedures and papers are no longer applicable to the current STD situation. Therefore, we are having to start everything over again.)

It is apparent Criterion has decided to move rather quickly on implementing the Master Homeowner Association. This obviously has a direct impact on some of us and an indirect impact on the rest. Since we all have a concern and interest in keeping our community at its "current standard" we are again asking for your support. We haven't had anyone yet volunteer from a legal point, so now we are asking for contributions so we can hire legal assistance. We have been told that this would be wise at this time.

Please send your contributions to:

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Also, don't forget the September 24, 7:30 pm meeting of the BHA at the Bloomingdale Community Church. This subject will not only be explained to the new residents but also explored as to all possibilities.

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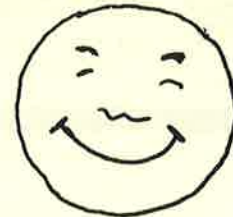
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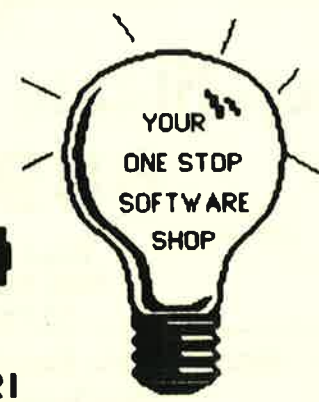
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This paper contacted the Hartline offices which sent out an individual to survey the damage. They did acknowledge that their buses were the cause of the grass damage and that they would so notify their drivers. We asked about grass repairs and were not given any significant answer. A lower-management individual said he would pass this onto someone in a higher position, who in turn would pass it on to.... Get the point?

It seems that Criterion's Ben Bownd is also getting this same run around from Hartline. Perhaps many telephone calls from irate residents would get them in motion a little better. Here's their phone number 254-4278.

We'll let you know on what progresses.

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B I K E O W N E R S . . .

B E W A R E

Another bike was stolen in broad daylight. This time it was a red BMX boy's 20" new bicycle. The incident has been reported to the Sheriff's Department, but should you see a bike of this description please call James Melnick at 681-2083.

This is the third bike to have been stolen in Bloomingdale in two weeks that we are aware of.

BOWLING BITS

A big Thank You to the 14 bowlers who responded to the bowling article. The 14 youth bowlers will be bowling on teams this fall representing Bloomingdale. YABA (Youth American Bowling Alliance) leagues start September 7 at Brandon Lanes, 305 W. Robertson. For those of you still wishing to join, the ages

(Bowling Continued above next column)



LETTERS

The personnel of the Bloomingdale Gazette

I am writing to express a concern of mine and my neighbors about Bloomingdale Park West. Over the past few months there has been an increasing number of motorcycles being operated on the park grounds. I was under the assumption this area was for family recreation and relaxation and a habitat for wildlife of which motorcycles don't seem to fit. Is there a restriction on the use of motor vehicles in our park areas or is there a possibility of having motorcycle races in the Bloomingdale community in the near future?

Concerned Bloomingdale Residents

Assistant Editor's Note: A similar problem has arisen in Park East. A concerned citizen living on the park has called Criterion. They in turn say there are no restrictions drawn up regarding the parks and that the residents of Bloomingdale must do this in conjunction with the proposed MHA (this from L. Bownd of Criterion). (See related STD and MHA story in today's paper.) This citizen also called the Sheriff's Department to have vehicles removed from the park which were in areas that they did not belong. The response from the Sheriff's Department was that it is a private park and can enforce nothing without a letter and signature from the owners (citizens).

It seems that both Criterion's representative and the Sheriff's Department are misinformed. A letter exists from Criterion (the parks owners) that the Mobile Watch has the power to act as an agent for Criterion to protect their property which includes the parks. This authority also extends to the Sheriff's Department.

Should you, a private citizen, have a complaint regarding the park or a criminal or negligent act is being committed that requires law enforcement, you need to contact someone on the Mobile Watch who will in turn allow the letter to be used by the Sheriff's Department. This is not an easy way to do this, but keep in mind the parks are the private property of Criterion and just as you cannot call the Sheriff's Department onto your neighbor's property, so too does it hold for our parks. The exception of course, is that a mechanism does exist through the use of the Mobile Watch to enforce proper conduct within the parks. A telephone number to contact a Mobile Watch member with the letter of approval is:

Maureen Pheils
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Editor's Note: Regarding Mr. Fearn's letter in last month's Gazette, we have yet to receive a reply from either Criterion or Pulte regarding the construction on Greenstone. We will follow it up, though.

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Sherry Hardin: Mrs. Hardin is a new reporter with the Gazette. Sherry comes to us with experience in the area of financial investments and real estate. One time per month you can look forward to her in-depth articles as she reports on the latest in Bloomingdale.

A big THANK YOU for volunteering to both of our new staff members. The pay isn't great but the rewards are many especially in terms of our appreciation.

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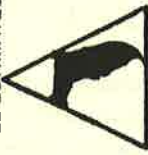
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