

# **LOOKING BACK**

## **HISTORY OF LIBERTY PARK**









## THE SIMPLE JOYS

by Beverly J. Anderson

They miss so much who do not know  
The simple joys of long ago  
When life was lived with easy pace,  
And thankful hearts said table grace.  
When folks took time to be a friend,  
A helping hand, so quick to lend.

When houses had a front porch swing,  
(Oh, how we loved that creaky thing!)  
On summer evenings friends would call  
And they were welcome, one and all,  
And Mom would serve homemade ice cream  
As laughter from the porch would stream.

And vendors came to sell their wares;  
The fun-filled trips to county fairs.  
The concerts at the old bandstand  
They miss so much who never knew  
Old-fashioned joys, such as I do.

The village church so gleaming white,  
Its' steeple bells that rang each night,  
The solace that we all found there  
As we met for a time of prayer.  
Our values were quite different then,  
Oh, time, can't I go back again!

We were not rich in days of yore,  
But we had blessings by the score;  
Our wealth was found in many things  
From which the soul's contentment springs.  
Our homes were filled with so much love,  
Deep faith was ours in God above.

How much they miss who do not know  
The lovely joys found long ago.  
I wish that they could share with me  
My pleasant trip in memory  
Back to the good old-fashioned days  
When life was lived in simple ways!



from Towne Times  
12/20/56  
written by  
Franklin Street  
3802 N. Liberty Blvd.  
LIBERTY PARK student  
son of Verne Street,  
LPHOA Pumpman - 1944  
Central School, Rm. 8Y  
Pauline Kirchoff,  
English Teacher  
Franklin was disabled.  
He died a young man.

### **AMERICA**

AMERICA is the firemen

Putting out fires with their hoses

shooting water at red and orange flames.

AMERICA is the policeman with his whistle  
guiding cars and trucks.

AMERICA is the doctor.

**AMERICA is ME.**



## PRESIDENTS OF LIBERTY PARK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

|                        |           |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Ray Innes              | 1938-1940 |
| R. Forrest             | 1940-1941 |
| Mary Mallek            | 1941-1942 |
| Herbert Lieser         | 1942-1943 |
| Albert Wehner          | 1943-1944 |
| George Leimback        | 1944-1946 |
| George Voightmann      | 1946-1947 |
| Wally Schlentz         | 1947-1948 |
| Alvin Matz             | 1948-1950 |
| Henry Mitchell         | 1950-1951 |
| Ann Deliberto          | 1951-1952 |
| Barney Baloun          | 1952-1953 |
| Henry Mitchell         | 1953-1954 |
| Emil Lukas             | 1954-1956 |
| Karl Strobl            | 1956-1958 |
| Alvin Dietz            | 1958-1959 |
| Robert Graham          | 1959-1960 |
| Albin Fabian           | 1960-1961 |
| Anthony Curio          | 1961-1971 |
| Rita Maconi            | 1971-1973 |
| George Prescott        | 1973-1974 |
| David Dining           | 1974-1975 |
| Eugene Wojcik          | 1975-1976 |
| Jacqueline M. Bartasis | 1976-     |

## LIBERTY PARK OFFICIALS - 1998

|                        |                  |      |
|------------------------|------------------|------|
| Jacqueline M. Bartasis | President        | 1976 |
| Barbara Kossak         | Vice-President   | 1988 |
| Janice Rogers          | Secretary        | 1996 |
| Adele Snyder           | Treasurer        | 1997 |
| Fred Swiech            | Trustee          | 1977 |
| David Rice             | Trustee          | 1981 |
| Bob Rossini            | Trustee          | 1995 |
|                        | Sergeant at Arms | 1990 |
| Joseph Fennell         | Water Supt.      | 1981 |
| Ken Lipe               | 1st Ass't Supt.  | 1995 |
|                        | Water Sampler    | 1993 |
| David Rice             | 2nd Ass't Supt.  | 1990 |
| Bob Rossini            | Commercial Meter |      |
|                        | Reader           | 1995 |



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

Many years ago, the idea for this book began in the heart and mind of Mary Mallek Soltwisch, as she remembered her life growing up in LIBERTY PARK. Mary is the daughter of Peter and Mary Mallek, the wife of Wayne Soltwisch, son of Edwin and Grace Soltwisch and LPHOA pumpman from 1965-1976. Both sets of parents were among the original charter and dedicated members of LPHOA.

Gail Brown, Ruth Borg and Donna DeBiase began consolidating some of Mary's notes after Mary and Wayne moved from LIBERTY PARK to a farm in Essex, Illinois.

I was given the privilege to edit, document and add to these early notes and memories. So much has happened over the years that it is impossible to give credit to each and everyone involved. I have only touched the surface. So many people, all unsung patriots, who have given of themselves to make LIBERTY PARK a truly viable community.

I wish to thank all the wonderful people who have helped me and who have shared their memories with us.

Jacqueline M. Bartasis  
President



LIBERTY PARK is a part of unincorporated DuPage County.

DuPage County was created February 9, 1839. It was named after the DuPage River. Naperville was selected as the county seat. In 1850, in accordance with the state constitution of 1848, DuPage County chose the TOWNSHIP type of government.

During the 1850's, residents of Wheaton began to campaign for a change in the county seat on the basis of Wheaton's more central location in the county and the convenience of railway service. An election to decide the issue was held in May 1857; the change was defeated. Another election was held ten years later as provided by the state constitution. This time Wheaton won; however, Naperville refused to surrender the County records. The County Board of Supervisors acquired land in Wheaton for the new Courthouse and made plans for its erection. When the new building was completed, the records were removed under cover of darkness. By the time Naperville residents had awakened to what was happening and mobilized to defend its position, the records were well on their way to Wheaton. All records were seized except one section of deeds (1854-57) which was later placed with the Cook County Recorder to await the outcome of the lawsuit which followed. These deeds were destroyed by the Chicago fire of 1871. Naperville lost the suit.

A county in Illinois is a legal subdivision of the state, serving as an agency for state services including health and welfare, education, conduct of elections, and administration of justice. It is the administrative agency for such functions as law enforcement, record keeping, maintenance of highways, and collection of taxes. The county also has powers which are primarily local, such as zoning, licensing of businesses and occupations, and construction and maintenance of county buildings, airports, fairgrounds, etc. It's corporate powers are exercised by the COUNTY BOARD.



LIBERTY PARK is served by Township Government which is a form of democratic government. The township government began in 1832 with the Highway Department, so area farmers and manufacturers could get their wares to market. Our roadways were the life line of early settlement in the area. It is the oldest existing unit of government continuing to serve on the continent. There are 1,433 townships in Illinois serving more than 8 million residents. Townships are mandated to carry out three functions: road and bridge maintenance (townships maintain 71,000 miles of roads, more than half of the state's total), property assessment and providing general assistance to the needy. But today's townships do for more than that. They provide a variety of services that improve quality of life and build better communities.

The LIBERTY PARK section north of the 39th street boundary is in York Township established on April 2, 1850 and the LIBERTY PARK section south of 39th street is in Downers Grove Township established on April 4, 1876. There were no "townhalls" in the late 1800's, so meetings were held in officers' homes. Residents gathered together to determine the authority of the local government officials and to elect them.

In 1986, LPHOA asked the Townships to include street lights for our subdivision in their budget in addition to their other services. Installation was completed over a period of several years ending in 1989.

In 1991, to enhance our program, LPHOA asked the Townships to provide Neighborhood Crime Watch signs throughout the subdivision. This was done.



## **Permits to Make Improvements to Property**

Virtually every improvement on a residential lot requires a permit including fences, decks, swimming pools (above ground and in-ground), garages, sheds, stables, satellite dishes, short wave antennas, patios, terraces, retaining walls, digging or filling in a pond, etc. If in doubt about a particular improvement, call the Building Division of the County Development Department at 682-7220.

## **Repairs to Property**

The DuPage County Building Code requires a building permit if you plan to construct, alter, add, relocate, re-side, re-roof, remove or install equipment for the operation of a building or structure. Appearance related items (e.g., painting, caulking, replacing lighting fixtures, etc.) can usually be done without a permit. Contact the Building Division of the County Development Department at 682-7220 to verify whether a permit is needed for improvements to your home.

## **Violations Created by a Previous Owner**

Zoning and building code violations are the responsibility of the current owner of the property when the violations are discovered. The violations "run with the land" even if the violation occurred 20 or more years ago.

When the county inspector has determined that a zoning or building code violation exists, the current owner is responsible for correcting the violation.

For information about building code violations, call the Building Division of the County Development Department at 682-7220; for information about zoning ordinance violations, call the Zoning Division at 682-7222.

## **Complaints About Area Properties**

If you believe there is a building or zoning violation on an unincorporated property, you may contact the Building Division of the County Development Department at 682-7220. For information about zoning ordinance violations, you may call the Zoning Division at 682-7222. An inspector will survey the situation and will notify the owner if a violation exists. You do not have to give your name if you wish to report a possible violation.

For more information, please contact:

**DuPage County  
Development Department  
421 North County Farm Road  
Wheaton, Illinois 60187  
Phone: (630) 682-7220  
Fax: (630) 682-7224**

# **PROPERTY MAINTENANCE REGULATIONS FOR UNINCORPORATED DU PAGE RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES**

1998





## **Property Maintenance Standards in Unincorporated Areas**

Just as with properties in incorporated areas, unincorporated areas of DuPage County also have property maintenance standards. These standards have been developed to protect the health, safety, morals and welfare of residents of unincorporated DuPage County. The Building Division of the DuPage County Development Department is responsible for enforcing the property code regulations in unincorporated areas of the county. These regulations can be found in the DuPage County Zoning Ordinance, the DuPage County Building Code and the Building Officials and Code Administrators (BOCA) National Property Maintenance Code. Copies can be reviewed at the County Development Department or can be purchased at cost for your reference. Additional regulations are administered through the DuPage County Health Department.

### **General Requirements for the Exterior of Property**

**Sanitation** Property areas must be maintained in a clean, safe and sanitary condition. Structures and interior and exterior property areas shall be kept free of rat infestation. This can be best accomplished by providing for and placing rubbish in tightly sealed garbage containers.

If you wish to make a complaint regarding an unsanitary condition in unincorporated areas, please contact the Building Division at 682-7220.

### **Grading and Drainage**

Properties must be maintained to prevent soil erosion and accumulation of stagnant water. Questions regarding drainage can be answered by the DuPage County Department of Environmental Concerns at 682-7130.

### **Sidewalks and Driveways**

These areas must be kept in a proper state of repair and maintained free of hazardous conditions.

### **Graffiti**

Property defaced by graffiti shall be cleaned, repaired or otherwise restored to its original condition.

### **Accessory Structures**

Detached garages, fences and walls shall be maintained in structurally sound condition and in good repair.

### **Yard Maintenance**

Residents are encouraged to properly maintain their properties. Complaints regarding landscape and weed maintenance are referred to the township offices.

### **Exterior Maintenance**

Exterior property maintenance is critical to the preservation of a neighborhood. In addition to meeting public health and safety requirements, proper exterior maintenance also conveys a strong sense of vitality for the neighborhood as a whole. Appearance elements that must be kept structurally sound and in good repair include:

Structural Members - kept free from deterioration and capable of supporting live and dead loads

Foundation Walls - kept free of open cracks and breaks

Exterior Walls - free from cracks and breaks and should be weatherproofed and sealed

Roofs and Drainage - must prevent drainage into walls or the interior portion of the structure

Decorative Features - must have proper anchorage

Overhang Extensions - must have proper anchorage and contain surface protection by application of weather coating materials

Stairway, Decks, Porches and Balconies - structurally sound and capable of supporting imposed loads

Chimneys - exposed metal and wood surfaces must be protected by periodic application of weather coating materials

Windows, Doors and Frames - must remain weather tight. Locks and hardware shall tightly secure doors. Windows must be operable.

Street Numbers - each structure assigned an address shall have the numbers displayed so that the address is visible from the main street. Characters must be Arabic numerals and must be at least six inches in height mounted on a contrasting background other than glass.



At a General Town Meeting held at the House of George Bates in and for the Town of York in the County of Ingham and State of Illinois on the second day of April being the first Tuesday in April in the year of Our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and fifty, for the purpose of Electing town officers in and for said Town, for the Ensuing year and for the further transaction of such town business as the law prescribes, the Meeting Organized by appointing John Salnadge Moderator and Edward Boony Clerk of said meeting Proclamation being made by the Moderator that the Meeting was organized and ready to receive votes for the General Town Officers as provided by Law the following named voters came forward and deposited their votes Namely

|                    |    |                       |    |
|--------------------|----|-----------------------|----|
| Joseph Bingham     | 1  | James A. C. Barr      | 35 |
| Robert Reed        | 2  | O S Richards          | 36 |
| Galvin Farnsworth  | 3  | David W Brown         | 37 |
| Oris Grant         | 4  | Ebenzer Strickland Jr | 38 |
| Henry W Bingham    | 5  | John Strickland       | 39 |
| James L Snow       | 6  | Caleb Webster         | 40 |
| William R Potter   | 7  | Walter Filer          | 41 |
| William Parker     | 8  | Reynolds Kinyon       | 42 |
| Henry Bedell       | 9  | Elijah Brown          | 43 |
| Hiram Brown        | 10 | Ruben Mink            | 44 |
| George W Kittle    | 11 | Chancy Porter         | 45 |
| Benjamin Plummer   | 12 | William Bennett       | 46 |
| Clark W Richardson | 13 | Levi Gas              | 47 |
| Amos Beard         | 14 | Barto Vanvolzer       | 48 |
| David Porter       | 15 | Otto Ashrens          | 49 |
| Bluf Sutherland    | 16 | Burger Austin         | 50 |
| Ebenzer Strickland | 17 | Salih Bolander        | 51 |
| J M Wemman         | 18 | Ada Knapp             | 52 |
| Webster Buxbanks   | 19 | Ehler Anrens          | 53 |
| James W Bingham    | 20 | Henry Crutcher        | 54 |
| John Loy           | 21 | Julci Code            | 55 |
| J R Frode          | 22 | J G Wainsort          | 56 |
| Mily Bonner        | 23 | J E Gimpke            | 57 |
| Thomas Taylor      | 24 | Christian Beerman     | 58 |
| Abner Fowler       | 25 | Thomas Filer          | 59 |
| John Nichol        | 26 | Francis Horn          | 60 |



John  
L. Edwards

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For Justices of the Peace  
David Thurston received ninety five votes  
Orsan D. Richards received seventy votes  
Henry Bates received thirty one votes  
Henry Crother received one vote

For Constables  
David Fuller recd ninety five votes  
Clark W. Richardson received sixty three votes.  
Chaney D. Fowler received thirty three votes

Benjamin Plummer was elected Town Master by acclamation

Edward Eldridge having received the greatest number of votes for the office of Supervisor was declared by the moderator duly elected

Allan M. Knight, having received the greatest number of votes for the office of town clerk was declared by the Moderator duly Elected

George Fuller having received the greatest number of votes for the office of Assessor was declared by the Moderator duly Elected

Adam Goff having recd the greatest number of votes for the office of Collector was declared by the Moderator duly Elected

Robert Reed having received the greatest number of votes for the office of Overseer of the Poor was declared by the Moderator duly Elected

James L. Snow John Thresher and Reuben Mink having received the greatest number of votes for the office of Commissioners of highways were declared by the Moderator duly Elected

David Thurston and Orsan D. Richards having received the greatest number of votes for the Offices of Justice of the Peace were declared by the Moderator duly Elected

David Fuller and Clark W. Richardson having recd the greatest number of votes for the Offices of Constables were declared by the Moderator duly Elected



Swine, sheep and goats shall not be allowed to run at large in the town of  
Canaan under any penalty and shall not be allowed to run at large

Cattle, Horses, Mules and Oxen shall be allowed to run at large from the first day of April till the first day of December

If any animal that is prohibited by article 4 shall be found out side of the enclosure of the owner, it shall be taken up by any person Inhabitant of the town and taken to the Pound Master who shall proceed as in the following article

When any animal is impounded under authority of the laws of this town it shall be the duty of the Pound Master to give notice to the Owner personally or by leaving a written notice at his residence, if not known then to post up written notices in four of the most public places in the town describing as accurately as possible the animal so impounded. If the Owner shall neglect or refuse to discharge said animal from the pound within ten days after such notice, by paying charges of impounding, keeping and damage if any has been committed by said animal, it shall be the duty of the Pound Master to sell such animal at public sale to the highest bidder after six days notice by posting up notices in three of the most public places in the town. and out of the proceeds 1<sup>st</sup> to pay expenses of Empounding and Keeping, 2<sup>nd</sup> the damage committed by said animal, 3<sup>rd</sup> the remainder if any to be paid over to the town Clerk to be held by him subject to the order of the owner.

Every fence shall be at least four feet high and in other respects, such as in the judgment of the fence viewers is sufficient against orderly animals that are allowed to go at large

The town Clerk Elected at this meeting is hereby ordered and authorized to purchase and keep a book for the use of the town



Ordered by acclamation of the Meeting that the next town meeting shall be held at the house of Chester W Plummer, at or near the Centre of the town

John Balmadge Moderator

Edward Bonney Clerk

Before entering upon the duties of the office the above named John Balmadge and Edward Bonney took and subscribed the following Oaths, to wit  
I John Balmadge being Elected Moderator of this town meeting do solemnly swear that I will faithfully and impartially perform the duties of said office to help me God

John Balmadge

Sworn and Subscribed before me this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April A D 1850

John Loy J. P.

I Edward Bonney being appointed Clerk of this town meeting do solemnly swear that I will faithfully perform the duties of said office to help me God

Edward Bonney

Sworn and Subscribed before me this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April A D 1850

John Loy J. P.

On this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of April 1850 I served a written notice on Allan M Wright of his Election to the Office of Town Clerk on the second day, being the first Tuesday in April Instant—

Given under my hand at the town of York this  
4<sup>th</sup> day of April A D 1850

Edward Bonney  
Clerk protem

Attest Allan Wright Town Clerk

DARK AREA DUE TO  
WATER DAMAGE ON  
TOWNSHIP RECORDS.



**Minutes of a Town Meeting held at Rogers Hall on the 4th day of April, 1876.***Clerk's Corner Continued...*

**This is a Word for Word Transcript of the actual Minutes of the Town Meeting. We have not changed the content, grammar, or punctuation.**

The meeting was called to order by Henry Bohlander, town clerk, on motion Thomas B. Clark was duly chosen to preside as Moderator who being first-duly sworn by Henry Bohlander, town clerk, of said town entered upon the duties of his office. The Polls for the election of officers where opened proclamation thereof being first made by the clerk at twelve o'clock the Polls closed for one hour. at one o'clock they where again opened and kept open till two o'clock in the afternoon when they where closed. the general business of the day being their in order the following where elected overseers of Highways by acclimation to wit:

|            |                    |             |               |             |                     |
|------------|--------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|---------------------|
| District 1 | John Hambel        | District 8  | E.A. Davis    | District 14 | James Craigmile     |
| District 2 | George T. Sucher   | District 9  | Thomas Barter | District 15 | James Karney        |
| District 3 | O. Willard Fleming | District 10 | Jacob Lehman  | District 16 | George Hiuty        |
| District 4 | John Thatcher      | District 11 | John Fleming  | District 17 | Charles Wheeler     |
| District 5 | Henry Oldfield     | District 12 | E. Senart     | District 18 | Charles Meade       |
| District 6 | James Craigmile    | District 13 | Frank Creamer | District 19 | Christian Schreiber |
| District 7 | Fredrick Kline     |             |               | District 20 | Alfred Nixon        |

The Polls where again opened and kept open till Six o'clock when they where closed and the votes counted the results were as follows to wit:

For Supervisor

Almeron Ford 144 votes  
Victor Fredenhagen 133  
Anson Hyers 41

For Assessor

J.M. Barr 233 votes

For Town Clerk

Henry Bohlander 280 votes

For Collector

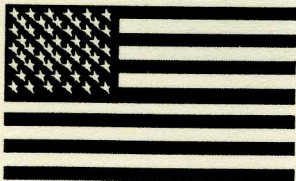
Thomas B. Clark 280 votes  
Issac Perkins 1

For Commissioners of Highway

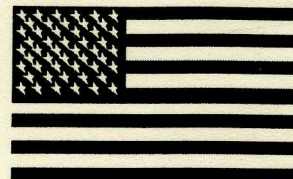
A.S. Alderman 241 votes  
David Craigmile 20

Richard Oldfield 14 votes  
J. Higgins 1

A request by twenty five electors having been duly filed with the town clerk that a change be made in the place of holding town meetings to Hinsdale. and notice thereof having been given in the notices of this annual town meeting. a vote was had thereon by ballot. which resulted as follows; For changing the place of holding town meetings in Hinsdale two hundred and thirteen votes. For Grovers forty nine. for Downers Grove twelve, Senart School House, one. a majority of all the votes cast being in favor of the proposed change. the place of holding town meetings was declared changed to Hinsdale.



On motion meeting adjourned without delay.  
Henry Bohlander Town Clerk  
Thomas B. Clark Moderator  
Recorded this 5th day of April A.D. 1876



There have been some changes to the Annual Town Meeting but sum and substance have remained the same over the years. The Clerk still calls the meeting to order and a Moderator is elected to run the meeting. We no longer elect the officials at the Town Meeting; however we do receive empowerments from the electorate at this meeting. This time honored tradition is the only form of government that receives its power directly from the residents in this manner. Each citizen has the right to question, challenge and request additional services or information from their officials at this meeting. It is still held on a Tuesday in April and all residents are encouraged to take part in this event. Our next one will be held on April 14, 1998 at the Township Offices, 4340 Prince Street in Downers Grove. See you there!



LPHOA purchased Lot 2 from James O. Baley and Katherine Baley for the sum of Twelve Hundred dollars (\$1,200.00) on July 9, 1964.

Recorded July 16, 1964 as Document No. R64-25284 in DuPage County, Illinois.

LPHOA purchased from Leonard and Betty Zick, Lots 1, 2, and 3 in Block 19 except the North 66.7 feet thereof and that part of vacated Parkway Drive adjoining Lots 1, 2, and 3 in Block 19 and Lot 1 in Block 21, except that part of vacated Parkway Drive lying west of the east line of said Lot 21 extended in a southerly direction for the sum of \$20,000.00 on February 4, 1986.

Recorded June 9, 1986 as Document No. R86-58128 in DuPage County, Illinois.

LPHOA purchased from Kurt D. Blamer, bachelor, south portion of Lot 1 Block 20 to square off property line adjacent to Parkway Drive for the sum of \$4000.00 on May 14, 1988.

Recorded May 23, 1988 as Document No. R88-052419 in DuPage County, Illinois.

PARKWAY DRIVE vacated in 1986 and 1988 to LIBERTY PARK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION to be used as park property. Recorded West portion as Document No. R86-54436 and East portion as Document No. R89-043228 in DuPage County, Illinois.

PARCEL 2: Area designated "LIBERTY PARK" as shown on LIBERTY PARK subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded September 16, 1924 as Document No. 182542 in DuPage County, Illinois.

Chicago Title Insurance Company Owners Policy No. 89-03-597 Title vested to LIBERTY PARK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF LIBERTY PARK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION  
OWNED PROPERTIES

County of DuPage and State of Illinois

PARCEL 1: The North 87 feet (as measured along the West lines and at right angles thereto) of Lot 1 in Block 20 in Liberty Park Subdivision, being a subdivision of the West half of the North East quarter and part of the East half of the North East quarter of Section 4, Township 38 North, Range 11, East of the Third Principal Meridian, the South half of the South West quarter of the South East quarter of Section 33, Township 39 North, Range 11, East of the Third Principal Meridian, according to the plat recorded September 16, 1924 as document 182542, in DuPage County, Illinois.

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT LEASE: October 28, 1938

LPHOA purchased PARCEL 1, pump and all apparatus and equipment, including motors now on said premises used in connection with the operation of the pump from Rosa K. Shulman on March 22nd, 1945 for the sum of \$1,000.00. Three hundred dollars upon the signing of the Articles of Agreement for Warranty Deed, and Twenty dollars or more each and every month, commencing April 22, 1945, until the balance of Seven hundred dollars is paid in full, with interest at the rate of seven per cent per annum after maturity.

Rosa K. Shulman (Edward)  
Subdivision Plat No. 182542  
Document No. 477230  
Book 445 page 621  
May 3, 1945

PAID IN FULL - February 20, 1947

Lots 1 and 2 in Block 12 in Liberty Park Subdivision, being a subdivision of the West half of the North East quarter and part of the East Half of the North East quarter of Section 4, Township 38 North, Range 11, East of the Third Principal Meridian, and the South half of the South West Quarter of the South East quarter of Section 33, Township 39 North, Range 11, East of the Third Principal Meridian, according to the plat thereof recorded September 16, 1924 as Document 182542 in DuPage County, Illinois.

LPHOA purchased Lot 1 from James and Pearl M. Cutshaw for the sum of Twelve Hundred dollars (\$1,200.00) on August 1, 1964. Recorded August 11, 1964 as Document No. R64-29000 in DuPage County, Illinois.



D E E D   I N   T R U S T .

THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH, That the Grantors May C. Towsley and Fred B. Towsley, her husband, and Eugenia B. Dixon, spinster, all of Downers Grove, Du Page County, Illinois, Maude E. Hauch and Jacob H. Hauch, her husband, of Chicago, Cook County, Ill. Stella G. Moor and William H. Moor, her husband of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada, for and in consideration of Ten (\$10.00) Dollars and other good and valuable considerations in hand paid Convey and Warrant unto the DOWNERS GROVE TRUST COMPANY, a corporation of Illinois, as Trustee under the provisions of a trust agreement dated the \_ day of \_ 19\_\_, and known as Trust Number 3 the following described real estate in the County of Du Page and State of Illinois, to-wit:

The West half ( $W\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the Northeast Quarter ( $NE\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section four (4), Township thirty-eight (38) North, Range Eleven (11) East of the Third Principal Meridian; also

That part of the East half ( $E\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the Northeast quarter ( $NE\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Four (4), Township thirty-eight (38) North, Range eleven (11) East of the Third Principal Meridian, described as follows:- Commencing at the Southwest (SW) corner of the East Half ( $E\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the Northeast quarter ( $NE\frac{1}{4}$ ) of said Section four (4), running thence East 7 rods; thence in a Northerly direction eighty (80) rods until it intersects the division or eighty line of said eighty; thence South in the division or eighty line to the place of beginning; also

The South half ( $S\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the South half ( $S\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the West half ( $W\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the Southeast quarter ( $SE\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section 33, Township 39 North, Range 11 East of the 3rd P.M.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said premises with the appurtenances upon the trusts and for the uses and purposes herein set forth:

Full power and authority is hereby granted to said trustee to improve, manage, protect and subdivide said premises or any part thereof, to dedicate parks, streets, highways or alleys and to vacate any subdivision or part thereof, and to resubdivide said property as often as desired, to contract to sell, to sell on any terms, to convey either with or without consideration, to donate, to dedicate, to mortgage, pledge or otherwise encumber; to lease said property, or any part thereof, from time to time, by leases to commence in present or in future, and upon any terms and for any period or periods of time, not exceeding 198 years and to renew or extend leases upon any terms and for any period or periods of time and to amend, change or modify leases and the terms and provisions thereof at any time or times hereafter; to partition or to exchange said property, or any part thereof, for other real or personal property, to grant easements or charges of any kind, to release, convey or assign any right, title, or interest in or about said premises and to deal with said property and every part thereof in all other ways and for such other considerations as it would be lawful for any person owning the same to deal with the same, whether similar to or different from the ways above specified, at any time or times hereafter.



In no case shall any party, to whom said premises, or any part thereof shall be conveyed, contracted to be sold, leased or mortgaged by said trustee, and in no case shall any party dealing with said trustee in relation to said premises be obliged to see to the application of any purchase money, rent or money borrowed or advanced on said premises, or be obliged to see that the terms of this trust have been complied with, or be obliged to inquire into the necessity or expediency of any act of said trustee, or be privileged or obliged to inquire into any of the terms of said trust agreement.

The interest of each and every beneficiary hereunder and of all persons claiming under them, is hereby declared to be personal property and to be in the earnings, avails and proceeds arising from the disposition of the premises; the intention hereof being to vest in the said DOWNS GROVE TRUST COMPANY the entire legal and equitable title in fee, in and to all of the premises above described.

And the said grantors hereby expressly waive and release any and all right or benefit under and by virtue of any and all statutes of the State of Illinois providing for the exemption of homesteads from sale on execution or otherwise.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the grantors aforesaid have hereunto set their hands and seals this 12th day of June, 1924.

May C. Towseley  
Fred B. Towseley  
Eugenia B. Dixon

(Seal)  
(Seal)  
(Seal)

Maude E. Hauch  
Jacob H. Hauch  
Stella G. Moor  
William H. Moor

(Seal)  
(Seal)  
(Seal)  
(Seal)

\$31.00 Rev. Stamps attached.

STATE OF ILLINOIS

ss.

COUNTY OF DU PAGE

I, V. Simonson, a Notary Public in and for said County, in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that May C. Towseley and Fred B. Towseley, her husband, and Eugenia B. Dixon, a spinster, personally known to me to be the same persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as their free and voluntary act, for the uses and purposes therein set forth, including the release and waiver of the right of homestead.

GIVEN under my hand and Notarial seal this 12th day of June A.D. 1924.

.....  
• V. Simonson  
• Notary Public  
• Du Page Co., Ill.  
.....

V. Simonson  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires July 12th, 1926.

STATE OF ILLINOIS

ss.

COUNTY OF COOK

I, George Smith, a Notary Public in and for said County, in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Maude E. Hauch and Jacob H. Hauch, her husband, personally known to me to be the same persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as their free and voluntary act, for the uses and purposes therein set forth, including the release and waiver of the right of homestead.

GIVEN under my hand and notarial seal, this 12th day of June A.D. 1924.

.....  
• George Smith  
• Notary Public  
• Cook County, Ill.  
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George Smith  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires June 24, 1926.

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN } ss.  
CANADA

I, J. Wilfred Raley of the City of Saskatoon in Province of Saskatchewan, Notary Public, do hereby certify that Stella G. Moor and William H. Moor, her husband, personally known to me to be the same persons whose names are subscribed to the



foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as their free and voluntary act, for the uses and purposes therein set forth, including the release and waiver of the right of homestead.

GIVEN under my hand and seal, this 16th day of June A.D. 1924.

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• J. Wilfred Estey •  
• Notary Public •  
• Saskatchewan •  
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J. Wilfred Estey  
Notary Public in and for  
Province of Saskatchewan,  
Canada.

No. 180025. Filed for Record July 12th A.D. 1924 at 8 o'clock A.M. Lewis Ellsworth



From record and memories.....

LIBERTY PARK: Plat recorded September 16, 1924 as document #182542 in DuPage County, Illinois  
Trust Agreement No. 103 of the tract of land described in the certificate of Arthur L. Webster, Illinois Registered Land Surveyor #30, July 23, 1924.

LIBERTY PARK ADDITION NO. 1: Plat recorded November 10, 1925 as document #204461 in DuPage County, Illinois  
Trust Agreement No. 119 of the tract of land described in the certificate of J. S. Lozier, Surveyor.

Original Mailing address: Route 1, Downers Grove, Illinois

Our unincorporated community in DuPage County has come a long way from Indian lands, fields of hay and corn, and dirt roads. LIBERTY PARK has been a "do it yourself" community from the start.

In the middle 1800's, after the Pottawatomi Indians were moved to reservations or resettled in other parts of the country, homestead farmers from the East came to this area looking for fertile land. When this land was put on the market by the government, both good and poor land could be purchased at \$1.25 an acre. Among the homesteaders was Robert Dixon.

Originally, LIBERTY PARK was called the old Robert Dixon farm. The Dixon tombstone with a date of 1849 was uncovered in 1964 during excavation to install water storage tanks.

In 1834, two stage coach routes were opened. One was Ogden Avenue and the other was Naperville Road. Ogden Avenue and Route 66 were original Indian Trails. In 1839, DuPage County separated from Cook County and Naperville was the County Seat.

On June 12, 1924, Robert Dixon's heirs, May C. Towsley and Fred B. Towsley, her husband, and Eugenia B. Dixon, spinster, all of Downers Grove, DuPage County, Illinois, Maude E. Hauch and Jacob H. Hauch, her husband, of Chicago, Cook County, Il, and Stella G. Moor and William H. Moor, her husband of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada, for and in consideration of ten (\$10.00) dollars and other good and valuable considerations in hand, paid Convey and Warrant to the DOWNERS GROVE TRUST COMPANY, a corporation of Illinois, as Trustee, vested the entire legal and equitable title to them for the real estate in the County of DuPage, which would be known as the subdivision of LIBERTY PARK, including the release and waiver of the right of homestead. Full power was granted to improve, manage, protect and subdivide, and dedicate parks, streets, highways or alleys.



Records show that LIBERTY PARK's plat was recorded in DuPage County on September 16, 1924 and the 1st ADDITION TO LIBERTY PARK plat was recorded on November 10, 1925. In 1926, dirt roads were laid with gravel. A 2 inch watermain line was installed from Washington Street West to Jackson Street now Williams Street. Farm drain clay tiles were interlaced throughout the subdivision. The Rosenthal brothers, Phil, Nate and Albert, sold lots beginning at \$300.00 each. Some sales included lumber. Development had begun and small frame shell homes usually built or finished by the owners, who were usually in the trades, had begun to take shape. The growth of the subdivision was slow due to the Depression.

In 1938, Edward and Rosa K. Shulman owned a farm house on Lot 1 Block 20 (4104 North Washington Street). The original LPHOA well, which supplied the two inch watermain line, was on the north section of this property. The families paid \$1.00 per month to the Shulman's for water.

After the death of her husband, Mrs. Rosa K. Shulman operated and maintained the water system which was at times difficult and costly. She had an auxiliary system with a large tank on her property but often did not know when something was wrong. This would mean that residents were without water if she wasn't home at the time. The homeowners saw the necessity of changing the setup and decided to form a not-for-profit corporation and take over the responsibility of the water system. The Liberty Park Homeowners Association was chartered by the State of Illinois on July 22, 1938. Its goal was civic improvement. After the Association was organized, a water board was formed and a lease was made on October 28, 1938 with Mrs. Shulman for operation and maintenance of the water system by and at the expense of the Association. Mr. Fred Hooker was appointed pumpman. During this period of time, when repairs or replacements were needed, the cost was divided between the homeowners. Monies were collected door to door, materials purchased and work done by homeowner volunteers under the direction of Fred Hooker and Verne Street, who would become the next LPHOA pumpman in 1944. In March 1945, Peter Dahlman was appointed "nighttime" pumpman. This work was done when men came home from their regular jobs and sometimes residents were without water for 2 or 3 days until repairs were completed. Water was never wasted. Rain water was caught for washing clothes, floors and for baths. Most homes had out-houses. For drinking, water jugs were filled at Fishers Gas Station on Ogden Avenue between Williams and Roslyn or from friends who lived elsewhere.

The LIBERTY PARK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION 1938 Illinois charter application as a non-for-profit corporation was signed by the three Trustees/Directors: Edwin Soltwisch, Arthur Billquist and Joseph Jefcik.



*Liberty Park*  
HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION  
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MRS. HILDUR ATCHLEY  
LPHOA CLUBHOUSE  
1941

NOTE: OUTHOUSE





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PAT GHELFI



HILDUR ATCHLEY AND  
EDITH BRETZ



*Edith Bretz & Hildur Atchley*



CAROLAN HALL  
2 NORTH CASS AVENUE







Christmas of 1944-



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# Westmont Theater cemented reel bonds

Louise Miller and Annette Edler are as close as sisters can be. Their sisterly adventures date back to the 1940s.

Back then, they would clean their parents' house top to bottom for an allowance of 25 cents. It isn't much by today's standards, but at that time it bought each sister an entire Sunday afternoon's worth of activity.

Miller and Edler would walk from their home just behind where the Great American Bagel sits today on Ogden Avenue in Westmont to the movie theater at 25 S. Cass Ave. They crossed a lot of empty fields on the way, but their parents didn't worry about their safety.

"In Westmont, you know, you didn't lock your door. You trusted everybody," Miller reminisced recently.

Once downtown, Miller and Edler spent pieces of their allowance one at a time: 5 cents for popcorn—with real butter—in a white bag; 10 cents for a kid's discounted movie ticket; 6 cents for an ice cream cone after the movie.



**Vikki Ortiz**

**Whatever happened to**

The sisters saw countless Hollywood classics at the Westmont Theater.

"Abbott and Costello... Dale Evans... Gene Autry," Miller recalled.

"Roy Rogers. That was a good one," Edler chimed in.

As the girls grew up, they discovered other pastimes, such as the roller rink, or baseball games.

They were so busy moving on with life they never really took note of when or why the Westmont Theater closed.

"We probably outgrew it," Miller said, adding that she hoped I would be able to find out whatever happened to the old mainstay.

The Westmont Theater started as a business for the Zulas family, who bought the empty theater just after the Depression. In the beginning, an adult movie ticket—15 cents before 6:30 p.m.—bought you two features, a cartoon, coming attractions and the newsreel, said Helen Zulas, whose late husband, Jim, wore the red blazer and black slacks usher uniform at the Westmont for years.

Young people and families came to the theater, and the Sweet Shop next door, to be in the center of the action in Westmont. When students graduated from nearby Central School, the theater would shut down for a day so the ceremony could be held there, Zulas said.

After nearly two decades, the Zulas family sold the business to the man running the movie projectors, Charles Avgeris. The theater then became that family's business, said George Avgeris, who took tickets from customers as a 4th grader and worked as an usher when he got older.

During World War II, moviegoers took special interest in the newsreels, which offered them a connection to current events around the world.

"In those days, it was really busy... For certain movies, we had to get out these velvet colored chains and block off people and everything," Avgeris said. "Those were the great days of theater. Motion pictures. Before television. There really was no other entertainment."

In 1947, throngs of viewers left the theater in tears after seeing Gregory Peck in "The Yearling," Avgeris recalled.

"That was the biggest tear-jerker," he said. "I was crying how many nights in a row because I was in there."

But Avgeris' father and his business partner had a falling out, and Charles Avgeris left the Westmont Theater. A few years later, the theater closed.

The building stayed empty until

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## Westmont Theater still into pictures

live in Westmont, half a block apart, and they talk on the phone at least once a day. Every third Tuesday of the month, they meet another pair of sisters at the de Vine wine bar on Cass Avenue in downtown Westmont.

"And do we have fun," Miller said.

"Whatever happened to..." runs Fridays in the West Chicago and Extra. If you have a fond memory from the area that you'd like reported and updated, send it to Vikki Ortiz at [vortiz@tribune.com](mailto:vortiz@tribune.com).

trips each winter in a 27-foot RV. One winter they found themselves in New Mexico, the state where the theater's first cashier, Violet Eichmuller, relocated. They looked up her name at a phone booth and dropped in for a visit.

"She was excited," Helen Zulas said. "She was getting up there in her 90s, but she had a mind like steel trap... She'd ask about people in town. She remembered everything."

And the Miller sisters are as close as ever. They still

the bonds that it inspired stayed strong, long after the last film credits rolled.

Avgeris, 69, went on to become a lawyer, a career sparked by watching the newsreels at his father's theater.

"I went into political science and history because I was exposed to it and I saw all those things," he said.

Jim Zulas met his wife, Helen, at the Sweet Shop next door to the theater while in high school. They were married for 50 years, taking cross-country road

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it became the temporary location of the Bank of Westmont, which was building a new location down the street. The bank left the theater marquee up as it occupied the space. After the bank, the theater building became Raikes, a dime store. And after that, it turned into a Custom One Hour Photo and Framing shop, which it remains today, said Gerry Szynski, a lifelong Westmont resident.

Though the theater closed,



Charter members were: Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Billquist, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bretz, Mr. and Mrs. George Brincka, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Dahlman, Mr. and Mrs. John Dvorak, Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Ensalaco, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Gianneschi, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hooker, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jefcik, Mr. and Mrs. John Kolski, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Mallek, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Piper, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Soltwisch, Mr. and Mrs. George Sprenzel, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Spurney, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Street, and Mr. and Mrs. Verne Street.

After several years of operation, the ASSOCIATION decided to purchase the system rather than continue to lease it. On February 16, 1945, a committee of four were appointed: Mrs. Eva Dahlman, chairman, Mrs. Fred Hooker, Mrs. Angelo Ensalaco, and Mrs. Ann Deliberto were to approach Mrs. Shulman regarding the purchase. Chicago Federation of Labor, (W.C.F.L.) radio station was also interested in purchasing the well and water system but Mrs. Shulman sold the system to the ASSOCIATION on March 22, 1945 for the sum of \$1,000.00. This purchase was approved on March 1, 1945 on a motion made by Peter Dahlman, second by Angelo Ensalaco. Three hundred dollars upon the signing of the Articles of Agreement for Warranty Deed, and twenty dollars or more each and every month, commencing April 22, 1945, until the balance of seven hundred dollars was paid in full, with interest at the rate of seven per cent per annum after maturity. This debt was paid in full on February 20, 1947. A \$0.25 per month assessment increase voted on August 3, 1945 helped to defray this debt.

Ray Innes was President of the ASSOCIATION in 1938-1940. The meetings were held in the homes of the members for the first two years. Since there was a need for a public meeting place, it was decided to sponsor dances, entertainment including two amateur shows and card parties to obtain funds for building materials and to build a clubhouse on the designated park property on the North side of Parkway Avenue between Washington Street and Liberty Blvd. Various affairs were held in the American Legion Hall and the Carolan Hall, which in 1998 is an apartment unit above the Westmont Pharmacy Building, 2 N. Cass Avenue, and at the ball park that was on the Northeast corner of Cass and Burlington. Expenses of \$300.00 to build a shell were agreed upon and a clubhouse was built in 1939 under the direction of Mr. Peter Dahlman, carpenter. The material was purchased from Boddy McKnight Lumber Company in Downers Grove. All labor was donated. Local merchants were generous with gifts that were used as door prizes. The little clubhouse served the community for many years. LPHOA held dances the last Saturday of every month. The last two months of the year proceeds were used for the children's Christmas Party.



Presents were bought, wrapped, and Santa Claus came and gave each child the gift bought for him or her, cookies, pop and a stocking filled with fruit and candy.

Bible classes were held daily during the summer months and on Sunday afternoon at 3 pm during the school year. It also served as the LIBERTY PARK Library. In 1943, the State Library loaned us 200 new books to read and this set of books would be changed every three months. This exchange gave our library a steady flow of new and interesting books.

In 1945, the Sewing Circle Ladies met on the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

The LPHOA Clubhouse was destroyed by fire on May 5, 1976, along with many original LPHOA papers. In 1977, remodeling began on the LPHOA garage which was built on the original well site in 1968. It became the LIBERTY PARK COMMUNITY BUILDING at 4100 N. Washington Street.

Our first mailing address was RR#1, Downers Grove, Illinois. All mailboxes were on a long rail along a two lane Ogden Avenue. The Westmont Postmaster asked the ASSOCIATION and LIBERTY PARK residents to consider a Westmont delivery as additional homes were required for Westmont to receive a first-class rating. The Postmaster explained that if approved, the new system would begin approximately January 1947. Mail boxes should be placed in front of your property along the roadway on cedar posts 3 1/2 to 4 ft high. The official address would be LIBERTY PARK, % Westmont Post Office, Westmont, Illinois. Notification of street numbers would follow. The Westmont delivery was agreed upon.

Westmont was one of the first towns along the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad in 1944 to have a serviceman's honor roll board as a symbol to our fighting men in World War Two. The board stood on a little hill by the Cass Avenue crossing which was in the middle of town. Our boys from LIBERTY PARK and North Acres were also included on the honor roll board. On almost any given day, you could see some youngster proudly pointing out the name of their "big brother".

During the War years, in the early 1940's, war ration books were distributed throughout our country. Ration coupons were given for sugar, coffee, meat, shoes and fuel oil. LPHOA paid \$1.00 a month for fuel oil coupons to heat our Clubhouse. If you had no coupons for shoes, you had to go to your local ration board to obtain a shoe purchase certificate. When registering for War Ration books, you had to declare canned and bottled goods. Nation-wide rationing of stoves was scheduled for mid-August 1943 according to an



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*Eva Dahlman*  
(Signature of, or on behalf of, Book Holder) [Book Holder's] Own Name

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*Dahlman, Eva Blanche*  
(Name of person to whom book is issued)

*Box 464*  
(Street number or rural route)

*Westmont*  
(City or post office)

*Illinois*  
(State)

*39*  
(Age)

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(Sex)

ISSUED BY LOCAL BOARD NO. *244-4 DuPage*

*Ill*  
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*Ill*  
(State)

*Westmont*  
(City)

By *Rose H. Gustafson*  
(Street address of local board)

*Eva B. Dahlman*  
(Signature of issuing officer)

SIGNATURE

(To be signed by the person to whom this book is issued. If such person is unable to sign because of age or incapacity, another may sign in his behalf)

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- 1 This book is the property of the United States Government. It is unlawful to sell or give it to any other person or to use it or permit anyone else to use it, except to obtain rationed goods for the person to whom it was issued.
- 2 This book must be returned to the War Price and Rationing Board which issued it, if the person to whom it was issued is inducted into the armed services of the United States, or leaves the country for more than 30 days, or dies. The address of the Board appears above.
- 3 A person who finds a lost War Ration Book must return it to the War Price and Rationing Board which issued it.
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# Certificate of Registrar

This is to Certify that pursuant to the Rationing Orders and Regulations administered by the OFFICE OF PRICE ADMINISTRATION, an agency of the United States Government,

(Name, Address, and Description of person to whom the book is issued.)

Dahlman Eva Blanche  
(Last name) (First name) (Middle name)  
Box 464 40th + Liberty  
(Street No. or P. O. Box No.) (Street or R. F. D.)  
Westmont Du Page Ill.  
(City or town) (County) (State)

Stamps must not be detached except in the presence of the retailer, his employee, or person authorized by him to make delivery.



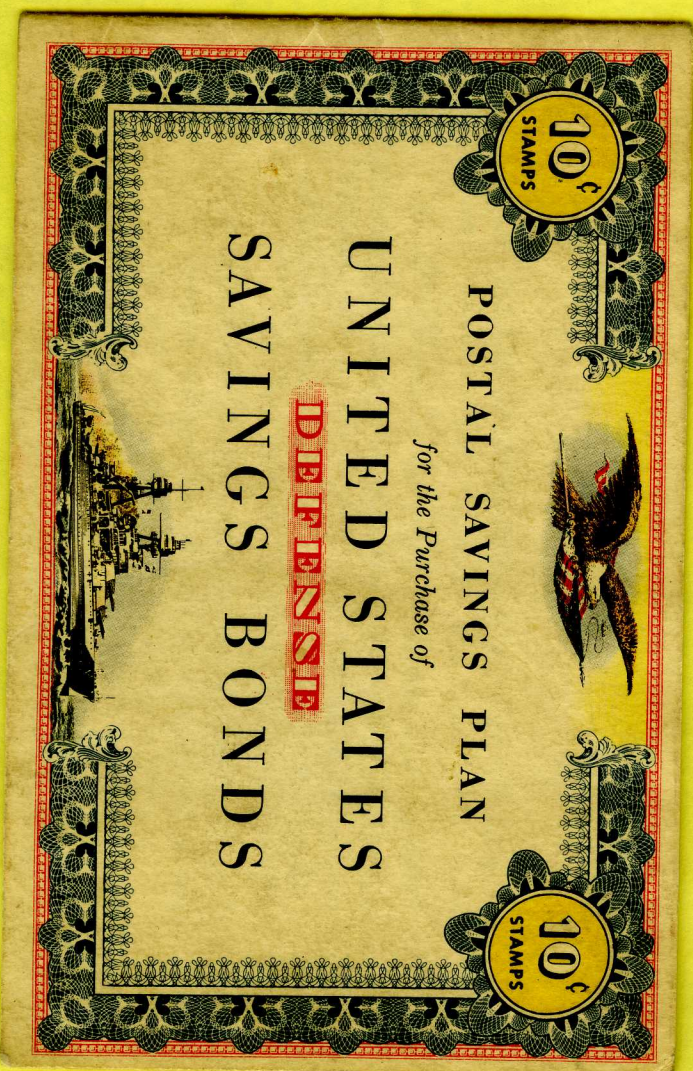
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has been issued the attached War Ration Stamps this 4 day of May, 1942, upon the basis of an application signed by himself ☐, herself ☒, or on his or her behalf by his or her husband ☐, wife ☐, father ☐, mother ☐, exception ☐. (Check one.)

Sam Mairland (Signature)

Local Board No. 24-5 County Du Page State Ill.

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announcement from the Office of Price Administration. After that date, those wishing to purchase heating or cooking stoves must apply to their local ration board for a purchase certificate.

Among the meetings held at the LPHOA Clubhouse were those of the Serviceman's Home Folks Club, which consisted of relatives and friends of servicemen from LIBERTY PARK and the North Acres. The club was organized on November 9, 1943. Its first President was Mary Mallek, Anna Heier, VP, Lou Rossow, Secretary, Bonnie Leggate, Treasurer, and George Brincka, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee. The Club published a newsletter called "The Community Tattler" The paper was published bi-monthly in the Parkway Avenue home of its editor, Mrs. Hildur Atchley, where she lived with her husband Perry and two children, Richard and Nadine. Carmella Ensalaco was the Art Editor and May Jerousek was the Circulation Manager. It was sent to more than 163 local servicemen and women. Publication began on November 23, 1943 and was suspended on March 12, 1946. The Club had a membership of 121 members. They kept a steady flow of correspondence to the sons and daughters of Club members; entertained servicemen who were home on furlough and sent gifts and holiday packages to those away from home. Cakes, cookies and cigarettes were also sent to our boys overseas. The Club enjoyed much success. When it disbanded, money in the treasury was divided among our returning servicemen.

The Office Civil Defense Program was very popular in LIBERTY PARK. We had air raid wardens, mock air raids, first-aid classes, and paper and scrap metal drives. The OCD ran dances and bingo parties for material needs. Old bed sheets were cut into bandages and rolled. The OCD gave safety programs. On May 28, 1943, a mock air raid was conducted. Westmont and area "bombed successfully in mock air raid". The wailing sirens and the slow droning of the airplanes dropping 24 bombs on a Sunday afternoon made you wonder for a moment if it was U.S. or enemy aircraft. The heavy clouds and light rains made the work of OCD more difficult. The air raid wardens and their messengers played a prominent part in the mock air raid. Black out alerts in co-operation with other communities were very successful. LIBERTY PARK was ready in case of actual bombing. OCD was dissolved and had a farewell party on November 4, 1944. The money in their treasury consisted of \$80.50, which was donated to the Servicemen's Home Folks Club.

LPHOA took appointments for blood donors for the blood bank sponsored by the Lions Club. Everyone had a victory garden. There were tips in newspapers on how and what plants should be grown, so as to save food during wartime.



LIBERTY PARK SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS  
1944

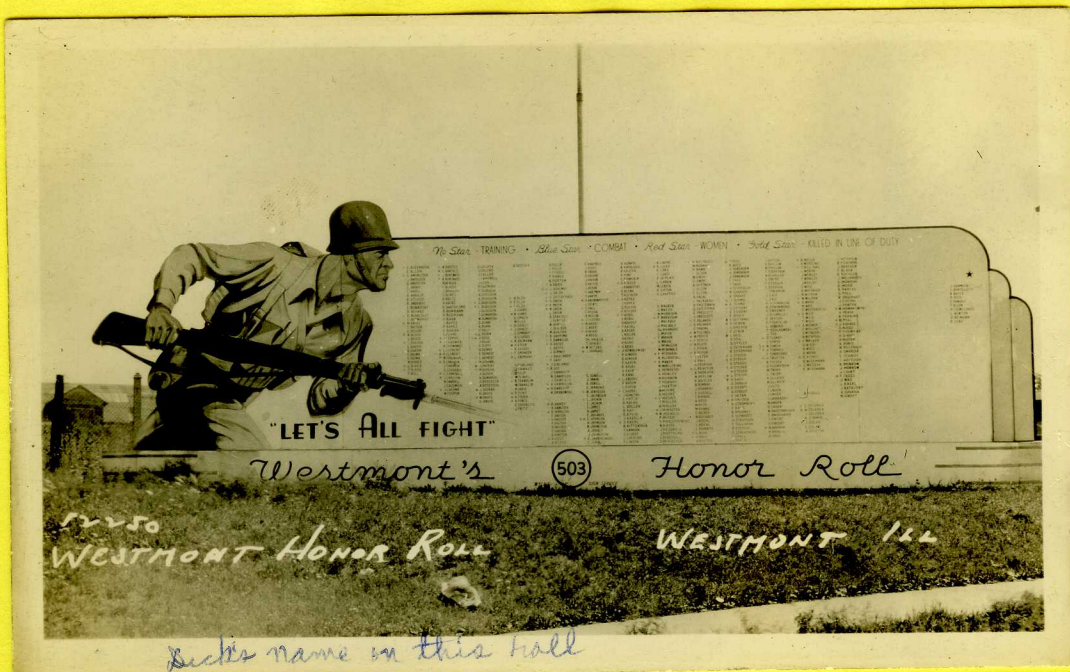


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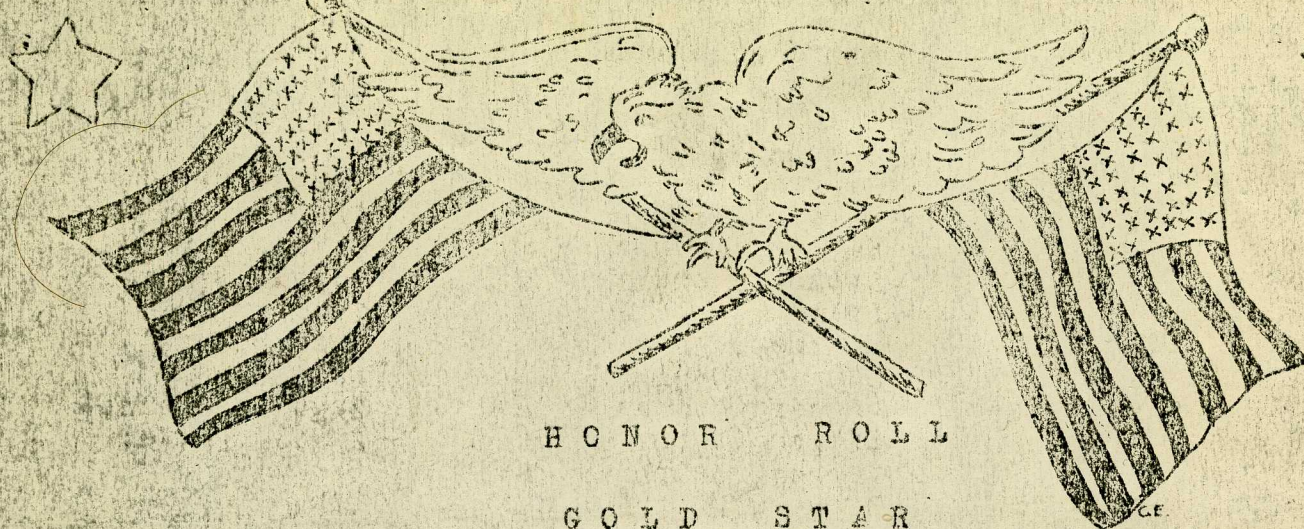


LIBERTY PARK  
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### GOLD STAR

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George Gates

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James Dvorak  
Victor Kaim  
Thomas Vanek

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Collins, Homer  
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Dudgeon, Lynn  
Dunning, Robert  
Dvorak, Michael  
Ernest, Mildred  
Ernest, William  
Florelli, Remigio  
Fisher, Archie  
Fisher, Tom  
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Gawriluk, Raymond  
Gawriluk, Victor  
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Gray, Herman  
Guarnaccia, Joseph  
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Hartwig, Paul  
Haws, LeRoy  
Heier, Alvin  
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Heier, Harold  
Heier, Norman  
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Kectur, Andrew  
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MacDougall, Robert  
McIntyre, John  
McMaster, Don  
McMaster, James  
McMillan, Jack  
Mallek, Robert  
Mallek, Ted  
Mallek, Peter, Jr.  
Maszkowski, Joseph  
Moss, Dean  
Moss, Gene  
Murray, Tommy  
Nagel, Harold  
Nagel, Eugene  
Nagel, George  
Nilles, Joseph  
Nykoden, James  
Osowski, Edward  
Pentke, Ralph  
Papula, George  
Pasternik, Adrian  
Pasternik, David  
Ponicero, Alice Mary  
Pedersen, Anton  
Piper, Emil  
Pokorny, Louis, Jr.  
Prescott, Henry



Rakovich, James  
 Ratajsky, Jerry  
 Rather, Elmer  
 Reichl, Charles  
 Reichl, Joseph  
 Reimann, Eugene  
 Reimann, Annette  
 Rich, Louis  
 Rich, Vito  
 Rimnac, Charles  
 Saad, Edward  
 Saad, Toffey  
 Saif, Louis  
 Scheck, Frank  
 Schindalga, George  
 Sharkov, William  
 Sherman, Victor

Sherman, Clement  
 Sherman, Lee  
 Smith, Leon  
 Smith, Raymond  
 Smrz, Otto  
 Smrz, William  
 Sobors, Leonard  
 Spala, Frank  
 Spala, John  
 Spurney, Rudy  
 Steger, Daniel  
 Steger, George  
 Steger, Leon  
 Steger, Ralph  
 Steger, Robert  
 Steger, William  
 Street, George

Street, David  
 Stromberg, Ralph  
 Styles, Shirle  
 Swozey, Harry  
 Talley, William  
 Thomas, George  
 Topol, Harold  
 Topol, Jerome  
 Voelk, Louis  
 Was, Michael  
 Was, John  
 Zagol, Stanley  
 Zagol, Walter

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H O N O R A B L Y   D I S C H A R G E D

Benning, Norman  
 Stanley Willard  
 Saif, Joseph  
 Cook, James

George Nigacz  
 Eugene Berkoski  
 Robert Fisher  
 Jack McMaster

George Holzkopf  
 Andrew Schindalga  
 John Guarnaccia  
 Dudgeon, Albert

REMEMBER A YEAR AGO WHEN... we had our picnic and what a good time we had... Bill Coolahan was somewhere in the Hawaiian Islands... Elmer Rather was home on a furlough... Edward Hauser and Percy Hauser surprised their mother by coming home about the same time... Otto Smrz was home on a week end pass... Peter Mallek left for Bremerton, Wash... Jack McMillan was made Engine Change and Overhaul Crew Chief at Thomasville, Ga., Air Field... George Thomas wrote his outfit landed in France the very first hour on "D" Day... Earl Benson sent home a coconut from Hawaii... Mr. & Mrs. Raffanti left to make California their home... Joseph Reichl was in the Third Amphibious Force and went to Honolulu to see the city... David Pasternik was transferred to the 62nd Replacement Bn... Henry Prescott left for overseas... William Steger went into the 698th Field Artillery Bn... John Bercher was sent to India... Charles Reichl was with the Pacific Fleet Radar Center... Eugene Berkoski was a patient at the Great Lakes Hospital... Frank Cross left for overseas... Emil Piper was injured in France... Ray Buller-

man was recuperating from a short stay in the hospital... Robert Bretz was working in Sick Bay at Camp Parks, Calif... Rudy was homesick for his mother's cooking... Elaine Soltwisch caught poison ivy on her leg... the Aubrey Kurtzweils returned from a trip to Wisconsin... Mr. & Mrs. Millard Robinson of West Frankfort, Ill., spent the 4th of July with Geraldine's folks - the Clarence Footes... we received letters from Harold Hauser, William Steger, Bob Steger, John Bercher, Adrian Pasternik, Raymond Gawriluk & David Street... Robert Mallek was our guest at our meeting... Mrs. Marie Beuke & son spent a week's vacation at the Heier home... remember?

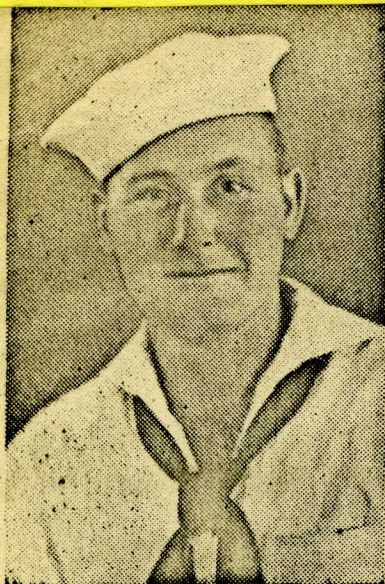
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Mr. Aldo Ghelfi of Liberty Park received a long letter from his sister who lives in Naples, Italy and enclosed in the letter was a picture of his niece, made on her confirmation

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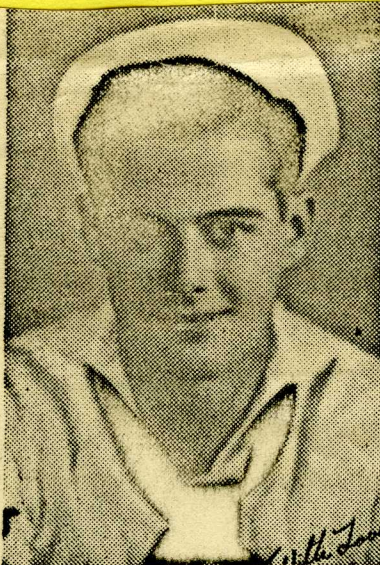
On June 8th, Mr. & Mrs. Klersovitch of Oregon, visited the George Riggett family at Reslyn Road.





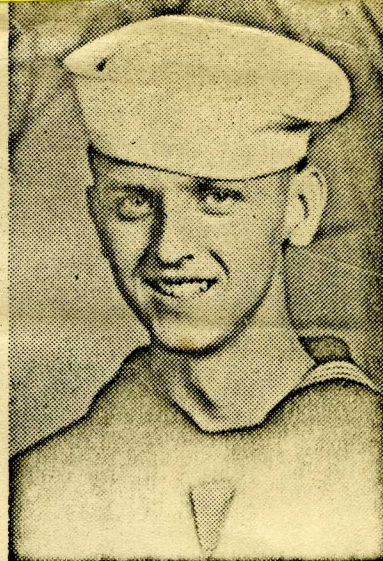
Homer Collins C. M. 1/c enlisted in the Navy in 1940. He was shipped to Pearl Harbor shortly after it was bombed and is still stationed there.

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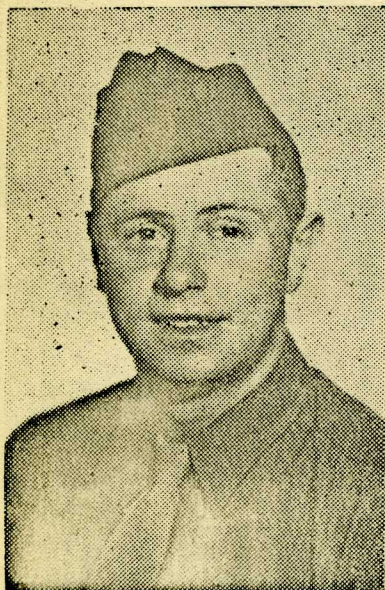
Richard H. Atchley S. M. 2/c, enlisted in the Navy on December 29, 1941. He entered Great Lakes Training Station and after six weeks was sent to Hawaii where he has been stationed ever since.

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Henry S. Prescott F. 2/c, enlisted in the service on December 8, 1941, and received his basic training at Great Lakes. He has seen duty on the Pacific and has just completed a course with the P-T Repair Unit at Melville, Portsmouth, Rhode Island.

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Pfc. Ted Mallek entered the service on January 15, 1943. He received his advanced training at Fort Ord, California, and on January 1, 1944, left for overseas. At the present time he is stationed in New Guinea with the Infantry.



Cpl. Robert Mallek entered the service on May 14, 1943. He took his last training at Seattle, Washington, and was then sent to Alaska where he is now stationed. He is in the transportation Corps.

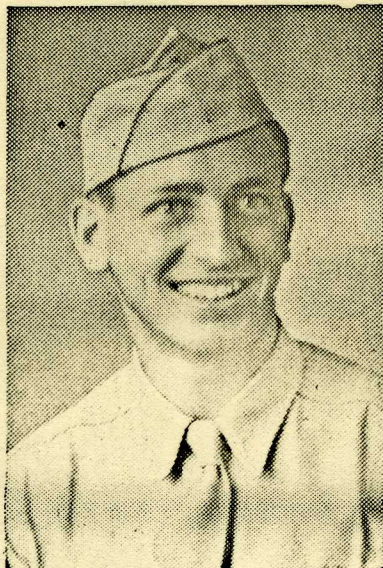


Peter Mallek Jr., S. 2/c, enlisted in the Navy and left for service on March 6, 1944. He took his boot training at Farragut, Idaho, and is, at the present time, taking further training there.





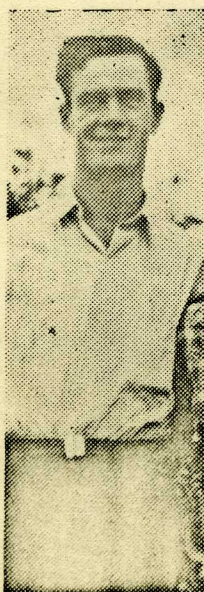
Bill Bartels S. 1/c, entered the Coast Gurads on October 14, 1942. He received his advanced training at Manhattan Island, New York. He has been overseas in Casablanca two times and also in Puerto Rico and Trinidad. He is now in New York.



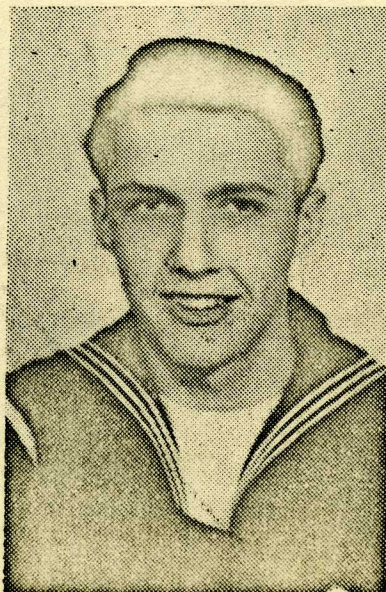
Pfc. Bud Bartels entered the Army in January, 1943. He received his advanced training at Fort Dix, New Jersey, where he was with the Anti-Aircraft Division. Bud went overseas in February and is now somewhere in England.



Lt. j. g. Warren Lebeck was commissioned an ensign in the U.S.N.R. after completing his training at Notre Dame on January 28, 1943. He was later promoted to Lt. (j. g.) after seeing active duty in the Pacific area. He is in the Amphibious division of the Navy.



Pvt. Robert Beebe entered the service on March 27, 1944. He is attending school at Fort Knox, Kentucky, where he is in the Infantry.



James McMaster S 1/C entered the service on March 3, 1943. He received his boot training at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, and has seen action in the Southwest Pacific where he now is stationed.



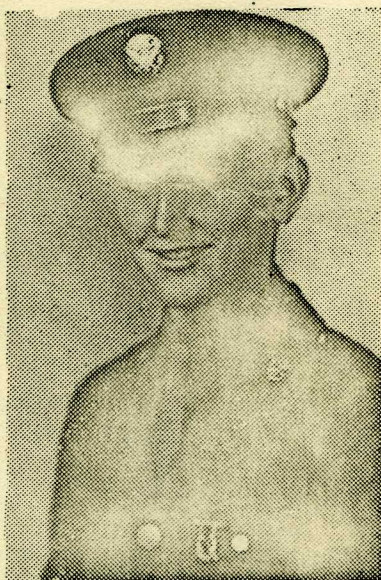
Donald McMaster S. O. M. 1/C entered the Coast Guard on March 11, 1941. He received his advanced training at Key West, Florida, and is now stationed at Curtis Bay, Maryland. Don has seen 16 months of international duty.





George Street, S. 1/c, who is a Coxswain, enlisted in the Coast Guards on December 27, 1943. He received his training at Manhattan Beach, Brooklyn, and now is stationed at Fort Pierce, Florida.

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Pfc. Charles Rimnac left on January 26, 1943, for service in the Army. He is stationed at Camp Edwards, Massachusetts.



Pvt. Walter Nowakowski entered the service on January 7, 1943. He received advanced training at Camp Swift, Texas, and is now somewhere in Persia, serving with the military police.



Pfc. George Kohout entered the service on June 28, 1941. He received his advanced training at Camp Roberts, California, and is now stationed at the Presidio of Monterey, California, with the Infantry.

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Pfc. George Gates entered the service on December 5, 1942. He received his basic training at Camp Walters, Texas.



Pvt. John Matthews entered the service on December 1, 1942. He received his advanced training at Camp Beale, California, and is now stationed at Camp Hale, Colorado, where he is in the Army engineers battalion.

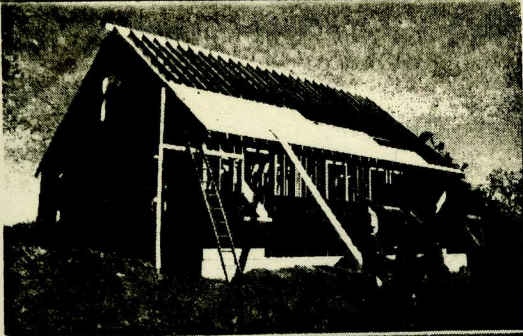


FLAG POLE DEDICATION CEREMONY  
LPHOA CLUBHOUSE  
1941

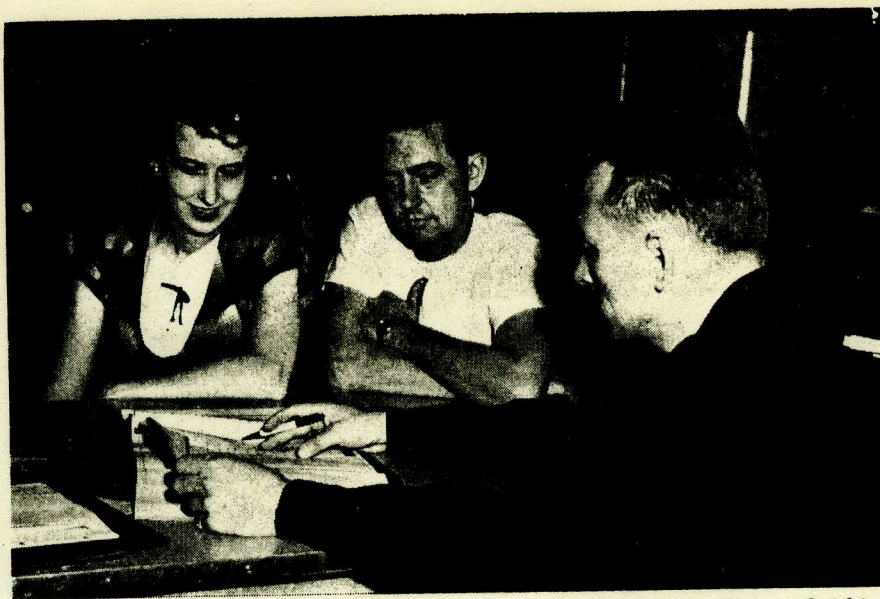


*clubhouse in Dawsons Grove  
1941*





**SHELL HOUSE** is completed by Contractor Pete Dahlman with materials furnished by Hankinson Lumber Co. Finishing inside is now up to . . .



**NEW OWNERS**, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Rice, who have come in to discuss finishing plans with Julius Hankinson. They're satisfied with Hankinson's explanation of costs involved and are ready to start ordering materials. First stop is . . .

## Hankinson Finds There's Extra Profits

### Inside the Shell

PETER DAHLMAN  
LIVED IN  
LIBERTY PARK

**FURNISHING THE MATERIAL** and giving free advice to the amateur carpenter, as he goes about finishing the interior of his shell home, is proving a business bonanza to Hankinson Lumber Co., Lisle, Ill.

It's a natural follow-up of their business of supplying "outside" materials for the majority of shell homes mushrooming around Lisle. For example, Lisle Contractor Pete Dahlman has finished more than 17 shell houses since the spring of 1951. Every bit of material came from Hankinson's.

When the shell is finished and bought, the new homeowner almost invariably asks: "Where can I buy materials and get advice on how to finish up my home?" Whether the question is asked of contractor or real estate man, the answer is almost invariably "Hankinson's."

"What have we to offer that the big city yards not far distant do not?" rhetorically asks Julius Hankinson. "The answer is simple. We offer our time, counsel, and moral support earnestly and freely.

"Maybe the shell house owner could save a few dollars by going to a yard 25 miles away that can afford to cut corners where we can't. But unless he is a master electrician, carpenter, painter, and a master at every other type of craft needed to finish his house, he is going to be the loser.

"My brother Harry and I work with these people diligently. First, to see that they stay within their budgets. Second, to see that they get materials and instructions that will allow them to do the best possible job in finishing their homes.

"Often when a homeowner who is doing his own finishing gets stuck, he will come to us discouraged, upset, and sometimes ready to swear-off the whole thing. We've had them come in here in a fit of anger at their own ineptitude—after they've taken a piece of material or a fixture and broken it to bits.

#### Calm Customer's Fears

"Our job is first to calm down a fellow like this and tell him his problem isn't unusual, and second, if we can't get the thing properly straightened out in the office, to go out to the home and have a look at the situation, supervising and sometimes actually helping with the installation.

"Could a salesman at a big-city yard do that?" Julius asks.

The Hankinsons realize that they often lose valuable time and put in a lot of effort on occasion helping these shell house do-it-yourself finishers with their work.

"But," points out Harry Hankinson, "our sales to







**PAINT DEPARTMENT.** where ex-radio announcer Julius explains application details and manufacturer's recommendations for varnishing. Dale listens attentively but Mrs. Rice is more interested in . . .

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Small town dealer gets do-it-yourself dollars by selling finishing materials. Offers personal service that big-city yards can't match.

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these customers invariably run from \$500 to \$2,500 each."

In these shell houses near Lisle, the exterior is completely finished by the contractor. Plumbing and electricity is roughed in, but the remainder of the house interior is left unfinished.

Harry Hankinson is the "engineer" of the Hankinson Lumber Co. He has a broader technical background than his brother, and is the half of the Hankinson team often called on for help with plumbing, wiring and other quite difficult problems.

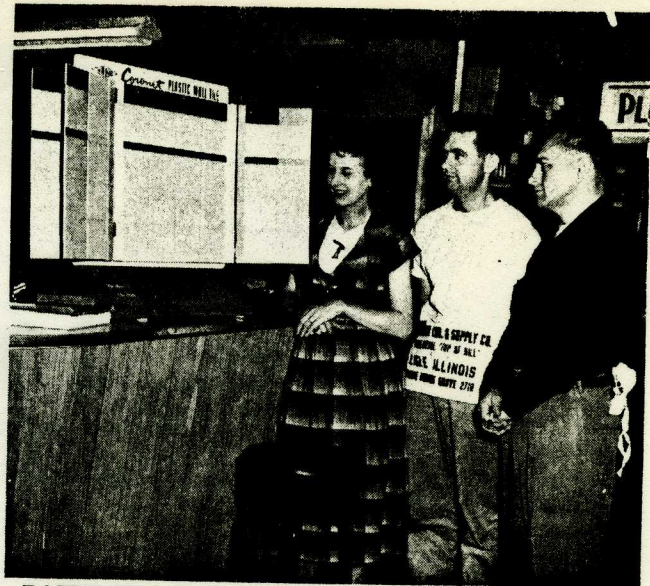
Julius Hankinson has a background in radio announcing. He directs Hankinson's advertising displays, and other promotional activities. Managerial activities are divided equally among the two brothers.

#### Active Civically

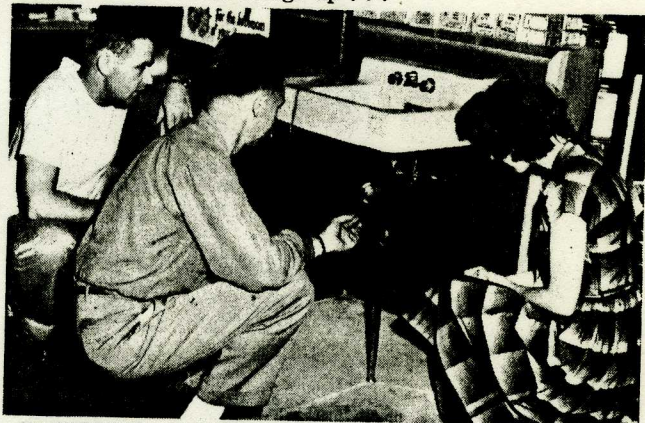
Both have long been active in Lisle civic activities. They believe that in a community as small as Lisle (less than 2,500) a firm's relationship with the community and reputation for good, honest business are especially important.

Lisle could almost—but not quite—be called a suburb of Chicago—it is approximately 25 miles distant. However, it is a separate community with its own shopping center. Its people for the most part work either right in Lisle, the nearby communities of Naperville or Downers Grove, or in other suburbs nearby—to which some of Chicago's largest industrial plants have been moved during recent years. There's farm country all around Lisle; and a sizable part of Hankinson's trade comes from farmers in the area.

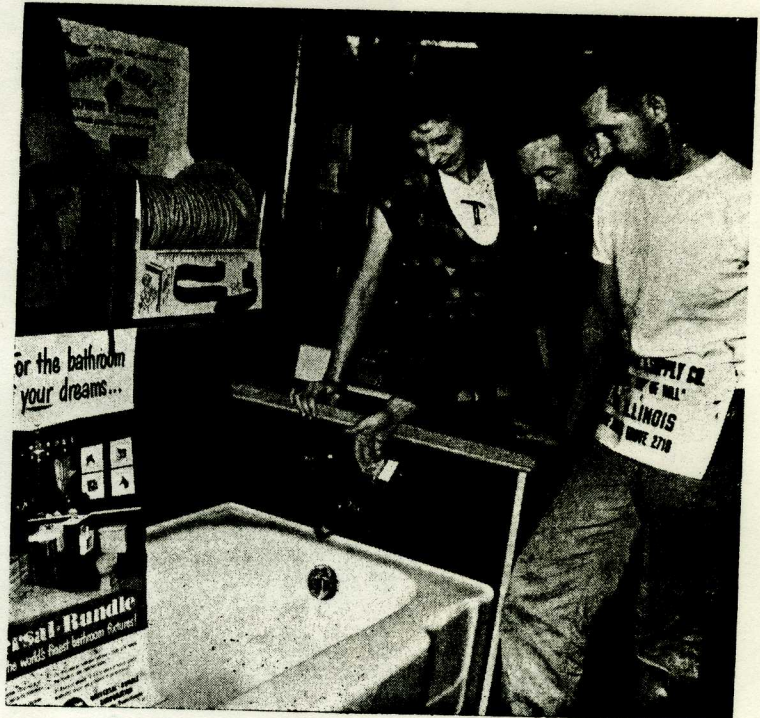
Because of the nature of its population—many of the men being skilled and semi-skilled workers in industrial plants—the shell home is popular in the community.



**BATHROOM WALL TILE.** Julius shows them the Coronet plastic wall tile display. Hankinson suggests harmonizing colors for walls—wins approval of both husband and wife. Subject of bathroom brings up . . .

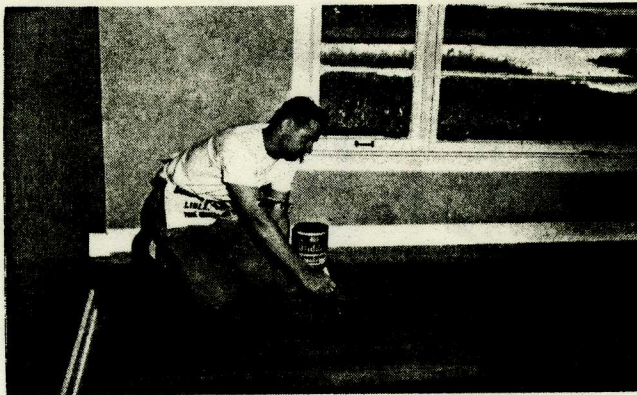


**PLUMBING FIXTURES.** Harry Hankinson takes over from brother Julius. Plumbing is "Greek" to Dale, and Harry assures him he'll be out to help if he runs into trouble. He shows them sink (above) and Universal-Rundle bathtub (below).





### Inside the Shell (Cont'd)



**BACK HOME**, Dale loses no time in applying varnish to floor. Finds advice from Hankinson saves many headaches.

### Amateur Rice Finishes Up



**BUT WHEN IT COMES TO PLUMBING** he runs into trouble and calls for help. Harry Hankinson arrives at the house and immediately straightens out the problem.



**AT LAST HOUSE IS FINISHED** both inside and out. Mrs. Rice waves goodbye to hubby who can now devote all his energy to his full-time job. That is, aside from cutting the grass.



(MARY MALLEK)

Dear Mary:

Since you did not tell me when your big event was going to be - you only mentioned "soon" I will try and get some news about the Community Tattler which was a rural newsette for our Servicemen and the first issue was sent out Nov. 23rd, 1943. The first paragraph was entitled:

THE UNINCORPORATED AREA BREAKS OUT IN NEWS AGAIN.

"Well, we made the front page again - hurrah! A new club under the name of Servicemen's Homefolks' Club was organized on November 9, 1943. The following officers were elected: Mary Mallek, President, Anna Heier, Vice President, Lou Rossow, Secretary, Bonnie Leggate, Treasurer and George Brinka, Chairman of entertainment committee.

"The organization is unique inasmuch as we are to devote our time to keep our boys cheerful and happy and to furnish them with news of their parents, friends and neighbors; also to share some of their thoughts with those of his buddies of the community.

"Those that attended our first meeting were congenial and cooperative and we are positive that the membership will grow as soon as people are cognizant of the good we are doing and we are sure our boys will welcome our efforts to give them some local news."

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The Newsette started out with five pages, written on one side of the paper and ended up with 9 pages written on both sides. It contained first a biography of several boys; jokes; news from the neighborhood; copies of letters received from our boys; a crossword puzzle which "The Chicago Sun" gave us permission to use - a copy of "The Sun Salutes" - giving me a write-up in the paper: (I am enclosing a copy for your record); cartoons by Rose Ensalaca and Richard Atchley (my son); a record of the boy's family birthdays, so they would be reminded to send them a card; poems, and other items of interest.

We held raffles; Bunco parties, dances and other events to raise money and when a serviceman had a birthday they got \$1.00 money order and when it was over - that is the war, they were sent another contribution which was in our treasury.

Issue #50 which was mailed to our boys was on March 12, 1946 and your editor of the Community Tattler wrote this:

"I am now coming to the last pages of Issue #50 of the Tattler, and I am sorry to say it will be the final issue. At our February 12 meeting it was agreed that the Tattler be discontinued inasmuch as our mailing list is becoming a problem with so many changes of address, so many copies being returned, and our boys coming home so quickly. I have so enjoyed corresponding with you boys and girls through the pages of the Tattler and via your wonderful letters. Let me say, your letters have been my inspiration and help to carry on the work, and you'll never know how much I appreciated them.

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"I wish to thank you for the news you supplied me through your letters. I want to thank all members of the club, all parents and friends of our servicemen who in any way helped me get news, jokes, poems and other items of interest. To all those who were instrumental in any way to make the Community Tattler what it was, a lot of credit is due, and we wish to thank them for a job well done. I am sure that the members of Servicemen's Home-folks Club can be proud of their share in making our club and little news-paper the success that it was.

"Looking back it is two years and three months since the Unincorporated Area organized the Servicemen's Homefolks Club. The Tattler was a special feature which would closely keep our boys posted on news of their community. Added were the jokes, stories, puzzles, poems, etc., which helped to make the paper interesting. It started out with five pages written on one side, and for the past 18 months the newsette carried 9 and 10 pages, written on both sides. It was mailed to 164 boys and girls twice a month, and when V-J- Day was announced, the club decided to have only one issue a month.

"In behalf of the Servicemens Homefolks Club, I wish to thank the Webster-Chicago Corporation, 5610 Bloomingdale Avenue, for the fine spirit they showed in trying to help our boys. They contributed the paper on which the Tattler was printed and the use of their machine to run it off. We owe the Webster Company a debt of gratitude for their generous gift to boys they did not know.

"We also wish to thank the Chicago Sun for the privilege to use their cross-word puzzle. From letters received, I know you boys spent many enjoyable minutes working out the puzzles. I am sure many who enjoy crossword puzzles will look for the SUN when you get back, in order to work out puzzles you have become acquainted with during the past two years.

"Also we want to show our gratitude to all papers and magazines from which we have obtained material from time to time.

"Our meetings were held in the Liberty Park Clubhouse. We wish to thank the Homeowners' Association for the use of their building.

"We are grateful to the OCD for the gift of money and the equipment they turned over to us when they disbanded. That which has not been disposed of is to be sold at the auction at our March 12 meeting. And to all who sent us \$1, \$5 and \$10 gifts, we want you to know your gifts were appreciated.

"Our vote of thanks goes to our neighbors and friends and to the merchants of Westmont and Downers Grove, who so willingly furnished us with prizes for our affairs. Their donations and ads for our dance programs were a big help to a worthy cause.

"Our club has been busy. Our officers and members have cooperated to the fullest extent in accomplishing what we set out to do. Our aim was to spread cheer and give news through the Tattler. We sponsored dances, picnics, buncos, bingos, etc., to raise money and the first year we sent out \$1 to each of you on your birthdays - another dollar was sent the first Christmas and when V-J Day arrived the work began of dividing the rest of the fund which we had accumulated. Most of the boys acknowledged receipt of the gift. Others we haven't heard from so we have no way of knowing whether they received their share. We hope they did.



"I believe the Servicemens Homefolks Club are to be congratulated upon the fine work they have done. There is still a little unfinished work to do, but in order to get a report in this issue, our treasurer has turned over a list showing our receipts and expenditures up to date, giving a general idea just what the club has done in the past 27 months. It follows:

"RECEIPTS:

|                          |                  |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| Bond drive.....          | \$105.10         |
| Raffles.....             | 104.65           |
| Exchange of Recipes..... | 2.72             |
| Donations.....           | 96.80            |
| O.C.D.....               | 80.50            |
| Membership.....          | 136.00           |
| Community Tattler.....   | 128.35           |
| Entertainment.....       | 1085.83          |
|                          | <u>\$1739.95</u> |

\$1739.95  
1692.78  
 \$ 47.17

EXPENDITURES:

|                            |               |
|----------------------------|---------------|
| Stamps.....                | \$183.94      |
| Envelopes.....             | 38.97         |
| Birthday gifts to Serv-    |               |
| icemen.....                | 95.00         |
| Birthday cards & postage.. | 58.04         |
| Christmas gift to Serv-    |               |
| icemen.....                | 175.54        |
| Distribution of balance    |               |
| of fund.....               | 520.00        |
| Attendance gift to Serv-   |               |
| icemen.....                | 19.00         |
| Flowers (Sickness &        |               |
| Death).....                | 76.42         |
| Miscellaneous (Gold Stars, |               |
| entertainment ex-          |               |
| pense, permits, food,      |               |
| etc., etc.....             | <u>525.87</u> |
|                            | \$1692.78     |

"I believe you will all agree the Servicemens Homefolks Club has done very well for their boys and girls in service.

"We had a membership of 121 and the assistance of those who joined and all who attended our affairs, helped to raise this fund. We wish to thank them all for their cooperation and support. The following were members of the club:

"Mrs. Lottie Arnolde  
 Mr. & Mrs. P. Atchley  
 Mrs. Mary Bullerman  
 Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Bretz  
 Mrs. Mary Borkoski  
 Mrs. Rose Benson  
 Mrs. N. Bennewate  
 Mr. & Mrs. Geo. Bigott  
 Mrs. Tina Barbier  
 Mr. & Mrs. Geo. Brincka  
 Mr. & Mrs. E. Barnes  
 Mrs. L. Brejcha  
 Mrs. Burdett  
 Mrs. Mary Cermak  
 Miss Marian Cermak  
 Mrs. Anna Court  
 Mrs. Martha Chowanec  
 Mr. & Mrs. Chernik  
 Mrs. Vera Coen  
 Mr. & Mrs. Peter Dahlman  
 Karin Dahlman Cuslidge  
 Master Carl Dahlman

Mrs. Clara Dunning  
 Miss Carmella Ensalaca  
 Mrs. Lilly Ensalaco  
 Mrs. Lillie Ernest  
 Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Foote  
 Mrs. Jilia Felske  
 Mrs. Agnes Fisher  
 Mrs. Dora Felger  
 Miss Marie Fiorelli  
 Mr. Vincent Gawriluk  
 Mrs. Aldo Ghelfi  
 Mrs. Katherine Gates  
 Mrs. Dorothy Gray  
 Mrs. Irene Hauser  
 Mr. & Mrs. Louis Heizler  
 Mrs. Chas. Heier  
 Mr. & Mrs. Lee Hoffman  
 Mrs. Joseph Jecik  
 Mrs. Gladys Hartwig  
 Mr. & Mrs. Jas. Jerousek  
 Mrs. M. Johanik  
 Mrs. Rose Johnson



"Mrs. Carl Jansen  
Miss Ann Kostur  
Mrs. Joseph Klena  
Mr. & Mrs. Tony Krystosek  
Mrs. Ted Krystosek  
Mrs. Jas. Klena, Jr.  
Mrs. J. Kowalewski  
Mr. & Mrs. E. Koubek  
Mrs. Geo. Krivanek  
Mrs. F. Leggate  
Mr. & Mrs. James McMillan  
Mrs. Mary Mallek  
Mrs. S. Murray  
Mrs. Ida Nemecek  
Miss Mary Ocnas  
Mrs. Anna Osowski  
Mrs. Elsie Prescott  
Mrs. George Piper  
Mrs. M. Papula  
Mrs. N. Para  
Mrs. L. Pasternik  
Mrs. Vera Pliml  
Mrs. Alberta Paddick  
Mrs. Mary Pasternik  
Mrs. Alice Pasternik  
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Rich  
Mrs. Sophie Rimnac  
Mes. Mary Reichl  
Mr. & Mrs. Jas. Rakovich  
Mrs. Wm. Rossow  
Mrs. Martha Siebert  
Mr. Jos. Schuster  
Mrs. G. Soucek  
Mr. & Mrs. N. Saad

Miss Betty Spurney  
Mrs. M. Spurney  
Mrs. L. Spurney  
Mrs. Leonard Sobers  
Mrs. Ann Stanley  
Mrs. Willie Smrz  
Mr. & Mrs. Ed Soltwisch  
Mrs. Mary Said  
Mrs. William Sharkey  
Mrs. W. Schell  
Mr. & Mrs. Shuk  
Mrs. Spala  
Mrs. Sherman  
Dr. & Mrs. Jerome Topol  
Mrs. Marie Thomas  
Miss Virginia Vanis  
Miss Lorraine Voelk  
Mrs. Henrietta Voelk  
Mrs. Mae Voelk  
Mrs. Caroline Wirstedt  
Mrs. Mildred Weimer  
Miss Marie Zagol  
Miss Jean Zagol

"I so enjoyed editing the Tattler that I'm really going to miss working on it. I promised you boys and girls I would edit it for the duration of the war. The war is now technically over and I am happy my health permitted me to keep my promise. My work in a war plant, my garden, canning and other duties around the home, really kept me "hopping" - so to speak."

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"Well - this is it! I am now ending my role as editor of the Community Tattler. It's been a joy chatting with you through these pages.... I'll not say goodbye, but so long for now. I hope to see you some time - Who knows we may meet again."

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When I have time I go through the pages of the Tattler and it brings back memories. I hope to some day send you the whole book. At this time I can't do it, but you have the main part of the newsletter and the ending of the 50th edition and hope this will be of help to you. I keep busy 8 hours a day, being correspondent for our weekly mobile home park, assist in various affairs, am still using crutches since my last siege at the hospital and now am busy getting ready for our bazaar Nov. 22 and our Thanksgiving dinner at the park. I am 75 now & still doing my bit.

The book weighs nearly 8 lbs.

Love,

HILDUR ATCHLEY



Sept. 26, 1975

Dear Mary:-

Received your letter this morning & want to get this off in tomorrow's mail. By the way my Zip Code is 85302 instead of 86302.

By the way when I left Dawner's Grave I gave a complete copy or copies of the "Community Tattler" to the library in Westmont. I do hope they have all the issues and that they aren't buried somewhere. They will give you all the information you need.

As for pictures I will have to go thru my boxes and send later, when I hear from you if you got the "Community Tattlers."

I have all the copies here but I don't want to send my copies and to write it up would take a long time and that is what I don't have now.



(2)  
You see I live with my daughter, Nadine Collins, in a double wide Mobile Home & have a room of my own but you should see it now as I am in charge of the Arts and Crafts class here in the park and were having a Bazaar in November & I'm working all day making things to sell. I just have to make things.

I was in hospital 2 months in 1974 and 2 months this year - the last time with phlebitis, on my 75<sup>th</sup> birthday. I have a hospital bed in my room and have to have my legs elevated & have to wear surgical stockings day and night, so it's hard work sitting all day with legs up but I get along ok. altho I have to use crutches.

When is the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary going to be held?

I am also the correspondent for the mobile



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Messenger - a newspaper that comes out weekly. I give them the news of the park, so you see I am busy.

I don't remember if someone wrote me that Pete Dahlman died. I heard that he passed away.

My son, Dick, lives in Portland, Ore. He is married & hope to see him next summer as he wants to build a cottage up in Pine-wood, near Flagstaff where Nadine & I have a mobile home & go every week end until the snow comes.

I'll be waiting to hear if you get copies of the "The Tattler". I hope they didn't destroy them.

Love,

Hildur Atchley

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## LIBERTY PARK

HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

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January 28, 1998

Ms. Charlene Sanders, Administrator  
Westmont Public Library  
428 North Cass Avenue  
Westmont, Illinois  
60559

Dear Ms. Sanders:

Several months have now passed by since I first approached the Library to view the collection of "THE COMMUNITY TATTLER" newsletters left in your safe keeping by Mrs. Hildur Atchley, when she retired to Glendale, Arizona.

The Community Tattler was a bi-monthly newsletter written by Mrs. Atchley and committee during the World War 2 era. Publication began on November 23, 1943 and was suspended after VJ Day.

The LIBERTY PARK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION's copies of these newsletters were burned in a fire that destroyed the original LPHOA clubhouse on May 5, 1976, so you can understand why these copies are so important to us. We have contacted the Westmont Museum but to date have not heard from them.

LPHOA hopes you are making a sincere effort to locate these misplaced editions.

We are anxiously waiting to hear from you.

Sincerely,

Jacqueline M. Bartasis  
President  
969-4310

THE BOOK WAS  
NOT FOUND.