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Village Board Considers Standard Oil Application

A special village board meeting was called Wednesday February 24 to discuss and present **Man Into Space**

Peter Reich, Aviation Editor for Chicago's American, and twice named "Newsmen of the Year" by the Air Force Association, will present an illustrated lecture on "Man Into Space" at St. Procopius College, Lisle, on March 10, at 4:15 p.m.

Reich, an outstanding journalist, was one of the first newsmen to pierce the sound barrier in a jet interceptor and one of the first permitted to fly a zero-gravity mission in the astronaut's own training plane. He is an expert photographer whose lens has captured the drama and meaning of spaceflight the way few others have succeeded in doing. Best of all, he relates the space story in simple, non-technical terms that audiences easily understand.

In his lecture at St. Procopius College, Reich will use 100 sparkling color slides from the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. He takes you along on a step-by-step preview of a ride in the Moonship with the astronauts from blast-off, through a landing on the lunar surface, and back to earth.

The lecture will be presented in the audio-visual room of the new library, and will be open to the public.

Professional Women To Form Organization

An invitation is extended to working women in the Woodridge - Lisle area to attend a briefing session on the programs and goals of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs in the home of Mrs. James W. Kinser, 7658 Deerfield, Woodridge at 7:30 P.M., Tuesday, March 2, for the purpose of establishing a Woodridge - Lisle chapter.

Mrs. Kinser, who is a candidate for Lisle Township Supervisor, and her husband were guests of Mrs. Wade T. Searles, president of the Downers Grove Business and Professional Women's Club, at their regular monthly dinner meeting Feb. 19. Featured was an address by Attorney Charles Popejoy, prosecutor for the Village of Glen Ellyn on the subject, "Youth in Trouble". Mr. Popejoy discussed the difficulties often faced by legal authorities in deciding the type and severity of punishment for youthful of-

enders and whether certain perpetually incorrigible youths are "worth saving." Dr. Glenn Pickrel, superintendent of Downers Grove public schools, also gave his views and answered questions from the audience.

Present at next Tuesday's introductory meeting will be Mrs. Searles and Mrs. Mary Lou Koonce of Mounds, Illinois, who is national chairman of the Clubs' "Youth Power U.S.A." program and candidate for Illinois for recording secretary for the national board. They will enlarge upon the Federation's three-fold program that emphasizes responsibility for full partnership in world affairs, civic participation and personal improvement. Twenty-five members are required to obtain a charter; earning of a regular salary, regardless of occupation, is the only requisite to membership. Please call Mrs. Kinser at 969-5703 for further details.

What My Country

Means To Me

What my country means to me should mean to everyone in this country. The reason: In our country we all have the same rights and privileges. No one is, or shouldn't be, thought of any better than anybody else.

In our country the government is the whole people, not a handful of military men. Since we are the government we rule ourselves. We are not ruled like puppets -- being told what to do and how to do it. We have freedom - many kinds of free-

dom.

Most important of my freedoms is my religious freedom. My country's government isn't going to tell me where I have to go to church and when. My country's government tells me I can go to church whenever I want to, or I don't even have to go at all. My country's government encourages me to worship my God, but I don't have to if I don't want to. They don't force me to do anything.

Another one of my many freedoms is the freedom of the press. This means I can write and print anything I want to, as long as it is the truth - I haven't written anything to be printed, so I haven't had any experience with this freedom. I do know though that I could write something criticizing the government and not be put in jail for it.

The freedom of speech is another one of the freedoms my country offers to me. I can voice my opinion without having to live in fear of being put to death for saying it. An example of this punishment would take place in some communist country.

Probably the greatest right or freedom in my country is the right to vote. In doing this act I am choosing the man I want to lead my country. I am doing an act of service to my country by voting. I am picking the man which in a time of crisis could lead my country to victory or destruction.

One of the greatest laws or statements, or rights is that in my country all men are equal and free. This is the idea on which my country is based. This fact that all men are equal is why my country has become so great.

In general my country means freedom, to me.



The Cub Scout Charter was presented to the Police Department as their sponsor. Participating in the ceremony are Police Chief Joel Kagann, Gene Garr and William Blecher.

BLUE AND GOLD DINNER

Pack #104 held their 4th Annual Blue & Gold dinner at the Woodridge School Gym on Sunday 2/21/65. The festivities started with a snake dance which gave fathers, sons & guests an opportunity to see the many attractive table decorations made by the Cub Scouts in den meetings. Cubmaster Bill Blecher, assisted by several Cubs serenaded the diners with a tune entitled "Ravidli". The dinner, however, consisted of spaghetti & meat balls.

Guests attending the dinner included Du Page Council Representative Mr. Nordine, who presented the new pack charter to chief Joel Kagann and Sgt. Jerome Szczepaniak of the Woodridge Police Assn., sponsors of the pack. Mr. Joe Shroka, Retiring Scoutmaster and Mr. Tom Przybylski, the new scoutmaster, also attended as guests.

It was pointed out that the Boy Scout Troop was in need

of committee members and that any men who would be able to help should contact Mr. Przybylski, at 969-0939.

After dinner entertainment was provided by Jeff Saver, Paul Carpenter, Mike Green, Carl Morton, Jerry Morgan & Bob Garr, members of Den 9 who sang "The Duke of York".

The Den 1 puppeteers, Tom Anderson, Bob Arndt, Chuck Balogh, Billy Blecher, Mike O'Sullivan, Ray Szczepaniak and Phil Zerbe, presented a very clever shadow puppet show.

The Entertainment Program was topped off by the Folk Singing duo of "Ken & Toni", students at East Leyden Township high school.

Cubmaster Blecher, assisted by Mrs. Nicely, den mother of Den 7, presented achievement awards to the scouts, and the event was brought to a close with the retiring of the colors by Den 7.



Den # 1 as they prepared for the Shadow Puppet Show.



Letters TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor

Summer is really not far away and with the exception of one thing I will welcome it with open arms.

All winter I have been waiting and planning, as many others for the first day of the planting season to arrive, but a few days ago the water bill was deliv-

ered and I came to the stark realization that the pretty yard I had hoped to cultivate would Alas' be only a dream because if the mid-December to mid-January bill averages out with the mid-January to mid-February bill to \$14.46 per month what will it be when you try to water enough to encourage your plants to grow and to keep

your grass green.

If you are so minded you may call this to the attention of your local water department, also, your builders who by the way own a great per centage of the Woodridge Water Department. They will start crying on your shoulder about how they have to get their money back as it really wasn't an investment for them

but a favor to you that they got involved with the water situation at all.

Now if you buy the above "Hog Wash" O.K., but I don't.

Perhaps this situation is one of the reasons the builder in Woodridge proper still has lots without homes on them after six years of building -- and if prospective buyers were to be given a true account another section of Woodridge may not develop quite as fast as the builder

might hope.

Has the general public become so lazy today that all they can do about situations like this is to complain, then throw up their hands and say "but what can we do about it?"

Come on now, is there no true pioneer spirit left in any one of us today or do we prefer to sit back and become puppets!!

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"Chit - Chat"

MARY CATHERINE HIMES

Congratulations to:

John and Wanda Wiest, 7629 Woodridge Drive on the birth of their son Robert Wesley. The baby was born at Hinsdale Hospital on February 16 and weighed an even 7 lbs. Awaiting their brother's arrival at home are 8 year old Stephen and 4 year old Andy. The Wiest's also have a foster daughter La Mae who is 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith of Monroe, Louisiana and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wiest of Attica, Indiana are the proud grandparents.

Mrs. Smith has become a temporary resident of Woodridge as she has been staying at the Wiest home for the last month while Wanda was at the hospital awaiting Roberts birth.

Pat and Keith Porter, 2748 Crabtree welcomed their baby boy Michael John born on February 9 at Hinsdale Hospital. Michael weighed in at 8 lbs. 3 oz. The Porters have another son Daniel who is 3 years old. The new babies grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Porter of Hinsdale.

There are many Woodridge residents under the weather and we hope they will all be up on their feet again soon. Particular Get Wells to:

Janet Barkauski who had her tonsils removed. Of course Janet had to be different and add a few complications to an otherwise normal operation. Hope you feel better real soon.

Phyllis Brame, 2951 Jonquil is still off her feet and we hope it won't be for long.

Get Wells also to Wayne Bryant, Nick DeLuca and the Amoroso children.

The Cub Scouts had their Blue and Gold Dinner on Sunday Feb. 21. My husband Dick and son Paul were in attendance and I understand everyone enjoyed themselves. Each Den made their own table decorations and individual name places, and ash trays and place mats. The boys enjoyed making the things and were very proud to show-off for their Dads. The boys in Den 5 even had Kleenex carnation boutainers for Dad. The dinner was very good and a fine time was had by all.

Carlyn and Bob Chappell, Deerfield Ave. entertained guests for the week-end. Bobs parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Chappell from Cicero came to visit. On Saturday evening the William and Bob Chappells went for an evening visit with the Jim Chappell family in the Highlands. Sunday another guest was added when Carolyn's brother Cecil Dust came out from Oak Park. Quite a lively week-end.

Rida and Rich Kay, Everglade Ave. went to Plymouth, Michigan over the week-end to visit Rida's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lukey. While there Rich bowled in the Hamtramck Tournament.

My husband Dick and I entertained my brother James Breuss and his girlfriend, Loretta Bales at dinner Monday evening. James is recently discharged from the Navy and is

taking the long way around to his home in Phoenix, Arizona. Following the dinner Marge and Don Rossman from the Highlands joined in the visit and conversation.

Glad to hear that Earl Ralson, 2912 Westridge, is back from his hospital stay. Also Welcome to Patrick and Carol Connoley. The Connoley's have one son, Patrick. Hope you enjoy living in Woodridge.

As this is the last time that I will be writing the Chit-Chat column I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who were so helpful in getting news for the column. I appreciate the time you have taken to call me when important events have happened. I would like to ask you hereafter, to call Dorothy Zuehldorff at 968-6759 as she will be handling this type of column.

I have enjoyed doing this column but it has become necessary for me to devote a little more time to other interests - namely my husband and five children. Thanks again to all who have helped to make this column a success.

Nominating Committee Selected

The Woodridge School Mothers club celebrated their 4th anniversary at the Feb. 16th meeting.

Miss Jahnke gave an interesting and educational book review entitled "Washington's Lady."

The \$3.00 attendance award was won by Miss Peters 8th grade classroom.

The Mothers Club purchased heavy duty stainless silverware to be used by the Mothers club at their monthly meetings.

At the March meeting a new slate of officers for the 1965-66 school year has to be presented to the floor. There will be two women chosen for each office by the nominating committee. The nominating committee was elected by secret ballot at the Feb. 16th meeting. Mrs. Helga Scudder from the board will be chairman and Mrs. Chenzie Narducci and Mrs. Dorie Keller will serve as co-chairman.

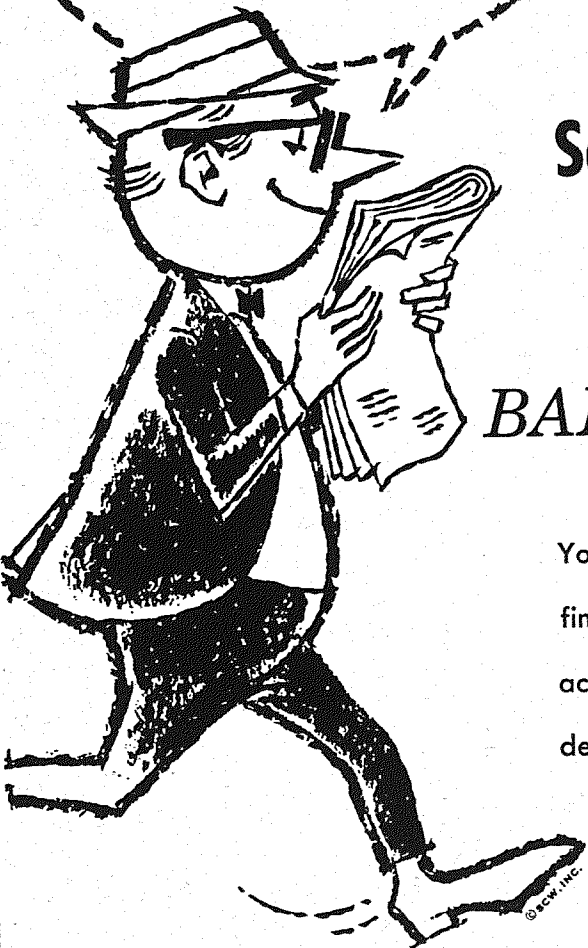
Special refreshments to celebrate the Mothers club 4th anniversary were served. There were 2 beautifully decorated cakes, a delicious punch, coffee and tea.

The movie for the children will be shown on March 13th. The title for the movie will be announced next week.



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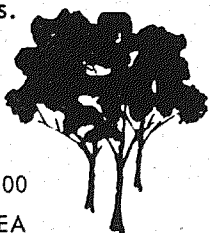
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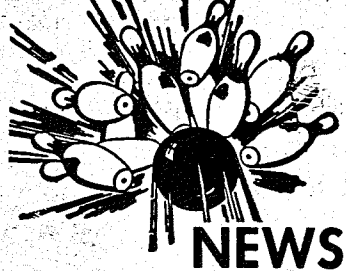
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1st H. Team Game: Woodridge Homes 1098, 2nd Naperville Plaza 1094 and 3rd Willard's Hardware 1092.

1st H. Ind. Game Vern Wagner 247, 2nd G. Markley 245 and 3rd D. McDonough 244.

Unity Party Press Conference

Saturday, February 20, the entire slate of the Unity Party filed their individual petitions for candidacy at the April Village election. Heading the slate is William T. Roberts for position of President, a four year term; Richard Roman, George Alexander and Richard Schmidt for Trustee positions for four year terms; Robert Stewart and Erick (Ted) Stelling for two year Trustee positions and Mary Jane Cotey as Clerk.

At a Press conference held Saturday afternoon by the members of the Unity Party, Mr. Roberts was questioned on why after leaving the office of Mayor he was now running for that position. Roberts replied that he had left the office because, "I could no longer associate myself with the actions of the Board." In enlarging upon this he mentioned the hidden cost and method of financing the Public Works building as one of the factors that would apply to a hidden method of financing.

Each candidate from the Unity Party voiced his and her opinion on the possible referendum which the present Board may include on the ballot in April. This referendum refers to the erection of a new Village Hall for which a \$180,000 bonding contract has just been signed. All the candidates agreed that they felt that the Village could not afford this at this time. Trustee candidate Roman liken-

ed it to, "... drinking champagne with a beer pocketbook."

Presidential candidate Roberts who spoke last on this question stated that it would take the approval of Winston-Muss to release the money (\$25,000) now being held in escrow for the erection of a Village Hall. Roberts said that there

has been no maintenance provision made for this building and that he didn't see how the Village could pay a Staff for upkeep. "... the people have a drain (on their pocketbook) for Church buildings, for schools, both high and grammar", said Roberts.

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New members will be taken in at the service on Sunday, Feb. 28th. Following the service coffee will be served.

The membership class for 12 years and up, meets at the parsonage on Saturdays from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

The MYF Juniors meet at the parsonage Sundays from 7 to 9 p.m.

The Senior MYF meet Sunday, Feb. 28th at the home of the Zettlers. Their program will be a discussion on the sermons for the last 3 Sundays. The MYF will be selling tooth-

brushes Sunday Feb. 28th in the hall of the school.

The notice for the 4th Quarterly Conference. Our 4th Quarterly Conference for this year will be held Sunday at 4 p.m. March 14th at the Goodrich School. Refreshments will follow. The Senior MYF will furnish baby sitting. Dr. L. Gustafson will preside over the conference at which time the church will hear the reports from all commissions, committees and will also have an opportunity to set the policies for the year 1965-66. Our Church year begins July 1st and ends on June 30th. At the quarterly conference we will vote on the offices that are to be filled on July 1st 1965 which will expire on June 30th, 1966.



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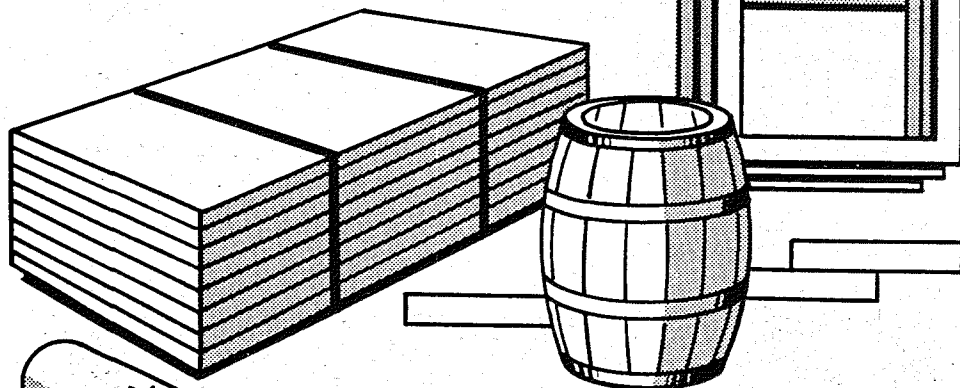
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The Woodridge Jaycees are pleased to announce the winners of the Independence Hall Essay Contest. These essays were written on the theme "What My Country Means to Me."

This contest was open to 7th and 8th grade students, 37 entries were received. The winners are: First Place, Joyce Hansen; Runner-Up, Carol Maas; Honorable Mentions, Jacque Anderson, Jan Dahlberg and Julie Temple. There will be an award assembly for these winners in March which will be announced later.

The Woodridge News will publish one essay in each of the subsequent issues.

The first place entry was submitted as an entry in the Illinois State-wide contest. The State Winner will receive a trip to 13 Historical National Shrines and one day at the Worlds Fair with all expenses paid.

The Jaycees wish to thank all of the students for sharing their thoughts with us on this subject and for the effort that they expended.



Prizes were presented by Mrs. Carolyn Wiggins to Jerilyn Freeman, Marilyn Wiggins, Karen Smith and Sherry Vojdavek.

Awana Girls Club Awards

Awana Girls Club Awards - Feb. 18, presented at Village Baptist church at Open House for Parents. Left to right: Jerilyn Freeman - Fourth Prize a Bible. Marilyn Wiggins - Third Prize - CHUMS Bracelet. Karen Smith - Second Prize - Sweat Shirt. Sherry Vojdavek - First Prize - Awana Jacket. Prizes presented by Mrs. Carolyn Wiggins, commander of Awana Girls Clubs at Village Baptist.

A regular night's activities were presented for the parents. A Flag ceremony was held first with Karen Smith, Beverly

Bredlove, Garilyn Olsen, Jerilyn Freeman, Christine Berntsen and Marilyn Wiggins as Color Guard. Games were led by Mrs. Jean Berntsen. Tribe time was held as usual. The group then went into the church auditorium for the remainder of the program. Announcements and awards were given by Mrs. Carolyn Wiggins, singing was led by Mrs. Charlene Harwell the Bible Message was given by Mrs. Mary Roop. Refreshments were served by leaders and helpers Mrs. Winnie Edgerdohl and Mrs. Dottie Vojdavek.

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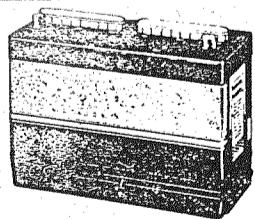
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High Lights From The Hills

DOROTHY ZUEHLSORFF

The Charles O'Hara family of Clark Drive have an interesting background. Gretchen and Charles are recently of Hinsdale before moving to our area. Charles, a graduate of Georgetown University and the University of Paris, has a degree in International Law. He was with the state department serving their embassys in Amman Jordan and Dien-Tiene Loas. After two hardship posts, he was asked to take a third but had to decline since he had spent only 16 months out of 4 years with his family. He is now with Continental Illinois Bank of Chicago in the International Department, dealing primarily with affairs of Africa and the Middle - East. Gretchen, has a Masters degree in Phychology and taught reading to disturbed and problem children in the Harlem district. They have two children, Sean 5 yrs. born in Jordan and Kevin 3 yrs. born in Thailand.

Both parents hobbies are reading and politics. Charles has been nominated for the post of Civic Trustee in the Winston Hills Homeowners Assoc., while Gretchen is a member of the Winston Hills Social Club.

We have been asked to save our newspapers and magazines for four of our young men here in Winston Hills. The Egerdahl brothers, Dwayne, 17, Allan 16, and Bill 15 along with Kurt Johnson 17 are trying

to form a band and want to raise money for instruments. They are willing to pick up said papers and magazines once a week and all it takes is a phone call to Dwayne 964-1510. Good Luck, Fellows!

The parents of Karen Hatch, Dean Drive, have been visiting them from Florida.

Hill to Rae Ellen and Gene Botts of Clark Drive. The Botts' hail from Indio California where Gene was with the border Patrol. He was sent to the Northern tip of Minnesota and then was transferred here and is now working as an immigrant inspector. They have two children Billy 4 and Joanne 1 1/2 and they attend St. Joan of Arc Church. Rae Ellen is fond of sewing and both she and Gene are fond of Mexican food.

Your reporter would like to remind you that you can purchase your tickets for the Winston Hills Social Club Dinner Dance by calling Florence Prokopec 969-2523. Tickets are being sold on a first come first served basis. So -- Gals, lets get on the ball and get our groups together and baby sitters lined up now.

Gail Koudelka called from Elmhurst Hospital to say that she is fine and returning home Feb. 23. Gail, has been having a disorder corrected and should be back in the groove again soon. See you next week!

States C.A.P. Record Of Accomplishments

The Citizens' Action Party on Wednesday, February 24, released the following statement:

"The Citizens' Action Party is the only political organization in Woodridge with a proven record of performance and integrity in government. Our opposition does not like our business ability to negotiate; consequently, they miscall it a squabble. Nevertheless, under the present C.A.P. majority Board, the Winston - Muss annexation agreement, poorly negotiated and drawn by the previous Board, was effectively salvaged by securing for the people of Woodridge an additional \$25,000.00 for the school district, \$25,000.00 cash for a Village Hall or Library and an additional 12 1/2 acre wooded park valued at \$100,000.00. The

opposition cried 'it can't be done', 'pie in the sky', but they were wrong.

Today, the people of Woodridge are the owners of over 40 acres of public land obtained as a result of negotiations on the part of your C.A.P. officials. Even now the total value of the land is difficult to estimate, but the true worth of this accomplishment will not be fully appreciated until this entire area is developed, and undeveloped land is either totally unavailable or available only at prohibitively high cost to the taxpayer. Under the opposition, led by the Unity Party's current candidate for Mayor, not a single grain of sand was obtained for the people from the developer.

This community achievement

POINT OF VIEW

LOIS JORDAN

The announcement last week, that the "ex-mayor" was stepping back in the mayoralty race, has left me confused. I thought after reading his letter of resignation in the Woodridge News, that he wanted no further part of village board activities. Due to lack of time and personal problems, he not only withdrew from the electoral race but also left Woodridge in a lurch by resigning as its' mayor.

I can't help but wonder "Why" the sudden decision on the part of the ex-mayor to step back into the fight for the position he deserted just a couple of months ago. If he saw fit to desert the post at that time, what confidence does he think we can have that he won't do a repeat performance; particularly if he doesn't get a board to his liking.

A bit of information concerning the campaign manager, for the ex-mayor and his party, has added to my confusion. I can't understand how a resident of a few months, in the village, can feel he knows enough of village affairs to take such an active part in a political campaign. I know I am still asking and listening and feel I have no business affiliating with any political party, in the village, at this time.

All this confusion makes me very pleased that a member, of the Winston Hills Homeowners Association, brought up the idea of having one of our meetings as a town hall meeting, inviting all candidates to take part. I feel that such a meeting will be able to straighten out much of the confusion we have been witnessing lately.

Seeing and hearing a candidate and his views and plans for future village development is very helpful to any voter but especially so to voters of only a few months residence in the village. When a citizen can direct a question to a particular candidate, they can usually judge from that candidates' actions whether or not he is getting a straight forward answer. This

has been so significant that we are actually sought out by the new areas being developed in south DuPage. President Redmond was recently the guest speaker at the Brookhaven Civic Association on problems of newly incorporated villages; and as late as last Saturday, Trustee Diaz received a call from Dr. John R. Nettles of Oakbrook, who, representing a group of 40 citizens, was seeking our advise on mutual problems - there is indeed a new image of Woodridge."

type of open meeting, for all party and independent candidates, is so much more informative than any individual party meeting because you get factual information and are not subjected to rumor mongering.

This meeting when held, subject to the compliance of the candidates, will be open to all residents in Woodridge. Attendance at this meeting should be a must for all newcomers. It is getting all your candidate information in one injection.

See you there!!

Lois Jordan

Spring Fashion Show - Card And Bunco Party

The Council of Catholic Women of Saint Scholastica's will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday evening, March 2nd, at 8:00 p.m. at Saint Scholastica's Church.

The meeting will include final plans for the "Spring Fashion Show" -- "Card and Bunco Party" slated for March 17th at Saint Scholastica's School. The missions chairman will be collecting girls notions - such as combs, curlers, headbands and toiletries for the Guardian Angel Orphanage.

The business meeting will be followed by a talk from Rev. Henley on the topic of "Birth Control".

The Life That Wins

Pastor Roop will conclude the sermons on the book of Joshua this Sunday, 11 a.m. "The Life That Wins" and at the evening evangelistic service at 7 p.m. "Choose You This Day, Whom Ye Will Serve."

Feb. 28th, is Missions day at Village Baptist Church. Rev. Barnett, Missionary from Alaska will speak and show pictures during the 7 p.m. service on Sun.

Special music from Wheaton College.

Wed., Mrs. Friderichsen, Missionary, Artist, Teacher, will continue her Bible studies "God's Word Made Plain" every Wed, at 8 p.m.

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