

Northeast P.T.A. and Southwest P.T.A. the third Tuesday of the month, Southeast P.T.A. the fourth Tuesday of the month, Northwest P.T.A. the third Wednesday of the month, and High School P.T.A. the first Monday of every other month.



EVERGREEN PARK LA SERTOMA CLUB. The Evergreen Park La Sertoma Club received its charter on September 11, 1965 (the same day as Sertoma) and has a current membership of eleven women. First president was Joan Beary. The club sponsors an annual theater party for the children of St. Joseph's Carondelet Child Center. It gives financial assistance to local families, and has collected more than a ton of books for Tinley Park State Hospital.

Another important activity, shown in the picture above, is sending books and magazines to servicemen in Viet Nam. La Sertoma meets the third Tuesday evening of each month at Bruno's Restaurant.



SOUTHWEST PARKERS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION. This 23-year old organization covers the area from 99th to 103rd, Central Park to Kedzie. First officers, from l. to r. in the above picture, are: Jessie Johnson, secy., Adaline Lavery, treas., Al Horder, pres., and Wimp Winterfield, vice pres. The Southwest Parkers are jointly dedicated to area improvement and good times. Over the years they have been active in seeking better parks and streets, street lights, and mail-boxes for the area. A block picnic is the annual big affair. This year a dinner dance was held to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the coming of some of the oldest residents to "Ulceriville," as the area is affectionately known by many of its members. Meetings are held once a month.

1896 Ordinance *It shall be unlawful for any person who keeps a dram shop to allow any person to play at any game wherein is used any card, dice, check, ball, billiard table, bagetelle table, Jennie Lind table, pigeonhole table or other table article or thing whatsoever for any purpose of amusement, betting, winning or losing money or other thing or article of value, or for any other purpose whatsoever in or about his or her dram shop (except that the Village Board may at any regular meeting license the playing of any such game for amusement only).*



EVERGREEN PARK PARENT-TEACHER CHORUS (MOTHERSINGERS). The chorus, pictured above in their initial year, has been in continuous existence since 1948 when it was started under Central P.T.A. Music Chairman Mrs. Marie Ruf. She and Mrs. Theresa Pryor have been in the chorus since its inception. First director was Mrs. Dorothy Mitchell. The chorus has always attempted to do more than just sing for P.T.A. functions, and in time the members became known as "Good Will Ambassadors of Evergreen Park."

In 1953, Mrs. Esther Cook took over direction of the chorus, followed by Mrs. Onnalee Luinis in '60 and Mrs. Marilyn Sobbe in 1968. As new schools were opened, new P.T.A.'s were formed, and the chorus became truly a community-wide activity sponsored by the P.T.A. The chorus performs widely for charitable organizations such as hospitals and convalescent homes. Rehearsals are held every Tuesday at 1 p.m. during the school year at the Bethel Lutheran Education Building.

POLITICAL PARTIES. **Evergreen Park Regular Republican Organization** meets the first Wednesday of each month excepting July and August, at Capitol Federal Savings and Loan at 8 p.m. **The Republican Voters League** meets at Capitol Savings and Loan on every 3rd Tuesday at 8 p.m. **The United Home Owners Organization** backed Mayor Klein and the Village Trustees in the last two elections. Meetings are as announced. **Evergreen Park Citizens Association** meets the 1st Thursday of each month at Capitol Savings and Loan. **The Regular Democratic Organization** meets at Haller-an's the first Tuesday of the month.

EVERGREEN PARK SERTOMA CLUB. Sertoma stands for "Service to Mankind." Chartered September 11, 1965, this group is composed of business, professional and institutional men, knit together in bonds of personal friendship and united in the idea of service to their community. First president was Richard Brennan.

Sertoma gives recognition annually to an outstanding citizen in the community for his or her humanitarian, heroic, civic or other type of service to the community. The club sponsors the local Junior Miss Pageant and provides education and recognition to girls who richly deserve it. Money is donated to needy families in the community and to St. Mary's of Providence School for the Retarded. The Evergreen Park Sertoma Club meets at the Mediterranean Restaurant on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

SOUTHEAST IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION. Founded in 1942 as a non-political civic group, Southeast Improvement covers the Village area from 95th to 103rd, Kedzie to Western. Charter officers were Bill Burke (pres.), Paul Coulson (v.p.), Freeman Everett, Bert Pryor, and Gil Kort. The group played an active role in the movement to form a high school district and purchase the land at 99th and Kedzie for a high school.

A few of the organization's social events over the years have been dances and card parties in the old wooden firehouse at 98th and Washtenaw, Christmas parties for the children in Burke's basement, and free picnics for members and their families. Meetings of the Southeast Improvement Association are held the last Tuesday of every other month in the Village Hall.

EVERGREEN PARK TWEEN CLUB. The Tween Club was organized in 1948, under the direction of Central P.T.A., for 7th and 8th grade students in the village. In 1950 it became a separate organization with a board of directors composed of parents to direct the activities. A paid director was hired to supervise the program. Objectives of the club are to provide a guided activity program through trained supervision and a well directed social program. The 7th and 8th graders meet on alternate Friday evenings during the school year at 7:30 P.M. at Central School. The recreation provided includes table games, ping pong tournaments, pool, chess, checkers, and dancing such as square dances and social dancing. Mr. Earl Canfield is the present director of Tween Club.



VETERANS OF WORLD WAR I OF THE U.S.A. The Evergreen Park Barracks 1389 Veterans of World War I U.S.A. had its beginning in May 1958. Fourteen residents of Evergreen Park who served in the armed forces in 1917 and 1918 decided to form this organization for their mutual benefit, pleasure, and amusement.

The Congress of the United States issued a charter for the organization July 18, 1958. Since that time it has grown to 67 members, of which 38 reside in Evergreen Park. The average age of these World War I Veterans is 70 years. Photographed above are some members who were present at a recent meeting.

Meetings are held on the fourth Sunday of each month at 2:30 P.M. in the American Legion Hall in Evergreen Park.

EVERGREEN PARK WOMAN'S CLUB. On June 3, 1940, a group of twenty-two women met at the Evergreen Park Chapel to organize the Evergreen Park Woman's Club, with the purpose of stimulating cultural, home and state interests. Mrs. Paul Stove was the first president. Eight departments were set up: American citizenship, music and art, literature and drama, home and garden, educational, motion picture and radio, publicity, and public welfare.

Through the years the club members have helped in hospitals, the Community Service Council, Youth Advisory Board, Summer Recreation Group, and Girl Scouts. The club campaigned for a library, contributing money and books, city bus service, and house-to-house mail delivery. The club also assisted in bringing the tuberculosis mobile unit to Evergreen Park.

Meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at the Bethel Lutheran Church Education Building, 98th and Sawyer Avenue.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY OF THE EVERGREEN PARK ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION. The group was organized in 1954, with Mrs. Vi Vodvarco as first president. The purpose is to subsidize the income of the Little League Baseball program known as the Evergreen Park Athletic Association. Members are mothers of the ball players. In the early years, the baseball park was located at 93rd and Kedzie Avenue. Now the games are played at Kennedy Field, 90th and California Avenue.

A modern refreshment stand at the park is the main source of income for the auxiliary, greatly improved over the original stand at the first field. Now the women no longer work on a "mud floor", pump water, or fish pop from an ice-cooled water cooler. The Women's Auxiliary of the Evergreen Park Athletic Association meets the third Monday of each month at 8 p.m. in the Village Hall Community Room.

THE EVERGREEN PARK YOUTH SOCIETY. The Youth Society was organized in July 1947 to provide wholesome recreation for teenagers of the village, and Patrick Burke became the first president. An adult advisory board was formed to guide the Youth Society, composed of two delegates from each community-wide organization in Evergreen Park. Those who served at least five out of the first ten years of the Advisory Board are Mrs. Greta Albright, Mr. W. Lasky, Mr. H. Murphy, Mrs. R. Ricketts, Mrs. W. Ruf, and Mrs. S. Stramalgia. The longest record is that of Mrs. Albright, who has served on the board for twenty years.

Through the years the activities of the club included hayrides, Valentine dances, movies, Halloween parties, ping-pong tournaments, and a Christmas dance at which the King and Queen of the Youth Society were crowned.

Club membership is open to all teen-agers who live in Evergreen Park. During the school year they meet every other Saturday at the Evergreen Park High School for an event planned by the students. Usually there is a chaperoned dance or a dance and a movie.

OAK LAWN JAYCEES. This group deserves mention because it was the Evergreen Park-Oak Lawn Junior Chamber of Commerce from the time it received its charter in 1955 until 1967, when the chapter was changed with the hope that a separate chapter could be organized in Evergreen Park. This would provide wholesome competition and give more young men the opportunity of leadership training through community development. Among the activities have been Traffic Safety, Olympic Fund Drive, Paint-up, Operation Santa Claus, and Showboat Tornado Fund.

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Readin', Ritin' and New Math...

The boundaries of elementary school district 124 and high school district 231 are the same as the Village boundaries, so they serve only Evergreen Park residents. Under the direction of Robert Ricketts, superintendent of district 124 from '46 to '55, a far-seeing building program was initiated which was finally completed in 1967. There is now an elementary school in each corner of town, teaching kindergarten through sixth grade, with classes averaging 28 students each. Central Junior High School teaches seventh and eighth grades, and we have a four-year high school.

Also serving the Village are a private school, and four parochial schools that teach over 50% of Evergreen Park's children. In the planning stage now is the Moraine Valley Community College. Plans call for it to be located in Palos Hills and serve six high school districts, including Evergreen Park.

A program was instituted by Mr. Ricketts that makes a hot lunch available to all children in the schools at very low cost. The pupils in our schools have fine academic records, placing high in tests given to all elementary school students throughout the nation.

A band program is available in all schools for pupils from fourth through eighth grade. New math was introduced in 1963.

Through the years many fine teachers have given long service to our schools. Here are just a few. Miss Marvel Hiller served from 1922 to 1966 as teacher and principal. Miss Vera Frye served from 1928 to 1962 as teacher, principal, and guidance counsellor for district 124. Mrs. Virginia Rolph served from 1943 to 1966 as teacher and principal—and from '56 to '58 as interim superintendent of district 124. Mrs. Mabel Jane Swift served from 1946 to 1967 as teacher, music instructor, and principal.



NORTHWEST SCHOOL, 92nd and Millard Avenue, is the newest school in the Village. It opened in 1967, enabling Central School to become solely a Junior High. Northwest has 342 students and 10 rooms, including a room for children with learning disabilities. Miss Mary Margaret Moore is principal.



NORTHEAST SCHOOL, 91st and California Avenue, opened in 1950 with twelve classrooms. Two additional classrooms were added in 1965. Miss Marvel Hiller was principal from 1950 until 1966 when she retired. Leon Eich is the present principal. There are now 392 students attending the Northeast school.



SOUTHWEST SCHOOL, 99th and Central Park Avenue, opened in 1953 with 12 classrooms. Two rooms were added in 1957. Mrs. Virginia Rolph was principal from 1953 to 1956, and 1958 to 1966. Philip Pemberton is now principal of Southeast school, which currently has an enrollment of 330 students.



SOUTHEAST SCHOOL, 98th and Francisco Avenue, opened in 1958. Mrs. Mabel Jane Swift was principal from that date until her death in 1967. There are 449 students in the school and 14 classrooms, including one for the educable mentally handicapped. Gerhardt Engelmenn is the present principal of Southeast.



CENTRAL JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL. Located at 94th and Sawyer Avenue, Central is the oldest school in Evergreen Park. The original school was built in 1876, and the oldest enrollment records show 14 students in an ungraded classroom in 1884, with Miss Mary Hayward as teacher.

The school year ran from October to April since Evergreen Park was a farming community and the students were needed in the fields. Attendance was usually poor in October and April when there was outdoor work to be done.

The present Central School was built in 1927. Twelve classrooms, a gym, and a lunchroom were added in 1945, then a home economics and shop wing in 1965. In '67 the new gym and administrative offices were added, with extensive remodeling of the rest of the school. At that time, Central became a Junior High School with all of the 7th and 8th grade students of district 124 enrolled there. This has enabled the school to offer a diversified program fitted to the needs of the junior high student. The school now has 27 classrooms with 438 students enrolled.

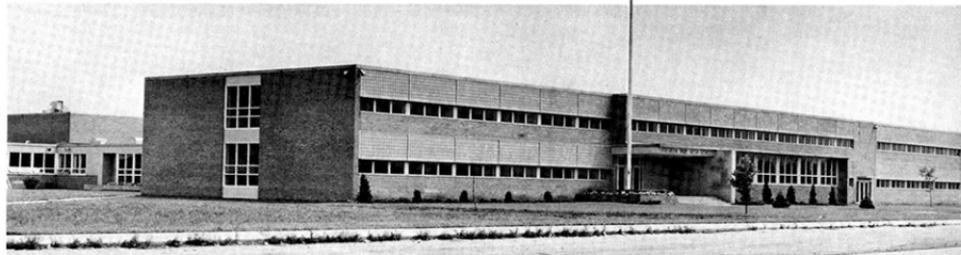
The first principal of Central School was Miss Vaughn. Present principal, Samuel E. Good, came in 1965.



EVERGREEN PARK HIGH SCHOOL. In 1953 Evergreen Park established its own high school district 231 and passed the first bond issue. The new High School, at 99th and Kedzie Avenue, opened its doors in 1955 to children who had been attending 12 other schools on a tuition basis. Dr. Marshall Batho was superintendent, as the first graduating class, numbering 132, received its diplomas in May of 1957.

The school has grown greatly to meet the needs of our swelling population. Bond issues, passed in 1957, 1961 and 1965, provided an auditorium, new cafeteria, girls' gym, a pair of swimming pools, additional classrooms and other facilities. College level math and science courses are available for qualified students.

In 1965 Dr. Stephen J. Storkel became superintendent. This year's enrollment is almost 1,500, with 89 teachers, and a graduating class of over 350. Over 50% of the graduating class will attend institutions of higher learning.



PRIVATE SCHOOL



EVERGREEN PARK CHRISTIAN SCHOOL. The doors of the school, at 97th and Homan Avenue, were opened by principal L. De Bruin to 90 students on September 3, 1925. Parents of the students feel that the Bible is applicable to all aspects of life, and want their children to grow up and be schooled under this influence, maturing as dedicated Christians as well as responsible citizens.

The old 4-room school (pictured at left) was replaced in 1951 by a modern building with 13 classrooms. The school now has an enrollment of 350, and is part of the Southwest Christian District. Principal of the Christian School is William Van Howe.

PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS



ST. BERNADETTE, 94th and Francisco. Under the direction of Sister Benedict and the Dominican Sisters of Springfield, Illinois, St. Bernadette's school opened in September of 1949 to an enrollment of 300. There were 12 classrooms, 3 of which served as temporary quarters for the convent. With expansions in 1952, '54, '59 and '61, the school now has 27 classrooms, an attendance of almost 1300, and a faculty of 27. Mother Superior is Mary Marie Biannery. A "neurological program in gross motor and form perception is geared to children up to 3rd grade to improve self image and achievement at class level."



QUEEN OF MARTYRS, 103rd and Central Park. Fourteen years ago Sister Maristella admitted 560 students to Queen of Martyrs School, with a faculty of 9. Today the school houses 31 classrooms with an equal number of teachers and a physical education and music program. Principal Sister Mary Amata classifies the curriculum as non-graded, which allows a student to progress at his own level. Some students graduate in 7 years, others in 9, with the majority completing grammar school in 8 years.



MOST HOLY REDEEMER, 96th and Millard. The first Holy Redeemer parish school was established by the Sisters of Holy Cross of South Bend, Indiana, shortly after the new parish came into being, and was housed in the same single frame building. 225 students were enrolled. The school was completed in 1942, the first "priority" building in Illinois built during World War II. Constant growth of the area brought on several expansions in the years that followed, and the school now has 20 classrooms and 800 students. Four special rooms are used for blind and deaf students, made available on a non-denominational basis.

ST. JOHN FISHER, 103rd and Talman (not pictured). Six Sisters of St. Joseph of LaGrange established St. John Fisher School on Sept. 15, 1950, with Sister Anne Patrice as principal. Enrollment numbered 310. The current "population" is 1,420, with one-third of them from Evergreen Park. The original 6 classrooms have grown to 34, with 36 teachers. Present principal is Sister Mary Joan Clare.



We're proud of our...



... Municipal Building

This is the 10th Anniversary of our newest "Village Hall" (as everybody calls it), built at 94th and Kedzie on the site of its two predecessors. The building houses police, fire and administrative functions.

The police section, on the south end, includes chief and lieutenant offices, cell block area, crime laboratory, and garage in back. Downstairs is a shooting range, and community room for organizations. The fire section includes quarters at the rear for assembly purposes, Chief DeRoos' office, and basement containing Civil Defense quarters.

In the middle you'll find the Administrative section—Mayor Henry R. Klein's office, Village Clerk/Collector Hamilton B. Maher, who acts as secretary for the Village and keeps the official records, Bill Perry, who is Village Registrar and Administrative Aide to the Mayor, and the staff of employees. Here you may pay water bills and various licenses, and register to vote. Upstairs are the offices of Building Commissioner Richard DeBoer and the inspectors . . . and the Council Chambers, where the Fifth District Judge holds court twice a month, and the Mayor and Trustees James L. Butcher, Herbert A. Howe, Henry R. Park, George Trizenberg, Anthony Vacco and Anthony P. Yukich meet twice a month.

The Mayor, Board and Clerk/Collector are elected to 4-year terms. Others are appointed.

... Library



Our first library boasted a collection of approximately 500 books and was housed in a building behind the old Village Hall. It opened in September of 1944, with Mrs. James Martin as chief librarian—a position she still holds. In 1950 the library expanded into larger space in the same building.

By 1954 the book collection had grown so much that a double store was rented at 3408 W. 95th. Here the new shelves quickly filled, and plans were made by the board of trustees for a bond referendum to authorize a public library building. The referendum passed and in 1958 the library moved into its spacious new quarters at 94th and Troy.

Through the years the library has continued to grow and expand its services. It now has 40,000 books with a circulation of 139,000 every month. The staff includes four full-time and two part-time librarians, and seven girls. Students of all ages use the facilities for help in school projects. There is an excellent reference section, copying machine, adult and children's fiction, home movie films, and a weekly story hour for children.

... Police Department

Our police force thought it had its hands full during the "robbery-a-week", roadhouse days of prohibition. But high-speed accidents on 95th Street became a more serious problem in the early 40's, and the squad cars had to double as ambulances. The roster numbered just six at that time—pictured at right with Mayor William Conrad—I. to r. Peter Lich, Cecil Riser, Sgt. Matt Leppin, Conrad, Chief Frank Ginginbeck and Louis Riddering. (Ray DeGroat missed the picture). If a few of them were sick, the others might be called on to work 12-hour shifts, seven days a week.

Traffic lights, lowered speed limits and an expanded police force relieved the serious accident and long work hour situations. Riddering became Chief in '45 and stayed on until '63 (with 3 years out as Police Magistrate), when Albert Breitzmann became Chief.

Today there are 26 officers on the force, including one policewoman. They have six police cars, two unmarked, that have the latest equipment such as Mars lights, sonic sirens and PA systems—and a motorcycle.



... Volunteer Fire Department

Our first real fire engine was an American LaFrance pumper bought in 1926. Fire Chief Martin Ozinga, Sr. (he was police chief, too) had 20 volunteers that year. Up to then, it seems, fires were fought with "chemical engines" and hose carts, manned by a few volunteers and whoever was around when the alarm was sounded.

Other chiefs have been Howard Gunn, '28-'52, Lee Howatt, '52-'66, and John DeRoos, the present chief. For years the department ran carnivals to raise money for equipment. In 1950 a dinner dance was held for this purpose and is now a regular October event. The Company is housed in modern quarters in the Village Hall. (That's the old firehouse at right.)

The Beverly-Worth Fire Dept., at 98th and Washenaw, was made part of the E.P. Dept. in 1946 and became Company No. 2. The old No. 2 firehouse was replaced in 1965 by the Lee Howatt Fire Station.

Today there are 58 volunteers paid by the call. Present equipment includes 3 pumpers, combination squad truck, combination aerial ladder, regular squad truck, 2 ambulances, chief's car, and a truck for fire cadets.

Our first gasoline fire truck, bought in 1926. That's Lou Stamos, Perry Worthan, Eddie Polzin, Bill Martinson and a guy named Johnny ready for action, around 1952.



(Above) 1954 Ford police car, with unidentified character beside it.

"Buckskin Bill" Conrad (no relation to Mayor above), our first traffic cop, stands on the corner of 95th and Kedzie in the 20's. That's Leppin's Saloon in back.



(Bottom) **Fire Chief Lee Howatt** accepts the keys to the 1957 Packard ambulance from President Joe Tanner, as Trustee Ray Johnson and Police Chief George Trapp look on.



. . . Hospital



LITTLE COMPANY OF MARY HOSPITAL opened its doors on January 19, 1930—the dream of Mothers Stanilaus and Dorthea, and Sister Dunstan. With four stories and 100 beds, it was the largest structure among the surrounding truck farms. The hospital was difficult to reach without an automobile, however, and on occasions had just a few patients (imagine that today). As the surrounding area developed, the hospital prospered. The shell of five more stories was added in 1947 and the interior completed in 1956. Another addition, completed in 1960, cost \$5,000,000, giving the hospital a total of 560 beds and 80 bassinets.

The school of nursing was begun in 1931 and the nurses' home built in '45. An educational building, just completed this year, includes auditorium, library, reading room, class and conference rooms. The hospital staff numbers nearly 200 physicians, representing every medical specialization.



Most Reverend Bernard J. Sheil, auxiliary bishop of Chicago, crosses the wooden planks to the cornerstone laying of the hospital. Farms still studded the horizon.

The familiar outline of the new hospital begins to take shape in 1929, at 95th and California.

. . . Outstanding Citizens

The names are endless, but our space is not. And a "complete" list would be sure to leave someone out. So these three outstanding citizens represent the hundreds of men and women who have given so generously of themselves to make our Village a better place to live, work and play.

(Upper right) **Frank Ozinga**, a resident of the Village all his life, was elected State Senator in 1956. He is the first and only Senator elected from our 6th District, and has served continuously since. Among his many accomplishments, he initiated and was successful in obtaining legislation for drainage for the southwest area.



(Lower right) **William Jennings Laskey** climaxed his long years of community service by receiving the first official "Key" to the Village in 1961. He worked with our Plan Commission, E.P. Youth Society, Board of Education, was a leading force in establishing our library, and was very active in church work.



"Uncle Joe" Swedie grew up in an orphanage. And so he devoted his entire life to kids, bringing movies to them everywhere—in hospitals, schools, sanitariums, and orphanages—spending thousands of his own dollars. He received the "Heart of Show Business" award in '61, and was featured on "This Is Your Life" on TV.

. . . Plaza



Our famous Evergreen Shopping Plaza opened in August, 1952, occupying an area from 95th to 97th Streets, Western to Maplewood. It brought the first Chicago area store, Carson's, to an outlying shopping center.

Since then, the operation has expanded to 98th Street, added new stores (total is now 110), built a double decker parking area (largest in the midwest), and created an enclosed, air-conditioned shopping mall. According to Frank Schaffer, General Manager, the current construction taking place on Western Avenue will be a 9-story Plaza Office Building.



. . . Other Businesses

Many of our "solid citizens"—people who have contributed so much toward the growth of our Village—own businesses along 95th, our main shopping street, and on other thoroughfares. Businesses are also located on Kedzie and Western Avenues, 87th, 99th, and 103rd Streets.



Formed in 1948, the First National Bank of Evergreen Park moved into its new home (*above*) at 3101 W. 95th in 1957. Ten years later it opened the Midwest's largest motor bank (*right*).



Capitol Federal started in 1907 on Chicago's Southwest Side, and moved to its colonial building at 95th and Crawford in the Village three years ago.

Bank Officials and local dignitaries were present when the Evergreen Plaza Bank opened its doors in 1957. The bank will soon occupy two floors of the new Plaza Office Building.



Evergreen Savings and Loan Association opened its doors in 1956. Two moves to larger quarters and one expansion later brought the organization to its present size at 9950 S. Kedzie.





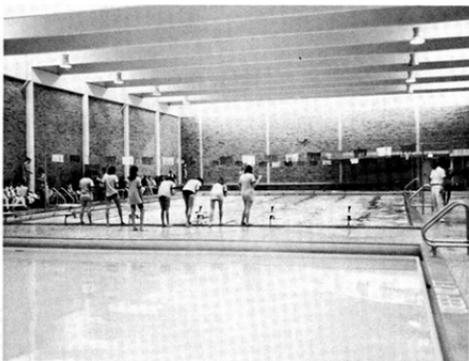
Recreation...



Parks and Playgrounds

Recognizing the need for better parks in the Village, people like Charles Taylor, Mrs. Robert Croix, M. Farnsworth, Mrs. Lester Westphal, and John Gordon, formed the Park Playground Planners in 1951. The first advisory Park Board was appointed in 1957, with John McInerney, Raymond A. Johnson, Raymond O. Johnson, Mae Gillice, and Eugene Carson as Chairman. Current Chairman of the Board is Martin Alderden. The people in these groups have worked diligently without pay to improve our park facilities.

Village parks and playgrounds are now located at 97th and Homan, 92nd and Millard, 89th and California, 99th Place and the Grand Trunk, 90th and Albany, and our newest one at 95th Place and Washtenaw. Two southeast kids are shown taking advantage of the new Washtenaw playground.



School Pool

Latest addition to the high school produced something that the entire community can enjoy. A new pair of pools opened Nov. 1, 1967 and already close to 100,000 have used them. The 75'x42' competition pool graduates from 3'4" to 5' deep, excellent for general swimming and instruction. The diving pool measures 42'x30' and is 12' deep. Locker rooms are modern and spacious. The pools are used by school pupils for physical education and extra curricular use and, at scheduled times, by men and women of the Village.

Aqua Park

Evergreen Aqua Park, 89th and Troy. Conceived by George Gremley in 1956 and implemented by an interested committee, the idea of a private swimming facility for Village residents became a reality in 1958. Ownership of the pool is held by the members themselves—operation and administration is delegated to 12 directors. The facilities have grown to include 3 separate pools, each designed to serve particular swimming needs as determined by age and ability. The pools have won awards for high safety and sanitary standards.

