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As Wood Hill enters its second year, the name "Mud Hill" is being forgotten by the first "pioneers", but is likely to be resurrected this fall by the newcomers. Grading is being done before the house is occupied. Some last year were lucky and had grading in a month, the others fought through the winter. We had an unusual fall, all rain and mud, followed by an extreme winter, all snow and ice.

We had to slosh, mush and slide into Crete for our mail. In February the mail came to the curb, then to the door.

Telephone service has progressed from a "jerry rigged" ten party service, to buried lines and one and two party service. In December we will have our own mobil exchange. According to R. C. Kroncke, Illinois Bell Manager, the unit will be in operation by December 16th. New phone numbers will be issued then.

Those of you that have bounced and "beefed" while driving down Circle Drive have a vague idea of our streets last fall, winter and spring. Visualize a covering of water, snow, ice and water again and you have the complete picture. The paved streets have been accepted by the township and we've been told that the township will assume the responsibility of snow removal.

Yet these rain, snow, and ice laden winds blew some good. We decided that if we could pull and push to get each other out of the snow, we could pull and push together for the good of the community with the formation of the Home Owner's Association.

Committees were set up to perform a variety of duties. Included was a Grievance Committee, Public Safety, Social and Incorporation Investigation.

The Board is unanimous in its decision to press for Incorporation. Report is to be made to all members on the advantages and disadvantages, costs of incorporation, potential income, tax structures, etc. It was the opinion of the membership at the last general meeting that an opinion survey should be taken before legal steps are initiated.

Through the efforts of the Board of Directors, two additional men from Wood Hill were appointed Deputy Sherriffs—Ken Koenig and Ray Wroblewski. In action, establishing policy making direction by the Board of Directors over the Police Department. The Board has reaffirmed Ben Brandom as Chief. This action assures the continuance of policies originally laid down by him in the organization of the Police Dept.
ON THE COVER THIS MONTH IS A picture of "Mike" Price, the first Wood Hill native. He was born November 22, 1961. We are running his picture for two reasons. For one reason, see the editorial on page five.

The other reason—we think that he symbolizes the growth of Wood Hill as we enter our second year and, not only that, he's a real cute kid.

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Don't forget the happy combination available on Saturday, Oct. 27th. There is the PTA Buffet at Monee followed by the Fire Department Dance. The dance begins at 9:00 P.M., admission is free, music is by The Diplomats.

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One member of the Husband's Protective Association has reported a new technique used by his wife to avoid the performance of some minor chores. She is said to have cut her hand so that she could not then help him move a few bricks into the recreation room.

Remember, members, the price of freedom is eternal vigilance and we must be always alert for new wiles and guiles used to thwart us in the pursuit of freedom.

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A "golden cat" with tiger markings wondered away from his home on Circle Drive about a week ago. If anyone sights him (he's about a full-grown size), please call Case Timmer.

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Space being prepared for Mobile Exchange, on Western near Hickok

One of the first policies adopted by the Volunteer Fire Department emphasised complete training and that to be accomplished before they would roll. Early in the spring, at Easter-time, the Department burned a house and a barn to get the feel of fire and water. This was perhaps the most spectacular of their training exercises. Two other drills have just been completed that help show the completeness of training.

On Sunday, October 7th, an oil fire was set in a tub between two houses on Blackhawk. The alarm was turned in as for a fire. Only officers (who were at the scene of the "fire") knew that it was a drill. Chief Red Black said he was proud of the action of the firemen. The siren blew at 1:30, the truck was

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at the scene at 1:33½, water "on the fire" at 1:37. Some of the men were so involved with their jobs (away from the "fire") that it was five minutes before they found out it was a drill.

On Wednesday night, October 10, Wood Hill played hosts to five other Fire Departments in Wilco Operation 4. This is an annual exercise conducted to check requirements for mutual aid among the various departments. As part of this, departments make runs simulating assistance to neighbors. Simulation here was made somewhat more realistic with the burning of a shed and a junked car.

During the exercise, the Wood Hill Department received a real call from the corner of Hickok and Union. It was feared that a water heater was going to explode. It was also found that the use of a pumper on the water lines here could set up a chain of circumstances that would affect water pressure. As water was being used at the "fire scene", one of the water softeners at the water pumping station started to regenerate. This combination lowered the water pressure in the mains. As we understand from Jim Scroggins of the utility, this was an unusual circumstance. Fortunately, the possibility of this happening is now known so that action can be taken to prevent its recurrence.
EDITORIAL

We think the picture on the cover this month is symbolic of our community. One has to crawl before walking, and you most often need help to learn to walk.

Maybe it should be emphasized that the HERALD is a private enterprise. The opinions expressed are those of the HERALD. We are not sponsored or subsidized by either the Home Owner's Assoc. or Wood Hill Enterprises. We are supported by our advertisers, making it possible for you to receive the HERALD every month.

The HERALD is being published so we may all know what's going on in Wood Hill; facts, not rumor. We also will try to publish facts about activities away from Wood Hill of general interest, such as elections, political activities, etc.

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scout news

GIRL SCOUT MEETING Monday nights, 6:30 to 8:30 P.M. at the Wood Hill Community Building. Girls aged 10 to 14, or from the fifth grade to the eighth are welcome.

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Shown at the bottom of the page is a picture taken of Troop 107 washing cars in the Wood Hill Parking lot on Sunday, Sept. 30.

The scouts reported a successful day for both car washing and for their scrap paper drive. The paper drive is to become a monthly activity. The boys have one request about paper. Please tie it in bundles or put in boxes—otherwise it blows out of the truck, and also it's simpler to sell.

Cub Scouts (potential ones, that is) also helped out at the car wash. They too are getting under way with a meeting Oct. 19th at 7:00 pm, the Wood Hill Community Building. The meeting is for all parents, Cubs, Den Mothers
Politics has also come to Wood Hill. Both parties have been active. Election day is November 6th.

Jerry Ziegler, left, Democratic Candidate for Congressman and John Houlihan, Democratic Candidate for County Clerk discuss campaign issues with Wood Hill resident.

This X symbolizes the removal of one of the "dangers" we pictured last month. We're glad to see that Wood Hill Enterprises eliminated a source of anxiety. It should be noted that Union Drive has been accepted as a township road, but rather than wait for the township to assume its responsibility, the developers showed that they would rather have us "safe than sorry".

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The Wood Hill Bowling night at Crete Bowling Lanes last month was really a blast. Dan Lumbert walked out in a daze. In his last game he had 62 in the fifth frame. He then proceeded to strike out. He ended up with a beautiful 212. Dan would have looked happier, except for that nasty nagging thought all bowlers have, "I wonder what I'd have hit if----?"

Norma Jean Coulom walked off with top honors for the gals. She blazed through with a 190. She really had to go, go, go. That was the game that the men had challenged the women, with a 50 handicap (4 women against 3 men). The gals won, thanks to Norma, by two points.

There's a new gimmick at Crete this year, the Red Head Pin. Roll a strike when the red pin is #1 and you win a free game. Chuck Harrison, Dean Grant, Barb Deja, Adolph Imola went home with free games in their pockets.

The next Wood Hill Bowling Night at Crete will be November 3rd, Saturday, at 8:00 P.M.

The Wood Hill Keglers are really hitting their stride.

September 27th, Gene Narcissi copped both high game, 233, and high series, 536. October 4th was ditto. Gene again got high game, 223 and series, 559. October 11th must have been a wild night. Jim McCormick beat his father-in-law for high game with a 210. Gene came through with the high series though, with a dandy 589.

The Wood Hill Wonders have won every game for a disreputable first place. We have the word that the team that is going to take them is The Silent Five. Good Luck to all.
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The October PTA meeting will be a joint affair with the other 201-U PTAs. The meeting will begin at 8:00 P.M. at the High School in Crete.

Oct. 22nd there is no school. The teachers will be attending the Illinois Education Association Institute. October 26th report cards are due.

Saturday, October 27th is the Monee Buffet Dinner. Why not make a night of it. No dishes to come home to after the Firemen's dance. In case you're wondering what kind of spread to expect, come along with me: ham, roast beef, meat balls, scalloped potatoes, American and German potato salad, baked beans, hot vegetables jello salads, rabbit food, rolls, pie or cake, coffee or milk. Tickets for adults, $1.25, for children 1-8 grade, 75¢, and pre-school children, free. Room mothers have tickets. Room mothers in Wood Hill are Betty Kalbrier, Betty Hansen, Marge Mann, Mabel Shaul, and Marilyn Coon.

This month we pick up the babies we missed last month. Since our photographer is scared silly of tiny babies, we've decided to wait until they are a month old, so they aren't so terrifying.

Timothy Andrew Griest, was born August 9th in St. James Hospital. He came home to 1007 Mildred with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Griest. He weighed 6 pounds, 5 ounces, just the right size doll for his sister Penny, but just a mite small for his brother Jackie to wrestle with.

Edward Anthony Mc Kay Jr. was born September 4th in St. James Hospital. He weighed 5 pounds, 10 ounces. He came home to join his brothers Bobby, Jimmy and Kevin. What makes him so different? Bob, Jim and Kevin have varying shades of red hair. Edward is a brunette.

Kevin, Lynn and Cris Schrader are the proud possessors of a new baby brother. Todd Alexander was born September 18th in St. James Hospital. He weighed 9 pounds, 4 ounces. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Dick Schrader, 531 Hickok.
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