



ONE FINE DAY
IN BLOOMINGTON
Saturday, August 23, 2008



A new day dawns. Sunrise on the Courthouse as seen from atop the Graham Plaza building.

(top right) The Chocolate Moose. Photos by Domingo “Ding” Prud’homme



Saturday, August 23 was a typical sultry, summer day in Bloomington, Indiana.

The sun rose at 7:04 am and set at 8:29 pm, and although the weatherman had been calling for thunderstorms all week, none materialized. The day stayed sunny with a high of 92 degrees Fahrenheit and a low of 65.

Classes at Indiana University wouldn’t start until after Labor Day, but the students were back and you could see moving vans all over town, and parking spaces seemed scarcer.

In Showers Plaza, the Farmers’ Market was in full swing by 8 am. And up in Elm Heights, folks were out early for the neighborhood’s annual tag sale.

In the afternoon people got their haircuts, washed their cars, shopped around the Square and along Kirkwood, and maybe had their lunch in an outdoor café. People played soccer or tennis in the parks, or golfed, walked their dogs, or tended to their gardens. In the heat of the day, kids went swimming at the Bryan Park or IU pools, or ran through the sprinklers in their own front yards. Over at North, the marching band was practicing on the football field. Out on Lake Monroe at the Boy Scout camp, there was an old-time music and dance festival. And some couples got married.

When the sun set, you could hear music all over town—at Max’s Place, the Root Cellar, Jazz at the Station, Finch’s Brasserie, Malibu Grill. At Players Pub, singer Tom Roznowski was holding court, while Zion Crossroads was playing at the Bluebird.

Down on Walnut at The Chocolate Moose, young and old were lining up, as they have for decades, to get a milk shake or an ice cream cone.

Saturday, August 23, 2008, was a nothing-special day in our town—just a good ordinary day. Here are some of the pictures that our readers took.

Always a favorite:
cloggers at the Bloomington
Community Farmers'
Market Saturday morning.
Victoria Voelker



Beaming with blooms
at the Farmers' Market
is Alexis Bacon.
Marti Garvey

James Min-Ching often
arrives early to play the
ehru at the Farmers'
Market. Pictured here in
the City Hall lobby.
**Domingo "Ding"
Prud'homme**



Charlotte Hartley and Johnny Abney rest on a bench near Showers Plaza. She is a longtime Farmers' Market shopper; this is his first visit.
Victoria Voelker



Loaded down with goodies, Farmers' Market shoppers head home to "make some sauce."
Susan Savastuk



Amish women work their booth at the Farmers' Market as a customer on a cell phone approaches.
Cañon Coy

Popular Farmers' Market gladiola vendor Bob Wise and "Wrinkles" take a mid-morning break.
Anya Peterson Royce

Having breakfast at the Bloomington Bagel Company on North Dunn Street are neighbors (left) Katelyn Farmer, 6, and Lauren Coyne, 20 months.

Melissa Coyne



Getting pampered Saturday morning at a spa in the Wicks Building on the downtown Square.

Marti Garvey





Bloomington Playwrights Project gets an exterior makeover.
Marti Garvey

Michael Palmer, Nick Horowitz, and Matthew Johnsen mobilize their advertising for a yard sale in Elm Heights ("All \$ to Shalom Center").
Victoria Voelker



Phi Delta Theta coaches and riders pose before departing for a Nashville 90 bike ride.
Brian Drummy

Tattoo artist Rachael Davies (left) and Paoli customer Angela Wagner at Big Red's Genuine Tattoos. Photographer Van Vooren says it was "such a rich, lush scene ... so peaceful and quiet. The only sound was the buzz of the tattoo machine."

Mique Van Vooren



Diane Ketchersid rests after her last hair appointment at Inspirations on North Walnut.

Marti Garvey

Closing time. Hanging outside of Farmers' Market.

Carla Hedges





Visitors of The Islamic Center of Bloomington on East Atwater shop at the yard sale—an annual fundraiser for the mosque.
Timothy Carter-East



They get around. Skateboarders pause to pose on East 10th Street.
Marti Garvey



Dorm room decor? Sidewalk shoppers check out the print and poster selection at Greetings on East Kirkwood.
Timothy Carter-East



Grandfather and grandson between holes at Taylors' Par 3 Golf Course south of town.
Susan Berwick



An afternoon cool-down in the fountain at IU's Bess Meshulam Simon Music Library and Recital Center.
Susan Berwick



Jack Russell terrier buddies Calvin (left) and Minnie hang out in Van Buren Park.
Susan Berwick





Afternoon training for IU Police Cadets in the IU Fieldhouse parking lot off of Fee Lane.
Marti Garvey



Krystal Kirschner rounds the third barrel on American quarterhorse "Peanut" at the Monroe County Saddle Club.
Rita Page

B-town's own Cutters soccer squad does battle at Karst Farm Park.
Susan Berwick

Walking across the IU campus, Claudia Pantalei shares a smile with Herman B Wells. Pantalei and her husband Massimo De Luca are from Rome, Italy, and work at the IU Cyclotron Facility.

Massimo De Luca



New students pose for a photo on the steps of the Indiana Memorial Union.

Massimo De Luca



A college student and her family ride bikes near Bryan Park.

Nancy Wroblewski

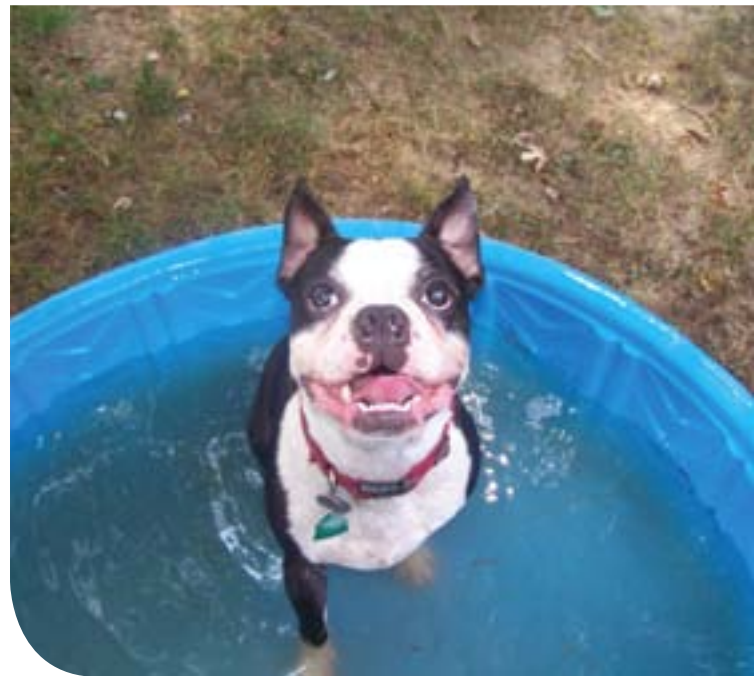




Jackson Roberts, 3, “just chillin’ with Mommy” (a.k.a. Alexandra) outside of Smith-Holden Music Co. **Alexandra Fettig**

Happy dog Buddy, a 3-year-old Boston terrier, “plays fetch continuously” and likes to cool off in the pool. **Megan Emmett**

After a brutal session of Rollerblading, Victoria Terrill, 6, and neighbor Nicky Goh, 5, revive in the spray of a lawn sprinkler. **Debbie Terrill**



evening

Lynn Garren (guitar, cowboy hat), unidentified banjo player, Teri Klassen (fiddle), John Bealle (fiddle), Randy Marmouze (banjo), and Jim Johnson (guitar) jam at the 30th annual Sugar Hill, an old-time music and dance festival held at the Camp Ransberg Boy Scout Reservation on Lake Monroe.

Alan Burdette

Jim Johnson (guitar), Michael Valliant (bass), and Randy Marmouze (banjo) play an impromptu jam session at Sugar Hill, which is sponsored by the Bloomington Old-Time Music and Dance Group.

Alan Burdette

John Bealle on fiddle at Sugar Hill.

Alan Burdette





Tony Schershel waters his sunflowers on Maple Grove Road.
Susan Berwick

In step with the Bloomington High School North Band's Mini Camp trombones.
Jan Balewski

B-town's Bleeding Heartland Roller Girls talk strategy in a bout at the Sportsplex against COMO, a team from Columbia, Missouri.
Domingo "Ding" Prud'homme

B-town's "jammer" flies past COMO's "jammer."
Domingo "Ding" Prud'homme





Bleeding Heartland
Roller Girl
Bad Mudda Trucka.
Domingo "Ding"
Prud'homme

(clockwise from top left)

Seen through the window:
B-town legend Tom
Roznowski performs
at Players Pub.

Carla Hedges

Randy Hammond dances
at Sugar Hill.

Alan Burdette

Late night downstairs
at FARMbloomington's
Root Cellar.

Marti Garvey

The Bluebird nightclub
on a summer Saturday
night. Need we say more?

Marti Garvey

A traditional dance from
Northern Spain, at a
wedding reception in
the Great Room of the
Convention Center.

Jenny Grise

Standing on one of those
controversial balls at
the corner of Kirkwood
and Walnut is Patrick
Bourland, an IU SPEA
grad student.

Marti Garvey





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