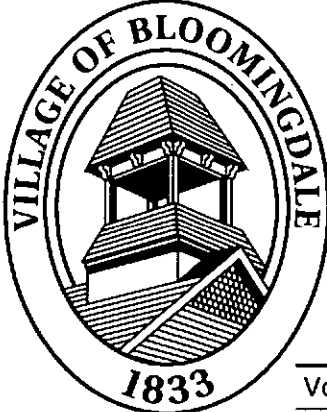


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# Spring Branch Collection



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## The Village Almanac

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## Mayor's Direct Line



Robert G. Iden

I have several items of interest to share this issue. First, I am proud to tell you that Police Chief Gary Schira was installed as the president of the

Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police last month. It is quite an honor. The organization has over 1000 members and Gary is only the fourth chief from DuPage County to achieve this position in the association. You will find an article about this distinction on page 8 of this *Almanac*.

Another important item featured in this issue is a listing of residents and business people who give of their time and talents to Bloomingdale by serving on a commission or committee. These are all volunteer positions and we sincerely thank them for their commitment to our Village. They are listed on page 3.

Also of special interest is the re-naming of the newly acquired Glendale Golf Club. Following the recommendation of the Citizens Golf Advisory Committee, the course has been re-named **Bloomingdale Golf Club**. Eight people submitted the winning name. A drawing was held at the January 29 Citizens Advisory Committee meeting and George LiBonati was declared the winner of the "Name the Golf Course" contest. He won a \$100 gift certificate to

Stratford Square for his winning suggestion. The other seven submitters of the name selected were awarded a free 18-hole round of golf for two with cart. Thanks to the many people who participated in this contest.

Lastly, and perhaps most importantly, I am very pleased and proud to announce a special program to be offered by the Bloomingdale Police Department for senior high school girls living within the Village. The program is entitled "Awareness 101" and will focus on training young women to be more aware of their personal safety.

The program is the first of its kind to be offered by a local police department to high school seniors. The course will be conducted by Deputy Chief Chuck Mader, a nationally recognized speaker and trainer on police and security issues.

We believe there is a genuine need to instruct young suburban women in how to avoid dangerous situations where their physical safety is at risk. As many of these young women leave home for the first time for college or employment at the end of the school year, it is highly appropriate to offer this brief course of instruction to them at this time.

The program will be conducted on three dates in February (February 18, 24 and 26) for a single two-hour session. All high school seniors will receive a personal invitation to attend. The program will focus on awareness and physical safety concerns. A key chain alarm (donated by the Kara Foundation) will be given to all attendees.

This program was initiated after a young woman resident of Bloomingdale was abducted and assaulted as she left her place of employment in Schaumburg in broad daylight. We have worked with the young victim and her family to craft a program that is worthwhile and timely.

Ultimately, we would like to offer a variation of this program to all of our women residents. Today, more than ever, we must be proactive and focus our efforts on preventing crime.

We recently tested the program at a local high school and received overwhelmingly positive responses to the session. Together we can work to improve the quality of life of our residents through program such as this.

Sincerely,  
**Robert G. Iden,**  
*Village President*

*Condolences are extended to the family of Edward Barber, former village president, who passed away December 19, 1996 at the age of 80.*

*The Barber family moved to Bloomingdale in 1958 when the town boasted 300 residents. Ed served as Mayor from 1961-65. It was during his tenure that Indian Lakes Resort was annexed into the Village.*

*He was an active proponent of the home rule referendum which enabled the Village to purchase the Bloomingdale Golf Club. He will be missed by his many friends.*

**VILLAGE BOARD,  
COMMISSION & COMMITTEE  
MEETINGS**

*The public is encouraged to attend all Board and Commission meetings*

**REGULAR MEETINGS  
OF THE VILLAGE BOARD**

2nd and 4th Monday of every month  
7:30 PM - Village Hall

**ETHICS COMMITTEE**

1st Wednesday in May  
7:30 PM

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

1st, 2nd and 4th Mondays of every month  
7:30 PM - Village Hall

**PLAN COMMISSION**

1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month  
7:30 PM - Village Hall

**BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE  
COMMISSIONERS**

3rd Thursday of every month  
6:30 PM - Village Hall

**POLICE PENSION BOARD**

Quarterly beginning in January  
2nd Wednesday  
7:00 PM - Village Hall

**LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

2nd Wednesday of every month  
7:30 PM - Library

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

Board of Directors Meeting  
1st Thursday of every month  
8:00 AM - Indian Lakes -  
Illinois Room

**FAMILY FEST COMMISSION**

3rd Wednesday of the month  
(except September & October)  
7p.m. - Library

**SEPTEMBERFEST COMMISSION**

3rd Wednesday of the month  
March-December  
7 p.m. - Village Hall

**BUSINESS PROMOTION &  
CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT  
COMMITTEE**

4th Tuesday of the month  
7:30 p.m. - Village Hall

**BLOOMINGDALE FIRE PROTECTION  
DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month  
7:30 p.m. - Firehouse, 108 W. Washington

*The following committees meet on a less regular basis or as needed. Call the Village Hall at 893-7000 for the next scheduled meeting.*

**TRAFFIC CONCERNS COMMITTEE**

Quarterly or as needed

**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

Six times a year or as needed

**VILLAGE OF BLOOMINGDALE  
ELECTED OFFICIALS**

**Robert G. Iden**

*Village President*

**Harriet Ford**

*Village Clerk*

**TRUSTEES**

**Patrick S. DeMoon**

*Police and Community Relations*

**Ray Friscia**

*Legal & Intergovernmental  
Relations*

**James M. Gebis**

*Planning, Zoning  
& Environmental Concerns*

**Dorothy Lester**

*Public Works and Services*

**Anthony B. Mulizio**

*Finance and Personnel*

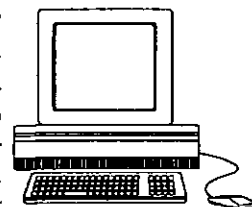
**Gloria Reyes**

*Business Development  
& Social Services*

**We're "Online" With  
E-Mail . . . And We'd Love  
to Hear From You!**

The Village Administrator's office is set up to receive E-mail. So if you're

"surfing the net" and have a question to ask or an issue to bring to our attention, just E-mail it to us. If

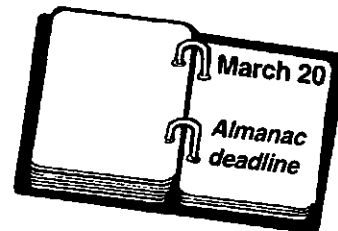


you wish to send us an electronic message, the address is:

wenner@interaccess.com.

We look forward to hearing from you.

**THE DEADLINE  
FOR THE  
APRIL ISSUE OF  
THE ALMANAC  
IS MARCH 20**



**April 30 Is Deadline for Displaying  
1997 Bloomingdale Vehicle Stickers**

All vehicles owned by a Bloomingdale resident or registered to a Bloomingdale address must have a Village vehicle license. Stickers go on sale March 1 and must be affixed by midnight, April 30.

The cost of a vehicle sticker for a passenger car is \$10. Costs vary for other vehicle licenses. Call the Village Hall for more information. A late charge of \$5 will be assessed for late sticker purchases.

Sticker applications will arrive in your mailbox soon. To avoid long lines and inclement weather, residents are encouraged to mail applications with payment in the envelope provided. Vehicle stickers will be returned by mail.

Of course, as always, vehicle stickers can be purchased in person at the Village Hall, at First Chicago Bank, Springbrook and Schick & Gary facilities only, and at the Springbrook Currency Exchange.

## RESIDENTIAL REFUSE COLLECTION RATES INCREASE ON MARCH 1

Effective March 1, 1997, BFI's residential refuse rates and yard waste sticker rates will increase. Single family residential rates will increase \$.93 per month from \$10.29 per month to \$11.22 per month, a 9% increase. Refuse rates for senior citizens living in single family homes will not change. Yard waste stickers will increase from \$1.20 to \$1.23 per sticker, a 2.5% increase.

Refuse rates for residents living in multi-family homes will also increase in accordance with the Village's contract with BFI, based on the number of units in each complex, as follows:

Multi-family residences with 4 to 24 units will increase \$1.26 per month from \$10.11 per month to \$11.37 per month.

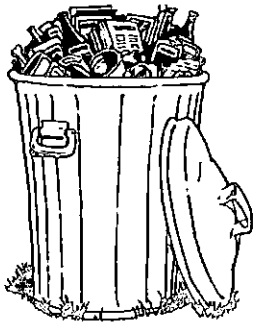
Multi-family residences with 25 to 99 units will increase \$1.11 per month from \$9.00 per month to \$10.11 per month.

Multi-family residences with 100 to 199 units will increase \$1.00 per month from \$7.86 per month to \$8.86 per month.

Multi-family residences with 200 to 299 units will increase \$.84 per month from \$6.75 per month to \$7.59 per month.

Multi-family residences with more than 299 units will increase \$.70 per month from \$5.62 per month to \$6.32 per month.

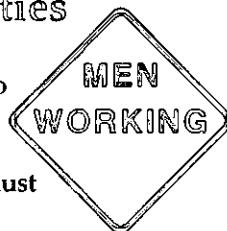
In the past year landfill disposal fees have increased by more than 21%, and composting facility disposal fees have increased by more than 4%. The Village's contract with BFI provides for an adjustment to the residential refuse rate and yardwaste sticker cost in years 4 and 5 of the contract, based on documented disposal/tipping and disposal/composting increases or decreases.



If you have any questions regarding BFI's rate increase, please contact BFI at (630) 469-1036.

## Village Offers Full Time Maintenance Work Summer Employment Opportunities

The Village of Bloomingdale is seeking individuals to fill several summer temporary positions in the Public Works Department. The positions work 40 hours per week doing miscellaneous maintenance. Applicants must have a valid Illinois driver's license.



Applications may be obtained at the Village Hall, 201 S. Bloomingdale Road, from 8:30AM - 4:30 PM Monday through Friday, and from 8:30AM - noon on Saturdays. Applications will be accepted through Wednesday, April 30. For information call 529-5865.

We extend thanks to the following individuals for their volunteer contributions during 1996 to Village Commissions and Committees:

### Business Promotion & Cultural Development Committee

Kristal Eckley	John Vertnik
Mary Ahart	Remo Turano
Georgene Geils	Bob Wright

### Ethics Committee

Steve Hartley	Kandy Litchfield
David Riemenschneider	

### Board of Fire & Police Commissioners

Warren Gnau	Frank Letizia
	Louis Pavone

### Family Fest

Mary Rodne	Marjorie Radek
Pat Cirrincione	Robert H. Cohen
John T. Dabrowski	Karen Paras

### Golf Course Advisory Committee

Bob Czernek	Barb Glasgow
John Murray	Eileen Nash
Rich Prybell	Al Radcliffe
Dave Von Huben	Buzz Puccio

### Police Pension

Jeff Fritz	Terry Marker
Steve Apostolopoulos	Robert Denney

### Plan Commission

Barney Pelant	Robert Czernek
Marianne Gazda	Roger Jenisch
John Dabrowski	James King
	Judi Von Huben

### Septemberfest

Barbara Arrivi	Debby Bodnar
Gary Fuchs	Pam Hagar
Mike Korney	Kathy Lovely
Dolores Orlik	Lynne Richman

### Traffic Concerns

Michael Chiodo	Pat Cirrincione
Robert Cohen	Robert Gergen
John O'Sullivan	Patrick Ranallo

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## Residents Will Go To The Polls



Residents will elect a Mayor, Village Clerk, and three Village Trustees on Tuesday, April 1. In the space below the candidates give you a brief overview of their background and their reasons for seeking election.

Remember that Monday, March 3 is the last day to register to vote or transfer registration in order to be eligible to vote in the April 1 election. Absentee voting will be available at the Village Hall from 8:30 AM-4:30 PM Monday through Friday and Saturdays 8:00 AM-12:00 noon beginning in mid-March.



### Robert G. Iden, Mayor

Bob, his wife JoEllen and their daughters have resided in Bloomingdale since 1968. His early civic activities included being one of the charter members of the Bloomingdale Historical Society and Septemberfest volunteer.

Bob served as a Village Trustee for 14 years before becoming Acting Village President in 1993. In 1993 he was elected to a four-year term as Mayor. Over his nearly 20 years on the Village Board, Bob has been actively involved with the Bloomingdale Plan Commission, the Chamber of Commerce, the Cable Television Committee and the Comprehensive Planning Commission.

Since becoming Mayor, he has also served in the DuPage County Regional Planning Commission and the Bloomingdale Intergovernmental Group. His proudest achievement to date is the passage of a home rule referendum in 1996 which enabled the Village to purchase the Glendale Golf Course property in order to preserve it as open space in the Village.



### Harriet Ford, Village Clerk

A resident since 1972, Harriet Ford and her husband Dick have five children.

She is currently employed by Large Unit District Association, a lobby organization which represents the large unit school districts in Illinois. She also serves as a legislative aide for a state representative.

Past affiliations have included School District 15 School Board, DuPage County Commission on Mental Health, Bloomingdale Township Committee on Youth, as well as Bloomingdale's Family Fest and Public Relations Committee.

Harriet has served as Village Clerk for the past six years. She is also active in the Republican Party, currently serving as an assistant committeeman, as well as being a member of both the Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce and the Illinois Women in Government.

"I look forward to continuing to serve the residents of Bloomingdale and being part of a team dedicated to preserving the quality of life in our Village."

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# April 1 To Elect Village Officials

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## **James M. Gebis 4-year Trustee**

Jim, his wife Carol and their three children have lived in Bloomingdale since 1977. He has been actively involved in the community for 18 years, serving for over 10 years on the Plan Commission. The commission experience, along with his engineering background have been invaluable to him as Chairman of the Environmental Concerns and Public Works Committee and in the formation of the Traffic Concerns Committee.

The quality of development and its relationship to the residents has been one of Jim's major concerns. He has worked closely with the Plan Commission monitoring the developments and projects proposed for the Village. "There is no reason we cannot protect our environment when private and public projects are developed in Bloomingdale."

He was active in establishing an open space policy for the Village and currently is chairman of the Golf Course Development Committee, which also works with the Citizens Advisory Committee. Jim enjoys serving as a Trustee and looks forward to what the next four years will bring to Bloomingdale.



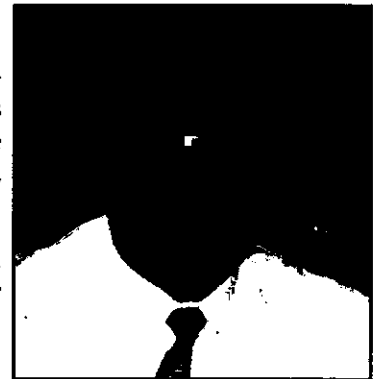
## **Anthony B. Mulizio 4-year Trustee**

Tony, his wife and five children have resided in Bloomingdale since 1973. He is completing his first 4-year term as Trustee. His responsibilities as a Trustee include serving as Chairman of the Finance and Personnel Committee and the Golf Course Purchase/Operations Committee. He also sits on various other Trustee committees, including the Golf Course Development Committee.

In addition, Tony is the liaison to the Bloomingdale Park District and the Northern DuPage Cable Television Consortium. Before his election as Trustee, he was a member of the Bloomingdale Plan Commission.

An active member of St. Isidore Church, Tony has served on the St. Isidore School Board and on the Administration Association. He has also been actively involved in the Bloomingdale Baseball and Football Associations.

"As a Village Trustee, I will continue to dedicate my efforts and experience to improve the quality of life in Bloomingdale."



## **Patrick S. DeMoon 4-year Trustee**

Pat, his wife Judi, and three sons have lived in Bloomingdale for 22 years. Pat is a former hospital administrator, and is a recipient of many distinguished service awards from professional health care associations.

At the county level, Pat is a member of the DuPage County Board of Health and serves as Secretary. Locally, Pat serves as a member of the Bloomingdale Parks Foundation, and is a charter member of the Bloomingdale/Roselle Rotary. Pat's service to the Village includes Chairman of the Police and Fire Commission for 10 years.

He staunchly believes that all residents of the community should be involved in local politics because it has a direct effect on their well-being and that of their families. Pat has served as a Village Trustee since 1995 and was active in the referendum to bring home rule to the Village. As a Trustee, Pat believes in preserving open space, along with environmentally sound growth.

## Mark Your Calendar for Spring Branch Collection

# News For You About Village Services

The Bloomingdale Public Works' Forestry and Street Divisions will be conducting their semi-annual Branch Collection Program beginning on April 7, 1997. The program is available to single family residences within the Village of Bloomingdale only.

The following information shall assist residents regarding branch collection procedures:

◆ Woody branches up to six inches in diameter and twenty feet in length are the only items that will be picked up. Any branches exceeding six inches in trunk diameter will not be picked up. Our chipper is designed to chip woody limbs and branches. The equipment will not grind small twigs, vines or other non-woody yard waste. **LEAVES, VINES, MULTIFLORA ROSE BUSHES, SMALL (under 1/2 inch in diameter) WILLOW STEMS, HERBACEOUS PLANTS AND WEEDS WILL NOT BE PICKED UP BECAUSE THE SOFT MATERIAL CLOGS AND DAMAGES OUR EQUIPMENT. IF IT IS BAGGABLE, IT IS YARD WASTE. STUMPS, ROOTS AND ROOT BALLS ALSO WILL NOT BE PICKED UP.**

◆ All branches should be placed at the curb or pavement edge and should be **STACKED IN AN ORDERLY FASHION** with the cut or larger end towards the pavement. Branches should not be bundled, tied, bagged or placed in cans. Branches left out in a tangled mess will not be picked up due to time required for our crew to sort for loading.

◆ Please do not hide thorny tree branches inside piles. These require special care as to not cause injuries to our workers.

◆ Small twigs, leaves and other yard waste may be placed in bags with tags for B.F.I. pick-up. B.F.I. yard waste pick-ups begin April 1st and continue through November 30th. Questions concerning B.F.I. yard waste pickups should be directed to (630) 469-1036.

◆ Branches must be out **NO LATER THAN THE FIRST DAY OF THE SCHEDULED PICK-UP WEEK** as our crews will be making only one pass down each block. **PICK-UP WILL BE ALLOWED ONLY DURING THE SCHEDULED WEEK.**

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated and will ensure a successful program. For further information please call Helen Price at 529-5865, Extension 7.

## 1997 BRANCH COLLECTION SCHEDULE

### Section One:

**Pick-up APRIL 7 - APRIL 11, 1997**

Area bounded by Army Trail Road on the south, Old Gary Avenue on the west, Schick Road on the north, and Bloomingdale Road on the east.

### Section Two:

**Pick-up APRIL 14 - APRIL 18, 1997**

Area bounded by Schick Road on the south, Gary Avenue/Cloverdale Road on the west, Lake Street on the north, and Bloomingdale Road on the east.

### Section Three:

**Pick-up APRIL 21 - APRIL 25, 1997**

Two areas with the first bounded by Army Trail Road on the south, Glen Ellyn Road on the west, Lake Street on the north and Medinah Road/Walter Road on the east. The second area is bounded by Lake Street on the south, Rosedale Avenue on the west, Picton Road/Foster Avenue on the north, and Medinah Road on the east.

### Section Four:

**Pick-up APRIL 28 - MAY 2, 1997**

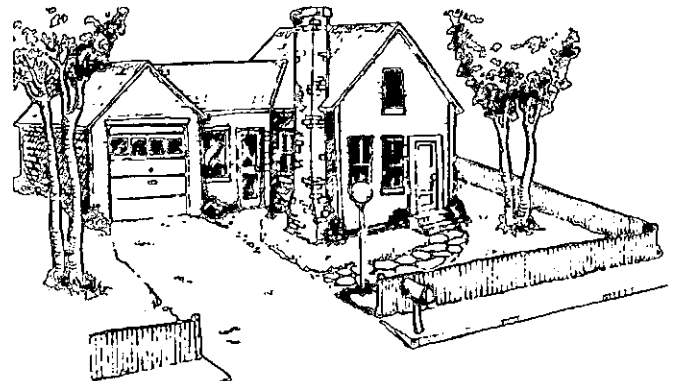
Area bounded by Edgewater Drive on the south, Bloomingdale Road on the west, Lake Street on the north, and Glen Ellyn Road on the east.

### Section Five:

**Pick-up MAY 5 - MAY 9, 1997**

Area bounded by Army Trail Road on the south, Bloomingdale Road on the west, Edgewater Drive on the north, and Glen Ellyn Road on the east.

**NOTE: Seasonal positions are available in the Public Works Department. See page 3.**



# Bloomingtondale Community Events

## Dancing with the Dolphins

Marklund Charities invites supporters to Dine and Dance with the Dolphins at the Top Hat Ball on Saturday, March 15 at the John G. Shedd Aquarium. The black tie event includes whale watching at the Oceanarium, dining with the dolphins, a live auction and raffle, as well as dancing to the sounds of the Franz Benteler Royal Strings. Tickets are \$150. For further information or to purchase tickets call Jeanine Santo at 529-2151, ext. 277.



## Chamber Hosts Annual Dinner Dance

The Bloomingtondale Chamber of Commerce will be holding its third annual dinner dance at Indian Lakes Resort on Saturday, March 22, 1997 starting with cocktails at 6:30 PM. During the evening presentations will be made to the Citizen of the Year, Chamber Business Person of the Year, and Chamber Ambassador of the Year.

Tickets are \$55 which includes dinner, dancing, a sweet table, door prizes and entertainment. To order tickets or reserve tables, contact the Chamber office at 980-9082.

## Lions Meeting April 3

Bloomingtondale and area residents are invited to attend an open meeting of the Bloomingtondale Lions Club on April 3 at the clubhouse at Bloomingtondale Golf Club (formerly Glendale Golf Club). Social time and cash bar begins at 6:30 PM with dinner following at 7:00 PM. Keynote speaker will be Police Chief Gary Schira who will provide village department updates, as well as discuss state law enforcement issues.

The Bloomingtondale Lions Club recently celebrated its 35th year of serving those in need. During the past year, the club provided \$18,151,23 in aid to needy individuals, groups and organizations. Members welcome other service minded individuals to join them. Register for the April meeting no later than March 27 by calling Jim King at 894-0171 or Marv Roehlke at 980-7448.

## Share Your Soles

Shoes for the homeless and needy are being collected by Drs. Kathleen Pyatak-Hugar and Paula Petrucci of Bloomingtondale Foot and Ankle Associates as part of a special campaign in conjunction with the Society of St. Vincent DePaul. All donations of men's, women's and children's shoes, especially winter footgear, may be dropped off at the special collection box at the office of Bloomingtondale Foot and Ankle Associates, 129 Fairfield Way, Suite 110. For more information, call



894-3000. All donations are greatly appreciated.

## Bloomingtondale Women's Club Activities

The Bloomingtondale Women's Club invites residents to join them on February 13 at the Bloomingtondale Public Library for line dancing. Check in is at 7:00 PM and the meeting will start at 7:30 PM.

The club will also be hosting a Blood Drive/Bone Marrow Donor Drive on February 25 from 3:00-8:00 PM at the Bloomingtondale Public Library. You do not have to donate for both the blood drive and the bone marrow drive. There is a \$22.50 per person charge for the bone marrow donation. Due to a U.S. Navy Grant, there is no charge for minorities. When donating blood, an extra two tablespoons are taken for the bone marrow donation. To make an appointment or for more information, call Kathleen at 980-7860.

Other upcoming events for the BWC include a Russian Tea at 7:00 PM on April 10 featuring authentic Russian food and music and the 23rd annual Fashion Show and Luncheon on April 12. The extravaganza of fashion, food and prizes will be held at Indian Lakes Resort. Tickets are \$28 and are available by calling Mary at 893-0496 or Joanne at 894-8207.

## "Operation Snowflake"

School District 13 will be sponsoring its third annual "Operation Snowflake" drug and alcohol awareness prevention program to sixth, seventh and eighth graders on February 22 at Westfield School. Sponsored by the district's Drug Free Advisory Committee, the program is operated for and by teens with adult support, using experience and instruction to help students deal with the problems of growing up.

## Help in Dealing with Your Teen

Lake Park Partners in Education present "Teens! They Don't Come with Directions" featuring noted motivational speaker Steven Troglia. Troglia will talk about how parents can stay flexible, yet remain strong while raising teens, as well as addressing some parental pitfalls and offering some suggestions for dealing with teens. The program is open to all community members and takes place in the Lake Park West cafeteria from 7:30-9:00 PM on February 10.

## Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny begins at 9:00 AM on Saturday, March 22 at the Bloomingtondale Park District. Families are invited to attend breakfast, enjoy children's entertainer Chris Fascione after breakfast, then have their picture taken with the Easter Bunny. Tickets are required only for the breakfast and can be purchased at the Park District through March 19.

The Bloomingtondale Lions Club Easter Egg Hunt follows the breakfast outside in Circle Park. The hunt is free and open to everyone. Call the Park District at 529-3650 for more information.

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## ABOUT TOWN

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Congratulations to **BERNIE BARTELLI** who was the winner of the "It's US" essay competition on "What Traditions and Dreams Do Americans Share?" sponsored by Time Warner Cable. Bartelli described the American dream/startling with his great-grandfather who came to America like many other immigrants "Because the United States was a nation where dreams come true."

He goes on to talk about the diversity in America and about the common thread of "dreams and traditions of Americans (which) hold us all together."

The senior at Driscoll Catholic High School received a \$500 U.S. savings bond for his award-winning efforts and is now eligible for the national contest grand prize of a \$5,000 savings bond. The presentation of his bond and a plaque was made at the January 14 Village Board meeting. Bartelli is the son of residents Christine and Bernie, Sr. Bartelli.

**WALLY AND GEORGENE GEILS**, longtime residents and proprietors of Economart, 110 Ridge Road, were recently featured in the DuPage magazine, "Word of Mouth." The article extolled the merits of Economart as an "old time general store." Those of us who have wandered the aisles of this establishment know exactly what that means.

On February 9, **WILLIAM T. KROHN**, member of Boy Scout Troop 457, received the Eagle Scout Award, the highest honor a scout can earn. As his service project, Krohn designed, constructed and assembled, with the help of his family and scout troop, a set of five exercise stations at DuJardin Elementary School to provide physical fitness for the students, staff and residents.

The 15-year old Lake Park sophomore has also earned the Heritage Award, Order of the Arrow Brotherhood, and the Ad Altare Dei Catholic Scout Award, among others. The son of Bill and Phyllis Krohn, William is active in several sports and would like to enter the sports management/coaching field after college.

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### Just for the fun of it . . .



When you are in third grade, there is a direct relationship between the amount of mess you make and the amount of fun you have. Starting with yellow inflated balloons, the class covered the balloons with paste and newsprint, then finished with bright blue paint followed by countries of the world. Here Arnulfo Fonseca and Joel Vega at Hall School show off their homemade globes.

### Chief Schira Installed as State Association President



Bloomington Police Chief Gary Schira was installed as President of the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police on Monday, January

13, 1997 as part of the semi-annual conference held at Indian Lakes Resort.

Schira, who is a past president of the DuPage County Chiefs of Police Association and also the Greater Cook County Council of Police Chiefs, was elected to this position by his law enforcement peers.

"I have known Gary since he came on the force in 1972," said Mayor Bob Iden. "I watched him move up through the ranks becoming chief just 11 years after he joined the department. We are very proud of Gary and support him in this new role."

Schira looks forward to the challenges of this new leadership position and hopes to work for legislation setting minimum standards for police chief certification and recertification, establishing severe penalties for those who attempt to flee and elude police endangering the motoring public, and other issues affecting law enforcement and impinging on public safety and the quality of life of citizens.

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In celebration of Child Passenger Safety Awareness Weeks, February 9-22, 1997, Bloomington reminds motorists that "For Safety's Sake . . . The Back Seat is the Best Seat." During those weeks, the Bloomington Police Department will be strictly enforcing the child safety restraint laws. Remember, children under 4 should be in a child restraint system, and ALL children should be in a safety belt restraint.



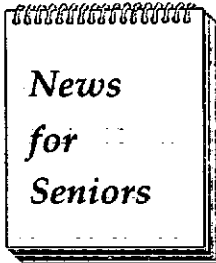
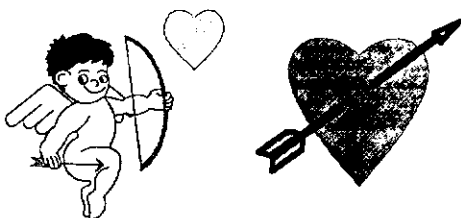
## DuPage Senior Citizens Council

The DuPage Senior Citizens Council will hold its winter Council meeting at 10:00 AM on February 19 at the Lexington Square Retirement Center, 555 Foxworth Boulevard in Lombard. Guest speakers will include Social Security Administrator Susan Doody of Bloomingdale and Robert Daly, chief of the Customer Information and Communications Branch of the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA). Discussion will include possible changes and the future of Social Security, and the role of HCFA and current proposals regarding Medicare.

A luncheon, courtesy of Lexington Square Retirement Center follows the meeting. There is no cost, but reservations are required by February 12. Call the Council at 620-0804 to make reservations.

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If you enjoy doing minor repairs and maintenance projects around the house and are willing to share those skills to help others, the DuPage Senior Citizens Council's Home Maintenance Program has a volunteer role for you. The maintenance program assists older people whose homes are in need of small repairs. Typical home repairs include minor plumbing, carpentry, electrical repairs, and the installation of safety devices such as handrails, safety rails and door locks. To find out how you can get involved, call Linda O'Leary at 620-9794 for more information.



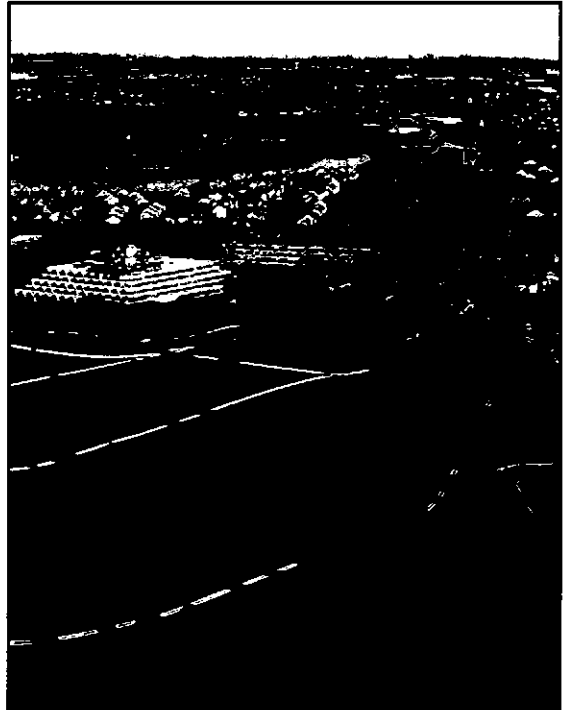
## Indian Lakes Sees Major Improvements

A major \$6 million renovation was recently completed at Indian Lakes Resort. Work to remodel guest rooms and suites is in its final stages. The public areas, including the six-story atrium rain forest with waterfalls and the lobby were recently finished. The resort meeting and banquet facilities have a totally new decor.

The resort's main restaurant has been remodeled and re-named "Masters Restaurant." The Atrium Cafe was likewise renovated. The theme restaurant has been re-opened as the "Sedona Grille" with a totally new dining atmosphere, already acclaimed by dining reviewers as one of the best for Southwestern cuisine. The hotel's main night club "Jazz" was entirely refurbished.

The greens and tees at Indian Lakes' two championship 18-hole golf courses were improved. The Golf Shop was refurbished and includes an expanded line of golf equipment and clothing. The health club's fitness center has all new equipment; the two large swimming pools were improved and repainted.

The entire interior of the hotel and conference center was upgraded and repainted. According to Managing Director Scott Warren, the extent of the renovation, which began in 1995, reflects a serious commitment by the new owners to making Indian Lakes a first class facility for meetings, banquets, recreation and leisure.



## Museum Features Local Works

The Bloomingdale Park District Museum is currently featuring "Choice Pics III," A Photography Exhibition. Fifty-three photos were chosen from nearly 100 entries submitted by photographers all over the area. Two Bloomingdale residents were among the winners in the black & white category. Jackie Revely received an Award of Excellence and Beverly Rautenberg was given an Honorable Mention. "Choice Pics III" will be on display through March 2nd.

The Museum's annual exhibition of artwork produced by students in grades kindergarten through 12th grade will be open to the public March 15. The student art show features drawings, paintings, sculptures, dioramas, photographs and collages. Everyone is invited to attend a reception with refreshments at the museum from noon to 4:00 PM on Sunday, March 16. The "16th Annual Student Art Show" runs through April 21.

Museum hours are Wednesday-Friday, 12:30-4:30 PM, Saturday 11:00 AM-4:00 PM, and Sunday 12:00 noon to 4:00 PM.

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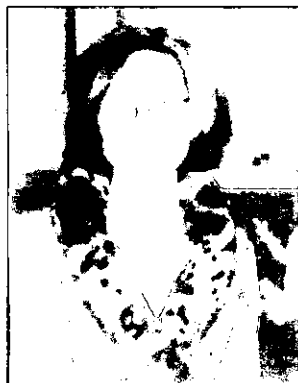
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## YOUTH SERVICES WELCOMES NEW DEPARTMENT HEAD



In September 1996 Kristin Nilsen-Noonan joined the staff of the Library as the Youth Services Department Head. Kristin was born and raised in Minneapolis, Minnesota. She completed her undergraduate work at the College of St. Olaf and earned a Master of Library Science degree at the University of North Carolina. She has been Head of

Children's services at the Des Moines Public Library, and Director of the Augusta Public Library in Augusta, Wisconsin. After relocating to the Chicago Metropolitan area, Kristin was delighted that the position in Youth Services at the Bloomington Library became available. She is an enthusiastic and energetic leader. Kristin has said, "It's nice to work in a place that values children so much. It allows me to do what I was trained and love to do." Besides her work, Kristin enjoys dancing, reading (especially children's books), and outdoor activities like rollerblading, biking and walking. The next time you are in the Library be sure to stop by the Youth Services Department and welcome Kristin.

### Library Hours

Monday-Thursday -- 9:00 AM-9:00 PM  
Friday & Saturday -- 9:00 AM-5:00 PM  
Sunday -- 1:00 PM-5:00 PM (September-May)

## LIBRARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### FEBRUARY

11	Writing Effective Resume and Cover Letters" -- Bruce Bloom	7:00 PM
12	Library Board Meeting	7:30 PM
15	Red Day - The Great Chicago Fire ages 7 and up	2:00-3:00 PM
18	Computerized Card Catalog Training Session	7:00-8:00 PM
20	Computerized Card Catalog Training Session	11:-12:00 noon
26	Writer's Group	7:00-9:00 PM
26	Friends of the Library Meeting	7:30 PM

### MARCH

4	"Points on Joints" - Dr. Alex Zevan	7:00-8:30 PM
6	Book Discussion Group	7:30-8:30 PM
8	Writer's Group	9:00 AM-Noon
11	Bloomington Seniors	11:00 AM-3:00 PM
11	Antique Show-N-Tell -- Kay Shelander	7:00-9:00 PM
12	Library Board Meeting	7:30 PM
15	Green Day -- Magic Show -- Frank Kay	2:00-3:00 PM
25	"1997 Investment Forum" -- Jim Hari	7:00-9:00 PM
26	Writer's Group	7:00-9:00 PM
26	Friends of the Library Meeting	7:30 PM
30	Easter Sunday	LIBRARY CLOSED

### APRIL

3	Book Discussion Group	7:30-8:30 PM
8	Bloomington Seniors	11:00 AM-3:00 PM
9	Library Board Meeting	7:30 PM
12	Writer's Group	9:00 AM-12:00 noon
16	5th Annual Writer's Open Forum	7:00-9:00 PM
17	Family Reading Night	7:00-9:00 PM
25	Staff In-Service	LIBRARY CLOSED

### LIBRARY CLOSINGS

March 30  
April 25

## Youth Services Department

# PROGRAMS TO PLEASE CHILDREN OF ALL AGES & INTERESTS

## REGISTRATION

All programs require registration except Evening Drop-in Storytime. You may register by calling the Program Registration Hotline at 529-9029. Please have your Library card available when you call. Bloomingdale Public Library patrons will be given priority. Others will be placed on a waiting list and notified if/when space is available.

## BOOKS AND BITES

### (Grades 5-8)

You bring your lunch and the Library will provide the beverage and dessert! We'll talk about some great books and authors while we eat. In the first session, the group will discuss the ever popular **GOOSEBUMPS** book as well as the **BABYSITTERS CLUB** and **SWEET VALLEY HIGH** series.

In the second session, the group will discuss the works of James Howe, author of Bunnacula.

Saturday, March 1 12:00-1:00 PM

Saturday, March 22 12:00-1:00 PM

## KID CAPERS

### (Grades 2-3)

This program for 2nd and 3rd graders is designed to provide fun while enhancing school skills. Enrollment is limited to 25 per session.

Monday 4:30-5:30 PM  
March 3, 10, 17, 31, and April 7

## EVENING DROP-IN STORYTIME

### (Ages 3-5)

Evening Drop-in Storytime is designed to serve children 3-5 who are unable to attend daytime sessions. No registration is required for the 12 week session.

Tuesday 7:00-7:30 PM  
January 21-April 8



## SPECIAL ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAMS



### Red Day

Saturday, February 15

2:00-3:00 PM

We'll paint the town red with **THE GREAT CHICAGO FIRE!** This fast paced re-enactment of the Chicago Fire of 1871 is told through the eyes of the Fire Chief, Mrs. O'Leary, a young boy, and many other Chicagoians. Through rhythm, story, and song, children will experience the riveting events of the fire and its aftermath. This performance is best suited for ages 7 and up.

### Green Day

Saturday, March 15

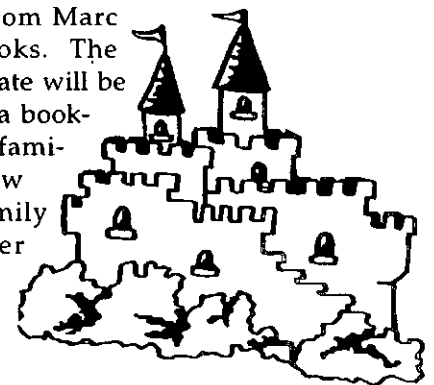
2:00-3:00 PM

The "wearing of the green" is required by all lucky leprechauns who perform **MAGIC!** An exciting **MAGIC SHOW** by Frank Kay will include floating ladies, torn and restored newspapers, doves from handkerchiefs, and much more!

## FAMILY READING NIGHT

Bring the whole family for a fun-filled night of stories, games and activities that all celebrate reading. The theme for the evening will be "Arthur" - the lovable character from Marc Brown's picture books. The families that participate will be honored by placing a bookplate bearing their family's name in a new library book. A family that reads together grows together!

Thursday, April 17  
7:00-8:00 PM



## National Turn off the TV Week

Watch for special program information regarding National Turn Off the TV Week from April 24-30, 1997.

# Trips & Tours -- Mark Your Calendar Today!

Check out the back page of this newsletter for the exciting details on our next two upcoming trips -- Easter in Milwaukee in March, and Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous in April -- co-sponsored by the Bloomingdale Public Library and Falicia Tours.

Then get out your calendar and reserve the dates for these other exciting trips coming up in the next few months.

## May - Holland, Michigan at Tulip Time

Date: Saturday, May 10  
Depart: 8:00 am  
Return: 9:00 pm  
Price: \$62.00 (includes deluxe motorcoach, professional escort, all admission fees, gourmet lunch, tax and gratuity, programs and games en route)

It's Tulip Time in Holland, Michigan! During our visit to this famous town we will enjoy the following:

◆ Windmill Island: a 225 year old windmill! We will tour the windmill and watch flour being ground for you to take home and bake with if you wish. The island has a miniature "Dutch Village," a small museum of costumes, a candle making demonstration, souvenirs, and TULIPS!

◆ Veldheers Tulip Gardens" ACRES AND ACRES OF TULIPS! You will see many different kinds and colors. DeKlomp/Wooden Shoe & Delft China factory -- Watch a "Klompmaker" carve a wooden shoe out of a piece of wood. Also watch the artist at work, making and painting the pottery "Delft."

Lunch will be a real treat at Alpenrose, with Chef Herman, formerly with the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island preparing the meal

Wear comfortable shoes and bring your camera for a fun day in Holland, Michigan.



## June - Bridges of Madison County

Date: June 6-8, 1997  
Price: \$349 double; \$329 triple; \$409 single  
Deposit: \$50 at registration; payment in full due by May 2, payable to Falicia Tours, 531 Crystal Place, Gurnee, IL 60031.

Three days of tours of historic and romantic bridges are in store! Come see for yourself why the covered bridges in Madison County, Iowa are world famous. They were even featured in the hit movie, *The Bridges of Madison County*, starring Clint Eastwood and Meryl Streep. Call or stop by the Library for further details. Make your reservation early!

## August - Greenfield Village & Frankenmuth

Date: August 9-11, 1997  
Price: \$359 double ; \$349 triple; \$449 single  
Deposit: \$50 at registration; payment in full due by July 5, payable to Falicia Tours, 531 Crystal Place, Gurnee, IL 60031.

We'll visit the Kalamazoo "Air Zoo" aviation history museum; the Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village; and tour Frankenmuth, a Christmas wonderland. Call or stop by the library for complete details!

## **FIFTH ANNUAL WRITER'S OPEN FORUM**

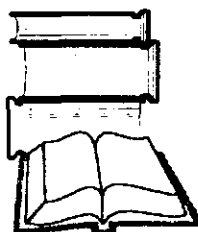
The Writer's Workshop of Bloomingdale, in conjunction with the Friends of the Bloomingdale Public Library, will welcome area writers to its fifth annual Writer's Open Forum as part of the celebration of National Library Week. The Forum is intended to serve as a catalyst bringing talented people together and allowing them to share with the public an insight into the wealth of creative effort that is taking place within the community. The Forum will be held on Wednesday, April 16 from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. For further information contact Colleen Verbeke, 630-980-4231.

## **ADULT BOOK DISCUSSIONS**

Bloomingdale Library's Adult Book Discussions will meet in the Library Board Room from 7:30-8:30 PM on the first Thursday of the following months:

February 6 OLD FRIENDS by Tracy Kidder  
March 6 ONE TRUE THING, by Anna Quindlen  
April 3 SAVAGE INEQUITIES, by Jonathan Kozol

Call 529-3120 to reserve a book.



## **ATTENTION ALL BLOOMINGDALE SENIORS**

The Bloomingdale Seniors Club meets at the Bloomingdale Library the second Tuesday of every month at 11:00 AM. The group invites you to join them for informational speakers, bus trips, card playing and an all around fun time!

## THANKS FOR THE MAGAZINES

The Bloomingdale Public Library would like to thank the following individuals, community groups and businesses for participating in the Adopt-A-Magazine program:

Home Town Buffet  
Pamela Hager  
The Woods Family  
Jim and Karen Petrus  
Marie Manning  
Harriet Smolla  
The Ratliff Family  
Joyce Reparsky  
Richard Hourigan  
Ethel Rathe  
Daughters of the American Revolution  
Barbara Bruckner  
Gerald Revely  
Jeryllyn Willin  
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The Rosenow Family  
Lucy and Tony Mettewie  
Vivian Krotz  
The Reich Family  
Art Modjeski  
Evelyn Deeke  
Carol Price  
Lisa Savegnago  
Len Sutkevich

**Thank you!**

It's still not too late to get involved in the Adopt-A-Magazine program. All an individual, community group, or business has to do to adopt a magazine is pay the yearly subscription fee. Your name will then be displayed on the cover of the current issue. If you are interested in "adopting" a magazine, please contact Leslie Kuizema at the library at 529-3120.

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## TAX FORM DEADLINE

To assist our residents at tax time, on Tuesday, April 15, when the Library closes at 9:00 PM the lobby will be open until 11:30 PM for last minute tax form distribution. Federal and State of Illinois tax forms and a copy machine will be available for use in our front lobby. Copies of tax forms can be made for 10 cents a page.

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## THANK YOU, KARA FOUNDATION

The Bloomingdale Public Library would like to extend a special thank you to the Kara Foundation for their generous donation of \$1,500.00. The money will be used to purchase books on healthy lifestyles, low fat cooking and health issues.

## ADULT PROGRAMS

### Writing Effective Resumes and Cover Letters

Rescheduled to Tuesday, February 11 at 7:00 PM. Bruce Bloom, Career Management Consultant, will finish his Series of Workshops on Career Management designed to help you Successfully Market Yourself! This workshop will help you identify your skills and accomplishments and effectively include them in a resume. Also, basic components of resumes and cover letters and suggested formats will be discussed. Call 529-3120 for reservations.

### Computerized Card Catalog Training Session

Having trouble with the "computerized card catalog"? Join us for training sessions on Tuesday, February 18 from 7:00 to 8:00 PM or on Thursday, February 20 from 11:00 AM to 12:00 noon. Basic and advanced search techniques will be covered, as well as a tour of the computer room. All ages are welcome. Register in person or call 529-3120.

### Points on Joints

Are you bothered by joint pain? Do you suffer from arthritis? If so you should join us on Tuesday, March 4 at 7:00 PM. Dr. Czarnecki, with the Pain Therapy Center, will present the program "Points on Joints." This lecture will cover medical and non-medical treatment for arthritis and pain. There will be plenty of time for questions and answers during the presentation. Call 529-3120 to register.

### Antiques Show-N-Tell

What is Grandma's china set worth? Are those Hallmark ornaments worth saving? Find out the answer to all your antique questions at our "Antiques Show-N-Tell". Appraiser Kay Shelander from Beacon Avenue Antique Row will help you identify your antiques and give you their market value. Join us on Tuesday, March 11 from 7:0-9:00 PM for a night full of surprises. To register call 529-3120.



### 1997 Investment Forum for Growth and Income

Jim Hari, with Dean Wittier, will present a program on Tuesday March 25 from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. filled with information in areas such as, understanding the risk in safe investments, stock and bond market influences, steps for retirement planning and preparation, lump sum and rollover options from Employer savings, tax exposure in certain investment returns, and much more. Call 529-3120 to register.



## Area Organizations Offer Scholarships to Bloomingdale Residents

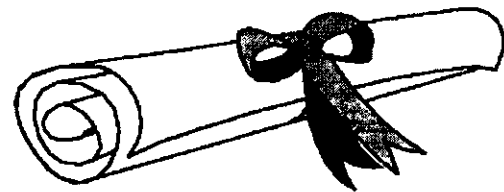
Several scholarships are available for residents through local groups. The **Bloomingdale Women's Club** is offering two \$500 scholarships to high school seniors residing in Bloomingdale. A \$500 scholarship is also available to a woman who is 25 years of age or older residing in Bloomingdale who is returning to school. Applications are due back April 15 and are available through local high school counseling offices, the Bloomingdale Library, the Village Hall, or by calling 351-9759.

The **Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce** is offering three \$1000 scholarships for entrance to vocational, business or 2 or 4-year college. They are available to both graduating seniors and continuing post-secondary students. Candidates must be a Bloomingdale resident with a "C" average or above. Applications are due by April 15 to the Chamber office, 107 S. Third. Pick up forms at Village Hall, Library and Chamber office, as well as local high school counselors' offices.

High school seniors who are the children of independent business owners in this area are eligible to apply for a \$500 scholarship offered by **Padgett Business Services**. Scholarship applicants must be graduating high school

seniors who plan to attend a post-secondary accredited institution. In addition, the legal guardian of the student must be an active owner of at least 10% of the stock or capital in a local business that employs fewer than 20 people. The deadline for applying is March 1. For an application and further information, phone the local Padgett office at 894-9800. All regional winners will become eligible for a grand prize \$4,000 scholarship.

Applications are now being accepted for three \$500 scholarships for college-bound seniors who have previously attended District 13 schools. Students may apply for scholarships offered by either of the schools they attend. Lake Park seniors who attended Central School may apply for Erickson's scholarship. Applications may be picked up in the counseling office at Lake Park, Driscoll Catholic or St. Francis high schools and must be returned to the sponsoring school on April 11.



## THINK TREES . . . VOLUNTEERS WANTED

The Village Forestry Division is looking for volunteers to plant 100 seedlings provided by the National Tree Trust on Saturday, April 26th, from 10 a.m. - noon at the Public Works Facility, 305 S. Glen Ellyn Road.

For the third consecutive year, the Village has received a Community Tree Planting grant from the National Tree Trust. The Village will be receiving 100 Redbud (*Cercis canadensis*) seedlings, soil and pots for the purpose of growing the seedlings into saplings for transplanting into the local community. Community Tree Planting involves a commitment from all participants to plant trees on public property, such as right-of-ways, school grounds, community parks, etc.

### JOB NOTICE

The Village Services Department - Engineering Division is seeking one seasonal/temporary Engineering Assitant. candidate is a college student persuing a degree in Civil Engineering or related field experience. Job descriptions and applications are available at the Village of Bloomingdale. For further information, please contact Robert Prohaska at 893-70763.

Now in its seventh year of operation, the Tree Trust is committed to bringing more trees to more communities across the nation. The Tree Trust has helped volunteers plant and nurture over one million trees each year in communities and along roadsides.

Volunteers will be trained to containerize and care for seedlings. Participants are asked to bring gloves and enthusiasm. After this growing season, the trees will be planted in the Village's nursery for future growth.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Larry M. Slavicek, Urban Forester, at 630-529-5865, ext. 19.

### American Eagles Soccer Association 1997 Spring Registration

Boys and Girls - Ages 4-15

Saturday, February 15, 10:00AM-2:00 PM

\$25.00 Recreational/Instructional

\$65.00 Advanced/Travel

(plus uniform cost)

Bloomingdale Village Hall

201 S. Bloomingdale Road

Community Room (lower level)

For information call:(630) 539-7016 or (630) 980-4009

# NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH IN ACTION

The Bloomingdale Police Department would like to express its gratitude to the following residents who have volunteered their time and talents in making the Neighborhood Watch program a huge success in 1996.

Cindy Albin  
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 Cheri A. Kizman  
 Joyce Klinowski  
 Kathleen Kohl  
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 Frank J. Kreml  
 Joseph Kuzdzal  
 Sandy Lamar  
 Frank Letizia  
 Rita Letizia  
 Joe Lipari  
 Anthony & Theresa  
 Lobraco  
 Terry Mackintosh  
 Linda Magnussen  
 Judy A. Martin  
 Joe Mathy  
 Lad Matias  
 Marie Matias  
 Paul McIntyre  
 Victoria Melvin

Chester Mendygral  
 Pat Mendygral  
 Gil Michelotti  
 Jane Michelotti  
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 Rhonda Schubert  
 John Schultz  
 Patricia Shannahan  
 Joanne Sisco  
 Barb Soden  
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 Louise Zeiton

**WELCOME**  
 Bloomingdale is a  
**CRIME WATCH**  
 community



We immediately report  
 all suspicious activities  
 to our Police Department

**OUR SUCCESS IS  
 MEASURED BY THE SCOPE  
 OF YOUR INVOLVEMENT**

Sincerely,  
 Gary J. Schira, Chief of Police  
 Randy Sater, Detective  
 529-9868

## Kids Soccer Program Needs Adult Volunteers

The Bloomingdale Soccer Organization is a volunteer organization of the Bloomingdale Park District which sponsors an in-house program and a travel program.

The in-house program emphasizes the teaching of soccer fundamentals. Games, though competitive, are for fun. Teams are co-ed until third grade, after which girls may play in an all girls league.

The travel soccer program is for players with better than average soccer skills who want more competitive play.

The soccer organization is always looking for volunteers to help with the programs. Administrative and coaching volunteers are welcomed. For additional information on either program call 529-3650.



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## Got the Winter Blahs? Sign Up for These Upcoming Trips Sponsored by the Library!

Tired of looking at those four walls? Anxious to get out and do something different -- and fun? Then we've got just the ticket! The Bloomingdale Library is sponsoring a different trip or tour every month this year designed to inform, entertain and delight you! Mark your calendar today for these three upcoming trips, and plan on joining us for an enjoyable outing. For full information, call our information line at 529-9029, or stop by the library for a flyer with complete details. All tours include bus transportation which departs from the library and returns to the library at the times indicated.

### March - Easter in Milwaukee

Date: Thursday, March 13  
Depart: 8:15 am  
Return: 7:00 pm  
Price: \$51.00 (includes deluxe motorcoach,  
professional escort, all admission fees,  
gourmet lunch, tax and gratuity)

The morning begins when we arrive at the new state-of-the-art Quality/Buddy Squirrel Candy Kitchens. We will tour the factory and watch as they make all those scrumptious candy delights. Of course we will be enticed into sampling some of these tasty treats right there, or perhaps take them along to enjoy later.

Lunch will be at the wonderful John Ernst Cafe, Milwaukee's oldest German restaurant, established in 1878. It was purchased in 1938 by John and Ida Ernst who expanded it from a small cafe into a Milwaukee landmark. We'll enjoy roast loin of pork, applesauce, relish tray, rolls and butter, potatoes, vegetable, beverage, and Australian Snowball for dessert.

Then it's off to the Mitchell Park Horticultural Conservatory, better known as The Domes, where we will visit each of the three domes: (1) the Tropical Dome containing plants of the tropical rainforests; (2) the Show Dome with its wonderful Easter presentation; and (3) the Arid Dome containing plants of the arid regions of the world.

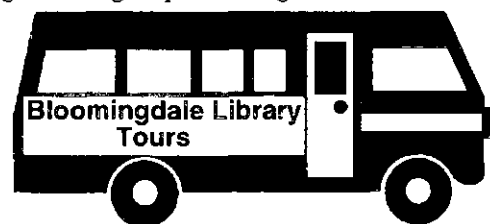
The last stop will be at St. Joseph's Covenant Chapel in Milwaukee, where we will tour the church and be reminded of the true meaning of the Easter season.

### April - Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous

Date: Friday, April 11  
Depart: 9:15 am  
Return: 4:15 pm  
Price: \$56.00 (includes deluxe motorcoach,  
professional escort, all admission fees,  
gourmet lunch, tax and gratuity)

Many early Chicagoans enjoyed a very elegant lifestyle. Spend an exciting day exploring some of the loveliest and most impressive homes, neighborhoods, clubs and houses of worship in Chicago.

- We will tour The Chicago Board of Trade, where many fortunes were made
- We will visit the beautifully restored South Shore Country Club
- We will enjoy a drive down North State Parkway near the Astor Street Historic District
- We will tour a once suburban mansion on the city's North Side
- We will stop at a magnificent church created by the privileged class
- We will eat at the Cooking and Hospitality Institute of Chicago, Chicago's premiere gourmet chef cook school.



We're going to  
**Holland, Michigan for  
Tulip Time in May!**  
See page 12 for details!