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From the Mayor's Desk

Those of us who worked on the original Septemberfest in 1972 never dreamed we were starting a tradition which would still be going strong 25 years later. We just wanted to have a gathering of neighbors as the summer wound down.

A lot of things have changed over the years -- the look of Third and Franklin streets, for example. And who would have ever imagined we would be awarding \$11,000 in scholarships to local youth? But no matter how many elements of Septemberfest changed and evolved over the years, one thing remains constant. It is still a gathering of neighbors as summer winds down. Only now there are many more of us and our neighbors hail from Bloomingdale and beyond.

I was proud to take part in the 25th annual Septemberfest. Our Septemberfest Commission members did a great job combining some of the features of Septemberfests past. A commemorative video recapping the 25 years of fun was also created by the commission and was shown at the event. I hope you had a chance to see it.

Car show, street dance, parade, scholarship competition, food booths, games, crafts, music and memories -- this is what the 25th anniversary of Septemberfest was made of -- and what a "golden" celebration it was! Thanks to all of those who made it possible:

Bob Iden,
Mayor

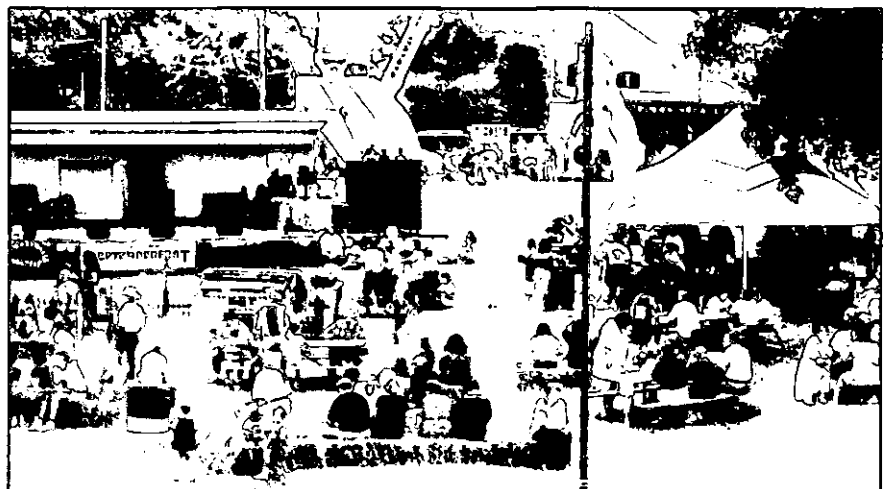
A 'Golden' Septemberfest

The Septemberfest Commission wanted to make the 25th annual summer celebration something special -- and that they did. The Friday night street dance and car show was a tremendous success, with great weather and a large turnout. A Mayor's Award and a Best of Show Award was presented to two car owners.

The Mayor's Award went to Diana and Ron Dunmont, of Glen Ellyn for their 1938 Ford Deluxe. The Septemberfest Best of Show was garnered by Steve Pryor of Roselle for his 1966 Ford Thunderbird 428 Sports Roadster.

On Sunday, a parade preceded the opening ceremonies. Kimberly Crosby was named Ms. Bloomingdale. The 17 year old Lake Park senior has been active in many groups growing up in Bloomingdale. The honor roll student also takes part in speech team, theater and is a student ambassador. Kim is involved in choir and bell choir at Trinity Lutheran Church. She would like to start a teen volunteer group to spend time with youngsters who don't have older siblings.

Ryan Rushton, Mr. Bloomingdale, is a junior at Western Illinois University where he majors in recreation, park and tourism administration with an emphasis on outdoor recreation and therapeutic recreation. In addition to various activities on campus, Ryan has also served (continued on page 4)



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

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)
7 p.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

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Harriet Ford

Village Clerk

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& Environmental Concerns*

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& Social Services*

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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, our address is:

VILLAGE.BLOOMINGDALE@worldnet.att.net

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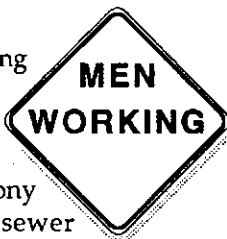
"Which is the Best Set of Clubs?"

That was the question of the day as golfers headed for their carts at the Bloomingdale Lions Club Swing for Charity Golf Tournament which netted \$3,250.00 for charity this summer.



Summer Street Reconstruction is Over ... Thanks for Your Patience!

Thank you for your patience and cooperation during the summer's Street Reconstruction Projects. The Village was able to reconstruct Lehigh Drive, Larchmont Drive, Longridge Drive, Lynbrook Drive, Brentwood Court, Dover Court, and Colony Court. This street work encompassed storm sewer repairs, curb installation, paving and restorations. The contractor for this work was A. Lamp Concrete Contractors.



WE'VE GOT NEW SIDEWALKS, TOO

Carriage walk replacements have been made in Suncrest subdivision, Nordic Road west of Euclid Avenue and Pleasant Avenue north of Schick Road. If there is a new sidewalk near your home, please help us water the new grass planted as part of the restoration work. Your cooperation on this project and assistance to water the seed restoration is greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions, please contact Mark A. Garrison, Engineering Technician at 893-7073.

LAKE STREET WIDENING UPDATE

Utility companies are currently making adjustments to facilities in advance of the widening of Lake Street. The utility company work requires temporary lane closures since some of these facilities are located beneath the pavement. The pavement widening of Lake Street by the Illinois Department of Transportation is scheduled to begin in late summer 1998.

Tree clearing and building demolition at selected locations along the project limits has begun. This work by River City Demolition, Peoria, IL is being done in preparation of the pavement removal which will start in August 1998. The tree removal and building demolition should be completed by November 15, 1997.

AIRPLANE NOISE BOTHERING YOU?

The Village Hall has received a number of calls recently in regard to excessive noise from planes landing or taking off from O'Hare Airport. If you have concerns or comments in this regard, please call the O'Hare Noise Abatement Hotline at 1-800-435-9569.

Helpful Hints for a Safe and Happy Halloween

Help keep your favorite ghosts and goblins safe this Halloween by reviewing these important safety rules with your children.



- ◆ NO candy should be eaten until it has been inspected by an adult.
- ◆ Discard any unwrapped items.
- ◆ Check all food wrappers for signs of tampering.
- ◆ Keep costumes simple: Costumes should be made of light, brightly colored or reflective material, so that they can be easily seen at night. Costumes should not restrict either vision or movement.
- ◆ At least one person in the group should carry a flashlight while trick or treating.
- ◆ Trick or Treat in groups whenever possible, accompanied by one or more adults.
- ◆ Instruct your children not to enter any home, and don't invite anyone else's child into your home.
- ◆ For safety's sake, trick or treat only at homes in your own neighborhood.
- ◆ Remind children to cross only at corners, and to look both ways before crossing the street. Children should use sidewalks whenever possible, obey traffic lights, and walk -- never run -- across streets.



**TRICK OR TREAT HOURS
ARE FROM
3:00-8:00 PM
ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31.**

**OUR SUCCESS IS
MEASURED BY THE**



**SCOPE OF YOUR
INVOLVEMENT**

For information on starting a Neighborhood Watch group in your neighborhood, call Detective Randy Sater at 529-9868.

Bloomington's 'Golden' Septemberfest

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as an outdoor adventure/recreation director facilitating group building and personal growth activities. He has been an active volunteer in several areas, including teaching Sunday school and working with seniors.

First runner-up Jessica Johnson is a Lake Park senior. She has been involved with Students Against Destructive Decisions (S.A.D.D.), serving as President for two years. She is also an active participant in Snowball and Snowflake, drug prevention programs. The 16 year-old has received a DuPage County Guardian Angel Award and two Lake Park Human Relation awards for her efforts.

Paul Raso was named first runner-up. The 19 year-old University of Illinois student majors in computer technology. He is a Chick Evans Scholar and has been involved in several charitable endeavors through that group, including raising funds for Habitat for Humanity. A former Bloomingdale Public Library Chess Team member, he has also coached the team to two consecutive championships.

Sixteen year-old Vanessa Kas was second runner-up. She has been active in scouting, church and the Bloomingdale Park District while growing up. Currently, she is the Vice President of Student Council at Lake Park High School and is an active member of the Bloomingdale Barracuda swim team. She has won two Lake Park Human Relation awards.

Matthew Eric Riley was named second runner-up. The 19 year-old is currently putting himself through school, working two jobs to provide for his housing and education. He maintains a 3.83 average making the Dean's List for six consecutive terms at DeVry Institute of Technology. He said although he is far from his family, the Bloomingdale Community makes him feel right at home.

Third runner-up Kimberly Rushton is a freshman at Western Illinois, majoring in physical education. She says her passion is children and she plans to teach when she graduates. In the meantime she volunteers through church working with various children and youth groups. She has also volunteered as a counselor at a camp for 10 weeks during the summer.

Eighteen year-old Mark Syputa was third runner-up. He was involved in various groups as a youngster. At Lake Park he became involved with student council and volunteered at the Park District pool. He made the honor roll all four years at Lake Park and is currently enrolled at the University of Illinois, Champaign.

Dana Neri, 17 year-old Glenbard North senior, was named fourth runner-up. She has been involved in a great many activities growing up in Bloomingdale, including working with her church group and with the Bloomingdale Women's Club. She plans to attend Arizona University in order to pursue a fine arts degree.

Fourth runner-up Jim Tragos attends the University of Chicago where he is pursuing an economics degree and competing on the football field as a Maroon quarterback. The graduate of Glenbard North received a Pursuit of Excellence Award from his faculty for exceptional commitment to academic and athletic success.

Thanks to the following generous contributors who helped the Joe Draghi Scholarship continue for the Mr. and Ms. Bloomingdale and their court:

Scholarship Contributors

- ◆ A-1 Airport Limousine Services, Inc.
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- ◆ Bloomingdale Bank & Trust
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- ◆ Indian Lakes Resort
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- ◆ Kohl's Department Store
- ◆ McDonald's
- ◆ Old Town Bake Shop
- ◆ Outback Steakhouse
- ◆ Pauli's Amoco
- ◆ Portillo's Hot Dogs
- ◆ Platt Hill Nursery
- ◆ Santilli's Market
- ◆ Schoop's Hamburgers
- ◆ Signs by Tomorrow
- ◆ Stratford Square Mall
- ◆ Tech-Syn Corporation
- ◆ Wal-Mart

Friends of Septemberfest

- ◆ Barbara Arrivi & Family
- ◆ Paul and Karen Becker
- ◆ Mrs. Joe Draghi
- ◆ Erickson Elementary PTO
- ◆ Michael Hannigan Family
- ◆ Roger Jenisch
- ◆ Edgard and Mirna Khoury
- ◆ Mr. and Mrs. O. Luparello
- ◆ Mr. and Mrs. W. Morrisroe
- ◆ Mr. T. Moser
- ◆ Jim and Barbara Nendze

SEE THE BACK PAGE FOR SEPTEMBERFEST PHOTOS!!!

FALL BRANCH COLLECTION PROGRAM

The Bloomingdale Public Works' Forestry and Street Divisions' semi-annual Branch Collection Program continues until October 24, 1997. The program is available to single family residences within the Village of Bloomingdale only.

FALL 1997 SCHEDULE

Pickup has already taken place in Sections 1 and 2. The remainder of the pickup schedule is as follows:

SECTION THREE: Pick-up OCTOBER 6 - OCTOBER 10, 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 OCTOBER 13 - OCTOBER 17, 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 OCTOBER 20 - OCTOBER 24, 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.

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

Officer Bonilla Graduates From Law Enforcement Academy



Recruit Officer Sam Bonilla accepts congratulations at his graduation from the Northern Illinois Suburban Law Enforcement Academy on August 29, 1997. Bonilla received an award for a perfect score on range qualifications shoot. He is currently in field training with our department.

Female Self-Defense Training Offered

Classes are being developed for two programs in female self defense training. One of the classes is for mothers and daughters (high school juniors & seniors); the other is for adult females. These classes are restricted to Bloomingdale residents.

Each program will consist of five 3-hour sessions (15 hours total). The first session is a lecture format; the following four consist of self-defense activities.

These classes will be taught by Deputy Chief Mader in the Police Training Room. The class dates/times have not been selected yet, but will be done based on responses. If you are interested, please contact Donna Hulata at the Police Department at 529-9868.



District 13 Seeks VIPs, Pen Pals

Do you have an interesting job or hobby? Did you visit an exciting city this past summer? Are you a senior citizen who enjoys sharing experiences with young people? If you fit any of the above, Bloomingdale School District 13 would like you to join a group of community volunteers as a Very Interesting Person (VIPs) or a Pen Pal!

Now in its second year, VIPs have included world travelers, war veterans, professionals, such as engineers, detectives and even a dinosaur expert - all bringing a dose of the "real world" into the classroom. The Pen Pal program begins its third year and includes senior citizens from area nursing homes, as well as seniors residing in the area and out of state. For more information on either program, call 893-9590.



Bloomingtondale **Community Events**

Craft Show November 7th

St. Isidore Church of Bloomingtondale Council of Catholic Women (CCW) will host its 10th annual craft show on Friday, November 7 from 10am - 7pm and Saturday November 8 from 9am - 3 pm. at the Ministry Center, 427 W. Army Trail Road. Admission is \$1 and strollers are permitted.

There are still spaces available for \$50. Call Liz Friend at 894-1843 for more information.

Come to the Pumpkin Patch

Church of the Incarnation will be hosting its annual **Pumpkin Patch** October 18 - 31, 261 W. Army Trail Road. Patch hours are Monday through Friday from noon until 8 pm.; Saturday and Sundays - 9 am - 8 pm.

Electronic Recycling

Saturday, October 18

9 am - 3 pm

Lake Osborne

1380-1390 Aurora Avenue, Naperville

Accepting old outdated broken or working computers, telephones, televisions, VCRs, stereos, microwaves, fax machines, printers etc. Call 420-4190 or 682-7373 for more information.

Also scheduled in October are two **Household Hazardous Waste** Collection dates. Residents can drop off paint, turpentine, household batteries, motor oil fluorescent bulbs/ballasts, pool chemicals and other residential waste that is poisonous, flammable, corrosive or reactive. If you have any questions about an item you wish to dispose of, call 510-2810. The two dates and locations are:

October 18 8am - 3pm

October 19 8:00 am-noon

Bartlett Wastewater Treatment Plant - 1150 Bittersweet

October 25 8 am - 3 pm

Wheaton Commuter Parking Lot, Liberty & Carlton



1998 TREE PURC

The Village Board has again allocated funds for this very successful program which was started in 1982. The program provides trees, including planting, at a 50/50 cost sharing with the Village. The trees will be planted next Spring and are available for street parkways or front yards. Of interest this year, all the species offered for parkway planting are native to Illinois and of value to wildlife. Of the eight species, the River Birch and the Swamp White Oak are the most tolerant of heavy clay soils and/or poor drainage, and the Wild Black Cherry the least tolerant of the same. Also, with the exception of the River Birch and the Ironwood, these trees have fruits which, if not consumed by wildlife, may be considered a nuisance.

If further information is desired, contact Larry Slavicek, Urban Forester, at 630-529-5865, Ext. 19.

The following are the guidelines of the program:

1. Since the budget is limited, the program will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Requests should be submitted by **December 1, 1997**. No payment is required at this time. Bills will be sent about February 1, 1998.
2. Trees will be 2 1/2" caliper, unless stated otherwise. Trees will be quality nursery stock but not specimen plants.
3. The Village reserves the right to disapprove requests based on conflicts, safety, or proper spacing.
4. Each parcel will be limited to two trees per year.
5. Participants will be given the opportunity to mark the desired location for the tree; however, the Village retains the right to change the location, if necessary.
6. We anticipate the cost of the trees to be between \$200 and \$300 each, with the Village paying half of the amount.
7. Trees will be guaranteed for one year. Participants are responsible for all watering which will be described in instructions furnished by the Village.
8. For trees to be planted in the public parkway, this application will serve as the permit requirements of the ordinance regulating trees on public areas.

PROGRAM ENABLES RESIDENTS TO PLANT TREES FOR HALF PRICE



TREE PLANTING PROGRAM REQUEST FORM

PLANTING ADDRESS _____
NAME _____
ADDRESS _____ DAYTIME PHONE _____

INDICATE NUMBER OF EACH TYPE DESIRED:

PARKWAY

Ohio Buckeye (*Aesculus glabra*)

Upright, broadly ovate tree of bold texture. Large leaves are bright green in spring, dark green in summer and yellow-orange in fall. Grows moderately to 35 feet.

Tree Form River Birch (*Betula nigra*)

Pyramidal to oval tree of light texture. Lustrous green leaves change to a seldom effective yellow. Bark light reddish gray to cinnamon brown and peeling freely. Grows moderately fast to 60 feet.

Washington Hawthorn (*Crataegus phaenopyrum*)

Broadly oval to rounded, dense, thorny tree. Small glossy green leaves turn from orange-red to scarlet purple in fall. Fruit is bright glossy red, 1/4 inch in diameter, coloring in late September and persisting all winter. Grows moderately to 30 feet.

2" Black Walnut (*Juglans nigra*)

Large tree with oval to rounded and somewhat open crown. Dull green compound leaves are up to two inches long with paired leaflets and turn clear yellow in fall. Walnut roots contain an allelopathic substance which can stunt or kill sensitive species which include tomatoes, apples, azaleas and lilacs. Grows moderately to 75 feet.

2" Ironwood (*Ostrya virginiana*)

Graceful tree with many horizontal or drooping branches. Crown is pyramidal in youth and becomes rounded in age. Small, simple leaves are dark green and change to mild yellow in fall. Grows slowly to 50 feet.

Wild Black Cherry (*Prunus serotina*)

Tree is pyramidal in youth, then becomes oval-headed with pendulous branches. Smooth glossy dark leaves change to a good yellow, sometimes with red, in fall. Fruits are 1/3 inch across, in clusters and ripen purplish-black in late summer. Grows moderately fast to 100 feet.

Swamp White Oak (*Quercus bicolor*)

Matures into majestic tree with large trunk and broad crown. Dark green leathery leaves with white undersides which turn yellow sometimes with red in fall. Very tough and tolerant of urban conditions. Grows slowly to 60 feet.

Shingle Oak (*Quercus imbricaria*)

Crown is pyramidal with horizontal branches in youth, assuming a broad rounded outline with drooping lower branches at maturity. Leaves are oblong, not lobed, leathery, dark green in summer, yellow-brown in fall and persist through winter. Grows slowly to 60 feet.

FRONT YARD

Ohio Buckeye

Tree Form River Birch

Washington Hawthorn

2" Black Walnut

2" Ironwood

Wild Black Cherry

Swamp White Oak

Shingle Oak



Red Jewel Crabapple (*Malus 'Jewelcole'*)

Medium sized, crown is upright-oval becoming rounded, maturing at 15 feet by 15 feet. Abundant white flowers. Nice display of small bright red fruit through winter. Rated #8 in nationwide study of 900 named crabapples.

6 foot Multi-Stem Red Jewel Crabapple (*Malus 'Jewelcole'*)

6 foot Colorado Spruce (*Picea pungens glauca*)

Evergreen with symmetrical pyramidal shape. Gray-green to blue-green needles. Grows moderately to 50 feet.

DELIVER OR SEND TO:
DEPARTMENT OF VILLAGE SERVICES, BLOOMINGDALE VILLAGE HALL
201 S. BLOOMINGDALE ROAD, BLOOMINGDALE, IL 60108

Hydrant Flushing Begins October 21

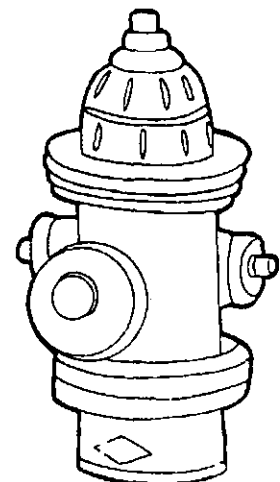
It's that time of year again. Starting October 21 Village Services - Utilities Division will be performing the annual Hydrant Flushing Program. Flushing will continue through November 13, 1997. **The Program will be performed during the daytime hours of 9:00 am - 2:00 pm.** Please **DO NOT WASH LAUNDRY** during the flushing hours, as rust staining of the clothing may result. Residents with water softeners are encouraged to check the cycle time of their softeners so that the unit does not regenerate during this period.

One question that is always asked is - "Why does the Village flush hydrants?" Hydrant flushing is routine maintenance for a water system. It accomplishes the following:

1. Improves water quality: Flushing removes minerals such as iron and magnesium that have collected in the water mains.
2. Improves water flow: By removing these minerals, the inside diameter of a water main is increased and therefore, allows a better flow of water.
3. Hydrant maintenance: A fire hydrant is a mechanical device. Operation of a hydrant lubricates internal mechanisms and gaskets.
4. Hydrant inspection: Any deficiencies are noted and repaired as necessary to insure that each hydrant will perform when needed for an emergency.

The schedule for hydrant flushing by area is as follows:

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Westlake - Edgewater and Greenway	Tues., October 21
Fairfield, Springbrook Villas, Old Town, Springbrook Shopping Center, North Bloomingdale Road, North Rosedale, Fessler's Grove	Wed., October 22
North and South Suncrest, Medinah Country Estates, Circle Center, Medinah on the Lakes	Thurs., October 23
Westlake Highlands, Sunnyside, Westwind, Deer Glen, Medinah Lakes, Medinah Meadows	Tues., October 28
Westlake Townhomes, Quad Fours, Harvard, Brookdale, Wilshire Towers, East Army Trail Road	Wed., October 29
Founder's Pointe, Old Town Estates (East and West), Longridge (Levitt), West Pointe Estates, Lakewoods, The Crossings	Thurs., October 30
Indian Lakes (East), Cardinal to Bloomingdale Road, Indian Lakes (West), Meadowlark to Skylark	Tues., November 4
Bloomfield Club, Stratford Place, Glengarry, Stratford Homes	Wed., November 5
Country Club Estates, Chateau Lorraine, Bloomfield Hills, Heritage, On the Park, Indian Lakes Resort	Thurs., November 6
Stratford Lakes, Camden Apts., Bayview Crossing Phases 1 & 2, Springfield Drive, Stratford Square & Homes	Tues., November 11
West Schick Road, Covington, Old Gary Stratford Plaza	Wed., November 12
West Army Trail Road, Bloomingdale Court, Fretter's Plaza	Thurs., November 13
If there are questions, please contact Vern Fasse, Water Distribution Supervisor at 529-5865.	



Walk Through the Holidays

The Villagers Club will host its fourth annual house walk on **Friday, November 14** from noon to 9 PM. Five unique homes will be on display decked in holiday finery.

This year's homes' features include a European Christmas Portrait in Founders Pointe, Jewel Tones of a Bachelor Pad at Christmas in Westwind, a Christmas Rose in Bloomfield Hills, a Christmas Open House in a wooded setting, and Christmas Around the World in Indian Lakes.



Local decorators will again be creating their own brand of special Christmas Magic for these homes. They are: Addison Floral; Daffey, Down and Dilly; Ethan Allen; Fantasy Flowers; Flowers by Christine; Flowers by Design; Gladys Kroon; Kathleen's Florals; Marshall Field's of Stratford Square; and Wreathworks. Entertainment from the local area will again be featured at these homes.

Tickets are available for \$12 prior to the event at the Public Library, Park District, 1st Chicago Bank facilities on Lake Street and on Schick Road, and Bloomingdale Park District Museum. On November 14,

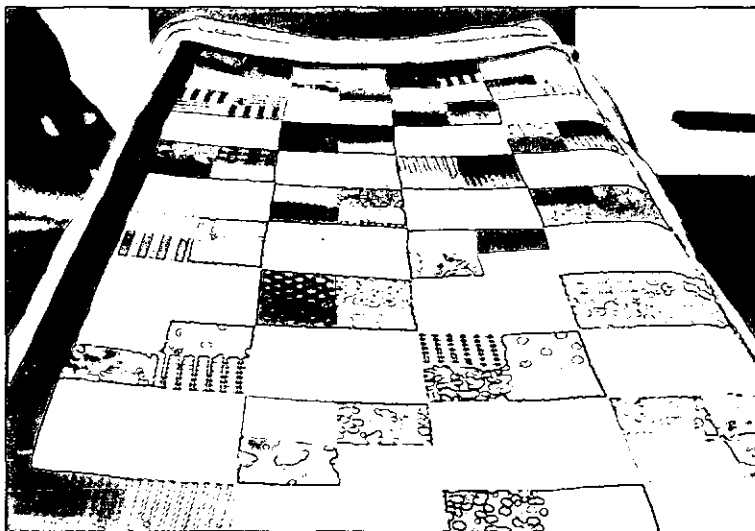
tickets will be \$15. For information on tickets call Lucille Ricchio at 924-0897.

Housewalk specials will be featured at Rooster's Barn & Grill and Capone's Deli.

Contributing their financial support to this exciting event are Capone's Deli, Classic Travel and Tours, 1st Chicago Bank, David G. Jaskey, M.D., KSM Electronics, Inc., Mecon Industries, Microscrew Products, Co., RDN Manufacturing Co., Rooster's Bar & Grill, PEPS Weight Control Program, and Robert Storti Hair Design.

Local charities that will benefit from this event are: The Harbor, Trinity Lutheran

Adult Day Care Center, Fire Safety Alliance Burn Camp, and Central DuPage Hospital Pediatric Unit. For more information, call Nancine Danner at 980-6080 or Corrine McCoy at 585-8264.



This quilt which was handmade by JoEllen Iden and Villager members will be raffled off at one of the homes on the housewalk.

Lions Candy Days October 10-11



Lion Marv Roehlke, secretary of the Bloomingdale Lions, will be one of the Lions collecting donations to help the visually and hearing impaired on Lions Candy Days, October 10 and 11.

The Bloomingdale Lions will be among those "hitting the streets" and "shaking their cans" as the Lions members of Illinois collect funds to aid the visually and hearing impaired on Friday, October 10 and Saturday, October 11.



Jessica Johnson, first runner up for Ms. Bloomingdale, stops at the Bloomingdale Lions Club booth to thank Treasurer Bob Hettlinger for the scholarship support provided by the club. It donated \$800 to the scholarship fund.



The Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce presents its
Fifteenth Annual

Christmas Showcase



Thursday, November 20, 6:00-9:00 PM
Indian Lakes Resort Banquet Rooms, Bloomingdale

Grand prize drawing : Weekend for two at Indian Lakes Resort.
Drawing at 9:00 PM. You must be present to win!

Open to the public

Door prizes ♦ Continuous drawings

FREE ADMISSION

*See the latest Christmas gift-giving ideas presented by local merchants
Some merchants will be selling that evening*



ABOUT TOWN

Bloomingdale Police Officer **Terry Marker** returned to the Midwest Police and Fire Summer Games this August and once again walked away with a gold medal in his class, Men's Masters - ages 40-49. The 19-year veteran with the department has consistently distinguished himself on the racquetball court over the last 23 years. He has won numerous awards in the Illinois Police Olympics, as well as in many other tournaments. Marker's next competition will be the Halloween Pro Stop in Schaumburg later this month.



Best in his class

Detective **Randy Sater** has been elected as the D.A.R.E. Officer Region Representative. He will represent the DARE officers in DuPage and Kane counties at the state level. Sater is one of our community relations officers, coordinating our Neighborhood Watch and Citizen Police Academy programs. His office will run through August 1999.

Welcome to **Tim Maccarro**, Bloomingdale Fire Protection Fire Chief who assumed his position September 1. Maccarro was most recently fire chief in Belvedere, serving before that for nearly 20 years in the Streamwood Fire Department. Maccarro held several positions in Streamwood including assistant chief, lieutenant and firefighter/paramedic. Maccarro replaces lifetime resident **Richard Randecker** who retired July 1 after 36 years with the department.

St. Paul's Evangelical Church of Christ offers preschool classes for 4-year olds on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and for three-year olds on Tuesday and Thursday. Classes run 9-11:30 a.m. There are still a few openings.

Play is the central part of the program though which children also learn pre-math and pre-reading skills, science, social studies and develop social, language and motor skills.

Special classes are held in fall and spring for younger children and their parents: Little Lambs 2-12 months; Babies and Books for 12-24 months; Toddler Time 24-36 months. Director **Victoria Melvin** is a child development specialist with extensive experience in early childhood education. Call 980-9196 for more information.

Welcome, New Businesses!

The Wooden Indian

From cigars and tobacco accessories to craft gifts and shaving supplies, The Wooden Indian in Old Town offers a unique shopping experience. Owners John and Mary Watts opened the store at 124 W. Lake Street in June with the philosophy of "educating the consumer about tobacco and help them determine their individual tastes."

The Wooden Indian offers tobacco in three strengths and four flavor categories. Be sure to ask about the money-saving Chicago Cigar Futures Card.

The Wooden Indian also offers bulk coffee and coffee related merchandise. Customers can purchase coffee drinks on the premises and relax in the store's coffee bar. The Wooden Indian is open 7:30am-8 pm Monday-Thursday, 7:30am-10pm, Friday & Saturday, 11am-4pm on Sundays. Phone: 582-3390.

Amici's

The word 'amici' means "friend" in Italian and according to owner Frank Minniti, it was a fitting name for a salon that aims to provide quality service with a friendly, personal touch. The full-service salon, located at 156 S. Bloomingdale Road in Old Town Square, offers a wide range of services. More than a dozen stylists and technicians offer haircuts, colorings, 18 different permanents, hair extensions, make-up applications and lessons, facials, manicures, pedicures, shoulder and neck massages, hand and foot treatments and electrolysis. Combination packages are also available. Minniti has been serving the area for 11 years. Salon hours are: Monday-Friday 9am-8 pm, Saturday 9am-5pm, Sunday 10am-3pm. Appointments can be made by calling 295-5999.

Family Chiropractic Center, Ltd.

Chiropractor Dr. Verona Mucci's approach to treating pain is to evaluate the whole person, not just the symptoms. At her new location, 160-D S. Bloomingdale Road in Old Town Square, Dr. Mucci offers therapy for sufferers of acute or chronic back pain, headaches, tingling and numbness, knee, ankle, neck, shoulder and arm pain, sports injuries, rehabilitation and fitness.

She received her doctorate in chiropractic from the National College of Chiropractic in 1990 and earned certificates in fitness instruction and personal training by the American Council on Exercise (ACE). In addition to treatment, Dr. Mucci offers home exercise instruction to prolong the positive effects of the therapy provided in

the office. Her philosophy focuses on total wellness. "Health is not just the absence of disease, it is freedom from pain and the opportunity to achieve top performance from the body," Dr. Mucci explains. The Bloomingdale office is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Appointments may be made by calling 539-6705.

New Locations

Famous Footwear has relocated from Springbrook Shopping Center to Bloomingdale Court, 342-110 W. Army Trail Road. The new location is open Monday - Saturday 10 am - 9 pm and Sunday 11 am - 6 pm. The store features 10 - 50 percent savings off manufacturer's suggested retail prices. The store number is 351- 5356.

Timothy J. Klein, Attorney at Law, has moved his office from Tiffany Pointe to the Professional Building, 290 Springfield Drive, Suite 220. His number remains 893-5200. Klein continues to represent individuals and small businesses.

Also Open:

Dimaggio's Eatery - 142 S. Gary Avenue (fast food)

Marling & Company - Stratford Square Kiosk (men's ties)

Sidex Corporation - Stratford Square Kiosk
(home improvements)

Old Navy - 346 W. Army Trail Rd

Under Development:

Mario Tricoci - Salon & day spa - 64 Stratford Drive

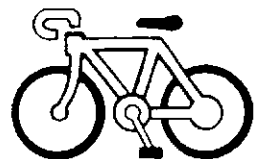
Thomas Interiors - Furniture sales & storage facility -
Covington Corporate Center

Platinum Day Spa - 81 Stratford Drive

Expo Kitchen & Bath - 398 W. Army Trail Road

NOW Natural Foods - Glen Ellyn Road, south of
Army Trail Road

The Mayor is preparing to appoint residents to a Recreational Pathway Advisory Committee. Interested persons should call Mary Ellen at the Village Hall (893-7000, ext. 221) to submit their names and resume.



THINK TREES . . . HELPING TREES THROUGH THE CHILLS OF WINTER

Winter is a difficult time for trees. Trees must stand in the face of drying and cold winds. The growing points of the tree are called buds and water continues to move through the tree until it freezes. Food reserves are carefully conserved for the coming needs of spring. Only then will it be apparent whether the tree has put aside and saved enough resources to respond to the new season of growth. Any creature needing a meal chews and nibbles on the resting buds and twigs. Trees stand alone against all circumstances that the winter season can generate.

What can you do to help your valuable trees? A few things can help a tree be more efficient and effective in surviving the winter and thriving in spring. These small winter investments can pay off in a large way, yielding healthy and structurally sound trees.

The things you can do to winterize your trees this fall are:

1. Remove dead and declining twigs and branches, eliminating pests' food and shelter for the winter. Pruning should conserve as many living branches as possible with only a few selective cuts.
2. Properly prune branches that will touch the ground when loaded with rain and snow. Foliage and branches that are in contact with soil can invite undesirable pests and problems.
3. Remove any new sprouts that have grown at the tree base or along stems. These sprouts will interfere with tree changes needed for winter and next spring.

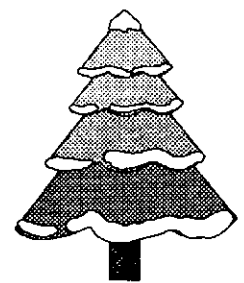
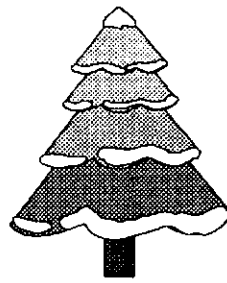
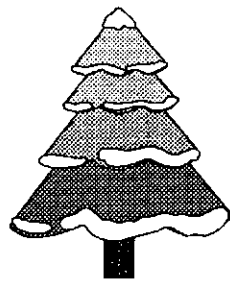
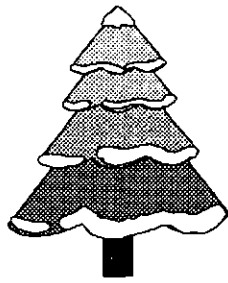
4. Spread a thin layer of composted organic mulch over the soil in an area at least as large as the branch spread. Mulch is nature's way of recycling valuable materials.

5. Fertilize with elements needed in small quantities. Essential elements added over a mulch layer will help provide a healthy soil environment for root growth. Be sure to go lightly with nitrogen, if used at all, especially under large, mature trees and around newly planted trees.

6. Water where soils and trees are cool but not frozen, and when there has been little precipitation. Winter droughts need treatment with water the same as summer droughts. However, it is easy to overwater in fall, so be careful.

Trees are investments that require a small amount of care; take a few minutes to winterize your trees this fall.

For additional information contact Larry M. Slavicek, Urban Forester, at 630-529-5865, Extension 19.



Be an Angel . . .

. . . by joining with Bloomingdale employees in support of the Salvation Army Angel Tree Program this upcoming holiday season. The angel tree program provides needy children throughout the Chicagoland area with new toys and clothing for the holidays. Tags will be available at the Village Hall beginning December 1. Unwrapped gifts need to be returned to the Village Hall by December 19. If you can't stop by the Village Hall, call 893-7000 and one can be mailed to you.



Off the Shelf

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From the Suggestion Box ...

HOT, COLD, WHERE IS IT?

Even though construction has been completed, there are many adjustments and additions still taking place. The heating and air conditioning system is in the process of being balanced. Signs designating specific areas of the library and locations of materials have been ordered. Keep an eye out for these improvements.

MORE HOURS

A number of patrons have requested the library to be open more hours. Sunday hours have resumed now that school has started. The library is open 56 hours a week from Memorial Day through Labor Day and 60 hours a week the rest of the year. As always, you may call the public service desks anytime the library is open. If the librarian is busy, the new phone system permits you to leave a message. All messages are cleared each day and you will receive a return phone call.

DAILY PAPERS

With the installation of the 3M Security System, it was thought that the daily newspapers would be available in the reading area. During the month of August the papers were placed on the tables, unfortunately many became missing. All newspapers are now kept behind the circulation desk. A staff member will be happy to retrieve them for you but a piece of identification must be left at the desk until the paper is returned.

LIBRARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCTOBER

*8	Effective Job Search Strategies	7:00 pm-9:00 pm
8	Library Board Meeting	7:30 pm
9	Writer's Group Subcommittee	7:00 pm-9:00 pm
11	Writer's Group	9:00 am-Noon
13	No School Program	10:00am-4:00 pm
	Puzzle Day - All Ages	
14	Bloomington Seniors	11:00 am-3:00 pm
15	Bloomington Garden Club	1:00 pm
22	Writer's Group	7:00 pm-9:00 pm
22	Friends of the Library	7:30 pm-9:00 pm
*25	Halloween Party - All Ages	1:30 pm-3:30 pm
26	Reflection Reception	1:30 pm-4:00 pm
28	Investment Workshop for	1:30 pm-4:00 pm
	Growth Income and New 97/98	7:00 pm-9:00 pm
	Tax Laws — Jim Hari	

NOVEMBER

4	Election Day	
5	Friends of the Library	7:30 pm-9:00 pm
6	Writer's Group Subcommittee	7:00 pm-9:00 pm
*6	Book Discussion	7:30 pm
8	Writer's Group	9:00 am-Noon
8	Autograph Auction and Art Sale	9:00 am-5:00 pm
*8	Ornament Workshop for	1:30 pm-2:30 pm
	Community tree	3:00 pm-4:00 pm
*10	Holiday Candle Craft -	7:00 pm
	Tobi Abrams	
11	No School Program	10:00 am-4:00 pm
	Board Game Day - All Ages	
12	Library Board Meeting	7:30 pm
16-22	Children's Book Week	
*16	Grandparents Day	2:30 pm-3:45 pm
*17	Decorate Sweatshirts & Tee's -	7:00 pm-9:00 pm
	Tobi Abrams	
19	Bloomington Garden Club	7:00 pm
*22	Family Reading Night	7:00 pm-8:00 pm
27	Thanksgiving Day	LIBRARY CLOSED

DECEMBER

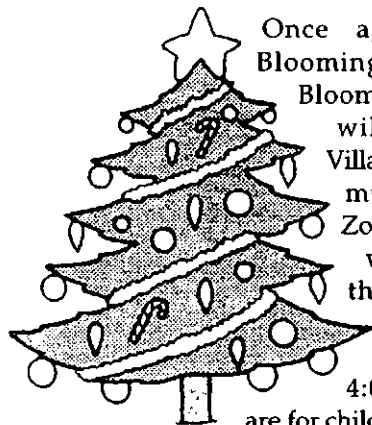
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7	Holiday Open House	2:00 pm-5:00 pm
9	Bloomington Seniors	11:00 am-3:00 pm
10	Library Board Meeting	7:30 pm
11	Writer's Group Subcommittee	7:00 pm-9:00 pm
*13	Breakfast With Santa	8:30 am & 10:30 am
	Bloomington Golf Club	
13	Writer's Group	9:00 am-Noon

*Registration Required (630-529-3120).

Youth Services Department

Check Out These Great New Youth Programs!

Hey, Kids -- Be a Part of Decorating the Bloomingdale Community Tree!



Once again the Village of Bloomingdale and the Bloomingdale Public Library will be co-sponsoring the Village of Bloomingdale community tree at Brookfield Zoo. Two ornament-making workshops will be held at the library on Saturday, November 8 from 1:30-2:30 p.m. and from 3:00-4:00 p.m. The workshops are for children ages 3 and up.

During the workshop, children will make Christmas tree ornaments which will be used to trim the Village of Bloomingdale community tree that will be on display at Brookfield Zoo through January 1, 1998. Join us for a fun afternoon and help make Bloomingdale's tenth community tree special. Refreshments will be served. To register, call 529-3120, ext. 331.

All children who make ornaments for the tree are invited to help trim the tree at Brookfield Zoo on November 22nd at 1:30 p.m. The Zoo will be giving us a very limited number of admission and parking passes. A drawing will be held this year to distribute the passes. Registration for the drawing will be on November 8 during the two workshop sessions. For more information about the zoo tree-trimming event, call the Library at 529-3120.

"TEAM I READ" Summer Reading Program a Great Success

Congratulations to everyone who joined the Youth Services' TEAM I READ Summer Reading Program! A total of 907 young people participated in the program and earned prizes based on the amount of time they spent reading. By the end of the summer, the participants had read a cumulative total of 11,883 hours. The total number of people attending TEAM I READ programs was 4902.

The Youth Services Department would again like to thank all the local merchants who were so generous with their donations for Summer reading prizes. Their continued support is vital to the success of our program each summer!

"No School" Programs

Register with the Youth Services Department

Monday, October 13: PUZZLE DAY

Puzzled? Don't know what to do? Come to the library any time between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. We will supply the materials for you to make your own puzzle. We will also be putting puzzles together. A movie will be shown at 2:00 p.m. Popcorn will be served.

Tuesday, November 11: BOARD GAME DAY

Don't be BORED on this day! Come to the library any time between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. We will supply the materials for you to make your own game. Enjoy the rest of the time playing your favorite board game. Bring a friend! We will be showing a movie at 2:00 p.m. Popcorn will be served.

Chess Club Tournament

On August 5, the Bloomingdale Chess Club participated in the Annual Interlibrary Chess Tournament held at the Bartlett Library. This year Bloomingdale's team placed second and its first place ranking (held for five years) went to Poplar Creek Library. The final team scores were:

Poplar Creek - 186	Bloomingdale - 183
Bartlett 164	Glenside - 151.5
Lombard - 100	Villa Park - 40.5

The winning team in ranked order was:

Blair Machaj, Craig Cochran, Jamie Cavanaugh, Anthony Sanchez, Paul Muurski, Shaun Riley, Steve Heldt, Dean Hess, Jason Hess, Jim Reese, Kyle Hock. A special thank you goes to Sean Luster who served as team coach.



Youth Services Department

REGISTER NOW FOR GREAT FALL PROGRAMS

Thanks, Junior Friends

The Youth Services Department would like to thank the following Junior Friends for donating their time, energy and talents to help with the TEAM I READ Summer Reading Program:

Amy Argentine	Michael Batts
Rachel Beagley	Nicole Cechini
Jeannie Croner	Lindsay Fenton
Katie Freund	Dianne Fuller
Katie Gedrimas	Katie Gianninni
Victoria Kas	Leanne King
Julie Knowersowski	Sarah Krohn
Vinette Lupo	Kate Marchi
Maureen Meyer	Megan Meyer
Barbie Panfil	Yogin Patel
Ashlea Raske	Megan Redmon
Nicole Sedlacek	Christine Sigalos
Brendan Shanley	Ashley Wilmes
Abbey Zegar	

A "Grand" Time at the Library

Grandparents and children of all ages are invited to the opening celebration of Children's Book Week on Sunday, November 16 from 2:30-3:45 p.m.

Special entertainment and refreshments will be featured, along with prizes and giveaways. Children may bring a grandparent-aged friend or neighbor if a grandparent is not available.

Please register with Youth Services either in person or by calling 529-3120, ext. 332 **by Thursday, November 13.** Because of the special features of this program, we would like an exact count of adults and children attending. **PLEASE CALL THE ABOVE NUMBER AND EXTENSION IF YOU NEED TO CANCEL.**

Make a Difference Day

The Youth Services staff will be storytelling at Springfield Park to help the Bloomingdale Park District celebrate "Make a Difference Day" on Sunday, October 19 from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Soar with the Caldecotts at "Family Reading Night"

Families throughout the state of Illinois will be celebrating Family Reading Night on Thursday, November 20, 1997. Join us at the Bloomingdale Public Library from 7:00-8:00 p.m. as we feature six decades of books that have been awarded the Caldecott Medal for outstanding illustrations. For those who may like a wider range of choices, a variety of new books will also be available for sharing.

Because of its popularity in past years, all children will have the opportunity to choose a book that will be added to the library collection. These books will honor each family's participation in Family Reading Night with a special individualized bookplate!

Refreshments will be served and door prizes will be awarded. Please register with Youth Services either in person or by calling 529-3120, ext. 332.

Halloween Party

Fall would not be complete without a Halloween Party! Mark your calendars to join in on the fun for Saturday, October 25 from 1:30-3:30 p.m. The Library will once again host this fun Halloween party right on the grounds of the library! Children of all ages may come in costume and play a variety of great games under the bigtop. Treats will also be available for everyone in the Witches Kitchen. Don't miss the fun! All games are free. Register either by phone or in person at the Youth Services reference desk. Call 529-3120.

HOLIDAY EVENTS FOR EVERYONE!!!

Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, December 13
First seating 8:30-10:00 a.m.
Second seating 10:30 a.m.
-12:00 noon
Bloomington Golf Club

Due to popular demand, the Bloomington Public Library will sponsor two seatings this year for the festive Breakfast with Santa!



Children and their families can warm up by the fire while they enjoy delicious food prepared by the Bloomington Golf Club. A holiday Craft Table will hold an assortment of fun for the children! But the highlight of the morning is visiting with SANTA and having a photo taken with the jolly old elf!

The cost for the breakfast is \$5.00 per person at the time of registration (children 3 years and under are free). Photos taken with Santa are \$5.00 each. Register in person at the Youth Services reference desk.



15th Annual Christmas Showcase

'Tis the Season for Books and Reading" will be the theme of the Bloomington Public Library's display at the 15th annual Christmas Showcase sponsored by the Bloomington Chamber of Commerce at the Indian Lakes Resort on Thursday, November 20 from 6:00-9:00 p.m.

We invite you to stop by and visit this new feature for children. Staff members will be accepting registrations for library cards, sharing information about the variety of services the library provides and distributing "Tis the Season for Books and Reading" bookmarks. The Library will once again have its popular candy treats.

This year the library will also be participating in a new feature, a Children's Activity Area. This area will be located in the lobby just outside the showcase rooms. The Youth Services staff from the Bloomington Public Library, the Glenside Public Library District and Roselle Public Library District will be sponsoring children's crafts and storytelling from 6:00-9:00 p.m. The Bloomington Police Department puppets and Bloomington library mascot "Pages the Bear" will be making special appearances. In addition, this area will also have several holiday games sponsored by the Bloomington Park District.

We invite you to stop and visit this new feature for children. Don't forget to make a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Santa, just waiting to greet you and your family. Picture photos, in a lovely frame can be taken for \$5.00 apiece. For more information, please call the library at 529-3120, ext. 332.

Holiday Open House

You're invited to join us for a "magical afternoon" as we host the Ninth Annual Holiday Open House on Sunday, December 7 from 2:00-5:00 p.m. at the Library.

At 2:00-2:45 p.m. The Magical Jolly Jubilee, a holiday theme magic show starring magician Tim Balaster, an elf and everyone's favorite, Rudolph will open the festivities. The show will feature upbeat holiday music, comedy and audience participation with an appearance from Santa and a magical six foot sleigh.

Between 3:00-5:00 p.m. a stilt walking toy soldier, and "Pages" the library mascot will be roving and greeting everyone. There will be musical entertainment and various craft activities ongoing in the library. There will be hot apple cider and refreshments around 3:00 p.m. Don't forget to stop by and visit Mr. and Mrs. Santa from 3:00-4:30. Photos can be taken with Santa for \$5.00 each.

At 4:30 p.m. Rudolph, Santa and Pages will lead a parade to the Founder's Park Gazebo for the Village tree lighting ceremony. The Library's pre-school story hour children and several scout brownie troops will perform various holiday songs as the tree is lighted. This will conclude the day's festivities! Mark your calendar now and join us for a truly magical afternoon on December 7th.

Autograph Auction/Local Artist Exhibit and Sale

The final plans are being made for the third Friends of the Bloomingdale Public Library Autograph Action, scheduled for November 3-8, 1997. To date, over 150 items and autographs of famous authors, entertainers, athletes and personalities have been collected for the silent auction. Jim Davis, the Garfield cartoonist; Elizabeth Taylor, Michael Bolton, Oleg Cassin, the fashion designer; Bill Cosby, Troy Aikman, and Cindy Crawford are just a few of the autographs that will be auctioned. Pictures, books, and other items of famous personalities will also be auctioned.

Autographs can be previewed at the library in mid-October. Bids will start at various prices depending on the item. Bidding will start at the library on November 3. The final bidding and announcement of winners will be on November 8, 1997. You need not be present to be the winning bidder.

In addition to the autograph auction, local artists will be exhibiting and selling their art from 9:00 am until 5:00 p.m. on November 8. To date, the local artists exhibiting and selling include: Sanaa Ezzat, Joan Johnson, Gladys Kroon, Bridgette Werder, Diane Duffy, Jan Schmuckal, Diane Walenda, Bev Miotke and Sharon Kane.

Please come for a wonderful day. Refreshments will be served in the afternoon. For more information, call the library at 529-3120.

Bloomingdale Garden Club

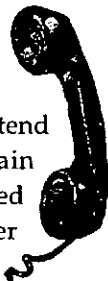
Join us for our upcoming meetings at the Bloomingdale Public Library:

Wednesday, October 15 1:00 PM Room D

Wednesday, November 19 7:00 PM Room D

Please call ahead so we may assist you ...

Individuals with disabilities who plan to attend Library programs and who require certain accommodations to participate are requested to call the Library, 529-3120 (TDD number 529-4739), 48 hours in advance of program date.



Welcome New Staff!

The staff said good-bye to a number of students bound for college and personnel moving on to new challenges. Five positions have been filled. Two new faces in the Administration Office are Nancy Gustafson, full time Administrative Assistant and Heather Bradley, part time Administrative Assistant. Nancy is a 15 year resident of the area. Two children and attending library classes part time at the College of DuPage keep her busy but she still finds time for her hobbies of painting, drawing and crafts. Heather attended area schools and was often in the library as a student. Heather is pursuing a degree in business and also has a full time job at an environmental company.

Judy Gedrimas, Sarah Hanson and Madeline Mikutis are three new part time staff members in the Circulation Department. Judy was born and raised in the Chicago area. After marriage, her family was relocated to many cities across the country. They are now residing for the second time in Bloomingdale and hope to call it home for a long time. Sarah, a lifelong resident of the area is a nursing student at DePaul University. Madeline is a part-time teacher in the extended care program at Trinity Lutheran School as well as a student at the College of DuPage. Her field of study is ornamental horticulture. Please welcome these new staff members the next time you are in the library.



Floral Designs for the Holidays

*Sponsored by
Bloomingdale Garden Club*

Floral Designer
Gladys Kroon
Addison Floral
Bloomingdale Garden Club

Wednesday, November 19, 1997
at 7:00 p.m.

Admission is free for all
Bloomingdale Public Library
101 Fairfield Way

For more information, call (630) 980-3565

CHECK OUT THESE PROGRAMS FROM ADULT SERVICES

INVESTMENT WORKSHOP FOR GROWTH, INCOME AND NEW TAX LAWS FOR 97/98

Tuesday, October 28, 1997 at 7:00 PM

Join us for this informative lecture on investments and money management for retirement. James Hari, Vice President of Investment and Retirement Planning Specialist, with Dean Witter Reynolds, will speak to you about investments, savings and retirement planning and Larry McBeath, CPA, with McBeath, Fates and McLean will discuss Tax Law changes for 1997/98. Call 529-3120 ext. 324 to register.

HOLIDAY CRAFT WORKSHOPS

Holiday Candle Craft

Monday, November 10, 1997 at 7:00pm

Come and learn how to make creative candles for gifts or to decorate your home for the holidays. Join our favorite crafter, Tobi Star Abrams and learn this quick and easy way to make beautiful candles. Call 529-3120 ext. 324 to register and for a list of materials.

Decorate SweatShirts and Tees Craft Workshop

Monday, November 17, 1997 at 7:00pm

Join us this time to learn how to create beautifully decorated holiday sweatshirts or T-shirts. Tobi Star Abrams will be here once again to guide us through this holiday craft workshop. Call 529-3120 ext. 324 to register and for a list of materials.

1998 ADULT BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Bloomington Library's 1998 Adult Book discussion Group will meet at 7:30 PM on the first Thursday of the following months. Because of the holiday the January meeting will be held on the second Thursday.

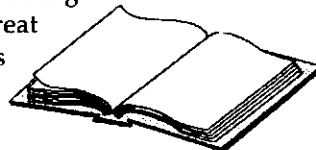
Jan. 8	<u>The Last Convertible</u> by Anton Myrer
Feb. 5	<u>The Ladder of Years</u> by Anne Tyler
Mar. 5	<u>Dead Man Walking</u> by Sister Helen Prejean
Apr. 2	<u>The Deep End of the Ocean</u> by Jacquelyn Mitchard
Oct. 1	<u>When I Was Puerto Rican</u> by Esmerelda Santiago
Nov. 5	<u>Evening Class</u> by Maeve Binchy

WATCH THIS SPACE . . .

...For future fish fry facts. The local history room's re-creation of "Roy's Friday Night Fish Fry" has been rescheduled for Monday, August 3, 1998 when the chill is again (hopefully) out of the air.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM

The Adult Summer Reading Program was once again a great success. We had 64 adults participate in the Adult Summer Reading Program this summer. 44 adult readers completed the program by reading 5 books and were entered into the prize drawing. Total books read this summer by adult readers, 260.



The following prizes were awarded:

Horwath's \$20.00 gift certificate
Kane County Cougar Tickets
Hamlet \$15.00 gift certificate
Marshall Field's Ice Cream Dish
Schoop's gift certificate
Garibaldi's gift certificate
Walden's Book Bags
Red Lobster Free Dessert Coupons

The library would like to extend a special THANKS to all the local businesses that donated prizes. The Adult Summer Reading Program's continuing success depends on the support of our local business community.

Homebound Service

Are you...

- *A senior without a car
- *Physically handicapped
- *Recovering from surgery
- *Limited by illness

AND...

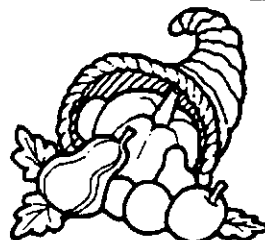
*A Bloomington Resident?

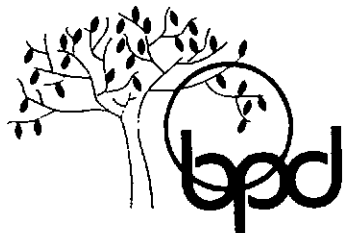
If so, you are eligible to receive free delivery of library materials to your home. Call the Reference Desk at 529-3120, ext 324.



LIBRARY HOLIDAY HOURS

Wednesday, November 26, 1997	9:00AM - 9:00PM
Thursday, November 27, 1997	LIBRARY CLOSED
Friday, November 28, 1997	9:00 AM-5:00 PM
Saturday, November 29, 1997	9:00 AM- 5:00 PM
Sunday, November 30, 1997	1:00 PM - 5:00 PM





The Bloomingdale Park District

MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY / SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

At Springfield Park

Make a difference in your community by joining us at the Springfield Park wetlands on Sunday from 10:00 to noon. The whole family can pitch in for our annual clean-up followed by a day of entertainment, refreshments and fun! Wear old clothes and shoes and give us a call if you have any questions!

10:00 am to Noon:

seed collection & wetland clean-up

12:00 pm to 2:00 pm:

refreshments & tours of the nature area
hayrides & entertainment

6:30 to 7:30 pm:

bonfire & nature tales with "marsh" mellowes
storytelling with the library staff

All events are free. Please call 529-3650 for information.

Sponsored by the Bloomingdale Parks Foundation.

Evening events sponsored by the Bloomingdale Public Library

UPCOMING PARK DISTRICT SPECIAL EVENTS:

HALLOWEEN HAPPENING / FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31

Bloomingdale's biggest Halloween party! 5:30 to 8:00 pm
For preschool thru 5th grades. At the Johnston Rec Center.

Holiday Magic Open House / Saturday, December 6

Our 3rd annual Christmas party will feature hayrides, musical entertainment, refreshments and of course, a visit from Santa! Everyone's invited to attend from 1:00 to 4:00 pm.



Open Gym Schedule

For Youths & Adults:

ADULTS:

Monday thru Friday:

11:30 am to 1:30 pm

Monday thru Thursday:

7:30 pm to 10:00 pm

Sunday (over 30):

10:00 am to noon

YOUTH & HIGH SCHOOL:

Monday thru Thursday:

3:30 to 7:30 pm

Saturday:

9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Sunday:

Noon to 3:00 pm

Sponsors Needed!

Generous and enthusiastic team supporters for our youth basketball program! The cost to sponsor one team is just \$100 and covers the cost of the jersey's for the players, and coach's shirts. You will receive a plaque for your business, as well as your name in our seasonal brochure and on the back of the jerseys. Call Matt Hahn at the park district (529-3650) for more information.

DEADLINE: December 1st

FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE HAS STARTED!

Every Friday* night at the Bloomingdale Park District, kids ages 9 through 14 can drop in at the Johnston Recreation Center for an evening of entertainment, games, contests and dancing! This supervised program is open to anyone. Admission is \$5 at the door. For more information, give us a call! *cancelled 10/31.

OCTOBER 17 - pizza eating & lip sync contests

OCTOBER 24 - dancing, floor hockey tournament

NOVEMBER 7 - volleyball tournament, movies, races

You're Invited To...

**The Bloomingdale Parks Foundation
3rd Annual Recognition Dinner**

When: Monday, October 20

Time: 6:00 pm

Where: Indian Lakes Resort

PRIZES  RAFFLES

Call 529-3650 for ticket information

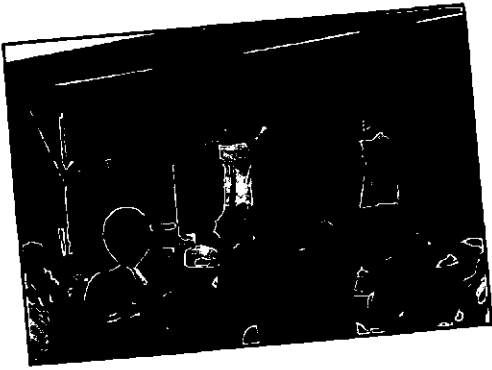
All proceeds benefit the Bloomingdale Parks Foundation. A portion of the ticket price is tax deductible.

Bloomingdale Park District

172 South Circle Avenue • Phone 630-529-3650

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 8:30 am to 8:00 pm; Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm; Saturday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

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