



Village of Bloomingdale Almanac

February 2001

From the Mayor's Desk

As we do at the beginning of every year, it is appropriate to thank the many commission and committee members who have volunteered their time and expertise during the year 2000 for the betterment of the Village. Their names can be found to the right. We also acknowledge the Neighborhood Watch participants on p. 10. Their help as the Police Department's extra "eyes and ears" is invaluable.

On January 8, the Village Board appointed Susan L. Bartucci as Village Clerk to fulfill the unexpired term of Paul Lockwood. Paul and his wife recently purchased their first home and have moved out of town.



We wish them all the best.

Susan brings a strong administrative background to the Village Clerk position, as well as many years of community involvement, especially with her daughters' activities. I am happy that Susan will also be running for the clerk position in the April election.

Inside this issue on p. 3, you will find a survey regarding the hours of service for the Village Hall. We are interested in seeing whether we are meeting the needs of residents with the current hours of operation. Please take the time to respond to this survey to help us in determining needs. We really want to hear from you.

Sincerely,

Mayor Robert Iden

Thanks

We extend thanks to the following individuals for their volunteer contributions during 2000 to Village Commissions and Committees:

Business Promotion & Cultural Development Committee

Ata Kashanian	John Vertrik
Branka Poplonski	Remo Turano
	Georgene Geils

Board of Fire & Police Commissioners

Warren Gnau	Frank Letizia
	Louis Pavone

Police Pension Board

Jeff Fritz	Mark Kreciak
Steve Apostolopoulos	Robert Denney
	Shilora Larson

Plan Commission

Mauro DeFalco	Jim King
Judi Von Huben	Guy Sanalidro
John Manos	Ron Fangusaro
Rick Tayfel	Rich Prybell

Septemberfest Commission

Barbara Arrivi	Debby Bodnar
Mary Jo Bailey	Pam Hagar
Mike Korney	Kathy Lovely
Dolores Orlik	Lynne Richman
Gloria Tomaras	Irene Jones

Family Fest Commission

Pat Cirrincione	Milt Clark
Peg Hartnett	Kandice Krettler
Mary Rodne	Guy Sanalidro

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 p.m. -- Village Hall

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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

PLAN COMMISSION

1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month
7:30 p.m. -- Village Hall

BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

3rd Wednesday of every month
5:00 p.m. -- Village Hall

POLICE PENSION BOARD

Quarterly beginning in January
4th Monday
5:00 p.m. -- Village Hall

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

2nd Wednesday of every month
7:30 p.m. -- Library

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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

FAMILY FEST COMMISSION

2nd Wednesday of every month
9:30 a.m. -- Library

SEPTEMBERFEST COMMISSION

3rd Wednesday of the month
March-December
7:00 p.m. - Village Hall

BUSINESS PROMOTION & CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

3rd Friday of the month
10:00 a.m. - Village Hall

BLOOMINGDALE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

2nd Tuesday of the month
7:30 p.m. - Firehouse,
179 S. Bloomingdale Road

*The following committees meet on a less regular
basis or as needed. Call the Village Hall at
671-5600 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

Susan L. Bartucci

Village Clerk

TRUSTEES

Robert Czernek

Legal & Intergovernmental

John Dabrowski

*Community Programs and
Special Events*

Patrick S. DeMoon

Police

James M. Gebis

*Planning, Zoning
& Environmental Concerns*

Anthony B. Mulizio

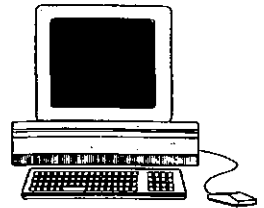
Finance and Personnel

Gloria Reyes

Public Works and Services

We'd like to hear from you: Please note our website address --

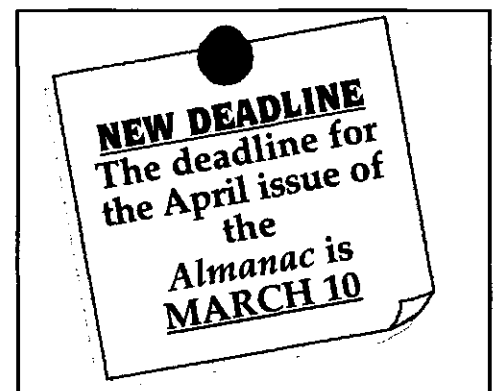
If you're "surfing the
net" and have a ques-
tion to ask or an issue
to bring to our atten-
tion, just E-mail it to us.
If you wish to send us
an electronic message, our address is:



**VILLAGE.BLOOMINGDALE@world-
net.att.net**

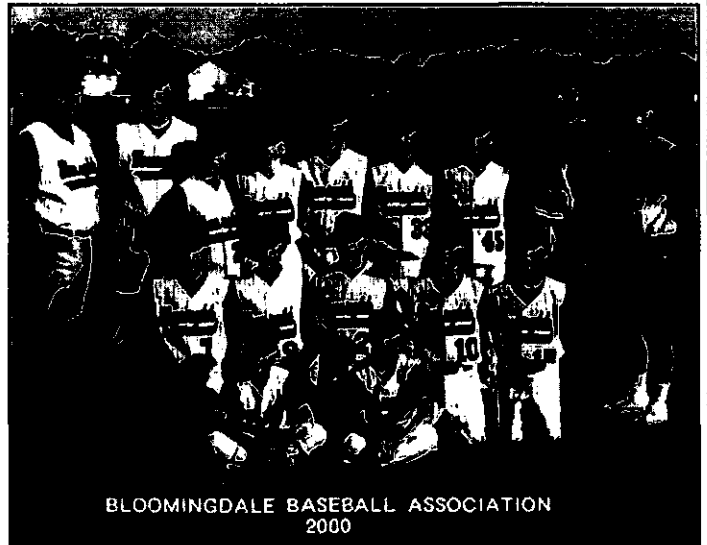
Our website address is:

www.vil.bloomingtondale.il.us



Bombers Have Their Sights on Cooperstown

The Bloomingdale Bombers (the BBA's boys 12 year old Travel Only team) are going to Cooperstown, NY this summer. The team has been invited to participate in a national invitational tournament sponsored by the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, NY. The team will play in Cooperstown's Dream Park during the week of July 28.



BLOOMINGDALE BASEBALL ASSOCIATION
2000

The Bombers are raising money through fundraising activities to offset the cost of the travel, food, and the housing expenses for the trip to Cooperstown. Donations, which are tax deductible, should be mailed to the Bloomingdale Bombers c/o Bloomingdale Baseball Association at P.O. Box 89, Bloomingdale, IL 60108. Checks should be made payable to the Bloomingdale Baseball Association or BBA. The Bombers thank you for your support.

Important Resident Survey

WEEKDAYS

- ## SATURDAYS

- ## GENERAL

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Residents Will Go To The Polls April 3 To Elect Five Village Officials

On Tuesday, April 3, residents will have the opportunity to elect a Mayor, Village Clerk and three Village Trustees. Following is a brief overview of the candidates running.

Remember that March 6 is the last day to register to vote or to transfer registration in order to be eligible to vote on April 3. Absentee voting will be available at the Village Hall from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturdays, 8 a.m. - Noon beginning in mid-March.



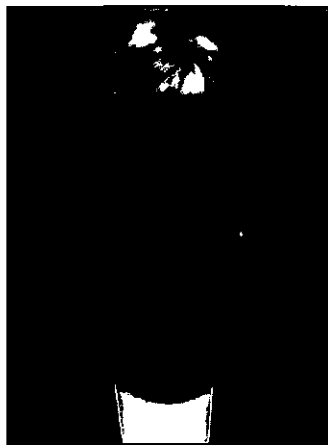
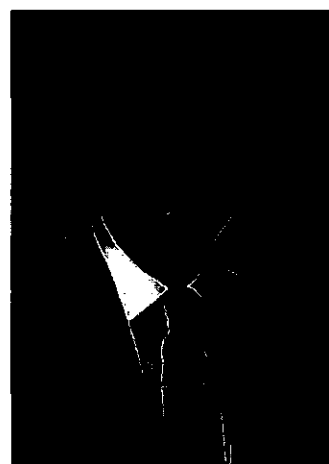
Robert G. Iden, Village President

Bob, his wife JoEllen, and their two daughters have made their home in Bloomingdale since 1968. Over his 30 plus years as a resident, he has witnessed much change in the landscape of the Village, and is proud of the part he has taken in forming that change.

After serving as a trustee for 14 years, Bob was appointed Acting Village President in 1992. He went on to be elected as Mayor in both 1993 and 1997. Over his 20 plus years on the Village Board, Bob has fostered a good working relationship with all other governing bodies in Bloomingdale, such as the schools, fire department and park district, as well as with the Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce.

Since becoming Mayor, he has served on the DuPage County Regional Planning Commission, currently as secretary/treasurer, the Bloomingdale Intergovernmental Group and has been an active member of the DuPage County Mayors and Managers Conference.

"I continue to be committed to maintaining a high level of Village services, preserving open space within our boundaries, and to monitoring the quality of future development."



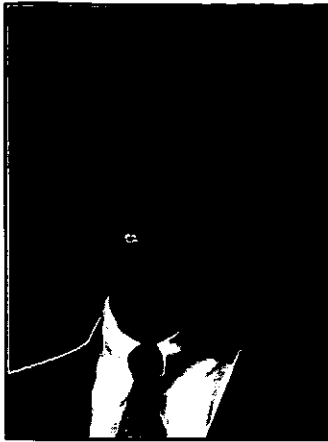
Susan L. Bartucci, Village Clerk

Susan and her husband, Frank, have resided in Bloomingdale for over 22 years. They have three daughters: Angela and Gina are in college, and Cara attends Lake Park High School.

Susan was appointed to the Village Clerk position on January 8, 2001, to fill the vacant office. Currently she is employed as a Project Associate at Convergys in Itasca, and she brings a strong administrative background to the Village Clerk position.

She has been involved in various community activities, serving as a Girl Scout Leader for 10 years and a Bloomingdale Bears Cheerleading Manager for 3 years. In addition, she has held many volunteer positions at the schools her daughters attended.

"I have been impressed with the current administration's open space policy, the tree planting program, and the continuous effort to preserve the village appearance. I am committed to maintaining the quality of living we have in Bloomingdale."



Patrick S. DeMoon, 4-year Trustee ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆

Pat, his wife Judi, and three sons have lived in Bloomingdale for 26 years. Pat is a former hospital administrator and recipient of many distinguished service awards from professional health care associations. He also holds a license as a nursing home administrator.

Locally, Pat is 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 has also been a member of the DuPage County Board of Health.

"I staunchly believe 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 has served as liaison to the Police Department during his

tenure. As a trustee, Pat believes in preserving open space, along with environmentally sound growth.

James Gebis, 4-year Trustee ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆

Jim and his wife Carol have raised their three children while living in Bloomingdale since 1977. He has been active in the community for 23 years including 10 years as a Plan Commission member and 12 years as a Village Trustee. His engineering background has been an asset to him while serving the community in various projects.

Jim has served as chairperson on the Golf Course Development, Planning and Environmental Concerns, and the Public Works committees, in addition to contributing his time and efforts on numerous other committees. He is proud to have seen Bloomingdale develop with quality during his tenure. "I am committed to protecting our environment and neighborhoods when private and public projects are developed in Bloomingdale."



Jim feels there is a lot more to accomplish through sound planning and fiscal management. He is always looking for new ways to reduce taxes, provide services and improve the quality of life in the Village. Increasing recreational and open space, protecting the sales tax base, development and redevelopment, and infrastructure improvements are key areas that he hopes to accomplish during his next term.



Judi Von Huben, 4-year Trustee ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆

Judi and her husband, David, have been residents of Bloomingdale for 15 years. She has worked as a product marketing manager in the electronics industry, as well as in computer sales. Currently, she is employed doing marketing and computer consulting for small companies.

Judi has been a member of the Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals for the past five years, and currently serves as its vice chairman. Judi is also the chairman of the Old Town Review Committee and is a member of the Recreational Pathway Advisory Committee.

Judi has remained committed to carrying on the Bloomingdale tradition of quality development, something she has been able to directly affect through her involvement on the Plan Commission and Old Town Committee. She also has a passion for open space and environmental issues.

"I am looking forward to being part of a dedicated team of people who care about our Village and its residents, and actively work at quality of life issues

Recycling Relocated From Public Works Facility

Beginning March 1st, there will no longer be recycling bins at the Public Works facility. Waste Management has a facility located at 550 N. Center Avenue (off Fullerton, between Gary and Schmale) in Carol Stream. The recycling drop-off is open seven days a week, 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. There is no charge for recyclables, however **NO YARD WASTE** is allowed. The phone number is 630-752-8291.



Thanks, everyone!

The second annual holiday "Shop with a Cop" campaign was a great success. A big thank you to Wal-Mart and all who made contributions for these needy kids.

April 30 is Deadline for Displaying 2001 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.

Residents will be receiving a pre-printed application with the prior year's data included. An envelope for mailing back the application and payment will be included.

To avoid long lines and inclement weather, residents are encouraged to mail application with payment. Vehicle stickers will be returned by mail. Of course, as always, vehicle stickers can be purchased in person at the Village Hall, as well as at the following locations:

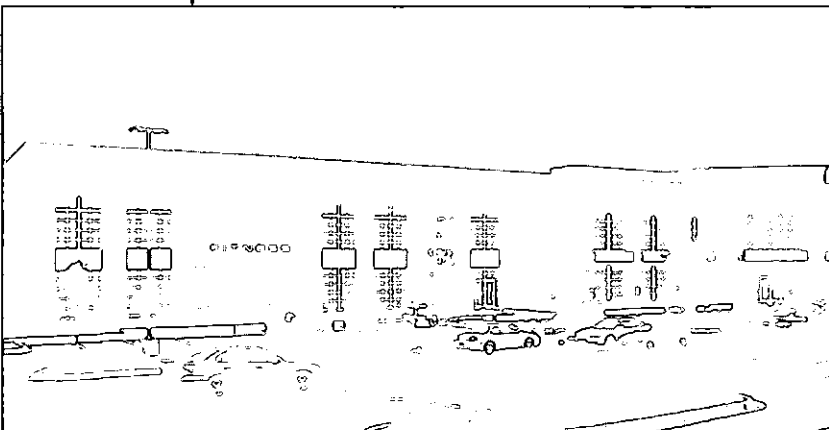
Springbrook Currency Exchange
Towne Center Shopping Center
115 E. Lake Street

West Suburban Currency Exchange
158 S. Gary Avenue

PLEASE NOTE: Vehicle stickers are no longer available at Bank One facilities.

Lifetime Fitness Center Now Open

The soon-to-open Life Time Fitness center of Bloomingdale features 110,000 square feet of first-class facilities including swimming pools and waterslides; whirlpools and saunas; indoor climbing walls and caverns; basketball, volleyball, racquetball & squash courts; aerobic and cycling studios, an extensive selection of free-weight systems and hundreds of strength-training and cardiovascular machines. Each of the club's luxurious locker rooms also features its own steam room, tanning rooms, hair dryers and television lounge area.



Life Time Fitness members also enjoy a variety of free services including free fitness & nutrition seminars, free fitness assessments, free orientation programs, free locker & towel services, free aerobic & cycling instruction and free childcare.

The new Bloomingdale megaclub is scheduled to open its doors to members in mid-February and will host open house tours for the public from 9am-9pm on the last two weekends of the month, (February 17-18 and 24-25). For additional information regarding Life Time Fitness, please contact Jeff Stokes at 630-582-4100 or visit www.lifetimefitness.com.

Community Events

Historical Society Members Dedicating Civil War Graves

The **Bloomingtondale Historical Society** is going to rededicate the graves of some of the Civil War veterans buried in St. Paul/ Evergreen Cemetery. The organization will get the government to replace the worn headstones. This is a major project that will take about two years. When all is ready, a ceremony will take place at the cemetery. More information will be forthcoming in the following months. Anyone with information about soldiers buried in the cemetery or wanting more information about the project is encouraged to call Bob Kurek at 630-894-0045 or e-mail at BlmHisSoc@webtv.net.

Culture Club Sponsors Paper Sculpture Program February 14

The **Culture Club** cordially extends an invitation to all artists, photographers and artisans to join them on the second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. for a free, entertaining and instructional evening at the Bloomingtondale Public Library, 101 Fairfield Way. Each month a new program is presented. The February 14th program will feature a hands-on demo on paper sculpture by artist Kay Wahlgren. On March 14, there will be a demonstration of miniature landscapes done in acrylic. For more information, call the library at 529-3120.

Da Dance Camp at Indian Lakes February 23-24

Da Dance Camp is coming to Indian Lakes Resort February 23-24. The weekend will feature 16 dance workshops, exhibitions, tons of open dancing, dance competition for first timers and more. The focus will be on the waltz, 2-Step, cha cha, swing and more. No experience is necessary. The event is sponsored by the Swing N Country Dance Club. For more information call 847-638-7621 or visit the website at www.swingncountry.org.

Bloomingtondale Chamber Awards Night February 25

The **Bloomingtondale Chamber of Commerce** hosts its 7th annual Awards and Recognition Event on Saturday, February 25 from 7 – 11 p.m. at Stratford Square Mall. The chamber plans an evening filled with awards, entertainment, "elegant" finger food and fun. Tickets are \$35 per person. Call the chamber at 980-9082 for tickets or more information.

St. Isidore Hosts St. Joseph Table March 18

The St. Isidore Council of Catholic Women (CCW) will be having their annual St. Joseph Table on Sunday, March 18 in the Parish Ministry Center located at Army Trail Road and Gary Avenue. The gala eating extravaganza begins at 3 p.m. and ends at 7 p.m. The free-will donations will be given to the WE CARE fund that offers assistance to people in need in the area. All are invited to donate food and/or attend the event. Call Brenda Byrne at 876-0087 for details.

Got the Winter Doldrums? Think Spring Fashions!

Forget about the snow and ice and think ahead to the Bloomingtondale Women's Club's 27th annual fashion show, "Color My World with Fashion" to be held on Saturday, April 21st at Indian Lakes Resort. Lovely fashions from Diva Boutique, Foxtail Boutique, Gingiss Formal Wear, Hinsdale Furriers, Kohl's, Sassy's Boutique and Weekenders will be featured along with special touches from JP Jewelers and the Addison House of Hair Design. Tickets can be purchased for \$30.00 for the luncheon and fashion show. The beneficiary this year will be Public Action to Deliver Shelter (PADS), an organization that has helped so many people. Mark your calendars now. For more information, call Jennifer Hoffman at 630-510-3992.

HELP WANTED

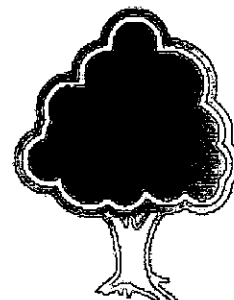
The Village Services
Public Works and Utilities
Divisions are seeking
seasonal help.
Applications are available
at the Village Hall,
201 S. Bloomingtondale Road.
For further information,
contact Jim Monkemeyer
at 671-5692.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

The Village Forestry
Division is looking for vol-
unteers to plant 100
seedlings provided by the
National Tree Trust on
Saturday, April 28th, from
10 a.m. – noon at the
Public Works Facility, 305
S. Glen Ellyn Road.

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 fur-
ther growth.

For more information or to
volunteer, please contact
Larry M. Slavicek, Urban
Forester, at 671-5803.





District 15's Dr. Golden Retires

At the conclusion of this school year Dr. Lawrence Golden will retire as superintendent of Marquardt School District 15. At that time he will have completed 37 years in the field of education, with 34 of those years in service to Marquardt School District 15.

During his thirty-four years he has witnessed the tremendous growth of the school district from three buildings and 800 students to seven buildings serving approximately 2700 students. As he looks back on his career he is proud of the instructional program, especially the incorporation of technology within that program.

During his tenure as principal and superintendent of Marquardt School District 15, Dr. Golden has been nominated by the Board of Education for the Illinois Association of School Board's *Those Who Excel* program as well as the *Executive Educator* program, attaining recognition in both of these programs. Through his efforts in promoting gifted

education in Illinois, he was acknowledged by the Illinois Council for the Gifted by receiving its highest statewide award. In addition, the Village of Glendale Heights has recognized Dr. Golden for his involvement in the activities of the Confronting Substance Abuse Committee during the past several years.

Dr. Golden says it has been his pleasure to serve the students and parents of this community. He is very proud of what has been accomplished and wishes the district continued success in meeting the needs of District 15's student population.

Scholarship Funds Available from Local Organizations

Once again several scholarships are available for residents through local groups. The **Bloomington Women's Club** is pleased to announce its 2001 scholarships. They are awarding three \$500 scholarships: two are available to male or female high school seniors residing in Bloomington; the other is available to a woman resident of the Village who is continuing her education or updating her skills. Community service will be a major component for awarding the scholarships.

Applications are available at the Village Hall, the Bloomington Public Library and in the guidance office of local high schools as well as in the Financial Aid Office at the College of DuPage. Applications can also be requested by writing to Bloomington Women's Club Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 271, Bloomington IL 60108. All applications are due back to the club by April 15, 2001. For more information, call Debbie Korell 630-307-7978.

The **Bloomington Chamber of Commerce** will also be offering scholarships to graduating seniors and continuing post secondary students for vocational, business or a 2 or 4-year college. Candidates must be a Bloomington resident. Previous Bloomington Chamber of Commerce scholarship winners will not be considered. Applications will be due back in mid-April. Call the Chamber office at 980-9082 for more details on requirements and to request an application.

Applications are also now being accepted for three scholarships for college-bound high school seniors who previously attended **District 13 schools**. The scholarships, made available by the district's parent-teacher

organizations, may be picked up at Lake Park, Driscoll Catholic and St. Francis high schools. Applications must be returned to the sponsoring school by Friday, April 6.

Students may apply for scholarships offered by either school they attended. Scholarship winners will be selected by a committee who evaluates the student's application, grade point averages, introductory letters and letters of recommendation. This is the tenth year the PTOs have been offering the college scholarships.

This year the **Bloomington-Roselle Rotary Club** is also awarding a \$500 scholarship by way of an essay contest about the "4 Way Test" of the things we think, say, or do. This ethical test has been used throughout Rotary International since 1948.

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it BUILD GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?"

Eligibility requirements for the contest are that the applicant: (1) be a resident of or attend school in Bloomington, Roselle, or Medinah, Illinois, (2) be a graduating high school senior, and (3) submit an application information page and an essay about the "4 Way Test"

For a list of further rules, seniors should contact their schools or write to the Bloomington-Roselle Rotary Club at P.O. Box 596, Bloomington, IL 60108. ATTN: 4-way test. Applications for the scholarship award must be post-marked no later than April 27, 2001.

Spring Branch Collection Begins March 26

The Bloomingdale Public Works' Forestry Division will be conducting its Spring Branch Collection Program beginning on March 26, 2001. **PLEASE NOTE** - To better serve our residents a summer pick-up is again being included in the program. Residents' branches will again be collected three times during the year, once during spring, summer and fall. The summer pick-up will take place during July. Large branches downed by storms will also be picked up. Small branches and twigs downed during storms should be bagged for BFI pick-up. For storm damage pick-up, please contact Helen Price at 671-5800 **within 72 hours of storm for scheduling.**

The branch collection program is available to single family detached residences within the Village of Bloomingdale only. If residents of townhomes have questions regarding branch collection, please contact your association.

The following information shall assist residents regarding branch collection procedures:

☐ Branches must be out **NO LATER THAN 7 A.M. ON THE DAY PICK-UP IS TO BEGIN FOR THE SECTION** as our crew will be making only one pass down each block and **WILL NOT RETURN.**

☐ Woody branches up to 6 inches in diameter and up to 20 feet in length are the only items that will be picked up. Long lengths, up to 20 feet, are favored. Do not reduce the length for our benefit. Any branches exceeding 6 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, SMALL (under 1/2 inch in diameter) FLEXIBLE 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.

☐ 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. Small branches may be bundled with string. **PLEASE NOTE** - branches left out in a tangled mess will not be picked up due to time required for our crew to sort for loading.

☐ Branches with spikes, hooks or other metal objects will not be picked up. **STUMPS, ROOTS, ROOT BALLS, WOODEN FENCE AND CONSTRUCTION LUMBER ALSO WILL NOT BE PICKED UP.**

☐ Please do not conceal 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 pick-ups should be directed to 847-429-7370.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated and will ensure a successful program. For further information, please call Helen Price at 671-5800.

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SPRING 2001 BRANCH PICKUP SCHEDULE

SECTION ONE: Pick-up begins March 26, 2001

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 TWO: Pick-up begins April 2, 2000

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.

SECTION THREE: Pick-up begins April 9, 2001

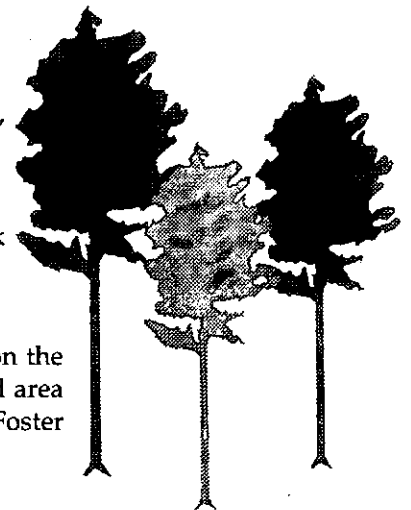
Area bounded by Army Trail Road on the south, Old Gary Avenue on the west, Schick Road on the north, and Bloomingdale Road on the east.

SECTION FOUR: Pick-up begins April 16, 2001

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 FIVE: Pick-up begins April 23, 2001

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.

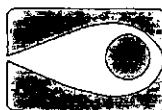


NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH IN ACTION

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 2000. Thank you for all your efforts in keeping our community safe.

Cindy Albin	Amy Frane	Victoria Melvin	Walter Santi
Rose Amato	Mitch & Vivi Frumkin	Jane & Gil Michelotti	Mary Santucci
Hugh Bailey	Laura Geraci	Elaine Moline	Lewis Sapien
Frank Bartolone	Sally Gill	Chris Monisco	John & Bonnie Sassmann
Robert Becker	Joyce Gladbach	Mary Jane Murray	Susan Schembari
Lee Beckermann	Sue Glynn	Dick & Dottie Nagle	Shirley Schlak
Daniel Bell	Joyce Go	Donald Napoli Jr.	Rhonda Schubert
Anna Marie Bergl	Sharlene Grass	Carol & Andrew Neff	John Schultz
James Bitzer	Vincentine Grassmuck	Kathleen Nendze	Patricia Shanahan
Pam Brewer	Agnes Gribbon	Carol & Dennis Neri	Donna Shaw
Mary Lynn Brown	Patrick Griffin	Carol Nies	Kendra Siegle
Greg Burgess	Charissa Hannigan	Georgette Nootens	Joanne Sisco
Andre Burke	Jim Harris	Holly Paoletti	Barb Soden
Brad Butler	Connie Hasselbach	Elizabeth Pavia	Mary Soellner
Michael Cannata	Juanita Hathaway	Laurell Pearce	John Sofere
Gregory Carrol	Jacquelyne Hill	Anita Pedersen	Nilofer Sohler
Lynnette Casolari	Rich Hodyl	Sandra Perakis	Juanita Soyaut
Edward Christofano	Donna Hoidas	Dawn Percadani	Rich & Cindy Stepanek
Bart Cohen	Jane & Dennis Hyde	Frances Pingel	Troy & Virginia
Don Coleman	Dorothy Jaskey	Sandy Polito	Stinson
John & Erin Corley	Gretchen Johnson	Dorothy Prohaska	Janice Toy
Carol Cosentino	Henry Jones	Patrick Quigley	Carl Triana
Clarence Costa	Jennifer Jordan	Bernard Rapacz	Steven & Staci Usedom
Patricia Cox	George Kas	Roberta & Michael	Jeannie Van-Sky
Ginger Crissie	Joyce Klinowski	Ratliff	Enza Vicari
Susan Culhane	Kathleen Kohl	Pam Rion	Susan Voelker
Ray Cullerton	Alan J. & Lori A.	Virginia Riordon	Mary Theresa Wedel
Josephine Dabrowski	Kramer	Marvin Roehlke	Cindy Westfall
Janet Davitt	Bonnielynn Kreiser	Gail Rohlfing	Constance White
Bonnie Decoursey	Joseph Kuzdzal	Roger Rossi	Bob Wikrent
Daniel Del Campo	Sandra Lamar	Cynthia Rothamer	Patricia Zaborowski
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Monica Dolhun	Lobracco		
Lue Domingo	Linda Magnussen		
Donna Doyle	Rozanne Malott		
Paula & George Duffey	James Mandock		
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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

Dawn Odoi,
Detective

529-9868

PARKWAY TREE MAINTENANCE

For any and all work by a resident or resident's contractor on a parkway tree, a permit is required by Ordinance No. 95-61, An Ordinance Regulating the Planting, Maintenance and Removal of Trees on Public Areas.

PLEASE NOTE -

Installing planter walls around parkway trees is work which requires a permit. The Village discourages the installation of planter walls around parkway trees because the parkway is Village property and the typical installation of a small diameter ring filled with soil is injurious to the tree. For those residents who have installed planter walls without permits, approval can be obtained by contacting Larry M. Slavicek, Village Forester, at 671-5803. The Village will be notifying residents of a violation when unacceptable planters are encountered.

The Village has a comprehensive, systematic pruning schedule which ensures each tree is trimmed every five years. Contract tree pruning occurs during February through April. In-house trimming can occur any time during the year. If a resident believes a parkway tree requires pruning, please contact the Forestry Division at 671-5800.

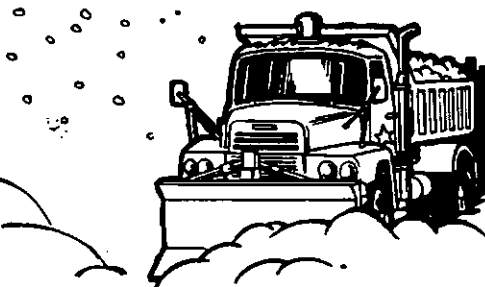
CONTRACT TREE PRUNING

Nels J. Johnson Tree Experts of Evanston, Illinois will begin parkway tree pruning for the Village in February. All trees with a diameter at breast height of eight or more inches will be pruned to improve tree health and structure in a careful and systematic manner. Streets included in this year's cycle are:

Bloomfield Circle	Butterfield Drive
S. Circle Avenue	Crest Court
Day Street	Fernwood Lane
First Street	Franklin Street
Glen Ellyn Road	Nordic Road
Northwoods Lane	Old Gary Avenue
Orchard Lane	S. Pleasant Avenue
S. Prairie Avenue	Ridge Avenue
Ridgewood Drive	Schick Road
Springfield Drive	Tee Lane
Third Street	Warren Avenue
Washington Street	S. Windham Lane
Woodside Drive	

Parkway Damaged by Snowplows?

The Public Works Division understands that there could be some damage to parkways due to snowplowing operations. It is Village policy to repair parkways in April, May & early June, weather permitting, as this is the best time for the germination of grass seed. Please call the Public Works Division at 671-5800 to inform us about damage to your parkway so we can put your location on the list.



Garden Calendar February and March

Don't be fooled by warm, sunny days. It is still too early to remove mulches, screening, and other winter plant protections. Make sure they are still in place.

Prune trees and shrubs. The ideal time to prune is in the dormant season, after the coldest weather and prior to new growth. Prune spring-flowering plants after they bloom to avoid removing this spring's flowers.

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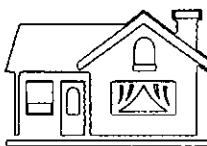
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HOMEBOUND SERVICE

Are you.....

- A senior without a car?
- Physically handicapped?
- Recovering from surgery?
- Limited by illness? AND
- A Bloomington resident?

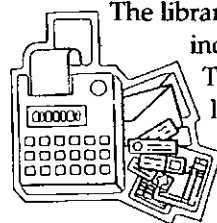


If so, you are eligible to receive free delivery of library materials to your home. Call Denise Grimse at 529-3120 ext. 330 for more information.

PEOPLE EDUCATING PEOPLE (PEP) VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

People Educating People (PEP) at College of DuPage is seeking more volunteer tutor-aides for English as a Second Language (ESL), literacy and Adult Basic Education math classes. Day and evening assignments are available at the Bloomington Town Square location. A 14-hour training is required. The next series for ESL and reading class tutors will be Feb. 3, 10 and 17. Call Ruta at (630) 942-3794 for more information.

Income Tax Forms Available At the Library



The library has Federal and State of Illinois income tax forms available to the public. The most common forms are free. The less popular forms may be photocopied from a master for 10 cents per copy. Do not hesitate to call the Reference Desk at 529-3120 ext. 324 for information.

LIBRARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY

*4 Mother/Daughter Book Club	1:00-2:00PM
*4 Understanding Windows 1	2:00-4:00PM
5 Bloomington Historical Society	7:00-9:00PM
*5 Introduction to Using Microsoft Word	7:00-9:00PM
*6 Creative Hand-Made Valentines (K-2nd gr.)	4:30-5:30PM
*6 Ask for Success—Bret Nicholaus	7:00-9:00PM
*7 Making Valentines with Microsoft Publisher (ages 8-14)	6:00-8:00PM
*8 Intro to Internet & E-Mail for Seniors	1:00-3:00PM
8 Writer's Group Steering Committee	7:00-9:00PM
10 Creative Writing Session	9:00AM-NOON
10 Drop-In Craft Day (all ages)	9:30AM-4:30PM
*11 Feature Film, "Keeping the Faith"	1:30-4:00PM
13 Bloomington Seniors	11:00AM-3:00PM
17 Bloomington Garden Club	1:00-3:00PM
*14 Understanding Windows 2	7:00-9:00PM
14 Library Board Meeting	7:30PM
*15 Book Discussion	7:30-9:00PM
*18 Using Publisher	2:00-4:00PM
*19 Parent-Child Internet (ages 7-14 and one parent)	7:00-9:00PM
21 Bloomington Garden Club	7:00-9:30PM
*21 Understanding Your Computer 3	7:00-9:00PM
*22 Computing for Seniors	1:00-3:00PM
28 Writer's Group	7:00-9:00PM
*28 The Internet for the Intermediate User	7:00-9:00PM
28 Friends of the Library	7:30-9:00PM

MARCH

1 Dr. Seuss' Birthday Party (grades K-2)	4:30-5:30PM
*4 Introduction to the Personal Computer	2:00-4:00PM
5 Bloomington Historical Society	7:00-9:00PM
*6 Europe the Easy Way—Florence, Italy—Al Popowitz	7:00-8:30PM
*7 Introduction Microsoft Excel	7:00-9:00PM
*7 Finding the Best Mortgage - The Rossis	7:00-9:00PM
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28 Friends of the Library	7:30PM

*Registration required (630-529-3120).

Youth Services Department

WINTER PROGRAMS FOR KIDS OF ALL AGES

DROP-IN PROGRAMS -- NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED

BEDTIME STORIES (All ages)

*Tuesdays, January 16 - April 3
7:00 - 7:45 p.m.*

Bedtime Stories is designed to serve families with babies, toddlers and preschoolers who are unable to attend daytime sessions.

Feel free to come in your pajamas. No registration is required for this program.



FOR YOUR
Kids

DROP-IN-CRAFT DAYS (All ages)

*Saturday, February 10: Anytime between 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 17: Anytime between 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.*

Drop-in anytime during the above hours to make a fun and easy craft to take with you.

The craft is designed to require little supervision; however, children under the age of 6 must be accompanied by someone over age 12. **NO REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR THIS PROGRAM.**



Chess Club (Ages 8 and up)

Tuesdays, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.



Come join the Interlibrary Chess Club Champions. If you are eight years or older and know a little or a lot about the game, this is your chance to sharpen your chess skills. Weekly sessions run throughout the year. No registration is required for this program -- just stop by and check it out.

THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS DO REQUIRE ADVANCE REGISTRATION

Register in person or by telephone (630) 529-3120, ext. 332.
Please have your library card ready when you come in or call.

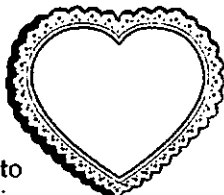
SCHOOL AGE SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Creative Hand-Made Valentines

(K-2nd grade)

Tuesday, February 6 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Join us as we make hand-made valentines that you can give to special friends, parents, relatives, or teachers! We'll furnish all the necessary supplies to make modern and old-fashioned valentines. Enjoy stories and special valentine refreshments.



Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss!

(K-2nd grade)

Thursday, March 1 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

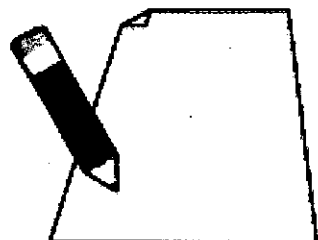
Come to a birthday party in honor of Dr. Seuss. We'll play games, hear some Seuss stories, and eat birthday treats!

Young Writers Club

(4th-8th grade)

Wednesday, April 11 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Join us if you like to write, draw, or illustrate. Come learn how you can publish your work in our newsletter or on our web page. This club meets once each month to work on a variety of publishing projects. We need kids who are interested in writing book reviews, poems, short stories, or jokes, as well as those who love to draw!



Youth Services Computer Programs are described on page 18.

Youth Services Department

WINTER PROGRAMS FOR KIDS OF ALL AGES

WINTER READING PROGRAMS

Winter Reading Programs start on the day you register and end on Saturday, February 24. PLEASE REGISTER IN PERSON TO GET YOUR MATERIALS.

"GO SNOWBOOKING...READ!"

(Family Reading Program for Parents and/or Caregivers and their Infants, Toddlers, Preschoolers, and Kindergartners.)

Families keep track of the reading and listening time on the log provided at registration. Turn in completed reading log to the Youth Services Reference Desk on or before February 24 to enter the PRIZE DRAWING.



"READ TO SUCCEED"

sponsored by the Chicago Wolves Hockey Team
(1st - 8th graders)

Participants in this reading program have the chance to win exciting prizes such as Chicago Wolves merchandise! Turn in completed reading log to the Youth Services Reference Desk on or before February 24 to enter the PRIZE DRAWING.



Adopt-a-Magazine Thank Yous

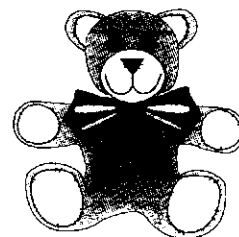
The Bloomingdale Public Library would like to thank the following individuals, community groups and businesses for participating in the Adopt-A-Magazine program:

Bank One	Roberta and Michael Ratliff
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Karen Petrus	Harriet Smolla
Ethyl Rathe	Anna Woods

Do You Know Any New Or Expectant Parents?

Make sure their babies are BORN TO READ!

In order to promote the importance of reading to babies, the Bloomingdale Public Library is offering BORN TO READ packets to new parents in Bloomingdale. The new baby and its family will receive a congratulatory packet that will include a certificate for a free board book. If you, or anyone you know, is a new or soon-to-be parent, and would like to receive this service, please call the Library's Youth Services Department at 529-3120 x332.



THANK YOU, KARA FOUNDATION

The Bloomingdale Public Library would like to extend a special thank you to the Kara Foundation for its generous grant. The money will be used to purchase books on the performing arts, arts/cultural programs, sports, and self-improvement topics.

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!

National Library Week April 1-7, 2001

The community is invited to celebrate National Library Week. Special displays can be found in the Adult and Youth Services Departments. All residents of Bloomingdale are encouraged to obtain their Bloomingdale Library Plus Card, along with a pin number. This pin number will enable them to access their library record at home, renew items that are able to be renewed and place materials on reserve. Everyone who selects a pin number will receive a Video/DVD coupon.

Adult Services Department WINTER ADULT PROGRAMS

ASK FOR SUCCESS

February 6, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

The library is proud to present Bret Nicholaus, author and motivational speaker. He is a co-author of the book, *The Conversation Piece: Creative Questions to Tickle the Mind* which poses thought-provoking, entertaining questions to be used in countless situations. He will be here to discuss what it takes to be successful in book publishing. However, the seven key questions we must ask ourselves to be successful can be applied to any business situation. Come prepared for an entertaining yet educational evening. Class size is limited to 25 with preference given to Bloomingdale library card holders.

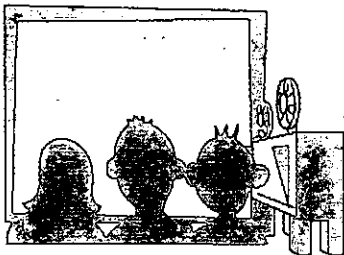
Feature Film at the Library:

"Keeping the Faith"

February 18, 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Rated PG-13, Keeping the Faith stars Ben Stiller, Edward Norton and Jenna Elfman.

Best friends since they were kids, Jake Schram (BEN STILLER) and Brian Kilkenny Finn (EDWARD NORTON), are young men living on New York's Upper West Side. When Anna Reilly (JENNA ELFMAN), once their childhood friend and now grown into a beautiful corporate executive, returns to the city, she reenters Jake and Brian's lives and hearts with a vengeance. Sparks fly and an unusual and complicated love triangle is created because Brian happens to be a Roman Catholic priest and Jake is a rabbi. Join us at the library to see this movie complete with popcorn and soda for free. Make a note of this day and time to break up the tedium of a cold February! This program is free and open to all.



Europe the Easy Way:

Florence, Italy

March 6, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Be an armchair tourist and visit the "Athens of Italy." Learn more about this "city of the lily" which gave birth to the Renaissance and gave the world Dante, Donatello, Botticelli and Michelangelo. Speaker Al Popowitz will share his knowledge of the city and stunning slides in a narrated program guaranteed to entertain. This program is free and open to all. Please call the reference desk to register.



Finding the Best Mortgage

March 7, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Join Bloomingdale residents and mortgage brokers Steve and Cheryl Rossi at the library as they discuss the intricacies of and differences in mortgages. Their presentation will teach you how to find the best rates, how to change brokers, and more. A question and answer period will follow.

CATCH THE TWAIN -- WARREN BROWN

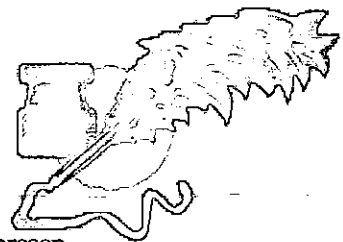
April 1, 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.

Help the library kick off National Library Week by attending a dramatic portrayal of Mark Twain, a heroic character in American legend and literature. In this dynamic performance, Warren Brown becomes Mark Twain, showcasing Twain's nineteenth and twentieth century lectures. Dressed in authentic clothing, Brown brings Twain to life. Brown has a degree from the University of Illinois and twenty-five years of experience as a poet, writer, speaker, and teacher. In the past two years he has performed over sixty times as Mark Twain. This presentation is free and open to everyone.

Handwriting Analysis

April 26, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Ever wonder what handwriting says about a person? You can find out if you attend the lecture by Cristy Orlick and Laura Lofgren, members of the American Association of Handwriting Analysts. This fun and educational presentation will feature analysis of famous peoples' handwriting. Discover what handwriting analysis can reveal about you or anyone else. Please plan to join us and find out more about graphology. This program is free and open to the public.



**To register for any of these programs
please call 529-3120 ext. 324.**

UPCOMING ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION

Bloomingdale Library's Adult Book discussion group will meet at 7:30 PM on the third Thursday of the following months.

February 15

The Book of Ruth
by Jane Hamilton

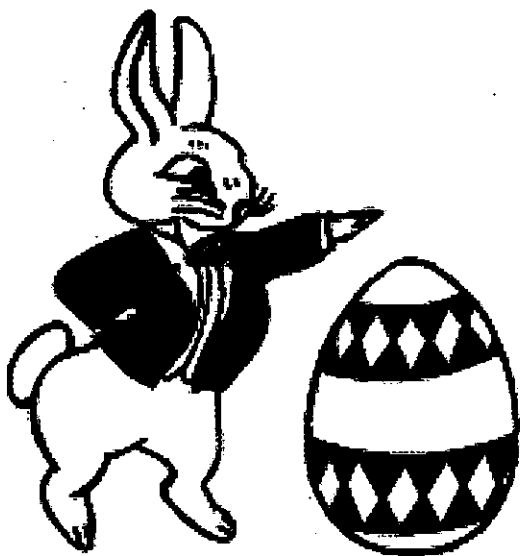
March 15

My Last Days as Roy Rogers
by Pat Cunningham Devoto

April 19

A Death in the Family
by James Agee





Bunny Breakfast

9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
and

Bunny Brunch

11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
March 31, 2001

Sponsored by
The Bloomingdale Public Library
and
The Bloomingdale Golf Club

March 31, 2001

at
Bloomingdale Golf Club
181 Glen Ellyn Road
Bloomingdale, IL 60108

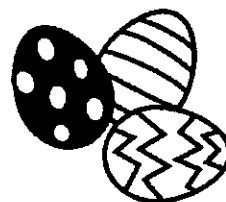
\$10.00 per adult
\$7.00 for children 4 to 12
Free for children 3 and under

Tickets go on sale February 7, 2001
seating is limited

Breakfast in the beautiful golf club facility overlooking the golf course
(cereal, eggs, ham, sausage, hash brown potatoes, mini-Danish pastries and beverages)



Entertainment
Children's crafts
Egg Decorating
Egg Hunt (weather permitting)
Special Guest: Pages the Library Bear



Photos with the bunny will be \$5.00 each
payable at the breakfast.

Register in person in the Bloomingdale Public Library Business Office
Make checks payable to the Bloomingdale Public Library

For more information, call the Bloomingdale Public Library at (630) 529-3120

Computer Lab Offers Instruction on the Internet, Popular Computer Programs for Adults & Seniors

February and March Computer Classes

There is a \$10 deposit for each class, which will be refunded at the end of each session. Non-residents will be added to a waiting list. For most current information and outlines of class topics visit <http://www.bloomington.lib.il.us/class/>

Introduction to using Microsoft Word

Monday, February 5...7:00-9:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 14...7:00-9:00 p.m.

This class will be aimed at those with little or no experience using Microsoft Word and will require virtually no knowledge of computer use. Topics such as creating and saving files, formatting, and editing documents will be covered. There will be time available for questions and specific problems related to Microsoft Word. *(Having taken "Understanding Windows 1" or equivalent experience is recommended.)*

Using Publisher

Sunday, February 18...2:00-4:00 p.m.

This desktop publishing program can be used to create newsletter, brochures, cards, banner, etc. The class will cover the basic techniques to create professional publications. *(Having taken "Introduction to Microsoft Word" or equivalent experience is recommended.)*

Understanding Windows 1

Sunday, Feb. 4...2:00-4:00 p.m.

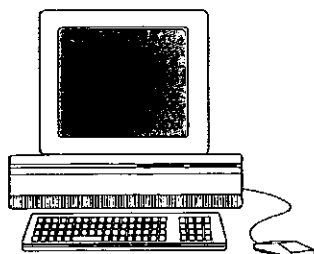
Thursday, March 15...1:00-3:00 p.m.

This class will provide a basic understanding of how to use Windows. Topics such as using the desktop, manipulating windows, and understanding files will be covered. This class is intended for those with little to no knowledge of computers.

Understanding Windows 2

Wednesday, February 14...7:00-9:00 p.m.

This class will cover more advanced Windows topics such as using the task manager, editing settings, troubleshooting, installing software and file trees. *(Having taken "Understanding Windows 1" or equivalent experience is recommended.)*



Introduction to the Internet and E-Mail for Seniors

Thursday, February 8...1:00-3:00 p.m.

This class we will cover the basics of using a browser, creating an email account, reading e-mail, sending e-mail, and explaining other useful resources available on the Internet. Time will be allowed for hands on practice and answering questions. *(This class is intended for senior citizens only.)*

The Internet for the Intermediate User

Wednesday, February 28, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

This class will cover topics such as downloading, formatting your browser, using advanced E-Mail features, and other more advanced skills. *(Having taken "Introduction to the Internet and E-Mail" or equivalent experience is recommended.)*

Computing for Seniors

Thursday, February 22...1:00-3:00 p.m.

This class will also be reserved for senior citizens. The content is similar to the Introduction to the Personal Computer class. Topics include the basics of interacting with and caring for your computer. A large portion of the class will again be dedicated to answering questions and addressing problems that could benefit the entire class.

Understanding Your Computer

Wednesday, February 21...7:00-9:00 p.m.

This class will cover more advanced hardware topics such as using drivers, learning to install, remove, and update components of the computer, as well as understanding the basics of how they work. *(Having taken "Understanding Your Computer 1 & 2" is strongly recommended.)*

Introduction to Microsoft Excel

Wednesday, March 7...7:00-9:00 p.m.

This class will cover the basic concepts of creating and using spreadsheets. *(Having taken "Introduction to using Microsoft Word" or equivalent experience is recommended.)*

Computer Lab Offers Instruction on the Internet, Popular Computer Programs for Kids, Adults & Seniors

Introduction to the Internet & E-Mail

Thursday, March 22...1:00-3:00 p.m.

This class will introduce participants to the Internet, including navigating with the Browser. Creating an email address and using email will also be covered. (Having taken "Understanding Windows" or equivalent experience is recommended.)

Understanding your Computer 1

Wednesday, March 21...7:00-9:00 p.m.

The first of three sequential courses, this class will cover Windows topics such as using/installing software, organizing files, changing settings and how to use disks, CDs, and the hard drive. (Having taken "Understanding Windows" and "Introduction to the Personal Computer" or equivalent experience is recommended.)

Introduction to the Personal Computer

Sunday, March 4...2:00-4:00 p.m.

Those with little or no knowledge of computers will benefit from this class. Skills and techniques to perform basic, very functional operations with a computer will be covered

Introduction to Microsoft Access

Thursday, March 18...7:00-9:00 p.m.

This class will cover more advanced topics such as Edit Masking, creating Modules, and using Wizards. (Having taken "Introduction to Microsoft Word" or equivalent experience is recommended.)

Intermediate Microsoft Excel

Wednesday, March 28...7:00-9:00 p.m.

This class will be an extension of "Introduction to Microsoft Excel". Techniques learned in the introduction will be expanded and more complex concepts will be discussed. (Having taken "Introduction to Microsoft Excel" or equivalent experience is recommended.)

Understanding Power Point

Sunday, April 1...2:00-4:00 p.m.

Power Point can be used to create slides, overheads, audience handouts or on-screen presentations. This class will cover the basics of creating and organizing a presentation. (Having taken "Introduction to Microsoft Word" or equivalent experience is recommended.)

Youth Computer Classes

Please register in-person at the Library Business Office. There is a \$10.00 deposit for each class, which will be refunded at the end of each session. Non-residents will be added to a waiting list, and will be notified if space becomes available.

Making Valentines With Microsoft Publisher

(Ages 8-14) Limited to 10 per class

Wednesday, February 76:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Using Microsoft Publisher and a digital camera, students will create personalized valentines that can be given to friends and family.

Parent/Child Internet

(Ages 7-14 and one parent) Limited to 12 per class

Monday, February 19....7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Parents and children ages 7 - 14 will get a brief introduction to Internet sites that are of particular interest to children, and that can be helpful in completing homework assignments and projects. Each child must be accompanied by an adult.

Create Your Own Web Page

Limited to 12 per class

(ages 8-12) (parents are welcome too!)

Thursday, April 5...6:00-8:00 pm

Help us celebrate National Library Week's "@ Your Library" theme with this special computer workshop presented by AT&T Broadband Cable. You will learn how to develop your own personal web page, or bring a parent and create a web page for your family!

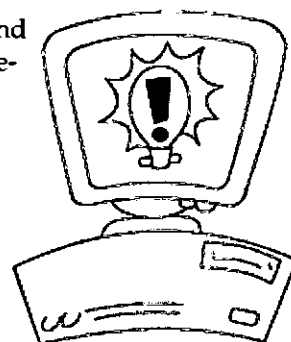
Making Easter Greeting Cards

Limited to 10 per class

(ages 8-14)

Monday, April 9...6:00-8:00 pm

Using Microsoft Publisher and a digital camera, you will create beautiful Easter cards to give to family and friends.





Bloomington Park District

We're right around the corner!



Breakfast With the Bunny and Lions' Easter Egg Hunt

April 7, 9:30-11:00am

Children ages 2-8 are invited to a special breakfast with the Easter Bunny followed by entertainment and the Bloomington Lions' Club Easter Egg Hunt. Breakfast begins at 9:30am at the Recreation Center; then on outside to Circle Park for the Easter Egg Hunt, which will conclude at 11:00am. Children should bring a basket or container for their eggs. Children under 6 years must be accompanied by their parent on the hunt. Register now-March 27, on a first-come basis at the Johnston Recreation Center.

Resident Fee: \$12/child*

Nonresident Fee: \$14/child*

*\$10 adult tickets



Daddy & Daughter Sock Hop

February 16, 7:00-9:00pm

Dads, treat your sweeties to a night they will always remember. Girls K-5 are invited to get your "poodle skirts," "loafers" and "leather" jackets on for an evening of dining, dancing, games and fun. A DJ will play swingin' 50's/60's tunes while you and your date twist the night away. Girls will get party favors and a keepsake photo. 1950's/60's style costumes are encouraged. Be there or be square! Register at the Johnston Recreation Center.

Resident Fee: \$30/couple*

Nonresident Fee: \$35/couple*

*\$16 each additional child



Summer Day Camp Registration Begins



Walk-in registration for residents will be accepted March 12-April 11. All registrations received by April 11 will be placed in a lottery drawing on April 13. All registrations received after April 11 will be processed after the lottery has been completed. Non-residents may register beginning May 1. Check your Winter/Spring 2001 Park District Program Guide for camp dates and times.

Preschool Registration Begins in March

Preschool registration for residents for the 2001-2002 school year will be accepted March 1 through March 17 for all Park District preschool classes. All classes are held at the Bloomington Park District's Johnston Recreation Center and are offered two, three, or four days per week. Tiny Tot classes are designed for 3 and 4 year olds and Pre-Kindergarten classes are for those children entering Kindergarten in the fall of 2002. Please call for specific days, times and fees.



The Bloomington Park District Museum presents...

Choice Pics VII

Now-March 4

Our seventh annual juried photography competition and exhibition is running now through March 4.

Come view the award winning pieces at the Museum.

18th Annual Student Art Show

March 18-April 29

It's time again to view the artwork of the students of Bloomington area schools, grades K-12. Pieces range from photography to watercolors to collages.

Opening Reception: Sunday, March 18th from 1:00-4:00pm



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108 S. Bloomington Rd.

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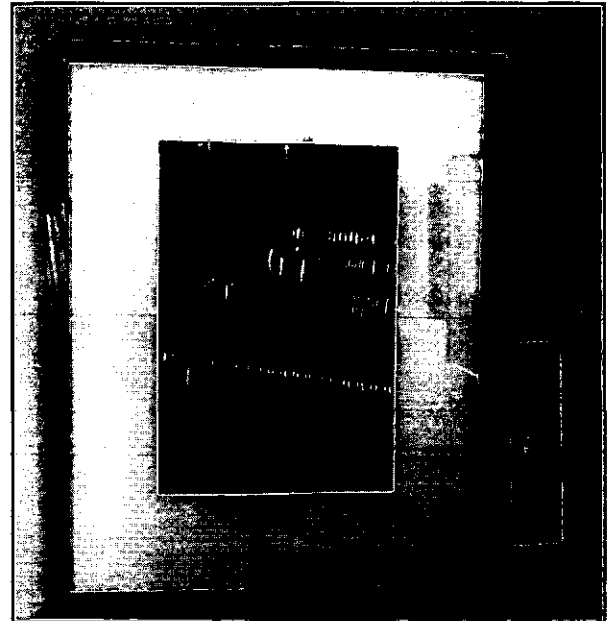
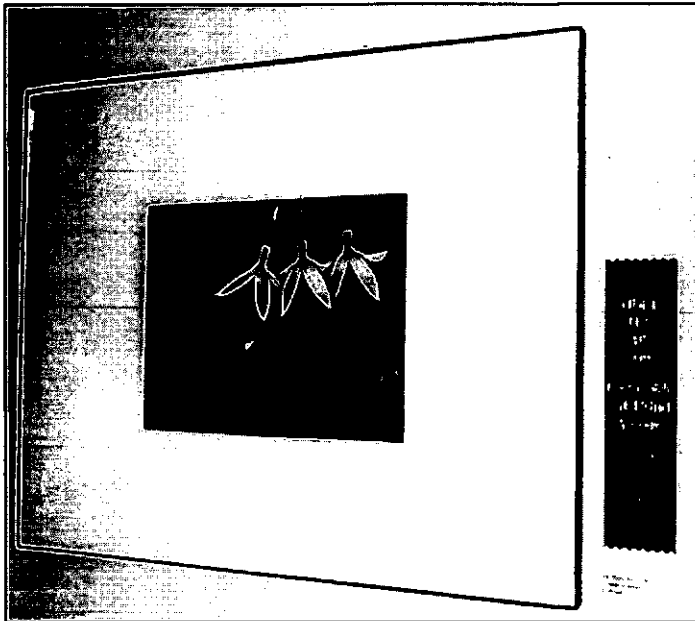
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Choice Pics from Choice Pics VII



Choice Pics VII is a juried photography competition and exhibition currently running at the Bloomingdale Park District Museum. The show runs through March 4 and features black & white, color and digital photographs of talented area artists. Pictured are two of the winners -- the photo on the left is "Natural Beauty," 1st place in the color category, by Debbie Relan; the photo on the right is "Going Up" by Deborah Kolek, a silver gelatin print taking 1st place in the black and white category. The Bloomingdale Park District Museum is located at 108 South Bloomingdale Road in Bloomingdale. The hours are Wednesday through Saturday, 10:00-4:00; Sunday, 12:00-4:00, and closed Monday and Tuesday. For more information call the Bloomingdale Park District Museum at 539-3096.

Hometown Winners

The Bloomingdale Police Department/Village of Bloomingdale has won the Governor's hometown Award for its Street Smart Seniors program due to the efforts of those pictured to the right. This year we hope the following programs will be acknowledged in the same manner: Street Smart Seniors II, Peer Jury and T.A.L.K. (Teen and Law Enforcement "Kommunicating").

