



Village of Bloomingdale Almanac

October 2001

From the Mayor's Desk

The events of terrorism last month have changed how we all look at life and liberty. The people of the United States have not been so united in pride and patriotism, since World War II. We don't know what the future will bring, but perhaps the feeling of "being in this together" will persist. This can only strengthen our country and our resolve that the American spirit cannot be destroyed.

Perhaps too, the reminder of how precious, as well as how temporary our time on earth is, might move each of us to hold our loved ones a little longer, be a little more tolerant of others, and encourage us not to "sweat the small stuff" that can so easily drive us to distraction in our daily lives.

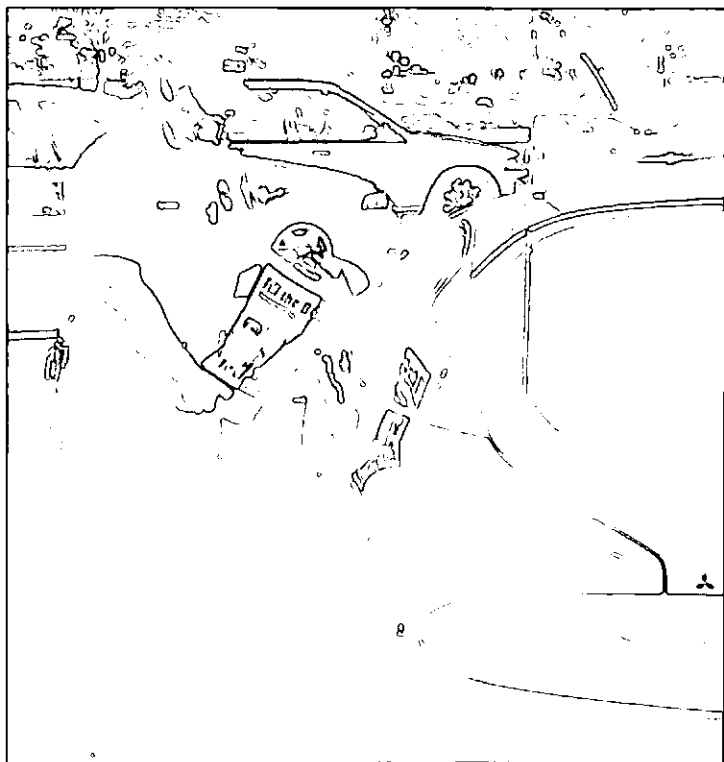
Soon after this Almanac arrives in your homes, our "United We Stand" banners should be in place, a declaration that the Bloomingdale community joins with communities across the nation affirming our faith in America.

See page 7 for information about a fundraiser sponsored by the Bloomingdale Fire Department to benefit the New York firefighters' families.

In October we like to look back on the annual Septemberfest celebration, our traditional end-of-the-summer event. A big thank you to the Septemberfest Commission members for bringing it all together: Barb Arrivi, Mary Jo Bailey, Debby Bodnar, Donna Fiedler, Irene Jones, Mike Korney, Dolores Orlik, Gloria Tomaras and Chairperson Pam Hager. Thanks also to Bob Maguire and Vern Fasse, Village Services liaisons, Sergeant Len Jaster, Police Department liaison and secretary Lori Dziwiatekowsky.

Saturday evening was again a great success, with the antique and car collector show bringing out the crowds. Six trophies were awarded to the following collectors. The Mayor's Choice Award was presented to Nick Carso of Roselle for his '52 Bentley. The Septemberfest Commission chose Bloomingdale's Biff Behr's '40 Chevy Sedan as Best of Show. The Lion's Club designated the Best Muscle car as the '66 Chevelle belonging to Bernie Parbiak of Schaumburg.

Terry Gabriel of Bloomingdale won Best Convertible from the Bloomingdale Women's Club for his '66 Corvette. The Park District named the '58 Buick (continued on page 9)



Thanks for your generosity: Bloomingdale Firefighters "passed the boot" at two Bloomingdale intersections to help the families of their fallen comrades in New York City. In only 6 hours over two days, they raised more than \$27,000 to send to the NYC Firefighters Relief Fund. They send thanks to all for their overwhelming generosity.

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
1st Thursday of the month
March-December
7:00 p.m. - Village Hall

**BUSINESS PROMOTION &
CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE**
1st 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
Police

Patrick S. DeMoon
Finance & Personnel

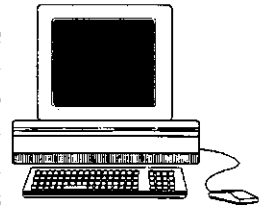
James M. Gebis
*Planning, Zoning
& Environmental Concerns*

Judi Von Huben
*Community Programs &
Special Events*

Gloria Reyes
Public Works & Services

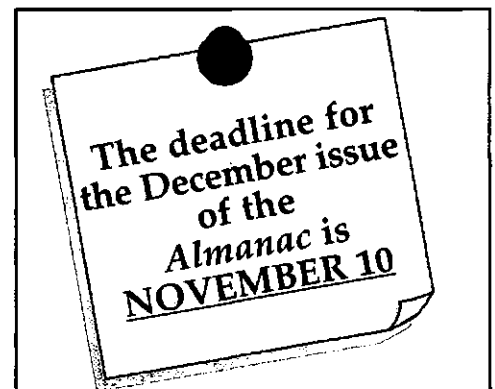
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Please note our website
address --**

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.bloomington.il.us



Road Construction: We're Almost Done!

Road reconstruction on Edgewater Drive and Circle Avenue is presently scheduled for substantial completion during the first week of October. Poor weather conditions could delay the completion of the project. Substantial completion requires the initial paving, curbs and driveways to be completed. Other work, such as final surfacing and landscaping, will be done during October. As always, we appreciate the residents' cooperation and patience during these projects.



Fall Hydrant Flushing Begins October 2

The Village Services - Utilities Division will be performing the annual Hydrant Flushing Program beginning October 2, 2001 through October 25, 2001. **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.

Questions? Call Vern Fasse, Water Distribution Supervisor at 671-5830.

Hydrant Flushing Schedule

Tuesday, October 2

Westlake - Edgewater and Greenway, Lakeshore Townhomes

Wednesday, October 3

Fairfield, Springbrook Villas, Springbrook Shopping Center, North Bloomingdale Road, Bloomingdale Town Center, Fessler's Grove, Old Town, Bell Towers, North Maple, North Rosedale

Thursday, October 4

North and South Suncrest, Medinah Country Estates, Dinah Road off Broker Road, Circle Center, Medinah on the Lakes

Tuesday, October 9

Westlake Highlands, Sunnyside, Westwind, Deer Glen, Medinah Lakes, Medinah Meadows, Medinah Grove

Wednesday, October 10

Colony Green Westlake Townhomes, College Quad Fours, Harvard, Brookdale, Wilshire Towers, East Army Trail Rd., South Glen Ellyn Rd. to Now Foods

Thursday, October 11

Founder's Pointe, Old Town Estates (East and West), Longridge (Levitt), West Pointe Estates, Lakewoods, The Crossings, South Bloomingdale Rd. to Edgewater Dr.

Tuesday, October 16

Indian Lakes (East), Cardinal to Bloomingdale Road, Indian Lakes (West), Meadowlark to Skylark

Wednesday, October 17

Bloomfield Club, Stratford Place, Glengarry, Stratford Homes, Avalon at Stratford, Butterfield Rd., Springfield Rd. from Army Trail to Schick Rd.

Thursday, October 18

Country Club Estates, Chateau Lorraine, Bloomfield Hills, Heritage, On the Park, Indian Lakes Resort, One Bloomingdale Place, Los Lagos

Tuesday, October 23

Stratford Lakes, Camden Apts., Bayview Crossing Phases 1 & 2, Springfield Drive, Schick Rd. to Lake St., Stratford Square

Wednesday, October 24

West Schick Road, Covington, Old Gary, Stratford Plaza, New Bloomingdale Business Center

Thursday, October 25

West Army Trail Road from Oriole to Old Gary, Bloomingdale Court, Fretter's Plaza, Schmale Rd. South including Equity One and Klein Creek

Public Works Job Opportunity

MAINTENANCE WORKER II STREETS DIVISION

The Village of Bloomingdale is seeking qualified applicants for two Street Maintenance Worker II positions. The starting pay is \$15.47 per hour (\$32,177.60). Qualified applicants must be customer-driven and have knowledge & experience in street/sidewalk/curb maintenance and construction; right-of-way maintenance; snow and ice control operations, etc. A valid Illinois Driver's License is required with the ability to obtain a minimum class "B" CDL within six months of employment.

Applications are available at the Village of Bloomingdale Village Hall, 201 South Bloomingdale Road, Bloomingdale IL 60108. Send resume/application to James T. Monkemeyer, Assistant Director of Village Services, 671-5692. Jobs are open until filled. EOE

2002 Tree Planting Program

The Village Board has again allocated funds for this very successful program which was started in 1982. For the third year, additional funds have been included for business/commercial properties. 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, residential front yards and business/commercial properties. Business/commercial properties that wish to participate should contact Larry Slavicek, Urban Forester, at 630-671-5803 or slavicekl@vil.bloomingtondale.il.us.

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, 2001. No payment is required at this time. Bills will be sent about February 1, 2002.
2. Trees will be 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. Removal of dead trees, stumps and/or large roots is not included and must be performed by participants before March 15th.
5. Each residential parcel will be limited to two trees per year. Each business/commercial property will be limited to four trees per year.
6. 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.
7. We anticipate the cost of 2" caliper trees to be between \$250 and \$350 each, with the Village paying half of the amount.
8. Trees will be guaranteed for one year. Participants are responsible for all watering which will be described in instructions furnished by the Village.
9. 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.
10. If further information is desired, contact Larry Slavicek, Urban Forester, at 630-671-5803 or slavicekl@vil.bloomingtondale.il.us.



The Business Promotion and Cultural Development Committee Proudly Features Turano Bakery

Turano Bakery has been a staple in Bloomingdale since 1972, when it was the only bakery in the area. Although the original bakery was (and still is) located in Berwyn, the Turanos located here because Bloomingdale seemed like a nice small town that could use a bakery.

Working at this location are brothers Remo, Egidio and Mark Turano. The bakery has been featured on PBS in "Cooking with Brother Dominick" and WBBM-TV ranks Turano's as the top bakery in the area. Their cannolis were also singled out by Channel 2's Howard Baskerville in his "Chicago's Best" features.

The family bakery makes a full line of specialty bakery goods, such as breads, cookies, cannoli, focaccia and bis-

cotti. The Turanos can bake almost anything into any shape you can think of. Currently, they are working on some special cakes for the Chicago Bears.

Over the years, many young people worked at Turano during high school, came back during college breaks, and eventually ordered their wedding cakes from the bakery. The Turanos are grateful for the support of the community and try to give back by being active in the Chamber of Commerce and on the Business Promotion Committee of the Village.

Turano Bakery is located at 142 N. Bloomingdale Road. They can be reached at 529-6161 or visit the website at www.turanopastry.com.

2002 Tree Planting Program -- Residential Request Form

NAME: _____ DAYTIME PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PLANTING ADDRESS: _____

Indicate number of each type desired:

PARKWAY

_____ State Street Miyabe Maple

(*Acer miyabei* 'Morton')

Medium-sized Asian Maple with uniform broad-pyramidal form. Medium green leaves which turn butter-yellow in fall. Excellent adaptability and stress tolerance. Grows moderately to 40'.

_____ Tatarian Maple (*Acer tataricum*)

Small Maple, native of Western Asia with upright, elliptical habit becoming rounded with age. Medium green leaves which turn yellow-red in fall. Tolerant of urban conditions. Grows slowly to 30'.

_____ Tuliptree (*Liriodendron tulipifera*)

Not to be confused with Magnolias. Large tree with broadly conical top. Large bright green leaves turning yellow in fall. Grows fast to 80'.

_____ 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 heavy clay soils and/or poor drainage. Grows slowly to 60'.

_____ Bur Oak (*Quercus macrocarpa*)

The Prairie Oak. Develops into an impressive tree with a massive trunk and a broad crown of stout branches. Large dark green leaves with whitish undersides turning yellow brown in fall. Tolerant of urban conditions. Grows slowly to 80'.

_____ Lacebark Elm (*Ulmus parvifolia*)

Excellent, durable Elm with round crown of dark green leaves. Good urban tree which is resistant to Dutch Elm disease. Beautiful mottled bark. Grows moderately fast to 50'.

FRONT YARD

_____ State Street Miyabe Maple

_____ Tatarian Maple

_____ Tuliptree

_____ Swamp White Oak

_____ Bur Oak

_____ Lacebark Elm

_____ Deborah Norway Maple

(*Acer platanoides* 'Deborah')

Broad oval to rounded crown. Leaves reddish-purple in spring becoming dark bronze-green in summer and bronze in fall. Grows moderately fast to 50'.

_____ Fallgold Black Ash (*Fraxinus nigra* 'Fallgold')

Upright form. Excellent gold fall color. Seedless. Very adaptable to poor soils. Grows moderately to 50'.

_____ Donald Wyman Crabapple

(*Malus* 'Donald Wyman')

Small tree with round crown to 20'. White spring flowers. Red fruit is 3/8" diameter and persistent. Disease resistant.

_____ 6' Multi-Stem Cole's Select Serviceberry

(*Amelanchier x grandiflora* 'Cole's Select')

Excellent multi-stemmed large shrub. White spring blooms and bright orange-red fall colors. Grows moderately to 20'.

_____ 6' Colorado Spruce (*Picea pungens* f. *glauca*)

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



DELIVER OR SEND TO:

DEPARTMENT OF VILLAGE SERVICES, BLOOMINGDALE VILLAGE HALL
201 S. BLOOMINGDALE ROAD, BLOOMINGDALE, IL 60108

Helpful Hints for A Safe & 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 your trick-or-treater 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
3:00-7:00 PM
ON
WEDNESDAY,
OCTOBER 31**



An Update: DuPage County Road Construction Report

ARMY TRAIL ROAD (84 COURT TO SCHMALE ROAD)

The DuPage County Highway Department is approximately 45% complete with the Army Trail Widening Improvement (84 Court to Schmale Road) project. The project, although a little behind schedule, is still anticipated to meet scheduled completion dates.

Phase Two of the construction is beginning and involves the following:

- Squeeze traffic onto the south side of Army Trail.
- Squeeze traffic onto the west side of Gary Avenue.
- Create a work zone on the north side of the road.
- Maintain two lanes of traffic in each direction.
- Maintain left turn lanes.

There will be no traffic lane closures during the holiday season beginning November 15, 2001 through Christmas. For further information regarding the DuPage County project, please contact Kent Kuper, Senior Civil Engineer at (630) 682-7318.



SCHICK ROAD (GARY AVENUE TO COUNTY FARM ROAD)

The DuPage County Highway Department began this road construction project during the week of September 4, 2001. The work consists of new road surface and widening to accommodate turn lanes at the Mallard Lane/future Forest Preserve entrance intersection. Commonwealth Edison and Ameritech will be relocating their overhead cables as needed.

The project is expected to be complete by November 20, 2001, with the exception of the new traffic signal at Schick Road and Mallard Lane. It is anticipated that the traffic signal will be constructed in the spring.

For further information regarding the DuPage County project, please contact Dave Tworek at (630) 682-7318.

For both construction projects, expect traffic delays. Watch for new construction traffic lanes. For your safety and the safety of the construction workers, please continue to use extreme caution while driving in the work zone and obey all construction and work zone signage.

Bloomington High School students recognized: Five Bloomington Lake Park High School students were recently recognized as National Merit Scholarship competition semifinalists. **Amish J. Dave, Aaron F. Dubas, Michael N. Loquercio, Juliana M. Lovecchio** and **Bryan H. Petrus** will compete for \$32 million in scholarships this spring.

To become finalists, the students must have an outstanding high school academic record, be endorsed and recommended by their school principal and submit SAT scores comparable to their PSAT scores.

Eileen Sciackitano Awarded Circle of Excellence Eileen Sciackitano was recently honored with the Circle of Excellence award at the Mary Kay Inc. business seminar for having achieved an estimated unit retail production of \$650,000 for the yearlong contest period. In recognition of her remarkable achievement, Sciackitano received a trip to Edinburgh, Scotland.

Three Bloomington residents earn Eagle Scout Awards: Three young men recently earned the Eagle Scout Award, the highest honor and merit bestowed upon boy scouts. **Michael G. Dworiansyn** was recognized in August; **William M. Woods** in September; and **Kenneth R. Pedersen** will have his Court of Honor later this month. All three are members of Boy Scout Troop 457. In proclamations to these outstanding young adults, Mayor Bob Iden congratulated each on this major accomplishment, and further commended them for their efforts and example to fellow scouts everywhere.

Welcome new business: Avnun Yakubov Ballet Cultural Arts Center Headed by choreographer Avnun Yakubov, a new ballet school opened in July at the Clover Leaf Terrace Plaza on Army Trail Road. Yakubov has taught ballet and performed in numerous theaters in Russia, Europe and the United States for the past 20 years. Three teachers, all professional dancers themselves, join Yakubov at the new school. Classes are available from beginner to advanced level programs. Classes began Sept. 4 and run through Dec. 23. Registration for winter classes will be announced this fall. For information, call 582-5266.

Bloomington Firefighters Holding Fund Raising Barbecue for New York Firefighters on October 7: Bloomington Firefighters Union Local 3272 will be holding a **memorial barbecue** on Sunday, October 7 from Noon - 8 p.m. (seating available all day) at St. Isidore Church, Gary Avenue and Army Trail Road. Tickets - \$6 per person, children under five are free. Monies collected will be given directly to the New York City Firefighters Relief fund which is earmarked specifically for the families of the firefighters who gave their lives helping others. More info - (630) 855-0941.

Golf Outing: The Bloomington Chamber's 19th annual Very Serious Outdoor Business Seminar was held at the Indian Lakes Resort on August 15, 2001. With Viva Las Vegas as the theme and a surprise visit from the "King of Rock & Roll", 144 golfers participated in a day of fun and networking. Proceeds from the event are used to fund the Chamber's activities in the business and residential communities.





Harvest Moon Magic to Benefit Senior Programs

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Neighborhood Watch: Keeping You and the Community Safe!

The United States Customs Service gave us an insight into their role of protecting individuals and the community as a whole during the August Neighborhood Watch general meeting.

Senior Inspector Irene Prince (with 20 years of experience) summarized the authority and role of U.S. Customs Inspectors. The U.S. Customs Service has a very broad border search authority which is in the interest of public safety.

She advised that the inspectors may act on mere suspicion of those who travel beyond the United States' borders based on information obtained verbally and comparing it to written documentation. Passengers are asked simple questions about their travels, asked to provide correct personal information, and to declare items that they are carrying. Individuals are asked to declare all items and any negotiable instruments (currency, travelers checks) totaling more than \$10,000. With clear, direct questioning, inspectors can determine when individuals appear to purposely leave out information, lie, or act suspiciously and nervous, similar to when we, as average citizens, can detect when people are being less truthful with us.

The audience was given the opportunity to see a small sample of the items used to smuggle currency and drugs through photographs presented by the U.S. Customs Inspectors. If mitigating circumstances lead to a search of an individual, upon approval of the supervisor, the person can have the choice of an x-ray or a body scan (done through clothing). If needed, a personal search/pat down of the outer clothing on the individual may be conducted with (2) officers present (female—female, male—male). There is no strip search. A thorough pat down of an individual over the clothes often has been mistakenly called a body cavity search. Many inspectors and police officers would rather not conduct a pat down/search of people (only if necessary) due to safety concerns for the inspector or officer who may be injured in the process by weapons or needles.

The presentation was then turned over to Canine Enforcement Officer, Paul Bisswurm and his canine partner, Hunter (Lab/Retriever mix). Hunter demonstrated his skills to the audience by successfully locating the scented item (that smelled of marijuana) on Detective Fuchs who was with four other people standing side by side. The meeting was an educational and entertaining event.

The next Neighborhood Watch meeting is on Friday, October 19, 2001 at 7:30 p.m. Since the month of October focuses on family issues and domestic violence prevention, our presenters will be the DuPage Sheriff's Department Family Protection Unit. We invite all residents to attend the event to heighten our awareness and to assist those in need. Please consider joining us for such a worthwhile event. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Detective Dawn Odoi at 529-9868.

WELCOME
Bloomington is a
CRIME WATCH
COMMUNITY



We immediately report
all suspicious activities
to our police department



Sergeant Randy Sater chats with young citizens at the Library's Ice Cream Social in August.

*We thank the following
for their contributions
which make the
Septemberfest, as well as
the Mr./Ms Bloomingdale
scholarship program,
possible:*

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Red Lobster
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T.G.I. Fridays
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Paul and Karen Becker
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Flexaco
Peter & Catherine Hoffmann
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Levato & Kotche
Dr. Stuart A. Morgenstein
Dr. & Mrs. George Mueller
Stanley & Branka Poplonski

From the Mayor's Desk

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Special belonging to **Bob Flint** of Downers Grove Most Unique car. The '37 Pontiac Sport Coupe belonging to **Marty Windelborn** of Elgin walked away with the Knights of Columbus Best Pre-World War II car.

And, of course, Bloomingdale's own boy band **36D2** was also responsible for bringing an unprecedented amount of young people to the Saturday evening portion of the weekend.

The parade which opened the festivities for Sunday, was fantastic. From all our local groups, to the Shriners Flying Carpets, to the Navy Recruit Band, this was probably the biggest parade Bloomingdale has ever seen. We were especially happy to have the award-winning Lake Park High School Marching Band take part.

Another highlight was the presentation of Mr & Ms Bloomingdale, along with the runners-up. See information about them on p. 10.

All in all, the Septemberfest weekend, even with its soggy end, proved to be a great time to visit with friends and neighbors. The Commission is already planning special activities for the 30th Septemberfest.

Going Up!

Construction for The Courtyard by Marriott on Knollwood behind Tower Records is well underway.



Scholarship Banner Sponsors

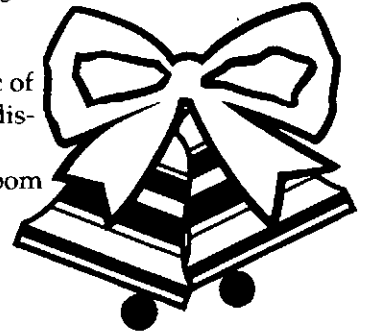
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BFI Waste Systems
Bloomingdale Lions Club
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Cecchin Plumbing & Heating, Inc.
Hayes Plumbing, Inc.

Villagers of Bloomingdale Host Annual 'Walk Through the Holidays' on November 9

The Villagers of Bloomingdale are hosting their ever-popular "Walk Through the Holidays" on Friday, November 9, noon- 9 p.m. Again five homes in Bloomingdale will be decorated by both the homeowners and local professionals, and visitors will be entertained by a variety of musical performances. Local restaurants Rooster's, Amore and LaMargarita will be participating with "Housewalk Specials" for the day.

"Fantasy Luxury" - Glistening evergreens bring the magic of the holidays to this Founders Pointe home. A unique tree displays a collection of Disney ornaments, as well as the Waterford 12 Days of Christmas collection. In the family room the tree is adorned with children's handmade ornaments and other family heirloom holiday delights. Throughout the home, festive holiday decorations have been added by **Maggie Magoo**.



Oriental Sophistication - Entering the Bloomfield Club leisure home is like being transported to the wonders of the Orient as the living and dining rooms are enhanced with gems from Asia. The occidental influence is reflected in several cherished mementos that **Something Special Interiors** of Bloomingdale helped arrange. The Asian flair is repeated in the library, while the family room is highlighted by the Southwestern keepsakes. Floral arrangements will be created by **Fabbrini's Florist** in Hoffman Estates.



Country Elegance - This lovely home in the northeastern corner of Bloomingdale overlooks tranquil Lakeside Park. A huge Christmas tree takes center stage in the family room, where a collection of whimsical snowmen sparkle above the fireplace. **Fandangles** in Old Town and **Marshall Fields** add festive holiday decorations throughout the charming home. Each child's bedroom reflects the occupant's personality from a haven for Chicago Cub worshippers to a jungle theme with leopard décor to the special appeal of a "girly" dorm room.

Contemporary Opulence - Elegance and sophistication permeates this second Founders Pointe residence. Black & white highlights the decorating, while vibrant color accents individualizes each room. The ultra modern decorating is a whirlpool of marble, crystal and mirrors. Bold & dramatic furnishings from **Rossi** in Glen Ellyn add excitement to this John Milani-built house. **Flowers by Christine** in Bloomingdale will provide the many beautiful floral arrangements in this dramatic home.

French Provincial Charm - The charming townhouse nestled in the serene Chateau Lorraine contains a perfect blend of antiques and period furnishings. Angels adorn every corner of the formal living room. Loveable Santas smile at you as you admire the collection of salt-glazed crocks in the charming French country environment. Handmade teddy bears, created from treasured family keepsakes adorn bedrooms upstairs. Bloomingdale's **Lofendo's Flowers** and designer **Cathy Chapman** supplement holiday themes with their own creativity.

Proceeds from the annual event will go toward several charities supported by the Villagers.

Tickets for the event are \$12 presale and are available at the Bloomingdale Village Hall, Public Library, Park District, Bank One on Lake Street and Trinity Day Care Center. They are \$15 on the day of the event. For more information call Lucille Ricchio at 630-924-0897.



Chad Bergmann, Elizabeth Cantore Crowned Mr./Ms. Bloomingdale 2001

The Joe Draghi Scholarship competition is an enduring tradition of the annual Septemberfest celebration. This year Chad Bergmann and Elizabeth Cantore were named Mr. & Ms. Bloomingdale, each receiving a \$2000 scholarship to put toward their college expenses. First runners-up received \$1500, second, \$1000 and third, \$500.

The 19-year old Bergmann is a graduate of Lake Park High School where he was active in chorus, drama, jazz swing choir and play productions. Having completed two years at College of Dupage, Bergmann is currently studying history education at Illinois State University. After graduation the young man would like to return to Bloomingdale to teach American history on the high school level.

Eighteen-year old Elizabeth Cantore is also a Lake Park graduate. Her performing arts activities in high school led her to coordinate events to raise funds for thespian scholarships, as well as for the Brian Healy Medical Fund. She also served on the Itasca-Roselle Peer Jury, was a member of Student Council and was a Student Ambassador at Lake Park. She is currently attending North Central College as a freshman.

First runner-up Daniel Riemenschneider is currently a sophomore at Toccoa Falls College in Georgia, studying communications. Following the values he's learned his whole life, the 19-year old is working with inner city youngsters and teaching Sunday school while at college. Riemenschneider hopes to continue to be a mentor to teens and children as he grows older.

Seventeen-year old Logan Rogers was also first runner-up. A senior at St. Francis High School, Rogers is very active in academic, as well as extracurricular activities. She is also devoted to activities at St. Isidore parish, including serving as a Eucharistic Minister and a lector, hoping to encourage others her age to do the same.

Jeffrey Palace was named second runner-up. The 2001 graduate of Lake Park decided early on that he would like to be a police officer. Palace has served on the local Peer Jury, as well as participating in the TALK (Teens and Law Enforcement Communicating) classes. The 18-year old is studying law enforcement at College of DuPage.

Second runner-up Deanne Marrano is currently attending Northern Illinois University, studying design, with an emphasis on visual communication. A Lake Park graduate, she was involved with the theatre program all four years, as well as belonging to Thespian Troupe, Speech Club, National Honor Society and serving as a Student Ambassador.

Eighteen year-old Christopher Wozniak was third runner-up. The recent graduate of Lake Park earned many academic and athletic awards during his high school career. Wozniak is currently attending University of Illinois studying materials science and engineering.

Sarah Sharifi was also named third runner-up. The 18-year old Lake Park graduate has had her sites set on a career in law for some time. She is currently attending Western Illinois University, studying journalism and plans to attend law school at Tulane University in New Orleans.



Mr. and Ms. Bloomingdale 2001

Community Events

Upcoming Culture Club Programs

The Culture Club invites interested residents to attend meetings on October 10 and November 14. Programs featured will cover two- and three-dimensional art, sculpture and photography. The monthly meetings are held at 7 p.m. at the Bloomingdale Public Library, 101 Fairfield Way. For more information call Diane Duffy at 894-6068.

Character Counts Celebration October 16

All are invited to attend the Bloomingdale Coalition's CHARACTER COUNTS! celebration on Tuesday, October 16 at 7 p.m. in Old Town Park. The evening's events will include the posting of colors by Bloomingdale VFW Post 7539 and boy/cub scouts, youth character awards, and entertainment by a variety of youth groups. Special guests "Dave and Jody" will use music to emphasize character traits and values to help youngsters grow to be a positive influence in our world. Donations to the Volunteer Council of Bloomingdale Township Food Pantry are being collected around town in honor of the event.



"Voice of Democracy" Essay Contest

ATTENTION STUDENTS: Enter the "Voice of Democracy" Audio Essay Contest. The Bloomingdale VFW Post 7539 is sponsoring a "Voice of Democracy" audio essay contest about "Reaching Out To America's Future." A \$500 prize will be awarded. The Voice of Democracy is a national audio essay program for our nation's high school students, which annually provides more than \$2.5 million in college scholarships and incentives to 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th graders across the nation.

Incarnation Church Hosts Annual Pumpkin Patch October 14

Incarnation Church, will once again open its annual Pumpkin Patch after Sunday, October 14 featuring pumpkins, gourds and Indian corn. Not only is this a fundraiser for the church, but also helps the Indian reservation in New Mexico where the pumpkins are grown and harvested. Incarnation Church is located at 261 W. Army Trail Road. The Pumpkin Patch will be open daily until Halloween.

Fall Branch Pickup Reminder

Fall Branch Pick-up begins October 1. Check the Fall special edition of the Almanac for details or check our website www.vil.bloomingtondale.il.us or call 671-5800.

Police Department Hosting Harvest Moon Magic October 7

The Bloomingdale Senior Advisory Council of the Bloomingdale Police Department invites all to attend **Harvest Moon Magic** on October 7 at Bloomingdale Golf Club, 181 Glen Ellyn Road. The evening features the musical magic of Tony Spavone and Friends. Cash bar begins at 5 p.m., followed by dinner at 6. Tickets are \$45 per person. Call Pat Perry, Bloomingdale Police Department at 529-9868 for tickets. All fundraiser proceeds support senior programs.

Wintertime Mailbox Reminders

Prior to the snow and ice removal season, all residents are asked to:

- Inspect mailboxes and posts to ensure sturdiness and compliance with the postal service installation requirements, and correcting any problem identified.
- Relocate decorative stones, boulders or other possible obstructions to snow and ice control operations to a minimum of three feet from the street in areas without curbs.

Mailboxes should be repaired/reinstalled and stones/boulders should be relocated prior to October 30, 2001. Your voluntary cooperation in contributing to the safety of Village employees and equipment, and the efficiency of snow and ice control maintenance services, is greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions, please contact Ed Lewen, Street Maintenance Supervisor, or Dennis Szafran, Public Works Division Superintendent, at 671-5800.

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People Educating People (PEP) Volunteer Program

People Educating People (PEP) at College of DuPage needs more volunteer tutor-aides for ESL and reading classes in Bloomington. A 14-hour training is required.

The next series will be November 3, 10 and 17. Volunteers are also needed in Bloomington on the evenings of December 17 and 19 to proctor tests and register ESL students for new classes. Call (630) 942-3794.



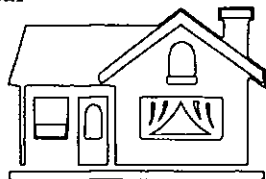
Homebound Service

Are you.....

- A senior living alone 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 Karen Ludwikowski at 529-3120 ext. 327 for more information.

LIBRARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCTOBER

1	Bloomington Historical Society	7:00-9:00 PM
9	Bloomington Seniors	11:00 AM-3:00 PM
10	Library Board Meeting	7:30 PM
*11	Scrapbooking	7:30-9:00 PM
11	Writer's Group Subcommittee	7:00-9:00 PM
13	Writer's Workshop	9:00 AM-12 NOON
17	Bloomington Garden Club	7:00-9:30 PM
*18	Book Discussion	7:30-9:00 PM
*25	Lyric Opera Program	7:00-8:30 PM
25	Writer's Workshop	7:00-9:00 PM
27	Halloween Party	1:00-3:30 PM

NOVEMBER

5	Bloomington Historical Society	7:00-9:00 PM
*6	Vegetarian Cooking Made Easy	7:00-9:00 PM
8	Writer's Group Subcommittee	7:00-9:00 PM
10	Writer's Group Workshop	9:00 AM-12 NOON
13	Bloomington Seniors	1100 AM-3:00 PM
*13	Lyric Opera Program	7:00-8:30 PM
14	Library Board Meeting	7:30 PM
14	Bloomington Garden Club	7:00-9:30 PM
*15	Book Discussion	7:30-9:00 PM
22	THANKSGIVING - LIBRARY CLOSED	
28	Writer's Workshop	7:30-9:00 PM
29	13th Annual Open House	6:30-9:00 PM

*Registration required (630-529-3120).

Sally Mee Retires

Sally Mee, the library's Circulation/Technical Department Head, retired on September 14, 2001, having been a member of the library staff for nearly 15 years. Her primary responsibilities included managing the inputting and processing of library materials and overseeing the operation of the library circulation department.

Always one to lend a hand in areas beyond her assigned duties, Sally was a leader by example—earning the admiration and respect of library staff and patrons alike. Everyone will miss Sally's dedication, friendly demeanor and exemplary work ethic. We wish her nothing but the best in the years ahead.



Youth Services Department

FALL PROGRAMS FOR KIDS OF ALL AGES

DROP-IN PROGRAMS:
NO REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED
FOR THESE PROGRAMS.

BEDTIME STORIES (All ages)

Tuesdays, through December 4
7:00 - 7:45 p.m.

Bedtime Stories is designed to serve families with babies, toddlers and preschoolers who are unable to attend day-time sessions. **FEEL FREE TO COME IN YOUR PAJAMAS.**

DROP IN CRAFT (All ages)

Saturday, October 20 Anytime between 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, November 10 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 9 must be accompanied by an adult.

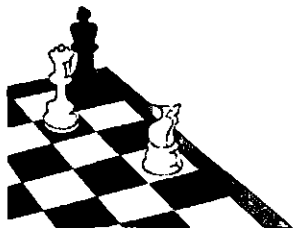
CHESS CLUB (Ages 8 and up)

Sunday: October 7, October 21, November 4, November 18
2:00 - 4:30 p.m.

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. No registration is required for this program -- just stop by and check it out.

Bloomington Public Library Chess Club Takes 1st Place in Tournament

On August 4, the Bloomington Public Library Chess Club took 1st place in the 18th Annual Interlibrary Chess Tournament (that makes 11 wins in 18 years). The final team scores in ranking order were: Bloomington 260, Bartlett 160.5, Glenside 143.5, Lombard 108.5, Poplar Creek 96.5, and Carol Stream 56. The Bloomington team in ranking order included: Eric Lindner, Navpaul Singh, Shaun Riley, Andrew Adami, Melanie Fischer, Mike Diamond, Kym McDaniels, Matthew Ng, Mike Tabor, Navkaren Singh, and T.J. Stella.



REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS

Youth Computer Class

SPOOKY T-SHIRT DESIGN

(3rd through 5th grades)

Tuesday, October 23, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Limited to 12 children



Design your own Halloween t-shirts. Using the computer, we will be creating iron-on transfers. Please bring two clean, white t-shirts to this program. Please register in-person at the Library Business Office. There is a \$10.00 deposit for the class, which will be refunded at the end of the session. Non-residents will be added to a waiting list, and will be notified if space becomes available.

Special Events

FALL FLING (5th through 8th grades)

Tuesday, October 9, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

The Bloomington Public Library invites all 5th - 8th graders to attend the Fall Fling. This free event will include a pizza party, raffle prizes, and a presentation called "Yes, You Can!" which focuses on the importance of having a positive attitude and self-confidence. Students can call the library at 630-529-3120 ext. 332, or stop by the Youth Services Desk to sign up.

ZOO ORNAMENT WORKSHOP

(families)

Monday, November 12, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Once again the Village of Bloomington and the Bloomington Public Library will be co-sponsoring the Village of Bloomington Community Tree at Brookfield Zoo. All children and their families are invited to join us to make special ornaments for decorating Bloomington's 14th Annual Community Tree. Refreshments will be served. Register in person at the Youth Services Desk or call (630) 529-3120 ext. 332.

All families who make ornaments are invited to help trim the tree at the Brookfield Zoo on Saturday, November 17 at 1:30 p.m. The Zoo has given us a limited number of admission and parking passes. Registration for the drawing of these passes will be taken at the ornament workshop on November 12.

PROGRAMS FOR KIDS OF ALL AGES

Enter Our Children's Book Week Drawing

ENTER OUR CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK DRAWING!

During the month of October, visit the Youth Services Department to fill out a book cover with your first name and the title of your favorite *Children's* or *Young Adult* book.

Bring it to the Youth Services Reference Desk, and we'll give you a drawing coupon to complete. Three winners of \$15.00 bookstore gift certificates will be chosen by random drawings, and notified by phone on November 19.



These "Patron Picks" titles will be displayed on the main bulletin board beginning in November, through Sunday, November 18. The corresponding books will be displayed and available for checkout.

**CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK -
NOVEMBER 12 - 18, 2001**

"FEED YOUR NEED TO READ" SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Congratulations to everyone who participated in the Youth Services Summer Reading Program! A total of 909 young people registered for the program and earned prizes based on the amount of time they spent reading. By the end of the program, participants had read a cumulative total of 8,760 hours, and the total number of people attending summer programs was 4,125. Thank you again to the Friends of the Bloomingdale Public Library, Old Country Buffet and Steak 'n Shake for their donations and continued support. They helped make the Summer Reading Program a success!

Thank You VolunTEENS!

The Bloomingdale Public Library staff would like to thank the teens that volunteered their time and talents during the summer reading program and at the Ice Cream Social. Many thanks to the following teens who volunteered a grand total of 84 hours:

Teri Blazek, Melissa Cui, Jacqueline Doherty, Brad Fiedler, Katie Fiorino, Anuj Gupta, Vikas Gupta, Matt Heyne, Nicole Heyne, CeCe Ho, Danielle Johnston, Dennea Johnston, Michael Knorowski, Mollie Korney, Nicole Liedberg, Nathan Moritz, Krupa Patel, Virali Patel, and Caitlin Pinney.

Database Classes for High School Students and Adults

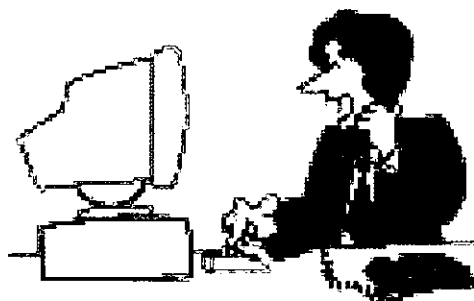
Attention All High School Students and Adults -We have a program just for you!

Simplify Your Surfing - Databases At Home and At The Library is a new class to assist you in making your research projects easier. We will show you all the many databases we have to help you do homework or research papers either at the library or from your home computer. There is a world of information at your fingertips, and our librarians will show you how to find it in our new computer lab.

Openings still available in the following classes:

Saturday, October 27th, 10:00-11:30a.m.
Monday, October 29th, 7:00-8:00p.m.
Saturday, November 17th, 7:00-8:30p.m.

Classes are limited to only twelve students, so sign-up early. If you have questions or would like to register, please call (630) 529-3120 ext. 324.



UPCOMING EVENTS

**HALLOWEEN PARTY
HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE
POLAR EXPRESS
BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**

**OCTOBER 27
NOVEMBER 29
DECEMBER 2
DECEMBER 8**

SPECIAL EVENTS & ACTIVITIES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Everyone is invited to attend The 13th Annual

HALLOWEEN PARTY

at the

Bloomington Public Library

Saturday, October 27, 2001

1:00-3:30 p.m.



Sponsored by:

The Village of Bloomington
The Friends of the Library
The Bloomington Public Library

The Halloween Party will be held outside
under a tent, rain or shine!
Children are encouraged to wear costumes.

GAMES

PRIZES

PUMPKIN MOONWALK

REFRESHMENTS

There is no charge for the party, but
registration is requested.

Please call the Youth Services Reference Desk
at 529-3120 ext. 331 or 332

CHARACTER COUNTS CELEBRATION WEEK

As October has been designated National Character Counts month, Bloomington's celebration will be observed during the week of October 14-20th. A special program to recognize Character Counts will be held on Tuesday, October 16th at 7:00 p.m. in Old Town Park at Franklin and Third Street. The evening will feature the Character Counts Youth Award winners and the presentation of a community gift to the Volunteer Council of Bloomington Township Food Pantry. *Dave and Jody* will present a musical program emphasizing the qualities of good character, and the Bloomington Park District tumblers will be available for a demonstration. Youth from Erickson, DuJardin, St. Isidore, and Winnebago Elementary Schools and Westfield Junior High School will also give performances throughout the evening.

Collection containers will be available throughout Bloomington for anyone who would like to make a monetary contribution to be included in the gift to the Volunteer Council of Bloomington Township Food Pantry. Money collected and given to the food pantry will be used to purchase food.

The Character Counts Celebration will be an event for all members of the family. Come enjoy a special community evening.



The Bloomington Public Library and the Village of
Bloomington
Cordially invite you to attend our

13th Annual

Tree Lighting Ceremony and Holiday Open House

Tuesday, November 29

6:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Activities

6:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Community / Village Tree Lighting Ceremony

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Various activities:

Children's crafts and musical performers, and refreshments.

Call the Library at 630-529-3120 for more details.

Bloomington Public Library

HOLIDAY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Come to the 'Snowman Crossing'

Get a Group Together to Decorate a Beautiful Holiday Tree at the Library!

The Village of Bloomingdale and the Bloomingdale Public Library are pleased to announce the Third Annual Community Decorated Holiday Tree Program. The holiday trees will be displayed along the sidewalk around the Library. Twenty holiday trees will be available and the Village and the Library are inviting community groups, classes, and clubs to participate by decorating a tree between November 24th and November 28th, 2001. Trees must be completed by Wednesday, November 28, 2001 for the Village/Library Tree Lighting Ceremony. The ceremony will be held on November 29, 2001 at 6:30 p.m. outside the Library.

Trees will be assigned on a first come, first serve basis. However, we may limit the number of trees a school or other group can decorate, so all areas of the Village are represented. Each participating group will receive a location map of its tree and a list of the rules and regulations. Once your tree reservation is received and confirmed, you may begin planning your decorations. There is no required theme; however, there are certain rules:

Decorating may not begin until Saturday, November 24th and must be completed by Wednesday, November 28th.

Groups must remove their own ornaments from their tree. Decorations must be removed from their trees between Wednesday, January 2 and Sunday, January 6, 2002. Beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, January 7, 2002, all remaining decorations will be removed and discarded from trees in preparation for chipping. Chipped trees are used as mulch throughout the Village. Ornaments will not be saved.

The Village of Bloomingdale and the Bloomingdale Public Library are not responsible for any lost, stolen, or damaged decorations.

This event is open to Bloomingdale clubs, groups, and/or classes. The groups must be from Bloomingdale, or their members must be Bloomingdale residents in order to participate. If groups wish to laminate ornaments, the Library has a laminator available. Please call to reserve a time. If groups wish to have a sponsor, the sponsor can be recognized.

We are very excited about the Third Annual Community Decorated Holiday Tree program. If you have any questions and/or if you wish to participate, please contact the Business Office at 529-3120.



8th Annual **Breakfast with Santa**

Sponsored by the Bloomingdale Public Library and the Bloomingdale Golf Club

Saturday, December 8

Breakfast
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Brunch
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.



Pages the Library Bear is inviting children of all ages and their families to come to the Bloomingdale Golf Club for the 8th Annual Breakfast and Brunch with Santa.

Tickets will be available Monday, October 8, 2001 in the Business Office. The cost of the breakfast is \$10.00 per adult, \$7.00 per child (ages 4-12), and free for kids ages 3 and under. Checks may be made payable to the Bloomingdale Public Library. Photos with Santa will be \$5.00 each, payable at the breakfast.

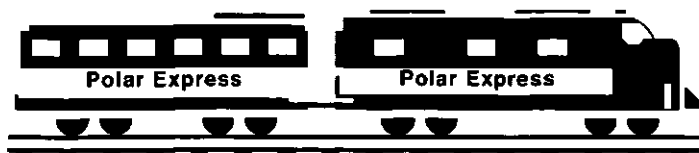
4th annual **Polar Express**

*Bring the family for a ride on
"The Polar Express"**

**based on the book by Chris Van Allsburg*

We'll meet at the Roselle Train Station at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 3 for a trip to the North Pole (Elgin Train Station). We'll have a storyteller, treats, caroling, and a visit with Santa.

Tickets are \$7 for adults; \$5 for children. You may purchase tickets in person beginning October 8, 2001 in the Business Office. Groups wishing to sit together will need to register at the same time.



Adult Services Department

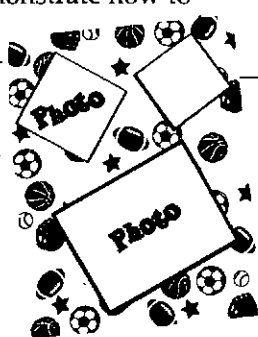
FALL/WINTER ADULT PROGRAMS

All programs are free of charge but require registration which should be made by calling the reference desk at 529-3120, ext. 324.

Scrapbooking: School Days, Sports Pages & Memorabilia

Thursday, October 11, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Join Sharon Siciak of Creative Memories as she shows you how to create safe and meaningful scrapbook pages. Starting with the basics, she will demonstrate how to select, mount, journal and enhance your photographs. Ideas will be presented on how to capture sporting events and storing ribbons and awards. Solutions will be offered for school portraits, class pictures, certificates and favorite artwork. Everyone welcome. There is no charge for this class. Please register at the reference desk.



Lyric Opera Lecture Series #3 *I Capuleti e I Montecchi*

Thursday, October 25, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

This third lecture brings us Bellini's version of the classic story of the Capulets and the Montagues (you know, from Romeo and Juliet!). Please join us at the Bloomingdale Public Library as volunteer lecturer Jean Walker presents music and libretto from this famous opera.

There is no charge for this program but please register at the reference desk.

Vegetarian Cooking Made Easy -- Cooking Without Meat

Tuesday, November 6, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

The library is proud to sponsor once again Wellness Innovations and Fruitful Yield as they prepare several easy meatless dishes without spending hours in the kitchen. They will show you how to modify your favorite meat-based entrees to a vegetarian alternative. Additionally, you will learn the different vegetable proteins and how to cook with soy, legumes and other meatless items. There is no charge for this program but please register with the reference desk.

Lyric Opera Lecture Series #4 *Billy Budd*

Tuesday, November 13, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

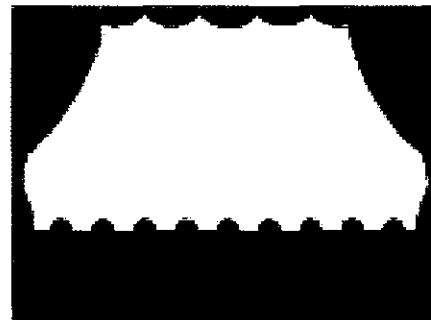
In this production by Benjamin Britten, Billy Budd is a gripping opera of sadism and injustice aboard the British man-o'-war, Indomitable. The libretto by E.M. Forster and Eric Crozier is based on the literary masterpiece by Herman Melville. It tells the story of Billy Budd who is maliciously persecuted by the evil Master-at-arms, John Claggart. Claggart takes it upon himself to torment Billy and ultimately goes to the ship's captain to accuse Billy of organizing a mutiny. While being questioned, Billy punches Claggart in the face, killing him. To the dismay of the crew and many officers, Billy is hanged for the crime. Please make plans to attend this latest Lyric offering.

Lyric Opera Lecture Series #5 *Hansel and Gretel*

Sunday, December 16, 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

THIS PROGRAM WILL BE HELD AT THE ITASCA COMMUNITY LIBRARY AS PART OF A JOINT PROJECT.

Following the traditional tale made famous by the Brothers Grimm, Humperdinck's *Hansel and Gretel* remains as one of the most popular operas. In fact, Richard Strauss (*Der Rosenkavalier*) was so impressed and enchanted by the opera, he conducted the first public performance. The opera is full of tunes you will recognize - but remember, the Brothers Grimm usually lived up to their name, and the staging of this famous fable is "filled with fabulous images and disturbing ideas." And while the tale has been told and retold through the years, the opera is not recommended for children. This lecture will be at Itasca Community Library but please call the Bloomingdale Adult Services desk to register.



Adult Services Department

FALL/WINTER ADULT PROGRAMS

"Feed Your Need to Read" Summer Reading Program Update

This year's 144 adult and 22 teen participants read a record breaking 1049 books! Also, going along with our food theme this year, participants read a total of 196 food related books.

Thanks to all who registered for the program and to our local sponsors who provided many wonderful prizes.



Thanksgiving Holiday Hours

Thursday, November 22

Library closed

Friday, November 23

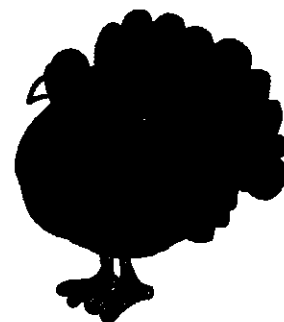
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 24

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 25

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.



Reserve Future Bestsellers

These forthcoming October and November titles may be reserved now. Stop by or phone the Adult reference desk at 529-3120, ext. 324.

David Baldacci - *Last Man Standing*

Carol Higgins Clark - *Fleeced*

Patricia Cornwell - *Isle of Dogs*

Diana Gabaldon - *Fiery Cross*

Robert Ludlum - *The Sigma Protocol*

Fern Michaels - *Kentucky Rich*

Mario Puzo - *Family*

Nora Roberts - *Midnight Bayou*

Jonathan Kellerman -

Flesh and Blood: an Alex Delaware Novel

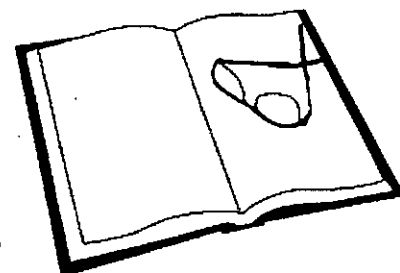
Tim LeHaye and Jerry Jenkins -

Desecration (Book 9 of the Left Behind series)

Robert B. Parker - *Death in Paradise (Jesse Stone)*

James Patterson - *Violets are Blue*

Anne Rice - *Blood and Gold: the Vampire Chronicles*



Bloomingtondale Historical Society 2001 Calendar for Sale

The Bloomingtondale Historical Society has created a new Calendar of Memories for 2002.

The new date book style calendar has twelve different pictures of life in Bloomingtondale dating back as far as the early 1900's. The new calendar will go on sale on October 1st at the Bloomingtondale Public Library for \$5.00. The calendar will make an excellent holiday stocking stuffer, and all proceeds from the sale will go to the Bloomingtondale Historical Society. We invite you to come by the Library to see the new edition of the Calendar of Memories.

UPCOMING ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION

The Bloomingtondale Public Library Adult Book Discussion will meet on the third Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the Library Conference Room. Our Fall selections are:

October 18:



The Pact: A Love Story
by Jodi Picoult

November 15

To be announced

Copies of the books are available at the Reference Desk. New members are always welcome!

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

The following computer classes are recommended for ages 13 and older. There is a \$10.00 refundable deposit for each class, due at the time of registration. Please call the Library at (630) 529-3120 for more information, or for the most updated class schedule visit the Library's web site at www.bloomington.lib.il.us/class/.

Introduction to Using Microsoft Word

Wednesday, October 3, 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.)

Introduction to the Personal Computer

Saturday, October 6, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

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

Introduction to Microsoft Access

Wednesday, October 17, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

This class will provide a basic understanding of using Microsoft Access. Topics such as creating Tables, Queries, Forms, and Reports will be covered. (Having taken "Introduction to Microsoft Word" or equivalent experience is recommended.)

Introduction to Microsoft Excel

Wednesday, October 24, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

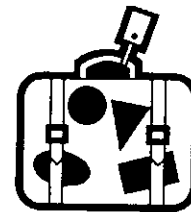
This class will cover the basic concepts creating and using spreadsheets. (Having taken "Introduction to using Microsoft Word" or equivalent experience is recommended.)

World Wide Travel Using the Internet

Tuesday, October 30, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Are you ready to get on board and join the growing population using the Internet to make travel plans? If so, you won't want to miss this program. You will become familiar with the most popular online travel agencies, learn how to search for and book inexpensive airline tickets and rental cars, find information on travel health and destination information. There will be time at the end of class for practice.

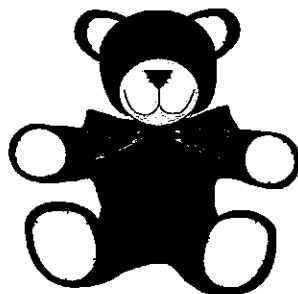
Class size is limited to 12 people.



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 Bloomington Public Library is offering BORN TO READ packets to new parents in Bloomington. 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 Desk at 529-3120 ext. 332.



Are You Aware of These Special Video Collections?

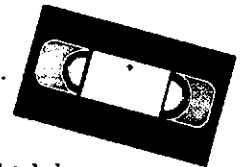
Descriptive videocassettes

These videos have an enhanced soundtrack, which describes the visual elements of the movie when the conversation has stopped. Regular home video equipment is used. A variety of comedy, drama, mystery, musical, science fiction, romance, holiday and nonfiction videos are available.



Closed-caption videocassettes

These are regular video recordings, which have been enhanced for the hearing impaired. Patrons need their own special equipment to access the closed-captioned feature on these videocassettes. Juvenile and adult fiction and nonfiction videos are available.



Computer Programs for Adults & Seniors (continued)

Adult Computer Course

Thursday, November 1, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Friday, November 2, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

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

Friday, November 16, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 29, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Friday, November 30, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

This six-session course will cover a wide range of computer topics. It is intended to give students a strong foundation in computing, covering all of the topics of the previously offered Seniors computer course. This course, however, will move at a faster pace, but is still well suited for beginners. The topics will include general computer/Windows principles, using the Internet, and familiarity with Microsoft Office products. Please see the following Course Outline for more information.

Adult Computer Course Outline

• Sessions 1 and 2:

- Very basic introduction to computers and how we use them. Topics such as learning how to use disks and CD-ROMs, becoming comfortable with the mouse, using Windows, and running programs will be covered.
- Discussion will continue over first two classes with recommended practice exercises given after both session 1 and 2.

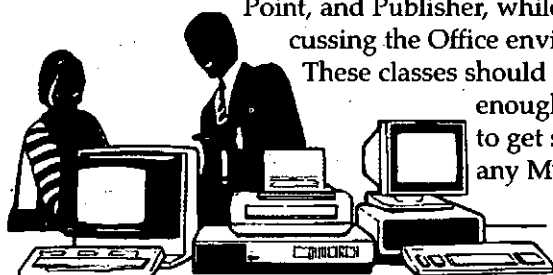
• Sessions 3 and 4:

- These two classes will introduce the use of the Internet. Basic understanding of connecting and using the World Wide Web will be covered as well as more detailed E-Mail questions and introducing more complicated Internet topics such as downloading, searching, and using multimedia products online (music, movies, games, etc.).
- The third class will cover most of the topics covered in "Introduction to the Internet and E-Mail" with a few changes to better suit the class. In the fourth session we will fill in E-Mail and Browser details missing from the third session and begin with the complicated topics discussed above.

• Sessions 5 and 6

- The final two sessions of this course will introduce the Microsoft Office Suite, paying particular attention to MS Word but also introducing products such as Excel, Power Point, and Publisher, while discussing the Office environment.

These classes should provide enough comfort to get started in any MS Office program.



Understanding Windows 1

Saturday, November 3, 2:00-4:00 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.

Using Search Engines

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

Sunday, November 11, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

This class focuses on the use of search engines in retrieving information on the Internet. Participants will become familiar with the capabilities of several search engines and will also be introduced to search strategies and evaluation techniques. Those taking this class should have basic mouse and keyboard abilities and a basic understanding of how to navigate the Internet. (Having taken "Introduction to the Internet and E-mail" is recommended.)

Introduction to the Internet and E-Mail

Saturday, November 10, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

This class will introduce participants to the Internet, including navigating with the browser. Creating an e-mail address and using e-mail will also be covered. (Having taken "Understanding Windows 1" or equivalent experience is recommended.)

Understanding Your Computer 1

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

This class is the first of three sequential courses in which we will cover more advanced topics than those discussed in Understanding Windows or Introduction to the PC. This class will continue over three sessions and will allow more time for explanations. Topics to be covered include: Windows functions such as using/installing software, finding and organizing files, and more. We will also discuss basic hardware ideas and how to use disks, CDs, and the hard drive. (Having taken "Understanding Windows" is recommended.)

Intermediate Excel

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

This class will be an extension of Introduction to Microsoft Excel, elaborating on the topics introduced there. Formulas, graphs, and linking will be covered here. (Having taken "Introduction to Excel" or equivalent experience is recommended.)



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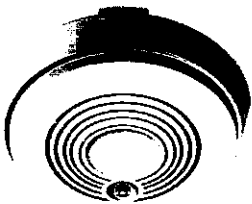
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Fire Prevention Week Open House

on Wednesday,
October 10 from
5:00-8:00 pm at the
Headquarters Station,
179 S. Bloomington
Road. Exhibits and
demonstrations. Visit
the District's new
Safety Trailer.

According to the United States Fire Administration (USFA), heating fires account for 36% of residential home fires in rural areas every year. Often these fires are due to a buildup of creosote in chimneys and stovepipes. All home heating systems need to be maintained on a regular basis in order to function safely and efficiently.

The USFA encourages you to practice the following fire safety steps to keep those home fires burning safely.

KEEPING FIREPLACES AND WOOD STOVES CLEAN

- Have your chimney or wood stove inspected and cleaned annually by a certified chimney specialist.
- Clear the area around the hearth of debris, decorations, and flammable materials.
- Always use a mesh screen with fireplaces. Leave glass doors open while burning a fire.
- Keep air inlets on wood stoves open and never restrict the air supply to fireplaces. Otherwise, you may create creosote buildup that could lead to a chimney fire.
- Use fire-resistive materials on walls around wood stoves.

SAFELY BURN FUELS

- Never use flammable liquids to start a fire.
- Use only seasoned hardwood. Soft, moist wood accelerates creosote buildup.
- Build small fires that burn completely and produce less smoke.
- Never burn cardboard boxes, trash, or debris in your fireplace or wood stove.
- When building a fire, place logs at the rear of the fireplace on a adequate supporting grate.
- Never leave a fire unattended. Extinguish the fire before going to bed or leaving the house.
- Soak hot ashes in water and place them in a *metal* container outside your home.

PROTECT THE OUTSIDE OF YOUR HOME

- Stack firewood outdoors at least 30 feet away from the house.
- Keep the roof clear of leaves, pine needles, and other debris.
- Cover the chimney with a mesh screen spark arrestor.
- Remove branches hanging above the chimney, flues, and vents.

PROTECT THE INSIDE OF YOUR HOME

- Install smoke detectors on every level of your home. Test them monthly and change the batteries at least once a year. Consider installing the long-life smoke alarms.
- Provide proper venting systems for all heating equipment.
- Extend pipe vents at least three feet above the roof.

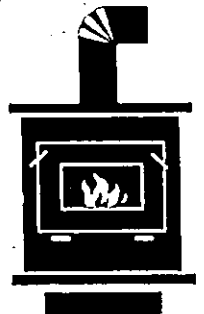
For more information contact:

The United States Fire Administration Office of Fire Management Programs
16825 South Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg, MD 21727

Or visit the USFA website @ www.usfa.fema.gov or the Bloomington Fire Protection District #1 website @ www.bloomingtonfire.com

Why do firefighters break windows?

Breaking a window allows all of the heat and poisonous gases that have accumulated from the fire to escape. When fire burns, temperatures at the ceiling approach 1000 degrees. Breaking the window allows this super-heated air to escape, allowing the firefighters to more safely enter the room. It also provides relief from the heat for anyone who might be trapped in that room. Because breaking or opening a window introduces fresh air into a fire, it must only be done under controlled situations.





Bloomington Park District

We're right around the corner!



CHARACTER COUNTS!™ Celebration Night Tuesday, October 16, 7:00pm

Celebration Week is October 15-19. Throughout this special week the Six Pillars of Character: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship will be honored. Children registered in a Park District program will participate in CHARACTER COUNTS!™ related activities throughout the week. The whole community is invited to Celebration Night in Old Town Park on Tuesday, October 16 for fun and entertainment. School children will perform, Park District tumblers and gymnasts will amaze spectators with a performance honoring each of the pillars, and professional entertainers Dave and Jody will captivate the audience with their exciting CHARACTER COUNTS!™ show. Don't miss this great event and your chance to show your support of the Six Pillars. The fun begins at 7:00pm. Remember CHARACTER COUNTS!™ in Bloomington!



Harry Potter's Magical Halloween Night Wednesday, October 31, 6:00-7:30pm



After all the tricks and treats, what's there to do? Here's a clue, join us this Halloween night at the biggest and best Halloween party ever! This Harry Potter style party will be the perfect conclusion to your Halloween evening.

Kids will create a simple, Harry Potter craft, refreshments will be served and Steve Chezaday will entertain you with an amazing Harry Potter style magic show that you'll never forget! Children 10 and under must be accompanied by at least one adult. Adults must also register and pay fee.

Ages: 3+ w/parent(s)

Fee: \$8/person

Location: Johnston Recreation Center

Halloween Happening

Friday, October 26, 7:00-9:00pm

Johnston Recreation Center

Kids ages preschool through 6th grade are welcome to join us for our annual Halloween event. Favorites like the Haunted House, moonwalk, and carnival games will return again this year. Admission is free, but tickets to the moonwalk and Haunted House are extra. There will be plenty to keep you busy the entire evening!



Bloomington Parks Foundation 7th Annual Recognition Dinner

Friday, November 2, 6:30-11:00pm
Indian Lakes Resort

Please join the Bloomington Parks Foundation for a very special celebration honoring the volunteer efforts of our fellow citizens. Winners of the Annual Volunteer Recognition Awards will be announced that evening. The evening will also include dinner, entertainment, prizes and a raffle. Tickets are available at the Park District Office, \$60 per person. All proceeds benefit the Bloomington Parks Foundation (a portion of the ticket is tax-deductible).

A Victorian Christmas in Old Town Park Tuesday, December 4, 6:00-8:00pm



Spend an evening feeling like you went back in time. Carolers will be there to entertain you. View ice sculptures in the park and enjoy a carriage ride. Of course, there will also be a special visit from Old St. Nick to light the Christmas tree.

Holiday Magic Open House & Craft Show Saturday, Dec. 1, 10:00am-3:00pm, JRC

Join us for a magical time packed full of special holiday fun! New for this year, a craft show will be open from 10-3pm. Enjoy our very own preschoolers singing as well as performances by our tumblers and dancers. Children's entertainment will also highlight the activities of the day. Who could forget our special guest...Santa Claus? He will want to visit with all the good boys and girls!



At the Museum...

Contemporary Art Quilts

Gallery I: "Narrative Portraits"

Gallery II: "Three Layers"

Continues through October 14, 2001

2001 National Small Works Exhibition

October 27-December 15, 2001

Our second national juried fine art exhibition at the Museum, the show features all 2D and 3D art, 12" x 12" or smaller by artists from coast to coast!

Opening Reception: Saturday, October 27, 2001, 5-8pm

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Septemberfest 2001



As Chairperson of the Septemberfest Commission I would like to extend a huge and heartfelt "THANKS" to all the members of the Septemberfest Commission. Their efforts resulted in another successful event. I would also like to thank all of the Public Works employees who were always there before they were needed and especially, Bob Maguire and Vern Fasse. I would also like to thank the Police Department who were instrumental in facilitating our enlarged parade and in keeping traffic disruptions to a minimum, and especially Sergeant Len Jaster. And lastly, I would like to thank the members of the community for coming out and supporting our event both Saturday night and Sunday. Next year will be the 30th year of the Septemberfest celebration, so mark your calendars for September 7 & 8, 2002.

