

Village of Bloomingdale



APRIL 2004

From the Desk of Mayor Bob Iden

On Thursday March 18, I had the pleasure of attending a very special birthday party. The party took place at Sunrise Assisted Living on Lake Street and it was for lifelong resident Laura Coppock who turned 100 years old on March 21.

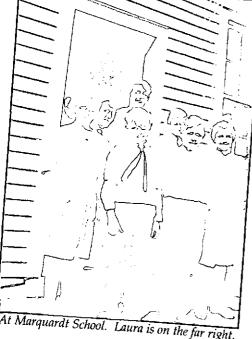
She was born Laura Zarndt on a farm on Bloomingdale Road, about a quarter-mile north of North Avenue. By the time she was six months old her family moved to a farm on Bloomingdale and Army Trail roads. She attended Marquardt School, at the corner of Glen Ellyn & Army Trail. Although there is still a Marguardt School there, it is a far cry from the oneroom schoolhouse she recalls, which held 13 students and spanned all eight grades.

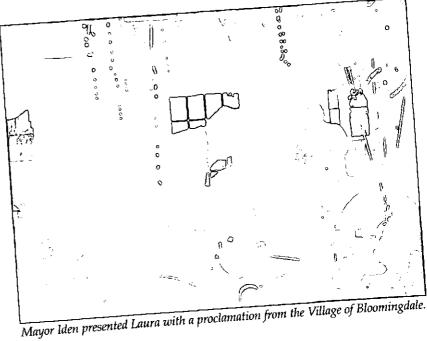
Laura has been a lifelong member of St. Paul's Church on First Street. She was baptized there, confirmed there and married there. She has been part of the Women's Guild and of course, the Sewing Circle. She and a group of ladies have mended clothes and crocheted blankets for the residents of Bensenville Home for many years. She remains an active parishioner to this day.

Laura has seen an incredible amount of changes in her lifetime. She remembers many things about Bloomingdale that are only stories to us. Of course, Bloomingdale was largely farmland in those days and she remembers where many of the farms were and who owned them. She remembers the ice cream and sandwich shop (continued on page 3)



Laura in 1953





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 3rd & 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

FAMILY FEST COMMISSION 3rd Wednesday of every month 9:30 a.m. - Library

SEPTEMBERFEST COMMISSION 2nd Tuesday 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.

> RECREATIONAL PATHWAY COMMITTEE 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

Bill Bolen Legal & Intergovernmental

> **Robert Czernek** Finance & Personnel

John Dabrowski Police

James M. Gebis Planning, Zoning & Environmental Concerns

Judi Von Huben Community Programs & Special Events

Gloria Reyes Public Works & Services

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

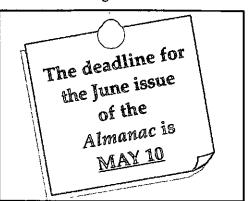
If you're "surfing the net" and have a question to ask or an issue to bring to our attention, just E-mail it to us. If you wish to send us



an electronic message, our address is:

VILLAGE.BLOOMINGDALE@worldnet.att.net

Our website address is: www.vil.bloomingdale.il.us





Girls Scout Troop 1508 visited with Pat Maranto, Water Operator, at the Village's Winston Pumping Station and Elevated Storage Tank as part of their efforts to earn their Water Wonders Activity Badge. Co-Leaders Sharon Siciak and Pam Windisch, along with fourth graders Amanda Siciak, Tori Deike, Taylor Johns, Cindy Coleman, Rachel Rossner, Tara Palandri, and Lauren Caputo learned about the Village's water system, as well as other interesting facts about water use and treatment. They also learned about ways to conserve water in their homes. Also visiting were Amanda's brother Kevin Siciak, Tori's sister Jackie Deike, and Rachel's sister Kimmy Rossner!

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where she worked and met her husband, John. Originally from Ohio, he was here helping to build Bloomingdale Road from Army Trail into town.

Laura also remembers Cody's Hotel, which was somewhat like a roadhouse for people traveling through. The building in Old Town that currently houses Amore Restaurant was named Cody's Hotel for the one time inn.

After John passed away in his 50's, she went to work at the post office, which at that time was in Bender's Hardware store on Bloomingdale Road.

That was 1955 and she can tell you all the places the "post office" has been located over the years, from its

earliest days in the drug store on Lake Street. Laura served as Bloomingdale's Postmistress from 1955 until she retired in 1970.

This lady is incredible. At a century old, her mind is as sharp as ever and she gets around better and remembers more than many people her junior. She lived on her own up until about a year and a half ago, when she decided to join the Sunrise community because "I'm not getting any younger."

Not one to sit around idle, Laura exercises daily, plays kickball twice a week at Sunrise

and plays pinochle weekly with some lady friends, She avidly crochets and knits, as well as doing some mending for the "old people" who can't see well enough.

I was honored to be able to present Laura with a proclamation from the Village, proclaiming March 21, 2004 at Laura Coppock Day in Bloomingdale. She is an inspiration to us all, not only because of her healthy longevity, but also because she spent her life as an active, giving, and good person. We wish her continued health and happiness. Happy Birthday, Laura!

THANK YOU, BLOOMINGDALE!

Thanks to the generosity of our residents, businesses and friends of Bloomingdale, we have completely paid for the "Everyday Heroes" statue honoring the Bloomingdale Fire and Police departments. The Viva Las Bloomingdale fundraiser brought out loads of people and was a terrific community party. Again, thanks to all the volunteers and sponsors who helped make that fundraiser possible – and of course, a big thanks to Indian Lakes, the Bloomingdale Lions Club and the Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce for all their assistance to coordinate that event!

Plans are now being finalized for the site at the south end of Old Town Park. Because we have had so many inquiries, the Business Promotion & Cultural Development Committee has decided to offer a limited amount of commemorative bricks at the site. Approximately 100 4"x8" bricks will be available. **Take this opportunity to remember someone in your lifetime at the site of this very unique sculpture**. See page 6 for an application. For more information call Mary Ellen at 671-5600.



Laura takes a spin around the dance floor with son-in-law Edwin.



Parkway Damaged By Snow Plows?

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, and early June, weather permitting, as this is the best time for the germination of grass seed.

Please call the Public Works Division at 630-671-5800 to inform us about damage to your parkway so we can put your location on the list.



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Park District Basketball Team Undefeated

This year, one of the Bloomingdale Park District's teams accomplished quite a remarkable feat - they went undefeated in the Interleague Village Conference in which they play. This conference is comprised of 18 teams from various villages and cities throughout the northwest suburbs and is quite competitive. Bloomingdale is proud of what these girls accomplished this year and wishes them the best of luck in their future basketball careers in our local high school programs!

Pictured are: First Row: Krista



Giacobazzi, Jenna Aloia, Kara Giacobazzi, Coach John Johnson; Second Row: Jordan Van Wyk, Ashley May Third Row: Coach Cheryl Sowa, Coach Bill Bolen, Casey Brown, Kaitlyn Unger, Lauren Bauer, Coach Sean Brown (not pictured Coach Lou Aloia)

Character Counts! Recognition Breakfast April 24

The Bloomingdale CHARACTER COUNTS! Coalition hosts its annual Recognition Breakfast at 9 a.m. on Saturday April 24 at the Bloomingdale Golf Club. The group wants to honor.people who live, work or attend school in Bloomingdale who demon-



strate outstanding character. Here's your chance to recognize someone who displays trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring or citizenship in their everyday life! Nomination forms are available at the Village Hall, Park District & Library and are due back by April 15. Questions? Call Sandy at the Bloomingdale Park District, 529-3650.

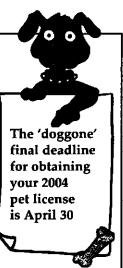
Time to Renew Your Dog License

Dog licenses must be renewed annually in the Village. All dogs over 4 months of age must be licensed annually with the Village of Bloomingdale. Dog licenses expire at midnight April 30.

□ A current rabies inoculation certificate number is required with each dog license application.

There is no fee for this license.

If you have any questions, please call 671-5695. The Village Hall office hours are Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



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2004 SEPTEMBERFEST SCHOLARSHIP

Applications will soon be available for the Joe Draghi Memorial Scholarship (formerly Mr. and Ms. Bloomingdale Scholarship) competition sponsored by the Village of Bloomingdale's Septemberfest Commission.

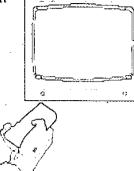
This scholarship competition is open to young men and women who are residents of incorporated Bloomingdale and who are between the ages of 16 and 20 years of age. The recipients will be announced at the 32nd Annual Septemberfest on Saturday, September 11, 2004.

After April 30, the the application will be available at the Village Hall, 201 S. Bloomingdale Road and on our website at www.vil.bloomingdale.il.us. Forms are due to the Bloomingdale Village Hall by Saturday, July 24, 2004. Any questions please contact Irene Jones at (630) 671-5610.

Have Comments or Concerns About Your Cable TV Service? Come to the NORDCAT Meeting on April 28

Nordcat is a consortium of five communities - Bloomingdale, Carol Stream,

Roselle, Itasca, and Wood Dale, who banded together in 1980 to jointly negotiate the original cable franchise. Although each community holds its own franchise (NORDCAT does not hold the franchise), these five communities have continued to jointly administer the various franchises. Since we work together for better efficiency, each franchise is the same.



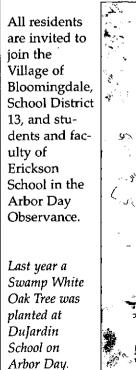
The public is invited to Nordcat meetings, which are held at least twice a year. A Public Hearing is held in the fall each year for the express purpose of receiving comments on the performance of the

cable company; however, comments are always welcome, either at the meeting or by letter. Anyone who wishes for their written comments to be entered into the record should submit them to us in advance of the meeting with that request.

The next Nordcat meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 28 at 7 p.m. at the Bloomingdale Village Hall, 201 S. Bloomingdale Road. For more information contact Village Administrator Dan Wennerholm at 671-5610.

Come Celebrate Arbor Day!

The Village of Bloomingdale and School District 13 will celebrate Arbor Day by planting a 2 1/2 inch shade tree at Erickson School (located at 277 Springfield Drive). The celebration will take place on Friday, April 30th at 2:00 p.m.





Join the Fun --Be a Septemberfest Volunteer!

Septemberfest is looking for some volunteers to help get ready for this annual event. Septemberfest has several activities such as:

- ✓ The Parade
- ✓ Antique/classic car show
- ✓ Motorcycle show
- ✓ Bands
- ✓ Children's Activities
- ✓ Crafters
- Assorted Food Vendors
- \checkmark Scholarship Fund Awards

The Septemberfest Scholarship Fund helps the young people of our community. As we all know, college costs a small fortune these days and the young men and women who apply for these scholarships are doing all they can to apply themselves in preparing for all those expenses.

Septemberfest has been going on for 31 years and we get better every time. This year it will be held on September 11th in Bloomingdale's Old Town (Lake Street and Bloomingdale Road). Our meetings are held once a month at the Village Hall and usually last about one hour.

We are looking for some friendly people with enthusiasm and good ideas. It is a great way to meet some new people and help out your community. If you are interested please call Lori D. at (630) 671-5614. Thank you and we look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,

The Septemberfest Commission



"Everyday Heroes"

The Third Statue of the Bloomingdale Still-life series

The Bloomingdale Commemorative Brick Program



The Village's Business Promotion & Cultural Development Committee will be placing its third statue, a life-sized tribute to the Bloomingdale Fire and Police Departments. The *Everyday Heroes* statue will be placed at the south end of Old Town Park, Washington and Third Streets. There will be a limited number of commemorative bricks available at the site.

Become a part of Bloomingdale's history through the purchase of a commemorative brick at this beautiful location. All monies raised go toward the *Everyday Heroes* statue project.

PERSONAL BRICK4" x 8"	<u>\$100</u>
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Each brick holds three lines of type 13 characters per line

Personal Brick Order Form (\$100.00)

Name:	 	
Address: City:	 State:	Zip Code:

Instructions: Place ONE character per box (Spaces & Punctuation count as a space)

Make checks payable to: Village of Bloomingdale Sorry, no credit cards

Send orders to: Village of Bloomingdale, 201 S. Bloomingdale Rd., Bloomingdale, Il 60108 For more information, call (630) 671-5600.

Sponsored by the Bloomingdale Business Promotion and Cultural Development Committee, (630) 671-5600

Spring Curbside Branch Collection Set for Week of April 19

Following the success of our 2003 program, Kramer Tree Specialists, Inc. will work under the direction of the Village Forestry Division to complete the 2004 branch collection.

The 2004 schedule is:

Spring – week of April 19 Summer – week of July 19 Fall – week of October 18 NOTE: The program is <u>only</u> <u>available to single family detached</u> <u>residences.</u> Townhome residents should contact their association regarding branch collection.

SPRING GUIDELINES:

- Branches must be out by 7:00 a.m. on Monday, April 19.
- Woody branches 1/2 inch to 6 inches in diameter are the only items that will be picked up. (Note: any spikes, hooks or other metal objects must be removed).
- Long lengths are favored provided branches do not block sidewalks and pedestrian access.
- All branches should be placed at the curb or pavement edge and stacked in an orderly fashion with the cut or larger end towards the pavement.
- Thorny tree branches should not be concealed inside piles. These require special care as to not cause injuries to the workers.

The following items are unacceptable:

- Branches left out in a tangled mess.
- Woody branches under 1/2 inch in diameter.
- Leaves, vines, small (under 1/2 inch in diameter) flexible willow stems, herbaceous plants and weeds.
- Large stumps, roots and root balls.*
- Wooden fencing and construction lumber.*

The above items are considered yard waste and may be placed in bags or cans with tags for Browning Ferris Industries pick-up (our refuse hauler). BFI yard waste pick-ups commence April 1st and continue through November 30th. Questions concerning BFI pick-ups should be directed to (847) 429-7370.

*Large stumps, roots and root balls are considered trash and do not require a yard waste tag, provided each item is of manageable size and under 50 pounds. Wooden fencing and construction lumber are also considered trash, but require a special pick-up. Contact BFI for more information.

In the event of severe storms, the Village will provide storm damage collection

of woody branches 1/2 inch to 6 inches in diameter. Please contact the Forestry Division at 630-671-5800 within 72 hours of storm for branch collection.

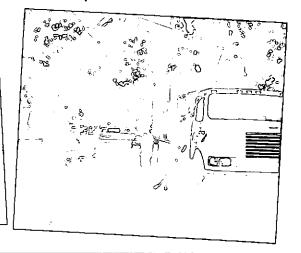
Your cooperation is greatly appreciated and will ensure a successful program.





Yard Waste Pickup Begins April 1

B.F.I. yard waste pickups begin April 1st and continue through November 30th. Small twigs, leaves and other yard waste may be placed in cans or paper bags with yard waste stickers (\$1.37 each) affixed for B.F.I. pickup. Questions concerning B.F.I. yard waste pickups should be directed to (847) 429-7370.



A Busy Month for the Bloomingdale Chamber

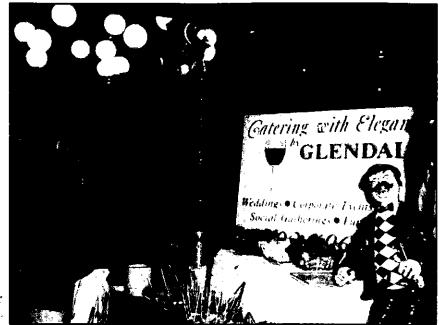
Upcoming Chamber Events

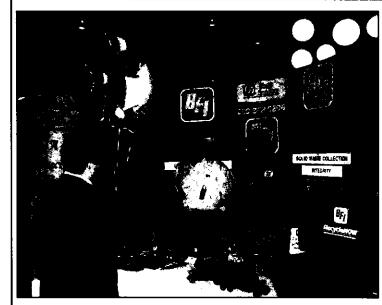
<u>April 21</u> Secreteries' Day Luncheon

and

<u>April 23</u> Career Day

Call the Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce at 980-9082 for further information about these events A tower of chocolate featured by Glendale Catering was among the highlights of the Chamber's 5-Star Expo last month.





Browning Ferris Industries (BFI) is a Super Sponsor of the 5-Star.

Dick Anderson, motivational speaker, used the persona of Abraham Lincoln and his life, to talk about the characteristics of leadership at the March Chamber meeting.



NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH IN ACTION

During recent meetings of the Neighborhood Watch, some questions have been raised by residents about concerns/issues occurring in our community. We wanted to share the following information so that others may benefit from it.

Topic/Question: Dog Nuisances Local Ordinance: 81-40 / 15-1-5 (in summary)

No owner shall permit a dog:

- To be at large; run uncontrolled; or molest persons or vehicles by chasing, barking, or biting.
- To attack other animals.
- □ To damage property other than that of the owners.
- □ To bark, whine, howl or make other noises excessively.
- □ To defecate or urinate upon any public place ... unless such defecation be completely and promptly removed by the owner or keeper of such dog.
- □ To injure, destroy or carry away any vegetable, plant, fruit, shrub, tree, flower or other thing which may be on any premises or which may be planted or seeded.

Topic/Question: Garbage

Local Ordinance: Chapter 16

Section one of the ordinance gives the definitions for the following terms: Bulk storage container, Construction debris, Customer, Garbage, Garbage container, Premises, Recyclable material, Refuse (and Scavenger. The garbage container has been defined as a metal or synthetic material container, which has a maximum storage capacity of thirty (30) gallons (with a tight-fitting cover so as to be capable of

securely enduring garbage) and easily handled and cleaned. A garbage container has also been defined as a plastic bag constructed of not less than one and one-half (1.5) mil material, which is capable of being tightly closed by rolling or tying the top.

Section two states the requirements of each owner / occupant / customer regarding the proper storage, containment and disposal of all garbage and refuse on their property. It also advises the care, maintenance and location of such containers, as summarized below.

Each person shall have a sufficient number of garbage containers that shall be properly cleaned and maintained, as necessary.

Garbage containers and refuse shall not be set out earlier than 6:00 p.m. on the night before collection. All containers and refuse shall be removed from the specified location no later than the sundown on the day it was collected.

Garbage cannot be burned, buried, or illegally dumped on another person's property or public property.

The concern raised by some residents is regarding the garbage containers that drift into the roadways and neighbor's yards and there is no identification to return the items to their proper owner. The suggestion (not required by ordinance) that may be helpful is to adequately mark your address number on your garbage containers and/or recycling bins.



We immediately report

all suspicious activities

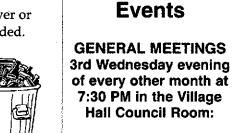
to our Police Department

OUR SUCCESS IS MEASURED BY THE SCOPE OF YOUR INVOLVEMENT

Sincerely,

Gary J. Schira, Chief of Police

Dawn Odoi, Detective 529-9868



May 19 July 21 September 15 November 17

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME --BLOOMINGDALE PARK DISTRICT Tuesday, August 3, 2004 6:00-9:00 PM

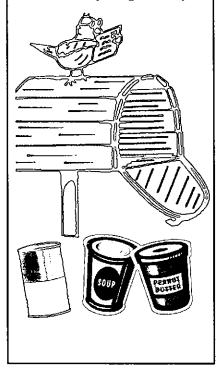


Community Events Community Events

May 8 is the Date for 11th Annual Letter Carriers Food Drive

Saturday, May 8 marks the 11th annual Bloomingdale Post Office and National Association of Letter Carriers Food Drive. Last year was the best year to date, with over 6800 pounds of non-perishables donated to fill the shelves of the Bloomingdale Township Food Pantry.

The mail carriers encourage residents to continue to help out with this project. Please leave non-perishable food items by your mailbox by 9 a.m. on Saturday, May 8. The mail carriers thank you in advance for your generosity.





Bring the Kids to the Lions Club Easter Egg Hunt on April 3

The Bloomingdale Lions Club will sponsor their annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 3, at Circle Park starting at 11am. Children ages 2, 3 and 4 will participate in the Egg Hunt in the playground area. Children ages 5-6 and 7-8 will participate in the Egg Roll Race on the field. For additional information, contact Perry Knutson at (630) 753-3067 or <u>lionperry@hotmail.com</u>. There is no rain date.

Bring Your Appetite to Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner April 23

The Bloomingdale Lions Club will sponsor a spaghetti dinner from 5 to 8 pm on Friday, April 23, 2004 at the Bloomingdale Golf Club located at 181 N. Glen Ellyn Road, Bloomingdale, IL. Tickets for the dinner are \$8 per person. Children under 8 are free. Proceeds from the dinner will benefit visually impaired and hearing



impaired persons in the community as well as other local needs. For additional information, contact Perry Knutson at 630-753-3067 or <u>lionperry@hotmail.com</u>

'Freedom from Smoking' Clinic to be Held April 26

A "Freedom From Smoking" clinic will be offered at the Bloomingdale Fire Department, 179 S. Bloomingdale Road beginning Monday, April 26. The sevensession program is free and meets on consecutive Mondays, with an additional help day on Wednesday, May 5. Class size limited to 20 people. Call Gary Sooter at 682-7979, ext 7044 to register.

Historical Society's Attic Sale April 30 & May 1

The Bloomingdale Historical Society will host its annual spring Attic Sale in the 'Old' Village Hall, at Lake and Third streets in Old Town on Friday, April 30 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, May 1 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Members are accepting items (no clothing, please) from the public for the sale on Saturday April 24 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Thursday, April 29 from 10 a.m. till 3 p.m. at the Old Village Hall. The group earmarks 50 percent of the proceeds from its sales toward the restoration of the Old Village Hall.

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Bloomingdale Culture Club Invites Artists to Bring Their Work

The Bloomingdale Culture Club meets at the Bloomingdale Library from September through May on the 2nd Wed of the month at 7:00 with a variety of programs all focusing on creativity. Refreshments are served. Artists are encouraged to bring a piece of artwork to the meetings for a gentle " positive critique" by fellow artists. The April 14th meeting will feature Kathy Johns giving a demo using pastels. For more information contact Beverly at 529-1367.

Garden Club Plant Sale May 8

The Bloomingdale Garden Club will host its annual plant sale on Saturday, May 8th from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., featuring a variety of annual flowers and hanging baskets at great prices. Sale location: west side of Euclid Avenue just south of Schick Road.

VFW Poppy Sale May 14-16

Members of Bloomingdale's VFW Post 7539 will be distributing poppies May 14-16. The proceeds from the distribution of the "Buddy Poppies" must be used to benefit disabled and needy veterans, as well as widows and orphans of deceased veterans right here in the community.

Memorial Day Observance Set for May 31

Don't forget the Memorial Day Observance sponsored by the Bloomingdale Historical Society beginning at 9:30 a.m. at St. Paul's Cemetery on Lake Street. For more information, see the last page of the library news in this issue.

Relay for Life Set for June 11 & 12

The North DuPage Relay For Life will be held on Friday, June 11th & Saturday, June 12th at the Roselle Clauss Center. We hope to sign up 72 teams and raise \$90,000 at this year's event. By forming a team from your company, church, school, neighborhood, etc. you will not only be part of a great community event, but you will raise funds to improve the quality of life for cancer patients today and the outlook for those diagnosed in the future. For more information, call the American Cancer Society office at (630) 932-1141.

Bloomingdale A.A.R.P. Chapter Upcoming Meetings

Did you know that Bloomingdale has a chapter of A.A.R.P.? The members meet once a month at the Bloomingdale Township Senior Center, 6 N 050 Rosedale Road (just north of Lake Street). This month's meeting takes place at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, April 16 and features Yvonne F. Brown speaking on "Live Your Life on Purpose, Instead of By Chance."

The May 21 meeting also begins at 10:30 a.m. and will feature guest musician Jim Kanas, who will sing and play an assortment of American folk instruments, including the fiddle, banjo, dobros, spoons and more. For more information call Frank Salvino, the president of Bloomingdale Chapter 5254 at 893-0788.

Bloomingdale Women's Club Fashion Show set for Nov. 6

Looking for info on the Bloomingdale Women's Club annual spring Fashion Show? Well, look no more. This year the BWC Fashion Show will be held on November 6. Check out the October issue of the Almanac for details!

Special Recreation Association Sponsoring Women's Golf Outing August 5

The Western DuPage Special Recreation Association will hold its tenth annual Women's Golf Outing on Thursday, August 5 at Naperbrook Golf Course in Naperville to benefit individuals with disabilities. The event will once again include the popular male caddy auction. Event and hole sponsorships are available. For more information, contact Cindy at (630) 681-0962 or e-mail cindva@wdsra.com

WDSRA is an extension of the Bloomingdale Park District, providing more than 1,000 recreational programs, special events and trips each year for people with disabilities.



Matt Lucas holds on to the ball during WDSRA's first Holiday Basketball Tournament for Special Olympic Athletes. WDSRA offers a variety of Special Olympic sports for people with disabilities, including basketball, track and field, swimming, ice skating, cross-country skiing, downhill skiing, boccia and more.

For more information on WDSRA programs, call (630) 681-0962 or visit <u>www.wdsra.com</u>

Quick & Easy Tips for Disposing of Latex Paint

Latex paint is NOT accepted at the regional HHW Facility or at the mobile HHW Collections. Latex paint, which does not contain the solvents found in oil-based paints, can be dried out (in a well-ventilated area away from children and pets) with an absorbent material such as sand, sawdust, oil dry, or kitty litter. Dispose of the hardened/dried out paint with the lid removed, in your regular garbage. (Refer to the DuPage County 2004-2005 Recycling Guide (available for viewing and printing at www.dupageco.org/dec



Q & A About Household Hazardous Waste: What It Is, How to Dispose of It

Q. What is Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)?

A. Discarded consumer products with flammable, toxic, corrosive, or reactive ingredients are called household hazardous waste (HHW).

Q. How Can I Avoid Household Hazardous Waste?

A. USE IT UP!! If you use all of a product with hazardous ingredients in accordance with label directions, there is no HHW to manage. Containers that once held a hazardous product are not considered HHW if they are completely empty. If you can't use it up, see if someone else can use the remainder of the product.

BUY SAFER PRODUCTS. Seek out and purchase products without hazardous ingredients. If no safer alternatives exist, purchase only as much of the hazardous product that you need to do the job. Avoid large, economy size containers unless you are sure that you can use it all. DuPage County offers a booklet entitled A Guide to Safer Household Cleaners, which offers non-toxic and safer, less toxic cleaning recipes. Please call 630-682-7130 to request a copy of this publication provided by the DuPage County Environmental Committee.

TRY TO RECYCLE. Many local businesses recycle leftover products with hazardous ingredients. Refer to the DuPage County 2004-2005 Recycling Guide (available for viewing and printing at w) for information on recycling and other disposal options for certain types of HHW, including automotive products, fire extinguishers, propane tanks, etc.

Q. How Can I Dispose of Household Hazardous Waste Safely?

A. Because some hazardous products cannot be safely used up or recycled, there is a regional HHW collection facility and a mobile HHW collection program to serve DuPage County residents.

REGIONAL HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY. Residents from throughout the state can drop off HHW at the regional collection site operated by the City of Naperville. The regional HHW collection facility is located at Naperville Fire Station No. 4, 1971 Brookdale Road (just off Route 59) and is open on Saturdays and Sundays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., except on holidays. Visit <u>www.dupageco.org/dec</u> and click on Waste and Recycling or call the County's Hotline at 630-510-2810 for more information.

MOBILE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION PROGRAM. DuPage County conducts one-day HHW collection events at temporary sites throughout the County. The College of DuPage will be the site of the first event on Saturday, April 24th. Hours are 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Acceptable wastes include: cleaning solvents, mercury, acids, oil based paints, thermostats, asbestos, propane cylinders, car batteries, fertilizers/pesticides, wood stain, varnish, household batteries, pool chemicals, automotive fluids, fluorescent light bulbs, thermometers, helium and freon cylinders.

Unacceptable wastes include: latex paint, fireworks, business wastes, agricultural wastes, explosives, regular garbage, fire extinguishers, ammunition, smoke detectors, radioactive material, medical waste.

STATE-SPONSORED HHW COLLECTION EVENTS. The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) also sponsors one-day HHW collections throughout the state. The Itasca Public Works Facility will be the site of a Mobile HHW Event on Saturday, April 17th. Visit the IEPA's website at <u>www.epa.state.il.us/land</u> for more information.



Earlybird (back 9 only) \$13.00 (Earlybird is a 9 hole fee for the first hour of play of the day)

FRI., SAT., SUN., & HOLIDAYS

	<u>Green Fee</u>
18 holes	\$30.50
9 holes (after 1 pm)	\$20.00
9 holes (after 3 pm)	\$13.00
Twilight (after 3 pm)	\$20.00
Earlybird (back 9 only)	\$16.00
(Farlyhird is a 9 hole fee for the first hour c	of play of the day)

course. An adult MUST \$22.00 accompany all children \$16.00 between 8 and 12 years of age. ◦ 18 years of age required to Non-Residents rent a cart. Green Fee \circ No more than 2 people in a cart. \$36.50 • All prices are per person. \$23.00 \$16.00 Prices subject to change \$24.00 without notice. \$18.00 • Proper golf attire is strongly encouraged.

RIDING CARTS ARE REQUIRED BEFORE 2:00 PM ON SAT., SUN., & HOLIDAYS

RIDING CART FEE (per person) 18 holes - \$15.00

9 holes & Twilight - \$10.00

<u>PULL CART FEE</u> 18 holes - \$4.00 9 holes - \$2.00

Residents

<u>RENTAL CLUB FEE</u> 18 holes - \$20.00 9 holes - \$10.00

Golf Practice Facility

Come see what you have been missing? The practice facility has been a wonderful addition to the already beautiful Bloomingdale Golf Club. As we say, "practice makes perfect", and where else can you go to fine-tune your golf game. Whether it's the short game or hitting that long, straight tee shot, we offer the perfect place to work out the kinks! And remember, there is a qualified PGA traching professional readily available to assist in your game improvements.

The practice range has the flexibility to be used from grass or mats. Well-bunkered greens are located at various yardages to allow golfers to practice their distance and accuracy. The practice range can accommodate 12 golfers comfortably at any one-time.

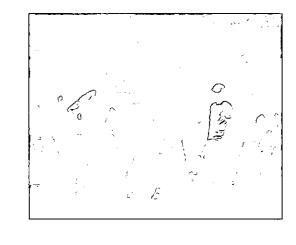
The five for a basket of range balls is \$4.00. A token for the golf ball dispenser can be purchased in the pro shop. Each bucket holds approximately 35 golf balls. If you are a dic-hand when it comes to practicing your game, consider purchasing a debit key. This key works like a debit card. Once purchased, there is no need to go to the golf shop. One can go directly to the golf ball dispenser located at the range and insert the debit key in the designated area. The purchase of the range balls will be deducted from your debit key. When the debit key has been depleted, one can re-purchase more range balls on that same key or return it into the golf shop for a \$2.00 refund.

7th Annual Junior Open Golf Tournament

Make a note on your calendar!

Where:Bloomingdale Golf ClubWhen:Tuesday, July 27thAges:9-17 years (Boys and Girls)Register to play 6, 9 or 18 holes

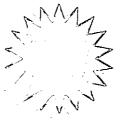
Registration and further information: Contact the Bloomingdale Park District at 630-529-3650.



This new junior event will make use of our 6-hole junior course built within our practice range facility. The holes vary in length from only 45 to 90 yards, so a full set of clubs is not necessary. Accuracy, bunker play and overall short game skills are a must to score well on this course. This is a terrific way to introduce juniors to tournament play. There will be four age groups. The event will be held the last Monday morning during the months of June, July and August. The top two finishers in each age group for each month will advance to the Tournament of Champions scheduled for Sunday, September, 12.

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Where:	Bloomingdale Golf Club
When:	Monday, June 28th, July 26th, August 30th.
	Tournament of Champions, Sunday September, 12th.
Ages:	Boys and Girls (7-8), (9-11), (12-14), (15-16)
Time:	Monday Morning 9am – noon, Championship (TBD).
Fee:	\$15 per player, per attempt. You may play twice if space is available on the day of the event.
	Monies will cover green fees and awards.



Forty-five minutes to one hour is the amount of time we expect it will take to play the 6 holes. Adult supervision and assistance will be required. Parents familiar with the game of golf and golf rules are encouraged to volunteer their services to make this new event a success!

Registration and payment will take place at the Bloomingdale Golf Club beginning May 28th. Payment must be in the form of check or cash at the time of registration.

2004 JUNIOR GOLF PROGRAM at Bloomingdale Golf Club

The junior golf program will consist of instruction by our PGA golf professional and play on the 6-hole short course. The junior golfers will be introduced to safety, proper equipment needs, the basic fundamentals of the golf swing (full swing, chipping and putting), and rules of golf and etiquette.

New this season is a Session I Plus and Session II Plus geared for those juniors who have participated in the original Sessions in the previous years, AND are confident to take that next step forward in learning the game. The goal for this session is to continue with basic fundamentals while becoming a little more specific with each junior's swing.

Eligibility: Age 6 to 15 years. Each class will have a minimum of 4 and maximum of 15 students (subject to change).

Equipment: All students must have clubs. Contact the golf shop if you need clubs and we will arrange to have them available for the lesson. All students must wear proper attire, and golf shoes with soft spikes or tennis shoes.

Registration will begin May 8th through the Bloomingdale Park District. Contact them at 630-529-3650 or online at <u>bloomingdaleparks.org</u>

RED GROUP (Age 6-8)

Resident Fee: \$40.00 Nonresident Fee: \$50.00

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. Tuesday and Wednesday

Session I June 15, 16, 22, 23

Session II July 13, 14, 20, 21 WHITE GROUP (Age 9-12)

Resident Fee: \$60.00 Nonresident Fee: \$70.00

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

Session I June 15, 16, 17, 22, 23

Session I Plus June 29, 30, July 1, 6, 7

Session II July 13, 14, 15, 20, 21

Session II Plus July 27, 28, 29, Aug. 3, 4 BLUE GROUP (Age 13-15)

Resident Fee: \$60.00 Nonresident Fee: \$70.00

Time: 10:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

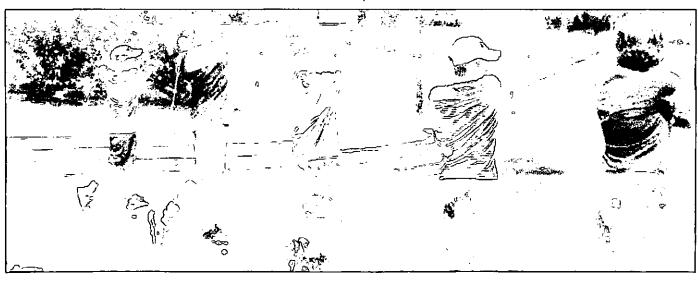
Session I June 15, 16, 17, 22, 23

Session I Plus June 29, 30, July 1, 6, 7

Session II July 13, 14, 15, 20, 21

Session II Plus July 27, 28, 29, Aug. 3, 4

The last class of each session will involve taking the students onto the 6-hole golf course. In case of rain, a rain date has been set aside to be the last day of each session.



2004 ADULT GROUP LESSONS at Bloomingdale Golf Club

The classes will meet at Bloomingdale Golf Club for one hour, once a week for 4 weeks. Sessions are \$60.00 for residents and \$70.00 for non-residents. Classes must have a minimum of 4 students and will not exceed 10 students (subject to change). PGA Professional(s) will provide instruction. Registration begins 4/8/04. All registration will take place through Bloomingdale Park District. Contact them at (630) 529-3650 or on-line at www.bloomingdaleparks.org

Mixed Adult Group Lessons 17 years and older

STAGE 1

This class offers novices and beginners an introduction to the fundamentals of the game of golf. Instruction will cover putting, chipping, the full swing and general golf course etiquette. Please bring a set of clubs with you each week. Contact the golf shop if you do not have clubs. To reach that personal comfort level, this stage of instruction may be repeated as often as needed.

STAGE 2

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This class is for students who have completed stage 1 or are confident that they have a good understanding of the fundamentals of the game. This class will focus on a review of the fundamentals, working on individual swing flaws, and simple golf course management. Please bring a set of clubs with you each week. Contact the golf shop if you do not have clubs.

	Day and Date	STAGE 1	<u>STAGE 2</u>	
Session A	Thursday - April 29, May 6, 13, 20 Saturday - May 1, 8, 15, 22	6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.		
Session B	Thursday - May 27, June 3, 10, 17 Saturday – May 29, June 5, 12, 19	7:15 p.m. – 8:15 p.m. 10:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	
Session C	Tuesday – July 6, 13, 20, 27 Thursday – July 8, 15, 22, 29	6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	7:15 p.m. – 8:15 p.m. 7:15 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.	
Women's Group Lessons				

Women's Group Lessons

These classes are available for women only; novice, beginner, and intermediate golfers.

STAGE 1

This class offers novice and beginners an introduction to the fundamentals of golf. Learn about the golf equipment, how to grip a club correctly, aim your body and golf club correctly, and swing both woods and irons. Questions are encouraged. Additionally, instruction will cover putting, chipping and general golf course etiquette. You will need to bring a set of clubs each week. Contact the golf shop if you do not have clubs.

STAGE 2

Women who have completed stage 1 or have some playing experience will benefit from this class. Instruction will cover the fundamentals of the swing, bunker play, working on individual swing flaws and simple course management. You will need to bring a set of clubs each week.

	Day and Date	STAGE 1	STAGE 2
Session A	Tuesday/Thursday – May 4, 6, 11, 13 Tuesday/Thursday – May 4, 6, 11, 13	10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	
Session B	Tuesday/Thursday – May 25, 27, June 1, 3	11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Episcopal Church of the Incarnation Welcomes New Spiritual Leader

On February 1, 2004 the **Episcopal Church of the Incarnation** called the Reverend Jeanette Repp to serve as their spiritual leader. Born and raised in California, Jeanette came to the Midwest to study at Seabury-Western Theological Seminary. She has worked as a priest in the Diocese of Chicago ever since, serving at Advent/Nuestra Senora, St. Patrick's, St. Gregory's and St. Giles'. In addition to serving the church as a parish priest, she has also maintained a small private practice as a social worker, spiritual director and consultant of the Diocese for the last few years. To meet Reverend Repp or to learn more about Incarnation Church, visit the church at 261 W. Army Trail Road or the web site at: <u>http://www.churchofincarnation.org/</u>

Joseph Salerno Named Man of the Year by Chicagoland Italian American Charitable Organization

Joseph G. Salerno has been named 2004 Man of the Year for the Chicagoland Italian American Charitable Organization (CIACO). The organization singles out an individual who has shown outstanding leadership in the community, as well as participated in CIACO's annual charity programs.



Joe brought his family business to the Bloomingdale area in 1995 when he and his sons built Salerno Rosedale Chapels in Roselle. Joe has been an active member

of the community from day one. In addition to his many affiliations through CIACO, he has also served as a part president of the Roselle Chamber of Commerce and is a member of the Bloomingdale Chamber. A Bloomingdale resident, Joe serves as a director on the Bloomingdale Parks Foundation and was elected as a Bloomingdale Township trustee in 2001, an office he still holds.

He is being honored "as a civic-minded humanitarian....who is a well respected man in the communities where he lives and works." He will be acknowledged on April 17 as the CIACO 2004 Man of the Year at a banquet where the organization also recognizes its 2004 scholarship recipients.

Franco A. Coladipietro Named 'Attorney to Watch'

Franco A. Coladipietro was recently named one of the 40 Illinois Attorneys Under 40 to Watch by Law Bulletin Publishing Company. He was singled out, not only for his skills in the courtroom, but also because of his commitment to both his industry and his community. The 35-year old has earned the position of equity partner at the firm of Amari and Locallo, a pre-eminent real estate tax assessment firm located both in Chicago, and also here in town. Recognized as one of the top real estate taxation attorneys in the city, Coladipietro is active in several associations and charitable causes connected with the bar.

Moses Harrison II, retired Chief Justice of the Illinois Supreme Court, has high praise for the young professional, saying "He has dedicated his life to helping people and improving our profession. This is what all in our profession should strive to do."

Franco's thriving practice includes representing commercial, industrial and multi-unit residential property owners in tax assessment matters on a national basis. As a Bloomingdale resident, Franco is currently a Board of Fire Commissioner for the Bloomingdale Fire Protection District, a Director on the Board of the Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce and an assistant committeeman for the Bloomingdale Township.



The Bloomingdale Golf Club will open for the season on April 1 (weather permitting).



Park Association Honor Bloomingdale Park's Executive Director Steve Scholten

In January, at the Illinois Association of Park Districts/Illinois Park and Recreation Association's State Conference, Bloomingdale Park District's Executive Director, Steve Scholten was awarded the prestigious Professional Recognition Award in front of his peers and family. The Professional Recognition Award acknowledges a park and recreation professional who has shown excellence in promoting parks and recreation on local and regional levels within the state of Illinois.

Steve Scholten has been serving the parks and recreation field for over 27 years. He worked at the Elk Grove Park District, Medinah Park District, and the Glen Ellyn Park District before accepting his current position as Executive Director of the Bloomingdale Park District, where he has been for the last 12 years.



William Wald (1), Chief Executive Officer of Illinois Park & Recreation Association, presented Steve with his award.

Under Steve's direction, Bloomingdale Park District has been a National Gold Medal Finalist for two consecutive years. The Park District is also an Illinois Distinguished Agency Award winner.

"Steve is sincerely deserving of the IPRA Professional Recognition Award as he is the finest and truest example of professionalism, leadership, morality, and public service," said Sandy Johnson, Bloomingdale's Director of Recreation, who has worked with Steve in Bloomingdale for nearly nine years.

Bloomingdale Golf Club

Easter Brunch Sunday, April 12

and

Mother's Day Brunch Sunday, May 9 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Adults \$26.95 Children 6- 11 \$14.95 5 & under Free

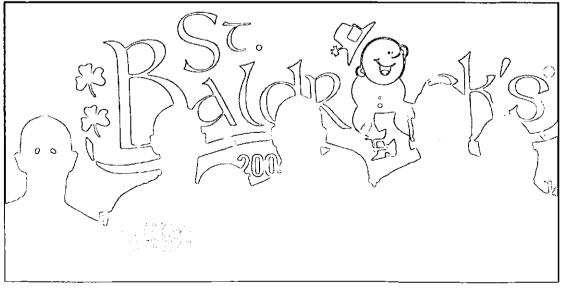
Call 529 – 6232 *for reservations*

Bloomingdale Firefighters Go Bald for a Cause

Seven of our firefighters participated in a St. Baldrick's fundraiser, shaving their heads in order to benefit CureSearch National Childhood Cancer Foundation. The five-year old event has grown to from a one-city

event raising \$17,000 to a 200-city event raising over \$3 million for childhood cancer research. From left are: Nels Olson, Alan Emody, Tom Manion, Randy Gieseke, Chris Wilson, Jeff Herrick, and Jeff Janus.

For more information visit the website, www.stbaldricks.org





Bloomingdale Fire Protection District #1



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Tornado Safety

Most tornadoes happen in spring on a hot humid day in the afternoon or early evening between 3:00 and 7:00

p.m. However, they can touch down at any time of the day or night and at any time of the year. Make sure that everyone in your family knows where to go and what to do should a tornado occur. Most often warnings will be issued through local television and radio stations and by NOAA Weather Radio. You need to know the difference between a Tornado Watch and a Tornado Warning.

Tornado Watch – Tornadoes, thunderstorms or both are possible. Keep an eye on the weather and be prepared to take shelter immediately if the conditions worsen.

Tornado Warning – Take shelter immediately. A tornado funnel has been sighted or indicated by radar. Because tornadoes can form and move quickly, there may not have been time for a warning. That is why it is important to stay alert during severe storms. Know your community's warning signals.

At Home: Have home tornado drills. Choose a safe place where your family can meet. Keep an emergency supply kit handy containing a flashlight with extra batteries, a battery-operated radio, canned food, water and a first aid kit. Stay in your shelter and keep calm until the storm has passed and an all-clear signal is given. After the storm, keep away from fallen power lines and damaged areas. You should seek shelter in the following areas:

- □ In your basement or storm shelter. Stay away from windows, doors, and walls that face the outside.
 - In the middle of your house in a small room, closet or hallway (at the lowest level possible).
 - □ In a bathtub, covered with a blanket or cushions from a couch.
 - Under a heavy table, bed, or chairs.

Away from Home: Take shelter in a steel-framed or reinforced concrete building, if possible. Avoid buildings with wide-span roof. If you are caught in a open building like a shopping mall, civic center, indoor pool, theatre, gymnasium or supermarket during a tornado, stay away from windows. Get into a restroom, if possible. In larger buildings, the restrooms are usually built from concrete block. Besides the four walls and plumbing, the metal partitions help support the falling debris. In a mall, go to a marked emergency shelter that is in the center of the building on a lower level, if available. In a high-rise building, apartment, or other public place, go to a small room or an interior hallway, on the lowest floor possible, preferably the basement. Stay away from windows, doors and outside walls. Do not use the elevator, the power may go out and you could become trapped. Never seek shelter in a car.

In a Vehicle, Mobile Home, or Outside: Get out of your vehicle immediately and go to a safe shelter. Do not go into a grove of trees or under a vehicle. If no shelter exists, lie flat; face down in the nearest ditch, ravine or culvert and protect your head and body with anything possible. Stay as low as possible. Never try to outrun a tornado in your car.

Although there is no guaranteed safe place during a tornado, some locations are better than others. By following the above safety tips, you can increase your chances of survival.

Some websites for additional information pertaining to tornadoes:

http://www.fema.gov/library/tornadof.htm http://www.disastercenter.com/tornado.htm http://www.spc.noaa.gov/faq/tornado/ http://www.noaa.gov

Off the Shelf

BLOOMINGDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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SUMMER HOURS

Starting May 30 the library will be closed on Sundays for the summer. Regular Sunday hours will resume on September 12.

The summer hours are:

Monday - Thursday Friday-Saturday Sunday 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. CLOSED

What's New at the Library . . .

Come see our newest additions to the Youth Services Department! We have recently added many new titles to our Easy, Fiction, and Nonfiction sections. We have also expanded our audiovisual collection by recently purchasing several hundred new titles, including some from your favorite series! The Youth Services Librarians have been working hard to update our collection by adding new titles, so come take a look!

What can you expect in the future from your Youth Services Department? We are in the process of adding LeapPad Interactive book and cartridge sets that can be checked out for use with the LeapPad systems. Also, be sure to look for our upcoming Youth Services programs and activities, so you don't miss out on the fun! We are looking forward to seeing you soon!



from the director . . .

LIBRARY LOOKS TO THE FUTURE

What will libraries be tike 5 years from now? What will our community look like? What services will we offer? To help answer these questions and to make sure we continue serve you well, the Bloomingdale Public Library is currently involved in an exciting long range planning process. A committee of local community members has been picked and is currently in the process of helping us find ways to serve our community over the coming years.

The committee is made up of fellow Bloomingdate residents who have an interest in both their community and their Library. The planning process promises to be an exciting one. Guided and facilitated by renowned consultants, Sharon and Dan Wiseman, the results oriented process will follow a successful approach created by the American Library Association. Many libraries throughout Illinois and the country are using this design.

The committee will meet a total of three times. One meeting took place in March and the remaining will be conducted through April. At the first meeting the committee looked at our community, we reviewed community census data, discussed strengths, weaknesses and opportunities; we then considered the community in five and ten years. The second meeting will look at the Bloomingdale Library itself, we will tour the library and then consider its strengths, weaknesses and opportunities. At the final and most important meeting, the committee will begin to make a realistic assessment of the needs of both the community and the library. The committee will then provide some general guidelines and directions for the library's future.

The final step of the process will be the actual creation of the Long Range Plan. The plan will be useful when we are planning future services, deciding were to expend money, and as a guide to how well we are accomplishing our goals over time.

Residents can look forward to reviewing the plan in a document that will be available by late summer. Through this process it is hoped that the Bloomingdale Public Library will continue to provide world class service for years to come. If you have question about this process feel free to contact the library at (630) 529-3120.



Youth Services Department SPRING YOUTH PROGRAMS



DROP-IN CRAFT

Thursday and Friday, April 1 and 2 All day - All ages

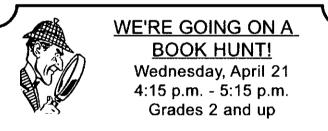
Jumpin' Jiminy, Spring is in the air. We want you to spring on into the library and we'll help you make a leap frog craft to hop home with. All materials will be provided. Registration is not required.



STORY ART

Wednesdays, April 14, 21, and 28 4:15 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. Ages 4 - 7

Spring is in the air, and what better time to add a little creativity to our spring time fun! We will blend literature with art in this program to extend the story experience. Each session will focus on an author, title, or theme. Children should wear clothing appropriate for artistic expression. Please stop by the Youth Services Desk or call 529-3120 ext.332 to register.



It's true, we're going on a book hunt and we need your help. We'll be looking high and low throughout the library finding clues and solving puzzles that will help us to find the book we are looking for. Prizes will be given and we'll also provide a snack to feed the hungry minds! Stop by the Youth Services Desk or call 529-3120 ext.332 to register.

Explore the Reading Trail June 7 - August 7

The Youth Services Department is busy planning this year's Summer Reading Program, Explore the Reading Trail. Special Features will include storytime programs for babies, toddlers, preschoolers, and kindergarteners. Families, school age children, and teens will also "hit the trail" with us at special programs and activities. Watch for Youth Services Librarians who will be visiting Bloomingdale schools in May! A brochure with detailed program and registration information will be mailed to Bloomingdale residents in late May.

The Wizard of Oz Saturday, April 24 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. All ages

Calling all Oz fans, young and old alike, join us for an "Ozsome" and interactive viewing of The Wizard of Oz. Travel with Dorothy as she makes her way over the rainbow to the magical land of Oz. We'll provide the props, lyrics, and refreshments. All we ask is that you bring your enthusiasm! Costumes are encouraged.

Please stop by the Youth Services Desk or call 529-3120 ext. 332 to register.





AN EVENING AT THE BPL COFFEEHOUSE Wednesday, April 14 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Are you and your friends looking for a place to sit, relax, sip coffee and express your creative side with jokes, poetry, stories, songs and even karaoke! Even if you're not looking to express your creative side, you've come to the right place. We have all of the above plus snacks! What more could one ask for?



FIESTA DE CINCO DE MAYO Wednesday, May 5 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

¡Vamos a celebrar a cinco de mayo con una fiesta que usted nunca se olvidará! That's right, we're going to celebrate cinco de mayo with a party you will never forget! There will be Mexican food, music, fun and crafts. (You do not need to speak Spanish to attend this event.)Espero que juntanos! We hope you join us!

LOCAL HISTORY NEWS

The Local History Dept. would like donations of old yearbooks from Glenbard North High School. Years needed include: 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1986, 1988, 1990, 1991, and 1993.

Interested in researching your family tree? Join the Genealogy group that meets on the fourth Thursday of every month 7:00-8:45 p.m.

Youth Services Department SPRING YOUTH PROGRAMS

REGISTRATION INFORMATION/REQUIREMENTS FOR SPRING STORYTIME PROGRAMS

Stop by the Youth Services Desk or call (630) 529-3120 ext. 332 to register. Please have your library card when you register.

Please note that selected programs are open to Bloomingdale Public Library cardholders only. We regret that we cannot accommodate non-resident attendance at all programs. Please refer to the registration information provided for each program.

All programs, except Bedtime Stories and Family StoryTime, require registration and no siblings are allowed at registered programs.

The following age appropriate programs are intended for the registered child. Please make alternative arrangements for siblings.

Spring Programming begins the week of April 5 Spring Programming ends the week of April 26 There will be no classes held the week of March 29-April 2

STORYTIMES

Programs for Newborns through Kindergarteners Registered storytimes are limited to Bloomingdale Public Library cardholders only.

ROMPER RHYMES (Birth - 15 months) Tuesdays, April 6 - April 27 9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

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The best way to start "reading" to infants is not really reading at all! Romper Rhymes is a language-enrichment program in which nursery rhymes, songs, and fingerplays are shared with babies and their caregivers. The program is designed to engage parents/caregivers and children in a bonding experience while allowing participants to meet other caregivers and share information. Bring only the child that is registered. Please make other arrangements for siblings.

BUDDING READERS (16 months - 23 months) Tuesdays, Apríl 6 - April 27 11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Budding Readers is a transition class designed to prepare toddlers for our two year old storytime. Children and their parents/caregivers will enjoy nursery rhymes, songs, and fingerplays in addition to stories and flannel boards. Bring only the child that is registered. Please make other arrangements for siblings.

<u>TWO'S AND THREE'S TOGETHER</u> (24 months and older) Wednesdays, April 7- April 28 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

This is a multi-age story program for children 24 months of age and older. While this is structured for 2 and 3 year olds accompanied by a parent or caregiver, older siblings are welcome. This storytime is designed to help children develop listening skills and features stories, songs and musical activities. PRESCHOOL STORYTIME (ages 3 - 5) Mondays, April 5 - April 26 10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

Thursdays, April 8 - April 29 1:30 p.m. - 2:15 p.m. *No class April 1

Preschool Storytime includes a variety of book sharing, flannelboard stories, videos, filmstrips, and musical activities. In order to foster the child's independence, parents/caregivers and siblings are asked to remain outside the program area during the storytime. This program is limited to preschool age children. For those children going into Kindergarten, please see Kindergarten Kapers program information.

PRIMARY CONNECTIONS (K- 1st) Mondays, April 5 - April 26 4:15 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Primary Connections is a six week program for the child who has outgrown preschool storytime, but not outgrown the library. The children will enjoy a fun-filled session of stories, crafts, and musical fun selected for their newly developing skills. In order to foster the child's independence, parents/caregivers and siblings are asked to remain outside the program area during the storytime.

Don't forget to visit the Bloomingdale Public Library when we host KidSquare at Stratford Square Mall Wednesday, April 28 at 10:30 a.m.

DROP-IN STORYTIMES THE FOLLOWING TWO STORYTIMES DO NOT REQUIRE REGISTRATION				
FAMILY STORYTIME (All ages) Mondays, April 5- April 26 1:30 p.m 2:00 p.m.	<u>BEDTIME STORIES</u> (All ages) Tuesdays, April 6 - April 27 7:00 p.m 7:45 p.m.			
Family Storytime is designed to serve families with babies	Bedtime Stories is designed to serve families with babies toddlers			

Family Storytime is designed to serve families with babies, toddlers and preschoolers who want to attend afternoon storytime together. Children will enjoy a variety of book sharing, flannel stories, musical activities and/or puppets during these sessions.

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!

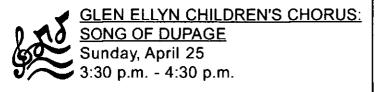
Adult Services Department SPRING ADULT PROGRAMS

All programs are free of charge but require registration which should be made by calling the Reference Desk at (630) 529-3120, ext. 324



BUTTERFLIES: MAGIC IN THE GARDEN Saturday, April 3 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Master Gardener, Eileen Kostock, will uncover the secrets behind the many ways to attract butterflies. Learn about the butterfly life cycle, migration habits, and plant preferences. This event is provided by the University of Illinois Extension Master Gardeners Program.



Song of Dupage is an original project designed to uncover, explore, and celebrate DuPage County's cultural roots through the stories and songs of its native and immigrant forefathers. Also included are songs and stories from the county's strong connection to the Underground Railroad and Abolitionist movement during the Civil War era. The Glen Ellyn Children's Chorus is now in its 39th year and serves the community through song, while also touring nationally and internationally. Children performing Song of DuPage range in age from 11-17 and come from many different communities in DuPage and Kane Counties.

DECODING DA VINCI Tuesday, May 4 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

The recent fictional book, The DaVinci Code, has resulted in increased popular interest about this famous Renaissance artist. Inspired by this renewed interest, this slide lecture focuses on Leonardo's artistic innovations. By examining his works within the context of Italian painting, we will "decode" Da Vinci and thereby learn the many ways his approach broke with the traditions of his time.

Given the nature of patronage during Leonardo's lifetime, this lecture focuses on Leonardo's religious subjects, "The Last Supper" in particular. His three painted portraits will also be discussed along with his legacy for the Italian Renaissance.

This lecture is presented by Michelle Paluch-Mishur. Paluch-Mishur is co-owner of Art Excursions, a business that provides art-related tours and lectures.



<u>BUS TRIP:</u> <u>CHICAGO BOTANIC GARDENS</u> Thursday, May 27 Depart library at 10:00 a.m. Return to library 4:00 p.m.

Travel via motorcoach to the Chicago Botanic Gardens and enjoy a day among the flowers! We will begin our visit with a tram tour (handicapped accessible) of the Japanese Garden, McDonald Woods and the Prairie. Following the tour, participants will enjoy a boxed lunch and will have time to explore the gardens on their own. Maximum of 35 people. There is a charge of \$35.00 for this program which covers transportation, entry to the gardens and boxed lunch. Please register in the Business Office. Last day for registration is Friday, May 7th.



<u>NEW BEGINNINGS:</u> <u>SPRING CONCERT</u> Saturday, June 5 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

This contemporary women's group will get your toes tappin' with their upbeat performance of popular songs and arrangements of favorite standards, Broadway show tunes, and inspirational selections. Now entering its eighth year, New Beginnings is a women's choral group made up of women from the Northwest Suburbs. Songs from previous spring concerts include "Can You Feel the Love Tonight", "It Had to be You" and "You'll Never Walk Alone".

PEP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Join the People Educating People (PEP) Volunteer Program from College of DuPage as a volunteer classroom aide. We're seeking experienced volunteers to help adult students learn English as a Second Language. Openings are in Addison, Bensenville and other sites throughout the district. Day and evening assignments are available. If you have prior tutor training or a teaching background and are interested in volunteering, call 630-942-3788 for more information.

ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

The morning and evening Book Discussion Groups always welcome new members. Copies of our current book selection are available at the Adult Reference Desk.

The adult group meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 10:00 and the third Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. Our selections for April and May are as follows:

April 18 and 19 May 19 and 20 Bee Season by Myla Goldberg Bel Canto by Ann Patchett

The morning historical book group meets on the first Tuesday of the month from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Book selections for May and June are:

May 4 June 1 The Lemon Jelly Cake by Madeline Babcock Smith On the Homefront by Jack Clark

Contact Melissa Willer for information regarding the Science Fiction and Fantasy Book Discussion dates and titles, 529-3120 ext. 315.



NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

Stop in the Library the week of April 18-24 and help us celebrate National Library Week. To focus on this special week, the library is offering the following:

In the Circulation Department every patron who checks out materials will be entitled to take an Easter egg from the basket. The eggs will contain a coupon for free video or DVD rentals.

In the Adult Services Department, come and visit the new Readers' Services Desk and tell us your favorite author(s). A Readers' Services Librarian will provide you with a list of suggested authors that are similar to those you already enjoy! One lucky participant will win a \$25.00 gift certificate to Barnes and Noble.. The Readers' Services Desk operates during these hours: 1 p.m. - 9 p.m. Monday - Thursday, 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Friday, and 1 p.m. -5 p.m. Saturday, or if not staffed, come to the Reference Desk.

Ever wonder how many books the Youth Services Department owns? Stop by the Youth Services Desk and make your best guess. The entry that comes closest to matching the total of all books owned in department will win a \$25 gift certificate to Stratford Square Mall.

ADULT/TEEN SUMMER READING PROGRAM

June 7 - August 7

Adults and high school age teens are invited to participate in this year's summer reading program, Explore the Reading Trail.

Each time you read or listen to a book between June 7 - August 7 stop at the Reference Desk and we will record your title. We will have weekly prize drawings for both adult and teen participants. The drawing will be based on the entrees for that week only, one entry per library visit. Weekly prize drawing winners may not win more than once during the program. All adults and teens will be entered in the final grand prize drawing to be held at the end of the program.

Computer Lab SPRING PROGRAMS

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. Classes are limited to twelve participants. Residents of Bloomingdale will be placed in the class (if space is available). Non-Residents will be placed on a waiting list and will be contacted if space becomes available. Residents on the waiting list will be given priority over non-residents on the waiting list. Please register in the Business Office of the Library beginning April 2, 2004. Deposits will not be refunded unless cancellation is made at least 24 hours in advance of the class start time.

UNDERSTANDING YOUR COMPUTER 1

Wednesday April 7, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Instructor: Sean

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 INTERNET/EMAIL

Saturday April 10, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Instructor: Sean

In this class we'll talk about more advanced topics regarding using an Email account and the internet in general. Techniques such as downloading and creating links will be covered as well as learning to manipulate attachments and address books. (Having taken "Using the Internet" and "Using Email" is recommended.)

<u>INTRODUCTION TO THE</u> <u>PERSONAL COMPUTER</u> Tuesday April 13, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Instructor: Sean

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

INTRODUCTION TO EXCEL Wednesday April 14, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Instructor: Sean

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

USING POWER POINT

Saturday April 17, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Instructor: Sean

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.)

INTRODUCTION TO ACCESS

Wednesday April 21, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Instructor: Sean

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.)

USING MICROSOFT OFFICE

Wednesday May 19, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Instructor: Sean

This class was created to discuss, in great detail and through working with examples, two important Office topics: Mail Merge and Macros. This session is titled "Using Microsoft Office", instead of being a Word or Excel class, because both these topics go across the boundaries of any one Office program and can involve several of the programs in the Office package.

<u>USING DIGITAL CAMERAS/SCANNERS</u> Wednesday May 26, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Instructor: Sean

This class will teach the basic skills required to use the Bloomingdale Library's scanner and two sample digital cameras. Techniques taught will include taking pictures, viewing them on the camera, transferring them to a computer, and acquiring text and/or images from the scanner. While all digital cameras are different, the same basic principles will apply to the students' cameras as those used in class. It is recommended that students have basic experience using Windows so that you are comfortable

SENIORS COMPUTER COURSE Discussion will continue over first two classes with recommended practice exercises given after both session Please note: A \$60.00 deposit is required for this course 1 and 2. 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Monday May 17, Sessions 3 and 4: 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Tuesday May 18, Friday May 21, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. These two classes will introduce participants to using the Monday May 24, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Internet. Basic understanding of connecting and using the Tuesday May 25, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. World Wide Web will be covered as well as more detailed Friday May 28, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. E-Mail guestions and introducing more complicated Instructor: Sean Internet topics such as downloading, searching, and using multimedia products online (music, movies, games, etc.). This six-session course will cover a wide range of computer topics. It is intended to give students a strong The third class will cover most of the topics covered in foundation in computing, teaching them general "Introduction to the Internet and E-Mail" with a few computer/Windows principles, using the Internet, and changes to better suit the class. In the fourth session we familiarity with Microsoft Office products. The skills will fill in E-Mail and Browser details missing from the third learned here will help to prepare the student for whatever session and begin with the complicated topics discussed computing task interests them. Please see the following above. Course Outline for more information. Sessions 5 and 6 Adults Computer Course Outline The final two sessions of this course will introduce the Sessions 1 and 2: Microsoft Office Suite, paving particular attention to MS Word but also introducing products such as Excel, Power Very basic introduction to computers and how we use Point, and Publisher, while discussing the Office them. Topics such as learning how to use disks and CD-These classes should provide enough environment. ROMs, becoming comfortable with the mouse, using comfort to get started in any MS Office program. windows, and running programs. FEDERAL AND STATE REMEMBRANCE TAX FORMS **PRO**GRAM **ARE STILL AVAILABLE** The library still has federal and Illinois income tax forms The Bloomingdale Historical Society available to the public. The most common forms are free, The and the Bloomingdale Public Library less popular forms may be photocopied from a master for 10 will again sponsor the yearly cents per copy, or downloaded from the IRS website at the Remembrance program to be held Reference Desk. If you would like to download forms from on Monday, May 31, 2004. The vour home computer, the websites are as follows: Federal, Memorial Day observance will be www.irs.gov, and Illinois, www.revenue.state.il.us, Look for held at the St. Paul Cemetery on the "forms" link to find the one you need. Lake Street in Bloomingdale at 9:30 This special gathering is to am. honor men and women who have Want to be notified sooner when your served our country and a special invitation is made to all veterans in our community. The placing of reserves are ready for pickup? Provide us flags, taps, and a gun salute by VFW Post 7539 will with your email address and we will alert be part of the program. Limited seating is available, you this way instead of by mail. Call the so please bring lawn chairs and remember Circulation Department 529-3120 ext. 312 umbrellas if needed.For questions please call (630) for information. 529-3120 ext. 710.

Don't Miss Out On These Great Summer Events!

For more information, call 529-3650 or check us out at www.bloomingdaleparks.org

Tour de BPD Bike Rodeo!

May 15, 10:00am-Noon



Care to put your biking skills to the test? Join us for the Tour de BPD Bike Rodeo in partnership with School District 13 and the Bloomingdale Police Department. You won't want to miss "Perfection on Wheels" a professional stunt biking team that is sure

to amaze you! Steer through obstacle courses, test your biking skills through various tests, and register your bike. This is a family event, so bring the whole gang and arrive on your bikes. Big Wheels are also welcome. A DJ, prizes, and food are also part of this exciting day!

Location: JRC Parking Lot R/NR Fee: \$5/8 per family



Summer Dance Classes

The Park District offers a variety of dance classes including ballet, jazz, tap, and funk for ages 3-Adult. Classes begin in June; call the Park District for more information.

Coming Soon!



Beginning in June, Old Town Park will host our annual concert series. All concerts are 7:00-8:30pm. This series of free concerts will include a wide variety of music. Juke Box Band will open the series on June 8 and favorite "Ronnie Rice" will wrap up the series on August 17. Bring your chairs & blankets to sit on, and enjoy the summer nights at Old Town Park.

Pool Passes Go On Sale!

The pool opens June 5th! Season pool passes go on sale May 1. Call the Park District for details.



Summer Day Camps What a great way for children to enjoy the summer! The Park District offers a variety of camps for children 4 years old through ninth grade. Each camp is designed with fun activities to suit the age of your child.

The main focus of our camps is to provide a caring, fun, and safe environment. From Cat Tails Camp for children age 4-entering Kindergarten to Top Dog Adventure Camp for 6th-9th graders, there's something for everyone. Registration is going on now!

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We're right around the corner!

Summer Specialty Camps

Registration begins April 7 for the following exciting camps! Call the Park District for details.

Baseball Camp Softball Camp Munchkin Gymnastics Camp Gold Gymnastics Camp Roller Hockey Camp YBA Basketball Camp Drama Workshop Art Excellence Camp All Girl Sports Volleyball Camp Super Sports Camp Soccer Camp Chicago Bears Youth Football Camp White Sox Camp Bulls Camp

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Swim Team Registration

Registration dates for the Barracuda Swim Team are April 10 from 9am to Noon and April 14 from 7pm to 9pm at the JRC. The Barracuda Swim Team is a competitive program for children 18 years and younger who want to have fun and develop their skills.

Calling Bands for Teen Battle of the Bands!



If you have a band with all members between the ages of 13-19 and are interested in the Battle of the Bands Competition on June 11, contact Ellen at 630-529-3650 for details. All prospective bands are required to pay a \$5 registration fee and submit a CD or cassette sampling of their music. Cash prizes will be awarded to the winning bands.

2004-05 Preschool Openings

There are still openings for Fall 2004 preschool at the Park District's Once Upon a Time Preschool for children ages 2 1/2 -5 years. Register today at the Johnston Recreation Center.

At the Museum...



21st Bloomingdale Student Art Show Now-April 24, 2004

Still Looking

May 15-June 26 Photography students and faculty members Curto, Hansen and Vitacco from College of DuPage will exhibit their images at this juried show. Reception - Sunday, May 23, 2-4 pm

Bloomingdale Park District Museum 108 South Bloomingdale Rd. Hours: Wed. 4-8; Th. & Fr. 10-4; Sat. 12.4 • Ph. & Fax 630-539-3096 www.bloomingdaleparks.org

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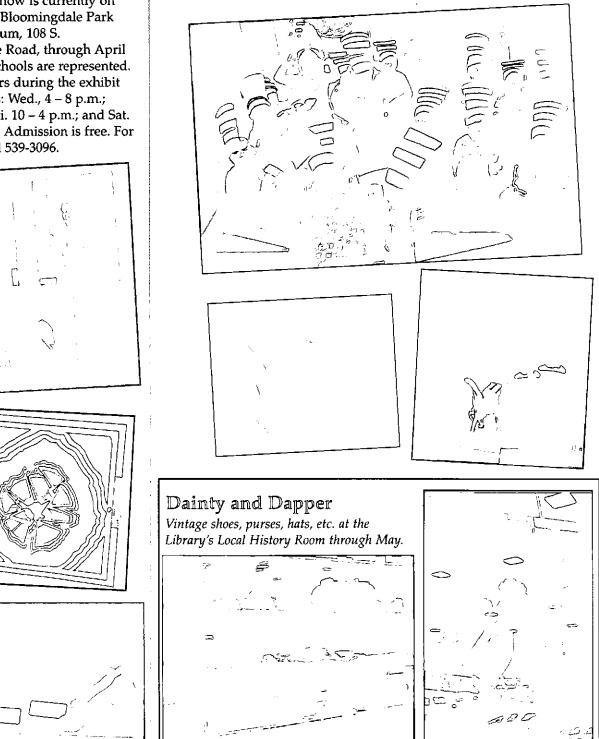
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Bloomingdale Student Art Show Runs Through April 24

The 21st annual Bloomingdale Student Art Show is currently on exhibit at the Bloomingdale Park District Museum, 108 S. Bloomingdale Road, through April 24. Twelve schools are represented. Museum hours during the exhibit are as follows: Wed., 4 - 8 p.m.; Thurs. and Fri. 10 – 4 p.m.; and Sat. noon - 4 p.m. Admission is free. For more info call 539-3096.

