



Village of Bloomingdale Almanac

JUNE 2005



Happy
Father's
Day!

From the Desk of Mayor Bob Iden

If it's June in Bloomingdale, our annual Family Fest celebration is just about here!

This year's event takes place from Thursday, June 23 through Sunday, June 26 at Lake Street and Springfield Drive. The Family Fest Commission, headed up by Kandice Krettlar and Tim Jarzemsky, promises another weekend of thrilling rides, terrific food, great entertainment, and fun for every member of the family.

The main stage features Rare Earth on Friday and the Buckingham's on Saturday, both starting at 8:30 p.m. Sunday's main show starts at 8 p.m. and features Joey Dee and the Starlighters, with special guest star Tony Spavone. And, of course, highlighting Sunday is the best fireworks show west of the city beginning at approximately 9:30 p.m.

This year we are offering a pre-sale on a 40-coupon sheet of ride tickets from May 31 through June 18, both at the Village Hall and at the library. The pre-sale cost is \$30; the on-site price is \$35.

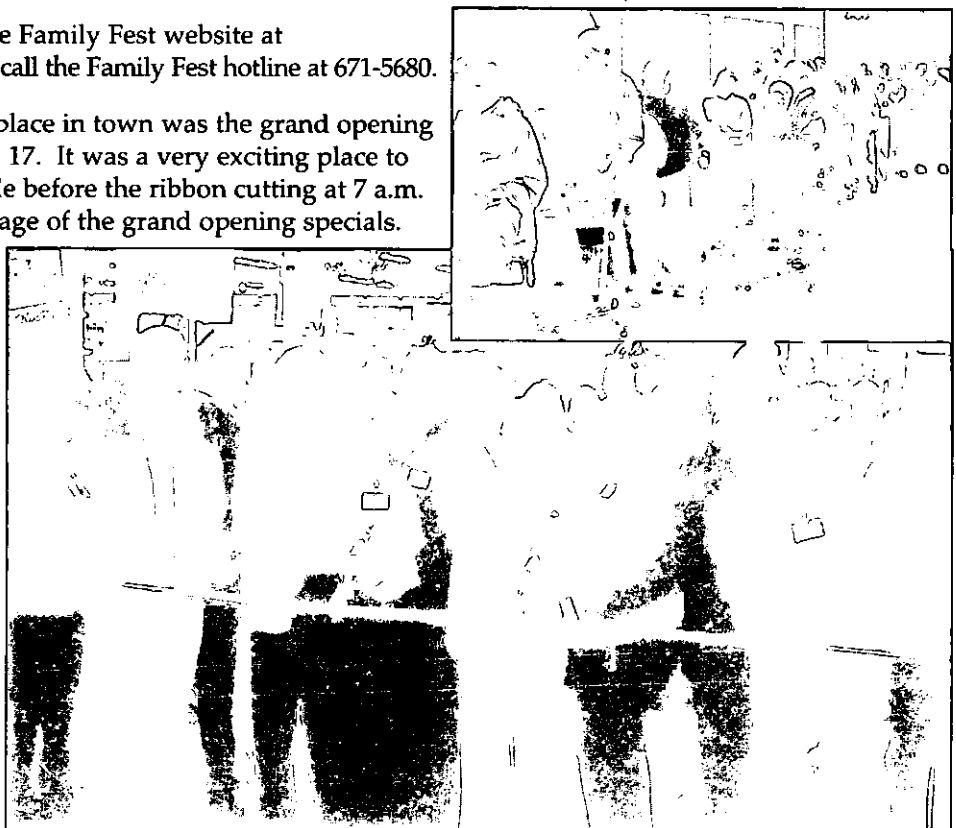
For more information on the fest, visit the Family Fest website at www.vil.bloomington.il.us/familyfest or call the Family Fest hotline at 671-5680.

Another festive event that recently took place in town was the grand opening of the Bloomingdale Meijer store on May 17. It was a very exciting place to be as hundreds of people lined up outside before the ribbon cutting at 7 a.m. to check out the store and to take advantage of the grand opening specials.

Live music and cheerleaders added to the anticipation of the opening. In addition, as part of the opening ceremony, store director Rick Peterson presented the Bloomingdale Baseball Association with a check for \$1000 and the Bloomingdale CHARACTER COUNTS! Coalition with a check for \$3,000.

Meijer officials indicated they were very excited to see the opening day attendance and sales figures and are very happy with the enthusiastic reception they have received here in Bloomingdale. We welcome them to the business community.

Enjoy the beginnings of summer. Hope to see you on the midway, in the food tent or enjoying the music at the fest.



Mayor Iden joined Store Director Rick Peterson, Meijer president Larry Zigerelli and several employees in officially cutting the ribbon. Above – the never-ending grand opening lineup!

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 & 4th 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.

**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

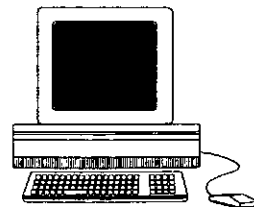
James M. Gebis
*Planning, Zoning
& Environmental Concerns*

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@world-
net.att.net**

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

**The deadline for
the August issue
of the
Almanac is
JULY 10**

Honoring Outstanding Character



The Bloomingdale CHARACTER COUNTS! Coalition recently held its 4th annual Recognition Breakfast where 14 area people were honored for exhibiting outstanding character in their everyday lives. Pictured are Lori Noonan, enthusiastic volunteer in several community activities; Randy Sater, Bloomingdale Police sergeant who has dedicated much time to our community relations, and especially to CHARACTER COUNTS!; Emil Begovich, active senior and Bloomingdale Township Senior Center volunteer; Dave Sapinski, active and generous supporter of Winnebago School; Nancy Smith, volunteer math tutor for G.E.D. classes; Mary Jennison, organizer of the DuJardin Math-a-thon fundraiser for St. Jude's; Josephine and Ted Dabrowski, citizens who exhibit great caring; Nancy Johnson and Jeff Schiff, dedicated supporters of the National Kidney Foundation. Also honored, but not pictured are Westfield student Elliot Walte who always exhibits great character, despite daily challenges; Mary Ringnald, extraordinary volunteer at Winnebago; Carol Goforth volunteer with struggling readers at Winnebago and Kathy Enzenbacher, student mentor at DuJardin School.

Gazebo Parking Lot to be Closed During Reconstruction of Parking Lot Between the Village Hall and Founders Park

Beginning in July and continuing through mid-October, the Village of Bloomingdale will be reconstructing the parking lot between the Founders Park Gazebo and the Village Hall and west of the access drive from Fairfield Way. The project consists of the complete removal and replacement of the pavement and underlying unstable soils, with a stabilized stone sub-grade and asphalt pavement. Unique to this project is the innovative use of an 'environmentally' friendly pavement system to be constructed in the driveway area which allows rain runoff to percolate down to an under drain system; filtering pollutants from the storm water before discharging to the storm system and ultimately the East Branch of the DuPage River.

Another 'green' feature proposed in the parking lot will be a 'bio-swale' planted with native perennial plants and shrubs. The bio-swale accepts rain run-off; absorbing and filtering sediments and pollutants before discharging the storm water to a under drain system. In addition to being environmentally friendly, the proposed design will mitigate ground water flows which currently move toward the recently reconstructed Library parking lot. Intercepting this water will extend the Library parking lot useful life.

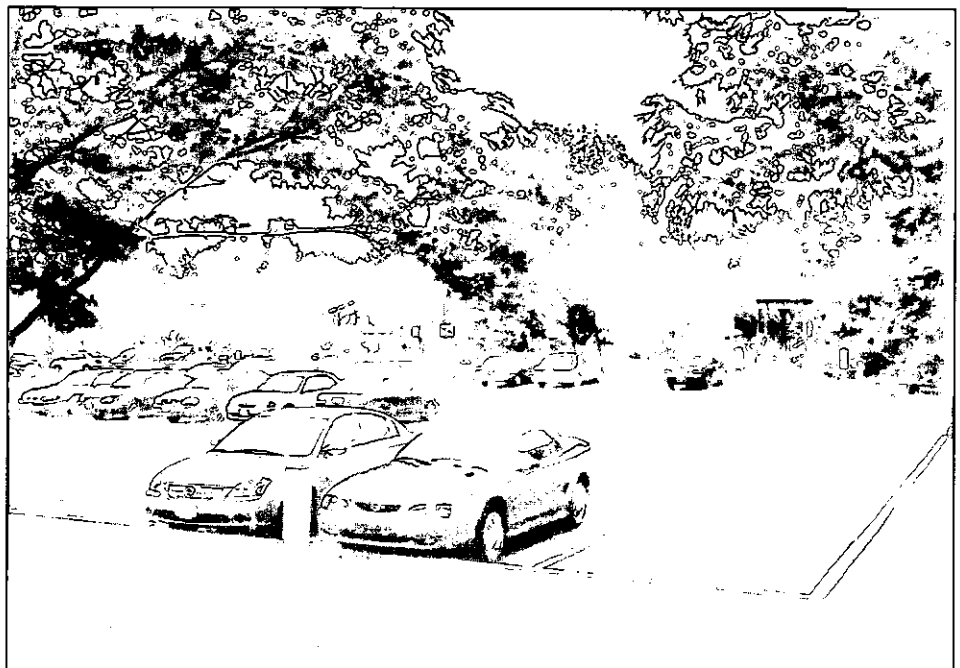
During construction, the Gazebo parking lot will be closed. Access to the Library building will be maintained at all times via the main Library Entrance. Parking will be available at all times in the parking lot immediately adjacent to the west Library Entrance, in the Village Hall parking lot to the north of the Library, or on Fairfield Way to the south of the Library. Access to/from the Library parking lot will vary depending on the stage of construction. Please watch for the directional signage to facilitate access and locate parking during the construction. Parking will be permitted on Fairfield Way and Milford, and in the Village Hall parking lot north of the Library.

One other feature of the parking lot re-construction will be the installation of a new tent anchor system to continue the ever popular Village/Library events such as the Summer Reading Celebration/Ice Cream Social, Roy's Fish Fry and the Halloween Party. While some of these events may be held at alternative locations this year due to the construction, the Village is certain that the parking lot re-construction will be completed in time to celebrate Halloween under the tent at the end of October.

If you have questions regarding the re-construction project please contact the Village Services Engineering Division at 630-671-5676. If you have questions regarding the effect of the re-construction on Library events and services please contact the Library at 630-529-3120.

Your understanding and patience during this important project is greatly appreciated.

The Gazebo lot between Fairfield Way and the south side of the Village Hall



National Night Out
Against Crime is
Tuesday, August 2,
at the
Bloomingdale Park
District, from
6:00-9:00 PM.
Watch for details in
the next
Village Almanac



Check Your Cable Bill

If you are a Village resident or business and are a subscriber to Comcast for cable television, please check your cable bill to see if it shows your franchising authority to be the Village of Bloomingdale. We have learned that in some communities, some accounts have been incorrectly coded and franchise fees are going to the wrong municipality.

If your bill does not show Bloomingdale as the franchising authority, please notify the Village Administrator at 671-5610.

Looking for Something Different for Dad for Father's Day?

Tell the world he's your personal hero by placing a brick with your sentiments at the "Everyday Heroes" statue in Old Town Park. The 4x8 bricks are \$100 each and hold three lines of copy at 13 spaces each.

Orders placed by Father's Day, June 19, 2005 will be installed later this summer.

A card announcing your gift to Dad is available at no charge. Bricks are also still available at the golf course and the library statue sites for \$75.00 each. Call Mary Ellen at the Village Hall at 671-5600 for more information or to place an order.



WANTED: Women Wanting to Make a Difference in the Community

The Bloomingdale Women's Club is seeking any interested women in the Bloomingdale area who would like to make a difference in our community. Please join us for a meeting which are held on the lower level of the Bloomingdale Public Library, 101 Fairfield Way on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

For more information call Violette at 894-6782.

Bloomington's Septemberfest 3rd Annual Motorcycle Show

Saturday, September 10, 2005

People's Choice Class – No Entry Fee – 2:00pm-7:00pm

Trophy Class - \$5.00 Entry Fee – 4:00pm-6:30pm

People's Choice (Ribbons Awarded)	Trophy Class
American Touring	Best of Show
American Cruiser	Best Softtail Custom
Sportster	Best Hardtail Custom
Import Touring	Best Paint
Import Cruiser	Best Antique
Import Sport	
Antique – pre 1980	
Custom	
<p>One winner from each category. All bikes to enter the show at Bloomington Road & Washington St. – Secure bike parking. People's Choice – Show up anytime between 2pm & 4pm – Ribbons awarded at 6:30pm. Trophy Class – Fill out and return registration form no later than August 26, 2005 - One registration form per bike - Bike MUST be in the show area no later than 4pm – Judging to be conducted from 5pm-6pm – Winners to be announced and trophies presented at 7pm</p>	

If you have any questions, please contact Mark Garrison at 630-688-8428.

MAIL YOUR APPLICATION TO:
 SEPTEMBERFEST MOTORCYCLE SHOW, C/O VILLAGE OF BLOOMINGTON
 201 SOUTH BLOOMINGTON ROAD, BLOOMINGTON, IL 60108
 ATTENTION LORI.

2005 Septemberfest Trophy Class Motorcycle Show Application

Owner's name (please print) _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip Code _____

Daytime phone _____ Evening phone _____

Make _____ Model _____ Year _____

____ Softtail Custom ____ Hardtail Custom ____ Paint ____ Antique

SPONSORED IN PART BY:
 THE DUKANE CHAPTER OF A.B.A.T.E. OF ILLINOIS – PROTECTING MOTORCYCLISTS RIGHTS
 MURPH'S BIKER LEATHER, WHEATON

The Septemberfest Commission offers several ways for residents and businesses to support the Joe Draghi Scholarship Fund which has given thousands of dollars over the years to Bloomingdale students seeking higher education. Last year the Commission awarded four \$2000 scholarships. They plan to at least match that this year. If you are interested in helping them meet that goal, see the form below.

THE JOE DRAGHI SCHOLARSHIP FUND DONOR RESPONSE FORM

☐ Friend of Septemberfest: Individual or family donations for \$10, \$25, or \$50: Listed on insert and sign.

☐ Corporate/Individual Donor - \$100 to \$500 Cash:
Listed on insert and sign.

☐ Corporate/Individual Donor - In kind services under \$1000: Listed on insert and sign. Form with service guarantee and invoice must be submitted.

☐ Corporate/Individual Donor - Over \$500 cash: Special banner designation, plus listed on insert and sign. Money and logo must be received prior to July 31 to ensure installation one month prior to event.

☐ Corporate/Individual Donor - In kind services over \$1,000: special banner designation, plus listed on insert and sign. Form with service guarantee, invoice, and logo must be received by July 31 to ensure installation one month prior to event.

☐ Event Scholarship Sponsor - Cash Donation of \$5,000 or more: top billing in all media releases and advertising; special banner designation; individual banner on stage during event; top billing on donor sign; priority listing on inset. Donation must be received prior to July 10, 2005 for inclusion in Almanac advertising and by July 31 to insure banner installation one month prior to festival.

Sponsorship Banner Information

**Your logo or company name
goes here**

2005 Septemberfest

- Banner measures 1.5 feet wide by 1 foot high
- Please provide clean, black and white copy of your logo (the larger, the better) and/or the exact spelling of your company name to go on the banner
- This is a separate, double-sided banner that hangs at the bottom of the standard Septemberfest banner.
- Remember: We must receive logo and sponsorship payment by July 31, 2005 to display for one month prior to Septemberfest.

DEADLINE FOR SPECIAL BANNERS: July 31, 2005

DEADLINE FOR SIGNAGE: August 17, 2005

Please type or print

Company Name: _____

Contact or Individual Name: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Description of In Kind Donation (If applicable) Please attach an invoice showing services and dollar value.

☐ Enclosed is my check, money order, or invoice for in kind services in the amount of \$ _____ for:

✓ Friend of Septemberfest

✓ Cash Donor Under \$500

✓ In Kind Donor Under \$1,000

✓ Cash Donor Over \$500

✓ In Kind Donor Over \$ 1,000

✓ Event Sponsor - \$5,000

☐ Enclosed is black and white artwork of my company logo to use on the sponsorship banner.

Please mail payment and this donor response form to:

Village of Bloomingdale, Septemberfest Commission, 201 S. Bloomingdale Road, Bloomingdale, IL 60108

The Septemberfest/Joe Draghi Memorial Scholarship Deadline is August 15

The Joe Draghi Memorial/Septemberfest Scholarship has given thousands of dollars to young adults in our community over the past 32 years. Community service has played a large part in the in the lives of past scholarship winners.

Qualifications for Scholarship

The applicant must comply with the following criteria:

1. Be a resident of the incorporated Village of Bloomingdale, Illinois
2. Be between the ages of 16 and 20 years of age
3. Exhibit school and community involvement
4. Plan to attend a college, university, or trade school after graduation from high school or is currently enrolled in a college, university, or trade school
5. Complete the application form, submit two letters of recommendation and compose an essay of a minimum of 500 words as described in the application packet. Essays will be judged on content, grammar, and thoroughness.

The application packet must be complete, including letters of recommendation, when submitted and all requirements must be met. The application packet should be mailed or delivered to:

The Joe Draghi Memorial/Septemberfest Scholarship
c/o Village of Bloomingdale
201 South Bloomingdale Road
Bloomingdale, IL 60108

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTAL OF COMPLETED APPLICATION PACKETS IS AUGUST 15, 2005. APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN AUGUST 15, 2005.

Winners will be announced at the 33rd Septemberfest on Saturday, September 10, 2005. Attendance is mandatory for scholarship recipients. Scholarships are limited to future tuition, books, and fees.

This packet is available at the Village Hall, 201 S. Bloomingdale Road, the Bloomingdale Public Library, 101 Fairfield Way and on the Village's website at: www.vil.bloomingdale.il.us. For more information call Karen at 529-6878.

Be in the Septemberfest Parade!!

There are a variety of floats, bands, and groups already lining up for the parade. Plus, this year the Bloomingdale Fire Protection District will be celebrating 100 years of service to the community and will have several entries. We are looking for more applicants for the parade.

If you would like to participate, please contact Gloria Tomaras at 630-980-8176 for all the information.



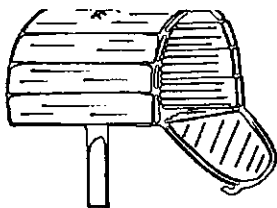
Bloomingdale Fire Department celebrates 100 years -- Volunteer Fire Department circa 1906.

Letter Carriers Say Thanks for Outstanding Participation in Annual Food Drive

Many thanks to our Bloomingdale residents for their generosity in donating over 5,900 pounds of food for the 12th annual Letter Carriers Food Drive this year. Our goal for next year is 7,000 pounds. Thanks also to all of our co-workers for making this effort possible.

Until next May,
thanks again

Bloomingdale Letter
Carrier Coordinators
Bryan Toler
Daryl W. Miller



Need to Get Rid of Latex Paint? DuPage County Has a Program for You!

The DuPage County Public Works has a program to recycle unwanted latex paint, as well as a program to get free latex paint.



Drop Off Unwanted Paint

Residents can drop off their unwanted latex paint to the Latex Paint Recycling Facility during the designated 2005 summer collections at the following times. The usable latex paint will be filtered and re-blended into a variety of colors, types, and finishes.

Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
(June 1st – August 13th, excluding holidays)

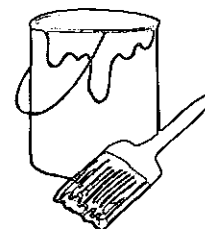
Selected Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
(June 11th, June 25th, July 9th, July 23rd and August 13th)

Pick Up Free Latex Paint

Usable latex paint that is dropped off by residents during designated collections is inspected, sorted, filtered and then re-blended into five gallon buckets of recycled paint. The end product is a quality-recycled paint available in a variety of colors, types, and finishes. Residents, businesses, schools, churches, and community groups can obtain five gallon buckets of the quality-recycled paint for free during the week.

Paint can be picked up while supply lasts:

- ☐ Monday through Friday, except holidays
- ☐ June 1st through August 13th
- ☐ Between 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

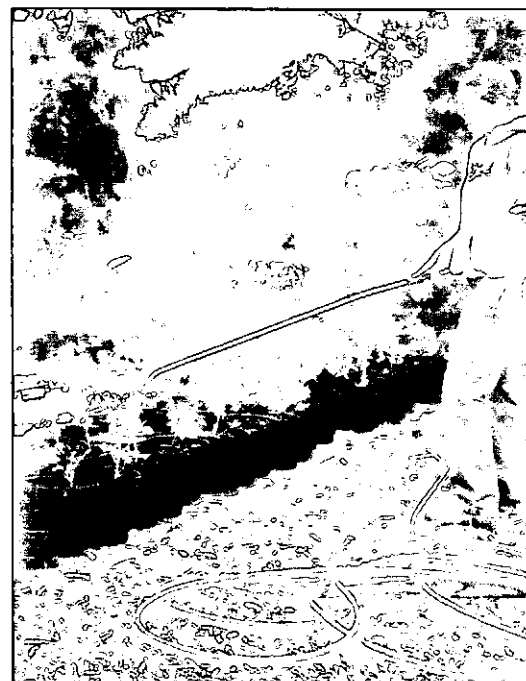


Both programs take place at the DuPage County Public Works Woodridge Wastewater Treatment Facility, 7900 S. Route 53 in Woodridge. For more information on either program, call the DuPage County Public Works Department at (630) 985-7400.

Volunteers Plant 200 Seedlings at Public Works Facility

Volunteers Chris, Gail, Matt and Steven Brewer, Karen Del Campo, Bob & JoEllen Iden, Jimmy and Alexxis Johnson, Julie Newberg-LaBant, Helen Price, Juana Stoiser, Dennis Szafran and Georgette West joined Jim Johnson, urban forester and Andy DiBasilio, street maintenance worker on Saturday, May 7 in planting 200 seedling trees – Japanese tree lilacs, sargent crabapples and swamp white oaks.

These tree seedlings will be nurtured for two to three years at the Grow Center located at the Public Works Facility. The young trees will then be planted out at the Village Nursery, located on Cardinal Drive at Wellhouse #3, where they will remain for an additional two to three years, or until they reach maturity. Once mature, the trees will be utilized throughout Village parks, parkways, and landscape projects.



Forestry worker Lauren Moore waters the new seedlings

Mosquitoes and West Nile Virus – 2005 Update

West Nile Virus, a disease transmitted by mosquitoes, was first discovered in the Chicago area in 2001 after making its first U.S. appearance in New York City in 1999. The 2002 outbreak resulted in over 800 confirmed cases in Illinois. According to the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), the 2002 outbreak in Illinois occurred during a summer with above normal temperatures. Although Illinois experienced far fewer cases in the summers of 2003 and 2004, the IDPH believes if a hot summer occurs, there is significant risk of another outbreak in Illinois.

The virus, which can cause encephalitis, is transferred when mosquitoes that have bitten a bird carrying the virus then bite a human. The virus is not spread by person-to-person or bird-to-person contact. Symptoms of the disease are initially similar to the flu, with muscle weakness and disorientation. Though the majority of those infected will have mild symptoms or no symptoms at all, in some individuals, West Nile Virus can cause inflammation of the brain (encephalitis) and in severe cases, paralysis, coma or death. The disease is most serious – even fatal – in those with compromised immune systems and the elderly.

Adequate mosquito control is important. Bloomingdale Township, by contract with Clarke Mosquito, is the agency responsible for mosquito abatement services throughout the Township, which includes the Village of Bloomingdale. Clarke's mosquito abatement services include chemical larviciding and spraying.

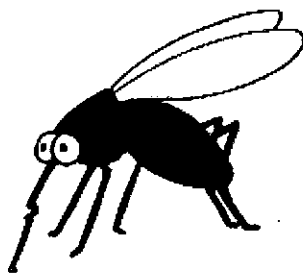
Larviciding is performed at locations where mosquito larvae are present. Larviciding eliminates mosquito larvae, reducing the number of future adult biting mosquitoes.

Spraying for adult mosquitoes reduces the local adult biting mosquito population. The product used by Clarke is environmentally safe for use in residential areas. This product is used in very low doses and therefore is considered not harmful to most adults, children and household pets. If there is any concern of allergy or of chemical sensitivity, residents can request to be placed on a call list for advance notice of pesticide use. Residents may report these and any other concerns directly to Clarke Mosquito Control at its "Mosquito Hotline," 1-800-942-2555.

Nonchemical mosquito control. Mosquito larvae must live in still water for five or more days to complete their growth before changing into adult biting mosquitoes capable of transmitting disease. Often, the number of mosquitoes in an area can be reduced by removing sources of standing water around residences. For example, hundreds of mosquitoes can come from a single discarded tire.

TO PREVENT MOSQUITO PRODUCTION AND PREVENT MOSQUITO BITES:

- Remove and properly dispose of old tires, tin cans, buckets, drums, bottles or any water-holding containers.
- Fill in or drain any low places (puddles, ruts, etc.) in your yard.
- Keep drains, ditches and culverts free of weeds and trash so water will drain properly.
- Keep roof gutters free of leaves and other debris.
- Cover trash containers to keep out rainwater.
- Repair leaky pipes and outside faucets.
- Empty plastic wading pools at least once a week and store indoors when not in use.
- Unused swimming pools should be drained and kept dry during the mosquito season.
- Fill in tree rot holes and hollow stumps that hold water.
- Change the water in bird baths and plant pots or drip trays at least once each week.
- Keep grass cut and shrubbery well trimmed around the house.
- Make sure ornamental ponds have fish that will eat mosquito larvae.
- Repair window screens.
- When outdoors in the evening or when mosquitoes are biting, use personal protection measures to prevent mosquito bites (proper use of insect repellent and appropriate clothing).



Blue jays and crows appear to be highly sensitive to West Nile Virus. Residents who find a blue jay or crow that appears to have died as a result of natural causes should contact Public Works Maintenance at 671-5800. We will assist residents in retrieval of dead blue jays and crows and provide notification to the DuPage County Health Department. We regret that we are unable to assist in the disposal of any other dead birds.

For more information on Mosquitoes and West Nile Virus, contact the Addison office of the DuPage County Health Department at 630-620-3325 or visit the Health Department web site at www.dupagehealth.org/ehs/wnv/wnv.asp.

Blue jay: 12", bright blue above with much white and black in the wings and tail; dingy white below; black facial markings; prominent crest.

Crow: 17" to 21", stocky, all black, including feathers, beak, legs and feet.

(Grackles are smaller than crows, 11 to 13 inches in length. The head has a purple or green iridescent sheen; the rest of the body is black or brown-black. The eyes are yellow. The tail feathers are nearly as long as its body. Starlings are robin-sized birds with black spotted feathers, yellow beaks and yellow feet.)

Living With Wildlife

The presence of wild animals in our village reflects their ability to adapt to the urbanization of their native habitat. Although it may seem that these wild animals use this urban environment at the expense of their human neighbors (creating a disturbance or causing property damage, earning the "nuisance" wildlife reputation), these animals are behaving naturally.

In an effort to limit human-wildlife conflicts, we encourage homeowners to take the following preventive action:

- Do not feed wild animals.
- Keep pet food / water dishes inside, especially at night.
- Clean up spillage from bird feeders.
- Keep grills / barbecues clean; even the smallest food scraps may attract wild animals.
- Keep trash cans inside if possible; if this is not possible, place ammonia-soaked rags on top of the lid and secure with bungee cords.
- Trim tree limbs that provide easy access to your roof.
- Repair broken, weak, or rotted areas on your roof, soffit and fascia.

- Install and maintain chimney caps.
- Use welded wire to exclude animals from underneath decks, elevated sheds, openings under concrete slabs and porches.
- Secure outside access to crawl spaces.
- Cover window wells – (if an animal falls in, carefully place a roughened board into the window well at a 45° angle; the animal should climb out at night).

Specific questions regarding nuisance wildlife can be addressed to the Public Works Superintendent at 671-5800. Suggestions for dealing with wildlife concerns are available from the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County's Willowbrook Wildlife Center in Glen Ellyn at 942-6200 or <http://www.willowbrookwildlife.org/guides.asp>.

A supply of Willowbrook's brochures is also available at the Village Hall, Police Department and Public Works offices.

(Portions reprinted courtesy of the Willowbrook Wildlife Center)



Erickson Teacher Joan Nelson Named Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year

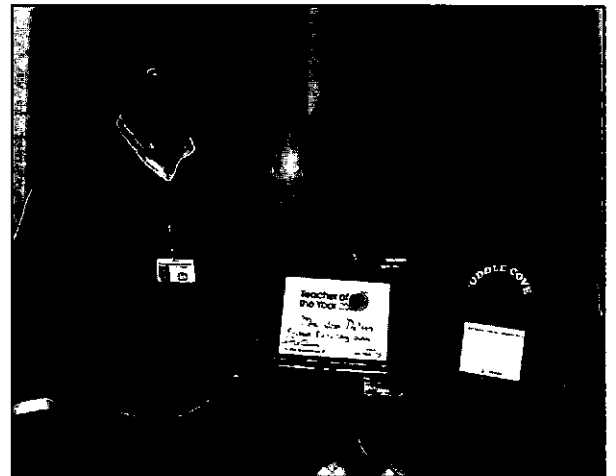
Joan Nelson, fifth grade teacher at Erickson School, has been named Teacher of the Year by the Bloomingdale Wal-Mart. Nominated by student Nicole Moore, Nelson was surprised in the school library by Wal-Mart representatives bearing the award, an oversized check and a cake.

In addition to the title, Nelson received a \$1000 educational grant for the school and a \$50 gift card. A photo of Mrs. Nelson and her class will be on display at the Bloomingdale Wal-Mart, 314 W. Army Trail Road, for one year.

"Mrs. Nelson is very creative and highly child-centered," says Erickson Principal Dr. John Markgraf. "She sets high standards and the students reach them."

Now in its tenth year, the Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year program has honored more than 25,000 teachers nationwide and has donated more than \$18.5 million to local schools.

DuJardin School teacher Melanie Ploke was honored with the Bloomingdale Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year award in 2004.



Teacher of the Year Joan Nelson flanked by Erickson Principal John Markgraf and nominating student Nicole Moore.

Community Events Community Events

Bloomington Church Sponsoring 'International Airport Day Camp' for Kindergarten-6th Graders

Bloomington Church will sponsor an International Airport Day Camp Tuesday, June 14 - Friday, June 17 from 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. All children who have completed Kindergarten through 6th grade are welcome at Bloomington International Airport. Registration is free, and will begin at 9:15 a.m. on June 14th. While there is no fee to include your children, registration is required on the first day of attendance.



This four day adventure brings hundreds of children from the community to learn that CHARACTER COUNTS! Children will learn the character qualities of trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship. Each day's journey is packed full of crafts, games, drama, music, and life lessons as children take fantasy journeys to Mexico, Jamaica, Italy and Israel. Bloomington International Airport Day Camp is located at Bloomington Church, 264 Glen Ellyn Road, between Army Trail Road and Lake Street (630-894-0090).

Lions Club and VFW Cosponsoring Blood Drive on June 25

The Bloomington Lions Club and Bloomington VFW Post 7539 will be co-sponsoring a Blood Drive at Family Fest on Saturday, June 25 from 1-6 p.m. LifeSource Blood Services will provide a Bloodmobile as a safe and convenient place to donate blood. The mobile unit will be at the bus drop off site at Family Fest.

To be eligible to donate blood, you must weigh at least 110 lbs., be at least 17 years old and in good physical health. Bring a photo ID at the time you make a donation. To reserve a time or for additional information contact Brandt Leischner at 630-816-4810 or email brandt1@bloomingtonalefire.com

Women's Golf Outing Features Male Caddy Auction

Grab your golf clubs and some friends and get ready for a day full of excitement. The Western DuPage Special Recreation Association (WDSRA) Foundation's 11th annual Women's Golf Outing is slated for Monday, August 1, at Springbrook Golf Course in Naperville. This event will benefit WDSRA, an extension of nine park districts, including Bloomington, that serve people with disabilities. With your support, WDSRA will continue to provide more than 1,000 annual programs, special events, and trips for more than 6,000 individuals with special needs.

This is the 4th year the golf outing will feature the popular Male Caddy Auction, as well as other fun giveaways, and opportunities to win great prizes. Registration begins at 8 a.m. The cost of \$110 per golfer includes 18 holes of golf with cart, continental breakfast, a box lunch, buffet dinner, raffle and door prizes, and starter gifts. For fast and easy registration, register online at www.wdsra.com. For more information or to register for the outing, call WDSRA at (630) 681-0962 or e-mail info@wdsra.com.

Upcoming Golf Outings

Bloomington Chamber of Commerce: August 17 - Bloomington Golf Club; call 980-9082 for information.

Lions Club: August 5 - Bloomington Golf Club; call 894-7394 for information



Lake Park Band Fundraiser Sets Sail from Miami Next June for 7 Day Caribbean Cruise

Join the Lake Park Band Family on its first fund-raiser cruise on board Carnival's newest ship, the M/S Valor, June 18, 2006 departing from Miami. Your package includes the 7 night eastern Caribbean cruise, taxes and port charges, transfers, pre-paid gratuities, insurance, donation and special "group only" activities and gifts.

This cruise is open to all who like to have fun!

Renew old friendships, make new ones and support Lake Park's excellent band programs.

Call Audrey at Design Travel, 847-577-7930 for further details and to make your deposit.

Don't miss out; space is limited.



Summer Branch Pick-up

Kramer Tree Specialists, Inc. will conduct the summer branch collection under the direction of the Village Forestry Division. Branch collection will begin on Monday, July 18th. Branches must be out by 7:00 a.m. on Monday, July 18th. Late pick-ups will not be able to be accommodated.

The program is only available to single family detached residences. Townhome residents should contact their association regarding branch collection.

In the event of severe storms, the Village will provide storm damage collection of woody branches _ inch to 6 inches in diameter. Please contact the Forestry Division at 630-671-5800 within 72 hours of storm for branch collection.

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Bloomingdale Lions Break the Gender Barrier!

Two women were inducted into the Bloomingdale Lions Club at the April 7th meeting. The two new members are Sue Crossen-Knutson, wife of Lion Perry Knutson and Mandy Bertrand, daughter of Lion Jerry Bertrand. Lion Mandy will be the club's contact for the new Westfield Middle School Leo Club.

Speaking of Lions, the club members wish to thank the many fans of Vidalia onions for their incredible support for the first-time ever onion sale fundraiser.

Thanks to you, the Lions sold 404 bags of onions. The 2006 Lions Onion Weekend will be Friday, May 12th and Saturday, May 13th.

In other news, the Bloomingdale Lions Club and Bloomingdale VFW Post 7539 will be joining hands to sponsor a blood drive on Saturday, June 25 from 1-6 p.m. at the Family Fest site. The Lions also looking for golfers for their annual golf outing. See page 11 for more information.



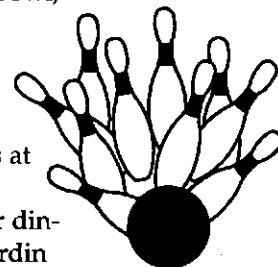
Top photo: Lion Sue Crossen-Knutson shares a laugh with Lion Bob Cywinski.



Left photo: Lion Jerry Bertrand proudly hands Lion Mandy Bertrand her Lion pin.

June 19 Candlelight Bowl to Help Zanoni Family with Medical Expenses

Join area residents, friends and family of the Greg Zanoni Family for a candlelight Bowl Benefit on Thursday, June 9 at Lakeside Bowl, 1100 W. Lake Street. This fun event is being held to honor and support Geri and Greg during this difficult time of Greg's medical concerns. The evening will include dinner, soft drinks/coffee, 2 games of bowling, raffle prizes and a silent auction. Dinner is at 8 p.m. with bowling following at 9 p.m. Cost is \$45 per person for dinner & bowling; \$30 per person for dinner only. Contact Mark Dwyer at 671-5255 at DuJardin School for more information, to donate a raffle or auction prize, and/or to make a reservation. Geri Zanoni is a secretary at DuJardin.



Property Maintenance Program Designed to Help Keep Bloomingdale Looking Its Best

The Village of Bloomingdale continues to implement an enhanced property maintenance program to protect the integrity, safety and aesthetic image of the community. Village code enforcement personnel perform exterior property maintenance inspections throughout the Village. If violations are found, the property owner will be sent a letter requesting compliance within a reasonable amount of time, based upon the severity of the violation. Please take a few minutes to examine your property for potential violations.

Common property maintenance violations include :

- ☐ Grass/Plant growth exceeding ten [10] inches in height.
- ☐ Accumulation of trash and debris on the premises.
- ☐ Vehicles parked in yards on unimproved surfaces [grass].
- ☐ Inoperable vehicles parked on the premises.
- ☐ Conditions of your home's exterior including, but not limited to, building paint or stain finishes, roofing and rain gutter systems, property drainage, etc..
- ☐ House address numbers that are not clearly visible from the street.

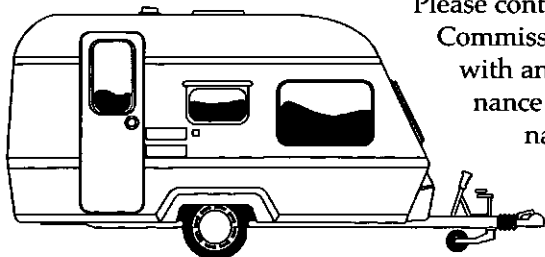
The Village looks forward to working with residents to continue to improve the appearance of our community. The Village continues to receive compliments on the overall appearance of the community. Both residential and commercial properties are inspected as part of this program. Should you have any questions or comments regarding this program, please contact the Village Services Department – Building and Zoning Division at [630] 671-5660.



Got a Recreational Vehicle? Read On About Regulations Regarding Where They Can be Parked

Recreational vehicles and/or trailers on residentially zoned properties, along with site specific requirements, are subject to regulations as described in Ordinance No. 2003-41.

These prohibit parking a recreational vehicle and/or trailer in a front yard, including a front yard driveway. Corner property side-yards are regulated the same as front yards. Also regulated are allowable driveway pavement types, width, location and street access-curb cut allowances. Recreational vehicles and/or trailers are required to be screened from view by means of landscaping or fencing, depending on site specific conditions, as outlined in the ordinance.



Please contact Village Building Commissioner Mike Gricus (630-671-5661) with any questions regarding the ordinance regulations. A copy of the ordinance is available for review at the Village Hall – Village Services Department counter at 201 S. Bloomingdale Road.

Planning a Garage Sale?

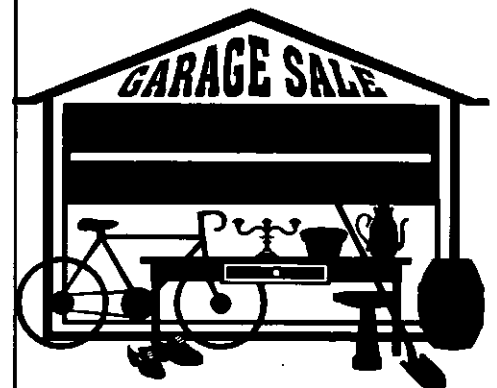
Here are a couple of things to remember:

There is no cost or permit necessary to hold a garage or yard sale, however, the person conducting the sale must notify the police department of the sale prior to the start of the sale.

No more than three rummage or garage sales may be held on the same premises in any calendar year. Each may not be more than 3 consecutive days and can only take place between the hours of 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.

There are also requirements relative to garage sale signs, including size and placement restrictions.

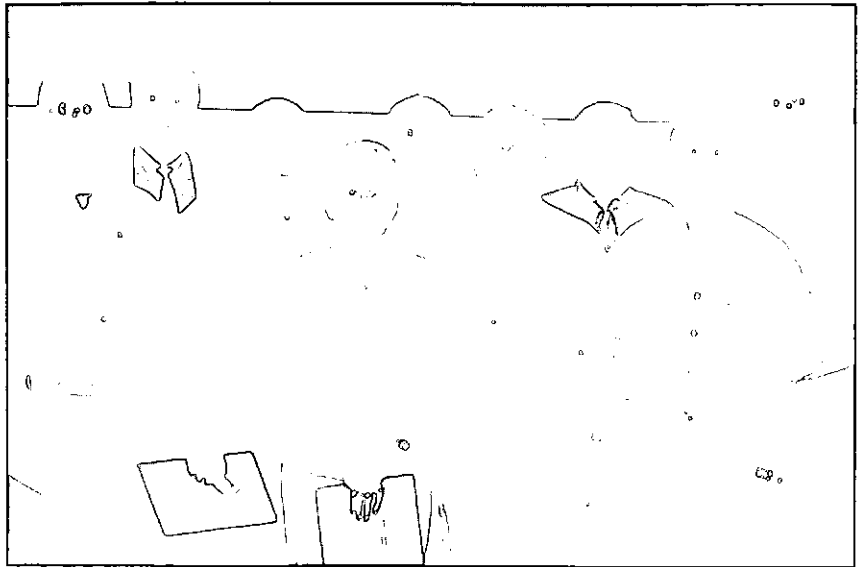
For more information, contact the Police Department at 529-9868.



Volunteers Honored

At the May 9, 2005 Village Board meeting, the Mayor and Village Board members recognized the volunteers who have served the Police Department since mid-1999.

Chief Gary Schira indicated that the volunteers provided a whole range of services to the department that would normally be done by either sworn officers, Community Service Officers or civilian personnel. He estimated that the services performed by the volunteers have saved the village over \$157,000.



Pictured l to r are Marv Roehlke, Chief Gary Schira, Roger Rossi, Joanne Marianos, Hal Nehmzow, Norm Hathaway, Deputy Chief Chuck Mader, Jim Headley, Bob Chambers. Not pictured: Dorothy Reynolds.

Volunteer Coordinator Marvin Roehlke was presented the "President's Call to Service" Award for logging in 5,159.8 hours for the Police Department. Receiving the gold award were Bob Chambers at 1,373.3 hours, James Headley with 537.0 hours and Roger Rossi at 536.5 hours donated.

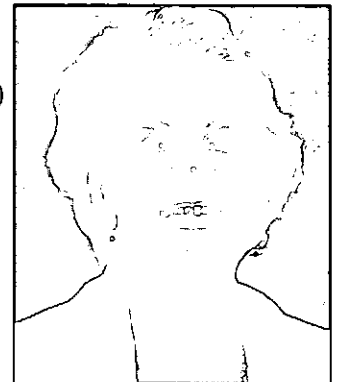
A Silver Award went to Joanne Marianos with 416 hours, Norman Hathaway at 383.5 hours and Dorothy Reynolds giving 358.5 hours. Harold Nehmzow was the recipient of a Bronze Award for committing 241.5 hours of his time to the Bloomingdale Police Department.

Dr. Caruso Retires From School District 13

Dr. Janice Caruso is among six staff members from School District 13 who will be retiring at the close of this school year. She has been with District 13 for 31 years, as a teacher, assistant principal (Westfield), principal (DuJardin) and assistant superintendent (15 years). She holds a masters in curriculum and a doctorate in education administration.

"When I first came to Bloomingdale, I thought it would be a stepping stone. But I loved the community, my work, the size of the district, the commitment of the staff, and the support of the parents. It would be impossible to see this duplicated anywhere else," she says.

Among her accomplishments, Caruso listed hiring some exceptional staff members, as well as the development of several cutting edge staff development and curriculum programs.



Dr. Janice Caruso

The biggest change over the past 30 years? "The job of teachers has become more demanding than when I was teaching," Dr. Caruso says. "Today's child is more complex and has more issues. Also, teachers are teaching to a greater variety of levels in the classroom today. Programs are modified to meet the needs of special needs students."

Upon retirement, she says she will miss her fellow staff members most. "People lock arms and help each other here," she says. "No matter what you ask, someone will help."

Dr. Caruso has touched many Bloomingdale and Roselle families during her tenure here, whether as teacher, principal or assistant superintendent. None will forget the impact she made on their lives. We wish her all the best.

Be Wise with Fireworks


Fireworks are an American tradition during particular celebrations, especially during the Fourth of July. But fireworks can be dangerous, causing serious burns and eye injuries. That's why the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission and its national and state partners strongly recommend: Leave fireworks to the professionals! Fireworks are best enjoyed by watching PROFESSIONAL demonstrations.

But, if you insist on purchasing and lighting fireworks, please follow these guidelines:

- ▲ Purchase fireworks from a reputable dealer
- ▲ Follow the laws; Use common sense
- ▲ Store fireworks in a cool, dry place
- ▲ Children should not handle fireworks
- ▲ Do not use alcohol with fireworks
- ▲ Only use fireworks outdoors
- ▲ Use fireworks on a hard surface and in a clear, open area.
- ▲ Keep clear of the fireworks
- ▲ Use care in lighting the fireworks
- ▲ Do not use malfunctioning or "Dud" items
- ▲ Do not smoke while handling
- ▲ Be cautious of lighting fireworks during windy conditions
- ▲ Have water close by



Any questions or concerns, please contact Detective Dawn Odoi at (630) 529-9868. Please have a fun and safe summer.

<p>WELCOME Bloomington is a CRIME WATCH community</p>  <p>We immediately report all suspicious activities to our Police Department</p>	<p>OUR SUCCESS IS MEASURED BY THE SCOPE OF YOUR INVOLVEMENT</p> <p>Sincerely,</p> <p>Gary J. Schira, Chief of Police</p> <p>Dawn Odoi, Detective 529-9868</p>
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Take 10 Minutes to Help Avoid a Stroke on July 11

Bloomington Fire Protection District #1 will host a health screening on Monday, July 11. On that day, Life Line Screening will scan the carotid artery in the neck to check for plaque build up, which can lead to stroke (75% of all strokes are linked to carotid artery blockage). Tests are also available on the arteries in the legs to check for peripheral arterial disease, which is linked to heart disease. Life Line also offers a third test for aneurysm in the aortic vessel in the abdomen. A bone density test for osteoporosis will also be available. These tests, which are non-invasive and completely painless and take only about 10 minutes each, are offered for \$45 a piece. The three vascular screenings together are \$109.00, a savings of \$26.00.

This is a preventative program, and with early detection, these problems can be treated. The test results are sent directly to you, and referred back to your own doctor.

Reservations are required. Call 1-800-324-1851 or email hbolton5@comcast.net for your appointment. Space fills up quickly, so don't delay!



Bloomington Fire Protection District #1



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Fire Safe Landscaping Can Save Your Home

Regardless of where you live, fire-safe landscaping is an effective tool that creates a defensible area between your home and flammable vegetation. The United States Fire Administration encourages you to keep fire safety in mind by learning how to landscape and maintain your property to minimize possible fire damage and to slow fires if they start. Remember – fire safety is your personal responsibility – Fire Stops With You!

In a fire situation, dead trees and shrubs surrounding your home act as fuel for fire. The choice of plants, spacing, and maintenance are crucial elements in any defensible space-landscaping plan.

- ☐ Remove all dead plants, trees and shrubs from the site.
- ☐ Reduce excess leaves, plant parts and low-hanging branches.
- ☐ Create a defensible space perimeter by thinning trees and brush within 30 feet around your home.
- ☐ Beyond 30 feet, remove dead wood, debris and low branches.
- ☐ Eliminate small trees and plants growing under trees. They allow ground fires to jump into the tops of the trees. Try to space any new trees 30 feet apart and prune to a height of eight to ten feet.
- ☐ Plant the most drought-tolerant vegetation within three feet of your home and adjacent to structures to prevent ignition.
- ☐ Landscape your property with fire-resistant plants and vegetation to prevent fire from spreading quickly. There are no "fire-proof" plants. Select high moisture plants that grow close to the ground and have low sap or resin content. Fire-resistant shrubs include hedging roses, bush honeysuckles, currant, cotoneaster, sumac, and shrub apples. Plant hardwood, maple, poplar and cherry trees that are less flammable than pine, fir and other conifers.

- ☐ Maintain a well-pruned and watered landscape to serve as a green belt and protection against fire.
- ☐ Trim grass on a regular basis up to 100 feet surrounding your home.
- ☐ Stack firewood at least 30 feet from your home.
- ☐ Store flammable materials, liquids and solvents in metal containers outside the home at least 30 feet away from structures and wooden fences.

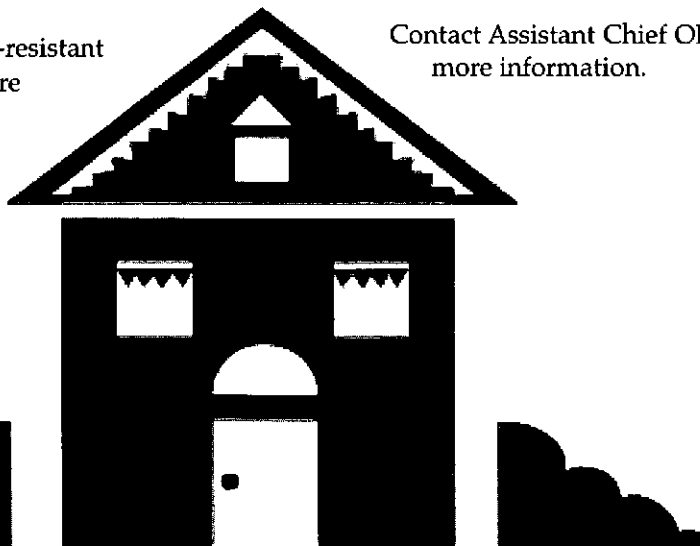
No matter where you live, always install smoke detectors on every level of your home. Test them monthly and change the batteries at least once a year. Consider installing the new long-life smoke detectors.

For more information regarding this and other topics contact the Bloomington Fire Protection District #1 website @ www.bloomingtonfire.com or the United States Fire Administration website @ www.usfa.fema.gov.

Mark Your Calendar for Our 100th Anniversary Celebration!

On September 10, The Bloomington Fire Protection District will be celebrating its 100th anniversary. We will be including antique fire engines in the SeptemberFest parade and are planning other events.

Contact Assistant Chief Olson at 630-894-9080 for more information.



Off the Shelf



BLOOMINGDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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SUMMER HOURS

Beginning May 29, the library will be closed on Sundays for the summer. Regular Sunday hours (1:00 - 5:00 p.m.) will resume on September 11.

THE SUMMER HOURS ARE:

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

The library will also be closed
Monday, June 27 for staff inservice
and Monday, July 4.

30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Saturday, June 11
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Registration is not required.

Experience the best of our 30-year history through news clippings, historical documents, old photographs, past summer reading t-shirts and a PowerPoint presentation.

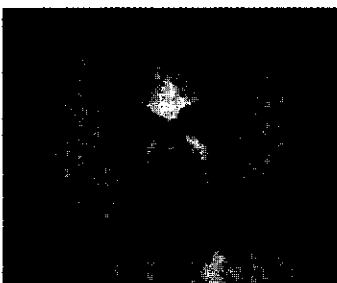
Enjoy light refreshments and cake to the sounds of the Skyline String Quartet. Many of the current and past staff will be on hand to help remember the great things that we have accomplished over the years.

Mayor Iden will present a proclamation honoring the library for 30 years of service.

The day will be capped off with the drawing of the lucky winner in our Friends of the Library sponsored quilt raffle (special thanks to the Loose Threads Quilt Group). Raffle tickets are available in the Business Office until noon on Saturday, June 11, 2005.

NEW COMPUTER SERVICES DEPARTMENT HEAD

Welcome to Bill Forgette our new Computer Services Department Head, who started working on May 2. Bill has extensive knowledge of computer systems, network management and database creation, in addition to his Master's Degree in Library and Information Science. We are very pleased to have him as an addition to our staff.



SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMS

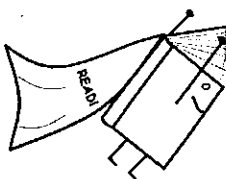


SUMMER READING BROCHURES IN THE MAIL

Detailed Summer Reading Program brochures listing additional summer programs for adults and youth were mailed to each household. If you have not received your copy, please contact the library at (630) 529-3120.

FAMILY PROGRAMS

Registration is not required for the following programs, except as noted. Space is limited. A Bloomington Public Library card must be presented at the door for admittance to each of these programs. Children ages eight and under must be accompanied by a parent or adult caregiver (eighteen years of age or older).



KEVIN ADAIR'S "GENERATIONS, INSPIRATIONS"

(All ages)

Saturday, June 11

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Registration is not required.

Kevin Adair, nationally known entertainer, will help us kick-off our "Super Reader" summer with a program of interactive live hero adventures. Mr. Adair will feature juggling, magic, and storytelling as he helps young readers in the audience create and enact stories exploring heroes from books and from real life. Don't miss your chance to be a super reader, super actor, and a hero!



THE MELIKIN PUPPETS PRESENT "ONCE UPON AMERICA..."

(All ages)

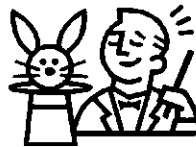
Wednesday, June 29

7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Registration is not required.

The history of our country is a legend in itself. Some say great people make history. Maybe history makes people great. Was there really a Paul Bunyan? Did Johnny Appleseed really plant all those apple orchards? Who was Daniel Boone: frontiersman or superhero? The Melikin puppet theatre recognizes the visions and imaginations of our ancestors, and through the art of the puppet, conveys these stories and more of America's best loved legends.

The Melikin Puppets are the creations of nationally acclaimed puppeteers Mel and LaVerne Biske. Along with their sons Neal and Jeff, they have traveled from coast to coast for the past thirty-seven years performing for various groups.



MAGIC FOR MUGGLES

(Ages 7 and up)

Monday, July 18

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Registration is required.

Please arrive early for this program. Because of the nature of the program, no one will be admitted after it has begun.

This is a two hour hands-on workshop presented by professional magician John "Doc" Morrissey. Just like their hero, Harry Potter, kids learn to make objects appear and vanish, read minds, and move things just by wiggling their fingers. All of the props are supplied. Everyone gets a magic wand to take home, and learns to do tricks with the wand. The kids really do go home with a bag of tricks. Parents or caregivers are welcome to attend, and will be seated in the back of the room, rather than with the children.

NEW SERVICE EFFECTIVE APRIL 8, 2005!

The library has an updated telephone system. The main number will remain the same. However, all public service desks now have direct inward dial (DID) numbers to make it quicker and easier for you to connect to the proper department! You can always press "0" for the operator at any time for additional assistance.

Adult Services	(630) 924-2730
Business Office	(630) 924-2720
Circulation Services	(630) 924-2750
Computer Services	(630) 924-2767
Local History	(630) 924-2765
Youth Services	(630) 924-2740



SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMS



VolunTEENS

Grades 7 - 12

Our annual VolunTEENS program will begin this year on June 20. Students interested in volunteering to work with the Youth Services staff during the Summer Reading program must attend one of our orientation meetings. These half-hour meetings will be held on Tuesday, June 7 at 4:00 p.m. and Wednesday, June 8 at 7:00 p.m. Please be prepared to sign up for a volunteer schedule at the orientation meeting. At this meeting, prospective

VolunTEENS will be given permission slips which must be completed and signed by a parent or guardian before the VolunTEEN begins to work with us.

Register now at the Youth Services Reference Desk or by calling 924-2740.

VolunTEENS must be entering seventh through twelfth grades in August 2005. Due to the limited number of openings for this program, applications will not be accepted after Wednesday, June 8.

TRAVEL KITS

**Applications will be available from June 6 through August 6,
for pick-up dates between June 13 and August 13.**

August 6 will be the last day that we will accept applications.

Travel Kits are for Bloomingdale Public Library cardholders only.



Looking for something to do during your vacation? Stop by the Youth Services Desk at least 7 days before the departure date of your trip and fill out an application for a TRAVEL KIT. When you are ready to leave, pick up your kit filled with books, audio materials, and games to entertain yourself while you are on the road. The books and audio materials need to be returned to the library when you are home again.



CHESS CLUB

(Ages 8 and up)

Wednesdays, June 8 - August 24

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Registration is required.

This program is open to non-residents.

If you are eight years of age or older and know a little or a lot about the game, this is your chance to sharpen your skills. Players will compete with other club members and a ranking will be established. The Chess Club will compete in the Interlibrary Chess Club Tournament in August.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

June 11

June 20

August 6

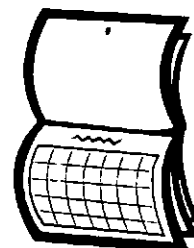
August 13

Registration begins for "Be a Super Reader"

First day to check-in reading logs for prizes

Last day to check-in reading logs for prizes

Ice Cream Social



Adult Services Department

SUMMER ADULT PROGRAMS

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 June and July are as follows:

June 15 and 16
July 20 and 21

A Bend in the River by V.S. Naipaul
The Big Sleep by Raymond Chandler

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

July 5
August 2

Gellhorn, A Twentieth Century Life by Caroline Moorehead
The Coast of Chicago by Stuart Dybek

SUMMER ADULT PROGRAMS

All programs are free and open to everyone. Please call the Adult Services desk to register, 924-2730.



FROM PEN TO PUBLICATION

Wednesday, June 15

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Freelance journalist Kelly James-Enger, author of six books and more than 700 magazine articles, will share tips, techniques and tricks you can use to get your writing published - and get paid for it! Since quitting her job as an attorney in 1997, her work has appeared in more than 50 national magazines including *Redbook*, *Woman's Day*, *Family Circle*, *Self*, *Shape*, *Parents*, *Fitness*, *Fit*, *Good Housekeeping*, *Parents*, *Cosmopolitan*, and *Marie Claire*.

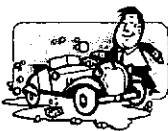


SPRING VALLEY CHORUS

Saturday, June 25

2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

The Spring Valley Chorus is a local professional group of women singers from a variety of musical backgrounds who sing light, entertaining, barbershop style music in contemporary and traditional arrangements under the guidance of their director, June Berg.



AUTO DETAILING:

DO IT LIKE A PROFESSIONAL

Wednesday, July 13

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

In this class, Gary Kouba, owner of *Perfect Auto Finish* will be your host. This class covers all the basics of detailing your car from exterior to interior care. Gary will feature products on the market, define different terms used in the industry, and show how to use them. The class will also cover paint finishes and how to correct minor defects in the finish. You will learn how to apply products and use techniques like the pros! Gary will also increase your awareness relating to how companies merchandise products, so you can become a more informed consumer when purchasing car care supplies.



BACK ROADS OF TUSCANY

Saturday, July 23

2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

While many of Tuscany's landscapes are familiar, some of its "off the beaten path" road locations are not. This presentation will feature five locations in southern Tuscany that are beautiful and of historic interest: St. Gimignano, Pienza, St. Galgano, St. Antimo and Montalcino. The presenters, Al and Gail Popowits, have lived and traveled in Europe for the past 20 years.



KILIMANJARO AND ME:

MY JOURNEY TO THE ROOFTOP OF AFRICA

Monday, August 8

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Doug Dvorak, professional public speaker and adventure traveler, will present an interactive photo essay detailing his experience on Mt. Kilimanjaro. The highly entertaining and educational talk on the physical, mental and emotional challenges will accompany breathtaking pictures of the flora, fauna, wildlife and native Massai people.



M.C. ESCHER:

CONNECTING ART, MUSIC AND MATHEMATICS

Monday, August 29

6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

M.C. Escher was a Dutch graphic artist who created some of the most memorable images of the 20th century, many involving interlocking shapes which completely cover the page. This presentation includes a look at several of Escher's images as well as the connections between Escher's work and such seemingly unrelated topics as the Canons of Bach and the mathematics of symmetry. Richard J. Wilders, Professor of Mathematics at North Central College, will lecture on this very interesting topic.

Adult Services Department SUMMER ADULT PROGRAMS

TEEN PROGRAMS



SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS

(Grades 6 - 12)

Thursday, June 2

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Celebrate the upcoming movie release of *The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants*. Eat sisterhood snacks and decorate recycled denim purses. Registration is limited to 10 teens. Please register at the Reference Desk, or call 924-2730.



PIZZA TASTE OFF

(Grades 6 - 12)

Thursday, June 16

6:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

Now is your chance to be a food critic for a night at our 2nd annual Pizza Taste Off! Test your taste buds while you eat yummy pizzas from local restaurants, then vote on which pizza is your favorite and see which pizza wins! Please register at the Reference Desk, or call 924-2730.



TEEN BOOK CLUB

(Grades 7 - 12)

Tuesday, June 21 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

and

Tuesday, July 19 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

and

Tuesday, August 16 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Do you love books? Would you like to get together with other teens who enjoy reading and discuss interesting or unusual books in a relaxed atmosphere with drinks & munchies? If the answer is "Yes!", then register and be a part of the new book club. At the first meeting we will talk about our favorite books and pick out the great books we will read. Please register at the Reference Desk, or call 924-2730.



HARRY POTTER PARTY

(Grades 6 - 12)

Thursday, July 14

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Come to the library and celebrate the release of the 6th Harry Potter book. You will enter the world of owls and experience the myths and legends that have been created over time while meeting four owls native to Illinois. In addition, you can dress as your favorite Harry Potter character for the costume contest. There will be food and other fun games. Don't miss this chance to win Hogwarts prizes and meet mysterious owls. Please register at the Reference Desk, or call 924-2730.



PEP Volunteer Program

Join the People Educating People (PEP) Volunteer Program from College of DuPage as a volunteer classroom aide. Aides help adult students learn English as a Second Language (ESL), reading, writing or basic math. Volunteers work once or twice a week for two to three hours. Day, evening and weekend classes for ESL and GED are held throughout DuPage County. Bilingual skills are needed only for Spanish GED.

The next training series for ESL and reading/math volunteer classroom aides will be offered on consecutive Saturdays, July 30 and August 6, 2005, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Glen Ellyn campus. **The deadline to register is July 15.** Fall assignments begin August 31.

For more information,
call Joan Morris at (630) 942-3788.

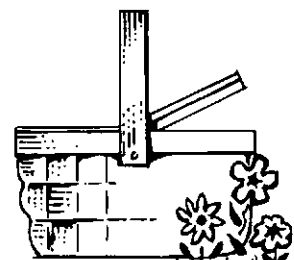
LOCAL HISTORY DEPARTMENT NEWS

Volunteers are needed to help with various projects related to the Local History department. For information, please contact Annamarie Erickson at 924-2765.

The Genealogy Club meets on the 4th Thursday of the month, 7:00 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.

Come for some help in researching your family tree.

SPRING CLEANING - think of donating to the Local History Collection - old Almanacs, Septemberfest, Family Fest, yearbooks (Lake Park, Glenbard North or Glenbard East), school pictures - business promotions - anything that you think pertains to the history of Bloomingdale.



SUMMER PROGRAMS

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. Please register in the Business Office of the Library, beginning Monday, June 6. Deposits will not be refunded unless cancellation is made at least 24 hours in advance of the class start time.

ADULT COMPUTER COURSE

(Series of six sessions.)
This class requires a \$60.00 deposit.)

Monday	June 13	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday	June 14	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday	June 17	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Monday	June 20	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday	June 21	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday	June 24	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

ADULTS COMPUTER COURSE OUTLINE

This six-session course will cover a wide range of computer topics. It is intended to give students a strong foundation in computing, teaching them general computer/Windows principles, using the Internet, and familiarity with Microsoft Office products. The skills learned here will help to prepare the student for whatever computing task interests them. Please see the following Course Outline for more information.

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.

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 participants to using the Internet. Basic understanding of connecting and using the World Wide Web will be covered as well as more detailed email questions and introducing more complicated Internet topics such as downloading, searching, and using multimedia products online (music, movies, games, etc.).

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.



INTERMEDIATE ACCESS

Wednesday, June 29

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

This class will cover more advanced topics such as Edit Masking, advanced Queries, Relational Databases, and using Wizards. (Having taken Introduction to Microsoft Access or equivalent experience is recommended.)

USING THE INTERNET

Tuesday, July 12

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

This course will cover from the most basic Internet questions and topics to more intermediate material such as search engines and downloading. This class is intended for those with little or no computer experience.

IMAGE EDITING

Wednesday, July 13

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

This class will cover the basics of image manipulation and editing using a program that is freely available in our computer lab or over the internet. Skills such as cropping, rotating, changing file types, and more will be covered. The course should prove helpful for working with scanners or digital cameras. (Having taken Introduction to the Personal Computer or comparable experience recommended)

Computer Lab

SUMMER PROGRAMS

USING EMAIL

Tuesday, July 19

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

This class will introduce the students to creating an email address, performing basic functions, and more advanced procedures such as using attachments and managing folders. (Having taken Using the Internet is recommended.)

USING DIGITAL CAMERAS/SCANNERS

Wednesday, July 20

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 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 student's cameras as those used in class. It is recommended that students have basic experience using Windows so that you are comfortable pointing and clicking and following instructions.

USING THE INTERNET 2

Tuesday, July 26

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

In Using the Internet 2 we will add to and expand on the topics covered in Using the Internet 1. Areas such as browser options, adding links, downloading, advanced searching, high speed Internet access, and more will be covered. (Having taken Using the Internet 1 or similar experience is recommended.)

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Wednesday, July 27

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

This is intended as an opportunity for students to ask about questions or topics that they have trouble with or want to know more about. Internet, email, Office programs, general computing, and more are all fair game. A numbered system will be used to try and regulate the questions so every participant gets approximately the same time.



INFORMATION 24/7 FROM YOUR LIBRARY

The Bloomingdale Public Library is dedicated to meeting the informational needs of our community, and we realize that your informational needs are not restricted to the hours the library is open. You have a world of information available to you 24 hours a day through our website, www.bloomington.lib.il.us.

We have a broad range of full-text databases to assist students with their homework assignments. Choose from **Student Resource Center**, **Biography Resource Center**, **Science Resource Center**, **Literature Resource Center**, and **General Reference Center Gold**, to name a few. Students can also take practice ACT and SAT exams through our Learning Express Library. Many other practice tests are available, including the GMAT, TOEFL, and GED.

Our **ReferenceUSA** and **Business and Company Resource Center** databases give the job searcher and investor a wealth of information about potential employers, industry updates and contact information for more than 12 million U. S. businesses.

Genealogists and others interested in Chicago information will spend hours poring over our **Chicago Tribune Historical Archive**, which covers news stories of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. The database offers easy online searching of obituaries and death notices covering 1860-1984. **Heritage Quest** also offers home access to aid genealogical research.

Looking for auto repair information? Try our easy-to-use **Automotive Repair Reference Center**. Enter the make and year of your car, and access repair information, wiring diagrams, and recall information, all with a click of the mouse.

You will be asked to enter your library card number and PIN. If you prefer the personal touch, librarians are always available and happy to help you in person during library hours.



GAZEBO PARKING LOT CONSTRUCTION

Beginning in July through the end of October the Village of Bloomingdale will be reconstructing the parking lot north of the Founders Park Gazebo and the access drive from Fairfield Way east of the parking lot. During the construction the Gazebo parking lot will be closed. Access to and from the Library parking lot will vary depending on the stage of construction. Please watch for directional signage to facilitate parking access and locate parking during the construction. Your understanding and patience during this important project is greatly appreciated.

Bloomingtondale Park District

We're right around the corner!

172 S. Circle Avenue

Ph. 630.529.3650

Office Hours:

M-TH: 8:30am-7:00pm

F: 8:30am-4:30pm

SA: 9:00am-1:00pm



Island Events at The Oasis!

Register for programs at the
Johnston Recreation Center,
172 S. Circle Ave., or online at
bloomingtondaleparks.org

Inclement weather may cancel an event so call if weather is in question. Participation in The Oasis island events requires a pool pass or admission fee; some events require an additional fee. Open swim hours may be adjusted during special events.



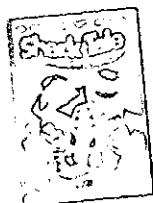
"Finding Nemo!"

Everyday The Oasis is open, Nemo will be hidden somewhere within The Oasis. If you find him, please bring him to the admission desk and claim your prize! Join the fun - the search is on for Nemo! All ages are welcome to participate.

Dive-In Movies! **NEW!**

\$1 pass holders/ \$2 non pass holders - 8:30 pm

Come float around Mango Bay while you enjoy these splash-tastic flicks!



June 27: Shark Tale

July 18: Sponge Bob Square Pants the Movie



Please note: only Mango Bay will be open for the Dive-In Movies.

Crazy Caribbean Days

June 21, July 13, July 22, August 18

Count on these dates to have special activities going on at The Oasis. Whether it's a DJ playing tunes, some fun poolside games, limbo contests or conga lines, our resident Oasis Party Starter will get things hoppin'!

Teen Nights

July 1, July 15, August 5, 8:00-10:00pm

\$2 pass holders/ \$5 non pass holders

Bring out your friends and come swimming on a Friday night! We'll have a DJ playing all of your favorite songs, and The Oasis is open to only teens!

Island Races Week

July 25-29, 4:00pm

The Oasis will feature a daily swimming race throughout the week. Races will begin at 4:00pm each day and are open to children 6-12 years old.

Lunch with the Lifeguards

August 9, 10:30-11:30am

\$3 pass holders/ \$6 non pass holders

Kids ages 6-12 will enjoy getting to know what life is like as an Oasis Lifeguard! We will be in the water to practice some mini rescue drills and games, and then we'll have lunch at Coconut Café! Registration is required for this event.

Activity Code # 405601-A1

LIJ' Island Explorer Games & Races

August 11, 3:30pm

Special fun in Mango Bay pool for our guests 2-5 years old.



DAILY ADMISSION RATES:

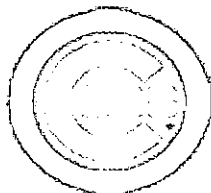
	R/NR
Afternoon Child	\$5/7
Afternoon Adult	\$7/9
Afternoon Senior	\$5/7
Evening (after 6PM)	\$4/6



Cubs Trip

The Bloomington Park District will be taking a bus trips to see the Chicago Cubs play the Florida Marlins at Wrigley Field. The bus will leave from the Johnston Rec Center. Participants 17 and under must be accompanied by an adult. There is a maximum of 5 tickets per registration. Fee includes admission and transportation.

Location: JRC Parking Lot
MIN/MAX: 20/45
Age: All
Day: Wednesday
Time: 10:45-5:00P
Date: June 15
R/NR Fee: \$40/45
Code #: 403220-A1



Movies in the Park at Old Town Park

FREE!

showtime 8:30pm



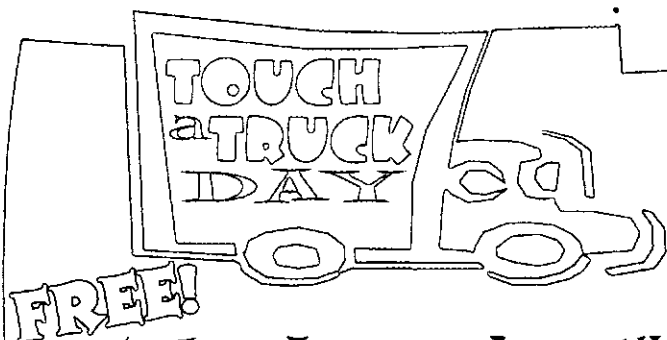
Friday, June 17
The Incredibles
 PG

Thursday, August 18

Grease
 PG

Thursday, July 14
Spider-man 2
 PG-13

Friday, July 29
Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade-PG-13



FREE!
Saturday, July 16th
OLD TOWN PARK
10am-Noon

Is your child fascinated with trucks and large equipment? Come climb, sit, and play on a variety of trucks that will be displayed at Old Town Park. Parental supervision is required for this event.

Age: All

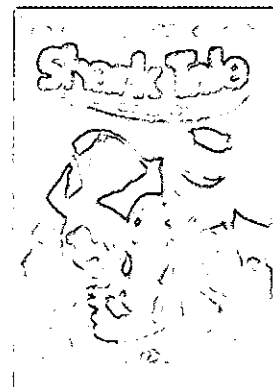
Fee: Admission is free, however there will be some attractions and refreshments requiring a fee.

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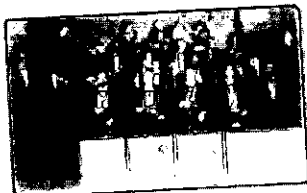
Summer **CONCERT** Series

at
OLD TOWN PARK

ALL CONCERTS BEGIN AT 7:00PM

JUNE

Public June 7



Bill O'Connell's Chicago
Skyliners Big Band June 14

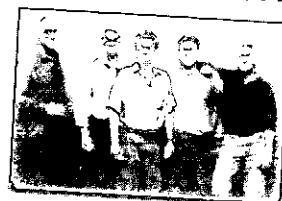
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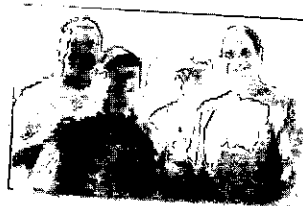
Jimmy Rogers &
The Mauds June 28

JULY

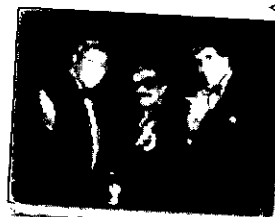
Mr. Myers July 5



The Dooleys July 12



The Wild Ones July 19

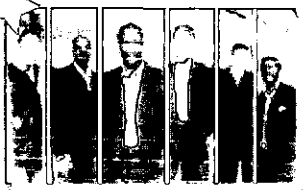


Chicago Rat Pack July 26



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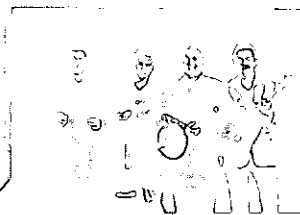
R-Gang August 9



American English August 16



Special Consensus August 23



Youth Specialty Camps

Bloomington Park District

Baseball Camp

This summer baseball camp is designed to improve player's basic skills and to introduce them to various areas of the game. All players will work on basic fundamentals as well as situational play in the following areas: catching, pitching, throwing, base running, and hitting. For advanced players, this is a wonderful opportunity to sharpen your skills and elevate your game to a new level.

Location: Springfield Park

Instructor: Rick Beato

MIN/MAX: 10/50

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
9-11	M,Tu,W	09:00-11:00A	06/27-06/29	\$35/40	402354-B1
12-14	M,Tu,W	11:00-01:00P	06/27-06/29	\$35/40	402354-B2

Softball Camp

If you love softball and want to be part of the excitement then this is the camp for you. Basics and fundamentals of softball will be taught to all players, including throwing, catching, fielding, batting, and base running. Drills and scrimmages will be included to teach defensive and offensive play. The camp will be taught by Little Lions coach Rick Beato.

Location: Springfield Park

Instructor: Rick Beato

MIN/MAX: 10/50

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
9-14	M,Tu,W	09:00-11:00A	06/20-06/22	\$35/40	402355-A1

YBA Basketball Camp

Bounce back into the basketball season with the YBA's summer basketball camp. This camp offers boys and girls an opportunity to fine-tune their passing, dribbling, and shooting skills.

Location: JRC Gym

Instructor: Staff

MIN/MAX: 8/35

Grade	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
8	M,Tu,W,Th,F	08:15-09:15A	08/01-08/05	\$32/37	402324-A1

Lacrosse Camp

This program is designed for girls and boys of all ages regardless of skill ability. No contact Lacrosse is played, also known as "Soft Lacrosse." Individual skills including catching, throwing, scooping, and cradling are taught. Skyhawks will teach the fundamental skills of Lacrosse using small group activities, scrimmages, and fun games. They will also focus on helping kids learn the rules of the game while working on team play and sportsmanship. Lacrosse sticks are provided. Participants must bring goggles (eye protection) and mouth guard. Participant should also have two snacks & a water bottle, shoes (running shoes are fine) and sunscreen. Participants will receive a T-shirt & a player evaluation form filled out by their coach.

Location: Circle Park

Instructor: Skyhawks

MIN/MAX: 12/40

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
9-14	M,Tu,W,Th,F	09:00-12:00P	08/08-08/12	\$110/115	402342-A1

Volleyball Camp

Have you always wanted to play summer volleyball, but never had the opportunity? Well here's your chance to do just that. Our summer volleyball camps are conducted by Marquardt Jr. High Volleyball coach Al Siedel. We offer two camps. The first camp is for those students with no prior experience. The second camp is for students who have either completed the beginners camp or have prior volleyball experience. Please register for the correct class in order to receive the most benefit from the camp. The camp includes two hours of volleyball instruction. After class students will be allowed to enter the pool for one hour of free swimming if they wish.

Location: JRC Gym

Instructor: Al Siedel

MIN/MAX: 10/30

Grade	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Beginner Camp					
4-7	M,Tu,W,Th,F	11:00-01:00P	06/20-06/24	\$63/68	402328-A1
Advanced Camp					
6-8	M,Tu,W,Th,F	11:00-01:00P	07/18-07/22	\$63/68	402328-A2

Flag Football Camp

Participating in Skyhawks' football program is a great way to introduce young athletes to this popular sport rich in tradition. Players learn catching, passing and blocking, as well as the rules of the game and the strategies of offense and defense. Participant-to-coach ratio is approximately 14:1. Participant should have two snacks & a water bottle, shoes (running shoes are fine), sunscreen and appropriate clothes (T-shirt, shorts, socks). Flag football participants will receive a football, T-shirt and a Merit Award.

Location: Circle Park

Instructor: Skyhawks

MIN/MAX: 12/40

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
6-9	M,Tu,W,Th,F	09:00-12:00P	07/18-07/22	\$100/105	402341-A1
10-13	M,Tu,W,Th,F	01:00-04:00P	07/18-07/22	\$100/105	402341-A2

Mighty Hawks Camp

This half-day Mighty Hawks camp includes soccer, baseball, basketball and flag football, and the focus remains on teaching the fundamentals in a fun and creative atmosphere. The shortened program format will allow beginning athletes to experience sport-specific instruction in a non-competitive setting. Participant to coach ratio is approximately 10:1. Participants must bring T-shirt, shorts, socks (i.e., appropriate clothing), two snacks & a water bottle, shoes (running shoes are fine), sunscreen, shin guards, and a baseball glove. Mighty Hawk participants will receive a sport-related ball and a T-shirt.

Location: Circle Park

Instructor: Skyhawks

MIN/MAX: 12/40

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
6-9	M,Tu,W,Th,F	01:00-04:00P	08/08-08/12	\$100/105	402343-A1

Art Excellence Camp

Enjoy the fine arts as you rotate through various art media in this super art camp! Watercolor, pastels, class drawing, plus creative arts and crafts are some of the skills you'll practice.

Location: Museum

Instructor: Staff

MIN/MAX: 7/10

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
7-13	M,Tu,W,Th,F	09:00-11:30A	08/01-08/12	\$125/135	402430-A1

Check out these great camps online
or in your Summer Program Guide:
Gymnastics Camp,
All Girls Sports Camp,
& Kids Day Away!

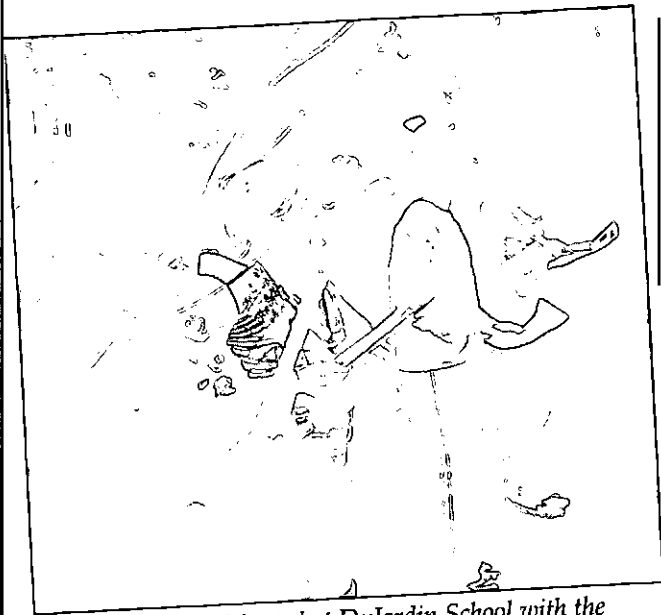
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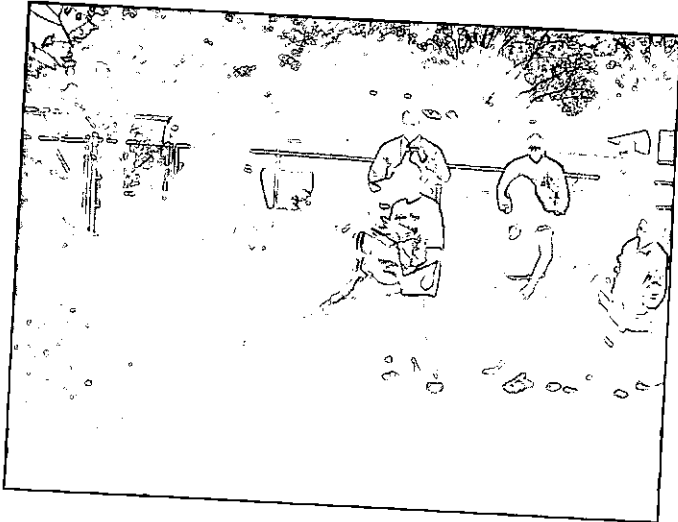
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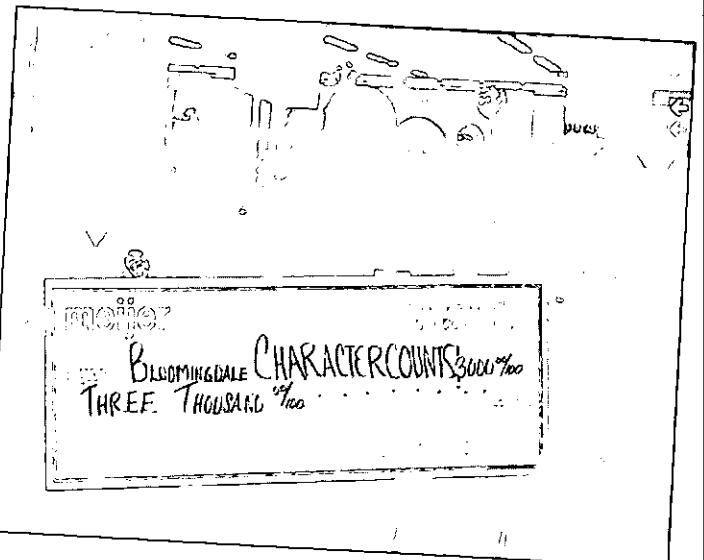
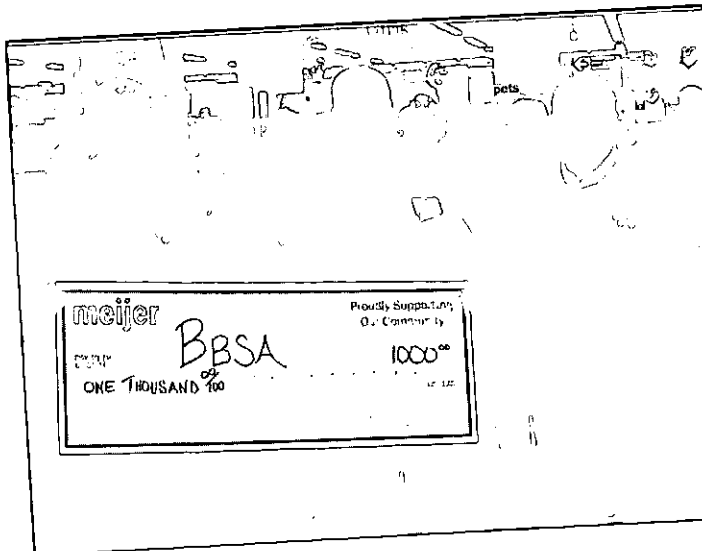
Bloomingdale Bursts into Spring!



Arbor Day was celebrated at DuJardin School with the planting of an American Linden tree on April 29. The students conducted the ceremony and helped with the planting.



A worker puts the finishing touches on palm trees at the Park District's Oasis, opening on Saturday, June 4.



Both the Bloomingdale Baseball Association and Bloomingdale CHARACTER COUNTS Coalition received donations from the new Meijer store.