

Village of Bloomingdale

Almanac

AUGUST 2006

Septemberfest
is almost
here!
See page 7 &
check out the
great lineup
for 2006!!

From the Desk of Mayor Bob Iden

This summer has already provided us with some pretty steamy days. The mid-July storm that knocked out power to some areas of town reminded us that there could be times when relief from the heat is not possible in our homes. There are a few places in town where one might go to escape the heat of the day in these situations.

The Bloomingdale Park District's Johnston Recreation Center, 172 S. Circle, is open Mon. - Thurs. 8:30 am - 7:00 pm; Fri. 8:30 am - 4:30 pm and Sat. 9:00 am - 1:00 pm. The Bloomingdale Public Library, 101 Fairfield Way, is open Monday through Thursday 9:00 am - 9 pm; Fri. & Sat. 9 am - 5 pm. Both these agencies welcome residents looking to get out of the heat.

In addition, Indian Lakes Resort, 250 W. Schick Road, has a large atrium area which would be open during daylight hours. And of course, Stratford Square Mall is open Mon. - Sat. 10 am - 9 pm and Sun. 11 am - 6 pm. You can window shop (or really shop - don't let us stop you!) or sit by the dancing fountain and simply "chill out."

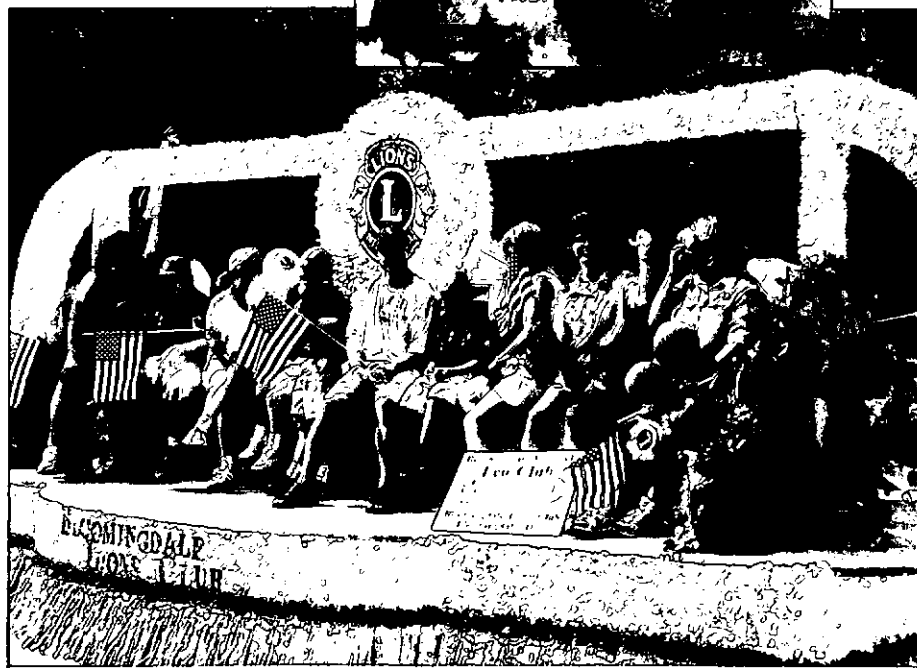
Later this month, the PGA will be descending on Medinah Country Club for the 88th PGA Championship from August 14-20. Check the back page for more information on how to get tickets, as well as to learn how you can buy one of the PGA banners currently hanging on Lake Street and Schick Road.

And speaking of champions, our Police Department's Tactical Response Team took part in a Firearm's Training SWAT competition in early June. Thirteen teams and 64 individuals from Illinois and Iowa competed in this two-day event. We had 11 men competing for Bloomingdale. The competition included courses of fire and physical agility, strength and team building events for both 6-man and 3-man teams, as well as for individuals.

Our six-man team finished first in a shotgun event, third in team pistol, and third in hostage rescue. The three-man team finished second in carbine, third in team pistol, third in sniper and third in the very demanding challenge course. For a look at this outstanding team of guys, check out the photo on the back page.

And lastly, as the summer winds down, we have our end of the summer celebration to look forward to. This year's Septemberfest, will be held on Saturday, September 9. See page 7 for details on that.

Mayor Bob Iden



Septemberfest parade steps off at 11 a.m. on September 9; see pg. 7

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

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
Six times a year or as needed

**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

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

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

**BLOOMINGDALE FIRE PROTECTION
DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES**
2nd Tuesday of the month
7:30 p.m. - Firehouse,
179 S. Bloomingdale Road

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

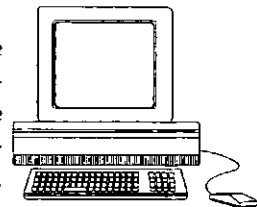
James M. Gebis
*Planning, Zoning
& Environmental Concerns*

Jim King
Public Works & Services

Judi Von Huben
*Community Programs &
Special Events*

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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.bloomingtondale.il.us

**The deadline for
the October issue
of the
Almanac is
SEPTEMBER 10**

Duckworth Delivers



Tammy Duckworth, Iraq war veteran who is running for Illinois' open 6th Congressional District seat, visited with the Bloomingdale-Roselle Rotary last month. Duckworth worked for Rotary International prior to being called up for active duty.

Emerald Ash Borer Found in Kane County

(Excerpted from June 14, 2006 Chicago Tribune articles)

The discovery of a tiny, 1/2 inch long, 1/8 inch wide metallic green beetle in Kane County, announced on June 13, 2006 by state and federal officials, is the first evidence of a long-dreaded infestation that could threaten more than 130 million trees in Illinois and a fifth of Chicago's leafy cover. Bloomingdale's 2,400 ash trees represent nearly 22% of its tree inventory.

Since they were found in suburban Detroit four years ago, the fast-spreading beetles have killed more than 15 million ash trees in Michigan, a staggering number compared with the 1,500 trees destroyed in Chicago by another imported pest, the Asian longhorned beetle.

State inspectors came out to a subdivision west of St. Charles, and found hundreds of exit holes left by adult ash borers in a half-dozen ash trees, indicating the borers have been around for at least three years. The inspectors plan to fan out across the area searching for more infested trees. As of mid-July, the ash borer was also discovered in Wilmette, Illinois.

"Early detection of the emerald ash borer is critical, and we need everybody's help to find it," said Mark Cinnamon, manager of nursery and northeastern field operations for the Illinois Department of Agriculture. People likely helped spread the ash borer to the Chicago area by unwittingly carrying infested firewood from Michigan, Ohio and Indiana, Cinnamon said.

Tracking the ash borer is difficult because it can take several years before the damage becomes evident. The borers typically attack the top of a tree first. By the time it becomes obvious that a tree is infested, it is usually too late to save it. There are some treatments available for healthy trees, but the pesticides are of no use if ash borers already are burrowing their way beneath the bark of a tree.

For homeowners worried about the emerald ash borer, now is a time to be vigilant – but not to panic. Though tree experts say it's a good idea to get suspect ash trees checked out, action should wait until the extent of the infestation and authorities' plans for dealing with it becomes more clear.

General characteristics of ash trees:

- Leaves:** Compound with 5-9 leaflets per stalk.
- Bark:** Trunk bark is tight with diamond shaped ridges, bark on upper 1/3 of tree is generally smooth.
- Fruit:** winged.
- Branches:** The most distinguishing characteristic of ash trees is they have opposite branching (twigs grow directly opposite each other off branch).
If your tree does not have opposite branches it is not an ash.

See the box on page 4 for signs that indicate the presence of ash borers, as well as websites with helpful information.



Lions Mark 10th Annual Charity Golf Outing

The Bloomingdale Lions Club hosts its 10th annual charity golf outing on Friday August 4 at Bloomingdale Golf Club. Lunch takes place at 12 noon, with a 1:00 p.m. teeoff. Tickets are \$100.00 and include lunch, greens fees, cart, dinner and prizes. Proceeds go to local charities and Lions International. This past year, the Bloomingdale Lions donated over \$18,000 to local charities. For tickets or more information call Jerry Bertrand at 529-8715.

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Here's How to Spot Emerald Ash Borers, and Where to Find Helpful Information

For tree identification/emerald ash borer information and photos, visit the following web sites:

Village of Bloomingdale, www.vil.bloomingdale.il.us/Village%20Services/pw/forestry/Emerald%20Ash%20Borer%20Found%20in%20Kane%20County.doc.

Morton Arboretum, www.mortonarb.org/EABBrochure.pdf

Michigan State University, www.emeraldashborer.info/files/E2892Ash.pdf

USDA Forest Service, www.na.fs.fed.us/fhp/cab/

The Illinois Department of Agriculture, www.agr.state.il.us/newsrels/r0613061.html

If you have ash trees on your property or nearby parkways, watch for signs that could mean they are in trouble. It will take an expert to figure out if your tree has emerald ash borers, because many of the symptoms can be caused by other diseases or insects or by lingering effects of last year's vicious drought.

Here are some signs that might indicate the presence of emerald ash borer:

- ☐ Flagging, wilting or dying of the leafy canopy of the tree.
- ☐ New green sprouts growing at the base or from the trunk.
- ☐ Small D-shaped exit holes about one-eighth inch across.
- ☐ Metallic green beetles about a half inch long.
- ☐ Splits or cracks in the bark.
- ☐ Serpentine channels under bark that easily pulls off.

If you think you have emerald ash borer, contact:

- ☐ Jim Johnson, Bloomingdale Forester - 630-671-5800
- ☐ The U of I DuPage County Extension Service office - 630-653-4114
- ☐ The Morton Arboretum Plant Clinic - 630-719-2424

Please . . .

Don't Let Your Vehicle Block the Sidewalk

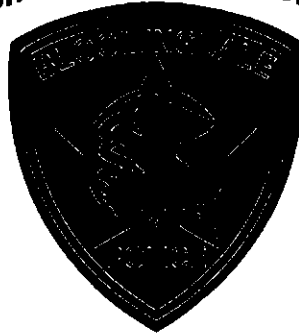
Village Ordinance 9-3-1.11 prohibits parking any vehicle "on any sidewalk or parkway." The "sidewalk" includes that portion of the sidewalk which extends across your driveway. Therefore, it is illegal to park a car on your driveway so that the car extends across the sidewalk area. This makes it impossible for pedestrians, such as children or people pushing strollers, and bicyclists to use the sidewalk, thereby creating a safety hazard.

The Bloomingdale Police Department encourages residents to clean out their garages and to relocate stored vehicles that are used infrequently so that their other vehicles will fit legally on the driveway and in the garage. The police enforce this ordinance, attempting to warn first-time offenders, either verbally or in writing. The Village and Police Department ask for the cooperation of all Village residents to comply with this ordinance.

Another hazard for pedestrians in many places of town is overgrown vegetation. Whether it's a gangly bush, a spreading shrub or untrimmed tree branches hanging low across the sidewalk, taking a simple walk can resemble traversing an obstacle course. For a wheelchair, it can become impossible. For the safety of all, as well as the appearance of your property, please trim back your vegetation to keep the sidewalks in front of your home clear.



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Check Out These Upcoming Programs Sponsored by the Bloomington Police Department

The Bloomington Police Department maintains a Community-Oriented Policing philosophy and has initiated a number of programs to serve those who reside and work in Bloomington. The following programs are being offered in the upcoming months.

- **The Citizen Police Academy** provides an opportunity to enhance lines of positive communication with individuals who live and work in Bloomington. The six-week session consists of a series of instruction and discussion providing an overview of various areas of law enforcement. The classes are held in the evenings for a three hour duration, during which police officers instruct on the following topics: Constitutional Law, Juvenile Law, Radar Enforcement, Use of Force/Liability, Interviewing, Gang and Cult Awareness and Drug Identification.
- **The Street Smart Seniors Program** follows in the same footsteps as the Citizen Police Academy, but adjusts the topics and scheduled times to meet the needs of seniors. Participants meet in the mornings (9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.) for six consecutive weeks and the following topics are discussed: Police Department Policies/Procedures, Village Services, Cons/Scams, Domestic Violence/Elder Abuse, Gang Awareness, Drug Identification, Personal Safety and Fire Protection Information.
- **Young adults have their own academy – The T.A.L.K. (Teens And Law Enforcement "K"ommunicating) Program.** This program promotes a positive police contact and gives young adults an open forum to ask pertinent questions and to clarify misinformation that their peers have passed onto them. The classes are held in the evenings (6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.) during the winter months and the following topics are discussed: D.U.I / Zero Tolerance Laws, Retail Theft, Team Building, Personal/Internet Safety, and a tour of the DuPage County Jail Facilities..

To obtain additional information, or to register for one of these free programs, contact Officer Dawn Odoi of the Bloomington Police Department at (630) 529-9868.

Police Department Program Schedule

Citizen Police Academy
Wednesday evenings from
6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
October 4th
October 11th
October 18th
October 26th (Thursday)
November 1st
November 8th

Street Smart Seniors
Thursday mornings from
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
October 5th
October 12th
October 19th
October 26th
November 2nd
November 9th

T.A.L.K. (Teens and Law Enforcement "K"ommunicating)
Thursday evenings from
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
January 11th
January 18th
January 25th
February 1st
February 8th
February 15th



Gary Avenue Being Widened Between Lawrence and Lake Street



The DuPage County Highway Department has begun widening Gary Avenue between Lawrence Avenue and Lake Street. The purpose of the project is to add a bi-directional turn lane so that there will be two lanes of traffic in each direction as well as a center left turn lane. The project includes installation of a new traffic signal with push button activated pedestrian crossing signals at the intersection of Gary Avenue at Lawrence Avenue. The project is scheduled to be completed by the end of November 2006.

The project is being constructed by the R.W. Duntzman Company for the DuPage County Highway Department. The project manager is Mr. Kent Kuper, DuPage Department of Transportation, 682-7318.

To accommodate the wider pavement, the curbs or edges of the road will be moved out about 6 feet on both sides of the pavement. In areas where the slope of the ground becomes steep due to the road widening, a retaining wall will be installed to stabilize the ground. During construction, day-time lane closures may occur which will restrict traffic on Gary Avenue to one lane in each direction. Please use alternate routes whenever possible to minimize delays in traffic on Gary Avenue.

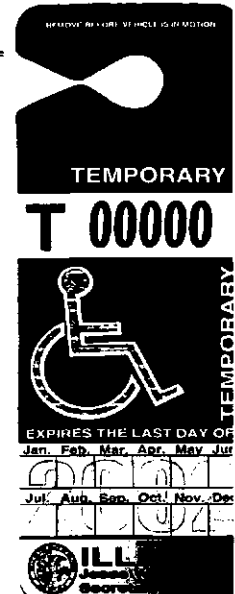
Thinking of Abusing a Handicapped Parking Space? It Could Cost You Plenty

Are you tired of seeing someone park in a handicapped parking space, then jump out of their car and run into a store? People do it every day, and they usually don't get caught. Handicapped parking abuse is everywhere, especially at the grocery store, shopping mall and even, at the post office. Sometimes all of the handicapped spots are filled with people not needing them. This prevents those who truly require the close proximity spaces from using them.

To help combat this problem, an important piece of legislation, initiated by Secretary of State Jesse White, took effect January 1, 2006. This legislation deals with the fraud and abuse of disability placards and license plates, as well as increases the fine for illegally parking in spaces reserved for persons with disabilities from \$100 to \$250. The fines are even higher for anyone who illegally manufactures or alters plates or placards. These people are subject to a fine not less than \$500 for the first offense up to a maximum of \$1,000. A second or subsequent offense would be a Class 4 felony with a minimum fine of \$2,000 and a maximum fine of \$10,000.

All current handicapped parking signs need to be changed to reflect the increase in fine from \$100 to \$250. Wherever these signs exist, it is the property owner's responsibility to make the changes for the handicapped parking signage.

The Bloomingdale Police Department is initiating a new program, Operation Parking SPACE, to enforce this law and to reduce disability parking abuse. The acronym S.P.A.C.E. stands for Special Plate (placard) Abuse Compliance Enforcement. During the next several months the Bloomingdale Police Department will conduct random checks of handicap parking spaces, strictly enforcing any violations. The main purpose of this initiative is to educate the motoring public and to ensure that the dedicated parking spaces are being used appropriately. For more information contact Commander Frank Giammarese or Traffic Unit Supervisor Randy Sater at 529-9868.



Septemberfest 2006 -- 34 Years of Celebrating with Family and Friends!

By Sandy Raucci

Bloomington prides itself on being a community where you can still find the small town feeling, so with that in mind we give you Septemberfest for the 34th year. We hope you, your family and friends, can join us for a day of fun and entertainment on Saturday, September 9, 2006 in Bloomington Old Town (Lake Street and Bloomington Road).

We will start off with the annual Septemberfest Parade, which grows bigger every year. The parade starts at 11:00 a.m. leaving from DuJardin School on Euclid and heads north on Euclid to Schick Road, then west on Schick Road into Old Town. There are assorted floats, bands, and groups already lining up for the parade. 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.

When the parade finishes up in Old Town, you will be greeted by a day filled with assorted entertainers. Ken Schultz "The Flying Fool" will dazzle you with juggling, comedy, unicycling, balloon making and stilt walking. "Michael the Magician" will put on a magic show, as well as walk the crowd.

As always we will have great music. The bands include World Class Noise, playing at 3:00 p.m., and "The Teen Jams," park district winner, playing at 5:30 p.m., Finishing up will be "Hi Infidelity" at 7:30 p.m. There will be other stage performances throughout the day including Center Stage Dance, the Park District Performers and the Lake Park Lancettes.

There will be plenty of tasty treats for any appetite and refreshments to cool you down. Septemberfest will also feature arts and crafts for sale. Some booth space is still available; call Carol at 630-671-5720 for information.

The Motorcycle show is scheduled from 2:00 to 7:00 p.m. We already have some beautiful bikes lined up for you to see. If you are interested in showing your motorcycle, please call Mark at 630-688-8428 for information. This year the car show is back, which runs from 6:00 to 10:30 pm. If you have a unique car that you would like to show off, please call Marilyn Zaccardi at 630-893-0956.

The Septemberfest/Joe Draghi Memorial Scholarship Contest winners will be announced at 5:00 p.m. This scholarship fund has given thousands of dollars to young adults in our community. So Thank You to all that have given so far. If you would like to help, please consider becoming a "Friend of Septemberfest". Your name will be listed as a donor and your charitable contribution will always be remembered in helping young lives create a future for themselves. You can find a form to donate on page 8 in this newsletter.

Be sure to make plans to be a part of Septemberfest 2006. It promises to be a most enjoyable time for everyone. Hope to see you there! If you need further information you can call the Septemberfest Hotline at 630-671-5680.



EVENTS

Chamber Golf Outing Set for August 23

Bloomingtondale Chamber of Commerce hosts its annual Golf Classic on Wednesday, August 23 at Indian Lakes Resort. For \$125, golfers get lunch on the patio, 18 holes of golf on Blackhawk Trace, golf cart with GPS and bar-beque dinner. Call the chamber at 980-9082 for reservations or more information.

**Villagers to Host Ice Cream Social August 24**

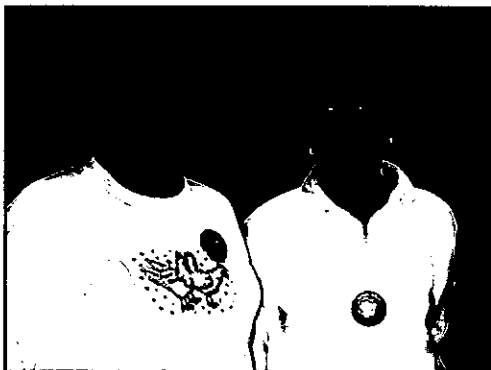
The Villagers Club of Bloomingtondale invites area women to an Ice Cream Social to meet the members and explore the club's activities. The event begins at 6:30 p.m. on the lower level of the Bloomingtondale Public Library, 101 Fairfield Way, on Thursday, August 24. The club offers interesting programs for women, many social events and philanthropic efforts. For more information, contact membership chairs Lois Unger at 630-893-8127 or Sandy Kappeler at 630-351-4170.

Garden Club Program Features Dahlias on September 20

Learn the joy and beauty of using dahlias in your home landscape at the Bloomingtondale Garden Club September 20th meeting. Beginning at 6:45 p.m. at the Bloomingtondale Public Library, 101 Fairfield Way, University of Illinois DuPage County Master Gardener Bill Jegen will present colorful slides of the many different forms and colors of dahlias. Guests are welcome. For membership information, contact Esther Ahlrich, 980-3565.

Historical Society News

Ever wonder what life was like in Bloomingtondale before Stratford Square? How about when the only school in Bloomingtondale was the big red schoolhouse on Lake Street & Third Street? Can you imagine playing baseball in the middle of Bloomingtondale Road? Interested in how Economart literally put Bloomingtondale on the map back in the fifties. The Bloomingtondale Historical Society will get you the answers to these and many other questions about Bloomingtondale in "days gone by" at their August 7th meeting from 7 - 8:30 p.m. when they feature the reflections, memories and stories of residents who have grown up in Bloomingtondale. Among those invited to reminisce are Lois Franzen, Chuck Franzen, Jac Williamson, June Sturm, Georgene Geils, Emil Zidek, Don Petges and Laura Coppock. If there's anything you ever wanted to know about Bloomingtondale, there's bound to be someone at this event who's going to know the answer! On Sunday, September 17, Brian Meyer of Chicago Antiques Guide will be the guest of the Historical Society from 2-4 p.m. doing appraisals at the Bloomingtondale Public Library. Visitors can bring up to four items to be appraised. The first appraisal is free; it's \$5 for the other three. Appraisals are not written; they will be done verbally so a person knows if they have a treasure or junk!



Historical Society members June (Pape) Sturm and Lois (Speckman) Franzen were both graduates of the big red schoolhouse on the corner of Lake and Third streets.

Support the 34th Anniversary Celebration**Be a Friend of Septemberfest!**

The Septemberfest Commission encourages Bloomingtondale residents and businesses to support the Joe Draghi Scholarship Fund which provides the scholarship awards to Bloomingtondale residents between the ages of 16 and 20.

To become a friend, fill out the form below and mail to the Village Hall, 201 S. Bloomingtondale Road.

Name (as you wish it to be listed)

Address _____

Daytime
phone _____

Evening
phone _____

I am enclosing a check for
☐ \$20 ☐ \$50 ☐ other

Mail your check or money order made payable to Septemberfest 2006 to: Friends of Septemberfest, c/o Village of Bloomingtondale, 201 S. Bloomingtondale Road, Bloomingtondale, IL 60108.

Join the Parade!!!

Septemberfest is looking for businesses, civic and sports organizations to be in the parade kicking off at 11 a.m. on Saturday, September 9.

Join the Bloomingtondale Chamber, Bloomingtondale Township, scouts, cheerleaders, Septemberfest Commission, Lake Park Lancettes and the CHARACTER COUNTS! Coalition as they march. Call Gloria at 980-8176 for more information and/or an application.

EVENTS

COMMUNITY

Back to School Fair for Low Income Families On August 9

The 15th annual Back to School Fair is a "One Stop Shop" for health and human services serving families living on low incomes in DuPage County. It takes place on Wednesday, August 9 from 1-6-p.m. at the DuPage County Fairgrounds in Wheaton. For more information, call Mary Tarnow of Catholic Charities at 630-495-8008 ext 13.

Residents Invited to All the Fun at St. Isidore's "Trifesta" On Saturday, August 19

Once again, there will be three times the fun at St. Isidore Community Trifesta on Saturday, August 19. The day begins with a 5k run and walk at 7:30 a.m., followed by a golf outing at Indian Lakes Resort with a shotgun start at 8 a.m. and capped with a family fun festival on the parish grounds from 3 to 10:30 p.m. with lots of food, games for kids and music. "Our entertainment for children and adults has been greatly expanded this year, with more family activities and fantastic live music," according to Lynne Denemark, Trifesta chairperson.

The first event of the day long Trifesta is a 5k run, jog and walk at 7:30a.m. Registration is just \$15 and includes a Trifesta T-shirt (if registered by July 31) and post-run food and beverages provided by Bloomingdale's Meijer. Call St. Isidore at 630-529-3045 or register on line at www.stisidoreparish.org. Registration that day will be \$20.

Get your favorite foursome together and play in the golf outing at Bloomingdale's Indian Lakes Resort in the second event. The \$100 registration includes greens fees, cart, continental breakfast, lunch, beverage and a mug with a \$5 coupon good for food at the fest later that day. Shotgun start is at 8 a.m. and various contests are featured during the outing. You can also register on line at www.stisidoreparish.org.

The festival starts at 3 p.m. on the St. Isidore campus at the corner of Army Trail Rd. and Gary Ave. For the children, there will be numerous games, inflatables, piñatas, sidewalk art, Teddy Bear Stuffers from Stratford Square Mall, and other activities. A model railroad will be on display and kids can play engineer. For teens, there will be Dance Dance Revolution (DDR).

Music and entertainment has been expanded greatly this year from shows for the kids to a mariachi band and Mexican folk dancers to a Motown Review and The Piano Man show. Families are encouraged to bring their blankets and lawn chairs to sit on in front of the stage. No coolers will be allowed. There will also be plenty of food and drink, as well as a cash raffle.

For more information on the day's activities, call the parish office at 529-3045, or go on line at www.stisidoreparish.org. Proceeds will go to Operation Hope for the victims of Hurricane Katrina in St. Peter's parish in Pascagoula, Miss. as well as the St. Isidore Education Endowment Fund.

Women's Club Fashion Show October 28

Mark your calendars for the Bloomingdale Women's Club annual fashion show and luncheon to be held this year at Alta Villa in Addison on Saturday, October 28. Tickets purchased before October 12 are \$35, while those purchased after that date will be \$40. For further information please call Kathleen Pitts at 630-980-7860 or Violette Kaszubski at 630-894-6783. The October issue will feature more details.

Play an Instrument? Join the Bloomingdale Community Band!

If you played a musical instrument in school and are interested in helping to create a Bloomingdale Community Band, please call resident Walter Santi at 893-1625 or email him at san6w@aol.com. Mr. Santi, himself, is both a trumpet player and violinist and is seeking other individuals who have put away their instruments for lack of playing opportunities.

There are other community bands in the suburbs, including the nearby Tri-City Band and the 100-year old Naperville Band, which have met with success and play at many of their area functions. Mr. Santi is very enthusiastic about meeting with interested musicians in the near future to explore the possibilities of having the same cultural addition to Bloomingdale. So if you're aged 16 - 60 (and beyond), and you're itching to make music again, contact Mr. Santi.



EVENTS

COMMUNITY



Photo courtesy of Steve Wolmann Photography

Jennifer Bach (2003 Lake Park grad) can add the title "All-American" to her long list of accomplishments as she completed her junior year at North Central College in Naperville. Jen, who is the 400-meter runner in the distance medley relay team, and her fellow distance runners, Jess Griffin (Moline High School), Sara White (Rochelle High School) and Amber Druen (Sterling High School) earned the All-American title when they placed fourth at the NCAA Indoor Track & Field Championships on March 10-11 at St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota. The women broke a 2003 school record in this event. In addition, Jen and the 4 x 400 meter relay team (White, Druen and Joanna Wilson of Andrew High School) placed tenth at the NCAA Outdoor Track & Field Championships at Benedictine University in Lisle on May 25. At this event the team, broke a longstanding North Central record set in 1997 with their time of 3:49:90.

Chamber Awards \$1,000 Scholarships: The Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce presented four local young people with \$1,000 scholarships in June. This year's awards were financially provided by local chamber business membership as well as personal donations from Mayor Bob Iden, Tom Itrich with Huskie Tools, and Franco Coladipietro with the Law Office of Amari & Locallo.

Carolyn Johnson is currently attending Valparaiso University studying elementary education. She is also a summer camp counselor at Bloomingdale Park District. Carolyn has been very active in her church as well as the local community doing service projects and also leading her sister's Girl Scout troop.

Colleen Bryers is a recent graduate of the Class of 2006 from Glenbard North High School. She will be attending Northern Illinois University in the fall and will be studying Human Services. Colleen is working at LifeTime Fitness Center and has been involved in gymnastics, dance and the peer mediation program.

Michelle Calvario is also a recent graduate of the Class of 2006. Michelle just graduated from



Pictured from left to right: Carolyn Johnson, Karina Granados, Michelle Calvario and Colleen Bryers.

Glenbard East High School and will be attending the University of Illinois to attain a degree in Kinesiology. She plans to attend medical school and specialize in physical medicine and rehabilitation.

Karina Granados is currently attending University of Illinois at Chicago studying accounting and finance. She has been working at Caputo's Fresh Market and successfully worked her way up to the corporate office. She maintains membership in the National Society of Collegiate Scholars and Honor's College while also being named to the Dean's List for four consecutive semesters.

Congratulations, Scholarship Winners!

Four graduating seniors have been awarded scholarships for students who have attended District 13 schools.

Stacy Medema, a senior at Lake Park High School, was awarded a \$500 scholarship from Erickson's PTO. She plans to study graphic design at Columbia College in Chicago.

Cory Hodges, a senior at Parkway Central High School in Chesterfield, Missouri, who attended DuJardin and Westfield schools, was the recipient of \$500 from DuJardin's PTO. Cory plans to major in Engineering and will join the ROTC program. Cory hopes to be commissioned as an officer in the United States Navy and to spend most of his career in the service of his country.

Kelly Kennedy, a senior at Lake Park High School, was awarded \$750 from Westfield's STP. Kelly plans to major in government and public policy at the University of Chicago with an eye on studying law and going in to politics. She is participating in an internship program this semester, working for the Illinois House Democrats.

Jorie Larsen, also a senior at Lake Park, received a \$750 scholarship from former Westfield teacher Jay Perkins in memory of his late wife Patti. Jorie plans to major in Journalism at Boston University.

Two area high school girls were the recipients of the Bloomingdale Women's Club Scholarships which are awarded each year to deserving high school seniors. The emphasis for eligibility is on community service. **Marina Tecktiel** graduated from Conant High School

and will continue her education at the University of Minnesota. Marina intends to major in sociology and Jewish studies with plans to become a rabbi. **Michelle Calvario** was also a BWC scholarship recipient. She has been involved in concert band, marching band, and honor band. In addition, Michelle has also been active in cross country and track and field while enjoying membership in the National Honor Society and Spanish Honor Society.

Dr. Deborah Kling Named Westfield Middle School Principal

Dr. Deborah Kling of St. Charles has been named principal of Westfield Middle School, the District 13 School Board announced. Kling comes to Westfield from St. Charles North High School where she served as assistant principal for student activities, building and operations. She previously taught at the elementary, middle school and high school levels.



The move to Westfield and the role of principal offers Kling "the opportunity to expand my role as an I'll be able to work with kids on a more personal level in a smaller learning community." (Westfield has 550 students compared to 2100 at St. Charles North High School.)

Kling began July 1. Mary Ann Fennell, Westfield's assistant principal, has been promoted to associate principal. Earl Overman, Westfield principal since 2003, has been named principal of Winston Junior High in Palatine.

Attention Quilters and Quilt Lovers!

The Bloomingdale Park District Museum - 108 S. Bloomingdale Road in Bloomingdale, has its galleries filled with wonderful quilts and fiber art through August 19.

In Gallery I is a display of fiber art called "Color Fusion" by a group using fusing and fusible web with hand-dyed fabrics creating colorful, original unique art quilts. The quilts are bright and lively and rich in dense color.

In Gallery II, a portion of quilts from the Quilt National '05B Collection of Quilts from the Dairy Barn in Athens, Ohio is on display. Every two years we are able to bring you a section of this prestigious show that features approximately 30 of the best and most exciting contemporary art quilts being produced today.

Most of the quilts are for sale in both galleries. Hours during the show: Wed. 6 - 8 p.m.; Th. & Fri 10 - 4 p.m.; Sat. 12 - 4 p.m. Admission: \$4/resident, \$6/non-resident, \$2 Resident Senior, \$3 Non resident Senior. Call the museum at 630/539-3096 for more information





BUY IN BLOOMINGDALE — Supporting our businesses keeps the Village portion of your property tax bill low!

'SHOP STRATFORD FOR SCHOOLS' CAN EARN \$500 FOR SPECIAL PROJECTS

STRATFORD SQUARE MALL is again offering its popular "Shop Stratford for Schools" program whereby participating schools can earn \$500 for special projects. Anyone can contribute their points just by stopping at the Customer Service Center at Stratford Square with mall store receipts. Shoppers can designate his/her points to any participating school. It's that easy! Schools are striving to earn 600 points per enrolled student. The program begins with August receipts and continues through February 28, 2007.

Participating Bloomingdale schools include: DuJardin, Erickson, St. Isidore, Winnebago, Stratford and Westfield Middle Schools. Program details are available at 630-539-1000 or www.stratfordsquaremall.com

NEW BUSINESS

INCHES-A-WEIGH, WEIGHT LOSS CENTER FOR WOMEN is one of America's fastest growing weight loss concepts. For 20 years this company has been offering one-on-one support and motivation, fitness for all ages and menu planning in a supportive, friendly and safe environment. The Bloomingdale weight loss and exercise center was opened recently at 369 W. Army Trail Road by Dan & Debbie Powers who are excited to have the opportunity to help women make lifestyle changes.

Inches-A-Weigh fosters lifestyle changes through three approaches – nutritionally sound family eating plans, reshaping by firming and toning and cardiovascular fitness. Dan & Debbie, along with their friendly staff, invite you to take that first step and schedule a free consultation, figure analysis and facility tour by calling them at 893-8800. Inches-A-Weigh is conveniently open Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 8 p.m.; Friday 8:30 a.m. – 7 p.m. and Saturday 9 am - 1 pm.

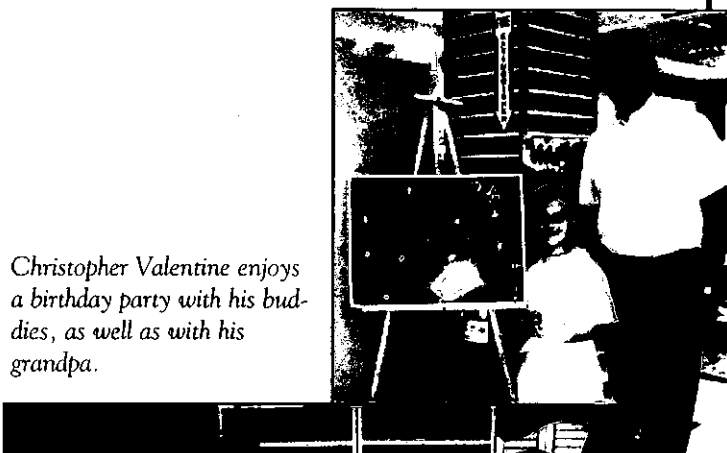
'NIGHT OF GIVING'

Stratford Square Mall is looking for community organizations interested in fundraising. Plans are being made for the 4th annual "Night of Giving" holiday charity shopping event on Sunday, November 12th. This special event kicks off the holiday season and gives local non-profit organizations the opportunity to raise money through ticket sales. Please contact the mall marketing office at 630-351-2800 for information.

NEW LOCATION

THE PAINTED PENGUIN, located in Stratford Square mall, is an activity center for families and children of all ages which features ceramic painting and archeological digs. The store has been so well received by the surrounding communities that it has expanded and moved to a new location on the lower level wing near Marshall Field's. The new store will have all of the latest Penguin attractions including a new igloo specifically designed by Pittsburgh Corning and J. Doheny Glass Block, Inc.

The Painted Penguin – Stratford, is one of five activity centers where kids and adults can celebrate their birthdays and other occasions. Other in store activities include Girl Scout and Boy Scout outings, school field trips, summer camp and day care outings, and team building events for organizations. The Painted Penguin – Stratford is also mobile, bringing its creative theme to your group or organization. Call (630) 894-0005 or check out their website at www.ThePaintedPenguin.com for more information.



Christopher Valentine enjoys a birthday party with his buddies, as well as with his grandpa.



The Business Beat features news about Bloomingdale businesses – newly opened ones, those under construction, and those who have special news – awards won, charitable fundraisers hosted, recent major remodels, etc. Call Mary Ellen Johnson, Almanac Editor at 671-5600 with news about your business.



Bloomington Fire Protection District #1



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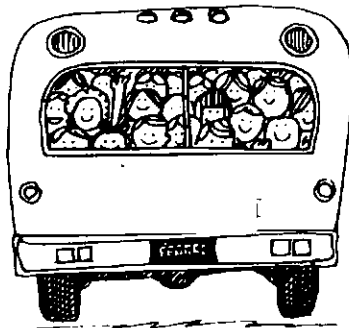
School Safety

Summer is coming to a close and school is right around the corner. The Bloomington Fire Protection District would like to offer the following safety tips when sending your children to school:

Riding the Bus

School bus transportation is safe. In fact, buses are safer than cars! Even so, last year, approximately 26 students were killed and another 9,000 were injured in incidents involving school buses.

More often than not, these deaths and injuries didn't occur in a crash, but as the pupils were entering and exiting the bus. Remember these safety tips:



Have a safe place to wait for your bus, away from traffic and the street.

Stay away from the bus until it comes to a complete stop and the driver signals you to enter.

When being dropped off, exit the bus and walk ten giant steps away from the bus.

Keep a safe distance between you and the bus. Also, remember that the bus driver can see you best when you are back away from the bus.

Use the handrail to enter and exit the bus.

Stay away from the bus until the driver gives his/her signal that it's okay to approach.

Be aware of the street traffic around you. Drivers are required to follow certain rules of the road concerning school buses, however, not all do.

Protect yourself and watch out!

Walking and Biking to School

Even if you don't ride in a motor vehicle, you still have to protect yourself.

Because of minimal supervision, young pedestrians face a wide variety of decisions making situations and

dangers while walking to and from school. Here are a few basic safety tips to follow:



Mind all traffic signals and/or the crossing guard -- never cross the street against a light, even if you don't see any traffic coming.

Walk your bike through intersections.

Walk with a buddy.

Wear reflective material ... it makes you more visible to street traffic.

Riding in a Car

You might have heard before that most traffic crashes occur close to home ... they do.

Safety belts are the best form of protection passengers have in the event of a crash. They can lower your risk of injury by 45%. You are four times more likely to be seriously injured or killed if ejected from the vehicle in a crash. Everyone needs to be buckled up properly. That means older kids in seat belts, younger kids in booster seats and little kids in child safety seats.

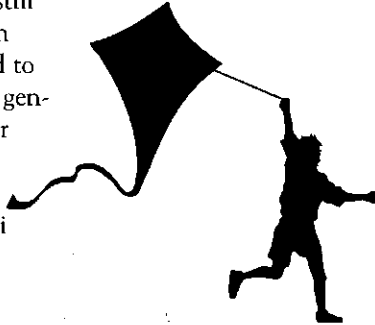
If you would like further information on safety, contact the Bloomington Fire Protection District at 894-9080.

'Children at Play' and 'Slow, Children' Signs Being Phased Out; 'Watch for Children' Signs May be Installed by Request

The Village has recently removed many "Children at Play" and "Slow Children" signs in town as these signs are being 'phased-out' of use by the Village. The wording on these signs erroneously imply that the Village condones children playing in the street. For uniformity, only the legend "Watch for Children" will be considered.

In general the use of the signs is not recommended by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration as there is no evidence relative to their success in reducing pedestrian accidents, operating speeds, or legal liability due to the signs. Rather, studies indicate such signage only encourages parents and children in residential neighborhoods to believe they have an added degree of protection, when in fact, motorists tend to disregard such signage as a normal condition.

"Watch for Children" signs still may be installed upon citizen request. Signs will be limited to local residential streets with generally 500 vehicles per day or less. Only one sign will be installed serving the inbound direction of streets into residential subdivisions.



The following steps are necessary to have a sign installed:

- ☐ A resident requesting "Watch for Children" signs should contact the Village Services Director in consultation and with the consent of the Police Chief.
- ☐ The Director will review the request and determine if the street is eligible and if so, suggest a location for the sign, which will generally be near the beginning of the block.
- ☐ The requesting party may be contacted to discuss options. The requester will then be required to get the written approval of the property owner(s) abutting the location of the sign.

Call Village Services at 671-5690 for more information or clarification of the process.



'Deaf/Vision Impaired/Handicapped Child' Warning Signs May be Requested by the Property Owner

"Deaf/Vision Impaired/Handicapped Child" signs may also be installed, upon request from the property owner, on local residential streets with generally 500 vehicles per day or less. These are warning signs which must be used prudently in order to make them noticeable and effective. It is important for parents to understand the many limitations and disadvantages of these signs, so as not to create a false sense of security for the child or his parents.

A sign cannot guarantee improvements in traffic safety or motorist behavior. It is hoped that the "Deaf/Vision Impaired/Handicapped Child" sign would remind neighborhood motorists that a child with special needs may be present. Again, in order to have a sign installed, the property owner shall request the sign from the Director of Village Services in



consultation and with the consent of the Police Chief.

For more information and to learn the necessary regulations for placing such a sign, please contact Village Services at 671-5690. Annual renewal for these signs is mandatory or the signage will be removed.

AN OPEN LETTER OF THANKS...

Family Fest was held on June 22, 23, 24 and 25. The whole event ran smoothly and this was due to the fine planning, cooperation, and hard work of a number of individuals who deserve special recognition for their almost year round work on the Fest. We would like to thank the following individuals who served on this year's Family Fest Committee:

*Milton Clark
Allison Dasbach
Julie Deeke
Guy Sanalidro
Dennis Szafran
Sandy Raucci, Recording Secretary
Judi Von Huben, Village Board Liaison
John Dabrowski, Village Board Liaison
Sgt. Rich Blair, Police Department Liaison
Ed Lewen, Public Works Liaison
Ed Reidy, Park District Liaison
Asst. Chief Nels Olson, Fire Department Liaison
Barb Weber, Village Liaison*

Additional acknowledgements are in order for:

Dennis Szafran, Ed Lewen and the staff of the Public Works Department, who did a fantastic job setting up the Fest Site and making sure the grounds were in great shape during and after the Fest

Sgt. Rich Blair and the staff of the Police Department for the fine job done with security during the Fest.

Additional thanks are also extended to the following volunteers who helped out on-site in the Information Tent and with Glowstick Sales:

Bill Forgette, Dave Strutzel, Sandy Dauber, Joyce Roteman, Caroline Pahl, Tony Scorzo, Rita Scorzo, Gloria Elder, Joanna Seebeck, Britta Paszkiet, Kusum Shah, Bob Przyborowski, Jerry Gaetano, Sam D'Amico, Kiran Shah, Kaushik Shah, Lidia Schmitz, Bob Cohen, and Kristi & Andy Kaluski

We would also like to thank the following individuals and organizations who also contributed much to the success of the Fest:

- *The Board and staff of the Bloomingdale Park District for the use of the land and sponsoring tumbling activities in the Family Fun Activity Tent.*
- *Village of Bloomingdale and the Bloomingdale Park District for the spectacular fireworks display*
- *Village officials for their support*
- *Staff of the Village Hall*
- *The Board and staff of the Bloomingdale Public Library for their cooperation and assistance.*
- *Timothy McFadden and the staff of the Lone Star Steakhouse, as the Fest beer vendor*
- *All food vendors, business tent vendors and sponsors*

In closing, we hope everyone who attended Family Fest had a great time. We're looking forward to seeing each and every one of you at Family Fest 2007!

*Tim Jarzemsky
Family Fest Co-Chair*

*Kandice Krettler
Family Fest Co-Chair*

The Village of Bloomingdale would like to thank the following businesses and organizations for supporting Family Fest:

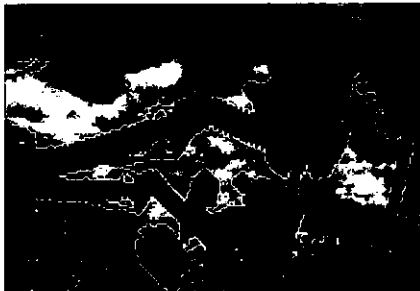
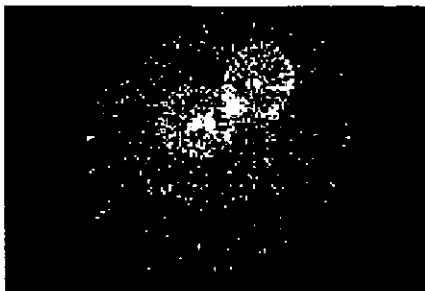
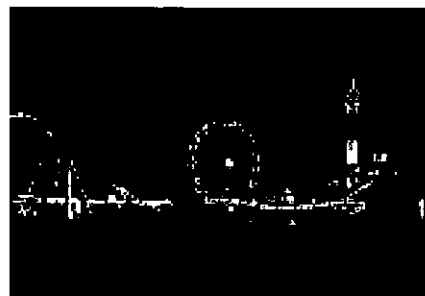
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The Village of Bloomingdale would also like to recognize and thank the following businesses for contributing to the Village of Bloomingdale Event Fund:

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LIBRARY HOLIDAY HOURS

Saturday, September 2 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, September 3 **Closed**
Monday, September 4 **Closed**
(Labor Day)

Sunday hours resume on September 10
from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Ice Cream Social August 10
Roy's Famous Fish Fry August 11

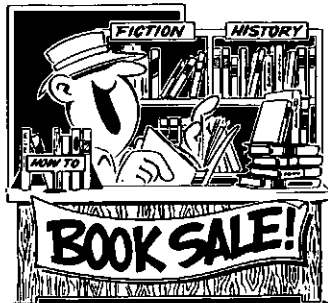
Tickets for Breakfast/Brunch with Santa
and Polar Express will go on sale at
9:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 14.

**THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED ON
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13
FOR A STAFF INSERVICE DAY.**

THANK YOU TO LOCAL SPONSORS FOR THEIR SUPPORT

The Bloomington Public Library would like to thank the following merchants and organizations for their very generous donations to the Adult and Youth Services Reading Program.

Adler Planetarium and Astronomy Museum
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Stratford Square Mall



THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE

The Friends of the Library Book sale will be Saturday, September 16th from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. The sale will include thousands of books including the nicest copies of recent withdrawals and donated material.

Of special note as we move towards a DVD only collection, the sale will include hundreds of VHS tapes that have recently been withdrawn from our collection.

Youth Services Department YOUTH PROGRAMS

REGISTRATION INFORMATION/REQUIREMENTS FOR FALL STORYTIME PROGRAMS

Bloomington Library cardholders may register for storytimes at the Youth Services Reference Desk, or by telephoning (630) 924-2740. Please have your library card when you register.

Please note that selected programs are open to Bloomington 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 siblings may not attend registered programs.

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

Fall Programming begins the week of September 18.

Fall Programming ends the week of October 23.

STORYTIMES

Programs for children ages three months through five years.

Registered storytimes are limited to Bloomington Public Library cardholders only.



ROMPER RHYMES (3 months - 15 months)
Tuesdays, September 19 - October 24
9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
Registration Required

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, September 19 - October 24
11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Registration Required

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.



TIME FOR 2'S (24 months - 35 months)
Wednesdays, September 20 - October 25
10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Time for 2's is a storytime for children two years old accompanied by a parent or caregiver. This program is designed to help children develop listening skills, and features stories, flannel board interplay, and musical activities. Please make other arrangements for the care of siblings, so that the parent/caregiver may be able to share this special time with his/her child.



PRESCHOOL STORYTIME (ages 3 - 5)
Mondays, September 18 - October 23
10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
Registration Required

Wednesdays, September 20 - October 25
1:30 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.
Registration Required

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 Primary Connections program information.

PRIMARY CONNECTIONS (K - 1st)
Mondays, September 18 - October 23
4:15 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Registration Required

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.



Youth Services Department YOUTH PROGRAMS

DROP-IN STORYTIMES

THE FOLLOWING STORYTIMES
DO NOT REQUIRE REGISTRATION



FAMILY STORYTIME (All ages)
Fridays, September 22 - October 27
10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

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



BEDTIME STORIES (All ages)
Tuesdays, September 19 - October 24
7:00 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

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



KIDSQUARE

Don't forget to join us for stories and songs when we host KidSquare at Stratford Square Mall on Wednesday, October 11 at 10:30 a.m.



MYSTERIOUS MUMMIES

(Grades 3 - 5)

Thursday, September 28
7:00p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Registration Required

Tomb raiders, anthropologists, and ancient kings and queens. Flesh eating beetles, canopic jars, and golden sarcophagi. These are the makings of MYSTERIOUS MUMMIES!!!! Want to learn more including hieroglyphic code deciphering and the secrets of mummification? Sign up today! Register at Youth Services Desk or call 630-924-2743.



VOLUNTEENS

(Grades 7 - 12)

Are you a student in grades 7-12? Are you looking for a fun way to get job experience, earn service hours, or make a difference in the community? If so, the Bloomingdale Public Library VolunTEENS program is looking for you! You'll work 2-4 hours per month with the Bloomingdale Library's Youth Service staff preparing crafts, keeping the library tidy and helping with special projects. If you are interested in being a VolunTEEN during the fall semester, please contact Sarah Joynt, VolunTEEN Coordinator, at 630-924-2745 or email sjoynt@linc.lib.il.us, to schedule a time for a short interview. There are a limited number of positions available, so stop by or call today!



MOTHER/DAUGHTER BOOK CLUB - FALL SCHEDULE

(Grades 4 - 7)

Registration Required

Reading and sharing your thoughts, opinions, likes and dislikes about popular literature can be quite fun. The first novel is chosen for light fun, and subsequent books are voted on by the group. Yes, you have a say in what you read! Recommendations are always considered. This book discussion is for girls in grades 4 through 7 this school year and their moms or a special female friend. This is a great time to share with your reading friends and their caretakers. Please join us; newcomers are always welcome. This program is open to residents and non-residents. Register in person at the Youth Services Reference Desk or phone (630) 924-2740.

Information Night, and pick up first title

Wednesday, August 16th 7:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

(If unable to attend, please call (630) 924-2740 to pick up book and program information.)

Monthly discussions take place on the following Wednesday nights:

September 20, October 18, and November 15 from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Adult Services Department
ADULT PROGRAMS

YA PROGRAMS



**DANCE DANCE
REVOLUTION**

**Thursday, September 14
6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.**

&

**Thursday, October 12
6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Teens 7th - 12th grades**

Show off your best dancing skills on our big screen! Don't dance? Just come hang out with your friends. We have food and other games too. Registration not necessary, just stop on by!

**GET ACTIVE @ YOUR LIBRARY -
TEEN READ WEEK 2006**

Be on the lookout for fun programs and events during Teen Read Week October 15th - 22nd.

YA SPOT MURAL CONTEST



Attention all artists! The YA Spot's display area needs your creative work! The Library is sponsoring a mural contest between September 18th and October 7th, with winners to be announced during Teen Read Week 2006. Interested? Here's some additional information you'll need to know:

To participate, stop by the Adult Services Reference desk starting September 18th. Murals are due October 7th, so give yourself plenty of time.

Mural contest is for teens in grades 7th - 12th only!

The theme of the mural has to be book and/or library related.

The library will provide paper for the mural.

Only one entry per person.

There will be two winners.

Winners of the contest will receive \$25 gift card and their art work will be displayed in the YA Spot.

Winners will be announced during Teen Read Week 2006 October 15 - 21st.

DUELER'S GUILD

Do you like to play Yu-Gi-Oh!, Magic: The Gathering, or other collectible card games but don't have anywhere to play? If you are 9 years old or older, you can join the Bloomingdale Public Library's Dueler's Guild.

We meet on the first Tuesday of the month from 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. and the third Saturday of the month from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Are you interested in other role playing and strategy games like Dungeons and Dragons or Settlers of Catan? Contact Bill Forgette (924-2766) or Melissa Willer (924-2754) at the library for more information about the forthcoming expansion of this popular program!



**SPOTLIGHT ON
LIBRARY DATABASES**

Many of us are trying to manage an investment portfolio either through a 401K plan or general personal investments. If you are investing in mutual funds, a product which can be of great assistance in analyzing your total portfolio is the electronic version of Morningstar. Many mutual funds own the same stocks. One of the features of the Morningstar database is the Portfolio X-ray, which can help to determine how much overlap in holdings there is between the various funds in your portfolio. Need more information? Call the Reference desk at 924-2730 and we will be happy to assist you.

ADULT BOOK GROUPS

New members are always welcome! Books are available about one month in advance at the Adult Reference Desk. Any questions, please call 924-2730.

ADULT BOOK GROUP

Meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month and the previous Wednesday morning at 10:00 a.m.

August 16 and 17

Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy
by John La Carre

September 20 and 21

Hummingbird's Daughter
by Luis Alberto Urrea

HISTORICAL BOOK GROUP

Meets from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. on the first Tuesday of the month.

September 5

Here's the Deal: The Making of a Great American City
by Ross Miller

Adult Services Department **ADULT PROGRAMS**

ADULT PROGRAMS

All programs are free and open to everyone.

Please call the Adult Services desk to register, 924-2730 unless noted otherwise.



TRANSFORMING TRADITIONS: MODERNISM AND QUILTS

Wednesday, August 2
7:00 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.

Early American quilts were born of necessity but have been transformed into a vibrant contemporary art form. We trace this transformation as it parallels changes in art, architecture, design and society. A representative of Fun Quilts, a family owned business in Oak Park, will bring quilts to show how the designs are expressive of the era in which we live.

SCHEMES AND SCAMS

Monday, August 21
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Don Delaney, author of *Fraud: the Secret Files of America's #1 Investigator* and a claims adjuster for over 30 years, will give an insider account of fascinating insurance fraud cases.



GET A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP

Wednesday, August 30
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

An estimated 50 million Americans are affected by sleep disorders. These disorders interfere with performance at home, school and work, and can even affect relationships with family and friends. Join Kelly Holt, Senior Director of Patient Care Services, and learn about the newest diagnosis and treatment for sleep disorders. Registration required. Please call AlexianConnects at 1-800-ALEXIAN (253-9426). Program at library.

MEDICARE AND THE FUTURE OF NURSING HOMES

Tuesday, September 12
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

John Pankau and financial planner Tom Parker will discuss issues facing seniors when they have to look into alternative lifestyles: assisted living or nursing homes. The rules for Medicare and Medicaid have changed as of 2006 because the government is unable to afford the programs and have tightened the restrictions. This seminar will give information on the rule changes and what people can do to protect their assets.



FALL SPLENDOR

Tuesday, September 19
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Apples, pumpkins, leaves, seeds, bulbs, favorite fall perennials - you name it - gardener extraordinaire, Nancy Carroll, will cover the many joys of the wonderful fall season with creative ideas, horticultural and garden information, floral arrangements, recipes and projects. There will be food samples, recipes, handouts and give-aways available. The enthusiasm and interaction will make you want to run and jump into a pile of fall leaves!



SOUPS AND BREADS

Wednesday, October 4
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

This class is a must for you if you love hearty soups with a delicious piece of crusty bread on the side. Pina Bartolomeo, of Pina's Culinary Experience of Roselle, will teach you a dozen ways to "soup" up your meals with rib sticking, healthy main-course recipes that when teamed with a good homemade bread makes a satisfying, delicious meal.

QUICK 'N EASY HOME DECORATING WITH JULEA JOSEPH - USING WHAT YOU HAVE

Tuesday, October 10
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Julea Joseph, a local interior designer who has appeared on HGTV's *Decorating Cents*, will help you "Sass up your Space!" with a comprehensive workshop on quick and easy decorating with existing belongings for your home environment. Along with basic rules for decorating rooms, learn how to weed through existing belongings, uncover hidden treasures, and make smart shopping choices for incorporating a few new pieces into your home's design.

PEP VOUNTEER PROGRAM

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

The next training series for ESL, reading and math volunteer classroom tutors will be offered on consecutive Saturdays, November 11 and 18, 2006, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Glen Ellyn campus. The deadline to register is October 27. Spring assignments begin January 18, 2007.

PEP invites anyone who already has tutor/teacher training in these subjects to apply for a volunteer position for the fall semester which begins August 23.

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

THANK YOU

A special thank you to Michael and Bertie Ratliff for their generous \$500 donation to the library. This money will be used to enhance our audio book collection.

COMPUTER PROGRAMS

The following computer classes are recommended for ages 13 and older. There is a \$10.00 refundable deposit (cash or check only) 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, August 7, 2006. Deposits will not be refunded unless cancellations are made at least 24 hours in advance of the class start time. For additional registration information, please call the Business Office of the Library at (630) 924-2720.

BEGINNER COMPUTER COURSE

(Note: all six classes must be attended)

Monday,	September 11	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Thursday,	September 14	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Monday,	September 18	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Thursday,	September 21	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Monday,	September 25	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Thursday,	September 28	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Instructor: Sean



This new six session course will provide the basic tools needed for the topics of computer use that people are most interested in. Getting comfortable with Windows and the mouse while learning about the Internet, email, word processing and printing will be the primary focus. This course is intended for anyone, whether they're interested in refreshing old skills or have never touched a computer before. Much of the class will be devoted to questions and all topics will include hands-on practice. A \$60.00 deposit is due upon registration for this course, and all six classes must be attended in order to receive a refund. (No previous experience necessary.)

KEYBOARDING

Monday, August 14, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

A basic course to teach those who are uncomfortable typing on a computer the basics they need to know to type more efficiently. In addition to classroom instruction students will be shown how to use the library's typing tutor program to learn on their own.

WINDOWS XP

Monday, August 21, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

This class will examine the new features of Windows XP that casual users are likely to notice and would have the opportunity to take advantage of. Will also illustrate specific differences between XP and older versions of Windows to help users adapt to the changes. (Having taken Introduction to the Personal Computer or equivalent experience is recommended.)

USING POWER POINT

Wednesday, August 23, 6:30 - 8:30 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 EXCEL

Wednesday, August 30, 6:30 - 8:30 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.)

INTERMEDIATE EXCEL

Wednesday, September 13, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

This class covers more advanced topics in Excel such as formulas, graphs and linking between multiple worksheets. (Having taken Introduction to Microsoft Excel or equivalent experience is recommended.)

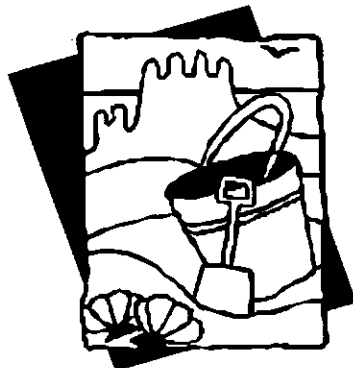
EXCEL PIVOT TABLES

Wednesday, September 20, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Instructor: Sean

Pivot Tables are an Excel tool intended to sort, filter, and organize data dynamically allowing users to emphasize whatever aspect of their data they desire. This class will cover the creation of, editing, and use of pivot tables.





Bloomington Public Library

presents its

18th Annual Ice Cream Social Voyage to Book Island

Thursday, August 10, 2006

5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

This event will be held at the Bloomington Public Library

101 Fairfield Way, Bloomington, IL 60108

For more information, please call the Business Office at (630) 924-2720.

Dave Rudolf's Beach Party Concert

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Summer fun and activities for the whole family . . . Limbo, Hula Hoop, use Shakers, Jump Rope, watch the Bubble Machines, do a Congo Line, or tons of other fun interactive activities while listening to great music!



**RIDES,
FACE PAINTING,
STORYTELLING,
and
BALLOONS**

Sponsored by:
The Friends of the
Bloomington Public
Library,
The Village of
Bloomington, and
The Bloomington
Public Library.

The Friends of the Bloomington Public Library
will be selling ice cream sundaes, snow cones, popcorn, and beverages.

Old Neighborhood Hot Dogs

will be selling hot dogs, jumbo dogs, brats, and chips.

Pizzeria Pronto

will be selling pizza.

PARKING NOTE:

Overflow parking for this event will be at the Village Hall, Starck & Co. Realtors at 181 S. Bloomington Road, and the lot to the immediate north of Starck & Co. Realtors.

Exhibits by:
Bloomington
Fire District
&
Bloomington
Police
Department



You're invited to step back into time...come experience the re-creation of what was once Bloomington's most popular social event! Come dine on fish and reminisce at the

8th Annual Roy's Famous Friday Night Fish Fry!

Friday, August 11, 2006

from 6:30 - 9:30 P.M.

This event will be held under the tent at Founders Park
(Located in front of the Library, at the corner of Bloomington Road and Fairfield Way)

This event is sponsored by:

The Village of Bloomington, The Bloomington Public Library, and The Bloomington Historical Society.

Tickets purchased between July 1 - August 10, 2006

Adults - \$13.00
Kids, ages 4 - 12 - \$5.00
Kids under age 4 - Free
(ticket required)

Tickets purchased Friday, August 11, 2006

Adults - \$16.00
Kids, ages 4 - 12 - \$6.00
Kids under age 4 - Free
(ticket required)

The Fish Fry will be presented by Rooster's Restaurant of Bloomington
from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. and the menu will include:

fried haddock, French fries, coleslaw, lemonade, coffee, and a variety of dessert items.

Sorry, no other food items will be available this evening.

Pop, bottled water and alcoholic beverages will be available for purchase on-site at this event.

Enjoy the sounds of the Grand Avenue Big Band
and dance the night away!



The library will be open during the fish fry so you can enjoy the special Local History Room Exhibit.

Call 630-924-2720 for ticket information.

Bloomington Park District

We're right around the corner!

172 S. Circle Avenue

Ph. 630.529.3650

Office Hours:

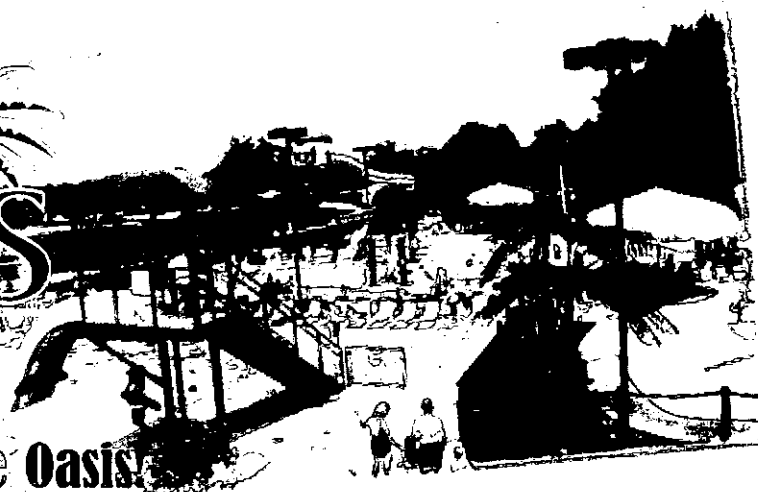
M-TH: 8:30am-7:00pm

F: 8:30am-4:30pm

SA: 9:00am-1:00pm

the Oasis

There's still plenty
of time to enjoy The Oasis!



Island Events at The Oasis!

"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.

Crazy Caribbean Day:

August 7: 4:00-8:00pm

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'!

Family Entertainment Night:

August 9, 6:00-7:30pm: "Leonardo!"

Come dance, sing and shake along with Leonardo as he performs a high energy, interactive family show that everyone can enjoy! Original songs and old favorites with themes of self-esteem, imagination, tolerance, nature and safety are his specialty.

Lunch with the Lifeguards

August 10, 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, use Code #: 405601-A1.

Lil' Island Explorer Day

August 15, 3:30pm

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

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.

2006 Oasis Limited Hours (Beginning August 16 through September 4):

August:

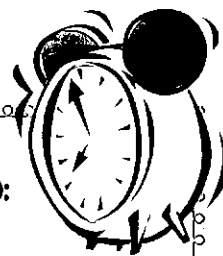
8/16, 8/17, 8/18 4:00-8:00pm

8/19, 8/20 Noon-6:00pm

8/26, 8/27 Noon-6:00pm

September:

9/2, 9/3, 9/4 Noon-6:00pm



SuperStar Swim Camp

This mini camp will be a blast for your little swimmer! We will be covering water safety, swimming instruction, water aerobics, pool games, boat play time, water sports and more! This camp is designed to be fun and full of playful activities, with minimal swim and stroke instruction. Children must be comfortable in the water and be able to hold their breath for 10 seconds under water to participate in this program.

Location: The Oasis

Instructor: Staff

MIN/MAX: 4/8

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
6-8	M,Tu,W,Th,F	08:30-10:30A	08/07-08/11	\$60/70	402841-A1

DAILY ADMISSION RATES:

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



Summer CONCERT Series

at
OLD TOWN PARK

ALL CONCERTS BEGIN AT 7:00PM

AUGUST

Weavermania

August 8

(Country & Folk)

The Weavers were America's first successful and ultimately most influential folksinging group. Their sound is described as acoustic, American, Americana, blues, children's music, contemporary, folk, gospel, old-time, original, roots and traditional.

Grand Avenue Big Band

August 22

The band has its roots in the music of the traditional big bands of the late '30's and early '40's yet offering a generous helping of music from the 50's into the new millennium. Chicagoland's only big band with Andrew Sisters style vocal trio!

American English August 15

They perform songs covering the entire career of The Beatles from 1963-1970. With precise attention to every musical detail, along with costume changes, vintage instruments, and special effects, American English magically create "The Complete Beatles Experience!"

Fast Eddie & The Corvettes

August 29

(Rock)

A dynamic show and dance band covering 50's, 60's, 70's and party tunes, the band features: A flaming drum stick show, impersonations of Elvis, the Blues Brothers, Buddy Holly, and the Village People.

DIVE-IN MOVIE! - 8:30PM

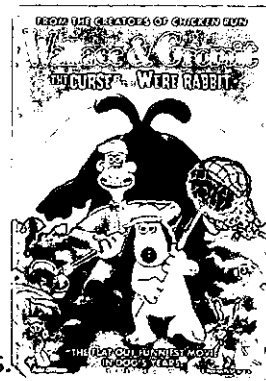
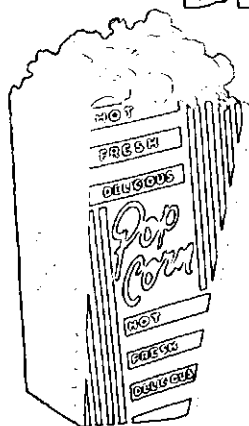
August 10:

Wallace and Gromit in the
Curse of the Were-Rabbit

\$1 pass holders/\$2 non pass holders

Come float around Mango Bay while you enjoy
this splash-tastic flick!

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



Fall Registration Begins!

Expect your Bloomington Park District Brochure in the mail soon and begin registering for your favorite programs and events online at bloomingtonparks.org, by fax, or in person at the Johnston Recreation Center, 172 S. Circle Ave. For any questions, please call the Park District office at 529-3650.

Important Registration Dates:

Resident Lottery Registration begins with receipt of Park District Brochure through August 29

Lottery Day: August 30

Open Registration begins August 30



Halloween Creations

Come and create your very own Trick-or-Treat bag. Or how about your own facemask? What would Halloween be without your specially decorated pumpkin! This class can be messy so dress for mess. We will have a spooky good time. Registration deadline is September 22.

Location: JRC Kitchen
Instructor: Sandy Moore

MIN/MAX: 5/10

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
3-6	Tu	06:00-06:45P	10/03-10/17	\$25/30	101106-A1

Pixie Chicks **NEW!**

This is a Pre K class that introduces the Pixie Chicks to a world of cheerleading, poms, and baton. They will start off by learning the basics for each of the three sports. From there, they will be Ready, Set, Shout to the mini routines they will be learning. So come join the fun!

Location: JRC Gym; Jr. Gym
Instructor: Lori Lighthall

MIN/MAX: 5/10

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
3-5	Th	11:30-12:15P	09/14-11/02*	\$36/46	101205-A1
3-5	Th	01:30-02:15P	09/14-11/02*	\$36/46	101205-A2
3-5	Th	11:30-12:15P	11/16-01/18*	\$32/42	101205-B1
3-5	Th	01:30-02:15P	11/16-01/18*	\$32/42	101205-B2

*NO CLASS 11/23, 12/21, 12/28

Precious Pink Poodles **NEW!**

They call it "puppy love." Who wouldn't fall in love with these adorable precious pink poodles? Each participant will stuff their own cuddly puppy, pick out a perfect name, decorate a tiny poodle tee, and design a special piece of jewelry to dress up your new pet. All supplies are included. A parent must accompany children ages three to five.

Location: Meacham Room
Instructor: Kreative Kreations Staff
MIN/MAX: 10/20

Age: 3-12
Day: M
Time: 06:30-07:30P
Date: 09/25-09/25
R/NR Fee: \$30/35
Code #: 102602-A1



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

I Want To Be A Police Officer

What child hasn't wanted to be a Police Officer at one point in time? This is their chance to come and be a Police Officer for a day. Children will work with a real policeperson to learn what it's like to be a law-enforcement officer. They will get a chance to visit the Police Station, to look inside a Police Car, to get finger printed, and to see what goes on behind the scenes.

Registration deadline is September 21.

Location: Police Dept.
Instructor: Sandy Moore



MIN/MAX: 10/20

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
3-6	Sa	10:30-12:00P	10/07-10/07	\$15/20	101109-A1

Magic **NEW!**

Children are guaranteed to have a great time as they learn a collection of fascinating and mesmerizing tricks! Amaze family and friends with tricks that involve cards, ropes, coins, mind-reading, and more. While the tricks may appear difficult, you'll discover that they are quick to learn and easy to perform. All materials are provided, and each child receives a magic kit to take home. Children are grouped by age and always learn tricks that are age-appropriate. Additionally, you can sign up for this class again and again since brand new tricks are always taught at each session!

Location: Meacham Room
Instructor: Gary Kantor

MIN/MAX: 10/20

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
5-12	Th	04:00-04:55P	09/14-09/14	\$18/23	102625-A1
5-12	Tu	06:30-07:25P	11/28-11/28	\$18/23	102625-B1



Fall Programs



Klub Friday Nite

Where is the most happening place to be on Friday Night? Grab some friends and head down to the JRC for Klub Friday Nite. Get your groove on while the DJ spins the hottest tunes in our "Klub Room" dance area. Sit back and relax, the "Rec Room" which features a variety of games for you and your friends to enjoy. If dancing and games isn't your thing, try out the nightly basketball tournaments in the gym or just shoot some hoops. A sure way to cure that case of the munchies is a visit to the "Snack Bar" for candy, nachos, pizza, beverages, and more. The highlight of each evening is the KFN free raffle that concludes with the famous giant bucket of gum. Participants must have a current membership with a parent-signed waiver and KFN ID prior to admittance to Klub Friday Nite. Membership and ID card are not transferred from the previous school year. All participants must be signed out by a parent at the end of the evening.

Location: JRC
Grade: 5-8
Day: Friday
Time: 7:30-10:00pm
Fee: \$11 one time membership fee
\$6 nightly entrance fee

Dates:

~~September 8~~ - Welcome Back!

~~October 13~~ - Halloween Surprises. Wear a costume and get in for \$5 Dance-A-Thon. Hip Hop Dance lessons, and Demos. Dance contest.

~~November 3~~ - Free Throw Contest & Free Nail Painting

~~December 4~~ - Wear your KFN Shirt, get 1 free item from the concessions stand. Dodge ball tournament in the gym.

Bring your friends!

BLOOMINGDALE PARK DISTRICT'S Jammin' Gym FRIDAYS & Gym

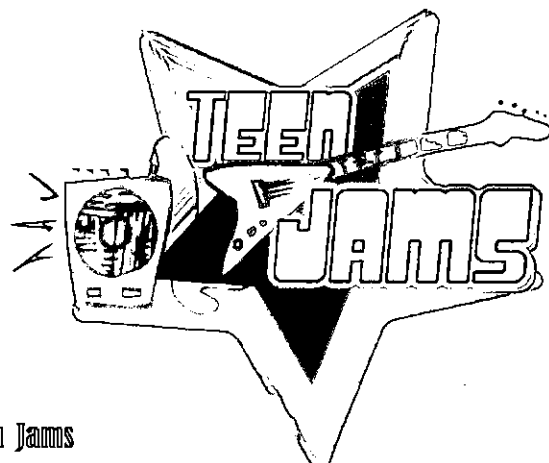
Call all your friends because this is the new **WESTFIELD GYM** place to be on Friday nights!! One Friday a month you will be able to come hang out with your friends at the Westfield Gym. Enjoy sports tournaments, games, open gym, or just hang out while your favorite tunes are played by our D.J. Tournament teams will compete to earn championship status and win prizes. You will be sure to have a good time! Participants must be residents of Bloomingdale and show a current school I.D. Admission is \$5 and participants must be picked up by a parent. NO ONE is allowed to walk home!!

Location: Westfield Gym
Grade: 6-8 Fee: \$5 entrance fee

Friday
September 15
7:00-9:00pm

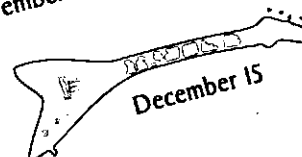
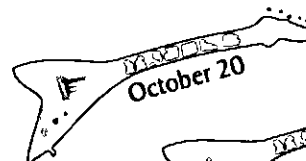
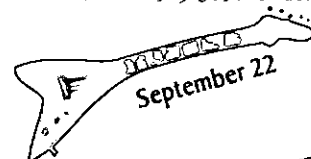
Friday
October 6
7:00-9:00pm

Friday
November 10
7:00-9:00pm



Teen Jams

Get ready to rock with your favorite teen bands! If you are ready for a jammin' time and great live music, come on out and support the bands. Shows are \$6.00 at the door, or \$5.00 with your favorite band's flyer. Most shows start at 7:00pm. Call the Park District at 529-3650 for details.



Interested Bands

If you have a band with members between the ages of 13-20 and are interested in the Teen Jams Series, contact Ellen at 630-529-3650 or email at ellen@bloomingdaleparks.org for more information. All prospective bands are required to submit a CD or cassette sampling of their music. Bands will receive a percent of the proceeds.

2nd Grade Basketball League

This specially designed league is just for 2nd graders and features one practice per week, one game per week, and lower baskets. The league focus is on fun, skill development, and team play. No scores are kept and a referee will officiate each game. Each child will receive a t-shirt and trophy. Volunteer moms and dads are needed to coach and assist for this league. If interested in coaching you may sign up when you register or call the Park District at 529-3650 for more information. There will be a mandatory pre-season coaches meeting. During the meeting coaches will receive their equipment, rosters, and schedules. The league is limited to 32 children, so register early.

Location: JRC Gym

Instructor: Staff

MIN/MAX: 32/32

Grade	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
2-2	M,W	06:00-08:00P	10/02-11/15	\$30/40	102306-A1

Punt, Pass, and Kick

The NFL Pepsi Punt, Pass, and Kick program will create a lively and engaging forum for boys and girls ages 8-15 to compete separately against their peers in punting, passing, and placekicking skills. The tops scorer in all age divisions from each Local Competition will advance to the Sectional Competition. A copy of the participant's birth certificate must be brought to the Local Competition. **Participants MUST pre-register.**

Location: Circle Park

Instructor: Staff

MIN/MAX: 10/50

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
8-9	W	4:00P	9/20	FREE	102330-A1
10-11	W	4:00P	9/20	FREE	102330-A2
12-13	W	4:00P	9/20	FREE	102330-A3
14-15	W	4:00P	9/20	FREE	102330-A4



Bloomington Beat Youth Dance Program

Registration for Fall Dance begins soon! Classes begin in September and run through the middle of December. See your Fall Park District brochure for details. Choose from preballet, ballet, tap, jazz, funk, and combination classes for ages 3 to adult.

Teen Trip

Fright Fest (kw)

Want to have some scary fun on your day off? Join us for this year's Fright Fest at Six Flags Great America! Your fee includes park admission and transportation. Lunch and dinner are on your own, so please bring money.

Registration deadline is October 2, 2006.

Location: JRC Parking Lot

Instructor: Staff

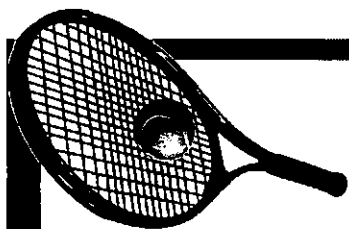
MIN/MAX: 10/30

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
11-18	M	08:15-07:30P	10/09-10/09	\$35/40	102235-A1



Preschool Openings for 2006-07

There are still openings for the Once Upon a Time Preschool's 2006-07 school year. Don't delay, register today at the Johnston Recreation Center, 172 S. Circle Ave. Visit us online at bloomingtonparks.org for more information.



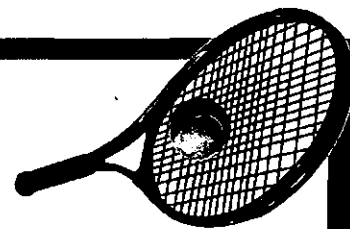
TENNIS CLINIC!

SEPTEMBER 2 AT LAKEVIEW PARK

Come join us for a one-hour tennis clinic. Beginner and advanced levels are welcome.

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED! R/NR Fee: \$10/15. Fee is per person.

Family Clinic:	Ages 5-Adult	9:00-10:00am	Code # 104103-A1
Youth Clinic:	Ages 7-14	10:10-11:10am	Code # 104103-A2
Adult Clinic:	Ages 15-Adult	11:20am-12:20pm	Code # 104103-A3



Fall Programs

Hatha Yoga

The practice of Hatha Yoga elicits harmony in our lives. People of every religion, culture, and age group can practice and benefit from Hatha Yoga. Hatha is the yoga of physical postures. The gentle stretching movements of Hatha can make your life less stressful, bringing deep relaxation and greater flexibility to your body and mind. Treat yourself to an hour of rejuvenation through this ancient art. Mats are available, but it is recommended that you bring your own. Participants should bring a towel to each class. **DROP IN RATE IS \$10 PER CLASS.**

Instructor on Monday PM, Wednesday AM & PM, and Friday AM is Evelyn Walsh-Boyna.
Instructor on Monday AM and Thursday PM is Beth McCown.

Location: Aerobics Studio

Instructor: Staff

MIN/MAX: 8/16

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	M	09:30-10:45A	09/11-10/16	\$50/60	103503-A1
Adult	M	07:15-08:30P	09/11-10/16	\$50/60	103503-A2
Adult	W	09:30-10:45A	09/13-10/18	\$50/60	103503-A5
Adult	W	07:15-08:30P	09/13-10/18	\$50/60	103503-A6
Adult	Th	08:00-09:15P	09/14-10/19	\$50/60	103503-A7
Adult	F	09:30-10:45A	09/15-10/20	\$50/60	103503-A8

Kickboxing

Achieve the top-notch physical condition of a professional kickboxer or boxer without the bumps and bruises. Learn the techniques of boxing and kicking while participating in a fun and well-supervised workout. This is not a contact program. Using your new skills for self-defense will also be covered. Kickboxing uses every major muscle group of the body and is highly effective for developing cardiovascular fitness and body fat reduction. Classes are taught under the instruction of Top Fitness.

Location: Westfield Gym

Instructor: Top Fitness Staff

MIN/MAX: 5/20

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Beginner					
Adult	M	07:00-08:00P	09/11-10/30	\$80/110	103501-A1
Adult	W	07:00-08:00P	09/13-11/01	\$80/110	103501-A2
Advanced					
Adult	M	08:00-08:30P	09/11-10/30	\$40/50	103501-A3
Adult	W	08:00-08:30P	09/13-11/01	\$40/50	103501-A4

Adult Tennis Lessons

Our popular tennis lessons are back once again. Each participant will be introduced to the basics of tennis including the forehand, backhand, serving, positions, and scoring. Get in shape while you learn the game of tennis! Instructor may move students accordingly.

Location: Lakeview Park

Instructor: Theresa Daciolas

MIN/MAX: 8/12

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Beginner					
Adult	Sa	11:00-11:50A	09/09-10/14	\$47/57	103307-A1
Intermediate					
Adult	Sa	12:00-12:50P	09/09-10/14	\$47/57	103307-A2

OPEN GYM

JRC Open Gym

The cost of youth, grades 4-12 is \$2 for residents and \$3 for nonresidents. Proof of age will be required for those in high school.

NEW!

JRC open gym participants will have the option to purchase an open gym pass. The cost of the pass is \$50 for residents and \$70 for non-residents. Pass will expire August 31, 2007.

Westfield Open Gym

The cost of adult open gym is \$4 per visit by residents and \$6 per visit by non-residents. All persons MUST show proof of residency or they will be charged the \$6 rate. Schedule may change to accommodate Bloomingdale Park District programs. For more information call 630-529-3650.

Westfield:

Parent & Child Hoops	Saturdays 12:00-1:00pm
Over 40 Basketball	Sundays 8-10am
Rec Basketball	Sundays 10-noon
5-on-5 Basketball League	Sundays 5-10pm
Adult Rec Basketball	Wednesdays 8-10pm
Co-Rec Volleyball	Thursdays 8-10pm



Westfield
WALKING TRACK
BLOOMINGDALE PARK DISTRICT

Westfield Indoor Track

The Westfield Track consists of two lanes. The inside lane is for walkers and the outside lane is for runners/joggers. 15 laps=1 mile.

All persons using the indoor track must have a photo ID pass. Passes can be purchased at the gym office at Westfield. Passes are good for one year from the date of purchase.

Indoor Track Pass Fee: \$20 resident/\$30 nonresident

The track is for use by persons 16 years old and over. Children 12 to 16 years old are permitted only when accompanied by an adult. Children under 12 years are not allowed on the track. Track etiquette will be followed.

Hours of Operation beginning Monday, September 11th (subject to change)

Monday-Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
5:30-8:00A	5:30-8:00A	8:00A-1:00P	8:00A-12:00P
4:00-9:45P	4:00-8:00P		

Gentle Yoga for Seniors

Enjoy a one-hour class of stretching, strengthening, and relaxing. We will use chairs and blankets for support in many poses. It will improve your posture, increase your mobility, and make you feel great! Please bring a blanket to class. Yoga mats are provided.

Location: Aerobics Studio

Instructor: Beth McCown

MIN/MAX: 8/16

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	Th	09:00-10:00A	09/14-10/19	\$42/52	103507-A2



Learn to Crochet

Come learn this beautiful art form sometimes referred to as "making lace in the air." This class will take you from how to hold your hook through the completion of a finished project. Broken down to its simplest state, crochet is just the pulling of one loop through another. But, oh the beautiful patterns that can be created from even the most basic stitches! We will cover the chain stitch, single, double, and triple stitch, adding, and decreasing. Reading patterns will also be discussed. Please bring an aluminum size H hook and 2 skeins of 4-ply 100% acrylic yarn (worsted weight) in your choice of colors to the first class. Please note this activity takes place at the Bloomingtondale Park District Museum.

Location: Museum

Instructor: Kathie Bakken

MIN/MAX: 4/8

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	Th	06:30-08:30P	09/21-10/05	\$35/45	103220-A1

Wilton Cake Decorating

Come discover how easy and fun cake decorating can be, under the instruction of Laura Vercillo, certified Wilton Cake Decorating Instructor. In Course I we'll begin with a demonstration of borders, stars, leaves, flowers, writing and of course, the Wilton Rose. The remaining three weeks will cover hands-on learning and techniques included in your Wilton Workbook (included with your class fee). Course II will explore more difficult techniques, color flow and royal icing. Course I is a pre-requisite for II and III. Already taken Course I and didn't continue? Now is your chance! Don't miss this opportunity to learn a great new skill!

Location: JRC Kitchen

Instructor: Laura Vercillo

MIN/MAX: 6/12

Course I

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	Tu	07:00-09:00P	09/12-10/03	\$50/60	103612-A1

Course II

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	Tu	07:00-09:00P	10/10-10/31	\$50/60	103613-A1

Still-Life Drawing

This course is designed to be a relaxing learning environment in which students can draw a different still-life every 2 weeks. You will be introduced to important concepts in still-life drawing such as blocking in proportions, the importance of shadows, lost and found shadows and edges, values and tones in color and experimenting with different papers. You may use either pastel pencils or colored pencils, your choice. Your supply list is available at the BPD front office and at Carlson's Paint Store in Wheaton. Please note: this activity takes place at the Bloomingtondale Park District Museum.

Location: Museum

Instructor: Barbara Nelson-Triebes

MIN/MAX: 4/10

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	M	06:30-08:00P	09/18-10/23	\$35/45	103418-A1



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

Oil Painting

Come and enjoy the relaxed atmosphere where artist Linda Deptula will take you step-by-step through the strokes needed to create a wonderful oil painting. Energize your creativity by learning the techniques often practiced by artists as seen on PBS-TV. No drawing or painting experience is required. Space is limited, so sign up early. Wear old clothes or bring a smock. All supplies are included in the class fee. Canvas size is 12" x 16" unless otherwise stated. Let's have fun with oils! Registration deadlines for these courses are the Fridays before the classes meet each session, at 4:30pm.

Location: Museum

Instructor: Linda Deptula

MIN/MAX: 4/10

Little Waterfall and Flowers

A little waterfall and flowers create an invitation to dream.

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	Tu	06:30-09:30P	09/19-09/19	\$50/60	103407-A1

Improved Self-Appearance

Join Linda D. Deptula, Certified Hypnotherapist and member of the National Guild of Hypnotists, to enhance your journey of self-discovery and development through the benefits of hypnotherapy. Hypnosis is a natural state of mind and is characterized by relaxation and suggestibility. In bypassing the critical mind and speaking directly to the subconscious, you can accelerate the changes you desire in life. Dress comfortably, bring a pillow, mat or blanket if desired. Participants must be 21 or older. Please note: this activity takes place at the Bloomingtondale Park District Museum. Anchor your desire and confidence to maintain the perfect weight for you.

Location: Museum

Instructor: Linda Deptula

MIN/MAX: 4/10

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	Tu	06:30-09:30P	09/26-09/26	\$40/50	103401-A1

Senior Discount

Residents who are 62 years of age and better qualify for the Park District's 20% discount. You'll know if the discount applies to a given program by looking for the price tag symbol above.

Adult Trips



Wicked

Broadway's biggest blockbuster has landed in Chicago and we have your tickets! Register now—tickets will go fast! Long before Dorothy dropped in, two girls meet in the Land of Oz. One is born with emerald-green skin, and the other is beautiful, ambitious and very popular. How these two unlikely friends end up the Wicked Witch of the West and Glenda the Good Witch makes for the most spell-binding new musical in years! We have great lower balcony seats reserved. Registration will be accepted at the JRC beginning August 10. Registration deadline is August 31, 2006.

Location: JRC Parking Lot
MIN/MAX: 3/13
Age: Adult
Day: W
Time: 12:15-06:00P
Date: 9/20
R/NR Fee: \$62/67
Code #: 103209-A1

Starved Rock State Park

Travel with About Tours to the scenic and historic Starved Rock State Park. We will enjoy a historic tour through the beautiful park on a trolley with padded seats for extra comfort, heat and air-conditioning. Starved Rock is known for its fascinating rock formations and canyons formed by glacial meltwater. We will learn about the French explorers of the 1600s and how Starved Rock received its name. A soup and salad lunch with beverage and dessert will be included at the natural stone lodge overlooking the bluffs of the Illinois River. You'll also enjoy a cruise on the Belle of the Rock, an authentic paddle wheeler, which provides a great perspective of the autumn colors. Deluxe motor coach transportation is included in your registration fee. Registration deadline is September 18, 2006.

Location: JRC Parking Lot
Instructor: Staff

MIN/MAX: 10/16

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	Tu	09:00-05:00P	10/10-10/10	\$50/55	103240-A1

Legend of Sleepy Hollow

Come experience the magic of the Noble Horse Theatre, where all performances are done on horseback! We will be attending the production of Legend of Sleepy Hollow, the famous Washington Irving folk legend. Watch the Headless Horsemen as he gallops after Ichabod Crane for a bewitching good time! After the show the audience is invited to meet the horses and the riders. Your fee includes your transportation, lunch, beverage and performance. Registration deadline is September 22, 2006.

Location: JRC Parking Lot
Instructor: Staff

MIN/MAX: 3/9

Age	Day	Time	Date	R/NR Fee	Code #
Adult	Tu	10:45-03:30P	10/24-10/24	\$48/53	103228-A1

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Johnston Recreation Center,
172 S. Circle Ave., or online at
bloomingtonparks.org!

At the Museum

The Bloomington Park District Museum presents...

Quilt National 2005 & Color Fusion

Now-August 19

Admission: \$4.00 Residents - \$6 Non-residents

Faces and Places

A Juried Multi-Media Show

September 9-October 14

Reception: Friday, September 15, 6-8pm

Senior Days: October 5, 10am-noon

This juried show will combine the best of portraiture and our surroundings in a variety of media from photography to painting to fibers. The unique visions of the artistic mind will interpret "Faces and Places." Anyone interested in participating in this exhibition should call the Museum at 630.539.3096 for further information.

Admission: \$1.00 Residents - \$2 Non-residents

BLOOMINGTON PARK DISTRICT MUSEUM

108 South Bloomington Road

Phone & Fax-630.539.3096

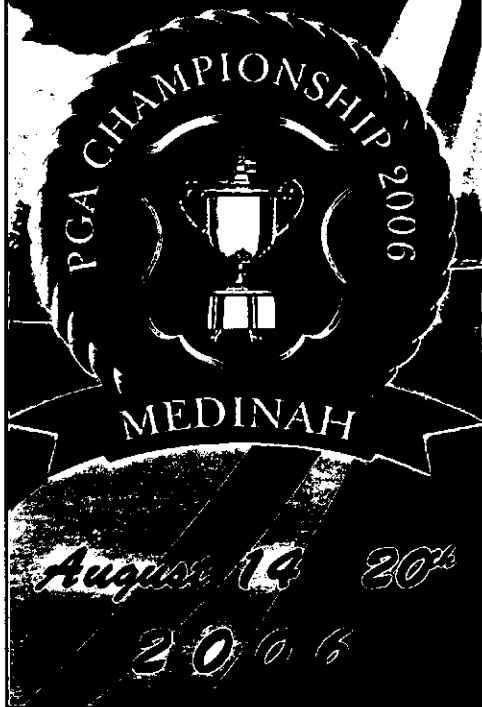
Hours: W: 4-8pm; TH: 10-4pm; F: 10-4pm; SA: 12-4pm

Curators: Diane Duffy & Marjorie Bristow Reichart

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Own a welcome banner!

PGA Championship Comes to Medinah Country Club August 14-20

Medinah Country Club will be hosting the prestigious 88th PGA Championship this month from August 14-20. Tickets are available for all seven days of the event. Check the website at www.pga2006.com or call 1-800-PGA-GOLF (742-4653).

You may have noticed the Welcome PGA banners hanging along Lake Street between Medinah Road and Glen Ellyn Road, as well as west on Schick Road. These banners will be sold for \$100 each following the championship. Banners can be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis with payment (cash or check made out to "Village of Bloomingdale.") Call Mary Ellen at 671-5600 for more information. As there are only 80 banners for sale, only one banner per person will be permitted

Meet Our Award-Winning SWAT Team!

This impressive looking group is the Bloomingdale Police Department's Tactical Response Team. They recently participated in a Firearm's Training SWAT competition early in June.

Team leader Sergeant Rich Blair said he is extremely proud of the efforts of the Bloomingdale 11-man team against much larger departments and mixed department teams.

See the Mayor's column on page 1 for complete details.



Representing Bloomingdale in this Tactical Response Team are: (front row) Sam Bonilla, Randy Peterson, Colin Trusk, Brian McCoy. Standing are Brian Siebrasse, Steve Abruzzo, John Krueger, Rich Blair, Tim Roberts, Erick Cooper and Bruce Mason.